



# The Banner

*An Online Monthly e-Newsletter for the Democratic Party*

By Authority: FCDCC, Tony Soltero, Treasurer

June 2017

## Central Committee

(Seated L – R)

Lauren Beacham, Mari Lee,  
Deborah Carter - Secretary, Myrna  
Whitworth – Chair, Helena Madison.

(Standing L-R)

Michael Sowell – Vice Chair, Josh Cramer,  
Mark Jafari, Tony Soltero – Treasurer, Tom  
Gill.

Not in photo: Millicent Hall, Bob Kresslein



## Chair's Corner

We are just 28 days away from our annual Democratic Party get-together. Although the name has changed from the Jefferson-Jackson Dinner to the Frederick Democratic Gala, the evening remains our signature event and promises to be better than ever this year. The theme for the 2017 gala is "Celebrating our Heritage, Cultivating our Future," and we are delighted that our special guest for the evening will be the senior senator from the state of Minnesota – Amy Klobuchar.

Senator Klobuchar is one of only 21 women serving in the United States Senate. She is also one of the most effective and is considered a rising star in the Democratic Party. In 2016, she ranked first among all 100 senators in sponsoring/cosponsoring bills that were enacted into law. The daughter of a newspaperman and a teacher, whose grandfather worked in the iron ore mines of northern Minnesota, she has built a reputation of putting partisanship aside to help strengthen the economy and support families, workers and businesses.

Senator Klobuchar led the effort to pass landmark pieces of legislation to end human trafficking and to combat

the opioid epidemic, and she fought to pass the most significant consumer product safety legislation in a generation. She has been a leader in working to implement a competitive agenda to ensure businesses have the tools they need to grow and create good jobs in their communities and has passed a significant amendment aimed at boosting funds for STEM education.

Senator Klobuchar serves on a number of important senate committees including the Judiciary Committee, the, Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee, the Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry Committee, and the Joint Economic Committee. She is the ranking member of the Senate Rules Committee, where she works to ensure fairness, transparency, and efficiency in government. We are honored that she will be joining us this year.

There is a great deal of interest in this year's gala; the missteps of the Donald Trump gang and his threat to our democracy have galvanized many Democrats. The upcoming Frederick municipal elections are also drawing attention. Our venue, Springfield Manor, can comfortably accommodate 250 people, and we

are already creeping up to that number. Don't be left out; go to our website ([www.frederickdemocrats.org](http://www.frederickdemocrats.org)) and reserve your space. You may also pay by check sent to FDSCC at P.O. Box 793, Frederick 21705. We look forward to a house full of energized and dedicated Democrats!

If you pay online, you will notice that we have updated our website, making it more user-friendly and providing added information and updates. The website is a project in progress and there is still tweaking to be done. We would like to get your comments on the look and accessibility of the new site. Please let us know what you think.

Also be on the lookout for our podcasts, which we will be launching within the next few weeks. Podcasting is one of the strategies we are implementing to increase our social media presence. The first in this series of audio digital files will focus on the Central Committee and the role of the Democratic Party in Frederick.

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Future installments will include conversations with our Frederick municipal candidates and discussions on issues pertinent to our community. Within the next few months, we plan to add a video component.

The Central Committee is gearing up for the Frederick City elections in November and looking beyond to the critical races in 2018. Getting Democrats elected has never been more important, and we want to make sure we have strong, qualified candidates up and down the ballot. We have an opportunity to turn some consistently red seats blue in 2018, and we are ready to assist candidates who step forward to challenge Republicans for these positions. Let us hear from you if you are interested in running, know someone who may be interested, or are ready to work for candidates who are running. Now is our time to make an important statement and turn Frederick blue!

Myrna Whitworth



## CONGRATULATIONS

**David Fitzwater**

**Winner of our local  
flavor contest!**

**His entry was selected  
as the musical theme for  
our podcasts!**

**Thank you to everyone that  
participated!**



## June 2017 at a Glance



### **United Dems of Frederick Co. (UDFC) Monthly Meeting** **Monday, June 5 at 7:00 p.m.**

Café 611, 611 N. Market Street, Frederick  
(Social time/dinner @ patron's expense at 6:00 p.m.)

**NOTE:** Parking may be prohibited in lot across the street.

### **North Frederick Co. Dems (NFCD) Monthly Meeting** **Saturday, June 10 at 9:00 a.m.**

Mountain Gate Restaurant, 133 Frederick Rd, Thurmont  
(Please bring a non-perishable item for the area food bank.)

### **South Frederick Co. Dems (SFCD) Monthly Meeting** **Tuesday, June 13 at 8:00 a.m.**

IHOP Restaurant @ Westview Promenade  
5277 Buckeystown Pike, Frederick

### **Frederick Co. Democratic Central Committee (FCDCC) Meeting** **Thursday, June 15 at 6:00 p.m.**

Urbana Regional Library - Community Room  
9020 Amelung Street, Frederick

### **Women's Democratic League (WDL) Monthly Meeting** **Wednesday, June 21 at 7:00 p.m.**

Café 611, 611 N. Market Street, Frederick  
(Social time/dinner @ patron's expense at 6:30 p.m.)

**NOTE:** Parking may be prohibited in lot across the street.

### **Young Democrats of Frederick County Monthly Meeting** **Sunday, June 25 at 1:00 p.m.**

Claggett Enterprises, 7540 N. Market Street, Frederick

### **Frederick Co. Democratic Party Gala** **Wednesday, June 28 at 6:00 p.m.**

Springfield Manor, 11836 Auburn Rd, Thurmont  
(See invitation on page 6)

### **Frederick County Dems at the Food Bank** **Every Friday in June from 2 - 4:00 p.m.**

**Contact: Maureen Grayzeck – [mgrayzeck2016@gmail.com](mailto:mgrayzeck2016@gmail.com)**  
Frederick Food Bank Program operated by  
Community Action Agency, 14 E. All Saints St, Frederick



Senator Ron Young – District 3

There is a lot of discussion regarding the Frederick Hotel and Conference Center. Much of the information being circulated is not accurate.

During my tenure as mayor of the City of Frederick, the downtown was devastated by a massive flood in 1976. I worked with community groups to plan the recovery efforts, stabilize the Carroll Creek watershed and preserve the historic quality and economic viability of our downtown. These efforts evolved into the Carroll Creek Plan with multiple stages of development. Since the 1980s, including the current 2010 plan, the City of Frederick Strategic Plan has included hotels and a conference center along Carroll Creek.

The underlying goal of the plan has always been to preserve the uniqueness of downtown while fostering economic vitality and stability. It is the charm of Frederick that has attracted tens of thousands of new people and hundreds of new businesses, as well as hotel companies, making the hotel and conference center viable. There remains an economic advantage to ensuring that the downtown area remain focused on historic preservation, arts, small businesses, affordable development, and pedestrian thoroughfares. The Historic Preservation Commission will be integrally involved in the project's design to ensure its compatibility.

Thus, in one form or another, I have been working on the Carroll Creek Plan and revitalization of downtown Frederick for over 40 years. Concerns

such as those being expressed about the hotel were also expressed about burying the telephone and electrical wires, building the parking garages, planting trees, the restoration of the Weinberg Center, and, in general, about any attempts to restore or revitalize downtown Frederick. The project I was fought hardest on is now the lead attraction to downtown Frederick – Carroll Creek. All of these projects have been successful, as the hotel and conference center will be. They and many other improvements have all been part of a master plan to make Frederick an economically vital and livable community.

What is here did not happen by accident. The hotel and conference center, along with many other planned improvements yet to come, are all part of the master plan to make Frederick one of the most livable communities anywhere.

As senator, I am answering the call of several generations of citizens as well as the City of Frederick aldermen and mayor, the Frederick County Council and Executive, and the Frederick Chamber of Commerce in bringing the final stages of the Carroll Creek development plan to life.

For more information please watch the WHAG's Newsmakers segment about the Frederick Hotel and Conference Center.

<http://www.your4state.com/news/sunday-newsmaker/newsmaker-state-sen-ronald-young-pt-1/699379918>

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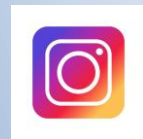
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Delegate Carol Krimm – District 3A

Dear Frederick County Democrats:

Springtime brings annual events that are uplifting to the community. Frederick County Tourism's event this year brought good news that tourists are spending over \$1 million a day in Frederick County. Tourism spending results in tax revenue that equals \$1000 per individual property tax bill; because of the tourism spending, we pay less property tax. The hotel tax revenue supports the award-winning Visitor's Center. The balance of hotel tax is distributed around the county enhancing community events and projects that promote tourism. Tourism is big business in Frederick County, creating jobs and business opportunities.

Downtown Frederick Partnership has a spring event to highlight their many activities throughout the year that draw visitors to the downtown. Frederick does a great job promoting community amenities as an enticement for people to visit and spend money. I hear regularly from other state elected officials that Frederick is a great place to visit.

Both the tourism board and Downtown Frederick Partnership support the Hotel and Conference Center. As a member of the House Appropriations Committee, I was able to work closely with House Speaker Michael Busch and committee leadership to ensure state funding for the project. Small business and major employers in Frederick County also support this project, which will promote growth and expansion in downtown including adding hundreds of jobs. The project will continue to optimize revenue generated from

visitors to the area and the positive impact that revenue has for our community.

Bike to Work Day brings out the biking community focusing attention on this clean and healthy mode of transportation. And, of course, Frederick has the best local Bike to Work Day in the region. Starting out as a small event over a decade ago, Bike to Work Day in Frederick has grown to hundreds of participants.

Many graduations are held in May. I attended FCC and Hood College Graduate programs this year. Graduations are especially uplifting because we see the culmination of years of students' work and dedication. All in attendance are happy – students, teachers, families and friends. And the speeches are inspiring and positive. The two FCC student speakers emphasized that their FCC education experience changed their lives and the encouragement of the faculty was most beneficial. These graduates are heading into the future well prepared for jobs in today's economy.

The daily reports from Washington leave many of us worried about the direction of our country. The President's budget proposal recently released is especially distressing because it drastically cuts social programs leaving many economically disadvantaged with no safety net. Our anxiety is very high. But sometimes we need to look to positive things in our community that show we are moving in a positive direction. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve you, Frederick County and Maryland.

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Delegate Karen Lewis Young – District 3A

### Summer Study

During the next several months, I will be spending a significant amount of time at policy conferences. Both the Maryland Municipal League (MML) Conference and the Maryland Association of Counties (MACo) Conference focus on coordinating support for municipal and county priorities.

However, the remaining conferences are specifically targeted to state legislators. We receive updates on priority policy issues, meet experts on the various topics, and have numerous networking opportunities to learn about "best practices" in other states.

I have found these conferences to be extremely worthwhile, and I have obtained many good ideas from them. Moreover, as an individual who is committed to lifelong learning, I believe that it is important to "walk the talk" as a component of my own preparation.

I sit on the Health and Government Operations Committee. Our greatest challenge during the 2018 legislative session will be to deal with the repeal of the Affordable Care Act and the ramifications on Maryland residents. I am hoping to gather many ideas from these conferences.

What follows is a current list of the conferences that I will be attending:

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**MML**

**Summer Conference:**

June 25 to 28

Location: Ocean City, MD,  
Convention Center

**CSG Medicaid 101 Policy  
Academy:**

June 28 to 30

Location: Washington, DC

**Public Leadership  
Institute State Strategy  
Forum:**

July 7 to 9

Location: Washington, DC,  
Capital Hilton Hotel  
Convention Hotel: Capital  
Hilton Hotel, 1001  
16<sup>th</sup> Street, NW

**NCSL (National  
Conference of State  
Legislators) Boston  
Summit:**

August 6 - 9

Location: Boston  
Convention and Exhibition  
Center, Boston, MA  
Convention Hotel: The  
Westin Boston Waterfront  
I sit on the Health and  
Human Services  
Committee of this  
organization.

**MACo**

**Summer Conference:**

August 16 to 19

Location: Ocean City, MD,  
Convention Center

**2017 SiX**

**Legislator Conference:**

October 8 to 10

Location: Omni Shoreham  
Hotel, Washington, DC  
Convention Hotel: Omni Shoreham  
Hotel, 2500 Calvert St NW

Please let me know if there are any  
issues that you would like me to  
explore at any of these conferences:  
[Karen.young@house.state.md.us](mailto:Karen.young@house.state.md.us) or  
301-858-3436.

# Birthday Celebration Fundraiser for

## Delegate Karen Lewis Young



**Tuesday, June 13, 2017 5:30-8:30 PM**

**Heritage Frederick  
(Historical Society of  
Frederick County)  
24 East Church Street,  
Frederick, MD, 21701**



**Special Guest: Attorney General Brian Frosh**

**RSVP by June 6 to 301.639.2155  
or [karenlewisyoung@gmail.com](mailto:karenlewisyoung@gmail.com)**

**Friends of Karen Lewis Young  
PO Box 3662  
Frederick, MD 21705**

☐ Yes, I/we would like to attend at  
the following contribution level:

- ☐ \$1000 Sponsor
- ☐ \$500 Patron
- ☐ \$250 Supporter
- ☐ \$100 Friend
- ☐ \$66 Constituent

No, I/we are unable to attend,  
but \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed

Attendee Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to: Friends of Karen Lewis Young**

By Authority: Friends of Karen Lewis Young, Kathy Rossen, Treasurer,  
PO Box 3662, Frederick, MD, 21705

**Wednesday, June 21**

*first day of*  
**SUMMER!**



Join the Frederick County Democratic Party at our Annual Gala (formerly Jefferson-Jackson Dinner) with special guest

**U.S. Senator Amy Klobuchar!**

See invitation to the right for all the details!

Tickets are first come, first served. To get your ticket(s) **online**, use this [link](#).

To pay by **mail**, please follow the instructions on the invitation.

**Information on sponsorships or ads is outlined on the next page.**

*Celebrating Our Heritage  
Cultivating Our Future*

FREDERICK COUNTY  
DEMOCRATS

THE FREDERICK DEMOCRATIC PARTY  
*Gala*

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28, 2017  
6 PM SOCIAL HOUR | 7 PM BUFFET DINNER | 7:45 PM PROGRAM

SPRINGFIELD MANOR  
11836 AUBURN RD | THURMONT MD 21788

SPECIAL GUEST  
U.S. SENATOR FROM MINNESOTA  
AMY KLOBUCHAR

TICKETS: \$85 | \$75 FOR CLUB BLUE MEMBERS  
(PRICES INCLUDE DINNER AND 2 COMPLIMENTARY DRINKS)  
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PLEASE MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO FCDSCC. MAIL TO:  
FCDCC | P.O. BOX 793 | FREDERICK, MD 21705  
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WWW.FREDERICKDEMOCRATS.ORG

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AUTHORIZED: TONY SOLTERO, TREASURER  
FREDERICK COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE

## SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

### Platinum Sponsor at \$1,500

Ten tickets – your own table – and table signs denoting your organization or company.

A full-page ad in the program booklet. Recognition at the event and in the program as a Platinum level sponsor

### Gold Sponsor at \$750

Five tickets and name badges denoting your organization or company A half-page ad in the program booklet.

Recognition in the program as a Gold sponsor

### Silver Sponsor at \$375

Two tickets. Quarter-page ad in the program booklet  
Recognition in the program as a Silver sponsor

For sponsorship information, contact

Mari Lee:

[mari@frederickdemocrats.org](mailto:mari@frederickdemocrats.org)

## PROGRAM AD SPECIFICATIONS

Below are the specs for program advertisement artwork.

Ads in the interior of the book are **black and white**.

Ads on inside front, inside back, and back covers are **full color**.

PLEASE SUBMIT  
AD ARTWORK IN  
SIZES INDICATED  
IN PARENTHESES:

**Back Cover @ \$300**  
first come first served (8.5 x 11 inches)

**Inside Front or Back Cover @ \$250** first come first served  
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**Quarter Page @ \$80**  
(3.75 x 5 inches VERTICAL)

**Business Card @ \$35**  
(3.5 x 2 inches HORIZONTAL)

**Resistance/  
Persistence  
supporter @ \$25**

This is a new option – add your name to the list of Resisters and Persisters!

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Patrice Gallagher at

[PGallJ@aol.com](mailto:PGallJ@aol.com).

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You can now conveniently pay online for your sponsorship or ad too.

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Click [here](#) to pay for your ad.

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Please make check payable to FCDCC, and mail to FCDCC, PO Box 793, Frederick, MD 21703. Please write "Gala Sponsorship or Gala Ad" on memo line.





Tom Slater, Frederick Co.  
Democratic Party Historian

## The Rest of the Story

The other day, Brent Ayer dropped off at my office some old Democratic buttons, brochures and a copy of the *Banner* from 1993. It occurs to me that many current readers of the *Banner* do not know the history of this publication. In 1975, in my first term on the Central Committee, I made a motion that the Central Committee should establish a newsletter to better communicate with Democrats in Frederick County. As often happens, when someone makes a motion to do something, that someone is assigned the responsibility to do what the motion suggests. Hence, I became the first editor of the *Banner* and continued in that capacity until 1994. From 1975 to 1990, the *Banner* was mailed to individual subscribers for \$2.00 a year (I think it was \$2.00). Every month, starting with a dittoed one-page newsletter, I would draft and send out the *Banner*. Later, it was mimeographed. For those who have no idea what I am talking about, you will have to Google "ditto and mimeograph."

Often, my wife and three children would be commandeered to put on address labels, return addresses, postage stamps, and reminders to pay on the dittoed and mimeographed *Banners* as they went out to the mail. Later, starting around 1990, we had a printer print the *Banner* about six times a year. From 1994 to 1998, when part of the time Blaine Young was the Chair of the

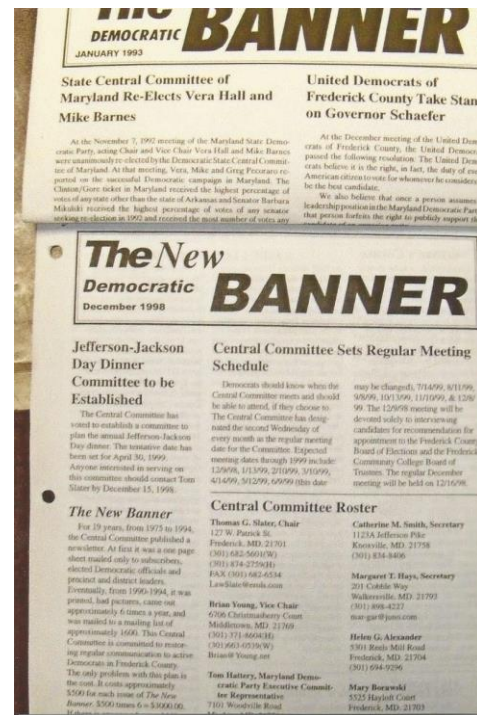
Democratic Central Committee (can you believe that?) the *Banner* went dormant. In 1998, the *New Banner* was established, and Patty and Ron Wolf printed it monthly using new computer technology, but it was still mailed. Today we are blessed to have e-mail, and Mari Lee does an excellent job editing and producing the *Banner*.

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Frederick County Democrats lost two wonderful, stalwart Democratic women recently. Catherine "Kitty" Smith and Earlene Thornton came from very different backgrounds and approached politics in their own unique ways, but they were both committed to the Democratic Party. Kitty came at politics from her agrarian background and was outspoken in her love for Frederick County. She was a strong proponent of farmers and the involvement of women in government. She faithfully served the Women's Democratic League and the Central Committee. Earlene came from a background in education and civil rights and was equally as committed as Kitty to the Democratic Party, the movement for equal rights and women's rights. Both were chosen by the Central Committee for the Woman of the Year award, and both will be missed.

The pictures are of Kitty accepting her award as Democratic Woman of the Year at the 1994 Jefferson-Jackson Day Dinner, Earlene talking to George Dredde at the 1990 Jefferson-Jackson Day Dinner with Charlie Coss, Charlie Smith (Brunswick) and Charlie Smith (Jefferson) in the background, and old issues of the *Banner*.

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On May 1<sup>st</sup>, we had a split program. The first half was about healthcare and community activism with our guest, Beth Landry (community activist and local leader of HealthcareNow). There is a lot of waste in the current medical system and while the ACA is good, it does need improvement. Single payer (HR 676) will go a long way to giving more people coverage and would no longer require employers to pay into it. Please contact your local representatives to sign on to the bill. Our second guest was Antonio Bowens, candidate for Frederick City Alderman. He is a long time Frederick County resident and has always had interest in politics. He strongly supports enforcement of blighted property ordinances and would like to see the city invest in solar energy. Antonio also supports the \$15 livable wage and publicly subsidized WiFi to make connectivity more attainable.

UDFC usually meets the first Monday of each month and gives Democrats an opportunity to discuss topics of interest to the membership and /or the community, as well as to organize to promote Democratic causes. Our next meeting will be Monday, June 5, 2017, with Jennifer Dougherty, candidate for Mayor, and Jeannette Bartelt, candidate for Frederick City Alderman. UDFC meets at Café 611, 611 North Market Street in Frederick. Doors open at 5:45 p.m. for dinner and socializing; meeting starts at 7:00 p.m.

Become a member! Dues are \$20 individual or \$35 family. As a reminder, dues are payable in January of each year. You can contact us at [UnitedDemsFrederick@yahoo.com](mailto:UnitedDemsFrederick@yahoo.com), by phone at 240-630-4280, or by mail at P.O. Box 3882, Frederick MD 21705. We're also on [Facebook](#), so

please "like" the page and interact with us there!



YOUNG DEMOCRATS OF FREDERICK COUNTY

The Young Democrats of Frederick County recently held elections. Here's the details on their new board and meeting info:

**New Officers:**

President - Gayon Sampson	Vice President - Chloe Scott
Treasurer - Alison Rane	Chief of Staff - Kavonte Duckett
Director of Communications - Andre McFarlane	
Director of Outreach - Michelle Clapp	
Director of Public Relations - Akilah Winbush	
Director of Governmental Affairs - Patrick DuBoyce	
Deputy Director of Governmental Affairs - Anthony Winbush	

Meeting Info: 4th Sunday, Clagett Enterprises Inc., 7540 N. Market St., Frederick, MD 21701 at 1 p.m.

Contact Info: Michelle Clapp [youngdemsfrederick@gmail.com](mailto:youngdemsfrederick@gmail.com)

Website still under construction.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/YDFrederick>



**Tuesday June 13, 2017 @ 8:00 A.M.**

IHOP Restaurant  
5277 Buckeystown Pike, Frederick  
(Westview Promenade)

**Join the South Frederick County Democratic Group for breakfast on the second Tuesday of the month for lively conversation and discussion.**

**Need more information? Please contact Rolan Clark, [rolan.clark@comcast.net](mailto:rolan.clark@comcast.net).**

All are Welcome.  
Come when you can and leave when you must.  
Hope to see you there!

**You are Invited**

**June 21, 2017**

**Two training events @ Café 611**

**Advocacy 101**

5:30pm-6:30pm

**With Emily Hovermale**

Director, Maryland Chapter of U.S. Humane Society

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**Candidate Training**

7:00pm-8:30pm

**Got questions?**

Elected Officials, Seasoned Candidates, and Community Advocates available to answer your questions.



**Editor's Corner**

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**Banner Newsletter Ideas?**

Send me an email with your ideas, materials or feedback for consideration.

Hope you enjoyed reading!

*Mari Lee,*

[Mari@frederickdemocrats.org](mailto:Mari@frederickdemocrats.org)

or

Central Committee -

[info@frederickdemocrats.org](mailto:info@frederickdemocrats.org)



The Democratic National Committee challenged every state party to organize a summer of resistance to the regressive policies of Donald Trump. The national kick-off will be Saturday, June 3, with states tailoring their own campaigns over the summer months through Labor Day.

In our state, we will focus on "Resistance and Renewal." First, resistance to the Trump budget cuts to health care, federal jobs, public schools, poverty alleviation programs and the Chesapeake Bay. Trump's surrogate in Maryland, Larry Hogan, has been silent about the repeal of the Affordable Care Act, Trump tax hikes, and potential job losses for hundreds of thousands of federal workers. Clearly we have a Governor who doesn't really care about the needs of ALL MARYLANDERS.

But as many of you have told me, it's not enough to resist. We must also focus on renewal in our Democratic party and show our commitment to ALL MARYLANDERS. Through a statewide, grassroots listening campaign with targeted voters and community service, we can show that people do better when Democrats govern.

We need you to help us stage a big kick-off for the Maryland Summer of Resistance and Renewal on June 3 from 2-3pm at Lawyers' Mall in Annapolis. We are aiming to have 500+ people attend. Our Facebook event is located [here](#).

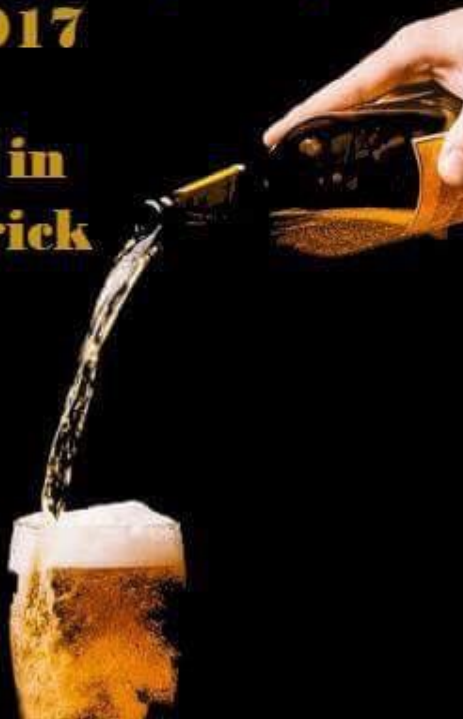
# IT'S ABOUT TIME TO **DRINK LIBERALLY** (AND ALSO RESPONSIBLY)

**What: A happy hour for liberals**

**When: Every Wednesday 7-9pm  
starting July 5, 2017**

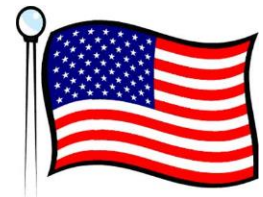
**Where: Cafe Nola in  
Downtown Frederick**

**Why: Because we  
could all use a  
drink.**



Between our tireless activism, our continued hard work in the community, and our shared heartache from what's happening around our country, we all deserve a drink. So Lauren Beacham and Josh Cramer have decided to re-start the chapter of Drinking Liberally right here in Frederick! Drinking Liberally is a social club that encourages progressive, liberal, forward-thinking folks to gather in groups around the globe to raise glasses together and discuss topics that weigh heavy on their hearts in a welcoming environment. With this group, there is no agenda, no fee, no sponsor. It is meant to simply be a regular, casual gathering where you can take a load off with some old and new like-minded friends. Whether your drink of choice is beer, wine, liquor, tea, coffee, or good old H<sub>2</sub>O, we want you to be a part of it. So please join us, starting on July 5, every Wednesday from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Cafe Nola in downtown Frederick. To learn more about this global organization, please visit [www.drinkingliberally.org](http://www.drinkingliberally.org). When our chapter goes live on the website, you'll be able to join our mailing list for updates and any special events! So bring your friends and we hope to see you there. Cheers!

**Flag Day**



**Wednesday, June 14**



## 2017 Candidates' Corner



### DONNA KUZEMCHAK CAMPAIGN ANNOUNCES KICKOFF EVENT

Donna Kuzemchak will launch her re-election campaign with a kickoff event on Saturday, June 10, from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. at the Bernard W. Brown Center, 629 N. Market Street, Frederick, 21701.

Kuzemchak is excited about the campaign and says, "I'm looking for fellow Democrats who believe in standing strong for kids, working families, affordable living and smart growth to join us."

Kuzemchak is a lifelong Democrat, and has fought hard for education, historic preservation and equality. She was recently in a documentary about the fight to restore identification of a previously known "whites-only" park in downtown Frederick. From the minute she heard the story of the property, she fought to remove the playground and restore Laboring Sons Memorial Grounds, in honor of the nineteenth-century African-American citizens buried at the site.

"Democracy is not a spectator sport. We need to continue to fight for what's right with honest, open-minded and moral values," Kuzemchak concluded. "Our campaign is building steam and we ask all City of

Frederick Democrats to stand with us on June 10."

The event is open to the public. Light hors d'oeuvres and drinks, along with beer and wine, will be served. You MUST be 21 or older – and present valid ID – to be served alcohol. RSVP now at [www.vote4donna.com](http://www.vote4donna.com) or [www.facebook.com/Vote4DonnaK](https://www.facebook.com/Vote4DonnaK) and receive automatic entry into a raffle for a special prize.

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Roger Wilson, the Director of Government Affairs and Public Policy for Frederick County, has announced his bid for Frederick City alderman in the 2017 Primary Election. "I am eager to serve city residents," Wilson said, "and to pursue smart solutions to Frederick's challenges. I am running for elected office because I want to ensure that our city has good roads and schools, healthy and safe communities, a vibrant economy, a thriving arts scene, and a strong sense of community for future generations to enjoy."

Wilson, who left an executive position at IBM to commit his life to public service, believes he represents the next generation of political leaders, who are innovative thinkers and problem solvers. "I think we should dream boldly," he said. "And work to preserve what we love about this city, to build what we need for our future, and to believe in a better Frederick

for all." Wilson believes that the best way to achieve this goal is to vote for an experienced leader—someone who is familiar with local policies and issues, and who is understanding and responsive to residents' needs.

Since 2014, Wilson has worked alongside County Executive Jan Gardner, advancing policy initiatives with the county, state, and federal delegations. If elected alderman, Wilson hopes to focus on fiscal responsibility, managing growth, and developing a forward-looking economy. "Together," Wilson said, "we can bring a new voice and new vision to all the citizens of Frederick."

To find out more about Roger Wilson, visit [wilsonforfrederick.com](http://wilsonforfrederick.com).

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### Election judges needed for the 2017 City of Frederick Elections.

For more information on the requirements and to complete an application, click [here](#).



### Absentee Ballot Application for City of Frederick Voters

<https://www.cityoffrederick.com/DocumentCenter/View/6909>



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### **Let's Keep Frederick Awesome Todd Anderson launches Campaign for Frederick Alderman**

**Frederick, MD May 3, 2017.** Today, Frederick resident Todd Anderson announced his candidacy for the office of Alderman as a Democrat in this year's city elections. Mr. Anderson, a nine-year resident of the city, said that he wants to, "keep Frederick awesome by embracing the creative energy of the business and arts community, maintaining our quality of life, and respecting our history."

"Frederick is such a great place to live, play and raise a family," said Mr. Anderson. "To make sure this continues our city government needs to take a hard look at how it facilitates and fosters new economic activity in order to bring more good paying jobs to the city, while keeping our focus on the quality of life we enjoy so much."

Citing what he sees as a sense of complacency at city hall as his motivation to run, Mr. Anderson is targeting those issues he believes require immediate attention:

- **Making smart decisions on new growth:** "This is probably what I hear about most from residents around the city. Everyone knows Frederick is going to keep growing, but we need to make sure we grow in a way that preserves what we love about our city."
- **Reducing barriers to economic development:** "From my conversations with business owners and entrepreneurs, it is

clear that many of our regulations are out of date, overly restrictive, or take significant resources to comply. On the other hand, the right regulations serve important purposes for our community. Let's take a close look at what regulations we should change and find ways to streamline and modernize the compliance process."

- **Including residents from all over the city:** "Our historic downtown is a fantastic place to visit and live, and I think that is only going to keep improving. However, the downtown is only one part of the city and residents from other areas tell me they feel like they don't get the attention they deserve. We need to change that."

"This election has to be about making sure Frederick doesn't lose ground, but actually grows and improves for all of us" said Mr. Anderson. "The challenges are not new. Our elected officials promised they would address them, however it seems like things never get past the planning stage. It's time to move to the actual doing." He added, "I look forward to speaking with city residents to learn more about the different interests and priorities people have. We'll talk about what needs to be done, then develop and implement a workable plan to get there."

Mr. Anderson, aged 50 is the Director of Management Consulting at HeiTech Services, Inc., in Landover, MD, where for 15 years he has led teams that have provided critical services that meet the complex needs of federal agencies. He is excited to bring this experience and his passion for achieving results to the office of Alderman and the residents of Frederick. For more information on Todd and his ideas for the city, please visit [andersonforfrederick.com](http://andersonforfrederick.com), friend him on Facebook at [facebook.com/toddandersonforalderman](https://facebook.com/toddandersonforalderman), and follow him on Twitter at @toddforalderman.

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### **Jeannette Bartelt Candidate for City Alderman**

- **June 11** - Barbecue for Volunteers: Come celebrate before going out to canvass in our city neighborhoods. Will be held at Hillcrest Park on Mckane Road from Noon to 1:00 PM.
- **July 20, 2017** - "Meet and Greet" at "Homewood": go to [Facebook.com/jeannettebartelt-candidate](https://facebook.com/jeannettebartelt-candidate) for time and location.
- **August 19, 2017**, 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM at Hillcrest Park; Come and enjoy music and good food before going out and canvassing.

By authority: Friends of Jeannette Bartelt,  
Treasurer, James French



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*To RSVP or for questions,  
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**Democratic Candidates for the 2017 Primary**

(Candidates' listing will be updated on a monthly basis. Filing deadline – Monday, July 3, 2017)



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**Dates to Remember:**

**Candidate Filing Opens** - Tuesday, January 3  
**Primary Election** - Tuesday, September 12

**Filing Deadline** - Monday, July 3  
**General Election** - Tuesday, November 7

For more information on city elections, click [here](#).