On Your Ballot – DPCCC Candidates

After you’ve waded through your ballot and voted for Democratic candidates, judges, and ballot propositions, you still have work to do. You have to figure out what the Democratic County Central Committee is, if you don’t already know. And you have to look at the list of eight candidates for that committee and decide which of them you think can best represent you.

The first thing to know is that one of your DoR Board members – Susan Hildreth -- is among the candidates. She has the Board’s enthusiastic support.

The second thing to understand is that the DPCCC, or “DP-triple-C,” is the official governing branch of the Democratic Party in Contra Costa County. Its primary mission is to facilitate the election of Democrats to public office.

In pursuit of that mission it does the following:

- Interviews and endorses Democratic candidates for local office in Contra Costa County, and publishes and distributes the Official Democratic Slate for Contra Costa County.

- Helps endorsed Democratic candidates raise funds, register voters, train campaign workers and find campaign volunteers

- Facilitates the participation of local groups (like the Rossmoor Democrats), in California Democratic Party activities. These include voting at Democratic state conventions and helping to develop Democratic platforms.

- Helps publish the platforms of the California Democratic Party and the Democratic National Committee

- Takes positions on local issues. Releases resolutions in support of legislation, propositions, and other community actions, in line with Democratic values.

The Democrats of Rossmoor actively participate in the DPCCC. We believe it gives our members a voice in the selection and support of local candidates and issues, and an influential presence in the State Democratic Party. DoR Board Member Jane Walter is our current representative to the DPCCC, but her term will soon be up. Again, Board Member Susan Hildreth is
running to replace her and has the Board’s enthusiastic support.

The final thing to know is that you are entitled to vote for up to six of the candidates listed on your ballot. However, the fewer votes you cast, the more weight each of your vote carries.

The League of Women Voters maintains sample ballots and candidate information at www.votersedge.org. Enter your address and zip code on their site and when you get a sample ballot, scroll to the Democratic Committee to see this year’s candidates. Click on their pictures to learn more about them.