

**Neighborhood Democrats
January 11, 2016, 7:00 PM**

A G E N D A

7:00 - Welcome, Pledge

7:05 - Chairman John Young (10 minutes)

Mail-in ballot

New web site (<http://www.galvestoncountymodemocraticparty.org>)

County convention (<http://register.txdemocrats.org/countyconvention/signup>)

Candidates (2 minutes)

7:20 - Club business

Treasurer's Report (Oct, Nov, Dec)

Approval of Oct 12 meeting minutes

Club Leadership Vacancies: Membership calling

Club Committee Chairs Needed: Fund raising, GOTV, & supporting Dems

7:30 - Battleground Texas Update

7:35 - Guest Speaker

Jackie Young, Local Environmental Activist

http://www.epa.gov/region6/6sf/texas/san_jacinto/

<http://texanstgether.org/content/san-jacinto-river-coalition-1>

<http://texanstgether.org/content/jackie-young-san-jacinto-river-waste-pits>

<http://blog.chron.com/nickanderson/2014/06/the-san-jacinto-river-in-peril-part-one/#24291101=0>

8:00 - Q&A

8:15 - Director Closing Comments (Time permitting)

- Communicating to GOTV event, 1/26, pay tonight

- Next club meeting at Spring Creek BBQ, Monday, Feb 8, 2016

— County candidates' forum

- Social media outreach: Email list: 215(+4), FB: 493(+1), Twitter: 54(+15)

- Thinking Point - corporate intrusion is the real problem ...

Future Guest Speakers/Events:

Jan 26 - Communicating 2 GOTV Forum, La Brisa Mexican, League City

Feb 8 - Galveston County Candidate Forum

Mar 14 - Electing Democrats in Conservatively Framed World (Part 1)

Apr 11 - Electing Democrats in Conservatively Framed World (Part 2)

May 9 - Electing Democrats in Conservatively Framed World (Part 3)

Jun 13 - Electing Democrats in Conservatively Framed World (Part 4)

Jul 11 - Electing Democrats in Conservatively Framed World (Part 5)

Aug 8 - Electing Democrats in Conservatively Framed World (Part 6)

Opportunities to make a difference:

- Register voters: Contact Dana Hickey, dana.hickey@aol.com

Food for Thought - Thinking Points:

The real problem is corporate intrusion: Corporate intrusion is: The erosion of representative governance through the massive funding from the ONE% (Citizens United) to elect their preferred representatives; The vast numbers of corporate lobbyists to deliver daily corporate demands to their representatives; The redefining citizenship as obedient shoppers; and the predatory privatization of all public resources including our public education system.

Alternative Word/Phrase:

Koch Kash funds corporate intrusion - It's any corporate or billionaire monies used to buy our local, state, and federal governments and enact freedom robbing laws like those impacting women's health and voter rights for the poor and elderly.

Profit-free article/video:

De Blasio, Warren recommend solution to 40 years of free market fundamentalism

<http://progressiveagenda.us/agenda>

<http://ourfuture.org/20150527/the-populist-agenda-the-fight-for-a-just-society>

Profit-free Media Resource:

Democracy at Work: <http://www.democracynow.org/>

Economic Policy Institute: <http://www.epi.org/>

Americans for Financial Reform: <http://ourfinancialsecurity.org>

The Economic Populist: <http://www.economicpopulist.org>