ISLAND DEMOCRATS/PRECINCT 40 AGENDA Sept 9 2020

Hosts: Craig Rogers and Victoria Rogers

 55 days to Election Day-Tues, Nov 3. Early voting starts-Tues, Oct 13. Deadline to register to vote - Monday, Oct 5. To check to see if you or someone else is registered, or to see if your address is correct (many people move and forget to update), go to the Texas Secretary of State's website for voting. It has info on just about any question you have, and is available in Spanish: <u>https:// www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/</u>

Candidate Intros.

2. Top 3 Priorities:

- 1. Biden
- 2. U.S. Senate-MJ Hager

3. **Eric Holguin**-State Rep-we redistrict this year-need only 9 house seats to get majority in TX House-we can stop GOP gerrymandering if we do this. Only do this once every 10 years. Huge.

The Democratic party declared this an important race. In 2018, Eric ran for US House. He lost that race, but in Nueces County the vote totals were 50/50. So this is a winnable race.

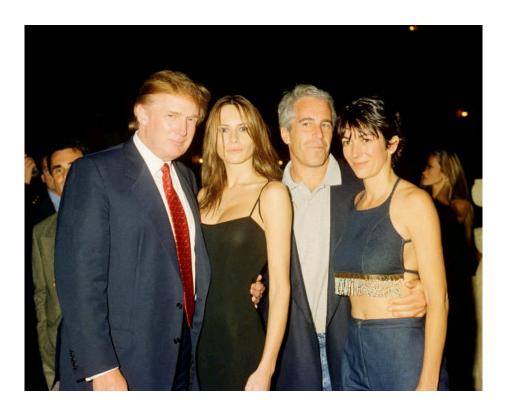
Beto and Wendy Davis have each had a fundraiser for him.

Here's how Eric's opponent has voted:

- 1. For Guns in schools
- 2. Against abortion rights many times-sponsored a partial birth abortion bill
- 3. Against sanctuary cities
- 4. For Open Carry
- 5. Against straight party voting
- 6. For increasing penalty for pipeline protests

Eric's Republicant opponent posted a photo of himself in the Trump Boat parade this weekend. Eric's opponent is broadcasting that he will concentrate on stopping sex trafficking.

Here's a photo showing Trump with his friends and sex traffickers Jeffery Epstein and Ghislaine Maxwell. Now how serious can you take the guy's claims that he'll stop sex trafficking when he supports a man who counts sex traffickers as his friends?



NEED HIM OUT

3. **Voting updates.** Things are going to get weird. The Republicants are screwing with the Post Office, since 75% of Democrats plan to vote by mail, as opposed to only 25% of GOP. **Don't vote by mail unless you have to.** The GOP is planning a **"Red Mirage"**. Their plan is to declare victory on Election night, even though many states won't have come close to counting all the votes. Many states won't start counting mail-in votes until the polls close on Nov. 3, and it will take a few days, or weeks, to finish. So any results on election night will be incomplete, and because more Democrats vote by mail, the early results will skew toward Republicants. They'll then say the vote counting should stop and say it's rigged or some other made-up crap. Don't buy into this BS. Tell your friends.

4. What Island Dems have been up to. We have mailed **postcards** to every person in Precincts 40 and 81 (the only two on the Island) who voted Dem in the 2018 and 2020 primary elections. It has info on how to join our group, along with important voting deadlines and dates. Here's how they look:



We also helped (and by "we" I mean Victoria) design and order a **10' by 20' Biden banner** that our friends at the law firm **Webb Cason** are going to hang from their building downtown at 710 N Mesquite St. We are working on an unveiling event that will involved drive-by honking (COVID restrictions on gatherings) and a food truck. We'll send out info once details firm up. Here's how it will look, except MUCH bigger:



5. Upcoming Events/Meetings:

Victoria has put together a **BBQ fundraiser** to help our Nueces County Dem Party. It is Sept 17 at Dem HQ at 2701 Morgan Ave #600. 11am -1pm. Plates are \$10 and desserts are available for a little bit more. It's drive through. The money will help our local party with administrative costs, like rent. Contact Victoria at 361-548-6804; <u>registerbluevoters@gmail.com</u>



Port A Democrats are manning a **Democratic/Biden booth** at Heritage Market, 8 am to 5 pm, Sept. 12, 1581 N. Chaparral, CC. Suanne needs volunteers!

Port A Democrats have their meeting Sept 23, at 7pm. Everyone is welcome. Please attend. Email Suanne Pyle at <u>spyle64@hotmail.com</u> for an invite.

Coastal Bend Texas Democratic Women

Contact Susan Reeves for information. susanr516@sbcglobal.net

Tejano Democrats Contact Laura Estrada texanica33@yahoo.com Pop up tent for Joe Biden at Trade Center every Saturday

Presidential Debate Sept 29! There will be drinking games! I suggest take a drink every time Trump says "Jina". Or calls Joe a socialist. Any ideas?

6. Mail in voting. IF YOU HAVE TO VOTE BY MAIL, ASK FOR YOUR BALLOT NOW! MAIL IT IN IMMEDIATELY. DON'T LET THE POST OFFICE DELAY COST YOUR

VOTE. You will not be able to use mail in ballot unless you are over 65 or disabled. Fear of Coronavirus is not a disability. But the Texas Supreme Court said it was up to voters to decide if they were disabled and it is not the duty of election clerks to verify. Only you know if you have a disability.

7. Census-The corrupt Republicans strike again. They shortened the time to register by one month! TX is behind. Way behind. We stand to lose up to 4 Congressional seats. If we can get folks to register in numbers, we can get add congressional seats and more Fed money for infrastructure projects and schools. Encourage others to complete it. Online. Takes 5 minutes.

The new deadline to take the census is Sept 30.

Here's the link to register: https://2020census.gov/

8. **The Tejano Democrats** have a booth at the Trade Center on SPID. It costs \$35 for the booth each week. They are raising money by selling Biden shirts, signs and bumper stickers. They use that money to buy more advertising. If you can pay for the booth, they can use that money to buy more Biden ads/signs. They would appreciate your help. Contact us and we can tell you where to send money.

9. **BIG signs are out!** Tejano Democrats, Island Democrats and Port A Democrats have worked together to get Biden/Harris signs. The signs look great. We have **4x4 and 4x8 signs.** The Tejano Dems are putting signs up in heavily democratic areas. They could use some help. Contact us if you have some time, or have youngsters who can help.

Democrats working together get things done!

We are also looking for prime locations to put up large signs, both on the **Island and off.** We need high traffic areas. Please contact any friends or neighbors who have good locations and see if they will let us put a sign up.

Biden yard signs. Victoria has yard signs. We are asking for a \$5 donation. Please call Victoria at 361-548-6804 or registerbluevoters@gmail.com to make arrangements.

Flags. We got some Democratic flags in (has a big donkey on it). We have access to a few Biden flags, too. Want one? How many Trump flags have you seen flying on busy streets. We need people who live on busy streets to put out a flag!

10. Get involved.

Becky Mueller of Get Out The Vote is looking for volunteers for their local block walking and phone bank. They will be helping all our local democratic candidates and Biden. Please call her and sign up for a shift at 510-923-3707. She will train you!

Beto's organization, **Powered by People**, is doing phone banks and text banks. They will train you if you can join in. Here's a link: <u>https://poweredxpeople.org/</u>

Eric Holguin is asking for help sending out postcards. Needs cash for mail, help addressing and writing notes. He can also use help contacting potential voters. Here's his link: <u>https://www.ericholguin.com/</u>

Latino Victory Project-Eva Longoria's project to increase Latino voting power latinovictory.us

Voto Latino-reaching out to register young Latino voters https://votolatino.org/

Join the **Nueces County Democratic Party** SUSTAINER PROGRAM: Become a sustainer for the Nueces County Democratic Party for as little as \$5.00 per month. Every donation that is \$5 or more will be entered into a special drawing each quarter. This quarter you can join as a sustainer to win this RED WHITE & BLUE BUNDLE (valued at \$100+). Click the Link below:

https://secure.actblue.com/donate/ncdpsustainer2020

RideShare2Vote

https://rideshare2vote.com/

Rideshare2Vote is an organization that provides free round-trip transportation to polling places for voters supporting Democrat/ Progressive candidates in local and statewide elections. Its aim is to address the chronic low level of eligible citizens exercising their right to vote. R2V does this by helping remove one of the barriers to voting by literally supplying the wheels of democracy.

11. **Coronavirus updates.** We'd like to tell you what's going on, but the Republicans have interfered with the data gathering process so much, you can't trust their numbers. We think our rate of infection has stabilized after the beach closures cut down on tourists, and the mask mandates took effect.

12. **Poll workers needed!** If you want to work, we appreciate it! If not, please contact others that may be willing and able-we're targeting younger, healthier Democrats . . . just in case the coronavirus doesn't magically disappear as President "Inject Clorox" predicts. To sign up, call Joel Mumphord, 361-885-0095. He's one of our County Democrat leaders. That's his private phone, so if he doesn't sound like he's in an office, it's because he's not. Just tell him what you want to do.

13. Next meeting is Wed, Sept 16, 5:30pm. It's a special meeting for new members.

14. Contact Info

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Kara Sands (361) 888-0580 Nueces County Clerk-in charge of elections Nueces County Courthouse 901 Leopard St. Corpus Christi, TX 78401 Floor: 2nd Room: 201

For election information - https://www.vote411.org/

Important Dates for General Election

NOTE: The date for early voting has been moved up a week!

Last Day to Register to Vote	Monday, October 5, 2020*
First Day of early Voting by Personal Appearance	Monday, October 13, 2020*
Last Day to Apply for Ballot by Mail (Received , not Postmarked)	Friday, October 23, 2020*
Last Day of Early Voting by Personal Appearance	Friday, October 30, 2020*
Last Day to Receive Ballot by Mail	Tuesday, November 3, 2020* (Election Day at 7:00 p.m. If carrier envelope is not postmarked or Wednesday, November 4, 2020* (next business day after Election Day)at 5:00 p.m. If carrier envelope is postmarked by 7:00 p.m. at the location of the election on Election Day (unless overseas or military voter deadlines apply)

Tuesday, November 3, 2020*