



October 17, 2025 - Mid month reminder.

No Kings Rally

Tomorrow, Saturday, October 18th, noon -2 pm at Henley and Western we will be meeting with hundreds of like-minded people concerned about the USA and our government. This is a peaceful but powerful event to express our love of America and how we want our representatives to serve the people with healthcare, jobs, education, the environment, and caring about others.

The TVUUC on Kingston Pike is allowing you to park in their church lot and they will shuttle you to the event. And will come back to get you.

The is to be a peaceful rally, but if you see something, film it but stay away from trouble. Republican talking points are calling our rally a Hate Rally and we all know that is far from true. They must be worried as they are trying to make it harder and harder to vote.

Indivisible and other rally planners are asking us to wear yellow to match and standout in pictures. This is the plan all over the country. They also asked you to dress up in patriotic costumes if you like.

Some of us are meeting along Summit Hill, across from the Fire Department. Wherever you are, be sure to take pictures of yourself and send them to me to post on our website.

Jimmy Carter Day of Action

DWK had five people to separate good from the bad, sweet potatoes, corn, cucumbers, and broccoli on the 14th and second round is the 28th. Interesting work and was very much appreciated by Beardsley Farm.



Bettina and Charles Laboda and friend, staff



Sylvia woods and Dorothy Bowles

Next day of Service at Beardsley Farm is 2 pm, October 28th.

Lois Russell a long time member of DWK Died October 8, 2025 at age 101;

'<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/name/lois-russell-obituary?id=59765514>

OCTOBER 2025 MINUTES

Democratic Women of Knoxville

October 6, 2025, Minutes – Met at AFL-CIO CLC

Sylvia Woods, Chair, presiding.

Meeting called to order – 12:05 pm

Welcome Candidate introduction: **Frank Ramey** - He grew up here in Knoxville, in District 3. The number one reason he is running is his kids. He feels right at home at the AFL-CIO building. His Mom was a long time CWA member. If he is elected, he wants to focus on small organizations and small businesses so that we can have ample entry level jobs for our community to lift people out of poverty. Please see his website to volunteer frankforknoxville.com. He wants to help collaborate and work with the other city council members to work for all of Knoxville. Karyn Adams commented that she has known and worked with Frank for a decade and vouches that he is ethical and collaborates well. Sara to work on Postcards for Frank.

DWK members went around the room introducing themselves.

Glenda Whitefield - TFDW President announced their Fall meeting for 11am ET via zoom on Saturday, October 11th.

Sylvia Woods - DWK President - Notes and Calendar Events - Don't forget early voting is October 15 - 30th and Election Day is November 4th. No Kings Event is Saturday October 18th from 12-2pm in World's Fair Park - Shuttle service available from TVUUC on Kingston Pike. Harry Truman Month of Service - Beardsley Farm Volunteer Dates to be announced.

Treasurer's Report - Cary Hammond:

Motion by Terrye to approve August and September minutes, 2nd by Dana- Motion passed.

Committee Reports: Membership Committee - Sara Baskin: Pay your membership dues.

Education Committee - Terry Whitaker: No report this month.

Environmental Committee - Carolyn Nevin - This month's focus is on climate literacy. Please see the printouts about how you can take action NOW and how we can advance climate literacy in Knoxville. Also, please see the newsletter. Winners for the "Throw Some Shade" contest were: Darla Smith, Nancy Linderman, Wanda Sobieski, Greg McKay, and Sylvia Woods.

Outreach Committee - Veterans Day Parade is November 11th

Suffrage - Linda Haney: Closing on new building is November 5th, 2025.

Motion to adjourn by Linda – Motion passed.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Dana Moran, Secretary