PARTT ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR AREA C 2015-2017 REPORT TO PARTT STATE BOARD MEETING HOUSTON, TEXAS APRIL 21, 2017

Upon being elected Area C Director at the PARTT State Board Meeting in Laredo, I immediately contacted State Director, Isabel Vezzetti, to discuss the most important problems and issues we faced. I invited Isabel to meet with the tables of the Upper Valley so that all the new table directors could meet and share ideas and concerns. This meeting took place in April 2015.

In July, 2015, I met with the seven tables of Area C to discuss the transition of officers. Directors were asked to instruct newly elected officers to meet with outgoing officers so they could familiarize themselves with all the necessary duties and responsibilities needing to be fulfilled during the summer months, in particular, the filing of the IRS Form 990-N. Pertinent information regarding this form was disseminated at this meeting.

Another major concern shared at this meeting, was the recruiting of new members. We agreed to explore the possibility of inviting community leaders and organizations to our meetings so that they in turn might learn about our organization.

In August, I attended the Sate Directors Meeting in San Antonio. After this meeting, I informed my tables what had been discussed, I also requested each table submit to me its latest yearbook and all updated information. I in turn shared this information with my area tables as well as the state director.

In September, the Pan American Observance Day Committee of the Upper Valley met. Plans were discussed and respective assignments made. Later that month, Isabel Vezzetti was notified that our Director General, Eva Munoz de Manzarraga would be visiting our area and attending our PAO Day. It was suggested that the upper and lower valley tables combine forces to celebrate this event. The tables agreed to this and have worked diligently over the last few months to make it as successful as possible. This event is scheduled for April 2, 2016 in McAllen.

The remainder of 2015, was comprised of a whirlwind of events. On October 6, I was a guest at the McAllen Table's Founders' Day luncheon. In November, I attended Brownsville I's Birthday Celebration. In December, I attended Brownsville I's Silver Tea as well as Harlingen-San Benito's Christmas party. All of these were memorable events affording me a wonderful opportunity to meet old friends and make new ones.

In the early months of 2016, I continued to meet with the PAO Day planning committee, now comprised of all the Area C tables. On February 3rd, we invited all Area C table directors to meet with Louise Atchinson, Alliance Convention Chair, at the home of Isabel Vezzetti. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss what each table could contribute to the Alliance in October, 2016.

On April 2, I attended the Pan American Observance Day hosted by all the Area C tables. We were honored by the presence of both our State Director and Director General. The following day, we traveled to Laredo for the dedication of our new plague.

Throughout the summer of 2016, I continued to meet with Area C directors as needed. At the request of one our area tables, I took a poll as to whether Area C should celebrate PAO Day yearly or alternate it with the state convention being that they both fall in

April. It was decided, this should be done on alternate years to allow more members to attend the state convention.

Fall 2016 began with another year of activities highlighted by the Alliance Convention in October. I began September as a guest of my home table, Edinburg,

In October, I attended the Alliance Convention in San Antonio where we modeled the beautiful costumes of the Americas. This was a time of fellowship and gave me the opportunity to make many new friends as well as reconnect with old ones.

December brought the holidays and the wonderful festivities presented and shared by my area tables. I was able to spend time with San Benito, Roma-Rio Grande at their festivities and also had the opportunity to visit with all the ladies from the other tables.

In February, I made my official visit to the Alamo-San Juan -Pharr Table. This concluded all my official visits as Area C Director.

I would like to thank all the ladies for giving me the opportunity to serve as Area C Director and allow me to visit with them. It has been an honor. I would especially like to thank Mrs. Isabel Vezzetti for the honor of serving as one of her officers.

Respectfully submitted,

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