



GERMANTOWN DEMOCRATIC CLUB

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Individual: \$25/year
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Gunfire was the leading cause
of death for Tennesseans ages
one to 18 in 2021.

- *From a study published
by The Sycamore
Institute, an
Independent Non-
Partisan Public Policy
Research Center for
Tennessee*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**OUR MEETINGS ARE HELD
AT COLETTA'S RESTAURANT
2850 Appling Rd, Bartlett**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 2023, 11:00 AM – 5:00 PM
INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL**

AGRICENTER, 7777 WALNUT GROVE

Germantown Dems will have a booth at the International Festival this year.
We look forward to seeing some of you there.

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2023, 6:30 PM
JUDGE DAVID POOL**

Our guest speaker will be Criminal Court Judge David Pool to discuss
issues in the Criminal Courts.

**SATURDAY-SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9-10
GERMANTOWN FESTIVAL**

Germantown Dems will once again have a booth at the festival, so please
come on out and see us. Better yet, volunteer to work a shift. See reverse
for details on how to sign up.

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2023, 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM
ANNUAL ALL-AMERICAN PICNIC
CAMERON BROWN PARK**

8628 FARMINGTON BLVD, GERMANTOWN

Come and enjoy an afternoon of food and fellowship. We will be grilling
hot dogs, and will provide buns, condiments, chips, and beverages. Bring
your lawn chairs. Side dishes welcome.

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2023, 6:30 PM
TO BE ANNOUNCED**

Our meetings start at 6:30 pm, but if you wish to dine before the meeting,
please make sure to arrive and get your orders in before 6:00 pm to cut
down on the traffic during the speakers' presentations. Thanks!

AS WE ENTER OUR FOURTH DECADE

Germantown Democratic Club – serving Shelby County since 1993. This is our 30th year – the Club is the oldest continuously operating Democratic organization in Shelby County and one of the oldest in Tennessee. We started during the Clinton administration, endured W’s terms, thrived through the Obama years, strongly resisted during the T**** era and are prospering again with Biden in the White House. I’m not sure we can take all the credit, but during our existence we’ve had 18 years of Democratic Presidents, 8 of Republican, and 4 of a Fascist criminal leading the country.

We have over 1000 members, and it is all of us together that enable the club to thrive and grow. But we’re not done yet. There is plenty of work ahead of us and we need everyone’s help.

This year we can flip several Republican-controlled seats on the City Council. Districts 2 and 5 and Positions 1 and 2 in Super District 9 have had Republicans for the last decade – these can be flipped this year. Reach out to a campaign (or to any of our officers) to see how you can help. And, if you live in Memphis, don’t forget to vote!!!

Next year, District 97 (where many of us live) has been determined to be the most flippable district in the state. Let’s make sure we elect a Democrat there next year - they’ll need our help.

And we’ve all heard the rumors – it looks like we may have an experienced campaigner taking up the challenge to send Marsha home to Tennessee.

As we enter our fourth decade, be on the lookout for a new logo, a new website, new handouts, an Act Blue account to allow online contributions, and a new, integrated club roster to ensure everyone receives the most current information. As always, we don’t share our members’ info with any candidates or causes.

While the faces may have changed, our underlying principles have remained the same – To Educate, To Motivate, To Connect.

- Dave Cambron

GERMANTOWN FESTIVAL: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Jeff Etheridge is collecting names of people who are willing to volunteer to work a 2-hour shift at the Germantown Festival. The festival hours are Saturday, Sept. 9, from 9am-6pm, and Sunday, Sep. 10, from noon-6pm. This is a great way to get to meet other members and to reach out to the public. You may call Jeff at 901-258-7915 or sign up via this link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e4cacac29a5f9c70-germantown#/>

NEED YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS

If you are a member who receives only a hard copy of our newsletter but does not receive any emails from us, please send us your email address. Since we have been using Facebook to publicize issues and opportunities for action, we have drastically reduced the number of emails we send out. Instead, we are using our email account primarily for communicating club news. Occasionally we have had last minute changes to meetings or speakers, and email is our primary tool for communicating those changes. Please send your info to GTownDems@gdctn.org, and don’t forget to identify yourself so that we can match the email with the name. We also have numerous email addresses that we cannot positively match to an owner, and yours may be one of them.

SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE SESSION AUG 21

Don’t forget to contact your State Representatives and your State Senators to say you support the Governor’s Special Session and to please enact new, common-sense gun laws. This is not the session or the rules anyone wanted, but some good may come of it. Our Democrats will do the right thing – Please call:

Rep Mark White – District 83 (615) 741-4415

Rep Kevin Vaughn – District 95 (615) 741-1866

Rep John Gillespie – District 97 (615) 741-8201

Rep Tom Leatherwood – District 99 (615) 741-7084

Sen Brent Taylor – District 31 (615) 741-3036

Sen Paul Rose – District 32 (615) 741-1967

Not sure who represents you – use the Find My Legislator tool on the Tennessee General Assembly website.

