

**TEXAS AGRICULTURAL LIFETIME LEADERSHIP**

**TALL X - Session #6**

**October 16 - 19, 2007**

**Valley / Mexico**

(11/26/2007 kb)

**“EMPLOYMENT, EMIGRATION, ETHNICITY”**

**You will need to indicate proof of US citizenship while in Mexico.**

**For all TALL X members - that is your passport.**

**Guests must bring the items you provided on your VISA application.**

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**Daniel Abram I. Castillo - Hotel Convention Group Coordinator**

**Tuesday, October 16, 2007:**

**Presiding: Chad Elkins & Duel Glass, III**

**Business Casual**

11:15 a.m. Meet at McAllen Airport Outside Baggage Area Door to board chartered bus. They are not allowed to stay more than 15 minutes.

Sponsored boxed lunch will be provided on bus.

(Danny Sosebee/TALL Alumnus & Session Sponsor (956) 330-8871)

11:30 a.m. Bus Departs - Travel with Presentation on Bus:

**Water Issues As It Relates to Agriculture ..... Brian Jones**

President Hidalgo County Farm Bureau; Farms  
Corn, Cotton, Grain Sorghum. (956) 330-1110/Cell

12:15 p.m. Tour/Presentation **Rio Grande Valley Sugar Growers . Steve Bearden**

1:45 p.m. General Manager, Rio Grande Valley Sugar Growers, Inc.  
(956) 636-1411; W Highway 107; Santa Rosa, Texas

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1:45 p.m. Bus Departs - Travel to **Frontera Produce** - Presentation on Bus:

**Overview of Rio Grande Valley Agriculture ..... Vidal H. Saenz**

EA-CEP/SFOTTAP Hidalgo County (956) 802-6589/Cell  
(Extension Agent - Cooperative Extension Program - Small Farmer  
Outreach Training & Technical Assistance Project)

**Presiding: Ed Erwin & Geoff Haney**

2:15 p.m. Arrive & Tour **Frontera Produce** ..... **Will Steele**

3:45 p.m. President/ CEO  
(956) 381-5701; 1321 Frontera Road; Edinburg, Texas 78541

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Appreciation to Mr. Brad Cowan, CEA-Ag/NR Hidalgo County for providing speakers,  
Mr. Brian Jones and Mr. Vidal Saenz.

**Continued: Tuesday, October 16, 2007:**

- 3:45 p.m. Bus Departs - Travel to **Hidalgo Bridge to U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Customs & Border Protection, Office of Field Operations.**
- 4:15 p.m. **Homeland Security - Border Control** ..... **Speakers & Officers**
- 4:15 p.m. "USDA-APHIS-VS Import Programs" ..... **Mr. Greg Elizondo**
- 5:30 p.m. Animal Health Technician - Quarantine Enforcement Inspector
- "U.S. Customs & Border Protection - Commercial Trade Services" .....  
**Supervisor Ruben Ruiz & Agent Oscar Saldana,**  
Department of Homeland Security U.S. Customs & Border Protection
- Javier Moreno, TALL Alumnus and TALL Session Sponsor,** will meet the bus before going through customs and provide a sponsored meal on the bus after crossing. (956) 383-8719 - CELL
- 5:30 p.m. **Go Through Customs**
- 6:00 p.m. Board Bus and Cross Hidalgo International Bridge - Depart for Monterrey
- Homework Presentations on Bus** .....
- 9:00 p.m. **Arrive:**  
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**Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: October 17, 18, 19, 2007**

Wednesday through Friday itinerary is being prepared by Mr. Juan Francisco Livas and his staff. Mr. Livas is currently the Director of Fideicitrus which is in the state of Nuevo Leon. He is the son of the former Governor of Neuvo Leon and Aggie - Class of 1981.

Some of you might remember him as he gave leadership to a Mexican Delegation of Agriculture businessmen who attended the Austin reception.

Juan Livas is a supporter and true friend of TALL and SALE-LE.

The remaining agenda will be provided by him upon arrival in Mexico.

Elizabeth Gonzalez - Assistant to Mr. Livas  
011 + 52 (81) 83. 17. 38. 36 - OFFICE  
011 + 52 (81) 81. 12. 55. 20. 77 - CELL

All hotel breakfast buffets are included in our room charge.  
Dr. Mazurkiewicz will let you know what the time-line is for breakfast.

The evening meals: Dinner in Mexico is eaten much later than in the U.S.

"Wednesday night (October 17) you will have dinner on  
"Museo del Acero" in Parque Fundidora at 9:30 p.m."

"Thursday night (October 18) dinner will be at La Catarina around 9:00 p.m."  
We believe they will be sponsored but it is not confirmed as yet.

**NOTE: as always the schedule can be changed without notice**

**Presiding Participants:** Because we do not have the confirmed agenda and unable to "assign" you specifically within the agenda - each of you will be responsible for incorporating the information below. The Mexico session day is longer and broken into 3 sections:

- #1) morning to lunch
- #2) lunch to dinner
- #3) dinner to adjourn

If you have a question, please talk to Dr. Mazurkiewicz

**Dress Code: Business Casual for everything.**  
***Bring a coat or sweater for evening - it can get chilly***

**\*Exception\*** please provide yourself one "Business" opportunity should it be necessary. That means gentlemen, bring a sports coat and a tie. Ladies, adjust accordingly.

**Business Casual:** Men - casual slacks or "dress jeans" and collared shirt.  
Women - casual slacks, skirts. ("dress jeans" are kahki or some other type of slacks - no blue jeans.)

**Business:** Men - coat and tie, either suit or sports coat & slacks.  
Women - dress or business suit.

**No Blue Jeans**  
**No Tee Shirts**

On Thursday, October 18, 2007 - Special Instructions fro ICMOSA Plant.

- "1) No high heels (it's better to use tennis shoes).
- 2) No Jewelry.
- 3) No short or short jeans.
- 4) No cell phones, no cameras.
- 5) Not too much make-up.
- 6) No bubble gum."

Presiding Participants

**Wednesday, October 17, 2007:**

Breakfast Buffett at Hotel ..... Depart Bus early every morning

- #1) Clayton Henry & Beverly Moseley /Morning to Lunch
- #2) Terry Hlavinka & Eva Perry /Lunch to Dinner
- #3) Thomas Northcutt & Richie Moss /Dinner to Adjourn

**Thursday, October 18, 2007:**

Breakfast Buffett at Hotel ..... Depart Bus Early Morning

- #1) Shannon Sneary & J.J. Barto /Morning to Lunch
- #2) Trae' Ottmers & Rich Zarria /Lunch to Dinner
- #3) Marc Shepard & Charles Vincent, II /Dinner to Adjourn

**Friday, October 19, 2007: Business Casual**

Check-Out of Hotel

Breakfast Buffett at Hotel ..... Depart Bus Early Morning

- #1) Albert Chapa & Lynn Angell /Morning to Lunch

11:00 a.m. Depart En Route back to Texas from last stop.

**We are HOPEFUL that you will arrive by 3:00 p.m.,  
 HOWEVER, THIS IS SUBJECT TO BORDER CROSSING GUARDS.  
 Everyone will be taken by the bus to the McAllen Airport where cars will be  
 parked for those of you who have driven (security and central location).**

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- Rio Grande Valley Sugar Growers
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- Bagley Produce Company

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- Mike Guerra/TALL Alumnus - Attorney
- Kevin Hiles/TALL Alumnus - Mayor Rio Grande City
- Juan Livas/ Director of Fidecitrus - Nuevo Leon Mexico
- Javier Moreno/TALL Alumnus - Rancher
- Danny Sosebee/TALL Alumnus & Netafirm, USA
- \*Texas Citrus Mutual
- \*Texas Vegetable Association
- (\*Mr. Ray Prewett, Exec. VP & TALL Advisory Board Member)

**ADIOS**

**MIÉRCOLES 17 DE OCTUBRE, 2007**

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|---------------|---|
| 7:30 – 8:30   | Breakfast at Radisson Casa Grande Hotel   |
| 8:30 – 9:00   | Transportation to Monterrey Tech  |
| 9:00 – 10:30  | Conference “The USA and Mexico: the inevitability of Interdependence” by Professor Raoul Godínez. |
| 10:30 – 11:00 | Coffee Break  |
| 11:00 – 12:30 | Conference “The Mexico - USA experience in foreign investment disputes” by Dr. Gabriel Cavazos    |
| 12:30 – 1:30  | Visit to Biotechnology Lab at Monterrey Tech  |
| 1:30 – 3:30   | ExpoTec and Lunch   |
| 3:30 - 4:00   | Transportation to Nuevo Leon Government Palace Museum   |
| 4:00 - 5:00   | Nuevo Leon Government Palace Museum Tour  |
| 5:00 - 7:00   | Tour through Mexican History Museum and Northeast Museum  |
| 7:00 – 7:30   | Transportation to Steel Museum  |
| 7:30 – 9:00   | “Isis y la Serpiente Emplumada” and “América Migración” Tours.                                    |
| 9:00 – 12:00  | Dinner at Steel Museum Restaurant   |
| 12:00         | Back to Radisson Casa Grande Hotel  |

**JUEVES 18 DE OCTUBRE, 2007**

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| 8:00 – 9:00   | Breakfast at Radisson Casa Grande Hotel      |
| 9:00 – 10:30  | Transportation to Linares City.              |
| 10:30 – 11:30 | Visit to Kellogg’s Plant                     |
| 11:30 – 12:00 | Transportation to ICMOSA                     |
| 12:00 – 1:00  | Visit to ICMOSA                              |
| 1:00 – 1:30   | Transportation to Orchard                    |
| 1:30 – 4:00   | Lunch at Orchard                             |
| 4:00 – 4:30   | Transportation to Morelos Passage            |
| 4:30 – 7:00   | Shopping at Morelos Passage                  |
| 7:00 – 7:30   | Transportation to Radisson Casa Grande Hotel |
| 7:30 – 8:30   | Free time at Hotel                           |
| 8:30 – 9:00   | Transportation to “La Catarina”              |
| 9:00 – 11:30  | Dinner at “La Catarina”                      |
| 11:30         | Back to Radisson Casa Grande Hotel           |

**VIERNES 19 DE OCTUBRE, 2007**

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| 8:00 – 9:00  | Breakfast at Radisson Casa Grande Hotel |
| 9:00 – 9:30  | Transportation to Santa Lucia Passage   |
| 9:30 – 10:30 | Santa Lucia Passage Tour                |

**Nota: El presente programa está sujeto a cambios sin previo aviso**