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# May Newsletter



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## Upcoming Events



### Lets Talk Canyon Lake

May 12th | 5:30 pm

Tye Preston Memorial Library



### Giddy Up & Get Organized

March 23rd | 6 pm

[See Details](#)



### Light Up the Sky Fundraiser

May 21st | 5:15 pm

[See Details](#)



### Wild West Connection



May 27th | 5:00 pm

[See Details](#)

**Resistance Happy Hour**

June 4th | 5:00pm

[See Details](#)

## Act Now

Here are three things you can do right now to help the Democratic cause in Comal County.

**Do you enjoy a good time?** Attend the Light Up the Sky Billboard Fundraiser and enjoy live music and some lively games of cornhole.

[RSVP Here](#)

**Take over a precinct for Get Out The Vote.** Does your precinct already have a chair? Or maybe you're unsure about taking on the role long term? If that sounds like you our precinct GOTV program is for you!

[Learn More](#)

Don't have time to give? We understand that time can be sparse. It just takes a couple minutes to donate by clicking the **Donate** button on the right.

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## City Elections Recap and Important Notice



Over the weekend, the people of New Braunfels took to the polls to vote for mayor and two city council seats that were up for reelection. Though municipal elections are nonpartisan, there was one clear slate running this cycle: Michael French (mayor), Chase Taylor (Dist. 5), and Nikki Shaw (Dist.6). All three candidates were firmly backed by Republican and conservative groups. During early voting and on election day, there were a total of 4,703 ballots cast out of the 54,972 registered voters in New Braunfels. This means that less than 10% of the voters showed up to elect the new mayor of New Braunfels. With 3667 votes (49.18%) French nearly unseated the incumbent Mayor Neal Linnartz, who received 2852 votes (38.25%). French was announced the winner, however, the city ordinance that did not require a majority (50+%) for the mayoral election was against state law. Since state law out ranks the city there will be a runoff between Linnartz and French.

Mary Ann Labowski squeaked out a win by 11 votes to hold off Chase Taylor. Nikki Shaw received 510 votes, 5% shy of the 50%+ she needed and will now be heading into a runoff with April Ryan, who secured 33% of the votes with 372. The runoff will be held on June 13th, early voting is yet to be announced. Every registered voter who lives in the district will need to vote in the runoff to help re-elect April Ryan as well as every voter in the incorporated New Braunfels to help re-elect Neal Linnartz.



The Community Resource and Recreation Center (CRRC) of Canyon Lake provides essential, dignified, and uplifting services to the community. The Resource Center supports residents with food through its pantry and Meals on Wheels deliveries, offers financial assistance, connects individuals to medical services through partnerships and equipment loans, and helps people access other essential resources.

By bringing all of these services together in one place, CRRC makes support as accessible as possible. The organization is an invaluable part of the Canyon Lake community, ensuring that no neighbor has to navigate challenges alone. At the Recreation Center, CRRC offers programs and events that bring people together and promote active, healthy living. Funded in part by its thrift store, which provides affordable, gently used items to local shoppers, CRRC demonstrates a powerful model of neighbors helping neighbors. In all aspects of its work, CRRC exemplifies what it means to care for a community, offering not just services but dignity, stability, and a true sense of community.

## Attorney General Interviews



In April we were grateful to host both Attorney General candidates at the Wild West Connection Happy Hour. While they were there we asked them three identical questions and one question and one similar, but personalized question. You can view the interviews through the links below.



[Click here to view Joe Jaworski's Interview](#)



[Click here to view Nathan Johnson's Interview](#)

## Chair's Corner



Democrats have an historic opportunity this fall, and we are rising to meet the challenge. Under our new chair, Kendall Scudder, the Texas Democratic Party made major changes to their staffing and infrastructure, moving the headquarters to Dallas and opening up field offices in the Rio Grande Valley and the Panhandle. If we want to win, it can't be business as usual, and the field offices will help grow the party in underserved areas. The office in Austin remains open.

The Comal County Democratic Primary is focusing on bringing events to all areas of the county. Let's Talk Canyon Lake is held at the Tye Preston Library on the second Tuesday of every month at 5:30pm. The Wild West Connection meets on the last Wednesday of the month at 5:00 at the Screaming Goat on Hwy 46. Join the Resistance Happy Hour will resume in New Braunfels in June at the Guadalupe Brewing and Pizza Company.

Thursday, May 21, we will have a fundraiser for the billboard campaign at the Guadalupe Brewing and Pizza Company. We will have a concert with Gary Taylor, former congressional candidate for Congressional District 21, and Heather Wyn, a local artist. Come and join the fun; there is no entry fee.

The billboard campaign plans to have billboards on 306 near Fischer, along 46, and in New Braunfels. Billboards will help us reach all voters. Just \$38 will buy one billboard for one day. To donate, follow this link: <https://secure.actblue.com/donate/ccdpbillboards>

Thank you to everyone who supports our county party, either through donations, volunteering, or attending our events. We appreciate you!

In Solidarity,  
Victoria Locke  
County Chair

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