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June 16th PROGRAM:

Texas Organizing Project

Michelle Tremillo, Executive Director of TOP, will speak about Democratic statewide projects and goals.

Please join us for this important meeting at 8:30 am, Luby's at Huebner and Floyd Curl.

JUNE SPECIAL PROJECT:

Bexar County Democratic Party

Our new county chair, Monica Ramirez-Alcantara is in the process of getting Democratic headquarters ready for daily operation and the November election. Because of the need for many items needed to run a full time office and a mid-term election, we have offered to purchase a computer for the office. Donations will be accepted at the meeting. Contact Gene Marck, 210-273-9201, if you have any questions.

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A Few JOYCE Words

This is an even numbered year - meaning that it is also an election year. It is a year that offers us opportunities to elect a new U.S. Senator - Beto O'Rourke to replace Ted Cruz; to elect Gina Ortiz-Jones to replace Will Hurd and other Democratic congressmen from Texas; to increase our Democratic numbers in the Texas Legislature, and to elect as many Democratic judges and other office holders from Bexar County.

Why is this so important? At the national level we will be setting the stage to elect a Democratic president in 2020 - and that is increasingly more and more important!!! Additionally, it will help to restore the Congress to Democratic control. In the Legislature it will prepare the way for redistricting the state for Congress. And, if we can't see the impact that has on congressional elections, just look at what has happened by losing so many seats since the 2010 redistricting efforts. Many of us may not understand what difference there is between a Republican officeholder and a Democratic one, but there is a major difference in philosophy.

However, even as we focus on state and national elections, there is an action going on locally at the city council level that will impact us all. Members of the fire union were at all our polling places in the March primary, asking that we sign petitions which would make major changes in San Antonio's City Charter. At my poll, they were only pushing one issue - reducing the pay of our city manager. This was an issue sure to get the support of those who resented her salary since most of the voters had little understanding of why she earned so much. They were unaware that our city manager was saving the city millions by maintaining our AAA bond rating.

Little, if any mention, was made of the other two proposals they were pushing - lengthening the time to collect signatures and reducing the number of signatures needed to propose changes to our city charter, and the last proposal to require the city to conduct binding arbitration with the firefighter's union to settle contract disputes. None of these proposals would benefit the people or the city. We must not overlook these proposals on the November election ballot.

Put your yard signs up, plaster bumper stickers on your vehicles, volunteer for your candidates, and sponsor a table at our dinner. This is the most important election of our lifetime. We don't want tears and sack cloth and ashes in January if we didn't do everything in our power to elect great candidates.

Pat Maloney, Sr. Public Service Award Dinner

August 9, 2018

Omni Colonnade

6 pm—9 pm

**Honoree: Hon. Ron Nirenberg,
Mayor of San Antonio**

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IMPORTANT DATES

June 16	Northwest Democrats meeting
July 4	Independence Day Holiday
July 21	Northwest Democrats meeting
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