HGS North American

Dinner Meeting

Westchase Hilton • 9999 Westheimer Social Hour 5:30–6:30 p.m. Dinner 6:30–7:30 p.m.

Cost: \$45 Preregistered members; \$50 non-members/walk-ups

To guarantee a seat, pre-register on the HGS website & pre-pay by credit card. Pre-registration without payment will not be accepted.

Walk-ups may pay at the door if extra seats are available.

If you are an Active or Associate Member who is unemployed and would like to attend this meeting, please call the HGS office for a discounted registration cost. We are also seeking members to volunteer at the registration desk for this and other events.

Ryan Sitton

Texas Railroad Commissioner Railroad Commission of Texas Austin, TX

The Energy Race

Nothing has changed the world more than having access to affordable and reliable energy. During the past five years, the United States has undergone an energy renaissance, where the advent of new technology has allowed the United States to surpass both Russia and Saudi Arabia in combined oil & gas production. Texas has been blessed with geologic formations that have greatly contributed to the United States, and its influence globally. Texas Railroad Commissioner Ryan Sitton will explain how Texas, specifically, has diminished OPEC's market dominance leading to a changed global energy landscape, and will explore the path forward to the incredible opportunity of achieving energy independence.

Biographical Sketch

RYAN SITTON grew up in Texas, where his parents were both science teachers. He graduated from Texas A&M with a degree in Mechanical Engineering. Ryan has spent his entire career in the energy industry and in 2006 founded an engineering and

technology company, helping make the world's most complicated facilities more reliable. Since then, Pinnacle Advanced Reliability Technologies has been recognized by Inc. magazine as one of the fastest growing privately held business in the world... three years in a row. Today, PinnacleART employs over 500 people.



In 2014, Ryan was elected to the Texas Railroad Commission, and is the first engineer in 50 years to serve as Railroad Commissioner. He is working to make the Commission more efficient and effective, so that Texas can lead America to energy independence. Ryan is also widely considered an expert in energy and regulatory policy. He is a proud husband to Jennifer, and proud father to Sarah, Luke, and Lance — and is often asked about his family's impressive collection of over 100,000 Legos.