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LA CENA SPONSERS STUDENTS TO ATTEND THE TDA AND MANRRS CONFERENCES!

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On March 30, 2011 Sara Ahmadvand (UIW), Emily Brand (NLC/SAC), and Stephani Flores (UIW) were sponsored by Project La Cena to attend the Minorities in Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Related Science Conference in Kansas City, KS. This conference was a wonderful opportunity for these students to professionally develop and learn about careers within the USDA.

Austin Luna, Regina Lee, Kalie Thompson (UIW) were sponsored by Project La Cena to attend the Texas Dietetic Association (TDA) Food and Nutrition Conference and Expo (FNCE) in Houston, TX. The conference submerged students in the nutrition field and allowed them to network with other nutrition professionals and learn about up to date nutrition information.



Stephanie Burns (PM) and Susan Kazen (PD) at the TDA FNCE awards luncheon.

On April 7, 2011 Cynthia Campbell, Charles Buchert, Elizabeth Richardson, Kyle Lavelle, Billie Allen, Melissa Thomas (NLC/SAC), Tephania Cadena, Samantha Gerbine (Texas State), and

STUDENTS VISIT THE USDA-ARS CHILDREN'S NUTRITIONAL RESEARCH CENTER!



On April 29, 2011 Julie Carter, Edith Martinez, Sara Ahmadvand, Jamie Morgan (Texas State), and Meredith Howe, Melissa Thomas, Chris Ramon, Elizabeth Richardson, and Bree Kirkman (NLC/SAC) were able to attend the USDA-ARS Children's Nutritional Research Center (CNRC), where they received a tour of the facilities and were able to speak with nutrition professionals about their experience working for the USDA-ARS CNRC.