

**Shirley Stone**  
**Co-Chair, Rhinebeck Democrats Club**

Shirley moved to Rhinebeck 25 years ago from Westchester County and a successful advertising sales executive career in NYC. She worked for several cable networks (CNN, MTV, and Discovery Channel) as well as start-up enterprises, where she helped write business plans and develop sales strategies. She is the mother of a K-12 Rhinebeck Central School District graduate. When her daughter started in high school she began working as a local radio sales executive, which she continues as today. She holds both a BBA (Temple U) and MBA (Baruch U) in marketing and is a certified empowerment life coach.

Shirley became active in local politics once her daughter went off to college. She had become disillusioned by the way Rhinebeck's political decisions were made behind closed doors. When she discovered the Rhinebeck Democrats Club, she felt change was possible. She worked on the John Rossi mayoral campaign, hosted a fundraiser for the Ryan campaign, drove campaign volunteers door to door in Hyde Park, Red Hook and Rhinebeck for the November 2022 elections, She also worked for the non-incumbent candidates running in the January 2023 Village of Rhinebeck Democratic primary.

Shirley believes that change happens slowly and starts at the local level. She is co-founder of the RDC speaker series, which looks to engage thought-provoking speakers in discussions on various topics of political, cultural, and social importance. As Co-chair of the Club she looks forward to impacting change and engaging residents to become active community members.