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AND DR. MARK HANSON

Dr. Mark R. Hanson

Mark R. Hanson, 50, has always been a Republican activist. He is currently a Vice President in the Arlington Republican Club and been a precinct chair in North Arlington for over 12 years. He writes a monthly column in the Arlington Republican Club newsletter called "Mark's Remarks." Originally from Grand Rapids, Michigan, where Gerald Ford was his Congressman, Mark became politically involved, especially in his college years when he worked on campaigns in Michigan and interned for a Michigan State Senator.

Mark graduated from Michigan State University and ignored the liberals there in the '70s. He graduated from the Pennsylvania College of Optometry in 1982 where he battled with East Coast liberals. He may have been one of the few people in Philadelphia to vote for Ronald Reagan in 1980. East Coast liberalism drove him away from the Eastern Seaboard and to the sanity of Texas in 1982. "Texas is the promised land," he says.

Mark is an economic and social conservative. "Most of our problems are moral," he says. Mark often rails against excessive tolerance, political correctness, socialism, ADD over diagnosis, and Ritalin overuse, and excessive spending by government. He is very pro tort reform and speaks for Texans for Lawsuit Reform to local civic and political clubs. "Legal decisions, especially by the federal courts, have made all our problems worse."

Mark is active in his profession, optometry. He recently served on the Texas Optometric Association's board of directors. He is the current President of the Tarrant County Optometric Society and serves on the PAC committee of the Texas Optometric Association. He only votes to give money to good Republicans!

Mark is proud to work with other Republicans for conservative causes. He considers himself a conservative first and a Republican second. He believes the Republican Party is the country's best hope for the conservative agenda, a balanced budget, judicial reform, and a responsive limited government.