



San Mateo County Democratic Party

Chair's Letter

June 2019

Dear Democrats,

Welcome to summer! We are in the first few days after the California Democratic Party Convention 2019 - the first convention held in San Francisco in decades. San Mateo County was well-represented by our delegates all over convention throughout the weekend at the Moscone Center.

With 14 presidential candidates appearing at the CADEM Convention, courting delegates in anticipation of our November Nominating Convention, it made for a very up-close-and-personal preview of 2020. I encourage everybody to attend the Democratic Convention at least once as an observer to get a feel for the politicking, the energy, and the *fun*.

The two biggest pieces of news to come out of the 2019 Convention: we have a new California Democratic Party Chair, Rusty Hicks, who is coming to us from the Los Angeles County Federation of Labor, and our Regional Director for Region 6, Hene Kelly, was re-elected to her position. Please join me in congratulating both and wishing them well in their new terms.

Convention Luncheon Thank You!

We held our Annual Convention Luncheon on Saturday, June 1 at the SF Tabletop Taphouse. It was truly the hot ticket that weekend, having sold out weeks in advance. Many thanks to Nancy Yarbrough, Sam Manneh and Mitchell Oster for all of their help in organizing our lunch, and many thanks to our sponsors for their support:

Congresswoman Anna Eshoo (candidate for re-election 2020, CD 18)

Senator Jerry Hill

Senator Scott Wiener (candidate for re-election 2020, SD 11)

Assemblymember Marc Berman (candidate for re-election 2020, AD 24)

Assemblymember Kevin Mullin (candidate for re-election 2020, AD 22)

Assemblymember Phil Ting (candidate for re-election 2020, AD 19)

Councilmember Charles Stone, Belmont (candidate for supervisor, 2022)

Councilmember Rishi Kumar, Saratoga (candidate for Congress 2020, CD 18)

Harini Krishnan

Chelsea Bonini (candidate for San Mateo County Board of Education 2020)

Councilmember Rick Bonilla, San Mateo

Councilmember Shelly Millar Masur, Redwood City (candidate for State Senate 2020, SD 13)

Councilmember Julia Mates, Belmont

Alexis Lewis, SMCDEMS E-Board Member

2020 Democratic Candidates Debate Watch Party

Please join SMCDEMS for a first debate watch party on Wednesday, June 26th at 5:30pm. This will be taking place at the IBEW 617 Hall at 1701 Leslie Street, San Mateo. We will be streaming the debate live from Miami, where 20 of our Democratic presidential candidates will appear on night 1. (There will be a 2nd debate on June 27th for the remainder of the candidates.) All Democrats are welcome. Come out and support your favorite presidential candidate!

2019 Club Chartering and Rechartering

Have you thought about starting your own Democratic club here in San Mateo County? Perhaps for your town, region or particular demographic? Now is the time to get serious! Email the Chair (chair@smcdems.org) to learn more about the process. All you need are 20 members to get started!

All 2019 club charters and re-charters for San Mateo County Democratic organizations are due to the San Mateo County Democratic Party by our July meeting (July 18), with payment, a copy of your bylaws and a roster of your members in good standing. If you are a representative for a currently chartered club, you will receive an email shortly with more information.

2019 Membership Dues

Membership dues for all elected, alternate and associate members should be paid in July for 2019-2020. Please visit our website at <http://www.smcdems.org> and click on "Contribute."

June Meeting Preview

Our regular June meeting will take place on Thursday, June 20th at the Transport Workers Union Hall at 1521 Rollins Road in Burlingame. We are pleased to welcome Nick Lochrie from Assemblymember Kevin Mullin's office to talk about lowering the voter age and voter pre-registration for 16year-olds to speak at 7:30pm, following our social half hour at 7pm. Please join us. All Democrats are invited.

I remain available if you have any feedback on our SMCDEMS. You can reach me at chair@smcdems.org.

Sincerely,
Nicole Fernandez
Chair, San Mateo County Democratic Party