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March 16th Program

Our guest will be **Shelley Potter**, retired President of the San Antonio Alliance of Teachers and Support Personnel. She will be speaking about public education issues in Texas and the TEA take-over of Houston ISD.

The meeting begins at 8:30 am at Luby's,
Huebner@Floyd Curl.

Real Breakfast \$10

MARCH SPECIAL PROJECT Voter Engagement

Now that the primaries are over, Democrats need to be engaged until the November elections. We are calling on all NWD members and friends to contact BCDP for information about how you can volunteer and engage citizens in voting for all Democrats on the ballot. We'll be sharing our Get Out the Vote (GOTV) efforts at the monthly meetings.

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Why The November 2024 Election Is Important, Part 3

Why you MUST vote for all Democrats in 2024

Project 2025's "Mandate for Leadership: The Conservative Promise

Foreword by Kevin D. Roberts, PhD Edited by Paul Dans and Steven Groves

Project 2025 envisions widespread changes across the entire government, particularly with regard to economic and social policy and the role of the federal government and federal agencies. The plan proposes slashing U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) funding, dismantling the FBI and the Department of Homeland Security, gutting environmental and climate change regulations to favor fossil fuel production, and eliminating the cabinet Departments of Education and Commerce. These are the plans that are to be implemented if Trump is elected President in November 2024.

Project 2025 is built on 4 main pillars:

Pillar I: a 30-chapter, 920-page book called *Mandate for Leadership: The Conservative Promise*, which presents “a consensus view of how major federal agencies must be governed”. Sections in the book:

SECTION 1: TAKING THE REINS OF GOVERNMENT

SECTION 2: THE COMMON DEFENSE

SECTION 3: THE GENERAL WELFARE

SECTION 4: THE ECONOMY

SECTION 5: INDEPENDENT REGULATORY AGENCIES

Pillar II: a personnel database to “be collated and shared with the President-elect’s team”, open to the public for submissions.

Pillar III: an “online educational system” called the Presidential Administration Academy

Pillar IV: a “playbook” designed for “forming agency teams and drafting transition plans to move out upon the President’s utterance of ‘so help me God.’”

Christian Nationalism

Christian nationalism is the belief that the American nation is defined by Christianity, and that the government should take active steps to keep it that way.

Christian nationalism is an ideology held overwhelmingly by white Americans, and it thus tends to exacerbate racial and ethnic cleavages. In recent years, the movement has grown increasingly characterized by fear and by a belief that Christians are victims of persecution. Some are beginning to argue that American Christians need to prepare to fight, physically, to preserve America’s identity, an argument that played into the January 6 riot.

10 facts about religion and government in the United States

- 1.** Americans are divided on whether local governments should be allowed to put religious symbols on public property. Nearly three-quarters of U.S. adults (73%) say religion should be kept separate from government policies.
- 2.** The Johnson Amendment limits political activity by religious organizations, and most Americans (70%) want churches and other houses of worship to stay out of politics.
- 3.** The Supreme Court ruled in 1962 that it's unconstitutional for a teacher to lead a class in prayer at a public school.
- 4.** Americans are divided on whether local governments should be allowed to put religious symbols on public property.
- 5.** While the U.S. Constitution does not mention God, nearly all state constitutions reference either God or the divine.
- 6.** Christmas Day is the only federal holiday that's also a religious holiday, although many Americans view Christmas as a cultural holiday, too.
- 7.** Almost all U.S. presidents, including Joe Biden, have been Christian.
- 8.** Congress has always been overwhelmingly Christian, and roughly nine-in-ten representatives (88%) in the current Congress – including 99% of Republicans and 78% of Democrats – identify as Christian.
- 9.** The Constitution guarantees that religion can never be a requirement for holding public office.
- 10.** Americans are divided on the extent to which the country's laws should reflect biblical teachings. (50% not much/not at all)



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IMPORTANT DATES

March 16	Northwest Democrats Meeting
March 31	Easter
April 20	Northwest Democrats Meeting
April 22-30	Passover
August 8, 2024	Pat Maloney, Sr. PSA Dinner