

GOOD NEWS ABOUT DEMOCRATS!

July 9, 2019

SPECIAL FEATURE – COOPER ANDREWS!



A FOURTH OF JULY SWING!

Longtime Cumberland County SEC Member Debbie Liebers decorated her front porch swing to celebrate the Fourth of July. This swing is more than 80 years old. It has been on the porch of Debbie's Fayetteville home for many years. Before that it was on the porch of her grandparents in Yadkin County.

A remarkable Democrat: On her answering machine Debbie says "Remember it's a good day to be a Democrat and remember to pray for peace!"



PATRIOTIC CATAWBA COUNTY DEMOCRATS!

The Democratic Women of Catawba County present






ICE CREAM “SUNDAY”

**JULY 14TH, 2019
3-5PM**



**ST. PAUL UNITED
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103 S. ERVIN AVE.
NEWTON, NC 28658**



-  Eat ice cream
-  Register to vote
-  Learn about the issues
-  Find out about new voter ID laws
-  Talk to candidates for upcoming elections

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DEMOCRATIC WOMEN OF CATAWBA COUNTY



CATAWBA DEMOCRATS WRITE POSTCARDS – SUMMER 2019!

Colby Dagenheart will be a high school sophomore this fall. He and his mother, Tracie, are new and dedicated Democratic volunteers in Catawba County.

This picture shows Colby mailing more than 100 cards which he has written. He has a goal of sending out more than 400 postcards welcoming new Democrats who have registered in Catawba County since August 1, 2018.



This picture shows Colby, Tracie, and a great team of Catawba County Democrats writing cards and letters in their County Headquarters in Hickory.



Catawba County Democrats are excited about their Century Club Fundraiser on August 25th at which Supreme Court Justice Anita Earls will be the Keynote Speaker! Everyone is urged to get tickets at: <https://secure.actblue.com/donate/2019centuryclub>

Sunday, August 25

Highland Avenue Restaurant
883 Highland Avenue SE, Hickory

Thanks to Dacia Cress for providing all this Catawba County information.



YOUTH FEATURE – COOPER ANDREWS – MECKLENBURG COUNTY!

Cooper Andrews is a rising senior and varsity baseball player at Covenant Day School near Charlotte.

He has developed an active interest in government and political activities during the past year. He recently spent two weeks in Raleigh participating in both the Governor's Page Program and the NC House Page Program! In the picture above Cooper is with State Representative Mary Belk who sponsored him for the House Page Program.



Cooper is at the top of this picture with his fellow pages, Governor Cooper, and First Dog "Ben."



In Charlotte Cooper is hard at work as an intern for the Dan McCreehy for Congress campaign. The entire nation is watching this race in the Ninth Congressional District.

Cooper is the nephew of Lisa Ellsworth, First Vice President of the Democratic Women of Mecklenburg County. Lisa is very proud of his curious mind, his determined initiative, and his fine character!



**A picture that will be treasured for a lifetime:
Governor Roy Cooper with Cooper Andrews!**

Democrats may send good wishes to Cooper at: CoopAndrews2@yahoo.com



BRUNSWICK DEMOCRATIC WOMEN AWARD SCHOLARSHIP!

The dynamic Democratic Women of Brunswick County have been raising money for an annual scholarship for many years now. This year's \$1,000.00 Scholarship was presented to Jasmine Jones who is in the middle of the picture above.

Jasmine is surrounded by her family. The two DW members on the right are Scholarship Committee Chair Maria Riccobono and DW Regional Director Sonya Bennetone.



Three generations of Democratic Women: Scholarship Committee Chair Maria Riccobono with her daughter and granddaughter. Thanks to Linda Rudick for providing the information in this article.

INVESTITURE OF NEW BRUNSWICK DW OFFICERS

**Vice Chair Emma Myles,
District 9 Regional Director Sonya Bennetone,
Chair Eileen Farrell,
Secretary Marilyn Priddy,
Denise Donnelly At Large.
Missing is Treasurer Jenine Flexner**





**FOUR BRUNSWICK
DEMOCRATS HAVE A
“ONCE IN A
LIFETIME DAY”
AT JIM CLYBURN’S
WORLD FAMOUS
FISH FRY!**



Four outstanding Brunswick County Democratic leaders drove to Columbia, South Carolina on June 21st to revel in meeting Presidential Candidates at Congressman Jim Clyburn’s World Famous Fish Fry.

In the picture on the left above Dwight Willis is with New York Mayor Bill de Blasio. The picture on the right above shows Ron Veronese, Cameron Parker and Brunswick County Party Chair Tom Sapp enjoying the food.



Senator Elizabeth Warren



Sen. Corey Booker with Dwight



Congresswoman Tulsi Gabbard



Congressman Jim Clyburn was standing in the back as Mayor Wayne Messam of Miramar, Florida addressed the vast crowd.



Julian Castro



Vice President Biden with Dwight



Congressman Eric Swalwell



Dwight Willis graciously shared his Clyburn Fish Fry pictures with his fellow NC Democrats. This picture shows some of the candidate souvenirs he collected. He said that he “was in hog heaven!”



Left: Ron Veronese, Cameron Parker, and Tom Sapp at the entrance to the Fish Fry.



Right: Congressman Seth Moulton of Massachusetts who delivered the Keynote Speech at our North Carolina Democratic Unity Dinner two weekends before the Fish Fry.



DR. BOBBIE RICHARDSON HEADED LEGISLATIVE BLACK CAUCUS DRIVE WHICH RAISED \$180,000.00 FOR SCHOLARSHIPS!

Our NCDP First Vice Chair is successfully participating in many 2019 activities. On June 7th, she headed the 37th Annual North Carolina Legislative Black Caucus Foundation Banquet which Awarded \$180,000.00 in scholarships to students who attend our state's ten Historically Black Colleges and Universities. Bobbie is with two of the scholarship winners in the picture on the right above.

This Banquet at the Sheraton hotel in the Triangle was part of three days of the Foundation's activities which included: Networking Luncheon, Issues Briefings, and the William Wainwright Scholarship Banquet.



What a great picture! Many members of the Legislative Black Caucus Foundation posed for this group portrait. We can proudly proclaim that everyone in the portrait is a Democrat!
Joining Dr. Bobbie Richardson in the front row are
Congresswoman Karen Bass of California and Congresswoman Alma Adams.
Both members of Congress addressed the event.



DR. BOBBIE RICHARDSON IN SANTA FE!

Our NCDP First Vice Chair joined State Chair Wayne Goodwin at the Association of State Democratic Committees' national conference in Santa Fe, New Mexico. One of the conference's main activities was planning the 2020 Democratic National Convention in Milwaukee.

In the left picture above Dr. Richardson is with Ken Martin who is President of the ASDC and is also the Chair of the Minnesota Democratic Party.

Right above: Bobbie with Rhine McLun who is Vice Chair of the Ohio Democratic Party and is a former Mayor of Dayton.



Bobbie was Mistress of Ceremony of the Annual Jabberwock Scholarship production of the Oxford Henderson Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority which was held at Franklinton High School on June 22th. Dr. Michael Pitney was Master of Ceremonies.

Bobbie knows the importance of scholarships for college students. She gives 100% effort to every project in which she engages!

On June 28th Dr. Bobbie Richardson went to the Executive Mansion in Raleigh to support Governor Roy Cooper as he vetoed the state budget bill which had been passed by the GOP legislature.

As a former State Representative and lifelong educator, Bobbie expressed admiration for the Governor's action in vetoing the GOP bill which did not even try to make adequate provision for our public schools and did not expand Medicaid.





OUR HEROIC LEADERSHIP TEAM!

Dr. Bobbie Richardson sent this dramatic picture showing our Democratic state legislators as they gathered at the Executive Mansion on June 28th to support Governor Cooper's veto of the 2019 Budget Bill which had been passed by the GOP-controlled legislature.

Governor Cooper pointed to the General Assembly's refusal to expand Medicaid as one of the major reasons he was vetoing the bill. NC Democrats are standing up for sick people!



COREY BRANCH FILES FOR THIRD TERM ON RALEIGH CITY COUNCIL!

Chanda Branch and little Carleigh Branch happily accompanied Mayor Pro Tem Corey Branch as he filed for re-election on July 1st. Chanda is a talented vocalist and actress. In the picture on right Carleigh is joining her father in giving a victory salute.



NEW ENDORSEMENT!

Cunningham
FOR U.S. SENATE

HAS BEEN ENDORSED BY



VOTEVETS.ORG ENDORSES CAL CUNNINGHAM

When VoteVets.org endorsed his campaign for US Senate, Cal Cunningham said “After 9/11, I volunteered to join the US Army Reserve and I’ve served three active duty tours, including in Iraq and Afghanistan. This endorsement from fellow veterans means the world to me!”

His website is: www.CalForNC.com

\$720,000.00 Raised In Cal’s First Two Weeks!

With 72% of donors living in North Carolina and no corporate PAC money, Cal is building a strong grassroots campaign to flip this Senate seat and put North Carolina first.

Cal’s Senate fundraising activity for the 14 days from June 17th through June 30th includes more than \$520,000.00 raised in contributions and a \$200,000 candidate loan. He now has more than \$700,000.00 on hand.

This amount far exceeds what Thom Tillis raised after he announced his Senate campaign in 2013.

Cal has also received public endorsements from 70 leaders across North Carolina including former U. S. Senator Kay Hagan and her husband, attorney Chip Hagan. You can see the names of these endorsers by clicking this list: <https://twitter.com/CalforNC/status/1143217487305203712>

**EVERYONE IS INVITED TO:
EMPTY CHAIR TOWN HALL
FOR THOM TILLIS!**

**6:30PM – 8:30PM, SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 29, 2019**

**Hosted by Chuck Tryon , Andrea Biondi,
and Faisal Khan**

CARY SENIOR CENTER

120 Maury Odell Center, Cary, NC

Get more information at this link:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/476006229834987/>





**LET'S SUPPORT A SUPERCHARGED CANDIDATE – ALLEN THOMAS
THIRD CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT ELECTION – SEPTEMBER 10TH!!!**

Allen Thomas, our strong Democratic Third Congressional District candidate in the September 10th General Election is going to 3, 4, or 5 events EVERY DAY to build support for his campaign. Allen is determined to take this seat away from the Republicans who have held this Eastern North Carolina district since January of 1995.

Think what a difference it will make if EVERY Democrat who reads this article will send a donation to Allen at: www.AllenThomasCongress.com



These two pictures were made of Allen and his family when he marched in the Croaker Festival Parade in Oriental in Pamlico County.

Every NC Democrat can enjoy making a donation today at: www.AllenThomasCongress.com



Allen is well known for his excellent leadership when he was Mayor of the booming city of Greenville, North Carolina.

He is currently Executive Director of the Global Transpark in Kinston where he has succeeded in bring many new companies and many new jobs!

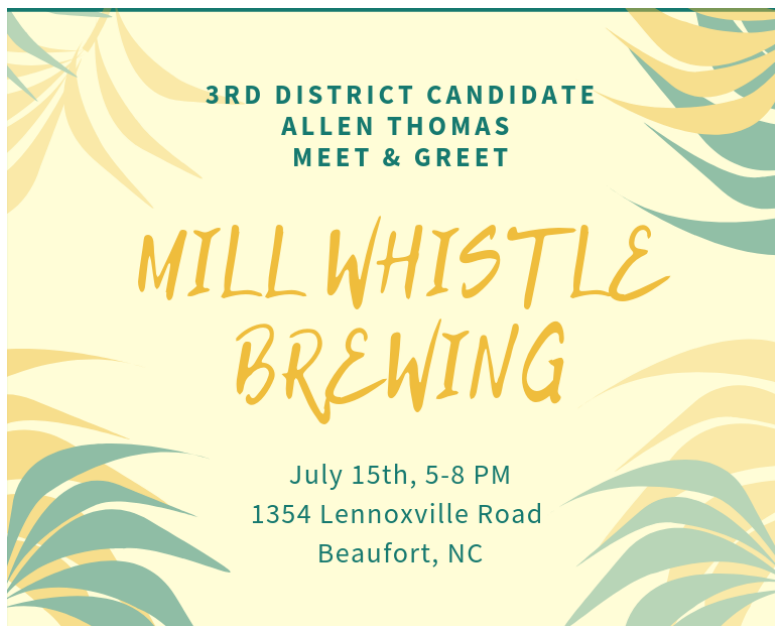
Allen's entire adult life has focused on bringing more jobs and more tourists to Eastern North Carolina.

Just think what he can do in Congress!

Allen wowed Democratic leaders from all over the state at the June 8th Unity Banquet at the McKimmon Center at NC State. Send your donation to him now at: www.AllenThomasCongress.com



This picture was made when Allen campaigned at Elizabeth City State University. He is going everywhere all over this 17-county district!



This invitation is to one of Allen's many, many upcoming campaign events. Let's send donations to Allen today at: www.AllenThomasCongress.com



DR. STEVE WOODSMALL HAS KICKED OFF HIS 2020 CAMPAIGN!

Voters in the beautiful mountains of the Eleventh Congressional District are already seeing and hearing a lot from Dr. Steve Woodsmall as he embarks on his 2020 campaign for Congress.

In the picture on the left above he is enjoying talking with Commissioner of Agriculture candidate Jenna Wadsworth who is already carrying her campaign statewide.

Dr. Woodsmall says: "I learned early in my Air Force career that if you're not part of the solutions, you're part of the problem. We have huge problems in DC and I want to be part of the solution. Mark Meadows has embarrassed North Carolina on the national stage and we deserve better!

"I want to get the big money out of political activities. I support a constitutional amendment to overturn Citizens United. Your representatives should be concerned about the people they represent – not the multi-millionaire donors and corporation PACs that control our economy, our political system and – frankly – you.

That's why I am running for Congress. This is about showing North Carolina, the United States, and the entire world the good hearts and good people of North Carolina's 11th District."

Woodsmall enlisted in the US Air Force in 1975 and retired in 1994 at the rank of Major. He held command positions in five separate assignments. He was recognized during his service as Company Grade officer of the Year at Maxwell AFB and Outstanding Airman of the year at Scott AFB.

Since 1994 Scott has lived an amazing life which everyone can read about at:

<https://woodsmall4nc.com>

Steve has four children, eight grandchildren and resides with his wife in Pisgah Forest.

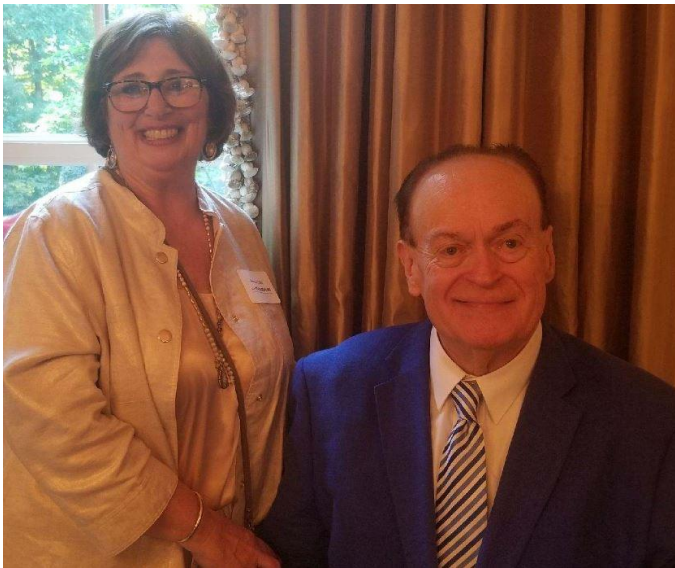
He says that he intends to bring to the US Congress a commitment to service that he has learned and lived by. "Public servants must be held to the oath they take to support and defend the Constitution of the United States. I took a similar oath as an officer in the United States Air Force, and I will bring the same commitment to service to Congress that I lived by in the Air Force – duty, honor, and country."



**ATTORNEY GENERAL
JOSH STEIN
KEYNOTED SENATOR
JAY CHAUDHURI'S
CAMPAIGN KICKOFF!**

**Christine and Greg Reddin hosted
a Campaign Kickoff event for
Senator Jay Chaudhuri's re-election
at their elegant Raleigh home
on June 27th.**

**His website is
www.JayForNC.com.**



Donna Lake of Goldsboro generated a lot of excitement at the reception because she may run for Senator in Wayne and Lenoir counties.



I was happy to have my picture made with Allison Goff and Brian Clark of Chapel Hill.



Zeel Patel, Beth Nichols, and Mrs. Chaudhuri happily cheered the Senator's talk.



Senator Chaudhuri led the applause for hostess Christine Reddin.



ASHE COUNTY DEMOCRATS STAR IN "CHRISTMAS IN JULY CELEBRATION!"

Thousands of people turned out for West Jefferson's annual "Christmas In July Celebration" on Fourth of July weekend. Ashe County Democrats reached out to many of them.

In the pictures above State Representative Ray Russell greeted 5th Congressional District candidate Jeanne Supin and another strong Ashe County Democrat.



Karen Gross and other Ashe Democrats helped children learn how to vote by conducting a ballot box vote to determine the children's favorite candy.

Dozens of children voted.

Plain M&Ms won the election!



FIFTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT DEMOCRATS!

District Chair Charlie Wallin and the Executive Committee of the Fifth Congressional District gathered at the Alexander County Party Headquarters in Taylorsville for a lively meeting on June 29th. They focused on plans for victories in 2020.



**Fifth District Chair
Charlie Wallin**



**Wilkes Chair Kathryn Charles, Forsyth 1st VC Marilynn Baker,
with Jane Maupin of the Alexander Board of Elections**



District 2nd VC Peggy Rumbold



P&R Chair Phyllis Russell



Treasurer Bailey Stinson



JENNA WADSWORTH SPEAKS IN DUPLIN COUNTY!

Dynamic Jenna Wadsworth brought her campaign for Commissioner of Agriculture to the June 24th meeting of the Duplin County Democratic Party at James Sprunt Community College in Kenansville. Everyone said they were glad to have Jenna as a new friend. Many outstanding Democrats are featured in this picture!



MORE TRANSGENDER CAUCUS OFFICERS ANNOUNCED!

The new Transgender Caucus of the NCDP was authorized by a unanimous vote at the June 8th SEC meeting. Now the Caucus has announced this lineup of Caucus Officers:

Chair - Janice Covington Allison

Third Vice Chair - Flex Jonez

First Vice Chair - Angela Bridgman

Secretary - Katherine Harris

Second Vice Chair - Wendy Ella May

Treasurer - Kally Henson

This is the first statewide Transgender Caucus in the nation. Janice Allison says: "Once other states come on board we would be able to apply to the Democratic National Committee to be recognized as our own National Caucus so we can affect positive change for Transgender Rights by way of lobbying and effective platform building."



MOORE DEMOCRATS STAR IN PINEHURST PARADE!

The hardworking Democrats of Moore County were enthusiastic as they marched in the Pinehurst Fourth of July Parade. Maurice Holland and Diane McKay happily escorted the famous Democratic donkey named Pearl.

This colorful float drew lots of attention as it rolled through Pinehurst.



The two signs seen in this picture say: “Democratic Women of Moore County” and “Fifty years after Selma, voting rights still matter!”



WATAUGA DEMOCRATS DRAW ATTENTION IN 4TH OF JULY PARADE!

On July 4th Watauga Democrats continued their longstanding tradition of playing kudzus as they rode their float and waved flags in the Boone Fourth of July Parade. The gentleman on the left in the picture above is Democratic County Commissioner Billy Kennedy.



This picture was taken as the Watauga Democrats rode through a different part of Boone.

Remember: This is the same County Party that raised more than \$30,000.00 from their Plant Sale in June!



A NEW DEMOCRATIC STAR!

Many Democrats in the Fifth Congressional District are cheering the news that a major challenger to GOP Congresswoman Virginia Fox has come forth! Jeanne Supin, a health care consultant who lives in Todd, North Carolina, is going to make Fox's horrific voting record a major part of her campaign. These pictures were taken as Jeanne rode in the Fourth of July Parade in Boone.



The next edition of GOOD NEWS ABOUT DEMOCRATS will feature a major article about Jeanne.

Until then you can learn about her by going to

www.facebook.com/jeanne.supin



CARTERET COUNTY DEMOCRATS!

Carteret County Democrats were a major presence in the Beaufort Fourth of July Parade. They were proud to represent our "Party of the People!"





GUILFORD COUNTY DEMOCRATS ON THE FOURTH OF JULY!

**Guilford Democrats enjoyed representing the Party
at Greensboro's FUN FOURTH celebration.**

**In this picture Guilford County Young Democrats
President David Small and Vice President
Marshall Bennett were registering voters and
distributing vital campaign information.**

**How about this? About 2PM the management
of the event directed everyone to leave the event
and go to a safe shelter because of
an approaching thunderstorm.**

**After the storm passed, the Democrats went
back to their tent and started campaigning again!**

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**Melvin Williams, State Secretary
North Carolina Democratic Party**