



Gratitude – Agradecimiento



1921 Flood Tribute



Carmen Tafolla recites a poem to honor the 1921 San Antonio Flood victims.



The names of the 1921 San Antonio Flood victims were read aloud next to the mobile altar.

In gratitude for the knowledge, creativity, energy, intellect, ideas, voice, time, artistic talent, skills, culinary arts, planning, presence, commitment, and love the *compañer@s* listed below gave to organizing the Emma Tenayuca Speakers Series Symposium Commemorating the 1921 Flood that devastated the Westside, permitting us to remember and honor those who died in that flood. The poetic voice of Alberto Rios best expresses the meaning of your giving. —Antonia Castañeda



Sylvia Reyna of the San Antonio Public Library Genealogy Dept. led a tour of San Fernando Cemetery #2 where 1921 SA flood victims are buried. Manuel Garza a family member of victims listens at left.

When Giving Is All We Have

We give because someone gave to us.
We give because nobody gave to us.

We give because giving has changed us.
We give because giving could have changed us.

We have been better for it,
We have been wounded by it—

Giving has many faces: It is loud and quiet,
Big, though small, diamond in wood-nails.

Its story is old, the plot worn and the pages too,

But we read this book, anyway, over and again:

Giving is, first and every time, hand to hand,
Mine to yours, yours to mine.

You gave me blue and I gave you yellow.
Together we are simple green. You gave me

What you did not have, and I gave you
What I had to give—together, we made

Something greater from the difference
—*Alberto Rios*

We thank you for giving all you have

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