



**PAN AMERICAN ROUND TABLE  
OF  
SAN ANTONIO**

The Pan American Round Table of San Antonio Biennial Report  
October 2015 - June 2017

It has been such honor to have been the Table Director for the past two years of the San Antonio Table. It has been a very exciting time to have served, especially since our table hosted the Alliance convention in October 2016.

Here is a list of all the wonderful events we experienced over the last two years. All our meetings have been at a beautiful historic home named The Veranda in Castle Hills. We meet on the third Friday of the month from October thru May, except in December when we do our Christmas Brunch on the second Sunday.

October 16, 2015 - An afternoon merienda in celebration of Florence Terry Griswold. Everyone was encouraged to come in native dress, enjoy a glass of sangria, and listen to music. We began our year count down to the Alliance convention.

November 20, 2015 - We had a luncheon with a wonderful guest speaker, Richard L. Durbin Jr., U.S. Attorney, Western District of Texas. He spoke on the Mexican Drug Cartels. It was a very interesting and timely topic on whats going on in the drug wars of Mexico and the southwest borders of the United States.

December 13, 2015 - Our Christmas Brunch where we honor past directors. We encourage members to bring spouses and family to celebrate the holidays.

January 15, 2016 - Our business meeting and luncheon.

February 19, 2016 - Our luncheon honoring our scholarship recipient was held for Blake Vera. He received a \$2,000.00 scholarship where he was studying at St. Mary's University. He maintained a 3.6 GPA with majors in Political Sciences and International Relations. Blake was also the editor of the St Mary's newspaper and President of the school's Social Justice League. Blake gave us an update on his studies and future plans.

March 18, 2016 - This meeting was our fundraiser for our scholarship fund. Along with our luncheon we hold a silent auction and we encourage members to bring an item from home as a donation to the auction.

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April 15, 2016 - Our Pan American Day Celebration. This year we were honored to have the Alliance Director Maria Eva Munoz de Manzarraga and our State Director, Isabel Vezzetti as our guests and speakers for a luncheon to commemorate this special day.

May 20, 2016 - We ended the year with our business meeting and luncheon.

My second year started with the biggest event our table has been privileged to host, the Pan American Round Table Alliance Convention and 100th anniversary of the founding of The Pan American Round Table. The convention was held from October 26 - 29, 2016 at The Rivercenter Marriott. Due to the work and time we did not have a regular meeting in October.

November 18, 2016 - We recovered from the convention and had our first luncheon meeting of the year. Our speaker was Dr. Carey Rote from Corpus Christi, who spoke on the "Guardian of the Corn: Amphibians in Sustainable Agriculture Practices of the Mayans".

December 13, 2016 - We celebrated the holidays with our Christmas brunch.

January 20, 2017 - Business meeting and luncheon. The new slate of officers was presented and voted on with Diana Durbin being elected our new Director for 2017-2019.

February 17, 2017 - The scholarship committee was tasked in coming up with new rules and forms for future candidates of our table's scholarships. At this luncheon the committee presented their findings and forms. A new scholarship recipient will be announced at our May meeting.

March 17, 2017 - We had another fundraiser and luncheon for our scholarship account. We were delighted to have our Zone B Director, Dee Moore and Ann Beitel, Chair of Long Range Planning, from Del Rio visit our table.

Future Events:

April 28, 2017 - Pan American Day Celebration, guest speaker, Bryan Harper, The Life of Florence Terry Griswold.

May 19, 2017 - Business meeting and luncheon. Presentation of the new board.

June 16, 2017 - Since we did not have a meeting in October due to the convention, we are hosting a very informal picnic to get together and celebrate the past year.

As you can see it has been a very busy and productive two years in San Antonio. I would like to thank my board and all our members for attending and working so hard these last years, especially with the Alliance convention.

Respectfully submitted -

Laura Uzdavines

Pan American Round Table of San Antonio - Table Director

## **Biennium Report of PART of San Antonio**

**Picture #1. May Business meeting 2015, New Officers for 2015-2017, Left to right, Louise Actkinson, Bea Dracoulis, Liza Sandoval, Deena Bird, Molly Walden, Katie Williams and Laura Uzdavines**

**Picture #2. November 2015 meeting with speaker Richard L. Durbin Jr., U. S. Attorney, Western District of Texas  
Left to right: Sandra Brown, Laura Uzdavines, Richard L. Durbin Jr. and Diana Durbin**

**Picture #3. April 2016 Group picture of Part San Antonio at our Merienda, with guests Director General Eva Munoz de Manzarraga and State Director Isabel Vezzetti**

**Picture #4. December 2016 Christmas Brunch group picture.**

**Back row, left to right: Amy Price, Agatha Wade, Diana Durbin, Yolanda Hernandez, Laura Uzdavines, Sherry Yeckel, Lydia Garrido  
Front row, left to right: Katie Williams, Deena Bird, Irma Marroquin, and Yvonne Kylstra**









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