

The Anderson County Democratic Women's Club News

January 2025

Learnings From the Trenches

Monday, January 27th 5:30 to 7:00 pm

201 Café and Wine Bar (201 Jackson Square, Oak Ridge, TN 37830)

Our next program will be a discussion on the election with a panel of women who ran. The panelists will field questions prepared by the ACDWC, and address your questions about campaigning. Let's learn what worked, what didn't, and what they want to try in the next election cycle. Bring your questions as well as ideas for what we can do to make the next election a success.

The 201's complimentary appetizers will be served with a cash bar.

Future ACDWC Events

February 2025 – We'll begin unpacking individual chapters of Project 2025 for insights into what might be coming. You can download the document from the club's website <https://acdwc.org/>.

We will begin our study of Project 2025 with the Labor chapter, and hit the environment, immigration, and the separation of church and state (which colors the chapter on education).

Other Events

Upcoming Public Meetings: View meeting schedules for [Oak Ridge](#) and [Anderson County](#).

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, Civic Center Social Room

Anderson County:

Anderson County Commission Meeting, 6:30 pm 3rd Monday of month, Anderson County Courthouse Rm 312
Anderson County Library Board, 5:30 pm 2nd Thursday of month, Clinton Public Library
Anderson County Operations Committee, 6:00 pm 2nd Monday of month, Anderson County Courthouse Rm 312

Club Updates

Club Leadership:

Welcome Tiffany Malone as the club's Nominating Chair and Sissy Byram as the incoming Secretary. Ebony Capshaw is taking the reins of the Scholarship Committee, and will also be coordinating our EMERGE scholarship efforts. Regina Guy has stepped forward to chair the Hospitality Committee.

Make a Difference:

The club has many tasks – some small and some more involved – such as taking notes during the meetings for informative writeups or helping to set up for meetings. Please contact Ann Miller if you would like to pitch in on a task that fits your schedule and available time.

Member news:

Appointment? Election? Promotion? Marriage? New baby? Move? If you have news to share with your sister Democrats please let us know.

November Meeting Summary: The Annual Business Meeting

11-25-2024 at the Apple Blossom Restaurant in Clinton.

The meeting was held at the Apple Blossom Restaurant in Clinton. We had an informative presentation by Chase Lindsey and Liz Ibbotson about the election stats in Anderson County. They were able to report on the results, as well as how the results compared to other counties, previous years, and other candidates in the same November election. One result that showed promise for the future was that Anderson County went 3.2% more for Trump than Harris; however, the state went 7% more for Trump. Also, the data showed there was some ticket splitting with a number of voters voting for both Trump and Gloria Johnson. Anne Backus' results showed that she had more voters in Districts 4 and 6 than did Harris. The results were also interesting for the School Board positions. Ashley Craven was elected; however, Tiffany Malone was a very close contender. Overall, in districts 6, 7, and 8 Crank got 26.86%; Craven got 24.92%; and Malone got 22.46%. The other 2 candidates, Gleason and Jeter, got 13.11% and 12.65% respectively.

Ann Mostoller gave a synopsis of the programs the club hosted in 2024, with 8 informational programs, 1 picnic, and 1 holiday party. Amanda Mantooth provided year end financial numbers for the club. Ann Miller shared her goals for the club in 2025, including increasing membership, increasing the newsletter mailing list, having more club members serving on boards & commissions, sponsoring members to attend EMERGE training, and closing out our PAC status with the state.

The voting members present elected all the ACDWC officers proposed by the Nominating Committee. The voting was conducted by Regina Guy in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order. There were no nominations from the floor.

The proposed and duly elected officers were: Ann Miller – President; Ann Mostoller – Vice President; Sissy Byram – Secretary; Amanda Mantooth – Treasurer; Tiffany Malone – Nominating Chair.

We thank Pat Marshall for her service as Secretary, and Regina Guy for her service as Nominating Chair in 2024.

December 8th Holiday Party

The Holiday Party was great fun for the approximately 125 attendees! The party was held at the Museum of Appalachia, where some were able to come early and tour of the grounds and museum buildings. There was plenty of great food for 2nd and 3rd helpings, with roasted turkeys and spiral cut hams in addition to the many delicious side dishes and desserts contributed by our fellow Democrats.



The dining room was decorated, thanks to Liz Ibbotson, with festive table and room decorations. Regina Guy, Derek Guy, Amanda Mantooth, and Kirk Mantooth organized the food tables and kept the hungry partygoers well fed. David King ran the sound system and provided the lovely holiday playlist. Anne Backus checked in the attendees. And Beth Adler organized activities for the youngsters. Others helped with publicity, providing non-alcoholic drinks, providing the table settings, and the many other tasks needed for the evening. Many thanks to all who helped!

Glenda Whitfield talked briefly about the Tennessee Federation of Democratic Women, and the Anderson County Democratic Women's Club. She then swore in the club officers for the 2025 term.

The food, cleaning supplies, and toiletries drive was a huge success. The back of Ann Miller's minivan was bulging at the seam with your generosity. The Friendship Center of Briceville was very grateful for the assistance – they had just finished packing a room full of boxes for the local Briceville residents in need and were happy to have a good start toward restocking their shelves. The need is great and resources few for these Anderson County residents.

The adopted family gift drive the ACDP organized was also a great success! The large family of teens, headed by their grandmother, were very grateful for the gifts contributed by club and party members.

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