

# HARWINTON

Democratic Town Committee

OCTOBER

2019

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Thank you

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Our Candidates  
Food Pantry Drive

The Harwinton Democrats advocate for an inclusive and transparent town government that values fiscal sustainability, positive change, and collaborative leadership. We are committed to strong educational opportunities, smart business growth, and preservation of open space. We champion our democratic ideals of community, compassion, and the common good.

## Thank you!

“Thank you to everyone who volunteered and stopped by our booth at the fair if even just for a minute. Always good to see some friendly faces! Special thanks to Diane Honig for purchasing and selling the T shirts, and Sunny Torres for purchasing and selling the yard signs! We have numerous T-shirts and yard signs still available for sale, so if you would like any, please contact Diane for the T-shirts and me for the signs. Hope to see you at the next meeting!”

~Peter Brazaitis



## Welcome!

Welcome to the Harwinton Democratic Town Committee newsletter. Our members and



supporters are active in so many ways in our community and on our Town Boards. Our monthly newsletter highlights the efforts being made to help support our community and neighbors. You can

also read to find out what we have been up to and plan ahead for events and activities. Do you have any information you'd like to share? Please feel free to e-mail us at [harwintondems@gmail.com](mailto:harwintondems@gmail.com).

In the photo: From left to right below: Nancy Shanley Schnyer-Secretary; Joe Arcuri-Vice Chairman; Peter Brazaitis Jr.-Chairman; Robin Turpin-Treasurer; Franci

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Listen to episodes that include interviews with DNC Chair Tom Perez, former Congressman Sam Gejdenson, State Senator Mae Flexer and more!

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## Our Newest Candidates (please visit our [website](#) for a list of ALL of our candidates)

**Kevin Case**, along with his wife Linda and daughters, Emma and Sarah, both Lewis Mills graduates, have lived in Harwinton since 2006.

Kevin is in his 14th year working with the Land Trust Alliance, a national organization focused on the role of land conservation in building healthy and vibrant communities.

Prior to joining the Alliance, Kevin worked for the National Park Service. He oversaw a federal Wild and Scenic River Study on the Eightmile River and a National Scenic Trail Study for what is now the New England National Scenic Trail.

Previously, he was Executive Director of the Farmington River Watershed Association in Simsbury and currently sits on the board of the Connecticut Land Conservation Council.

As a candidate for Zoning Commission Alternate, Kevin is excited for an opportunity to have a role in making Harwinton the best community it can be

**Darren Frechette** is a business owner and PhD Economist who moved to Harwinton 13 years ago because of its rural character and great schools. He is 50 years old and has 3 children and 4 step-children, ages 11 to 18.

Darren's main community activity has been coaching youth soccer, which he has done almost every spring and fall (and sometimes winter) for the last 20 years. He loves bright fall days and fresh fruits and vegetables from local farms and orchards.

His metal fabrication business in Bristol employs 15 people and was started by his grandfather in 1937. Before taking over the business from his father, Darren was a professor at Penn State University where he taught economics and management to students in the College of Agricultural Science and published scholarly research on commodity markets.

Darren sees serving on the Board of Assessment Appeals as an essentially nonpartisan position where his financial background will help ensure fairness for Harwinton resident concerned.



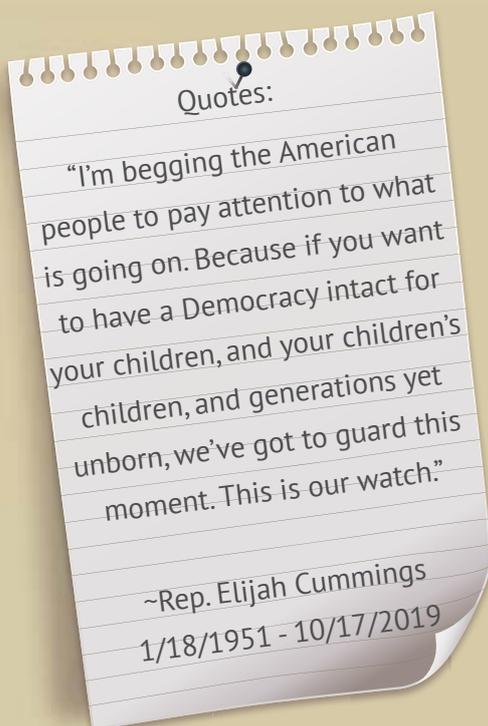
### Local Meetings & Gatherings

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Harwinton DTC meeting  
Thomaston Savings Bank,  
Harwinton  
6:30 p.m

# 22

Public Safty Meeting  
Harwinton Town Hall  
7:00 p.m.



# National Election Day

## Canvassing is Going Well by Paul Honig

While I'm running unopposed, I think it's important to try to speak with as many residents as possible, Democrat, Republican or otherwise. My goal is to knock on every door in town, all 2000 of them. It looks like I'll be able to accomplish this by Election Day. Since the beginning of September with the aid of my mountain bike, I've been to about 1250 doors, attempted to contact 2450 voters and made over 525 contacts. My main takeaways are that people:

- like Harwinton the way it is, i.e. they're not interested in any large scale development
- like that property taxes have remained stable
- are concerned about speeding cars
- are very interested in investigating bringing fiber-optic internet to Harwinton

It's been a fun ride so far. I've met a lot of nice and interesting people, seen some really cool properties and got a lot of exercise going up and down our big Harwinton hills.

Thanks so much to all the presenters and the staff at the CT DEMS State Party for supporting our Connecticut DTCs in our municipal elections.

### More Town Meetings

Harwinton Halloween Festival

Harwinton Fairgrounds

Oct 25 thru Oct 27

4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

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Region 10 Board of Ed Meeting

The Learning Center

7:00 p.m.

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# November

## 5th

# 2019

I want to thank all of you that donated to our recent food drive for the Harwinton Food Pantry. We will be doing another one in early November so those of you who weren't able to participate this time, can do so then.

As you can tell the donation arrived just in time. All in all, a great morning in Harwinton. ~ Sunny Torres

