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Website: www.bnl.gov/bera/activities/hispanic

The newsletter is issued on a quarterly basis. Our objective is to keep members of the BNL community informed of Club activities, cultural events and other news. We sincerely hope you enjoy reading the information provided.

Introducing the New HHC Officers

Carmen Alvarado

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New Term

Second Term

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The new HHC Officers accepted their positions effective February 1, 2007. General duties of the officers are: President: conducts meetings, appoints committees and promotes the purpose of the organization. Vice President: act on behalf of the president when the president is absent. Treasurer: collects and deposits funds. Recording Secretary: records and reports on all meetings and important club activities. Corresponding Secretary: responsible for communication via intra-Laboratory mail, U.S. mail and e-mail.

These officers comprise the **Executive Board** which meets on a regular basis to conduct club business and plan events. The Chairs of the Committees attend the Executive Board meetings. Discussions about this year's social events, fundraising and membership activities and scholarship program have begun to take place. Planned activities and general meetings will be posted in the HHC Newsletter Calendar and in the Bulletin as scheduled.

Executive Board Duties

1. Formulate the policies, rules and regulations of the club to conform to the Constitution and the Bylaws
2. Conform or reject appointment made by the president
3. Prepare an annual budget for the Club
4. Attend to all business not otherwise specified in the Constitution or the Bylaws
5. Responsible for calling meetings
6. Activities and events shall be subject to review by the Executive Board

For more information regarding the duties of the Executive Board officers, refer to the HHC documents at: www.bnl.gov/bera/activities/hispanic

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Project Networking

Rick Morales, from BNL's Human Resources office, is a new Hispanic Heritage Club member. Rick has been appointed to lead the HHC membership & recruitment committee, working with Carmen Narvaez.

They have started a "Project Networking," a list of networking resources. If you know of successful organizations, publications, websites and other media related to the Hispanic community, please share the information with us. Send information to Rick at morales@bnl.gov or Carmen at narvaez@bnl.gov

Some examples of organizations we are aware of: Aspira.org; Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers (SHPE.ORG); Center for the Advancement of Hispanic in Science and Engineering Education (CAHSEE.org); League of United Latin American Citizens (Lulac.org).

The objective is to network and develop relationships with similar groups for the purpose of exchanging ideas and educational information. Your support is greatly appreciated.

May is Membership Month for the HHC

"The goal is to build a supportive and stimulating network for all"

The BERA-sponsored Hispanic Heritage Club (HHC) invites all Laboratory employees, retirees and their immediate families to become members.

Once a member, the individual may participate in activities such as voting for candidates at elections or may make a motion to highlight an important item at general meetings. In addition, a member may serve on a special committee or be nominated to serve on the Executive Board. Participants are also involved in developing activities and cultural events that bring awareness and aesthetic appreciation of Hispanic Culture to the Laboratory's community. The goal is to build a stimulating and supportive network for all.

Membership fees are \$10 with renewals due in May of each year. To join the Club, please send a check payable to "BERA Hispanic Heritage Club" with a completed registration form (form attached) to Carmen Narvaez, Bldg. 422. Proceeds from membership dues support special events such as the scholarship program.

Cinco de Mayo Eve Latin Dance

The Hispanic Heritage Club is partnering with the Social & Cultural Club to hold a "Cinco de Mayo Eve Latin Dance" on Friday, May 4th 7:00 pm - 12:00 midnight, Berkner Hall, North Room

Dinner and Drinks 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Dance Instructions at 8:00 - 8:30 p.m. Salsa for Beginners
Latin Dance Presentation at 8:30 p.m.
General Dancing to a DJ 9:00 p.m. - Midnight

Dance tickets are \$20 pre-purchase and may be purchased at the BERA Sales Office, Berkner Hall or contact Yvette Malavet-Blum (631) 344-5591 or malavet@bnl.gov

Learn Common Spanish Phrases

Measurements

Measuring spoon - *la cuchara de medir*

Measuring cup - *la taza de medir*

A pinch - *un poquito*

A bunch - *un ramo*

A dozen - *una docena*

A gallon - *un galón*

An inch - *una pulgada*

Spanish Painting from El Greco to Picasso ... Time, Truth and History at the Guggenheim Museum

By Yvette Malavet-Blum, Corresponding Secretary

I had the pleasure of seeing the exhibit entitled: *Spanish Painting from El Greco to Picasso ... Time, Truth and History* at the Guggenheim Museum www.guggenheim.org on March 18, 2007. The exhibit has been on view since November 2006 and will close March 28, 2007.

This is one of the most comprehensive exhibitions of Spanish paintings ever mounted in New York, by the Great Spanish masters of the 16th through the 20th centuries: Francisco de Zurbaran (1598-1664), Diego Velazquez (1599-1660), Bartolome Esteban Murillo (1681-1682) Francisco de Goya (1746-1828), Juan Gris (1887-1927), Joan Miro (1893-1983), and Salvador Dali (1904-1989), as well as El Greco (1514-1614), and Pablo Picasso (1881-1973), and many others.

The exhibition was divided into 15 distinct sections where the artists' paintings were displayed in themes. Through this separation into themes, I was able to see how each artist influenced the other throughout the centuries. For example, El Greco was commissioned by the royals of Spain to paint portraits of the royal families that became treasures displayed throughout the Spanish museums; and those paintings influenced the art works of paintings by Salvador Dali, a surrealist, and then Picasso in cubist form. This was a very exciting idea that presented the genius of the Spanish Artists who were the creators of the surrealist and cubist art form.

I think every Hispanic in New York City and throughout the country who came to see this exhibit felt a sense of pride that our Spanish ancestors were the creators of such important movements in the art world, and of these magnificent works of art. We bonded in our common language, speaking Spanish every chance we had, knowing that we were understood and knowing that no matter where we came from we are all of the same culture.

Calendar of Events 2007

Hispanic Heritage Club and the Social & Cultural Club

Cinco de Mayo Eve Latin Dance

Berkner Hall, North Room

Friday, May 4, 2007 - 7:00 pm-12:00 midnight

Tickets: \$20, purchase at the BERA Sales Office

At the door: \$25

General Meeting of the Hispanic Heritage Club

"All Are Welcome"

Friday, April 27, 2007

Berkner Hall, Room C -12:00 noon

AGENDA:

- Introduction of new officers
- Latin Dance Planning
- Salsa Picnic Planning
- Scholarship Review
- Open Floor

Annual Summer Salsa Picnic

Gazebo at the BNL Ball Park Fields

Date and information about picnic activities will be posted in the Bulletin

The BERA-sponsored Hispanic Heritage Club at Brookhaven National Laboratory invites all Laboratory employees and their immediate families to become members. The Hispanic Heritage Club seeks to develop a stimulating and supportive network for all. Our goal is to develop activities and cultural events that bring an awareness and aesthetic appreciation of Hispanic Culture to the Laboratory's community. Membership fees are \$10 with renewals due in May of each year. Please send a check payable to "Hispanic Heritage Club" with a completed registration form to Carmen Narvaez, bldg 422, ext. 3254, e-mail: narvaez@bnl.gov.

BERA Hispanic Heritage Club

Membership Application

Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

E-mail:

Department:

Telephone:

Date:

Please Check:

- New Member
 Renewal
 1 year \$10

Please make checks payable to ***BERA Hispanic Heritage Club***

Join a committee:

- Nominating Special Events Social Events

Send membership materials to *Carmen Narvaez, Bldg 422*

Ext. 3254, e-mail: narvaez@bnl.gov.

Thank You!