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## May 21<sup>st</sup> Program

Our guests will be **Olena Garcia**, President of Ukrainian San Antonio, speaking about their efforts to aid Ukrainians in this time of war and **Nina Perales**, Vice President of Litigation at MALDEF (Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund), discussing their role in investigating the effects of SB1 and other voting rights restrictions. We'll be meeting at **Luby's** (Huebner@Floyd Curl). Meeting begins at 8:30 am.

## MAY SPECIAL PROJECT

### Ukrainian San Antonio

We will be donating to the Ukrainian San Antonio relief effort. Your monetary donations are greatly appreciated and will be used to help the Ukrainian resistance. Checks can be made to "Ukrainian San Antonio". NWD has always been generous in our efforts to help those in need.

**Contact Gene Marck, 210-273-9201,  
if you have any questions.**

## A Few Joyce Words

We have two crucial elections in the month of May. The first is currently in progress and will end on Saturday May 7<sup>th</sup>.

This election is about bond issues – one for the city of San Antonio and the other for Northside Independent School District (NISD). Both will benefit the people they serve, and neither will increase property tax rates.

San Antonio City bond includes funding for streets, sidewalks, bridges, drainage and flood control, parks and recreation, city libraries, city public safety including a new sub-station on the southeast side.

These topics will be divided into six independent propositions. In addition, you may vote on whether you support affordable housing funding including housing, home buying assistance, relocating those exiting the homeless program and also renovations of existing homes.

NISD School Bond election includes three new magnet programs in NISD middle schools, Safe School transportation by buying new buses and multi-purpose vehicles to replace an aging bus fleet. Also included is “No tax rate impact” for property owners, Safety and security improvements which includes alarms door hardware, cameras, surveillance systems and access controls. Technology enhancements at the schools will include computer hardware, firewalls, routers and telephone systems. The older schools in NISD will get much needed upgrades.

It is critical for our community that our residents of the school districts as well as the city vote in these particular elections. Whether or not you have a child in school should not be the determinant of you voting in the NISD elections, whether you are 18 or 80 or older, your vote is important as our community grows and how it cares for our citizens, especially our school age children. Don't forget, Early voting has already started and will end on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Election day for the City and NISD bond elections will be on Saturday May 7<sup>th</sup>.

The **Joint Primary run-off** will be Tuesday May 24 (Early Voting starts May 16<sup>th</sup>). This will choose the Democratic and Republican candidates who are in run-offs to be included on the November 2022 General Election. There are a large number of offices to be voted on, but not all will have a Democratic candidate that needs your vote. The most critical primary runoff election is the County Judge election. In this race Judge Peter Sakai and State Rep. Ina Minjarez are candidates in this primary runoff election. We have two strong

strong candidates to choose from. Bexar county has been fortunate to have Judge Nelson Wolff as our County Judge but he is retiring this year. Judge Sakai has been on the bench for many years and has set up many programs for the children in our community. State Rep Minjarez is completing her fourth term and has served her constituency well. Please seek to learn everything you can about these two individuals as one of them will be facing a Republican opponent in November.

So don't forget to vote for the **CITY and NISD Bond** issues by May 7<sup>th</sup>. You can vote at any voting location for the City and NISD bond issues.

You can vote at any early voting location for the **Joint Primary Runoff Election** (May 16-20).



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### **IMPORTANT DATES**

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| <b>May 7</b>    | <b>SA Bond and NISD Bond Election Day</b>           |
| <b>May 21</b>   | <b>Northwest Democrats Meeting</b>                  |
| <b>May 24</b>   | <b>Runoff Election Day</b>                          |
| <b>June 18</b>  | <b>Northwest Democrats Meeting</b>                  |
| <b>August 4</b> | <b>Pat Maloney, Sr. Public Service Award Dinner</b> |