

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

September 2016 Newsletter

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General Meeting

Saturday, September 17, 2016
Reverchon Recreation Center
3505 Maple Avenue
12:00 noon to 2:00 pm

We encourage you to join us, we need your input and we do keep our meetings short.

Get in the mood for "El Quince y El Diez y Seis" at our September Event

Enchilada Dinner Saturday, September 10, 2016

From 12:00 noon to 5:00 pm at the Dallas Police Assoc. Hall, 1412 Griffin St. East, Dallas, TX 75215.

Our Enchilada Dinner still only \$7.00 a plate for 3 enchiladas, rice, beans, chips and tea. Another perk of these dinners is that you will probably meet up with friends that you haven't seen in years.

State Fair of Texas—Friday, September 30th to October 23, 2016

Mundo Latino Invites you to a celebration of cultures at the State Fair of Texas- Women's Museum.

Michelangelo's Sistine Chapel: THE EXHIBITION will have its U.S. premiere on September 30, 2016 at the State Fair of Texas. You will absolutely love this.

What a wonderful opportunity for us to be housed with such an important exhibit.

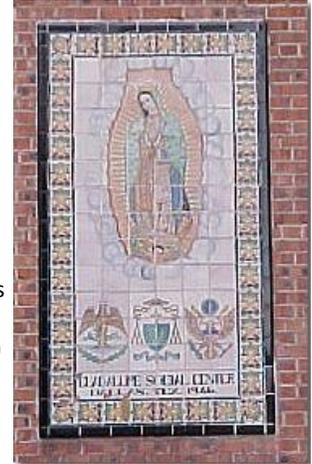
Mundo Latino will again host St. Ann's Alumni and Friends of Little Mexico's "Faces of Little Mexico Exhibit". We will be at the Women's Museum for our 16th year, to bring you the pictorial history of our Barrio. Through our pictures we show the wealth of our historical past. The collection of military, businesses, houses, clubs, bands, school plays, weddings and sports photos will transport you back to a community that contributed so much to the city of Dallas. Our barrio was home to several strong civic leaders like Pancho Medrano, and the Honorable Anita N. Martinez, our first Latina on the City Council, as well as musicians such as the international singer Trini Lopez, along with many great bands. It was also home to hundreds of soldiers who served in the armed forces and some who made the ultimate sacrifice.

Entrance fee to the Women's Museum will be \$8.00 due to the special exhibit.

The Women's Museum is located close to the Main entrance on Parry Ave.

Putting up the Photo Exhibit

Our exhibit is very Impressive. A lot of hard labor and long hours are put into it. We need some strong young men to help our guys that are all getting up in years. From start to finish it takes 7 to 10 days to get it done. If you can donate only a few hours, or just a day we will appreciate it. You will gain some new friends and you



will appreciate the love and dedication that goes into this labor of love. In recent years some of our older men have been inviting

their sons to participate and help with this project. We admire these young men that sometimes have to take a day off or a vacation day to help a project dear to their families. **If you can use a paint brush or a cordless drill, we need you!** We will provide



lunch for the workers every day, soft drinks, water and desserts. If you can help, please call Ronnie 214-823-7275 or Ernest 817-540-2525.

Save the Date—December 10, 2016

St Ann's Christmas Dance

Join us for an evening of Christmas cheer and celebration at the Knight of Columbus Hall, 10110 Shoreview Drive, Dallas 75238. More information to follow.

Dues—Special Membership

Platinum Membership—Lifetime donation of \$300

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

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

Annual Dues are \$15 due in January. Send to:

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St. Ann's Scholarships

I have already had three inquiries about next year's scholarship forms. They will be available in January, 2017. If there is anything earlier we will let you know.

Our scholarships are not based on need: they are based on applicants' essays. In other words, because all students that apply are descendants and because all students meet the GPA requirements, the St. Ann's applicants' essays are the determining factors. The St. Ann's Board has no part in assessing the essays. The essays are mailed to the chairperson, who carefully removes student and school names from the applications and assigns each essay a number. Copies are then mailed to three Dallas area judges who are educators, some retired, some still active. Each judge—who does not know the identities of the other two judges—assesses the essays in regard to grammar, composition, and the professionalism of their submission. We gave this process careful study, and we determined that it is a fair and impartial method for awarding our scholarships.

Congratulations!!

Another young lady that followed her dream, **Erika Lynn (Sifuentes) Stoerkel**, daughter of Grace (Alcala) Sifuentes, graduated from Ursuline Academy Dallas in 2005, earned a B.A. in Psychology from the University of the Incarnate Word.

While working for the Samueli Institute, on assignment at Brooke Army Military Medical Center, Erika graduated from the University of Texas Health Science Center of Houston-School of Public Health with a Masters in Public Health. Erika received her MPH Degree on May 14, 2016.



HAPPY 70TH BIRTHDAY

Gloria Miramontes Hinojosa had a surprise birthday party surrounded by Mariachi, friends and family on August 19 at the elegant Arlington Hall at Robert E. Lee Park. The party was hosted by her 2 daughters and their husbands, who asked that in lieu of gifts, donations be made to St Ann's Scholarship Fund. Thank you Katrina, Scott, Mari & Jeff, we received \$600.00.

HAPPY 85TH BIRTHDAY

Rosie Tovar Masurietta recently celebrated her 85th birthday in Monterrey with her sister who is a religious. Rosie was greeted by Sister Mickey and her congregation with cake and Las Mananitas.

HAPPY 90TH BIRTHDAY

Emilia DeLira Reyna celebrated her 90th birthday at Calle Doce with family and friends on August 28th. Emilia still drives, plays piano and she is one of the ladies that I call my Cod Liver Oil beauties!!!! The younger generation doesn't know it, but many decades ago the sisters at St. Ann's gave all the children a daily spoonful of cod liver oil. That is the secret to the fountain of youth.

HAPPY 93rd BIRTHDAY

WOW! Beatrice G. Vera will celebrate her 93rd birthday on September 30, 2016. Congratulations! Beatrice, may God bless you with more years to come.

Happy Anniversary to:

Joaquin and Juanita Maldonado will celebrate their 53rd anniversary on Sept. 8th in San Antonio, TX.



Sick List

Ralph Hernandez had a kidney transplant on Saturday, August 20, 2016 at 7:30 am. That was the day of the BBQ fundraiser so the good news reached all those coming in all day. He has had a few setbacks but the kidney is not being rejected. He is still in ICU this week and needs your prayers. Liz is there with him day and night—Pray for her also.

May our Lord grant them the healing they so desperately need

In Memorium

Raymond Guerrero Padilla 82, passed away on July 22, 2016. Survived by his siblings: Carlos Padilla, Gaudencio (Mary), Louis (Esther), and Anita Padilla, his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. Preceded in death by his parents Leonardo & Sabina Padilla, his siblings: Augustine Padilla, Eucebia Castillo, Elias Padilla, Lupe Padilla, Baudelia Ventura and Felix Padilla. A Memorial Mass was held on August 27th at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church.

Sammie P. Alcala February 24, 1957—July 29, 2016

Sammie was born to Guillermo and Stella (Puente) Alcala. He is survived by his siblings, Willie (Laura) Alcala, Mary Ann Palacios and Grace Sifuentes.

Elvira Portugal Leal October 11, 1920—August 7, 2016

In 1950 she and her husband Ruben founded the Dallas Tortilla Factory. She leaves behind a large and loving family, her sisters, Bertha Mauricio, Rosa Portugal and Celia Leal, sons Ruben Jr. (Martha), Edward, Matias (Priscilla), daughter in law Patricia, 22 grandchildren, 37 great grandchildren, and 1 great great grandchild.

Luis Alvarez November 10, 1937—August 28, 2016

Luis passed away in San Diego California on August 28, 2016. He is survived by his 4 children, his siblings in Dallas, Jose Angel Alvarez, Carmen Alvarez Lopez, Ralph Alvarez, Henry Alvarez (dec.), and Conception A. Calderon. Luis was a St Ann's graduate, class of 1952.

Pray for them and their families

Do you have an important milestone coming up in your life? Share it with us for our next newsletter.

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