



DWK

DEMOCRATIC WOMEN
OF KNOXVILLE

Monthly Meetings: First Monday at Noon, AFL-CIO Labor Council Building, 1522 Bill Williams, Knoxville, TN 37917
(Across the street from WBIR-TV) Mail: PO Box 3432, Knoxville, TN 37927 Website: KnoxvilleDemocrats.org/DWK

<https://secure.actblue.com/donate/dwkdues>

Because of the weather, we will be using Zoom for our meeting for February 2, Noon.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81414892459?pwd=2DUKNrcpzDLUnujU7LXy2GMjdjRYsS.1>

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CALENDAR



January

31 League of Women Voters will hold open meeting with TN/Knox County Legislators, Phillis Wheatley Center, 9 am. Come meet the officials and learn about bills and issues for 2026.

February

2 DWK Meeting on Zoom, Noon.

12 KCDP Regular Board meeting, 6 pm.

15 Suffrage: Susan B Anthony Birthday. Recognition. Womenssuffragemuseum.org

16 Meet Knox Democrat Candidates and prospects. Bridgewater Place, 6-8 PM.

You can be a sponsor with a \$100 donation. Other donations are appreciated. See below

22 KCDP Training for District Representatives, 2-4 pm, Public Works Building.

March

2 DWK, Noon

12 TN House and Senate Reception, Noon – 2 pm, Beck Center

12 KCDP Regular Board meeting, 6 pm

28 Knoxvotes 2026! 9 am - 12:30 pm, Downtown West. ([See training on candidate page.](#))

28 No Kings Rally, same location as others.

28 Vivian Shipe presents Shades of Suffrage, 3-5 pm, Mt Calvary Church, 2807 Dandridge, 37915.

April 18 TFDW Convention, Oak Ridge, Registration \$40, Banquet Registration \$60.

You can be a delegate to represent DWK at this convention.

PLEASE JOIN
MADLINE ROGERO • TNDP VICE CHAIR NATE HIGDON
MALI & ALLAN GLAZER • MARCIA POWER

LOCAL PRIMARY CAMPAIGN KICKOFF

WITH THE KNOX COUNTY DEMOCRATS,
YOUNG DEMOCRATS, & HIGH SCHOOL DEMOCRATS

Meet candidates running for office in the May 5th county primary.

MONDAY 6-8 PM
2.16.26
PRESIDENTS DAY

**BRIDGEWATER
PLACE**
205 BRIDGEWATER RD
KNOXVILLE, TN

THANK YOU
TO ALL OF THE
GENEROUS DONORS
MAKING THIS EVENT
POSSIBLE!

Knox Dems Primary Campaign Kick-Off!

[RSVP](#) for Monday, February 16th from 6-8 PM at Bridgewater Place.

This is your chance to meet your local Democratic candidates face-to-face, ask the questions that matter to you, and help shape the future of Knox County. We'll have finger foods, a cash bar, and plenty of opportunities for meaningful conversation about the issues affecting our community. Admission to the event is free, and donations are appreciated.

Community Service Request: Mobile Meals are collecting clean purses that can be used for the Major Fund Raiser, "Power of the Purse". While you are stuck in because of the weather, it is a good time to clean out those closets and drawers for seldom used items. Purses and jewelry are featured at this big event later in the year. Bring your items donate to the meeting in March or wherever you see me or Sara.

Who Wants COOKIES!?



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AGENDA

Welcome

Minutes and Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report

President's Report: TFDW Convention, April 18, Oak Ridge, Silent Auction Item and Door Prizes, Need volunteers. Structure of Dem Party will be sent out. DNC to Precinct Committees. TNDP, Blue Wave Challenge, Greg Mackay new VP, Ashley Wells, new D7 Representative. Mail in ballots. Blue Wave. Candidate Recruitment been busy.

Standing Committees:

Membership: Sara Baskin Chair (We have postcards to complete. Are you Ready!

Dues for 2026: \$25 for Knox Co Women; \$10 for At Large Men and out of county women without a Chapter. Can pay with Act/Blue. See top of newsletter.

Education: Daria Turner, Chair Update with school board resolutions.

Women's Issues: Ashley, Chair: Plus, her experience with D7 as new District representative.

Special Committees:

Suffrage: Wanda or Linda

Immigrants: How can we help?

Outreach: Janice - Adopt A Road, Parades

Unfinished business:

Preparing for convention. Silent Auction item. Door prizes. Delegates.

New Business: Blue Wave Donation, Sponsorship for Candidate Reception,

Adjourn.

Congratulations: Greg Mackay, Ashley Wells, and Jeremy Kourvelas (Member of D9 and DWK).



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2026 WINNER

Jeremy
Kourvelas

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Knoxvotes 2026! Saturday, February 28, 2026, 9 am - 12:30 pm, Downtown West

Do you want to learn more about elections and voting in Knox County? This interactive half-day seminar is geared towards voters, individuals considering a run for public office, and voters interested in being poll workers.

Dem Candidates who have picked up petitions

Tuesday, May 5, 2026

KNOX COUNTY REPUBLICAN AND DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY ELECTION

Offices on the ballot: - *Empty spots mean no Dem candidate yet. Help us fill in the boxes.*

- **Criminal Court Judge, Division I** (to fill an unexpired term)
- **County Mayor**
- County Commission - Districts 3 **and 7** **D3-Brandon Huckaby**
- County Commission - Seats 10 and 11 **D10-Katina Sharp, D11Vivian Shipe**
- Trustee **KC: Stephen Hood**
- **General Sessions Judge, Division IV** (to fill an unexpired term)
- **Sheriff**
- **Circuit Court Clerk**
- **Criminal Court Clerk**
- **County Clerk**
- **Register of Deeds**
- Board of Education - Districts 1, 4, 6, 7, and 9 **D1-John Butler and O'Tavis Harris**
- **D4-Kate Bike, D6-Cadence Collins, D7-Amy Fenner, D9-Brandy Jenkins**

Schedule:

- Wednesday, February 4, 2026 - First day to request an absentee ballot (90 days prior to election)
- Thursday, February 19, 2026, at NOON – Petition Deadline
- Thursday, February 26, 2026, at NOON – Withdrawal Deadline
- Monday, April 6, 2026 - **Final day to register** to vote before election
- **Wednesday, April 15, 2026 – April 30 Early Voting period**
- Saturday, April 25, 2026 - Final day to request an absentee ballot (10 days prior to election)
- **Tuesday, May 5, 2026 - Election Day**

Petitions for Federal/State Primary: In August

US House of Rep.: **Michaela Barnett**

TN Senate: No Dem.

TN House:

TN House: 14, 16, 18, No Dem.

15-Sam McKenzie

19- Jenny Fowler

89-William Debord

90-Gloria Johnson

TNDP EC: Will Bowen (male), Dana Moran (female) D6: No male or female Dem.