

# New Hanover County Democratic Party

## NEWSLETTER

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### Locations of Early Voting Sites Announced

The Board of Elections announced that the early voting sites for the election will be as follows:

Site 1: New Hanover Government Center, Office Suite 9

Site 2: Cape Fear Museum, 814 Market Street

Site 3: Carolina Beach Municipal Building, Training Room

Times & Days are as follows:

October 14 – 30, 9 AM – 5 PM, Monday – Friday; Saturday, October 30, 9 AM – 1 PM.

There will be no one-stop voting available on any weekend except the final day of early voting, Saturday, October 30 (ends at 1 PM).



### Voter Contact Phase of Campaign Moves into Full Force

The North Carolina Democrat Party and the state chapter of Organizing for America have joined forces to create the Victory 2010 Coordinated Campaign.

New Hanover County has been identified as a key county in this election. For this reason, the NC Coordinated Campaign will have a strong presence in New Hanover County.

The fact that you are receiving this letter means you probably fall within the “already persuaded” category of Democratic voters, meaning you’re a regular voter and you regularly vote Democratic. But ... we can’t persuade ourselves to victory in November. We have to go to voters outside our normal spheres of influence.

While there are many ways to communicate a political message, the most effective form of political communication is **direct voter contact** through door-to-door canvassing and phone calls. That’s why volunteers with the coordinated campaign are making phone calls from 272 North Front Street every Tuesday and Thursday evening from 5- 8 PM and will begin weekly door-to-door canvassing next month.



## Voter Registration Closes October 8 (except at One-Stop)

Voter registration closes Friday, October 8, 2010, at 5:00 PM (unless you register in One-Stop voting). One may register at the office of the New Hanover County Board of Elections, 230 Government Center Drive, Mon - Fri, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., and at any DMV location when transacting business. Mail-in forms are available at any of the public libraries. Voter registration applications are also available on the Board of Elections web site.

To register during one-stop voting, a citizen must go to a One-Stop site in their county of residence during the One Stop Voting period; complete a voter registration application and provide proof of residency by showing the elections official an appropriate form of PROOF OF RESIDENCE (not to be mistaken with identification) with the citizen's current name and current address. The new registrant may vote ONLY at a One-Stop Absentee Voting site, in the county of registration, during One Stop Absentee Voting and NOT on Election Day. For more information, go to the Board of Elections web site at [www.nhcvote.com](http://www.nhcvote.com)

## Richard Burr Attacks Andy Griffith!

Native North Carolinian Andy Griffith has appeared on a television ad discussing how the health care law passed will help Americans with their medical needs. Richard Burr and a handful of other Republicans don't like that. Incredibly, they are demanding that the Secretary of U.S. Department of Health and Human Services take down the public service announcement and repay the government for any expenses. As Sheriff Taylor would've said, "Don't that just beat all?" Here is a link to the story that was broken in the Raleigh News & Observer: <http://www.newsobserver.com/2010/08/05/614893/sheriff-andys-ad-sets-off-gop.html>

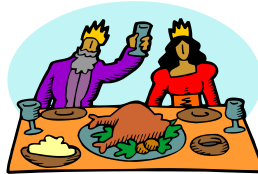


## Richard Burr May Be Most Vulnerable Incumbent in US

A recent survey by Raleigh-based Public Policy Polling has found Democrat Elaine Marshall moving closer to incumbent US Senator Richard Burr, R-N.C., as Marshall consolidates support from her party's faithful. The report states: "Burr's support in the horse race has stagnated, but his job approval numbers are the worst PPP has ever recorded. Here's the link: [http://www.publicpolicypolling.com/pdf/PPP\\_Release\\_NC\\_8031102.pdf](http://www.publicpolicypolling.com/pdf/PPP_Release_NC_8031102.pdf)

## State Budget Spending at lowest level in 14 years

Is State spending “out of control”? Consider this: The July 2010 publication of the North Carolina Budget & Tax Center shows that state spending per capita is now at the lowest level since Fiscal Year 1996-1997, dropping \$311 over the past three years. “Measured as a share of the state’s Total Person Income, state spending has dropped from 8.16% in FY 1998-99 to 5.8% in FY 2010-11.” You can view the report at <http://www.ncjustice.org/>



## Unity Banquet '10: Celebrating the Past, Envisioning the Future

The Unity Banquet will be held Saturday, September 25, 6 PM, Coastline Convention Center.

The Unity Banquet is the largest traditional gathering of New Hanover County Democrats of the year. Come join us as we kick off our big GOTV push just before the start of early voting. Past keynote speakers have included Bev Perdue, Ron Kirk (US Trade Representative); Steny Hoyer (current House Majority Leader, US Congress), Erskine Bowles, John Edwards.

Tickets are **only \$50 each/\$400 table of 8** (still at the same low price it's been for over a decade), but must be received in advance.

- Title Sponsor** \$1000 (Top Billing/8 Tickets/front-center table)
- Gold Sponsor** \$500 (Listed as Gold Sponsor/8 Tickets/table - preferential seating)
- JFK Sponsor** \$150 (Listed as JFK Sponsor/2 Tickets)
- Blue Sponsor** \$75 (Listed as Blue Sponsor/1 Ticket)

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