



**Meet our February 2016 Speaker**

**Brendan Steinhauser**

*Steinhauser Strategies*

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**Brendan Steinhauser** is a national grassroots organizer and campaigns manager with a record of success. He was Senator John Cornyn's Campaign Manager for the 2014 election when he won with 62% of the vote, and won the Hispanic vote with 48%, and the Asian American vote with 53%. No Republican statewide candidate in Texas had ever done that before. Steinhauser is recognized as a national leader in grassroots organizing, campaign strategies, and media. He was honored to be included in TIME Magazine's 40 under 40 Rising Political Stars in American politics in 2010.



Steinhauser spent seven years in Washington, D.C. working as the national Director of Federal and State Campaigns for the grassroots organization FreedomWorks. In this role, he traveled to more than 30 states working to elect conservative candidates, advocating for limited government policies, and organizing grassroots events that eventually led the way for the rise of the Tea Party movement.

Brendan Steinhauser was the lead organizer of the September 12, 2009 Taxpayer March on Washington, which was the largest protest by limited government activists in U.S. history.

He has been awarded MSNBC's "Inside the Beltway" award, Campaigns & Elections Magazine's "Rising Stars" award, the Leadership Institute's "Outstanding Alumni" award, District of Columbia Republican Committee's 35 Under 35 Award, among others.

A native of Flatonia, Texas, Brendan earned his undergraduate degree from the University of Texas and served as Executive Director of Young Conservatives of Texas - UT-Austin. Brendan received his M.A. in Statecraft and International Affairs from The Institute of World Politics in Washington, D.C.

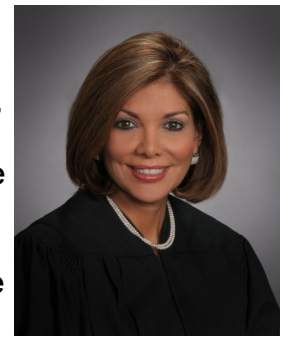
In 2012 Steinhauser and his wife Randan relocated to Austin, Texas together they launched Steinhauser Strategies, a full service public relations, government affairs, and political consulting firm.



**Happy Valentine's Day**

Texas Supreme Court Justice Eva Guzman spoke to our club at the January meeting.

She was appointed by Governor Perry to the Texas Supreme Court on October 8, 2009. Then she ran for re-election and won. She is running again and has an opponent for the Primary – Joe Pool, Jr. She is the first Hispanic woman to serve in the court. Her parents came to the United States and settled in Chicago. Even though they had only elementary school education they put their seven children through college. Judge Guzman grew in a very conservative home. She is married to Houston Police Sergeant Tony Guzman.



In this race she has been endorsed by many GOP elected officials, including Governor Greg Abbott and Lt. Governor Dan Patrick. She has also been endorsed by numerous influential organizations such as Texans for Lawsuit Reform and Texans for Fiscal Responsibility.

She talked about the role of the judge. A judge's job is to interpret the law, not to make laws.

When asked what do judges believe about the constitution she responded that it is a living document. There are ways to change the constitution to go with the times, they are called Amendments.

She said that restraint is of essence to a judge and advised us to look into a judge's history to see if their opinions are restrained.

She mentioned that a case review is discretionary at the Texas Supreme Court and there is a set of criteria to consider cases.

When asked about deportation, she said that she would be on the side of the law and can't take a position contrary to that.

What Greg Abbott said of Judge Guzman: "Eva Guzman's experience, intellect, and work ethic make her an outstanding judge. I am proud to endorse her re-election to the Texas Supreme Court."

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