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SUMMER 2024



As temperatures continue to rise, the Cumberland County Democrats are taking action to ensure success at the polls in November!

The Cumberland County Democrats hope you're enjoying the transition to summer. We 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! We hope you will join us at some of the upcoming summer events, sign up to write letters or send postcards, or even

register to volunteer with us. With your help, we can prepare ourselves for a successful election!



You Belong!

Please commit to continuing efforts to share important issues and concerns, register and inform voters, and reach out and rally Democrats across the county.

We are counting on Democratic to apply their collective experience, enthusiasm, and skills by choosing to run in the future or by serving as poll workers, PCPs, Area Leaders, Subcommittee members, volunteers, or Sustaining Members in 2024.



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Become a Sustaining Member

We are the blue wave moving across Cumberland County, Pennsylvania!

- Your monthly contribution can be in any amount you choose.
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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 funding stream 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

As engaged Democrats, we are super-consumers of news media, particularly relating to politics. We're under a constant barrage of headlines. Whether we scan political blogs, the never-ending scroll at the bottom of our cable-TV screens, the front pages of newspapers, local and national, there is a sense of urgency about the upcoming election.

It's easy to get lost in the latest polling, pundit predictions and news about the myriad of criminal cases concerning the Republican candidate for president. To say this can cause anxiety is an understatement.

Friends and family constantly ask me for reassurance that everything is going

to be OK, that we will defeat Trump and the Trumpism enabled by the GOP. But I can't honestly reassure them. This election is too close. Allowing ourselves to be overwhelmed by the news will not help us secure victory in November. The best way to ensure that things will be OK is to stop worrying and start working! Channel anxiety into action. Here are some ways that you can step up:

1. Help us build the Democratic Party by stepping up for a leadership position. Across the county we seek to fill vacancies for committeepersons, aka Precinct Committee People (PCPs). We also are recruiting candidates for treasurer of the Cumberland County Democratic Committee (CCDC). The treasurer plays a key leadership role that is critical to our ability to raise and spend funds to further our electoral objectives. If you are interested in becoming a PCP or a candidate for CCDC treasurer, please reach out to me at chair@cumberlandcountydems.com
2. Sign up to volunteer by filling out this form: [Volunteer Sign Up Form](#). The CCDC will connect volunteers to our candidates' campaigns. Help persuade voters to support our candidates and turn out our supporters. To ensure a free and fair election, the CCDC also needs volunteers to be poll watchers and to support our voter-protection staff.
3. Donate. After a successful fundraising event in May, our supporters have been giving to the CCDC at levels we haven't seen in recent years. We are positioned to make a real investment in this election and are raising funds to directly support our candidates through a mail campaign this fall. Please consider supporting this effort and our overall operations: [Donate via ActBlue](#)

-Matt Roan,
chair@cumberlandcountydems.com



Commissioner's Corner

I enjoyed spending time with so many Dems at our Celebrate the Slate event in early May. Hopefully, you've had the opportunity to check out the photos from this fabulous event. Many thanks to everyone who worked hard to create so much Big Dem Energy in one place at one time.

Summer days are upon us. It's time to take in all the fun Cumberland County has to offer, including first-class programming for children and adults at our local libraries, cooling off on hot afternoons at municipal swimming pools, visiting farmers markets, savoring hand-dipped ice cream, fishing at Opossum Lake and exploring the natural wonders of Pine Grove Furnace.

As we roll out those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer, our candidates will be working hard. There's so much at stake in this election, and there's no time to coast. Our Big Dem Energy must get us through summer blockbusters like Biden vs. Trump so we can celebrate Big Dem Wins in the fall.

Being a candidate is tough. Being a candidate in this election year is *really*

tough. Candidates will spend the summer fund raising, door knocking, house partying, data analyzing, shaking hands at community events, sweating, wondering, worrying, having great — and not-so-great discussions — with voters, all while slathered in sunscreen.

Let's help them out. It's not too early to get started. Pick a candidate or two and connect. They'll love you for it, and we'll all get to ride the wave of Big Dem Energy we created in May.

-Jean Foschi, Cumberland County Commissioner
jmfoschi@cumberlandcountypa.gov



Please join the Cumberland County, Upper Allen/Mechanicsburg and South Central Young Dems on June 20 for the 94th Annual Mechanicsburg Jubilee Day. It's the largest, longest-running one-day street fair on the East Coast. Cumberland County Dems have been active participants in Jubilee Day since the 1970s!

Our main objectives are to engage with voters, register nonvoters, be a community presence and have fun. Volunteers are needed throughout the day

and evening. Bring your family, a friend or a neighbor and sign up for a three-hour shift now. HELP US KEEP THIS IMPORTANT TRADITION ALIVE! Sign up here: [94th Mechanicsburg Jubilee Day - Volunteers Needed · Mobilize](#)

As we get closer to the event, we will let you know our exact location on Main Street. Click here for more information including parking:

<https://www.mechanicsburgchamber.org/event/jubilee-day/>



Save Democracy: Write Postcards.

Help write postcards to voters in 11 key states! The Postcards to Swing States initiative will provide free postcards, voter lists and instructions with proven message options. You'll provide the stamps and mail the postcards to voters in October. Have fun with this great effort — invite friends over to write postcards

and share your favorite beverages. Get your postcards today: secure.everyaction.com/wWYzSycvi0uyLrKtsMnNXw2.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



Bring back Joe McCarthy

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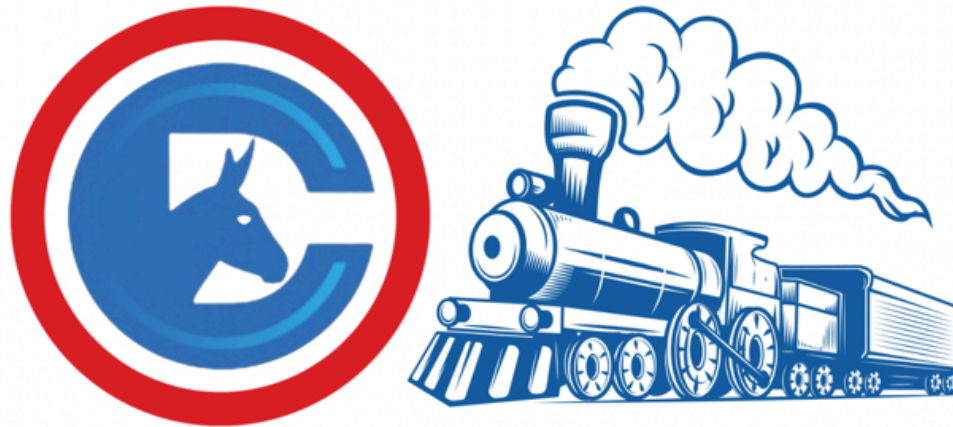
Now honestly, there is almost nothing good anyone could say about Sen. Joseph McCarthy (R-Wis., 1947-57). He was an unprincipled liar and ruthless bully. He relentlessly attacked innocent people, chiefly for his own aggrandizement. His weapon was to label others as Russian sympathizers, clearly Anti-American, an effective scare tactic during the Cold War. But time

proved very few of his attacks were justified.

Today, however, when we look at the United States Congress, it is easy to find there actually is a strong pro-Vladimir Putin contingent. These people reveal themselves by how they vote. Over 70 Republicans have voted to support Russia by withholding aid to Ukraine, including Scott Perry (R-Pa.). And now Mike Turner (R-Ohio) confirms that pro-Russian propaganda is openly repeated on the House floor by his GOP colleagues.

I say we need a modern-day version of Joe McCarthy to take on, expose and hold accountable these very real pinko Russian sympathizers in Congress. Anti-Americans deserve no place in U.S. society, especially in elected office.

Ron Santo



Call to Action: Tell them What You Want in 250 words or fewer

Cumberland Valley Rising letter writers are meeting in person — at diners and in homes. Want to join in the fun? Contact Fred Miller

at fmiller10251975@gmail.com (Mechanicsburg breakfast gathering) or Jill at jillsundaybartoli@gmail.com (Carlisle breakfast gathering).



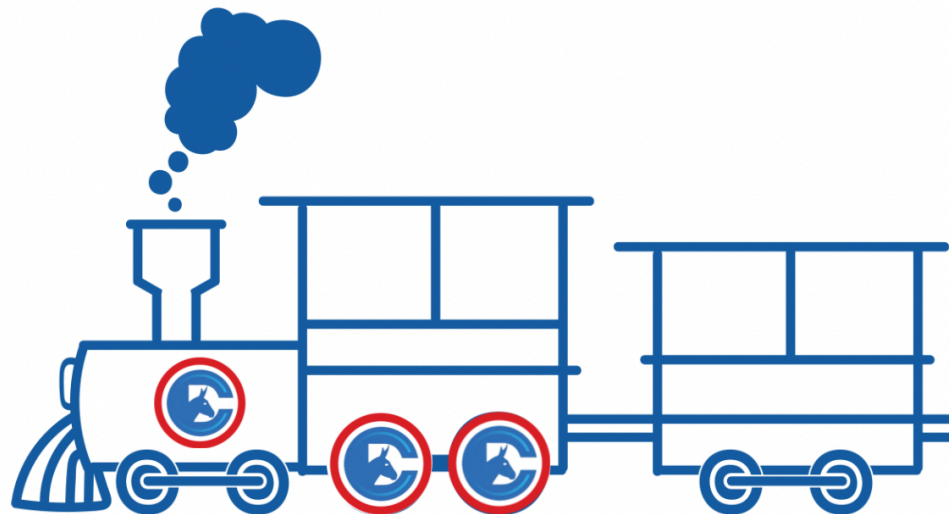
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Reproductive Rights Road Rally

On June 24, to protest the second anniversary of the Dobbs Decision overturning 50 years of reproductive rights protection under Roe v. Wade, a decorated caravan of cars will meet at 11 a.m. at Siebert Memorial Park in Camp Hill. They will travel, blaring a high-powered feminist playlist, to mini rallies at Borough Park in New Cumberland, Continental Park in York, Baker's Diner in Dillsburg, a big CCDems rally near the Old Courthouse on the Square

in Carlisle, the State Capitol, then back to Camp Hill at the Arby's parking lot. The rally will end with a social hour for all who can attend, at the Grateful Goat in Camp Hill.

Look for more details soon, including a Mobilize link so you can sign up to drive a vehicle or to attend one of the rally locations. This event is being coordinated by the 10th District Network (Cumberland Valley Rising, Capital Stands Up, Hershey Indivisible Team) with participants from Cumberland County and Carlisle Democrats. For questions, or to support this event, contact Susan Roller at susanroller49@gmail.com or Liz Reilly at lizreilly117@gmail.com.



Help the CCDC Fulfill Key Functions

The CCDC has an immediate need to fill two key volunteer positions:

- a treasurer to oversee the management and reporting of CCDC finances. The treasurer is an officer of the CCDC, member of the finance committee and attends meetings of the executive committee.

- a web assistant to help upload and format content for the CCDC website. The web assistant's skill set should include proficiency with website-publishing tools, including WordPress.

For more information about either position, please contact Matt Roan at chair@cumberlandcountydems.com

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

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