Choose Bonner, Langdon, Hathaway for Malone Village Board

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To the editor:

We live in chaotic times and it's more important than ever that you get out to vote.

Our local governments have the most direct affect on our everyday lives. The village of Malone is currently facing serious issues: the loss of its garage, closure of businesses, redevelopment, unsustainable taxes and other problems. These issues necessitate a Village Board that methodically studies all factors regardless of personal prejudices, evaluates facts, and places the community first. We need a mayor who does not have a conflict of interest, who can dedicate his time to one political position, the village of Malone.

I encourage you to vote for Norm Bonner for mayor. Norm is a grounded citizen who continues to work hard to "fix" things. You don't see Norm showing up for pictures, you see him working with the rest of us, elbows greased. Norm keeps an open mind, researches issues and calmly works with a team. If he doesn't know the answer, he doesn't pretend, he finds it out. He believes in the people he serves and works to build our community. He doesn't stand around talking about a task, he completes it. He's action and success without a flamboyant pursuit of public attention. Norm Bonner exudes integrity, honesty and sincerity, a breath of fresh air in this perplexing world. He needs your vote!

Another hard-working citizen is Brian Langdon, who is running for village trustee. Brian has spent countless hours in meetings trying to find solutions to the garage tragedy. Finding a working solution that doesn't cost a small fortune in not easy. We must have a successful DPW or have potholes. Brain is a big supporter of first responders and his decisions are based on a genuine dedication to the Malone community health and welfare. Often Brian appears shy, but truth be known, he's listening, weighing the pros and cons, and voting responsibly for Malone's well-being.

I worked with Nate Hathaway for many years and I am pleased that he is running for the Village Board. I have long supported getting another generation involved in our local government. Nate brings with him a new perspective and appreciation for the youth of Malone. Malone is changing, moving into a new phase of development, and we need new ideas and energy to go with it.

Please vote. Norm, Brian and Nate are the best choices.

Mary Scharf