



# GERMANTOWN DEMOCRATIC CLUB

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**Protest is an act of love,  
not one of anger.”**

---- U.S. Rep. John Lewis

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

**WEDNESDAY, JAN 28, 2026, 6:30 PM**

~~Vaneicia Kimbrow from the Election Commission will join us to provide election information and to answer questions.~~

**Cancelled due to weather.**

**WEDNESDAY, FEB 25, 2026, 6:30 PM**

**County Clerk candidates-** they will each have about five minutes to introduce themselves.

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 2026, 6:30 PM**

**County Commission and School Board candidates from the Germantown area/East Shelby County-** they will each have about five minutes to introduce themselves.

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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!



### Feminine Hygiene Products Drive

We have identified a community need that would benefit from our assistance. As you are able, please consider purchasing and bringing **feminine hygiene products** to our next meeting at Coletta's, 2850 Appling Road.

If you would like to contribute but are unable to attend, please contact us at 901-258-7915 or [Gtowndems@gdctn.org](mailto:Gtowndems@gdctn.org) and we will pick up.

The GDC is dedicated to providing educational and social interaction opportunities for Democrats throughout Shelby County.

## **A Note from our President**

Happy New Year, fellow Democrats!  
Well, 2025 turned out to be an “interesting” year.

Our country has slid further, and faster, than I thought possible. The current administration is destroying many of our cherished institutions, while a “do-nothing” Congress watches idly. Our governor continues his war on middle class families, with the complicity of our state legislature.

Even some of our local officials have been, shall we say, less than optimal. It can be discouraging.

Still, we cannot give in to despair. There is much work for us to do, and 2026 will be a pivotal year. We have great hope of flipping the House in the mid-terms (and perhaps impeachment), we will definitely get a new Governor, and there are lots of contested seats on our own local ballots, over which we can have significant influence. It is a challenging time, but also a time of tremendous opportunity.

As a club, we are working to take advantage of those opportunities. We will be hosting several events centered around our local races, informing you about offices and candidates throughout the County. We also plan to take an active role in advocating for our nominees in statewide races.

Our website is currently being modernized, to allow us to offer more and better information about ALL of the races in Shelby County. In short, your Club will continue to be active on many fronts, fulfilling our mission of providing opportunities for social, informative, and volunteer activities for the Democratic community.

This is the part where I ask you for your help. I am proud to say that we have strong, dedicated leadership on these projects, and some really exciting plans. But we need your assistance to carry them through.

I hope that you will consider becoming a sponsor of our Club by making a contribution. Our events are always free to attend, but many of them have a small cost associated, and the Club takes on those expenses.

Sponsorship amounts are- Individual- \$35/year; Family: \$50/year; and Benefactors: \$100 or more. But we would greatly appreciate it if you were able to help us by contributing any amount.

You can use the enclosed envelope to mail a check to:

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Or use our CashApp #GDC901 or Venmo @GDC001.

We also ask you to consider volunteering for some of our many activities. We will have quite a few of those available this year and encourage you to share with us your ideas for things you'd like to see the Club provide. Stay tuned for more about that.

As always, thank you for your support of the Club. We are working hard for you, and we appreciate your being part of this group!

### **Final Paper Newsletter Mailing**

One of our significant expenses is mailing the newsletter. Since we have all mostly adjusted to receiving information online, we plan to phase out sending our newsletters through the mail. We will temporarily continue mailing hard copies to club members for whom we do not have an email address; but if you are not receiving our emails, please send your preferred email address to [GTownDems@gdctn.org](mailto:GTownDems@gdctn.org).

### **Election information**

Petitions are now available for those interested in running in this year's elections. For more information on petitions, and on the elections in general, please visit Shelby County Elections Commission Website, <https://electionsshelbytn.gov/upcoming-elections/>.