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Tejano legends turn up the heat at PACfest, an official Fiesta[®] San Antonio event at Palo Alto College

Alamo Colleges District-Palo Alto College will host PACfest 2019, an annual official Fiesta ® San Antonio event, on Thursday, April 25, with live music from San Antonio favorites including La Tropa F, Los Chamacos, and Raulito Navaira, plus traditional Fiesta food and fun, and a festive fireworks show to end the night.

An official Fiesta[®] event since 2003, this year's PACfest is presented by North Park Toyota of San Antonio and Silver Eagle Distributors and is sponsored by AARP, CPS Energy, Gonzaba Medical Group, Brooks, Port San Antonio, and Randolph Brooks Federal Credit Union. Hosted on the College's south side campus from noon to 10 p.m. More than 50 food, crafts, and community vendors will be on site. Admission is \$7 per person (children ages 12 and under are free) or free with a current Alamo Colleges ID. Parking is free all day.

PACfest features a Kids Game Zone with unlimited play for only \$5; an interactive social media alley; a Beer Garden open from 4 - 9 p.m.; and the sixth annual Fiesta Grilldown Carne Asada Contest, a cookoff-style team event with a panel of guest judges to select the winning asada. Details on how to enter are available at <u>alamo.edu/pac/fiesta-grilldown</u>.

Palo Alto College, part of the Alamo Colleges District, is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges and a recipient of the 2015 Texas Award for Performance Excellence, a finalist for the 2016 Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award, and a top 10 finalist for the 2019 Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence. With over 10,000 students, Palo Alto College is accredited to offer associate degrees and short-term certificates. The College is located on the south side of San Antonio at 1400 W. Villaret Blvd. at I-410 and Texas Hwy 16 and online at <u>alamo.edu/pac</u>.

PACfest 2019 Schedule At-A-Glance:

Noon	Opening Ceremonies
Noon - 8 p.m.	Kids Game Zone
12:30 p.m.	C-Rock Band
2:30 p.m.	Ranch Road Band
4:30 p.m.	Raulito Navaira y Grupo Remedio
5-6 p.m.	6 th Annual Fiesta Grilldown
5-9 p.m.	Beer Garden
6:30 p.m.	Los Chamacos
8:30 p.m.	La Tropa F
Last Song	Fireworks Finale

About La Tropa F

With several recordings under their collective belt, La Tropa F – originally named "Los Hermanos Farias" – signed to a music label in 1990, scoring their breakthrough hit with the chart-topping "Mil Noches." In 1992,

La Tropa F won the Best Local Conjunto award at the first annual Pura Vida Hispanic Music Awards. A year later, they also won the Best Conjunto award and took home Conjunto of the Year honors at the 13th Annual Tejano Music Awards. Their many recordings include *Culturas* (1994), *Hermanos Hasta El* Fin (1995), *A Un Nuevo Nivel* (1996), *Musica Sin Frontera* (1997), and *Desde el Corazon de Texas* (1998).

About Los Chamacos

Los Chamacos have been entertaining fans with their high-energy, signature sound since 1982 and released many successful albums and classic hits including "Yolanda," "Mi Musica Favorita," and many more. The band has received multiple Grammy and Latin Grammy nominations and was inducted into the Tejano R.O.O.T.S. Hall of Fame in 2011.

About Raulito Navaira y Grupo Remedio

Raulito Navaira has been a part of the Tejano music scene since the 1980s, when he performed with his brother, Emilio Navaira, as part of the popular group David Lee Garza and Los Musicales. In 1989, Emilio and Raulito formed their own band – Emilio & Rio. Today, Raulito and his children, Destiny and Rodrigo, have formed Grupo Remedio, the recipients of three Tejano Music Awards. Their music creates sounds that are familiar to fans of Tejano music, while bonding new traditions for many more generations to come.

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