

LETTERS

Civilized discourse

The East Hampton Group for Good Government (GGG) is off and running. Thank you for your excellent introductory coverage about our formation and purposes ["Watchdog group launches site," June 17]. In furtherance of those goals we had a lawn party on Saturday, June 27, at which all the candidates for town offices and Town Trustee were invited.

Attendees included Assemblyman Fred Thiele, County Legislator Jay Schneiderman, Bill Wilkinson, Ben Zwirn, Theresa Quigley, Dominick Stanzione, Patty Leber and others running for various positions. All of them were introduced, but there were no speeches. This was an informal opportunity for regular citizens to meet their potential representatives.

We would like to thank all those who attended, inaugurating what we hope will be more events of this type, nonpartisan, non-confrontational and very civil.

As you know, the restoration of respectful dialogue in our political arena is one of the tenets of our new organization, accompanied by what will be a sustained voter registration drive. We have discovered a profound lack of knowledge among prospective registrants and voters about the form of our town government as well as its current problems. Our web site, EHGGG.org, is now up and we encourage all

those interested in the restoration of good government in our town to visit the site, to join our organization, to learn more about the situation, to register to vote and to exercise the proper role of a concerned citizenry.

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Great launch

On Saturday, June 27, the East Hampton Group for Good Government, a non-partisan community coalition, hosted the local candidates at the beautiful home of Jeffrey and Patricia Fisher. My congratulations and thanks to Jeffrey and Patricia and their co-hosts Steven and Lauren Schwartz on a wonderful event. Each of the candidates had a great opportunity to meet and, more importantly, listen to our neighbors in a special setting.

I believe this event was a wonderful launch for GGG and we all look forward to many future opportunities for similar exchanges.

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