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December 18th Program

Our program will be the Hon. Joe Gonzales, District Attorney of Bexar County. You'll want to hear the improvements, changes, concerns and plans occurring in the DA's office. The DA will also have time to answer your questions. We will also have Democratic judicial primary candidates as our guests. **Our meeting will begin at 8:30 am at Luby's (masks required).**

DECEMBER SPECIAL PROJECT:

As we have done the past several years, we will sponsor a family of a single mother with 9 children. Details for donations are on page 3. Covid has impacted us all for the last 18 months and many families are still struggling to overcome emotional and financial burdens. NWD will be giving this family \$100 HEB gift card in addition to what our members will do.

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



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A Few Joyce Words

Why did the parents buy a gun for a young person under the age of 18? Were they clueless of his emotional condition? What was their responsibility? Why was the gun not locked away if it was a Christmas present? Why buy so much ammunition?

His teachers saw pictures and content of what he was drawing, and dutifully reported them, why was no action taken? School administrators called the parents about the young man staying in school the rest of the afternoon. Why did the parents refuse to take their son home and get him the care that the school recommended? Why did the mother tell her son that it was OK for what he did, but next time “Just don’t get caught”?

Why did the school allow the parents to leave him there? Why did no one search the young man’s backpack? Why did the parents abandon the child in jail when they ran away? Why wasn’t the sheriff informed that the district attorney was planning on pressing charges against the parents before they ran away?

The answers to all these questions will tell you why there are four sets of parents who lost their children. Seven sets of parents whose children are in the hospital still, and three people – mother, father and child who are locked up in the county jail for Christmas.

This was the 12th incident of gun violence in school in the United States since August 2021. When will we take responsibility for the gun violence that occurs in this country, more so than any other nation in the world? Guns are not toys. Why do we treat them as if they were? The seed you sow now will give you the harvest you deserve to reap later.

If we allow it, these events will continue. They will not end before Christmas. More children will die. Parents losing their children. And children going to jail for the shootings they committed. When will citizens start pressuring their elected senators, congressmen, and state legislators to do something about gun violence in our schools?

Could the schools have done more? Could someone have called the sheriff’s office? Was there no-one who could help this child? I hate to bring this to your attention during this Christmas season, but I cannot forget this young man who was begging for help, and none came.

I wish you and your family and friends a wonderful holiday season.

Mireyda Canales Family at Cassiano Projects

We suggest Walmart gift cards for Ms. Canales and the older children and toys for the younger children. Since we do not know the specific clothing needs, we felt that Walmart gift cards would be the easiest for the family. Please bring your Walmart gift card, cash donation, or check to the December 18 meeting. The EC will purchase the toys for the younger children. We will be taking the gifts on December 23, 4 pm. If you would like to accompany us, please contact Mere Rodriguez (210 771 6984).

Family Information

Mireyda Canales—Mother (size XL), Jennifer 17 (F), Jose Angel 16 (M), Luis 15 (M), Candy 13 (F), Martin 12 (M), Ricardo 5 (M), Leonel 4 (M), Mireyda 3 (F), granddaughter Ava Guerrero 5 mo.

The Executive Committee thanks you for your generosity this season.

SAVE THE DATE!



SPONSORSHIPS

- Commissioner \$1,000 20 admissions**
- Owner \$750 16 admissions**
- Coach \$500 12 admissions**
- Quarterback \$250 8 admissions**
- Offense/Defense \$100 4 admissions**
- Kicker \$60 2 admissions**
- Water/Gatorade person \$35 1 admission**

We'll be meeting at Bigz (2303 N Loop 1604 W, 78258) for our Superbowl Event.

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IMPORTANT DATES

December 18 Northwest Democrats meeting

December 25 **Christmas**

January 15 Northwest Democrats meeting

February 13 **NWD Super Bowl Event**

February 19 Northwest Democrats meeting