

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Jorge Archila
Consulado de Guatemala
August 13 - 7 p.m.
106 Foster Drive

"Bridging the gap between the hispanic community and the business world"

AFCP Partnership Concepts

By Carmen Gutierrez - Chamber President

Strengthening our community's ties with Laughlin AFB has been an ongoing effort for many years.

This past year, Wing Commander Col. Hastings met with community leaders and various organizations to develop a strategic approach to Del Rio's commitment to safeguard Laughlin's position in our community.

The goal in this "P4 initiative" is to have Laughlin become a more integral part of our community. Several concepts were identified as key and include: Quality of Life, Safety and Emergency Response, Grow Your Own/ Training and Education, Public Works, and Business and Economic Development. Committees were formed to tackle concerns or issues in each concept.



Your Del Rio Hispanic Chamber, the Del Rio Chamber, and the Texas Workforce Commission have been working on the Spousal Employment Program (Quality of Life issue). All committees met monthly to report share ideas and report their progress.

Implementation phase of these ideas has begun such as "Hosting an Airman for the Holidays" and although there was a change in command for the 47th Flying Training Wing, the end of June, we know the good work will continue. Welcome to Del Rio Col. Thomas Shank.



Monthly Membership Meeting

DRHCC Gutierrez Scholarship Dance Fundraiser

OVER
\$18,000
AND THE DONATIONS
CONTINUE TO COME IN!

Thank you Del Rio community for your awesome support. Knowing that all this money is being invested in our community makes it extra sweet and special!!!!

Thank you GOLD sponsors: IBC, Roman Allstate, SWTJC & Rio Grande College, Judge Victor R. Garcia, Silver Eagle Distributors.

Also, to everyone who purchased a table reservation - our Silver Sponsors, gracias for paying a little extra.

Mayor Garza and our guest speakers, Councilman Ray Lopez from San Antonio, Congressman Will Hurd, Hector Barreto from the Latino Coalition (our Member Host) and Miguel Gutierrez for delivering such inspiring and motivating words to our community.

Oh WOW - Happy Balloons did a great job with the gold/black/silver décor. Beautiful, elegant, and most importantly affordable.

So many fine folks who helped, our Member Mr. Nañez did the sound for the bands, Mr. Rodriguez from Banquetes Rodrigues, Leo Cumbias and brother at the bar, Silver Eagle with ice cold beer and ice buckets, Dave Galindo, Del Rio Police Department and everyone including our Board Directors, who lent a hand. Our scholarship committee comprised of

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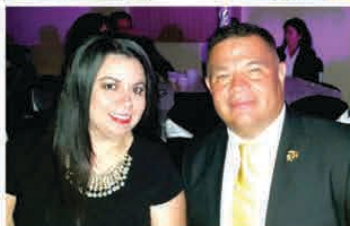
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Delia Ramirez, Director of Education (RGC), Alida Helgerman (BFCU), Leslie Herrera (TCB), Janie Garcia (HEB), and Michelle Guajardo (also our event's emcee), did a great job with the scholarship drive and planning the presentation.

Having our guest speakers along with SWTJC Derek Sandoval and SRSU Rio Grande College Dr. Paul Sorrels present the Certificates of Scholarship made it memorable for the recipients. This year's recipients include Daniela Velazco, Wendy Maldonado, Mariana Solorio, Emmanuel B. Odin, Briana L. Rubio, Dezirae K. Cardenas, and Niko Leonardo Hernandez. Remember that this scholarship requires community participation through DRHCC events.

Special thanks to Dave Galindo of Del Rio Buzz for posting photos of the event on his website.

To all who attended, you were an awesome and happy bunch. Looks like everyone had an enjoyable time.



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