

Message from the Chair

By Amanda McDougald Scott
GCDP Chair

Friends of democracy,

There are only 3 days until Early Voting starts! That means it's time to turn up the heat even more, put on our walking shoes, and charge our phones. We've got elections to win!



One of our highest priorities is making sure to turn out the vote. To that end, we have implemented findings from the Core Messaging Campaign into a targeted mailer! We will send out county-wide mailers and print door hangers for our canvassers/literature drops. To make this happen, we need your financial support! Please give here: <https://secure.actblue.com/donate/coremessagingcampaign>

There is still plenty of work to do. If you would like to help phone bank or canvass this Saturday (10/22), we will be leading these activities following our October breakfast at the Upstate Circle of Friends. We will also open the GCDP Headquarters for canvassing from 1-3 pm (10/22).

If you can't make any of the dates with others, we have links for texting, calling, and canvassing virtually. Or, if you would like to have an event for this, please let us know! We would love to support your efforts. Remember- we are only as strong as the number of people we have taking the initiative--working collaboratively--to achieve positive results.

You can also support our candidates by showing up for their rallies. Rallies really help get candidates pumped up, which is important, but don't forget that most voters will not know about candidate rallies.

This is why we should go to rallies, but also make sure to make those phone calls, texts, and literature drops to reach even more voters!! (And donate to support our whole slate so we can send mailers).

The work we have to do is challenging, and we are continually inspired by the volunteers who continue to show up and deliver on their commitments to our candidates and the GCDP. Thank you for your dedication and time!

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Chair's Message (continued)

Let's all remember that the work we do now does not just serve us in the present, but helps lay the foundation to win in the long run. When we work together, support each other, are mindful of the impact of our words and actions, and give grace where we don't have all the information, we can achieve the results we wish to see.

It's time to win some seats and turn out the vote!!

Amanda



It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Carlyle Steel on Thursday October 20th. Carlyle has played a large role in the Democratic Party within the state of South Carolina and Greenville County, and will be sorely missed. Carlyle was an avid supporter of all things Democrat and had a fiery spirit to always motivate others. Further details regarding visitation will be coming.



VOLUNTEER TO GET OUT THE VOTE

The **Greenville County Democratic Party** needs your help on Election Day and during Early Voting. There were one million registered voters who didn't vote in South Carolina's 2020 elections! We need to help ensure there are enough **poll workers** to fully staff all polling locations, and **poll watchers** to keep the process in check. If you are able to help in these areas it would be a great contribution to help get out the vote in Greenville County! See the following instructions on becoming a poll worker, poll watcher or other GOTV activities.

These are your choices

- a) Poll work or watch Early Voting
- b) Poll work or watch Election Day
- c) Poll work or watch both

PLEASE NOTE: *Poll workers are paid employees by the Election Commission-- \$135 for the day.*

Poll watchers volunteer for the Party. They are unpaid.

Other GOTV Activities

Absentee/Early Voting calls: Calling voters 65+ to make sure they know how to vote mail-in absentee or early voting vs Election Day (new law changes).

GOTV calls: Calling voters to tell them about our candidates and reminding them to vote.

GOTV texts: Texting voters to tell them about our candidates and reminding them to vote.

GOTV canvassing: Walking door-to-door to meet voters and tell them about our candidates.

Poll watchers

- a) morning shift 6-1
- b) afternoon shift 1-8:00
- c) all day

Please fill out the [volunteer form](#).

Poll Workers

Poll workers should first fill out the **Worker/clerk application:**

<https://noexcuses.sc.gov/apply-to-be-a-poll-manager/>

(It says "poll manager" because that is the term used for a worker.)

Next, contact Rodney Allen, call 864-467-5972



Please fill out the [volunteer form](#).

GET READY TO VOTE

Eligibility

Check your registration-- check your name
(have you been divorced or remarried)?
Check your address (have you moved)?
Have you not voted in a while?
scvotes.gov/voters/

ID Requirements

You can't vote without one of the following:

- Current SC Driver's License
- SC DMV ID Card
- SC Voter Registration Card w/photo
- Federal Military ID
- Current Valid US Passport



Need a Ride to the Polls?

[Request one online with GCDP](#)

Voter Protection

If you are properly registered, are at the right polling place, and in line by 7pm on Election Day, you must be allowed to vote. If you are denied your opportunity to vote, contact the **GCDP office at 864-232-5531 while you stay in line.**

And if applicable, ask for a provisional ballot and then follow up with the Election Commission the next day to ensure your ballot gets counted. Document anything you are told and ask for the names of the poll workers you interact with. Above all VOTE. Encourage others to vote!

Absentee Voting

Vote absentee by mail. The safest way to make sure your absentee ballot is counted is to apply for a mail-in absentee ballot in-person at the Greenville County elections office before October 28, 2022.

Because of the disruptions in mail, please deliver your ballot in person no later than 7pm on Election Day. Ballots can be returned to the county elections office or at an early voting location. Find a list of early voting locations here:

<https://bit.ly/3px23Oc>

Still have questions? Contact: GVL
County Election Commission: (864) 467-7250

-League of Women Voters: [LWV.org](https://www.vote411.org/south-carolina)
<https://www.vote411.org/south-carolina>
<https://www.ballotready.org>

Check Your Polling Location

Check before you go vote: [Greenville County Election Commission](#)

Sample Ballot

Take a look at your Sample Ballot:
[SCVotes.gov](https://scvotes.gov) This will help prepare you for voting.

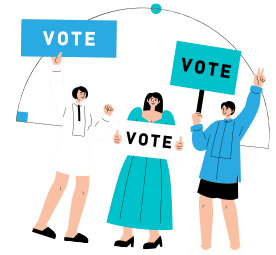


Unsure about the two constitutional amendment questions on your ballot this year? Catherine Fleming Bruce led a panel discussion that can be a very helpful resource when making up your mind. View the YouTube video [here](#).



EARLY VOTING

No reason is needed for early voting! Take your valid photo I.D. and go vote!



Early Voting Locations

Beginning Monday, October 24-November 5, 2022
Monday – Saturday, Closed Sunday
8:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Travelers Rest Council Chambers 125 Trailblazer Park
 (North Greenville Area) Travelers Rest, SC 29690

Greer Tryon Recreation Center 226 Oakland Ave
 (North Greenville Area) Greer, SC 29650

Greenville County Square 301 University Ridge
 (Central Greenville Area) Greenville, SC 29601

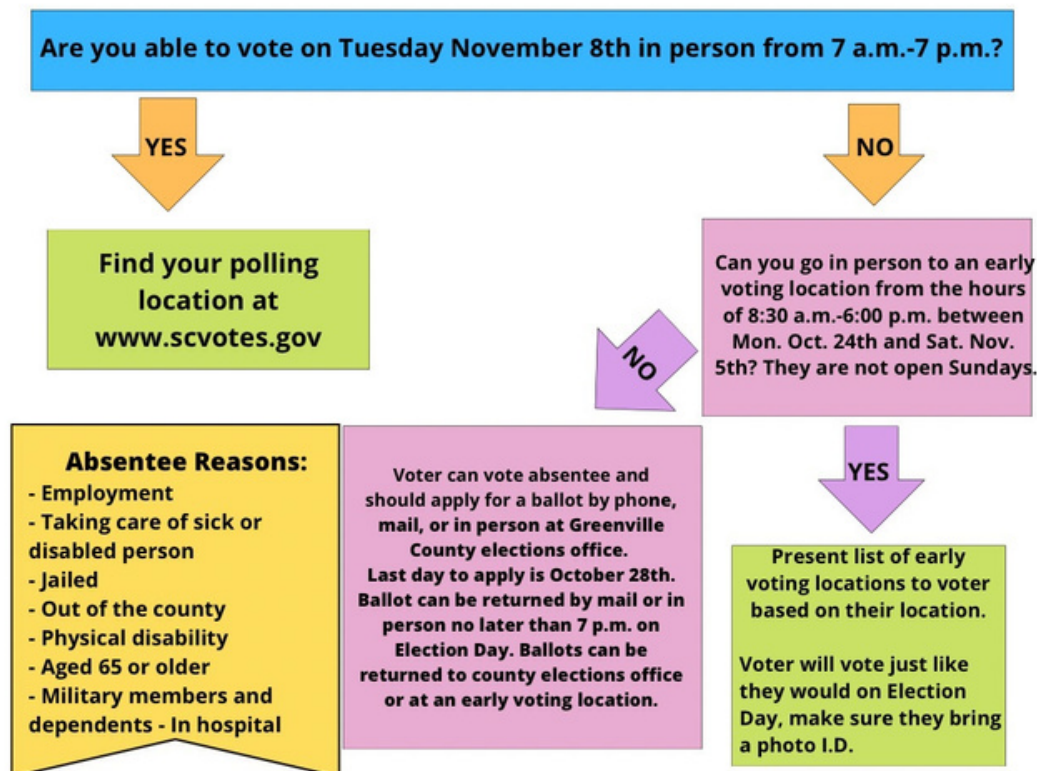
Convention Center 1 Exposition Dr.
 (Central Greenville Area) Greenville, SC 29607

Mauldin Senior Center 203 Corn Rd
 (South Greenville Area) Greenville, SC 29607

Mt. Pleasant Community Center 710 S. Fairfield Rd
 (South Greenville Area) Greenville, SC 29605

Simpsonville Bethlehem Baptist Church 4 Harrison
 Bridge Rd. (South Greenville Area)

ARE YOU READY TO VOTE?



**Check with the Greenville County Election Commission closer to November 8, as polling sites are subject to change.*



CUNNINGHAM CASEY ★

By Kirsten Pruitt
GCDP 3rd Vice Chair

The top of the ticket this election is the Governor's race, our candidate for Governor is Joe Cunningham and Lieutenant Governor is Tally Parham Casey, who is a native of Greenville! Joe has made several stops in Greenville over the last several months, including to announce his choice of running mate. Several members of the GCDP were able to attend that event with 3rd Vice Chair, Kirsten Pruitt, delivering the National Anthem and opening the event. Joe held a rally on September 26th at Cowboy Up and most recently on October 14th at Birds Fly South. Tally also attended the Democratic Women of Greenville County luncheon in September. Joe and Tally will be back in Greenville on Thursday November 3rd and we'd love to see you there.

To learn more about Joe and to find out how to volunteer go to www.joeforsouthcarolina.com



A promotional poster for a political rally. The top left features the 'CUNNINGHAM CASEY' logo with a star and red stripes. The main text reads 'JOIN US! RALLY THE VOTE' in large, bold, red letters. Below this, it specifies the date and time: 'Thursday, November 3rd 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM'. The location is 'Southernside Brewing Co. 25 Delano Drive, Unit D, Greenville'. At the bottom, it provides a link for RSVP: 'To RSVP, visit: <https://sc.joefors.us/a/southernside>'. On the right side of the poster is a photo of Joe Cunningham, a man with a beard wearing a white shirt and a red tie, smiling.

Graphic courtesy Joe Cunningham FB.



A promotional poster for phone banking and canvassing. The text reads 'PHONE BANKING & CANVASSING for Joe Cunningham and Tally Parham Casey' in bold red letters. Below this, it specifies the schedule: 'Every Saturday 10:00 am-12:00 pm' and the location: '620 Rutherford Street, Greenville, SC'. At the bottom, it includes a note: '*If you're interested in phone banking please bring your laptop and a phone, anyone interested in canvassing should bring a bottle of water and a fully charged cell phone.' On the right side of the poster is a photo of Tally Parham Casey, a woman with long brown hair wearing a blue sleeveless top, standing next to Joe Cunningham, who is wearing a blue suit and a red tie.

Graphic courtesy Joe Cunningham FB.



Joe Cunningham speaking to a group at Cowboy Up on 9/26. Photo courtesy Joe Cunningham FB



Members of the GCDP board with Tally Casey and Joe Cunningham at the Greenville Convention Center August 1st.

Don't miss Joe's debate with Henry McMaster on Wednesday October 26th at 7 p.m. The debate will be aired on SC ETV, as well as their website, Facebook page and YouTube channel



A group listens to Joe Cunningham at Birds Fly South on October 14th.

Reproductive Rights & *Early Voting*

RALLY

Joe Cunningham & Tally Casey

Sunday
October 23rd
2:30pm
Carolina Wren Park
Anderson, SC

JOIN US WITH
OUR SPECIAL GUESTS

Bakari Sellers

Organized by: Chris Salley & WREN (Women's Rights Empowerment Network)

Graphic courtesy Joe Cunningham FB.

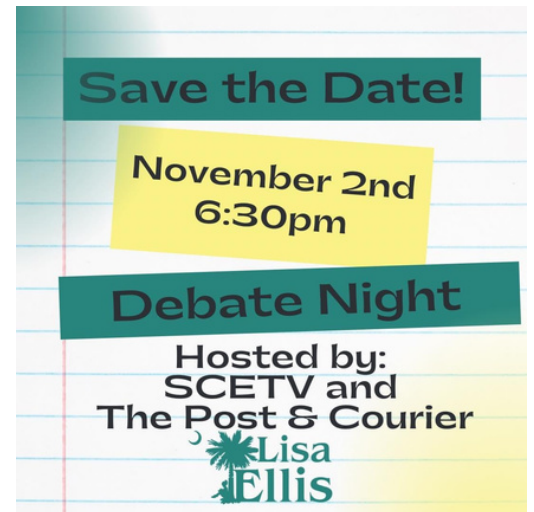


Photo courtesy Lisa Ellis FB.



**By Kirsten Pruitt
GCDP 3rd Vice Chair**

Our Superintendent of Education candidate, Lisa Ellis, really needs our help leading up to Election Day. Her opponent, Ellen Weaver, is grossly unqualified having completed a Master's degree in just six months at Bob Jones University; a degree that should take two years to complete. Meanwhile, Lisa Ellis has two Master's degrees and has been teaching in the classroom while campaigning. Ellen Weaver has not spent a day in the classroom. We need a Superintendent of Education who will fight for our schools, students, and teachers, and that's Lisa Ellis.



Graphic courtesy Lisa Ellis FB.



Lisa Ellis at Travinia Italian Kitchen.

On October 28th Lisa held a joint fundraiser with the Young Democrats of Greenville County at Travinia Italian Kitchen. Also that day she spoke with a group at Full House Sportzaria in Simpsonville.



Erica Edmondson, Shadae Boakye-Yiadom, and Kirsten Pruitt at Travinia Italian Kitchen.



Lisa Ellis speaking to a group at Full House Sportzaria. Photo courtesy Lisa Ellis Facebook.

Re-Elect *Debora* **FAULKNER** *Probate Judge*

www.deborafaulkner.com

By Kirsten Pruitt
GCDP 3rd Vice Chair

Many people aren't familiar with the work of the Probate Court until they need services themselves. The work that's done here is truly nonpartisan and the Court should be led with a leader who's compassionate and treats everyone with fairness and respect. That's Judge Debora Faulkner who has served Greenville county in this role for the past 24 years. We need a caring and non-biased individual in that role and that's why it's so important to re-elect Judge Faulkner. The work she's done here in Greenville county has been copied by many other probate courts in the state and other judges often seek her out for guidance. She kept the Court open during Covid-19 while keeping everyone safe while other courts were shutting down. She is very well-regarded in the legal profession holding several leadership roles, and has received numerous appointments and awards from the SC Supreme Court and SC Attorney General. Help us get Judge Faulkner re-elected to office!



Photo courtesy Judge Debora Faulkner Facebook.



Judge Faulkner with the Young Democrats of Greenville County on September 8th.

What does probate court do?

- Marriage licenses
- Estates of the deceased
- Guardianships
- Conservatorships
- Minor settlements (up to \$25k)
- Involuntary commitments to institutions for the mentally ill

More 2022 Democratic Candidates



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SECRETARY OF STATE



KRYSTLE MATTHEWS
US SENATE



WENDELL JONES
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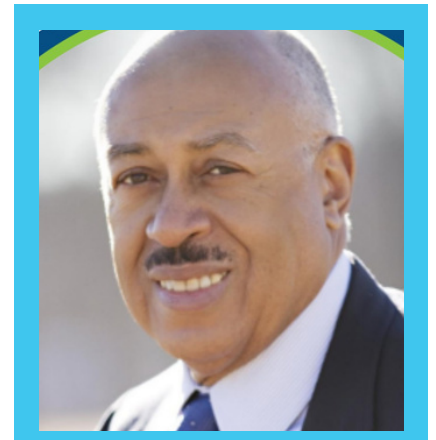
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STATE HOUSE 23



FRITZ WEIBEL
STATE HOUSE 28



SHERYL GUARNIERO
COUNTY COUNCIL 17



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COUNTY COUNCIL 23

YOUNG DEMS UPDATE

By Shadae Boakye-Yiadom
Greenville County Young
Democrats Chair

Midterms are right around the corner and the Young Democrats of Greenville County (YDGC) are ramping up to turn out voters and get our candidates elected!

Still riding on a very successful joint fundraiser for Lisa Ellis in late August, YDGC hasn't let up steam and participated in the Young Democrats of South Carolina (YDSC) Day of Action where we canvassed for Chris Salley (SC House District 7) and Probate Judge Debora Faulkner.

This month, we've also continued our mission to engage in community service activities and just wrapped up a donation drive with Safe Harbor and comal864, our 2nd Official Garden Day at Upstate Circle of Friends and our 2nd Official Litter Pickup. We've also got a community Trunk or Treat coming up with Long Branch Baptist Church on Halloween. Countdown to November!

Candy for the Trunk or Treat can be purchased from YDGC's Amazon wish list at tinyurl.com/ydgchalloween



Candy Donations Needed!

YDGC IS ACCEPTING HALLOWEEN CANDY DONATIONS

VISIT THE LINK IN OUR BIO, OR DROP OFF YOUR DONATIONS AT GCDP HEADQUARTERS

PLEASE DONATE BY OCT. 28TH, AND YOU MAY DROP OFF AT HQ MON - FRI FROM 9AM - 3PM

1300 E WASHINGTON ST. J, GREENVILLE, SC 29607

GOP ATTEMPTS BOOK BAN

By Justin Smith
Young Democrats of
Greenville County Treasurer

Recently, Greenville County GOP executive committee member and County Councilman Joe Dill proclaimed he was introducing a “binding resolution” to force our library system to censor LGBT books. Dill’s blatant bigotry did not go unnoticed. The community showed up in numbers at the Council meeting on Thursday, September 22 to voice our opposition to this homophobic proposal. The resolution, which Dill has not even formally introduced, did not appear to have much support from Council. In fact, Councilman Ennis Fant assured us that the resolution did not have the votes to pass.

Additionally, we were assured by representatives of the SC ACLU that, even if a resolution were enacted, it would be challenged in Court and struck down as unconstitutional. Regardless, it is sad that in 2022, the extreme GOP is pushing bigoted proposals; they must be challenged every step of the way.



Members of the public attend the Greenville County Council meeting to show their opposition for banning books.

DEBATE WATCH PARTY

NOVEMBER 2, 2022 | 6-9PM



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 101 AIRPORT RD, GREENVILLE, SC

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 AT [FACEBOOK.COM/THESCEA](https://www.facebook.com/thesccea)

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Calendar: What's going on?

October

21

Stand for Something: A Fundraiser for Sheryl Guarniero. 7-9PM, Six and Twenty Distillery, 556 Perry Ave., Greenville, 29611. General admission starts at \$30, buy tickets [here](#).

22

GCDP Monthly Breakfast meeting, 9-10AM, Upstate Circle of Friends, 29 Ridgeway Dr. Greenville, 29605. Meetings are hybrids and you can join on Zoom. Registration required. Join us for phone banking after from 11-1. <https://bit.ly/GCDP-breakfast>

24

Moms Demand Action, monthly meeting, 7-8 PM, Simpsonville Hendricks Branch Library, 626 NE Main St, Simpsonville, 29681. For info, upstatescmoms

December

07

Young Democrats of Greenville monthly meeting, 6:30-8:30 PM, GCDP HQ, 1300 E Washington, Greenville, 29607. More info youngdemocrats@greenvilledemocrats.com

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Democratic Women of Greenville County monthly meeting, Noon-1:30 PM. <http://bit.ly/demwomen-lunch>

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November

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Rally the Vote with Joe Cunningham and Tally Casey, 5:30-7:30PM, Southernside Brewing Co., 25 Delano Dr., Unit D., Greenville, 29601. RSVP at <https://sc.joeisfor.us/a/southernside>

05

North Greenville Democrats monthly meeting, 9:30-10:30AM, Swamp Rabbit Brewery, 26 S. Main Street, Travelers Rest, 29690. Info: enocella@hotmail.com

12

Bi-Monthly Democratic Women's Coffee meet-up, 9-10:30 AM, Old Europe Pastries, 716 S Main, Greenville, 29601. [More info.](#)

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Recurring Meetings

Greenville City Council

Meets the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month. 3:30 pm is a work session; 5:30 pm is a formal meeting. [Agendas and meeting information available online.](#)

Young Democrats of Greenville County

Meets the 1st Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Email youngdems@greenvilledemocrats.com for a Zoom link.

Greenville County Democratic Black Caucus

Meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. Go to [Facebook Live!](#) for more information.

Democratic Women of Greenville County

Meets the 2nd Monday of each month at noon. Generally but not always for lunch at the Kroc Center. For more information and links to reserve your spot for lunch, [visit their webpage.](#)

GCDP Monthly Breakfast

We gather for breakfast on the 4th Saturday of each month at 9 am at Upstate Circle of Friends and virtually. Join at this link: <http://bit.ly/gcdp-breakfast>.

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