

League of Women Voters



Greenwich Time

# VOTER'S GUIDE

**2008**

**Vote Tuesday, November 4  
Polls open 6 a.m. to 8 p.m.**



**You may take this guide into the privacy booth**



For additional information on this election visit [www.lwvg.org](http://www.lwvg.org)

## Election Day Information

### Late Voter Registration

After October 28, only those who have become new residents, new citizens or turn age 18 may register in person at the Registrars Office. Cut-off date for late voter registration is noon on November 3. For all others, the cut-off date for mail-in applications was October 21 and October 28 for walk-in registration.

### Finding Your Polling Place

The chart on this page shows the 12 voting districts in Greenwich, including the exact address of the twenty-one assembly polling locations for each district. The reapportionment of assembly district boundaries is voted on by the Connecticut House of Representatives every ten years. If you have any questions about your district or polling location, call the Registrars of Voters at Town Hall (622-7889 or 622-7890).

equipped with pen and magnifying sheet. Use the pen to completely fill in the oval next to the candidate of your choice, paying attention to the yes and no questions at the top of the ballot.



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### Polling place booth and optical scanner

### Using the Optical Scanner

Place your ballot in the privacy sleeve and at the Aisle Conductor's instruction proceed to the Optical Scanner. Remove the ballot from the privacy sleeve, cover the ballot with the sleeve, and insert the ballot into the scanner either right side up or down. The machine immediately scans the ballot, counts your vote and stores the ballot in a locked compartment.

### Checking for Mistakes

Should you make a mistake in marking your ballot the Optical Scanner will reject your ballot immediately and return it to you. Errors include selecting too many candidates or circling an oval rather than filling it in; or there may simply be stray marks on the ballot. The Machine Tender will assist you by reading the error message in the optical scan display window. The Moderator will direct you to the Ballot Clerk who will provide you with another ballot. The Ballot Clerk will mark the previous ballot "spoiled" and will place the spoiled ballot in a receptacle for this purpose. You then can start over.

### Writing in a Vote

You also may write in the

name of a candidate that does not appear on the ballot. If you write in a name, it counts as part of the total tally of votes permitted for that office. If only one vote is permitted, you will not be able to vote for another candidate for that office. In order to be valid, a write-in candidate must be registered with the Secretary of the State prior to Election Day.

### Asking for Assistance

If you are in the privacy booth and unsure about how to mark your ballot, two election officials of different political parties will be able to assist you from outside the privacy booth. If you are visually impaired or otherwise handicapped, you may choose another voter to be with you, with the permission of the Moderator, but this person cannot be your employer. Or you may ask the Moderator to allow you to vote on the IVS handicap equipment provided at each polling location.

### Voting by Absentee Ballot

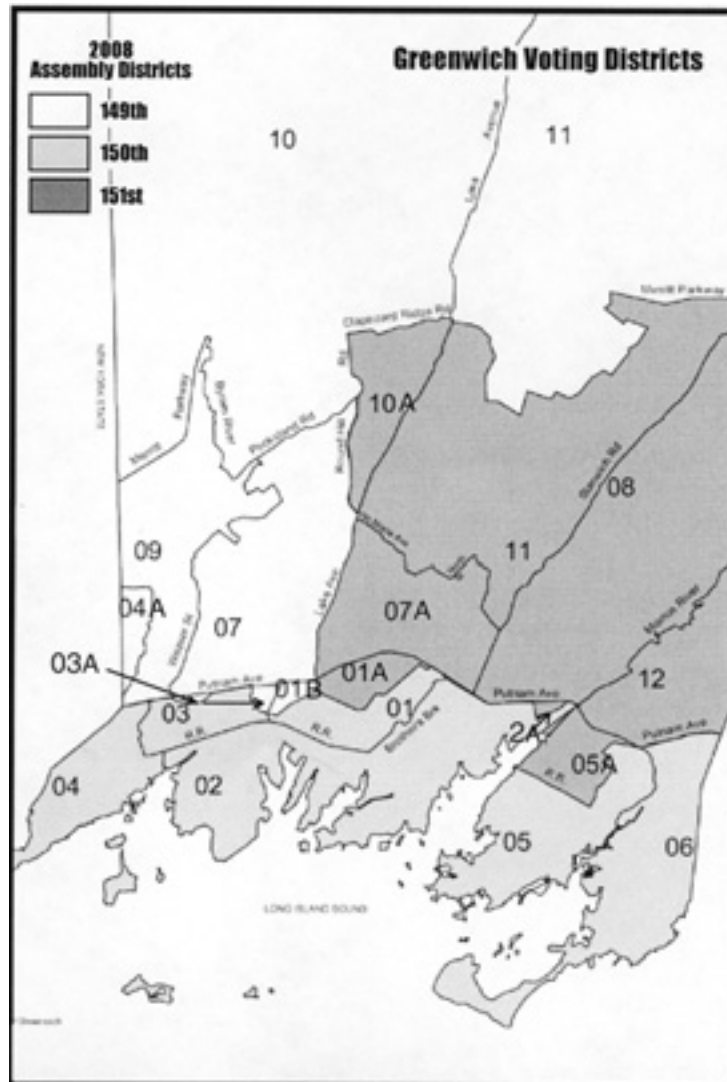
If you are a registered voter, you may vote by absentee ballot if you are:

- Ill or physically disabled;
- Going to be out of town during voting hours;
- In the armed forces and out of town during the voting hours;
- A member of a religious group not permitted to vote on Election Day;
- An election official.

You may obtain an application for an absentee ballot by calling, writing, or going into the office of the Town Clerk at Town Hall, 101 Field Point Road, Greenwich, CT (622-7897). When your application is returned to the Clerk's office, you will be issued an absentee ballot and the required enclosure envelopes. The sealed marked ballot and signed outer envelope must reach the Town Clerk's office before the close of the polls on Election Day, November 4. If you have gone to the Clerk's office for your application, you may receive and complete your ballot at the same time.

### For Your Information

No one is permitted to electioneer or solicit votes for a political party or candidate within 75 feet of a polling place or inside a polling place.



## Greenwich Polling Places by District

### DISTRICT 1, 1A, 1B

Julian Curtiss School Gymnasium  
180 East Elm St.  
Greenwich

### DISTRICT 2, 2A

Town Hall, first floor Meeting Room  
101 Field Point Road  
Greenwich

### DISTRICT 3, 3A

Western Middle School  
1 Western Junior Highway  
Greenwich

### DISTRICT 4, 4A

New Lebanon School Gymnasium  
25 Mead Avenue  
Byram

### DISTRICT 5, 5A

Riverside School Gymnasium  
90 Hendrie Avenue  
Riverside

### DISTRICT 6

Old Greenwich School Gymnasium  
285 Sound Beach Avenue  
Old Greenwich

### DISTRICT 7, 7A

Greenwich High School  
10 Hillside Road  
Greenwich

### DISTRICT 8

Central Middle School Gymnasium  
Stanwich Road  
Greenwich

### DISTRICT 9

Bendheim Western Civic Center  
449 Pemberwick Road  
Greenwich

### DISTRICT 10, 10A

Bendheim Western Civic Center  
449 Pemberwick Road  
Greenwich

### DISTRICT 11, 11A

North Street School Gymnasium  
381 North Street  
Greenwich

### DISTRICT 12

North Mianus School Gymnasium  
309 Palmer Hill Road  
Riverside

# Candidates for President / Vice President of the United States

Term of office: 4 years  
Vote for 1 party

## REPUBLICAN



**John McCain**  
Republican Presidential Candidate  
[www.johnmccain.com](http://www.johnmccain.com)

**Biography:** John McCain graduated from the Naval Academy and served for 22 years as a naval aviator. He was elected to the House of Representatives in 1982 and the Senate in 1986. He has served as

chairman of the Commerce Committee and ranking member of the Armed Services Committee.



**Sarah Palin**  
Vice-Presidential Candidate

**Biography:** Sarah Louise Heath Palin was elected Alaska's first female and youngest Governor in 2006. Previously she was a member of the Wasilla, Alaska, city council from 1992 to 1996 and mayor from 1996 to 2002, and chair of the

Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission from 2003 to 2004.

**Q: What, if anything, do you believe the federal government should do to control global climate change?**

A: I support developing a cap-and-trade system to reduce greenhouse gas emissions 60% by 2050, providing tax credits for alternative energy, promoting zero-carbon nuclear power, reducing the federal government's carbon footprint, funding research into clean-coal technology, and offering incentives for America's automobile industry to develop electric cars.

**Q: What should be done at the federal level, if anything, to combat the high cost of health care?**

A: Under my plan, American families will receive \$5,000 tax credits to purchase insurance, either through employers or the private market—insurance that can follow them if they change jobs or leave the workforce. I will work for reforms to lower costs and provide coverage to Americans with pre-existing conditions.

**Q: What, if anything, should the federal government do about the growing economic disparity between the middle class and the well-to-do?**

A: We must spur growth, create jobs, improve educational attainment, and enhance financial security. My plan will keep income and payroll taxes low, reduce the price of gas, double the dependent exemption, bring down health-care costs, give deserving homeowners new fixed mortgages, slash our high business taxes, and expand trade.

## DEMOCRATIC



**Barack Obama**  
Democratic Presidential Candidate  
[www.barackobama.com](http://www.barackobama.com)

**Biography:** Obama began his career as a community organizer on Chicago's South Side and headed a voter registration drive. Obama practiced civil rights law and taught constitutional law. He served eight years in the State Senate before his election to the U.S. Senate. He graduated from Columbia University and Harvard Law.



**Joe Biden**  
Vice-Presidential Candidate

**Biography:** Joe Biden has represented the State of Delaware in the U.S. Senate since 1972. He has served as chairman of the Judiciary Committee and the Foreign Relations Committee, and is recognized as one of the nation's most powerful and

influential voices on foreign relations, terrorism, drug policy, and crime prevention.

**Q: What, if anything, do you believe the federal government should do to control global climate change?**

A: I believe the federal government should pursue multiple paths to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and address the threat of global climate change, including implementing aggressive cap and trade requirements to reduce U.S. emissions by 80% from 1990 levels and investing heavily in clean energy and advanced vehicle technologies.

**Q: What should be done at the federal level, if anything, to combat the high cost of health care?**

A: My healthcare plan will make aggressive investments in cost-cutting technologies and will place more focus on prevention and chronic care management. The net result will be to bring down the costs of healthcare spending by \$2,500 for a typical family, annually, and lower the expense of Medicare's services.

**Q: What, if anything, should the federal government do about the growing economic disparity between the middle class and the well-to-do?**

A: I will cut taxes for the middle class and roll back some of the Bush tax cuts for those making over \$250,000 to restore fairness to the tax code. I will make long term public investments in R&D, clean energy, infrastructure, and manufacturing to create millions of good-paying jobs.

## INDEPENDENT



**Ralph Nader**  
Independent Presidential Candidate  
[www.votenader.org](http://www.votenader.org)

**Biography:** Attorney, author, and consumer advocate, named by Time Magazine one of the "100 Most Influential Americans in the 20th Century." Over 4 decades of public service. Helped establish the OSHA, EPA, Consumer Product Safety Commission, the Safe Drinking Water Act, Motor Vehicle Safety Act, and Freedom of Information Act.



**Matthew Gonzalez**  
Vice-Presidential Candidate

**Biography:** Matthew Gonzalez, politician, lawyer, and prominent San Francisco activist, has been a member and president of San Francisco County's Board of Supervisors. He was one of the first Green Party candidates elected to public office

in the Bay Area and narrowly lost his 2003 bid for mayor of San Francisco.

**Q: What, if anything, do you believe the federal government should do to control global climate change?**

A: The government should stop subsidizing fossil fuels: oil, electric and coal mining interests. Invest in renewable energy that is efficient, sustainable, and environmentally friendly: wind and solar power. Encourage more efficient automobiles, homes and businesses. Ratify the Kyoto Protocol. Create an independent Oceanic Protection Agency. Adopt a carbon pollution tax.

**Q: What should be done at the federal level, if anything, to combat the high cost of health care?**

A: Adopt a private delivery, free choice of hospital and doctor, single payer public health insurance system. This would save \$350 billion annually by eliminating exorbitant executive pay, advertising, computerized billing fraud and abuse, and apply those savings to comprehensively cover everyone without increasing taxpayer costs. Lower costs through bulk purchasing.

**Q: What, if anything, should the federal government do about the growing economic disparity between the middle class and the well-to-do?**

A: Unfair legislation allows the middle class to suffer while the rich entrench their status. To correct this we should enact a living \$10 wage, adopt a fair tax, and provide equal pay for women. We must end corporate subsidies and bailouts. Repeal NAFTA and the anti-union Taft/Hartley Law.

The information for presidential candidates was taken from the League of Women Voters® Education Fund Web site, [www.lwv.org](http://www.lwv.org). Information on the vice-presidential candidates is based on information provided by the candidates.

All qualified presidential candidates were invited by the League of Women Voters® Education Fund to provide biographical information and responses to three issue specific questions. Candidates were qualified if they met the following criteria: 1) the candidate must have made a public announcement of her/his intention to run for President; and 2) the candidate must qualify for the ballot in enough states to win a majority of electoral votes; and, 3) the candidate must meet the Presidential Election Campaign Fund Act's minimum contribution threshold requirements for qualifying for matching funds, based on the most recent data publicly available on the FEC Web site as of August 8, 2008.

2-year term

## U.S. House of Representatives 4th Congressional District

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### Christopher Shays

Republican  
98 East Avenue, Rear Building  
Norwalk, CT 06851

**Biography:** Prominent moderate, leading reformer, expert on terrorism, strong urban renewal advocate, nationally recognized environmentalist. Senior member, Government Reform, Homeland Security and

Financial Services Committees. Ranking Member, National Security Subcommittee. Co-chair Friends of Animals, Congressional Arts, National Service, Pro Choice, Long Island Sound Caucuses. Received HSUS' Humane Legislator of the Year, LCV's Environmental Champion, Fairfield County ADL's Torch of Liberty, Amnesty International's Human Rights Advocacy Honor. Bridgeport resident, Darien raised, 28-year Stamford resident. NYU: MBA, MPA.

**Q: The slowing economy and the housing foreclosures are a prime concern of Connecticut voters. What relief measures do you support and why?**

A: Remove toxic financial instruments to renew market liquidity to preserve Americans' pensions, 401(k)s, college savings, bank accounts, homes. Improve regulatory oversight preventing repeat of financial meltdown. Incentivize banks to restructure loans and prevent foreclosure. Expand affordable housing options: support newly-created housing trust fund; increase community development block grants; improve HOPE VI and Section 8 programs. Maintain low tax rates. Expand bilateral free trade. Create jobs by turning brownfields to greenfields and by improving our transportation, energy, water infrastructures. Pass long-term energy plan: require conservation; increase investment in renewables (solar, wind, geothermal, biofuels); expand domestic oil, natural gas, nuclear power production.

**Q: Access to physicians is becoming increasingly difficult for people on Medicare and Medicaid. What can be done to change this?**

A: Increase Medicare physician payments to reflect true costs. Medicaid reimbursements, a state responsibility, are woefully inadequate and should also be increased. Train more doctors, nurses, and other healthcare professionals to address expected shortages and work towards universal healthcare coverage. Continue doubling the planned number of individuals served by Community Health Centers from 10 to 20 million, half of whom are uninsured. These centers now provide quality, cost-effective care for 17 million low-income, uninsured and underinsured patients. Invest in comparative effectiveness research and health information technology, allow prescription drug reimportation, enact medical malpractice reform and give Medicare beneficiaries more choices.

**Q: If elected, what would constitute a successful term in office for you? What are your major priorities?**

A: We need to: Enact comprehensive universal health care for all Americans modeled after Federal Employees Health Benefits Program. Fully fund No Child Left Behind and IDEA. Increase funding: college loans; Early and Head Start programs; student access to technology; literacy initiatives; new math and science SMART grants. Enact comprehensive energy policy: increased mileage standards; energy efficient appliances; renewable energy (wind, solar, geothermal, biofuels); expanded domestic oil, gas and nuclear power; improved public transportation. Set foreign policy priorities using smart power, the use of both hard and soft power. Emphasize soft power, which includes foreign aid, diplomacy, intelligence, economic policies.



### Jim Himes

Democratic  
65 High Ridge Road  
Stamford, CT 06905

**Biography:** Jim Himes is an executive at a national non-profit organization where he has led the building of thousands of green affordable housing units in distressed inner-cities throughout the Northeast. Raised by

a single working mom, Jim went to good public schools which opened doors for him: he went to a great college, won a Rhodes scholarship, and had a successful career on Wall Street. Jim lives in Cos Cob with his wife and daughters.

**Q: The slowing economy and the housing foreclosures are a prime concern of Connecticut voters. What relief measures do you support and why?**

A: As a former banker, I understand how our economy works and how to get it back on track. We need to restore confidence in our markets and financial sector by implementing sensible oversight that can prevent abuses like the sub-prime fiasco. We must unleash American innovation to create new jobs, particularly in the energy sector. To jumpstart the housing market, I have proposed a new first-time homebuyer tax credit. And to restore consumer confidence and stimulate our economy, I've proposed a package of specific middle class tax cuts for education and savings.

**Q: Access to physicians is becoming increasingly difficult for people on Medicare and Medicaid. What can be done to change this?**

A: This is one symptom of broader dysfunction in our healthcare system, which serves too few people at far too high a cost. In Congress, I will aggressively pursue health care reform that covers all Americans and reduces costs in the system. We achieve the first objective by creating a basic coverage plan offered to everyone, with subsidies for those who can't afford it otherwise. We achieve the second objective in part by shifting our emphasis from disease care toward prevention and healthy living, practicing evidence-based medicine, and putting technology and administrative standardization in place to reduce staggering overhead costs.

**Q: If elected, what would constitute a successful term in office for you? What are your major priorities?**

A: My single highest priority in Congress will be restoring economic opportunity and security. For decades, our prosperity has rested on a simple promise: if you work hard and play by the rules, you'll have a real shot at the American Dream. In recent years, the disastrous economic policies of George Bush and Chris Shays have pushed the same American Dream out of reach for many Connecticut families. I will count my term in Congress a success if we can begin to restore the fundamentals of economic opportunity, including a growing, innovative economy and the great education that will drive it.

### Michael Carrano

Libertarian

Information was not received in time for publication.



### Richard Z. Duffee

Green  
341 Oaklawn Avenue, Apt. 2  
Stamford, CT 06905

**Biography:** Richard Duffee, born 1948 in Philadelphia. University of Chicago: B.A., philosophical psychology. SUNY New Paltz: M.A., English. First career: teaching. Pace Law School: J.D. plus International and

Environmental Law certificates. Advocate for homeless families. Oceana published Bibliography of International Law of Peace. Nine years in South Asia writing grant proposals for local NGO's, then teaching logic, Law and Poverty, Philosophy of Law. Family is Indian. Yuganta Press publishes "The Slow News of Need." See www.richardduffee.com.

**Q: The slowing economy and the housing foreclosures are a prime concern of Connecticut voters. What relief measures do you support and why?**

A: Congress privatizes profits and socializes losses. For decades Congress bailed out banks on odd-numbered years. Banks addicted to freebies are now so badly mismanaged they have to be bailed out in election years too. Congress should take its economic power out of the private hands of the Fed, where it unconstitutionally placed it a century ago. Income above ten times the median income should be placed in a fund to prevent foreclosures and bankruptcies. A modern Civilian Conservation Corps should conserve energy in all buildings and create small-scale renewable energy sources financed by selling energy to the grid.

**Q: Access to physicians is becoming increasingly difficult for people on Medicare and Medicaid. What can be done to change this?**

A: Cutting the military to levels it had in the 1930's as a purely defensive force while vastly strengthening international legal institutions will free up half a trillion dollars a year. Of all developed countries, we have the greatest proportion of our wealth in the hands of the richest. That's pure waste: the Law of Diminishing Returns states that benefits of expenditures decrease with increasing wealth. We should not allow the rich to squander our resources, but should tax them to provide universal health care. We should nationalize health insurance and the pharmaceutical industry. Single-payer coverage would eliminate 99% of overhead.

**Q: If elected, what would constitute a successful term in office for you? What are your major priorities?**

A: First, I want peace by ratifying the International Criminal Court, trying all our war criminals, eliminating weapons of mass destruction, closing overseas military bases, banning covert action, relinquishing imperial ambitions, and strictly observing international law. Second, using a modern CCC corps and loans repayable by resale of energy to the grid, I want to halt global warming and gain energy and economic independence by retrofitting insulation, building decentralized wind, solar, geothermal, hydro, and hydrogen power, free mass transportation, electric zipcars, and rebuilding US industry with non-polluting technology. Third, I want universal single-payer health care and federally funded education.



**L. Scott Frantz**  
Republican  
123 Meadow Road  
Riverside, CT 06878

**Biography:** Scott solves problems with a high-energy, hands-on approach to team building fostering progress and improves lives. He has a strong business background, graduated from Princeton University, Dartmouth's Tuck School of Business and lives in Riverside with his wife and children. Chairman of: Bradley International Airport; Connecticut Development Authority; CT Brownfields Redevelopment Authority. Board Member of: Arch Street Teen Center; Corporate Angel Network (Advisory); Veterans Appreciation Council.

**Q: What strategies do you favor to relieve the gridlock on our highways? Please explain.**

**A:** The most significant transportation improvements in Connecticut happened a hundred years ago and fifty years ago with the advent of the rail system and the construction of I-95. Given the lack of improvement in these areas, we must start thinking outside of the box to generate cost effective solutions to our transportation mess. With respect to highways, assume that we have fixed capacity and need increased throughput. Think fluid dynamics. Investigate choke holds and act now to eliminate them using pilot projects to test them. Although improvements in rail service are on the way, I would further encourage mass transportation.

**Q: Connecticut has some of the worst air in the country. What measures and funding mechanisms would you support to improve the state's air quality?**

**A:** Cleaner air can only be achieved through cooperation with our neighboring states. We need a comprehensive plan to limit harmful emissions that include regulatory and market based solutions to not only bring air quality to acceptable standards, but to offer incentives to polluters to reduce their output further. Importantly, it must be noted that there is a cost associated with each. If the market is willing to bear the cost of further reductions in pollution, a solution is available. Every effort should be made to incentivize manufacturers to produce clean vehicles and utilities to use the cleanest forms of energy.

**Q: Do you support or oppose legislation to expand the five-cent deposit on water bottles? Please explain.**

**A:** I favor expanding the five-cent deposit simply because we must make every effort to recycle all plastics and keep our streets and parks litter free. Given that water bottles and other beverage containers are a significant source of the potential supply of recyclable material, there should be a comprehensive plan, which includes redemption centers, not just point of sale return, as is the requirement today. Putting a cash value on each bottle will assure the highest possible redemption rate, costs the consumer very little and offers incentive to clean up litter.



**Mark Diamond**  
Democratic  
1372 Summer Street  
Stamford, CT 06905

**Biography:** Mark is founding attorney in Diamond and Diamond and has served the 36th District in many roles, including the boards of the Southwestern Regional Planning Agency, the Stamford Nature Center and Museum, Environmental Protection Board, and Tax Assessment Board of Appeals. He is co-author of several books on the environment, including "Indoor Air Quality Handbook." He attended public schools and worked his way through college, a graduate degree in journalism, and law school.

**Q: What strategies do you favor to relieve the gridlock on our highways? Please explain.**

**A:** More bus shelters to encourage bus transportation. Toll booths on I-95 for trucks ONLY, charging a reduced rate at night to get trucks off the road during the day and increase revenue. Rapid response teams located at key spots to get accidents off the road quickly. Funding dedicated strictly to the Fairfield County to NYC passenger rail run. Modernize the train repair facility in Stamford rather than full funding for the New Haven facility.

**Q: Connecticut has some of the worst air in the country. What measures and funding mechanisms would you support to improve the state's air quality?**

**A:** See answer to question 1. Also, financial incentives to alternative energy and clean air businesses to settle in Connecticut, which would raise commercial tax revenue, reduce our over-dependency on residential property taxes, make Connecticut the first to benefit as new technologies come online, and be the right thing to do morally. Sliding scale of sales tax exemptions for fuel efficient cars starting at 30 mpg instead of the current 40 mpg, which few cars get.

**Q: Do you support or oppose legislation to expand the five-cent deposit on water bottles? Please explain.**

**A:** I oppose it. We're taxed enough already.



**Zachary Chaves**  
Green  
4 Byram Terrace Drive  
Greenwich, CT 06831

**Biography:** Zaac Chaves is uber-environmentalist known for his practices: long-distance biking, freegan antics, wild mushroom knowledge, vegan diet, home-made

tire shoes, reading. He has bicycled down to Florida and up to Canada. Fairfield County has always been his home and Chaves is deeply concerned about sustainability, toxicity of the land, education, and consent of both human and non-human animals. He wants the lands indigenous biodiversity to feel safe returning home.

**Q: What strategies do you favor to relieve the gridlock on our highways? Please explain.**

**A:** Chaves is concerned with providing health, empowerment, and opportunities for everyone, including single mothers, people of color, and non-voters. Historically we have seen that relief alone is not a full solution. Foreclosures can be expected again. Chaves' main impetus is one of empowerment. He supports a divestment from global systems, reorganizing locally around a sustainable infrastructure, encouraging local sustenance-based family farms, renewable waste, and an environment that naturally provides clean air, and clean water. This is an empowerment strategy, a prerequisite to the consent of our community.

**Q: Connecticut has some of the worst air in the country. What measures and funding mechanisms would you support to improve the state's air quality?**

**A:** The CDC produced a study analyzing the leading causes of death determinants: lifestyle 51%, environment 20%, biological inheritance 19%, medical intervention 10%. So to work on health, would mean an end to corporate advertising, its intent of dissatisfaction, and its attack of self-hate, and competition. Stopping pollutants like landfills, incinerators, and the businesses that bring them in.

This is not to say that medical intervention is not important. Spiritual health, herbalists, homeopathy, midwifery, and a thousand other safe health solutions already are in place, safer, and effective.

**Q: Do you support or oppose legislation to expand the five-cent deposit on water bottles? Please explain.**

**A:** Most importantly it would be a society that rewards behaviors that benefit our community, rather than ruthless individuals. It would have a local infrastructure where making choices doesn't mean voting. There would be a less advertising. It would have to be sustainable and not reliant on globally derived technologies, products, and green paper. It would mean creating a safe space so large aquatic animals could return to the sound. It would mean whales and sharks. It would mean less carbon output. It would mean a chance that lobsters might come back

# State House of Representatives

2-year term  
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## 149TH DISTRICT



**Livvy R. Floren**  
Republican  
210 Round Hill Road  
Greenwich, CT 06831

**Biography:** Incumbent, 4-term state representative. Assistant Republican Leader and Ranking Member Bonding Committee. Member Finance, Aging, Government Administration & Elections. MBA finance, Adelphi University; AB economics, Vassar College. Resident of 149th District 36 years. Married

41 years; mother of four; grandmother of one. Family Advocate Award 2007; Conservation Voters Honor Roll 2006; Civic Leader Award 2006; Conservation Leadership Award 2004; "Spirit of Greenwich" Award 1999.

**Q: What strategies do you favor to relieve the gridlock on our highways? Please explain.**

A: Improved transportation is one of my top priorities. In order to relieve congestion, we must reduce reliance on automobiles and make mass transportation more convenient, reliable and attractive to commuters. We shall soon see the new fleet of railcars on MetroNorth, and strides have been made to improve parking at local train stations. We could reduce the amount of truck traffic on roadways by expanding barge and ferry service. Legislators must commit to an effective transportation system essential to the state's economic well-being.

**Q: Connecticut has some of the worst air in the country. What measures and funding mechanisms would you support to improve the state's air quality?**

A: Most of Connecticut's air pollution is imported from Pennsylvania and Ohio — particulate matter brought by prevailing westerly winds. Connecticut is cleaning its air — working to close the Sooty Six coal-burning electric plants, and we are in the process of reducing our carbon footprint by embracing a "green" ethos. To promote energy efficiency, encourage cleaner energy and reduce demand, I support: the use of clean diesel fuel and alternative, renewable sources of energy; tax breaks to owners of hybrid vehicles and other fuel-efficient automobiles; incentives for small power plants that use technology such as micro-turbines and fuel cells.

**Q: Do you support or oppose legislation to expand the five-cent deposit on water bottles? Please explain.**

A: Support. When recycling legislation was first enacted, water bottles were not such a major container source. Today, discarded water bottles are a major component of unsightly roadside litter. Although I understand the arguments (primarily from grocery stores) that collection and storage of water bottles would pose an increased burden, we need an alternative to environmental pollution. I also support single stream recycling and an expanded "blue bin" program.

## 150TH DISTRICT



**Lile R. Gibbons**  
Republican  
27 Sunset Road  
Old Greenwich, CT 06870

**Biography:** Running for 5th term in the State House of Representatives, 150th District Assistant Republican Leader. Ranking member, Human Services; member, Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee and Energy Committee. Past member of the Greenwich Board of Education (3 yrs. as Chair),

Greenwich RTM, State Board of Higher Education. Married to John A. Gibbons; 4 Adult children; 5 grandsons.

**Q: What strategies do you favor to relieve the gridlock on our highways? Please explain.**

A: Get the new Metro North train cars delivered in 2009! Create more parking at the stations and improve lighting and safety at all of them. Create ferry service for both passengers and freight. Extend the exit and entrance ramps in the master plan for I-95—include Exit 3, I-95 south, on this list. Install EZpass (the newest electronic version) on I-95 and I-84 to help pay for the projects and capture user fees for vehicles traveling through Connecticut to points north. Add/create incentives for businesses to encourage car pooling, telecommuting and staggered work hours.

**Q: Connecticut has some of the worst air in the country. What measures and funding mechanisms would you support to improve the state's air quality?**

A: The bulk of Connecticut's poor air quality can be attributed to coal-fired electric plants in Ohio and western Pennsylvania. I have supported regional agreements that encourage Connecticut and adjoining states to enter programs reducing the usage of nitrous and sulfur oxides in our atmosphere. I also supported legislation that closed the dirtiest power plants in Connecticut, the "Sooty Six." The other side of the coin in closing these plants is providing alternative energy generation to meet our escalating energy demands. I supported legislation this past year that adds generation for peak electric times; we must do more.

**Q: Do you support or oppose legislation to expand the five-cent deposit on water bottles? Please explain.**

A: I support it completely. We have to work out a few glitches in returning different sizes and shapes of bottles, but given the number of water bottles sold in Connecticut now exceeds 550 million units annually and is increasing in double digits every year, we must recycle these bottles. In addition, we should move towards using a biodegradable material for water bottles and the reuse of non-plastic bottles. All the above will help decrease our waste bottle stream.

# How to apply for a presidential ballot

## Issuing Presidential Ballots

Certain unregistered residents and former residents will be eligible to vote only for President and Vice President by means of a paper "Presidential Ballot." The application for this ballot is made with the appropriate Town Clerk not earlier than 45 days before the election and not later than the close of the polls on Election Day.

## Eligibility for Presidential Ballots

To be eligible for a presidential ballot, a person must: a) be a United States citizen, b) be at least 18 years old, c) be a resident or former resident of the town in Connecticut where the ballot application is made, and d) not have had electoral privileges forfeited because of a disenfranchising crime.

You are a "resident" if you are not registered to vote in the town in which you reside, but are otherwise qualified to become a voter.

You are a "former resident" if: a) you were formerly a resident of the town to which you are directing your application, and b) you have moved to your present residence in another town of this or another state within thirty days prior to the presidential election and for that reason are prevented from registering to

vote in the town of your present residence.

When applying for a presidential ballot, you must state that: a) you have not voted and will not vote otherwise than by this ballot in this election, and b) you are not eligible to vote for President and Vice President in any other town in Connecticut or in any other state. A current and valid photo identification or a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck or other government document that shows your name and address shall be presented at the time of application.

There is no requirement that a presidential ballot voter register as a condition of getting a presidential ballot. However a presidential ballot voter could be offered the opportunity to register, if time and circumstances permit.

## Location for Casting Presidential Ballots

Presidential ballot applications shall be returned to: a) the Town Clerk's Office, or b) on Election Day such materials can be processed and returned to a location designated by the Town Clerk in a municipal facility. This location may not be a designated polling location used during the election. The phone number for the Greenwich Town Clerk is 203.622.7897.

# State House of Representatives

2-year term  
Vote for 1; One will be elected.

## 151ST DISTRICT



**Alfred Camillo**  
Republican  
35 MacArthur Drive  
Old Greenwich, CT 06870

**Biography:** I am a Greenwich native and was raised in Cos Cob. Currently, I am a Mortgage Banker. I started my own business at 21, was founding member of Greenwich Recycling, and am a former high school History teacher. A former RTM member, former Chairman of the Parks & Recreation Board, and former

Chairman of the Republican Town Committee, I currently serve on the Boy Scouts and Babe Ruth League boards.

**Q: What strategies do you favor to relieve the gridlock on our highways? Please explain.**

A: CT must refocus its transportation strategy away from one man/one car to mass transportation. This can only be achieved by providing incentives (cost savings) to people to ride the trains and buses. Corporate sponsorship of rail cars, analogous to the renaming of sports arenas, would enable commuters and travelers to ride for less. This is not the advertising we see on trains but actual sponsorship of the whole rail car. The loss fare revenue would be replaced by the corporate agreement. Also, Telecommuting for state workers would relieve congestion on the roads, reduce pollution, and save money.

**Q: Connecticut has some of the worst air in the country. What measures and funding mechanisms would you support to improve the state's air quality?**

A: A good portion of our pollution comes from coal-fired plants in the Midwest. That issue needs regional cooperation and adherence to stricter regulations. As for the sources of bad air in CT, we need to keep moving in the direction of alternative fuel technologies. Fuel cells, geo-thermal, wind, solar, and nuclear energy should be the focus of a combined effort to incorporate all and not just one. We are off to a good start with fuel cells, which the State has targeted to run buses and to make Bradley Airport the first truly Green airport in the world.

**Q: Do you support or oppose legislation to expand the five-cent deposit on water bottles? Please explain.**

A: I support legislation to expand the five-cent deposit to cover water and energy drink bottles. As a jogger, hiker, and Baseball Umpire, the litter I see most on the fields and roadsides are the bottles not covered by a five-cent deposit. As a leader in the Recycling field since 1991, Recycling and Conservation are passions of mine. The Sierra Club of CT endorsed my candidacy and has recognized my commitment to the environment and is looking forward to working with me at the State level to promote policies that will protect the green in CT that we all love.



**Edward T. Krumeich**  
Democratic  
16 Perryridge Road  
Greenwich, CT 06830

**Biography:** Born and raised in Greenwich. A.B. Hamilton College '72. J.D. from Case Western Reserve '75. Member, Ivey, Barnum & O'Mara. Married to Beth Kneisel Krumeich for 24 years. Daughters Sarah (19) and Katie (17). Board of Estimate and Taxation (1995 to date); BET Budget Committee that approves town budgets; formerly Chairman, Board of Social

Services, RTM (District 7) and Cos Cob Power Plant Advisory Committee. As Chairman, lead the effort to save Parsonage Cottage and transform it into a state of the art licensed home for the elderly.

**Q: What strategies do you favor to relieve the gridlock on our highways? Please explain.**

A: We must shift traffic from highways to mass transit. Reduced traffic congestion and fewer vehicle trips will lower pollution and improve quality of life. Mass transit must become more efficient and affordable. The State has passed comprehensive plans to improve transportation along the I95 and I91 corridors by funding "multimodal" transportation systems using interconnected rail and bus service as an alternative to highways. The challenge is to find ways to pay for these improvements. The funding mechanism chosen, phased increases in gas taxes, will prove inadequate. Highway tolls, congestion pricing and general taxation are alternatives but each has its drawbacks.

**Q: Connecticut has some of the worst air in the country. What measures and funding mechanisms would you support to improve the state's air quality?**

A: The Clean Energy Fund promotes clean and renewable energy projects. Long term, developing that technology and replacing fossil fuels with clean, renewable energy sources is the best solution for global warming and high ozone levels. Short term, the transportation improvements discussed above will improve air quality by taking vehicles off the streets and highways. Reducing "black soot" from diesel engines will also improve air quality. Also strict enforcement of clean air laws by the DEP and EPA will improve air quality. Because of the prevailing westerlies we are affected greatly by lack of environmental enforcement nationally and by other states.

**Q: Do you support or oppose legislation to expand the five-cent deposit on water bottles? Please explain.**

Support. Over 1.5 billion bottles and cans of carbonated beverages are sold annually in Connecticut and 70% are returned for deposits, according to the Connecticut League of Conservation Voters. The bottle and can program should be extended to non-carbonated beverage bottles and cans. To avoid a windfall for the beverage companies, unclaimed deposits should revert to the state and not become income to the bottlers.

## Vote on the questions

All ballot questions are printed on the ballot above Row A. A detailed discussion of both can be seen on the Web site of the Secretary of the State at [www.sots.ct.gov](http://www.sots.ct.gov).

### FIRST QUESTION: CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

YES  NO

**Shall there be a Constitutional Convention to amend or revise the constitution of the state?**

(If a majority of voters approve a convention this November, it would have to begin by November 4, 2009.)

### SECOND QUESTION: 17-YEAR-OLDS VOTING IN PRIMARIES

YES  NO

**Shall the constitution of the state be amended to permit any person who will have attained the age of eighteen years on or before the day of a regular election to vote in the primary for such regular election?**

If a majority of those voting approve, it will become part of the state constitution. Under the amendment, potential voters must still apply and otherwise qualify for admission as electors (voters).

## Registrars of Voters

2-year term  
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**Fred A. DeCaro, III**  
Republican  
10 MacArthur Drive  
Old Greenwich, CT 06870

**Sharon Vecchiolla**  
Democratic  
193 Byram Road  
Greenwich, CT 06830

## How to apply for a provisional ballot

You may apply for and be issued a provisional ballot if you:

a) Appear at the polling place and declare that you are a voter in the municipality, and you are eligible to vote in the primary or election for federal office in the polling place, but your name does not appear on the official registry list for the polling place; and

b) The Registrars determine that your name cannot be restored to the voting list under section 9-42 or transferred from another polling place under section 9-35 of the Connecticut general statutes; or

c) The Moderator decides that your name appears on the registry list and you have been challenged pursuant to sections 9-232 to 9-232(f), inclusive, of the general statutes and you are not eligible to vote in the primary or election for federal office; or

d) Any first-time voter required to produce identification, who is unable to do so; and

e) Individuals who vote after the polls close in an election for federal office as a result of a federal or state court order, or any other order extending the time established for closing the polls by a state law in effect 10 days before the date of that election.

You may apply for and cast a provisional ballot upon the execution of a written affirmation at the polling place affirming that you are qualified to vote in the election or primary for federal office in the polling place; and you have neither offered yourself to vote nor voted in person or by absentee ballot at said election or primary for federal office at the polling place.

Such application for provisional ballot shall be one prescribed by the Secretary of the State, executed before an election official and include a written affirmation, under penalty of false statement in absentee balloting pursuant to section 9-359a of the general statutes.

If you are a first-time voter voting by absentee ballot, and you are unable to provide identification, your absentee ballot will be counted as a provisional ballot.

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	Be sure to read the instructions on the reverse side of this ballot, it will help you in voting.		

VOTE ON THE QUESTION(S)	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO 1. Shall there be a Constitutional Convention to amend or revise the Constitution of the State?		<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO 2. Shall the Constitution of the State be amended to permit any person who will have attained the age of eighteen years on or before the day of a regular election to vote in the primary for such regular election?		
	OFFICE →	1 Presidential Electors for	2 Representative in Congress	3 State Senator	4 * State Representative
PARTY ↓	<b>SAMPLE BALLOT</b>				
REPUBLICAN	<input type="radio"/> 1A McCain and Palin	<input type="radio"/> 2A Christopher Shays	<input type="radio"/> 3A L. Scott Frantz	<input type="radio"/> 4A Fred Camillo	<input type="radio"/> 5A Fred A. DeCaro, III
DEMOCRATIC	<input type="radio"/> 1B Obama and Biden	<input type="radio"/> 2B Jim Himes	<input type="radio"/> 3B Mark Diamond	<input type="radio"/> 4B Edward Krumeich	<input type="radio"/> 5B Sharon B. Vecchiolla
LIBERTARIAN	1C	<input type="radio"/> 2C Michael Anthony Carrano	3C	4C	5C
GREEN	1D	<input type="radio"/> 2D Richard Z. Duffee	<input type="radio"/> 3D Zachary A. Chaves	4D	5D
INDEPENDENT	<input type="radio"/> 1E Nader and Gonzalez	2E	3E	4E	5E
WORKING FAMILIES	1F	<input type="radio"/> 2F Jim Himes	3F	4F	5F

\* This is a sample ballot for the 151st State Representative District. Candidates for State Representative in the 149th and 150th Districts are unopposed.

## 2008 Voter's Guide

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 622-7889 or 622-7890  
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 622-7897