



March 19, 2010

Hola Bill,

I am finally catching my breath from Prepárate and I wanted to take my time in writing you a thank you note. I should maybe call it an “homage to Bill” and not a thank you note.

Your were terrific! I knew from the moment when I met you in NY that you would be a very special part of our conference. It helped to get to know you a bit before seeing you in action, but you definitely gave a truly superb performance. I do wish we could have done the plenary lunch though, so everyone would have had a chance to see you in action. We will make this happen in the future since I am hoping to re-invite you to be part of the program in the future. You have a standing invitation to attend any Prepárate conference (I'll waive registration) since they might help you pick up some material for your second book (no pressure).

You have a very special gift, you make people laugh and forget about today or tomorrow. When you are on stage, they are living in the moment and through your narrated experiences they connect with you. Your talent is nurtured by all your experiences, good and bad, and this is why not forgetting about your history is very important. You will continue to be extremely successful and I know your dad is laughing up a storm and enjoying your performances like the rest of us.

I honestly feel very honored to have gotten to know you. I thank you again for your flexibility, professionalism, and for being you. You added so much to our conference and I really hope you know it.

Hasta pronto,

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Save the dates!

- March 1-2, 2010: *Prepárate: Educating Latinos for the Future of America* in La Jolla, CA
- April 19-20, 2010: *Native American Student Advocacy Institute* at the University of New Mexico, NM
- April 29-30, 2010: *A Dream Deferred: The Future of African American Education* at Spelman College and Morehouse College in Atlanta, GA