



Newsletter and Notice for July 6, 2026,
meeting, Noon, at the AFL-CIO Labor
Council Building, 1522 Bill Williams, 37917
(Across the street from WBIR-TV)
(Meet: First Monday of each month except Sept.
which is Tuesday following Labor Day)

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Link above to pay \$25 dues for 2026 – Males or Out of County Associate Member \$10 dues.

Website: KnoxvilleDemocrats.org/DWK

Bring your purses to donate to Mobile Meals –
Bring medicine bottles, cardboard rolls, and socks for Animal Shelter
Girl Scout Project – collect shoes for homeless or recycle parts.

AGENDA FOR Monday, July 6, 202

12:00 Welcome and Pledge – Silent Moment for remembering our friend and Labor Leader, we lost Tuesday, Vonda McDaniel, Nashville.

12:05 Approve June minutes (Emailed)

12:10 Read Treasurer's Report

12:15 Membership Committee -Sara and Campaign Post Cards. Next postcard party will be at Common Place, Chapman Hwy, Colonial Village at the red light. 1 – 3, Wednesday the 8th.

12:25 President's Report:

I want to thank the Campaign Committee for getting almost all our Knox County candidates to the last meeting. DWK wrote checks for each candidate and other members enclosed their personal checks in the envelope. Everybody went home with \$300.00 or more.

State and Federal candidates will be invited to the August meeting where we will distribute checks. I have appointed Ashley Wells to serve with Linda and Janice on the Candidate Committee.

Linda broke her ankle and it is hard for her to get out and around. She is continuing her work from home. Thank you to those of you who have stepped up to keep things going.

Febb Burn Banquet **(Lucy Stone table sold out)** Dinner is August 18 at Bridgewater Center, Tickets \$150. Each for a table of 10. Some of our members have started another table and Linda will be able to place you at a table where other DWK members are sitting, or this is your chance to meet new people.

12:45 Outreach: Parades and Tabeling

12:55 Unfinished Business and new Business (Vote on Primary Candidate donations)

1: 20 Announcements and Adjourn

**4th July message from Tennessee Federation of Democratic Women.
President Adrienne Davis**



Happy Independence Day!

As we are preparing to celebrate Independence Day and look ahead to our nation's 250th anniversary, I invite each of you to reflect on a simple but powerful question:

What does it mean to be an American citizen?

For women, these freedoms were not always guaranteed. The right to vote, to hold office, to lead, and to shape public policy came through years of courage, perseverance, and sacrifice of those who refused to accept exclusion. We must remember that democracy is strongest when citizens remain informed, engaged, and committed to serving one another.

This Fourth of July weekend, I encourage you to take time to celebrate the freedoms we enjoy, reflect on the responsibilities of citizenship, and renew your commitment to the ongoing work of expanding opportunity, protecting liberty, and ensuring every voice has the chance to be heard.

As we look toward America's 250th birthday, let us continue working together to build stronger communities, empower women, and leave a legacy of civic engagement for generations to come.

Wishing you and your families a safe, joyful, and meaningful Independence Day.

Adrienne Davis, President TFDW

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The Democrats we would like for you to cast your vote for, will follow in newsletter. I will just list the Dems. Some county races have no Dem nominated. In that case you may write in a name if you want. Only candidates who have registered for write in will be counted, but if If you believe no place for a Dem should be left vacant, then write in someone even yourself.

There are places to retain or replace the State Supreme Court and Court of Appeal members. That is up to you. I do not know much about them.

There are two elections: The **General Election which will elect the Knox County candidates, and these are the ones who ran in May. Then there is the state and federal **Primary** where the parties will choose their candidates for the November election, I will just**

give you the names of the Democrats for General and the Primary elections. I do not have anything for Farragut as they run nonpartisan.

Early Voting: July 17 – through July 31. Election Day is Thursday, August 6th.

GENERAL ELECTION:

Knox County Mayor: BEAU HAWK (Vote County wide)

Co. Commission District 3: BRANDON HUCKABY (Vote District Only)

Co. Commission District 7: WILLIAM COOPER (Vote District Only)

Co. Commission At Large 10: Katina Sharp (Vote County wide)

Co. Commission At Large 11: Vivian Underwood Shipe (Vote County wide)

County Trustee: Stephen Hood (Vote County wide)

Gen. Sess. Judge Div IV Ben Houston II (Vote County wide)

Board of Education by Districts – Only one of these will be on your ballot

Where there are no School Board Member listed, then that seat was not up.

District 1: Breauna Holloway District 7: Amy Fenner

District 4: Katherine Bike District 9: Brandy Jenkins

District 6: Cadance Collins

DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY CANDIDATES:

GOVERNOR: Choose one

Carnita Atwater (Memphis)

Tim Cyr (Gallatin)

Jeri Green (Memphis)

Adam “Ditch” Kurtz (Nashville)

Kevin Lee McCants (Murfreesboro)

US SENATE: Choose one

Marquita Bradshaw (Memphis)

Maria Brewer (Nashville)

Kevin Lee McCants (Murfreesboro)

Civil Miller-Watkins (Rossville)

Diana Onyejiaka (Antioch)

UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 2: MICHAELA BARNETT

TENNESSEE SENATE DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES: VOTE YOUR DISTRICT ONLY

District 5 – Anderson, Loudon, part of Knox

David Miller, Oak Ridge

District 7 – Part of Knox

Bryan Langan, Knoxville

TENNESSEE HOUSE DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES: VOTE YOUR DISTRICT ONLY

District 14: Lindsay Young Honaker

District 19: Jenny Fowler

District 15: Sam McKenzie

District 89: Randy Debord

District 16: Eliza Boles

District 90: Gloria Johnson

District 18: Bryan Goldberg

TN DEMOCRATIC PARTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: Vote your district Male & Female

District 5: Anderson, Loudon, part of Knox

Male: Andrew F. Bennett III, (Lenoir City) vs. David A. Garcia, Powell

Female: Anne Backus, Oak Ridge

District 6: Part of Knox

District 7: Part of Knox

Male: Jim Clement, Knoxville

Male: Will Bowen

Female: Amanda Collins, Knoxville

Female: Dana E. Moran

Michaela For Tennessee ON FACEBOOK

Yesterday at 11:46 AM · TN-02 friends, I'm curious:

How many of my supporters will be voting for the FIRST time this year?

How many of you have voted in EVERY election you were eligible for?

How many of you didn't vote in the last election, but are going to vote this year?

How many of you voted for a Republican or Independent candidate in the last midterms, but are planning to cast a vote for me this time?

If you fit in one of these categories or know someone who does (or something I didn't mention), please share in the comments!

Pictured: Me and Ms. Sylvia Woods on the first day of early voting for the primary. She tells everyone to vote the first day you can, because you never know what's going to happen!

Susan Jennings I've voted in every election since 1971. That's when the voting age was lowered to 18. I grew up in a political family and



have always voted democratic. I did get to turn the lever to vote for my daddy in 1962. 😊

Randy Walker

I have voted in nearly every election. My first vote was for Jimmy Carter

Shelly Kipfinger

I have voted in all presidential general elections in the 10 years I've been able. However, in the last couple of years, I have begun voting in all elections, at federal, state and local levels.

Tammie McCarroll-Burroughs

I haven't missed an election in the almost 50 years I've been eligible to vote! My grandmother made sure I learned about the women's vote, she watched the suffragettes marching in Sweetwater as a child. She never let me ignore my civic duty- and I'm so grateful for this strong woman.

Hannah Maples

I am honestly not sure that I've ever voted in an election other than presidential. Things have changed a lot for me in the last year. I've learned a lot about state and local government.

Jon Treffert

I believe I have cast a losing vote at each opportunity for TN-02 since moving here more than 30 years ago (except for one year I was working with CT imaging colleagues in Germany on combining with PET imaging from Knoxville).

Maybe you can break a jinx.

Mindy Wise

Almost all elections since 1986. Grew up in a Republican family in Cincinnati. My dad was super involved in Republican politics. I think I voted for Reagan, but after that I became better informed. Fully progressive now. I need to get a shirt to promote you!

Mark S Abell

The only election (since 1972) I remember sitting out was the 1980 general election. My excuse is that I had my wisdom teeth surgically removed that morning!

Lisa A. White

I have voted in most elections since I began in 1978—typically as a Democrat but not infrequently crossing over for a particular candidate. I am now embarrassed to say I voted regularly for Lamar—then he was silent against the Felon-in-Chief.

Pam Trainor

Precious

Miss Sylvia is an icon for sure !!!!

For Democrats For South Knoxville

For Our Children and especially For Women

A She-ro!!

HAVE HAPPY AND SAFE 4TH OF JULY -

Candidates are holding receptions and door knocking parties all the time. Watch for notices.