



## Weekly Newsletter

### Chair Check-In

Happy Friday, Democrats!

First, I want to start with some very happy news here in our MDP family - We've welcomed the newest little Democrat to our team! Our Executive Director Vincent Harrington and his wife welcomed a healthy, beautiful baby this week and we couldn't be more excited for them.

We also say goodbye (in a way) to a Maryland legend this week as our dear friend Senator Ben Cardin announced he will retire when his term is up next year. Senator Cardin has earned the right to set his own course and determine his next chapter. He has worked tirelessly for almost 60 years for our state. His compassionate and determined personality epitomizes exactly what we look for in our leaders here in Maryland and he has made us proud every single day he has served our state. He has served alongside other greats in an upper echelon of the finest Marylanders in the last five-plus decades, and his legacy is firmly cemented here. We will miss his leadership dearly. But we will continue to cheer him on in his next chapter, and we look forward to seeing the continued benefits of the vast positive influence he has had on our next generation of Maryland Democrats.

A poll came out this week showing approval ratings for our President, Governor, and General Assembly. Polls can cause lots of chatter and speculation, but our mindset here when it comes to polls has always been that it's simply a snapshot in time and we don't get too high or too low based on polls. We'll take some of the data, such as the issues most important to Marylanders - reproductive rights, economy, education, crime - and make sure we focus even more on those. And we're proud to see that the state overwhelmingly approves of the job our Governor has done. The best is still yet to come.

I also want to take a moment to shed some light on the great work our Dem friends in rural Maryland have done. Our friends in Talbot County flipped a Mayor's seat to a Democrat and the first female Mayor in Easton's history - Megan Cook - and picked up

an impressive win in Ward 1 with Maureen Curry. Those are historic achievements and we couldn't be more proud of our Dems there, including Mayor Cook and Councilwoman Curry. These victories kick open a door for countless young women on the Eastern Shore and across the state.

We were in Western Maryland for the Summit, we had a town hall with Wicomico County, we were in Worcester County last week, and our comms team is working with the state parties in Virginia, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia to collaborate on projects to lift our rural areas. Being in those areas and a part of the conversations there means a lot to us. It's not always easy being a Democrat in a red or rural area. They are in the trenches every day. The real work, the real grind gets done in places like those where our Dems fight an uphill challenge every day. We always want to provide all the reinforcements and resources we can. You should all be proud of the work you've done. Be proud of the process. Most importantly, embrace the challenge.

Lastly, I wanted to speak about this month being Mental Health Awareness Month. This month - and every month - it's important to take care of yourself. Nothing is more important than how you're feeling inside. Your day cannot start and you cannot be the best version of yourself when you're having that internal battle. Anxiety, depression, and overall mental health are a never-ending battle, and we just want you to know that you have a team here at MDP that supports you and values you. Lean on us. Lean on each other. And always prioritize your mental health.

*Let's be great this week.*

In Unity & Solidarity,  
Yvette Lewis

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## Events & Announcements

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# **GALA** **2023**



**HONORING**  
**CONGRESSMAN**  
**STENY HOYER**

*Martin's West*

6817 DOGWOOD RD,  
BALTIMORE, MD 21244

**JUNE 22ND**

**VIP RECEPTION 6:00PM**

GENERAL RECEPTION 6:30 PM | MAIN EVENT 7:00PM

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Come And Join Us For The

**ELLICOTT CITY & WESTERN HOWARD  
COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CLUB**

**05/16/2023**

Linden Hall Community Center  
4765 Dorsey Drive Ellicott City Maryland 21042

**MEETING TIME : 7:00PM**

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**FREDERICK COUNTY DEMOCRATIC GALA**

**06/12/2023**

Dutch's Daughter  
581 Himes Ave Frederick MD 21703

**MEETING TIME : 6:00PM-9:00PM**

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**MD**   
**DEMS**  
**AAPI DLC**  
**ASIAN AMERICAN**  
**HERITAGE MONTH**  
**CELEBRATION**  
**WITH SPECIAL GUESTS**  
**GOVERNOR WES MOORE**  
**& LT. GOVERNOR ARUNA MILLER**

**WEDNESDAY MAY 17, 2023 5:30PM**

**NEW FORTUNE RESTAURANT**

**16515 S FREDERICK AVE**

**GAITHERSBURG, MD 20877**

- GOLD (VIP table location, Host + 9 tickets).....\$1000.00**
- SILVER (Priority table location, Host + 9 tickets).....\$750.00**
- BRONZE (Preferred table location, Host + 9 tickets).....\$500.00**
- GUEST (1 ticket).....\$50.00**

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For more info or to RSVP contact Jamie Conway (jconway@mddems.org) at 443-223-5261

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**2023 Training Series**  
**VAN and Election Data**  
**+ Calculating Your Win Number**

**TUESDAY MAY 23RD 2023**

JOIN US THIS MONTH FOR A REVIEW OF THE ELECTRONIC TOOLS AVAILABLE TO LOCAL DCC'S FOR ELECTIONEERING. WE WILL SPECIFICALLY BE COVERING HOW TO EFFECTIVELY USE VAN AND BOARD OF ELECTIONS DATA.

VIRTUAL EVENT  7:00PM-8:30PM 

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## 2023 WESTERN MARYLAND DEMOCRATIC SUMMIT RECAP



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**mddems** Thank you to everyone in attendance at this year's Western Maryland Democratic Summit!

April 24

# DEMOCRATIC STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING





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# THANK YOU,

# SENATOR

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The Maryland Democratic Party celebrates Governor Wes Moore and Lieutenant Governor Aruna Miller's 100 days in office. We are proud of our state's administration and the hard work they've put in to make sure no one is left behind.

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**100**



**DAYS**





**Aruna Miller**  · **Following**



6d · 

**Governor Wes Moore & I are looking forward to celebrating AAPI Heritage Month with the Maryland Democratic Asian American Pacific Islander Diversity Leadership Council's *AAPI Leaves No One Behind - To Serve and Lead!* on Wed., May 17, 2023.**

**Tickets: <https://secure.actblue.com/donate/mdpaapimonth2023>**







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IBEW Local Union 26





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**lauren.noel.rn** Great time at the Maryland Democratic State Central Committee meeting!

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These 4 bills —————  
Were passed to provide  
Maryland better Mental  
Health Care



HB121: Mental Health -  
Treatment Plans for  
Individuals in Facilities



SB0263: Maryland Higher Education  
Commission - Access to Mental Health  
Advisory Committee - Establishment



SB0362: Behavioral Health Care -  
Treatment and Access (Behavioral  
Health Model for Maryland)



SB0003: 9-8-8  
Trust Fund



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**mddems** This month, the Maryland Democratic Party highlights our legislative officials who are leading the charge, advocating for the mental health of all Marylanders. #swipeleft

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