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SUMMER 2023



The weather has heated up - and so have the efforts to elect Democrats in Cumberland County and beyond!

The Cumberland County Democrats hope you're enjoying your summer and invite you to join our efforts to elect fellow Democrats, protect democracy, and ensure that Cumberland County remains a great place to work, live, and play in Pennsylvania! Join us for our upcoming Senators game Sunday August 13 (see details below) or at our upcoming general membership meeting! Take some time to cool off in this hot weather and get ready to help us work towards Election Day in November!



As members of the Democratic Party of Cumberland County, we're working hard to get Democrats elected in every community and at all levels of government. Our county party is supported almost entirely through small donations. This makes it challenging to budget and plan for expenses such as answering calls, knocking on doors, participating in texting and postcard campaigns, increasing our social media, and training and helping our candidates win their races. As a Sustaining Member of CCDC you can make a difference with thoughtful, recurring donations. Register to be a Sustaining Member of CCDC at <https://secure.actblue.com/donate/ccdcwebsite2020>. Select a monthly amount that you are comfortable with and click Make it Monthly. Thank you!



NOTE FROM THE CHAIR: Vote to Curb Judicial Activism

If there is one thing we've learned over the past few years, it is that the courts matter. As a nation, we've been pushed backwards by the actions of a conservative, activist U.S. Supreme Court whose rulings have rewritten policy on abortion rights, affirmative action and student loan forgiveness. They have also legally sanctioned discrimination by altering public accommodation law by judicial fiat.

In Pennsylvania, we are fortunate to elect our judges. This year, we have critical elections for three important state-level courts. The judges we elect in November will protect against conservative judicial activism and ensure that the laws are respected when it comes to how our elections are run, how our government serves its citizens and how our criminal code is applied. For more information about our statewide judicial candidates, please visit <https://cumberlandcountydems.com/pa-statewide-judicial-candidates/>

This year's judicial elections also provide Cumberland County Dems the opportunity to demonstrate that we can and will deliver for our statewide Democratic candidates. Cumberland County is on the PA Dems' radar as a county that is trending blue — and trending fast. In Cumberland County, where the ranks of registered Democrats are still growing, our

Democrats show up and vote in greater proportions than do our neighboring counties. This is a testament to the hard work of our local candidates, activists and volunteers.

This November, let's demonstrate once again that Cumberland County is critical to the statewide success of Democratic candidates by turning out for Dan McCaffrey for PA Supreme Court, Timika Lane and Jill Beck for PA Superior Court and Matt Wolf for PA Commonwealth Court.



Commissioner Corner

Calling All Dems

November is coming. So are elections in 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028 ...

I've been looking at voter turnout — the kind of turnout that is eluding Dems in Cumberland County.

There are 60,0761 registered Democrats in Cumberland County and 86,722 registered Republicans.

Primary election voter turnout over the past five years looked like this:

Primary year	Dem ballots cast	GOP ballots cast	Election type
2019	11,041	19,710	Municipal
2020	26,802	33,496	Presidential
2021	18,123	31,109	Municipal
2022	22,805	38,566	Gubernatorial
2023	17,466	25,827	Municipal

Democrats are not voting in the numbers we need to win more elections. So how do we get Dems to turn out to vote?

We must keep working at it and making our presence known. Knocking on doors, I've learned that many Dem voters believe there aren't any other Dems in their neighborhood. They are often surprised when I tell them the number of Dems living on their street.

Our Democratic message is excellent: "You Belong." Let's continue to put out our message of belonging, knock on doors, register Democrats to vote, be involved in our communities and get to know our neighbors. It's work, but it's worth it.



On behalf of State Committee Members Jacqueline Smith-Bennett, Tom Fink, Sean Quinlan and me, I would like to thank our local committee people, executive board and Chair Matt Roan for their outstanding work supporting our local candidates, commissioner candidates and statewide ticket.

Next year's election, when we elect candidates for attorney general, auditor general and treasurer as well as U.S. senator and delegates to the National Convention and our candidate for president, is quickly approaching.

The State Committee Endorsement Meeting will be Dec. 11–12 in Harrisburg. Please GOTV and Vote Blue.

Democratically Yours,
Sandy Wolfe

Former Mechanicsburg 4th Ward committeewoman. Elected member of Democratic State Committee. Member of many statewide caucuses as well as the South Central Caucus and the PFDW. I have managed campaigns for

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JOIN THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF DAUPHIN, CUMBERLAND, JUNIATA & PERRY COUNTIES AT THE BALLPARK!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13, 2023
GAME TIME: 1:00 PM
PICNIC TIME: NOON – 2PM

FNB Field on City Island
245 Championship Way
Harrisburg, PA 17101

TICKET PRICES

\$30 for adults (13 & older)

\$20 for children (4-12)

Children aged 3 and under are free!

Ticket Price includes an all you can eat picnic buffet of hamburgers, hot dogs, bbq chicken, baked beans, mac & cheese, potato salad, chips, popcorn, cookies, soda & water. Veggie burgers are available also.

** Cash bar is available **

Purchase Tickets at: <https://secure.actblue.com/donate/2023senators>

The Democrats of Dauphin, Cumberland, Juniata and Perry Counties want to take YOU out to the ballpark! Join us on August 13, 2023 at the Senators Stadium! Register at <https://secure.actblue.com/donate/senators2023>.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



In Support of Abortion Rights

I support the Abortion Protection Package backed by Democratic state senators Angela Cappelletti and Judith Schwank. It includes six bills and comes in the wake of the U.S. Supreme Court's reversal of *Roe v. Wade*.

God forbid you or any of your family and friends face emergency health care needs out of state and those states forbid proper care. To think those states could reach into Pennsylvania to hold your family and friends accountable for a procedure that's legal here is unfathomable to me.

As a constituent I ask that you consider the agency of people, such as I, who have uteruses. What are legislators thinking when they get involved in a person's health care and their constituents' personal religious beliefs? I'd be interested in an answer.

I will be following this closely. It's a voting issue for me.

Also let me know when your next medical appointments are so I can accompany you and provide my input.

Constituently yours,

Barbara Pearce, Monroe Township



**Cumberland County Democratic
Committee**

**General Membership
Meeting**

**Saturday, August 19th
1 pm to 3 pm**

Ride the Blue Wave in PA!

The General Membership Meeting of the Cumberland County Democratic Committee will be both in person and virtual! All members will receive a Zoom invitation by email to participate virtually or members can attend in person at Headquarters at 46 W. Louther St. in Carlisle, Pa.



Write, write, write to demand legislators increase the minimum wage in Pennsylvania to \$15 per hour (it's been \$7.25 since 2009), fund our public school system equitably and support funding increases for mental health services. For more details on these items, read out this article:

[Tell Congress: Support Youth Mental Health and Access to Climate Education \(momscleanairforce.org\)](https://momscleanairforce.org)

From the 10th District Network and Hershey Indivisible Team: Call and write to

U.S. Rep. Scott Perry. Ask him, “Will you support Donald Trump as the nominee for president while he is under investigation for crimes against our national security? If so, why? Why are you supporting him, even after he refused to pardon you for your criminal conspiracy to overthrow our government, as you asked him to do?”

Check out two great articles supporting activism.

- [Weekend Listening: Are We Living Through ‘End Times’? | The Free Press \(thefp.com\)](#)
 - [Opinion | Gen Z will ensure the 2024 election won’t be a replay of 2020 - The Washington Post](#)
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RALLY FOR CUMBERLAND!



Save the Date

Hampton Township Lower Park Pavillion
5002 Hampton Park Drive, Mechanicsburg, PA. 17050

Saturday, September 9th

10 AM - Noon

Rally with the Candidates!



Noon - 2 PM



Canvassing Event



Cumberland County Democratic Committee

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We are the Democratic Party of Cumberland County.

We are working year-round to elect Democrats to positions of power at every level of government.

Your contributions help us organize, train and mobilize the 64,000 Democrats in Cumberland County from Shippensburg to Camp Hill and everywhere in between!

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