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## Congressional impasse over immigration, homeland security

By ERICA WERNER, Associated Press

WASHINGTON, DC, Feb. 10, 2015 (AP): Majority Leader Mitch McConnell declared a Senate stalemate Tuesday over immigration provisions attached to a Homeland Security spending bill, and called on the House to make the next move to avoid an agency shutdown.

House Republicans said they had no intention of doing so, leaving Congress at an impasse with no clear way forward barely two weeks before the agency's \$40 billion budget shuts off.

"I can tell you I think it's clearly stuck in the Senate," McConnell, R-Ky., told reporters after a closed-door lunch of Senate Republicans. "And the next step is obviously up to the House."

Michael Steel, spokesman for House Speaker John Boehner, responded with a statement seeking to put the focus on Senate Democrats. Democrats voted three times last week to block a House-passed bill that funds the department for the remainder of the budget year, while also overturning President Barack Obama's executive actions limiting deporta-

tions for millions here illegally.

"Until there is some signal from those Senate Democrats what would break their filibuster, there's little point in additional House action," Steel said. Democrats say they can't accept the bill unless the contested language on immigration is removed.

The impasse comes with Homeland Security funding set to expire Feb. 27 without action by Congress. The most likely outcome may be a short-term extension of current funding levels, something Homeland Security Secretary Jeh Johnson is urging Congress to avoid because it would prevent the agency from going forward with a host of planned initiatives, from improvements at the Secret Service to new security technology on the U.S.-Mexico border.

"I'm urging every member of Congress that I can meet, Democrat and Republican, to figure out a way to break this impasse so I can get a fully funded bill by Feb. 27," Johnson told reporters Tuesday on the way out of a meeting with senators.

The fight over immigra-

tion and the Homeland Security spending bill is a major early test for Republicans who took full control of Congress in January for the first time in eight years. Democrats are already gleefully declaring that the GOP is failing the test, but with Republicans six votes shy of the 60 needed to advance most legislation in the Senate, they say there's little they can do if Democrats won't budge.

"The Democrats are filibustering it. I don't know how we get blamed for that this time," said Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah. "Everybody knows it takes 60 votes to do anything."

House Republicans, for their part, are frustrated that even now that the Senate is in GOP hands, they are still being asked to fold to Democratic demands.

"A hundred senators got elected to say they wanted to solve problems," House Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy told reporters ahead of McConnell's comments Tuesday. "They didn't get elected to say, 'we'll wait and see what the House does.' They should show us where they stand."

## Cientos protestan por tiroteos en el estado de Washington

PASCO, Washington, 15 II 15(AP): Cientos de personas se reunieron en el sureste del estado de Washington el sábado para protestar por la brutalidad policial tras la muerte por disparos de un hombre que había estado arrojando piedras a la policía.

Antes de la manifestación del mediodía, niños y adultos sostuvieron carteles escritos a mano reclamando justicia para Antonio Zambrano-Montes, quien según testigos huyó cuando la policía le disparó el martes en un cruce muy concurrido.

Una gran pancarta colgada sobre un palco de música en el Volunteer Park decía: "¡¡¡Pare la brutalidad policial: ¡¡¡Era solo una piedra!!!". Y en carteles escritos a mano podía leerse "Usen formación, no armas" o "Buen policía te respetamos".

Voceros de la comunidad pidieron una revisión completa del departamento de policía de Pasco y de sus agentes.

Félix Vargas, presidente de Consejo Latino, un grupo de líderes empresariales fundamentalmente hispanos, pidió una investigación federal sobre el tiroteo.

Tras el final de la protesta, el canal KNDO-TV informó que un pequeño grupo de manifestantes bloquearon el tránsito entre las calles 10ma y Lewis. Los agentes tomaron el control de la intersección sin que los activistas opusiesen resistencia. No se reportaron arrestos o mayores problemas.

Cuatro personas han muerto por disparos de la policía desde el pasado verano en esta ciudad agrícola de 68.000 habitantes, donde casi la

mitad de la población es latina.

Tras la concentración en el parque, los asistentes corearon lemas y marcharon hacia Vinny's Bakery, donde sucedió la balacera. La manifestación estuvo liderada por miembros de la familia Zambrano-Montes.

La familia del trabajador agrícola, que tenía nacionalidad mexicana, presentó una demanda por 25 millones de dólares contra la ciudad de Pasco, el primer paso hacia una querrela.

El juez de instrucción del condado de Franklin, Dan Blasdel, decidió ordenar una investigación, que sería abierta al público, con la esperanza de calmar "algunos de los temores e indignación de la comunidad".

### Criticism increases in police shooting of Latino

PASCO, Washington, Feb. 15, 2015 (AP): The fourth fatal police shooting since last summer in this agricultural city of 68,000 in Washington State are drawing criticism and scrutiny from as far away as Mexico.

Tuesday's death of orchard worker Antonio Zambrano-Montes sparked protests after witnesses said he was running away when he was shot.

Mexico's Foreign Relations Department issued a statement Thursday condemning the shooting of Zambrano-Montes, who was raised in Mexico.

Franklin County Coroner Dan Blasdel, whose office was conducting an autopsy on Zambrano-Montes, said he was considering convening an inquest jury to look into the death.

"We don't want another Ferguson here in Pasco," Blasdel told The Seattle Times, referred to the riots that followed the Aug. 9 shooting death of an unarmed black

man by a white police officer in Ferguson, Missouri, and a grand jury's decision not to indict.

Police say Zambrano-Montes' threatening behavior led multiple officers to open fire. The 35-year-old threw rocks, hitting two officers, and refused to put down other stones. They say a stun gun failed to subdue him.

He had a run-in with Pasco police early last year, having been arrested for assault after throwing objects at officers and trying to grab an officer's pistol, court records show.

Pasco Police Chief Bob Metzger has appealed for patience during an investigation by the Tri-City Special Investigation Unit and an internal review.

"This was really not a racial issue," Metzger told KING-TV of Seattle. The chief met for two hours with the dead man's relatives at a small bakery near where he died.

"Three police officers against one man throwing a rock?" an aunt, Angela Zambrano, said to The Times. "This was murder in cold blood."

Some people who saw the shooting at a busy intersection videotaped the confrontation.

In one video recording, five "pops" are audible shortly after the video begins, and the man can be seen running away, across a street and down a sidewalk, pursued by three officers. As the officers draw closer to the running man, he stops, turns around and faces them. Multiple "pops" are heard and the man falls to the ground.

Protesters chanted "We want justice" in English and Spanish at Pasco City Hall on Wednesday, and they planned to demonstrate again Saturday.

## ACLU sues US over records for migrant children

By ASTRID GALVAN, Associated Press

TUCSON, Arizona, Feb. 11, 2015 (AP): The American Civil Liberties Union filed a lawsuit Wednesday seeking information about allegations of abuse involving migrant children, including many who were placed under the care of immigration authorities while a wave of unaccompanied minors fled to the U.S. last summer.

ACLU chapters in Arizona and California filed the suit against the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, claiming the government has stonewalled requests made under the Freedom of Information Act for records pertaining to the children. The law firm Cooley LLP also joined the suit.

The ACLU and other advocacy groups filed a lawsuit in October against DHS seeking information on the department's policies and procedures at an isolated detention center

for immigrant families with children in New Mexico.

Both suits stemmed from the unprecedented surge in immigrant children and young families this summer.

Tens of thousands of migrants crossed into the U.S. without documentation, most through Texas, overwhelming Border Patrol agents who were not positioned to process so many people. Many migrant children who had crossed without a parent were sent to a warehouse in Nogales, Arizona, while they were processed. Some families were eventually sent to the new center in Artesia, New Mexico.

Most of the migrants were from Central American countries and said they were fleeing extreme violence and poverty.

The ACLU in June filed a complaint alleging that more than 100 children had been abused and mistreated while in Border Patrol custody. The organization says

the children were kept in harsh temperatures and severe overcrowding, and that they were denied adequate hygiene supplies, bedding, food, water and medical care.

Customs and Border Protection spokesman Michael Friel said in a statement that the agency does not comment on pending litigation. However, he said that CBP takes allegations of misconduct seriously.

"In response to the unprecedented humanitarian situation last summer, U.S. Customs and Border Protection personnel around the country responded in a professional and compassionate manner. Border Patrol Agents provided safety, shelter, and care for immigrants in custody from the initial encounter up until they were processed and out of the agency's custody," Friel said. He said Border Patrol agents took extraordinary efforts to care for the children.

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## Boehner llama a demócratas a aprobar presupuesto a seguridad

Por ERICA WERNER, Associated Press

WASHINGTON, DC, 11 de febrero (AP): El presidente de la Cámara de Representantes de Estados Unidos, el republicano John Boehner, llamó el miércoles a los senadores demócratas a "despabilarse" a aprobar una ley para financiar el departamento de Seguridad Nacional y restringir las órdenes ejecutivas del presidente Barack Obama en materia de inmigración.

Sus comentarios del miércoles resaltan la manera en que han empeorado las relaciones entre el Capitolio y el gobierno cuanto está por expirar el financiamiento del Departamento de Seguridad Nacional, 27 de febrero. La víspera, el líder de la mayoría republicana en el Senado Mitch McConnell dijo que la cámara alta estaba "trabada" en el asunto y que el próximo paso les correspondía a los representantes.

Boehner rechazó esa afirmación e insistió en que la cámara baja ya hizo su tarea. Culpó a los senadores demócratas por bloquear una propuesta aprobada por la Cámara de

Representantes que financia el departamento por lo que queda del año fiscal al tiempo que revierte políticas de Obama que limitan las deportaciones de millones de inmigrantes que residen en el país sin autorización legal. Los demócratas se oponen a las cláusulas de inmigración en la propuesta.

"La cámara baja ya hizo su tarea, ¿por qué no les piden a los senadores demócratas que se despabilen y hagan algo, en lugar de votar en contra?", dijo Boehner ante reporteros tras reunirse con legisladores republicanos. "El problema no es con los senadores republicanos sino con los senadores demócratas".

No está claro cómo va a resolverse el estancamiento pues los republicanos en ambas cámaras insisten en que no planean más acciones. La medida más probable es que se dé una extensión del financiamiento a corto plazo del Departamento de Seguridad Nacional, algo que según los líderes de esas dependencias afectaría su capacidad para poner en



John Boehner

marcha los cambios necesarios en el Servicio Secreto, la Patrulla Fronteriza y otras agencias.

El asunto emerge cuando transcurre el segundo mes de control pleno del Congreso por parte de los republicanos tras cuatro años de mayoría en la Cámara de Representantes, pero no en el Senado. Los representantes republicanos se han visto frustrados al descubrir que, debido a las reglas del senado que dan derechos significativos al partido de minoría, poco ha cambiado y aún no pueden conseguir que sus propuestas reciban luz verde en la cámara alta.

## McConnell: Senado está "atascado" sobre gastos y migración

Por ERICA WERNER, Associated Press

WASHINGTON, DC, 10 de febrero (AP): El líder de la mayoría Mitch McConnell declaró el martes que el Senado está estancado en torno a las disposiciones migratorias adosadas a una iniciativa para la financiación del Departamento de Seguridad Nacional, y exhortó a la Cámara de Representantes a que actúe para evitar el cierre parcial de esa agencia.

Los republicanos en la cámara baja dijeron que no tienen intención de hacer lo que pide McConnell, lo que deja al Congreso en una parálisis sin un camino claro hacia adelante cuando faltan apenas dos semanas para que se agote el actual presupuesto de la agencia de 40.000 millones de dólares.

"Puedo decirles que, desde mi punto de vista, es evidente que está estancado en el Senado", declaró a la prensa McConnell, republicano por Kentucky, al término de un almuerzo a puertas cerradas con sus compañeros republicanos de la cámara alta. "Es evidente que el siguiente paso le corresponde a la Cámara de Representantes".

Michael Steel, vocero del presidente de la cámara baja, el republicano John Boehner, respondió con

una declaración enfocada en hacer que la atención recaiga sobre los demócratas del Senado.

La semana pasada, los demócratas bloquearon en tres ocasiones el proyecto de ley aprobado por la Cámara de Representantes que concede financiamiento al Departamento de Seguridad Nacional el resto del año fiscal al tiempo que cancela las medidas ejecutivas del presidente Barack Obama para restringir las deportaciones de millones de inmigrantes que viven sin permiso en Estados Unidos.

"Hasta que haya algún tipo de señal por parte de esos demócratas en el Senado de que dejarán atrás sus tácticas de obstrucción legislativa, no tiene mucho caso que la Cámara de Representantes tome alguna acción adicional", dijo Steel. Los demócratas afirman que no aceptarán la iniciativa a menos de que se retiren de ella las controvertidas disposiciones migratorias.

Este estancamiento legislativo tiene lugar en momentos en que el financiamiento del Departamento de Seguridad Nacional está por expirar el 27 de febrero ante la inacción en el Congreso.

El resultado más probable sería una extensión de corto

plazo de los actuales niveles de financiamiento, algo que el secretario de Seguridad Nacional, Jeh Johnson, ha exhortado al Congreso a que evite porque se impediría a la agencia avanzar con un conjunto de iniciativas programadas, desde mejoras al Servicio Secreto a la utilización de nuevas tecnologías de seguridad en la frontera entre Estados Unidos y México.

"Exhorto a todos los miembros del Congreso con los que puedo reunirme, demócratas o republicanos, a que piensen en una solución para superar esta parálisis legislativa a fin de que yo pueda contar con una iniciativa de financiación completa para el 27 de febrero", dijo el martes Johnson a la prensa después de que saliera de una reunión con los senadores.

Las desavenencias sobre el proyecto de ley que abarca puntos de inmigración y el gasto del Departamento de Seguridad Nacional constituyen una gran prueba inicial para los republicanos, que asumieron el control total del Congreso por primera vez en ocho años.

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### MSU Prof. Miner comes to BGSU to discuss indigenous art and moving through space and time

Dr. DYLAN MINER (Métis) is a border-crossing artist, activist, and scholar. He is Associate Professor at Michigan State University, where



Dr. Dylan Miner

he coordinates a new Indigenous Contemporary Art Initiative and is adjunct curator of Indigenous Art at the MSU Museum. He holds a PhD from The University of New Mexico and has published more than fifty journal articles, book chapters, critical essays, and encyclopedia entries.

In 2010, he was awarded an Artist Leadership Fellowship from the National Museum of the American Indian (Smithsonian Institution). Since 2010, he has been featured in more than fourteen solo exhibitions and been artist-in-residence at institutions such as the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, École supérieure des beaux-arts

in Nantes, Klondike Institute of Art and Culture, Rabbit Island, Santa Fe Art Institute, and numerous universities and art schools.

Dr. Miner is scheduled to be a speaker at the *Bowling Green State University* campus through the Popular Culture Colloquium Series on Thursday, February 26, 2015, 11am-1pm, 208 BTSU.

In his talk, Prof. Dylan Miner will discuss popular cultural practices related to Lowrider automobiles (*ranflas*) and bikes (*baikas*). He will use this material as a starting point to think about issues related to Latino migration and Indigenous ways of moving

through time and space.

Dr. Miner will reflect upon his book *Creating Aztlán: Chicano Art, Indigenous Sovereignty, and Lowriding Across Turtle Island*, as well as his ongoing project building bikes with Native American youth - *Anishinaabensag Biimskoweshkigewag* (Native Kids Ride Bikes).

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### Gov. Rick Snyder makes appointments, reappointments to Hispanic/Latino Commission

LANSING, Feb. 5, 2015: Gov. Rick Snyder has announced the appointments of *Martha González-Cortes*, of Kentwood, and *Juan Martínez*, of Okemos; and the reappointments of *JoAnn Chávez*, of Ann Arbor; *Oswaldo Rivera*, of Detroit; and *Jesse Venegas*, of Royal Oak, to the *Hispanic/Latino Commission of Michigan*.

Housed within the Michigan Department of Civil Rights, the 15-member commission develops and maintains a unified policy and plan of action to serve the needs of Michigan's Hispanic and Latino residents.

"I thank all of these appointees for their commitment to serve, and I am confident they will do great work promoting the diverse interests of Hispanics and Latinos in the Great Lakes State," said Snyder.

Ms. González-Cortes is the CEO of González-Cortes & Associates LLC. She was previously CEO of the *Hispanic Center of Western Michigan* and served as the state director for the Office of Migrant Affairs in 2003. González-Cortes earned a bachelor's degree from Bryn Mawr College and a master's degree in cultural anthropology from Stanford University. She replaces *Julia*

*Guevara*.

Martínez retired from *Michigan State University's* program director for MSU and served as a regional supervisor for MSU Extension. Martínez served as a Michigan State adviser board member for the Sustainable and New Immigrants Small Farms Program. He earned an associate degree from Elkhart Institute of Dental Technology and a bachelor's degree in social work from Michigan State University. He replaces *Carlos Alvarado*.

Ms. Chávez is vice president and chief tax officer for *DTE Energy*. She served as director of taxation at Atlas Oil Co. and was a tax partner in KPMG LLP's Detroit Business Unit. She serves as executive sponsor of the *DTE Energy Women in Finance*, the *DTE Energy Women's Leadership Forum* and *DTE SER*. She is a finance committee member of the *Detroit Cristo Rey High School* and an advisory member of the *Detroit Hispanic Development Corp*. Chávez earned a bachelor's degree in business administration and a law degree from the *University of Notre Dame*.

Rivera is director of community engagement for *Southwest Solutions*. He worked as a university liaison with the Department of

Human Services and served as director of multicultural affairs, assistant professor and social work field coordinator at *Madonna University*. Rivera earned a bachelor's degree in sociology from Wayne State University and a master's in social work from the *University of Michigan*.

Venegas is vice president and general manager for *Ideal Serech LLC*. He is a member of the Michigan Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and a past member of the Business Advisory Board at *Crocket Technical High School* in Detroit. Venegas is a member of *Iron Workers Local 25*, the *Detroit Athletic Club*, and the *Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce*. He earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from the *University of Vermont* and completed the *Advanced Minority Business Executive Program* through *Tuck Executive Division* at *Dartmouth College*.

Members will serve three-year terms expiring Dec. 10, 2017. Their appointments are subject to the advice and consent of the Senate.

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## Metroparks Receives Six Awards from State Association

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*Metroparks was honored for the following:*

### Farnsworth and Pearson 'Playscapes'

New "playscapes" at Farnsworth and Pearson Metroparks won first place in the Capital Improvements category for projects under \$1 million. Each playground was crafted with a combination of stock equipment, custom sculptures and interpretive themes to create a series of interactive play environments. At Farnsworth, elements of the playground reflect the park's location beside the Maumee River, while the larger Pearson playground was inspired by that park's history as one of the last remaining pieces of the Great Black Swamp.

### Garden Keepers

A new volunteer program, Garden Keepers, received first place in the Environmental and Interpretive Programs category. Through the program, volunteers adopt garden beds and work with Metroparks horticulturalist to maintain them to specified standards. Begun last year, the program is helping to improve

the appearance of formal planted areas, such as the grounds surrounding the Manor House at Wildwood Preserve, while providing a new outlet for people to volunteer.

### Comprehensive Plan

The park district received a second place award in the Management Innovation category for a comprehensive strategic plan. Three firms were retained to prepare separate studies that were combined to form the plan: PROS consulting gave recommendations for increasing performance and service levels as well as strategies for long-term organizational sustainability. MKSK revitalized existing plans for five new park projects and developed plans for several future park sites. And URS did an assessment of Lucas County's open space assets and opportunities for the future. The plan created a vision that will guide the Metroparks for the next 20 years.

### 'Turtle Dogs'

A program using trained dogs to locate box turtles at Oak Openings Preserve was recognized with a second place award in the Natural Resources Conservation category. The project was initiated by BGSU student Matt Cross, who will use the research in collaboration with Metroparks and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. John Rucker and his "Turtle Dogs," from Tennessee, were hired to sniff out turtles in locations at Oak Openings

where prescribed burns are used to restore natural areas. More than 30 Metroparks volunteers gave 267 hours of their time assisting with the research project.

### Community Policing

The park district's Ranger department received second place honors in the Law Enforcement

category. While incidents in the Metroparks are low, the parks are not immune from crimes, such as "smash-and-grab" thefts from vehicles that have plagued the community at large. Using a variety of tactics, from signage to cameras and a volunteer patrol that has grown to more than 300 members, Metroparks has significantly reduced the number of thefts from vehicles and engaged hundreds of people in the ongoing effort to keep the parks safe for all visitors.

### Building Renovations at Secor

Finally, a major renovation to a facility at Secor Metropark received a 3<sup>rd</sup> place award in the Capital Improvement category for projects from \$1 million to \$2.5 million. The project included a complete makeover of the National Center for Nature Photography, a rental facility called the Secor Room and a Window On Wildlife nature center, all housed in the building. Exterior renovations included a plaza and landscaping. Improvements also include interpretive displays reflecting the park's location at the trailhead of the Oak Openings Corridor, which stretches to Oak Openings Preserve.

## Dates set for UT's presidential finalists' campus visits

The dates have been set for campus visits for The University of Toledo's three presidential finalists. Candidates will tour UT's campuses; meet with faculty, staff, students, administrators, alumni and community members; and participate in open question-and-answer forums on Main Campus and Health Science Campus.

*The dates for the visits are:*

• Wednesday through Friday, Feb. 18-20 — *Dr. Michele Wheatly*, professor and senior adviser to the president at West Virginia University;

• Sunday through Tuesday, Feb. 22-24 — *Dr. Christopher Howard*, president of Hampden-Sydney College in Virginia; and

• Wednesday through Friday, Feb. 25-27 — *Dr. Sharon Gaber*, provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs at the University of Arkansas.

"We're working very hard to ensure that through smaller meetings or the open forums, every constituency group has a chance to hear from the candidates and ask questions," said *Joesph Zerbey*, chairman of the UT Board of Trustees.

"We'll also have a way for the UT community to provide feedback on the candidates through the presidential search website. As I have said from the beginning, we are committed to being as transparent as possible throughout this process." The presidential search website is [utoledo.edu/presidential-search](http://utoledo.edu/presidential-search).

Noting the visit on Sunday, Feb. 22, Zerbey emphasized that day would include a tour of UT campuses and that all interactions with members of the University community would take place during the workweek. Zerbey said invitations to leadership groups across campus and publicity regarding the campus open forums would go out in the next few days.



Dr. Sharon Gaber



Dr. Christopher Howard



Dr. Michele Wheatly

## Spring Alive at Toledo Zoo, Feb. 26 – March 1

Spring comes early to the Toledo Zoo, Feb. 26 – March 1, 2015 with a floral extravaganza called *Spring Alive: Water Adventures in Bloom*. This event, free with regular Zoo admission, is sponsored by Fifth Third Bank.

For these four days only, *Nairobi Pavilion* (near the Zoo's multispecies *Africa!* exhibit) and the Museum become a story book garden with thousands of flowers bringing beloved childhood stories into bloom. Toledo-area landscape companies, garden centers, delcete groups and designers from as far away as New

York City are creating the expansive themed floral displays that pay tribute to *Treasure Island*, *The Little Mermaid*, *Robinson Crusoe*, and more cherished family favorites.

How-to demonstrations, workshops and kitchen gardening talks with the Zoo's executive chef are just some of the highlights, with a *Do It Yourself* stage sponsored by Meijer. Children's story times, puppet shows, ballet performances and more offer a summery getaway that's bursting with family fun.

No Zoo trip would be complete without animals,

and the Zoo's animals, too, are a colorful part of Spring Alive, with live bird shows and chances to meet Zoo animals up close.

This dynamic event is free with regular Zoo admission; optional, separate-fee princess tea parties, adults-only wine-tastings, a gourmet dinner with paired wines and more enhance the experience. Details are at [toledozoo.org/springalive](http://toledozoo.org/springalive).



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## George I. Sánchez: 1 of nation's top Latino scholars closer to hometown fame

By RUSSELL CONTRERAS, Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M., Feb. 12, 2015 (AP)—A noted Mexican-American scholar and civil rights advocate whose name graces educational institutions in Texas and California but is virtually unknown in his hometown of Albuquerque is on track to receive the honor from a New Mexico school.

An Albuquerque Public Schools committee voted Wednesday to name a new kindergarten through eighth-grade school for *George I. Sánchez*, a key figure in the struggle to end segregation of black and Mexican-American students during the 1950s.

"I'm so excited that he's finally going to get to come back home," said Cindy Kennedy, 51, a Santa Fe teacher and a granddaughter of Sánchez, who died in 1972. "This has been a long time coming."

District officials said Sánchez's name beat out *Albert Einstein* and *City View* as the title for the new school on ballots sent to families living in the school's attendance area. The school will be located in the largely immigrant and Mexican-American southwest area of the city.

Born in Albuquerque in 1906, the son of an Arizona miner worked his way out of poverty as a rural public-

school teacher in New Mexico to become one of the most influential Latino scholars and education activists in the nation. Sánchez developed his theories on school inequalities using New Mexico's Latino and Navajo populations as examples.

He argued that bilingual students faced discrimination by school systems that used only English and testified in landmark court cases about the negative effects of segregation and IQ testing on Latino, American Indian and black children.

His 1940 classic "*Forgotten People*" was one of the first studies to document how Latinos were losing land and influence to poverty and white encroachment.

The book drew attention from the University of Texas, which eventually offered Sánchez a job. There, he wrote other books, became a national president of the *League of United Latin American Citizens* and corresponded with Thurgood Marshall on desegregation strategy.

A dozen or so schools in Texas and California are named after Sánchez, but there are none in New Mexico, the state with the largest percentage of Latinos in the nation and one that celebrates its Latino past.

He is not listed among the state's notable figures in New Mexico Centennial guide-

books.

After a 2012 Associated Press story on Sánchez and how he was an unknown figure in New Mexico, a group of current and retired educators began pushing for more recognition of Sánchez.

The New Mexico Association for Bilingual Education, for example, honored Sánchez in 2013 with an award recognizing a New Mexican who has made a significant contribution to bilingual education.

But the group failed to persuade the Santa Fe school board to name a new school after Sánchez.

The Albuquerque school is believed to be the first named after Sánchez in New Mexico. The full Albuquerque school board next needs to approve the proposal in a vote that could come as early as next week.

Carlos Blanton, author of "*George I. Sánchez: The Long Fight for Mexican American Integration*" and a history professor at Texas A&M University, said naming a school after Sánchez will go a long way in securing his legacy in New Mexico.

"School names are enduring," Blanton said. "So it's really heartwarming that George I. Sánchez is going to be remembered in Albuquerque after all these years."

## NYC Council speaker calls for criminal justice reform

By JONATHAN LEMIRE, Associated Press

NEW YORK, Feb. 11, 2015 (AP)—New York City Council Speaker *Melissa Mark-Viverito* turned her first State of the City address into a rallying cry for those at the margins of the nation's largest city, proposing sweeping reforms to its criminal justice system while outlining increased government intervention into the lives of the poor, the homeless and immigrants who are in the country illegally.

Mark-Viverito, a reliable ally of fellow Democrat Mayor Bill de Blasio, declared that the city's justice system was inequitable, sending too many black and Latino men to jail at Rikers Island for minor offenses. She proposed that some of those low-level violations, like jumping a subway turnstile, warrant only summonses or desk appearance tickets instead of time in jail.

"We cannot continue to lock up those accused of low-level, non-violent offenses without recognizing the dire, long-term consequences to them and to our city," said Mark-Viverito, who spoke at a community center in an East Harlem housing project, becoming the first speaker to deliver a State of the City address in public housing.

She also proposed the creation of a citywide \$1.4 million bail fund to assist low-risk, non-violent offenders pay small bail amounts, and the creation of a new Office of Civil Justice to make certain that low-income New Yorkers have access to legal representation.

Council aides said conversations with the mayor's office and the New York Police Department would soon begin on the proposals. A spokesman said de Blasio was reviewing the proposals. Police did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

Ms. Mark-Viverito, a former activist who stands to the left of the liberal de Blasio on many issues, became a flashpoint during the recent rift between the police and City Hall. Many of her council colleagues participated in die-in protests in the wake of Eric Garner's chokehold death at the hands of police, and she wore an "*I Can't Breathe*" shirt that echoed Garner's last words.

But the speaker took pains on Wednesday to praise the NYPD, touting a recent council investment to pay for replacement bulletproof vests and reiterating her call for the hiring of 1,000 additional officers. De Blasio has yet to embrace the idea of more officers.

Frequently dotting her speech with Spanish that drew cheers from the crowd, Mark-Viverito unveiled a litany of other proposals, including free Microsoft software for public school students, an education partnership with NASA, increased funding for public housing, the creation of a new agency to enforce labor laws and the revitalization of the city's Human Rights Commission, which protects people from discrimination based on things like race, sexual orientation and gender.

"For too long, many voices in New York have been marginalized, drowned out or forgotten," she said. "But just because some could not hear them, did not mean they were not there."

She also dotted the speech with personal moments, reminiscing about her upbringing in the neighborhood—heavily Latino, it is dubbed "El Barrio"—and poking fun at her love of Twitter. Known for frequently using the social media platform to engage with constituents and colleagues, Mark-Viverito used her phone to snap a photo of the crowd in her speech's first minutes.

And then, from the podium, she tweeted it.

## Anthony Alto is recipient of CCBE's Employee of the Year award

Cleveland, Feb. 11, 2015: Each year the *Cuyahoga County Board of Elections* recognizes an exclusive number of its staff for their hard work and dedication to public service. This year's *Employee of the Year Award* was earned by *Anthony Alto*, an Election Official in the Poll Worker Department.

In 2014, Mr. Alto demonstrated his many skills and talents while assisting the agency in reaching its goals for recruiting, hiring, and training bilingual poll workers who assist Spanish-speaking voters.

In every countywide election there are 73 precincts that are staffed with at least 162 bilingual poll workers. "It is an honor to have been selected as Employee of the Year, and I am very grateful to the Board for allowing me the opportunity to work on behalf of Spanish-speaking voters," said Alto.

Mr. Alto has worked at the Board of Elections

for two years. "I am proud of Mr. Alto's accomplishments at the Board of Elections and I look forward to seeing more members of the Hispanic community becoming involved in the election process by serving as poll workers due to his efforts," said Board of Elections Director *Pat McDonald*. "Mr. Alto is an example of the excellent public service we provide to the voters of Cuyahoga County," said McDonald.

Alto was also praised by the Board of Elections for his activities outside of his normal scope of work. He is an active member of the *Spanish Advisory Board for Electorate (SABE)*, which is a group that works toward increasing election participation and voter education in the Latino community. Alto is also a board member of the *Young Latino Network* and a mentor for the Latino youth through *Esperanza Inc.*



Anthony Alto

### Anthony Alto: CCBE Empleado del Año

Cada año, la Junta Electoral reconoce un número exclusivo de su personal por su arduo trabajo y dedicación al servicio público. El Premio al Empleado del Año de este año fue ganado por *Anthony Alto*, un Funcionario Electoral del

Departamento de Trabajadores Electorales.

En el 2014 el Sr. Alto demostró sus muchas habilidades y talentos al ayudar a la agencia a alcanzar sus metas de reclutamiento, contratación y capacitación de trabajadores electorales bilingües que ayudan a los electores de habla hispana.

En cada elección de todo el condado hay 73 distritos electorales cuyo personal cuenta al menos con 162 trabajadores electorales bilingües. "Es un honor haber sido seleccionado como Empleado del

Año, y estoy muy agradecido a la Junta por darme la oportunidad de trabajar en nombre de los electores de habla hispana", comentó Alto.

El Sr. Alto ha trabajado en la Junta Electoral por dos años. "Estoy orgulloso de los logros del Sr. Alto en la Junta Electoral y deseo ver a más miembros de la

comunidad hispana involucrados en el proceso electoral, ejerciendo como trabajadores electorales gracias a sus esfuerzos", comentó el Director de la Junta Electoral *Pat McDonald*. "El Sr. Alto es un ejemplo del servicio público excelente que prestamos a los electores del Condado de Cuyahoga", comentó McDonald.

El Sr. Alto también fue elogiado por la Junta Electoral por sus actividades fuera de su ámbito normal de trabajo. Él es un miembro activo del Consejo Asesor Hispano para el Electorado (*Spanish Advisory Board for Electorate, SABE*), que es un grupo que trabaja para aumentar la participación electoral y la educación de los electores de la comunidad hispana. El Sr. Alto también es Miembro del Consejo de la Red de Jóvenes Latinos y un mentor para los jóvenes latinos a través de *Esperanza Inc.*

## Protesters plan more rallies over Washington police shooting

PASCO, Wash., Feb. 12, 2015 (AP)—Residents angry that police shot and killed an orchard worker accused of throwing rocks at officers are planning more protests in an agricultural area of southeastern Washington. Some of the dozens of people who saw the shooting at a busy intersection Tuesday evening videotaped the confrontation in Pasco, a city of about 68,000 people where more than half the residents are Latino.

Police in the city about 215 miles southeast of Seattle say 35-year-old *Antonio Zambrano-Montes* threw multiple rocks, hitting two officers, and refused to put down other stones. Witnesses say he was running away when officers shot him.

Protesters chanted "We want justice" in English and Spanish at Pasco City Hall on Wednesday. KNDU-TV reports that they plan to demonstrate again Saturday. A vigil for Zambrano-Montes also was held Wednesday night.

## Antonio Merlano relata experiencia en "Malaaventura"

Por **BERENICE BAUTISTA**, Associated Press

MEXICO, Feb. 10, 2015 (AP): El actor colombiano Antonio Merlano interpreta por primera vez en cine a un travesti en la película "Malaaventura".

"A ver si me reconocen", dijo sonriente luciendo pelo corto y barba durante una entrevista reciente con The Associated Press en la Ciudad de México.

"Yo nunca había usado tacones en mi vida... estuve literalmente todo el día con los tacones, caminando con los tacones, corriendo con los tacones. Al final noten mis pies. Mis respetos a las mujeres", sostuvo.

La película, que se estrena el jueves en México, retrata una noche de fiesta desenfadada entre un grupo de jóvenes de clase acomodada y las consecuencias que esto tiene en sus vidas pues los chicos terminan en la cárcel y comparten celda con Marimar, el personaje de Merlano, quien llega con su banda.

"Este travesti es una farsa de travesti, él y su grupo son atracadores que se disfrazan de travestis para atracar", apuntó.

El actor se dice identificado con las lecciones que aprenden los chicos la ópera prima de Carlos Rincones, estelarizada por

Miri Higuera, Juan Pablo Gil y Ruy Senders. Recordó que alguna vez se metió un lío como cuando comenzó a "pelear" con un primo.

"Estaba borracho y estábamos en un concierto en un estadio de fútbol, empezamos a hacer creer que estábamos peleando, todo era de mentira pero lo actuamos de tal manera que llegaron los policías y me iban a agarrar esposado", dijo el actor de 32 años. "Hasta que gracias a Dios se armó una pelea de verdad y al policía le tocó soltarme".

Merlano, quien es originario de Barranquilla, estudió en la escuela dramática Neighborhood Playhouse de Nueva York y en Los Angeles, donde se especializó en cine y reside actualmente. A finales de año estrenará en festivales internacionales y en Colombia su ópera prima como director "Expediente: La noche".

La cinta, inspirada en las leyendas que le contaban sus abuelos, es un falso documental sobre cuatro periodistas que van a un pueblo colombiano por el rumor de una anciana de 90 años embarazada del Anticristo. Al llegar entran a una dimensión en la que nunca sale el sol.

"Y pues se empiezan a morir como en toda buena

película de terror", dijo Merlano quien se confiesa admirador de Guillermo del Toro.

El actor volverá a colaborar con Rincones en la comedia "Mexiwood", una cinta sobre la industria de las telenovelas en México, con Aarón Díaz quien hará el personaje de un galán de la televisión, Aislinn Derbez quien será una diva muerta.

"Megavisión Continental, que es la megatelevisora, decide hacer la apuesta más ambiciosa en una telenovela, deciden hacer la primera telenovela en 3D que se llama 'Planeta de lágrimas' y es como 'Avatar', donde el amor se extinguió y llegan estos dos galanes a enamorar a las extraterrestres".

Además de coescribir el guión de esa cinta, Merlano interpretará a un famoso productor de telenovelas venezolano.

"Es una película sobre el ego y como el ego afecta las carreras".

Merlano, cuyos créditos destacan "Labios rojos" y "Cinco de mayo, la batalla", destacó que este es un buen momento para el cine Latinoamericano tras "No se aceptan devoluciones de Eugenio Derbez.

"Todos quieren saber cuál será el próximo taquillazo".

## Mayor Collins honored during Memorial Services

By **Kevin Milliken**, La Prensa Correspondent

February 18, 2015: 2,000 Ohioans went to Savage Arena at the University of Toledo to pay their final respects to late Mayor Mike Collins during a memorial service on Wednesday evening, Feb. 11.

Hundreds, if not thousands more, lined a 12-mile funeral procession route in south and central Toledo, in the bitter cold the following morning, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>—adults, schoolchildren, police officers and firefighters—some of them holding signs, others wearing green, to say one last goodbye to the mayor, who died of cardiac arrest suffered while serving the public, checking the condition of snowy roads. Mass was then held at *Rosary Cathedral* in the Old West End.

"Well done, my good and faithful servant! Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come! Share your Master's joy! These are the words we pray that Mayor D. Michael Collins heard from the Lord at the moment of his death," said *Bishop Daniel Thomas* during the late mayor's funeral Mass at *Rosary Cathedral*.

Alternately described as a tough negotiator, a man of great detail, a family man, a servant leader, and even a prankster—one theme emerged from the events that paid homage to Mayor Collins: a man who deeply cared about the community he called his hometown. "The man who would be mayor took as his campaign slogan 'Collins Cares.' We can say Toledo cares," the bishop said.

Many stories and anecdotes were told during two days of events to honor the mayor's memory—some of them celebratory, still others solemn, some of them of funny moments. But all of them were reflective of a man for whom all held deep respect—the son of Irish-Catholic immigrants, whose humility, honesty, and hard work were to be admired and appreciated.

"History will show that Mayor Collins was the catalyst for the city of Toledo's renaissance," said *Matt Sapara*, the mayor's economic development director, as he named several development projects still in the works.

"He was honest, he was straightforward, he did not have a facade," said UT Interim President *Nagi Naganathan*. "What you saw was what you got, and what he said was what he meant."

Chief of Staff *Bob Reinbolt* noted Collins be-



came known as "The Professor" in many circles because of his vast knowledge of policy issues and the time he spent educating himself on the details of legislation, city procedures, and virtually any other issue.

The memorial service also featured the song "You Lift Me Up" performed by the *St. Francis de Sales High School Men's Choir* where Collins taught, as well as "Amazing Grace" performed on bagpipes and a video tribute to the mayor.

"Goodbye mayor, Goodbye mentor. Goodbye friend, for now!" said *Sapara*.

"This isn't the end, my friend. It's just the beginning. I'll see you on the other side," said *Ron Scanton*, the mayor's former partner on the Toledo Police vice unit.

*Ohio Gov. John Kasich* and *Attorney General Mike DeWine* each traveled from Columbus to attend the memorial service, but neither state official spoke. *Kasich* met privately with the Collins family beforehand. The governor ordered flags flown at half-staff outside local public buildings through the day the mayor was laid to rest at a private burial service at Toledo Memorial Park.

### The Future

City council president *Paula Hicks-Hudson* automatically became Toledo's mayor upon the death of the Mayor Collins. Ms. Hicks-Hudson purposely waited until after the memorial tribute to the late mayor before holding an official swearing-in ceremony, which took place Tuesday, Feb. 17 in city council chambers.

In La Prensa photo on page 1, Mayor Hicks-Hudson is shown addressing audience at Mayor Collins' services at the University of Toledo on Feb. 11, 2015.

Ms. Hicks-Hudson stated the late mayor had "a vision and love for the city of Toledo" during his memorial service and committed to carrying on his work as his successor. But she also told reporters her stamp would go into some areas where she had disagreement with Mayor Collins, particularly funding for recreation and city pools. Ms. Hicks-

Hudson now will have approximately six weeks to get a balanced city budget passed.

The *Lucas County Democratic Party* will interview possible replacements this week for the Fourth District city council seat vacated by Ms. Hicks-Hudson when she became mayor. Whoever is appointed must run again in May, then survive a September primary and November's general election to keep the seat beyond the end of 2015.

The necessity required by the city charter signals that city government must move forward after the late mayor's death. No one has come forward yet to announce a mayoral candidacy. Political pundits have said no one wants to be the first to declare so soon after the death of Mayor Collins to avoid public backlash. Ms. Hicks-Hudson called it "too soon" to say whether she'll run to keep the city's top post. All candidates who file would be involved in a run-off election in November. The city charter does not require a primary to whittle down the number of candidates.

Editor's Note: On Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>, the family of Mayor Collins released a statement thanking the Toledo community for the show of support over the past two weeks:

"We would like to thank the entire community for its support. We deeply appreciated your respect for our privacy during this difficult time. Anchored by our faith, we are sustained and comforted by your prayers.

"We learned that at any moment a situation may arise where we have the opportunity to serve our fellow man. Our community witnessed the embodiment of the spirit of our 'compassionate city.' Truly, your expressions of support spoke louder than words, demonstrating just how much 'Toledo Cares!'"

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# Fair Housing Center Director Marsh tours South America

By Kevin Milliken, La Prensa Correspondent

Feb. 2, 2015: Some of us just will never be adventurous enough to complete our bucket list, leaving it little more than wishful thinking. But Michael Marsh, president and CEO of the Toledo Fair Housing Center, can cross a big one off his list—a recent three-week trip that literally took him around South America.

“I’ve wanted to go on the trip for a long time—years,” said Director Marsh, explaining a cruise line sent him an email advertising a “bucket list sale” which took him to five countries in South America.

Marsh returned just in time for the first of many events to celebrate the Fair Housing Center’s 40th anniversary. The agency held a reception last week at *Georgio’s Cafe* in downtown Toledo and plans a documentary screening April 23, 6 p.m. at the Valentine Theater in partnership with *WGTE Public Media*.

“I’m glad I did it. I think travel is the best thing anybody can do—to expand horizons and open up minds. This one was more of an adventure than a vacation. Between the temperature changes, tours, and sightseeing—it was definitely one of those once-in-a-lifetime things.”

Marsh spent three days in *Rio de Janeiro* to start the trip and experience the Brazil city’s New Year’s Eve celebration which he called “second only to Carnival.”

Marsh stated he walked to Copacabana Beach for the New Year’s Eve fireworks display. He explained that thousands of people gather, almost all of them wearing white. They offer white flowers to *Yemanjá*, the Afro-Brazilian queen of the sea. Tradition holds that she will bring energy and strength in the New Year.

“I bought white gladiolas and you throw them into the ocean and you make a wish,” he said.

Marsh heavily researched cities he would visit on the Internet and booked day trips and tours based on his personal interests. But those tours only deepened the knowledge he gained through his research. He expected some cities to be exactly like their cosmopolitan reputations, but found a few surprises along the way.

“I would describe South America as a cross between

Europe and the Caribbean with a little Mexico thrown in,” he said.

The two-week cruise allowed him to see parts of South America not everyone gets to experience. Port of calls included: *Buenos Aires*, Argentina’s capital city; *Montevideo*, Uruguay’s capital city; the Falkland Islands; *Punta Arenas*, the capital city of Chile’s southernmost region; and *Valparaíso*, Chile, where the cruise ended.

“We got to see a lot,” he said. “It was pretty spectacular and I got to meet a lot of nice people. I met a couple from California and another from Memphis, where the wife is originally from Fremont. We ran into each other quite a bit. I met all four of those people on a tour of Christ the Redeemer in Rio before we ever got on the ship. We became friends and just kept crossing each other’s path. We’ve stayed in touch after the cruise.”

Marsh was particularly looking forward to the stop in Buenos Aires, because of its reputation as the “Paris of the South” and a personal love of *Evita* the musical and movie. He did a daytime tour that took him to *La Recoleta Cemetery (Cementerio de la Recoleta)* and mausoleum where *Eva Perón* is buried, as well as an *Evita Museum*.

“Her mom and sister had saved some of her dresses. After she died and (Juan) Perón was ousted and a military coup took over, they destroyed most of the buildings that had anything to do with *Evita* and destroyed most everything associated with *Evita*,” he said. “I didn’t know this, but that had to send her body under a false name to Italy for 16 years to protect it. Now it’s returned. I also didn’t know she was instrumental in getting Perón to allow women to vote.”

The building that houses



Michael Marsh at *Georgio’s Cafe*

the *Evita* museum was once a temporary shelter for single moms that was run by a foundation started by *Eva Perón*, herself raised by a single mother. Her father was married within a wealthy family but had kept *Evita’s* mother as his mistress.

While in Buenos Aires, he also took a city tour that led him into *La Boca*, “a very colorful Bohemian artsy district where the tango was invented,” according to Marsh. Marsh stated that *Montevideo* was a mix of a rundown city and a resort along the Atlantic Ocean, where many wealthy South American families kept luxurious vacation homes. One section is called *Beverly Hills* for that very reason.

He also went to the *Ralli Museum*, one of five in the world where a wealthy family collects art and puts it on public display at no charge. There is a similar such museum in Santiago.

“The focus of the one in *Punta del Este* was living Latin American artists, so it had a lot of colorful modern paintings and two sculpture gardens,” he said. “It was interesting.”

Marsh stated that the stop in *Ushuaia* caught him by surprise, because it “looked more European than anything.” Snowcapped mountains in the background provided a captivating view.

“It looked more like the Swiss Alps than anything,” he said. “I didn’t know what to expect.”

Marsh missed an opportunity to see penguins in the *Falkland Islands*, but caught up with another community of the flightless birds up-close in *Punta Arenas*.

Marsh took a guided tour of *Viña del Mar* and spent a couple of days in *Santiago*, Chile to close out the cruise before flying home.

The cruise also sailed around *Cape Horn*, and through the *Beagle Channel*, a strait in *Tierra del Fuego Archipelago* on the extreme southern tip of South America, partly in Chile and partly in Argentina. That southern swing also took him through *Glacier Alley*, with a stop in *Ushuaia*, Argentina, a place Marsh had never heard of before and commonly referred to as the southernmost city in the world. Marsh got to tour the *Tierra del Fuego National Park*, which he called “absolutely gorgeous.”

Marsh kept a travel journal along the way. A typical entry is his description of what he saw at the national park:

“In the park, orchids grow wild, and they have ‘false mistletoe’ that hangs from the trees, edible mushrooms that look like orange balls hanging from the trees, as well as ‘false rosemary,’ which is a plant that looks like rosemary and blooms with tiny white flowers. We also saw many buttercups—little yellow flowers. The park was breathtakingly beautiful with the *Beagle Channel*, mountains, lakes, and rivers.”

Marsh had his picture taken



was back in the 90’s for his tour of *Santiago*, Chile. But he was limited to only two suitcases, so packing was a trick in itself.

The only part of the trip that both surprised and disappointed him was the amount of graffiti he noticed in many of the cities he visited.

“These places have so much history with the Europeans settling there and the influence on the architecture. It was just really fascinating,” he said. “The architecture is just so beautiful and so historic and they just have graffiti all over the place. It’s really sad to see that. Some of the graffiti is artsy and muralesque. But a lot of it is just graffiti.”

Marsh stated he hopes those countries can find a way to “tap into the talents” of the young people responsible for the graffiti and “use it as a way to make public art it would be a better outcome, rather than deface the historic buildings.”

Marsh, now in his early 40s, has been a world traveler in his past, counting Europe among many destinations, as well as an African safari several years ago with his parents to celebrate his birthday. But the South American trip left an indelible impression on him.

“I challenge people to go to other places, some places perhaps that are outside of their comfort zone,” he said. “They can be as pleasantly surprised as I was. I just challenge people to see other parts of the world. South America was just beautiful. This was just one of those once-in-a-lifetime adventures.”

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## Alliance supports ABLE/DRO Civil Rights complaint

By Kevin Milliken, La Prensa Correspondent

As reported in the Feb. 6th, 2015 issue of *La Prensa*, in January of 2015 *Advocates for Basic Legal Equality, Inc. (ABLE)* and *Disability Rights Ohio (DRO)* filed an administrative complaint with the U.S. Department of Justice on behalf of Spanish-speaking students with and without disabilities and their families.

The administrative complaint alleges that seven school districts in Ohio [including specified public school districts in Toledo and Metro Columbus] and the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) are failing to provide translated documents and qualified interpreters for students and parents with Limited English Proficiency (LEP), as required by federal law. It alleges that the seven school districts all are recipients of federal financial assistance and are therefore subject to the anti-discrimination provisions of Title VI, the No Child Left Behind Act, and other federal regulations meant to ensure equal access to education.

According to the complaint, school districts are legally required to ensure that parents who speak little to no English are able to meaningfully participate in their child's education. When students and families are unable to participate in the learning process due to a language barrier, it is the school district's responsibility to provide translations and interpreters.

The administrative com-

plaint asks that the ODE and the 7 school districts be required to adopt policies and procedures that ensure LEP students and families have meaningful educational access. These policies include appropriate training of school district staff; effective identification of language needs of LEP students and parents; a guarantee of qualified, available interpreters and written translation; and monitoring and oversight by ODE.

The U.S. Department of Justice will review the complaint and decide whether to conduct an investigation.

In Toledo, a group that call itself the *Latino Alliance of Northwest Ohio* took a strong stance in support of this federal civil rights complaint filed by ABLE and DRO—especially against *Toledo Public Schools (TPS)*.

"For too many years, TPS has applied minimal resources to this growing concern. The Latino population is increasing every year. A sound education is the foundation to future success not only of individuals, but of communities," said *Carlos Ruiz*, the alliance's interim president. "While the city and county have established a 'friendly communities' program, having a school system which is not responsive to the Spanish-speaking/Latino community is both 'unfriendly' and harmful to the entire community."

Some alliance members surrounded the speakers during a press conference on Feb. 13 at

*La Galeria* on Broadway. Alliance members recounted years of meetings "expressing frustration with TPS lack of response to the needs of the Latino community" to district leaders past and present, "which resulted in little to no change."

The alliance speakers renewed ABLE/DRO's call for district officials to establish "comprehensive, systemic and sustainable" policies and procedures to provide adequate bilingual services to Spanish-speaking students and parents.

More specifically, the alliance members requested TPS to conduct a thorough assessment of the education needs of Spanish-speaking Latino students and families; provide appropriate and culturally-specific training for teachers and staff; guarantee enough sufficient, qualified Spanish-speaking interpreters and writing translators to meet required needs; review hiring, retention, and promotion practices to make sure the proper Latino representation district-wide; and put in place a monitoring and oversight process to ensure the requests are properly fulfilled.

"In this 21st century paradigm shift, the growing diversity in our communities requires a response. While the alliance represents the Latino population and its need for improved limited English services for our Spanish-speaking families, this issue is greater

than just us," said Mr. Ruiz. "This is a community-wide concern that affects the quality of education delivered to students from many backgrounds."

According to the ABLE/DRO complaint, more than ten percent of the average daily enrollment at TPS during the 2012-13 academic year, or 2,262 students, were Latino. Of those, 428 students were limited English proficiency. The federal complaint covers six parents with 17 children enrolled in TPS schools.

The ABLE/DRO administrative complaint specifically alleges that non-English and limited-English speaking parents are not being communicated to by the school district in a language they understand. Both oral and written communications to them is almost always in English and interpreters are rarely provided for phone conversations and meetings with school officials.

"It's our understanding the schools are sending home a suspension notice to the family and the family can't even read it or doesn't understand it," said Mr. Ruiz.

ABLE attorney *Mark Heller*



Carlos Ruiz

noted at the press conference that discussions started with TPS officials in 2011 and ABLE was assured "the problem was

procedures, in general, in terms of how to work with a multicultural, multilingual community, and who doesn't have a process for translating and interpreting in their systems, is just going to end up going out of business, said Ms. DeLeón, who concluded:

"This is the 21st century. A lot of our [TPS] systems are operating on 20th century processes and procedures. It's time to bring it up to speed."

This correspondent was unable to reach TPS officials for comment by press time. Rico de La Prensa contributed to this report.

Editor's Note: The seven school districts involved in the ABLE/DRO administrative complaint are: *Toledo Public Schools, Columbus City Schools, Dublin City Schools, Groveport-Madison Local Schools, South-Western City Schools, Westerville City Schools, and Whitehall City Schools*. According to the complaint, in Toledo Public Schools, six families are complaining on behalf of their LEP children and on their own behalf as parents. In Columbus City Schools, six families are complaining on their own behalf as parents and on behalf of their children.

On the Internet: <http://ablelaw.org/images/012715-FiledAd-Complaint.pdf>

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### CWRU's Baker-Nord Center offers NEH grant writing workshop

The Baker-Nord Center for the Humanities at Case Western Reserve University will present a regional NEH grant writing workshop on Wednesday, Feb. 25, 2015 at the Tinkham Veale University Center, 11038 Bellflower Rd., Cleveland.

Guest speaker Stefanie Walker, senior program officer at the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), will provide grant writing information and answer questions about current NEH funding opportuni-

ties. The program starts at 9 a.m. with a general overview of NEH, and concludes with a mock panel review of grant applications at 11 a.m.

The staff of the NEH Division of Research Programs will conduct 12 workshops around the country this year, and CWRU is honored to have been chosen as a regional site. Through these workshops, NEH hopes to raise awareness of funding opportunities in the humanities and increase the number and quality of applications submitted for funding.



Walker will be available for a limited number of individual appointments with regional faculty during the afternoons of Feb. 24 and 25. Reservations are required.

To schedule an appointment or for more information, contact Maggie Kaminski at the Baker-Nord Center at 216.368.2242 or email Maggie.kaminski@case.edu, or visit case.edu/humanities.

### WHAT'S HAPPENING AT LORAIN PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM'S MAIN LIBRARY

**EXERCISE:** Don't miss two opportunities to work out at Lorain Public Library System's Main Library. Zumba is Monday, Feb. 16 at 6 p.m. Preregistration required. Yoga is on Fridays at 5:30 p.m. Bring a yoga mat or beach towel. Registration is available online at LorainPublicLibrary.org or by calling the Main Library at 440-244-1192, ext. 450 or 1-800-322-READ, ext. 450. The Main Library is located at 351 W. Sixth St. in Lorain.



**LEGO® NIGHT:** Build a unique structure brick by brick at Lorain Public Library System's Main Library on Wednesday, Feb. 18 at 6:30 p.m. The library has LEGO® bricks for all ages to use to create a masterpiece. Preregistration is required and is available online at LorainPublicLibrary.org or by calling the Main Library at 440-244-1192, ext. 449 or 1-800-322-READ, ext. 449.

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**February 20**—*GED Prep Orientation* will be held at Ohio Means Jobs, 42495 Northridge Rd., Elyria, Ohio 44055 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Orientation is required in order to attend GED classes provided by Lorain County Community College ABLE Consortium at El Centro.

**February 25** - ESOL Orientation will be held at El Centro, 2800 Pearl Ave., Lorain Ohio 44055 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Orientation is required in order to attend ESOL classes provided by Lorain County Community College ABLE Consortium at El Centro.

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**I KNOW WHY THE CAGED BIRD SINGS BOOK DISCUSSION:** In honor of Black History Month, pick up a copy of *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings* by Maya Angelou at Lorain Public Library System's South Lorain Branch. This poetic autobiography is a modern American classic that has the power to touch hearts and change minds forever. Discuss this book at the library on Tuesday, Feb. 17 at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call the South Lorain Branch at 440-277-5672.

**GENRE BOOK DISCUSSION FOR ADULTS:** Enter a world of magical realistic literature at this month's genre book discussion at Lorain Public Library System's South Lorain Branch. Discuss *Who Fears Death* by Nnedi Okorafor on Wednesday, Feb. 18 at 6 p.m. This is a powerful story of genocide set in the future in post-apocalyptic Africa. Books are available at the library. Preregistration is required and is available online at LorainPublicLibrary.org or by calling the South Lorain Branch at 440-277-5672.

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**BLACKS MAKING HISTORY IN LORAIN:** Hear from African-Americans who are making history in Lorain at Lorain Public Library System's South Lorain Branch on Tuesday, Feb. 24 at 6 p.m. Panel members will talk about how they were able to attain their positions, including the obstacles that were surmounted along with way, and take questions. Panelists include: Charlita Anderson-White, magistrate for Judge Boros; Joanne Eldridge, director of the Lorain Public Library System; Leon Mason, director of building, housing and planning for the city of Lorain; Darryl Tucker, managing editor at *The Morning Journal*; and Frank Whitfield, CEO of the Lorain County Urban League. This Black History Month event is cosponsored by the Lorain Historical Society. Preregistration is required and is available online at LorainPublicLibrary.org or by calling the South Lorain Branch at 440-277-5672.

**ORIGAMI:** Help Lorain Public Library System's South Lorain Branch make an ocean full of origami animals. The paper folding commences on Wednesday, Feb. 25 at 6 p.m. No prior origami experience required. Preregistration is required and is available online at LorainPublicLibrary.org or by calling the South Lorain Branch at 440-277-5672.

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**February 26** – Heatherdowns Branch, 3265 Glanzman Road, 6-7 p.m.

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• *Holly Cipriani*, Outreach Coordinator and Counselor, Bowling Green State University; information on different student loan repayment plans including those that are income based. You will also have the opportunity to learn about different loan forgiveness programs available, and options you have if they find you cannot



afford your monthly loan payments.

**February 24**—Main Library, 325 Michigan St., 6:30-7:30 p.m.

**February 25**—Point Place, 2727-117<sup>th</sup> St., 6:30-7:30 p.m.

**Living Great, Spending a Lot Less**

• *Candy Huner*, *Deal With it Simply blogger*; live a lot better on a lot less money. Learn tips on cutting your spending without cutting down on your life.

**February 28**—Holland Branch, 1032 S. McCord Road, 10-11 a.m.

On the Internet: [www.americasaves.org](http://www.americasaves.org)  
Social media hashtag: #ASW2015



**OWENS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION ACCEPTING NOMINATIONS FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD**

**Feb. 13, 2015:** *Owens Community College's Alumni Association* is recognizing the tremendous contribution that area police, fire and emergency medical professionals and community leaders make to Northwest Ohio's surrounding communities by hosting the 12th annual Outstanding Service Awards. The recipients will be honored as part of a community celebration on Friday, April 24, 2015.

The College's Alumni Association is currently accepting nominations for the Outstanding Service Awards. Area residents are invited to nominate an individual or individuals who have demonstrated exceptional service above and beyond the call of duty.

Nominations need to be returned to the College's Office of Alumni Relations by Feb. 27. The award is not limited to a single recipient, and the College's Alumni Association encourages the nomination of more than one person when teamwork was the key element in their success.

The five awards, which will be presented at the community celebration, are within the categories of Outstanding Police Officer, Firefighter, Emergency Medical Technician, Service to Community and Community Spirit. Selection criteria will be based upon a nomination process with candidates demonstrating exceptional service related to dedication, ingenuity, bravery, special skills and/or to the community over a sustained period of time. The awards are not

limited to a single recipient.

The 12th annual Outstanding Service Awards Celebration will begin at 8 a.m. with registration beginning at 7:30 a.m. in the College's Audio/Visual Classroom Center Rooms 121-128 on the Toledo-area Campus. Owens is located on Oregon Road in Perrysburg Township. Admission is free and the public is encouraged to attend, however, reservations are required.

For more information about the Outstanding Service Award Celebration, or the nomination process, contact the College's Alumni Relations Office at (567) 661-7410 or 1-800-GO-OWENS, Ext. 7410.

**MEXICAN MUTUAL SOCIETY (MMS)**

**February 2015 Fundraiser Events**

Continuing the "SAVE THE CLUB!" Campaign by family and friends of the Mexican Mutual Society, 1820 East 28<sup>th</sup> Street, Lorain OH, the following fundraiser events are planned for February 2015 to support the Club's operation:

**ENTERTAINMENT: February 13, 2015. "The Jazz, Funk and Blues Band"** featuring the music of *Jaime Flores* on trumpet, *Dominic Cataldo* on piano, *Rob Hill* on bass, *Louie Morales* on drums, *Dave Millen* on sax, and *Ralphie Alvarado* on percussion with guest singer will perform from 9-12 pm, following the Celebrity Bartender Event. Admission is \$5 at the door. Mexican food will be available.

**CELEBRITY BARTENDER NIGHT. Every Friday night from 6-9 pm.** Join in the fun on Friday nights with the *Celebrity Bartenders* when the crowd goes wild and the big bell rings as the tip donations role in for the Mexican Mutual Society! Mexican food will be available.

February celeb bartenders are:  
**February 20, 2015.** Lorain Port Authority, **Rick Novak**, Director and **Ralph Bruening**, Facilities Manager.

**February 27, 2015.** **Becky Rodríguez**, CHIP Events Chairperson joined by members of the Coalition of Hispanics in Progress (CHIP).

**2015 Membership Drive.** Help sustain the Mexican Mutual Society through a Social Membership open to the public for **only \$10**. Membership forms are available at the Club. Call 440-277-7375 for information.

**Call For Little Queen Contestants for 2015 Cinco de Mayo Celebration!**  
Mexican Mutual Society (MMS) is continuing an over 40 year tradition of a Queen reigning over the annual Cinco de Mayo festivities. It is looking for little girls to run for the **Cinco de Mayo LITTLE QUEEN OF 2015**. *The little girl MUST be of Mexican descent, between the ages of 5 to 9 yrs. old, and live in Lorain County.*

The LITTLE QUEEN will reign over the Annual Cinco de Mayo Parade and Festivities which take place on May 2, 2015. *Deadline* to register your child is **February 7, 2014**. Contest begins February 14, 2015. For further details and to register your child, call the Pageant Director, Marie Leibas at 440-288-1044

**February Winter Club Hours:** Club opens at 3 pm on Wednesday through Sunday, except for the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of the month on which the Club will be closed. Hector's Kitchen will be open and serving Mexican food and other offerings. Call the Club at 440-277-7375 for the daily menu. **Hall rentals available.**

Fundraiser events are open to the public. Call the Club at 440-277-7375 for further information.

**CPL welcomes mother of Trayvon Martin**

Cleveland Public Library (CPL) continues its inspiring African-American History Month programming with a discussion with *Sybrina Fulton*, mother of *Trayvon Martin* on **Saturday, February 21, 2015, at 2:00 p.m.** The discussion, moderated by WKYC's Margaret Bernstein, will take place in the Louis Stokes Wing Auditorium on East 6<sup>th</sup> Street and Superior Avenue.

Since the death of her 17 year old son, Trayvon Martin, Sybrina Fulton has

dedicated her life to creating something positive out of her grief. The publicity that surrounded her son's death and trial sparked a national debate that continues today. Ms. Fulton has become a powerful voice against violence against children and the importance of creating safer and stronger communities across the country.

In addition to speaking across the country, Sybrina Fulton and Tracy Martin, Trayvon's father, established The Trayvon Martin Founda-

tion in 2012 as a not-for-profit organization under the auspices of The Miami Foundation. The purpose of the foundation is to create awareness of how violent crimes impact the families of the victims and to provide support and advocacy for those families.

This event is free and open to the public. Seating is available on a first-come, first-served basis. For more info, visit [cpl.org](http://cpl.org). For more information on The Trayvon Martin Foundation, visit [trayvonmartinfoundation.org](http://trayvonmartinfoundation.org).

**Request for Proposals Maintenance/Small General Construction RFP# 15-R001**

Lucas Metropolitan Housing Authority (LMHA) will receive bids for **Maintenance/Small General Construction. Received in accordance with law until Tues., Mar. 10, 2015, 3PM ET. Pre-Bid Conf.: Feb. 24, 2015, 10AM ET, 425 Nebraska Ave. For Documents: [www.lucasmha.org](http://www.lucasmha.org), 435 Nebraska Ave., Toledo, OH 43604 or 419-259-9446 (TRS: Dial 711).**

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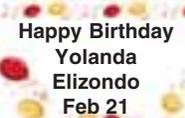
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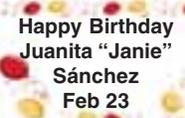
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