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Upcoming Events!

7/11–Kickoff for Cville Dems GOTV! (new date, see below)

7/14–Coordinated Campaign Canvass Launch with Sen. Tim Kaine

7/14–"Democracy on Tap" with Tim Heaphy, lead investigator on the Jan. 6 Committee

7/14–Climate Potluck at Penn Park (see below)

7/27–Chihamba Celebration at Washington Park (see below)

9/21– Cville Sabroso 2024 Latin American Cultural Festival (Ting Pavilion, see below)

Kickoff for Cville Dems GOTV Thursdays Begins on Thursday, July 11

Our “Get Out the Vote (GOTV) Thursdays” gatherings at Ix Park begin this Thursday, July 11, 5:00pm to 7:00pm, when we’ll be making phone calls, sending texts, and writing postcards. Please plan to join us on the lawn outside of Brazos Tacos. Since the picnic bench can fill up fairly quickly, please bring a chair or blanket to sit on the grass. !

Hopefully, we'll meet every Thursday thereafter through Oct. 31.

This Thursday, you can choose among the following activities:

- (1) writing postcards to encourage voting in Georgia, as part of the Progressive Democrats Postcards to Swing States Project.
- (2) responding to texts sent to the 5th District by Rural Ground Game, encouraging folks to get to know and support Gloria Witt for Congress.
- (3) making phone calls for the Coordinated Campaigns.

Throughout the past four years, our gatherings have grown into regular meet-ups during each of the campaign seasons. Although we have experienced a few losses (we love you, Josh Throneburg and Cameron Webb), we have had many wins in the City, the County and throughout Virginia! We have also made many good friends with like-minded and committed Dems in the City, the County and surrounding area.

Buying and mailing postcards is expensive. If you can contribute to the cost of printing and stamps, please go to our Act Blue Page and click on postcards and stamps

<https://secure.actblue.com/contribute/page/charlottesville-democratic-committee-1>

Thank you!

Welcome to New, Shared Office Space for Canvassing

Photo: Gloria Witt celebrates "Before the Works" in Bedford on July 3, meeting and greeting.



The Kaine and Biden campaigns have opened new office space in Charlottesville, and Cville Dems can use the space, too. We hope to get some friendly volunteers who can greet people there. The office address is:

Charlottesville Democratic Coordinated Office
1410 Incarnation Dr., Ste.203
Charlottesville, VA 22901

We'll use the space for canvassing and other activities related to getting Gloria Witt elected on Nov. 5 for the Fifth District congressional seat. Sen. Tim Kaine also has an opponent, Republican MAGA extremist Hung Cao (e.g. anti-abortion, pardons for January 6 insurrectionists, etc.).

For more information about helping this election season, sign up at <https://mobilize.us/s/QMsFD>



Tim Kaine appreciates support for himself and his wife, Anne.

Cville Dems Would Like Voter Registration

Volunteers

There's a great feeling of accomplishment when you register new voters, especially in an election year! If you'd like to help, please contact Suzanne Michels at suzemichels@gmail.com.

"Democracy on Tap" – Talk to Former US Attorney Tim Heaphy

On Sunday, July 14, "Democracy on Tap" will convene at Kardinal Hall at 3:30pm. Our guest Speaker Timothy J. Heaphy is a criminal defense attorney, law professor, and a former United States attorney for the Western District of Virginia.



Tim served as the lead investigator for the House Select Committee on the January 6 Attack. Additionally, he's one of the founders of The Fountain Fund, whose mission is to work with formerly incarcerated people. He'll talk about the Jan. 6 insurrection and the ramifications of the recent Supreme Court Decisions.

Join us at Kardinal Hall-- and invite your friends.



Now Hiring 2024 Summer and/or Fall Paid Interns

The Charlottesville Democratic Committee is offering political

internships in the months leading up to the November '24 election. This program will provide interns with a meaningful political experience while greatly benefiting the work of Cville Dems. The stipend will be \$150/week for a minimum of 10 hours weekly.

There are 3 primary Internship focuses – digital communications, field work, and youth engagement.

If you're interested, or know people who may be, please contact Josh Throneburg (joshuathroneburg@gmail.com) or Nancy Damon (nancycdamon@gmail.com).

Cville Dem Attend State Convention

On June 22, a full quorum of Charlottesville delegates went to Richmond to vote on resolutions and vote for national electors and state delegates to the Democratic National Convention that begins in Chicago on Aug. 19.

It was a rousing day full of democratic visions and determination to elect Democrats straight down the line in November. VA05 candidate Gloria Witt and many others attended. A humorous and vibrant State Speaker of the House Don Scott chaired the day's proceedings.





Awaiting a full auditorium in Richmond, Cville Dems represent our citizenry as an important blue sector of the Fifth District.

Three Upcoming Events

Chihamba Arts Celebration — July 27

We are participating in the Chihamba Cultural Arts Festival, which is the last Saturday in July every year at Washington Park. It lasts all day, and features music, dancing, and vendors. Cville Dems will have a table there. Have fun, stop by, and say Hi!



**CHIHAMBA'S 33RD
AFRICAN AMERICAN
: CULTURAL ARTS FESTIVAL**

CELEBRATION OF CULTURE AND COMMUNITY

July 27, 2024
10:30 am- 7:30 pm

Booker T. Washington Park
1001 Preston Ave, Charlottesville, VA 22903

**Drum Processional
Live Performances
Live music with DJ Marvelous
Local Artisan Vendors
International Food Vendors
Tribute to 2024 Keepers of the Village Award
High School Senior Scholarship Awards
Kid's Village and Activities
And More...**

Cville Sabroso Festival —September 21

Come to Ting Pavilion for Cville Sabroso to celebrate the richness and vibrant diversity of Latin American culture and help support a great local community advocacy nonprofit, Sin Barreras ("Without Borders"). There'll be nine hours of live music and lively dance performances, food, artisan crafts, and interactive cultural activities for kids that will immerse you in the warmth and hospitality of Latino communities. It's a family-friendly event. More information [here](#), and tickets are



SAVE THE DATE!

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12TH ANNUAL

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2024
1PM - 10PM

TING PAVILION, CHARLOTTESVILLE VA

LATIN AMERICAN FESTIVAL
MUSIC, DANCE, ART, & FOOD

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Climate Potluck Picnic and Postcard Writing — July 14

On Sunday, July 14, 1:00-3:00pm, at Pen Park (Shelter 2), the Citizens' Climate Lobby Charlottesville Chapter is putting on a potluck picnic and postcard writing event as part of the Environmental Voter Project (EVP).

All members, friends and family are welcome.

While sharing a meal and socializing, we'll also write postcards to mobilize

climate-friendly voters in Florida's upcoming primary. We will have postcards and a brief script to copy. The EVP uses data analytics to identify environmental voters, then sends them tested and proven messages. They have a good track record of increasing environmental voter turnout.

Here are the important details (some of which are optional). The most important thing is that YOU be there!

- FIND the picnic shelter by locating the tennis courts on Pen Park Road. Turn left at the courts. Parking is down the hill next to the shelters. This link should open in Google Maps.
- BRING a dish to share if you can, but no worries if you can't! If you'd like, you can sign up here to see what's needed.
- BRING your own beverage or reusable water bottle, plate, and utensils. We'll have a few compostable items and a jug of water if that's not doable for you.
- BRING your own favorite pens or small non-partisan stickers if you'd like. We'll also have pens for you to use.
- COMMIT to copying EVP's exact postcard message; they've tested their wording, and we're not allowed to ad-lib or change it.
- DRESS for the weather and consider bug spray (the picnic area is near the woods). We'll be in full shade.
- CHECK your email in the morning; we may cancel or relocate in case of extreme weather.

Partner Organizations

Our friends the [UVA Dems](#), [Albemarle Dems](#), [Greene County Dems](#), [Nelson County Dems](#), and (the relatively new!) [Charlottesville Area Young Democrats](#) are doing good things too, check them out!

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