

# The Anderson County Democratic Women's Club News

April 2024

## ***April Program on the National Deficit***

**Monday, April 22, 2024, 5:30pm**

Clinton Community Center, 101 S. Hicks Street, Clinton, TN

Joe Zitka from Pellissippi State and Jack Allen, running for Tennessee 3rd Congressional District, will speak on the national deficit, \$5 for pizza.

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## ***Future ACDWC Events***

May 20<sup>th</sup> program – Sam McKenzie will report on the legislative session. Sam is the Tennessee State Representative for District 15 in the Tennessee General Assembly and the Chairman of the Tennessee Black Caucus of State Legislators. He attended Austin-East High School in Knoxville before graduating from Fisk University with a B.S. in Physics. After Fisk University Rep. McKenzie graduated from the University of Memphis with a M.S. in Physics. Currently, Rep. McKenzie is retired from the Oak Ridge National Laboratory where he was the Environment, Safety, Health, and Quality Group Leader. He is currently a small business owner in Knoxville. He is on the Board of Directors at Tennova Healthcare, ORNL Federal Credit Union, and the Fisk University Board of Trustees. He is also the former District Representative for the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, and a member of Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity, Beta Theta Boulé. Prior to serving in the Tennessee General Assembly, Rep. McKenzie was on the Knox County Commission from 2008 until 2016.

June 24<sup>th</sup> program: Debbie Helsley, Knoxville City Council

July 22<sup>nd</sup> program – National Labor Relations Board (NLRB)

August 26<sup>th</sup> program – Miria Webb will speak on the State of the Anderson County Library Board and the Clinton Public Library.

September 7<sup>th</sup> – Anderson County Democratic Party picnic

October program – Marsha Livingston and Bob Smallridge speak on public education

November – business meeting

December – holiday party

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**Candidate Openings for the November 5, 2024, Election – **Qualifying Deadline for all City Councils is Noon August 15th.****

**OAK RIDGE**

**City of Oak Ridge Council Seats**

Jim Dodson  
Derrick Hammond  
Chuck Hope

**CLINTON**

**City of Clinton City Council Seats**

Rob Herrell Ward 1  
Larry Gann Ward 2  
Jim McBride Ward 3

**Clinton City School Board, now partisan, August Primary**

Joey Smith  
Merle Pryse  
KK Meredith

**NORRIS**

**City of Norris City Council Seats - All 5 seats up for election**

Chris Mitchell, Mayor  
Chuck Nicholson  
Bill Grieve  
Will Grinder  
Loretta Painter

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***Upcoming Public Meetings:***

**Oak Ridge**

City Council Regular Meeting, April 8th 6pm, Municipal Building Courtroom  
City Council/Manager Work Session, April 16th 6pm, Municipal Building Courtroom  
Municipal Planning Commission, April 18<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm, Oak Ridge Municipal Courtroom  
Recreation and Parks Advisory Board, 7pm Second Thursday of month, Civic Center Social Room  
Disability Advisory Board, 11am Third Monday of Month, Senior Center  
Land Bank Board of Directors, 8:30am First Tuesday of the Month, Municipal Building Courtroom  
Senior Advisory Board, 9:30am, First Monday of the month, Senior Center  
Industrial Development Board, 4pm First Monday of the month, Municipal Building Courtroom  
Traffic Safety Advisory Board, 7pm Third Monday of month, Central Services Complex Conf Room

**Clinton**

Clinton City Council, April 22nd 5:30pm, Clinton City Hall  
Clinton Board of Zoning Appeals/Planning Commission, April 8th 6pm, Clinton City Hall

**Anderson County**

Anderson County Commission, April 15<sup>th</sup> 9:30am, Anderson County Courthouse Rm 312  
Anderson County Library Board, April 11th 5:30pm, Clinton Public Library  
Anderson County Regional Planning Commission, April 9th, 6:30pm, Courthouse Room 312  
Anderson County Operations Committee, April 8th 6:00pm, Courthouse Room 312

### ***Anderson County Democratic Party:***

April 20<sup>th</sup> is the 2024 Blue Pots & Paddles Chili Supper and Fundraiser Auction! Tickets are available [Blue Pots & Paddles Chili Supper Tickets](#). If you are interested in donating an item or service, [complete this donation form](#).

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### ***Club Updates/Member News***

#### **Member news:**

Congratulations to Regina Guy for her appointment to the Trade Licensing Board!

If you have news to share with your fellow Democrats please let us know so we can include it in the newsletter.

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### ***Recap of the Fundraiser for Anne Backus***

April 5th, 2024, 5pm – 7pm at The Lodge, Clinton, Tennessee



Anne Backus is having fun campaigning for State House TN 33 and the recent fundraiser was no exception! 60 people attended her recent fundraiser at The Lodge. Anne spoke about the importance of equality for all, common sense gun laws, our public schools and access to healthcare especially restoring women's reproductive freedom and asked for our votes. There was quite a spread of delicious food and Anne even played a song written by her daughter. Well over \$5,000 was raised. Go Anne! To donate to Anne's campaign, visit <https://www.backusfortn33.com/>.



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# ANDERSON COUNTY DEMOCRATIC WOMEN'S CLUB

## JOIN US OR RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Our fiscal and membership year is the calendar year, January through December.

If you haven't renewed your membership yet this year, please fill out this form and send with your check payable to ACDWC, and mail to:

ACDWC  
P.O. Box 4643  
Oak Ridge, TN 37831

Please mail this form with your dues:

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Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

2024 ACDWC Dues -- \$25.00 Amount enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

2024 Tennessee Federation of Democratic Women Dues -- \$5.00 Amount enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*(dues for the State-wide organization)*

2024 ACDWC Scholarship Fund Donation -- \$10 suggested Amount enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Thank you for your support!**