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This Tuesday - April 26th go to the polls and VOTE

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If you are a registered Democrat in the 14th Ward and would like to participate in our forums and vote in our pre-primary Endorsement Election, or if you just support our efforts, become a member of the Club. The Club is not an official Democratic Party organization.

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2016 ENDORSED CANDIDATES



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**14th Ward Independent Democratic Club
2016 ENDORSED CANDIDATES**

U. S. Senate
Joe Sestak

U. S. House of Representative—14th District
Mike Doyle

PA Attorney General
Josh Shapiro

PA Auditor General
Eugene A. DePasquale

PA State Treasurer
Joe Torsella

PA Senate—43rd District
Jay Costa

PA House of Representatives—23rd District
Dan Frankel

PA House of Representatives—24th District
Ed Gainey

PA House of Representatives—34th District
Paul Costa

Ballot Question

“Shall the Pennsylvania Constitution be amended to require that justices of the Supreme Court, judges and justices of the peace (known as magisterial district judges) be retired on the last day of the calendar year in which they attain the age of 75 years, instead of the current requirement that they be retired on the last day of the calendar year in which they attain the age of 70?”

YES

Josh Shapiro PA Attorney General

The Attorney General's office has been much in the news of late, partly due to controversy within the office itself and partly because of significant cases the office has been involved in.

The Attorney General is independent of the governor and the legislature and is one of Pennsylvania's most powerful positions, with the authority to investigate and prosecute a wide range of matters. The sexual abuse scandal involving the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown and public officials is one current matter; another is the ongoing investigation of judges, prosecutors, and other public officials who shared offensive and highly inappropriate emails.

Josh Shapiro has been endorsed for PA Attorney General by President Obama, Senator Bob Casey, Governor Tom Wolf, and a host of prominent Allegheny County Democrats. Shapiro served as a State Representative from 2005-2011, and more recently he has been the top elected official in Montgomery County (Pennsylvania's 3rd largest). Shapiro fought against Gov. Corbett's proposed voter ID law and for greater transparency in the PA legislature.

www.joshshapiro.org

Joe Sestak for U. S. Senate

In this wild political year, Democrats now have a good chance to regain control of the U.S. Senate, and the outcome of the Pennsylvania race will be key in determining the balance of power. If a Democrat also wins the Presidency – an increasingly likely scenario – having a Democratic majority in the Senate will bolster the chances of actually implementing Democratic priorities.

Pennsylvania's incumbent Republican Senator Pat Toomey is extremely vulnerable, and some veteran political observers are calling the race a tossup. Polls show that Democrat **Joe Sestak** is the candidate with the strongest chance of beating Toomey. Joe Sestak has an extensive record of public service, in the military and government. He served in the Navy for 31 years, rising to the rank of 3-star Admiral, and from 2007-2010 Sestak served in the U.S. House of Representatives.

In 2010 Sestak ran for U.S. Senate and won the Democratic nomination, though he narrowly missed winning in the general election. In addition to being a graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, Sestak has graduate degrees from Harvard University. He is a champion of affordable health care for all Americans, a strong proponent of measures to combat climate change, and an advocate for a military that is smarter rather than bigger. In Congress Sestak voted 41 times to protect, strengthen, or expand Social Security and Medicare.
www.joesestak.com

Ed Gainey for PA House of Representatives—24th District

Representative Ed Gainey works tirelessly in his legislative district providing services to his constituents and leadership in the areas of educational reform, affordable housing, and drug policy. He has steadfastly championed the medical marijuana legislation and is the prime sponsor of House Bill 655 eliminating the statute of limitations in civil cases involving child sex abuse. Gainey sponsored legislation for automatic registration of eligible voters with a provision to opt out. His close working relationship with Representative Dan Frankel and Senator Jay Costa enhances his ability to get things done in Harrisburg.

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