



SEPTEMBER 2017 NEWSLETTER

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President's Letter

As many of you know, immigration is a subject near and dear to my heart. I do volunteer legal work at the Human Rights Initiative of North Texas, Inc. at least two days a week. I mainly work with abused women and abused, neglected and abandoned children to get status under certain humanitarian portions of the immigration laws.

I also work with DACA recipients. Watching Jeff Sessions sanctimoniously talk about law and order and unconstitutional executive orders as he announced the repeal of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals made me angry. Many of my DACA clients are working their way through college or already hold responsible jobs. Some came to the United States fleeing violence. For many their land of birth is a foreign country. Why is our government hurting people who are contributing to our society? .

President Trump has challenged Congress to legislate DACA. However, that is not what our country needs. Keeping these young people in an under class of people allowed to stay here but not fully participate in democracy is wrong. We need a DREAM act to give these young people status.

In 2014, a bipartisan Senate passed the Border Security, Economic Opportunity and Immigration Modernization Act that provided for increased border security, 40,000 additional border agents, revisions to immigration law and (yes) increased fencing at the border. It also provided a path to legal residence and citizenship for undocumented people which included strict background checks, hefty fees and a long wait. The House refused to even consider this legislation because the Republican majority did not want to give President Obama a win. Had our elected officials represented all Americans instead of just their base, we wouldn't be dealing with these issues now. We would have 4 years of increased border security, a modernized immigration system and a rational way to deal



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with undocumented people.

We need to elect people to Congress who will do what is right for the country.. We need to elect Democrats and we need your help so do so! .

Your President,
Carol Jablonski



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NEW "KNOCK 10" TECHNOLOGY UNVEILED AT SDEC MEETING

At the recent SDEC meeting, the TDP staff discussed a new canvassing technology called Knock 10. Knock 10 is a mobile application launched by the Democratic National Committee that allows experienced organizers and brand-new activists to go through their neighborhoods and knock 10 doors at a time. The app provides a conversational script, pinpoints the knocker's GPS location and lines up 10 nearby doors of targeted voters (leaning Democratic or registered after the November election) to knock on. The questions focus on issues of interest to Democrats and Democratic values. Answers will be used to help Democratic candidates.

You do not need a VAN account to use Knock 10. It can be downloaded from iTunes. All you do is enter answers into your phone. At this time, it is only available for iPhones. If there is sufficient usage, android versions will be rolled out.

2018 TDW CONVENTION – FEBRUARY 9-11 ROOM RESERVATIONS AVAILABLE!

The 2018 TDW retreat will be coming up before you know it. It will be held at the Wyndham Garden Hotel at 3401 South IH 35, Austin, Texas 78741. We are working on a great weekend. We will be releasing more information about the retreat in the near future. But, we wanted to let you know that you can reserve your rooms at the Wyndham at the following TDW prices: Double: \$105; King \$105, Executive King \$115 and Casita \$125. This is a reduction from last year's pricing! You can reserve your room online at www.wyndhamaustin.com. Once there, enter your desired dates of stay and enter 02066702TE_001 in the group code field. Finish by hitting "Book Now" If you have any problems or want to make your reservation on line you can call !-800-996-3426. Give the reservations clerk your dates of stay, ask for the Texas Democratic Women's rate and provide a credit card number to reserve your room. The last day to reserve under the TDW rate is January 18, 2018.

ORDER YOUR TDW POLO SHIRTS BY OCTOBER 15, 2017

Donna Beth McCormick has offered to order blue polo shirts with the TDW logo and embroidery on the left chest for anyone who is interested. The polos will be ordered through Donna Beth, not TDW. The description is Royal Port Authority Ladies Silk Touch Polo – ladies sizes XS to 5XL. The cost is \$25.00. There is a \$5:00 mailing fee to mail it to you individually. Clubs may want to submit group orders and discuss delivery with Donna Beth. The polos are made in Austin and are washable. Make checks out to Donna Beth McCormick and mail check to TDW PO Box 301411, Austin, Texas 78703. **DO NOT MAKE CHECKS OUT TO TDW.**

Donna Beth is planning to order the polos by mid-October. She will not order a shirt for you unless she receives your check and information as to number and sizing. She will not cash the checks until she determines that there are enough requests for an order. Even if you gave your name and order

information to Donna Beth at the retreat, *you need to send a check and confirm your order.* If you have any questions contact Donna Beth at dbmc@texas.net.



North Dallas

* Why We Need Democratic Judges” is the topic that our panel of judges will discuss on **September 28th**. Panelists will be Judge Martin Hoffman, Judge Tina Yoo Clinton, Judge Lisa Green, and Judge Ken Tapscott. Topics will include discussion of:

- Elected vs Appointed Judges
- Should Political Ideology Be a Criteria for Choosing a Judge?
- Where Can Ideology Enter into the Judicial Process?
- How Not Having “Straight Ticket” Voting Will Impact Judicial Races

NORTH DALLAS TEXAS DEMOCRATIC WOMEN



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* NDTDW has sold 7 tables to the sold our Annie's List Lunch featuring Senator Kamala Harris in Dallas on November 10, 2017

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