



SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY

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NEWSLETTER

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County Dems Attend Patriotic Picnic



The Susquehanna Democratic Party hosted its annual Patriotic Picnic on Sunday, July 28, 2024 at the Hallstead Blue Ridge Softball Park, in Hallstead, PA.. It was a great turnout, as many Democrats came out to hear speakers and enjoy some delicious food.

Speakers included Susquehanna Democratic Chair, Ed Zygmunt, County Commissioner, Judy Herschel, County Auditor, Rick Ainey, and Candidate for the 9th Congressional District, Amanda Waldman.

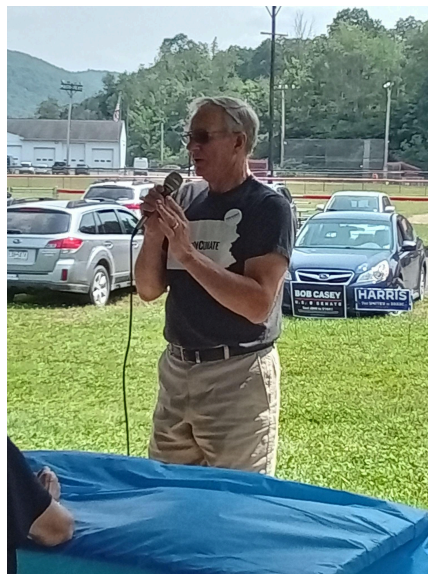
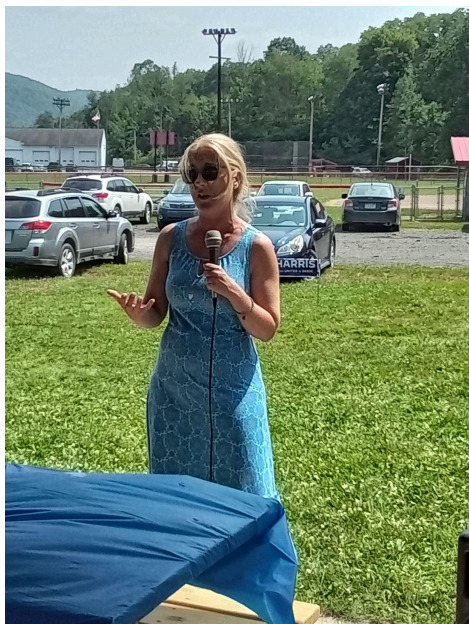


Rick Ainey was presented with a Certificate of Recognition for “Outstanding Volunteer Service” in grateful recognition of his years of dedication and commitment to building an accomplished, stronger and better Susquehanna County Democratic Party.

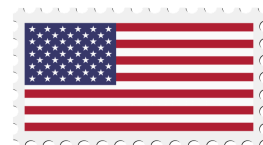
Thank you, Rick!!

Rick Ainey with Joni Kaiser

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2024 PATRIOTIC PICNIC



VOTE BLUE !!

NOV 5, 2024



PATRIOTIC PICNIC 2024

HALLSTEAD PA



Thanks to everyone who attended our picnic and good luck to all of our candidates in November.

SEE YOU AT THE HARFORD FAIR !!

485 FAIR HILL ROAD, NEW MILFORD

Visit our Susquehanna Democratic Booth

Main Arena Alley Booth #173

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SAVE THE DATE !!  Nov. 5, 2024 ELECTION DAY

Polls are **open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.** If you vote by mail, please fill out your ballot and mail it back to the Elections Office immediately.

If you haven't mailed the ballot by Election Day, please take it directly to the Elections Office in Montrose.

Visit www.vote.pa.gov

For Voter and Election Info.



FALL RALLY 1 PM September 28th at the
Great Bend Hose Company, 54 Tannery Street,
Great Bend PA

Contact vicechair@susquehannadems.com to inquire about tickets or for any other information

FROM THE CHAIR

Where do I begin? First President Biden announced he was running for reelection. Then came his poor debate performance. Then came calls for President Biden to drop out of the race. Then former President Trump survived an assassination attempt right here in the Keystone state. Then bowing to enormous pressure, President Biden drops out of the race, Vice-President Harris hits the campaign trail running with Gov. Tim Walz by her side, and suddenly we have a whole new ballgame.

Who knows what other unexpected events will happen before election day? I can't say what Kamala Harris, Bob Casey, Amanda Waldman and our candidates for the state's row offices will do to win their respective elections. But I do know what the Susquehanna County Democratic party will do to help them.

I take great pride in saying we have one of the best teams of dedicated volunteers ever to work on a campaign, especially from a rural county. Our six internal committees - campaign, communications, government affairs, events, fundraising, and strategic planning - all fit together like a puzzle.

We know running a successful campaign takes money, and lots of it. So, I have a little secret to share with you. Promise not to tell anyone. Thanks to you our fundraising plans have gone exceptionally well. So much so that for the first time in our history we took the necessary steps to register with the Federal Election Commission. Can you believe it? The Susquehanna County Democratic Party is now a federally sanctioned political committee.

To comply with FEC regulations, we must now report all income and expenses related to federal candidates for office every quarter of the year. That's a lot of work. But it's a good problem to have. Most of this additional paperwork falls on the shoulders of our treasurer, Rick Ainey. I don't know what we would do without Rick. We can't thank him enough.

So, here's a quick rundown of how we are going to put your donations to work. We have already opened our campaign headquarters in New Milford. The closer we get to the election, the more hours it will be open. We'll be looking for more volunteers to spread out the workload.

Soon we'll be expanding our ad campaign in the county's newspapers. Look for us to cover issues like women's reproductive rights, Project 2025, general candidate information and much more.

We're also expanding our direct mail campaign this year beyond our circle of Democrats. This will include voters registered as Independents and "persuadable" Republicans. As the election draws closer, we will be knocking on doors in Montrose, Great Bend, Hallstead, Susquehanna, and Forest City boroughs. We'll need your help with these projects too.

But the most important task we have for you is to register anyone you can to vote. If each of us can register at least three new voters that would make a big difference on election day.

FROM THE CHAIR (con't)

We all know we will probably never turn Susquehanna County blue. Our job is to significantly reduce the margin of victory by the other side. Remember last year when all four democratic statewide judicial candidates won their respective elections? One of them told us afterwards that even if she didn't get one vote in Philadelphia she still would have won because of the strong democratic turnout in the rural counties, including Susquehanna.

If we stay laser focused on our mission, I am confident we will have repeat performance in 2024.

Thanks for all you do!
Ed Zygmunt, Chair



Campaign Headquarters

We have a campaign Headquarters for the 2024 season!

Located at **54 Church Street, New Milford**, It'll be the central location for distribution of signs and other campaign material.
Open on Thursdays and Saturdays from 10-6.



Kamala Harris introduces her running mate, Gov. Tim Walz to a packed rally in Philadelphia on Tuesday, August 6, 2024.

Harris introduced Walz, detailing his background as a coach, teacher, Congressman, member of the Army National Guard, and governor of Minnesota, as well as his accomplishments as a politician.

SUSQUEHANNA DEMS ON PARADE



It's been a busy summer for the Susquehanna County Democrats who participated in parades all over the county! Proud Democrats showed their patriotism and support for the Democratic ticket in the Montrose, Thompson, Susquehanna, Forest City, and Clifford annual parades. Many thanks to everyone who came out and

PARADE (con't)

participated and showed that there are Democrats living and voting in Susquehanna County!!



**JULY 4TH
MONTROSE
INDEPENDENCE
DAY PARADE**



Upcoming Events

- All day, August 12, 2024 – August 17, 2024 – **Harford Fair**
- 7:00 pm, August 12, 2024 – **Executive Committee Meeting**
- 7:00 pm, September 9, 2024 – **Executive Committee Meeting**
- 1:00 pm, September 28, 2024 – **Fall Rally - Great Bend Hose Company**
- 7:00 pm, October 14, 2024 – **Full Committee Meeting**

Meetings

7 PM on the second Monday of the month at the New Milford Borough Building located at 948 Main Street New Milford PA.



Executive Committee

Chair – Ed Zygmunt, Auburn Township
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Vice Chair – Joni Kaiser, Thompson Borough
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Treasurer – Rick Ainey, New Milford Borough
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Secretary – Tom Charles, Dimock Township
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State Committee – Jackie Baker, Liberty Township
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MEET YOUR PA CANDIDATES

U.S. SENATE ★

Sen. Bob Casey, Jr.

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US CONGRESS - 9TH ★

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SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY DEMOCRATS 2024 HEADQUARTERS GRAND OPENING A HUGE SUCCESS!



US Senator, Bob Casey, Jr. and Candidate for Congress, Amanda Waldman were the special speakers at the Grand Opening of the Susquehanna Democratic HQ in New Milford, in June.



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**CHRISTIAN CHLUDZINSKI
CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE
CHAIR**

US SENATOR, BOB CASEY, JR.

NEW MILFORD MAYOR,

SCOTT SMITH



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