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#### COMING UP...

#### **UPCOMING PROGRAMS:**

- 11/20: Sherry Tyroch-Bell County Youth Fair Scholarship
- 11/27: No Meeting-Happy Thanksgiving!
- 12/4: Sheila Riggins-Wildcat Mentors
- 12/11: Seth Chambliss & Zach Behr-Fellowship of Christian Athletes

#### CLUB CALENDAR:

- 11/20: Noon Meeting-Caterer Fat Boys
- 11/27: No Meeting –Happy Thanksgiving Week!
- 12/4: Noon Meeting-Caterer Gregory's
- 12/9: Noon Board Meeting-Cotton Patch
- 12/11: Noon Meeting-Caterer Gregory's

#### **UPCOMING GREETERS:**

- 11/20: Jon Burrows & Henry Jezek
- 11/27: No Meeting-Happy Thanksgiving!



Today, Jennifer Douglas with the 2020 Census came to speak to the TFLC members. She gave us a comprehensive overview of the Census in general and what we can expect with the upcoming Census for 2020! What is the Census? The Census is an official count of every person living in the United States. Why do we do the Census? It is actually in the Constitution; Article 1, Section 2 mandates that the United States completes an official Census. The first Census was completed in in 1790, and the 2020 Census will be the 24th time it has been done. What is done with the data gathered from the Census? One of the big things the Census does is that it allocates representation; not just representation from Texas to Washington, D.C., but it also helps redraw district lines within the state of Texas. As a result of the 2010 Census, Texas gained four seats in the House of Representatives. In order for Texas to gain seats, other states must lose seats; and Ms. Douglas reported that Texas is on course to gain three more seats with the 2020 Census results. The Census is basically the official statistician for the United States. Ms. Douglas indicated the main reason that the Census is so important is that it distributes \$675 billion in federal funds...these funds go to various programs specific to children, several for Veterans, grant-related applications, and many others. One of the things that she feels important to communicate is that the Census is confidential and that all communication is one-way. No identifiable data is distributed to any external agencies related to what is submitted in the survey. Ms. Douglas relayed that confidentiality is of utmost importance to encourage that accurate information is collected. What is new for Census 2020? There are four ways (previously only two) that you can answer your Census 2020 survey: online and by phone are NEW (online and by phone coming in March 2020 in 12 languages), paper format, and in-person! April 1st is Census Day...lots of hoopla mailers and advertisements will be sent out! For anyone who has not completed a Census online, by phone, or by mail, Ms. Douglas indicated that during late April and early May, people will start knocking on your door!! Thank you so much, Ms. Douglas, for the information and update on the upcoming Census 2020!