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City of Dallas Departments to participate in Diez y Seis Celebration at Historic Pike Park

Dallas - The Board of Directors and volunteers of the Pike Park Preservation League, the City of Dallas and Dallas Park and Recreation Department are pleased to announce the 82nd Annual “Diez y Seis de Septiembre Celebration” at historic Pike Park on Saturday, September 12 and Sunday, September 13, 2009. Saturday’s activities will begin at 11 a.m. with a parade starting at Leonard and Ross streets by the Guadalupe Cathedral. The parade’s route include several downtown streets and will conclude at Pike Park, 2851 Harry Hines Blvd.

The Diez y Seis Celebration that started at Pike Park in the 1930 is a family festival with vendor exhibits, traditional Mexican food, children activities, performances by local folkloric groups, music and a special appearance by Ramon Vargas “El Aventurero”. The Pike Park Preservation League will award scholarships to area students.

Saturday’s festivities will be from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday will be from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. City of Dallas departments will set up booths to inform the fiesta goers about City services, programs and events in both English and Spanish.

The Pike Park Preservation League extends a warm invitation to the community to participate in this family event. Children are specially invited to come and learn about the Hispanic heritage and culture in Dallas. Proceeds from the festival will be directed towards the restoration of this historic facility, scholarships and the continuing community outreach programs for seniors and youth. Admission to the festival is FREE and open to the general public.