



General Meeting — 7p.m. Wednesday, January 8, 2020
Veterans Memorial Building, 4117 Overland Avenue
Meeting Program: panel on homelessness . . . vote on
whether to endorse Culver City Measure Y . . . 2nd ballot
on whether to endorse two Central Committee candidates

President's Message by Pete Rockwell

Panel to lead a discussion on homelessness at January 8 general meeting

January meeting program

At our January meeting, three local activists will lead a discussion of homelessness: Karlo Silbiger, chair of Culver City's committee on homelessness; Mark Lipman, a member of that committee; and Mel Tillekeratne, Founder and Executive Director of The Shower of Hope. The program on homelessness will begin one hour into the meeting, at 8 p.m.

Also on the agenda

During our regular business meeting, beginning at 7 p.m., members will vote on whether the Club should endorse Culver City Measure Y on the March 3 primary election ballot. This measure would extend a half-cent sales tax that is set to expire soon. Passage of the measure will avoid cuts in essential departments.

At the December meeting the Club endorsed only five of the open Central Committee positions in the 54th Assembly District. There are seven openings and nine candidates that fell short of the sixty percent requirement for endorsement by the Club. Our bylaws require a second ballot when no candidate gets an endorsement on the first ballot.

At the January meeting we will hold a second ballot on the two open positions on the County Committee. The nine candidates who did not get sixty percent on the first ballot will be on that second ballot.

[Article XI, Section 6 of our bylaws reads: "*If a first ballot does not result in an endorsement for all open seats, a second ballot shall be conducted.*"]

Election of Club officers

The other essential business on the meeting agenda in January will be the election of the officers of the Culver City Democratic Club for a one year term. The nominating committee has recommended that the Club re-elect the current slate of officers and their names will be put in nomination. In addition, our bylaws provide for nominations from the floor at the January meeting, as long as the nominee's written or spoken consent is given.

Adoption of 2020 budget

The budget for 2020 was presented to the members at the December meeting. At our January meeting we will vote on whether to adopt it.

Installation of officers and . . . awards!

Our first fundraising event of 2020 now has an exact date: Sunday, February 16, 2020, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Club's annual installation and awards luncheon will be emceed by Culver City Councilman Daniel Lee.

The new Club officers will be sworn in at the February 16 luncheon. That part may not be very interesting if it turns out the new officers are just the old officers who were re-elected.

Maybe we can keep that part short. The awards will be more interesting.

The Trudy and Hal Cherness Democrat of the Year Award will go to long-time Club member Rick Tuttle. Rick is a former Los Angeles City Controller and a lifelong activist for democracy and justice.

There will be a brand new, and possibly once in a lifetime award. The Executive Board is happy to announce that the first recipient of the Culver City Democratic Club's Rising Star Award will be Sarah Hager, one of the leaders of Vote16 Culver City.

Sarah is now a member of our Club, but when she first came to one of our general meetings she was one of three high school students asking the Club to endorse an idea they were trying to turn into law: giving 16- and 17-year-olds the right to vote in Culver City elections.

The Club members at that meeting endorsed the idea unanimously. Such a change would be a desperately needed shot in the arm to voter turnout, and would expand democracy in a constructive way.

**Sponsors for
January meeting:
Pete Rockwell &
Cynthia Hart**

NOMINATIONS

The Nominating Committee met and selected a slate of candidates for Club office for 2020. The slate consists of the following candidates:

President

PETE ROCKWELL

First Vice President

JOHN WILLIAMS

Second Vice President

JEANNA HARRIS

Corresponding Secretary

CYNTHIA HART

Recording Secretary

SHANNON THEUS

Treasurer

ERIC FINE

Membership Secretary

DIANE ROSENBERG

Under Article XIII of our By-Laws: "The officers shall be elected at the January meeting of each year and shall take office for a period of one year beginning with the general meeting in February." In the same Article it is stated: "Nominations may be made from the floor at the election meeting, with the written or verbal consent of the nominee."



The Executive Board of
The Culver City Democratic Club
Cordially Invites you to the

2020 Officer Installation and Awards Luncheon

Sunday, February 16, 2020

11:00 am—3:00 pm

Courtyard by Marriott

6333 Bristol Parkway, Culver City

Honorees

RICK TUTTLE

Trudy & Hal Cherness Democrat of the Year

SARAH HAGER

Rising Star Award

Emcee

DANIEL LEE, CULVER CITY COUNCILMEMBER

Tickets \$45 per person in advance (\$60 at door)

Discounted Self-Parking \$6

Luncheon Menu:

Tender Field Greens Salad

Chicken Dijon w/Garlic Mashed Potatoes

or

Pasta Primavera Entree

Double Chocolate Fudge Cake or Fruit Plate

R.S.V.P. No later than January 31!

Di's Corner:

by Diane Rosenberg

The Club sends its condolences to our members Ronnie Jayne Solomon and Tom Camarella on the passing of her father and Tom's father-in-law Bernie Solomon on Sunday December 8, 2019, in New Jersey.

On Friday, Dec. 6, I entered the Southern California Hospital in Culver City, with cellulitis on my left kneecap. All the tests came back negative and I was discharged Dec.10. I'm still going to Orthosport Physical Therapy for my right shoulder and my left knee.

We congratulate Club member Jimmie Woods-Gray, who was given the Lifetime Volunteer Award on Monday, Dec. 17, 2019, at the Los Angeles County Democratic Party's Chair holiday Party.

Yes, I will be attending the
Culver City Democratic Club Installation Luncheon

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Street: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Other Guest(s) _____

Meal Choices: Chicken Dijon _____ Pasta Primavera _____

Dessert Choices: Chocolate Cake _____ Fruit Plate _____

Number of Attendees _____ X \$45 per person = \$ _____ Lunch Amount Enclosed

Please make checks payable to: Culver City Democratic Club

P.O. Box 4254, Culver City, CA 90231-4254

Questions? Please call: **Ronnie Jayne at 310-836-7557 or**

Diane Rosenberg at 310-398-5328

Dates of General Meetings in 2020

*Please note that all meetings are on the 2nd Wednesday of the month **except** the one on April 22. That change was made to avoid a conflict with Passover*

January 8, 2020

February 12, 2020

March 11, 2020

April 22, 2020

May 13, 2020

June 10, 2020

July 8, 2020

August 12, 2020

September 9, 2020

October 14, 2020

November 11, 2020

December 9, 2020

Endorsements ... so far

The Club held several endorsement votes in November and December. So far we have endorsed:

President

No consensus

U. S. Congress District 37

Karen Bass

State Assembly District 54

Sydney Kamlager-Dove

LA County Supervisor District 2

Holly Mitchell

LA County District Attorney

George Gascon

LA County Central Committee

Khin Khin Gyi

Jeanna Harris

Jacquelynn "Jackie" Hawthorne

Ronnie Jayne Solomon

Jimmie Woods-Gray

Culver City Democratic Club

Order Form for Program Book 2019 Club Officers Installation Luncheon

Dear Fellow Democrat:

Thank you for your generous support of the Culver City Democratic Club. The Club is very grateful for the monetary contributions, volunteered time, lobbying efforts, and get out the vote work of Democrats like you. This is perhaps the most challenging year yet. We took back the House, but we still have a lot of work to do.

Following our longstanding tradition, the Club will swear in our newly-elected officers at the 2020 Club Officers' Installation Luncheon. Our Luncheon will also feature a terrific raffle and some surprises! The Lunch will be held from 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM on Sunday, February 16, 2020, at the Courtyard by Marriott, 6333 Bristol Parkway, Culver City. I hope you and your friends are planning to attend.

The Installation Luncheon Program Book is traditionally an opportunity for members and supporters to acknowledge the work of the outgoing officers, offer congratulations and express support for the incoming Executive Board and show their support of our Club. This year we add our thanks to our 2019 Board and President Pete Rockwell. Club members and Democratic supporters are encouraged to have their names and statements included in our Program Book. Please feel free to solicit ads and sponsorships from your favorite merchants.

All Program Book funds benefit our Political Fund. You can help our GOTV and activist efforts by listing your name as a sponsor for the Installation Lunch, or by placing an ad. Please review the attached form and generously support our Club.

Sincerely,

Ronnie Jayne, Past President of the Culver City Democratic Club

ORDER FORM

Culver City Democratic Club Installation Luncheon Program Book for February 16, 2020

Sponsorship: Yes, I want to help the Culver City Democratic Club. Please list me as a:

☐ Platinum (\$ 200) ☐ Gold (\$100) ☐ Silver (\$50) ☐ Bronze (\$20) Sponsor

How would you like to be listed? _____

(John Smith, or John and Jane Smith, or The Smith Family, etc.)

Ad rates:

Full Page – \$200 Half Page – \$70 Quarter page – \$40 Inside Front Cover – \$200

Back Cover – \$200 Inside Back Cover – \$200

(Photos accepted with minimum of half-page ad)

[Note: We can only guarantee Color printing for Full Size cover ads.]

Size of Ad: _____

(Please provide ads as "photo ready" art or as JPG or TIF images)

Deadline January 31, 2020 for Ads and Sponsorships

Ads cannot be processed without payment.

Please send ads to Ronnie Jayne at Ronniejayn@aol.com

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Street: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _____ **Check #:** _____

Please make checks payable to:

Culver City Democratic Club, P.O. Box 4254, Culver City, CA 90231-4254

Questions? Please call: **Ronnie Jayne at (310) 836-7557**

**We've endorsed Holly Mitchell
for LA County Supervisor.
Now let's help get out the vote.
Please join in phone banking!**

When: Sunday, Jan. 12
from 2 til 5 PM

Where: Suzanne De Benedittis
residence, 10708 Northgate St.,
Culver City, CA 90230

RSVP: 310-204-0570 or email
MakeCCsafe@gmail.com so we
know how many yummy bites,
etc. to prepare.

The March 3rd Primary is
critical! If you cannot make this
volunteering event, please go to
the campaign website to
sign up or donate:

[https://www.hollyjmitchell.com/
get_involved](https://www.hollyjmitchell.com/get_involved)



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DNC Candidate Forum Sunday, January 12, 3 PM – 5 PM

Santa Monica Public Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd,
Santa Monica, California 90401

IT'S 2020!

**Don't forget to renew your
membership in the Culver City
Democratic Club for 2020.**

**You can fill out the form on this
page or you can join
online through ActBlue at:**

**[https://secure.actblue.com/contrib-
ute/page/ccdcmembership](https://secure.actblue.com/contribute/page/ccdcmembership)**

**CCDC Website:
www.CulverCityDemocraticClub.com**

CulverCityDemClub@gmail.com

**Find us on Facebook at
www.facebook.com/culvercitydems**

Culver City Democratic Club Application/Renewal Form

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

I declare that all the individuals listed for membership are registered Democrats

Signed: _____

Membership Dues: Dues may be waived for financial hardship

☐ Member \$30

☐ Student \$20

☐ Supporting Member \$75

☐ Sustaining Member \$125

☐ Lifetime Member \$500

Additional Contribution: \$ _____

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OR Click "Join/Renew" on our web site: CulverCityDemocraticClub.com

For questions please call Membership Secretary Diane Rosenberg at
(310) 398-5328.

Please check here to receive the **paper** newsletter in the mail ☐

Please renew for 2020 if you haven't already done so.

The dues period runs concurrent to the calendar year.

Renewals are due by January 1st of each year. **NO REFUNDS.**