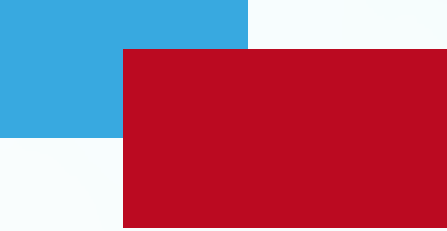


WELCOME TO THE WAKE *Democratic Forum*

June Meeting
6/4/26
6:00-7:30!?! PM



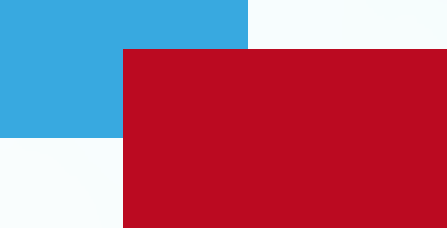
Pete Buttigieg speaks at
NC Senate Dems Fundraiser



Welcome!

Who is in the Room?
Raise your hand if...

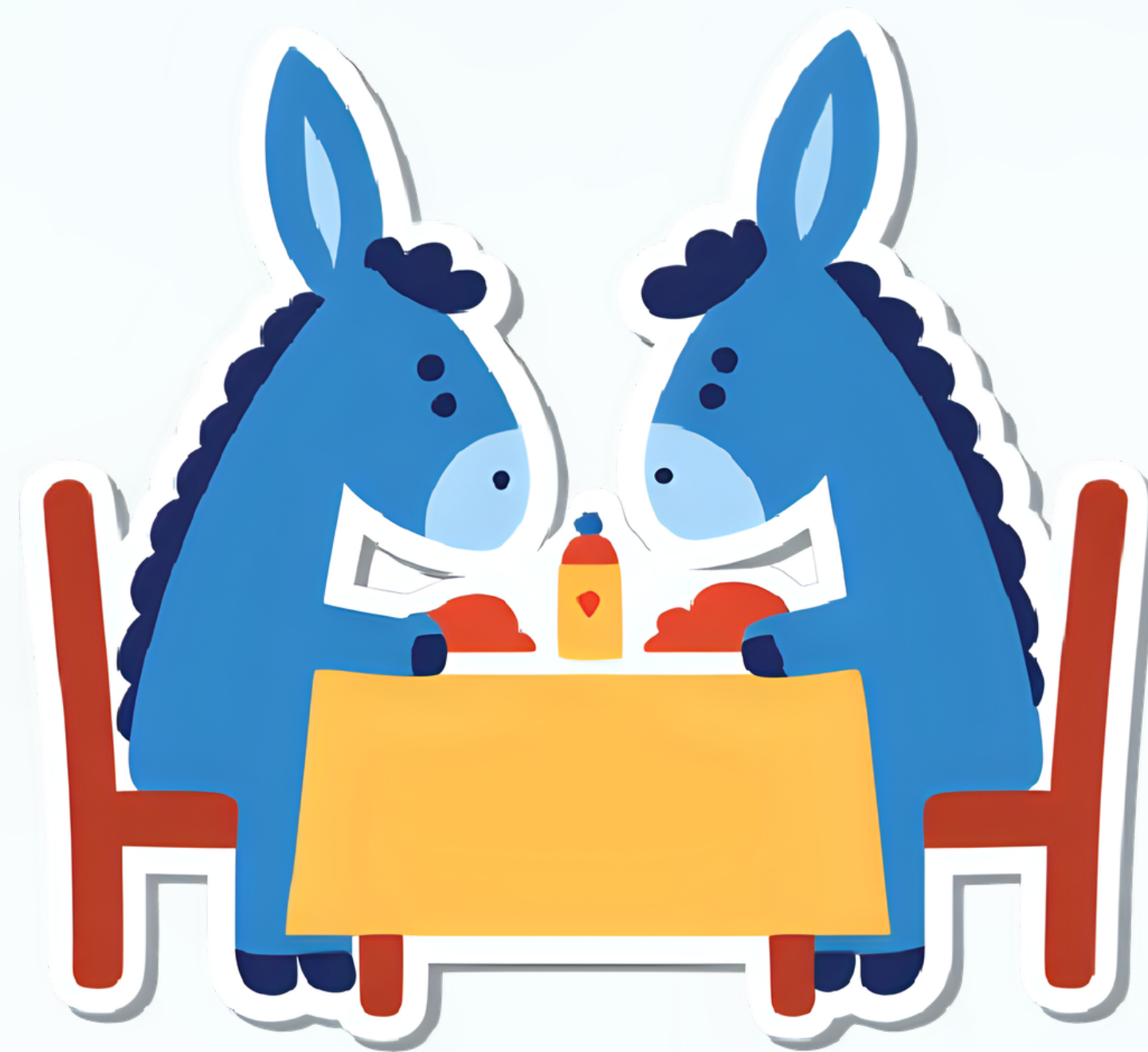


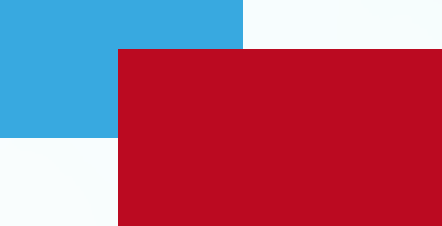


Reflection & Pledge



**The Buffet
is OPEN**





Thank you,

to our Wake Dem Forum Members

- Madalyn Marshall
- John Shaw



Become a Forum Member!

wake up

kit

FROM NORTH CAROLINA

SOME OF NC'S COOLEST CONTRIBUTIONS!



Pokémon Cards: Nearly all United States Pokémon trading cards are printed at the Millennium Print Group in Morrisville!



Krispy Kreme Doughnuts: The original Krispy Kreme was founded in Winston-Salem, NC, in 1937.



America's Oldest Amusement Park: Pullen Park in Raleigh, opened in 1887, is the oldest amusement park in the U.S. still operating at its original location.



Mt. Olive Pickles: Born in 1926 in Mt. Olive, NC — it's now one of the largest pickle brands in the country!



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NO KINGS.
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A LEGACY OF LEADERSHIP

1776

THE HALIFAX RESOLVES
North Carolina became the first colony to officially call for independence from the British King and crown, months before the Declaration of Independence.

1960

THE GREENSBORO FOUR
Four Black college students sat down at a segregated Woolworth's lunch counter — and sparked a nationwide movement.

2023

**ANDERSON CLAYTON
MAKES HISTORY**
At just 25 years old, Anderson Clayton became the youngest state party chair in the nation — Leading the Democratic Party right here in North Carolina.

JOIN THE MOVEMENT.

It doesn't matter if you're still trying to find your voice or you're ready to lead. There's a place for you in the fight for a better North Carolina.

Come to a Wake Democratic Forum event next month!

Meet other people who care about the same future you do, and find your role in a movement that stretches from Halifax in 1776 to us, 250 years later.

First in freedom, and still fighting for it!

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OUR MISSION

In 1776, North Carolina led the call for independence with the Halifax Resolves — declaring boldly that no king should control our future.

Today, young North Carolinians are standing up to extremist politicians who want to control our lives. We're organizing for freedom, opportunity, and a future where everyone has a voice.



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WHAT BELIEVE IN

FREEDOM TO EARN A FAIR
WAGE FOR A HARD DAY'S
WORK

AN ECONOMY THAT
VALUES WORKERS — NOT
JUST BILLIONAIRES

A DEMOCRACY WHERE
YOUR VOTE COUNTS

ACCESS TO EDUCATION,
NOT CENSORSHIP AND
CONTROL

A N.C. WHERE EVERY
FAMILY CAN AFFORD A
SAFE, STABLE HOME.

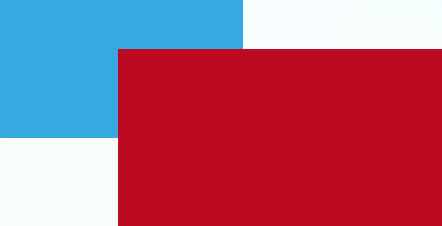
You don't have to wait to lead, and you don't have to do it alone. You have a role to play in protecting our democracy and shaping NC's future.

● Start or grow your campus club — We'll connect you to resources, guest speakers, and organizing support.

▶ Lead an issue campaign — Take action with your friends in your community.

♥ Build your network — Meet other young leaders at Wake Dem Forums.

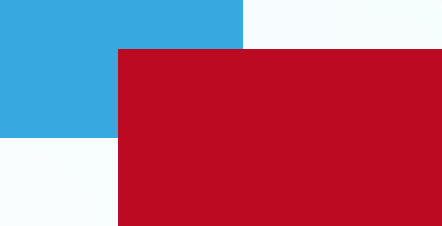
Wherever you are, there's a way to help with the Wake Democratic Forum.



**Last meeting I mentioned the
“three C’s” voters cared about:**

WHAT ARE THE THREE C’S?

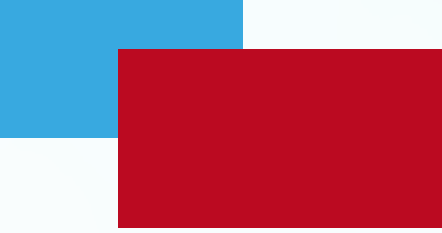




The Dem Forum State of the State Wake County

- *Election Day is Tuesday, November 3, 2026.*
- *Wake County Democrats are already organizing through Election Central and the 2026 Voting Pledge.*
 - ***<https://www.wakedems.org/election-central-2026>***





The Dem Forum State of the State State Government

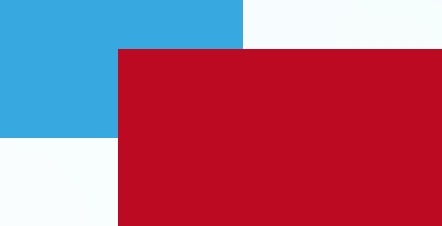
- Last Month's "Republican Budget Framework" still yielding **NOTHING**
- Two Constitutional Amendments Passed (*so far*) for November
 - Property tax cap
 - 3.5% personal income tax cap
 - *A third – the "right to work" amendment – passed the Senate but still needs the House to act*



The Dem Forum State of the State State Government

- Sen. Haseeb Fatmi selected to replace Terence Everitt in SD 18

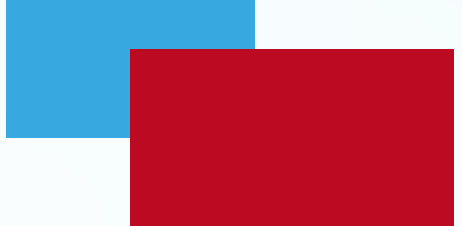




The Dem Forum State of the State Federal Government

- Roy Cooper continues leading Michael Whatley in recent polling.
- As gerrymandering sweeps the south, remember NC already succumbed to Trump *last year* (how'd that work for Phil Berger?)





The Dem Forum State of the State

Election Day is November 3, 2026

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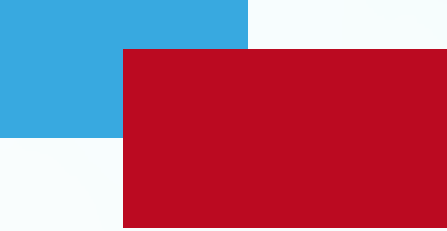
DAYS

HOURS

MINUTES

SECONDS





Dem Forum Swearing-In

- **President:** Eddie Sheehy
- **1st Vice President:** Ken Romley
- **2nd VP** Clarence Green
- **3rd VP:** Kenneth James Nichols
- **Treasurer:** Robert Lockard
- **Secretary:** Steven Hill

- **New Board Members:**
 - Sherita Walton
 - Kayla Cornett
 - Henry Jarrett
 - Lyndsay Yandell

Representative Allison Dahle

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THANK YOU & NEXT STEPS

- Next meeting: August 6, 2026
 - Speaker: *Coming Soon*

