

# Rockwall County Republican Hispanic Club

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## November 2021 Newsletter

*All Communities Are Welcomed!*

RCRHC hosted a dynamic meeting with incumbent Rockwall County Judge David Sweet and candidate for county judge—Heath City Councilmember John Beaman.

We are pleased that Texas GOP Chair, Matt Rinaldi, is our scheduled Speaker at the RCRHC Meeting, November 11, 2021, 6:30 p.m. at Harry Myers Community Center. Please join us and give Mr. Rinaldi a BIG North Texas welcome.

RCRHC is honored to host Lt. Col. Allen West (candidate for governor) on December 16th. We are excited about our Election 2022 Brigade—Boots on the Ground strategy. RCRHC hopes to be engaged in every Precinct. Voting is

essential in ALL communities. The Latino vote also is critical in Texas for Election 2022. There are two ingredients necessary for success in Hispanic Republican Clubs in GOP.

1. Outreach to the Hispanic community. *"History shows that the Latino Vote is not a Monolith, but a diverse dynamic coalition."* The reason that Democrats do an excellent job is because they SHOW UP and aggressively seek out the Latino vote.
2. Once Hispanics join a Hispanic Republican club, the 2nd ingredient for success is credibility with attendance by elected offi-

cials, GOP support, and other communities support and membership. We are grateful for the support we have received from the GOP Chair, Precinct Chairs, elected officials and other communities with membership and donations.

Unity and working together are key for overall GOP success. With your continued help, we will make advances with informing the electorate of the Republican Party of Texas platform which aligns with Hispanic values. Please join the Election 2022 Brigade with donations or join us with membership. We need funds for flyers, signs, door hangers, and outreach.

*Edna Cecilia Sullivan*

### Matt Rinaldi - Texas GOP Chair

Chairman Matt Rinaldi represented northwest Dallas County in the Texas Legislature from 2015 to 2019. During his time in office, Rinaldi was consistently rated among the top two most conservative members of the House by Rice University. Texans for Fiscal Responsibility, Young Conservatives of Texas and Texas Eagle Forum. According to the Dallas Morning News, Rinaldi was *"instrumental in strengthening the punishments in the sanctuary cities ban,"* and authored and passed into

law measures that: remove from office public officials who adopt sanctuary city policies, require government contractors and subcontractors to use e-Verify, revoke pensions of teachers convicted of committing sex crimes against students, allow churches to utilize volunteers to provide security services without risking heavy fines, and prohibit any taxpayer money from going to Planned Parenthood. He served as the Pro-

Life Whip for Texas Right to Life in 2017.

Chairman Rinaldi earned his Juris Doctor with honors from Boston University School of Law and a Bachelor of Business Administration in Economics from James Madison University. Matt attends St. Ann's Catholic Parish in Coppell with his wife, Corley and son, Rush.



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**RCRHC Community Outreach Chair - Doug Roth**

I'm a Fighting Texas Aggie Class of '97 and I married my college sweetheart Heather in 2000. Shortly after, we moved to Rowlett (Rockwall County) where we lived and started our family. We were blessed with our son Karsten in 2005 and quickly outgrew our starter home so in 2006 moved across the lake to our current home in Rockwall. My daughter Kendall Rae joined us in 2009. Throughout our journey, my wife and I have been loyal Republicans, albeit somewhat uninvolved. We voted in major elections but were, for lack of a better term, asleep or too busy to worry much about politics—especially local politics,

since we lived in a conservative town in a conservative state. I guess we figured someone else was minding the shop for us, and it was all in good hands.

So what happened...why did I suddenly want to get involved? Trump happened. The left went crazy along with the rest of the world. Watching the political chaos of the last several years, I got scared for my family, then I got mad, and then somewhere along the way I got inspired. For maybe the first time in my life, I felt a true sense of duty to get off the couch and get involved. Yelling at the TV just wasn't

going to get it done. A few months later I'm in the Republican Men's Club, a Volunteer Deputy Registrar, Outreach Chair for the Republican Hispanic Club and a Precinct Chair. If any of this sounds familiar, then its probably time for you to get involved, too. Join us to help take back our country...one city, one school board, one county at a time.



Let's keep Rockwall RED and Make America Great Again together!!!!

**Border Crisis by Jose Nunez**

It is not a secret that the border crisis we are experiencing at our borders has dire implications to the security and health aspects for Texas and the country. The U.S. Border Patrol is currently encountering illegal immigration at the highest rates since 2007. In fact, in the month of August more than 200,000 migrants crossed the border without authorization<sup>1</sup>. This is approaching the largest numbers seen in the last 12 years. Last month, Del Rio, Texas, saw nearly 15,000 migrants, according to some estimates, camped under the Del Rio International Bridge at one time.

The impacts of the crisis along the U.S.-Mexico border are many. In Texas

Arizona, New Mexico and California, the crisis threatens personal safety for border towns, causes serious financial hardship and contributes to human trafficking and drugs. In addition to all these points, the fact that we are still under a global pandemic adds another layer of complexity on how we are dealing with it as a nation. The Biden administration's entire strategy regarding the border issue has been to ignore it, and they are counting on the corrupt corporate media to ignore it as well.

Laws are rules that bind all people living in a community. Laws protect our general safety and ensure our

rights as citizens against abuses by other people, by organizations and by government itself. President Theodore Roosevelt once said, "Ours is a government of liberty, by, through and under the law. No man above it, and no man is below it." As an immigrant myself, one of the things that made me appreciate and treasure the opportunities given to me was the fact that everything was possible because this is a country of



laws. Although the immigration system is not the most efficient, we must obey the law regardless. The fundamental issue is the **Cont'd Pg. 3**

**Legislation Update by Bobby Gallana**

The third 87th Texas Legislative special session will end October 19th. Redistricting maps were approved by the House and Senate and head to Governor Abbott's office for signature. We have a lot to be proud of such as passing the Heartbeat Bill, passing HB25 to protect Women's sports, funding some additional border security at a state level, and constitutional carry; however, we still have two major agenda items that need attention. The likelihood of another special session seems low at this point.

Item 1: We did not move election fraud penalties back to felonies after we made a deal with the left to move penalty charges down to misdemean-

ors. Election integrity is a legislative priority. Now is not the time to make penalties lighter on election fraud. Item 2: We did not advance legislation making vaccine mandates illegal. We do have an executive order banning vaccine mandates, but that does not carry much power in protecting our rights against the federal mandate. Several large corporations lobbied against a mandate ban and appear to have convinced enough Republicans to stay away from this issue. Let's not let this happen. We must protect our Constitutional freedoms. Redistricting maps were approved by both the House and Senate Tuesday.

Action Items:1. Call Governor Abbott's

office and ask him to call the Legislature back to secure Election Integrity and ban vaccine mandates. **512-463-2000.**

2. Call Senator Bob Hall and Representative Justin Holland and ask them to fight for election integrity and a ban on vaccine mandates. Senator Hall **972-722-3131** Rockwall Office—Rep. Justin Holland **972-722-7521** Rockwall Office



Early voting is underway for Texas Constitutional Amendments, Rockwall School Bonds and Road Bond. **Rockwallcountytrip21.com** and School Bond **RockwallISD.com**

## Secure the Border by Betsy Gallagher

In August of 2021, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled to reinstate President Trump's "Remain in Mexico" policy. This policy directs illegal immigrants to stay in Mexico and wait for their asylum case hearings, rather than releasing them into the United States. Without this policy, many could wait six months to several years for a judge to hear their immigration case, while many others will not even return for this legal process.

This policy has proven successful in the flow of immigrants into the U.S. and is just one of President Trump's effective implementations of policy while in office.

Biden has spent months trying to roll this back and now states he will implement this policy if "Mexico agrees to terms." Since when does the United States allow another country to decide our fate? Biden's refusal to secure our Texas border is resulting in an increase in drugs, gangs, human trafficking, COVID cases and deaths. Through the month of July, Border Patrol Agents reported finding 383 dead migrants. This number is the highest number in nearly a decade!

In a Washington Post article by Nick Miroff, on October 2021, "U.S. authorities detained more than 1.7 million migrants along the Mexico border during the 2021 fiscal year that ended

in September and arrests by Border Patrol soared to the highest level ever recorded according to unpublished U.S. Customs data..." Border Security remains a top priority of the RCRHC. Reinstating of the "Remain in Mexico" policy is a step toward securing the border. Our club believes in a clear path to LEGAL citizenship.

*Betsy Gallagher*



*"Children are a heritage from the LORD, offspring a reward from Him." Psalm 127:3*

## Veterans Honored

*"Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends." John 15:13*

Veterans Day is a federal holiday observed annually on November 11 in the United States and many other countries. In the United States, it is a day that honors all men and women that have served as military veterans in the United States Armed Forces. Veterans Day celebrates the service of all United States military veterans, while Memorial Day honors those who died while in military service.

RCRHC is honoring Veterans Day. The Veterans whose pictures appear on Page 4 are: left to right:

**1st Row:** Trinidad Soto y Ramon Escamilla, Eduardo Ochoa y Guillermo Ochoa, Pablo Valles, Alberto Marquez

**2nd Row:** Commander Arthur Sullivan, Santiago Flores, Joseph Gallagher, Reymundo Villarreal

**3rd Row:** Felix Valles, Pablo Hidalgo, A J Puckett, Ken Dickson, Dalton Kennimer, Mort Sullivan, Bernardo Carrillo

**4th Row:** Lupe & Diane, Trace and Amy Johannesen, Clarence Jorif, Danny Muniz

**Tribute:** *I was sad to hear that a good friend, Ken Dickson, passed away this year. He was a trusted friend and he*

*will be missed. I am so grateful to re-connect with Judy Dickson.*

*Another valued friend that passed away this year is Mike Donegan. I am blessed to have called both gentlemen—friends." Edna Sullivan*

*And he said, "The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer; My God, my rock, in whom I take refuge; My shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold and my refuge; My savior, Thou does save me from violence. I call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised; And I am saved from my enemies." Samuel 22:2-4*

## Border Crisis - by Jose Nunez (continued from Page 2)

politicization of the border crisis. The Biden administration is overlooking the inherent problems of an uncontrolled influx of illegal immigrants and how lenient they have been toward COVID controls and protocols at the border; all this while pushing and punishing Americans if they do not comply to vaccine mandates. This is just wrong, unlawful and against the Rule of Law. The Rule of Law is a principle under which all persons and institu-

tions are accountable to laws that are: Publicly promulgated, equally enforced, independently adjudicated and consistent with international human rights principles. The current situation is unacceptable. Coyotes reap a windfall from treating people as a disposable source of income, landowners on the border are living in fear, and national security is at stake as well.

While illegal immigration is often per-

ceived primarily as a Southern border issue, communities across the country are being negatively impacted. If not properly addressed, these issues will only continue to multiply and escalate. Local and state border security resources have been exhausted. We respectfully need to request federal authorities to promptly provide additional resources and secure the U.S. borders.

<https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/stats/southwest-land-border-encounters>



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**RCRHC PLAYLIST:**

- *The Promise of Living*—Aaron Copland (arr. John Williams)
- *“The Way It Is”* Bruce Hornsby and the Range
- *“Tribute”* - Yanni
- *“Another Park Another Sunday”* The Doobie Brothers
- *“O Come O Come Emmanuel”* 2 Cellos

**BOOKS**

- *“Giant”* Edna Ferber Book is about depicting the lives of Texans in the 1950s. The basis a generational tale of power, love, cattle barons, oil tycoon & treatment of the Mexican community

**MOVIES**

- *Giant*—film stars Elizabeth Taylor and Rock Hudson. 1950s life in Texas

*“Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven..” Matthew 5:3-12*

**GOP Announcements:**

**Sharon Henson—Rockwall GOP**

**Chair—November 3, 2021—**GOP Lunch Bunch, Luigi’s, 11:45 a.m. 2002 S. Goliad, Rockwall

**Greg Bray, Royse City Republicans, November 2, 2021** Charlie’s Old Fashioned Burgers Royse City 107 E I30; 7:00 p.m. Speaker Justin Holland

**Tiffany Miller-Rockwall County Republican Women General Meeting November 8, 2021** 6:30 p.m. Rockwall Golf Athletic Club, 2600 Champions

**Edna Sullivan-RCRHC General Meeting November 11, 2021 6:30 p.m. at Harry Myers Community Center** 815 E. Washington, Rockwall, Guest Speaker Texas GOP Chair Matt Rinaldi

**Grant Dubois—Rockwall County Republican Men’s Club November 13, 2021—** 8 a.m. at The Center, 108 E. Washington, Rockwall

**RCRW Happy Hour, November 16, 2021** Yogi’s Sports Bar & Grill 2861 Ridge Rd. 6:00 p.m.

**December 16, 2021—RCRHC General Meeting—**Speaker Lt. Col. Allen West



Top: Judge David Sweet, Doug Roth, Victor Carrillo,

John Beamam, Edna Sullivan, Betsy Gallagher, Donna Rolater; 2nd-Doug, Clarence Jorif, Betsy, Edna Donna 2nd row Michael Aldas, Betsy Gallagher Victor, Tina, Patty



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