## PAN AMERICAN ROUND TABLES OF TEXAS

State Board Meeting
Beeville, Texas
Pan American Round Table of Texas
Corresponding Secretary's Report
June 5, 2021

The year of 2020 shall not be forgotten! The Corona Virus, COVID 19, forced a shutdown of the entire United States of America in late February. However, with the help of modern technology and under the leadership of State Director Martha Stumbo, our organization managed to stay vital and involved in continuing the work of our fine organization. Indeed, it was a major world event, the 1910 Revolution in Mexico that prompted our founder, Florence Terry Griswald, to form this organization that today is a vital and integral part of the Western Hemisphere. The women of the Pan American Round Tables of Texas were up to the challenge of keeping our organization running and promoting our goals.

As Corresponding Secretary, I had the privilege of seeing and archiving the correspondence and communication tools that kept us all informed and active in the work of PARTT. The very nature of my job is done via email and similar tools. I have become rather adept at managing Zoom. My own Table in El Paso did all our meetings, events, and gatherings via Zoom. What a marvel to have this vehicle to keep us informed. Really it was far easier to Zoom than to travel or even dress to attend an in-person meeting. But when the time finally came for my first in-person event, I was almost giddy with excitement to see and greet my fellow comrades of Pan American Round Table.

My notebook, which I developed at the start of my appointment to this Board, has proven to be a source of information and history of the business of PARTT. Even perusing the contents as I prepare this report has been fascinating as the timeline demonstrates how we all adjusted to living and operating in a pandemic. Since our last Board Meeting of June, 2020, I received and archiving email correspondence by our State Director Stumbo to this body, to individual Tables as well as the group of Tables, notices and alerts from the individual Tables in Texas, our publication, "Pan Americana Texana", individual Table Directory listings of the Table's Officers, Alliance of Pan American Round Tables notices, PARTT Committee Reports, and invitations from the individual Tables for Pan American Day 2021 Celebrations.

As 2021 continues, we are resuming in-person meetings. Our State Director Martha Stumbo is traveling around and about the state of Texas to attend meetings, Pan American Day celebrations of the individual Tables, and joining in other business as deemed necessary. Pan American Round Tables of Texas has made adjustments to scheduling for conventions and such, in an effort to bring us back into the usual scheduling of Table meetings, State meetings, and Alliance meetings. With any luck, we shall slowly but surely get back to the "new" normal routine.

In the spirit of fostering understanding, knowledge, and friendships among the women of Texas and our entire Alliance, I humbly submit this report.

Respectfully,

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"One for all and all for One" "Una para todas y todas para Una"

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