

# GOOD NEWS ABOUT DEMOCRATS!

NOVEMBER 22, 2022

## FULL STEAM AHEAD!



## A DEMOCRATIC HEROINE VOTES!

**At age 95 Marty Hanson is still a strong, active Democrat. The pictures above were made as Marty's daughter, Christine Hanson, took her to the Early Voting site at Lewis Recreation Center in Greensboro.**

**Christine says: "Her eyesight is bad so I had to read aloud the names and party affiliation of the candidates to her. After every Democrat's name, she said 'THAT ONE!' and filled in the circles herself."**

**After voting, Marty and Christine put the "I Voted Early! Did you?" sticker on Marty's walker so everyone could see it.**

**Congratulations, Marty and Christine. We are proud that you are Democrats!**



## **NC DEMOCRAT IN TOP TEN FOR “CNN HERO OF THE YEAR 2022!”**

**Nora El-Khoury Spencer of Chapel Hill has been named one of the 10 Finalists for CNN HERO OF THE YEAR 2022. She was recently honored as “Tar Heel of the Month by the Raleigh News and Observer.**

**Nora created HOPE RENOVATIONS in Carrboro. Through this organization Nora trains women for well-paying careers in construction while also providing free home modifications that enable seniors to age safely in their homes.**

**WE CAN VOTE FOR NORA TODAY – AND EVERY DAY UNTIL DECEMBER 6TH!**

**The race for this award is ongoing. Each of us can go to [CNNHeroes.com](https://www.CNNHeroes.com) and vote 10 times for Nora each day until the contest closes on December 6<sup>th</sup>.**

**The winner will receive \$100,000.00 from CNN. This money will be used to make the winner’s organization more beneficial.**

**Nora is the descendant of many Democrats. Her father, George El-Khoury of Salisbury was an Al Gore Delegate to the Democratic National Convention in Atlanta in 1988. His father was also a Gore Delegate to that Convention. They received lots of national publicity as the only father-son team at the Convention.**

**George served on the SEC for many years.**



## **JOHNSTON COUNTY DEMOCRATIC WOMEN!**

**Reported By Daniel Frank, Field Director with Building Blue,  
First Vice Chair of Johnston County Democratic Party,  
President of the Johnston County Young Democrats**

**“It was a great honor to welcome fellow Dirt Road Democrat, Dr. Bobbie Richardson, our beloved Chairwoman of the North Carolina Democratic Party to the November 17<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Democratic Women of Johnston County.**

**“Other Johnston County Democrats and I enjoyed hearing her inspiring remarks about the wins we secured #ForThePeople and #ForTheChildren this election.”**

**“Dr. Richardson reminded us about the need to keep building year-round grassroots Democratic power at the neighborhood, precinct, and county levels with NCDP’s historic Building Blue Program to move North Carolina forward into the future.**

**“Johnston County Democrats and Democrats across the entire Old North State are grateful for Dr. Richardson’s leadership.”**



**The meeting was organized and conducted by Sheila Whittenton.**

**Sheila is President of the Democratic Women of Johnston County, Third Vice Chair of the Johnston County Democratic Party and a SEC Member.**



**This picture shows part of the crowd of Johnston County Democratic Women who gathered to hear Dr. Richardson's talk.**

**Even though Johnston is usually considered a red county, these Democrats helped deliver 28,121 votes for Cheri Beasley. They also helped Wiley Booth get elected to the US Congress by producing 29,170 votes for him!**



## **ELAINE MARSHALL WITH JACKSON DEMS!**

**On November 1<sup>st</sup> Secretary of State Elaine Marshall went to Jackson County and cheered Democrats there. In the picture above she is with (left to right) incumbent County Commissioner Gayle Woody, State Senate candidate Karen Burnette McCracken, Elaine, incumbent County Commission Chair Brian McMahan, State Representative candidate Al Pratt, and incumbent County Commissioner Boyce Deitz.**

**The picture above was made in front of the Jackson County Board of Elections office in Sylva.**

**Elaine went inside and spoke with all the Board of Elections staff.**



**Then Elaine went over to the Jackson County Democratic Party Headquarters in Sylva where she was treated to fun and dinner by Party Officers & volunteers.**

**Front Row: Myrtle Schrader, Jackson County Party 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice Chair Carolyn Cagle, Sue Resnik, former state legislator Phil Haire, and Wanda Herren**

**Second Row: County Chair Cody Lewis, Roy Osborn, Gary Perlmutter  
Second Vice Chair Cindy Burke, Joyce Stratton, Barbara Bell,  
Elaine Marshall, Anna McFadden, Cyndie Faircloth-Smith  
Connie Haire, and First Vice Chair Perry Smith**



**Elaine beside the Democratic sign at the Early Voting site.**



## **LEE COUNTY DEMOCRATS**

**These fine folks are six of the many Lee County Democrats who worked in the 2022 campaign. From the left they are: Amelia Russell, Tosh Adams, Tia Cheek, County Secretary Valerie Johnson, Greg from the Coordinated Campaign & County Chair Vonda Reives. Tia Cheek has previously starred in the YOUTH FEATURE**

**of this publication.  
Can you see the two Blue Dog Democrats?**



## **DEMOCRATIC HOUSE LEADER RE-ELECTED!**

**Our popular Democratic State House of Representatives Leader, Robert Reives, was re-elected on November 8<sup>th</sup> even though the GOP legislators had added Republican territory to his district in Lee & Randolph counties. Robert received 23,106 votes (55.3%) while his opponent received 18,684 (44.7%).**



**ASHE COUNTY DEMOCRATS!**

**Ashe County Democratic Party Chair Ralph Sorrell reports that “About 60 of our wonderful volunteers got together, had a drink, ate a tamale, and celebrated all of our great work and discussed how we can move on to 2024.” This gathering was held at New River Brewery in West Jefferson.**



**In the center of this picture is Beth Sorrell who ran an energetic race for Ashe County Commissioner.**



**More Ashe County Democrats. The hard work done by Democrats in Ashe and many other red counties is extremely important to the statewide Democratic vote totals. This publication salutes all red county Democrats – as well as all blue county Democrats. It takes everybody to make a team.**



**National Democratic Party Chair Jaime Harrison made a Blue Bus Tour through several NC counties just before Election Day. This picture was made in Burlington. It includes Rep. Ricky Hurtado and Senate candidate Sean Ewing.**



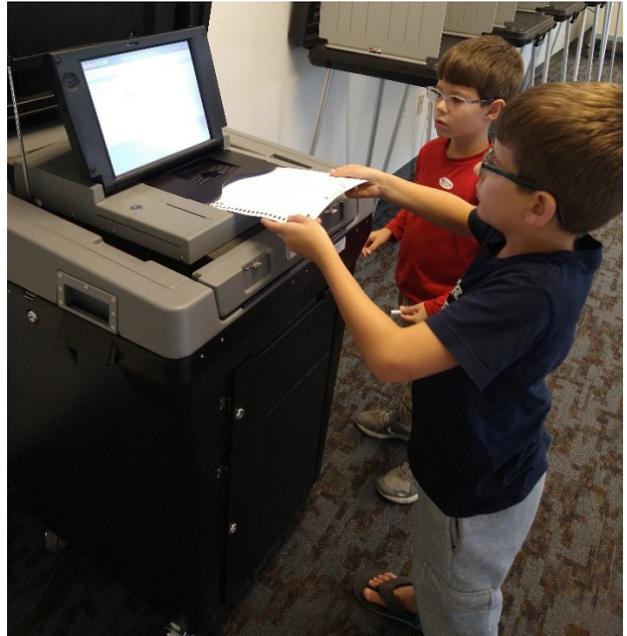
## THE HARDEE TEAM!

**As a single Democratic father, Third Congressional District Chair Chris Hardee frequently takes his sons – James, John, and David – with him on campaign trips. They recently have traveled to events in Dare, Carteret, Pitt, Sampson, Wilson, and Wake counties.**

**In the top left picture David is with his Dad and Governor Cooper. In the top right picture James is urging people to “Vote Blue.”**



**John proudly encourages people to vote!**



**John & David operating a printer**



## **DAVIDSON COUNTY DEMOCRATIC WOMEN!**

**The Democratic Women of Davidson County were busy during the 2022 Election campaign! These pictures show the attendees at their last meeting before the election.**

**They were happy to have Eighth Congressional District Democratic candidate Scott Huffman with them.**



**The Democratic Women sponsored the addressing and mailing of the thousands of postcards shown here to promote Scott's campaign.**



**These three Democrats – Jeanne Doom, Scott Huffman, & Craig Weeke - finished up the postcard project.**

**Congratulations on carrying out this meaningful project,  
Davidson Democratic Women!**



## **ROBIN CHEELEY GUILFORD COUNTY!**

**Robbin Cheeley of Guilford County was one of a massive wave of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority members who turned out to vote in the 2022 election.**

**Robbin joined the Deltas in 1981 at then-named Elon College as a Charter Line Member. The Deltas were the first African American sorority or fraternity on the Elon campus.**

**Robbin is Chair of Precinct G55 in Greensboro.**



# NCDP ELECTION PARTY!

Democrats from many counties gathered for the Election Watch Party in Raleigh on election night. Singers, dancers, speakers, grassroots Democrats and Democratic candidates from that event are shown on this and subsequent pages.



**Sage Staley, Brenda Pollard, Greear Webb**



**Nervahna Crew**



**Cheri Beasley with her husband  
and twin sons.  
North Carolina Democrats  
will always love Cheri Beasley!**

**Brenda Pollard with  
State Party Chair Dr. Bobbie Richardson.  
Brenda provided all the pictures in  
this article and provides many more in almost  
every edition.**

## **2022 CAMPAIGN PICTURES!**





**Steven Hill and Robbin Vanderwall  
Wake County**



**Stephanie and Jesse Goslen of Franklin  
County with Brenda Pollard of Durham**



**Orange County – Pat Adams and State  
Executive Council Member Marilyn Carter**

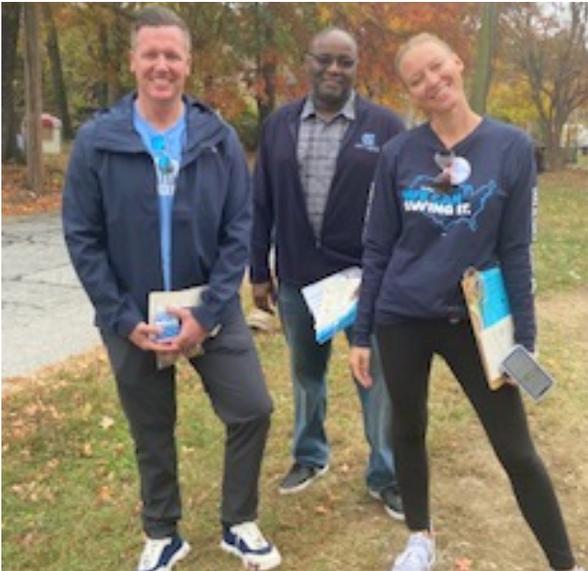


**Third Congressional District  
Chair Chris Hardy  
Candidate Barbara Gaskins**

# **GUILFORD COUNTY**

## **SEVERAL PAGES OF PICTURES**

### **FROM THE UNFORGETTABLE 2022 CAMPAIGN!**



**Top left: Senator Michael Garrett, HP City Councilman Chris Williams, and Britany Eiseler-Grove canvassing in High Point.**

**Top right: Enthusiastic Guilford Dems before they spent the day canvassing**

**Bottom left: Joel Gallagher and Tara Blomquist**

**Bottom right: Amanda Cook ran a strong race for the Board of Education with personally knocking 1,000 doors. Her team sent thousands of postcards and made hundreds of phone calls.**



**Top left: Binaya Aryal, Brittany Eiseler-Grove, Candice Campbell Greig with Jim Saintsing**

**Top right: Dalton Lucas and Jane Kraemer. Dalton said: "We're out here saving democracy one door at a time."**

**Bottom left: State Senator Michael Garrett who was re-elected by a sizeable margin.**

**Bottom right: State Representative candidate Brandon Gray with Jane Kraemer and Michael Holbrook. Brandon came close in his drive to oust a Republican incumbent.**



**At the Election Watch Party: Binaya Aryal, Mitzi Turner who is High Point Vice Chair of the Guilford County Democratic Party, and Brandon Gray with Ambria Long**



**Rev. Alan Sherouse, his wife Jenny, and their children. Rev. Sherouse is a Baptist minister in Greensboro. On November 8<sup>th</sup> he was elected to an At Large seat on the Guilford County Board of Elections.**

**More Guilford County pictures will be featured in the next edition.**

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