Rockwall County Republican Hispanic Club

February 2021 Newsletter

All Communities are welcomed regardless of race, age or gender.

The RCRHC is excited to serve the Rockwall Community. Tina Aviles and Jerry Fisher presented information that helped RCRHC stay focused on important matters that affect Rockwall and Texas.

The RCRHC is dedicated to "doing the next right thing" which is working on Republican platform issues that are crucial to the our core values. We have started with Sanctity of Life and Education. If you would like to see other platform items included then please consider bringing your ideas and

concerns to the meeting. One of the most important tools that any club has is on the Agenda item entitled "Any Other Business?" This allows individuals to initially voice or submit their proposals and concerns to begin discussion.

We encourage proposals with solutions. If a solution is not offered, RCRHC will help brainstorm for the best path forward. Please be prepared to get involved in solving the problem. At the January meeting, disappointment, frustration and anger were expressed over the elec-

tion and impeachment. We were honored to have Laverne Kennimer kickoff the RCRHC 2021 Agenda. We were also grateful that Anna Campbell was in attendance because Anna and her team laid the groundwork of doing good work in the RCRHC which enabled us to continue the work. Also in attendance were individuals running for local office; Clarence Jorif, Anna Campbell and Dr. Priscylla Bento. Grant DuBois announced meeting for the RCRMC and Anna represented the RCRWC.

Edna Cecilia Sullivan



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- Betsy Gallagher—VP of Communications
- Victor Carrillo— Secretary
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- Peter Flores— Legislature Chair
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- Joel Medina, Chad Fogg, Tina Heathington— Media Coordinators

GOP Chair—Laverne Kennimer

I want to start off by congratulating Edna and her committee for their leadership and excellent work they have done for the Hispanic population of Rockwall County and I want to welcome the club to the Rockwall County Republican Umbrella.

I also want to praise Anna Campbell for sharing crucial information with Edna and Adan Tovar for transfer of the Hispanic Facebook.

I cannot express enough how crucial this club is to Rockwall County and Edna is not only aware of its importance, but also to the hard work and sacrifice that it represents. She is well-equipped to present the value of the Republican Party to the Hispanic Community.

The Rockwall GOP is so proud of Edna and

her hard working group and they are an excellent example of dedication to our cause.

John 15:12 "This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you."



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Tina Aviles—Dallas GOP, Vice Chair

RCRHC was honored that Tina Aviles was our 1st Speaker. Tina is owner of Pinkyderm.net. Tina's mission is "...like so many others throughout the Bible and history. God has laid on my heart to positively impact the political process. Really I'm a mom on a mission... I am the elephant in the room."

Tina discussed duties of Precinct Chair and Hispanic voter outreach. According to Tina, "the percent of Hispanic registered voters stating what issue is "extremely important" to them; 57% Educational Opportunity and 53% Economy/Jobs. There are approximately 60 Million Latinos in the USA with 32 million US Eligible Voters. 62% are Democrat and 34% Republican."

Why is this important? Hispanics are settling in your county (Rockwall) in ever increasing numbers. They are the "sleeping giant"

with the voting strength to decide the future of America. (Cont. Pg 3) Tina Aviles, Edna Sullivan, Jerry Fisher



La Verdad—RCRHC Stand On Principle

"For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the powers of the dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms." Ephesians 6:12

The Rockwall County Republican Club (RCRHC) Mission Statement states that RCRHC will support local, state, and national Republican candidates. In light of recent events, please be informed that our mission remains to support Republican candidates at all levels, however, we have been and will continue to actively vet ALL candidates. If a candidate claims that they are Republican when in reality they do not support the Republican platform, then the RCRHC will not support that candidate. President Trump several times on January 6th called for "...a peaceful protest.." President Trump has repeatedly stated that we are the party of "law and order."

The Republican lawmakers' decision to impeach has caused in-

fighting and potential damage within the Republican Party. According to Leo Terrell, "President Trump opened a Big Tent and had more minorities vote for him this year than any other Republican Presidential Candidate in the last 50 years." If Republican Senators vote to impeach President Trump then it will damage the Republican message to minority groups that trusted the Republican Party; some for the first time.

Counties in South Texas and West Texas (some counties predominantly Hispanic) flipped from blue to red because President Trump's accomplishments align with the Republican Platform and also align with key Hispanic values. President Trump has made significant achievements in the Hispanic turnout and support of the Republican Party.

The RCRHC believes in voting principles not personalities. Going forward, RCRHC is committed to working on projects, events, and forums that align with the Republican Party and its Platform informing the public of our values. Please know that we do not take things lightly when we support a candidate. We have vetted candidates and will continue to do so, but even more stringently. Also to candidates that are in office we will be asking, "Are you fulfilling your campaign promises?"-RCRHC need to see ACTION TAKEN.

These are House Republicans that voted to impeach President Trump:

- 1. Peter Muller—Michigan
- 2. Tom Rice—South Carolina
- 3. Anthony Gonzalez—Ohio
- 4. David Valadao—California
- 5. Liz Cheney—Wyoming
- 6. Dan Newhouse—Washington
- 7. Jamie Herrera Beutler-Washington
- 8. Fred Upton—Michigan
- 9. John Katko—New York
- 10. Adam Kinzinger—Illinois

RCRHC Meeting

Date: February 18, Thursday

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: Harry Myers Community Center

815 E. Washington St. Rockwall, Texas

January 13th Meeting:

- Speaker—Jerry Fisher
- √ Speaker—Tina Aviles
- $\sqrt{}$ Financial Report
- $\sqrt{}$ Installation of Officer
- √ Facebook

February 18, Meeting Agenda:

- ⇒ Betsy G—Testimonial & Action Plan
- ⇒ Victor C-Scholarship
- \Rightarrow Letters to Legislators
- \Rightarrow Any Other Business?

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Launch of First Annual Sanctity of Life Event by RCRHC

I am honored to serve in the RCRHC as VP of Communications and now, Chair of Sanctity of Life event. Why, Sanctity of Life? With the new political landscape, it is more important than ever to stand up for our principles and core values and express a clear picture to our community of the Republican platform! As it was confirmed at our last meeting by fellow RCRHC member John White, "LIFE is the first right declared in our American Declaration (Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness)."

One of the last acts of President Trump's official acts as Commander-in-Chief was to proclaim January 22nd as National Sanctity of Human Life Day. It was on January 22, 1973 that the U.S. Supreme court ruled that the U.S. Constitution protects a pregnant woman's right to choose abortion to end a pregnancy. Since that ruling more than 61 million

abortions have been performed (Analysis of National Right to Life). "Every human life is a gift to the world. Whether born or unborn, young or old, healthy or sick, every person is made in the Holy image of God. The Almighty Creator gives unique talents, beautiful dreams and a great purpose to every person." RCRHC stands with President Trump's executive proclamation of the "wonder of human existence" and renews resolve to build a culture that values life and protects the unborn as loved and cherished.

It has been an honor to partner already on preliminary planning with John Beaman and Danny Muniz. Our proposal for the event scheduled for Saturday May 29th at the Harry Myers Community Center is arranging to have 100% proceeds directed to our local Pregnancy Resource Center. My passion for this cause is a very personal one. I have

been asked to share my personal testimony and proposal at the next RCRHC meeting at Harry Myers Community Center on Thursday, February 18th at 6:30 p.m. I welcome anyone who would like to assist with the event to, please email me at bgall-gher2005@charter.net. Thank you to those who have already volunteered.

Betsy Gallagher

"Children are a heritage from the LORD, offspring a reward from Him." Psalm 127.3



Local and State News

State: RCRHC is encouraged that the 87th Legislative session began with Rep. Slaton proposed "an amendment to our rules that would require them to take a floor vote abolishing abortion before taking up legislation naming any bridges and roads." Rep. Slaton also proposed

that all committees be chaired by Republicans."

Local: Candidates in attendance at the January RCRHC meeting running for office in Rockwall included: Clarence Jorif and Dr. Priscylla Bento, both vying for City Council Place 3. Anna appointed in June of 2020, currently serves on the Rockwall City Council, Place 6; announced that she is running to stay in that spot. The candidates introduced themselves and remained available to meet with others in attendance.

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RCRHC were also honored to have Jerry Fisher (SREC SD4 Committeewoman) present her SREC meeting update that included information about key resolutions of importance to the GOP.

Victor Carrillo announced that the RCRHC, in response to John Beaman's announcement and request for support, wrote and submitted a letter that was sent to Senator Bob Hall and Garland City Councilman Jerry Nickerson, urging that a huge Satanic Temple sponsored pro-abortion billboard along I-30 (near Bass Pro Shop) be removed because it publicizes false and misleading information concerning pregnancy-related deaths and asserts that "Abortion Saves Lives!" He was excited to report that for whatever reason, the sign was removed and was no longer present—Praise God!

RCRHC Scholarship Committee:

In announcing that he is now chairing the Scholarship Committee and is seeking other volunteers to serve on the committee. Mr. Carrillo stated, "I'm honored to attempt to raise money to help provide scholarship opportunities for deserving

graduating students with a demonstrated potential to continue their education and eventually serve their families, communities, and society. I was raised in a poor barrio in Abilene by parents who didn't even complete their high school education. Along the way, there were many organizations that assisted me by providing scholarships, so I'd like to do my part to attempt to return the favor."

If anyone would like to serve on the scholarship committee, please email me at:

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Su Voz es Su Voto y Su Voto es Su Voz



Tina Aviles and Victor Carrillo

Jerry Fisher and captive audience

Edna Sullivan & Kari Tucker

Edna Sullivan, Tina Heathington and Victor Carrillo



Coming together is a <u>beginning</u>,
Staying together is <u>progress</u>,
and working together is <u>success.</u>
Henry Ford





Rockwall County GOP

Laverne Kennimer—GOP Chair GOP Lunch Bunch Luigi's, Feb. 3, 2021, 11:45 a.m.

Grant Dubois—The Rockwall County Republican Men's Club will be hosting Texas GOP Chair Allen West, Saturday morning, February 13, 8:30 a.m. at The Center in downtown Rockwall. Feel free to invite family and friends; this will be a huge event.

Tiffany Miller—Rockwall County Republican Women would like to invite you to RCRW February Events:

February 8, 2021—RCRW General Meeting, 6:30 p.m. at Rockwall Gold and Athletic Club, 2600 Champions Dr. Rockwall, guest speaker is Dr. Nicholas Cooper MacPherson, M.D.

February 11, 2021-Wine and Chocolate Tasting to benefit the RCRW Scholarship Fund: 6:00 until 8:00 p.m. at Rotary Hall, 408 S. Goliad St. Rockwall. Must register through the Sign Up Genius link provided through RCRW newsletter and at www.rcrw.org.

Febuary 16, 2021—RCRW Happy Hour: 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Primo's Tex-Mex Grille, 4861 Bass Pro, Garland, Texas

Edna Sullivan—Rockwall County Republican Hispanic Club invites you

February 18th, $6:30~\mathrm{p.m.}$ at the Harry Myers Community Center 815

E. Washington St. Rockwall for the RCRHC General Meeting with featured speaker, Betsy Gallagher, RCRHC VP Communication and Sanctity of Life Chair.

Announcement:

New RCRHC Legislative Chair— Peter Flores—Peter will begin in February; legislative information will be provided in the March Newsletter.

Rockwall will hold an election on May 1, 2021 for electing the Mayor and three City Councilmembers for Places 1, 3, and 5.

Song of the month: The Promise Of Living—Aaron Copland (arr. John Williams—The Green Album)