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Greetings

The NWD Executive Committee hopes you are all well and coping with self-quarantining and social distancing. We miss seeing y'all and are hoping we'll get to meet soon. We will not have an "in person" meeting until at least September.

JUNE SPECIAL PROJECT

Project Cool

ccaosa.org/donate

Fans can be dropped off at Catholic Charities at 202 West French Place between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

4 WAYS YOU CAN HELP

1. **SA Food Bank**
safoodbank.org/cvprep
2. **South Texas Blood and Tissue Center**
southtexasblood.org/give-now
3. **Meals on Wheels** volunteers and donations
mowsatx.org/coronavirus
4. **The Nonprofit Council**
thebiggive.org

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A Few JOYCE Words

Many of us who are watching TV felt as if we've seen this movie before, only the setting was NYC and not Minneapolis. The name was different: not Eric Garner, 2014, but George Floyd, 2020. This time Floyd was not erect in a chuck-hold but lying on his side, handcuffed. Even though the differences were visible, both men were saying the same words, "I can't breathe" over and over again, until loss of consciousness and death. Four officers were involved in George Floyd's death and were fired within 24 hours. It took 4 years for Eric Garner's officers to be fired.

The important thing about these deaths were the similarities. Both resulted in protest marches but George Floyd's death resulted in protest marches across the US and the world, more people were involved in the marches, more diversity in gender, race, age groups. George Floyd's death touched a nerve and protests are still continuing.

Where will it end? We do not know. Maybe new laws, changes in policing, changes in police unions, equipment in police departments, national standards for law enforcement, convictions of officers. Even more concerning in the aftermath are the actions of the President. What a lousy President he has been. Daily lies about everything. Trump has failed us miserably—from the handling of the COVID 19 pandemic to the death of George Floyd. No President has made a poorer "photo op" than his appearance in front of St. John's Episcopal Church with the upside down Bible. He does not appear to have any spiritual beliefs.

How did he get to the church? After hiding in his bunker (for an inspection) for a couple of hours, his Attorney General uses national guard, other military police, tear gas, flash grenades, Blackhawk helicopters to disperse the peaceful protesters so Trump could walk to the church with his all white entourage for a photo op.

The mayor of Washington DC had "Black Lives Matter" written on the street in letters large enough to be seen from space. She also renamed the area "Black Lives Matter" Plaza.

We don't know how this will end, but we can let Trump start packing for Florida on November 4 and send him to Florida on January 20. It is up to you and me. All of this is to remind you we must elect Joe Biden. Will we win? IT ALL DEPENDS ON YOU! Get ready to make calls, buy stamps, address flyers, put signs in your yard, bumper stickers on the car, sign postcards, donate. Find a way to be involved. Don't not vote because Joe Biden doesn't make your heart skip a beat. Don't waste your vote on a 3rd party candidate.

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Q & A with Hon. Joaquin Castro

June 20, 2020 10 am

Call **978-990-5482**

Access code 2523586

You can call from cell phone or land line. You will not have a visual and we will not see you, therefore, you can be in your pajamas and wear no makeup. We will have a practice session on Wednesday, June 17, at 4 pm. Call the above number and enter access code when prompted. We'll be hearing from you on Wednesday and Saturday.



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IMPORTANT DATES

June 20	Conference call (10 am)
June 21	Father's Day
July 4	Independence Day
June 29-July 10	Early Voting
July 14	Election Day