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# October 20<sup>th</sup> PROGRAM: Democratic Candidates

We will have approximately 10 Democratic candidates for federal, state and local offices. These are the Democratic candidates that did not speak in September. Please join us for this important meeting at 8:30 am, Luby's at Huebner and Floyd Curl.

# **SPECIAL PROJECT:**

# CHOCO'S TEXAS-SIZE GOTV RALLY

See page 3 for details.

Contact Gene Marck, 210-273-9201, if you have any questions.

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### A Few JOYCE Words

This is a difficult article to write, but I write best when my emotions are involved. And, I think I wore them all out the past couple of weeks. We still have really important work that we must do in the next few weeks. The time has come to spend every minute getting the message out about our Democratic candidates, find out who needs a ride to the polls, phoning for candidates, etc. We will each need to determine what and how much we can each do - then DO IT!!! (See the next page.) The Republicans are counting on Democrats to lose some of their fervor for winning now that we have lost the battle over the Supreme Court seat. I could say to just elect every Democratic woman who is running. But, I have never subscribed to the idea that we should just vote for the best Democrats running. Occasionally, we find a Democrat so weak running against a vastly better Republican running for that same office; the decision is not easy. We need to do a better job in the Democratic Primary of nominating excellent candidates.

**Early voting begins** on October 22nd and ends on November 2nd, with Election Day falling on Tuesday, November 6. One race which is very critical is for the U.S. Senate which gives us a chance to elect a Democratic Senator for the first time in a long time. So, we have a lot of work to do for each candidate we want elected.

**We also have** a number of congressmen and women to elect in the November election. The races in Congressional Districts 21 and 23. There are others in districts to the north of us with excellent new candidates. Several are veterans. This follows a trend of veterans bring elected after World War II and Vietnam.

On another subject, more than enough money has been donated to place a tree in memory of my daughter, Sylvia, at Westwood Terrace Elementary. Extra money over the cost will be donated to the Northwest Democrats Tree fund. More information on this planting will be announced at the October meeting. However, we still must raise the remainder of the funds needed to plant trees in November in memory of our late members, Claudie Pettigrew and Ruth Lown, who passed away in May and August, respectively.

One set of issues on our San Antonio ballots we should each take very seriously this November are the three Propositions put forward by the San Antonio Firefighters. Each of them will be devastating to our city government. One will reduce the number of signatures necessary to change actions taken by the council. Another of them would limit the number of years a city manager could serve to 8 and reduce the top salary of the city manager to 10 times the lowest salary paid to any city employee, Sounds good but no decent city manager would seek employment in our city with such regulations. The last one is what really tells you of their motives in the whole effort. The firefighters would have a special relationship with the city whereby they could set the terms of their contract. In spite of their advertising that they are working for all the city, they are instead asking for terms that neither the police nor any other group of employees would have.

Vote "NO" on ALL 3 Propositions



A great way to honor **Choco Meza**, a great way to engage with our **Democratic candidates**, a great way to volunteer to **Get Out The Vote** for San Antonio, Bexar county and Texas.

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# **IMPORTANT DATES**

October 20 Northwest Democrats meeting

October 22-November 2 Early Voting

November 6 Election Day

November 17 Northwest Democrats meeting

November 22 Thanksgiving Day