



# El Corazón de Tejas Central Texas Chapter of REFORMA

## Meeting Notes

September 27, 2008  
Cepeda Branch Library

**Present:** Don Bos, Bob Cárdenas, Melinda Curry, Elva Garza, Silvia Reveles, Loriene Roy, Gustavo Soto.

**Please mark your calendars for the next meeting. Please forward any agenda items to Don Bos (abos@austin.rr.com) one week prior to the meeting.**

Saturday, October 25, 11:00 a.m. at Cepeda Branch Library

### Items Discussed

- **National Reforma** – Elva had attended the national convention in El Paso. The organization wants chapters to meet to provide input on the new strategic plan. Loriene contacted Siobhan Champ-Blackwell by phone. The two proposed changes to the by-laws did pass. This will result in ease of calling meetings and business conducted electronically.
- **Corazón de Tejas Chapter**
  - **Officers** – We officially elected Silvia Reveles as Vice President and Melinda Curry as Secretary.
  - **Possible Chapter Events** – There was much discussion about Día de los Muertos and possible local events the chapter could tap into, but the group decided to concentrate on later events.
  - **Día de los Niños / Día de los Libros** – Elva reported that this event may extend to the Mexican American Cultural Center (MACC) on April 23 & 24 with an April 25 event at the St. John's Branch Library. Facts concerning last year's festival: Attendance, 6000. Schools sending busses, 56. Organizations with booths, 120. Books given away, over 10,000. A book fair is still being considered for the 2009 event. Elva and Maribel have done research into a Los Angeles event and have talked to Carmen at Reforma.
  - **Author / Librarian Visit** – Camila Alire, president-elect (2009-10) of the American Library Association, will visit Austin on February 13, 2009. Silvia reported on correspondence with Camila Alire, Elizabeth Polk (AISD libraries), and Tom Moran, Austin Public Library. And CTL regarding her visit. Loriene provided input regarding funding and the process of coordinating with the ALA. Gustavo and Don agreed to contact prospective bands for the reception. Loriene, Don, and Melinda agreed to be support committee with Silvia in preparation for the visit.
  - **Treasurer's Report** – The chapter paid \$500.00 for the national conference, leaving a balance of \$887.97. Diana may request \$100 for books for prisons.
  - **Website** – Diana, who has been working on the chapter website, will teach Gustavo and Don.