

HCDP EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2021-23



Cindy Ellis, Chair

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Hendersonville has been Cindy's home for close to forty years, She and her husband, Chris, raised their two children here. Cindy received three degrees in Education and Administration from Mars Hill College and Western Carolina University. Her work with the Henderson County Public Schools spanned 30 years and included roles as a teacher, instructional coach, and assistant principal in elementary schools across the county. Her passion for community service led her to serve as a tutor, a Sunday School teacher, a volunteer for several nonprofits, as well as a Precinct Officer and First Vice Chair for the HCDP. Cindy enjoys visiting with her children and three grandchildren, as well as traveling, hiking and gardening.



Jennifer Smith, 3rd Vice Chair

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Jennifer J. Smith Hall is an Alabama native and a Henderson County tiny house owner. She's a former competitive debater and daily newspaper reporter, and for the last 20 years she's been a national, award-winning Democratic political consultant. While she's a former skydiver and SCUBA diver, these days she gets her thrills recruiting and training local candidates to run for office. She and her husband, Chris, have one red-headed dachshund and two red-headed rescue cats.



Michelle Antalec, 1st Vice Chair

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Originally from New Orleans, Michelle came to love politics during dinner discussions between her Democratic mother and Republican father. Following this path, Michelle's undergraduate degree is in Political Science. For graduate school Michelle headed back to the bayou graduating with a MS in Finance from LSU. Her work experience includes Risk Management, Adjunct Business Faculty, Corporate Banker, Legislative Intern and camp counselor. Michelle lives in Flat Rock with her husband, Michael Bell, two rescued Siamese cats, two rescued dogs and a golden retriever. When time permits, Michelle enjoys travel, yoga, and kayaking.



Steve Culp, Treasurer

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Steve originates from the Piedmont area of North Carolina, and received his education at Duke University before moving north to study at MIT. Along with his degrees, Steve has certifications (inactive) in public accounting and treasury management. Steve and his wife, Mary, have lived in many parts of the U.S. and abroad as his career was mostly in finance roles at companies in the financial services industry. Mary enjoyed her career as a nurse. Although the kids and grandkids live too far away, they enjoy traveling and visiting them whenever they can.



Bruce Sargent, 2nd Vice Chair

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Bruce originates from the UK where he gained Masters and Doctorate science degrees from the Universities of Cambridge and Manchester before starting his 35-year career as a pharmaceutical research scientist through which he helped deliver over a dozen new medicines into clinical testing and/or clinical use. Moving to the US (Albany, NY) in 2001, Bruce became an executive at a public company managing a \$50m budget and teams of several hundred research scientists across four continents. Upon retirement, Bruce and his wife, Yvonne, (who have two daughters in their 30's) retired to Henderson County in early 2015. Between work for HCDP, Bruce enjoys gardening, hiking, skiing, cycling, and DIY.



Dana Lundy, Secretary

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Originally from western MA, Dana Lundy moved from Portland, ME to her current home in Henderson County in October, 2020. She earned a BA from Bates College and an MS from Wheelock College. She is proud to have had a career working with nonprofit organizations on behalf of populations considered to be "at risk" and she has an extensive background supporting early education and Head Start programs. She is married to the love of her life, and enjoys hiking, playing violin, traveling, and spending time with family and friends.

The strength of our Party begins with Precinct Leadership.

To contact the Chair of your Precinct, please write to info@myhcdp.com

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Bat Cave

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Etowah South

Natalie Aalto

Flat Rock

Steven Horne

Fletcher

Keith Sashegyi

Green River

Chris Kruse

Grimesdale

Aloha Smith

Hendersonville -1

Ann B'rells

Hendersonville -2

Virginia Tegal

Hendersonville -3

Bettie Orr

Hoopers Creek

Brandon Olsen

Horse Shoe

Jack Robinson

Laurel Park

Ed Mattern

Long John Mountain

Lynn Conchado

North Mills River

Evelyn Brush

Park Ridge

Josh Feierstein

Raven Rock

Betty Lou Wallace

Southwest

Bob Hartsell

Our progress as the local Democratic Party organization is dependent on two things: VOLUNTEERS and DONATIONS!

When resources run low in either of these, we fail to thrive in our mission of mobilizing voters to elect Democratic candidates. In the 2020 election, Henderson County saw historic gains in Democratic support. Although not all of our candidates prevailed, we were successful in moving the margin nearly 10 points in favor of Democrats. We need YOUR help NOW in making sure we continue that trend in 2022 and bring Democratic leadership to state and national government. Please consider joining our fight. Go to www.myhcdp.com and follow the links to make your contribution and/or learn more about volunteering.

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A Strong Team



Leads to Success!



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*There are seventeen precincts "unorganized" in our County. If your precinct is not listed here, please consider helping us to get it "organized" with officers by volunteering to be Chair, Vice Chair or Sec/Treas. We will train you! You will determine the time commitment. (And, by the way, it's fun!)