

Texas LULAC Quarterly Elderly Newsletter



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Inaugural Texas Elderly Conference in Austin a Resounding Success

The first-ever Texas LULAC Elderly Conference was successfully held in Austin 24-25 October 2008, at the Dove Springs Center. The

Marcelo Tafoya and District 12 who did all of the legwork, arrangements, coordination necessary for the Conference. Also earning a

vote of thanks are the Texas Longhorn Collegiate Council 4799, the Texas Aggie Collegiate Council 4893, and the Irma bres. Superb assistance was also received from Ms Shannon Rodriguez, the State Deputy Director for Youth, who energized her Councils, and assisted in coordinating hotel accommodations and assisted in the preparation of advertising.

This Conference was a success because of the coordinated efforts of all those who worked with us.

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Who is your District Deputy Director for the Elderly?

Although the position of Deputy District Director for the Elderly did not "formally" exist in our Constitution, many District Directors recognized the needs of these special citizens and established those positions. I am still trying to establish a network of District Deputy Directors, and as of today, these are the results:

- District 1: Robert Lugo
 - District 2: N/A
 - District 3: Jesse Tafalla
 - District 4: Xavier Bañales
 - District 5: N/A
 - District 6: ?
 - District 7: John Colunga
 - District 8: Herlinda Garcia
 - District 9: ?
 - District 10: ?
 - District 11: ?
 - District 12: Francis Martinez
 - District 13: ?
 - District 14: ?
 - District 15: Connie Rodriguez
 - District 17: Raul Villaronga
 - District 20: ?
 - District 21: Belen Gutierrez
- I ask each of the District Directors to identify their Deputy District Director for the Elderly, and provide information as to how I can contact them (e-mail, phone, address, etc).



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Conference was dedicated to long-time LULAC member and icon, Chevo Morales, who passed just before the Conference. Thank you, Chevo for your many contributions to LULAC!

Many thanks to the planning Committee that put this Conference together: Adrian Rodriguez, Past VP for the Southwest; Richard Sambrano, Texas LULAC Civil Rights Committee; Marcelo Tafoya, Texas LULAC District 12 Director, and Rita Garza, Texas LULAC District 7 Director. A VERY Special thanks to

Rangel Youth Council 1021, all of which worked the Conference.

Over 350 people attended this Inaugural Elderly Conference in Austin, which was the culmination of a planning process that started in San Antonio during the Veterans Summit. Outstanding assistance and funding was obtained from our National VP for the Elderly, Mr. Richard Fim-



Elderly Conference in the State later in 2009. We will discuss this at the upcoming State Board Meeting in El Paso.

See you in El Paso!

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Pictures from the 2008 Elderly Conference



Upcoming Events

- Fall State Board Meeting in El Paso (5-6 Dec)
- Legislative Gala in Austin (27 Feb 2009)
- Spring State Board Meeting in Austin (28 Feb 2009)
- State Convention in Dallas (4-7 June 2009)
- National Convention in Puerto Rico (13-18 July 2009)
- State Convention in Austin (June 2010)
- State Convention in Killeen (June 2011)

See you there!



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**Sometimes it is wiser to remain
silent and appear stupid,
rather than open your mouth
and remove all doubt!**

This publication is a quarterly publication from your Texas Deputy State Director for the Elderly. It contains information of interest to the Elderly, and is an excellent vehicle to share experiences throughout the State of Texas.

If you have a story or anecdote, or have experienced something that you think will be of interest to the Elderly in Texas, please write me and give me the information to publicize.

This publication will also be a vehicle to communicate with the LULAC Deputy Directors for the Elderly, as well as those agencies that serve the Elderly in Your Community. Feel free to make copies and distribute in your community.



NOTES FROM THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR.

In the past year I discovered that many of the Elderly have a lot of interests in Veterans issues. My husband retired from the US Army after 26 years of service, and he is helping me research and distribute information of interests to BOTH Veterans and the Elderly. If you would like to get frequent updates from reliable sources, contact me and I will add you to an **e-mail** distribution list that will provide you up to date, timely information about Veterans and the Elderly. Contact me at jvillaronga@clearwire.net.
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More pictures from the Inaugural Texas LULAC Elderly Conference

