

NonPartisan Coalition

- Strengthening Communities
- Advocating for Ethical Elected Officials

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Our Web Site

Please visit our web site at:

nonpartisancoalition.net

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Welcome to Our Newsletter

Our organization is dedicated to bringing together people from all political points of view. Our goals are: 1) improving our local communities and 2) advocating for ethical elected officials.

This newsletter will be sent via email to those who sign up on our web site: nonpartisancoalition.net. We hope you will sign up so that we can keep you informed about our group's projects.

Encourage others to visit our web site and sign up too. The more people who sign up to receive our newsletter, the better we will be able to advocate for high-quality programs and governments that serve communities.

Our Mission Statement

Our mission is to work with people from all political points of view to strengthen our communities and hold our elected officials accountable for serving constituents.



Voter information at: https://elections.maryland.gov/elections/2018/general_ballots/PG.pdf

Voter registration: https://elections.maryland.gov/voter_registration/index.html



What's New

We are growing. We are improving! With that growth, we have made some changes. Below is a summary of what's new:

- We've simplified our name. We are now *NonPartisan Coalition*. (We dropped the word "United" from our title.)
- We have a renewed focus on demonstrable outcomes.
- We are developing clear statements that will guide our projects. (See our web site for a list of statements.)
- We have a steering committee and project leaders who are taking leadership roles in helping us meet our positive, non-partisan goals.

Our Leadership Team

Carol Jenkins- founder

Jeff Jenkins- co-founder

Anita Brown- recording secretary

Joseph Jones- vice president

Carol Relitz- web administrator

Our Projects

Improving Our Local Government

Many of our *NonPartisan Coalition* members are actively working to hold elected officials accountable. We have members who are attending public meetings, participating in department and committee meetings, and making connections with other civic leaders. Our *NonPartisan Coalition* will post general information, or provide links on the web site, when it is useful for the public. When there are issues of concern, we will advocate and lobby in partnership with our contacts. Postings about these lobbying efforts will be shared, without bias, in this newsletter.

Serving All Resident

We are beginning to make contact with citizen and service organizations throughout Prince George's County. We are listening to concerns and gathering information about services. We plan to use this information to guide us as we seek to improve services for all residents.

Improving Our Community



Thanks to West Laurel Civic Association president, Barbara Sollner-Webb and our own bird house team members, Carol and Bob Relitz, residents in West Laurel will soon see bird houses popping up around our community. The tree houses are there to attract a small bird called a tree swallow. Tree swallows are an environmentally responsible way to reduce the mosquito and flying insect populations. Bird houses will be placed near ponds and other problem areas.

According to veteran birder Dick Tuttle (NABS Bluebird Journal, 2006-2007): Each adult Tree Swallow will consume about 2,000 insects per day during an average 45-day nesting period. The parents also catch and feed their brood about 6,000 insects per day during an average 20 days spent inside the nesting box.

Since 90% of their hunting takes place below 39 feet, tree swallows can make a real dent in insect populations that pester humans. <http://www.sialis.org/tres.htm>