

### Chatham County Democratic Party News You Can Use June 17, 2024

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### **Upcoming CCDP-Sponsored Events and Volunteer Opportunities**

Come meet Representative Wesley Harris!, June 18, 5 – 6 p.m, CCDP Community Engagement Center, 628 East Street, Pittsboro

Rep. Harris is a Ph.D. Economist currently serving in the NC House of Representatives and running for NC State Treasurer. He's a strong advocate for protecting our state bond ratings, increasing our capacity for investment in infrastructure that improves

people's lives, ensuring quality healthcare and securing retirement for state employees, among other things.

Join us and listen to what will Rep. Harris will do for us, if elected, and have an opportunity to ask questions in a small, informal group.

Space is limited, RSVP at: Meet Wesley Harris

#### Canvasses

North Williams Canvass, June 22, 9 - 11:30 a.m.

More information and sign up at: North Williams Canvass

Goldston Canvass, June 29, 9-11:30 a.m.

More information and sign up at: Goldston Canvass

West Chapel Canvass, June 30, 1-3:30 p.m.

More information and sign up at: West Chapel Canvass

East Williams Canvass, July 13, 9-11:30 a.m.

More information and sign up at: East Williams Canvass

West Williams Canvass, July 14, 1-3:30 p.m.

More information and sign up at: West Williams Canvass

West Pittsboro Canvass, July 21, 1-3:30 p.m.

More information and sign up at: West Pittsboro Canvass

East Pittsboro Canvass, July 27, 9-11:30 a.m.

More information and sign up at: East Pittsboro Canvass

East Chapel Canvass, July 28, 1-3:30 p.m.

More information and sign up at: **East Chapel Canvass** 

#### **CCDP Volunteer Trainings**

Canvassing Orientation and Training, June 19, @Zoom

Volunteer Orientation, June 21, June 28, @Zoom

Join Our Office Crew, June 22, Community Engagement Center, 628 East St., Pittsboro

Introduction to Voter Registration and Voter Education, June 22, Community Engagement Center, 628 East St., Pittsboro

<u>Staffing Tent Events</u>, **June 29**, Community Engagement Center, 628 East St., Pittsboro

Volunteers Needed to Staff CCDP Tent at Pittsboro Summer Fest 2024, July 7, 3:30 – 9 p.m., Downtown Pittsboro

Food, Drink, Music, BBQ contest, Decorated Bike parade and so much more! We need volunteers to staff our tent at this fun event! Sign up for a shift at: <a href="Summer Fest">Summer Fest</a>
<a href="Pittsboro">Pittsboro</a>

### **CCDP School Supply and Book Drive**

We're sparking some love for our children in Siler City with a school supply and book give-away on August 10. Just click a link to go to one of the gift list registries: **Book Drive Registry or School Supply Registry** 

If you'd prefer to shop on your own: <u>Self-Shopper</u>. If you'd like to volunteer to help, please sign up here: <u>Volunteer</u>

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### **Other Upcoming Events**

Board of Elections Regular Meeting, June 18, 5:30 p.m., Board of Elections Office, 984 Thompson St, Suite D, Pittsboro

The Chatham County Board of Elections will hold its regular meeting on June 18, 2024, 5:30 p.m.

The public may view the meeting online at <a href="https://meet.goto.com/812876005">https://meet.goto.com/812876005</a>.

Justice for All: Meet Your Judicial Candidates, Join NC Democratic Party Chair Anderson Clayton on Zoom on <u>June 18 at 7:30 p.m.</u>. and become part of the movement to take back our courts.

You'll meet our outstanding slate of Democratic statewide judicial candidates, <u>Justice Allison Riggs</u> for NC Supreme Court and <u>Judge Carolyn Thompson</u>, <u>Commissioner Martin Moore</u>, and <u>Ed Eldred</u> for the NC Court of Appeals.

Learn more and spread the word about:

- Our exceptional candidates who will uphold the rights of all North Carolinians.
- The stakes democracy, justice, and personal freedoms are on the line.
- The plan to take back our courts by 2028!

# Poder LGBTQIA+ Social Hour, June 18, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m., The Loading Dock — Beryl, 3915 Beryl Rd, Raleigh

We'll have special guests Jillian Johnson, former Mayor Pro Tem, Durham City Council, and Naomi Dix, a Drag artist known as the "Latinx Barbie of the Triangle"! Learn about the battle for discuss LGBTQ+ rights and issues while enjoying comida and juicy convos. The first Pride began with the Stonewall Riots and it's up to us to continue the resistance against social and political discrimination. We're looking forward to connecting and building community with you!

Sign up at: Poder Social Hour

NCDP Outdoor Outreach and Voter Registration: Chatham Mills Farmer's Market & Downtown Pittsboro, June 22, 10 a.m. – Noon, Chatham Mills Farmers' Market 480 Hillsboro St, Pittsboro (Hosted by NC Victory 2024).

Going out into our community to have face-to-face conversations with potential voters and volunteers is one of the best ways that you can help elect Joe Biden, Kamala Harris, and Democrats up and down the ballot in North Carolina! Join us at the Chatham Mills Farmers Market to learn more about how you can get involved to turn North Carolina blue.

During this event, we will:

- Connect with new folks in our community and get them fired up about joining our campaign
- Provide training for new volunteers about how to have effective conversations with voters
- Meet other volunteers and have fun while we take action together!

Sign up here to join us: NCDP Outdoor Outreach and Voter Registration

North Carolina Democratic Party Unity Dinner, July 20, VIP Reception 5:30 p.m.; Dinner 7 p.m., Raleigh Convention Center

Join Speaker Emerita Nancy Pelosi, Governor Roy Cooper, Attorney General Josh Stein, and Chair Anderson Clayton for our main event! Sign up here.

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### News from the North Carolina Democratic Party

Republicans Admit That Campaign Finance Law Overhaul Meant To Bail Out Mark Robinson – June 12, 2024

WECT: "House Speaker Tim Moore confirmed the changes are meant to help Mark Robinson's campaign for governor."

Republicans in the General Assembly are fast-tracking a bill that would drastically overhaul North Carolina campaign finance laws in the middle of the election to empower their richest out of state donors to funnel unlimited amounts of money to Republican Council of State candidates, with almost no accountability. Turns out, it was all because they want to hide their contributions to failing, extremist candidates like Mark Robinson. According to reporting from <a href="WECT">WECT</a>, "House Speaker Tim Moore confirmed the changes are meant to help Mark Robinson's campaign for governor."

"Tim Moore confirmed what we already know: this is a desperate attempt by Republicans to change the rules in the middle of the game to try and help Mark Robinson and the rest of their extreme slate. Republicans must be having trouble getting donors to put their names openly behind Mark Robinson who has cast doubt on the Holocaust, wants to ban abortion, and threatens to repel businesses from our state. Their only option is to hope dark money from billionaires will bail them out," said Tommy Mattocks, communications director for the North Carolina Democratic Party.

# NCDP Chair Statement on SCOTUS Unanimously Rejecting Abortion Pill Challenge, June 13, 2024

Following the Supreme Court unanimously rejecting a challenge to mifepristone, North Carolina Democratic Party Chair Anderson Clayton released the following statement:

"Today's decision by the Supreme Court does not change the fact that reproductive freedom is on the ballot this November. Donald Trump and his allies like Mark Robinson are hellbent on taking away access to lifesaving reproductive healthcare including IVF and contraception. The only way to stop Trump and his allies, and to truly protect reproductive freedom, is to re-elect President Biden and Vice President Harris and Democrats up and down the ballot to ensure that the women of North Carolina can get the care they need."

## NCDP Chair Statement on SCOTUS Ruling to Strike Down Ban on Bump Stocks, June 14, 2024

Following the Supreme Court's 6-3 ruling to strike down the ban on bump stocks, North Carolina Democratic Party Chair Anderson Clayton released the following statement:

"This ruling by the Supreme Court is shameful and horrifying. Bump stocks increase an AR-15's rate of fire from 180 rounds per minute to 400-800 rounds per minute. They inflict mass carnage by allowing the gunman to shoot automatically, without pulling the trigger. I'm terrified by what the Supreme Court's decision today could lead to."

## NC House Republicans Vote for Political Money Laundering Scheme to Boost GOP Nominee Mark Robinson – June 11, 2024

Today, every NC House Republican voted for House Bill 237 which would make it easier for out-of-state billionaires to funnel money to boost the campaign of Mark Robinson for Governor. House Bill 237 started as a bill dealing with the wearing of masks, but in a surprise move last week, Republican leaders inserted behind closed doors unrelated language on campaign finance.

"This new law eviscerates campaign finance limits and allows billionaires from out of state to funnel unlimited money," said **House Democratic Leader Robert Reives.** "They are changing the rules in the middle of an election that is already underway in an attempt to buy elections across the state."

**North Carolina Democratic Chair Anderson Clayton** said, "North Carolina Republicans once again are putting their own special interests above hardworking North Carolinians, voting to open our state up for unlimited and unaccountable dark money to pour into the state."

Having passed both the NC House and NC Senate in just a few days, the bill now goes to the Governor with little notice to citizens or transparency to the public.

## NCDP Chair Anderson Clayton Statement on NC Republican Party Adding a Total Ban on Abortion to Their Official Party Platform – June 11, 2024

"The North Carolina Republican Party is letting voters know that access to reproductive healthcare is on the chopping block if they win this November. Democrats were accused of using 'scare tactics' pre-Dobbs but now Republicans aren't even hiding how hellbent they are on stripping away lifesaving healthcare from women, and putting lives at risk. This is not what North Carolinians want and voters will reject this insidious GOP agenda this November."

# ICYMI: Mike Causey Raised Property Insurance Rates by 8%, His 16th Rate Hike With No Public Hearing, Press Release – June 12, 2024

In case you missed it, at 4:58pm on the night of Donald Trump's conviction, Mike Causey raised insurance rates for the sixteenth time without a public hearing. The hike was Causey's fourth increase to dwelling rates, making for a total increase of 30% across his eight years as Commissioner.

"Causey's sixteen rate hikes across his tenure are unprecedented. While the Insurance Commissioner immediately prior to him only raised dwelling insurance rates once, Causey has raised rates like clockwork, not once denying a dwelling hike requested of him," said Sen. Natasha Marcus. "North Carolinians deserve transparency and accountability from the Department of Insurance, but "Rate Hike Mike" Causey has

consistently shown us that he would rather settle in private and squeeze our wallets even more."

### See coverage below:

Raleigh News and Observer: NC Insurance Commissioner raises dwelling rates without a hearing. It's not the 1st time.

### [Chantal Allam, 6/6/24]

North Carolina Insurance Commissioner Mike Causey has again settled a legal dispute with insurance companies, raising insurance premiums without a public hearing. Less than a year after the N.C. Rate Bureau filed its proposed dwelling-rate increase, the two-term commissioner announced last week he has negotiated an average statewide hike of 8%.

Causey, a Republican who is up for re-election Nov. 5, had scheduled a July 22 hearing on the dispute. He's since canceled it — similar to what he's done in the past when he negotiated a 9.9% increase in 2022, a 7.6% increase in 2020, and a 4.8% increase in 2018.

Causey's challenger, state Sen. Natasha Marcus, a Democrat, casts doubt on whether the hearings will ever go ahead. In eight years as the commissioner, Causey has raised insurance rates 16 times — without a public hearing, she said. She expects this time will be no different. [...]

"Causey has a longstanding pattern of promising hearings and then settling privately before the hearing can occur," she said in an email to The News & Observer. "Unless voters reject him at the polls, he'll do what he always does: cancel the public hearing and agree in a private."

## **Queen City News:** NC insurance rates increase 8%, upcoming public hearing canceled

[Taylor Young, 6/10/24]

The North Carolina Department of Insurance recently settled on an 8% average rate increase for dwelling insurance policies starting Nov. 1.

A public hearing, like the one canceled, operates similarly to a court case. The Rate Bureau has to prove with evidence why a rate should be increased for it to make a reasonable profit. In Causey's seven-year run as commissioner, he hasn't held one.

"So, when he skips those hearings time and time again and instead says 'I negotiated in private for a new rate,' we never get to know what they talked about. We don't get to know anything about why there should be a rate hike at all," Sen. Natasha Marcus (D-Mecklenburg) said. Marcus is running against Causey for the commissioner seat in the upcoming state election. She says his failure to transparently fight for North Carolina property owners is one of her main reasons for running. [...]

"He has essentially told the public, 'Trust me. I'll make you a good deal. You don't need to know the details. Just trust me." Marcus said. She also finds an issue with Causey receiving campaign donations from insurance groups that represent companies he negotiates with.

Natasha Marcus is a three-term State Senator from Mecklenburg County and the Democratic Nominee for North Carolina Commissioner of Insurance. To learn more about Sen. Marcus, visit her website, NatashaMarcus.com.

## RETURN TO SENDER: No Offices in North Carolina, Nowhere to Send Cake for Trump's Birthday – June 14, 2024

On convicted felon Donald Trump's birthday, the North Carolina Democratic Party attempted to send the would-be dictator a bright orange cake today. Unfortunately, the cake had to be "returned to sender" when not a single Trump campaign office could be located in the state of North Carolina. Trump's lack of presence in North Carolina is no surprise to anyone who watched him leave our state behind when he was President. From threatening access to health care for millions of people to banning abortion to overseeing jobs leave and factories close, Trump's made it clear that he does not care about the Tar Heel State.

On the other hand, President Biden and Vice President Harris have delivered for North Carolinians - helping to create over 400,000 good-paying jobs, expand access to affordable health care to more than 600,000 North Carolinians and cut drug costs, and delivering more than \$9.1 billion in Bipartisan Infrastructure Law funding. And the Democratic coordinated campaign is investing in North Carolina, too - with offices open in more than 12 counties across the state, including in Pitt, Durham, and Jackson Counties in the next week.

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### Update from U.S. Congresswoman Valerie Foushee (NC-4) - June 14, 2024

After a busy and productive month, I wanted to take a moment to update you on the work that I have been doing in the Fourth District and in Washington, D.C. to serve you.

**Memorial Day:** It was an honor to spend Memorial Day paying tribute to our nation's heroes with local leaders, veterans, servicemembers, and their families throughout the Fourth District.

We solemnly remember the brave men and women who gave the ultimate sacrifice while protecting and serving our nation. Their courage, selflessness, and unwavering commitment to defending our freedoms will never be forgotten. Let us honor their legacy by supporting their families and loved ones and committing to uphold the democratic values that they bravely defended.

**Mental Health Awareness Month:** May was Mental Health Awareness Month, and it is critical to address the challenges faced by millions of Americans living with mental and behavioral health conditions. I joined my colleagues in the New Democrat Coalition in a roundtable discussion with key stakeholders, including medical professionals and mental and behavioral health care experts. We discussed the challenges and solutions to addressing the nation's mental health crisis, with a focus on issues regarding substance use, youth and families, veterans, and the mental health workforce.

We must continue to fight the stigma surrounding mental health. I encourage everyone to check in with themselves and others and to seek help if you need it. If you are struggling, you are not alone. Call, text, or chat 988 at any time to get the support you need. To learn more about what prevention and crisis resources are available to you or your loved one, visit the 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline.

**Highlights from Washington:** During Infrastructure Week, we celebrated the historic funding from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law that is rebuilding our middle class by creating good-paying jobs, strengthening our nation's infrastructure, and boosting quality of life for Americans across the county. As Vice Ranking Member of the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials, I had the opportunity to sit down with Amtrak CEO Stephan Gardner to discuss the game-changing investment from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law that is improving rail service to more Americans than ever before. Click here to watch my conversation with Amtrak CEO Stephan Gardner.

I had the pleasure of meeting with Kimberly Jones, the 2023 North Carolina Teacher of the Year. Kimberly has been educating students at Chapel Hill High School for over 17 years, and her work as an English teacher and co-coordinator of the school's AVID program has helped transform countless young lives. I join the community in thanking Kimberly for her dedication and essential work in ensuring students in the Fourth District have the quality education and support they need to thrive.

In Washington, D.C., I met with Duke Health residents to discuss local health and climate priorities. Taking action to tackle climate change, reduce harmful exposure, and cut pollution in our air and water are essential steps to improving our public health. It is imperative for Congress to act on these critical issues for the safety and health of our communities.

Last month, the House AI Task Force had a productive roundtable discussion on the latest in AI development and safety. We spoke with leading industry leaders on the current state of AI technology and discussed how the federal government can execute good governance without stifling innovation. It is essential for Congress to consider current challenges and ensure responsible deployment.

**Fourth District Focus:** While I was in Washington, my staff had the opportunity to welcome U.S. Department of Labor Acting Secretary Julie Su to North Carolina while

she visited Hope Renovations in Chapel Hill. Hope Renovations was recently awarded a U.S. Department of Labor Women in Apprenticeship and Nontraditional Occupations (WANTO) grant to expand job opportunities for women and help increase representation in every job sector. I am pleased to see the Biden Administration making strides to expand opportunities for women by investing in workforce development training right here in North Carolina's Fourth District.

Last month, I also had the pleasure of welcoming U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Secretary Denis McDonough to the Fourth District for important conversations surrounding veterans' health care. North Carolina is home to over 700,000 veterans and I am glad that the Biden Administration is continuing to prioritize the needs of our veterans.

I was proud to join local leaders in celebrating the launch of the North Carolina Export Initiative (NCEI). North Carolina is rising to become the 14th largest exporter of goods in the United States and has attracted foreign companies that have invested and created over 279,000 jobs in our state. As North Carolina continues to play a major role in the global economy, it is important to ensure our small businesses have the opportunity to access and succeed in the global market. The North Carolina Export Initiative will help expand trade prospects, foster public-private partnerships, and offer essential resources, enabling our small businesses to grow into larger enterprises, create more good-paying jobs through trade, and bolster our state's export-friendly environment.

Last month, I met with the Greater Durham Black Chamber of Commerce to discuss their invaluable work in providing resources and technical assistance to local Black-owned businesses and entrepreneurs in our community. Small businesses are the backbone of our economy, and it is critical for Congress to further support Black and minority-owned businesses across the country to ensure their continued growth and long-term success.

I had the privilege to join the North Carolina Department of Transportation and Duke University in honoring the legacy of Coach Mike Krzyzewski, who has left a lasting impact on Duke, Durham, and North Carolina, both on and off the basketball court. The newly dedicated Coach K Highway is located on a stretch of NC Highway 751 along the campus near Cameron Indoor Stadium. Congratulations to Coach Krzyzewski on this well-deserved honor!

**IRS Direct File:** In May 2023, the Biden Administration announced the launch of the Internal Revenue Service's Direct File program for the 2024 tax season. This past tax season, over 140,000 taxpayers used the tool across 12 pilot states, saving taxpayers more than \$90 million in refunds and an estimated \$5.6 million in tax preparation fees on their federal returns alone. In response to the tremendous success of the pilot program, I joined over 130 lawmakers in urging the Internal Revenue Service and the U.S. Department of the Treasury to expand the program and make Direct File a permanent filing option. You can read our full letter here.

I am pleased to share that the IRS announced it will be making the Direct File program a permanent option for filing federal tax returns. This program will be expanded and available to more taxpayers in the 2025 tax season, allowing more hardworking Americans to file their federal taxes for free. This initiative was made possible by the Inflation Reduction Act and will be critical in providing taxpayers with additional filing options that saves them time and money. You can learn more about this program by visiting the IRS website.

Congressional App Challenge: Registration for the 2024 Congressional App Challenge is now open! This competition is open to all middle and high school students who live or attend school in the Fourth District. This is an exciting opportunity for students who have an interest in coding or STEM to get hands-on experience in creating their own apps. No prior coding experience is required. Participants will have the opportunity to learn from and network with STEM educators and employers in the Triangle region, who will act as mentors and judges in the competition. To learn more about the Congressional App Challenge, visit my website.

**Constituent Services:** I am happy to share that since taking office, my team and I have helped return more than \$1 million owed to constituents in the Fourth District from federal agencies! Navigating federal agencies can be difficult, but my office is here to help if you are having trouble with passports, Social Security and Medicare benefits, immigration, military and veteran benefits, IRS and tax issues, and much more. If you ever need assistance with any federal agency, please reach out by clicking the button below or by calling my Durham District office at 919-967-7924 to speak with one of my Constituent Services Liaisons.

As always, it is an honor to serve and represent you in the United States House of Representatives. I look forward to continuing to advocate for you and our community every day. Please subscribe to my newsletter and follow along on my official social media pages on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram to stay up to date with the work I'm doing on behalf of North Carolina's Fourth District.

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# <u>District 20 Updates from NC State Senator Natalie Murdock (New Highlights) – June 14, 2024</u>

### **El Vinculo Hispano Visits the NCGA**

On Thursday, students El Vinculo Hispano visited the NCGA. Our office was thrilled to meet with this group of brilliant young people. The students were visiting from Jordan-Matthews High School, and Seaforth High School. I am so glad that these students were able to stop by the NCGA to learn more about politics and meet with their representatives. They were able to visit the senate floor and talk to Divine about what it's like to work at the General Assembly!

### **Legislative Meetings**

This week I had the chance to meet with guests with Equality NC. We discussed the importance of ensuring that schools are safe for all students regardless of their sexuality or gender identity, and the need to protect the accessibility of gender affirming healthcare in North Carolina. I am glad that I was able to meet with this group to discuss these issues affecting the LGBTQ+ community and their loved ones.

I was also able to meet with members of the Association of County Commissioners. We had a productive conversation about the association's legislative priorities and concerns as it relates to infrastructure, community growth, and economic development.

Legislative Updates, 6/3 - 6/7

### Bill Action Snapshot 6/10-6/14

Pres to Gov.:

- SB 124- Predatory Roofing/Ins. Rebate Reform
- HB 1020- Retirement Admin. Changes Act of 2024

### Reptd Fav.:

- SB 121- Right to Try Individualized Treatments
- HB 155 Titles for Off-Road Veh./ Low Speed Veh. Insp.

Don't see the bill you're looking for? **Search for it here!** 

Contact Me: <a href="mailto:natalie.murdock@ncleg.gov">natalie.murdock@ncleg.gov</a>

I cannot achieve anything without the support of my constituents. Thank you very much for your continued support! Please contact my <u>Legislative Assistant</u> for constituent requests. We are happy to serve you!

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### Update from NC Congressman Jeff Jackson

**National Defense vs. Culture War** 

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#### **Events, Trainings, and Actions Sponsored by Affiliate Organizations**

For information, use these links:

Common Cause North Carolina: Common Cause NC Events

Community Organizing for Racial Equality (CORE): corenc.org

County-to-County: Volunteer Opportunities, Events, and Petitions Near Me

Democracy North Carolina: <a href="https://democracync.org/">https://democracync.org/</a>

NC Counts Coalition: https://www.nccounts.org

**Neighbors on Call**: <u>Upcoming Events</u> and <u>Canvasses</u>. Their latest policy update can be found at: **NC Policy Update**.

### **New North Carolina Project:**

https://www.newnorthcarolinaproject.org/?emci=a73eba22-f111-ef11-96f3-6045bdd9e096&emdi=eb492757-2927-ef11-86d2-6045bdd9e096&ceid=7348446

Red, Wine, and Blue: https://redwine.blue/events/

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### **Selected News and Opinion Stories**

ABC News: Trump and Biden are tied in 538's new election forecast

American Freakshow: How to Think About Hunter - by Nina Burleigh

AP News: <u>Unanimous Supreme Court preserves access to abortion pill</u> <u>mifepristone</u>

Axios Raleigh: <u>PFAS contamination: Drinking water systems across N.C. aren't meeting EPA standards</u>

Cardinal & Pine: <u>Supreme Court rejects bid to restrict abortion pill access, but</u> leaves door open for future challenges

Cardinal & Pine: Medical debt would be removed from credit reports under new Biden rule

**Carolina Forward: Getting Local Governance Right** 

Carolina Public Press: <u>Pay Funding, Law Change Could Help Retain NC Elections</u>
<u>Directors</u>

Carolina Public Press: <u>Proposal Would Make NC Public Records and Meetings</u>
<u>Access a Constitutional Right</u>

EdNC: NC losing billions yearly due to insufficient child care

Hopium Chronicles: <u>Tough New Biden Ad, My Interview With Anderson Clayton, Check and Checkmate</u>

Hopium Chronicles: <u>Weekend Pods, Interviews, Presentations And Readings,</u>
<u>Making June Count</u>

Hopium Chronicles: Winning The House w/Janelle Bynum (OR-5), GOP Taking Enormous Risk w/Trump, Pods for The Weekend

Hopium Chronicles: <u>5 Polls Show Biden Gains, New Biden J6 Ad, Let's Keep Making June Count!</u>

Hopium Chronicles: <u>Inflation Was Zero In May, Another Dem Overperformance,</u> <u>Josh Shapiro Brings It</u>

Hopium Chronicles: <u>Biden Makes Gains in 4 New Polls, America Is Better Off And</u> Safer Too, Dems Need A Reform & Renewal Agenda

Letters from an American: June 14, 2024 - by Heather Cox Richardson

Letters from an American: <u>June 13, 2024 - by Heather Cox Richardson</u>

Letters from an American: June 12, 2024 - by Heather Cox Richardson

Letters from an American: June 11, 2024 - by Heather Cox Richardson

Letters from an American: June 10, 2024 - by Heather Cox Richardson

**Lucid: Authoritarianism is Not Inevitable: The European Elections** 

Lucid: <u>Happy Fathers' Day; NYT Mention of Autocracy Threat Tracker & NYU</u>
<u>Conference</u>

Mother Jones: North Carolina's GOP Opposes Embryo Destruction. That Could Threaten IVF.

NBC News: <u>Team Biden bets an unfiltered Trump at the debate can shake up the race</u>

NC Health News: Legal challenges keep NC abortion law in flux

NC Newsline: Child care advocates sound the alarm as "funding cliff" for providers draws near

NC Newsline: <u>Controversial anti-masking, campaign finance bill heads to governor's desk</u>

NC Newsline: NC Governor Vetoes Bill That Would Send More Juvenile Offenders to the Adult System

NC Newsline: <u>Another challenge to partisan gerrymandering in a North Carolina court</u>

News & Observer: NC candidate Robinson talks to Moms for Liberty about DEI

NY Magazine: Mark Robinson Is MAGA's Great Black Hope

NY Times (Gift Article): <u>Trump, Biden and CNN Prepare for a Hostile Debate (With Muted Mics)</u>

NY Times: The Morning: Public Money, Private Education

NY Times: On Politics alert: Supreme Court upholds abortion pill access

NY Times: Trump on Trial: A move that illustrates Trump's tactics

NY Times: On Politics: 45-47: Trump Rallying Cry, Or a Math Problem?

NY Times: On Politics: Trump's anti-vaccine problem

NY Times: On Politics: Democrats plan to turn Statehouses blue by dishing out green

Politico: Voters have real doubts about Kamala Harris as potential president, poll finds

Politico: Under siege, Biden, Macron and Sunak say: Bring it on

Politico: Trump's remarks cap chaotic week for GOP on abortion

Politico: Supreme Court nixes ban on bump stocks for guns

Politico: The Man Who Saved Biden's 2020 Campaign Lets Loose

Politico: Biden ramps up campaign to calm Democratic nerves

Popular Information: <u>The brazen GOP plan to launder cash to the nation's most radical gubernatorial candidate</u>

Popular Information: The most important crime statistics of the 2024 campaign

Public Notice: Being a loving father is admirable. Unless you're a Trumper.

Public Notice: <u>Sinclair injects deceptive attacks on Biden's age into dozens of</u> local broadcasts

Stop The Presses: Today's media: The ruthless, truthless, and toothless

The Assembly NC: This N.C. Teacher Just Quit Her Job. Here's Why.

The Assembly NC: Nothing to See Here

The Bulwark: America Should Appreciate How Joe Biden Handled His Son's Trial

The Bulwark: <u>'The Apprentice on steroids': Vance, Burgum, Rubio rise to the top</u> of Trump's VP shortlist

The Bulwark: Reading Trump's Mind

The Liberal Patriot: <u>Democrats Should Swap Out "Bidenomics" for an Abundance</u> Agenda

Timothy Snyder: <u>The Shamans and the Chieftain</u>

**Washington Post: The Campaign Moment** 

WNCN: NC voters could weigh in on 'a number' of constitutional amendments this fall, top Republican says

WRAL: <u>Voters have no right to fair elections</u>, <u>NC lawmakers say as they seek to dismiss gerrymandering suit</u>

WRAL: <u>Business leaders</u>, <u>advocates for the poor warn of child care cliff without help from legislature</u>

WRAL: NC lawmakers pass new rules for wearing masks in public, plus 'dark money' political spending

WUNC: <u>2024 North Carolina Election: Democrats aim to reverse fortune in rural counties</u>