

AUGUST 2020 NEWSLETTER

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Celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Women’s Suffrage - By Virtual Meeting

Enjoy a box lunch by Jolanda. Pick it up from 9-10 a.m. at your local clubhouse (Clubhouse Three, PAC - box lunches will be delivered to The Towers) and enjoy it at home or with friends as you watch **Controller Betty Yee, Congress Member Katie Porter, State Assembly Member Cottie Petrie-Norris and State Senate candidate Dave Min** (by video), along with short videos about the 19th Amendment, all on your own TV. **Tune in Village Television, Channel 6, from 1:30 until 3:00 p.m., Saturday, August 15.**

Members \$20; Guests \$25 Choice of meal: **CHICKEN CAESAR WRAP with a CRANBERRY MOLD and FRESH FRUIT, plus a piece of flourless CHOCOLATE CAKE; OR COLD POACHED SALMON with CUCUMBER DILL SAUCE on side, QUINOA SALAD with lots of VEGETABLES and SLICED TOMATOES plus a LEMON TART; OR VEGGIE PATTIES with a vegan dipping sauce, QUINOA SALAD, SLICED TOMATOES plus a Vegan CHEESE CAKE.** (And there’s a little surprise for you too!) **Pay for your lunch reservation with a credit card on the SECURE website. Sign up: <https://secure.actblue.com/donate/boxlunch>**

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COVID-19 has changed this information; no meetings are held in person currently. Club meetings are held the **third Tuesday** of each month in **Clubhouse 2 Main Lounge**, at **7 p.m.**, except occasionally when a special event preempts a regular meeting; the date or location of any meeting may be changed due to holidays; members free, guests are asked for a \$3 donation at the door. Meeting flyers are posted in each clubhouse at least two weeks prior to every meeting, whether regular or special event. Board of Directors meets the **second Tuesday** of each month in the **Pine Room of the Administration Building at 6:30 p.m.**

2020 Officers and Directors

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SAVE THE DATE

Aug. 4, Tues. – Third Annual “Black Lives Matter” street rally on El Toro near Laguna Woods City Hall; 4:30 p.m.

Aug. 5, Wed. – LWDC program from July on Village TV 6 from 2-3 p.m.

Aug. 15, Sat. – Club’s Annual Luncheon – special this year! Guest will be **State Controller Betty Yee** – virtually! See article following. **LUNCHEON FLYER ATTACHED TODAY.**

Aug. 15, Sat. – Village TV 6, Virtual Annual Luncheon program runs for 90 minutes from 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.

Aug. 22, Sat. – Village TV 6, 90-minute Virtual Annual Luncheon program running from 1:30 – 3:00.

Aug. 29, Sat. – Village TV 6, 90-minute Virtual Annual Luncheon program running again from 1:30-3:00 p.m.

ANNUAL LUNCHEON – EXCITING NEW PLANS!

Special Events Chair Nancy Hensel and her committee have been working diligently. Plans are made to distribute Jolanda’s boxed lunches at Clubhouse 3 parking lot (Performing Arts Center) and delivered to The Towers to those who have signed up. **The flyer is included with this newsletter. Call Nancy Hensel 703-964-6993 to make reservations – Aug. 1 deadline but absolutely by Aug. 5!**

Attendees may pick up their meals, then join the meeting remotely on TV Channel 6 from their homes to see **State Controller Betty Yee** speak, giving new meaning to the significance of the country’s 19th Amendment to the Constitution – women’s suffrage, the right to vote.

In addition, Congress Member Katie Porter, State Assembly Member Cottie Petrie-Norris and State Senate Candidate Dave Min will speak on video.

Each meal will contain at least one surprise! Please support your club this year during its Annual Luncheon, even though we cannot hold it in person as we have in the past.

IF YOU WISH TO VOLUNTEER ON THE DAY-OF, CALL NANCY HENSEL AT 703-964-6993 IMMEDIATELY!

‘BLACK LIVES MATTER’ RALLIES CONTINUE

Activism Chair Janice Burstin got our second silent street rally together on Thursday, July 2, on El Toro between our own Gate One and the Laguna Woods City Hall. We had about 30 in attendance.

COME JOIN US THIS Tuesday, August 4, from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. on El Toro near Laguna Woods City Hall, for our THIRD SILENT STREET RALLY. We have signs for you to use – or bring your own.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Thanks to our volunteers who have called Democrats in the Village. Many have become members. **Please welcome Mark Ezra, Margot Gilison, Martha and Ernest Gulner, Timothy Marr, Linda Ruiz, Debbie Shapiro, Lloyd Silverman and Marty Trujillo.**

We are now at 381 members – and getting new members every single month!

For information on membership, contact **Membership Chair Debra David** at 949-462-9781 or debdauid48@gmail.com.

CLUB PURCHASED BIDEN SIGNS

Our terrific union printer created a 13” x 19” Joe Biden sign – just says “Biden” and fits perfectly in one of your windows or you may tape it or hang it over your balcony. (Cannot be put on the lawn.) We paid for 400 of these signs!

We are asking \$1 donation per sign. So many of our members have volunteered to keep them at home for distribution. Here is the info: Signs can be picked up at the following locations in the Village:

Gates 1-4: Maureen Mehler, 415 Avenida Castilla Unit B, (949) 951-3557; Gates 5-6: Frieda and Don Gorelick, 2058 Via Mariposa Unit B, (949) 454-0837; Gates 7-8: DLaura and Paul Loughrey, 3089 Via Serena Unit C; Sue and David Dearing, 3197 Via Buena Vista Unit C, (949) 855-6965; Gates 9-10: Jeanette Peck, 3412 Calle Azul, (760) 213-0956; Gate 11: Debra David, 5161 Belmez, (408) 529-3565; Gate 14: Sandy and Marty Rosencrans, 4010 Calle Sonora Oeste Unit 3B (open the screen door to access the signs).

The signs will be outside these volunteers’ doors with an envelope in which to put your donation. You do not have to call or make arrangements ahead of time.

VOTER REGISTRATION

If you have a new neighbor, or if you have recently moved, changed your name, or wish to change your registration, our **VR Chair Mary Ribando** will be happy to register residents. Please contact her at marytribando@aol.com or 716-984-9480.

GET OUT THE VOTE ACTIVITIES

The first phase of the DPOC’s “Turn Up OC” has been working well for us! Phone calls made to resident Democrats who do not yet belong to the club has yielded at least twenty **new members!**

Working with tools and training provided by the DPOC, the end goal is to ensure that Democratic and NPP voters turn up to vote in November. The first of three phases began in June; thanks to the volunteers who made those phone calls.

We are going to need more volunteers to help **GOTV Chair Jeanette Peck** ((760-213-0956, jeanettepeck@gmail.com) and **Outreach Chair Jeanne Lepowsky** (lepowsky@comline.com, 949-636-9123) to contact voters by phone or canvassing to give information and reminders to vote in November. In October, we will distribute door hangers. Knocking on doors may become a possibility later this year.

POSTCARD WRITING EVENTS UNDERWAY

Sue Dearing and Mary Ribando had postcards and postage to give to volunteers who wrote and mailed postcards for Dave Min for CA State Senate District 37 who is running against John Moorlach (a Trump supporter).

Postcards were also created for Sergio Contreras for Orange County Board of Supervisors District 1. Even though this is NOT our district race, the effort to get another Dem on the Orange County Board of Supervisors is SO important. Sergio is endorsed by the Democratic Party of Orange County and many progressive groups.

Any questions, contact Sue Dearing 949-855-6965 or Mary Ribando 716-984-9480. There will be more postcards purchased, as well as postage. Info by e-mail blast to members and friends.

YOUR CLUB MADE DONATIONS IN JULY

The latest drive ended on July 31. Care kits for unhoused veterans were collected and driven to Wound Walk by our **Service Project Coordinator Sue Snyder, 714-329-3386**. She reports **a total of 300 kits** composed of easy-open tuna or chicken can or pack, lip balm, sun block, tooth brush, small tooth paste, comb or brush, bottle of water or Gatorade (8 or 12 oz.), granola bar or peanut butter crackers, and a few individually wrapped cough drops. **THANKS TO ALL OUR GENEROUS MEMBERS AND FRIENDS!**