



“One for All and All for One”

REPORT TO PARTT STATE BOARD

April 21, 2017

Westin Oaks Hotel

Houston, TX

I reported to you last March at our PARTT Board Meeting in Del Rio, TX, that I had had an exciting ten months and I felt that my journey as State Director was about to get even more exciting. It certainly did!

Upon my return from Del Rio, I finalized the plans for the unveiling of the PARTT Marker on the Laredo International Bridge. These plans included: printing and addressing of the invitations, printing of the program, and reviewing last minute details.

I was in constant contact with the Alliance Director General, Eva Munoz de Manzarraga. She would accompany me to the re-dedication of the PARTT Marker and on Table visits. I sent her an itinerary and it was approved. I contacted all the Texas Tables we were to visit and finalized plans for our visits.

On April 1, 2016, Crissey Rios, Alliance Zone I Director, arrived. She stayed overnight at my house. Next morning, we drove to McAllen to meet, greet and take the Alliance Director General to the Area C Pan American Observance Day Celebration. It was a spectacular event to see the ladies in costumes from the Americas. After the event we traveled to Laredo and spent the night. Next morning, April 3, 2017, we participated in the unveiling and re-dedicating of the PARTT Marker located on the Laredo International Bridge #1. Many Pan American Ladies from across Texas joined us. The marker was unveiled by the Alliance Director General assisted by the Past PART State Directors. Yellow Rose Boutonnieres were presented to the Past PARTT State Directors and red rose boutonnieres were presented to the Alliance Director General, Alliance Zone I Director and to the Director of the Laredo Table, Diana C. Rodriguez. It was a spectacular event. We were joined by the Mayor of Laredo, the City Manager, the Mexican Consul, and the Honorable Secretary of the State Of Texas, Carlos H. Cascos. The Laredo PART hosted a lovely reception following the unveiling. I extend my deepest gratitude to Diana C. Rodriguez, PART of Laredo Director, and to the Laredo PART for their gracious hospitality.

After the reception, I ventured on my journey with the Alliance Director General and my husband Bob. Our visits included:

April 4, 2017: Austin PART's Pan American Observance Day Celebration. It was a lovey celebration and very well attended.

April 5, 2017: PART of Del Rio's meeting. Ladies from the PART of Acuña and the Mexican Consul joined us. It was a true showing of Pan Americanism.

That evening we traveled to Eagle Pass and joined the PART of Eagle Pass and the PART of Piedras Negras at a dinner. We were also joined by the Mexican Consul who gave a special talk on the Pan American Round Table.

April 6, 2017: We traveled to Beeville and visited with Louise Hall and Josephine Miller, PART of Beeville Director. We enjoyed the visit to the Art Museum and to “Tea” at Josephine’s home. That evening we attended a delicious fish fry at Shirley O’Neil’s ranch.

April 7, 2016: We attended the PART of Beeville Meeting. They had an excellent program and both Eva and I addressed the Table members.

April 11, 2016: We traveled to Conroe, TX. That evening, we had dinner with the executive board of the PART of Conroe.

April 12, 2016: We attended the Conroe PART meeting. It was well attended. After the meeting, we drove to Houston and spent the night with Martha Inskeep, member of the Houston PART. That evening, Martha hosted a dinner with the executive board of the Houston Table.

April 14, 2016: We attended the PART of Houston’s Pan American Observance Day celebration. It was held at Tony’s Restaurant in Houston. We met the great granddaughter of Florence Terry Griswold. She is a member of the Houston PART. The Director also introduced the chair of the Houston PART Alumni Committee. She is in charge of keeping track of all the recipients of Scholarships that the Houston PART has awarded. The Table is in hope that this committee will act as a feeder to their Table membership. After the celebration, we drove to San Antonio.

April 15, 2016: We attended the Pan American Observance Day Celebration of the PART of San Antonio. It was very well attended and there was excitement about the upcoming Alliance Convention. After the celebration, I took Evita to a meeting at the Marriott Hotel to review plans for the Alliance Convention.

April 19, 2016: We drove to Corpus Christi to attend the Pan American Observance Day Celebration of the PART of Corpus Christi. It was a dinner held at the Canales’ home.

April 20, 2016: Jeanne Adams, our host in Corpus Christi, hosted a brunch for the executive board of the Corpus Christi PART and the three guests, Evita, Sandra Maxwell, and me.

April 21, 2017: I drove Evita to McAllen for her flight home.

May 10, 2016: I flew to Dallas and had dinner that evening with the executive board of Fort Worth PART.

May 11, 2016: I inducted the 2016-2017 officers of the PART of Fort Worth.

On May 15, I hosted a working meeting of Area C for the purpose of making corsages for the “Hour of Memory” to be held during the Alliance Convention. We made over 700 corsages.

On June 1, 2016, I filed the IRS 990N e-postcard for PARTT. I alerted the Table Directors to do the same. Since the filing process changed from the previous year, I helped many of the Tables with their filing.

The summer of 2016 was spent looking for sponsors for the Alliance Convention Bag. Sandra Maxwell and I visited with the Director of the Port of Brownsville and they agreed to do it. We ordered the bags. Once they were delivered, we worked on decorating them with a Texas ornament and a red bandana. Once the work was done, the bags were delivered to the home of Frances Rodriguez in San Antonio, TX.

On September 14, 2016, I flew to Dallas to visit the Fort Worth Table and Dallas III PART. Evita joined me for these two visits. After dinner that evening with the Director of Fort Worth, Kathy Ehmann Clardy, we stayed at the home of Martha Stumbo.

On September 15, 2016, we visited the Fort Worth PART. The city of Fort Worth presented Evita and I with a proclamation.

On September 17, 2016, we attended the meeting of PART of Dallas. They are a small group and are pondering the idea of closing. They are going to wait until May of this year to make a final decision.

On September 23, 2016, I drove to Austin for the viewing of the PARTT Documentary. Congratulations to Janet Roberts and Sylvia Williams for a job well done.

On October 25, 2016, I attended the Alliance Convention in San Antonio. I welcomed the members of the Alliance Board at their meeting and welcomed the delegates and attendees at the opening Ceremony. I also prepared the program for the Opening Ceremony. A big thank you goes to Sylvia Williams for her patience and guidance in preparing the program. A special thank you goes to Lupita Sarabia from the Miguel Aleman PART for help with the translation.

On November 4, 2016, I paid an official visit to my Table, PART I of Brownsville and helped celebrate their 84th Birthday.

I continued to visit the Tables:

December 7, 2016: Attended the Christmas Party in Rio Grande City/Roma. What fun we had!!!

December 10, 2016: Attended PART of San Benito's Silver Tea in Harlingen, TX. It was a lovely party.

December 14, 2016: Attended PART of Edinburg Christmas Party. It was well attended and most enjoyable.

March 8, 2017: Visit to PART of Laredo. They had an interesting program on the Battered Women Shelter.

March 10, 2017: Visit to Del Rio PART. Always a wonderful and interesting affair! The evening before was spent with the executive board of PART of Del Rio at dinner.

March 15, 2017: Visit to Brownsville II PART. They are also a small Table and do not want to close. I will assist them in recruiting new members.

I also made several trips to Houston in preparation for the 58th PARTT Convention. While in Houston, I met with Susan Huston, Convention Chair, and her committee to finalize plans for the upcoming convention.

I also had several meetings with Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr. who will present a resolution to the Texas Senate on April 18, 2017.

These two years have been busy and exciting for me and I add “most memorable” I thank all the Tables of Texas for their warm hospitality they showed me during my visits. I thank my executive board, committee chair and members, and all the past State Directors for their help and support. Most of all, I thank each and every one of you for just being YOU and the dedicated person that you are---- you have set the foundation for the next hundred years.