

**Hispanic Genealogical  
Research  
Center of New Mexico -  
HGRC**

**20th Anniversary Conference  
August 29 - 31, 2013**



**Marriott Pyramid  
5151 San Francisco Rd, NE (El Paseo & I25)  
Albuquerque, New Mexico**

## HGRC Conference Registration

Name:

Address:

Phone/email:

Name on tag(s):

Full Conference Registration per person, includes all meals \$75 per person  
Saturday Banquet only \$30 per person

# of people Conference: \_\_\_\_ x \$75 = \_\_\_\_\_

# of people Banquet Only \_\_\_\_ x \$30 = \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday only, includes lunch, # of people \_\_\_\_ x \$20 = \_\_\_\_\_

Total Cost: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Special Meal: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail checks to: HGRC, P. O. Box 27250, Albuquerque, NM 87125

### Getting to Albuquerque Early?

Thursday 2:00 – 4:00 pm @ the Hotel, Atrium Lobby, Book  
Rooms – Networking, Genealogists on Hand for quick Q&A.

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Best kept secrets is the Genealogy Department at the Main  
Library downtown at 5<sup>th</sup> and Copper.

Open from 10:00 am – 6:00 pm on Thursdays.

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The Center for Southwest Research has significant holdings of  
early colonial materials, film, newspapers and reading material.

On the UNM Campus.

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## Thursday Evening

Networking – Show & Tell 2:00 -4:30

Registration 3:00 – 4:30

President's Reception and Welcome 4:30 – 6:30

## 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference Sponsored by HGRC Friday, August 30, 2013

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**8:30 – 8:45** Welcome and Opening Ceremonies – Ronaldo Miera, President

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**8:45 – 9:00** Flag Honor Guard – Sons of the American Revolution.

*Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) presentation of colors.*

**9:00 – 10:30** Jose Antonio Esquibel – Keynote: The Lujan Family of 17th-century NM:  
Facts, Fiction, and Unanswered Questions

*The genealogy of the Lujan family may seem straightforward at first glance. Once you delve into the details and look at primary documentation, confusion sets in. To help clarify the Lujan family genealogy, José Antonio initiated The Lujan Project, which involved several volunteers via Facebook. The findings, extracted from primary 17<sup>th</sup>-century records, will be shared in this presentation, including proven genealogical groupings and clarification on what remains undocumented.*

**10:30 – 12:00** Debbie Gurtler – Family Search – A World of Possibilities at Your Fingertips.

*This class will highlight some of the best ways you can use the FamilySearch website to locate your Hispanic ancestors. It will include demonstrations of effective search techniques that can help improve your results. It will also present other resources available through the site for genealogists and family historians.*

**12:00 – 1:30** Luncheon – Networking

**1:30 – 3:00** Francisco Sisneros - Bridging the Rio Arriba and the Rio Abajo: The Records and Pobladores of the Rio Abajo.

*One hundred years ago the eminent linguist and folklorist Aurelio Macedonio Espinosa mapped out the eventual domain of the families who entered New Mexico with Juan de Oñate and Diego de Vargas. The domain began at the headwaters of the Rio Grande in the San Luis Valley of southern Colorado and meandered down through the historical Rio Arriba and opened up into the Rio Abajo. This presentation will trace the families and the records of these families from the Rio Arriba who settled the Rio Abajo beginning in the early 18<sup>th</sup> century.*

**3:00 – 4:30** Henrietta M. Christmas – San Miguel del Bado, Land Grant, Borderland and Gateway.

*This area was first opened up in 1794 to settlers from Santa Fe who wanted to venture further east and have lands available for their sheep herding and crops; 52 families were granted lands at SMB, take a look at an eastern migration, who they were and why everyone forded the river at the village of San Miguel.*

**4:30 – 5:00** Marlin Aker - What's New at HGRC.

*Come check out the new website, the new Great Pedigree Database and much more.*

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**Saturday, August 31, 2013**

**9:00 – 9:30 George Garcia – Sons of the American Revolution.**

*Overview of the Spanish Donativo to the American Revolutionary Cause in 1776 but the money was asked for in 1779. This class will provide the framework for you joining the SAR and DAR.*

**9:30 – 11:00 Debbie Gurtler – Spain and Mexico.**

*The archives of the world are becoming more and more accessible from the comfort of home. This class will demonstrate how to use the PARES – Portal de Archivos Españoles and others to locate the records of Hispanic ancestors in Spain and Mexico.*

**11:00 – 12:30 Valerie Hansen – Breaking Down Your Brick Walls.**

*All genealogists will experience brick walls in the course of their research; this class will focus on various methodologies for solving this type of genealogical problem.*

**12:30 – 2:00 Lunch – Box Lunch with music by Recuerdos**

**2:00 – 4:00 John Kessell – Bernardo de Miera: Dominguez and Escalante's Unruly Cartographer.**

*In 1776, don Bernardo de Miera went on a four-month, 1500 miles vision quest with two Franciscans. And although a superb map resulted from their exploration, relations between the two friars and their cartographer were often strained. Book signing to follow.*

**6:00 – 7:00 Happy Hour**

**7:00 – 9:00 Dinner and Closing Comments**

Board: Ronaldo Miera – President, Gil Maldonado – 1<sup>st</sup> VP, Jill Montoya – 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, Francisco Sisneros – 3<sup>rd</sup> VP, P. Robert Garcia – Treasurer, Dorothy Chavez Wiskup – Recording Secretary, Victoria Candelaria – Corresponding Secretary, John Peña & Marlin Aker, Jr. – Members-at-Large.

**HGRC-NM, founded June 1993, is a non-profit organization.**

Marriott Pyramid, \$89 room rate

The number to call is 1-877-622-3056 and

web link is: <https://resweb.passkey.com/go/hispanicgenrcnm>