

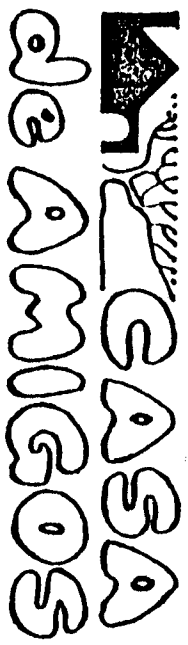
It appears ; if the organization of food-buying clubs in low-income neighborhoods of Midland is about to become a reality. The responsibility for this effort lies with Casa, who will serve as the sponsoring agency and provide support services, and with Blas Zuniga who will do the actual work of organizing these clubs. Mr. Zuniga is a VISTA, which stands for Volunteers In Service To America, and that's what he is, a volunteer. His job is a full-time one in which he is paid a subsistence allowance. He has spent the month since his appointment to the position in community and VISTA orientation, in observing similar operations in El Paso, and in researching resources and approaches in Midland. His job will consist of organizing clubs in various neighborhoods of the community, and in teaching the club members the various skills necessary to operate a food-buying club. Mr. Zuniga is an active member of Emmanuel Iglesia Baptista and has been an active participant in many Casa programs. He and his wife and three teenagers have lived in Midland for 16 years; he was employed for a number of years in a supervisory capacity by Furr's Cafeterias. We welcome him in his new labor and wish him well.

Those of you who know them will want to join in extending Christian sympathy to Casa staff members, Delia Ramirez, Margaret Hernandez, and Martha Ramirez in the loss of their loved one, Martha Hernandez.

Congratulations are in store for Martha Ramirez who is now a 1981 graduate of Lee High School. Martha, a participant in the VOE program, has been the clerk-secretary ("gopher", substitute tutor and receptionist, etc., etc.) for the past 2 years. We wish her well in her future endeavors!

In May, annually, the Casa board elects new members and officers, and says thank you to those rotating off. Welcome to new members Dr. John Martinez, Nancy Jordan, Dorothy Nash, Mary Alice Tidwell, and Dr. Danny Watts. Thank you to outgoing members Margie Titus, Marsha Sampomaro, Boley Embrey, Wayne Kohout, and Severo Enriquez.

Officers who will retain their current responsibilities are Jane Wolf, chairman, King Hughes, vice chairman of property, Isabel Rey, secretary, and Bill Mikulin, treasurer. Betty Deande will become vice chairman of program, and Bob Northington, vice chairman of finance.



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The school year is over and they've done it again! Who? The marvelous, selfless, faithful tutors who each helped one (a few, 2, but not simultaneously) child move ahead in the work of learning to read. The year was climaxed with a banana split party at the Casa on May 19, in which all the tutors and tutees participated. Our public and heartfelt thanks for a job well done go to Helen Cronenberg, co-ordinator, and tutors Carol Craig, Janice Langdale, Donna Massey, Lou Scherer, Mary Lou Green, Maxine Labouff, Callie Mae York, Pat Alexander, Mary Helen Gonzales, Beth Elderkin, Mary Coester, Arthur Sullivan, Margaret Mills, Pat Campbell, and Cathy Stump. Others who gave time in various ways to make the program go are Marsha Sampomaro and several members of her staff, Martha Ramirez, Alice Freidline, Johnny Arroyo, and staff member Margaret Hernandez.

During the summer, the tutoring program will have a different format in that a library program will be offered in order to encourage this years' children, and others in the neighborhood, to reinforce the reading skills acquired this year. Children will come on Tuesday afternoons for an hour in order to choose library books and report on those read. Two tutors per week will rotate in this program. Besides reading, the children will have the opportunity to see the Pickwick plays.

Ilene Gould, a student at Texas A & M who is serving an internship with the Midland United Way this summer, will be at the Casa for two weeks in July in order to observe what goes on at the Casa and especially to assist with the summer library program and to do some public relations work concerning the tutoring program.