

# THREE PARKS INDEPENDENT DEMOCRATS

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## CLUB MEETING, FEBRUARY 11, 2015

### **Topic:**

RENT IS TOO DAMNED HIGH: The Policy and Political Challenges of Sustaining Decent Affordable Housing in NYC

### **Speakers:**

VICTOR BACH and TOM WATERS, Housing Policy Analysts/Advocates  
COMMUNITY SERVICE SOCIETY

DATE: WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2015

TIME: 8:00 PM

PLACE: The Youth Hostel, 891 Amsterdam Avenue at 103rd Street

ROOM: Chapel/Ballroom

## AGENDA

7:45 PM Sign-in

8:00 PM Call to Order

1. District Leader Reports
2. Tribute to Corine Pettey
3. Remarks by Officers, Board Candidates and Club Elections
4. Speakers: Victor Bach and Tom Waters
5. Adjourn

## CALENDAR

**Sunday, February 8, 2:00 pm**

State of the Borough Address,  
Gale A. Brewer, Manhattan Borough President,  
Columbia University Lerner Hall

**Thursday, February 12, 6:30-8:30 pm**

Friends of Stryker Park community workshop to discuss ideas for “greening” of 97th Street between Columbus and Amsterdam  
The Youth Hostel, 891 Amsterdam Avenue

**Wednesday, February 25, 8:00 pm**

Three Parks Board meeting  
The Youth Hostel, 891 Amsterdam Avenue

**Wednesday, March 11, 8:00 pm**

Three Parks Membership meeting  
The Youth Hostel, 891 Amsterdam Avenue

**Sunday, May 3**

Three Parks Annual Fundraiser

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

By ELIZABETH KELLNER

At the first TPID meeting of the new year, we heard from both our Assemblyman Danny O'Donnell and Capt. Marlon Larin, CO of the 24th Precinct which covers 86th to 110th Sts on the West Side. Their remarks provided a criminal justice theme from different perspectives. Capt. Larin was accompanied by several senior officers from the precinct.

Crime rates have gone down again in the 24th in 2014. Theft of unattended personal property in public places, telephone scams involving threats to harm someone if a ransom is not paid, and some car break ins, have all gone down, along with major crimes. It was encouraging to hear about the safety of children traveling to and from school, as well as very limited "crew" activity by older youth. Progress has been made in implementing pedestrian and traffic safety measures in the environs of 96th and Broadway.

Our meeting took place in the immediate wake of the unprecedented dramatic decline in the issuance of summons by rank and file officers, which was addressed head-on by Capt. Larin and his staff. A number of audience questions expressed grave concern about aggressive policing tactics. Youth outreach and the recruitment of NYC residents to join the force was also covered.

After the death of his father in early January, Governor Cuomo's State of the State and budget addresses were postponed, so unfortunately Assemblyman O'Donnell was not able to respond to those major announcements at the time of our January meeting, nor was the shocking development of the federal charges against Assembly Speaker Silver known, so we look forward to hearing from O'Donnell on these matters at a future date. However, in his role as Chair of the Assembly Corrections Committee, O'Donnell did have a very timely and relevant report on what he has found in the state system as a result of his tour of over 20 correctional facilities. We have read the shocking headlines about abuse, fatalities, and corruption in New York's jail system. O'Donnell has been holding hearings and introduced legislation focused in particular on prisoner mental health issues and imposing strict limits on the use of solitary confinement.

With my two years as TPID President drawing to a close, I want to thank the Board, club members, neighbors, and both successful and unsuccessful candidates and their staff, for their interest, support and help. I look forward to continuing to serve on the Board with the hope we can do more to motivate the next generation of activists to join the club and become involved in what we do. These are exciting and challenging times at every level of government with lots of uncertainty surrounding genuinely life-or-death concerns. While voter turnout in our neighborhood is relatively high compared to elsewhere in NYC, it is still abysmally low for what is touted as a shining example of democracy and a hotbed of progressive activism and engagement. We can and should do better.

## DISTRICT LEADER REPORT

By BOB BOTFELD

### **Silver, Morelle, Heastie, Wright and the Preservation of Rent Regulations.**

As I write this, the battle to replace Sheldon Silver as Speaker is still in flux. For now, a few points seem clear:

First, the charges against Silver highlight the necessity for two campaign finance measures: Full reporting on all income and reasonable limits on campaign contributions. It is ridiculous that New York

state legislators can receive contributions of nearly \$50,000 while United States Congress members are restricted to less than \$3500. (Unfortunately, due to the recent United States Supreme Court decision in Citizens United, it is uncertain that even if the New York State legislature were to pass reasonable campaign finance laws today, they would be enforceable.)

Second, for the hundreds of thousands of rent regulated tenants in New York City it is necessary that an Assembly member from New York City is selected to replace Silver. Silver was the bulwark that protected rent stabilization and rent control in New York from elimination by the Republican-controlled NY State Senate, former Governor Pataki and others. Since Silver's lower Manhattan 65th Assembly District has a high proportion of rent regulated tenants, particularly within his base on the lower East Side, and since the first priority of any Speaker of the Assembly is to get re-elected from his home Assembly district, preserving rent regulation was important for Silver's constituents and therefore for Silver.

At first, the battle to replace Silver looked ominous for the preservation of rent regulations. While there was one strong candidate from upstate New York, Joseph Morelle, representing Rochester in Monroe County there were four competing contenders from New York City including Keith Wright from Manhattan, Carl Heastie from the Bronx, Cathy Nolan from Queens, and Joseph Lentol from Brooklyn. The danger was that none of the New York City contenders would have as much support as Morelle backed by a more cohesive upstate coalition. Since Morelle's Monroe County has no rent regulated apartments, Morelle has no local constituent pressure or reason to support the preservation of rent regulation.

On Wednesday, Keith Wright, who has strongly backed the preservation of rent regulations in the past, untangled the intra New York City battle by tossing his support to Carl Heastie likely assuring that a strong advocate of affordable, rent stabilized, rent regulated will be the next speaker. Heastie's 83rd Assembly District has a high percentage of rent regulated apartments and the Bronx has the highest proportion of renters, over 80% as of 2011, of any borough in the city.

Heastie's record of pro-tenant policies includes the following bills passed in the Assembly in 2012 and touted in Heastie's publications:

**Rental Increase Capped:** limits the amount a landlord could increase rent on a vacated rent-regulated apartment from 20 percent to 10 percent to preserve the availability of affordable housing. (A.2593-A ; Passed Assembly)

**Vacancy Decontrol:** repeals vacancy decontrol laws that permit landlords to remove rent-regulated apartments from regulation when rent equals or exceeds \$2,000 per month. (A.2430-A; Passed Assembly)

**Protection Against Unilateral Rental Rate Adjustment:** prevents a Rent Guidelines Board from adjusting rental rates in the absence of legislative authorization. (A.7234-A; Passed the Assembly)

Finally, a huge thanks to outgoing club president Elizabeth Kellner for the excellent job presiding over Three Parks' the past two years. It is a tremendous amount of work to organize and co-ordinate the monthly club and board meetings and club activities. We benefited from Elizabeth's informed and fluent President's reports in the club meetings and newsletter. And she led Three Parks' during two years of hotly contested local races when Three Parks, somewhat unusually, had passionate supporters among competing candidates. A difficult job well done.

## Club Elections - Board Nominees Biographies

**Lauren Williams**, President – has served on the TPID Board in various capacities including membership director, corresponding secretary, recording secretary, and member at large. She has coordinated the Club's holiday parties, volunteered at the storefronts during the 2004, 2008, and 2012 campaigns, helped to register voters, and tabled and petitioned for Club issues.

**Daniele Gerard**, First Vice President -- is a lifelong New Yorker living on the UWS since 1996. She worked on the staff of NYC Council President Carol Bellamy, attended Columbia Law School, and practiced at Cravath and North Carolina Prisoner Legal Services. She's a Three Parks member since 2004; a five-term president; a fracking/Indian Point/and "grand bargain" critic; and a three-time storefront veteran. She would be honored to serve again as First Vice President.

**Theresa Canter**, Second Vice-President -- Having served the past six years as Second Vice-President, and previously as First Vice-President, President, and Treasurer, she would be honored to continue to serve the membership in her current position and provide support to the Club leadership. As always, she will continue to work to make Three Parks a more visible presence in New York City county politics and to work for the extension of rent regulation and the creation/preservation of affordable housing in NYC.

**Ellen Flax**, Treasurer -- is the director of a foundation that supports causes that benefit women in the U.S. and Israel, and serves as the rabbi of several local elder-care facilities. She was active in the storefront during the 2012, 2008 and 2004 elections and would be delighted to serve another term as Treasurer.

**Erl Kimmich**, Membership Secretary -- With the computer skills and attention to detail needed for the job, Erl (an energy efficiency consultant and former construction contractor) is well qualified for this position. He joined TPID during the 2008 Obama storefront campaign and has served on the Board for several years as one of our "audio engineers." He enjoys tabling on the issues, petitioning, and street campaigns, and promises to work to keep our meetings informative, thought provoking and inspiring-of-action. With 2015 a "quiet" election year, he looks forward to focusing on issues and mobilizing neighbors and members to action.

**Lorraine Zamora**, Corresponding Secretary -- three years ago, upon retiring from her career as a professional fundraiser, she joined TPID as a volunteer for the 2012 Obama campaign and became a board member in 2013. She enjoys helping to close polling sites, posting notices of club meetings along Broadway, and distributing notices of polling sites prior to Election Day. She is interested in helping TPID in its efforts to ensure the reauthorization of rent stabilization in 2015, and looks forward to utilizing her writing and editing skills in co-editing the Club's monthly newsletter.

**Jock Davenport**, Recording Secretary -- has been a neighborhood resident since 1986 and active in many areas, including his block association, the "drugstore" wars, and pushing Columbia University to include a supermarket at 103rd Street. He has been active in Three Parks since 1996, has been a Board member for 13 years, and this year looks forward to co-editing the Club's monthly newsletter.

**Wendy Dannett** -- is a long-time progressive and has been a member of Three Parks since 2000. She's been on the board for four years and feels that board membership provides an opportunity for her involvement with campaigns and elections, and her input on issues such as tracking, Indian Point, social security and TPP. She

is proud of the Club's efforts on behalf of public education, housing, and local community issues.

**Ernestine Gallagher** -- is a longtime member of Three Parks and member of the Board. Ernestine has worked on many campaigns over the years and has organized the TPID annual holiday party every year. She also is active in Frederick Douglass Houses.

**Elizabeth Krob Kellner** -- is a 35 year member of TPID, has been a Board member since 2009, and has served as Board President the past two years. She has also served as a Judicial Delegate and County Committee member; is a 36 year resident of Manhattan Valley; has worked on several political campaigns; been active on public education, zoning, and redistricting issues; and is a retired attorney. Other volunteer work includes being a Board member of Community Healthcare Network which runs eleven clinics in low income NYC neighborhoods; Advisory Council of Citizens' Committee for Children, a non-partisan issues advocacy organization; and the Public Interest Law Foundation at Columbia.

**Marie Lunn** -- has been active in Three Parks for ten years and a Board member for six years. She has worked on several campaigns, participated in tabling and petitioning, and worked at the 2012 Obama/Biden Campaign Center.

**Betsy Malcolm** -- an attorney by training, Betsy has been active in local politics since moving to the UWS. Her prior work in support of marriage equality keeps her attention focused on Albany and the state legislature. Her special interests include promoting campaign finance and ethics reform, and support for GENDA's efforts to guarantee equal rights for the transgender community. Betsy worked on both Obama campaigns and plans to be active in achieving a Democratic majority in the State Senate in 2016.

**Bruce Markens** -- has served five years on the Board, including one year as recording secretary. In 2013, he was active in Tish James' campaign for Public Advocate. In 2012, he was involved in organizing phone banks for Elizabeth Warren's campaign. He has served as co-chair of the Club's education committee and is very concerned about combating charter schools and other efforts to privatize public education. He's been involved in Three Parks tabling and protest activities on such issues as fracking, protecting Social Security, and closing down Indian Point. Also, he has served as both a delegate and alternate judicial delegate.

**Mary Ann Marks** -- has been a Board member for ten years and a member of the Three Parks for 11 years. She actively volunteered at the 2008 and 2012 storefronts, and helped with the re-zoning, healthcare, and gas drilling campaigns. This year, she is looking forward to doing much more.

**Lynn Max** -- co-managed the 2004, 2008 and 2012 Presidential Campaign Centers. She served on the Steering Committee for TPID's successful rezoning campaign and has been an active member of Three Parks' Issues Committees, including health care, social security and anti-fracking. She was Membership Director from 2007-2012, co-chair of the 2006 Take Back Congress Campaign, and active in all our Club campaigns for progressive candidates. She looks forward to working on the reauthorization of rent stabilization and for home rule for NYC, and to ending tax abatements for millionaires' apartments.

**Steve Max** -- co-managed 2008 and 2012 Obama Campaign Centers, and co-chaired the Club's Social Security Committee, Healthcare (Single Payer) Committee, Anti-Fracking Committee and Close Indian Point Committee. He managed the Club's data base for eight

years, and has worked on rezoning campaigns and for Club endorsed candidates. Current WebMaster. Club Parliamentarian. County Committee member. Employment: The Midwest Academy, a training school for progressive issue organizers. Vice-Chair, Democratic Socialists of America. Steve looks forward to helping coordinate the Club's participation for the reauthorization of rent stabilization which expires in June 2015, and for home rule for New York City.

**Merle McEldowney** – originally from Los Angeles, she fell in love with the Upper West Side and moved here in 2005 after living in Brooklyn for 26 years. She's been a board member of Three Parks since 2009 which she has found to be the ideal place to be involved in electoral politics as well as issues like fracking; the efforts of our government to cut Social Security, Medicaid and Food Stamps; and the efforts of the 1% to pass trade agreements that will make profits more important than our environment, our health, and everyone's right to a living wage.

**Abigail McGloster** -- is an active member of Three Parks and enjoys working with the club in many different capacities, such as hosting committee events and gathering signatures for candidates. She has been a resident of the neighborhood for 14 years. She is an Executive Board member of Douglas Houses and captain of her building. Also, she participated from beginning to end in the 2011 Participatory Budgeting process with Melissa Mark-Viverito. Her special interest is in improving the neighborhood and the quality of life for its residents.

**Milivoy Samurovich** -- is a founding member of Three Parks and served for 5 years as District Leader. He also served on CB 7, co-chaired the Urban Renewal sub-committee, and served on the committee that opposed the Westway Highway. He served on CB 1, chaired the Battery Park Committee during planning phase, led the Tenants Committee of his apartment building, organized rent strikes, and served on the Co-op Negotiating Committee. He has volunteered at the Club's storefronts, including the 2012 Obama/Biden storefront.

**Gerald Schultz** – has worked for the Board of Elections and helped TPID close polling sites in recent elections. A long term member of the County Committee, he's done petitioning for 20 years. He designed the first Three Parks Website (1995) and is the layout designer for the Club's monthly newsletter. Locally educated at P.S. 163, P.S. 118 Joan of Arc, Louis D. Brandeis High School, and Fordham University (Bronx, NY), Gerald presently has a television show, "In Harlem," which has aired for over 14 years on MNN. Gerald is called the "Mayor of 101st Street" because he knows and speaks to everyone.

**Judy Wood** – has been a Club member "from the early days" and has served in many capacities to the best of her abilities, including board member, newsletter editor, first Vice President, petitioner, and storefront staffer. Judy is proud to be a very strong advocate for Democratic candidates and campaigns.

## Three Parks Independent Democrats Eligible Voters List for February 11, 2015

Emily Baldwin	Audrey Isaacs
Susan J. Baldwin	Elizabeth Kellner
William Baldwin	Erlend Kimmich
Robert Bardin	Norman Lafond
Samuel Bartos	Marie Lunn
Margret Beels	Betsy Malcolm
Shoshannah Benmosche	Bruce Markens
Bob Botfeld	Abigail McGloster
Theresa Canter	Mary Ann Marks
Daniel Marks Cohen	Stephen Max
Christian Cordova	Lynn Bender Max
Mimi Daitz	Merle McEldowney
Wendy Dannett	Minda Meister
John Davenport	Forrest C. Murphy
Susan Dess	Joan Ogden
Wendy Diller	Josh Pepper
Betty Jean Dixon	Annie Petrus
Cynthia Doty	Florence Puccetti-Hepner
Samantha Evans	Patricia Rowe
Gerry Ann Fifer	Milivoy Samurovich
Ellen Flax	Fredrick Sherman
Mary J. Geissman	Stephanie Tegnazian
Daniele Gerard	Deborah Thomas
Pilar Gomez	Lauren A. Williams
Timothy Greene	Rosetta Williams
Marnie Hall	Lorraine Zamora
Janet Harvilchuck	Ariel Zucker-Brull

## Voters Eligible if Paid by February 11, 2015

Cyrus Adler	Ken Tulloch
Susan Andrews	Alex Medwedew
Marla Bruncker	Arlene Mehlman
David Camacho	Gail Meyers
Alan Flacks	Geraldine Phillips
Ernestine Gallagher	Miriam Rabban
Robert Ginsberg	Carol Reisner
Noah Gotbaum	Carl Joseph Scalise
Robert Gumbs	Doris Schreiber
Russell Jenkins	Gerald Schultz
Emma Jenkins	Christopher P. Scott
Herman Joseph	Irene Shrier
David C. Kaplan	Mildred Speiser
David Lazarus	George Voorhis
Thomas Lopez-Pierre	Judy Wood
Lynn Thomas	Gloria Zeche
Jane Thompson	

In order to vote in club elections, a member must have paid dues for 2015 and have attended at least one meeting in the last six months. Members who were paid for 2014 and who meet the attendance requirement may become eligible upon payment of 2015 dues. New memberships become effective thirty days after dues are paid. To be eligible to vote, a new member must attend at least one meeting after the thirty day period and within the six months prior to the election. Memberships that have lapsed due to nonpayment of annual dues are considered new. **Reminder:** Members may not vote at Three Parks if they also vote at other Democratic clubs.

## CORINE PETTEY

Corine Pettey (1935–2015), lifelong New Yorker, former Democratic district leader, public school principal, Upper West Side community leader, longtime Three Parks club and board member, passed away January 21. Corine, beloved by so many, was an intelligent, eloquent and dignified woman.

Corine Pettey was a teacher and school principal on the West Side and in Harlem for over 25 years. In the late 1960's, Corine was elected Democratic District Leader for the Riverside Democratic Club, the reform club that was predecessor to both Three Parks Independent Democrats and Broadway Democrats.

Since her retirement she was active as a trustee for the Studio Museum in Harlem, the steering committee of the West 104th Street Community Garden, and a stalwart campaigner for Three Parks' candidates and issues, serving as a Board member and Judicial Delegate for many years.

Corine was the granddaughter of Sarah Dudley Pettey, a black Southern feminist of the late 19th century noted for her writing and speaking on behalf of both racial equality and women's rights. For Corine's grandmother, "oppression, whether on account of race or sex, was all the same...since it violated Christian teaching;" (Glenda Gilmore, author *NC Crossroads*, February 1998). More than 120 years ago, her grandmother wrote, "Those persons who are disposed to criticize the advanced woman reason from the same analogy as that class of Anglo-Saxons who believe Anglo-Africans should be educated only for manual labor".

Like her grandmother, Corine had the ability to influence so many because she was brave and passionate about justice. She will be much missed by all of us in Three Parks.

## RIVERSIDE-WEST END HISTORIC DISTRICT EXTENSION II STALLED

By LYNN MAX

The designation of the Riverside-West End Historic District Extension from 70th Street to 109th Street was to be voted on by the Landmark Preservation Commission in three segments. The two southern districts have already been approved, but the last section, 89th to 109th Streets, has not even been calendared for a vote.

Already developers are buying property and threatening to either demolish or significantly alter buildings in our neighborhood. We must act now to preserve our beautiful architecture and the history of our community.

Here's what you can say to people:

*I live on the Upper West Side and I support the vote to designate the Riverside-West End Historic District Extension II. Our buildings and our beautiful avenues are threatened. Please move this forward immediately before it's too late!*

E-mail Landmarks Preservation Chair Meenakshi Srinivasan at [comments@lpc.nyc.gov](mailto:comments@lpc.nyc.gov) or call the LPC at 212 669-7700.

Also contact our elected officials and let them know of your concerns: Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer at 212 669-8300 or [gbrewer@manhattanbp.nyc.gov](mailto:gbrewer@manhattanbp.nyc.gov)

City Council Member Helen Rosenthal at 212 873-0282 or [Helen@helenrosenthal.com](mailto:Helen@helenrosenthal.com); AssemblyMember Daniel O'Donnell's office at 212 866-3970 or [odonnelld@assembly.state.ny.us](mailto:odonnelld@assembly.state.ny.us)

## GLOBAL DIVESTMENT DAY, FEBRUARY 13

By MERLE McELDOWNEY

More than 60 events in global divestment are being planned in North America and in 34 countries around the world. In New York City, the main event is being organized by student groups, and we need to be there. The rally will be held at 12:30 p.m. in the financial district at the intersection of Broad Street and Exchange Place. You will be getting more information about this from Three Parks email blasts. Mark your calendar.

One of the best things about belonging to Three Parks is the number of people who believe that we can make a difference. If we attend rallies, stand on corners in our neighborhood, collect petition signatures, we can change the status quo. The brief history of the fracking movement was amazing. From 2010, when we passed our resolution against fracking until last month when the governor banned fracking in New York State, an amazing thing happened: WE WON!

We need to do even more for climate change! As of now, the best proposal is to divest from industries that mine the fuels that are ruining our climate. We need to be asking the old question of ourselves and those who invest our money: Which side are you on? Are we on the side of the polluters, or are we on the side of those who want to find renewable energy and answers to the biggest problem this planet faces?

We are facing the biggest industry this world has ever known. It controls much of our political life. The lie about the oil industry tells us about the Keystone Pipeline is that it will create jobs and help the U.S. economy. We all know that it is a pipeline to take filthy, polluting oil from Canada and send it to Texas to sell for export. This industry has bought our national government to push something through that will create few jobs and will put at risk the water supply of some of the richest farmland in the world.

We need to control how our money is spent. We can do it!

We will not stop climate change on February 13. We did not stop fracking in 2010. But we eventually won that battle. The current one will be a long one, and we are an active part of it.

## State Committee Report

By DANIEL MARKS COHEN

Well, it sure has been an interesting week! Silver's out, a revelation that gives me mixed feelings – he was good on some important progressive issues, but there was also no doubt that he was involved in some sort of scheme with his work at his law firm pulling down three to four times what he gets in salary as speaker. A few things immediately come to mind as a result of Silver's denouement: (1) you could not have a better example of why NYS needs campaign finance reform, (2) it's probably time to raise the salaries of the legislators, and (3) who else will fall?

New reports have mentioned that US Attorney Preet Bharara is looking into State Senator Majority Leader Dean Skelos, and that's two out of the notorious "three men in the room" power structure in Albany. I wonder if it is only a matter of time before reports surface of Bharara looking into the executive mansion in our state's capital. Governor Cuomo has acted almost brazenly up until now with his barely legal fundraising activity through Limited Liability Corporations (LLCs) that enable real estate interests to skirt the laws limiting campaign contributions. Perhaps there is more there that the Moreland Commission had uncovered that the Governor did not want exposed. Too late now: the camel's nose is under the tent.

The Speaker's race is getting less interesting by the minute. We had a real battle royal brewing with several candidates – upstate and downstate – in the ring, including the possible first woman speaker in Catherine Nolan of Queens, and the first African-American speaker in Keith Wright of Harlem and county leader Carl Heastie of the Bronx. All of the candidates have dropped out to support Heastie except Nolan, creating a possible grudge match between the two counties. And unless the Assembly Republicans pull together an upset by voting with Queens Democrats to elect Nolan – a la the State Senate with the so-called "Independent Democratic Caucus" -- it seems likely that it will be Heastie. After Wright pulled out of the race, allegedly to get the support of the Bronx organization in his race to succeed Charlie Rangel next year for Congress, downstate and minority support appears to have coalesced around Heastie.

No matter WHO is speaker we must keep our eyes on the prize this spring – the renewal, and strengthening, of rent regulations coming before Albany. There is a meeting on scheduled at 99 Fort Washington Avenue, between West 163rd & 164th Streets at 6:30 pm on Monday night, February 2, for Real Rent Reform (R3) - a city-wide coalition fighting to improve the rent laws. By the time you get this newsletter that meeting will have passed, but there will be others and I encourage you to attend the monthly gatherings to get informed and involved in this important issue. As R3 notes, the rent crisis is worse than ever and we need to put massive pressure on the legislature and the governor. Unions like Local 1199 are supporting this effort as well and we will be sure to let you know where and when the next meeting in March is taking place.

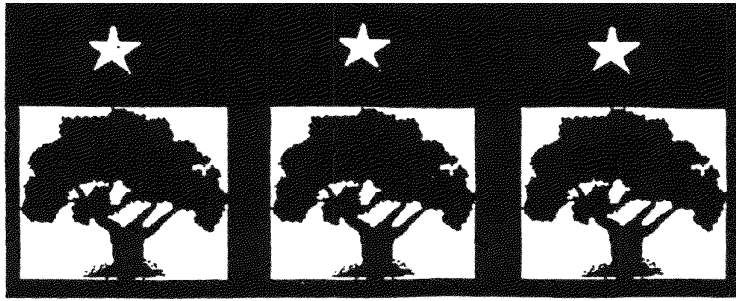
### 2015 DUES AND ATTENDANCE REMINDER

New members must have completed membership application, paid dues, and attended one meeting prior to endorsement vote.

Continuing members must have dues current and attended two club meetings in the six months prior to endorsement vote.

Those living in the 69th AD, an adjacent AD, or employed or doing business in the 69th AD are eligible for membership.

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Renewal \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Category -- Check One

Individual (\$25) \_\_\_\_\_

Family -- two adults in the same household (\$40) \_\_\_\_\_

Low Income (\$15) \_\_\_\_\_

Low Income Family (\$20) \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor (\$50) \_\_\_\_\_ Patron (\$100) \_\_\_\_\_

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Next Meeting

**Wednesday, February 11, 2015**

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