### GOOD NEWS ABOUT DEMOCRATS! SPECIAL FEATURES: SHAUNA WILLIAMS, MITZI TURNER & JOSH "FOX" BROWN!



NEW PRESIDENT DEMOCRATIC WOMEN OF NORTH CAROLINA PAULA SHELTON – MOORE COUNTY! FIRST NATIVE AMERICAN DW PRESIDENT





Left: First Vice President & President-Elect: Cramer Vaughn – New Hanover County Right: Second Vice President Vickie Zangwill – Carteret County





Left: Third Vice President Allison Allen, Mecklenburg County Right: Secretary Pam Genant, Burke County



### NORTH CAROLINA'S "DEMOCRATIC WOMAN OF THE YEAR" BETSY WELLS!

Betsy Wells of Cleveland County was named the state's "Democratic Women of the Year" for 2023 at the State DW Convention in Charlotte.

The award was presented to Betsy by the 2022 "Democratic Women of the Year," Ann Huggins of Pitt County.

**Congratulations, Betsy!** 





**Treasurer Denise Hall** 



**Tina Rodriguez & Brenda Pollard** 

Awards for largest membership growth



Brenda, Sonya Benneton, & Laniey Edmisten



Left: Sydney Meeks & Daniel Franch who was honored as a STAR Right: Lisa Ellsworth, Mary Belk, Vickie Zangwill, and Becky Carney





NCDP Second Vice Chair Kimberly Hardy & State Rep. Renee Price

Stanly County DW leaders Cathy Holland, Fran Walker, and Barbara Tuset



Jerry and Betty Anderson of Clay County with Diane Snyder of Cherokee County.

#### **INPORTANT NOTICE**

The North Carolina Democratic Party does not endorse candidates during the Democratic Primary.

When candidates appear in various articles in this publication, it does not mean that they are endorsed in any way.

We will all unite to elect the entire Democratic ticket in the General Election!



### **WORKING FOR YOU!**

On Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> the seven State Party Officers gathered at the State Headquarters in Raleigh for a 4.5-hour Officers Retreat.

From the left they are State Chair Anderson Clayton, President of the County Chairs Association Cassie Rice, 3<sup>rd</sup> VC Elijah King, 2<sup>nd</sup> VC Dr. Kimberly Hardy, Treasurer Deniese Chaney, 1<sup>st</sup> VC Jonah Garson, and Secretary Melvin Williams.



#### **WILSON FALL FLING!**

Wilson County Democrats filled a giant tent outside Casita Brewing on October 13<sup>th</sup> for their annual Fall Fling.



County Party Chair Dante Pittman welcomed Justice Mike Morgan and Attorney General Josh Stein. Dante is running for a State House seat this year.



**Governor and Mrs. Jim Hunt with Brenda Pollard** 





**Rachel Hunt for Lt. Governor & NCDP Chair Anderson Clayton** 



Longtime Wilson Party leaders Nancy and Jim Hawley



**More Wilson Fall Fling Pictures** 













### **PRESIDENT BIDEN HONORS SHAUNA WILLIAMS!**

Warren County Democrat Shauna Williams received the President's Lifetime Achievement Award in a ceremony at NC Central University on October 7<sup>th</sup>. Shauna and her husband, Warren County Democratic Party Chair Yarborough

Williams, are holding her award in the picture on the right above.

The plaque states the following: "With grateful recognition the Americorps and the Office of the President of the United States honors SHAUNA SINGLETARY WILLIAMS with the President's Lifetime Achievement Award for her lifelong commitment for building a stronger nation through volunteer service.

Two of Shauna's grandsons happily joined her.





#### **BLADEN COUNTY DEMOCRATS!**

Bladen County Democrats welcomed State Chair Anderson Clayton to their October 10<sup>th</sup> meeting at the Youth Focus facility in Elizabethtown.

The Party released a statement which stated: "It was a wonderful evening of good food and fellowship." Seventh Congressional District Chair Tom Simmons and Commissioner of Agriculture candidate Sarah Tabor were special guests.



Bladen Party First Vice Chair Dwight Sheppard, 2VC Kindrie Esters, Chair Althea Weaver, Commissioner of Agriculture candidate Sarah Tabor, NCDP Chair Anderson Clayton, Secretary Rev. Rachel Mitchell, and Treasurer Gloria Purdie



### CUMBERLAND COUNTY DEMS!

On September 30th volunteers, party officers, auxiliary members and State Rep. Charles Smith went to the County Democratic Headquarters in Fayetteville to participate in a "Dems, Dine, & Dial" event.

They called fellow Dems reminding them of the upcoming municipal election and encouraging them to support the Democratic candidates.

On that day they talked with more than 480 individuals. Way to go, Cumberland Democrats!







Pam Frances, Lester Bussy, Rep. Charles Smith and many other Cumberland Democrats enjoyed the calling!



#### **MITZI TURNER HONORED!**

At the October 14<sup>th</sup> Unity Banquet Guilford County Democratic Party Chair Kathy Kilpatrick presented the county's highest honor, the CHAIRMAN'S AWARD, to the remarkable Mitzi Turner. The plaque was for "Outstanding Service to the Guilford County Democratic Party.

Mitzi headed up the voter registration drive which is featured in another GOOD NEWS article. She chaired the SERVICE TO OTHERS COMMITTEE, has been the High Point Vice Chair of the county party, headed the GCDP Voter Registration & Protection Committee, and now is Chair of Precinct H29A. Sharon Graeber is pictured with Mitzi.



### SPECIAL FEATURE: JOSH "FOX" BROWN!

High Point Democratic activist Josh Brown has started on an exciting new path on his educational road. After earning an Associates Degree in Arts and Political Science from Guilford Technical Community College last Spring, he has entered UNC-Greensboro on a Political Science and pre-law track. He is minoring in history. He is studying in the Disciplinary Honors program which means his courses will be tougher with more research and writing than regular scholars.



Upon arrival at UNC-G he was elected to the Student Senate to represent transfer students! He is receiving his Oath of Office in the picture above.





Fox is enjoying sharpening his fencing skills as a member of the UNC-G Fencing Club. To help readers get a proportional view of these pictures: He is 6 feet, two inches tall. He is learning Olympic-style fencing.



He was one of 14 students who were taken by UNC-G to enjoy trail riding. He is also enrolled in the Bronze Leadership Program under the UNG-G Office of Leadership and Civic Engagement.

Future: Fox hopes to enroll in a graduate school program in which he can simultaneously achieve a Law Degree and a MBA degree.



#### **CHEROKEE COUNTY DEMOCRATS!**

Democrats are proudly standing up for the cause of good government in our state's most far western county! Rain kept the weather cool as lots of Cherokee Democrats came to the party's Drop-In on September 16<sup>th</sup>. State Representative Wesley Harris brought his campaign for State Treasurer to this Democratic event at Konehete Veterans Park in Murphy.



Cherokee County Party Officers: Former Chair Jane Carver, 1<sup>st</sup> VC Dixie Carter, 2<sup>nd</sup> VC Tim Curtis, Wesley Harris, Chair Diane Snyder, Unaka Cluster member Cathy Yost



3<sup>rd</sup> VC Evelyn Nostos, Kelly Archer, Phil Snyder, and hot dog chef Kenneth Moore









GUILFORD DEMS CELEBRATE NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION DAY!

On September 19<sup>th</sup> the Guilford County Democrats held voter registrations drives at four different locations to celebrate National Voter Registration Day. They up tables at Target, Oak Street Health, Becky & Mary's Restaurant and the GTA Bus Depot.

Pictured above are Ed Gailey, Pat Gailey, Zachary Busch, and County Party Chair Kathy Kirkpatrick.



Mary Suzan, Kathy Fruge, and Dorthey Collins enjoyed registering at Becky's & Mary's Restaurant.



### **DAVIDSON COUNTY DEMOCRATS!**

On September 30<sup>th</sup> the Davidson County Democratic Party and the Democratic Women of Davidson County joined together to staff a colorful booth at the Everybody Festival which is held annually in Thomasville. Ann Kolk, Billie Porter and George Olmez are pictured above.



The Everybody Festival is North Carolina's oldest outdoor festival.



#### **STANLY COUNTY DEMOCRATS!**

Stanley County Democrats were prominent at the October 6<sup>th</sup> FOOD TRUCKS FRIDAY event sponsored by the city of Albemarle Parks and Recreation Department. Pictured above are:

> Second Vice Chair – JoJo McCoy County Chair – Daniel Quick First Vice Chair – Beth Harrison Treasurer – Barbara Tuset

> > **Secretary Landis Bogle**

### WAKE COUNTY TEEN DEMS!

The Teen Democrats of Wake County recently volunteered at a food drive and helped organize meals at the Food Bank of Central and Eastern North Carolina.





#### **DUPLIN: TABLE TALK WITH CANDIDATES!**

The Duplin County Democratic Party staged a Candidates Forum at James Sprunt Community College in Kenansville on October 12<sup>th</sup>. The featured candidates were Ben Clark for Lt. Governor and Justice Allison Riggs of the Supreme Court of North Carolina.



This picture show many of the Duplin leaders who attended the forum. County Party Chair Monte Thorne is seated at the main table.

These pictures were made by Duplin Third Vice Chair Langston Pollock.



#### **YOUNG DEMS AT CHARLOTTE PRIDE!**

The Young Democrats of North Carolina showed up big at the recent Charlotte PRIDE event. Along with the Gaston County Young Dems they registered more than 70 young voters! The YDs printed over 1,000 lit cards about Voter ID. State Chair Anderson Clayton happily joined them.



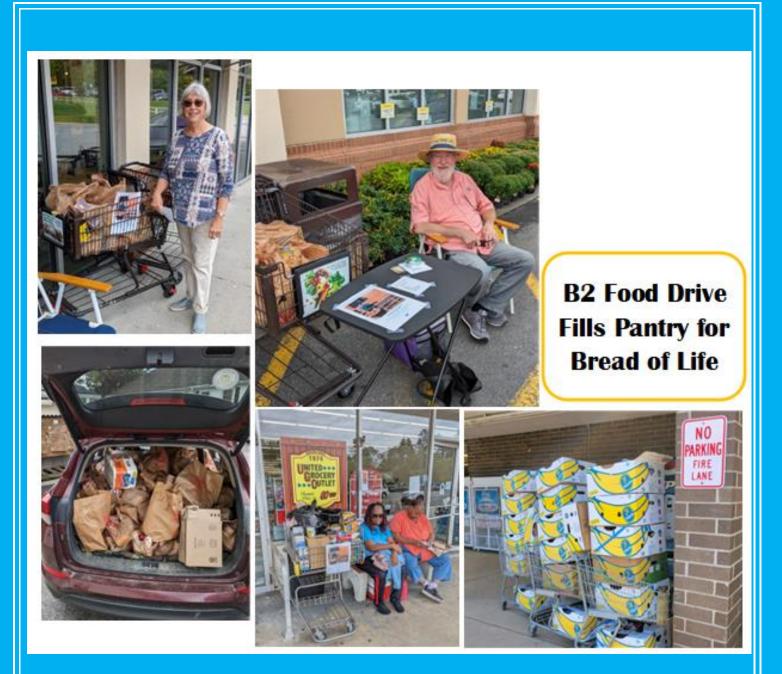
Statewide candidates Wesley Harris (for Treasurer) and Braxton Winston (for Labor Commissioner) joined the Young Dems at the booth.

YD Officers who worked there included: President Dorian Palmer, Executive VP Anna Rios, YDA Representatives Katherine Jeanes and Zach Finley, Secretary Josie Reed, Communications Director Garrett Readling, Finance Director Michael Careccia, & YD LGBTQ+ Chair Elijah Meares.



#### **BRUNSWICK COUNTY DEMOCRATS!**

A large crowd came to the Brunswick Party headquarters for their Community EXPO where more than 20 civic and governmental organizations gave helpful info.



#### **BREVARD #2 PRECINCT!**

The bighearted Democrats of Brevard Precinct # 2 in Transylvania County donated so much food and accessories that they filled the Bread of Life pantry. Congratulations, Brevard Democrats!



#### **BEAUFORT COUNTY DEMOCRATS!**

After being elected District Chair in May, Dr. Wesley Boykin of Duplin County has been visiting counties all over the far-flung Third Congressional District. On September 25<sup>th</sup> he attended the Beaufort County Democratic Party meeting at Saint Clair Ranch in Washington, NC. He sent all the pictures for this article.

Above Dr. Boykin is welcoming State Treasurer candidate Wesley Harris to the meeting. (Two Wesleys!)













### SCHEWEL FAMILY HOSTS RECEPTION FOR STATE DEMOCRATIC PARTY!

Abe and Lauren Lee Schewel hosted Governor Cooper, many NCDP Officers, and a crowd of supporters for a NCDP fundraiser at their home in Durham. All donations went to the NCDP.



**Chair Clayton with Abe Schewel** 



**Josephine Schewel** 



Lauren Lee Schewel



**Durham Mayor and Mrs. Steve Schewel** 



Jonah Garson entertains Josephine Schewel





HENDERSON COUNTY DW BANQUET!

For several years the Democratic Women of Henderson have held a sold out banquet in the Fall. They did it again this year! On October 14<sup>th</sup> their banquet was a complete sell out as they welcomed NCDP Chair Anderson Clayton. In the picture above are DW President Jessica Stepp Edney, Chair Clayton, and County Party Chair Michelle Antalac.





Nancy won the 50/50 drawing!





**County Vice Chair Leslie Carey** 



Sam Stone



**Princess Ferguson** 

**Bill Cutler with Paul Goebel** 

Information provided by Isobel Cutler



# JUSTICE MIKE MORGAN ON THE CAMPAIGN TRAIL FOR GOVERNOR!



## ATTORNEY GENERAL JOSH STEIN ON THE CAMPAIGN TRAIL FOR GOVERNOR!



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