### **Events**

#### **FUNDRAISERS**

Fireworks Booth (corner of Paramount & Carson)
Dining Out Dinners
Concert in the Park Food Booths
Direct Donations

## SPONSORED EVENTS WITH THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

Pan American Fiesta
Pan American Flag Presentation by Boy
Scout Troop #65
Summer Concerts in the Park
Lakewood Award of Valor
Lakewood Sports Hall of Fame

## PARTNERED WITH THE LAKEWOOD ROTARY CLUB

El Comienzo Luncheon

#### PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS

The City of Lakewood Boy Scout Troop #65 Lakewood Rotary Club Friends of the Lakewood Libraries

## JOIN LAKEWOOD PAN AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month. Please join us in the Pan American Room, Lakewood City Hall, 8 AM – 9 AM



Heritage Photo from Saludos Amigos Parade

Pan American Association

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# LAKEWOOD PAN AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

WE ARE A SERVICE
ORGANIZATION PROVIDING
SCHOLARSHIPS TO LOCAL
STUDENTS IN THE LAKEWOOD
COMMUNITY



Extending the hand of Friendship and Goodwill since 1946

## History of the Lakewood Pan American Association

Founded in 1946, our purpose is to provide cultural and educational opportunities to the community.

A collection of historical photos from Pan Am events through the years is available during the annual Fiesta at Mayfair Park.

## Lakewood Pan American Association Scholarships

The Lakewood Pan American Association pleased to provide educational scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$1,000. High school seniors who have resided in Lakewood for at least two (2) years are eligible for the scholarship opportunities. The program targets students whose character is of high caliber exhibited by demonstrating good citizenship and respect for human values: have volunteered in their community and school; and have a sincere desire to complete a post high-school education.

The scholarship money is raised through our fireworks booth and other fundraisers.



**Pan American Association Ambassadors** 

#### Fireworks Booth Fundraiser

Our scholarship recipients, their families, and others volunteer at our fireworks booth located in front of the 7-11 store at Paramount and Carson.



#### Pan American Fiesta

Early Pan American Festival celebrations consisted of flag exchange programs, parades, and banquets that honored our neighbors to the south. The Pan American Association now honors the countries that are current members of the Organization of American States. The current events celebrated during the Festival are: the Poetry and Poster Contest, Flag Presentation Ceremony and the announcement of the Lakewood Pan American Scholarship recipients. These events culminate with the Pan American Fiesta, which is a three-day community celebration.

Each year the Pan American Association, in conjunction with the City of Lakewood, cosponsors the Pan American Fiesta. The Fiesta features craft booths, a children's cultural area, amusement rides and carnival games. The Fiesta also includes entertainment from a variety of musical talents ranging from Jazz to Country.

Throughout the years the Fiesta has become the cornerstone of the Festival celebration and is a true source of community pride.

#### **Dining Out Dinners**

Throughout the year we choose local restaurants who donate a percentage of your purchase to the Lakewood Pan American Association.

## Lakewood Pan American Poetry and Poster Contest

Each year this contest engages elementary and middle school students, in schools serving Lakewood, to develop their writing skills and artistic talents through a contest. Notification is given to our schools in late January. At that time the theme for the current year and details for participation are given. Winning writers and artists read their poems and share their poster work, respectively, during a ceremony Pan Am holds for participants, families, teachers and others. The posters and poems are displayed in the Pan American History Room during the Fiesta.



Poetry and Poster Contest