



March 2026

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What's Coming Up

March

- 7th - DCC's Women's History Month Luncheon at El Jefe, 11:00 AM-2:00 PM
- 18th - Membership Meeting, 7 PM, Kent Island Public Library
- 28th - No Kings Day Rally, Queen Anee's County Courthouse Square in Centreville

April

- 15th - Membership Meeting, 7 PM, Kent Island Public Library
- 25th - Yard Sale Dem Club Fundraiser, 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM, Dem Office, 121 Clay Dr.

Next Membership Meeting is March 18th at Kent Island Library, 7 PM

There is so much going on right now in our country and with the upcoming 2026 elections. We use the monthly membership meetings as a way to talk about the most current events unfolding, take action together where we can, bring candidates to our meeting so you can know more about who is running for office, and offer the opportunity to share conversation with like-minded people.

Our meetings are generally the third Wednesday of every month. Mark it on your calendar. Plan to join us on March 18th!

[Want to know Where Andy \(Harris\) is? Read the editorial later in our newsletter.](#)

Recent Events

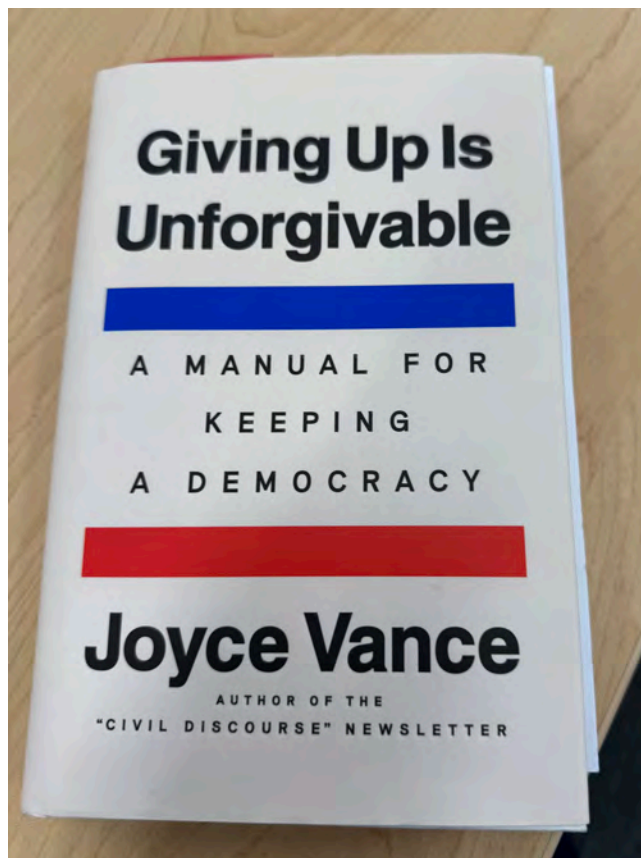
February 18th Membership Meeting

Our February 18th membership meeting included community activists Gerald and Zen Campbell, and candidate Victor Allen Guidice.

The Campbell's live in the Annapolis area and they shared their story about how they have encouraged other like-minded people to participate in demonstrating against the current political reality. They brought a number of signs to share, including the following:



Additionally, a great book was recommended, *Giving Up is Unforgivable*, by Joyce Vance.



We also hosted Victor Allen Guidice, the 4th candidate to declare candidacy for the Democratic primary, hoping to run against Republican Andy Harris in the U.S House representing Maryland's 1st Congressional District. The other three candidates include Democrats Dan Schwartz, George Walsh, and Randi White.

Victor's candidacy card highlights the following areas he is committed to:

- Lower cost of living
- Universal child care
- Universal health care
- The restoration of constitutional rights
- Employable skills for high school grads
- Universal higher education

Victor has roots in District 1 that go back 120 years. He is a business solutions consultant, multiple mastery craftsman, and logistical technician who holds certifications in the fields of heavy equipment operation, and is a current commercial driver's license holder. Victor has lived and worked on boats in the Chesapeake Bay for more than 20 years.



Victor Allen Guidice

Upcoming Events

Dem Coffee Meetup on March 14th, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Come join us on March 14th for a bit of Democratic camaraderie. No RSVP necessary. We each buy our own and share in the conversation at A Little Lovely Coffee House located within the Queenstown Premium Outlets (near the Gap), 430 Outlet Center Dr.

A little laughter goes a long way right now!

A Little Lovely Coffee House
430 Outlet Center Dr, Queenstown



Yard Sale Fundraiser at the QAC Dem Office, April 25th!!



Looking to declutter your home or find some hidden treasures? Join us for a community Yard Sale Fundraiser hosted by the Democratic Club of Queen Annes County! It's the perfect chance to support a great cause, shop for unique items, and enjoy a day out with neighbors.

Event Details:

- **Date:** April 25th, 2026
- **Rain Date:** April 26th, 2026
- **Time:** 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM (Set-up starts at 8:00 AM)
- **Location:** Democrat Club Office, 121 Clay Street, Queenstown, MD

Vendor Spaces Available:

We're offering vendor spaces for only \$20! Bring your own tables and sell your items to help raise funds for the Democrat Club. Whether you're clearing out old clothes, furniture, or collectibles, this event is a great way to contribute to a good cause.

Donations Welcome:

Don't have anything to sell? No worries! We are also accepting donations for the Democrat Club before the event. Your generosity will directly support the club's future activities.

How to Register or Donate:

To reserve a space or donate, please contact Andrea Alduino at 410-310-0573 or via email at 4hgsleader@gmail.com. Be sure to put "Yard Sale" in the subject line for quick reference.

We can't wait to see you there – let's make this Yard Sale a huge success for our community!

Important Notes:

- In case of rain, the event will be rescheduled to April 26th.
- Please bring your own tables for setting up your sale space.

We appreciate your support and look forward to a fun-filled day!

Barbecue Bash at Conquest Beach, October 3rd, 2026 *SAVE THE DATE!*

Get ready for a fun-filled family day at **Conquest Beach** in Centreville, MD! We're excited to announce our **Barbecue Bash** on **October 3rd, 2026**, and we want YOU to be part of the excitement.

Event Details:

- **Date:** October 3rd, 2026
- **Location:** Conquest Beach, Centreville, MD

This event will be packed with great food, games, and activities for all ages! It's the perfect opportunity to gather with friends and family, enjoy the beautiful fall weather, and make lasting memories.

We Need Your Help!

We're looking for **volunteers** to help with planning and organizing the event. If you're interested in lending a hand, we'd love to have you on board to make this day a success!

How to Get Involved:

To volunteer or for more information, please contact **Andrea Alduino** at 410-310-0573 or email 4hgsleader@gmail.com. Be sure to put "**Conquest Beach**" in the subject line for quick reference.



Community Efforts and Action

The Action Group

The Action Group is working with both Democratic congressional candidates to collaborate on community outreach initiatives. As these develop, we will keep our membership posted.

Our big project this month is the No Kings rally in Centreville on March 28 (see below). RSVP at [this link](#). We've already had many people sign up to attend. Please plan to attend – we are optimistically expecting hundreds! We have plenty of signs, so if you need one, just show up at the rally and pick one.

We need lots of volunteers to make this happen. Contact marti, martimackz@gmail.com, or Cindy, millercynthia1952@gmail.com, to offer your services.

No Kings Day Rally, March 28th, 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM, Centreville



Come one, Come all,
Frogs and dogs,
Patriots and Protesters,
Take back Our America!

Save the date and [RSVP](#) for the next big nationwide protest event as people will take to the streets in cities and towns across the country to say:

No Kings here now or ever. This is our America.

We are planning to fill the Queen Anne's County Courthouse Square and line the streets of Centreville. Building on the success of our No Kings Rally in October, we will have speakers and music and lots of activities for people of all ages.

[RSVP at this link.](#)

Help Us Plan

We will meet at QA Democratic Headquarters every Tuesday. 10:00 AM - noon, to finalize plans. Bring your ideas and talents.

Tell all your friends and neighbors, make your posters (or use ours), and keep protesting the illegal, immoral, racist and damaging policies of He Who Wants to be King and his thugs.

[QAC Democratic Central Committee \(QACDCC\)](#)

[Elaine McNeil, Chair](#)

[March 7th Women's History Month Luncheon](#)

Mark your calendar for the Women's History Month Luncheon at El Jefe, 11:00 AM-2:00 PM. This is a fundraiser to support our candidates. **Our special guest is Maryland's Comptroller Brooke Lierman.** See qacdcc.org for tickets

 **3rd Annual** 
Women's Luncheon

Join us for delicious food
and a special guest speaker!

Saturday, March 7th, 12-2pm
at El Jefe Restuarant

Tickets available at
qacdcc.org





We Still Need Candidates!

We still need candidates and we can help with the details. Now is the time to step up! We can register candidates until March 10 (we were given the wrong information before).

We need-

- Commissioners
- Sheriff
- States Attorney (requires a MD law licence)
- Clerk of Courts
- Register of Wills

Voters need to send a message in November. Be part of the solution - Contest Every Race 2026. Visit QACDCC.org for descriptions of the above openings.

Help Please!

Please sign up to cover the office, do research, hold a meet and greet, doorknock, make phone calls, etc. The Primary Election is in June - let's get everyone out to support the party candidates.

Where's Andy?

Written on February 25th by QAC Dem Club Board Member, Paul Honigberg

Proud to Serve Trump

For 108 painful minutes on February 24, 2026, President Donald Trump delivered a State of the Union speech long on bombast and self-congratulations but short on policies designed to help the American people. Lowlights included a racist attack on Somali Americans, repeated lies about the 2020 election having been stolen, claims that Democrats can only win the upcoming elections if they cheat, and calling Democrats crazy and unpatriotic.

But to Congressman Andy Harris, M.D. (R-MD1), it was a “master class.” For Andy to call the speech a master class shows that he has completely lost his way. Rather than representing the interests of his constituents in Maryland’s First Congressional District, he is nothing but a skill for the Trump Administration.

Andy Harris never tires of telling us how proud he is to represent the people of the First District in Congress. He talks a good game, but his actions don’t align with the interests of his district.

He claims to support businesses in his district. But he continues to support Trump’s chaotic tariff policies. Following the State of the Union, Andy went on local media and reaffirmed his support for Trump’s tariffs, even though the U.S. Supreme Court declared them unconstitutional on February 20. Andy claimed that the president had a “plan” for his tariffs, but it is clear the so-called plan is whatever Trump thinks will help him in that minute.

To be clear, tariffs are inflationary because they raise prices on U.S. businesses and consumers. Non-partisan research groups have placed the cost of the tariffs at \$1,000 per U.S. family in 2025, a figure estimated to rise to \$1,300 in 2026. The U.S. Congress Joint Economic Committee – Minority places the cost at over \$1,700 per family. Meanwhile, retaliatory tariffs imposed by other countries reduce our exports, including in agriculture, the lifeblood of the Eastern Shore economy. And, contrary to Andy’s claims, tariffs have not resulted in a flood of foreign investment or the opening of new manufacturing facilities.

Andy also claims to be a champion for the Chesapeake Bay. He claims membership in the Chesapeake Bay House caucus, which focuses on issues relating to restoration of the Bay, including water quality, conservation, resource management, recreation and economic development. He recently sent a letter to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) requesting that the agency declare an economic fishery disaster to provide immediate assistance to Maryland oystermen following this year’s devastating season.

Andy’s claimed fondness for Chesapeake Bay runs smack dab into other positions he holds. Andy was a big fan of the efforts of Trump’s Department of Government Efficiency, run by Elon Musk. As a result of DOGE’s efforts, the NOAA workforce was decimated. The so-called One Big Beautiful Bill Act, the Republican Congress’s signature deficit-ballooning achievement, slashed funding at NOAA. Under these

circumstances, one wonders whether anyone is available at NOAA to open Andy's letter, let alone work on the request for assistance.

Showing his true colors, Andy rails against green energy, calling it the Green New Deal Scam. He was only too happy to vote to end the environmental-related expenditures made by the Inflation Reduction Act. He is also a member of the Congressional Coal Caucus, which is comprised of House members who claim to "recognize the importance of achieving a more energy-independent nation while also focusing on coal as a natural resource." Perhaps they should also focus on the effect fossil fuels have on global warming and the harm that this does to the environment, including Chesapeake Bay.

Claiming to care about the Chesapeake Bay while promoting the interests of the fossil fuel industry makes no sense. It demonstrates, however, that Andy's concern for the environment is just for show.

On issue after issue – from health care, to the cruel and inhumane (and murderous) tactics of ICE and CBP, to voting rights – Andy's only real constituent is President Trump. The First District needs a real representative, not a Trump cheerleader.

Let's Meet Up!

Join a Short-term Planning Committee or Action Activity!! Volunteer!

Is your thing helping with events? Contributing cookies? Making phone calls? Being a helping hand at an event? Read this newsletter and/or come to the meetings and volunteer to help, maybe on just one thing. Every little bit helps!

We would like to have members covering the county headquarters every Tuesday and Thursday morning. We need help supporting future candidates, computer entry, filing, greeting people at outreach events like Centreville Day, KI Farmers market, and more. Contact Merle Schwartz merleschwartz@me.com, Andrea Alduino 4hgsleader@gmail.com, or Elaine McNeil elainemcneil101@gmail.com.

Support the Cause

Get Your Awesome QAC Democrat T-Shirt Now!



Are you proud to be a Queen Anne's County Democrat? 2026 can result in a blue wave, so wear your blue and show you are working to Free America! Shirts in sizes small-to-extra large will be on sale at our March membership meeting and at Democratic headquarters each Tuesday morning. The cost is \$20 each.

Help Us Find New Members

Share our website with friends! <http://qacdems.org>

Renew Your Membership Today!

We still have much to do to turn the tide blue right here in Queen Anne's County. Let us continue the course TOGETHER to build a solid foundation for future elections

We hope that you will continue to support our Democratic Club to fight for justice, equality, and opportunity by renewing your [membership](#) in the Democratic Club of Queen Anne's County or joining for the first time. Your dues help to cover the Club's outreach efforts, special events, materials, printing, and postage. Annual dues are only \$35/household, \$20/individual, or #10/student. Renew at <http://qacdems.org>

Donate Today

Set up a *recurring donation* through ActBlue to help support the Queen Anne's County Democrats. Recurring donations help us keep our *county headquarters*, lend support to local *democratic candidates*, and maintain a *presence in our community*. \$5, \$10, \$15, \$20.... a month will help keep the office open! Visit qacdcc.org for more information Recurring donation? Click on [ActBlue](#)

If you would like to make a donation to the QAC Democratic Club, an easy way to do it is either through our [website](#) or use the QR Code below.



Donate to the QAC Dems
Club!

Our Legislators

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Pro-Democracy News Sources (source: Indivisible) and Resources

Want to *do something* quickly and often to oppose what is happening in DC?

Install the app 5 Calls!

5 Calls is an easy way to take five minutes to make five calls to influence our representatives. 5 Calls does the research for each issue and determines which representatives are most influential for which topic, collecting phone numbers for those offices and writing scripts that clearly articulate a progressive position.

Independent Writers

Heather Cox Richardson (Letters from an American)

Robert Hubbell (Today's Edition Newsletter)

Jessica Craven (Chop Wood, Carry Water)

Joyce Vance (Civil Discourse)

Jamelle Bouie (The New York Times, but also on TikTok)

Timothy Snyder (historian focused on democracy and authoritarianism)

Marc Elias (Democracy Docket)

Mehdi Hasan (Zeteo)

Osita Nwanevu (The New Republic)

Michael Podhorzer

Brian Beutler, Dan Pfeiffer (“The Message Box”)

Podcasts & New Media

Politics Girl

The Bulwark Podcast

MeidasTouch / “Legal AF”

Pitchfork Economics

Majority Report with Sam Seder

Deep State Radio (The DSR Network)

SiriusXM Progress Channel 127

Media Matters

Traditional & Mainstream News Outlets

MSNBC

NPR

BBC

PBS

The Guardian

Mother Jones

Rolling Stone

The Atlantic

ProPublica

The American Prospect

The New Republic

Harper's

Fact-Checking & Media-Bias Resources

AllSides (Media Bias ratings)

Ad Fontes Media (Interactive Media Bias Chart)

Media Bias/Fact Check

FactCheck.org, PolitiFact, Snopes, Reuters Fact Check

Ground News (bias checker feature)

Other Notable Mentions

Democracy Now! for progressive-leaning coverage

Daily Kos (community-driven political news)

Talking Points Memo, The Intercept for deep investigative or policy-focused content

Pod Save family (Crooked Media), focusing on progressive politics and activism

Local / State News: Some recommended tracking state legislative news via



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