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PRESS RELEASE

Vanderburgh County Democratic Party Chairman Scott Danks is pleased to announce that Vice Chair, Edie Hardcastle, has agreed to seek the position of Chair.

Danks had attempted to have Edie become the Chair in January of this year, but she wanted to serve as Vice Chair first to "learn the ropes." Edie dove in and her performance has been exemplary.

"Edie is extremely intelligent, energetic, politically savvy, and is genuinely a very nice person who gets along with everyone she encounters" said Danks.

Edie has her PhD in biology and has taught at the University of Southern Indiana for 16 years. She currently serves as associate professor of biology. Edie previously served as president of Indivisible Evansville until running for a State Senate Seat in 2018.

Danks is leaving the post because "although I absolutely love Democratic politics, I simply cannot devote the time the position of Chair deserves."

Additionally, Vanderburgh County Democratic Party treasurer, Alex Burton, will be leaving office to devote more time to his election campaign for the City's Fourth Ward, to become more involved in Young Democrats of America where he currently serves as the Indiana Delegation Chair and to focus on job readiness and job creation for the City of Evansville.

Current party secretary, Cheryl Schultz, will be seeking Alex's position as treasurer. Cheryl is retired from the EVSC where she worked for the Center for Family, School, and Community Partnership, served as treasurer for Edie Hardcastle's State Senate campaign, and is a musician having recently retired from Blue Grass United Methodist. As secretary, Cheryl has proven to be invaluable to the Party.

A caucus to elect new officers will be held on July 24 from 6-7 p.m. at Central Library in Browning Room A. Anyone interested in seeking any of the Central Committee Officer positions are welcome to do so. Written notice must be provided to secretary, Cheryl Schultz (3831 Grassmere Lane, 47725) at least 72 hours prior to the caucus.

Sincerely,

Chairman Vanderburgh County Democratic Party

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