

OCTOBER 2022

PLEASE CONTINUE TO JOIN US IN THE FIGHT FOR DEMOCRACY



SPARTANBURG COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Give a DEM! VOTE NOVEMBER 8

GIVE A DEM

With the November 8 election upon us it's critical that we keep our community informed and engaged. Thanks to you we met our \$5,000 match to launch our GOTV Campaign this month. Starting mid-October will be sending a mailer to 12,000 households, followed by a reminder to 6,000 households, running two weeks of online ads, and taking out two weeks of digital billboards.

Information will range from promoting early voting, to encouraging voters to support candidates who care about issues that affect them, to a reminder to vote November 8.

RALLY FOR LISA ELLIS OCT 8TH

Join the Spartanburg County Democratic Party as we rally to protect public education in South Carolina! Lisa Ellis is our candidate for SC Superintendent of Education and she needs your support.

Her opponent Ellen Weaver isn't qualified for leading public education in our state.

- She has never been in the classroom
- Will destroy public education with harmful policy
- Cannot separate church and state

Lisa has been in the classroom for 20+ years and started the largest movement of educators in our state history SC for Ed.

LisaEllisForEducationRally.eventbrite.com

THE ABORTION BILL IS STALLED. TOGETHER WE DID THIS.

Tuesday, September 27th the State's House of Representatives voted to non-concur with the current draft of H. 5399, which means the bill to ban all abortions is stalled. As of now, it is unlikely that the bill will be debated and additional compromises agreed upon, between now and election day on November 8.

This fight is not over. There are many lawmakers who will continue to push for a total abortion ban and we must keep on the pressure and vote them out. H 5.399 will be discussed by a conference committee made up of 3 people from the House and 3 people from the Senate who will decide which version of H. 5399 will be accepted at a future date to be determine.

The Planned Parenthood injunction on the six week ban will be heard this month as well.



RALLY FOR LISA ELLIS

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE FOR SC SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION

3-5PM ON OCTOBER 8TH

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VOLUNTEER WITH THE DEMS



[BIT.LY/22DEMVolunteer](https://bit.ly/22DEMVolunteer)

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS TO PHONE BANK, CANVASS, SUPPORT EVENTS, AND POLL WATCH!

SPCDP booth for National Night Out at CC Woodson

OCT 4 FROM 4:30-8PM

Phone Bank in person at Party HQ

OCT 5, 12, 19, 26 FROM 5-7PM

Phone Bank Training on Zoom

OCT 6 & 20

Canvass on the Westside

OCT 8 9:30-12:30PM

Lisa Ellis Rally at Drayton Mills

OCT 8 FROM 3-5PM

HQ Election Day Volunteers

OCT 12 & 26

Poll Watcher Training on Zoom

OCT 13 & 27 AT 6PM

SPCDP Booth Downtown Spartanburg

OCT 15

Canvass each Saturday

OCT 15- NOV 5 9:30-12:30PM

March to the Polls

OCT 29

SPCDP Booth at PRIDE in Barnet Park

NOV 5

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IN THE NEWS

KEEPING OUR CANDIDATES AND OUR COMMUNITY IN THE HEADLINES THIS ELECTION.

Cunningham hopes to unseat incumbent Republican McMaster in SC governor's race



Bob Montgomery
Herald-Journal

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Matthews wants change to credit scoring system

Matthews said she supports changing the credit scoring system that punishes people who have had past debt problems. She said the length of time a negative report stays on a person's record should be shortened.

"Working families rely on credit scores on everything from buying a house to whether you can buy a car, even rent now," she said. "Should we be using credit scores that don't determine credit worthiness? We also need a nonprofit government reporting agency. The three we have right now are all for-profit."



Speakers came to the Spartanburg County Democratic Party meeting at the TK Gregg Community Center on Sept. 6, 2022. One of the speakers was Democrat Krystle Matthews, who plans to oppose Republican U.S. Sen. Tim Scott in the Nov. 8 election. ALEX HICKS JR./SPARTANBURG HERALD-JOURNAL

Democrat Turner running write-in campaign against Republican incumbent US Rep. Timmons



Bob Montgomery
Herald-Journal

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ATTACKS CONTINUE ON OUR LGBTQ+ COMMUNITIES

AN UPDATE FROM AMBERLYN BOITER PFLAG SPARTANBURG PRESIDENT, WREN BOARD MEMBER

The fall of Roe sent shock-waves through the LGBTQ+ community this year. Beyond seeing millions lose their right to abortion, my community also heard another onerous message;

“We don’t need abortion as a wedge issue anymore - we have you.”

This message has since been affirmed by a litany of anti-LGBTQ+ bills, resolutions, public hearings, and press conferences put forward by politicians nationwide this year. But what does this mean for straight, cisgender people?

We are seeing a sweeping attempt to ban or relocate LGBT-inclusive books in public libraries. Some legislatures are even succeeding in de-funding the libraries altogether if they don’t comply. Queer or not, you could lose your right to knowledge this year.

A new law in our state allows doctors, pharmacists, and insurers to discriminate against anyone based on any religious belief. It was intended to target trans people like me, but it is so broad it can be used against anyone. Queer or not, you lost your right to healthcare this year.

Attempts to legislatively forbid teachers from being kind to their queer students have contributed to a mass exodus of teachers in conservative strongholds. Queer or not, your child/grandchild lost their right to a good education this year.

This only scratches the surface of the ways conservatives are harming the entire population in an attempt to remain in power.

Just last month, Tim Scott introduced a bill that would require elementary and middle schools that receive Federal funds to obtain parental consent before changing a minor child’s gender markers, pronouns, or preferred name on any school form, allowing a child to change the child’s sex-based accommodations, including locker rooms or bathrooms.

It basically forces schools to disclose to parents if their child asks to be called by a different name or pronouns. More than 60% of queer kids are in unsupportive homes and could be subjected to abuse if parents found out about it. School is often the only safe space they have to be themselves.

They know the LGBTQ+ community is a wedge issue. Vote in November, and remember: the only way forward is to stand together against all injustice!

**AMBERLYN BOITER PFLAG
SPARTANBURG PRESIDENT,
WREN BOARD MEMBER**



UPCOMING DEBATES

LT. GOVERNOR DEBATE OCTOBER 11

Democratic nominee for Lt. Gov. Tally Casey and Republican Lt. Gov. Pamela Evette are scheduled to meet in a debate on Oct. 11, 2022 in Columbia.

GUBERNATORIAL DEBATE OCTOBER 26

Incumbent Henry McMaster and Democratic candidate Joe Cunningham will participate in the debate October 26 at SCETV in Columbia from 7-8 p.m.

STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION DEBATE NOVEMBER 2

A debate for state superintendent of education will feature Republican nominee Ellen Weaver and Democratic nominee Lisa Ellis, and is scheduled for 7 p.m. Nov. 2.

HOW TO WATCH

All three debates will take place at SC ETV's Columbia studios, and will air on the SC ETV statewide network, with a livestream on [sctv.org](https://www.sctv.org), and SC ETV's Facebook page and YouTube channel.

Read more at: <https://www.heraldonline.com>

Keeping our candidates and our community in the headlines this election.

Volunteer

We need phone bankers, canvassers, outreach volunteers, poll watchers, precinct captains and folks to register voters from August to November. Register at <https://bit.ly/22DemVolunteer>.



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Help us reach our \$20,000 to GET OUT THE VOTE in the November Elections. Your contribution supports mailers, phone banking and grass-roots outreach. Donate at spartanburgdemocrats.com.



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