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“Honor our Past, Celebrate our Present and Plan the Future”

Pan American Sisters,



**Isabel G. Vezzetti,
State Director**

As we begin the centennial year of The Pan American Round Table, we need to pause and reflect on the purpose of its creation and the role each and every member played and will continue to play in its existence. Florence Terry Griswold established the Pan American Round Table with the purpose that every member would study and learn the history, geographical location, culture, and customs of one of the republics in the Western Hemisphere with the hope that this knowledge would lead to an understanding and eventually create a friendship from which she envisioned a lasting peace. The foundation she laid was strong, solid, and noble. Many of the women that followed were dedicated and determined to carry forth the goals of the Pan American Round Table. Today, we should aspire to be more like those women in our thoughts and actions.

Ask yourself, “What am I doing to carry forth the aims of the Pan American Round Table”? Are you an active member of your Table? Are you participating in its many activities or are you sitting on the sideline? You need to take charge of your involvement. Take an active role in your Pan American Round Table by attending its meetings, supporting its many activities, and sharing the duties and responsibilities with the rest of your Table members. Catch the Pan Americanism spirit! Once you have you will understand the reason the Pan American Round Table Movement has existed for 100 years.

“One for All and All for One”

Abrazos,

Isabel G. Vezzetti PARTT State Director



The unveiling and re-dedication of the PARTT Monument Laredo International Bridge

On April 14, 1935, Mrs. Florence Terry Griswold, unveiled and dedicated the nine foot PARTT *Good Will Marker* on the Laredo International Bridge. This monument was the first marker in history dedicated by women to the women of the Americas. Many distinguished guests from the United States and Mexico were in attendance at the historic event.

In celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the Pan American Round Table movement, the newly restored PARTT Tablet will be re-dedicated at 9:30 A.M. on Sunday, **April 3, 2016** at the Laredo International Bridge. If interested in attending please

RSVP by March 18th by calling Maria Enriqueta Yzaguirre -(956)542-5846 or email her at m.meby@sbcglobal.net

Beeville



Table Director Josephine Miller help bake "Day of the Dead" cookies to accompany the decoration theme.

Jane Wicker and Alice Box prepare cookies for their November meeting.

Laredo



Laredo Table Memorial Service for Karina Villarreal, Past Table Director Consuelo Kazen, Martha Fenstermaker and Past State and Table Director Gloria Zuniga.



Members of the Austin Table treat the students and teachers with a Christmas Party on December 16, 2015 at Rodriguez Elementary. L-R: Janet Roberts, Sylvia Williams, Rose Ann Reeser, Carol Hayman and Mary Gawron.

Austin



Austin Table members, part of the Outreach Committee at Rodriguez Elementary.



San Benito

San Benito members enjoy their December 2015 Christmas Tea. L-R: Lupita Garza, Nelda Sanchez, Alma Galvan, Liz Molina, Sibira Barajas.

Fort Worth



Board of Directors 2015-2016

Seated L-R: Vera Moore, Director Kathy Ehmann-Clardy, Barbara Quisenberry, Standing L-R: Billie Dolenz, Linda Deleon, Yaneth Arteaga, Carol Ewing, Jackie Schouten, Madonna Willkie, Lucurtis Williams, Olga Burgos, and JoAnn Jensen



"P" Party, held October 18, 2015. Members bring food beginning with a "P" and dress in Purple, Pink etc. Seated L-R: Guest Sarah Gail Laskowski, Lucurtis Williams, Olga Burgos. Standing L-R: Linda Deleon, guest Jazmin Utz, (daughter of Vivian Alifano), Vivian Alifano and Leticia Clay

Eagle Pass



Founders Day Meeting— October 3, 2015

L-R: Esperanza Deutsch, Amparo Garcia, Pepita Lopez and Elva Benavides

Dallas III



Dallas Director visits Brownsville L-R: Isabel G. Vezzetti, PARTT State Director, Elsie Perez, Past Alliance Director General, Ana Maria Hodges, Table Director, and Sandra Maxwell.

Corpus Christi



L-R: Chispa Blunzer, Christina Garza and Luly Siracusa



Corpus Christi ladies enjoy Christmas Posada at the home of Jeanne Adams.



Gloria Riddle and Geri Rice

Pan American Round Table State Director Isabel G. Vezzetti Visits Tables

Odessa



State Director Isabel G. Vezzetti visits the Odessa Table.
Standing L-R: Edith Libson-Hardy, Genna Clark, Donna Brown, Ellen Rankin, Earlene Smith, Lita Hale, Sheilagh Bassett, Jeanene Taylor, Mary Alice Ramos. Seated L-R: Knoxine Clack, Isabel Vezzetti, State Director, Marjorie Jennings, Betty Dale, June Boutin



Odessa member
Marjorie Jennings
entertains the table
playing a few songs
on her flute.

Edinburg

Founder's

Day



L-R: Isabel G. Vezzetti, PARTT State Director, Herminia Martinez, Judge Socorro Leos, Vicky Flores, Beatrice "Dolley" Flores, Elsie Perez, Past Alliance Director General, and Marsha Atwood

Odessa



L-R: Genna Clark and Jeanene Taylor program presenters for meeting when State Director Isabel G. Vezzetti visited.

Pan American Round Table State Director Isabel G. Vezzetti Visits Tables

McAllen Founder's Day



PART of McAllen Founder's Day September 6, 2015
Seated L-R: Sylvia Cardenas, Alma Rosa Revesz, Sister Norma Pimentel, Guest Speaker, Isabel G. Vezzetti, PARTT State Director, Beatrice "Dolley" Flores, PARTT 2nd Associate Director Area C, Standing L-R: Carmen Guerra, Past Alliance Director General, Maria Enriqueta Yzaguirre, PARTT Corresponding Secretary, and Minnie Martinez, PARTT Scholarship Chairman

San Benito



PART of San Benito members enjoy lunch after their Silver Tea on January 9, 2016. Isabel G. Vezzetti PARTT State Director attends this event.

San Benito



L-R: Lupita Garza, Nelda Sanchez, Alma Galvan, Liz Molina, Sibira Barajas and Pat Longoria Garcia.

Del Rio



Shannon Graham and Scarlett Elkins enjoy Fiesta in Del Rio

Conroe



Becky Judah and Jean Heasley gave an informative and colorful presentation on their tip to Panama.

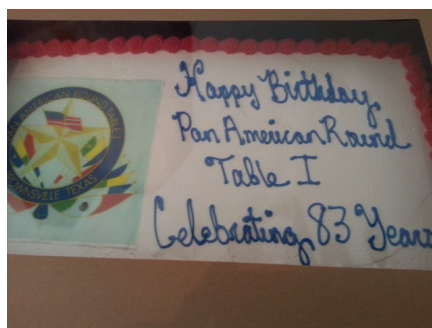


Guests present for the February meeting L-R: Annette Ferrell, John Hearn, Shirley Herring, Marilyn Osborn, and Bettye Wakefield. John Hearn presented a very informative program on the background of the Star-Spangled Banner.

Brownsville I



Isabel G. Vezzetti, PARTT State Director, enjoyed opening the door prize she won during the birthday celebration on November 7, 2015.



PART I of Brownsville celebrated their 83rd Birthday on November 7, 2015, at Ranch Viejo Country Club. Following the luncheon Birthday cake was served to all.



Brownsville I Table Director, Ginny Hale, begins the January 5th meeting with the Collect and Director's



L-R: Susan Cowen, Sandra Maxwell, Maria Enriqueta Yzaguirre, listen to Amelia Yznaga give Treasurer's Report.



Lilliana Rodriguez presented her program on Columbia.



Norma McKnight and Maria Garza at January meeting.



January Meeting

Standing L-R: Ina Pool, Thelma Nance, Angeles Elizaldi, Claudia Cabello, Gabriela Mendoza Garcia (prospective member), Yamilet Villanueva
Seating L-R: Eva Porras, Sheila Glassford, and Irma Perales-Mireles

Laredo



Table Director Diana Rodriguez reviews Panamericana Texana



Leticia Cantu presents program on Jamaica at the January meeting.

Brownsville I



Brownsville I member Chickie Samano (Mrs. Cluas) enjoyed passing door prizes at Talamada December 6, 2015.



Laredo Table Officers 2015– 2017

Standing L-R: Azucena Andrade, Angela Hachar, Rosa Vida, Cecilia M. Vela, Mati Becerra, Thelma Nance Seating L-R: Mary Ann Garcia, Nora Varela de Peña, Director Diana Rodriguez, Irma Perales Mireles, Amelia Ramirez and Irma Villarreal.

Del Rio



L-R: Maria Ramirez, Dora Alcalá, Enriqueta Eaton and Maria Graham were hostesses for the Fiesta in Del Rio.

Alamo/San Juan/Pharr



Alamo/San Juan/Pharr Table donated toys to the San Juan Migrant Seasonal Head Start Program. Standing L-R: Talma Benavidez, Aida Lazo, Maria Elena Corona, Norma Salazar, Gloria Cantu, Table Director, Gloria Garcia and Raquel Garcia. Seated: America Garza, Family Service Advocated and children.



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"Una para todas, todas para una - One for all, all for one"



February 1, 2016

To My Texas Pan American Sisters:

The ladies of the Pan American Round Table of San Antonio are very excited about the 100th anniversary celebration of the Pan American Round Table and our hosting the 35th Alliance convention in San Antonio from October 26-29, 2016. The Marriott Rivercenter is the host hotel. Overflow will be accommodated at the Marriott Riverwalk so no one has far to go to join in all the festivities. A preview of the program:

Wednesday	7:00 pm	Opening Night
Thursday	7:00 pm	Pan American Night
Friday	9:00 am	Hour of Memory at the Menger Hotel
Friday Night	5:00 pm	buses depart for the Knibbe Ranch
Saturday	7:00 pm	Gala Closing Ceremony

Your Zone I Director, Cris Rios, PART of Miami has distributed the electronic copy of the registration form to all tables. Once your form and fee has been received, the committee will send you instructions on how to register at the hotel for the special rate of \$195 per night (double room).

We hope many of our Texas Sisters will be able to join with us and our sisters from our neighboring countries to the south to celebrate this special anniversary.

Louise Actkinson
Chairman of the Organizing Committee
PART of San Antonio

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