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County Dems Attend Petition Breakfast

SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY DEMOCRATS HOLD ANNUAL PETITION BREAKFAST ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28th IN GREAT BEND, PA

The Susquehanna County Democratic Party kicked off the 2026 election year with the annual Petition Breakfast. This year's event was held at the Great Bend Fire Hall in Great Bend where guests enjoyed a delicious breakfast and heard from party members and candidates. Thank you to this year's emcee, Jill Alrich, for a job well done!

Barbara Scott and John Hotvedt were honored for their long-time dedication to the Susquehanna County Democratic Party. They were awarded a Certificate of Appreciation for their hard work and their enduring support of the party. Their contribution to our party is immeasurable and greatly appreciated!



THANK YOU, BARBARA & JOHN !!

**THANK
YOU**

NO KINGS RALLY ON THE GREEN

MONTROSE / SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY

MARCH 28, 2026 A large group of citizens gathered together on the Courthouse Green in Montrose, PA to make their voices heard that there are NO KINGS in America, protesting the actions of President Trump, who views himself as having absolute power.



April 18th
**A Citizen's
Roadside Rally**
Hallstead Bridge



**BIG Thank You to the
rally participants who made
FOOD DRIVE donations.**

We collected 2 boxes of food
and \$191.

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CHAIR'S COLUMN by Ed Zygmunt 5/26/26

When the date for the NO KINGS 3 rally was announced earlier this year, I quietly said a few curse words to myself. You see, that day my wife Amber and I planned to be on a trip down south to visit family, explore nature, and tour a few historical sites.

So, I made up my mind that no matter where we were on March 28th we were going to join a NO KINGS rally. As it turned out, we were near Jimmy and Roslyn Carter's hometown of Plains, Georgia and found just what we were looking for. The woman who organized their NK3 rally gave me a big hug when I told her we were a couple of tourists from Pennsylvania, then handed each of us a sign. Mission accomplished.

Later, it was so inspiring to set foot in Jimmy Carter's boyhood home at the farm he grew up on, the school he and Roslyn attended, and the old train depot that became his presidential campaign headquarters. At our last stop, Amber and I said a prayer where Jimmy and Roslyn are buried in the gardens at their home.

After paying our respects to Mr. and Mrs. Carter, I longed for the days when men like President Carter led our great country with honor, integrity, and humility. Sadly, with the current occupant of the White House each day brings another scandal and more hatred for America around the globe. We are going through tough times. But I am confident we will get through this. As the old saying goes... **When times get tough - the tough get going.** With the stakes so high this election season, your County Committee certainly intends to get going. Thankfully we have a full slate of courageous candidates to get behind.

Josh Shapiro and Austin Davis are running for reelection with a record we can all be proud of. Their opponents are just proud to stand behind Donald Trump.

Rachel Wallace is off to a running start in her quest to defeat Donald Trump's personal puppet, Rep. Dan Meuser in the 9th Congressional district. Rachel reminds me of my former boss, Rep. Chris Carney. Back then the naysayers said Carney didn't stand a chance to unseat millionaire Don Sherwood. Until he did. Let there be no doubt Rachel will defeat "Do Nothing" Dan Meuser too.

We all know our State Senate candidate Jackie Baker as the "Better Baker". Jackie is challenging Sen. Lisa Baker in the 20th Senatorial district. Our choice couldn't be clearer. Have you seen Sen. Baker's disgraceful television ad where she's practically doing cartwheels to show her undying support for Donald Trump and his atrocious policies? It tells you all you need to know about what Sen. Baker really stands for. We know for sure the "Better Baker" will make us proud when she becomes our Senator.

Kyle Devlin may be new to the political scene, but he has the making of a State Representative who will accomplish great things for Susquehanna County. He is taking on Rep. Jonathon Fritz in the 111th legislative district. As for Fritz, I remember attending one of his town hall meetings at the Bridgewater Church a few years ago. I nearly fell out of my chair when Fritz said on stage that he only represents Republicans! He

certainly showed his true colors that night. You can be sure Kyle will be a dedicated representative for every citizen of the 111th.

It's up to all of us to answer the call this election season. I can assure you the Susquehanna Democratic party will work tirelessly to elect Josh, Austin, Rachel, Jackie, and Kyle. You can count on them to serve with honor, integrity, and humility. Just like Jimmy Carter.

You know what to do on or before May 19th.

  **PRIMARY ELECTION**   **TUESDAY, MAY 19TH 2026**  

VOTING & ELECTION INFORMATION:

<https://www.pa.gov/agencies/vote>

ON the BALLOT MAY 19, 2026

Governor

Josh Shapiro

joshshapiro.org

Lieutenant Governor

Austin Davis

davisforpa.com

US Congress District 9

Rachel Wallace

wallaceforcongress.com

PA Senate District 20

Jackie Baker

jackiebakerforpa.com

PA House District 111

Kyle Devlin

pennsylvaniansoverprofits.com



6th Annual Patriot Picnic

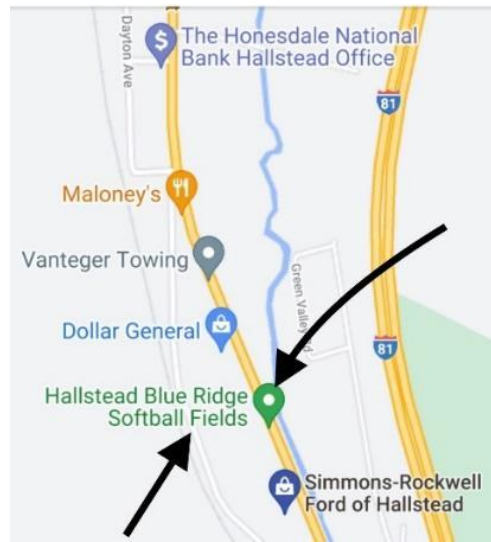


Hosted by
Susquehanna County Democratic Party

Sunday, July 19th

1: 00 – 3:00 pm

Hallstead Ballfield on Route 11



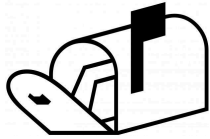
Hamburgers and Hotdogs WILL NOT be served this year.

Bring a chair, a dish to pass, and your own drink.

2026 CANDIDATES INVITED

**A Note from Susquehanna County Democratic Party's Campaign Committee,
Christian Chludzinski**

🇺🇸 **With the 2026 Primary Election fast approaching on May 19th, make sure you're ready to vote!** 🇺🇸



If you are voting by mail, you must request a ballot by May 12th, and it MUST be returned to the Susquehanna County Elections Office at the courthouse in Montrose by 8pm on May 19th!

With our current President actively undermining the reliability of the Postal Service for ballot delivery, make sure you return your mail-in ballot via mail as soon as possible, or for a more reliable return method, you can bring it to the Montrose Courthouse and hand-deliver before 8pm on May 19th.

This year, the Elections Office at the courthouse is even offering some flexible weekend and evening hours for more convenient ballot drop-offs, so check their website at www.susqco.com/departments/voter-registration to find out the extra hours and days on which you can drop off your ballot!



If you are voting in person on **May 19th**, you can vote at your local precinct between **7am and 8pm**. To find your voting precinct, you can check:

www.susqco.com/departments/voter-registration/polling-places

If you ever have any questions about voting, you can always reach out to us at susquehannadems@gmail.com, and we'll get back to you ASAP with answers! We've all been using our voices to push back against the damage being done to our country, so now let's use our votes to support Democratic candidates who will help us rebuild our communities even stronger!

Upcoming Events

- 7:00 pm, May 11, 2026 – Full Committee Meeting
 - 7:00 am – 8:00 pm, May 19, 2026 – General Primary
 - 7:00 pm, June 8, 2026 – Reorganization Meeting
 - 7:00 pm, July 13, 2026 – Executive Committee Meeting
 - 7:00 pm, August 10, 2026 – Executive Committee Meeting
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Volunteer

To learn about what volunteer opportunities are available
Please contact chair@susquehannadems.com

PHOTOS



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Ed Zygmunt, Chair

Submit info. or photos for next newsletter to Jackie Baker,
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