

HFSA's Accomplishments 2006-2007 Academic Year

- Celebrated the 15th anniversary of HFSA on campus of The University of Texas at Austin.
- Hosted nine monthly luncheons during the year, with such themes as: *Año Nuevo/New Year*, *Nuestras Raíces/Our Roots*, *Servico/Service*, *Holiday Fiesta*, *Amistad/Friendship*, *Abuelitas/Grandmothers*, *Officer Elections*, and *Celebración/Celebration*.
- Fostered strong partnerships with the University Federal Credit Union, *El Mercado*, *Mangia*, *Campus Club (UT Austin)*, *El Pollo Regio*, *Texadelphia*, *Janiitizo's*, *Schlotsky's*, and *Mann's BBQ*.
- Provided high-quality professional development workshops on the following topics: Retirement and Tax Planning; Home Buying in the Austin Market; Managing Generation X; What UT Libraries Can Do For You; Business Writing, Grammar, Punctuation, and Formatting; and Univ. Health Services Available to Faculty & Staff.
- Participated in the 2006 New Faculty Resources Fair.
- Participated in the first Community Potluck held in Fall of 2006.
- Presented an HFSA Faculty/Staff Professional Development educational grant to Michele Guzman, Ph.D. (faculty member) and Aurora Chang Ross (staff member).
- Recognized HFSA members with 260 years of combined years of service at UT.
- Hosted a *Celebración/Celebration* luncheon inducting new executive officers and recognizing the 2006- 2007 HFSA Faculty Member of the Year, Michele Guzman, Ph.D., and the 2006-2007 HFSA Staff Member of the Year, Twiggy Aguilera.
- Organized a book donation drive benefiting the UT Elementary School.
- Co-organized the 2007 Leadership Symposium with the Black Faculty and Staff Association and Asian/Asian American Faculty and Staff Association.
- Continued a successful fund-raising campaign in support of the HFSA - Jamail/Long Challenge Grant Scholarship; raising over \$2,000 during this academic year toward the student scholarship endowment that totals \$141,000.
- Celebrated the 10th anniversary of the HFSA Holiday Assistance Committee, which this year provided more than 210 families with food assistance.

In addition to what HFSA accomplishes collectively, our members also serve the UT community in the following ways:

- Support and mentor students, staff and faculty of all races, cultures and backgrounds.
- Volunteer as translators at campus functions such as Longhorn Halloween and Orange Santa.
- Volunteer for such campus events as Fall Faculty Orientation, Moov In, Gone to Texas, Sabado Gigante, Fall and Spring Commencements.
- Serve on various campus-wide committees.
- Serve as advisors to Latino and non-Latino student organizations.

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