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“Embarking On Our Next Centennial”

My Dear Sisters,



**Dee Moore,
State Director**

Fall is in the air and we are getting ready to start another wonderful year of “continuing construction” to better the Pan American Movement in the great state of Texas. Looking back over the past 101 years since our founder, Florence Terry Griswold, had the vision to form this movement, so many things have happened. The number of Tables and the membership enrollment has grown to numbers I hope would make her proud. Being able to share with our sisters in the Western Hemisphere through all the modern communication means we have, and the variety of ways we travel to attend table events would surprise her I am sure. Florence Terry Griswold was persistent through a very hard time in our country’s history and accomplished so many good things for the women of this hemisphere. I am proud to be member of this movement and hope to see it continue to grow. The next generation will have a great history to look back on and marvel at all we have done.

We had a very good training session in Laredo. Lots of good information was shared with all those present. Ladies that could not make it this time were missed. We welcomed two new Table Directors, Kaye Fraser from Houston and Leticia Clay of Fort Worth. Rosters and Timelines were given to everyone present and I have e-mailed copies to all other Board members. If you need any of these documents, please contact me or your Table Director for a copy.

The Alliance Convention in Bolivia October 19-21, 2018, is rapidly approaching and a lot of travel plans are being completed. Our Sisters in Bolivia are working hard to make the Convention a very memorable event. Representing our country at the Alliance is a great honor for all of us. Let us present our country smartly and show our sisters from the Western Hemisphere much love and support with all the goodwill we can share.

Donna Thornton, Kathy Clardy and Leticia Clay gave us very informative presentation on the State Convention to be held in Fort Worth March 28-30, 2019. If you have questions please contact Leticia Clay, Fort Worth Table Director. There will be a lot more information coming soon about the events and registration fees.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at your Tables meetings in the next couple of months. The days and months are flying by and I want to have been at every Table before the convention in March.

We will carry on the mission of mutual knowledge, understanding, and friendship until we are

“One for All and All for One”

Hugs,

Dee

PARTT State Director

BLUE PRINT FOR SUCCESS WORKSHOP

The State Board Workshop was held August 25, 2018 in Laredo at La Posada Hotel. State Director Dee Moore gave a Timeline for all Table to follow and welcomed two new Table Directors, Kaye Fraser from Houston and Leticia Clay from Fort Worth. State Director Dee Moore informed the attendees of the up coming Alliance Convention in Bolivia and the State Convention to be hosted by the Fort Worth Table in March 2019. After lunch State Director Dee Moore had members break up by Area to Discuss with their Area Directors what they are doing in their individual Tables, and how they are promoting and recruiting new members.



Standing (l-r) Associate Director Area A, Gloria Munguia, Associate Director Area C, Herminia Munguia and Alicia Cantu Associate Director Area B. Sitting (l-r) Past State Director Lana Harper, State Director Dee Moore, Past State Director Isabel Vezzetti, and Past State Director Sarah Jane Wise.



Past State Director and present Alliance Zone I Director Lana Harper provided information on the October Alliance Convention

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(l-r) Isabel Vezzetti, Immediate Past Director, Sandra Maxwell, State Membership Committee, and Lana Harper, Alliance Zone I Director and Past State Director review survey to be discussed by individual Area members, in their break out session. Questions to be discussed are: How many members have you welcomed in the last 2 years? Does your table have a way of attracting new members besides inviting them to meetings and table events? Answers were then presented to all Workshop members.



(l-r) Mary Ann Garcia, Laredo Associate Director and Laredo Table Director, Nora Varela de Peña, help coordinate and welcome Board Members to the State Workshop.



Area C Director Herminia Martinez leads group discussion with Table representatives from McAllen, Raquel Oliva and Brownsville I Director, Suzanne Champion. Ladies discussed how they are promoting their table and recruiting new members.



Gloria Munguia, 3rd Associate Director Area A with ladies from Houston. Kaye Fraser, Table Director and table member Belinda Postman-Kahlani where they discussed how their table recruits new members.

Conroe**Celebrating 100 years**

Jeanette DeFee has been a PART sister for over 60 years in Conroe. She has held several local board positions to include Table Director from 1989-1992. Traveling to conventions was always a highlight of her PARTT days. Being an active member of her church and community, along with exercising and traveling has kept her young through her long happy life.

Happy Birthday to

Jeanette DeFee

Rio Grande City-Roma

Rio Grande City/Roma members attend May 2018 meeting where Elsie Perez, Edinburg Table Director installed new members, Nereya Guerrero, Gabriela Guerra and Elia Ramos.

Conroe

New Officers installed for the 2018-2019 year are: Front row (l-r) Jean Heasley, Parliamentarian; Karen Baughman, Historian, Annette Ferrell, Custodian; Paula Schoppe, Electronic Communications. Back row (l-r) Paula Alexander, Director; Riki Dewey, Associate Director; Mary Margaret Coyle, Recording Secretary; Lynn Wood, Corresponding Secretary; Woody Hearn, Treasurer

Brownsville I

Brownsville I member Sandra Maxwell gave her current event on Mexico at the May 4, 2018 meeting.

Brownsville I

PART I Director welcomed a new member. (l-r) Norma Pequeño, new member welcomed by PART I Director Suzanne Champion at the June 1, 2018 meeting.

Brownsville I

Suzanne Champion, Table Director, began the May meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and the recitation of the Collect at the May 4, 2018 meeting.

McAllen

McAllen Table PART members met for the first business meeting of the year on September 4, 2018, at the McAllen Country Club. Five new members and one transfer member from the Edinburg table were welcomed. Table Director, Mariella Gorena gave a report on the State meeting she recently attended, and announced that McAllen will be the site for the 2021 State Convention. She also mentioned that Carmen Guerra, Alma De La Garza along with herself, will be attending the Alliance Convention in Bolivia in October. An orientation session was provided for new members by the Orientation Committee.

McAllen

Standing (l-r) Orientation Committee members: Mariella Gorena, Alma De La Garza, Violette Metz and Sylvia Alanis, Sitting (l-r) New Members: Thelma Santos, Annette Franz, Irma Garza, Rachel Loman, Graciela Alanis and Susan Phillips.

McAllen

(l-r) Officers: Sylvia Alanis, Emma Martinez, Raquel Oliva, Mariella Gorena, Cecilia Martinez and Graciela Cobo.

Houston

Houston Table hosts Latina Law & Order Event on October 4, 2018, honoring the highest ranking Latina in the Houston Police Force, Capt. Patricia Y. Cantu. Standing (l-r) Sgt. Mike Angel, Anibeth Turcios, Kaye Fraser, Director, Susan Huston, Mary H. Cavazos, Capt. Patricia Y. Cantu, Belinda Kaylani, Sol Thomas, Laura Cervantes, Julissa Alcantar Martinez, Martha Inskip, Rosalinda Peterson; Front row (l-r) Maria Duran, Emcee Ivette Mayo, Flor Hoil, Katya Podissinnikova.

Edinburg—September Meeting



At the Edinburg September 19th meeting, Dee Moore, State Director, made her official State Director's visit. The beautiful "Homecoming" corsage was made especially for Dee Moore, State Director by Edinburg member Lety Ramon. (l-r) Ann Beitel, State Corresponding Secretary, Elsie Perez, Edinburg Director and Dee Moore, State Director.

Acuña, Mexico



State Director Dee Moore attends Acuña, Mexico Table meeting. (l-r) Brenda Cecilia Martinez Reyes, Recording Secretary Acuña Panamerican, Maria Cecilia Reyes Villarreal, Director, Acuña Panamerican, Dee Moore, State Director, Ann Beitel, State Corresponding Secretary, and Junita Gonzalez Mejia, Parliamentarian Acuña Panamerican.

Brownsville I— September Meeting



A joyful celebration was held at the October PART I meeting as PART II Brownsville has now joined PART I as permanent members. The new members are most enthusiastic to continue in the Pan American goals and mission. Each received a vase of three roses symbolizing the friendship, knowledge, and understanding. Sitting (l-r) Gloria Cortez, Lydia Chavana (guest from Edinburg) Maria de Lourdes Cortinas, Ruth Kulesa, Mary Ann Boehl (guest). Standing (l-r) Lana Harper, Alliance Zone I Director and Dee Moore, State Director.

Acuña, Mexico



On September 6, 2018, Del Rio table members and Acuña Panamerican members join in celebrating the Installation of Acuña Panamerican Officers in Acuña, Mexico.

Laredo



The PART of Laredo has established an AdHoc Committee consisting of Past Table Directors. This committee's purpose is to lay the framework for the table's centennial commemoration in the Spring of 2021. At the September 12, 2018 meeting, PART of Laredo Past Table Directors along with table members began their year, planning for their future 100 th Anniversary Celebration which will be held in the spring of 2021. Standing (l-r) Ina Pool, Diana Czar, Manni Hachar, Diana Rodriguez, and Ana Flores , Sitting (l-r) Sheila Glassford and Olga Verduzco.

Conroe



(l-r) Paula Alexander, Conroe table member, Dee Moore PART of Texas State Director, and Jean Heasley, Conroe table member. Dee Moore, State Director visits Conroe at their October 9, 2018 regular meeting.

Beeville



(l-r) Johanna C. Quiñones, Diana Braly Turnbow, Judy Jennings, Kay Past, Diane Staudt, Lucy Williams, Karen Benson, Roxane Casas, Jessica Morrill, Laura Fisher (behind Jessica) Table Director, Anne Dehnisch, Lisa Tindol, Cecilia O'Connor, Shirley O'Neil Wyatt, Paula Welder, Martha Warner and Louise Hall.

Brownsville I Scholarship Recipients



Standing (l-r) Rene Menchaca, Brownsville Early College High School, Riddhi Bhaka, Hanna High School, Marco A. Castillo, Brownsville Early College High School. Seating (l-r) Cynthia Garcia, Veteran High School, Camryn Gloor, St. Joseph Academy, Jasmine Benavides, Veterans High School. These students received their scholarship at the annual PART I Scholarship Luncheon on June 1, 2018.

Pan American Round Table of Texas Florence Terry Griswold Scholarship I



This scholarship was awarded to Patricia Andrea Lozano of Mexico a Master's Degree Candidate in Biological Science from the University of Texas at El Paso. This Scholarship is given to a student who will return to her native country and put her U.S. study to use there after completion of her graduate degree.

Austin Scholarship Recipient



(l-r) Ana Isabel Braconnier De Leon, recipient of the 2018 Charles Wilson Hackett Memorial Scholarship and Mary Gawron, Scholarship Chair.

San Antonio Table Officers



(l-r) Diana Durban, Director, Yvonne Kylstra, Ass. Director (Program), Jeanne Koplan, Ass. Director (Membership), Molly Walden, Secretary,

Katie Williams, Historian, Deena Bird, Parliamentarian, Frances Rodriguez, Custodian.

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