



# GERMANTOWN DEMOCRATIC CLUB

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Individual: \$25/year  
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*If you can't fly then run,  
if you can't run then  
walk, if you can't walk  
then crawl, but whatever  
you do you have to keep  
moving forward.*

- Rev. Dr. Martin Luther  
King, Jr.

## EVENT SCHEDULE

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS/MEMBERSHIP FEES

A return envelope is being enclosed with this copy of the newsletter for the collection of voluntary membership fees. Current sponsoring members will also be sent ballots for our biannual election of officers.

### Wednesday, January 24, 2018 ATTORNEY JESSICA INDINGARO Redistricting: Why It Matters

With the next census looming on the horizon, we need to understand the importance of our state races. An avid follower of politics, Ms. Indingaro specializes in civil litigation in state and federal courts, and is an expert on the topic of redistricting and gerrymandering.

### Wednesday, February 28, 2018 DEBORAH FISHER, Exec. Director of Tennessee Coalition for Open Government Right to Know Laws in Tennessee

Ms. Fisher will discuss public records and open meetings laws, recent issues, and general citizen rights.

### Wednesday, March 28, 2018 MEET THE CANDIDATES

Democratic candidates for local races in Shelby County who will be appearing on the May primary ballot will be invited to speak a few minutes and mingle with guests before and after the meeting.

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.

## **It's That Time Again...**

Every two years our club elects officers. Officers of the club help to organize the meetings and the various events we host throughout the year. All sponsoring members are eligible to vote for officers. We do not charge dues, but we do offer yearly sponsoring memberships. In fact we are now accepting sponsoring memberships for 2018. Individual memberships are \$25 per year, and family memberships are \$35 per year. A self-addressed envelope is enclosed in this copy of the newsletter if you wish to renew or join. Funds collected are used for club activities such as the newsletter, the website, the picnic, the Germantown Festival, or any other event we may participate in. Our officers generally come from the ranks of our steering committee. The steering committee meets several times a year to plan and organize club activities. If you are interested in serving on the steering committee, please notify Dave Cambron.

## **#FlipTennessee**

I know all of us are disgusted, angry and saddened after this last year. Our Country and our State are in a downward spiral. This is the year we take it back.

The 2018 elections are coming at a crucial time for our country. While early indicators look promising, we can only win if we get involved. And that means getting involved however much you can.

Every campaign needs volunteers. They need phone callers, canvassers, people to attend events, data entry - the needs are endless. Reach out to the campaign of your choice and ask how you can help.

Every candidate needs contributions. This does not have to be a hundred dollars. As we saw with Bernie Sanders last year, hundreds

of small contributions quickly add up. Setting up a recurring contribution helps ensure a steady stream of funding for a campaign.

If you are uncomfortable picking one candidate over another, there are groups looking to recruit volunteers to register voters, educate voters, help stage events, or get people to the polls.

If you need information on campaigns, check your emails. Jeanette Warren (robnnet) does a good job of distributing information on campaign fundraisers and other activities. And, of course, you are welcome to contact me personally at davidpcambron@gmail.com or 901-830-3283.

Now is the time. This is the year.

- *Dave Cambron*

## **2018 Elections**

For many of us it seems elementary, but there are many voters who need to be reminded that there are three elections in 2018 and Democrats need to vote in each and every one of them.

May 1 is the primary for Shelby County. It is for countywide races requiring a primary, such as Mayor, Sheriff, County Commission and Clerks. August 2 is the State and Federal Primary and Shelby County General. This election will include County Schoolboard and open judicial seats. Finally, November 6 is the Federal and State General Election. There may also be other municipal elections on these dates. For more detailed information, such as early voting dates, please visit the Shelby County Election Commission website, [www.shelbyvote.org](http://www.shelbyvote.org). Please share this information with your Democratic friends.