



"All for One and One for All"

March, 2019

On Sunday, April 24, 2017, in Houston Texas the PARTT "Construction Company" Board was installed by Elsie Perez, Past State Director. I began my tenure as your PART State Director with great expectations. The first order of business was to appoint the following women to committee chair positions:

1. Archives Committee Chair- Laura Uzdavines
2. Electronics Committee Chairs -Gricelda Becker-Perez and Lucy Mancha
3. Long Range Planning Committee Chair- Susan Huston
4. Publications Committee Chair- Ana P. Flores
5. Resolutions Committee Chair- Ina Pool
6. Webmaster- Mary Ann Palka

Then I appointed committee members to the following committees:

1. Scholarship Committee members- Belinda Postman-Kaylani and Lisa Romero
2. Finance Committee members –Margot Arevalo Gonzalez and Isabel Vezittee
3. Archives Committee members-Frances Rodriguez and Ahia Shabaaz
4. Electronics Committee members-All Table ECC Chairs
5. Long Range Planning Committee Members-Mary Aldrich, Angie Gonzales, Carmen R Guerra and Cecile R. O'Connor
6. Publication Committee members-Woody Hearn, Meghan Salinas-Brooks and Raquel Oliva
7. Resolutions Committee members-Jane Wicker and Diana Rodriguez
8. Revisions Committee members-Mary Alice Ramos and Yolanda Villarreal

The three AD-HOC committees from the previous PARTT Board continued

1. PARTT Book Chair- Ruth Kulesa
2. PARTT Historical Chair- Janet Roberts
3. Membership Chair- Anita Williams and committee members Sandra Maxwell, Becky Judah, Nina Sambrano and Susan Matthews

I then created a new AD-HOC committee: Protocol Committee for the sole purpose of developing a handbook to be given to each Table to show the proper protocol for our Flag, showing respect to Table Visitors and Alliance Dignitaries, and any other vital information to help the Tables know proper etiquette.

In April I met with Isabel Vezetti, Immediate Past Sate Director, to receive her binder and box of information. I filled out the Texas Secretary of State form 802 and paid the \$5.00 fee.

After all the Board positions were in place, it was time to contact all the Table Directors and get a list of all new Table Directors and board members for 2017-2019. I then invited all Board members and Committees along with Table Directors and their board members to Laredo, Texas August 12, 2017 for our "Blue Print to Success," our annual PARTT workshop, to prepare for the new year and receive necessary paperwork and rosters.

In the first year of my tenure I traveled over 11,000 miles to visit PARTT sisters.

In May, I had the pleasure to install the new Board in Eagle Pass at the lovely home of Lucy Mancha.

In June, I filed the PARTT 990-N e-postcard and made sure the Tables were also all filed.

During the months of June, July and August I prepared for the workshop in Laredo. I had name tags made for the Board and Committee Chairs. Working on notebooks for Board members and Committee chairs along with providing Table Directors with rosters, timelines and pertinent information kept me busy all summer.

The August 12, 2017 training meeting in Laredo at the La Posada Hotel was a huge success with over 50 PARTT Sisters reuniting for fellowship and sharing and getting ready for the new year. A special thanks to the Laredo Table for being such a wonderful Host Table.

In September, I went to Dallas for the first of many visits to help them get re-organized and become a viable Table again. The key to this happening was to get more new members; they have six months to accomplish this. I also attended the installation of officers in our sister city Ciudad Acuna, Mexico.

In October, I attended the Founder's day celebration in Eagle Pass and also made a trip to Conroe to attend the Conroe Table Founder's Day celebration. Next went to Brownsville to attend a Bingo Fundraiser.

November, found me in Beeville for their Table meeting. Marie Adams gave a wonderful program on her trip to Mexico and shared many beautiful keepsakes she brought home. I made another trip to Dallas to help them get organized and ready for their installation of officers making them a viable Table by December.

December was also very busy. I attended the Christmas Luncheon at the Austin Table. The following week found me at the San Benito Table for their annual Holiday Luncheon and later that day attended the Rio Grande City/Roma Christmas Party. These functions really put me in the Holiday Spirit.

In January 2018, I headed to San Marcos, Texas to meet with the Austin Table committee to finalize plans for the State mid-term Board meeting.

In February, I went to Corpus Christi for their Table meeting and to have a financial committee review to make sure we were on budget and if not, make adjustments to present at the mid-term Board meeting.

In March, I had the privilege to attend a lovely Luncheon for Nhury Gutierrez Vilchez, Alliance Director General, before attending her Alliance Leadership Meeting in Brownsville. The Mid-term Board meeting was held in San Marcos the 23-24th of March. Great meeting and wonderful shopping made this weekend a huge success.

April was even busier. First was to the Lower Valley Pan American Day Observance celebration, followed by the Upper Valley celebration the following weekend. The following week I flew to El Paso to celebrate with them at a lovely Pan American Day Luncheon attended by Cecilia Abbott, "First Lady of Texas".

May was busy with many Tables having installation of new Boards and celebrating a very successful year. Everyone was ready for a summer break. It was also time to prepare for the second "Blue Print for Success" workshop in Laredo.

In June the 990-N e-postcards were filed.

August came quickly and the "Blue Print for Success" workshop was a huge success. A lot of material was covered and good discussions were held. An update on the State Convention in Ft. Worth was presented by the FT. Worth Table Convention committee. The key topic of conversation that day was the Alliance Convention in October in Bolivia. Everyone had questions and concerns but by the end of day we all felt better with all the information shared and were excited about the upcoming trip to Cochabamba, Bolivia.

In September, I was the guest speaker at the Edinburg Table meeting. Later in the month, I, along with several Del Rio Table members attended a very moving Installation of Officers at the Ciudad Acuna, Mexico Table Dinner.

October 2018 came way too quick. I went to Brownsville to unite Brownsville Table I and Brownsville Table II. It was a beautiful ceremony and everyone was so happy to see this union of Tables. Then on to Conroe to celebrate Conroe's Table member Jeanette DeFee's 100th Birthday. In a blink of an eye I was packing for the Alliance Convention in Cochabamba Bolivia. What an awesome moment to see our Texas PART Sisters become Alliance Officers. Sylvia Williams, Austin Table Alliance Director General, Martha Stumbo, El Paso Table Recording Secretary, Frances Rodriguez, San Antonio Table Treasurer, Ina Pool, Laredo Table official Alliance Translator, Peggy Clark, Corpus Christi Table Parliamentarian. We all came to our feet when the announcement was made that our sister Carmen Guerra from the McAllen Table was the "Pan American Woman 2018". How proud we all were.

In November, a trip to Ft. Worth to attend The Scholarship fund raiser for the Ft. Worth Table and a chance to visit with the committee about the status of the convention plans was quick, but everything looked very good.

In December I attended a Christmas luncheon honoring our new Alliance Director General, Sylvia Williams, and our "Pan American Woman 2018" Carmen Guerra in Brownsville. I also attended a Brownsville Table fundraiser "Christmas on the Border" that weekend. The following week I attended the Beeville Table Christmas Meeting on Thursday, then attended the San Benito Christmas luncheon on Saturday. A lovely Silver Tea was held that afternoon for Carmen Guerra "Pan American Women 2018" in McAllen and I was honored to attend.

January 2019 included a trip to Laredo for their monthly Table meeting. A wonderful program on the "Peace Flag" was given by Lupita Sarabia Alliance Zone IIIA. I also was able to go to the Alamo/San Juan /Pharr Table meeting that month and see their "Home "away from home.

In February, I went to the Ft. Worth Table meeting and had a convention committee meeting after the luncheon. We followed that meeting with a trip down to the Worthington Renaissance Hotel for a walk through for the 59th State Convention. I was able to go to the Houston Table Luncheon after the trip to Ft. Worth.

In March I was invited to lunch in Eagle Pass by the Eagle Pass Table. Plans for their "Books for the Library" community project were finalized for Monday March 18, 2019. I, along with several Eagle Pass City officials, were there for the presentation to the Library. Third time was a charm and I finally got to the Odessa Table meeting. Lunch was served at the Culinary Department of the College there in Odessa. The food and service was superb. I wish more restaurants would follow their example.

The past two years have been the fastest years of my life with memories I will always cherish. I want to publically thank Ann Beitel for being right alongside me on this whirl wind trip across Texas watching our "Construction Company" flourish and grow. I could never have done it without her. I will close in saying"

thank you"" thank you", " thank you" to each and every one of you for making this an incredible journey. In the words of our founder Florence Terry Griswold, "through knowledge we gain understanding and understanding leads to friendship". The friendship I have made with all 907 PARTT sisters will last my lifetime.

Respectfully submitted,

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