

**A message from our President:**

"In the middle of difficulty lies opportunity." – Albert Einstein

2016 has given us many difficulties and challenges, we have lost long time DGT friend Pat Poore this past week. Pat was past President of DGT, a tireless worker for Democrats and an inspiration to many. She will be missed. The memorial service for Patricia (Pat) Poore will be on May 21, 2016 at 10:00 AM - at the Tucson Botanical Gardens, 2150 N Alvernon Way.

Rod McLeod, our 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President is resigning from the position. Rod has done a fantastic job, keeping members educated and entertained with his array of speakers. He has actually arranged for speakers all the way thru September and is happy to help who ever steps up to take over the position with a smooth transition. A heartfelt personal thank you to Rod for all the time and hard work he has put into the last year. Rod's departure provides that opportunity Mr. Einstein spoke of. It's time for someone new to embrace the challenge of challenging our minds, the task of shaping our conversations and informing our intellects. Are you up for the opportunity?

DGT by-laws require members to have paid their dues 30 days before any election to participate in said election. In order to allow as many of our attendees to participate either as a candidate or a voter in selecting our next 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President we will hold the election on June 13<sup>th</sup>. This gives ample time for our members to renew their memberships. We will begin taking nominations at the May 16<sup>th</sup> DGT meeting and will have an open nomination time at each meeting following until election day. If you have not renewed your membership for 2016 please do so either at our next meeting or by clicking here. [https://secure.actblue.com/contribute/page/dgt\\_dues-n-donations](https://secure.actblue.com/contribute/page/dgt_dues-n-donations)