



Democratic Women of Pitt County

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Dates and Deadlines **Absentee ballots** **available**

Oct. 7 – Nov. 7

Voter Registration **deadline**

Oct. 14, 5:00 pm

Early/One-Stop voting

Oct. 20 – Nov. 5

DWPC Fashion Show
October 20, 6:30pm
Warehouse Restaurant,
Winterville

Submit absentee Ballot

Request Deadline

Nov. 1, 5:00 pm

Deadline to return **absentee ballots**

Nov. 7, 5:00 pm

Municipal Election

Nov. 8

A Message from our DWPC President

You feel like a drop in the bucket? Who asked you to *fill* the bucket — especially alone? Persistence depends on patience, on keeping at it when there is little to reassure us. It would be too bad to give up, to sit back, bemoan the sorry state of the world and wonder why somebody, anybody, everybody (but not me, thank you) doesn't do something about 'it'.

After all, the Grand Canyon was fashioned by drops of water, as ordinary as they seem.

The Reverend Gordon McKeeman

We Democratic Women can fill that bucket, working together to turn the Republican tide that is threatening to drown the America we love. Many say that all politics are local. At any rate, that is where it begins, and the municipal election is now upon us. We must get out the vote.

Talk it up, tell your neighbors and friends which candidates you are voting for and why. Give them rides to the polls, put signs in your yards, write postcards, telephone, use Facebook, email. This election matters!!!

These effective strategies will bring us victory in 2012, so lets start now to get out the vote and give it all we've got!!! Every drop of water counts!!



October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month



October is Breast Cancer Awareness month; if caught early enough, breast cancer can be treated, but there is still no cure for this disease that will affect 1 in 8 women every year. Join the breast cancer fight and use these resources from USA.gov to help spread the word:

Breast cancer is the second leading cause of cancer deaths among women in the United States, preceded only by lung cancer. Breast self-exams and mammograms are very important to help find breast cancer early, when it is most treatable. If you are busy, or having financial problems, the National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program (NBCCEDP), provided by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), provides free or low-cost breast and cervical cancer screening services to women in all 50 states, as well as some U.S. territories and Native American tribes. Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention and Treatment Programs (BCCPT) through Medicaid are available to eligible women diagnosed with breast or cervical cancer through the state NBCCEDP screening program. You may be eligible even if you have a higher income. For more information or to apply, contact your state medicaid office.

“Off The Sidelines”

Listed below are the names of women currently running for political office in Pitt County. This list does not include those who may be write-in candidates.

Barnett, Cathy
Blackburn, Marion
Bright, Mary G.
Davenport, Mary A.
Davis, Janet E.
Dixon, Gloria
Dunn, Patricia C.
Edwards, Doris J.
Glover, Rose H.
Harrison, Annie
Hawkins, Brenda G.
Holloman, Diane
Kesler, Gloria H.
Lanier, Georgia M.
Little, Ginger H.
Mitchell, Shirley A.
Pritchard, Louise H.
Pryor, Sharon
Roberson, Veronica W.
Ross, Phyllis P.
Rothschild, Mary L.
Smith, Kandie C.
Suggs, Janis D.
Taylor, Clara
Thompson, Clara
Thompson, Rebecca
Whitehurst, Cheryl J.
Willoughby, Laura B.

Like the national appeal to Rosie the Riveter during WW II, Senator Kirsten Gillibrand of New York is asking women to move “Off the Sidelines” to the center of decision making and power in the United States.

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Convention 2011 Hi-Lights

- Governor Beverly Perdue, keynote Saturday luncheon speaker, receives standing ovations from over 200 women from chapters across state.
- Pitt County receives award for most attendees (45) registered for the convention.
- NC Democratic Party Chairman David Parker serenades with voice and guitar.
- Betsy Leech, Betty Speir and Mrs. DD Garrett especially honored as STARS along with thirty others at Saturday evening banquet.
- Panel shares experiences as bases for “Changing the Face of NC 2012 General Assembly”: the Honorable Rosa Gill, Marian McLawhorn, Tricia Cotham, Alice Bordsen and Martha Alexander.
- Banquet keynote speaker, Heather Colburn, National Women Vote Director, Obama for America wows audience.
- Pitt County receives the Betty Ray McCain Communication Award (category II) for excellence in communication and publicity.
- Nine break-out sessions offered to inform and inspire.
- NC Democratic Women President Sarah Anderson praises Pitt County hospitality and congratulates all the volunteers for a job well done.
- Ann Eleanor coordinated the Give2theTroops activities which included organizing over 4000 items that were contributed by 15 counties and assembling 250 goody bags.
Certificates were awarded for:
The Most Donations – Guilford County
Providing the Most Help – Rebecca Llewelyn
Traveling the Farthest to the convention – Macon County
- Convention co-chairs Ann Huggins and Sara Beth Rhodes outdid themselves in making us all very proud of the great 51st annual state convention.

Any members of the DWPC wishing to make submissions to this newsletter are invited to do so. Please send all materials as Email attachments to: **dwpcnews@suddenlink.net**. Keep your material to a maximum of 100 words and include sources of factual information. Confine your submissions to items appropriate for this newsletter. Submissions are subject to editing by the newsletter staff. All Emails must be received no later than the second Thursday of the month. Please include your name with all correspondence.