GOOD NEWS ABOUT DEMOCRATS!

January 4, 2024



CELEBRATING AT GOVERNOR'S MANSION!

These pictures were made on December 20th when many Democrats visited the Governor's Mansion to celebrate the holiday season!

The NCDP Officers from the left are: Treasurer Deniese Chaney, First VC Jonah Garson, Secretary Melvin Williams, Chair Anderson Clayton, Third VC Elijah King, and Second VC Kimberly Hardy.



Elijah King & Anderson Clayton with State Auditor Jessica Holmes



Ebon Tomberlin, Governor Roy Cooper & Carteret County Chair Katie Tomberlin

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Melvin: Third Vice Chair Elijah King made many pictures including this picture of my son-in-law, Tommy Whitley, and my daughter, Stephanie Whitley.



Five District Chairs with State Chair Anderson Clayton: 9th District Chair Maurice Holland, 6th District Chair Saletta Urena, 5th District Chair Charlie Wallin, 10th District Chair Doug Auer, and 14 District Chair Lisa EllsworTH



Executive Director Kian Sadjadi, Chair Anderson Clayton, Caroline Hall, and Kayla Jacobs Kayla Jacobs is the NCDP's Digital Director and she is the staff member who sends GOOD NEWS ABOUT DEMOCRATS out all over the state after receiving it from Secretary Williams.



New Hanover County Chair Jill Hopman and Secretary Rachel Hatfield with Anderson



Judge Carolyn Thompson with Nash County Commissioner Gwen Wilkins

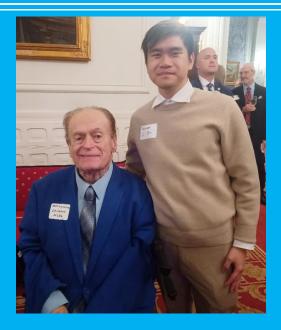




MORE PICTURES FROM THE MANSION

























ANDERSON & KIAN AT THE WHITE HOUSE!

President and Mrs. Biden invited NCDP Chair Anderson Clayton and NCDP Executive Director Kian Sadjadi to a White House Christmas Party. They enjoyed the beautiful decorations and the fellowship with other Democratic leaders.



National Democratic Party Chair Jamie Harrison with Kian and Anderson



WELCOME TO KIAN SADJADI!

On the afternoon of December 20th, the State Headquarters was filled with people who came to officially greet Kian Sadjadi, our new NCDP Executive Director.

Dramatic: After the results of the 2016 election became known, Kian left his executive position in the business world and dedicated himself to driving the Republicans out of the White House and defeating them at all levels.

He has experience in directing campaigns in rural areas as well as in megacities.

NC Democrats may write a welcome message to Kian at KSadjadi@ncdp.org.



ARUN AND REMYA NAIR!

Among the elegantly guests at the Governor's Mansion were Mecklenburg County SEC Member Arun Nair and his wife, Remya.

Arun was recently elected to the NCDP'S Asian American Pacific Islander Caucus Inaugural Advisory Commission. This Commission works to promote closeness between the AAPI community and the AAPI Caucus.







ELAINE MARSHALL UNOPPOSED IN PRIMARY!

Citizens all over the state are cheering the news that Elaine Marshall is running for re-election and that she is unopposed in the Democratic Primary. Elaine is usually the top Democratic vote getter in the General Election. She has rendered excellent service during her seven terms in office.



She is recognized as operating the best Secretary of States' office in the nation!

> Elaine with Greensboro Mayor Nancy Vaughan



Elaine and Pat Norman were guests of Vice President Kamala Harris for a Christmas Party at the Vice President's Official Residence at the Naval Observatory in Washington.

Pat is one of the many dedicated employees in the Secretary of State's Office in Raleigh.



At the Vice President's holiday event, Elaine had an opportunity to visit with State Representative Justin Jones who is nationally known as one of the "Tennessee Three."



MADISON COUNTY COMMISSIONER CANDIDATES KICK OFF CAMPAIGN!

The three Democrats above have bravely filed to run for County Commissioner in Madison County on the Tennessee border.

From the left they are: Judy Major, County Democratic Party Chair Paula Dempsey, and Barbara Zimmerman.

This publication hopes to frequently report on their campaigns as they progress.



GENEROUS GUILFORD DEMOCRATS!

The SERVICE TO OTHERS TEAM of the Guilford County Democratic Party held a WINTER GIVEAWAY in High Point on December 23^{rd.} This happy team is led by Mitzi Turner and they had many successful projects in 2023.

Many volunteers from across the county pitched in to help out. Democrats donated coats, shoes, blankets, gloves, hats and food to help the homeless population and those in need. It was a great day for all!

There were many smiling faces as each person that stopped by received a Christmas card to go along with the goodies they received. Many said they had not had a Christmas card in years.

Santa hats were very popular so next year the TEAM plans to have more hats to share.

Among the Democrats who enjoyed making this project meaningful were Judge Brian Tomlin, Attorney Charlene Armstrong, Craig Turner, Becky Pruveadenti, Leslie Goodstein, Precinct Chair Mattie Ford, Judge Trip Baker, Judge Bill Davis, Attorney Tomakio Gause, Kathy Fruge, Candice Greig, Assistant Public Defender Gabriel Kussin, Linda Mabry, and Team Leader Mitzi Turner.



From the right: Team Leader Mitzi Turner Assistant Public Defender Gabriel Kussin Judge Bill Davis

Judge Trip Baker Waves the "FREE" sign





People enjoying free shopping

Attorney Charlene Armstrong draws attention to the Guilford Democratic giveaway





This picture shows part of the mounds of goods and food that were donated by Guilford Democrats. Congratulations on your big hearts, Guilford Dems!



RACHEL HUNT DELIVERS WORDS OF HOPE!

State Senator Rachel Hunt spoke at a Holiday Cheer Luncheon in Laurinburg on December 16th. Her message was entitled "Words of Hope." Attendees were described as "Uplifted and encouraged" by Rachel's message.





BRAXTON WINSTON

Mandated that all Charlotte City Council meetings must be livestreamed to promote citizen involvement and increase accessibility

Believes in fair contracts for all employees

Campaign is funded by more than 250 individual contributions



JON HARDISTER

- As Republican Whip, he held a deceitful vote on 9/11 to override Governor Cooper's veto after lying to NCGA Democrats and saying there would be no voting that day
- X Author of the proposed Right-to-Work Bill for the NC Constitution
- Gave his campaign a \$100,000 loan

BRAXTON WINSTON VS LEADING GOP CANDIDATE!

Braxton Winston is unopposed in the Primary for Commissioner of Labor. The graphic above shows why he is a much better choice than the leading Republican candidate. His website is: www.VoteBraxton.com

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There Are Two Democratic Candidates For The Same Seat On the NC Supreme Court. Memes From Both <u>ALLISON RIGGS & LORA CUBBAGE</u> Appear On The Following Four Pages **JUDGE LORA GUBBAGE**

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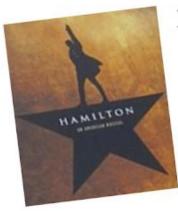
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HISTORY HAS ITS EYES ON YOU!

BCDP 2024 ELECTIONS KICK-OFF

January 11, 6:30 pm, 1420 Old Ocean Hwy

Keynote Speaker: NC Supreme Court Justice and candidate, Allison Riggs -plus-Meet our local and NC General Assembly candidates!



DON'T THROW AWAY YOUR SHOT. VOLUNTEER, RAISE YOUR VOICE, AND VOTE.



Justice Allison Riggs with her husband, Bryan Riggs

Craven County Democrats Gather to Celebrate



Craven County Democrats joined together December 11 to celebrate each other and the accomplishments of the Party.

Plans were made for the busy upcoming election year over fellowship and sweet treats with discussions of potential local candidates, the latest national news, and the dishonorable practice of gerrymandering.

Second Vice Chair Dave Super (right) offered encouragement to the partygoers.









CRAVEN COUNTY DEMOCRATS!



DOUG AUER DESIGNS TEE SHIRTS FOR JESSICA HOLMES!

Tenth Congressional District Chair Doug Auer designed the shirt above for Jessica Holmes' campaign for State Auditor. She is unopposed in the Primary as she runs for a full term as State Auditor. Doug will be glad to create tee shirts for other Democratic candidates and Democratic groups.

His self-employed business is Innovative Inks which is located at Connelly Springs, North Carolina which is near Hickory. His phone is 828-597-9530 and his email address is Sales@InnovativeInk.net



GWEN WILKINS AND FAMILY HAD A BILTMORE CHRISTMAS!

Like many North Carolinians Nash County Commissioner took her family to the Biltmore Estate during the Christmas season. This picture shows Gwen's granddaughter, Desiree Dickens, and her daughter, Tiffany Hunt, standing with her before the Grand Staircase.







DURHAM SENIOR DEMOCRATS!

Daniel Franch, the Piedmont Regional Operating Director for the State Democratic Party, was the Keynote Speaker for the December meeting of the Senior Democrats of Durham. Senior Democrats are going to be a major force in the 2024 elections.





DURHAM DEMOCRATS CELEBRATE!

Durham County Democrats staged a joyous Holiday Party at Hi-Wire in Durham. They have raised a lot of money in 2023 and are looking forward to producing a massive turnout in 2024 in order to keep their rank as the most heavily Democratic county in the state!









MORE DURHAM DEMOCRATS!





NASH DEMOCRATS HELP FEED 618!

Nash County Democrats blessed a lot of people during their Weekend of Giving on December 8-10. They helped feed 618 people and donated massive amounts of clothes for needy people. They also collected coats for children. Congratulations to County Chair Dr. Cassandra Conover





Feeding people in Rocky Mount



This event was held at Mount Zion Baptist Church in Rocky Mount.





MARY P. WELLS

NASH COUNTY IS A BETTER PLACE TODAY BECAUSE OF MRS. WELLS' CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY. SHE SERVED AS A NASH COUNTY COMMISSIONER FOR 12 YEARS WHERE SHE ALWAYS ADVOCATED FOR CHILDREN. SHE HAD A POSITIVE IMPACT ON MANY LIVES BOTH PROFESSIONALLY AND PERSONALLY.

MRS. WELLS ALWAYS SAID SHE LOVED HER NASH COUNTY FAMILY.

> NASH DEMOCRATS DEDICATE THIS MARKER FOR MARY WELLS! (More About This On Next Page)



In December the Democrats of Nash County dedicated a memorial marker for their late much-beloved County Commissioner Mary Wells. Mary served on the County Commission for 12 years up until her death.

She was also a very active member of the State Executive Committee of the North Carolina Democratic Party. At SEC meetings she was usually with Charles Johnson and Gwen Wilkins. They travelled to SEC meetings as "The Three Musketeers."

The above picture shows County Commissioner Gwen Wilkins speaking at the Dedication Ceremony. Many Democrats will always treasure their happy memories of Mary!

All Democrats Are Invited To Send Your GOOD NEWS

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