



GERMANTOWN DEMOCRATIC CLUB

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“I’m a grown man, running
against a six-year-old.”

*-President Joe Biden
At the 2024 White House
Correspondents’ dinner*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 22, 2024, 6:30 PM
DEANDRE BROWN**

SHELBY COUNTY OFFICE OF RE-ENTRY

Our guest speaker, DeAndre Brown, will tell us about the work the Shelby County Office of Re-Entry is doing to reduce recidivism by helping ex-offenders with employment and other needs.

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26, 2024, 6:30 PM
STATE SENATOR SARA KYLE**

Senator Kyle will provide a legislative wrap-up for the legislative session that ended in April.

DISTRICT 8 FORUM

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 10, 2024, 6:30 PM
TN 8TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE FORUM
GERMANTOWN GREAT HALL & CONFERENCE CTR
1900 S. GERMANTOWN RD, GERMANTOWN**

We have several candidates competing in the Democratic Primary to run against Republican incumbent David Kustoff.
This is your opportunity to see them in person.

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 24, 2024, 6:30 PM
US SENATE DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES**

We also have several candidates competing in the Democratic Primary to run against Republican incumbent Marsha Blackburn. We have invited them to come speak.

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!

President's Message

There is an old curse, "May you live in interesting times." Whether we are dealing with an obstinate local government, an overbearing state government, or the existential threat of the 2024 Presidential election, these times are most certainly "interesting." As the new President, I am hopeful that the Germantown Democratic Club will continue to be a guiding light--a way to stay informed, to influence leaders, and to commiserate, as necessary.

I am thrilled to tell you that the board is off to a tremendous start. Our upcoming meetings will be chock full of important info and will provide you with the opportunity to meet our local and state leaders. We are working hard to make sure we maintain the reputation of our members as being among the most informed and engaged Democrats in the state.

Of course, none of this work would be possible now if not for the enlightened and energetic leadership of our past president. Dave Cambron has been a Democratic beacon, showing others what needs to be done and then pitching in to help do it. He is the lynchpin of Shelby County Democratic politics and has perhaps the largest Rolodex in the Mid-South! it is entirely appropriate to say now, "Thank you, Dave. I'll try not to mess it up."

- Jeff Etheridge

NEED A SIGN?

Later this summer Germantown Democrats will be offering Biden/Harris campaign gear. We plan to have a limited number of signs, bumper stickers and buttons available for a small donation. We will have them available at meetings, tabling events or direct from any club officer.

TAKING IT TO THE STREETS – WITH YOUR HELP

Germantown Democrats will once again host a booth at the Germantown Festival, which will be on September 7th and 8th this year. Volunteers will be needed, email gtowndems@gdctn.org if you want to help.

Germantown Democrats will again sponsor a table at the Germantown International Festival (date is not yet finalized). Volunteers may be needed, email to gtowndems@gdctn.org if you want to help.

SUMMER ELECTIONS

In case you haven't heard – we got a President to re-elect this year and a tyrant to be defeated. But first we have local elections and state and national primaries to be aware of:

August 1 is the County General and State Primary. In Shelby County, we will be electing the General Sessions Court Clerk – Tami Sawyer (D) vs Lisa Arnold (R). This is the one race that is held independently of all the other county races.

In Shelby County primaries will also be held on August 1 for US Congress, US Senate, all State House seats and 2 of our State Senate seats. Several club members are running in these primaries including Rep Steve Cohen (TN 9), Noah Norstrom (House 83), Gabby Salinas (House 96) and Jesse Huseth (House 97). In addition, we will be electing School Board members, a judge in Germantown, and selected positions in some of our suburban cities. Also, in parts of Collierville and further reaches of the county, you will be electing a male representative to the TNDP Executive Committee.

Remember, Vote Democrat and always ask for a Democratic primary ballot. Although we do not endorse in contested primaries, both Jesse Huseth and Noah Nordstrom are running uncontested and will be our Democratic candidates in November. We endorse both. Get involved and support our candidates!!

ELECTION DATES TO REMEMBER

Voter Registration Deadline for this election: July 2
Early Voting: July 12 – July 27
Election Day: August 1

For more details, refer to

<https://www.electionsshelbytn.gov/elections>