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Upcoming Events

- Thursday Feb. 25th
Día de la Bandera
- Friday April 30th
Día de los Niños
- Cinco de Mayo
(TBD)

Now that we have started a new year and a new semester, the Chicano Caucus would like to take a moment to share with our alumni the great events of the past semester. A collaboration between our Historian, Alumni Relations and Publicity Chairs, this bi-annual newsletter will be sent out every semester as an initiative to reach out and strengthen ties with our alumni. Enjoy!



RETREAT

For its fall retreat, the Chicano Caucus decided to attend the homecoming game against University of Pennsylvania. This gave the new and old members of the Caucus an opportunity to bond outside their weekly meetings. Although Columbia lost the game, it is safe to say the Caucus won a good number of permanent members.

DREAM Act

Due to the re-introduction of the Dream Act in March 2009, the Chicano Caucus decided to hold an awareness event stressing the importance in passing this act. A member of the NYC Youth Leadership Council, Martin Lopez, came and spoke about how crucial this act is in furthering the academic goals and opportunities for thousands of students currently living in the U.S. without citizenship. Members of other campus organizations, such as ASA, Colombia Por Colombia, and LUCHA joined in the discussion.

Quinceañera

Chicano Caucus took over the



Lerner Party Space and threw our Quinceañera, Elisabeth Fabila, a great party complete with catered Mexican food, sixteen person court of honor and recuerdos. As the event was a great success, Caucus hopes to do it again in the future.

Posada

A night of singing, Lotería, and food hosted by Casa Latina, Chicano Caucus came together and modified the traditional Posada to accommodate the first snow of the school year.

Día de los Muertos

For Day of the Dead, Chicano Caucus held its annual celebration to pay respect to loved ones who have passed away. The Caucus showcased this tradition to the Columbia community by setting up an altar, as well as food and sugar skulls for the general public, on Low Plaza. Continuous music, a lively ambiance, and an open mic segment allowed people from different backgrounds to share stories, poems, and songs with each other.

