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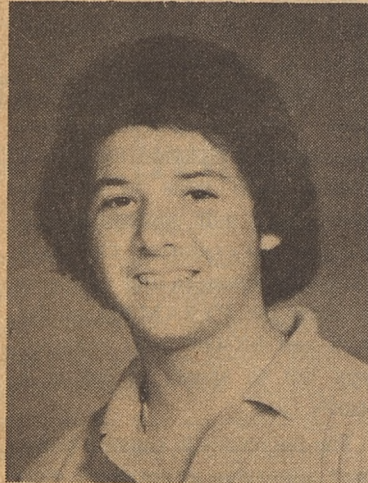
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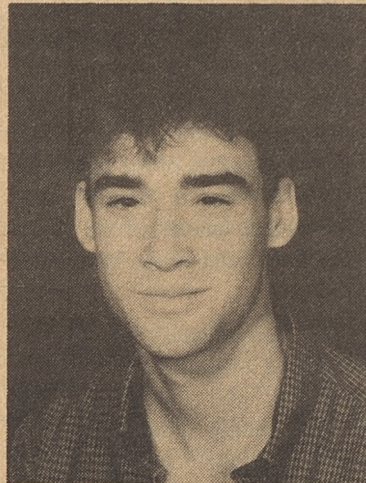
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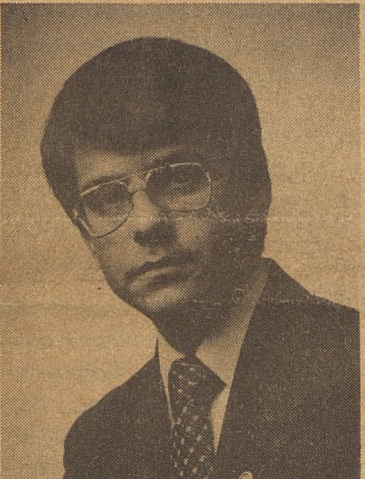
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## Texas/Mexico Student Exchange Program Scheduled for Week of November 23-30

Only a few students took advantage of the opportunity to participate in this year's TEXAS/MEXICO STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM. For some reason, most sponsors failed to notice the information contained in the Program Bulletin regarding this important activity of the Pan American Student Forum. Hopefully, next year more members will apply and enjoy this worthy

educational experience.

The trip to Mexico will take place during the week of November 23-30, 1985 (Thanksgiving Week). Ten students and accompanying adults will visit historic places and share experiences with Mexican students. They will also meet and visit with Mexican and U.S. officials to learn more about the relations between our two nations.

A report on the visit and the names of the students and schools representing PASF will appear in the next issue of the PAN AM TIMES.

### NOTICE

**The new telephone number of the Pan American Student Forum (PASF) is (512) 463-1805.**

## ATTENTION SPONSORS

It is time to start thinking about the PASF Convention scheduled for San Antonio on March 14-15, 1986. We will need chapters to help with Convention activities. Volunteers are needed in the following areas:

- Convention Registration
- Scrapbooks

- Hosting of Mixer
- Ushers
- Sing-Song
- Flag Presentation
- Spanish Tests

If you are interested in having your chapter involved in one of the above areas, please notify the PASF office by *January 15, 1986*.

## Club Castellano Mexico Study Trip

Por Julie Fry

Ocho socios de El Club Castellano y cuatro estudiantes de PASF fueron a San Miguel de Allende, Gto. para pasar dos semanas en el mes de Junio. Los participantes de College Station que fueron son los siguientes: Bo Andrews, Erik Clark, Kevin Clark, Julie Fry, Jill Natowitz, Troy Treat, y Amber Watkins. Dos maestras, la Sra. Deudon de Consolidated y la Srta. Jane Knudson de Westlake y una madre, la Sra. Kathy Clark, acompañaron el grupo.

El viaje empezó en Austin. El grupo subió al autobus en la mañana y llegó a Nuevo Laredo por la tarde. Después de esperar el tren unas horas, el grupo viajó

toda la noche llegando a su destino a las dos de la tarde.

Cada día en San Miguel los estudiantes tomaron cursos de español en la Academia HispanoAmericana. Asistieron a la Academia por la mañana y por la tarde pasaron una hora con un estudiante mexicano. También había clases para aprender canciones y bailes folklóricos. Por la noche todos se divertieron en charlas con unos amigos mexicanos.

Mientras en San Miguel el grupo se quedaba con familias San Miguelenses. Había dos o tres  
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# Winners Tell of Summer at UDLA

By Dianna Densmore

When I first learned that I had received the UDLA Scholarship I was very excited. Mostly because I had the honor of receiving a scholarship that was going to look good for my school, Cy-Fair, as well as helping me in my future years at college. After the initial excitement wore off came the anxieties. Am I going to like the university? What is the university like? Will I be able to handle being away from home for so long and in a totally different culture? What classes should I take? Will the other students accept me as a friend? What should I pack? The list goes on and on. I received information from the university and from PASF on the courses offered, expenses, etc. So with this I prepared myself as best I could for my adventure.

The day of my departure, June 9, was probably the most nervous day of my life. I was so worried — mainly about forgetting something important — like money. I knew that I would have a good time and make friends once I got settled in at the university. When I arrived at the Mexico City airport there were teachers and administrators from the university waiting there to help out. There were other students coming in that day from other parts of the U.S. so we met each other and got acquainted on the bus ride to the university. When we got to UDLA, we were assigned our rooms and got settled in. We met a couple of Mexican students then but I did not meet my roommate, Laura, who is from Mexico, until the next day.

On Monday the 10th of June we went to orientation. There we met people from the university and

other students from the U.S. and other countries. I became better acquainted with Ellie Boundy from Midland, Texas and Theresa Fishler from Wisconsin. We three became great friends over the weeks.

The next day I registered for my classes. I took advanced intensive Spanish and archeology. Both classes were neat but I really enjoyed archeology and my teacher, Z. Green, was very interesting and informative.

The weeks that followed were packed full of different experiences and side trips to other cities in Mexico. During the course of our stay, my archeology class took two field trips. One to Tlaxcala and Cacaxtla and one to Teotihuacan. Both of these trips were very fulfilling. The class began with studies of the different tribes that were in Mexico and progressed to studies of the great civilizations, such as the Maya and the Aztec.

In the Spanish class we not only learned the language but we also learned of the culture of the Mexican people today. Through these two classes I learned of the heritage and the rich history of Mexico.

The dorms that we stayed in were pretty nice and the university setting was beautiful. Each morning as we walked out of the dorm building we could see the two volcanoes, Popocatepetl and Iztaccihuatl, and the pyramid of Cholula with the cathedral on top. Seeing this beauty started each day off perfect.

While there we did the things and went to the places that other college students did. We went to the same restaurants, the same

shopping malls, the same markets, and every Thursday night we went to the rock center. So it did not take long for the people to get used to seeing us and we quickly made friends. It didn't take me long to realize that the friends I made were my best teachers. They corrected my Spanish, taught me the "latest" popular phrases, and took me to the places so that I could see life outside of the college.

One reason I believe that I made friends and loved Mexico so much is that I went there with an open mind. I knew that it wouldn't be like back home in Texas and I expected differences. I had a great time living in a different culture and I learned how to get along with people other than Americans. What I think I liked most about the culture was that the people are very traditional, and being traditional is not something that is often seen in the U.S. One aspect of their culture that was at first hard for me to get used to was that they aren't as concerned with time and schedule as Americans are. That when I returned to the U.S. it was difficult for me to return to having a schedule during a day. I also found that it is much more of a challenge to go to Mexico to live for a while than to just go for a week or two vacation. I learned more by living there, even though it was only for seven weeks, than I could ever learn in a classroom.

But I must admit that there was a part of the trip that I did not like. The worst part of the trip was coming home. I wish that I could have stayed longer or maybe have gone for a regular semester. Everything else was terrific and I had the greatest time. I made friends that I still keep in touch and I made a load of great memories. I will never forget my stay in Mexico and I feel that the experience I had will help me cope with being an incoming freshman at any college in the U.S. I hope to someday go back for a longer

Ramírez, Vda. de Marquez, long-time president of the orphanage. Angelita taught them cooking first.

In 1979 about twelve A&M Consolidated PASF students had an all day picnic in Hidalgo, another family stay in Pachuca and a meaningful supper at La Buena Madre. El Club Castellano, PASF Chapter at A&M Consolidated presented two framed photographs of the girls meeting the 1978 group at the bus terminal in their red plaid uniforms and singing in their gray jumpers in the patio of their home.

In the 1985 picture, Kitty Worley, the Sister and Maria Teresa de Noreiga (companion-secretary to Sra. Marquez) enjoy looking at themselves in the 1978 photos. One teenager showed us her picture in the group. (The other teenagers had gone to sing for a wedding.)

While in Pachuca, Kitty Worley and Lucile Gould stayed with Maria de los Angeles (Angelita) Ramirez Vda. de Marquez. Many PASF sponsors will remember her visits to San Antonio to thank the chapters for their contributions.

By Ellie Boundy

The sound of a voice over the microphone announcing the Pan American Student Forum winners of the Universidad de las Americas scholarship, tangled everyone's heartbeat, including mine. As my name, Eleanor Boundy (referred to by my friends as Ellie), was announced my heart stopped pounding and chills ran up my spine. With the thrill of knowing I was going to Mexico I began to articulate a new culture.

With only Social Science and Humanities courses to choose from, I decided to take archeology and I found the class to be very rewarding. Zea Green, a nurse from Texas, now working on her Ph.D. in archeology, has filled everyone's interest, including mine, with an outlook of Meso American Civilization. We took several field trips to various sights. Each with something new to add to our exploring. Our class visited Teotihuacan and managed to climb the PYRAMIDS of the SUN and MOON with little energy left to spare, to eat at a nearby cave.

The university is situated in the most admirable atmosphere with lovely green grass, fountains flowing with an exotic sparkle and enormous trees that are rarely found on the vast Plains of West Texas. The weather was either sunny, rainy, or cold. Not much

period of time, maybe for a year of college at UDLA or even a semester. To sum it all up — I had a great time.

I would urge everyone to try for the UDLA scholarship. It is a good experience and you will learn so much. My thanks to PASF and U.D.L.A. for presenting this opportunity to high school students. With sincere gratitude I would like to thank the sponsor of the Cy-Fair Spanish Chapter,

time for sun bathing.

Nearby restaurants, like IGNIS, only 400 ft. away, provided a homey setting for an afternoon lunch, while the cafeteria quenched our evening thirst with a Coke, Pepsi, or coffee. Our favorite eating shop was nicknamed the CHOLULA HILTON, opposite of what it really looked like, but had the best food.

The days were filled with adventurous trips to Cholula and Puebla. Finding our way there was the easy part, but coming back was an adventure of its own.

The people were very friendly and found time to help us with our Spanish vocabulary and we would try and help them with their English. My roommate Rosalva Berdon, who spoke a few lines of English like "bye Ellie," and "had a good time with you," was enjoyable to be around.

A day did not go by without excitement either by the rain, people or the "special" activities set for us by Imalda Olaya and Eduardo Calatayua, which made this a memorable experience to be shared by others.

\*Ellie Boundy was a student at Robert E. Lee High School in Midland. After graduation, she attended UDLA in the summer of 1985. She is now attending Midland College in Midland.

Mrs. Connie Kunkel. For without her inspiration, care, and support, I wouldn't have tried for the scholarship to UDLA which turned out to be the greatest experience I've had.

\*Dianna Densmore was a student at Cy-Fair High School in Houston. After graduation, she attended UDLA in the summer of 1985. She is now attending Stephen F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches.



## Casa Hogar de la Buena Madre Visit Brings Back Memories

On June 27, Kitty Worley, A&M Consolidated Spanish teacher, and Mrs. Lucile Gould, PASF supporter and grandmother of member Josh Lindsay, visited Casa Hogar de la Buena Madre in Pachuca, Hgo., Mexico. The girls sang a number of songs and everyone sang "Adios de Scout." During a happy tour with the Sister in charge and Sra. Esperanza Peláez, the new President, the children proudly invited them to see their dormitories, their classroom, their garden, their chapel and their dining room. Sra. Esperanza Peláez Vda. de Prieto

pointed out the new electrical installation made possible by the PASF contributions this year. The relationship of A&M Consolidated and La Buena Madre goes back a few years.

In 1978, twenty-five A&M Consolidated PASF members spent ten days in Pachuca studying Spanish, touring Hidalgo, painting bark paper and creating other art objects. A highlight of the stay was a visit at La Buena Madre for supper, and mass. The girls sang. Every day the group from the school had lunch at the lovely home of María de los Angeles

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1985-86 PASF officers at Waco High School are (from left), front row: Kyle Akin, Historian; Elaine Ramos, PASF Chairperson; Alice Nevárez, Reporter; LaShawn Brown, Secretary; Stephanie Ramos, Program Director; Margarita Limón, Parliamentarian; Johnny Ordóñez, President. Back row: Katheen Bussey, Treasurer; Yalonda McCutcheon, Vice-President.

## Dallas' Pinkston High PASF Outlines Goals, Activities

Las Razas Unidas, PASF Chapter at L. G. Pinkston High School in Dallas, is off to an exciting start this year. The officers for our 1985-1986 school year are: President, Margaret Vasquez; First Vice President, Ambrose Villanueva; Second Vice President, Esther Arreola; Secretary, Elizabeth Garza; Treasurer, Estella Hernandez; Social Chairperson, Rachel Taylor; Sergeant at Arms, Troy Turner; Photographer, Adrian Cedillo; and Corwin Armstrong is our fascinating reporter.

Our club is very supportive of school activities this year. We are extremely committed to our athletic programs, especially our football team. The club has made several provisions for our fundraising drives. We already had a nacho sale and on the list are many more lucrative ideas.

This year our members are more competitive and dedicated,

as a result, they are more prolific. We have a big increase in our membership. We hope to attain the largest club in our school history.

Pan American has come a long way at Pinkston. Our sponsor, Mr. Saldaña, has sponsored the club for 13 years. He's an altruistic guy. Also, our principal, Mr. Joseph Honore, has been very supportive. He encourages each of us to continue our study in the area of Spanish. All 61 students in Spanish II passed the 1st six weeks at our school. *Qué Viva el Español!*

Presently, we are supporting the Pan American students that are running for our Mr. and Miss Pinkston. We have sent \$50.00 in aid to the earthquake victims in Mexico. Lastly, we are really looking forward to the Christmas Banquet and the up-coming convention in March.

Corwin Armstrong, Reporter

## News from Royse City

Officers of the PASF Chapter of Royse City High School for the 1985-86 school year are: Frank Garcia, President; Daniel Hays, Vice President; Kim Dunkin, Secretary; Sam Rodriguez, Treasurer; Chris Pecina, Reporter; Daniel Najera, scrapbook; Fernando Silva, entertainment; and Doug Counts, workshop.

Delegates to the convention are: James Crowell, Terry Howard, Jeff Rivera, Sara Malone, Gilbert Gonzalez, Grant Goodwin, Joey Sleeper, Kenny Edney, Scott Jones, Lynnette Jones, Dane Sexton, Kim Frasier, Staci Crumley, Angie Vineyard, Charlton Stovall, James Honea, Brandi Routh, Jennifer Watson and Demorise Smith.

Other club members are Connie Auxier, Kristi Early, Michelle Fredericks, Glenn Gasset, Chrissy Henderson, Sheila Henderson, Glenn Hill, Danny Jean, Brandon Landers, Abby Mask,

## Club Castellano

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tejanos en cada casa. ¡Qué buena oportunidad para hablar español! Al grupo le gusto mucho estar con esas familias. Todos regresaron a Tejas hablando y comprendiendo mejor el español.

## Waco High PASF Plans Busy and Exciting Year

With enthusiastic, hard-working officers to motivate and inspire them, Waco High School PASF'ers are well on their way toward making this year the best ever.

Since June, members have sold baked goods, spirit buttons, nachos, Columbus Day ribbons, and Hall-o-grams. Proceeds from these activities were used to aid victims of Mexico's devastating earthquakes and to support the PTA Scholarship Program. Funds raised from future projects will be donated to La Buena Madre Orphanage, which was selected as the club's state project. Our goal this year is to top last year's generous contribution by having year 'round activities such as sock hops, spirit promotions, and food sales.

In addition to sponsoring fundraising activities, our club also serves the needs of our community. One local project dear to our club is filling Thanksgiving baskets for Quality Care Nursing Home patients. Our members are deeply touched by the residents' warm response to visits from their "adopted grandchildren."

Other service projects this year will include conducting a "Clothing for Classmates" drive, clipping discount coupons for senior citizens, collecting canned goods for the Salvation Army Canned Food Drive, and donating magazines to the Caritas agency.

¡Hasta la próxima vez!

Alice Nevárez, Reporter

## Officers, Plans Announced by PASF In Jacksonville

The Jacksonville High School PASF Chapter, La Estrella, has announced its 1985-1986 officers. They are Dee Dee Johnson, President; David Godfrey, Vice-President; Tammy Turner, Secretary; Kandie Strickland, Treasurer; Teresa Jowell, Historian; Mary Ann Legg, Parliamentarian; Theresa Love, Student Council representative; and Diane Johnson, Reporter.

This year La Estrella held a membership party in October, and will have a fund-raising project in November. The profits from this project will be used to finance the State Convention trip in March. La Estrella also has tentative plans for a Christmas party in December, a trip to Six Flags over Texas in May, and an end of the year PASF chapter banquet.

Diane Johnson, Reporter

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4. Include good, clear pictures when possible.
5. If you write in Spanish, make it correct Spanish.
6. Carefully look over all of your items in both languages for neatness and qualities of grammar as well as newsworthiness.
7. Type articles neatly — double spaced.

## Tamale Sale Funds Sent To Earthquake Victims



The Floresville High School PASF chapter opened the school year with a successful tamale sale project. "Many pleased customers are waiting to re-order when the project is repeated in November," said President Barbara Cordova. The sale netted \$178, which was earmarked to benefit Amigos de las Americas and the earthquake victims in Mexico. The 25 members contributed one dollar each and the chapter matched their \$25 for a \$50 donation toward the Mexico cause.

Another fundraiser which is popular in FHS is the Mr. and Ms. Ugly Contest held on the last week of October. The contestants are representatives of each club and class and the winners are the boy and girl with the most money collected in their collection containers. This project is to benefit Pesos for Braces.

The traditional Trick or Treat for UNICEF is another project which the chapter undertakes annually to combine work with fun.

"All of this year's officers were delegates to convention last year, and I see just as much cooperation and enthusiasm in their efforts this year," says Mrs. Lydia Martinez, sponsor.

## Bishop Dunne High Launches Busy and Promising Year

The Bishop Dunne High School Pan American Student Forum chapter launched a very promising year under the direction of moderator Sharon Moran. The inauguration of its newly-elected officers was held last May to end that year and initiate the chapter's plans and activities for the new year.

The new officers, Gloria Gomez, Rose Sanchez, Brenda Mendez, Rosario Medina and Leticia Vazquez started this year's fund raising by arranging for the members to work at Texas Ranger Stadium, which was an activity that proved to be successful. The Bishop Dunne Pan-Am Chapter became the largest group at the school as it attracted many new members with its annual membership drive giving the chapter a total of 70 members. The chapter officers organize meetings every week to keep members informed.

Some of the chapter's future plans include a Haunted House at the Marillac Social Center, a Bake Sale and Car Wash, and other group sales. The proceeds from the fund raising efforts go toward the group's trip to the Convention and to charity organizations such as "Pesos for Braces." Social activities are held for all chapter members with the purpose of keeping the members unified and just for plain fun! After all the hard work and cooperation, the Bishop Dunne PASF will end its year with the chapter banquet as its finale.

**COME TO  
CONVENTION . . .  
IT'S GREAT!**

MHS PASF Chapter is indeed off to a wonderful beginning, with everyone enthusiastic about the events to come.



Winnsboro High School PASF officers are (from left): Mrs. Sue Hamm, Sponsor; Suzan Hoffman, Historian; Kyle Thomas, Treasurer; Alysia Woods, Reporter; Steven Pinnell, Secretary; Julie Bradshaw, Vice-President; and Karen Pickett, President.

## Winnsboro PASF Chapter Observes 25th Anniversary

The "La Luz" PASF chapter of Winnsboro High in Winnsboro began the year with a reception marking its Twenty-Fifth Anniversary.

Although a Spanish chapter was organized at WHS in 1954, it was on October 6, 1960, that Mrs. Ruth Giddens and her 67 students received their charter from the Pan American Student Forum.

A reception honoring past and present members and teachers was held in the high school library on Homecoming Day, October 11. Among those present were Mrs. Giddens, founding sponsor, and Marilyn Mills Stokley, Charter member of the WHS chapter of PASF.

Memorabilia of the last 25 years — scrapbooks, yearbooks, trophies, ribbons and T-shirts — were displayed throughout the library. A slide presentation of club and class activities through the years was shown to guests. Refreshments of punch, cookies, nuts and mints were served from a table decorated in gold and white.

This year, "La Luz" has 82 members, all eager to participate in the year's activities. The officers for the 1985-86 school year are: Karen Pickett, President; Julie Bradshaw, Vice-President; Steven Pinnell, Secretary; Kyle Thomas, Treasurer; Alysia Woods, Reporter and Susan Hoffman, Historian.

During this school term, the chapter has many activities planned. In the month of October, along with the anniversary reception, "La Luz" sold refreshments at a local sidewalk sale, collected for UNICEF on Halloween night, and contributed money to the

victims of Mexico's devastating earthquakes.

In November, before Thanksgiving, a basket of canned food was donated to the needy, and in December a Christmas party will be held for "La Luz" members and guests.

In February, carnations and valograms for Valentine's Day will be sold to students. This promises to be a big money-making project for our trip to San Antonio for the annual convention in March which members are eagerly anticipating.

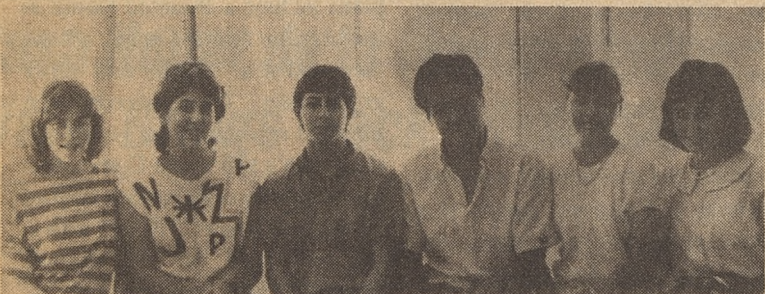
## Rains High PASF Working Toward First Convention

The members of Rains High School PASF Chapter, located in Emory, Texas, are planning to make their first trip to the Pan-American Convention next spring in San Antonio. We have around fifty members in the chapter, so everyone is striving real hard to earn points so that they can be one of the fifteen members going to the convention.

Our organization is pleased to say that in two weeks we were able to raise \$250.00 to send to Mexico City through the Red Cross.

At our first meeting we elected our new officers, who are as follows: Teresa Range, President; Helen Bernight, Vice-President; Kim Harris, Secretary; Shannon Sheppard, Treasurer; and Rachel Bryant, Fund Raising Chairperson.

Our members feel confident that this year's chapter will be the most active one yet.



IWA officers shown (from left) are: Alicia Alley, Rose Ann Garcia, Roger Garcia, James Medina, Valerie Gonzalez and Pam Salinas.

## IWA READY FOR A GOOD YEAR

The PASF Chapter of Incarnate Word in Corpus Christi has gotten off to a good start. The officers this year are: President, Roger Garcia; Vice-President, James Medina; Secretary, Pam Salinas; treasurer, Valerie Gonzalez; Historian, Rose Ann Garcia; and Parliamentarian, Alicia Alley.

Some of the projects planned for this year are a candy sale and a raffle. The money raised will be given to benefit organizations such as "Pesos for Braces." Other projects include having several Spanish banquets and entering a scrapbook in this year's state competition.

# PASF Donations to Texas Response — Citizens for Mexican Relief

The donations received as of October 30, 1985 are the following:

Commerce High	65.00	Miller High, Corpus Christi	30.00
Travis High, Austin	50.00	Monterey High, Lubbock	122.00
Taylor High, Katy	50.00	Midland High	57.00
Willis High	75.00	Mineola High	50.00
Adams High, Dallas	30.00	Pearce High, Richardson	200.00
Edgewood High, San Antonio	16.00	Round Rock High	275.00
MacArthur High, Houston	43.00	San Benito High	20.00
Sulphur Springs High	25.00	Madison High, San Antonio	90.94
Van High	100.00	Dobie Jr. High, Austin	100.00
Nixon High, Laredo	30.00	Hudson High, Lufkin	33.46
Dickinson High	50.00	Bridgeport High	40.00
Livingston High	130.73	Winnsboro High	313.29
Crockett High, Austin	797.21	Whitehouse High	40.00
Dripping Springs High	50.00	Waco High	200.00
Westwood High, Austin	325.00	Smith High, Carrollton	200.00
Lee High, Midland	66.00	Frenship High, Wolfforth	30.00
Floresville High	50.00	Revere Jr. High, Houston	100.00
Georgetown High	172.00	Wilson High, Dallas	60.00
Burkburnett High	15.00	Skyline High, Dallas	645.43
Hays High, Buda	175.00	Marcus High, Lewisville	50.00
Jersey High, Houston	100.00	Denton High	89.00
Sunset High, Dallas	50.00	DeSoto High	475.00
Lamar High, Rosenberg	55.00	Terry High, Rosenberg	52.00
Cigarroa High, Laredo	50.00	A&M High, College Station	100.00
Faulk Int., Brownsville	42.00	Palo Duro High, Amarillo	21.00
Porter Jr. High, Austin	28.00	Greenville High	50.00
Amarillo High	100.00	Meadow High	3.00
Bryan High	530.00	Cy-Fair High, Houston	600.00
La Vernia High	100.00	Jacksboro High	50.00
Lyford High	36.00	Cleburne High	100.00
Marshall High, San Antonio	100.00	McKinney High	39.02
Bedichek Jr. High, Austin	50.00	<b>Total Donations</b>	<b>\$7,783.08</b>

THE PAN AMERICAN STUDENT FORUM WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE STUDENTS, SPONSORS, AND SCHOOLS INVOLVED IN THIS WORTHY PROJECT.

## Rosenberg's Terry High PASF Chapter Has Multitude of September Activities

Pan American Student Forum at Terry High School in Rosenberg, Texas, was busy with various county fair activities since school started on September 3. The Fort Bend County Fair is a yearly event which this year was held from September 27-October 5. Different activities occur throughout the nine day period of the fair and Terry's PASF took part in many of these activities.

From September 7-26, club members sold pre-sale fair tickets for the Fair Association. Clubs and organizations in Fort Bend County are encouraged to participate in this fund-raising activity by sponsoring a young lady for fair queen. The girl whose club sells the most fair tickets wins the

title of Fort Bend County Fair Queen. The sponsoring clubs receive a percentage of the tickets sold. Terry's members sold 735 tickets which brought the club \$700 profit. Laura Cedilla, Terry's fair queen candidate, was first runnerup and worked many hours selling tickets and seeing that tickets were sold.

Club members also made a float which appeared in the fair parade on Friday, Sept. 27. The float's theme was "Let's Go to the Mardi Gras" and was decorated in bright orange paper and brightly colored balloons and streamers. Members who rode the float were dressed in different costumes. The float was awarded second place and the club received a \$35.00 prize. Also

in the parade were Laura Cedillo, our fair queen candidate, and Tracy Willis, our beauty queen contestant. The cars in which they rode flanked the club's float.

Also, as part of fair festivities, a beauty contest was held. Our representative in this contest was senior Tracy Willis. Beauty contestants were judged on poise and personality as well as beauty. The theme for the contest was "Mardi Gras" and contestants were asked to wear a costume appropriate to the theme. They also appeared in evening gowns. Tracy chose a black and white court jester costume for the costume segment. Twenty-five young ladies competed in this contest on October 2; the winner was Sherry LaJoie.

## Sponsors, Please Note

PASF Convention is scheduled for March 13-15, 1986. The Board of Directors is considering having a dinner, *for sponsors only*, at a hotel in the convention center area for the Saturday just prior to the Gran Baile. This activity is intended to provide the sponsors with a time to socialize and visit to discuss issues concerning the Forum. This event would free the sponsors from the sponsors' meeting so they can attend the workshops with their students.

In order to have this activity, we must hear from you no later than January 1, 1986. Unfortunately, hotels in that area are expensive. The cost of the dinner will run about \$25.00 per person.

You must also make arrangements to have someone supervise your students while you attend this affair. We expect the dinner to last from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. After that you will be free to join your students at the Gran Baile.

We must hear from you if we are to incorporate this activity into the Convention program. If we do not get a good response we will have to cancel. So please, write and let us know how you feel about this.

## 1986 PASF CONVENTION

The 1986 PASF Convention will be held in San Antonio on March 14-15.