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February 20th Program:

Sheriff, Constable Candidates and Nico LaHood

Our program will have the Democratic candidates in the Bexar County Sheriff race and also the Democratic candidates in the constable races. We will also have the 2 Democrats who are opposing Lamar Smith in District 21. Candidates will be presenting their goals and plans for the office in which they are running. You will have an opportunity to speak with the candidates before and after the meeting. District Attorney, Nico LaHood, will also be here to give us an update on his first year in office. Please join us for this important meeting at 8:30 am, Luby's at Huebner and Floyd Curl.

FEBRUARY SPECIAL PROJECT: Bexar Home Comforts

Bexar Home Comforts is a small non-profit corporation which attempts to provide emergency help to those of Bexar County's chronically mentally ill who are in 'independent housing'. The volunteers work out of our own homes and serve about 270 households a year. Referrals come from the Center for Health Care Services, the V.A., and private providers; most funding comes from individual donors. Cooperating groups include numerous churches, Merced Housing of Texas, the Assistance League, NAMI, and South San Community for Mental Health. Any products that are used in the home are accepted: cleaning supplies, linens and dishes. Monetary donations are also accepted. Contact Gene Marck, 210-273-9201, if you have any questions.

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A Few Joyce Words will return in March.

The following letter was written by Adam Castillo and has been submitted to the Express News.

The Republican Winner of the New Hampshire Primary, Donald J. Trump

Donald Trump is complaining that the country is in bad shape and he and the Republicans can make it "great again". Yet, the Republican track record as far back as Ronald Reagan is one of one economic disaster followed by another economic disaster. After the 8 years of George W. Bush, millions lost their homes, 250,000 people lost jobs each month, and the Wall Street shenanigans put the US and the world economies on the brink of financial death. "Make America Great Again" could have been the slogan for the Obama campaign. Thank goodness for Obama and his intelligent advisors for getting us out of the Republican mess. At the same time we had to contend with all the whiny-butt Republicans wanting to give the wealthy even more. Could we have done better? Of course, we could have had Democrats and Republicans work together to "Make America Great Again" instead of the Democrats working and the Republicans plotting to block every piece of legislation that didn't include tax cuts for millionaires and billionaires. We couldn't do the "shovel-ready" projects every state needed to repair infrastructure because the wealthy couldn't get the whole pie. Our best solution is to get rid of these politicians that cater to the wealthy and care only about themselves. Does any thinking American really believe Donald Trump? He offers slogans, grandstanding rhetoric, name calling, hate speech, closed doors on anyone that is Muslim or appears "Muslim", and even ridicules and belittles other Republican candidates. The only positive statements made by Trump are that he will not do away with Social Security or Medicare. Are we ready for a reality show star?



NWD MEMBERSHIP

Now is the time to renew your membership in Northwest Democrats. Available this year is a new "Premier" level of membership for \$30 and also the "Standard" level of membership for \$25. Each level includes a membership for all members of your family. Each membership includes voting opportunities, access to knowledgeable Democrats, old friends, new friends and encouragement for you to participate in the democratic process of our country. The difference between the "Premier" and the "Standard" membership levels is \$5. (Just us trying to get an extra \$5.) You can send your membership fee to the address at the top of the newsletter or pay at the meeting. Listed below are members that have renewed at the \$30 level. Thank you for your support.

Castillo, Adam	Dylla, Edward	Pettigrew, Claudie
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Davis, Mike K	Middleton, Brenda	Trevino, Arcelia
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Please let the Communications Coordinator, Ruth Stewart, know your new mailing address or your new email address. If you have any nifty news of a progressive persuasion, or would like to submit an article for the newsletter, contact Ruth Stewart: ruthstewartrncs@aol.com or 210-696-7980.





If you were unable to attend the Super Bowl Party, you missed a great time, wonderful food, and laughing, talking, cheering, booing with fellow Democrats. The old people were happy because Peyton Manning came through for the Broncos and the younger people were not happy that the Panthers offense couldn't overcome Denver's defense but everyone still had a great time. Make your plans to attend in February, 2017. Those of you who sponsored continue to be our greatest assets. Thank you. Thank you.



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IMPORTANT DATES:

February 16—26 Early Voting

February 20 Northwest Democrats Meeting

March 1 Super Tuesday Primaries Election Day

March 2 Texas Independence Day

March 19 Northwest Democrats Meeting