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Why Do So Few Registered Darien Voters Get to the Polls? Vote, and Vote Republican

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To the editor:

My question: why do so few registered voters in Darien exercise their right and privilege to vote, especially in off-year elections? Is it because they simply don't care? Are they too busy to take the time to understand the critical issues facing Darien? Do they think their vote won't make a difference?

Or have they become complacent about Darien's municipal elections, because they feel everything is running smoothly and trust our elected town leaders to keep up the good work?

I don't have the answer, but I find it incredibly frustrating so few voters make the effort to vote for their local government leaders who have the greatest impact on their daily lives and on their families.

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According to several recent studies, Darien is faring significantly better than most other towns in Connecticut, whether you're talking about Darien's responsible and prudent financial management, its enviable educational system, its high level of volunteerism, it's many targeted programs for our children, our elderly, and other residents, or the overall wonderful quality of life we enjoy by living here.

- *Editor's note: Letters to the editor about the Nov. 5 election will be accepted up until 11:59 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 30.*

This hasn't happened by accident. It's happened because we've been fortunate to have exceptionally qualified, experienced, and hard-working Republican leaders watching our backs to ensure this town continues to remain a place where we want to live and raise our children.

I don't really expect an answer to my question. However, I do want to encourage Darien's voters to at least go to the polls on Nov. 5 and show their support for Darien's proven leadership by voting for our first selectman, Jayme Stevenson, and her team of Republican candidates. Everyone's vote counts!

Respectfully,

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Editor's note: Belinda Metzger is a member of the Republican Town Committee.