

HOSTS AND GUESTS

As considerate hosts to foreign visitors, Americans have an increasing need for foreign languages . . .

1,073,763 persons traveled between the U. S. and Latin America in 1953."

—From "The National Interest and Foreign Languages" (UNESCO)



Airmail stamp, issued by Ecuador to commemorate the visit of the Vice-President of the United States, Richard M. Nixon, May 9, 1958.

PEACEFUL SPANISH INVASION

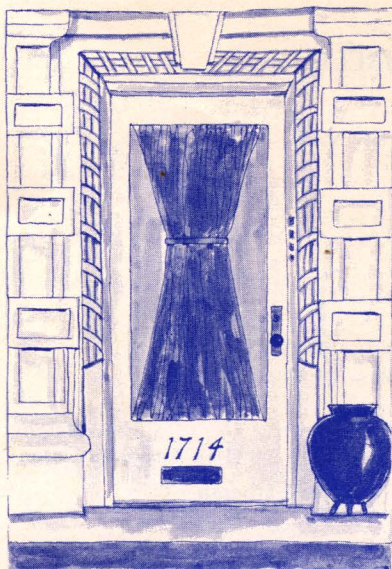
The Conquistadores are invading North America. Dr. Oswaldo Castro, Co-Chairman of Centro Anglo-Español, vouches for this story.

After a five year stay in Rome, he was on a Fifth Avenue bus, when he overheard a conversation in Spanish between two young women, who were commiserating over the plight of a friend. "She speaks only French," one said, "and I tell you in New York if you can't speak Spanish you are lost."

"Spanish *not* English," Dr. Castro emphasizes. "And," he warns, "today, in Washington, D. C., if you can't speak Spanish you are lost."

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"Aquí se habla Español."
"English is spoken here."



"EL CENTRO" — an orientation center for Spanish and English

"El Centro" opened its doors in midsummer of 1956, as a practical workshop and extension service, with a participation program for professional English and Spanish-speaking men and women, who interest themselves in each other's languages and customs. The Emphasis is on *Spoken Spanish* and *Spoken English* — with each one teaching the other in a person-to-person exchange. Members come as often as they wish to practice their "other" language.

The informal atmosphere of its remodeled, centrally located town-house with its backyard and barbecue fireplace, is more conducive to good conversation in both languages than a formal classroom. Native Spanish and English-speaking hosts make introductions, exchange languages and help generally to solve language problems.

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Note: EL CENTRO can best serve you if we know your individual language interests. We suggest you give as much background as you wish on the back of this form.

"El Centro" provides opportunities to speak, to hear and to test one's comprehension – not only of the other's language, but of different accents and speech habits of the different countries and of the different sections of the United States and of other English-speaking countries – such opportunities as one might otherwise only experience through extensive and expensive travel.

Here native North Americans feel themselves *Abroad at Home* and at the same time succeed in making visitors from abroad feel *At Home in Washington*.

"El Centro" meets the absolute requirements for language learning: motivation, time for practice, small groups and native teachers.

SPECIAL SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

Open House on Sundays for members and their guests

Wednesday Morning Reading Circle

(Círculo de Lectura – español o inglés)

Monthly Sunday suppers (Cenas Dominicales)

Patio Parties – around the barbecue fireplace

Readings and Auditions for plays in Spanish

*Toy Theatre – participation and performances in Spanish and English

*Annual Children's Spanish Book Fair

*Pre-Christmas Sale of Spanish Books.

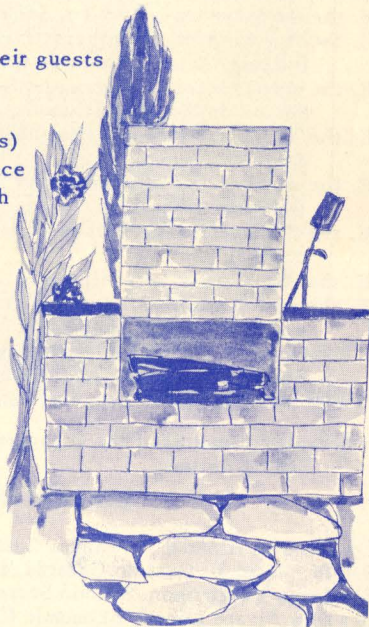
Lessons in English and Spanish with qualified Native Teachers (arranged by special request)

Translators and Interpreters in both languages

A bi-lingual Engagement Calendar

All Correspondence to members in Spanish and English

*in cooperation with The Children's Museum of Washington.



PLANS ARE BEING MADE TOWARDS

A series of plays *in Spanish* by a native Spanish-speaking cast

A Spanish Film Festival

Furthering Person-to-Person Friendships and Hospitality at Home and Abroad

The Exchange of trained native speech teachers between Spanish-speaking countries and the United States

The Exchange of Toy Theatre scripts in both languages

Recordings, Radio and Television Programs

Aiding the Movement for Foreign Languages in the Elementary Schools (FLES program in the United States)

Helping to Restore the Hispanic Foundation Reading Room in the Library of Congress.

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