



PANAMERICANA TEXANA

• The Pan American Round Tables of Texas • McAllen, Texas USA

Message from State Director Sarah Jane Wise

The 55th State Convention, "It's That Valley Magic", held in McAllen and hosted by Pan American Round Tables of Alamo/San Juan/Pharr, Edinburg, McAllen and Rio Grande City/Roma, was an amazing event. Led by Chairman Lily Tórréz, member of the McAllen Table, and her capable committees, they graciously entertained us and ensured that a good time was had by all. We thank you profusely.

Immediate Past State Director Elsie Pérez brought all her "Puzzle Pieces" to the meetings where Table Directors reported their accomplishments of the last two years. It was very evident that Elsie had accomplished her goal of fitting the essential pieces together to form a complete puzzle. It was a pleasure to serve under her leadership. We thank you, Elsie, for your two years of service to PARTT and for your continued and untiring participation as our Alliance Associate Director General.

I appreciate your confidence in electing me your State Director. It will be my honor and privilege to serve this wonderful organization. Since being elected I have installed the Board of the Corpus Christi Table, worked with my Associate Directors and Table Directors throughout the summer to appoint Committee Chairmen and Committee Members for 2011-2013 and also held a Table Directors' meeting in San Antonio. Louise Actkinson, 1st Associate Director, welcomed us into her home for this statewide event. Thank you to all who attended, especially those who provided valuable information and advice for all.

It is evident to me that the PART movement is alive and well. We are adapting to the technological age and are continuing to create ways to accomplish Founder, Florence Terry Griswold's goal, to promote friendship through knowledge and understanding among our members by means of our programs and scholarship grants. Some goals that I wish for us to reach during the next two years are: To assist ECC Isabel Vezzetti to reach her objective to update each Table's history on our web page, 100%, by 2013, to deliver the 2nd Edition of the Texana electronically and thirdly, for each Table member to visit our website: partt.org, in order to get acquainted with information shared by your sister Tables, and so much more!

I thank you for this opportunity to serve you and am excited about visiting the 21 Texas Tables on a more personal level!



Report From Alliance Zone 1 Director—Ina Agraz Pool...

The Board meeting of the Alliance of Pan American Round Tables was held at the Intercontinental Hotel in Puebla, Mexico on July 17-19, 2011, with Alliance Director General Ana María Acuña de Macedo presiding. Zone I was well-represented with 15 members, but even more impressive was the number (27) of Zone I appointees who will serve on 30 different Alliance committees.

The Treasurer reported that the Alliance has 222 Tables and 6,092 members: Zones I & II – United States (32), Zones III-A,B.&C.- México (75), Zone IV - Central America & the Caribbean (30) and Zone V & VI - South America (85). Alliance Zone I consists of 26 Tables – 21 in Texas, 2 in Oklahoma, 2 in Florida and 1 in Washington, D.C. As of January, 2011, we have 1,267 paid up members, and Zone I is proud to announce that \$95,660.00 USD have been awarded in scholarships.

Of importance to all members: **The XXXIII Alliance Biennial Convention** will be held on October 17 to 21, 2012 in Buenos Aires, Argentina. The site Hotel will be the Hotel Panamericano, with room rates at \$190.00 USD plus tax. The Sub site Hotel will be the City Hotel, at \$178.00 USD plus tax, while the registration fee has been set at \$320.00 USD. Arrangements were not finalized as of this report.

"Una Para Todas - Todas Para

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Important Dates to Remember

State Board Meeting
March 2 & 3, 2012
in Laredo, TX

Alliance Convention
Oct. 2012
Buenos Aires,
Argentina

PART State Convention
March/April, 2013
Eagle Pass, TX

Table Directors, Alliance Dignitaries and State Officers



Texas Table Directors Meet in San Antonio

Font row: Louise Actkinson. Seated (l to r): Janet Roberts, Sylvia Williams, Elva Morales, Sarah Jane Wise, Maria Seidner, Alicia Cantu. Standing (l to r): Susan Sanchez, Margie Kidd, Starr Bauer, Ana Flores, Sandra Paine, Lucy Mancha, Rosa Paulson, Isabel Vezzetti, Alma de la Garza, & Peggy Clark. Back row: Jean Heasley and Anita Williams.



Alliance Dignitaries Gather in Puebla

Back row, L-R: Elsie Perez, Associate Director General; Lidiette Mohs, Costa Rica; Gladys Simpson, Pan American Woman 2010; Ana María Acuña de Macedo, Director General; Criseyda Ríos and Catalina Ramirez de Montes de Oca. Seated: Elaine Bourrouet Leon, Pres. of the National Associations of Costa Rica; Ina Agraz Pool, Zone I Director; Gloria Riddle and Ligia Esther M. Borges de Echaría.

State Officers 2011- 2013

Seated L-R:

Jessica Farrell –
Parliamentarian (Ft. Worth I) .

Louise Actkinson - 1st. Assoc.
Director (San Antonio-Area B).

Sarah Jane Wise—Director
(Corpus Christi).

Margot Arevalo Gonzalez - 2nd
Assoc. Director (Edinburg —
Area C)

Elsie Perez - Immediate Past
Director (Edinburg)

Back Row: Alicia Cantu—
Treasurer (Laredo).



Lana Harper - Historian
(Eagle Pass)

Baudelia "BB" Crane - Schol-
arship Chairman (McAllen).

Martha Stumbo - Recording
Secretary (El Paso).

Not shown:

Jo Ann Jensen - 3rd Assoc.
Director (Ft. Worth-Area D)

Janet Mayorga—4th Assoc.
Director (Houston- Area A)

Yolanda Calley - Corre-
sponding Secretary (Corpus
Christi)



Brownsville Executive Board (2011-2013)

1st row: (l to r) Irene Gulley, Treasurer; Normalinda Castellano, Associate Director; Isabel Vezzetti, Director; Maria Garza, Recording Secretary. Top Row: (l to r) Peggy Klinger, Corresponding Secretary; Guillermina Galonsky, Custodian; Maria Enriqueta Yzaguirre, Parliamentarian; Delma Tercero, Historian.

Rio Grande City-Roma Installs New Board



Elsie Pérez & Margo A. Gonzalez were on hand to install new officers, Nydia Benitez, Parliamentarian; Velma Pérez, Historian; Yolanda Garcia, Treasurer; Rosa Paulson, Director; Teresa Pérez, Corresponding Secretary; PeeWee Guerra, Recording Secretary and Dee Cavazos, Associate Director. Not shown is Alma Rivera, Custodian.



Houston Table Officers Installed

Front Row L to R: Director-Elect Marlyn Greiner, Alliance Director General-Elect Elsie Pérez, Director Susan Sanchez. Back row: Maria Sneed, Yanne Moreno, Susan Huston, Donna Rybiski, Theresa Mickiewicz, Belinda Postman-Kaylani, Patricia Rodriguez & Carmen Armstrong.



San Benito Table Installs New Officers

New Director Elva Morales with Installation Officer and Table member, Judge Migdalia Lopez.

Conroe Table New Board of Directors

l-r: Pat Sterns, Parliamentarian; Jean Heasley, Director; Paula Schoppe, Recording Secretary; Fran Swann, Co-Director; Woody Hearn, Treasurer; Ahia Shabazz, Treasurer; Helen Browning, Custodian; Millie Whaley-Engle, Corresponding Secretary.





MCALLEN CELEBRATES PAN AMERICAN OBSERVANCE DAY WITH UTPA

The International Programs Department of the University of Texas-Pan American and the seven Valley Tables joined forces to celebrate the University's traditional "Pan American Days", and the organization's annual "Pan American Observance Day", with a luncheon at the University Ballroom on April 11th. Shown at left are: Lily Tórréz, making a special book presentation to UTPA Library Director Dr. Farzaneh Razzaghi, with Charlene Hertz and Alma De La Garza. The book consists of archived newspaper clippings and photographs of special Table events held throughout the years, compiled in honor of the McAllen Table's 75th Jubilee. The book will be housed in the Library's Archives.



Piedras Negras & Del Rio Tables Visit Eagle Pass

Enjoying the company of neighbors for Founder's Day.



Fort Worth I Observance Day Celebration

Special guests present were: Ina Pool, Zone I Director, Blas Canedo, Ana Maria de Macedo, Kuo Ying, Elsie Pérez, Associate Alliance Director General & JoAnn Jensen.



Dallas III Table Receives Peace Banner

State Director Elsie Perez and Area D Director Martha Stumbo visited the Dallas III Table and presented the members with the Peace Banner, with an explanation of the significance of this honor.



Dignitaries Visit Eagle Pass Table

Table Director Lucy Mancha hosted Alliance Director Ana Maria Acuña de Macedo, State Director Elsie Pérez and Zone I Director Ina Pool for their Pan American Observance Day.



The Florence Terry Griswold Scholarship

The FTG Committee awarded the 2010-2011 scholarship in the amount of \$4,000.00 to Paulina Velez Gómez of Colombia at the Board of Trustees Meeting in McAllen, Texas, April 1, 2011.

Paulina is a graduate student attending Texas Tech University. Her major field of Study is Human Development and Family Studies. Her interest in this area arose out of her participation in an intervention project aimed at providing interdisciplinary aid to both children and teenagers with emotional disorders from Itagui Municipality, Columbia in 2007. She states, "most of the children lived in poverty and suffered from abuse or maltreatment. That is when I realized that it was important to develop preventive programs that could promote healthy development and well-being from an early age"

In 2010 Paulina was awarded a Fulbright Grantee Scholarship which has helped her continue her studies in the United States. Her desire is to return to Colombia after graduation to help create preventive and intervention programs for children and teenagers. She will endeavor to work in both the academic field as well as with non-governmental organizations.



Houston Table Scholarships



The Houston Table awarded 18 scholarships in the notable amount of \$18,000 during the annual scholarship luncheon. Shown are the scholarship recipients with Susan Sanchez, Table Director and Irma Diaz Gonzalez, Scholarship Chairman.



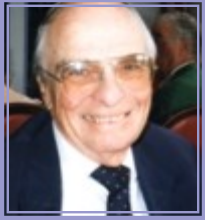
BROWNSVILLE I SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

(l to r): Alejandro F. Vargas, Porter High School; Ricardo F. Marquez, St. Joseph Academy; Maria Enriqueta Yzaguirre, Director PART I; Jessica V. Champion, Hanna High School; Jasmin A. Salazar, Rivera High School .



Laredo Table Awards Scholarships

Four \$1000 scholarships were awarded to Texas A&M International university students: Zoraya Mileth, Cruz Araiza, Marlinn Chong, Yelitza Howard & Leslie Annette Canales. With the recipients are Director Ana Flores and Past Director Alicia Cantú.

Obituary

We are saddened by the death of Dick Hager, husband of Jean Hager, PART State Director from 2005-2007.

Mr. Hager took his rightful place in Heaven, after a long illness, on August 19, 2011 at Valley Baptist Medical Center in Harlingen.

He was born on January 7, 1927 in Meadville, PA. and he and Jean had been married 61 years. Condolences may be sent to: Jean Hager 507 DeLeon Rancho Viejo, TX 78575. She asks that, in lieu of flowers, donations be sent to the charity of your choice.

McAllen Member to Be Honored

Berry Fritz, esteemed member of the McAllen Table since 2003, is to be recognized and honored by fellow members for her renown artistic accomplishments at the annual Mother-Daughter Luncheon to be held in December at the McAllen Country Club.

Berry was born on the isle of Wight, England but is a long-time resident of McAllen. She has taken courses at the City of London School of Art, at the University of Texas Pan American, as well as numerous art workshops.

Mrs. Fritz has been elected to signature membership in Oil Painters of America and the American Association of Professional Artists. She has won Best in Show or First in Oils in many international, national and regional competitions and won numerous secondary and material awards. Her works are represented at Nuevo Santander Art Gallery and are also available through P&C Art in Fairfax, Virginia and Mustang Island Art Galley in Port Aransas, TX., as well as other places too numerous to mention. They can also be viewed on her web page: berryfritz.com

Some of Berry's significant awards include: 2009—Best in Oils, Boots-To Heal, Houston; 2010 Clara Ely Award & Fine Art Museum Annual Juried Show, Brownsville; 2011—Best of Show, Blossom II, Baker Museum, Naples Fl; Honorable Mention, Salon International, Greenhouse Gallery of Art, San Antonio; Finalist, Animal Division, The Artist's Magazine Annual Competition; Finalist, Best in Oils, People's Choice, and Judge's Awards, among others. Berry's works date back to 1994.



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