# **GOOD NEWS ABOUT DEMOCRATS!**

**NOVEMBER 26, 2018** 

## **YOUTH FEATURE - KEATON BROWER!**



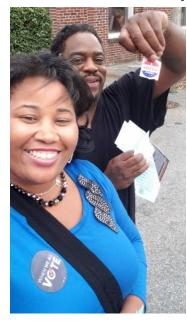


## YOUNG PEOPLE WERE ACTIVE IN THE 2018 CAMPAIGN!

Left: A first time voter in Cleveland County. Right: Laila Haddad with Governor Cooper in Fuquay.



Educator Medora Burke-Scoll and Isaac Lopez campaigning at the Haw River voting location in Alamance County



Portia Bright and Deshawn Gay working at the General Election polling place in Ayden in Pitt County.





L: Alex, a first time voter at Middlesex Precinct in Nash County with his mother and Nash County Democratic Party Vice Chair Kevin Jones.
 R: Burke County Chair Pam Genant with her husband, Jackson, and sons,
 Dallen and Phillip on Election Day in Morganton.





**Johnston County youth campaigners** 

Sophie, Sarah, & Crissy Miller writing cards in Sanford



Many young people enthusiastically promoted Da'Quan Love's State House campaign in Duplin County.



Erica McAdoo and Ryan Watts with a group of hardworking supporters



Left - Young people campaigning for David Brown in Gaston County.

Right – Amelia Phillips spent many days campaigning with her mother,

Courtney Phillips, in Gaston County.



**Gaston County young folks at Catawba Heights Precinct** 



Greensboro's Ashton Clemmons and her family celebrating her election to the General Assembly.



UNCW students, Rhibiya & Yayra, worked in Leslie Cohen's campaign.



Senator & Mrs. Jeff Jackson with Avery, Owen, and Haden on Election Day



Young Democrat Tavares Bostic was elected County Commissioner in Richmond County.



New Hanover young people campaigning for Leslie Cohen for State House



Fifth Congressional District Democratic Party Chair Charlie Wallin (center)
was elected County Commissioner in Watauga County.
Commissioners Billy Kennedy and Larry Turnbow joined Charlie for this happy picture.



# FORBES MAGAZINE NAMES ARSHEEN ALLAM ONE OF

## THE 30 MOST OUTSTANDING PEOPLE UNDER 30!

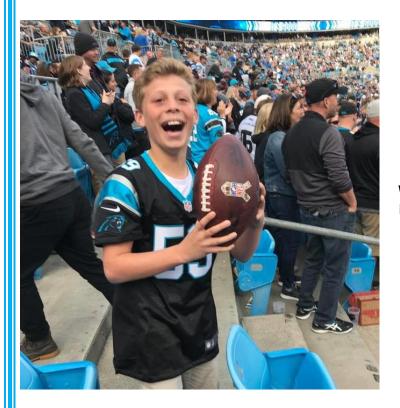
Arsheen Allam, sister of NCDP Vice Chair Nida Allam, has been selected by Forbes Magazine as one of the 30 most outstanding people under age 30 in the world.

Arsheen is 27. She earned her Bachelor of Arts in Science Degree from NC State University and her MBA from Duke University.

Forbes says:

"Trips to her parents' homelands of India and Pakistan inspired
Arsheen Allam to investigate novel methods to filter water using
cutting edge materials. From that emerged CNanoz,
which sought to develop nanotech-based carbon water filters.

Arsheen founded GOLeafe, which is developing cheaper graphene derivatives
for use in supercapacitors – a potentially green alternative
to lead-acid and lithium-ion batteries."



# J. D. ELLSWORTH GETS A PANTHERS GAME BALL!

When Judge Elizabeth Trosch and Eric Trosch invited 11 year old J. D. Ellsworth to go to the Carolina Panthers game against the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, J. D. immediately told his family that his goal was to get a game ball. Since tens of thousands of fans filled Charlotte's NFL stadium, his chances were very slim.

However, as these pictures and this video show, after scoring a touchdown a Panthers player tossed the ball into the section of the crowd where J. D. was located.

He used his strongest wrestling skills to pull the ball away from other fans who were desperately trying to get it.

He will treasure this game ball for the rest of his life!

J. D. is the son of Lisa Ellsworth who is First Vice President of the Democratic Women of Mecklenburg County.



This video shows J. D. in action!

https://www.facebook.com/lisa.w.ellsworth/videos/102184416 96500291/?t=0

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# REBECCA JUDGE RECEIVES DUPLIN COUNTY'S HIGHEST HONOR!

Longtime Duplin County Democratic leader Rebecca
Judge was the 2018 Inductee into the Duplin County Hall of
Fame at a Banquet at the Ed Emory Auditorium in
Kenansville on November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Each year the Hall of Fame inducts only one living person and one deceased person.

Duplin Democrats heartedly cheered the announcement of Rebecca's induction!

At the November 1<sup>st</sup> banquet, she received a medallion which she is wearing in the picture on the left.

Rebecca's name will be placed on the Hall of Fame Monument in the Main Hall of the Duplin County Courthouse where future generations can learn about the achievements of this outstanding lady.

She was Chair of the Duplin County Democratic Party from 2015 to 2017 and was First Vice Chair of the Party from 2009 until 2015.

Rebecca has been a trailblazer in many areas of life but especially mental health. She was instrumental in the founding of the Mental Health Center in Duplin County, the first psychiatric unit of Duplin General Hospital (now Vidant), a group home for mentally ill females, and two Psychosocial Day Treatment programs (one in Duplin County and one in Sampson County.) She has served on the Duplin County Mental Health Board for more than a decade.

She earned a Master's Degree in Health Administration from UNC-Chapel Hill.

Rebecca has been active on numerous boards and committees. She has run for local and state legislative offices and held offices in a number of service organizations.

More honors: In June she received the Order of the Long Leaf Pine at a ceremony in Kenansville. It was presented on behalf of Governor Roy Cooper by Representative Larry Bell.

#### **DID YOU KNOW THIS?**

Rebecca Judge attended North Carolina A& T University from which she earned a Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree.

IN HER SENIOR YEAR REBECCA PLAYED THE LEADING FEMALE ROLE IN THE UNIVERSITY'S

SENIOR PLAY. WHO PLAYED THE LEADING MALE ROLE ALONGSIDE HER?

CHIEF JUSTICE HENRY FRYE!



## YOUTH FEATURE: KEATON BROWER!

Twenty three year old Keaton Brower is a multi-talented young man! He combines his love for helping elect Democrats with his creative filmmaking and acting skills. (The picture above was made by Nile Scott Shots.)

As the son of a United Methodist Church pastor, Keaton has lived in various parts of the Old North State but he grew up mainly in Greensboro. He attended Jesse C. Carson High School in China Grove before spending a summer at the Governor's School of North Carolina's East Campus and transferring to the University of North Carolina School of the Arts for his senior year.

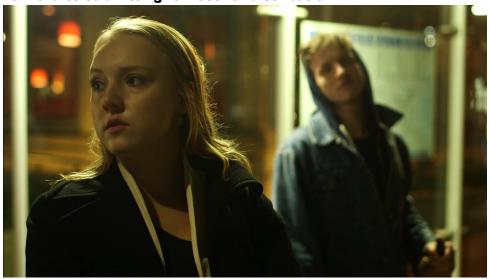
Following graduation at UNCSA he enrolled at Boston University, where he earned his Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Theatre Arts (Performance) with a minor in Arts Leadership this past Spring. During his college years he also received a Diploma in Classical Acting from the London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art.



Keaton (right) as Hermes with Eli Raskin as Prometheus in Boston University School of Theatre's Spring 2016 production of Aeschylus' *Prometheus Bound*. Picture by Kalman Zabarsky.

Earlier this year Keaton worked as a producer on the short film *Night*, which has played throughout the United States and United Kingdom, as well as right here in North Carolina at the Longleaf Film Festival in Raleigh, the Full Bloom Film Festival in Statesville, and the Real to Reel International Film Festival in Kings Mountain.

Keaton and his producing partners are currently in pre-production on two more short films which they look forward to submitting for festival distribution.



This still picture is from the film *Night* which Keaton helped produce. It features Aida Neitenbach (foreground) and Aidan T. Newell, directed by Christian Scales.



Keaton is second from left with NC House District candidate Marcia Morgan (4<sup>th</sup> from left) and volunteers at an August canvass launch in Wilmington. Picture by Richard Poole.

In addition to theatre and filmmaking, Keaton has also had the opportunity to work on multiple Democratic campaigns. This past cycle he helped with several: David Wilson Brown for Congress (NC-10) as a Social Media Director, Governor Cooper's Break the Majority initiative as a Field Organizer in the New Hanover County office, and Sam Edney for NC House (HD-113) as a Field Organizer.



Keaton's goals in the short term are to continue making films with his producing partners (including features eventually) and to pursue freelance work as an actor/director for stage and Screen.

He would also like to realize his dream to tour sociopolitically-conscious theatre throughout rural North Carolina, especially to high school and college students lacking accessibility to professional performances.

Relatedly, his most important long term goal is to create a union-based theatre company in one of North Carolina's many towns that don't have one.

When he is not making theatre, shooting a film, or working on a campaign, Keaton enjoys listening to music, visiting museums, and traveling.

His parents are Rev. Neal and Toni Brower, who currently reside in Fallston in Cleveland County. He can be found online at www.KeatonBrower.com.



#### **GOTV PARTY - MECKLENBURG INTERNATIONAL MINORITY COALITION!**

On November 4<sup>th</sup> the International Minority Coalition held a Get Out The Vote Party at the Nile Lounge in Charlotte. This Coalition includes the Hispanic Caucus, the Asian American Pacific Islander Caucus, the African American Caucus and the Mecklenburg Democratic Party. They welcomed special guests from the Progressive Party of Australia!

This picture was received from Willie Fleming who is standing in the middle of the front row.



**DURHAM SENIOR DEMOCRATS!** 

The Senior Democrats of Durham enjoyed addressing 2,000 post cards to voters who had not voted in the last off-year elections but had voted in the last presidential year. They designed a colorful, highly effective card which promoted the election of our judicial candidates, our entire Democratic ticket, and opposition to the six Constitutional Amendments.



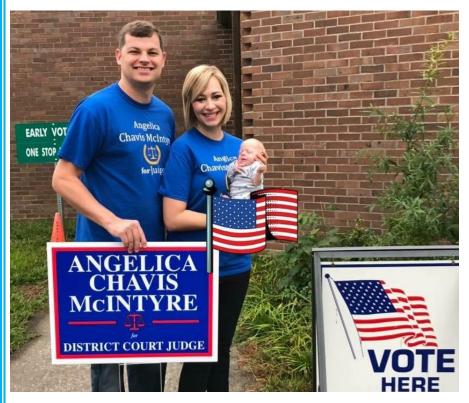
The busy Senior Dems in these pictures are Acting President Dan Bennett, Charlotte Bennett, Sharon McGaughey, Mary Eubanks, Rosie Hylton, Judy Womack, Susan Pochapsky, Apan Basu, Debbie O'Brien, Shirley Ellis, Marilyn Link, and Sandra Alston.

Dan Bennett was honored as North Carolina's "SENIOR DEMOCRAT OF THE YEAR" in 2010.

# MATT SCOTT ELECTED FIRST NATIVE AMERICAN DISTRICT ATTORNEY IN HISTORY!

Attorney Matt Scott won his
General Election race for
District Attorney of Robeson
County thus becoming the
first Native American District
Attorney in North Carolina.
In this picture Matt is joined by
his wife, attorney Jessica Scott
and their two sons.





# ANGELICA MCINTYRE WINS WITH 68% OF THE VOTE!

Angelica Chavis McIntyre
was elected
District Court Judge in Robeson
County by winning 68% of the vote
in the General Election.
She defeated unaffiliated
incumbent Dale Deese
who had been appointed to fill a
vacancy. In this happy picture
Angelica is joined by her husband,
attorney Stephen McIntyre, and
their brand new baby son,
Hamilton.

She is the daughter-in-law of Congressman & Mrs. Mike McIntyre.

Did you realize that there are FOUR attorneys in the two family portraits above?



### AAC GALA!

Democrats in dazzling dress attended the big NCDP African American **Caucus Gala at** the Khoury Convention Center in **Greensboro on** November 17<sup>th</sup>.

The Democratic stars in the picture above are Isaac Lopez and Laura Silva of Alamance County, Cal Cunningham, Brenda Pollard, NCDP 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair Matt Hughes, and Eva F. Lee.







**AAC President Linda Wilkins-Daniels organized** 



Monique Edwards, Natalie Murdock, **Henrietta Coursey** Brenda Pollard, Matt Hughes, and Isaac Lopez enjoyed the celebration!



**DR. GRACE GALLOWAY!** 

Dr. Grace Galloway, President of the NCDP Asian American Pacfic Islander Caucus, helped organize a Charlotte rally supporting Special Counsel Robert Mueller after Attorney General Jeff Sessions was removed from office.

Grace was also one of the mail speakers at the rally.



Just before the General Election, Dr. Grace Galloway and Jacques The Wonder Dog had an opportunity to talk with Senator Joe Manchin of West Virginia.

It is possible that Grace and Jacques gave him wise advice that carried Senator Manchin to his re-election victory!



#### **ASHE COUNTY DEMOCRATS!**

Melba Jones and Vicki Randolph have been campaigning for Democrats in Ashe County for a long time.

This year they were especially excited about campaigning for Ray Russell in the State House District which was made up of Ashe and Watauga counties. They were ecstatic when Ray won!



**STEVEN SNELLING!** 

Young Democrat Steven Snelling was the Campaign Manager for Susan Maxon's State Representative campaign in Gaston County.



WATAUGA DEMOCRATS CELEBRATE!

Watauga County Democrats gathered at Ranson's in Boone to celebrate their victories on November 6<sup>th</sup>.



**BUNCOMBE DEMOCRATS CELEBRATE!** 

Newly elected Sheriff Quentin Miller addressed a crowd of more than 700 Buncombe County Democrats who gathered at their victory party on November 6<sup>th</sup>. That's right: More than 700 people packed into the building! Be sure to notice all the people upstairs.

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