



**MASSACHUSETTS FEDERATION OF YOUNG REPUBLICANS HOST
CANDIDATES IN 7TH PLYMOUTH DISTRICT**

***U.S SENATE CANDIDATE SCOTT BROWN HEADLINES
ABINGTON RALLY***

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ABINGTON, MA (10/7/09): The Great Chow restaurant in Abington was the setting for a combination political rally and membership drive, sponsored by the Massachusetts Federation of Young Republicans. Topping the bill was Mass. State Senator Scott Brown, candidate for the U.S. Senate seat left vacant by the passing of Sen. Edward Kennedy. Also featured was the district candidate for Abington's State Representative, Geoff Diehl, a sign industry executive from neighboring Whitman.

Sen. Scott Brown's arrival was greeted by supporters who had come directly from work to hold signs outside the restaurant along Rt. 18. Moving everyone inside, a roomful of attendees gathered to hear the candidates speak about their plans for office. Senator Brown talked about his success in signature gathering and fundraising, explained how he would be able to act as a voice of reason in Washington and not be just another rubber stamp to the desires of Sen. Harry Reid, and congratulated the people present for showing their support in such great numbers.

State Representative candidate Diehl pointed out to the crowd that Scott Brown's rally had definitely gotten the attention of the potential Democratic candidates for the Senate seat.

"I know that my opponent had printed invitations for a fundraiser tonight that featured [Attorney General] Martha Coakely, but once this rally was organized, we found out that she was no longer attending that function. [Sen.] Scott Brown is certainly making an impact here on the South Shore."

Massachusetts Federation of Young Republicans Chairman Richard Wheeler also spoke about the importance of registering with the YR group in order to be ready to mobilize for future events like the rally in Abington.

"It was an honor to have Senator Brown take the time he did to come to our district and share the energy and enthusiasm he brings to his campaign and to the Republican party." State Rep. candidate Diehl reflected as the night wound down and some of the rally-goers indulged themselves in a karaoke song before taking their leave.

ABOUT DISTRICT / CANDIDATE:

The 7th Plymouth District includes all of Abington, East Bridgewater and Whitman. Notable State Representatives from this District include Michael Sullivan, former U.S. Attorney for the District of Massachusetts and former Plymouth County DA, and Andrew Card, former White House Chief of Staff.

This is the first time Geoff Diehl has run for political office and he currently resides in Whitman with his wife, KathyJo, and their two daughters, Kaylee and Emily. He is a graduate of Lehigh University and is an Account Executive with Poyant Signs. Geoff is also a member of the Whitman Finance Committee as well as the South Shore and MetroSouth Chambers of Commerce. Mr. Diehl is also an Eagle Scout.

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