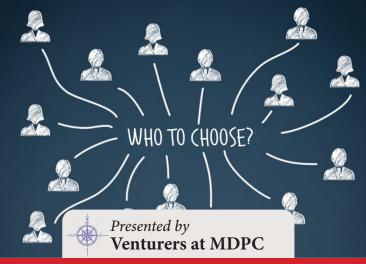
Senior Adults

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Prospects for Candidates in Key Political Races



This election year is unlike any other we have known. All our information is coming to us by mail, social media, friends, or television. Join us to hear from Richard W. Murray, Ph.D. After serving as the Director of the University of Houston Center for

Public Policy for over nine years, he is now concentrating on the Center's polling operations as the Director of the Survey Research Institute.

His academic interests are in Houston and Texas politics, focusing on campaigns and elections, political parties and interest groups, and public opinion.

Monday, October 5

Join us at 7:00 PM. Guests and visitors welcome. Prime Timers Lunch Via Zoom!

A Virtual Gathering of Friends

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We missed you in September! We decided to meet together every month on the third Tuesday for at least the rest of 2020. Join us to have lunch together – virtually! Everyone will bring a delicious lunch and join a Zoom get together from your own home. We can at least see each other's faces again!

Those of us who attended in September were so glad to see each other "in person"! Please join us in October!

Tuesday, October 20

11:30 AM on Zoom

Please call or email Tammy by Wednesday, October 14, if you are interested in attending. You will be emailed the Zoom link in advance: <u>uwphoto.2@sbcglobal.net</u> or 832-816-6254

How to View the October Venturers Event: You will access the program by clicking on <u>seniors.mdpc.org</u>, which takes you to the Senior Adult page on the MDPC website. You will see a bar. Click on this bar at 6:55 PM to make sure your technology is working. You can also access the program from The Venturers at MDPC Facebook page. It will begin livestreaming at 7:00 PM. To join the Venturers Facebook group, go to the page and ask to join. Questions about the page? Contact Carol Ann Shipp at catowl@aol.com or 713-965-9699.

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A Note from the President

As we head into the seventh month of this separation, I miss you and so look forward to being able to fellowship again!

With our first Livestream meeting completed on Monday, September 14, with 57 devices tuned in to at least part of Pastor Alf's on-point message on Loneliness and Isolation, we are learning how to "Keep Calm and Carry On" in this age of separation. I enjoyed seeing so many of you online to enjoy this first program.

We will soon record our next program arranged by Don Knop with Dr. Richard Murray of U of H about the upcoming election in this tumultuous year. Details are in this newsletter. Please join us! Please invite guests, including your friends from outside of Houston, to this online program.

I would like to hear from you about whether we should proceed with our scheduled Venturers' Christmas party in early December at Fratelli's Restaurant. Would you come, or do you think we should cancel the party in light of the COVID virus, even though it appears to be receding. Contact me at <u>bartshenson@gmail.com</u> or leave me a message on 713-780-2138. Thank you!

Your President, Bart Henson

Holly Hall Silver Tea

Save the Date! This year Holly Hall will have a Virtual Silver Tea on Tuesday, December 15, from 1:30 to 2:30 PM. It will take place in decommissioned Fire Station No. 2, which has been renovated into a home for Anne Whitlock and Michael Skelly. More information about how to view the tour and contribute to Holly Hall will be forthcoming.

Join Venturers Now

The Venturers Membership Chair is giving free fabric washable face covering masks with each Venturers membership for 2020-2021 to help us all STAY SAFE.

Email <u>connie.whelchel@att.net</u> or call 713-785-7701 to make arrangements to get your mask(s).

Please go to our Facebook page, The Venturers at MDPC, and ask to join. You will be approved. The meeting will be livestreamed from that page, but you do not have to be a member of Facebook to watch.

Support Fratelli's

The meeting place for Venturers has been changed for 2020-2021 to Fratelli's Restaurant, 1330 Wirt Road at the corner of Westview. Venturers members are encouraged to patronize Fratelli's even though the October meeting there is cancelled.

Go to <u>fratellisristorantehouston.com</u> to make your menu selections, then call 713-263-0022 to place your order (hours 11:00 AM-2:00 PM and 5:00-9:00 PM). There are several reserved parking spots at the restaurant. Call when you arrive, and your order will be brought to you. Email orders are not available.

Encore Fellowship

Encore Fellowship has had to postpone events that we had planned. However, we are currently planning to offer an outdoor picnic in late October or early November with individual boxed meals. More details to follow. If you are not a member and would like to be, just send your email address to <u>betsychalmersfarver@gmail.com</u>. You will then receive an invitation to our events. If you have any suggestions for future events, please let us know.

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