



# Lancaster County Democratic Party Newsletter



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## 2024



**2024 is a blank page. What  
will you write on this  
year?**

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### LCDP Executive Board

Katie Crosby	Chair
Keith T. Grey, Sr.	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Chair
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Erik Crosby	3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice Chair
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Alan Sattler	Alt. State Exec. Committeeman
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Nora Wolf	Treasurer

## Meeting and Events Calendar - 2024

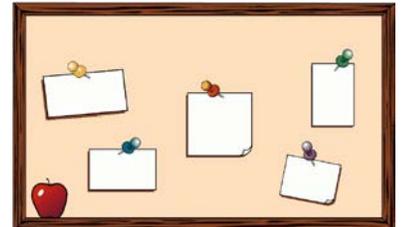
<b>The Lancaster County Democratic Party</b>	The next meeting will be on <b>Thursday, January 4 at 7 PM in person at Del Webb Library 7641 Charlotte Hwy, Indian Land, SC</b> or <b>via Zoom</b> . <b>Guest Speaker will be Lenore Jackson, Regional Director for the SCDP First in the Nation.</b> Katie Crosby Chair, <a href="http://www.lancasterdemocrats.com">www.lancasterdemocrats.com</a> . <a href="#">Link to RSVP</a>
<b>LCDP Executive Committee Meeting</b>	Meets on the <b>second Tuesday of each month</b> . The next meeting will be on <b>January 9 at 7 PM</b> . <a href="#">Link to RSVP</a>
<b>SCCL Democrats</b>	Meet on the <b>second Wednesday of each month</b> in person or by Zoom. For information, contact Andra Sudler, President, Sun City Carolina Lakes Democrats ( <a href="mailto:agsudler@gmail.com">agsudler@gmail.com</a> ).
<b>LCDP Democratic Women</b>	Meet on the <b>third Thursday of each month</b> . The next meeting will be on <b>January 18 at 7 PM</b> <a href="#">Link to RSVP</a>
<b>Dem Good Time Social</b>	Meets on the <b>fourth Wednesday of each month</b> . The next meeting will be on <b>January 24 at 6 PM</b> . <a href="#">Link to RSVP</a>
<b>LCDP Leadership Labs</b>	<b>Sundays, January 7, 21, and 28, 6-7 PM</b> , <a href="#">Link to RSVP</a>
<b>First Sunday Walk</b>	<b>January 7</b> <a href="#">Link to RSVP</a>
<b>SC Democratic Presidential Primary</b>	<b>February 3, 2024</b>
<b>MLK Parade</b>	<b>January 13</b>

If you know of events that would be of interest to our members, please send them to the newsletter email to be included in the next issue. For current events and meetings, also check out the Events section on our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/LancasterSC Dems>

## LCDP Bulletin Board

If you would like to talk to the LCDP Chair, contact her by email ([LCDPboardsc@gmail.com](mailto:LCDPboardsc@gmail.com)) or by telephone (803-227-3364).

Address for the LCDP: P.O. Box 2372, Lancaster, 29821



**Join Us!**  
**Sunday, January 7**  
**2-4 PM**

[Link to RSVP](#)



\*\*\*\* URGENT CALL TO ACTION \*\*\*\*

Less than 10 Days until SC Senators could vote to allow people as young as 18 years old to carry loaded handguns in public with no training or background check

Tell them what you think before it's too late! The SC Legislature reconvenes on January 9, 2024.

Lawmakers want to allow South Carolinians as young as 18 to carry a loaded handgun, openly or concealed, in most public places with no training, no permit, and no background check. Last year, lawmakers voted one permitless carry bill through the House.

18-20 year olds commit homicides at triple the rate of adults 21 and over

(Source: Everytown analysis using FBI Supplementary Homicide Report (SHR) and US Census American Community Survey data 2016-2020. Analysis includes all homicide offenses (i.e., murders, nonnegligent manslaughters, negligent manslaughters, and justifiable homicides) known to law enforcement and reported to SHR by participating agencies. Young people aged 18-20 committed homicides at a rate of 6.95 per 100,000 people of the same age group in the US population, compared to a rate of 2.31 per 100,000 adults aged 21 and older.)

Note: Private property owners and businesses could still prohibit guns on their premises by posting specific signs, and employers may prohibit guns in their workplace.

Currently, to carry a concealed gun in public, gun owners must apply for a CWP. They must be 21 years old, pass a background check, and receive basic firearms training. CWP holders must renew their permits, including a background check, every five years. Permitless Carry would eliminate the CWP system.

Chief Jim Stewart of Anderson, President of the SC Police Chiefs Association, and Chief Skip Holbrook of Columbia, President of the SC Law Enforcement Officers Association, have both publicly opposed this measure.

What will happen if this bill becomes law?

Allowing people without Concealed Weapons Permit training to carry a handgun in public could increase the risks of gun violence for EVERYONE, including law enforcement officers.

States that have weakened their firearms permitting systems have experienced a 13-15 percent increase in violent crime rates

(Source: John J. Donohue, Abhay Aneja, and Kyle D. Weber, "Right-to-carry Laws and Violent Crime: A Comprehensive Assessment Using Panel Data and a State-Level Synthetic Control Analysis," Journal of Empirical Legal Studies 16, no. 2 (2019): 198-247.

What can you do? Become a Gun Sense Superhero in 10 minutes!

- 1. Go to https://www.scstatehouse.gov/legislatorssearch.php to find out who your SC State Senator is.
2. Contact your SC State Senator: call, email, send a card, or all three! Be sure to say you're a constituent. If you have a personal story to tell, do so.
3. Ask at least 5 of your friends to do the same.
4. All SC sheriffs are elected officials. Find your sheriff at https://www.sheriffsc.org/county\_map/ and ask them to speak out against permitless carry.

## Book Ban – Call to Action

Dear Colleagues,

A newly proposed State Department of Education regulation ([R. 43-170](#)) would set statewide policy enabling mass removal of books from school classrooms and libraries. It would ban books that contain “sexual content” – ranging from classics to 20th-century masterpieces to contemporary Young Adult novels. [A similar policy in Iowa](#) has already led to the removal of books including *1984*, *Native Son*, and *The Color Purple* from schools.

Any parent already has the right to opt out their own children from reading specific books in classrooms and school libraries, but one parent does not have the right to make those decisions for everyone else’s children. Simply put, this is a book purge policy that supersedes the rights of parents.

What can you do?

· Send a message to the SC State Department of Education via the public comment inbox at [scireg@ed.sc.gov](mailto:scireg@ed.sc.gov). Or you can use the [ACLU messaging page](#) to learn more and get started with a template.

Carol Harrison (USC American Association of University Professors)

**SCASL**  
South Carolina Association of School Librarians

**Legislative Fact Sheet:**  
"Uniform Procedure for Selection or Reconsideration of Instructional Materials"

**Click to Access the Full Alert & More Info**

**Sponsors:** SC Dept. of Education, committee: unknown

**Status:** Drafting & first reading

**This bill involves:** Chapter 43  
Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 59-5-60 and 60-9-30 & Article 4 State Board Regulations

**What this means for libraries:**

On November 8th, the South Carolina Board of Education (SBE) released its proposed regulation that intends to centralize control of the selection criteria for school and classroom library materials.

The full, draft regulation can be found [HERE](#).

If passed, this regulation will impact every school library, classroom library, and any instructional materials purchased with public funds or made available to students at school.

**If this regulation is approved:**

It would establish a "two-prong threshold test" for instructional materials:

- Will require that materials can not provide descriptions or visual depictions of "sexual conduct." Would further prohibit any materials that would be considered "obscene" or "indecent" for daytime broadcast by the Federal Communications Commission. This is regardless of the intended age of the reader.
- Will require that materials have a connection to the rigorous, standards-based instructional program required by state statute the [Profile of the South Carolina Graduate](#).

**Books that would FAIL**

- Of Mice and Men 1984
- The Giver
- A Separate Peace
- City of Bones
- To Kill a Mockingbird
- Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass
- Absolutely True
- Diary of a Part Time Indian
- Divergent
- Twilight
- Romeo & Juliet
- The Holy Bible

**TAKE ACTION**

- Attend the first reading on November 14th, at 1:00 PM in the Rutledge Building (1429 Senate Street).
- A public hearing to review the proposed regulation is scheduled for January 9, 2024, at 1:00 PM in the Rutledge Building.
- Submit written feedback by email to [scireg@ed.sc.gov](mailto:scireg@ed.sc.gov) before 5:00 PM on January 4, 2024.
- Stay tuned to SCASL, SCACLU, ProTruth SC

**Consequences:**

This proposal would supersede any local policies school districts may have developed, and are already following. The regulation as written would result in taking control away from librarians, teachers, local school boards, and communities in favor of state control over all public school libraries. Public school library books are currently purchased using local funds, not funds provided by the state. This proposal would allow the state to dictate how school librarians spend local funds from their community taxpayers.

### Help Wanted

These positions of leadership are open. Please contact Katie Crosby ([lcdpboardsc@gmail.com](mailto:lcdpboardsc@gmail.com)), if interested.

**Budget Action Team Leader, GOTV (Get Out the Vote) Action Team Leader, and Membership/Volunteer Action Team Leader**



**Please note:** Some voting precincts have changed. Everyone with a change should receive an update in the mail, and can also check at [SCVotes.gov](http://SCVotes.gov).

## State and Local Issues

**Note: Contact information for representatives in the SC Legislature and US Congress is in the Reference Section.**

### South Carolina Legislature



The legislature will return on January 9.

**Note: To find out what is happening in the legislature, go to <https://www.scstatehouse.gov/index.php>**

### South Carolina News

[President Joe Biden has hired four South Carolinians](#) to lead his 2024 reelection campaign in the state. Scott Harriford will be Biden's South Carolina state director, and Clay Middleton and Jalisa Washington-Price will be senior South Carolina political advisers. Brady Quirk-Garvan, former head of the Charleston County Democratic Party, will also be a South Carolina adviser for Biden's reelection bid.

The South Carolina Democratic Party and the Democratic National Committee will be collaborating on a [statewide get-out-the-vote effort](#) to increase voter turnout ahead of our February "First in the Nation" presidential primary.

[Cenk Uygur](#), a left-wing political commentator who was born in Turkey, is suing the SC Democratic Party because he is being blocked from appearing on the SC Democratic presidential primary ballot. The SCDP says Uygur is not eligible to run for president because the US Constitution requires that a candidate for president must be born on US soil. Uygur claims that the 14<sup>th</sup> Amendment repealed that requirement. To add insult to injury, the SCDP will not refund the \$20,000 Uygur paid to appear on the ballot. Six states have allowed him to be on their presidential primary ballot, and several others have rejected him. He chose to sue SC first because the first Democratic presidential primary is scheduled to take place here. At least Uygur has not lost the additional \$30,000 he would have been charged by the SC Republican Party if he had chosen to run as a Republican and been disqualified. The [Republican presidential candidate filing fee in SC](#) is \$50,000.

## Editorial and Opinions Section

**Please consider sharing your opinion messages as your time permits. I will put in comments and articles of any length. We need to share with each other. Your opinion and perspective are greatly valued here. Please submit to: Associate Editor, Jennifer Jewett at [lcdpscnews@gmail.com](mailto:lcdpscnews@gmail.com). Thanks!!**

I would like to know what other Democrats think of the achievements of SCDP Chair Christale Spain and DNC Chair Jaime Harrison. Each of them has a very challenging job. I send a little money to each organization, but they need support from those who can take action. Katie Waldroup does a great job of encouraging our local Democrats to participate in special events and to be seen around the community. Please support Democrats however you can. These are dangerous times for our country.

Jennifer

<https://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/news/2023/04/29/christale-spain-becomes-first-black-woman-to-lead-sc-democrats-2024-primary/70058154007/>

Jennifer Jewett, Editor, Editorial and Opinions Section



# PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES

## Democrats



President Joe Biden



Democratic Presidential  
Primary in SC – February  
3, 2024.



Republican Presidential  
Primary in SC – February  
24, 2024.



[Marianne Williamson](#)  
Ran for President in 2020

Representative Dean Phillips  
D-MN

Republicans



Donald Trump  
Former  
President of the  
US



Nikki Haley  
Former SC  
Governor and US  
Ambassador to the  
UN



Vivek Ramaswamy  
Entrepreneur



Ron DeSantis,  
Governor of  
Florida



Chris Christie,  
Former Governor  
of New Jersey



Asa Hutchinson  
former Arkansas  
Governor



Ryan Binkley  
Businessman and  
Preacher



John Castro  
Texas  
Tax Consultant



David Stuckenberg  
Entrepreneur  
[Photo on his Website](#)

All of these candidates (except **Asa Hutchinson** and **John Castro**,) including the relatively unknown candidate (Entrepreneur [David Stuckenberg](#)) will be on the [SC Republican presidential primary ballot](#).

*Biden's Cabinet*

Office	Person	Office	Person
Secretary of State	Antony Blinken	Secretary of Treasury	Janet Yellen
Secretary of Defense	Lloyd Austin	Attorney General	Merrick Garland
Secretary of the Interior	Deb Haaland	Secretary of Agriculture	Tom Vilsack
Secretary of Commerce	Gina Raimondo	Secretary of Labor	Martin Walsh
Secretary of Health and Human Services	Xavier Becerra	Secretary of Housing and Urban Development	Marcia Fudge
Secretary of Transportation	Pete Buttigieg	Secretary of Energy	Jennifer Granholm
Secretary of Education	Miguel Cardona	Secretary of Veterans Affairs	Denis McDonough
Secretary of Homeland Security	Alejandro Mayorkas		
Cabinet-level Officials			
White House Chief of Staff	Ron Klain	US Trade Representative	Katherine Tai
Director of National Intelligence	Avril Haines	Director of the CIA	William J. Burns
Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency	Michael S. Regan	Administrator of the Small Business Administration	Isabel Casillas Guzman
Director of the Office of Management and Budget	Shalanda Young	US Ambassador to the United Nations	Linda Thomas Greenfield
Chair of the Council of Economic Advisors	Cecilia Rouse	US Presidential Envoy for Climate	John Kerry
Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy—Science Advisor to the President	Alondra Nelson		
Other			
Chairman DNC	Jaime Harrison	Press Secretary	Karine Jean-Pierre
Deputy Chief of Staff	Jen O'Malley Dillon	Chief Medical Adviser	
Deputy Chief of Staff	Bruce Reed		



*The Third Year Now Beginning the Fourth*

**Impeachment Inquiry**---On December 13, the Republicans in the US House [voted to formalize an impeachment inquiry](#) into President Joe Biden, although they apparently have no evidence of any wrongdoing on his part. Hunter Biden defended his father saying, "Let me state as clearly as I can, my father was not financially involved in my business, not as a practicing lawyer, not as a board member of Burisma, not in my partnership with the Chinese private businessman, not in my investments home nor abroad, and certainly not as an artist. In the depths of my addiction, I was extremely irresponsible with my finances. But to suggest that is grounds for an impeachment inquiry is beyond the absurd. It's shameless. There is no evidence to support the allegations that my father was financially involved in my business because it did not happen."

**Hunter Biden**---Hunter's woes continue. He was [subpoenaed by Congress to testify behind closed doors](#) on December 13. Hunter refused, saying he would be willing to testify in a public hearing, but not behind closed doors because he feared Republicans would misrepresent his testimony or report it out of context. The Republican chairman of the impeachment inquiry into President Biden said they will start contempt of Congress proceedings against Hunter for not participating in his closed-door deposition.

[Hunter has also been indicted on nine counts by a federal grand jury](#) in connection with the investigation into his taxes. He is accused of cheating on his taxes to pay for drugs, escorts, girlfriends, luxury hotels, rental properties, exotic cars, clothing, and other items between 2016 and 2020. The charges include failure to file and pay taxes, evasion of assessment, and false or fraudulent tax return. The charges follow five years of investigation with no new information and come two years after Hunter paid back all of the taxes he owed, including the penalties.

**Climate**---At COP28, countries around the world agreed to a deal with a call to [transition away from fossil fuels, but many obstacles](#) remain in the way of that actually happening.

*News Points to Review*

**December 1**---The [US House voted to expel Representative George Santos](#), and he became the sixth member of the House of Representatives ever to be expelled from that body. The vote was 311-114, with 105 Republicans voting in favor of expulsion. All four top House GOP leaders voted to keep Santos in Congress, and, surprisingly, two Democrats did so as well. Two more Democrats just voted present. The two Democrats who voted against expulsion were Bobby Scott of Virginia and Nikema Williams of Georgia, and the two who voted present were Jonathan Jackson of Illinois and Al Green of Texas.

[Rep. Max Miller, R-Ohio, accused Rep. George Santos of stealing money from him and his mother.](#) Apparently, they contributed to the Santos campaign, believing him to be Jewish, before all his lies came to the surface. In the process, Santos acquired the credit-card information of both Rep. Miller and his mother and helped himself to another \$5,000 from each. Rep. Miller contracted a lawyer to fight the theft and said the fight cost him more than \$15,000. He did not say if any of the \$10,000 was ever recovered.

**December 1**---[Justice Sandra Day O'Connor](#), the first woman to serve on the nation's highest court, died on December 1.

**December 5**---Representative [Tommy Tuberville finally released most of his holds](#) so the Senate can confirm military promotions. Tuberville has held military promotions and replacements hostage since March and delayed the confirmations of more than three hundred top military nominees.

**December 14**---Despite opposition from the far-right, a bipartisan [\\$886 billion defense bill](#) was passed by Congress. The bill contains a 5.2% raise for members of the military, the largest in more than 20 years. Also within the bill is a directive to the National Archives to [collect and make public documents from the last 25 years relating to UFOs](#).

**December 22**---A federal court ruled that former President Donald Trump does not have immunity from criminal prosecution for alleged crimes he committed while in office. The US Supreme Court was asked to fast-track a ruling on the issue, bypassing the federal appeals court. Trump asked that the appellate court process be allowed to play out before the Supreme Court took up the issue. [The Supreme Court declined to hear the case](#), without giving a reason.

The justices of the Colorado Supreme Court have [ruled that Trump cannot be on Colorado's 2024](#) presidential primary ballot because the 14<sup>th</sup> Amendment of the US Constitution, Section 3, bans anyone who has taken an oath to support the Constitution from holding office in the United States if that person has “engaged in insurrection or rebellion against the US” or “given aid or comfort to the enemies of the US.” The ruling is on hold pending Trump’s appeal.

**December 22**---[President Biden has asked for help from Mexico](#) with the migrant crisis at the US border. More than 10,000 migrants have been unlawfully crossing the border daily

[Gov. Abbott of Texas has signed a law](#) to make it a state crime to enter Texas illegally. The law gives law enforcement the power to arrest and remove migrants who cross the border into Texas. The law will go into effect in March if it is not blocked by federal authorities.



*Traveling Democrats by Jennifer Jewett*

*Continuing our coverage of the most beautiful and/or interesting places in SC*



## Hilton Head

January is a good month to head to the South Carolina coast: comfortable temperature and no mosquitoes. Take a look at the southernmost resort city, Hilton Head, and the Pinckney Island Wildlife Reserve, which you will pass as you approach Hilton Head.

[Pinckney Island National Wildlife Reserve](#) has more than 4,000 acres of salt marsh and small islands. There are miles of trails to observe the many species of wildlife.

Hilton Head has lots of upscale lodging and is a mecca for golf, with its own PGA tournament. The 2024 tournament is April 15-21. The major hotel chains are well represented, with many private residences for rent as well. When you search for lodging, be aware that some of the places are a mile or more from the beaches. There are eight beaches; all are open to the public, but getting to the beach and parking might be a challenge. Ocean-front lodging is available too.

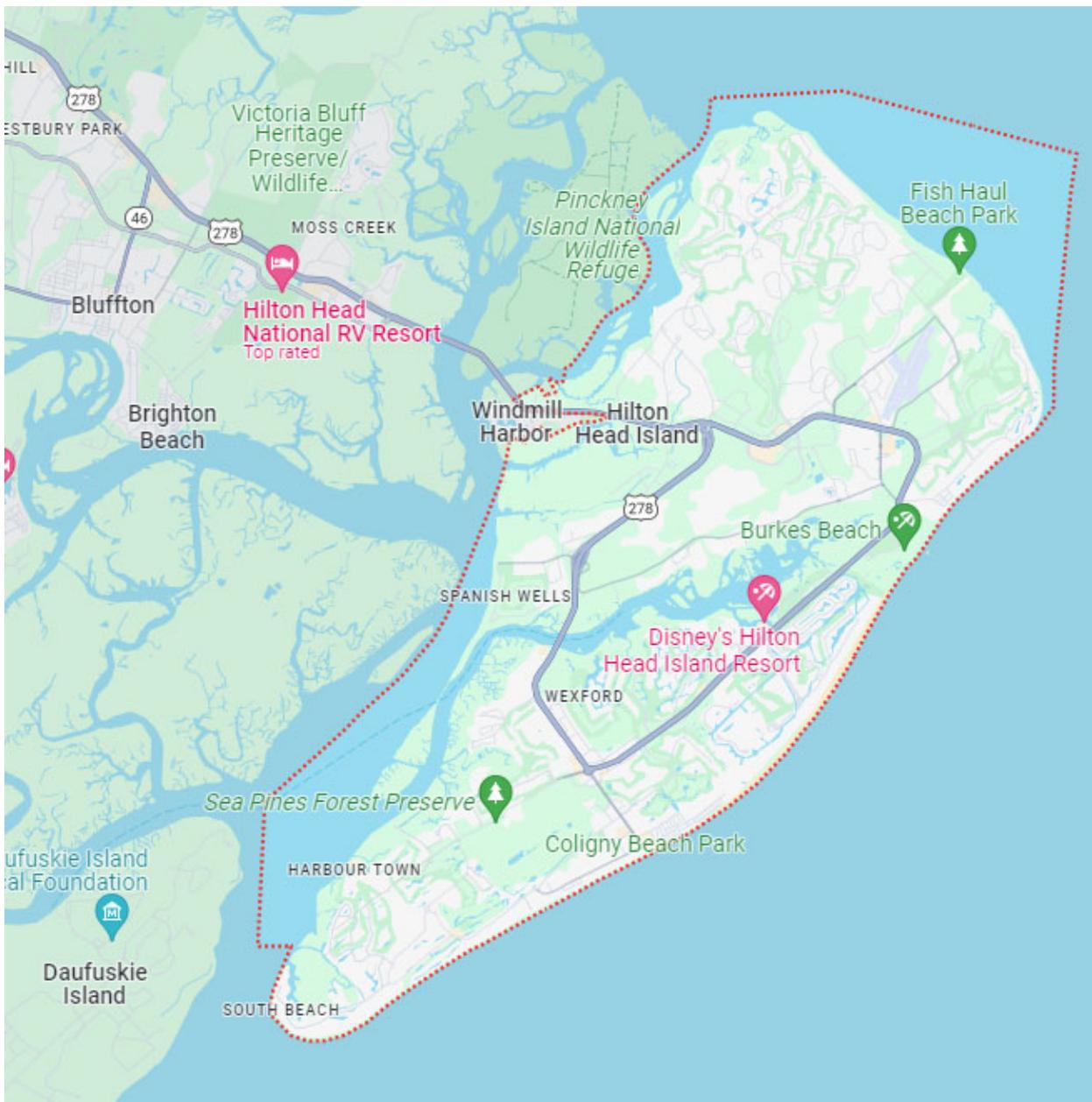
Shopping and restaurant options are interesting. Hilton Head is a collection of communities. One of the areas that kept popping up in my research was Coligny Beach Park, along with Coligny Beach Plaza. Another one that you will see in the photos is Harbour Town.

I have only visited Hilton Head twice. The first time was on our honeymoon in 1964, and I don't remember the second visit. Both times, we were on our way to Savannah, Georgia, and did not spend much time on Hilton Head. In 1964, they were just beginning to develop the communities. I wish we had taken photos then.

For more information:

[Search South Carolina Vacation Packages & SC Travel Deals \(discoversouthcarolina.com\) SCATR](#)

[south carolina tourism districts - Search \(bing.com\)](#)



Harbour Town



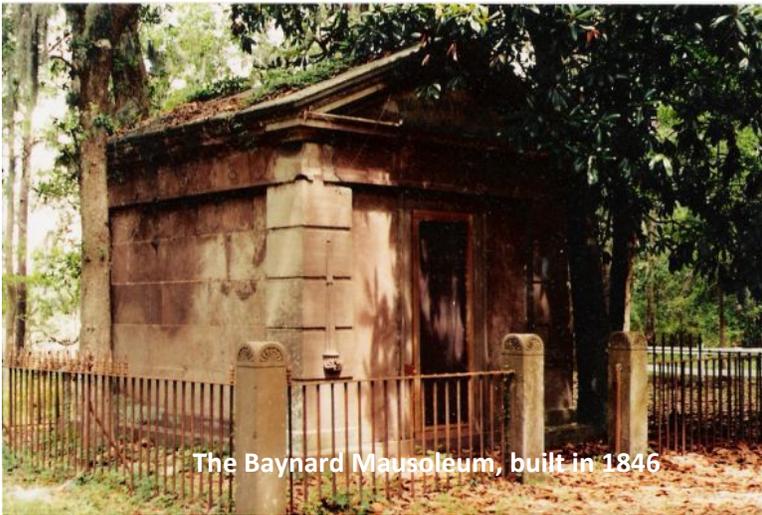
Board an Enchanting Sunset Dolphin Cruise from the Harbour Town Dock



One of the 8 public beaches



Stoney-Baynard Plantation



The Baynard Mausoleum, built in 1846



Lake Joe, Sea Pines Forest Preserve



Live Oaks with Spanish Moss

## Pinckney Island Wildlife Preserve





**There is a free shuttle for touring the island. The only requirement is a reservation.**

There are many interesting places to eat on the island.



Skull Creek Dockside



Skull Creek Dockside



South Beach



South Beach



The Hilton Garden Inn on Highway 278 – Convenient To Pinckney Island and Hilton Head Island

*Interesting Creatures in South Carolina  
The State Dog - The Boykin Spaniel*



Most South Carolinians know that the state flower is the yellow jessamine and the state bird is the Carolina wren, but not as well known are the other plants, animals, and other creatures chosen to represent our state. One of these is the state dog, the Boykin spaniel.

[The Boykin Spaniel](#) originated in South Carolina. Around 1900, Alexander White, a Spartanburg banker, was followed home by a stray spaniel-like dog. He liked the little dog and decided to keep it. He named it "Dumpy." After he discovered Dumpy had some talent for retrieving, White sent him to his friend and hunting partner, Whit Boykin of Boykin, SC, who polished Dumpy into a superb turkey dog and waterfowl retriever.

Boykin experimented with crossbreeding, and the resulting dog is named after him. Dumpy was the foundation of the dog breed that came to be known as the Boykin spaniel. This breed is only one of two US-created breeds named for the person responsible for their creation. These dogs were bred from a combination of various retrievers and pointers such as the springer spaniel, cocker spaniel, and Chesapeake Bay retriever, and had to be small enough to fit into the boats used by hunters in the swamps of South Carolina.

Unfortunately, these dogs are also susceptible to a lot of genetic maladies such as hip dysplasia and heart disease. Before being used for breeding, dogs should undergo DNA testing to determine if they are genetic carriers of any of the health weaknesses.

However, on the positive side, these beautiful dogs are friendly, easily trained, eager to please, and very adaptable to different environments. They are gentle, attention-loving, and good around children. They are energetic, have great endurance and are excellent hunters and retrievers.

## Events – December Meeting

The speaker for the December meeting of the LCDP was Mallory Jacobs, Regional Director of Operations for South Carolina Foster Care.



**FOSTER PARENTS NEEDED!**



**FOSTER CARE PROGRAM**

There are children in this community in need of a safe, temporary home while in the foster care system.

**WHO CAN FOSTER?**

- 25 years or older
- Single or Married
- Own or Rent your home
- Pass background screening & home study
- Have space in your heart & home

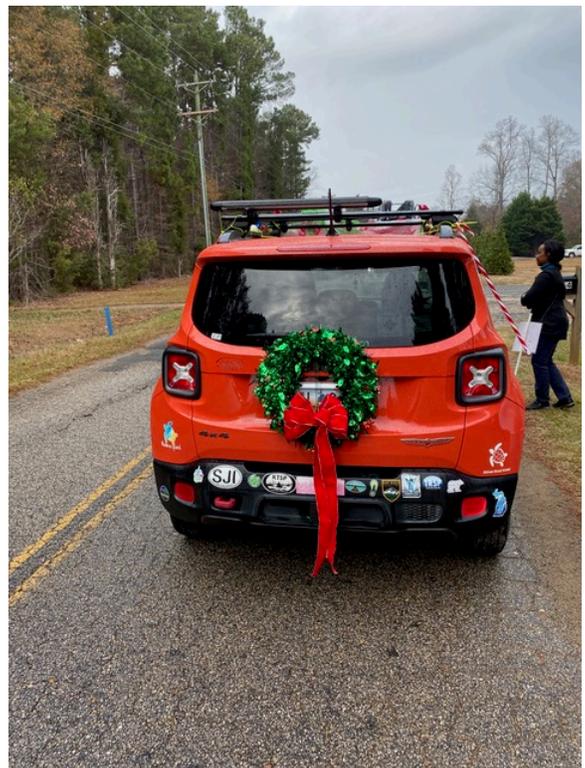
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- Training
- Resources
- Ongoing support

**TO LEARN MORE:**

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[www.Pinnaclefamilyservices.com](http://www.Pinnaclefamilyservices.com)

*The Indian Land Christmas Parade*



Also, I've attached a photo from the Women's Council holiday party. From left to right is Teresa Miller, Sherry Caskey, Verta Looper, Nicole Ventour, and Amy Sellers.



*The Lancaster County Democratic Women's Council*



From left to right: Teresa Miller, Sherry Caskey, Verta Looper, Nicole Ventour, and Amy Sellers.



### Santa's Answer



Dear Santa,  
 I have been a very good boy this year. I was brave and visited Ukraine and Israel in time of war, I walked on the picket line with strikers, and I rode my bicycle to stay healthy. Please bring me...

1. A win in the November election.
2. A comfortable room in a federal prison for former President Trump.
3. Retraining gift certificates for Hunter and Commander.

Love,  
 Joey Biden



Dear Joey,  
 I am leaving in your stocking a book on *How to Teach Your Child Right from Wrong*, a gift certificate for training Commander, and some chew sticks for Commander to replace the Secret Service agents. I can't help you with requests 1 and 2. We don't do politics here at the North Pole because we belong to the whole world, including little Donald. Good luck with the election.

Love,  
 Santa

And so begins the year 2024 for the president, who will have to work harder to accomplish his goals without the help of Santa.

# JANUARY

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*LCDP Action Teams  
By Jennifer Jewett*

Thanks to those who have stepped up to lead the action teams and to serve on them.

*Jennifer*

**2023 Team Leaders**

<b>Fundraising</b>	Ken Gillis
<b>Events</b>	Marla Sullivan
<b>Social Media</b>	Position Open
<b>Webpage</b>	Terry Pytlarz
<b>Newsletter</b>	Judy Langston
<b>Email Notifications</b>	Caroline Armstrong
<b>Membership</b>	Position Open
<b>Get Out The Vote</b>	Position Open
<b>VoteBuilder Administration Action Team</b>	Bonnie Peterson
<b>Community Action Team</b>	Keith Grey
<b>Media Coordinator</b>	Isaiah Fletcher



If you have comments or would like to serve on one of these teams, please send that information to us at [LCDP-SCnews@gmail.com](mailto:LCDP-SCnews@gmail.com).

**ACTION TEAMS**

**ACTION TEAMS**

**Budget (Ken Gillis)**

The budget team is responsible for raising money for the LCDP. They will work under the supervision of the Treasurer. Some examples are phone solicitation, mailings, and hosted events.

**Events (Marla Sullivan)**

This team seeks out public events that we can participate in, like the Martin Luther King Parade, the Red Rose Festival, and the Indian Land Festival. These events are primarily for exposure of the county party.

**Social Media (Position Open)**

The social media team will be responsible for all postings to social media accounts. Each account is assigned to one primary administrator. These accounts are Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and YouTube.

**Web Page (Terry Pytlarz)**

The web page action team is responsible for all posting to the web page for the LCDP and will also host a blog on our page.

**Newsletter (Judy Langston)**

The Newsletter Team will produce and publish the LCDP monthly email newsletter.

**Email Notifications (Caroline Armstrong)**

This Team will be responsible for all distribution of emails to our membership.

**Membership (Position Open)**

The membership team is responsible for seeking out new volunteers and for increasing the LCDP membership at meetings and events. The team will coordinate volunteers for specific phone banking, mailing, and canvassing events. They will maintain all attendance records of meetings and events and update new members to the email notifications team.

**GOTV (Get Out the Vote) Team (Position Open)**

This team will implement the criteria for LCDP campaigns and work with both the VoteBuilder team and the membership team. The GOTV team will request a list to the VoteBuilder team and coordinate with the membership team to get the volunteers to complete the task. The GOTV team would supply the list and scripts and materials to the membership team. The membership team would distribute to volunteers.

**Vote Builder Administration Team (Bonnie Peterson)**

This team will need to learn VoteBuilder and be proficient on the computer. VoteBuilder is a program we have access to through the state. The VoteBuilder team will create lists requested by the GOTV team. They will also update VoteBuilder and maintain our database.

**Community Action Team (Keith Grey)**

This team will reach out to organizations in our community with whom we may wish to partner to show our support, either financially or physically. Examples are working with Promise Neighborhoods or our donations to NAACP.



## LCDP Media and Social Media

We are working hard to maintain a presence on the Internet, so please drop in to visit us at any or all of our media below. We would welcome comments, suggestions, and especially contributions of content to post—videos, photos, links to articles, information on coming events, or anything else that would be of interest to our followers. Our YouTube channel needs 100 subscribers to get a more manageable URL, so if you would be willing to subscribe, that would be very much appreciated. Please invite your family, friends, and neighbors to visit us as well. If you have something you would like to share with us, please send it to [LCDPSCnews@gmail.com](mailto:LCDPSCnews@gmail.com), and we will see that it gets to the appropriate place. (FYI: Check out the [video](#) of LCDP members picking up roadside trash on our YouTube Channel.)



<https://www.lancasterdemocrats.com/> Webpage



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Useful Links	<a href="#">South Carolina Legislature Homepage</a>	<a href="#">SC House</a> in session	<a href="#">SC Senate</a> in session	<a href="#">US House</a>	<a href="#">US Senate</a>

Note: To send an email, go to the representative's legislative website and select "contact."

*SCDP Caucuses*

The South Carolina Democratic Party has fifteen caucuses. If you are interested in becoming involved with any of them, joining is easy and free. All you need to do is complete the membership form [at this link](#) and choose which one or ones you wish to join. The Lancaster County Democratic Party has representatives in thirteen of the fifteen, and is still hoping to send representatives to the other two. If you are interested in becoming the LCDP representative for one of the two missing, just join that caucus and let Katie know you are willing to represent us. If the caucus you are interested in already has a LCDP representative, you could become an alternate or just be involved as a member.

Caucus	Chair	Contact Information	LCDP Representative
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