The Anderson County Democratic Women's Club News

July 2023

Monday, July 24th

How Our Local Governments are Using Pandemic Funds

Apple Blossom Café (409 Cullom St, Clinton, TN 37716)

Dinner (from the menu) 6:00pm - Program 7:00pm

The Anderson County Democratic Women are hosting an important information session about the uses of the Pandemic funds allocated to Oak Ridge and Anderson County. A distinguished group of our elected city and county representatives will lead the discussion.

Ellen Smith has served for 14 years on the Oak Ridge City Council. She has a bachelor's degree in geology and a master's in water resources management. Her 36 year career was on the research staff of the ORNL Environmental Sciences Division. Environment is a strong interest in her life and in her capacity as a local government official. Ellen has contributed to our community by serving on important committees, boards of local non-profits and civic clubs, and nationally as chair of the National League of Cities' Committee on Energy, Environment, & Natural Resources.

Joshua Anderson is serving his second term as a District 3 county commissioner representing Norris, Andersonville, Glen Alpine, and Fairview. He is currently serving his third year as commission chairman, and also chairs the Anderson County Library board, Conservation board, Agricultural Extension Committee, and Audit committee. In addition, Josh is President of the Norris Historical Society and serves on the Norris Area Community Foundation. He is a 4th generation Anderson Countian, growing up on a farm originally purchased by his greatgrandparents in 1924. His degree is in Agricultural Economics and Business.

Steve Verran serves on the Anderson County Board of Commissioners representing the Seventh District. He is engaged at the present in serving on the committee that is handling the distribution of the first round of Opiod settlement money, which has just been received. Steve has an interest in combatting drug problems in Anderson County, and he solicits input from interested residents.

Future ACDWC Events

August – The Club will be on vacation for August!

September - TBA

Other Events

Anderson County Democratic Party: August 12th – training on organizing in rural counties. If you are interested in this training please reply to ac-democratic-women@outlook.com and we can get you in touch.

Upcoming Public Meetings: <u>View July 2023 Meeting Schedule</u>

City Council Regular Meeting, 7 p.m. July 10, Municipal Building Courtroom

City Council Work Sessions, 6 p.m. July 17 & July 18, Municipal Building Training Room

Recreation and Parks Advisory Board, 7 p.m. Thursday, July 20, Civic Center Social Room.

Municipal Planning Commission, 5:30 p.m. Thursday, July 20, Oak Ridge Municipal Courtroom.

Traffic Safety Advisory Board, 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 17, Central Services Complex Conference Room.

Land Bank Board of Directors, 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, July 11 & 18, Municipal Building Courtroom.

Rocky Top Library Board Meeting: July 13th 5:30pm

The Mom's for Liberty are targeting the Rocky Top Public Library. Let's attend and show we care about free speech and the rights of all individuals. For more info: http://bit.ly/stophateanderson

Club Updates

Membership Drive and 2023 Dues: If you haven't already, please renew your ACDWC membership. The dues have increased to \$25/year to cover increased costs. The 2023 membership form is attached to this email – please mail the form with your check.

Open Committee Positions: Please contact Ann Mostoller if you can help with the Scholarship Committee, the Membership Committee, or the Program Committee.

Member news:

Appointment? Election? Promotion? Marriage? New baby? Move? If you have news to share with your sister Democrats please let me know and I will include it in the newsletter.

Sad News:

Shigeko Uppuluri died peacefully Thursday, June 8, 2023. She was an advocate for peace and was instrumental in bringing the International Friendship Bell to Oak Ridge in 1993, and helped establish Oak Ridge's Sister City program with Naka, Japan. The **Celebration of Life** will be held **August 5**th **2:00** at the Oak Ridge Unitarian Universalist Church.

For more information, please see the https://acdwc.org/ In Memoriam page.

<u>Last Month's Meeting</u>

The ACDWC and Anderson County Democratic Party Summer Picnic

We gathered June 10th 2023 at the Norris Picnic Pavilion for a fun mid-day picnic. There was a lot of yummy food and really great conversation and laughter.





We were able to meet our 2023 ACDWC Scholarship Winner, Kayla Rudd, from Clinton High School. The Club wished her well in her Journalism studies at UT.

Contact the ACDWC

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