

There's Still Time To Register as a Write-In Candidate for an Empty Seat for the Next Representative Town Meeting

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As the Nov. 3 election draws closer, there is still time to register as a write-in candidate for one of the ten empty positions for the Darien Representative Town Meeting.

— *an announcement from the Darien Representative Town Meeting*

Here are where the vacancies are, by district:

If you are uncertain which district you live in you can find that information by entering your name and street address on [this website](#).

“Joining the RTM is a great way to get involved in running your Town,” says RTM Moderator Seth Morton. “The RTM has 100 members and acts as the legislative body for Darien, reviewing and voting on spending

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plans and monitoring the operation of town government. The RTM meets 7 times a year and does much of its work in specialized committees dealing with finance and budget, education, parks & recreation, public health and safety and others.”

Long-time RTM member Clara Sartori (and current President of the Darien League of Women Voters) adds: “The RTM is great training for involvement in Town government. At the same time, you will meet people who have been involved in major Town Boards.

The RTM now includes former selectmen, Board of Education and commission members. It is a good way to meet other like-minded people. It is public service and an opportunity to influence what happens in Darien.”

The Representative Town Meeting is a non-partisan body so members are elected and serve regardless of their political party affiliation. Elected members serve two year terms and half of the body is elected each year.

If seats are unfilled after the election, the districts may caucus to select new members, filling out each district’s apportioned number of seats.

To run as a write-in candidate you must register in advance of the election at the Town Clerk’s office at Darien Town Hall. The deadline is 12 Noon on Monday November 2nd. Write-in candidates must receive at least 25 votes to be elected.

For more information contact the Town Clerk’s office at 203-656-7307.