



Four Freedoms Democratic Club

President

Bridget Cusick is a founding member of Four Freedoms, a member of the Events Committee and a member of the County Committee. She has been active in New York politics since 2011, both professionally and personally, serving as a consultant to campaigns including those of Assemblymember Rebecca Seawright and City Councilmember Ben Kallos and as an adviser to the campaign of District Leader Ben Wetzler. Today she serves as director of marketing at the Archdiocese of New York, a volunteer tutor to NYC public school students and a board member of the Originally You Foundation, which works to combat bullying.

Vice-President

Abraham Salcedo currently serves as an Executive Board Member of the Four Freedoms Democratic Club and previously as Vice President, a member since FFDC's inception and an active member of the community. An attorney and CPA, Abraham is a New York County Committee member as well as a member of Community Board 8, co-chairing its Environment & Sanitation and Street Life Committees. Abraham received a Bachelor of Science in Finance and Accounting from NYU, and J.D. from Fordham University School of Law.

Frank Wilkinson, a native Philadelphian, Princeton graduate, former book editor, and author of the bestselling novel "Bygones," became involved in Yorkville politics in the mid-1980s and served as the East Side Democratic Club's district leader for twenty locally primary-free, peaceful years, thanks to cooperation and compromise with the Lenox Hill Democratic Club. He has served as the FFDC's Vice President for the past year. He still sits on New York County's Judiciary Committee, which picks the panel organizations that screen Democratic candidates for Civil and State Supreme Court judgeships.

Treasurer

John Bartos: A resident of the Upper East Side for 35 years, John is the current acting treasurer of the Four Freedoms Democratic Club. He has served as treasurer for several other Democratic elected officials, judges, and organizations, and previously worked as a legislative aide to a state senator.

Corresponding Secretary

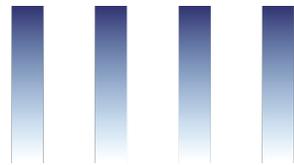
Gerald Ferguson: I am a lawyer specializing in Digital Media Law and have served as Communications Secretary this year. My focus on increasing community engagement with our social media accounts has resulted in an

increase by over 70 percent in followers of these accounts. I have led an effort to revamp our website so that it better reflects who we are as an energetic, involved Progressive Club. The new website will be live in the 1st Quarter of this year. My goal for the year ahead is to continue to enhance our use digital communication tools to enhance our outreach and activism.

Recording Secretary

Matthew LoCastro is a recent graduate of Hunter College hoping to utilize his passion for progressive reform with the Four Freedoms Democratic Club and the greater community. Matthew currently works as an Urban Fellow with the Mayor's Office of Management and Budget and has two years of local, state, and national policy experience. At Hunter, Matthew served as student government President representing 16,000 students. During his term, Matthew launched Hunter's first anti-sexual assault campaign, and passed budgetary reforms resulting in universal access to menstrual care products, expansion of the reduced cost MetroCard program, and creation of a civic action fund.

Lauren Trapanotto has been a Four Freedoms Democratic Club member since early 2017, joining after the 2016 election to directly impact local politics, and dedicating much time to petitioning and canvassing efforts and



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serving as a County Committee member. Already being a heavily involved member, in addition to being extremely organized and diligent, running for Recording Secretary was a natural progression. Originally hailing from Staten Island, Lauren has lived on the Upper East Side since graduating from Pace University in 2011 where she studied Economics. Lauren is an Account Manager for a technology firm and spends her free time weightlifting.

Members-at-Large (6 or 8 elected)

Ilyssa Fuchs is currently a member of the county committee for the 76th Assembly District and has been a member of Four Freedoms since 2017. Additionally, she is a practicing civil rights attorney for Cohen & Fitch LLP where she concentrates on representing plaintiffs in police misconduct actions against the City. She is also the co-chair of the New York County Lawyers Association's Civil Rights and Liberties Committee. Ilyssa seeks a position on the board because she is outspoken about the issues affecting the residents of the City and wants to be a position to amplify the voices of her neighbors.

Roberta Jacoby: Engaged in the political process since college, Roberta Jacoby volunteered for many campaigns; from Gene McCarthy to President Obama, followed by

supporting Obama's agenda through Organizing for Action. In 2017, she volunteered for FFDC campaign activities and became a County Committee member. Spurred on by 2016, Roberta joined the Activism Committee focusing on preserving Obama's legacy and working to defeat Republican policies. She serves on two sub-committees; "Healthcare" and "2018 Election" where she devised a strategy for our 2018 election campaign. Roberta's career included: working in non-profit management; counterparty credit for investment banks; and marketing for home furnishings industry.

Arlene Kayatt is currently a member-at-large of the Four Freedoms Executive Committee and was selected and elected as Judicial Delegate in several recent elections. She has been active in local politics and is a member of the Democratic Committee. Prior to becoming an attorney practicing in the area of matrimonial and family law, she was an Assistant Professor of Business in the CUNY/SUNY system and an editor for Our Town newspaper. She presently writes the East Side Observer column for the paper.

Matt Lombardi: I am a trial attorney, and have served on the Board for 1 ½ years. I have chaired the Events Committee, which has hosted our most successful fundraisers in terms of dollars to date, and thrown fun community Club events like the summer BBQ, and recent holiday party. I am happy about the Club's

development, excited about our increased activism and presence, and proud of our 2017 electoral efforts. I have the skills and commitment to help our rise continue. I believe in FFDC's mission, and will work towards our goal of a more progressive city, state, and nation.

Teresa Malyshev served as the recording secretary for the Four Freedoms Democratic Club for the past two years, having previously been a Member-at-Large on the Executive Board. She is stepping down from her current role but would like to remain involved in the club, continuing her petitioning, phone banking and meet-and-greet for club members running for local office. Teresa is an energy economist who, in her professional life, works to expand energy access in developing countries. She is an Organising for America fellow, a dedicated participant in anti-Trump protests and an eager proponent of a progressive agenda for the US.

Bob Menna is currently on the Executive Board and Chair of the Activism Committee. He is also a County Committee member. During this past year Bob has collected over 120 petition signatures for our endorsed candidates and has devoted hours to campaigning for the FFDC district leader candidates and participating in the Club's "Day of Action" campaigns. Bob is a recognized community activist among elected officials and other community leaders. Prior to joining the FFDC Bob was President of the LHDC. Bob



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needs your vote to continue his leadership role in the FFDC.

Pierre Ratzki: I am an attorney, County Committee member, and prior candidate for Alternate Judicial Delegate. I also represent our district on the County Rules Committee, where I am advocating reforms to increase the transparency, accessibility, and integrity of the County Party. As a Member-at-Large, I will work to build on our Club's remarkable achievements, including supporting progressive candidates up and down the ballot, and to help us continue to grow in both membership and influence. If we remain devoted to grassroots outreach, I am optimistic that 2018 will be a year of sustained Democratic enthusiasm and positive change at all levels.

Adam Roberts is a longtime member of Four Freedoms Democratic Club, previously serving as District Leader and Member-at-large. Professionally, he has worked for numerous elected officials and candidates, and currently works for the American Institute of Architects doing government relations. Campaigning is his passion, and he looks forward to a successful November 2018.

Elana Schwartz has been a member of FFDC since its inception and is currently the Director of Intergovernmental Affairs for Democratic Caucus Chairman U.S. Congressman Joseph Crowley. She has worked on Capitol Hill for several other high-ranking New York elected

officials and has been involved in several campaigns. She holds an MPA from NYU's Wagner School of Public Affairs and a BA in political science from George Washington University. She also has served as a judicial delegate (and alternate delegate) for this Club and in this past year sat on the FFDC Events Committee.

Tricia Shimamura has been a member of FFDC since 2015, and chairs the Diversity and Outreach Committee. She serves on County Committee, and is a member of Community Board 8, chairing the Waterfront Committee and is Second Vice Chair of the Board. She previously worked as Congresswoman Maloney's Deputy Chief of Staff, and currently works at Columbia University in Government Relations. Tricia recently founded She Will Rise, an organization dedicated to engaging young women and building a leadership pipeline to increase representation in local government and across professional sectors. It would be an honor to serve on the Executive Board.

John Wagner is currently a member of the Executive Board and Chair of the Policy Committee of the FFDC. He is a Professor at Weill Cornell Medical College, chairs the Secular Coalition for NY, and works at the UN to promote human rights. His focus is to help educate our club on issues that members feel are important, to help the FFDC make public statements so that our elected officials

understand our values and needs. He believes that the club should operate in a transparent manner and work to maximize the potential of everyone in NY and the United States.

Esther Yang is a Community Activist and an advocate. She is a former board member of the Organization of Chinese Americans, former Bellevue Hospital Community Advisory Board and also a former Judicial Delegate from another Democratic Club. She has worked with Comptroller John Liu as his Community Coordinator. Besides volunteering as a Community Organizer, Esther teaches and runs an after school Yoga, Karate, Meditation, Swimming, Soccer, Music and anti-bullying program encouraging kids to be kind and be great leaders. She was a candidate for District Leader in 2015 and 2017.