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present

The 20th Annual Meeting of the John Randolph Club

"The Future of America: Hell or Texas?"

November 13-14, 2009

The Historic Saint Anthony Hotel
300 East Travis
San Antonio, TX 78205

A limited number of rooms are available at the Saint Anthony at the special rate of \$139.00 single or double occupancy, breakfast included. Reservations must be made no later than Monday, October 12, 2009. Call (210) 227-4392 and mention The Rockford Institute to get the special rate.

SPECIAL PRE-JRC PROGRAM: "TEXAS GRIT"

Join us Thursday afternoon, November 12, for an historic San Antonio walking tour followed by a private reception and dinner. A second sightseeing excursion to the San Antonio Missions on the morning of Friday, November 13, will include lunch. Both meals will be followed by lectures on the brave Rangers and the bad gunmen—Wes Hardin and Clay Allison—who gave Texas a name for courage: grit!

"You may all go to Hell; I will go to Texas," said David Crockett to the voters before departing for San Antonio and the Alamo, where he, along with Jim Bowie, Buck Travis, and 186 other brave Americans, gave their lives for liberty. As the entire United States seems bent on following Davy's instructions, a few brave spirits are going to make their way, once again, to San Antonio to express their love of liberty, though this time the worst risk they will run will be to dine too well and drink too deep.

The JRC is going back to Texas to celebrate our 20th anniversary. But this is no backward-looking exercise in nostalgia. Our speakers—**Tom Fleming, David Hartman, Roger McGrath, Bill Murchison, and Aaron Wolf**, among many others—will look ahead, beyond the current conservative traps—neocons and theocons and all the rest—to see how best to apply our enduring principles to a rapidly changing national and international scene that looks more and more like socialism without a human face.

Where better to argue for liberty than in Texas, where men and women have always fiercely defended their property, their families, and independence?

The meeting opens with a reception and address on Friday evening, November 13, features panels and discussion all day on Saturday, and concludes with a black-tie-optional dinner banquet and debate on Saturday night.

Plan also to stay for a Sunday afternoon fundraising reception for *Chronicles* at the magnificent home of one of our Texas supporters.

Open to all *Chronicles* subscribers! **REGISTER NOW AND SAVE!**

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Enclosed is my donation of \$ _____ to The Rockford Institute's Scholarship Fund so that worthy young students can attend this important event.

Make checks payable to The John Randolph Club. Mail with completed form to: JRC, The Rockford Institute, 928 North Main Street, Rockford, IL 61103,

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For student rates, panels-only rates, or other information, contact Christopher Check, executive vice president, at (815) 964-5811.

PRE-JRC PROGRAM, "TEXAS GRIT"

(THURSDAY AFTERNOON SIGHTSEEING, RECEPTION AND DINNER; FRIDAY MOTOR-COACH EXCURSION TO THE SAN ANTONIO MISSIONS AND LUNCHEON)

_____ @ \$195.⁰⁰ EA = \$ _____

JOHN RANDOLPH CLUB FULL REGISTRATION

(FRIDAY EVENING RECEPTION AND OPENING ADDRESS, SATURDAY PANELS, SATURDAY EVENING BANQUET AND PROGRAM)

JRC MEMBER _____ @ \$250.⁰⁰ EA = \$ _____

NON-MEMBER _____ @ \$275.⁰⁰ EA = \$ _____

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TOTAL \$ _____