

The Anderson County Democratic Women's Club News

May 2026

Voices of Democrats with Sam McKenzie

Tri-County African American Cultural Museum

(1069 E Tri County Blvd, Oliver Springs, TN 37840)

Thursday May 28 2026 - 5:30pm

The Anderson County Democratic Women's Club, the Roane County Chapter of the Tennessee Federation of Democratic Women, and the Roane County District 4 Democratic Party are honored to welcome Sam McKenzie for an update on the recent Tennessee General Assembly legislative session.

McKenzie, a member of the Tennessee Black Caucus of State Legislators, served as chairman during the 113th General Assembly. Since 2020, he has represented District 15 in Knoxville and serves on the Education Committee, Health Committee, Government Operations Committee, and the House Ethics Committee. Prior to his current role, he served on the Knox County Commission from 2008 to 2016.



During this event you will be able to hear from, and interact with, local Roane and Anderson County Democratic candidates. Please bring your questions!

This will also be a chance for us to visit the new Tri-County African American Cultural Museum. The museum has opened in Oliver Springs to showcase the stories of African American families in Anderson, Roane and Morgan Counties. The museum has exhibits on many themes, including schools, churches, farming, mining, hairdressing and military service. Showcased families have ties to national stories like school desegregation in Clinton and Oak Ridge as well as the World War II Tuskegee Airmen. A framed quotation of an African proverb sits on a counter at the museum: "Until the lion tells his side of the story, the tale of the hunt will always glorify the hunter."

Future ACDWC Events

Fundraiser for Ebony Capshaw: Sunday June 7th at Cancun (118 S Illinois Ave, Oak Ridge, TN 37830). Come have dinner (choice of 3 meals), a relaxed evening amongst friends, AND support Ebony in her fight for an Anderson County Commission District 6 seat. Let's do what we can to keep her in that office!

Fundraiser for Liz Henry: Monday June 15th at the 201 Café and Wine Bar (201 Jackson Square, Oak Ridge, TN 37830). There will be happy hour food, a cash bar, and axe throwing! What else could we ask for in a fundraiser for Liz's bid for an Anderson County Commission District 8 seat.

ACDWC Candidate Forum – Monday June 29th at the 201 Café and Wine Bar (201 Jackson Square, Oak Ridge, TN 37830). This is the time to hear the local candidates views on important issues affecting our county.

Other Events

Tuesday May 19th – Dr. Meghan Conley and Lunch with the League at Oak Ridge Unitarian Universalist Church (809 Oak Ridge Turnpike). **11:30 to 1:00pm.** Dr. Meghan Conley, from UT-Knoxville, will discuss issues relating to immigration and ICE. Dr. Conley's work focuses on Latinx migration, immigration, and applied sociology. In addition to being a lecturer in the Department of Sociology, Dr. Conley is Director of Community Partnerships. She is also a founding member of Allies of Knoxville's Immigrant Neighbors (AKIN).

Thursday May 28th – Kelly McCampbell Campaign Fundraiser at Splatter Oak Ridge (1143 Oak Ridge Turnpike #105). 5:30 to 7:30pm. Splatter is an interactive art studio located in Oak Ridge. If you are looking for some messy fun that you don't have to clean up, this is the place to be! Tickets are \$35 and can be paid with a check or [with a donation via Act Blue](#). Follow the link and select the \$35 amount to donate with Act Blue.

August 18th – The 2026 Annual Febb Burn Banquet. Celebrate the woman who ensured the "Perfect 36" state and secured our place at the ballot box. [Tickets](#)

Open Board Positions: The City of Oak Ridge has opened applications for residents interested in serving on four city boards (Board of Zoning Appeals, Convention and Visitors' Bureau/Explore Oak Ridge Board of Directors, Disability Advisory Board, and Environmental Quality Advisory Board). The application and more information can be found at oakridgetn.gov/elections. The application deadline is May 29th at 5:00pm.

Upcoming Public Meetings:

Oak Ridge: View meeting schedules and agendas for [Oak Ridge](#)

City Council Regular Meeting, 7 pm 2nd Monday of month, Municipal Building Courtroom

Municipal Planning Commission, 5:30 pm 3rd Thursday of month, Oak Ridge Municipal Courtroom

Traffic Safety Advisory Board, 7 pm 3rd Monday of month, Central Services Complex Conf Room

Disability Advisory Board, 11 am 3rd Monday of Month, Senior Center

Land Bank Board of Directors, 8:30 am 3rd Tuesday of month, Municipal Building Courtroom.

Recreation and Parks Advisory Board, 7 pm 2nd Thursday of month, Conference Center.

Board of Education, 5 pm 4th Monday of month, Board Room - School Admin Bldg (304 New York Ave.) <https://www.ortn.edu/central-office/board-of-education/members-schedule/>

Anderson County: View meeting schedules and agendas for [Anderson County](#).

Anderson County Operations Committee, 6:00 pm 2nd Monday of month, Anderson County Courthouse Rm 312

Anderson County Commission Meeting, 6:30 pm Monday May 18th, Anderson County Courthouse Rm 312.

Anderson County Election Commission, 4:00 pm Thursday May 14th Anderson County Municipal Building Rm 118A. (100 North Main Street, Clinton, TN 37716).

Anderson County Library Board, 5:30 pm 2nd Thurs at Anderson County Courthouse Rm 312. Note: the May 14th Library Board meeting is missing from the county's calendar and might have been cancelled this month.

Anderson County Animal Advisory Board, 4:00 pm Tuesday May 26th, Anderson County Municipal Building Rm 118A. (100 North Main Street, Clinton, TN 37716).

Club Updates

Voter Registrations: Now is the time to make sure you're registered for the August election. You can check your registration by contacting the Anderson County Election Commission or verifying your data via the state website <https://tnmap.tn.gov/voterlookup>.

Make a Difference:

It is not too soon to start thinking about becoming a club leader in 2027. To learn more about the positions, please contact Tiffany Malone.

April Fundraising Picnic

April Picnic Fundraiser for Sharon Bourgeois Capshaw

4-30-2026 at the Melton Lake Pavilion

An enthusiastic crowd enjoyed grilled hamburgers and yummy sides while they heard from Sharon. Sharon's running for an Anderson County Commission seat – representing Oak Ridge's District 7. There was also a cake auction that really sparked the taste buds, and Dave Dunkirk entertained us with his terrific voice and skill.

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