



October 2018 NEWSLETTER

VOTE EARLY TOMORROW, OCTOBER 22

President's Message



We are down to the "wire" and our Democratic candidates need each of us to GOTV.

Turning this state "BLUE" is so important for our future and the future of our children and generations after

them.

The future of women's rights is on the line this election season. We have a wonderful group of female candidates this year. They are all strong women running along side of some very respectful men candidates. With the Supreme Court choice and the lack of equal rights and respect for Dr. Christine Ford, electing Democratic candidates is so important.

We, as women, cannot stay home on election day and I can't think of a reasonable or sensible excuse for doing so. If you have a family member or friend that has travel issues, offer your help to get them to the poles to vote. Encourage those with this situation, to vote by mail or to vote early.

The harder we work to turn this state BLUE, the easier it will be in 2020 to turn our United States the same color.

The Tidal Wave can and will happen, but it needs each of us working as hard as we can. GO DEMS!

Your President,
Cindy James



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TDW Board Meeting News

The next board conference call is scheduled for Sunday, November 4th at 7:30 p.m. Interested members are invited to join these calls. Please contact Cindy James at president@tdw.org for the number and access code.



The next in-person board meeting will be on Friday, December 14th at the Wyndham Garden Hotel, 3501 S. IH 35 in Austin at 6 p.m. Interested members are always welcome to attend and observe.

Websites for TDW Chapters

TDW provides our local chapters the opportunity to have a website and set-up assistance free of charge. Eleven TDW chapters have already set up their websites and started customizing them. For more information about getting started on your chapter's free website please contact [VP Sue Barrick](#).

Looking ahead - Important Dates

- Oct. 22 - Early voting begins
 - Nov. 2 - Early voting ends
 - Nov. 6 - General Election Day
 - Dec. 14 - TDW Board in Austin
 - Dec. 15 - SDEC in Austin
 - Feb. '19 - TDW Convention 22nd-24th in Austin
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NEWS FROM LOCAL CHAPTERS

Please help us make this a better newsletter that represents the wonderful diversity of our statewide organization!

Please send photos and stories about your Chapter's events for next month's newsletter at any time to [VP Sue Barrick](#)

TDW of Hood County

TDW of Hood County's Annual Scholarship Luncheon on October 6 was a great success! Guest speaker US Rep. District 11 candidate Jennie Lou Leeder was a BIG hit as were former US Rep. District 11 Charlie Stenholm and wife Cindy! Charlie did a great introduction of Jennie Lou since they have similar backgrounds and values.



The October meeting guest speaker was Nancy Bennett (center). Nancy, a Blue Star Mothers member, who encouraged TDW members to support the troops in all branches of the military by sending useful items to relatives on active duty. Members brought items and money as a donation for Nancy and local Blue Star Mothers to mail to servicemen.

County Chair Adrienne Martin updated members on current political activity and planned events. A School Board Forum will be held on October 10 at the Granbury City Hall in the Council meeting room. TDW members are supporting Maureen Griffin for Place 3. Several Meet and Greet events are scheduled for County Clerk candidate Gene McNeely. - *Shirley Ledford*

Capital Area Democratic Women

On September 18th, CADW celebrated our signature event, Celebration of Champions, by honoring 3 magnificent women: Pooja Sethi, Carrie Collier-Brown and Carisa Lopez. It was a night of inspiration and fun with our Capital Area Community. With the money that we raised, we directly contributed to candidates: John Bucy, HD 136, Vikki Goodwin, HD 47, Chari Kelly, Justice, 3rd Court of Appeals, Place 3, James Talarico, HD 52, and Judge Gisela Triana, Justice, 3rd Court of Appeals, Place 6 and the Travis County Democratic Party towards the coordinated effort to turn out the vote across Travis County. - *Lorraine Garcia*



TDW of the Brazos Valley



No, that ISN'T Kim Olsen at our Blue Denim fundraiser, above. It IS Andrew Smiley, policy director of the Olson campaign and president of Texas Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association. You can see why Kim could not be with us (above right). Cheers for First-Time Grandma!

We had a successful event, with 6 candidates giving short speeches, between “ads” for our silent auction (right). As a result, we were able to donate to our amazing women candidates! - *Judy Bochner*



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