

GOOD NEWS ABOUT DEMOCRATS!

SEPTEMBER 23, 2020

YOUTH FEATURE – KEVIN LIN – CHARLOTTE!

Jerry Wease-Albert Porter-Elizabeth Crudup-Marina Kelly-Jim Hawley!

ALAMANCE DEMOCRATS CREATE THEIR OWN PARADE!

The Democrats of Alamance County had fun driving around Burlington and Graham in a Democratic caravan on September 5th.

They had a vehicle promoting almost every candidate on the ballot.



They honked their horns as they drove to draw attention. All the responses they saw were people who were cheering and waving (except for two.)

Many families rushed out to stand beside their Biden-Harris signs and wave.

Governor Roy Cooper (above) and Lt. Governor candidate Yvonne Lewis Holley were happily featured in the caravan. Elaine Berry is Alamance's outstanding County Chair. Congratulations to Becky Mock for making these pictures and sending them in.





Promoting Cal Cunningham, Ricky Hurtado, and Kristen Powers



Alamance Democrats are proud of this handsome billboard promoting their Party.

It is located near Exit 145 going East on I-85.

In most election years Alamance County's vote totals receive more attention than other county's votes. Why? Alamance is the first county in the alphabetical list of our state's 100 counties!



ROBESON DEMOCRATIC WOMEN MAKE PORTRAITS TO CELEBRATE WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE

To honor the suffragettes of a hundred years ago, the Democratic Women of Robeson dressed in white and posed for these dramatic choreographed pictures. The club's President is Caroline Sumpter. These pictures were sent in by Karen Nance.



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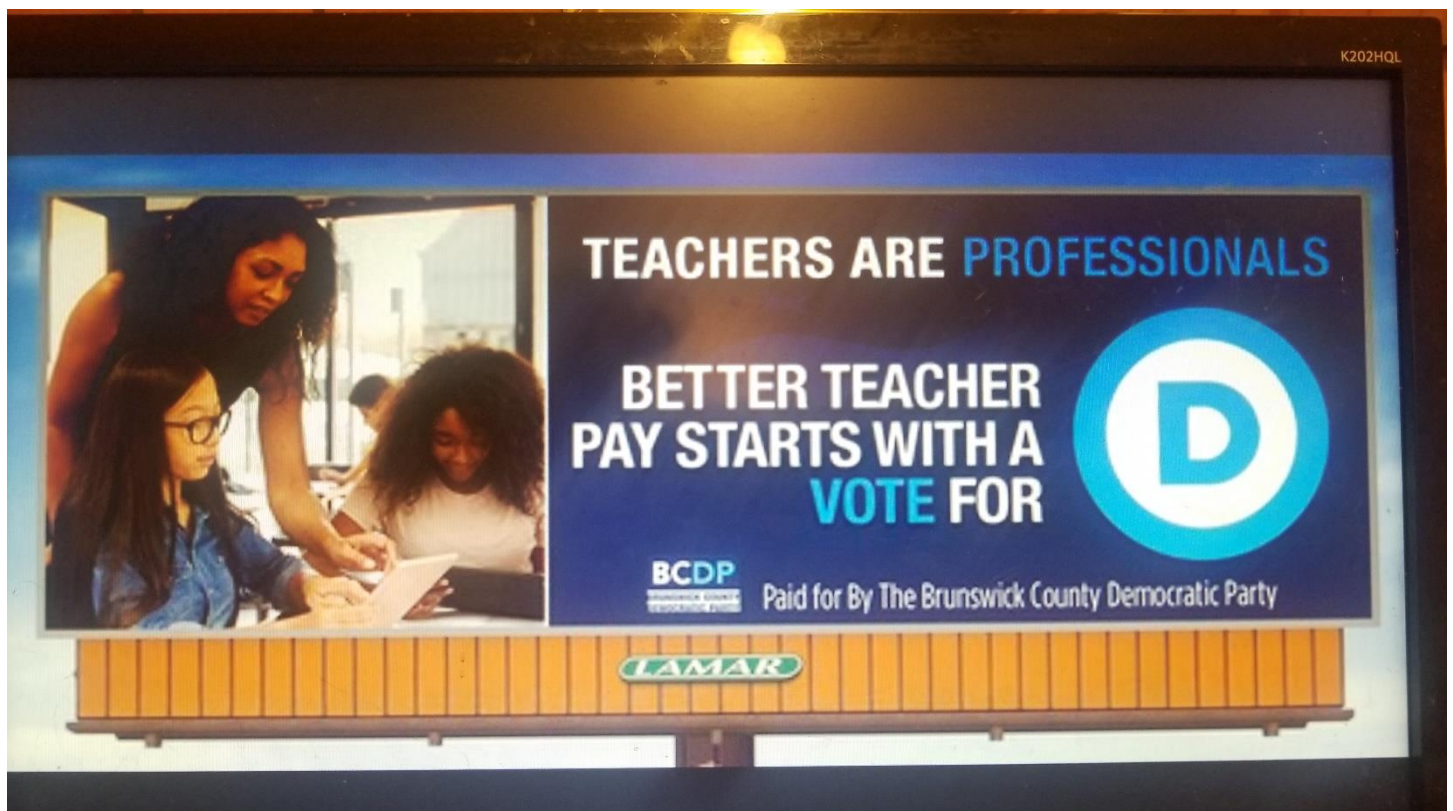
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BRUNSWICK DEMOCRATS LAUNCH BRILLIANT BILLBOARD CAMPAIGN!

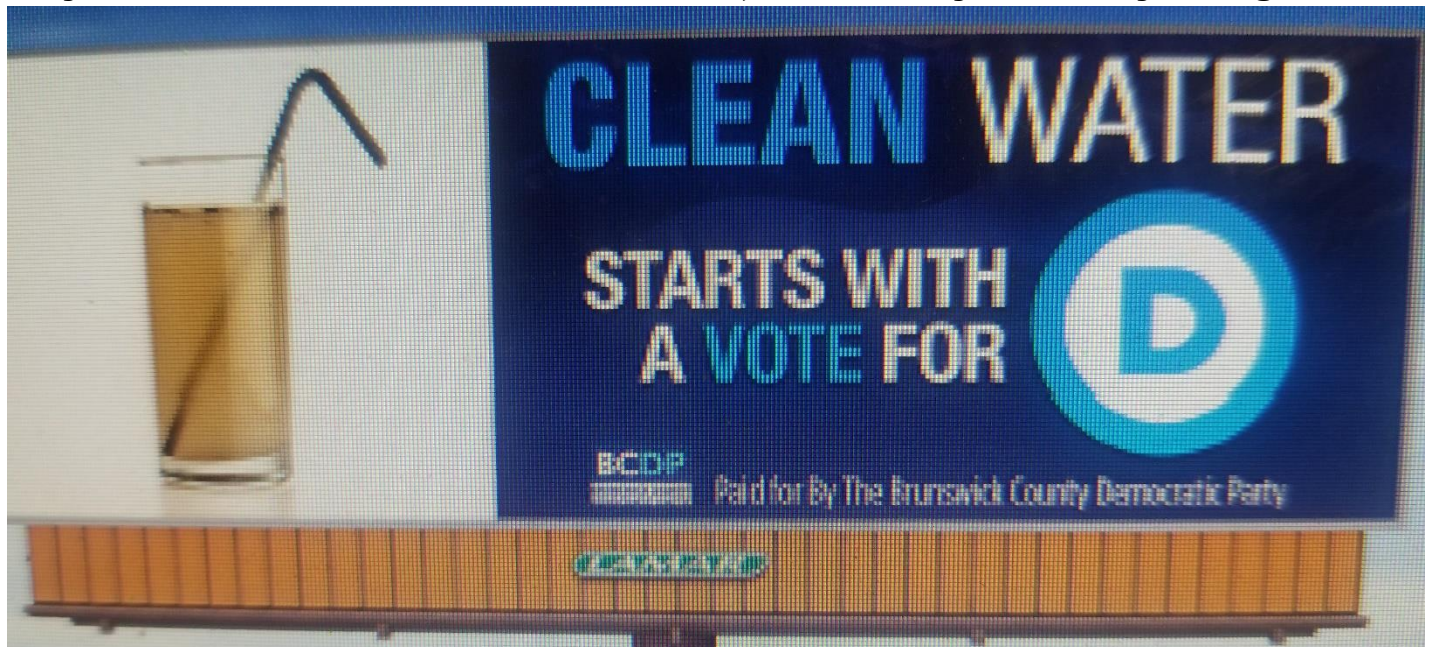
County Chair Tom Papp and the Democrats of Brunswick County have carried out a major two-year fundraising campaign in order to have a massive billboard campaign in September/October of 2020. The stunningly wise billboards displayed in this article show the results of their campaign. Congratulations, Brunswick Democrats!





With their beautiful coastal location, Brunswick Dems treasure the environment.

The Brunswick Democrats held a major blood donation drive on September 19th. For each unit donated, a local nonprofit will receive a twenty dollar donation. They will hold another one on October 18th, the first day of Sunday voting.



These signs are displayed on electronic billboards. They can be seen during both day and night. They are seen by tens of thousands of people every day because they are located on Highway 17 which runs through more than 50 miles of Brunswick highway going from Wilmington to Myrtle Beach.

Even though Brunswick is usually categorized as a red county, it has one of the most active county Democratic parties in the state. They have a large Party Headquarters in Bolivia, North Carolina.



By the first day of Early Voting, Tom Sapp and his Party will have NINE billboards across the county.



GOVERNOR ROY COOPER!

Governor Roy Cooper is a good-hearted man. He really cares about helping all of North Carolina's people. In the picture above he is visiting the Food Bank of Piedmont and Eastern North Carolina.

His work to eradicate hunger is another reason why millions of North Carolina's citizens are looking forward to voting for him!



JIM HAWLEY ELECTED NEW WILSON COUNTY PARTY CHAIR!

The Wilson County Democratic Party has a new Chair! Jim Hawley has been elected to succeed Linda Cooper-Suggs who was recently became State Representative for House District 24 which includes all of Wilson County. Jim was unanimously elected by the Wilson County Executive Committee.

Mr. Hawley grew up in Wilson County and graduated from the old Rock Ridge High School. He has been an active Democrat all his life, working in the Party over the years in the different areas of the state where he has resided. Before moving from his native county in 1984 to the western part of the state, Jim worked with the public school system as the first school psychologist in the Wilson County School System.

He left the school system to work with the Department of Health and Human Services as a psychologist with the Rocky Mount Developmental Evaluation Center where he worked with children and families providing diagnostic and direct services and resources for children and families with identified needs.

Continuing to live in Wilson, he served on the Wilson County Board of Education for two years before his work opportunities took him to western North Carolina when he was named Director of the Morganton-Hickory Developmental Evaluation Center. After 16 years in this position, Mr. Hawley continued his work in Raleigh with the Department of Health and Human Services, working as the project manager for the development of a statewide database for identifying preschool-age children with special needs.

In 2004 Mr. Hawley retired after more than 30 years of devoted service to the children and families of the state of North Carolina and returned home to what he expected to be a quiet life of leisure and relaxation on his small farm in southwestern Wilson County. Instead, another opportunity for service to children and families arose when he was named the Director of the Wilson County Partnership for Children Smart Start Program. He served in this capacity for nine years officially retiring in 2013.



Immediately upon his retirement, Mr. Hawley became more active in the local Democratic Party.

He says: “The Democratic Party best represents my values, the values by which I was brought up in my family and taught in my public school education: and, they best reflect the character of the true America that we who love our country know and honor.

“As Chair of the Wilson County Democratic Party, I will do all that I can to continue to serve our county, state, and beyond by promoting and working for candidates who vow to represent and serve our people equitably, with care and compassion for each and all. I have always believed that civic involvement is the foundation of our democratic form of government.

“Though we elect others to represent us, we must remain actively involved in the political process from the local to the national level, taking the responsibility of ensuring that those elected are truly representing the best interest of our nation and that our government, designed to be by the people, is actually acting in the best interest of all of our people.

“I look forward to working with all of Wilson County’s fine Democrats as we make every effort to bring our nation together recognizing that we all, no matter our political philosophy, have more similarities than differences, and that what is good for any one of us will ultimately be good for all of us.



Mr. Hawley is married to the former Nancy Nichols and they have one son who works with the Department of Defense in Washington, DC; one grandson who is a senior at NC State; one grand dog, and three lively rescue cats which bring them much joy and fun.

Mrs. Hawley, a retired public school educator, is President of the Democratic Women of Wilson County.

SENATOR JACKSON REPLIES TO WHITE HOUSE!



JEFF JACKSON
NC SENATE 

*"Whether it's the state Senate or Afghanistan,
I believe public service is a public trust. An
American President should understand that."
– Senator Jeff Jackson*

Jeff Jackson is a current soldier in the North Carolina Army National Guard. Use of his military rank, job titles, and photographs in uniform do not imply endorsement from the Department of Defense or the Army. Paid for by Jeff Jackson for NC Senate.

The GOOD NEWS was honored to have Jeff Jackson star in a YOUTH FEATURE when he returned from Afghanistan. He has accomplished a lot since then. Democrats all over the state are cheering for him to run for even higher positions in the future!



MARC FRIEDLAND NAMED “SENIOR DEMOCRAT OF THE YEAR!”

**Tom Rothrock, President of the Senior Democrats of North Carolina,
has made the following happy announcement:**

**“We are pleased to announce that Marc Friedland received the SENIOR
DEMOCRAT OF THE YEAR AWARD at the Senior Dems 2020 Virtual Convention.
Marc has demonstrated that he has earned this award over the years many times
and is unselfish and is always concerned about the Democrats and the
Democratic Party. He has chosen to demonstrate his convictions and beliefs in
his actions. We are fortunate that he is still with us serving the state,
the party, and his country.**

**We are fortunate to have him as our Treasurer. I am fortunate that
He is a friend who cares about all.”**

**In the picture above President Tom Rothrock (left)
presents this prestigious award to Marc Friedland**



YOUTH FEATURE KEVIN LIN – MECKLENBURG COUNTY PRESIDENT OF THE TEEN DEMS OF NORTH CAROLINA!

When the Teen Democrats of North Carolina recently elected Kevin Lin of Charlotte as their new President, they elected one of our state's most dynamic Democrats – of any age!

Kevin is a 16 year-old junior at Ardrey Kell High School in Charlotte. He has been in the Charlotte Mecklenburg School system his entire life.

Kevin is also the founder and President of the Ballantyne Teen Democrats Chapter. As State Teen Dems President, he serves on the NCDP Executive Council and the Executive Committee of the state Young Democrats

Outside of the Democratic Party, Kevin is involved in the Sunrise Movement, Youth Economic Initiative, Youth in Business and Model United Nations.



Kevin (in center) with several members of a Model United Nations Forum.



This pictures shows Kevin and his father at the World Trade Center in New York last summer.

Kevin's parents are You Kai Lin and Yao Mei Yan. He has a 15 year-old brother named Caleb and a 10 year-old sister whose name is Khloe.

He has worked at his family restaurant, Asian Grill, since he was in the 5th grade. Kevin is the first one in his family to attend high school and will be the first to attend college. He hopes to study public policy, economics, and international relations in college.

Kevin likes playing basketball with his friends whenever he has free time though basketball has been put on pause due to Covid. He also likes watching Netflix shows and eating Chex Mix.

His role in the 2020 campaign? He is working with NC AAPI leaders such as Dr. Gracie Galloway, Edward Binanay, and other AAPI youth members to help mobilize Asian American communities to help increase voter turnout for the upcoming election. He also has been working with the Biden Youth coalition as well as the Young Democrats President, Devonte Wilson, to educate and encourage youth to vote in the upcoming election. He says: "I am doing everything I can to help win NC in the upcoming election!"

When asked what is his long term goal, he replied: "To become President of the United States someday."



KEVIN WITH SOME OF HIS FRIENDS!





**A TRIBUTE TO
YVONNE LEWIS HOLLEY
FROM HER DAUGHTER,
ERICA!**

“My mother is running for Lt. Governor of North Carolina because she knows the reality of being a working parent, because she was one.

“When I was growing up my Mom worked as a Procurement Specialist for the State of North Carolina. We lived modestly, even though she worked incredibly hard to put meals on the table & clothes on our backs. My Mom taught me to work hard at every opportunity, and to never take anything for granted.

“But I watched her stay cautious, knowing that she had no safety net if anything went wrong. And I knew that life would continue to get harder, not easier, for people like us.

“That’s because the working class is eroding under the right-wing policies of this legislative majority. For years working class North Carolinians have not had leaders in their corner.

“That’s why she is running – so that she can fight for hard working people like us. With so many hurting, she is ready to put North Carolinians’ needs first!

“That’s why her campaign is fully funded by grassroots supporters like you. It’s going to take overwhelming support to defeat an opponent who has the full weight of the GOP establishment and the NRA behind him.

Everyone can donate to Yvonne’s campaign for Lt. Governor on Act Blue.

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Jessica Holmes is carrying her dramatic campaign for Labor Commissioner to voters all over North Carolina. We need her because the GOP has greatly weakened worker safety rules. Jessica is crusading to help improve worker safety!

Everyone is invited to go to her campaign website:

JessicaHolmesNC.com

**I MAY NOT BE ABLE TO SOLVE
ALL OF YOUR PROBLEMS, BUT I
PROMISE YOU WON'T HAVE TO
FACE THEM ALONE**



**JERRY WEASE IS RUNNING A DYNAMIC CAMPAIGN
FOR RUTHERFORD COUNTY COMMISSIONER!**

Former Rutherford County Democratic Party Chair Jerry Wease is running a positive-themed campaign for a seat on the Rutherford County Board of Commissioners. His cheerful spirit and his positive social media presence is uplifting people across the state!

Everyone is invited to send a donation to Jerry at:

<https://www.paypal.me/Jerry4Commissioner>

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THEY DO NOT SEE RESULTS.
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THE PEOPLE UP, NOT HOLD THEM
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County Commissioner



Jerry is a Drug and Mental Health Counselor.

In that role he has made lots of friends

who are looking forward to voting for him.

(Every client has a lot of family and friends who appreciate Jerry.)

You can send donations to:

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In one ad Jerry says: “I bring 20 years of experience working with families impacted by drugs to the County Commission.”

In another ad he says: “In the midnight hour you’ve trusted me when lives were hanging in the balance and I was there to support and to prevent death by overdose.”

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This Publication Is Beginning
A Series of
Salutes To Democrats
Who Were Elected
National Convention Delegates
And
Presidential Electors!**

**Democrats In These Two Categories
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melvin535@gmail.com**

**On The Next Page The Series Begins
With
Albert Porter, Jr. of Forsyth County!**



**Albert T. Porter, Jr. – Forsyth County
National Convention Delegate!**

Albert Porter was elected a Delegate to the 2020 Democratic National Convention.

He started on his political journey during the fall of 1982 as First Vice Chair of Precinct 403 in Winston-Salem. Later he was elected Precinct Chair.

In the 38 years since then Mr. Porter has served in many political roles and received many awards including:

- **NCDP State Executive Committee 1992 – Present**
- **Second Vice Chair of the Forsyth County Democratic Party**
- **First Vice Chair of the 12th Congressional District Party**
- **North Carolina Senior Democrat Distinguished Service Award**
- **Forsyth County Democratic Party Life Achievement Award**
- **MLK Jr Dare To Dream Award**
- **North Carolina National Convention Delegation member in 2004, 2008, 2012, 2016, and 2020!**



**An unforgettable moment:
Mr. Porter and Rep. Evelyn Terry
met and were photographed
with President Bill Clinton!**



**ELIZABETH CRUDUP – HARNETT COUNTY
NATIONAL CONVENTION DELEGATE!**

When asked about her election, Elizabeth said: “It is an absolute honor to have been selected as a Senator Bernie Sanders Delegate to the Democratic National Convention for a second time.

“I am truly humbled by the honor. Senator Sanders forever changed my life in political activism.”

Elizabeth currently is serving as:

- First Vice Progressive of the Progressive Caucus of the North Carolina Democratic Party**
- Third Vice Chair of the Seventh Congressional District Democratic Party**
- Party Leader – Elected Official Delegate To the National Convention**



**MARINA KELLY - WAKE COUNTY
NATIONAL CONVENTION DELEGATE!**

“Although I am sad I did not get to attend my first DNC Convention in person, I am proud to have been a Delegate for Joe Biden, the next President of the United States!

“First of all, I want to thank all of the Delegates to the Second Congressional District Convention who elected me as a Delegate! I appreciate your faith in me and I was honored to serve!

“In my day job (who are we kidding – being a Democratic volunteer is a fulltime job in itself!) I am a Technical Director for a cybersecurity company. My Mom was a Democratic volunteer in Catawba County, North Carolina and my Dad was an Army veteran, police officer in the town of Conover and an ordained minister. I come by my activist ways honestly.”

Marina is currently supporting the Party by serving as

- A Vice Chair of the Wake County Democratic Party (one of four Regional VCs.) In this position she represents and serves the municipalities of Fuquay-Varina, Garner, Holly Springs, Knightdale, Rolesville, Wake Forest, Wendell, and Zebulon, as well as Unincorporated and Extraterritorial Jurisdiction areas.**
- Chair of Precinct 18-07**
- Member of the NCDP State Executive Committee**
- Data Corps Member of the Wake County Democratic Party**
- Treasurer of the Southern Wake Democrats**
- Member of the Democratic Women of Wake County**
- Member of the Democratic Men’s Club**

**Marina ended her statement by saying that, like millions of Democrats, she is
“Fired Up And Ready To Go!”**

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