

# Northwest Democrats News



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## Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> Program: Congressman Ciro Rodriguez

Don't forget to attend our December 20<sup>th</sup> meeting when Congressman  
Ciro Rodriguez will give us a congressional update.

Please join us for this important meeting at 8:30 am at Luby's, Floyd Curl  
and Huebner.

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## NW Democrats to Visit the Warrior and Family Support Center!

### Please bring goodies to our meeting!

The Special Projects Committee asks all members to bring something to the meeting for the soldiers and their families. The Center provides extensive services for soldiers who have been injured in Iraq and Afghanistan. Many times they are recuperating in San Antonio for long periods of time. Suggested items: *home-baked cookies or brownies (in freezer bags), six-packs of bottled water, pampers for the little ones, prepaid phone cards, gift cards, toiletries*. Donations by check will be accepted. No cash please.

The Center has just moved into a beautiful new building many times larger than the original facility and we are anxious to see it. Any members who wish to join the committee on this visit are welcome to do so. We will carpool to Fort Sam and back immediately after the conclusion of our morning meeting.

### Eckert Road Cleanup

Our merry band of volunteers canvassed Eckert Road for litter after the November meeting. The litter was mostly in front of Republican homes, due to an ill-wind in their direction, but was cheerfully removed anyway. Thanks to the usual volunteers plus new recruits: Jim Kersey and Trent Cheyney.

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To submit an article or other info, email Jacob Middleton at:

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## A Few 'Joyce' Words

*by Joyce Dorrycott*

Time is running out for each of us to prepare for the holidays and to get the gifts we plan to give our families. But, there are many among us who need to "receive" more than to "give." Among them are those we support through our Northwest Democrats' project of the month - providing for our war-wounded at Fort Sam. Those of us who can should participate in this project.

But, there are so many competing needs again this year. An article in the newspaper recently told of a poor mother of four who took in a family of six abused children. And, she did this in spite of being ineligible for state financial assistance. Evelyn Mortola contacted the attorney working with this mother to find what we could do to help. The attorney said the best way people can help is by donating gift cards from HEB, Target or Wal-Mart so that the mother can purchase what the family needs. So, if there is anyone who would like to give to this effort in addition to the first, please bring them to Evelyn or me at the meeting.

Among the other requests I received for help was an appeal for the "Meals on Wheels" program. It seems the high cost of gasoline combined with the economic recession has caused them to be short this year in providing for the needy they serve on Christmas day.

And, as this year draws to a close so does my term as Chair of Northwest Democrats. It has been such a joy to work with all of you. Most of you can probably guess that my favorite part of this job was the fall campaign to elect Democrats. This was a particularly exciting and interesting campaign season, and the results were so satisfying. The election of a Democratic president gives all of us hope for a better tomorrow.

Thank you so much for the opportunity to work for and with you in advancing Democratic causes and in supporting all our various activities. The four terms I have served as chair of this organization were made so much easier and more rewarding because I shared them with my husband and partner, Don Green. Throughout our hard work during the fall campaign, I was sustained by the knowledge that I was doing exactly what Don would have wanted me to do.

But, now it is time for new leadership at Northwest Democrats. Please join me in giving them the same strong support you gave to me. Our organization has grown from the few who responded to Darby Riley's call in 1992 to the very many who belong to it today. Any organization is only as strong as its membership. We did not grow into the largest and strongest Democratic organization in Bexar County automatically. It came through the dedication and determination of each of us.

There will be much for each of us to do during the coming year, as we support our new president and continue our work to keep turning Bexar County more and more blue.

## **It's Super Bowl Time Again**

**It's that time again. Time for the Northwest Democrats Super Bowl Party.**

**For anyone who wants to help out we will be meeting right after our**

**Saturday meeting.**

**We also need items for both our silent and live auctions.**

**What we need right now: a location. Unfortunately Judge Tessa & Roger**

**Herr will not be able to host our party this year, so we are looking for a new**

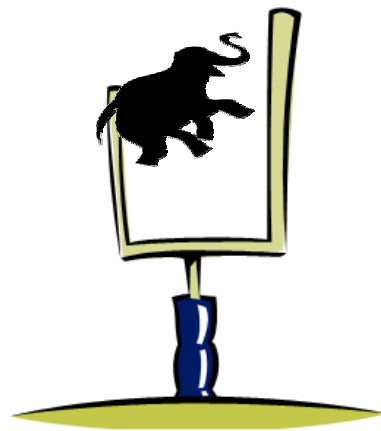
**location. If you know of a potential location, contact Jacob at 867-6338 or**

**TXDemocrat@satx.rr.com; or Joyce at 680-5701 or unicornjd@aol.com.**

**Democrats are on the offensive, let's keep it that way.**

**Remember, redistricting will take place after the 2010 elections. Let's make**

sure Democrats have a seat at the table.



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