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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.

MAY SPECIAL PROJECT

It is usually *Project Cool*. Please watch announcements regarding if this program will proceed this year. You can drop off a fan at your local fire department, if *Project Cool* will be happening.

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

Such a short time since I wrote the March newsletter, but the world seems to have turned upside down. My world has become much smaller for I have been practicing the “stay at home doctrine”. Days have been filled with knitting, crocheting and most of all watching the news.

By now, most of you know that I am a “follow the news every day, all day” person. Over that time, I often heard the coronavirus time compared as the worst since World War II. As I thought about that comparison, I thought back over my life. Many of you know that I am a child of the Great Depression and lived through all the wars that have followed, including WWII.

The years of the war were times I remember as the days when this country became extremely close. This was Our country. We had been attacked by Japan on Sunday, December 7, 1941, and then we declared war on Japan and the Axis Powers on December 8. Throughout the next years we were blessed with a strong, positive leader, President Franklin D. Roosevelt. He had been elected four times (1932, 1936, 1940, 1944) and had he not died on April 12, 1945, could have probably been elected again. Many of the laws we have today that provide for working people, beginning with Social Security, we have because of him. Harry Truman followed Roosevelt in 1945 and was also a strong, positive leader. Today we have Donald Trump. See the difference?

There are many other comparisons and innumerable contrasts, but they all end the same way. Trump and the party and support he has created do not provide the same confidence in the future that we had in the 1940s in the middle of a world war. The majority of Americans do not support this president, his view of America, or his handling of this pandemic.

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Looking toward the future, we need to get about the business of electing Joe Biden. While he is not perfect, he will be a good president. So, when we call upon you, please help every time you can. Our plan is not completed yet, but we do know we will all be needed.

Thank you for all the cards, calls, texts for my 90th birthday. It seems like only yesterday that I was a good-looking gal, running through the cotton fields of Alabama.

{That last statement was added by Brenda; you know I'd never say anything like that!}

ANNOUNCEMENTS and UPDATES

1. Pat Maloney, Sr. Public Service Award Dinner
Unfortunately, our annual dinner must be cancelled. We have spoken with Pat Maloney and he has concurred that in the present situation, cancellation is appropriate. Our honoree, Hon. Albert Uresti, has also been contacted.
2. Please apply for a Mail-in Ballot for the July 14 runoff election.

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3. **CALL** Sen. John Cornyn (**202-224-2934, 210-224-7485**), Sen. Ted Cruz (**202-224-5922, 210-340-2885**) and your congressman and ask that Texas use mail-in ballots for the November 3, 2020, election.

4. **Biden** bumper stickers are available. You can email Barbara Moschner, bmosch@gmail.com, for the bumper stickers. Bumper stickers are \$3 or 2 for \$5. This donation will cover the cost of the bumper sticker and mailing. You can donate with a check, cash to NWD, PO Box 681911, SATX 78268, or through Act Blue.

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6. Office Update

We will not be having an office this year, but will be coordinating with Biden campaign and Joaquin Castro campaign on yard signs, bumper stickers, mailouts. Because of COVID 19, the Executive Committee does not want to risk any NWD members contracting or being exposed to the virus. We will be updating you with more information after the July runoff elections.

Could It Be Worse?*



For everyone saying America won't reopen. Remember: Jurassic Park reopened five times AFTER people were EATEN alive. FIVE.

World: there's no way we can shut everything down in order to lower emissions, slow climate change and protect the environment.

Mother Nature: here's a virus. Practice.

*Trump could be reelected

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IMPORTANT DATES

May 24	Al Kaufman's 98 th Birthday
May 25	Memorial Day
June 21	Father's Day
July 4	Independence Day
July 6-July 10	Early Voting
July 14	Election Day