



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
CORPUS CHRISTI ARMY DEPOT  
CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS 78419-6080



REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

February 20, 1992

Office of the Commander

Dr. Hector P. Garcia  
American G.I. Forum  
1315 Bright  
Corpus Christi, TX 78405

Dear Dr. Garcia:

Since assuming command of Corpus Christi Army Depot I have received numerous requests from civic leaders to tour the facility. CCAD employs almost 4,000 people and plays an important role in the community, as well as the Department of Defense.

I would like to extend an invitation to you to tour our facility. I am confident you will find it worth your valuable time. We have set up two separate dates and times in order that you might fit it into your schedule.

March 24 (Tuesday) 2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

April 2 (Thursday) 8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

We will begin the tour at the Headquarters Building with a short presentation and video before boarding the CCAD train which will take you throughout the plant.

Please fill out the enclosed form to indicate your preference and return to my Protocol Officer, Ms. Kathy Collins at Corpus Christi Army Depot, Corpus Christi, Texas 78419-6000 by March 17, 1992. We would welcome any guest you might want to accompany you. Please include their names with your response. We will have an escort at each NAS entrance guard post to ensure easy access onto the base. It is requested that you place the VIP Visitor's Pass in the windshield of your vehicle. I sincerely hope that you will be able to join us.

Sincerely,

THOMAS E. JOHNSON  
Colonel, U.S. Army

TO: MS. KATHY COLLINS, Protocol Officer, Corpus Christi Army Depot, Corpus Chrsiti, TX 78419-6000, 512/939-3600 or Fax 512/939-2312

SUBJECT: Corpus Christi Army Depot Tour

The following listed individuals will be participating in the CCAD tour:

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Date Preference: (Please check one)

\_\_\_\_\_ March 24, 1992 - 2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ April 2, 1992 - 8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am available either date, just notify me of date CCAD chooses.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am unable to attend on the listed dates, however, I would be interested at a later time.

NOTE: For your convenience either mail, call or fax information to Ms. Collins.

Place  
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Corpus Christi Army Depot  
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Corpus Christi, TX 78419-6000

COMMANDER  
CORPUS CHRISTI ARMY DEPOT  
ATTN: SDSCC-GN (MS. KATHY COLLINS)  
CORPUS CHRISTI, TX 78419-6000

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Bob Bullock  
Lieutenant Governor of Texas

The Capitol  
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Hector P. Garcia, M.D.  
Founder  
American GI Forum of the U.S.  
1315 Bright Street  
Corpus Christi, Texas 78405

Dear Dr. Garcia:

I really do appreciate your letter of invitation to be the keynote speaker for your 44th Annual Founder's Fundraising Banquet on Friday, March 27 in Corpus Christi.

I want you to know how honored I am that you asked me, and I wish that I'd known about it sooner. Unfortunately, my schedule for that date has been set for some time, and I'm really unable to change it now without unfairly inconveniencing others. I hope you understand.

Dr. Garcia, I truly regret that a scheduling conflict prevents me from being able to accept your kind invitation, and I hope that you will honor me by asking again.

Warmest personal regards,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several overlapping loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

~~BOB BULLOCK~~  
Lieutenant Governor

BB:kr

Dicky Huey, M.D.

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February 28, 1992

Hector P. Garcia, M. D.  
1315 Bright Street  
Corpus Christi, Texas 78405

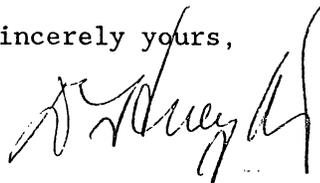
RE: Cecilia Akers

Dear Dr. Garcia:

I have seen Cecilia back in follow-up and she is doing significantly better than when she was in the hospital. She has had marked improvement of her left leg and her right leg is moderately improved. Her trunk is at least 50% better and her hands are significantly better. Currently she is on Prednisone 20 mg daily and this will be decreased to 20 mg on alternate days in a few days. We have decided to treat her with alternate day therapy in a low dose for one month to see if we can stabilize her condition.

It was certainly a pleasure to meet you and your wife while you were here visiting. Hopefully I can visit with you again when I come to Corpus Christi.

Sincerely yours,



Dicky Huey, M. D.

DH:cc

*President Robert R. Furgason  
Corpus Christi State University  
Requests the pleasure of your company  
on the occasion of the dedication of*

## ***The Dr. Hector P. Garcia Papers***

*4:00 p.m.  
Friday, April 3, 1992*

*University Library  
Corpus Christi State University*

*A Reception will follow  
honoring Dr. Hector P. Garcia & family*

*R.S.V.P. enclosed*

*Reception sponsored by  
Hoechst Celanese Corporation  
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The Summerlee Foundation*

The circular on the cover, reproduced from the Dr. Hector P. Garcia Papers, is a seminal document in the struggle for Mexican American civil rights. It announced the protest meeting in 1949 organized by Dr. Garcia and the American G.I. Forum, when the funeral home director in Three Rivers, Texas, refused to allow the use of his chapel for the reburial of Pvt. Felix Longoria, an American soldier who had died in combat in World War II.

### Dr. Hector P. Garcia

Physician, civic activist, and longtime Corpus Christi resident, Dr. Hector P. Garcia, has been a spokesman for the Mexican American community for over forty years. Born in 1914 in Llera, Tamaulipas, he moved with his family in 1917 to Mercedes, Texas. He received his B.A. from the University of Texas in 1936, graduated from the University of Texas School of Medicine in 1940, and interned in Omaha, Nebraska. During his distinguished military service in World War II, he met and married Wanda Fusillo. They had four children, Daisy Wanda, Hector, Adriana Cecilia, and Susana Patricia.

Dr. Garcia began his medical practice in Corpus Christi in 1946, and became involved in addressing the concerns of our nation's residents of Mexican descent. Focusing on veterans' issues, Dr. Garcia founded the American G.I. Forum in 1948, which soon became one of the country's outstanding Hispanic organizations. Over the years, he has held many official positions and has received numerous awards for his service to humanity. In 1984, Dr. Garcia was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the highest honor given to a civilian by the President of the United States.

Dr. Garcia donated his extensive papers to Corpus Christi State University as a research and educational resource for the people of Texas. Housed in the Special Collections & Archives Department of the CCSU Library, the Dr. Hector P. Garcia Papers consist of over 350 cubic feet of documents assembled by Dr. Garcia during his lifetime of activity. These materials reflect Mexican American history during the last half of the twentieth century and ensure that CCSU will be a center of research on our nation's expanding Hispanic population.

# GRAN JUNTA DE PROTESTA AHORA En La NOCHE En La ESCUELA LAMAR

Ubicada en calles 19 y Morris a las ocho de la noche habra una **Gran Junta de Protesta** debido a que se le han **negado** los servicios de una casa Funeraria en Three Rivers, Texas, a los Restos de un **Soldado**, llamado Felix Longoria de Three Rivers, Texas.

## El AMERICAN GI Forum de Corpus Christi

Requiere su presencia para que venga a oír los datos acerca de esta **CRUEL HUMILLACION** a uno de nuestros **HEROES** Soldado de esta última gran GUERRA. Todos los **VETERANOS** y sus familias y público en general deben asistir sin FALTA o sin EXCUSAS.

**Cuando una casa Funeraria se Niega a Honrar a los RESTOS de un Ciudadano Americano solamente porque es de origen mejicano entonces es TIEMPO que no unicamente el American GI Forum sino todo el pueblo se levante a protestar esta injusticia.**

Se le Ruega Respetuosamente a las MADRES de Soldados Muertos en la GUERRA se sirvan ASISTIR.

**Hoy esta Noche, Martes 11 de Enero de 1949**

Estara presente la Sra. Beatriz Longoria Viuda de el Valiente Soldado Felix Longoria.

**American GI Forum**  
**Dr. Hector P. Garcia, Pres.**

*From the Dr. Hector P. Garcia Papers, Corpus Christi State University*

**Dedication of the Dr. Hector P. Garcia Papers  
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