



GERMANTOWN DEMOCRATIC CLUB

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Thoughts

& Prayers

POLICY CHANGE

- *Message on a T-shirt*

EVENT SCHEDULE

Wednesday, August 28, 2019
MOMS DEMAND ACTION

Representatives from the group advocating for common sense gun legislation will be with us to talk about Gun Sense in Tennessee – what it means, and what we can do.

Saturday-Sunday, September 7-8, 2019
GERMANTOWN FESTIVAL

The Germantown Democratic Club will again have a booth this year. By all means stop by, but more importantly, sign up to work a shift!

Sunday, October 6, 2019
3:30 pm – 6:30 pm
ANNUAL ALL-AMERICAN PICNIC
Cameron Brown Park

8628 Farmington Blvd, Germantown 38139

Please come for our annual cookout and potluck. We can guarantee good conversation, good music and good food, and you never know who might show up.

Wednesday, October 23, 2019
COUNTY MAYOR LEE HARRIS

Long-time friend of the club Mayor Lee Harris will be with us to discuss his first year in office, and answer any questions you may have.

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.

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 7-8. Some of our regulars will be out of town this year, so we are looking for 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 presidential 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 Dave Cambron at 901-830-3283 if you can help.

NATIONAL WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY

The Tennessee Woman's Suffrage Monument Board is hosting an event to commemorate "Women's Right to Vote – 99 Year Anniversary" at the Tennessee Woman Suffrage Monument, Centennial Park, Nashville, on Saturday, August 24, from 11:00 am to Noon. This event is open to the public.

STAND FOR RURAL HEALTHCARE

The TNDP is hosting a series of round table discussions across the state to highlight the healthcare crisis in rural counties. There are three meetings in West Tennessee in August, and everyone is welcome:

Ripley: Friday, August 16, 6:00 pm

UTM - Ripley Center Lecture Hall
315 S. Washington

Brownsville: Saturday, Aug 17, 1:00 pm
Chamber of Commerce, 121 W Main St

Somerville: Sunday, August 18, 4:00pm –
Rally, 5:00 pm - Round Table
Fayette County Courthouse

TIME TO STEP UP

A couple of weeks ago I attended the annual meeting of Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America. Two thousand of us had come from across the country to sharpen our skills and hear the latest on Gun Violence Prevention.

As we gathered Saturday, people's phones started chiming with the news of the tragedy in El Paso. Tears and hugs and raw emotions filled the auditorium as the news swept the room. But afterwards we committed ourselves to work harder to end this problem.

We cannot give up the fight. We know the obstacles won't be removed overnight, but we must all keep trying. Moms started at a dining room table as a tiny Facebook group after Sandy Hook and has grown to nearly 6 million members. People kept pushing for change and it now seems we are at the cusp of some significant changes in gun laws in America.

As Democrats in the era of Trump, we face many difficult tasks. Removing Trump, winning the US Senate and flipping the Tennessee state legislature are all going to require effort and persistence, but they can be achieved. People all over the country and the state are running for office, working with their local parties or volunteering on campaigns. Several PACs have been started locally with a focus on electing Democrats. All it takes is a willingness to work. America and Tennessee can recover when we start today.

NOTE: Gun violence prevention is one of my particular causes. There are so many issues and campaigns where your help is needed - Immigration, Women's Healthcare, TNDP, SCDP – the list is endless. Find a group and volunteer, it will be appreciated. – *Dave Cambron*