

PARTY NEWSLETTER
MONTHLY
October 5 2020
NEWS, EVENTS
ELECTIONS, VOTING
SCHEDULES, AND MORE.

A NOTE FROM THE CHAIR



This election will be a milestone in American history, and every one of you will be a part of collectively voting to turn Texas blue once more. Bexar County is a vital part of the machine that will carry us forward in making this possible with your support by volunteering in our coordinated campaign efforts! Whether it is phone banking, text banking, or dropping literature. YOU all can help to make a difference in this election. The Bexar County Democratic Party will provide every resource



We only have **15 days until Early Voting begins** -- thanks for all the amazing work each of you are contributing to (GSD)!

Cover Letters (aka Postcards 2.0)/Sample Ballots & Lit Bag Kits: If you have not requested your kits, sign up here ASAP: http://www.tiny.cc/sampleballot Colt will create in the order they are received. If you are a cluster leader, you may request for your team (one form per precinct). Precinct chairs in NEBCD will be supplied with enough Cover Letters, Precinct Ballots & candidate lit (until it runs out) for the targeted voters in your precinct. The target voters include some Tier 1, 2 & some 4s.

There is a space to include your notes on the form under 'Anything else I need to know"

In the notes, include what you CAN do for your precinct:

- 1. Write personalized letters
- 2. Stuff the bags with the sample ballots & candidate lit
- 3. Drop off the bags at your voter doors using **minivan** turf lists

If you can't do all three, make sure you add it to the notes.

Y'ALL COME OUT FOR

THIS EVENT!
RIDIN' WITH BIDEN

IN CELEBRATION OF NATIONAL COMING OUT DAY!





LEAVING FROM MCARTHUR PARK

(a) 1 PM ON 10/10/20

1611 NE LOOP 410

SAN ANTONIO, TX 78217

SHOW YOUR BIDEN/HARRIS PRIDE!



IT'S TIME TO VOTE. Voter interest in dumping Trump, COVID-19 protections at the polls, new electronic voting machines, and an extremely long ballot will make this unlike any election we have seen in the past and we want you to be informed and prepared. Make a plan to VOTE EARLY.



EARLY VOTING: October 13-30 **ELECTION DAY:** November 3



WHO'S RUNNING?

Bexar County Democratic Party: www.bexardemocrat.org/november-2020-candidates

VOTE BLUE ALL THE WAY THROUGH! There is NO straight ticket voting. You must vote for every Democrat on the ballot, all the way through.

VOTING BY MAIL - BALLOT REQUIRES 2 STAMPS

If eligible, request your mail-in-ballot application by 10/23: https://reg.vote/tdvbm.html Vote by Mail Hotline at Bexar Elections: 210-335-8160

You may hand deliver your ballot directly to Bexar Elections (with ID)

ONCE YOU GET YOUR BALLOT, MAIL IT IN ASAP!

VOTING IN-PERSON: BRING ID, WEAR A MASK AND COMFY SHOES, CARRY WATER AND SNACKS

Bexar County Elections Department: www.tiny.cc/votebexar * 210.335.VOTE Voter Registration: www.votetexas.gov

New Voting Machines Video: www.bexardemocrat.org/voting-info



Find your Sample Ballot and nearest Voting Centers with this QR code:





NEBCD Campaign HQ | 6653 San Pedro Ave. | San Antonio, TX 78216 | (210) 366-0040 Pol. adv. paid for by North East Bexar County Democrats, Bryan Gerard, Treasurer, P.O. Box 70076, San Antonio, TX 78270-0766



Colt Osburn, Field Coordinator

Colt IS WORKING ON A for a literature drop for Precinct Chairs in Precinct 3 and 4 in Bexar County. https://www.mobilize.us/blueactiondems/event/326935/

BBAD has extended their days of operation to allow the Precinct Chairs to pick up their cover sheets at the NEBCD HQ - 6653 San Pedro Avenue, 78216; **fill out a personalized (postcard sized) space**; then return the cover letters to NEBCD to be stuffed into a door hanger.

- We anticipate all of precinct 3 and 4 will have picked up their cover sheets, written their personalized note to the voter, and returned the cover letter by October 3rd.
- This a wonderful present for Precinct Chairs! They get a pre-stuffed bag of lit, specific to their precinct, a sample ballot with democrats only, and a personalized cover letter for their constituents before early voting begins. All they need to do, is visit their constituents and follow up with them later.

We encourage everyone in the CEC to join us every month to discuss the most current topics about our country's political direction.

- Sandra Thompson

NEBCD announced in June that we were opening a temporary headquarters at 6653 San Pedro Avenue, SATX 78216

- Hours of operation are Monday Friday from 9am-4pm; Saturdays now from 10am -4pm; Sundays will need to call - Madeleine's phone number is 210-884-3766
- Since opening, we have been actively working to organize for the November 3rd election working with Colt Osburn and Bexar Blue Action Democrats to
- distribute signs to the precinct clusters, and working with the BCDP to organize for the election
- organizing Bexar County Democrat's voter outreach by funding the efforts of Bexar County Democratic Party, and Bexar Blue Action Democrats with a unique opportunity to use state of the art voter outreach and empowerment tools like Civitech Metric Tools and the Hustle texting programs. You can ask John Goodman how many people we have reached through phone banking, Hustle Texting campaign, and the Civitech metric tools.
- NEBCD also hired Colt Osburn, Field Coordinator
 but really he is the acting Field Director for this presidential election.
- There is a standing phone bank every Tuesday from 6pm-8pm until November for anyone that would like make calls to voters, voter registration, or vote by mail - https://www.mobilize.us/blueactiondems/event/299827/



OCTOBER 10TH PROGRAM

October 10th at 10:00 A.M.

Zoom Meeting ID: 844 18182 9015 CODE: 680227

GUESTS:

PreK4SA presentation by Dr. Sarah Baray

Workforce Development Jorge Urby

VIA Bob Comeaux or Ezra Johnson

Plus two outstanding Democratic women:

Chrysta Castaneda running for RailRoad Commission

Christine Hortick running to County Commissioner PCT. 3

October Special Project:

Support all Democratic Candidates: Offering "Nasty Women", and Biden-Harris t-shirts available at the Bexar County Democratic Headquarters 1844 Fredericksburg Road Contact Gene Marck, 210 273 9201 for inquiries http://northwestdemocrats.org/

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT:

BEXAR COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE

OCTOBER 14, 21, 28

ALL MEETINGS FROM 6:00P.M. TO 7:00 P.M. BY ZOOM

CONTACT: ADELFA REYNA 210 325 3024

ATTENTION:

BEXAR COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY OFFICE HOURS:

10:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M. WEEKDAYS, AND SATURDAY (UNTIL NOVEMBER 3)

1844 FREDERICKSBURG SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

210 325 3024

adelfa.reyna@yahoo.com

CRITICAL DATES:

ELECTION DAY,

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 3RD

VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE:

BY MAIL:

POSTMARKED BY: MONDAY OCTOBER 5TH

IN PERSON: MONDAY OCTOBER 5TH

DEADLINE TO REQUEST A BALLOT BY MAIL

(RECEIVED BY):

FRIDAY OCTOBER 23RD

POSTMARKED: NOVEMBER 3RD

EARLY VOTING:

TUESDAY OCTOBER 13TH FRIDAY OCTOBER 30TH

"The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing." (Attributed to Edmund Burke, including by John F Kennedy in a speech in 1961. Burke didn't say it, and its earliest form was by John Stuart Mill, who said in 1867: "Bad men need nothing more to compass their ends, than that good men should look on and do nothing." Thanks to Andrew Marshall.)



FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO:

https://www.vote.org/state/texas/ TEXAS ELECTION HOTLINE 1866 687 8683

PRESIDENT TRUMP AND THE PANDEMIC

As we were in the process of compiling this newsletter relaunch, the news broke of Donald Trump's contracting of COVID-19. As of this writing, details have been tricking out on nearly an hourly basis. There is nothing directly relevant to the situation that we can add.

However, from those accounts we have learned that the best and brightest medical team has converged on the patient, treatments have been prepared and applied, advanced interventions barely out of trials such as REGEN-CoV-2 as part of antibody "cocktail" injections. Trump was delivered to Walter Reed military hospital by helicopter, and promptly went under observation, precautionary oxygen, and complete medical assessment. All of that is to be expected when treating an important head of state.

The issue that comes to this Democratic Party supporter refers back to Tuesday, and the portion of the debate that was held in deadlock about The Affordable Care Act, Trump's intention to annihilate it, and the dubious assertion that he has a health care plan ready to go.

Let us put in mind the citizens who do not have health insurance, who would be denied it, or who lost it if their employment was terminated. These are the taxpayers who are now, or will have paid for Trump's medical bills.

Just a thought.

TEJANOS:

News from TheSouth-West Texas Coalition of Tejano Democrats.and Bexar County Tejano Democrats

Organized to support Democratic candidates and to advocate on issues that impact the civil and constitutional rights of minorities. P

Lawsuit in Nueces County

Our sister organization, Nueces County Tejano Democrats filed a lawsuit against Nueces County Clerk Kara Sands, in her official capacity. The lawsuit alleges voting violations rights, in part citing incorrect information sent to voters who had previously mailed their ballots. These violations occurred prior to the Primaries, nevertheless; as a whole we hope this lawsuit will deter any further voting rights violations.

Texas Committee for Judicial Elections

Texas Committee for Judicial Elections zoom hearing. We signed up to give testimony, but we didn't get the opportunity to present our position.

The issue::Governor Abbott wants to appoint a Committee that will select all judges. Abbott's argument, is to have qualified candidates to seat on the bench, his defense is that the community is not educated sufficiently on who they are voting for. We agree on both positions; however, we totally disagree on taking the rights of voters to select the candidate of their choice.

The BCTDs do engage and conduct research on candidates who are seeking office, this is why to a great extent our endorsement process is based on background research and in attempts to educate the community. HOWEVER, when we make a public opinion or present facts on individual candidates we are met with personal retaliation or character attacks. This is not democracy.

Joining South Texas American GI Forum Veterans and Civil Rights Organization will be writing the Texas Committee on Judicial Selection opposing Abbott's plan and making it clear that are attacking the voting rights of our communities.

Yard Sign Campaign/Voter Outreach

Laura Estrada, Chairwoman NCTDs, has led our yard sign efforts. One result is the "Adelante Con Biden/Harris 2020". The requests for this sign was tremendous.

We hope to be out putting out signs for candidates at locations where people have given us permission to do so. This includes for state wide and local candidates.

We/I have engaged in radio talk shows with Placido Salazar discussing the topic of voter apathy within our Mexican American communities; explaining why they need to vote this November.

Membership

Several Precinct Chairs have become members and we are humbled by the support of the BCTDs. As many have now come to know, we are inclusive; helpful; and willing to do what it takes to get the job done.

There will soon be a South-West Texas Coalition of Tejano Democrats in Jim Wells County and a second in El Paso.

-Peter Vallecillo

ADELANTE CON BIDEN-HARRIS 2020!!!

THE BIDEN TRUMP DEBATE

The first presidential election debate of 2020 was aired last Tuesday, September 29. To many it was stark reminder of the differences between the Republican President Donald Trump, and the rest of the general populace of the United States of America. Joseph Biden held his own in speaking in behalf of people who are concerned about issues such as health care, and women's rights. The rushed confirmation of Trump's successor to Ruth Bader Ginsberg has many citizens disturbed and appalled as Justice Ginsburg's successor will have a profound impact on every part of our lives and our future.

Trumps rancor, combative assertions and accusations, and plain rudeness was the dominant impression many viewers took away from the event. Biden made heroic efforts to state points of fact, and challenge Trump on many of his questionable statements. Biden also held back while Trump began insulting Biden's son, literally taunting Joe Biden about Hunter Biden's past struggle with addiction, and dismissing his military career with blatant insults. This may well have been a tactic to throw Biden off his stride, but Biden held his ground and again replied with facts.

On the topic of a healthcare plan from Trump that never materialized, Trump answered with assertions that his plan supposedly replacing the Affordable Care Act is ready. Since he started running for President, Trump said that he will have a plan to replace the Affordable Care Act and that he'll have a plan to protect pre-existing conditions. Simply put: Trump doesn't have a plan. The only plan he has is to get re-elected.