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## May 19<sup>th</sup> PROGRAM:

### Democratic Bexar County Chair

Hon. Monica Ramirez-Alcantara will be here to discuss goals for Bexar County Democratic party. She will also answer all your questions. Please join us for this important meeting at 8:30 am, Luby's at Huebner and Floyd Curl.

## MAY SPECIAL PROJECT:



Project Cool is a program to provide fans for senior citizens in our community. You can purchase a box fan and bring it with you or give a monetary donation. Box fans can be purchased at retail stores: HEB, Home Depot, Lowe's, Target and Walmart for less than \$20. Contact Gene Marck, 210-273-9201, if you have any questions.

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## **A Few JOYCE Words will return soon.**

### **In Defense of City Council**

I may be preaching to the choir, but I really gotta say, when it comes to the city council and the GOP Convention non-bid, my first reaction is "yea", followed by "so what?"

I gotta wonder, how many other conventions or conferences does the city lose out on but some people are getting all hot and bothered about this one.

First, we keep hearing from certain people that the reason the city isn't going to submit a bid is because of politics. To this I say, "And, your point?" Let's remember, for either the GOP or Democratic convention, cities are asked to submit bids. The city of San Antonio has politely declined. And, frankly no is just as good an answer as yes.

When it comes to politics and conventions let's recall that the Republican Legislature nearly cost San Antonio millions in convention money when it tried to pass SB6, also known as the Bathroom Bill. Republicans were just fine potentially costing San Antonio and Texas billions in money. Why? All to push a discriminatory anti-LGBT bill.

Why shouldn't politics come into the discussion? The subject was a political convention. The focus of the convention was going to be Trump. I understand money isn't red or blue, it's green, but hosting a convention knowing Trump will be crowned is my exception. Take your money somewhere else. The Republicans have taken a wrecking ball to this country. From the statehouse to the White House: they have attacked women, immigrants, LGBT, large cities, seniors, the disabled, veterans, climate and on and on and on. If declining to submit a bid means we're on the opposite side of the Republicans and everything they've done the last several years, then so be it.

The idea that people don't remember the city that hosts the convention, only the person nominated is not true. And if the city didn't matter, why then did Republicans choose New York City in 2004? We all knew why, 9-11.

I am glad the city council rejected this bid. When you have certain people on Council saying on the one hand politics shouldn't come into the discussion but then doing all he can to try and score political points, I really have to question the sincerity behind those actions.

The face you  
make when  
you wonder  
what you'll get  
blamed for  
today.



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## **IMPORTANT DATES**

May 14—May 18	Early Voting in Primary Runoffs
May 19	Northwest Democrats meeting
May 22	Primary Runoff Election
May 28	Memorial Day
June 16	Northwest Democrats meeting
August 9, 2018	Pat Maloney, Sr. Public Service Award Dinner