THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28:
Hotel courtesy van available for pick up from the Laredo International airport to La Posada Hotel.

*Registration in the Second Floor Lobby of La Posada Hotel from 5:00-9:00pm

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29:
Registration: 8:30 - 4:00, Western Hemispheric Trade Center Lobby, Texas A&M International University

All Friday sessions held at Texas A&M International University

1.0 Friday Parallel Sessions: 9 -10:30 am

1a Language Attitudes I, Rm 103
Session Chair: Lisa Gardner-Flores, Texas A&M International
9:00 Roberto S. Gutiérrez, San Diego State University: "Attitudes towards Chicano Spanish in two border towns"
9:30 Debbie Cole and Adriana Castillo, University of Texas, Pan Am: "Is it OK to laugh? Changing attitudes towards linguistic stereotyping on the Mind of Mencia"
10:00 Peter Gingiss and Patricia M. Welsh, University of Houston: "First Names: Relating Use and Attitude"

1b Romance Linguistics, Rm 116
Session Chair: Domnita Dumitrescu, California State University, LA
9:00 Israel Sanz, University of California, Berkeley: "Maybe not that weird after all: Grammaticalization and the problem of the Catalan periphrastic"
9:30 Harry Howard, Tulane University: "Input vs. network effects in
the multiagent modeling of morphological leveling in Old Castilian"

10:00 Miguel Rodríguez-Mondoñedo, University of Connecticut: "A constraint on list-readings in Spanish"

1c General Linguistics, Rm 106
Session Chair:
9:00 Sumayya Racy, University of Arizona: “Modals and the raising/control distinction”
9:30 Anna Asbury, Utrecht Institute of Linguistics: "Finnish partitive case as determiner suffix"
10:00 Leonard Chacha, UCLA: "A metrical analysis of a Kuria praise poem"

10:30-10:45 MORNING BREAK, Room 114

2.0 Friday Parallel Sessions: 10:45 - 12:15

2a Border Identities, Rm 103
Session Chair: MaryEllen García, University of Texas-San Antonio
10:45 Edward Heckler, University of Texas-Pan Am: "The quest for border identity"
11:15 Daniel Villa, New Mexico State University: "In the eye of the storm: Southwest Spanish and the creation of ethnic identity"
11:45 Stuart Stewart, Southeastern Louisiana University: "Crossing borders, forging identities: Echoes of symbiosis between classroom and community"

2b Spanish Morphology, Rm 116
Session Chair:
10:45 Regina Morin, The College of New Jersey: "Competing processes of Spanish gender assignment in computer and Internet-related loanwords: It’s clear why it’s feminine, but why is it masculine?"
11:15 Richard Winters, University of Louisiana at Lafayette: "Feature Strength and Possessors in Spanish"
11:45 Jiyoung Yoon, University of North Texas: "Deverbal compounds in Spanish: Un abrelatas vs. un saltamontes"
2c Endangered Languages, Rm 106
Session Chair:
10:45 Pamela Munro, UCLA: "Tlacolula Valley Zapotec diminutives and paradigmatic irregularity"
11:15 Michael Galant, California State University, Dominguez Hills: "The morphosyntactic status of animacy classifiers in San Andrés Yaá Zapotec"
11:45 Julia Elizabeth Lonergan, University of California, Santa Cruz: "Comparison of Native American Hopi Indian and East Indian religious metaphors"

12:15-1:45 LUNCH BREAK, Rm 114

3.0 Friday Parallel Sessions: 1:30 - 3:00

3a Invited Panel: Student Perspectives of TexMex in the Laredo Community, Rm 103
Session Chair: Kati Pletsch de García, Texas A&M International
Participants: Students from Texas A&M International

3b Spanish Discourse, Rm 116
Session Chair: Lola O. Norris, Texas A&M International
1:45 Diane Uber, The College of Wooster: "Fórmulas de tratamiento en los negocios en Santiago de Chile"
2:15 José Esteban Hernández, University of Texas-Pan Am: "Diferenciación semántica a nivel social y discursivo en la variación verbal de las formas de tratamiento casual"
2:45 Flavia Belpoliti, Encarna Bermejo and Patricia Gubitosi, University of Houston: "Heritage speakers’ unfinished acquisition of the Spanish verbal system: Compensating strategies"
3c Spanish and English Syntax, Rm 106
Session Chair:
1:45 Larry Gorbet, University of New Mexico: "Predicate collective adjectives in English"
2:15 Hye-Yoon Chung, University of Texas: "Ambiguous focus marking: In a sentence-final position"
2:45 (no talk scheduled at this time)

3:15-3:30 AFTERNOON BREAK, Room 114

3:30-4:30 Presidential Address, Rm. 116

Introduction of the Past President by Kati Pletsch de García, Texas A&M International University, LASSO 2006 Vice President and Program Chair

Introduction of the LASSO President by Domnita Dumitrescu, California State University Los Angeles, LASSO Past President

Presidential Address by Colleen Fitzgerald, LASSO 2006 President, Texas Tech University: “Indigenous languages and Spanish in the U.S.: How can/do linguists serve communities?”

4:30 and 5:00 Transportation to La Posada Hotel

6:00 - 8:00 Presidential Reception, El Tesoro Club, La Posada Hotel

FRIDAY EVENING 8:15pm
*Executive Meeting: La Palma Room, La Posada Hotel, Officers and Board Members are expected to attend. Everyone invited! Please join us!
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30
Registration: 8:30 - 11:30, La Posada Hotel, Second Floor Lobby

All Saturday sessions held at La Posada

4.0 Saturday Parallel Sessions: 9 -10:30

4a Spanish Sociolinguistics, Bluebonnet room
Session Chair: Stuart Stewart, Southeastern Louisiana University
9:00 Devin Jenkins, University of Colorado at Denver: "The state(s) of Spanish in the Southwest: A comparative analysis"
9:30 Antonio Medina-Rivera, Cleveland State University: "When phonological variation reaches the written level"
10:00 María Irene Moyna, Texas A&M University and Wendy Decker, University of San Diego: "How the Californio girls (and boys) lost their accents"

4b Cultural Discourse, La Palma room
Session Chair: Dr. Ellen Barker, Texas A&M International
9:00 Vineeta Chand, University of California, Davis: "When the Iraqi’s aren’t ‘them’: A soldier’s perspective"
9:30 Robert Connor, Louisiana State University: "Transcending the borders of a disaster: Children’s writings on Hurricane Katrina"
10:00 Donna L. Lillian and Elizabeth Kearney, East Carolina University: "Approaching hysteria approaching the Qur’an: The debate in and about Chapel Hill, 2002"

4c Endangered Languages, Hibiscus room
Session Chair:
9:00 Pamela Munro, UCLA: "Tlacolula Valley Zapotec diminutives and paradigmatic irregularity"
9:30 Michael Galant, California State University, Dominguez Hills: "The morphosyntactic status of animacy classifiers in San Andrés Yaá Zapotec"
10:00 Julia Elizabeth Lonergan, University of California, Santa Cruz: "Comparison of Native American Hopi Indian and East Indian religious metaphors"
5.0 Saturday Parallel Sessions: 10:45 - 12:15

5a Language Attitudes II, Bluebonnet room
Session Chair:
10:45 Michelle Ramos-Pellicia, George Mason University: "Language attitudes and language use in an Ohio community of Puerto Ricans"
11:15 Lei Zhang, University of Texas-Pan Am: "Is there a positive attitude? Southern American undergraduate students’ attitudes toward international teaching assistants of English"

5b Spanish Language Use in Print Media, La Palma room
Session Chair: Agustín Martínez-Samos, Texas A&M International
10:45 Lola O. Norris, Texas A&M International: "’Dear Editor’ o Dime cómo escribes y te diré de dónde eres’: El cambio de códigos en las cartas al editor de un periódico fronterizo"
11:15 Travis D. Sorenson, Texas A&M University: "El alza de periódicos de lengua española en Estados Unidos como reflejo del aumento de la población hispana?"
11:45 Marco Iníquez, Texas A&M University, Kingsville: "TBA"

5c Phonetics and Phonology, Hibiscus room
Session Chair:
10:45 Lori Czerwionka, University of Texas: "Intonation of hedged phrases: Transcending borders into Spain and Mexico, focusing on intermediate boundaries and alignment"
11:15 David Eddington, Brigham Young University: "Capitalistic versus Militaristic: Paradigm Uniformity and Analogy"
11:45 Karen Roesch, University of Texas: “Traversing linguistic borders: From the Alsace to Medina County, Texas”
12:15-1:45 LUNCH BREAK, El Tesoro Club

6.0 Saturday Parallel Sessions: 1:30 - 3:00

6a Code-Switching, Bluebonnet Room
Session Chair: Patricia González, Texas A&M International
1:45 David Kobel, Oklahoma State University: "Code-Switching on South Texas Radio"
2:15 Daniel Olson, University of Texas: "Multiple strategies of creating contrastive focus and the effect on intonation"
2:45 Anthony K. Webster, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale: “From Hóyéé to Hajinei: On the implications of code-switching and orthography in Navajo poetry

6b Advertising Discourse, La Palma Room
Session Chair: Robert J. Baumgardner, Texas A&M University-Commerce: "A dip by any other name…The use of English and Spanish in product naming in Mexico and the United States"
2:45 Vincent Taohsun Chang, National Chengchi University: "Visual meaning in multimodal discourse: An experimental pragmatic approach”

6c Interfacing Grammatical Properties in Spanish, Hibiscus Rm
Session Chair:
1:45 Amy E. Gregory, University of Tennessee, Knoxville: "The interface between modality, reference, and subordination: The Spanish subjunctive"
2:15 Lindsey N. Chen, University of Southern California: “Fusion or Lasso: Revisiting Mass Terms in Spanish”
2:45 (no 2:45 talk at this time)
3:15-3:30 AFTERNOON BREAK, The Rose Room

3:30-4:30 Plenary Address, El Tesoro Rm

Introduction of the Program Chair by Patricia MacGregor-Mendoza, New Mexico State University, LASSO 2006 Executive Director

Introduction of the Plenary Speaker by Kati Pletsch de García, Texas A&M International, LASSO 2006 Vice President and Program Chair

Plenary address by Ana Celia Zentella, University of California, San Diego: “Transfronterizo Talk: Remapping the linguistic and cultural borders in Tijuana-San Diego”

4:30-7:00 Free time! Explore downtown Laredo or Nuevo Laredo

Saturday, 7:00-10:00 Conference Banquet

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

7.0 Sunday Parallel Sessions: 9 -10:30 am

7a Language Acquisition, Bluebonnet Room
Session Chair:
9:00 Guadalupe Aguiar, Texas A&M International University: "Adquisición académica vs. adquisición de la lengua, ¿qué debe ser primero?"
9:30 Donna E. West, State University of New York at Cortland: "A case for L2-like errors in L1 bilingual acquisition: Evidence for English to Spanish transfer"
10:00 Dustin De Felice, Northeastern Illinois University: "Living an
endangered language: Learning Nahuatl and its vocabulary in modern-day Mexico”

7b Using Linguistic Tools for Literature and Culture, La Palma Session Chair:
9:00 Conchita Hickey, Texas A&M International University: "Chicano literature: Transcending Academic Borders"
9:30 Joke Mondada, University of New Orleans: "Rosario Ramos Salas’ story ‘Te perdiste’: A discourse analysis"
10:00 Debbie S. Cunningham, Texas A&M University "El establecimiento de las relaciones de poder en Nueva España: Un análisis crítico de diarios coloniales”

10:30-10:45 MORNING BREAK, The Rose Room

8.0 Parallel Sessions: 10:45 -11:45

8a Spanish Lexical Adaptations, Bluebonnet Room Session Chair:
10:45 Ana Ortigosa Pastor, CUNY: "Colocaciones en el español de Nueva York: Convergencia comunicativa y lingüística"
11:15 Lisa Gardner Flores and Patricia González, Texas A&M International University: "Lexical adaptations in a Southwest dialect: Creating meaning within a bicultural context"

8b The Consequences of Bilingualism in the Classroom, La Palma, Room Session Chair:
10:45 Diana Linn, Texas A&M International University: "Representational patterns of English Language Learners receiving special education services in South Texas"
11:15 Laura Dubcovsky, University of California, Davis: "La preparación de maestros más allá de las fronteras"

11:45 - 12:45 LASSO Business Meeting and Brunch, all members invited, El Tesoro Club

Sunday morning - Hotel courtesy van shuttle trips to the Laredo International airport. Arrange your pick-up at the reception desk