# BLUE NOTE 20

It's been less than a month since Joe Biden passed the baton to Kamala Harris and the 2024 DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN IS EXPERIENCING A NEW EMOTION--ENTHUSIASM!!

HARRIS HAS RAISED MORE MONEY AND HAS HAD MORE VOLUNTEERS SIGN UP THAN ANY OTHER CANDIDATE IN A SIMILAR PERIOD!

HER NUMBERS ARE SURGING IN THE POLLS and SHE HAS ENOUGH DELEGATES TO SECURE THE NOMINATION at the DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION, in Chicago, from August 19 to 22.

She's chosen Tim Walz, governor of Minnesota, as her running mate. Together they support the rule of law, the rights of women to bodily autonomy, growing the middle class, protecting healthcare, education, civil rights and expanding voting rights.

Their compassion, decency and hope for America stand in bright contrast to the bleak Trump/MAGA agenda and the **Project 2025** dystopia that the far right is promising for a second Trump term.



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# WE ARE NOT GOING BACK.

VICE PRESIDENT Kamala Harris

#### HARRIS

"We believe in the promise of America: the promise of freedom, opportunity, and justice – not just for some, but for all. And, ultimately, in this election - you all have heard me say many times - we each face the question: What kind of country do we want to live in? Do we want to live in a country of freedom, compassion, and rule of law, or a country of chaos, fear, and hate? And the beauty of our democracy is we each, every one of us, has the power to answer that question. And that is why I say, and know, the power is with the people." --VP Kamala Harris

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# DCDP MEMBERSHIP MEETING IN-PERSON

Aug 10, 2024, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM Note New Location: New Bethel Sounds of Praise 351 Greyback Rd, Summerville, SC 29483

We will meet 2nd Saturday of month. The next meetings will be on September 14 and October 12. Please join us!!

## Western Dorchester County Democratic Club (WDCDC)

In-person 4th Mondays: August 26, September 23 and October 28 Time: 6:30 PM

Open to members and aspiring members. Location: Classy Sassy Salon, 421 N. Parler Ave., St. George Contact Tim Lewis for scheduled speakers, at timlewis75@gmail.com



#### SUMMER 2024

### GET OUT THE VOTE REPORT

from Debra Whitfield, First Vice-Chair

As fall elections are fast approaching, Get Out the Vote (GOTV) efforts are crucial for ensuring that our preferred candidates win in county elections. These initiatives involve a range of activities, from phone banking and door-to-door canvassing to post card writing and putting out signs.

Volunteering in these efforts is vital, as it helps to mobilize and energize the community, reminding them of the importance of their vote. By dedicating time and energy to GOTV campaigns, we can significantly impact voter turnout and contribute to the success of candidates who align with our values and vision for the county. Every volunteer effort counts and can make a substantial difference in the election outcome.

> To Volunteer go to DorchesterDemocrats.com

JOIN US FOR PHONE BANKING ON 8/10, 9/14 AND 10/12, AFTER THE DCDP MEETINGS.

## **RALLY THE VOTE COOKOUT** Davis-Bailey Recreation Park, St. George, SC

4:00-7:00pm, Saturday, August 17, 2024 This event is free to the public, featuring a Control Room live band, DJ Joyner aka Meezy Meez, candidates Sen. Vernon Stephens, Reps. Gilda Cobb-Hunter and Joe Jefferson, Solicitor David Pascoe, Charles T. Frederick III, and DD4 school board candidates. In addition to the BBQ, fried fish, hot dogs, and hamburgers, we also feature voter registration, vendors, games for kids, candidate speeches, and community service tables and displays.

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#### Dear Dorchester Democrats,

We are currently experiencing an exhilarating time for our party and our country. I, like many others, was surprised when President Biden decided to step aside from the presidential campaign to make way for another candidate to run. The Biden Administration has achieved many things, such as reducing unemployment to its lowest level in American history, rescuing the economy from disaster, and setting the nation on the right track during the pandemic. Under his leadership, we have also seen a renewed focus on rebuilding the crucial infrastructure for our daily lives. His presidency will undoubtedly be viewed positively in the history books.

However, with that being said, his endorsement of Vice President Harris to carry on and complete the work he started has energized the party, and we are ready to support her for VICTORY in November! There has been record fundraising across the country and beyond since the announcement.

While the race for POTUS is undoubtedly significant, we must not lose sight of the many crucial races here in Dorchester County. As a party, we need to ensure that we do not lose focus on our state senate, house, sheriff, and school board seats. These local races are equally important, and we need your support to ensure victory in November. We need people to make calls, knock on doors, and distribute materials! I am eager to collaborate with you to achieve success in all these races.

Let's work together and make sure we stay focused on all the important races. It's only through our collective effort and unwavering focus that we can bring success to our party. Every race, from the local to the national level, is crucial, and we need your support to ensure victory in November.

Sincerely, ReZsaun Lewis Chair, Dorchester County Democratic Party



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Our Democratic Candidates that have Republican opponents:

- State House District 102- Joe <u>Jefferson</u>.
- SH District 114--Adrienne Lett.
- SH District 98--Sonja Ogletree Satani.
- Sheriff Dorchester County--Charles T.
  <u>Frederick</u> III.
- SC Senate District 41--Rita Adkins.
- SC Senate District 49--Vernon Stephens.

For information about these candidates and for the full list of Democrats running, go to our candidates page at <u>DorchesterDemocrats.com</u>. To support individual campaigns click on the links. GOTV efforts include supporting your chosen candidates with canvassing, postcard writing, phone banking, putting out signs and/or donations.

"So here's the bottom line, we are going to win this election. And it is going to take all of us, whether it is making calls, connecting with our communities, engaging online, or even talking with people where we go every day, whether it be to the grocery store or our church. We are going to talk with people about the fact that we are all in this together, and we stand together. And so, let's let folks know that our campaign is about the future. And it's about an expansion of rights and freedoms, and for the opportunity of everyone to not just get by, but to get ahead." --VP Kamala Harris

## Coffee Talks (for New and Old members)

After Kamala Harris's announcement on July 21st, we had 37 new member sign-ups, whereas 4 to 5 a month is typical, and we will usually see 2 to 3 new members come to our coffee talks. By our August 3 meeting, we had a total of 45 new member sign-ups, with 22 new members attending the Coffee Talk! I want to thank Richard Hayes and Debra Whitfield for helping me meet and greet this large, energetic crowd.

As a result, we have new volunteers to GOTV and donate to our candidates. Already, we have 7 new member sign-ups for the September Coffee talk!

### First Saturdays September 7, October 5 and November 2 Time: 2 PM Location: Perkins Restaurant 1700 Old Trolley Rd., Summerville. The coffee is on us! Current members are invited as well!

Sign up on the Events <u>page</u> online, or contact John Ptolemy-- ptolemy@hotmail.com

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