



# GERMANTOWN DEMOCRATIC CLUB

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*..there is no evidence Potus  
(sic) colluded with Russia.  
This story is FAKE NEWS  
and everyone knows it!*

- @realDonaldTrump on  
Twitter, 3/20/17

*Collusion is not a crime.*  
- Trump Attorney, Rudy  
Giuliani, on "Fox &  
Friends", 7/30/18

## EVENT SCHEDULE

**Wednesday, August 22, 2018**

### TENNESSEE RISING PROGRAM

A representative from the Tennessee Democratic Party will be with us to explain its innovative approach to helping candidates for state office.

**September 8-9, 2018**

### GERMANTOWN FESTIVAL

Once again, our club will have a booth at the Germantown festival. Please stay tuned, we may have a gubernatorial or US Senate candidate drop by.

**Sunday, September 23, 2018, 4-7 pm**

### ALL-AMERICAN PICNIC

Food, fellowship, music and politicking at the large picnic pavilion in Cameron Brown Park in Germantown at 8628 Farmington Blvd. This event will take the place of our regular September meeting. Bring a dish or bring just yourself.

**Wednesday, October 24, 2018**

### PRE-ELECTION COUNTDOWN

Representatives of various campaigns will be on hand to discuss opportunities for activism in the final countdown to the November 6 election. Get involved!

**Wednesday, November 28, 2018**

### TARIFFS AND TRADE WARS

Attorney (and club member) Bill Gillon, an expert on agriculture and international trade, will discuss the economic impact of tariffs.

All regular meetings are held at Coletta's Restaurant, 2850 Appling Rd, Bartlett (just south of Stage & Appling). Dinner starts at 6:00 pm, meeting starts at 6:30 pm.

What a Thursday!! Congratulations to all our Democratic winners and to Corey Strong and the SCDP. We've all preached that "When Democrats vote, Democrats win", Thursday was the proof. Sweeping the County offices was the culmination of something we have been working on for years. Beginning September 1st, Democrats will control all County offices except for District Attorney. As was pointed out, Shelby County Republicans may have difficulty mounting challenges in the future with a non-existent bench and few prospects. The blue tsunami wiped them out.

But (there's always a "but"), we aren't finished yet. We have races in November for US Senator, Governor and Tennessee Senate and House members. The competitive races we need to win are all out in East Memphis, Germantown, Cordova, Collierville, Bartlett and the rest of Shelby County. All races need help – canvassers, phone bankers, poll workers, organizers. Get involved – these are winnable. We need to keep our August momentum going into November.

*-Dave Cambron*

## **GERMANTOWN FESTIVAL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

As you read on the schedule, we will once again have a booth at the Germantown Festival the weekend of September 8-9. We need volunteers to work the booth from Saturday morning through Sunday afternoon. We will have candidates' literature available, will be signing up new members, and may have a fun straw poll for visitors to participate in. If you can be available to help set up the tent on Friday or take it down on Sunday, that is also welcome. The hours are 9:30am – 6:00 pm on Saturday, and 12:00 pm – 6:00 pm on Sunday, and we are asking for people to sign up for at least 2 hour shifts. Please contact Judy Palmer if you can help at 901-753-9932

or email her at judypalm@gmail.com. This is always a fun event.

## **FAQ'S**

From time to time, questions are asked. We thought we could take this space and answer a few commonly asked questions.

### **I'm a good Democrat, how come I never receive mailers from candidates when my friends do?**

Democratic Campaigns only have so much money (we aren't Republicans). Candidates must target mailings to reach the persuadable voters who have not voted yet and who have not made up their minds. For example, the SCDP mailed out their ballot to people who don't normally vote in August primaries. If you did not receive one that is why. You are more likely to receive mailers for primaries than for general elections. If you vote early, they try to remove you from future mailers. Targeting voters is both a science and an art.

### **Why is the club called the "Germantown Democratic Club" if it serves all of East Shelby County?**

When the club was founded back in 1992, the founding members struggled with a name. At the time, Germantown was more Republican than now, if you can believe it! The founders decided to advertise the presence of Democrats even in Germantown, and so chose the name "The Germantown Democratic Club". Members were teased in the beginning with wisecracks like, "Where do you meet, in a phonebooth?" (Republicans may be many things, but wits they are not). Of course, since then we have grown to over 700 members and, in case anyone missed it, we helped flip Selby County blue. We always have room for more members, so please encourage your friends to join us.