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News and Updates from the Cville Dems (9/23/2022)

4 easy ways you can support Cville Dems today:

- Participate in “Turn Out the Vote Thursdays” (see below)
- Forward this to friends who aren’t politically engaged but might want to know what the Cville Dems do and stand for
- Like/Follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#) (and like some of our posts!)
- Tell all your friends about [Josh Throneburg](#) and encourage them to vote for him.

Mark Your Calendars!

- 09/23 TODAY: 4-6pm Starr Hill social (see below)
- 09/27 Sally Hudson presentation on VA election laws 7pm [Zoom](#) call (Sierra Club Piedmont Group)
- 10/07 Community Climate Collaborative (3C) [5th Anniversary Party](#) 5:30-8:00pm
- 10/02 Albemarle County Dems [BBQ fundraiser](#) 3-6pm at Pen Park Picnic Shelters
- 10/11 Prof. Danielle Citron presentation 6:45pm (see below)
- 10/22 International Day of Democracy, details TBA

Join the Charlottesville & Albemarle Democrats for a

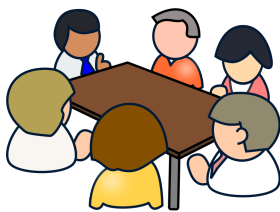
EARLY VOTING HAPPY HOUR

When: Friday, September 23rd from 4:00 to 6:00 PM

Where: Starr Hill Brewing (Dairy Market)
946 Grady Ave Suite 101, Charlottesville, VA 22903

TODAY 4-6pm (Friday 9/23)

- **Early Voting Happy Hour** at Starr Hill Brewery (Dairy Market, 946 Grady Ave.); you'll get a *free drink ticket* if you vote today and then use this link:
<https://secure.ngpvan.com/kVhXQnxE3UyPJJ32BWGuog2>! We and the Albemarle Dems are co-hosting.



Executive Committee Meeting (Monday 9/26, 6:30pm over **Zoom**)

The biggest item on our agenda is Ranked Choice Voting (RCV) for elections (both primaries and general), which would be a big change in the way elections work.

Thanks to a 2020 bill successfully introduced by our own Del. Sally Hudson, the City must decide whether or not to request that the city implement RCV. With RCV a voter lists the first choice candidate for each position, followed by a second choice, and so on. If no candidate wins a majority outright, the candidate with the smallest number of votes is eliminated, and voters who have chosen that candidate have their second choice vote activated. The process continues until a candidate has a majority.

Sally will be at this meeting to help explain things (as will Jim Nix and Taylor Yowell) and has prepared this extremely useful FAQ sheet

about RCV:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/11D57T6N6nL3kbXIm0OUUVj_xbtTeEoOnmdScRkxTAZo/edit?usp=sharing

Please familiarize yourself with this issue, as we'll be discussing it at this meeting and also at the Full Committee meeting on Monday, October 24th. Please email us at cvilledemschair@gmail.com if you have views on either issue you'd like us to consider.

Josh Throneburg Campaign Update (46 Days until Election Day!)



If you want to help Josh's Campaign #FlipThe5th and unseat Bob (No)Good, you have *lots* of good ways to pitch in these last few weeks:

1. "Turn Out the Vote Thursdays" (5-7pm at Ix Art Park)

Come out for a bit of socializing and a good bit of election action (see below)! If you plan to attend, please sign up using this link:

<https://www.mobilize.us/joshforvirginia/event/475179/>

There will be training on MiniVAN for those who need a refresher or haven't ever used it (don't worry, it's not hard!).

2. Other weekly opportunities you can sign up for at

<https://www.mobilize.us/joshforvirginia/>

- Wednesday Nights Virtual Phone Bank (6:30-8:30pm)
- Thursday Nights Virtual Phone Bank (6:30-8:30pm) led by J4VA & Generation Ratify Virginia
- Saturday Canvassing in Charlottesville (10am-Noon & 1-3pm) — meet at The Dairy Market
- Sunday Afternoons Virtual Phone Bank (1-4pm)
- Sunday Evenings Virtual Text Bank (4-6pm)

3. Early Voting Selfies

If you're planning to vote early, whether on 9/23 as above or later, Josh's campaign would *love* it if you took a selfie outside your early voting location, ideally holding up any kind of simple sign saying "Charlottesville" (or the name of whatever City/County you live in). The Campaign's goal is to have pictures from every locality in the Fifth District! If you vote early, please share your selfie via this form:

<https://tinyurl.com/earlyvotephoto> .

4. Sign the petition demanding that Bob Good debate Josh:

<https://secure.ngpvan.com/i6WnNFjCskaGmcQR62Lckw2>



October 11th Speaker event: Prof. Danielle Citron on Privacy, Surveillance, and Love in the Digital Age

UVA Law Professor and MacArthur Fellow **Danielle Citron**, an international expert on online privacy and abuse, will speak about the latest

developments at the intersection of technology, public policy, and our daily Internet-driven lives at 6:45pm Tuesday October 11th at the Downtown Library's Swanson Case Room and also on [Zoom](#); please mark your calendars and join us!

Prof. Citron will be “in conversation” with UVA History Prof. [William Hitchcock](#), co-host of the *Democracy in Danger* podcast. Q&A will follow. Full information is on our website [event page](#).

Copies of her new book *The Fight for Privacy: Protecting Dignity, Identity, and Love in the Digital Age* (coming out the week before she speaks!) will be available for purchase. From her publisher's website:

"The essential road map for understanding—and defending—your right to privacy in the twenty-first century.

Privacy is disappearing. From our sex lives to our workout routines, the details of our lives once relegated to pen and paper have joined the slipstream of new technology. As a MacArthur fellow and distinguished professor of law at the University of Virginia, acclaimed civil rights advocate Danielle Citron has spent decades working with lawmakers and stakeholders across the globe to protect what she calls intimate privacy—encompassing our bodies, health, gender, and relationships. When intimate privacy becomes data, corporations know exactly when to flash that ad for a new drug or pregnancy test.

Virginia is now a same-day registration state!

After regular voter registration ends on October 17:

- from October 18-November 5, anyone living in Charlottesville who's eligible to become a Virginia voter can go to the Registrar's Office (City Hall Annex, 7th St. NE off of Market St.) to register to vote and cast a provisional ballot



- even on Election Day (11/ 8) itself, any Charlottesville

resident who's eligible to register to vote can go to any of the City's nine polling locations, fill out a voter registration application form, and cast a provisional ballot.

Please spread the word!

"Turn Out the Vote Thursdays" Good Turnouts, Good Results!



Good numbers of people are getting together **every Thursday from 5-7pm outside of Brazos Tacos at Ix Art Park**. With only six weeks to go, we'll be ramping up phone calling and door knocking to help potential voters become better acquainted with Josh and firmly

committed to voting for him.

We hope you'll continue (or begin) coming out on Thursday nights to make phone calls, canvass or write postcards. In addition to helping get Josh elected, it's fun and a great way to get to know other Dems!

Rain cancels but the threat of rain does not.

If you'd like to make a donation to cover the costs of postcards and stamps, contact Nancy Damon at nancycdamon@gmail.com

REPORT: Wonderful evening with Dahlia Lithwick (9/22)

Legal commentator Dahlia Lithwick knocked it out of the park last night when she returned to town to speak to us (and the general public) about her great new book **Lady Justice: Women, the Law, and the Battle to**



Save America! Her conversation with Amy Woolard was informative and inspiring... at times heartwarming and very personal... we all went for a ride.

We should have PVCC's event recording edited and online on our website later today, including a JoshForVirginia slideshow, so:

- please share it widely with friends and family who might enjoy it
 - you can see still watch it if you missed it live!
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Voter Registration (VR) team rolls on!

In addition to registering people every Saturday morning at the outdoor Ix Market, the VR team shows up at lots and lots of community events. If you might like to be part of this crackerjack team, led by Suzanne Michels and Barbara Shenefield, please contact Suzanne: suzemichels@gmail.com



Partner Organizations

Our friends the [UVA Dems](#), [Albemarle Dems](#), [Greene County Dems](#),

Nelson County Dems, and (the new!) Charlottesville Area Young Democrats are doing good things too, check them out!

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