Hoja de Laurel de Oro

On November 20, 2008, in recognition of over thirty years of service in preserving and documenting Honduras’ cultural heritage, Barbara and William Fash were jointly honored with the prestigious, lifetime achievement award, the Hoja de Laurel de Oro from the government of Honduras. Conferred by the Minister of Culture and the Arts, and the Office of the President, other recipients of this year’s award ranged from poets, dance troupes, Miskito Indians, the Spanish Cultural affairs office, and the board of the Honduran Museum of Man. The evening event took place at the Casa Presidential in the capital city, Tegucigalpa, Honduras.

Barbara and Bill Fash (3rd and 4th from the right) at the Hoja de Laurel de Oro event on November 20, 2008, in Tegucigalpa, Honduras.

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