

St. Ann's Alumni & Friends of Little Mexico, Inc.

March 2016 Newsletter

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General Meeting

Saturday, March 19, 2016
Reverchon Recreation Center
3505 Maple Avenue
12:00 noon to 2:00 pm



Mass of Thanksgiving Sunday, April 24, 2016

Cathedral Shrine of Guadalupe
9:00 am — English Mass
2215 Ross Ave, Dallas TX .

We gather once a year to give thanks for St. Ann's Landmark Designation in 1999. After Mass we have breakfast there in the Gran Salon. The food is prepared by one of the church groups. It is economical and good, we don't have to drive out to find a place to accommodate us. Please join us to give thanks for the many blessings we have received and to pray for our families. We sit together in the front. Parking is free in the underground garage.



St. Ann's Alumni & Friends of Little Mexico 2016 Scholarship

We hope that if you have any descendants that are graduating this year with a 3.0 GPA or higher, they have already applied for the scholarships that will be awarded in July. **The deadline is March 7, 2016.** They will be honored at our annual Scholarship Dinner Dance on Sat., July 9, 2016. Our scholarships are academic, so it is very important that the students applying do their very best to turn in a well written essay. The first place winner will receive a \$3000.00 scholarship in memory of Mrs. Pauline Guerra donated by her husband Joe Guerra.

2016 REUNION

St. Ann's Alumni & Friends of Little Mexico

March 13, 2016—2:30 pm—6:30 pm
Luna's Restaurant, 2555 Connector, Dallas
\$ 15.00 per person, Cash Bar
Dinner will be served from 3:00 pm to 5:30 pm.

This will be an afternoon for sharing history, good times or just keeping in touch. Join us for an afternoon of good food, in the company of your family and friends in the new Luna's restaurant. A former resident of our Barrio will be honored on this day, Porfirio (Porf) Duron will receive the Soul of Little Mexico award. This award is given to individuals or families that gave of their time to the community of Little Mexico.

RSVP deadline is March 6... Prepaid reservations only.
Mail checks to: St. Ann's Alumni & FLM, PO Box 140103, Dallas TX 75214.

Bring your pictures. Do you have pictures to share with us? Please look through your boxes and make copies, we don't want your original pictures. If they are not shared, they might end up forgotten someday.

Enchilada Dinner

Saturday, May 7, 2016
Dallas Police Association
1412 Griffin St. East, Dallas

We are back at the Police Association. Come, enjoy a good enchilada dinner for only \$7.00. Bring all the special ladies in your life to enjoy a good meal, and to celebrate Mother's Day. Large, clean dining room where you can visit with old friends and family. Plenty of free parking.

If you can make a donation of rice, refried beans, cold drinks, water cheese, or desserts call Gloria Ramos @ 214/827-8369. Your donations are appreciated and no donation is too small.

Happy 70th Anniversary

Al and Anita N. Martinez celebrated their 70th Anniversary on January 27, 2016. They were married at Our Lady of Guadalupe on Harwood St. Al and Anita celebrated with family.

Happy Birthday

Lupe Valderas will turn 92 on April 1, 2016. We wish him good health and a great celebration with his family.



Visit our website at: www.stannsalumniandfriendsoflittlemexico.org

Newsletter & General Meetings

We meet in Jan, March, May, July, Sept. and November at Reverchon Recreation Center on the second Saturday of the month. There will be exceptions due to enchilada dinners or other functions. The changes will be in the newsletter. The Newsletter is published on the same months, please try to report your milestones as soon as possible. We are interested in births, birthdays, graduations. You are important to us. Call me at 214-823-7275 or email:

ron.leanor.villareal@prodigy.net. If you know of someone in need of prayers contact us, we do contact the alumni ASAP to ask for prayers.

Silent Auction Donations

We are in need of home décor items for our Annual Silent Auction. Money is welcomed too. Contact: Minnie or Leanor to donate.

Board Profiles

Erminia Valderas Castro

Minnie, as she is fondly called, graduated from St. Ann's in 1966, and went on to Crozier Tech High School. She and Charles Castro, AKA DJ CHAZZ, have been married for 45 years. They have two daughters, Jennifer and Vanessa, one granddaughter and one grandson. Minnie has strong ties to St Ann's, her mother Mary Guerra graduated from St. Ann's as well as aunts and uncles. Minnie has been on the Board for three years, and is the organizer of the Annual Silent Auction.

Isaac Trevino

Isaac graduated from St. Ann's in 1956, Jesuit in 1960, UTA in 1964, US Army in 1964. He and Rebecca will celebrate 45 years of marriage on July 24th. They have six children, living in Maine, New York, Washington DC, San Antonio, Corpus Christi and Dallas. His brother Gilbert also graduated from St. Ann's. Isaac has served on the Board three years, and is serving on the Scholarship Dinner Dance committee.

Dues

Please send your annual dues of \$15.00 to:

St. Ann's Alumni & FLM
5732 Russcrest
Dallas, TX 75227

If you send anything over \$15.00 let us know if it is a donation or for dues. We also have three levels of donations, they are:

Platinum...donation of \$300 or more—Lifetime membership

Gold...donation of \$200—15 years membership & framed print of St. Ann's

Silver...donation of \$100—9 years paid membership

Sick List



Sister Bertha O'Neil had a successful cataract and glaucoma surgery on her good eye. Thank you for your prayers and good wishes. Please continue to pray for her. Still recuperating.

Ernest (Neto) Diaz was recently hospitalized, now at home.

Connie Zuniga Flores needs prayers.

May our Lord grant them the healing they so desperately need.

In Memorium

Vincent Adams Flores, February 15, 1936—January 19, 2016

Our most sincere condolences to Veronica Morales on the loss of her dad.

Frank Cantu, May 2, 1929—January 22, 2016

Our most sincere condolences to Pete Villarreal on the loss of his brother in law.

Rodolfo Chacon, August 3, 1929 — February 14, 2016

Survived by his wife Maria L., 2 daughters, 11 grandchildren, and 1 great grandson. His siblings, Jose Angel Alvarez, Luis Alvarez, Rafael Alvarez, Carmen A Lopez, Conception A. Calderon, and Henry Alvarez (deceased). All attended St Ann's.

Roy Ruiz, March 16, 1932—February 17, 2016

Preceded in death by his wife Nancy, daughter Kathy Marquez. Survived by his daughters Regina (Jesse), Ester Mancilla (Marco), Patsy Ruiz, 10 grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren, 1 great, great grandchild. Brothers Joe Valdez, sisters Hortensia Retta, Susan Chavez and Mary Hernandez. Ruiz Family all attended St. Ann's.

Maria Guadalupe Hernandez, Dec. 12, 1920—Jan. 31, 2016

Our most sincere condolences to sons: Armando Hernandez, Alfred Hernandez (Mary), and Alfonso Jr. (deceased), daughters Adelina Ayala (David), Yolanda Saldana (Rudy), brother Roberto Alonzo, sister Maria Elena Nanez.

Please pray for them and their families and may their souls rest in peace.

March 17— St. Patirck's Day "Never iron a four leaf clover because you don't want to press your luck."

Author unknown

March 19—St. Joseph Spouse of our Lady, and guardian of Jesus, pray for us.