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# Noticias de NACS

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Newsletter of the National Association for Chicano Studies  
Hispanic Research Center, The University of Texas at San Antonio  
San Antonio, Texas

**NACS 21, TO BE HELD AT SAN JOSE STATE UNIVERSITY, SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA  
March 25-27, 1993**

The National Association for Chicano Studies 21st Annual Conference will be held at San Jose State University and will be hosted by a group of institutions in Northern California. The tentative theme is *Defining Chicana and Chicano Studies*. The site committee is requesting feedback on the theme. If you have any comments please submit them to:

Randall C. Jimenez, NACS 21 Site Coordinator  
Mexican American Studies  
College of Social Work  
San Jose State University  
1 Washington Square  
San Jose, CA 95112-0118

by September 11, 1992. Registration, hotel and transportation information will be out in the next newsletter at the end of October or the beginning of November.

The deadline for the call for papers is **December 31, 1992** for the 1993 NACS Conference. Please submit proposals early; no proposals will be accepted after the deadline. Please mail forms to:

NACS 21 Program Committee  
University of California, Berkeley  
Chicano Studies Program  
3404 Dwinelle Hall  
Berkeley, CA 94720

**National Association for Chicano Studies (NACS) 20th Annual Conference  
March 25-28, 1992**

The Twentieth Annual Conference of the National Association for Chicano Studies (NACS) was held March 25-28 at the Sheraton-Gunter Hotel, San Antonio, Texas. The conference was sponsored by the University of Texas at San Antonio through the Hispanic Research Center. The theme of the conference was *Twenty Years of NACS Scholarship: 500 Years of Struggle and Change*. This theme focused on the national discourse which surrounded the quincentennial debate and the evolution of NACS.

Over 1,500 students, professional and community leaders attended the conference and over one hundred panels that varied in topics were presented. Three plenary sessions addressed the conference themes. The NACS conference plenary session's topic was *Bridging Indigenismo y Chicanismo: 500 years of Struggle and Change*. Margarita Melville, this year's NACS scholar, moderated a lively discussion that tied our past and our future as a people. The Student plenary session focused on student empowerment and passed resolutions on student issues. *Racism, Misogyny and Homophobia: Chicana Resistance to 500 years of Denial* was the title for the Chicana Caucus plenary session. Ines Talamantez, Deena Gonzalez and Ines Hernandez inspired the standing room only audience with their message of strength, survival and hope.

MEChA from the University of Texas at San Antonio, sponsored Noche de Cultura, which entertained the overflow audience with poetry, theatre and musica. A Chicano art exhibit and a formal poetry reading rounded out the variety of activities that NACS sponsored. The traditional baile packed the dance hall with the music of Dr. Loco's Rockin' Jalapeño band from San Francisco and San Antonio's own Conjunto Aztlan.

During the last NACS conference, we did not have time to elect the next national student coordinators. We agreed to have the new regional representatives contact the different schools in their regions in order to bring forth nominations for the national coordinator positions. I gave them until June 30th to submit the nominations to me, but unfortunately, only Juan Esteve (Northern California Rep.) submitted one nomination which was his own. Since Juan followed the process that we had agreed upon to elect the next two national coordinators, by default he is automatically elected as one because there are no other nominations. Also, we have to take into consideration that we have lost valuable time and we need to move on to do work. We can not afford to lose any more time. We need leadership now!!

In order to select the other coordinator, we are making a call to the NACS membership through this newsletter to submit your nominations. Choose from the six remaining regional representatives, and submit them to Rusty Barcelo (the NACS treasurer), since she has the membership list. This is to verify the membership status of the voters. Whoever receives the most votes of the six remaining representatives, wins.

Hopefully our new elected coordinator can start working with the Site Committee at San Jose State University (the site where NACS 21 will be). We cannot afford to be left out of the program or one of our sessions being cut out. That is why it is very important to have official student representation at the site committee. If you have any questions contact me at (818) 344-9981.

Gerardo Cueva  
Acting National Student Coordinator

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**An open letter from the new chair of NACS:**

**July, 1992**

**To all NACS members:**

As the new chair of NACS I am excited about working with the coordinating committee and NACS members on issues that have been brought to our attention. Names and addresses of the coordinating committee have been printed so you can talk or write to them about any particular issue.

A complete report on the San Antonio conference will be printed in the next NACS newsletter. As all of you know, the conference was well attended and we are already looking forward to our next conference. I would like to personally thank the University of Texas at San Antonio, the Hispanic Research Center, site coordinators- Avelardo Valdez and Jesse Zapata, all the committees, students, and staff that helped host the conference.

To be considered for our 1992 NACS proceedings, presenters from the San Antonio 1992 NACS conference must submit five copies of their paper to the interim editorial chair. Deadline for submission is **September 30, 1992**. Mail to:

Rudy Busto- interim chair  
Religious Studies Bldg #70  
Stanford University  
Stanford, CA 94305-2165

If you do not wish to have your paper considered for publication in the NACS proceedings, we encourage you to mail a copy to our national archives in Austin, Texas for historical documentation.

Mexican American Collection  
Benson Latin American Collection  
Attn: Margo Gutierrez  
SRH 1.108 UT-Austin  
Austin, Texas 78713

We have received a proposal for establishing a national office from Carlos Maldonado from Eastern Washington State University. I assigned a committee to review the proposal and their recommendations are to go ahead and make Eastern Washington the temporary site for 3 years and then evaluate it to see if it is going to meet our needs as the permanent site. The review committee will be updating the membership on this issue at the next national business meeting.

Resolutions are still being typed and will be available upon request in mid-November. One of our resolutions was to write a letter of support for Ricardo Aldape Guerra who is being accused of a murder he did not commit. I have included in this newsletter the letter NACS and the Political Action Committee wrote on the behalf of his appeal to the Court of Criminal Appeals, Texas Governor Richards, and the Mexican Consulate. We have also included the response we received from the Comite Pro-Defensa Ricardo Aldape Guerra.

I am looking forward to working with the coordinating committee this year and hope to see all members in San Jose in March.

Lupe Gallegos- Diaz

**Student Paper Competition**  
***Frederick Cervantes Student Premio***

NACS announces its annual student paper competition. A \$300 prize plus consideration for publication in the annual conference proceedings is awarded both to the best graduate and to the best undergraduate paper.

**Competition Requirements**

1. Students must be NACS members. To join NACS write to Dr. Rusty Barcelo, Univ. of Iowa, Academic Affairs, 1111 Jessup Hall, Iowa City, IA 52242 or fill out the appropriate section on the NACS 21 registration and membership form.
2. All papers must be on a Chicano/a Studies topic, fully referenced, typed and double-spaced.
3. Three (3) copies of each paper are required.
4. Each paper should have a title page with full name, address, institutional affiliation, and telephone number. Each paper should be clearly marked GRADUATE or UNDERGRADUATE. Lack of clear identification will disqualify the paper from the competition.
5. The title should appear on the title page and again on the first page of the paper. The author's name should not be repeated on the first page.
6. Papers must be postmarked no later than February 1, 1993. Late papers will be returned to sender.
7. Students are encouraged to present their final papers at the annual conference.
8. Send three copies to:  
Antonio Serrata  
Chicano Studies Research Center  
UCLA  
180 Haines Hall  
Los Angeles, CA 90024

**Call for 1994 & 1995 Conference Proposals**

The National Coordinating Committee is soliciting proposals for the 1994, 22nd & 1995 23rd Annual Conferences. The proposals should include a realistic budget, supporting letters from key administrators, (e.g. Dean, President of the University) project dates & location. A tentative conference theme should be noted. Please forward proposals to host the 1994 & 1995 Conferences to the NACS General Coordinator.

**NACS Archive**

The Benson Latin American Collection at the University of Texas- Austin has been the designated archive repository for official NACS documents. Therefore, the membership of NACS, particularly former and current coordinating committee members, are strongly urged to send copies of conference papers, abstracts, programs, posters, minutes, resolutions, committee reports, correspondence, etc., to the Benson collection. Special attention should be paid to the period prior to 1980, as well as those papers from the past two or three meetings. Materials should be addressed as follows:

Margo Gutierrez  
Mexican American Studies Librarian  
Benson Latin American Collection  
SRH 1.108 UT-Austin  
Austin, TX 78713

### **NACS 20 Memorabilia**

T-shirts and posters of the NACS 20 conference are available for sale. The t-shirts commemorate the conference and come in two colors (pink and grey) and sizes run from small to extra large. The grey t-shirts come only in Medium. T-shirts cost \$11.00 each.

The NACS poster is a color reproduction of Cesar Martinez's painting *Reinvented Icon for This Time and Place (San Antonio)*. Cesar donated the use of his painting to NACS as well as the proceeds from the poster sale. The posters are \$12.00 each. Quantities are limited so order yours today.

Send check or money order to:

Hispanic Research Center  
University of Texas at San Antonio  
6900 N FM 1604 W

San Antonio, TX 78249-0160

Postage and handling are included in the price of the items.

NACS books and manuscripts can be purchased by contacting :

Carlos Maldonado  
Dir. Of Chicano Education  
Eastern Washington University  
198 Monroe Hall  
Cheney, WA 99004-2490  
(509) 359-2404

### **NACS Community Honorees for 1992**

NACS usually recognizes persons outside academia who have contributed to the Chicano Struggle. This year, two people, Judge Albert Peña, Jr. and Rosa Salazar Rosales, were honored for their significant impact to the Tejano-Mexicano community.

Throughout his long public career Albert Peña has been actively involved in the political affairs of the Chicano community. Judge Peña has been a key political figure in Texas and the nation with his involvement in Chicano political groups such as: PASSO, LULAC, GI Forum, MALDEF, and MAUC.

Rosa Rosales is one of a long history of Chicanas in South Texas who have played vital roles in the political life in the region. Community organizer and labor leader, Rosales came into prominence in LULAC where she is Texas State Director. She is respected and honored by NACS because of her leadership and work in the Chicano community.

### **NACS Honors Margarita Melville as NACS Scholar**

A NACS scholar is a person who has significantly contributed to Chicano Studies. NACS is proud to have Dr. Margarita Melville as the NACS scholar for 1992.

A scholar and activist, Profa. Melville has made a significant contribution to the development of Chicano Studies. She has a history of social activism which includes working in Guatemala and also being jailed for her beliefs in the United States. She edited two books on Chicanas, *Twice a Minority: Mexican American Women* and *Mexicans at Work*, as well as many articles on the Chicano/a experience. Melville has been Coordinator of Chicano Studies at UC-Berkeley since 1986.

### **NACS 20 Chicana Caucus Meeting**

The Chicana Caucus met in the Crystal Room at the Sheraton Gunter Hotel on March 27, 1992. More than 260 women attended the breakfast meeting which was chaired by Irene Blea. The Caucus discussed the continuation of child care at the NACS conference and the endorsement of the resolution by the Lesbian Caucus to be formally accepted as a Standing Committee within NACS.

Nominations were accepted for the NACS Scholar Award:

Norma Alarcon, Louise Ano Nuevo-Kerr, Irene Blea, Jovita Gonzalez (deceased), and Elizabeth Betita Martinez.

Further business discussions included a request that regional representatives be selected at the FOCO meetings and the names be forwarded to the Chair. All regions except Arizona, currently represented by Olivia Arrieta, needs representatives. They include: Colorado, the East Coast, the Midwest, Northern California, Southern California, the Rocky Mountain region and the Texas region. Final business was the election of the Kathryn Bleckmer Reyes as Chair and Maria Teresa Marquez as Secretary.

## ***Nomination For NACS Scholar***

Nominations are being accepted for the NACS Scholar. The NACS Scholar should be an individual who has made a significant contribution to Chicano Studies. According to the NACS bylaws the specific criteria to be used in recognizing a scholar are as follows:

1. A scholar's personal history of involvement in the development of Chicano Studies or as a discipline; and/or
2. His/her significant contributions to scholarly research and writing on the Mexican population in the United States.

Nominations for such an award should come from individual FOCOS and/or Site Committee. Such nominations should include an explanation of the appropriateness of such an award at a specific conference.

In order to insure the special quality of the award, it is recommended that nominations be submitted only in behalf of those scholars whom the majority of the NACS membership would readily recognize and heartily endorse. Moreover, the frequency of this award should be carefully weighed by the NACS Coordinating Committee. This is not necessarily meant to be an annual award.

Nominations should please include CV/Resume and an explanation of the appropriateness of such recognition. Nominations should be sent to the NACS General Coordinator no later than October 16, 1992. Send nominations to:

Lupe Gallegos- Diaz  
Chicano Studies Program  
University of California, Berkeley  
3404 Dwinelle Hall  
Berkeley, CA 94720

The mechanics of carrying out this endeavor should be by mutual consent of the NACS Coordinating Committee and the Site Committee:

Previous NACS Scholars have been:

|      |                                                                |
|------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1992 | Margarita Melville, University of California, Berkeley         |
| 1991 | Arturo Madrid, President, Tomas Rivera Center                  |
| 1990 | Juan Gomez- Quinonez, University of California, Los Angeles    |
| 1989 | Rodolfo Acuna, California State University, Northridge         |
| 1988 | Adalijiza Sosa Riddell, University of California, Davis        |
| 1986 | Tomas Rivera, Chancellor, University of California , Riverside |
| 1985 | Ernesto Galarza, Scholar                                       |
| 1982 | Julian Samora, Notre Dame University                           |
| 1981 | Carey McWilliams, Author                                       |
|      | Americo Paredes, University of Texas at Austin                 |

NACS also recognizes individuals who have contributed to the struggle and change of the Chicano population. These have included:

|      |                                                                    |
|------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1992 | Albert Pena, Judge, San Antonio, Texas                             |
|      | Rosa Salazar Rosales, Texas State Director LULAC                   |
| 1991 | Jorge Bustamante, Mexican Scholar Award, Colegio de la Frontera N. |
| 1985 | Dolores Huerta, Labor Organizer, United Farm Workers               |
|      | Ralph Guzman, Mexican American Scholar                             |
| 1984 | Emma Temayuca, Labor Organizer                                     |
|      | Manuela Solis Sager, Labor Organizer                               |

## **Letter of Support for Ricardo Aldape Guerra**

We are writing to express our concern about the unjust incarceration and possible execution of a man that all evidence suggests is not guilty of the crime for which he is accused. Indeed, evidence exists that suggests that Mr. Ricardo Aldape Guerra is innocent. Specifically, we are writing in the hope that Ricardo Aldape Guerra can be granted a permanent stay of execution, a new trial, or executive clemency.

As an association of scholars and university professors, we are concerned that the appropriate evidence be evaluated without the bias of racial hysteria against undocumented workers in this country. Since this seems to have been the case with respect to Mr. Aldape Guerra, we urge you to more carefully weigh the evidence and thus grant one of the above requests.

I am sure that you share with us a concern to uphold the justice system. It is a case such as Mr. Aldape Guerra which raises questions about the equitability of the administration of justice. We hope, therefore, that you will ensure the protection of the justice system and grant his individual due process.

We urge you, therefore, to carefully consider the evidence that strongly casts doubts on Ricardo Aldape Guerra's guilt and indeed suggests his innocence. We hope that after this review, you will grant him a permanent stay of execution, a new trial or executive clemency.

Sincerely,  
Maria Guadalupe Gallegos-Diaz  
National Association for Chicano Studies, Chair

Teresa Cordova  
NACS Political Action Committee, Chair

## **Response Letter from Comit  Pro-Defensa Ricardo Aldape Guerra**

2510 Broadstreet Suite 200  
Houston, TX 77087  
(713) 641-0026  
Fax: (713) 641-0574

Dear Maria Guadalupe:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 20, 1992 and enclosed copies of support letter on behalf of our brother Ricardo Aldape Guerra. Thank you for the support that the National Association for Chicano Studies has given to Mr. Aldape Guerra.

For your information, State District Judge Woody Densen modified Ricardo's execution date from May 12 to September 24, 1992. It was, indeed, a partial victory for Chicano, Mexicano, and all other poor and oppressed people who struggle for justice. I am enclosing copies of our new brochure (in English and Spanish) and copies of new petitions that we are circulating for signatures. Please feel free to reproduce them and circulate them as you deem necessary.

Further, we are making plans to soon commence a speaking tour throughout the United States and Mexico. We will have a slide presentation and speak about Ricardo's case and the necessity for all justice and freedom-loving people to come out in support of this man. This is a cause that symbolizes the legacy of gringo injustice and our people's resistance from Gregorio Cortez to Ricardo. Let us know if you would like for us to speak at UC Berkeley.

Again, thank you for your support and please let us hear from you.

In Solidarity,  
Alvaro Hernandez Luna  
National Coordinator



# Announcements

## *University of Washington, Seattle American Ethnic Studies Department*

### *Preliminary Position Announcement*

The University of Washington is seeking a faculty member for the American Ethnic Studies Department, Chicano Studies Program.

Associate or Assistant Professor: Field open, Specialist in Chicano/Latino Studies with interest in comparative teaching and research.

Work in a stimulating interdisciplinary and comparative department consisting of 12 faculty in Afro-American Studies, Asian American Studies and Chicano Studies Program. Join three other Chicano specialists in the Chicano Studies Program of the American Ethnic Studies Department, as well as other Chicano and Latino faculty in other campus units.

We are especially interested in an enthusiastic candidate with excellent research and teaching skills who wishes to join an established but growing academic program and department. Strong publication record is highly desirable.

Accordingly, the American Ethnic Studies Department is seeking applications and nominations for a tenured or tenure-track faculty appointment to this position. We expect to begin the formal search in the fall of 1992 and make the appointment by spring of 1993. Direct all correspondence to:

Dr. Erasmo Gamboa, Director of Chicano  
Studies Program  
GN-80, American Ethnic Studies Program  
University of Washington  
Seattle, WA 98195

The University of Washington is building a culturally diverse faculty and strongly encourages applications from female and minority candidates. AA/EOE.

## *University of California, Santa Barbara*

### *Department of Sociology Position Announcement*

University of California, Santa Barbara announces an opening at the Assistant Professor level in the Department of Sociology effective 1 July 1993. The position is in the area of economy and society. Subspecialties are open, however we are particularly interested in applicants with research interests in the following areas: work, markets, social inequality, environment, culture, race and ethnicity. Potential for excellence in scholarship and teaching is necessary, and a Ph. D. is normally required at the time of appointment. To apply, send curriculum vitae, letter of application and arrange three letters of reference sent. Applications must be received by 1 December 1992. Send to:

Chair, Economy and Society Search  
Committee  
University of California, Santa Barbara  
Department of Sociology  
Santa Barbara, CA 93106-9430.

The University is an EE/AA employer; applications from racial and ethnic minorities and women candidates are encouraged.



# Announcements

*University of California, Davis*

***Mujeres Activas en Letras y Cambio Social  
and The Chicana/Latina Research Project***

MALCS and the Chicana/Latina Research Project proudly announce the forthcoming publication of the *Journal of Chicana Studies*. The theme of the first volume is *Critical Issues in Chicana Studies*. Sales distribution of the *Journal* is scheduled for August 1992.

The MALCS editorial board invites all interested mujeres to submit scholarly articles for review for the second volume. The works should be review essays, research articles or critical analysis interpreting, analyzing and/or documenting the Chicana/Latina experience.

We request that you follow *The Chicago Manual of Style: 13th Ed.*, double space all copy and a 20 page maximum. The deadline for submitting articles and suggestions for a theme for the second journal edition is October 31, 1992. For more information please call the project at (916) 752-8882. Or write:

The Chicana/Latina Research Project  
c/o Chicano Studies  
Hart Hall  
University of California, Davis  
Davis, CA 95616

*University of Nebraska- Lincoln  
Department of Sociology*

***Position Announcement***

Contingent on the availability of funds, the Department of Sociology seeks an assistant professor for a tenure- track position starting August, 1993. The candidate is expected to develop a productive research program and contribute to undergraduate and graduate courses in stratification and should have a research specialization in at least one of the following: Race/ethnicity, aging/life course, quantitative methods, or survey research. The Ph.D. is required and some teaching and/or research experience is desirable. Submit letter of application, vita, and three letters of reference to:

Professor Wayne Osgood Chair, Search  
Committee

University of Nebraska-Lincoln  
Dept. of Sociology  
Lincoln, NE 68588-0324

Review of applications will begin October 15, 1992, and continue until a suitable candidate is found. UNL is committed to a pluralistic campus community through Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity and is responsive to the needs of dual career couples. If you require a reasonable accommodation in order to apply or interview for this position, please contact Dr. Osgood.

**La Lucha Continues ...**



# Announcements

## *Corpus Christi State University*

### *Mexican American Archives*

On Friday, April 3, 1992, the Special Collections & Archives Department of Corpus Christi State University Library hosted a program and reception formally dedicating the Dr. Hector P. Garcia Papers.

The occasion also inaugurated an exhibit entitled *Education Was His Freedom: Dr. Hector P. Garcia, the American G.I. Forum, and the Twentieth Century Mexican American Experience*. Approximately 200 people attended the ceremony. Dr. Garcia--longtime Corpus Christi physician, civil rights activist, and founder of the American G.I. Forum--was present to receive the many expressions of gratitude for making Corpus Christi State University the depository of his historically valuable papers.

The exhibit, which consisted of select documents from the Garcia Papers, covered Dr. Garcia's life and the development of the American G.I. Forum as reflections of twentieth century Mexican American history. Mounted by the staff of the Special Collections & Archives Department, the exhibit remained on display at the CCSU Library through May 15.

To commemorate the exhibit and reception, CCSU produced an attractive poster which features a portrait of Dr. Garcia and a flyer calling for the historic 1949 meeting in Corpus Christi protesting the Felix Longoria incident. Those persons wishing a poster please write Thomas H. Kreneck, Head of Special Collections & Archives, Corpus Christi State University Library, 6300 Ocean Drive, Corpus Christi, TX, 78412, or call 512-994-2300.

## *The University of New Mexico, Albuquerque*

### *Hispanic Student Services Director is Awarded Prestigious Jessie Bernard Shaw Wise Woman Award*

Dr. Irene Blea, Director of Hispanic Student Services at UNM has been awarded one of seven Jessie Bernard Shaw Wise Woman Awards. Blea could not be reached when the award was announced because she was technically on vacation and fighting her termination from the university. On May 26, Blea and two other women of color were terminated by Assoc. Vice-President of Student Affairs, Matthew Padilla, in a cumbersome reorganization effort that also eliminated Hispanic Student Services, African American Student Services and American Indian Student Services. Because of mass protest, UNM President Richard Peck issued a call to halt the elimination of the centers and the elimination of the women of color directors for one year on June 3rd.

The Jessie Bernard Shaw Wise Woman Award is bestowed upon a female sociologist who demonstrates the life characteristics and qualities of the famous sociologist. Blea was recognized for her outstanding scholarship, her feminist research and paradigm shifting perspectives in the area of sociology. Her areas of specialization are Race Relations, Qualitative Theory and Methods and Chicano Studies.

Blea is a founding member of NACS and was our first female National Chairperson in 1978-1979. She is a pioneer in addressing Chicana, Mexican American and feminist issues and has authored two of the best recognized textbooks in Chicano Studies.

Professor Blea accepted the position as Director of Hispanic Student Services in January 1991, because she was offered the opportunity to put her theory and research into practice.

## **The Hispanic Research Center University of Texas at San Antonio**

The Hispanic Research Center was founded in 1989. Its mission is to provide an interdisciplinary University focus on research regarding Mexican Americans in the United States in general and in Texas/South Texas in particular. In its short history, the Center has already launched several studies and projects of importance to Mexican Americans. Among those studies are included:

**\*\*a study of the impact of the Free Trade Agreement on Mexican American workers and on the infrastructure of cities along the Rio Grande Valley, funded by the Southwest Voter Research Institute;**

**\*\*a longitudinal study of substance use and personality characteristics of Mexican American and the development of a model for assessing the level of heroin use in Mexican American communities funded by the National Institute on Drug Abuse;**

**\*\*a study of student characteristics and economic need for engineering programs in the Texas Rio Grande Valley, funded by the South Texas Initiative Program.**

Several projects have also been initiated including:

**\*\*the establishment of an electronic Bulletin Board System (BBS), which includes an Hispanic Data Base. Operational Fall, 1992;**

**\*\*the establishment of a UTSA collection of historical and political archival materials of the San Antonio and South Texas Mexican American community;**

**\*\*the establishment of a working paper series focusing on Mexican American topics.**

We would like to express our thanks to all of those who helped and participated in NACS 20. Without your ayuda y apoyo, this conference would not have been successful.

### *Special thanks to:*

Dr. Jesse Zapata, Director UTSA Hispanic Research Center  
Dr. Avelardo Valdez, NACS Conference Chair 1992  
The NACS 20 Site Committee  
The Volunteer Staff

and

MEChA, UT -San Antonio, for all of their assistance and tiempo in organizing "Una Noche de Cultura" and the Alamo Protest

### *And the staff of the UTSA Hispanic Research Center:*

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Gisela Gonzales  
Sylvia Kaltman  
Jesse Ochoa

Dulce Benavides  
Belinda Treviño Schouten  
Valerie Klecker  
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