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25th Anniversary

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ANNUAL

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25 years...

United by our

Puerto Rican pride

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2011
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Sixteenth Annual Gala Benefit

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Fifth Annual Silent Auction

CN will be conducting its 5th Annual Silent Auction. The proceeds from this auction will allow CN to award additional scholarship as well as continue with its educational, cultural and youth leadership development programs. CN urges you to come prepared to bid and make this evening even more exciting and successful.

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DINNER: 8PM

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The proceeds of this event will benefit the Comité Noviembre Scholarship Awards Program, the Richie Perez Scholarship for Peace & Justice and other annual community programs of CN.

For More Information call (914) 263-6599 OR (212) 677-4181

Make reservations By Friday, November 4, 2011

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COMITÉ NOVIEMBRE'S MISSION

This year Comité Noviembre, CN celebrates 25 years of Puerto Rican Heritage Month in this country. CN was established in 1987 to commemorate and acknowledge the contributions Puerto Ricans have made to this city, state and country in all fields and aspects of life. The charge of CN is to create awareness of our rich culture, language, and heritage and to acknowledge and take ownership of it everyday but specifically during the month of November. CN is proud of its ability to bring together our community by embracing our strengths, respecting our differences and understanding our diverse political ideologies, November has become a time to discuss all issues, however simple, difficult or complicated with respect, objectivity and pride.

CN is a non-profit organization run on the dedication and commitment of ten of the oldest and most prestigious Puerto Rican organizations: the Institute for the Puerto Rican/Hispanic Elderly, ASPIRA of New York, el Museo del Barrio, Eugenio María de Hostos Community College, el Centro de Estudios Puertorriqueños – Hunter College, Latino Justice – PRLDEF, the National Institute for Latino Policy, the National Congress for Puerto Rican Rights – Justice Committee, the Puerto Rico Federal Affairs Administration and we are thrilled to add to our membership this year El Puente, the premier youth leadership and social justice organization in this country. This coordinating body is the only collaboration of its kind in the United States that brings together the collective talents and resources of these organizations to plan and promote CN's annual programs and events.

For the past twenty-five years, CN, has created and developed programs all geared to the support and enhancement of educational opportunities and leadership development for Puerto Rican and Hispanic youth with a cultural twist. These programs are firmly rooted in the belief, that in order to succeed in life, you must pursue a higher education, give back to your community through volunteer efforts and know your cultural history. In order to secure that our youth have better educational opportunities the CN Scholarship Awards Program (CNSAP) was established and has awarded to date \$187,000 in scholarships plus \$9,000 has been awarded in the Richie Pérez Scholarship for Peace and Justice and average of 12 scholarships a year. The proceeds of the CN annual gala event supports both Scholarship Awards Programs as well as the Annual Leadership Development – Role Models Forum conducted in partnership with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, NASA, personnel, the Annual Artisans Fair & Exhibit, Health Fair, educational trip to Puerto Rico “Buscando Nuestra Raíces,” and annual programs which are organized by our youth to serve the poor and underserved of the community, like the Day of Community Service & Social Responsibility and food drive and the Annual Three Kings celebration and toy drive.