

The University of Houston-Clear Lake  
School Library and Information Science Program  
Through the Institute of Museum and Library Services'  
Collaborative School Librarian Training (CSTL) Grant  
*Proudly Presents*  
**Gregorio Pedroza - Bilingual Storyteller**



**When: Thursday, March 31, 2005 @ 4:00 PM**

**Where: UHCL Campus: Lecture Hall Room 1100.03 on the first floor of the Student Services Building (SSCB), directly under the staircase across from the Dean of Students.**

**Who is invited: Everyone!**

English and Spanish blend together as Gregorio shares the experiences of growing up in a barrio in Texas in a large extended family with grandparents who spoke only Spanish, and working in the Texas fields. Greg attained his Ph.D. degree in Chemistry and has been an international technical and motivational speaker for over twenty years.

As an author he has published a book of poetry, *My Glow Days*, which tells how he copes with chronic pain. His mantra is "I have chronic pain. Chronic pain does not have me." A book of short stories, *Stories from the Heart*, and a collection of Love Poems entitled *We, We? Oui!* He has also produced five audiotapes entitled *Stories from the Heart/ Cuentos con todo Corazon*, *Celebrating As Hard As We Work*, and *Winsome Winona and Other Alliterative Stories*, *Capirotada: Stories from My Barrio*, and *Loving and Healing/Amando y Sanando*. Profits from the books, tapes, and performances are put in the Firekeeper's Scholarship Fund from which we draw scholarships for high school students. Gregorio Pedroza's web site is:

<http://www.gpedroza.com/index.html>

"Always sensitive, always exquisitely crafted, always generous, the stories Greg draws from his Mexican-Texan heritage resonate in your heart and bring a tear to your eye."-- Mary G. Ketner, Institute of Texan Cultures, San Antonio, TX

"You opened a whole new world to all of us, with your true experiences of growing up in a Mexican barrio of Texas. Your gentleness and warmth provided a refreshing contrast to the cynicism and violence so prevalent on TV."-- Carol Maughan, High School Teacher, Conklin, NY