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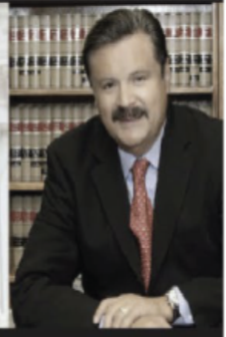


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He Knew and Lied – Donald Trump America's Triple Threat

Donald Trump likes to compare himself to Winston Churchill and Franklin Roosevelt. They both faced challenges that affected all citizens. Hitler was saturating London with bombs and the Japanese surprised the Americans at Pearl Harbor. The English had been receiving bombing raids almost daily. The bombing at Pearl Harbor involved the United States in WWII. Both leaders had to inspire and sooth the frightened citizens. Whatever action they were going to take in the future they needed the support its citizens. Both leaders had a war to fight and they could not appear as if they were weak.

Trump has had at least three opportunities to show his leadership acumen. There was the corona virus pandemic, the economy, racial unrest. All these issues required presidential leadership. The lack of presidential leadership is called The Impossible Dream. There is nothing about Trump that compares him to Churchill or Roosevelt. Churchill and Roosevelt were strong leaders that led their country through a horrible war. Trump is a milli mouthed nincompoop.

First there was the pandemic. Trump was briefed by his intelligence agency of the danger of covid-19 long before the virus started spreading like wildfire. Fearing the negative effect on his economic record he withheld the information from the American people. Consequently, leaders were denied critical time to prepare for the threat. Given that there was not a library regarding the virus it was called

the novel virus. A virus about which scientists knew nothing. The virus hit New York first unmercifully. Gov Cuomo of New York took the bull by the horns and became the torch bearer for Covid-9. Gov Cuomo practiced a simple leadership skill, he listened to the experts. He was the standard for what followed.

Second, the economy is in shambles. Down here at this level where working folk live there are still too many unemployed. Praying and hoping that things get better is not what we need. If Trump wants to be compared with Roosevelt, he certainly has not done what Roosevelt did, create jobs. I am sure that everyone that is unemployed right now knows the effect the virus had on the economy. One way to describe the economy is a train wreck. Kind of like Dump-ty Dumpty. Trump likes to insult Obama. Obama too inherited an economy in shambles. His stewardship enabled the economy to recover and prosper. That is the economy that Trump inherited.

Third, Trump wants to be reelected so he can bring law and order to the protests of the "Democratic" cities. He wants to be the tough sheriff in town. Oops. Somebody better tell him that he is already the sheriff. He does not have to wait for a new term to help the cities bring the protests under control. He has a moral obligation to do that. Maybe he is lacking in morals.

Trump failed to act like Churchill and Roosevelt in mobilizing the people. We are one America. When

America needed a leader most, the leader hid inside Fox News studios where everyone agreed with him that he was a great leader, and his bust should be curved into Mt. Rushmore. Trump's incompetence is frightening. I fully understand his followers are not very bright. They do not speak for the rest of us.

Lies have consequences. Liars bring instability and uncertainty to the table. When Trump hid the information about Covid 19 to the American public he denied us the right to protect our family. We had the right to know. There is information that the government has a legal right to withhold from us. Covid 19 was not one of them.

America is threatened now by three crises, pandemic, economy, and racial tensions. I recall 9/11. 9/11 was different because we were actually attacked. The perpetrators were Muslims from Saudi Arabia. Our way of life was changed forever. All of a sudden there was fear of all Muslims. Leading the chorus of hate towards Muslims was Trump. He made accusations that were never found to be true. The lie about Covid 19 is one of thousands of lies Trump has told. We cannot say that any lie was worse than the other one. They all had consequences because they diminished our confidence in our government.

The one lie that stands out is Covid 19. He knew. He lied. You can ask yourself this question, "How cruel can Trump get?" and I ask you this question, "Do you trust the sheriff?"

Felix Alvarado

Hispanic Heritage Month: Celebrating Ignorance or Culture?

By Franco

Gore Vidal once said that “American’s lack of education is the joke of the world.” When you look into the origin and use of the term “Hispanic,” you might agree with Gore Vidal. Supposedly the word “Hispanic” was coined by Grace Flores Hughes, a food-stamp worker back in the 1970s who erroneously believed that everyone that has a Spanish surname is of Spanish descent. She also erroneously believed that South Texans were Spanish. The last time I checked the vast majority of the Spanish-surnamed South-Texans were of Mexican descent.

Why was the word “Hispanic” preferred over the word “Latino”? Supposedly the term “Latino” was too broad and included Mediterranean peoples from places like Portugal, and Italy. Well aren’t the Spanish also a Mediterranean nation, Portugal was a part of Spain at one time, and Spain was a part of Italy during Roman times. Also Spaniards are not a significant population in the United States, the majority of Spanish surnamed peoples are actually Mexican-Americans, Americans of Mexican descent.

The term “Hispania” was used by the Phoenicians and later by the Romans to refer to the Iberian Peninsula. Yet not everyone in Spain considers himself a Spaniard, and not everyone speaks Spanish as their mother tongue, for example the Basque and Catalans. The forefathers of Basque-Americans came from Spain, but I would not risk calling them Spanish-Americans. They are Basque-Americans. What about the Native-Americans in the southwest who have Spanish surnames, are they “Hispanic,” are they Spanish-Americans?



How about the Filipino-Americans or the people of Guam who have Spanish surnames, are they Spanish-Americans. Are they Asians or Hispanics?

You can’t blame a food-stamp worker with a limited education for abusing words to label people with a broad brush, she did the best with the poor education she received. The federal government census actually started using the term “Hispanic” in 1980. Yet if we are to celebrate a Heritage month we need to be specific about what heritage we are celebrating, “Hispanic” is a vague term and too misleading. For example, “Hispanics” didn’t create Mexican food, it was the Mexican culture that created that food, and 90% percent of that food is a heritage of Native-American cultures, tortillas, tamales, and most Mexican food originates in Native-America. The Mariachi wasn’t created by “Hispanics,” it was purely the Mexican genius that created this music. The Puerto-Rican culture, the Cuban Culture, the Cultures of Central and South America, they all have their unique heritages. They cannot all be lumped in together and called “Hispanic,” because it’s not reality.

Why does the average Spanish-surnamed American call himself Hispanic? Basically, for two reasons: First reason is due to the ignorance and laugh-

able education that Gore Vidal referred to, people just repeat what they hear on television or school, without questioning anything; Second reason is sadly due to shame. Many of these people have a traumatic history in the USA, they or their parents were shamed for being of a specific race or culture. Some Mexican-Americans are ashamed of their Mexican heritage and prefer to call themselves “Hispanic” to hide their Mexican roots. In the past many performers and people changed their Spanish-surnames so that they sounded less Spanish, because in the USA, Spanish surnames were associated with the Mexican culture. Now with the use of the label “Hispanic” many people can conceal their cultural roots and heritage without having to change their names. This begs the question, if many people use the word Hispanic to conceal the emotional shame they feel when reminded of their roots and culture, why are they celebrating “Hispanic” heritage month to begin with. Is this a celebration of ignorance or culture? Isn’t it preferable to celebrate Mexican Culture, just like the Irish, Italians, and German Americans, celebrate their heritage? What’s wrong with celebrating Boricua culture just like Polish-Americans celebrate their culture? Why hide behind the nonsense label “Hispanic?”

Letter from the Editor

I think we can cut through the chase and get right down to the point. There are two things that I have learned about Trump: One, how to recognize a lie; two, how to recognize a liar. The number of times he has said, "I did not say that" or, "I did not do that." too many to count. You cannot catch Trump saying a lie because by the time you try to fact check, he has blurted out several more.

His latest revelation highlights his arrogance. Lying to the American people about an issue that touched the lives of every American. Why would the president of the United States hide from the American people how dangerous the corona virus was? There is no sense in trying to calculate how many lives could have been saved if he had taken the action of a leader. He made a unilateral decision that the loss of lives was acceptable. Informing the American people was a threat to his successful record as president. Hoping that the virus would go away or that a miracle would happen was the only action that he took. Trump compares himself to Roosevelt and Churchill. They too faced crisis during their tour as leaders of their country. Their approach was to inform the public of the pending threat and garner their support as part of the solution. Trump did nothing.

They say that the sign of a great leader is one that stands at the edge of a cliff with an army assembled ready to attack. At the command "Charge" they all go over the cliff. Trump is like that general. He has an unwavering, loyal army behind him. This army has been brainwashed that Trump is the only one that speaks the truth. Some Christian Evangelicals consider him a savior. His former lawyer, Cohen, now in prison because he lied



about what Trump did. He called Trump a cult. You may remember Jim Jones and the Jonestown Massacre. Yes, cult leaders wield considerable power over their cult. It does not matter if it is going off the cliff or Kool-Aid.

If this country is going down the drain Trump is not the only one to blame. You must look at his army. He has Fox News that daily twists what Trump says and feeds the crowd to vanquish the hungry appetite of the Trump Army. Someone once said that an army marches on its stomach. Fox News is the mess hall that feeds the hungry Trump Army.

Also, to share the blame are the lieutenants of the Republican Party. Senators and Representatives are complicit in what Trump does. They too accept the deaths as acceptable losses. All combat troops in Vietnam knew that they were there to kill or be killed. Just like in Vietnam we were the good guys, and they were the bad guys. That is the attitude of Trump and the Republican Party. Demolish all the socialist thugs that are going to ruin this county. If you are not part of the Trump Army you are a bad guy to be demolished.

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The corona virus experts give us their opinion on safe practices, how to protect ourselves and those around us. As I walk around, I see many people wearing a mask.

All these recommendations do not apply to Trump supporters. If you look at his rallies, you will see very few people wearing a mask. You can almost guess that most are Trump supporters.

I wonder where we are and where we are going as a nation. Voting is what created the stability that make America great. I could say that if you do not vote you get what you deserve but I do not believe anybody wants a Trump dictator. Even though you already have one. When one man controls the legislature and the judicial system, you have a dictator. What is more sickening than Trump's lies is the incompetence of the Republican Party.

Where are you? Donde estas? I ask myself this question every time I think of how things could be different with just a little involvement of the community. The Latino community in North Texas needs to wake up. Somewhere someone said that to it took a village to raise a child. Where is the village?

I want to know because I have a right as an American to know the dangers my family faces. Trump had no right to lie about the severity of the virus and to hide the information from me. I care! Now Trump is running for reelection and wants us to vote for him and keep him in the White House four more years. Be prepared for Nov 3 regardless of who wins or who loses. We hope for the best and expect the worse. In God we Trust.

Felix Alvarado

TRUMP'S HOLE KEEPS GETTING DEEPER AND HE KEEPS DIGGING

By Jim Stodola

Donald Trump's niece's book, "TOO MUCH AND NEVER ENOUGH, HOW MY FAMILY CREATED THE WORLD'S MOST DANGEROUS MAN." She wonders why evangelicals glom onto him. He never goes to church unless there is a camera there.

Mary Trump, his niece, states that with Trump, lying was a way of life, (And don't we know it). Trump is a narcissistic man, that Trump's re-election would be catastrophic, that lying, playing to the lowest common denominator, cheating and sowing division are all he knows.

Now tell that to his base Oh, they probably love it. And how many of them are cheaters and liars, to admire a man who has told 19,000 lies and cheated at everything.

Mary Trump adds that if Trump is re-elected, it will be the end of American Democracy. Donald cheated on his SATs., had someone else take it for him, Trump earlier threatened high schools and colleges if they would release his grades. We have seen how he cheated at everything else since (see my earlier columns).

Trump now supports DACA, do not trust Trump. He is desperate running way behind Biden. Remember Trump is the one who separated children from parents and kept them in cages at the border. If you vote for him because of DACA, he will betray you as soon as he gets re-elected!

Lawrence O'Donnell stated Trump cares about nothing and nobody except himself. That explains the

separated children in cages. explains why he does not care about Coronavirus cases and deaths. explains why he does not care about our troops getting killed under Russian bounties overseas, saying that too was a hoax. IF ANY OF YOU TRUMP GOONS ARE READING THIS, LISTEN UP. HE DOESN'T CARE ABOUT YOU EITHER!

All the Republican crooks in the Senate voted not to convict Trump when he was impeached, even though they knew he committed crimes. Republicans have always said they are the party of law and order. WRONG, THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY IS THE PARTY OF LAW AND ORDER. Also, the Republicans brag today that they are the patriots. WRONG, DEMOCRATS ARE THE TRUE PATRIOTS IN THIS COUNTRY. Democrats believe everyone has a right to vote. All GOPs have done for decades is suppress the voting rights of others. Furthermore, Democrats patriotically speak up in "Nuestra Voz, Our Voice", and elsewhere against the wrongs of Trump and his cons. That's real patriotism!

Coronavirus, Covid-19, keeps getting worse, listen up Trump goons, due to Trump's denial, inaction, delays, and withholding equipment. By the time this goes to press there will be over five and a half million (5,500,000) cases in the U.S.

Trump discredits Dr. Fauci who has been the greatest authority on the virus and has served six presidents. Well Jackass-in Chief, Fauci's statements were true at the time he made them. By the way, most people believe Fauci. Representative John Lewis just passed

away at age 80. His stand was that "It doesn't matter whether you are Black or White, Latino or Asian, or Native American, we are all in the same family, all in the same house."

When asked by Chris Wallace on Fox News whether he will accept the 2020 election results, Trump said he "will have to see." This is dangerous, something a dictator would say. He says that "mail-in ballots could rig the election." We have been using mail-in ballots since the Civil War. Sixteen of his White House officials have used them and his family. Trump's excuse is downright sick.

Dictator Trump sends secret unmarked federal police to Portland Oregon and placing peaceful protestors in unmarked vehicles carting them off to who knows where, not even knowing the charges. This is what you could expect from a guy who endorsed China's Tiananmen Square Massacre of 1989. The protests were peaceful until Trump sent in his secret feds.

FOR GOD SAKE, GET OUT AND REGISTER TO VOTE IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY.

The Union of Concerned Scientists sent me a list all the ways of Republican voter suppression: Sixteen different ways.

Four and a half hours wait times·
Only one machine at a polling place
Malfunctioning machine·
Exclusionary I.D. requirements·
Oops, wrong ballots·
NO early voting·
NO language assistance·
You've been purged·

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Ballot rejected.
Last minute polling site change.
Unofficial poll “observer”.
Racist TV ad.
No mail ballots.
Polling place delayed opening.
Fake voice mails (you’re not registered).
Flyer dis-info (ICE will get your family)

A rumor floating around is that Trump will declare Martial Law before the election. Look at the action he has taken with his secret federal police in Portland, Chicago, and Louisville, Ky. Who is next? And under Marshall Law, he might be able to say the election was rigged and hunker down in the White House. Well, Trump already has rigged one national election and is trying to rig 2020.

Another example of Republicans accusing the other side of what they are doing. Remember how they FALSELY accused Hilary Clinton of running a child prostitution ring? Well Trump was awfully close to Epstein and Maxwell who ran a minor (child) prostitution ring.

A book entitled “The Plot To Control the World, How the U.S. Spent Billions To Change the Outcome of Elections Around the World.” It’s a book mostly about the CIA. We know there is a dark CIA. Supposedly the CIA cannot interfere domestically, but they did in helping right-wing Reagan defeat Jimmy Carter instrumental in Iran releasing our hostages. The CIA brought drugs into Black neighborhoods in California.

In the book the CIA is con-

stantly helping overthrow democratically elected officials who stood up for the people, the poor, who wanted to increase minimum wages, who were fighting for social justice, the environment, public education and health, , etc. The CIA did this in support of the rich and large corporations. I think Russia was not the only one supporting Trump in 2016. I think the dark CIA did also, as experience showed also in the book that they opposed socialism, helped rich companies and would do so again in 2020 in our homeland We may never find out.

“Repulsivcans”, my word for Republicans, say they can’t do the \$600 a week unemployment for folks again because “We are too much in debt.” They should have thought about that before they went on their gigantic spending spree.

There was a GOP coronavirus plan (if it amounted to anything) early on, but they scrapped it because it was hitting Blue states first and the GOP thought they could blame the Democrats for the virus.

Trump to this day is pushing hydroxychloroquine as a virus cure which it is not. Still trying to save face! Well he is not. Both Facebook and Twitter deleted some of Trump’s misinformation regarding kids and the virus. Trump has lied over 150 times by saying that he signed the Veterans Choice into law. It was President Obama who signed that into law in 2014.

Trump is doing everything he can to prevent voters from voting by mail, even though he does. So, he and his big donor crooked postmaster general have eliminated postal overtime, cut back on staff, and are pulling those

big dark blue mail deposit boxes from streets around the country and disposing of thousands of mail sorting machines. All us alike may not get our medicines by mail in time. Social Security and other retirement checks will be late. As well as payments you make. What Trump and his buddy did was illegal because for such cutbacks they first had to go through the Postal Regulatory Commission, and they did not!

TRAITOR TRUMP is taking away our God given right to have our vote counted. They have mailed out notices that mail out ballots may not go out in time. Trump and his buddy are trampling on something that is in our Constitution, the U.S. Postal Service established by Benjamin Franklin and the Continental Congress in 1775. And Trump has admitted this is done to prevent mail-in ballots. Trump has accused some of our loyal patriots of treason. Well now I ACCUSE TRUMP OF TREASON, the same treason he has accused our patriots of doing. I have written in past columns of his violating our Constitution, colluding with foreign powers on elections. Michael Cohen’s upcoming book will delineate some of this, Cohen was Trump’s lawyer.

Now there is an audio by Trump’s sister, Maryanne Trump Barry, calling him a liar “with no principles.” and “You can’t trust him.”

I want to warn you about an extremist right-wing group “QAnon” Not only do they call some of us Satan worshipers and pedophiles, but they are violent, and the non-violent ones will cheer on the violent ones. Often, they may wear a large “Q” on their T shirt or on a button. The FBI has designated them as possible domestic terrorists.

FOR THE COMMUNITY AND FROM THE COMMUNITY

By Luis C. Castillo

Jo Anna Cardoza – Candidate for Arlington City Council District 2

Jo Anna Cardoza made history when she filed to be a candidate for Arlington City Council District 2. She is the first Latina to seek public office in the historically white male dominated city council. And if elected, she'll be making a historical landmark in the political arena in Arlington as the first Latina to serve on Arlington's City Council.

Jo Anna Cardoza is an energetic and compassionate Latina with a strong drive to serve in a policy-making capacity for the betterment of all Arlington residents. Her humble beginnings, teen-aged challenges, and strong family values serve as her moral foundation to appreciate the little things in life but to consistently aim for better things. Her strong work ethic has presently earned her to serve as Vice President for Marketing for a contemporary restaurant chain.

Jo Anna Cardoza has been a resident of Arlington for over 40 years. She has dedicated her time to being a community champion for Arlington residents and neighborhoods. She has served as a Faith in Texas Board Member, as an active member with the Arlington NAACP and Arlington LULAC. Additionally, she served on the Mansfield Board of the YMCA Arlington, Leadership ISD, and local PTAs. In 2019, Jo Anna was appointed to the Arlington Census Complete Count Committee and was honored as Executive Board Member of the Year Award from the Grand Prairie LULAC Council. Currently, Jo Anna serves on the Arlington Tomorrow Foundation's Advisory Committee and recently graduated with the 2020 Leadership Arlington class. This year she was humbled to earn the "Advancing the Dream" Award at the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration and the Bold Woman Award from Girls Inc. of Tarrant County.

Jo Anna Cardoza is a proponent of term limits advocate for elected officials. Like most term limits advocates, Jo Anna believes that to hold public office is to hold public trust. However, public trust tends to erode when public office holders become career politicians. In this regard, Jo Anna actively participated on a grass-roots community effort to have the term limits issue place



Jo Anna Cardoza – Candidate for Arlington City Council District 2

on a referendum in Arlington's Municipal election of November 2018. The measure was overwhelmingly approved by Arlington's voters. As a result, Arlington's Mayor and City Council members cannot serve more than three two-year terms.

Jo Anna Cardoza is running for Arlington City Council, District 2 because she firmly believes that supporting our neighborhoods begins with positive and constructive change that's for the community and from the community. She will advocate for the needs of every Arlington citizen and fight to ensure City Hall is working to improve Arlington's residents' quality of life, instead of personal political interests.

Hopefully Jo Anna's zeal to seek and hold public office will inspire other Latinas to jump on board and pursue their political objectives towards their community goals. This is the avenue to bring about meaningful public policy changes. "If the world is unfair - change it":

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Raised in rural eastern North Carolina, Vance Keyes proudly served our country as a United States Marine. He is a dedicated public servant with 20 years of service as a police officer. He is currently a captain with the Fort Worth Police Department. Vance has experience working with law enforcement practitioners at the county, state, and federal levels. He has also networked with representatives from various segments of criminal justice to include corrections, probation, parole, and the judiciary. He takes a holistic approach to the justice system, understanding each branch does not operate autonomously, but is vitally connected. He is a graduate of the FBI National Academy, Senior Management Institute for Police, Leadership Command College, and earned a Ph.D. in conflict analysis and resolution.

Vance is running for Sheriff of Tarrant County because he believes in fostering an environment conducive to public trust through compassion, transparency, accountability, and fiscal responsibility. The administration of criminal justice has become a revolving door where the most vulnerable people are reduced to victim and offender statistics. Incarcerating low-level, non-violent people and those that suffer from substance abuse and/or mental illness should not be a goal of criminal justice. The role of the Sheriff's Office must be revised as it relates to mental health and immigration. If elected, Vance will prioritize treatment over confinement and end the divisive 287 (g) agreement that harms our communities.

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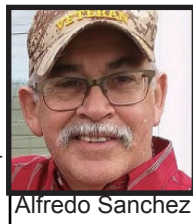



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COVID-19:

By Alfredo Sanchez

From the beginning of time man and all species have been plagued by diseases. Pandemics are not new to the history of humanity. Diseases are opportunistic and are created when the right conditions occur.



Alfredo Sanchez

The idea that we blame China, like many conservatives do, for COVID-19 is ludicrous. The origins of the 1918 influenza may have started in Spain, France, China, Britain, or the United States. Some literature states that the 1918 influenza had its roots in the United States, and more specifically, Kansas, where it was first isolated. Do we blame the United States for the millions of people who died because of the 1918 influenza? China is not anymore to blame for the COVID-19 coming into existence as was the United States for the 1918 Influenza or for Europeans bringing over many European diseases that decimated the Native American population. We can, however, blame the United States Government for trading blankets infested with smallpox with the Native Americans while knowing that the Native Americans had no resistance to smallpox.

It does not take a brain surgeon to understand that when a pandemic occurs, we must take precautions, both to avoid catching the disease and spreading it. It is important to understand how it is transmitted if we are to control it. During the Black Plague pandemic in Europe millions of people died. It was not until Europeans understood that the Black Plague was transmitted by rodents, primarily rats, that carried fleas, that the disease was controlled. Only in United States has the COVID-19 been politicized. This politicization has resulted in the United States having the largest number of deaths of the Industrialized nations.

Any disease or pandemic has its primary hosts. Those hosts are primarily the weak, the elderly, the young, and those with pre-existing conditions. Just like the lion pride looks for the vulnerable before it attacks, a disease or pandemic has its largest effect when it host is vulnerable. We hear many conservatives state that the COVID-19 has about a 2% mortality but 98% survival, therefore we should not be too concerned. There is a concern because the most vulnerable are the elderly and those with pre-existing conditions.

The mortality rate is much higher among the elderly and those with pre-existing conditions. Are conservatives saying we should not care about our

parents and grandparents or brother and sister who have pre-existing conditions?

It seems like we have two extreme views on COVID-19. We have those in one extreme that state that COVID-19 is a hoax and the other extreme is that we shut everything down. We also have a president who says that a miracle will rid us of COVID-19. Does that mean there will be a COVID-19 rapture that will sweep away all COVID-19 virus from the earth or just from the United States? It is time to listen to those to whom God has given a rational mind and to doctors, to lead us to safer grounds. We also have another group that makes the decisions--politicians. Their decisions are based on which decisions are likely to get them re-elected, not on whether the decision is actually a good one for the public.

COVID-19 is a new disease and there are many unknowns. Many countries have been able to limit the number of deaths due to enforcing stringent policies and listening to those who know how to limit the spread of the COVID-19 to protect the population at large. If we could put a man on the moon 50 years ago why can we not limit the number of deaths by COVID-19? It is because we have become a nation divided, listening to rogue voices who really have no clue to any solutions.



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Forks On The Road

Forks on the road.

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Somewhere ages and ages hence:

Two roads diverged in a wood, and I-

I took the one less traveled by;

And that has made all the difference.

Robert Frost.

It was not a trek down memory lane. Yet sometimes it is good to look back and see what got me where I am today.

Change is a word that we hear constantly. Somehow change is all around us. Especially right now with the corona virus. I wanted to see how change had affected my life. I took a trip to Morton Texas looking for remnants of the last school I attended, Neely Ward Elementary School. Neely Ward was a one room schoolhouse out in the cotton fields near the New Mexico border. It was a one room schoolhouse with one teacher. I recall the lady taught more than one grade. There was no principal, counselor, or any type of administrative support. According to my high school transcript, it was one of 24 public schools that I attended prior to enrolling at Burselson Elementary School in Edgewood ISD. I was about 10 years old. Neely Ward gone like the wind, is like Orange Grove just a distant memory.

In North Texas and Orange Grove I went to school with mostly White kids. I did not make friends with the White kids, but I did not experience any discrimination either. For lunch I always ate tacos. It was a novelty to White kids. They were always inquisitive as to what I was eating. They were eager to trade their sandwiches for tacos.

I recall one year that we did what we were used to doing, pack the truck and head north to the cotton fields. Still a boy, I did what most children my age did, follow their parents. The living conditions were never ideal, but it was a living and there was no other alternative. You do not pick cotton, you starve. There was no

welfare state. This year was different, there was no cotton to pick. The cotton-picking machine replaced the cotton pickers. The machine picked up the cotton we normally picked. Our way of sustenance was gone.

The cotton-picking machine changed our lifestyle. We were no longer cotton pickers. We had been replaced by a machine. It was a radical change. Our lifestyle would no longer be rural. We became urban dwellers. San Antonio was our new home. Orange Grove, our winter homeland was a distant memory. With the road most taken blocked, my father took the road less traveled. We had been victimized by change.

The road less taken had many potholes. Urban dwelling was a lifestyle that was new unknown and mysterious. I was not so young that I did not know that we no longer had the income from cotton picking. To earn money for the family I became a scavenger, going from dump to dump looking for copper, bronze, and lead that I would sell. Whatever money I made went to my mother for food. When you are fighting for survival you do not have time to be frightened.

We adapted to urban life. This time I went to the same school all year. No more checking in and out between cotton fields. School in San Antonio was different. I did not fit well with the other students. I did not speak local pachuco language and I had a very Mexican accent. I was not used to the urban lifestyle. I was an outcast.

The next fork in the road the decision as to which fork to take would be mine. I was no longer a child. I was called into the Dean's office at Edgewood HS one day early in my senior year. I was notified that I was being suspended from school for playing hooky. I did not even know what the word meant. I learned fast. I was skipping school. Never was I asked for a reason for not attending school. There was no attempt to call my parents. So, I was being suspended from school for not attending illegally, but I was going

to be suspended from school, so I did not have to attend legally. You cannot get more stupid than that. I had never gotten into any trouble all the time I went to school. I was livid. The dean had made up his mind, all he wanted me to do was sign the paperwork. I just said that I was quitting and walked out.

This would be the first fork of my adult life. In high school I was a member of the band. I had also joined the Naval Reserve. I joined the Navy not because my brother was in the Navy but because on Saturday's I used to be in front of the TV watching Roger Staubach play for the Naval Academy. My band playing was good enough for the district music superintendent to assure me I had a music scholarship at Trinity or St. Mary's. I was in a difficult position. The Naval Reserve wanted me to finish high school. To motivate me they were willing to send me to San Diego Navy Base to teach me a lesson. I had two choices, go back to school, and take a suspension or take a 90-day trip to San Diego Navy Base. I did not like either choice.

One evening an Army recruiter came to visit about me joining the Army. I had not considered joining the Army at all. I was not ready to consider this choice. I listened, not really interested in what he had to offer. When he was done, The Army recruiter explained that he could get me out of the Naval Reserve. I told him he had 24 hours to get me into the Army. If he did not get me in to destroy all paperwork and not return. Next morning, he came for me. I went to the recruiting station. I took all the battery of tests, I took the physical exam, was sworn in and that evening I was on my way to Fort Carson Co. for basic training. I never looked back. The Army was my immediate challenge.

This would be the first fork in the road for me. There would be more.

Felix Alvarado

Abortion a Religious Tool in Politics

As we approach the election season many Americans are wrestling with the decision of who to vote for as President.



Joe Govea

Abortion again just like in the 2016 elections, is being used as a main issue to persuade you or scare you to vote for the Republican candidate Donald Trump.

Abortion has become a tool to get votes by both political parties. One party lies and tells you to vote for them and they will end abortion. The other tells you the truth and says they will not work to end it. They believe it is the mother right to choose.

During the first two years of Trump being in office the Party that he leads, the Republicans had the majority in both House of Representatives and in the Senate. They did nothing to end abortion. In fact the "life begins at conception bill" presented to the Senate in 2017 was sent to Committee where it died.

To end the life of a fetus forming in the womb is a very horrible thing. A true Christian would not do such a thing. Yet it is legal here in the United States. It has become a legal right, declared by the Supreme Court, as a woman's right to privacy. In that decision the Justices added "tell us when life begins and we will revisit the ruling". The pro-life party is not working on getting that information back to them.

There is a high amount of face book postings being shared that

specifically say if you vote for a Democratic candidate you are going to go to Hell! Most of these declarations that I have seen are almost entirely aimed at Catholics.

Catholic congregations are usually not controlled by strong golden tongue preachers who will tell us how to vote. We have Priests that are probably smarter than most of those guys but are humble. Our Priest lead us when we worship God during our Sunday get together for Mass. We worship in a very different way than protestant. We worship in the spirit. Mass is a one on one communication with our Lord Savior Jesus Christ our God. A high talking preacher is not needed for that. The politicians know that we have to persuade by a different way.

We are blasted by propaganda of misleading information. It is aimed mostly at our members who don't know the church's stance on abortion. Most should know that if a candidate Campaigns mostly and strongly for abortion as his main reason for running, it is against the Church's teachings to support him.

They are also being told that if you vote for a Democrat you are not a true Catholic and you are going to hell. The Catholic Church stance is as follows:

"That abortion is completely wrong doesn't mean a Catholic has to vote for the pro-life candidate (assuming there is one) and against the pro-choice candidate. Ratzinger explained: "When a Catholic does not share a candidate's stand in favor of abortion and/or

euthanasia, but votes for that candidate for other reasons, it is considered remote material cooperation, which can be permitted in the presence of proportionate reasons." John Paul II had said the same thing in *Evangelium Vitae*, speaking of elected officials voting on legislation. The American Catholic bishops said this in their document "Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship."

That means, if you believe the pro-choice candidate is going to do good things and the pro-life will not, then it is OK to vote for the Pro Choice candidate. The good that he will do should be very good.

Pro-life also means to Love thy neighbor. That love is more important after a child is born and is being formed into an adult. If we don't contribute to an environment that fosters love and teaches them respect for all. There is a big possibility their souls will be lost to Satan.

President Trump's words and actions have given safe harbor and encouragement to racists, anti-Semites, anti-Muslim bigots, and white supremacists. He is dividing the country by promoting that hating people who are different is patriotic.

Not all pro-life candidates are truthful about their stance on abortion. They use it to get votes.

In conclusion how should a good Christian vote? Let me put it this way.

If the Devil, who is a liar, is running for office as a pro-life candidate you don't have to vote for him.

Peace and Love to you all,

Joe M. Govea, a devout Catholic

“We Are The Government And We Are Here To Help”. COVID-19:

By Alfredo Sanchez

President Ronald was being sarcastic when he said, “We are the government and we are here to help”. I am pro-government because I have seen in my past 69 years that the government, city, county, state, and federal have done a lot of good things. Yet during this COVID-19 pandemic I have experienced nothing but government employees cowering behind COVID-19. It seems they can not do anything because of COVID-19. It seems that instead of assisting or explaining how they can help, their only answer is, “we cannot do it because of COVID-19”

My granddaughter who graduated from high School class of 2020 was unable to enroll at North Central Texas Community College because of not being able to obtain a state I.D. The appointment at the Department of Motor Vehicles to obtain her driver license was set for October even though she had already completed her driver education classes and required hours of driving. Without a state ID, she was unable to register at NCTC. She now plans to enroll in the Spring. I think the DPS could do a better job of providing ID and drivers licenses even in this pandemic.

I protested my property taxes with the appraisal District. I submitted my protests regarding the properties that I own, in one single packet as I had done for the past 20 years. Instead of scheduling me for one appointment they had set up separate appointments at different times, dates with some appointment times even overlapping others. After several calls to the appraisal district someone finally answered the phone. I explained to the person my situation.

She informed me because of COVID-19 that is how it had to be. I could not accept that answer, so I requested to speak to a supervisor. The supervisor had the same answer: COVID-19. After explaining the unreasonableness of the situation, the supervisor finally scheduled me for one appointment. All the paper and cost of mailing the separate appointments was cost to the taxpayer. How many times has this been done with property owners that have multiple properties at the expense of the taxpayers?

I know of a property owner who was trying to recover possession of a property because the tenant had not paid rent for over 5 months which including dates prior to COVID-19. He had contacted the JP court to get the forms he needed for the process. He was told he would have to do it online because of COVID-19. Since he had no experience how to do it, much less online, he contacted me for help. I called the JP office and inquired about the forms. I was told that it would all have to be done online, because of COV-ID-19. I then asked if a person does not have a computer or does not know how to access the JP Court page what does he do? After several minutes of discourse, the attendant stated that the property owner could come by the office and they would meet him outside and give him the applications, as another option. Why was this not told to him the first time he called?

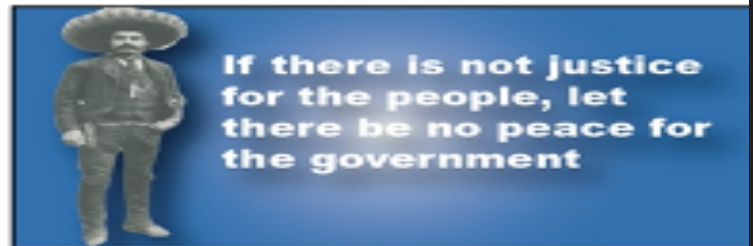
I needed to have the utilities turned on in a certain residence. I called the City of Denton Municipal Utilities for a couple of days, several times a day with no response. On the third day after calling a couple of times, I decided to go and get the utilities turned on in person.

Only one window was open and several people standing in line. While standing in line, I could hear people laughing and joking behind the shutter partition at the customer service window. When I finally arrived at the window, I requested the utilities be turned on and asked why only one window was open and why the phone was not being answered. I got the standard answer: COVID-19. I asked to speak to a supervisor and expressed my concerns about no one answering the phone for the past 3 days, only one window open and people laughing and joking behind the shutter while people waited in line. Again, the supervisor tried to use COVID-19 but I stated that answer was unacceptable and walked out.

These are only a few of my experiences with government during the COVID-19 pandemic. I have talked with others who are just as frustrated as me when it comes to dealing with government agencies during this pandemic. While many citizens are working and dealing with the pandemic, government employees have taken the attitude that they are not required to work if there is the slightest chance of being exposed to the COVID-19 virus. This is not acceptable to me and many citizens who see our taxes being used for salaries while we are getting poor service in return. It is time our elected officials require the government employees to provide the services they are being paid to provide. Government officials must look outside the box for solutions to provide services to the citizens of Denton using common sense such as many private business owners have done.

Vamos Con Biden y Harris 2020

"We Support Biden & Harris" - Mi FAMILIA VOTA



Alberto Govea: "Porque they will reunite the children with their families!"

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Luis Castillo: "Voting for Biden/Harris because the future of America is at stake."

Felix Alvarado: "To me there is only one choice. No More lies. I trust Biden to speak to the American people truthfully"

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