



# Common Sense



Next Meeting : Monday, April 2, 2012, Meet and Greet 5:30 pm & Meeting 7 pm, Mejor Que Nada, 1911 S. Bryant

## **US Senatorial Candidate Addie Dainell Allen visits club in April**

This month the Tom Green County Democratic Club is pleased to welcome Addie Dainell Allen, one of the four Democratic candidates for US Senate. We will be welcoming the candidate with a meet and greet at Mejor Que Nada beginning at 5:30 pm. Cost to attend is \$10 and food, tea and water will be served. The meeting will begin at 7:00 pm.

Addie Allen was born in Orange. She now resides in Beaumont where she works in a family small business. Ms. Allen earned a Bachelor's of Arts degree in Speech from Lamar University in 1975. She has volunteered on campaigns for Governor Ann Richards, Texas Senator Eddie Bernice Johnson, and President Barack Obama. In addition to being a life-long Democrat, Ms. Allen has been a precinct chair in Beaumont, a poll worker in Dallas County, and served as an alternate delegate to the 2008 Texas State Convention.

## **2012 Tom Green County Democratic Convention April 21**

This year in Texas, we will be doing things a little different during the campaign season. Thanks to the constant legal battles, we will be holding our County Convention before the primaries. This year the Tom Green County Democratic Convention will be held on April 21, 2012 at 10:00 am. It will be held at the Southside Recreation Center, located at 2750 Ben Ficklin Road.

The delegate selection process has changed. When you sign in to register, you must sign the official roster as a Tom Green County Registered Voter, indicating your presidential preference or uncommitted status. Then, you must sign an official affidavit proclaiming you are a Democrat and will not vote in another party's primary in 2012. After a call to order, County Convention attendees will caucus with their precincts and/or paired precincts to elect delegates to the Texas State Democratic Convention which will be held June 7-9 in Houston. To be a state delegate, you do NOT have to be present for the county convention, but you do need to contact the County Chair, Linda Shoemaker, at 655-VOTE or 224-2944, sign the oath, and ask that your name be submitted to the convention attendees.

If you have a Resolution, please try to get it to the County Chair before the Convention. Resolutions will also be accepted during sign-in at the County Convention. Write your Resolution in the form: "Whereas --- Therefore Be It Resolved That." **Whereas** is the term used to state your reason for an action. Use a **Whereas** for each point you want to make to build your argument. **Therefore, be it resolved that** is the phrase used to call a particular group to action because of the powerful points made in building your **Whereas** argument. Name the action you want taken and the group you want to support or oppose the issue. Give your Resolution a clear and meaningful title.

We hope to see many of you participate in politics at the grassroots level. Please help us spread the word about the convention. This is the first step to re-electing President Obama. Who knows? Maybe you can be a national delegate to the Democratic National Convention in Charlotte, North Carolina in September.

## **Just Talking, talking points by Ben Quiet**

Not happy with financial control over all the resources and wealth of a nation, now there is a cry from the political party of the Lords of Wall Street to take away from the serfs that most basic human freedom, the right to control their own bodies. Of what value is the Almighty's promise of free will if we are prevented by law from exercising it? The Constitution provides not only freedom of religion, but also freedom FROM religion. Politicians who advocate enforcement, by law, of religious concepts and beliefs have no place in a government established under the US Constitution.

I say again, the only thing the Lords of Wall Street are willing for the serfs to have and keep is distance.

## **Announcements**

This month's guest speaker is U.S. Senatorial Candidate Addie Dainell Allen

### **Callers Needed**

We need some more callers. It only takes a few minutes each month and provides a valuable reminder for our members.

Contact Joyce Hubbard  
at 325-947-5253 or  
hubbard7@suddenlink.net.

Thanks!

## **Other April Events**

### **April 12**

Last day to register to vote for the  
May 12 City Election

### **April 14**

Non-Partisan Candidate Forum  
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm  
CJ Davidson Conference Center  
Angelo State University

### **April 21**

Jesse Martinez Benefit  
Golf Tournament  
8:00 am Shotgun Start  
Riverside Hills Golf Course  
\$60 per player  
FMI - 325-212-3081

### **April 30**

First day of early voting for the  
May 12 City Election  
&  
Last day to register to vote for the  
May 29 Primary Election

The Executive Committee (officers and board of directors members) meets for planning on the Monday following each general membership meeting. Everyone is welcome.  
Time — 6 P.M.  
Place — Galilee Community Development Corp.  
1404 S. Oakes

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In the end, that's what this election is about. Do we participate in a politics of cynicism or a politics of hope? **Barack Obama**

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The Club has been conducting voter registration drives at ASU during the month of March. As of March 22, nearly 100 students have been registered. The club would like to thank Ivey Mossell, Floyd Crider, Janna Simms, Rennie Hardie, Stella Lasswell, Tom Bankston, Carina Sturgeon, Sylvia Garcia, Carol Thornhill, and Joyce Hubbard for all their help. The drives will continue and more will be scheduled. If you would like to help contact Floyd Crider at 325-374-7202 or [president@tgcdc.org](mailto:president@tgcdc.org).

Your membership dues of just \$15 annually help the club promote our local candidates and pay for this newsletter

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