

Maestas Reunion General Meeting

July 8th, 1995

Elias Valdez welcomed everyone.

- update list of addresses and phone numbers--don't give your phone number if you don't want it shared.
- volunteers were taken to set up a menu committee. The members are: Diane Mondragon, Della Foster, Mary Jane Garcia, Elia Gonzales, Sally Maestas. The noon meal is to continue.
- Reunion calendar will be from July 1996 to July 1997. The pictures will be of the children of Cirilio and Cresencia Maestas.
- the ornament exchange will continue.
- Larry Maestas suggested we put together and bury a time capsule.
- people were asked to send information for the newsletter.
- Sammy Vasquez suggested we have "old fashioned games" for the kids. The committee is: Sam Vasquez, Larry Maestas, Joe Garcia, Jeff Maestas, Frank Maestas. John and Anna Saiz volunteered to make special ribbons.
- Larry Maestas suggested we plant trees to replace what we burn.
- a suggestion was made to see about a more permanent pit for the bar-b-que.
- Dick Taylor and Carlos Maestas offered to donate a flag and flag pole. The discussion was to have a flag decorated with brands used by the family or with the Coat of Arms. More on this in the next newsletter.
- The possibility of an airhorn or bell were discussed. Connie Jaramillo and Linda Evans recommended a loud speaker.
- Fidel Maestas offered a generator for lights at night.
- Sally, Pat and Diane Maestas will look into T-shirts for the next reunion.
- \$150.00 was donated for the cemetery fund. Christine and Dick Taylor weeded the cemetery on 7-5-95. Christine is looking into identifying where the unmarked graves are located.
- Adelita Craig gave a financial report. Balance July 17, 1995 was 2,796.50. Food and Supplies cost \$1,108.85; Chemical toilet and chemicals cost \$173.12; gifts cost \$27.49. Current balance is 1,798.05.

Secret pals HELP HELP

I have people who picked up secret pal information but didn't fill out information forms and I have people who filled out forms and didn't pick out someone to correspond with.....

Rules:

- To receive you must give
- To give you should receive
- If you are not receiving or giving, let me know
- send something, a card, post card etc., at least once every two months. Remember special occasions, (such as Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year, Valentine's Day, St. Patrick's Day, etc.)
- Birthdays, anniversaries, are a must for times to be in touch.
- Gifts are optional...
- If you can not or do not want to continue let me know. Call me at 1-303-289-2787. or write to: Fabiola M. Esposito, 8351 Solana Drive, Thornton, Colorado 80229. I will re-assign people.
- **For everyone with a Secret Pal: please send me the following information:**
 - The name of your Secret Pal.
 - Your current address & please keep me updated so I can let your Secret Pal know.
 - Important dates in your life: anniversary, birthday, graduation, etc.
 - Your favorite color, hobby, things you like.

Attendance at the 1995 Maestas Family Reunion

Stella Vasquez	Frank Maestas	Joe Martinez	Paul Maestas
Delfinio Vasquez	Lulu Valdez	DonnaJo Martinez	Annette Maestas
Christine Taylor	Fidel Valdez	Joe Martinez Jr	Kenny Maestas
Dick Taylor	Elizabeth Valdez	Prescillianna Martinez	Marissa Maestas
Sam Vasquez	Harvey Bordette	Fidel Maestas	Adam Maestas
Angie Vasquez	David Bordette	Rose Maestas	Mario Maestas
Dominic Vasquez	Rosalie Bordette	Michael Maestas	Jacqueline Maestas
Carole St John	Mina Montgomery	Paul Maestas	Mariah Maestas
Matt Maestas	Tobias Montgomery	Denise Maestas	Jamie Ulibarri
Joan Maestas	Zach Montgomery	Andrea Maestas	Filimon Maestas
Jonathan Maestas	Lorren Montgomery	Josephine Alvarez	Delma Maestas
Jordan Maestas	Dan Jaramillo	Gary Alvarez	Christy Maestas
Dannette Maestas	Cresencia Jaramillo	Barbara	★ Christy's friend
Cassandra Maestas	Martha Chavez	Lorraine	★ Tano Chavez
Randy J. Maestas	Sam Chavez	Steve	★ Rosa Chavez
Lori Barela	Earl Chavez	Elsie Valdez	★ Filimon Martinez
Larry Barela	Sophie Chavez	Louie Valdez	★ Mrs. Filimon
Tamara Barela	Ashlynn Chavez	Christopher Valdez	Martinez
Ashley Barela	Connie Romero	Robert Valdez	Jimmy Maestas
Christopher Barela	Belarmino Romero	Jeannie-Mari	Melvin Maestas
Danny Lopez	BJ Romero	Bartholomew	Mike Esposito
Johnnie Lopez	Deandra Romero	Frank Garcia	Fabiola Esposito
Nick Lopez	Diane Mondragon	Jack Garcia	Sara Esposito
Rick Maestas	Gerald Mondragon	Victor Villareal	Antonio Esposito
Monica Maestas	Lillian Sanchez	Mariann Maestas	Bianca Esposito
Erin Maestas	Denise Mingus	Stephen Maestas	Lorraine Duran
Kaylyn Maestas	Rocky Mingus	John Madrid	Yvonne Vasquez
Steven Maestas	Elia Gonzales	Johnnie Madrid	★ Yvonne's friend
Elias Valdez	Derrick Gonzales	Michael Valdez	Demetrio Maestas
Della Foster	Bella Nies	Rhonda Valdez	Rosalinda Maestas
Jessie Humphrey	Paul Nies	Jerry Valdez	★ ??granddaughter??
Jack Humphrey	Eric Nies	Rosalie Valdez	Marie Trujillo
Valerie Nance	Connie Jaramillo	Janele Valdez	Robert Trujillo
Gwen Nance	Eddie Jaramillo	Isaac Valdez	Anthony Trujillo
Jane Nance	Lina Evans	Donnie Romero	Samantha Bonney
Carlos Maestas	Stephanie Evans	Melanie Romero	Chastity Bonney
Kevin Maestas	Dan Craig	Cleo Valdez	Kelly Bonney
Adrienne Maestas	Lee Craig	Richard Valdez	Beverly Bonney
Lionor Maestas	Jordan Craig	Ernie Trujillo	Larry Maestas
Bercy Maestas	Carlos Craig	Kristi Trujillo	Floyd Brillhart
Jo Rosborough	Adelita Craig	Kristen Trujillo	Florence Brillhart
Guy Rosborough	★ Alfonso Arellano	Andrew Trujillo	Daryl Brillhart
Anna Saiz	★ Fuzzy Arellano	Andy Maestas	Cindy Brillhart
John Saiz	Darren Craig	Kenny Maestas	Justin Brillhart
John Saiz Jr	Joaquin Maestas	Pat Maestas	Joshua Brillhart
Amy Saiz	Bennie Garcia	Marissa Maestas	Elise Casados
Alex Saiz	JoAnn Madrid	Tim Valdez	★ Terry Hamilton
Diane Nunez	Joe Madrid	Julie Olsen	★ Scott Hamilton
Yolanda Maestas	Selina Aragon	Elena Olsen-Valdez	★ Genevieve Vigil
Ernest Maestas	Seferino Aragon	Paul Jaramillo	Freddie Chavez
Paul McCoy	Mary Jane Garcia	Melanie Jaramillo	Jimmy Maestas
Barbara Holmes	Desiree Garcia	Shalon Jaramillo	Sally Maestas
Amanda Jaramillo	Bobby Maestas	Paul Jaramillo	George Maestas
Kirk Harden	Christopher Maestas	Cresencia Jaramillo	Jeff Maestas
Candice Harden	Steven Maestas	Steven Jaramillo	Diane Maestas
Austin Harden	Donna Martinez	Amorette Maestas	Crystal Maestas

★ Denotes guests of family members

Gifts for the oldest and youngest family member present were purchased by Pam Maestas. Adela B. Maestas was the oldest celebrating her 85th birthday on July 8th. She received a beautiful blanket. Deandra Romero, great granddaughter of Moises & Florinda Maestas, granddaughter of Sam & Martha Chavez, daughter of Belarmino & Connie was the youngest, being born on June 3, 1995. She received a blanket.

We will be sending more information on a family quilt for the 1997 reunion. The idea is to raffle it off and use the money to buy essentials. We are looking at an 8 inch square with a 3/4 inch border.

This year money was spent on a chemical toilet. Having an extra out-house helped.

The menu committee met and has this for the next reunion: we will be asking that only one dozen tortillas be brought. The menu committee will also have some changes on the cookies, snacks. Possibly have a few select families bring marshmallows instead of cookies. They also authorized the buying of 2 5-gallon water containers, with spigots, for drinks. They discussed a dining fly.

We again ask for only one camp fire during the reunion.

The response for towels and dish cloths was fantastic. We now have enough to even clean up after the pie eating contest!! Thank Elias for washing them right away. This is the first year we wouldn't have been in a bind.

It was suggested that towels be used as a way to get more help. Therefore, at the next reunion the people cooking will pick a towel (that will have a name on it) and that will decide who is doing clean up. As the people picking the towels will not know the names on the towels it should be fair.

We will go back to a sign-in sheet. There will also be name tags, color coded by family, to help those of us who have poor memories.

FYI

All living children from Abenicio's, Seraida's and Ignacio's families were in attendance. We had representation from Demetria's family again. It had been quite awhile. Matias' family had eight out of 10 children represented. All of Joe's daughters made it to the reunion. Moises' family had 2 of 6 children present.

Missing Persons report

- ☞ Maggie Espinar would have liked to join us but her health does not allow her to make the long trip.
 - ☞ Ernest, Serenity, Spring and Hawaii (Fidel & Rose Maestas family) are still in Oregon. Spring graduated this year and is now working. ☞ Maxine went to Quebec this summer and will not be in New Mexico until the end of July to visit Fidel and Rose Maestas.
 - ☞ Belinda is in the San Francisco Bay area keeping herself busy. Her mom, Cresencia Jaramillo, hopes that by the next reunion she'll be in the New Mexico or Colorado area.
 - ☞ Ken, Linda, and family from Kalamazoo had a prior commitment but hope to make the 1997 reunion, according to Elias. ☞ Robin was training for a Presbyterian Assembly Session in Cincinnati, Ohio.
 - ☞ Robert, Sid and Cody did not attend as Cody did not arrive until July 1st. The Craigs are all doing well in Springville Utah.
 - ☞ Pam did not attend as her son (Eric Steven Chavira) waited until July 10th to be born. They are doing well in Barstow. We missed her and Lucille who stayed home to welcome her newest grandchild. Since then Carlos & Lucille became Great-grandparents again. Sabrina Olguin was born 8-17 to their granddaughter Rachel (mom, Dornella).
 - ☞ Fermin, Mabel, and family visited New Mexico in June as Fermin was unable to get time off in July.
 - ☞ Stella Medina (a.k.a. Lujan) was in Phoenix visiting her brother.
 - ☞ Eddie Jaramillo is finally back in California. He had by-pass surgery in Albuquerque shortly after the reunion and there were complications. His progress has been slow.
 - ☞ Delfinio Vasquez is responding to chemotherapy. He and Stella have been with Sam in Albuquerque.
- We would like to extend our thanks to Barbara Holmes for providing the pens specially inscribed for the family reunion.

Family Tree



At the reunion, everyone was enthusiastic about putting together a complete family tree. However, only about a dozen genealogical forms were turned in at the reunion and only 1 more has been received in the mail. Even if you are not very interested, please send us the information about yourself and your family, so that those who are interested will have it available. If you don't have the forms anymore, just write out the following information on plain paper:

Dates of birth, death, all marriages, divorces, adoptions, etc.

Names of all children, spouses, nicknames, etc. Note that the computer program keeps track of a married woman under her maiden name. **This is very important.**

Make sure that the relationships between people are clear; for example, Charlemagne is known as Kaiser Wilhelm's son, but in reality Charlemagne is the son of Heloise, Kaiser Wilhelm's second wife, and Kaiser Wilhelm adopted Charlemagne after Kaiser Wilhelm married Heloise. If you want to draw a little diagram to make it clear, feel free. Please make sure that addresses and phone numbers are included wherever possible.

Whatever information you have, please send it along to Fabiola Esposito (address above).

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