

*** GOOD NEWS ABOUT DEMOCRATS!***

MARCH 27, 2018



GOVERNOR COOPER ADDRESSES DURHAM COUNTY CONVENTION AND HONORS REPRESENTATIVE MICHAUX!

Governor Roy Cooper was the Keynote Speaker at the Durham County Democratic Party Convention. He honored State Representative Mickey Michaux for his 45 years in the legislature by bestowing upon him the prestigious Order of the Long Leaf Pine Award. Mrs. June Michaux shared the happy event with her husband.



NC Court of Appeals candidate Allegra Collins and NCDP Vice Chair Nida Aziz Allam joined Governor Cooper for this happy picture.



Longtime Durham Democratic leader Dr. Lavonia Allison welcomed the Governor to the Convention.

Durham County Chair Stephen Gheen and First Vice Chair Natalie Murdock organized and led a meaningful Convention which passed many resolutions.



Adrina, Antoine and Ansel Freeman performed at the Durham County Convention. They are the children of Durham City Councilwoman DeDreanna Freeman.

Governor Cooper with Deborah Giles and Judge Rachel Green



Governor Cooper with Senator Floyd McKissick, Representative Robert Reives, and Senator Mike Woodard



OVERFLOW CROWD AT MECKLENBURG COUNTY CONVENTION!

Mecklenburg County Chair Jane Whitley congratulated three Democrats who were honored with awards at the county's 2018 Convention at Vance High School in Charlotte.

On the left is Carol Williams who was honored as the "DEMOCRAT OF THE YEAR!"

Arthur Griffin, Jr. received the prestigious "ROSA PARKS AWARD!" This award is given each year to a Democrat who has overcome significant obstacles to achieve breakthroughs in social justice.

Ninth District Chair Cynthia Wallace was named "DEMOCRATIC WOMAN OF THE YEAR!"



Like many counties across the state, Mecklenburg Democrats filled their Convention Hall and had lots of people standing.

This picture was taken as candidates and elected officials took their turns addressing the Convention.



**County Party Secretary
Collette Alston**



State Senator Jeff Jackson



**Congresswoman Alma Adams with
State House candidate Masif Majeed**



**State House candidate
Rachel Hunt Nilender**



**State Senate candidate
Mujtaba Mohammed**



Public servants who REALLY SERVE!

**Sheriff candidate Garry McFadden, Mark Jerrell, District Attorney Spencer Merriweather,
State House candidate Masif Majeed, & County Commissioner Trevor Fuller.**



**TINA MONROE OF GOLDSBORO
NAMED AAC MEMBER OF THE MONTH!**

When Tina Monroe joined the NCDP AAC recently, she jumped in 100%! Since joining she has recruited 126 new AAC members, attended a Kyle Horton Town Hall in Burgaw, spoken about the AAC's mission at three churches, and brought AIDS and HIV awareness to many Goldsboro residents. THAT IS WHAT SHE ACCOMPLISHED IN HER FIRST THREE WEEKS!

She has now been elected President of the African American Caucus of the Wayne County Democratic Party – and been honored as the State AAC's "PERSON OF THE MONTH!"



Tina held her award as she posed with some of the State AAC leaders at their General Meeting in Charlotte.

Tina truly understands the mission, goals, and strategic vision of the NCDP's AAC Caucus. State AAC President Linda Wilkins-Daniels said "Tina is simply an amazing and phenomenal woman. We are glad she is on the "BLUE" TEAM!"

All North Carolina Democrats join in saying "Congratulations" to Tina Monroe!



RASHIDUL ISLAM – A DEDICATED WAKE COUNTY DEMOCRAT!

SEC Member Rashidul Islam has just returned from a week-long visit to Bangladesh where he visited with relatives and friends. A wise action: Because of political unrest in Bangladesh, before leaving Rashidul notified the US Embassy in Bangladesh about the dates on which he would be there.

Rashidul has been a Democrat all his life and that he has been active in the Wake County Democratic Party for the past six years. He has been a State Executive Committee Member for four years.

He is an engineer working for Lenovo International. He and his wife, Tasneen Islam, have one son, Marzuq, who is a high school student in Wake County. Their elegant home is in Cary.

Rashidul has two brothers. One lives in Arizona where he works for IBM. His other brother is an entrepreneur who owns several businesses in Bangladesh.



Rashidul attended my Birthday Dinner in November. He brought this work of art from Bangladesh as a present for me.

It was handcrafted by the women of rural Bangladesh. When you look closely you will see that it is not painted. Instead the picture is made up of hundreds of colored threads!



**YOUNG DEMS, COLLEGE DEMS, TEEN DEMS
GET YOUR CONVENTION TICKETS NOW!**

EXCITEMENT IS BUILDING!

**The 2018 Convention of Young Democrats,
College Democrats, and Teen Democrats of North Carolina!**

APRIL 6 – 8, 2018

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Occupancy: 3 People

One Bedroom Deluxe: One King & One Sleeper Sofa

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SAM SEARCY CAMPAIGN KICKOFF IN WAKE COUNTY!

One of the most important State Senate races in the state is in District 17 in southern Wake County where successful businessman Sam Searcy is campaigning to turn that district from red to blue.

First Lady Kristin Cooper headlined Sam's first fundraising event at a supporter's home in Cary. Kristin Cooper brings excitement to every event she attends!



**More than 50 strong Sam Searcy supporters filled the home where this event was held.
Think about it: More than 50 people would fill anybody's home!**

Sam Searcy already has more than \$500,000.00 in his campaign war chest.

He is unopposed in the Democratic primary.

People in southern Wake County are ready for a change!

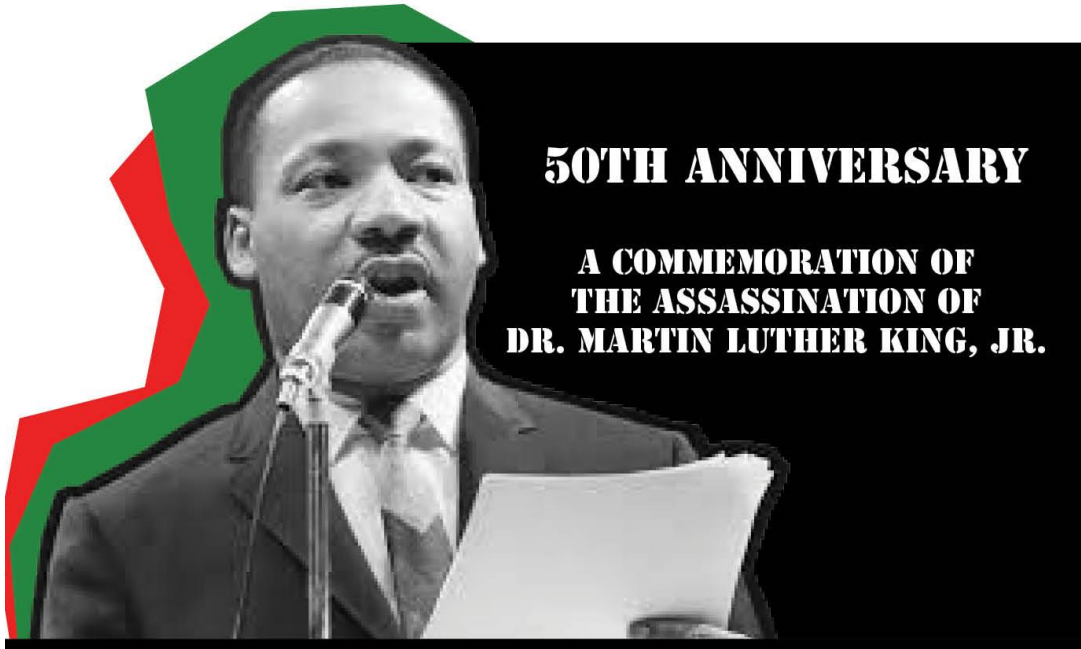
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*** SUPREME COURT JUSTICE CHERI BEASLEY! ***

*** SUPREME COURT JUSTICE MIKE MORGAN! ***

*** STATE REPRESENTATIVE CHAZ BEASLEY OF CHARLOTTE! ***
AT THIS EMOTIONAL OBSERVANCE!



April 4, 2018 6:30pm

**First Baptist Church, Dr. Dumas A. Harshaw, Jr., Pastor
101 S Wilmington Street, Raleigh, NC**

Celebrate with an evening of
gospel music, prayer, and poetry

Featuring presentations by:

NC Supreme Court Justices Cheri Beasley and Mike Morgan
and Representative Chaz Beasley



**The Triangle Martin Luther King Jr.
COMMITTEE**



FOURTH DISTRICT DEMOCRATS PRESENT



SPRING FUNDRAISER

With special guest Deborah Ross
Host Committee in formation

MAY 14, 2018 | 5:30-7:30 PM
THE GOODWIN HOUSE

FOURTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT SPRING FUNDRAISER!

**Fourth District Democratic Party Chair Wes Tripp
invites everyone to come to this happy event!**

Get your tickets here:

<https://secure.actblue.com/donate/4thdistrictspring18>



RYAN WATTS!

Sixth Congressional District candidate Ryan Watts is speaking at events every day of the week as he seeks to remove a GOP incumbent.

Many of these happy pictures were made when Ryan participated in the MEET THE CANDIDATES event sponsored by the Democratic Women of Lee County.



His website is WWW.WATTSFORCONGRESS.COM



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We invite you to a
Fundraising Reception in honor of
RYAN WATTS
Candidate for Congress - 6th District

With Special Guest
ANITA EARLS
Candidate for NC Supreme Court

Wednesday, April 25, 2018 • 5:30pm to 7:00pm

at Preyer Brewing
600 Battleground Ave, Greensboro, NC 27401

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"As a Veteran and father to three I am proud to stand with Moms Demand Action and to receive their gun sense candidate distinction."

LUIS 
TOLEDO
DEMOCRAT *for* NC SENATE
★ ★ ★
DISTRICT 16



**LUIS TOLEDO
ENDORSED BY
MOMS DEMAND ACTION!**

During this time when hundreds of thousands of Americans are marching for better gun laws, District 16 State Senate Candidate Luis Toledo has been strongly endorsed by MOMS DEMAND ACTION FOR GUN SENSE IN AMERICA!



HISPANIC DEMOCRATIC LEADERS AT AAC GENERAL BODY MEETING!

NCDP Hispanic American Caucus officers attended the General Body meeting of the NCDP African American Caucus. HAD leaders are working to stay united and informed about issues in both of their communities. They report that the members of both organizations are united and working as a unit.

In the picture above HAD Vice President David Salazar and HAD President Carolina Fonseca (right) are with AAC President Linda Wilkins-Daniels.



AAC Treasurer Linda Johnson-Spence posed with David Salazar and Carolina Fonseca for this picture.

Carolina says: "In all these pictures, the message is one of unity and acceptance."



CAROLINA FONSECA SPEAKS AT THE PEACE CENTER!

HAD President Carolina Fonseca was invited to speak on her DACA and Dreamer experiences in the United States at a Carolina Peace Center event. Other Hispanic leaders discussed the travel ban and issues facing our minority communities.



These young people were inspired by Carolina's life story.



JUNE ATKINSON HONORED!

The North Carolina Chamber of Commerce presented their Distinguished Public Service Award to that great Democrat, Dr. June Atkinson, at their 76th Annual Convention at Emerald Isle on March 18th.



MATT ALEXANDER UPLIFTS MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY!

Matthew Alexander, Executive Vice President of the NC Teen Democrats, visited West Middle School in Montgomery County to host a motivational seminar.

The theme of the seminar was “BE THE CHALLENGE.” Matthew encouraged the students to choose a path of kindness and respect as an alternative to continued societal cynicism.

He also emphasized the necessity of empathy and how important it is for a successful individual being able to put himself or herself in another person’s shoes. He finished by leaving the students with a reminder of their worth in this world - - saying, “You are loved, you are valued, you are enough!”

Editor’s note: Matt Alexander is one of the best speakers in the state – of any age. He inspires everyone – Democrats and non-Democrats!

To invite him to speak in your county, write him at: matthew.alex50@gmail.com.

Rutherford County Democratic Party



North Carolina's Secretary of State Elaine Marshall

Join us for the 13th Annual Democratic Spring Gala

Keynote Speaker

The Honorable Elaine Marshall, Secretary of State

April 27th, 2018

7 o'clock in the evening

Isothermal Community College Foundation Performing Arts Center

\$125 Silver Sponsorship with 2 tickets

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\$50 individual ticket in advance, \$55 at the door if available



WAKE DEMOCRAT AARON WOLFF SPEAKS AT RALEIGH MARCH!

Click this link to see a video of Aaron's excellent talk:

https://www.facebook.com/aaron.wolff.16/posts/10106825560858183?notif_id=1521921254577440¬if_t=feedback_reaction_generic&ref=notif



MORE THAN 2,000 MARCHED IN WILMINGTON!

The next edition of this publication will have much more coverage of the MARCH FOR OUR LIVES in North Carolina.

DWWC

49th Annual Unity Breakfast

April 14, 2018

The Glenwood, 3300 Woman's Club Drive,
Raleigh, NC

8:00 am - Registration & Buffet 9:00 am - Program

The DWWC's largest fundraiser of the year!



Come enjoy a fabulous breakfast and hear from our esteemed keynote speaker
Associate Justice Cheri Beasley of the North Carolina Supreme Court. Justice Beasley was elected in 2014 in a statewide election to continue service as Associate Justice on the Supreme Court of NC after having been appointed in December 2012 by NC Governor Beverly Perdue.

The proceeds of this fundraiser help support fabulous democratic candidates.

Individual Ticket: \$60 (No tickets available at the door) \$60

Sponsorships: (sponsors will be listed in program)

Maya Angelou (1 reserved seat).....	x	\$100
Susan B. Anthony (3 reserved seats)	x	\$300
Ella Baker (5 reserved seats).....	x	\$500
Lillian Exum Clement (6 reserved seats).....	x	\$1,000
Sojourner Truth (Full table of 8 reserved seats).....	x	\$5,000

To become a sponsor, purchase a ticket or
make a donation visit our website:

DWWC.NET

If you can't attend consider making a donation.

Lots of happy Democratic events are happening all over North Carolina. This means that a massive amount of "GOOD NEWS" has been received this week.

Too much to get into one edition!

If your article is not in this edition it will appear in the next edition.

Articles in the next edition will include:

- March For Our Lives – more pictures!**
- South West Wake Democrats event!**
- Rocky Mount Students tour Raleigh!**
- County Conventions in Pender, Wayne, Catawba, Lenoir, Duplin, Robeson, Guilford, and several more counties!**

**Keep sending good stuff!
I will feature it as soon as possible.**

**Your Democratic Friend,
Melvin Williams**

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