

President's Report

By Lorraine Zamora

So far it's been a Not-So-Happy New Year. In fact, as someone recently said, it feels more like the 54th week of 2020. Like so many of us at Three Parks and around the country, I am outraged at what's happened in Washington, DC the past few weeks. I am heartened by the impeachment of Donald Trump, but worried about the attacks and violence that may yet take place between now and January 20.

Three Parks keeps me centered and sane. Our local efforts continue despite the national assaults. Since Election Day, the Club has endorsed Dan Cohen for Council District 7, Cynthia Doty and Bob Botfeld for District Leaders, Brian Benjamin for Comptroller, Mark Levine for Manhattan Borough President, Gale Brewer for Council District 6, and Jumaane Williams for Public Advocate. Currently we are holding a runoff

vote for our endorsement of a candidate for Manhattan District Attorney.

On January 20, Joe Biden and Kamala Harris will take the oath of office, hopefully in a peaceful, transitional atmosphere. We all need a time of celebration again, just as on the day Biden was declared President-Elect. That day will always stand out in my mind as one of Three Parks' most enjoyable moments—running out to the corners up and down the Upper West Side and dancing in the streets. May January 20 give us the opportunity to rejoice and celebrate again and provide us with the energy to do the work that still needs to be done.

In 2020, Three Parks thrived in its efforts to ensure a win for Biden/Harris as well as support the efforts of Democrats running for senator in Maine, South Carolina and Georgia. This year our focus will be on supporting the club's endorsed candidates in New York City's municipal elections. We are

well on our way to do that. I want thank all of you at Three Parks for your hard work and support to keep Three Parks as one of the most productive and inspiring Democratic clubs in the city. As I keep saying, the bigger the challenge, the better we get!

Please stay safe and healthy—make sure to get “vaxed” as soon as you become eligible to do so. I look forward to seeing you at our next zoom meeting on January 27, at which time we will be endorsing a candidate for mayor.