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Esperanza celebrates "Fiesta of Hope" Scholarship Awards

By Kevin Milliken, La Prensa Correspondent

Cleveland-based, here from out of the country. grassroots Latino group is about to make college a reality for another round of high school seniors at the Fiesta of Hope Scholarship Awards luncheon, to be held Friday, June 19, 2015, 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Renaissance Cleveland Hotel, 24 Public Square.

This year, more than 100 students will receive scholarships because of the generosity of sponsors and donors. The Class of 2015 features dozens of Latino high-achievers who will be recognized by Esperanza, Inc. at the luncheon. This year represents the largest number of scholarships ever given by Esperanza.

"When you talk to students and ask them why they're not going to college, the number one answer will always be financial " said Victor Ruiz Esperanza executive director. "So we have some awards that are \$2,500 and some that are \$5,000 and another that is full tuition to Cleveland State. So those are very significant. Without this assistance and the encouragement of the community, going to college would be very difficult.'

The majority of the scholarships are given to students who are the first in their families to attend college. Some of the students have overcome serious hardship to realize their dream of college.

"We have one young lady who was a single mom in high school, graduated, and is going to college while raising a child," said Ruiz. "We have another young lady who has overcome a couple of organ transplants. Others have come

So we have a lot of stories and we're going to tell a few of them at Fiesta of Hope."

Esperanza has given out more than 1,200 scholarships in its 30-plus year history. Scholarships range from \$1000 to \$10,000. This is the 25th year for the Fiesta of Hope luncheon. Ruiz estimated the total value of the scholarships to exceed \$120,000.

These high school seniors who receive scholarships had the opportunity to meet their sponsors and thank them for their generosity at a special reception held Wednesday, June 10, 6-9 p.m. also at the Cleveland Renaissance Hotel. This is the third year for the reception.

"Historically, we would get them all together about an hour before the event, but we got feedback it wasn't enough time for the scholarship recipients and their sponsors to really network and get to know each other, said Ruiz. "So we created a reception where the recipients and their $families\,get\,together\,with\,the$ sponsors and donors. They network and we hope the donors get to see the results of their support and possibly connect the students with potential internships and careers in the process. We hope it occurs organically.

Ruiz partially credited the scholarship program for doubling the Latino graduation rate in the Cleveland school system from 30 to 60 percent. He expects that number to continue climbing, as well as the number of graduates who go on to college and pursue rewarding careers.

"This organiza tion has made a tremendous impact on the lives of a lot of people," said Ruiz.

Scholarship recipients also will become official members of the Esperanza Alumni Association. Ruiz stated alumni association members even pooled their resources to

sponsor their first-ever scholarship.

"Its ultimate purpose is to create a support system where the students support each other. It also helps sustain the organization through volunteering, leadership roles, and also becoming financial supporters," explained Ruiz. "In return, we will provide them with networking opportunities, connections to potential careers, and that opportunity to volunteer. Who better to speak on behalf of the organization that those who were impacted by it? Our long-term vision is a strong organization that helps sustain Esperanza and the work that we do."

Attorney José C. Feliciano

Cleveland attornev José C. Feliciano will be honored for his commitment to Latino causes and Greater Cleveland as a whole. He is a partner at the law firm of Baker Hostetler.

Feliciano is founder and chairman of the Hispanic Roundtable, a nonprofit orga-

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nization whose mission is to act as a catalyst to empower the Hispanic community to become full partners in the education, economic, political, civic, and social life of Greater Cleveland. The group sponsors Convención Hispana every three years -- a chance to gauge the progress being made and set an agenda for the next three years.

Feliciano also is former chairman of the Hispanic Leadership Development Program and founder of the Hispanic Community Forum, Feliciano also helped to found the Ohio Hispanic Bar Association and past general counsel for the Spanish-American Committee. He was awarded one of Greater Cleveland's top honors last November, when he received the 60th annual Humanitarian Award from the Diversity Center of Northeast







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Cleveland's first RNC Supplier Forum set for June 24: Suppliers, vendors, and businesses across Northeast Ohio are invited to Cleveland's first *Republican National Convention (RNC) Supplier Forum* on June 24, 2015 from 3:30 – 4:30 pm. The complimentary event will be held at the Renaissance Cleveland Hotel in Downtown Cleveland. The RNC Supplier Forum, which will be the first of several held, aims to educate and engage the local bu community leading up to the convention in Cleveland taking place July 18 - 21, 2016.

"The Cleveland 2016 Host Committee has been working closely with the RNC's Committee on Arrangements to understand their needs. We are creating tools that will proactively promote spending with local businesses who will be hosting events and doing business in our community over the next year," said David Gilbert, Cleveland 2016 Host Committee President and CEO, "The RNC Supplier Forum gives local businesses an opportunity to hear from the Host Committee directly to learn more

Forum attendees will hear from Cleveland 2016 Host Committee Chief Operating Officer. Diane Downing, who will provide an update on convention planning efforts and details on how local businesses can identify themselves as potential vendors and suppliers. Past conventions have required a wide range of vendors. For a sample of vendor categories, visit the FAQ section of the Cleveland 2016 Host Committee landing page at

The RNC Supplier Forum is hosted by COSE, in partnership with the Cleveland 2016 Host Committee, Greater Cleveland Partnership's Commission on Economic Inclusion, the Hispanic Roundtable and Destination Cleveland.

To register, visit www.cose.org/rnc. Seating is limited and registration is required.

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To the Editor of La Prensa,

Three years ago this week, President Barack Obama announced that he would provide administrative relief to millions of young people who came to the United States as children and meet certain requirements

The Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program allows undocumented immigrants who are younger than 31 years of age as of June 15, 2012, and meet other criteria to apply to stay in the U.S. and receive work authorization.

It was a hard-won victory for people who have only ever called the U.S. their home. And we are already seeing how DACA allows recipients to continue contributing to our country. In the first two years after implementation:

- 60% of DACA recipients obtained a new job;
- · 49% opened bank accounts;
- · 33% got their first credit card;
- 57% got a driver's license

DACA is still available under the 2012 guidelines. You can learn how to apply by downloading NCLR's Immigo app for free from iTunes or the Google Play store

Administrative relief translates into real benefits for the whole country, and it ensures that we keep families together. On this third anniversary, let's guarantee the promise of the "American Dream" by working to expand DACA and implement its sister program,

Sincerely,

Laura Vázauez

National Council of La Raza

Senior Immigration Legislative Analyst, Immigration Policy Project Master's degree, Latin American studies, University of California, San Diego; bachelor's degree, political science and Spanish, Kenyon College

Imagination Station celebrates Dads all week long; dads get in FREE* on Father's Day

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On Sunday, June

The event will be held inside science of electricity all week the Believe Center located at 1 long. Explore simple circuits Aurora L. González Drive in and papertronics with coin cell South Toledo. The organizabatteries, LED's and coppertape tion is always promoting family that can all be manipulated to unity and on this day would like create a custom Father's Day to celebrate the men who truly

According to the Center, "the For more information, call event will feature the profes-Thunder and The Lime Express. The youth will have memory Prime Time with POPs books for autographs, a chance event for "Men to Spend to take pictures and play football and basketball with the Men who step into a child's teams. Game day tickets will be

"There will be an abundance Center in Toledo, Ohio under- of POP foods including "Dads" stands the impact a man can rootbeer, Rachel Michael's gourmet Popcorn, Popsicles and like to offer in depth personal more. There will be a Push Pop ice cream eating contest for kids and Jalapeno Popper eating

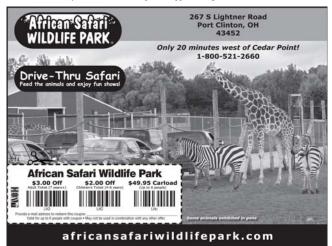
contest for Pop starting at 4p.m. The gym will be imagination open for basketball along

with ping-pong, foosball, and corn hole

"Crafts and special keepsakes can be made to remember the great time the child spent with Pop. Board games and music will keep the laughter flowing and winding down at 5p.m. with special fatherhood stories will be heart-wrenching.

"The goal of the Believe Center is to reach out to families and provide opportunities to make new family memories. All father figures are welcomed. Raffles and Giveaways will make the day complete. Information about other Believe Center programs including personal basketball training will be highlighted at the event.

This event is serviced by Create Forever Moments, interested vendors or for more information can call 202-556-1219 or "Like" on Facebook.





FLOC, LOBOS, HOLA, others rally at Courthouse against racial profiling by Border Patrol, ICE

June 16, 2015: The Farm Labor Organizing Committee (FLOC), Latinos Organizing Barrios (LOBOS), FLOC's Homies, supporters from HOLA Chapters in Cleveland, Painesville, Willard as well as representatives from Lorain and Michigan United hold a "Rally Against Racial Profiling" the same day a federal lawsuit hearing began to determine culpability of the Immigrations and Customs Enforcement (ICE) on charges of racial profiling on Tuesday, June 16, 2015 between 12 noon and 1 pm (rain or shine) outside of the federal Courthouse at 1716 Spielbusch Avenue Toledo, Ohio.

Rally speakers addressed the racial profiling by rural law enforcement agencies and in urban Toledo neighborhoods. According to the protesters, too many documented and undocumented Latino families have been stopped, questioned, detained, and arrested just for "being brown."

According to a recent interview by La Prensa, "Baldemar Velásquez, FLOC founder and president, believes the rally and court case represent the confluence of two hot-button issues facing the nation today: immigration and deteriorating police-community relations, especially within the minority community.

FLOC and LOBOS members believe the best way to address racial profiling is to prevent it from happening and to raise the problem up from the shadows and push for reconciliation between law enforcement and the community. According to organizers, LOBOS is already working on proposing a code of conduct for both the police and the community when



Proceeds go to support the Spanish American Organization's many benefit funds: Scholarships, Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets, community activities, etc. junio 19, 2015 La Prensa1.com Page 3

Michigan se une a la celebración del Mes de la Herencia del Inmigrante

Por: Isabel Flores, Corresponsal La Prensa

Michigan: El gobernador Rick Snyder proclamó junio como Mes de la Herencia del Inmigrante para destacar las contribuciones económicas que han realizado los inmigrantes en Michigan; un estado que trabaja para recibir con calidez a las personas que vienen a este país y desean quedarse a vivir.

Esto como parte de la iniciativa de Welcome.us, una organización sin fines de lucro, que desde el año pasado declaró Junio como el Mes de la Herencia del Inmigrante para rendir homenaje a los inmigrantes que han construido la historia de este país.

En comunicado de prensa publicado en la página oficinal del gobierno de Michigan (www.michigan.gov) el gobernador destacó: "Estamos orgullosos de las contribuciones que los inmigrantes han realizado en los últimos años en la cultura y económica de nuestro estado.

Han fundado empresas y marcas conocidas en todo el mundo, generando fuentes de trabajo y el fortalecimiento de nuestro estado. También han creado un rico patrimonio cultural que siempre vamos a celebrar".

Snyder estableció en 2014 la Oficina de Michigan para los Nuevos Americanos (MONA por sus siglas en ingles), con el objetivo de atraer y retener a los inmigrantes para reactivar el Estado.

Bing Goei es el director de MONA, un inmigrante y empresario, quien conduce sus esfuerzos para alentar a los estudiantes extranjeros que consigan quedarse en Michigan, crear empresas y generar empleos. Además de ayudar para que cada año vengan los trabajadores agrícolas que se necesitan en el Estado.

Cabe destacara que Snyder se une a esta iniciativa conformada por varias organizaciones comunitarias, funcionarios electos, empresas, artistas y líderes de opinión. Hace unos días el Consejo de Relaciones Americano-Islámicas (CAIR), organización de libertades civiles y de defensa musulmana más grande del país, proclamo su apoyo a la segunda edición del Mes de la Herencia del Inmigrante. El fundador de Facebook,

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Asimismo, el Presidente Barak Obama, durante su discurso semanal, reconoció el Mes de la Herencia del Immigrante e invitó a los estadounidenses a compartir su propia historia en WhiteHouse, gov/NewAmericans y mandar mensajes de las raíces inmigrantes de sus familias para que "podamos mantener [el sueño americano] con vida durante las generaciones venideras". El Presidente se comprometió a seguir luchando para hacer lo que pueda para arreglar el sistema quebrado, a pesar de la falta de acción del Congreso.

En lo que va del mes, se han destacó historias de inmigrantes importantes a través de los medios sociales y tradicionales, incluyendo historias de Cecilia Muñoz, Valerie Jarrett, y más de 50 celebridades y líderes - como Eva Longoria, Toni Braxton, y Wu-Tang.

El año pasado, la Casa Blanca reconoció diez historias de héroes cotidianos que están transformando sus comunidades con las prácticas pioneras para avanzar en la inclusión de inmigrantes en la vida de la comunidad de los residentes nacidos en Estados Unidos.

El objetivo del Mes de la Herencia del Inmigrante es poner de relieve las experiencias de los inmigrantes e iluminar cómo cada viaje individual ha sido fundamental en la formación, fundación, y la fuerza permanente de los Estados Unidos de América.

Es por eso que se exhorta a la comunidad en general a conectarse a las redes sociales o eventos en su ciudad y compartir su propia historia migratoria. La meta del mes -que reúne a una coalición dinámica de los individuos y las organizaciones desde los congresistas hasta las celebridades - es motivar a todos los estadounidenses a contar la historia de cómo se sintieron bienvenidos a la experiencia americana.

Les invitamos a unirse al Mes de la Herencia Inmigrante para celebrar las historias inspiradoras de nuestro pasado inmigrante, presente y futuro. Visita http://welcome.us/para obtener más información sobre cómo compartir tu historia y aprender más acerca de este gran esfuerzo a nivel nacional.

Senate GOP denies funds for lawyers for immigrant children

By ANDREW TAYLOR, Associated Press

WASHINGTON, DC, June 10, 2015 (AP): AGOP-controlled Senate panel on Wednesday blocked President Barack Obama's request for \$50 million to pay for legal help for unaccompanied immigrant children coming to the United States after fleeing violence in Central America.

The lawmaker responsible for the move was Republican Sen. Richard Shelby of Alabama, chief author of a spending bill funding the Justice Department's budget. The spending measure won initial approval on Wednesday but has a long way to go before becoming law.

The flow of children fleeing gangs and other dangers in Guatemala, Honduras, and El Salvador and finding their way to the U.S. is down significantly from last year, when an influx created a humanitarian crisis, in states along the U.S.-Mexico border. Significant backlogs remain.

Without lawyers, children are much more likely to be sent back to their home countries. Under federal law, immigrant children have two options to seek legal status, including requesting asylum for fear of returning home to face gang violence.

Without legal help, the maze of documentation and legal requirements is far more difficult for a child to maneuver.

Republicans opposed to people who are in the United States without documentation have greater priorities in the \$51 billion measure, which also funds the Commerce Department and science-related agencies such as NASA.

NASA and the FBI get a slight funding increase, but the measure shortchanges the Census Bureau and Obama's request for new polar weather satellites.

The 12 spending bills are at the center of a fight between Obama and Republicans, who have given the Pentagon almost \$40 billion in relief from automatic spending curbs but are resisting Obama's demands for equal treatment for domestic agencies facing a funding freeze.



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US Supreme Court holds that immigration deadlines can be extended

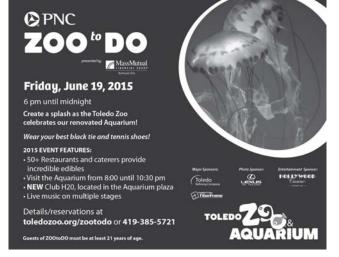
WASHINGTON, DC, June 15, 2015 (AP): The US Supreme Courtruled Monday, June 15th that federal appeals courts have authority to decide whether people facing deportation should be able to extend the deadlines in immigration proceedings.

In an 8-1 opinion, the justices sided with Noel Reyes Mata, a Mexican citizen who had lived in the United States for nearly 15 years. The government began deportation proceedings after he pleaded guilty to an assault charge.

An immigration judge ordered Reyes Mata deported. He appealed, but his lawyer failed to file paperwork within the 90 days required. A new attorney tried to reopen the case, but the Board of Immigration Appeals refused.

Mata appealed to the 5th Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals, but the court said it had no authority to order a deadline extension.

The Supreme Court said the court did have such authority



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Consulado de México celebra el tercer aniversario de DACA

Por: Isabel Flores, Corresponsal La Prensa

Detroit, 15 VI 15: Para conmemorar el tercer aniversario de la Acción Diferida para Llegados en la Infancia (DACA), el Consulado de México en Detroit realizó una rueda de prensa el pasado lunes 15 de junio en sus oficinas, ubicadas en el 645 de la calle Griswold.

El Cónsul Encargado Vicente Colmenares Sumano, informó que si bien, la Acción Ejecutiva del Presidente Obama se encuentra detenida, DACA sigue vigente para ayudar a la regulación de la situación migratoria de miles de jóvenes estudiantes

"A la fecha más de 570mil mexicanos han solicitado DACA y de ellos 470mil recibieron un tipo de ayuda de los Consulados Mexicanos, quiere decir que la participación de los consulados en DACA ha sido determinante. Hemos ofrecido orientación y apoyo para la obtención del pasaporte, indispensable como identificación oficial valida", comentó el entrevistado.

Asimismo, Colmenares informó que la representación del Consulado en Detroit realizó un esfuerzo en los consulados móviles y con jornadas sabatinas en sus oficinas para poder dar documentos a todos los jóvenes interesados y no se quedarán fuera de DACA. "Realizamos actividades para expedir documentos a jóvenes que por alguna razón no cumplían con todos los requisitos, así que dentro del marco de la ley encontramos la manera de ayudarlos".

También el Consulado en Detroit realizó sesiones informativas con el apoyo de diferentes organizaciones y abogados consultores, para orientar a los potenciales beneficiarios. "Aunque todavía no tenemos programada una siguiente reunión, estamos a sus órdenes para cualquier duda. Es importante que no se dejen engañar y consulten con las autoridades correspondientes. Les pedimos a los padres de familia que estén atentos a los abusos y fraudes, ya que hay mucha gente que se aprovecha de la situación de los demás", agregó el entrevistado. "Si una persona nos llama, nosotros lo orientamos y nos asesoramos con los abogados consultores que tenemos para saber qué procede en cada caso".

Cabe destacar que del 15 de junio del 2012 al 30 de abril de este año, los consulados mexicanos han tenido más de siete mil eventos informativos, un promedio de casi siete eventos

por día. "Estudios han demostrado que el activismo de los consulados mexicanos ha sido determinante en el éxito de los solicitantes de DACA, ya que los comparamos con otros grupos y los consulados mexicanos han ido a la par de los solicitantes.

Con estos datos nos podríamos vanagloriar pero todavía falta mucho. Hay muchos jóvenes que todavía se pueden beneficiar pero desconocen el programa. Por ejemplo todavía hay uno de dos mexicanos que pueden tener DACA, pero no lo saben, por eso la importancia de difundir la información y recibir la orientación adecuada", destacó el Cónsul Colmenares.

En lo que respecta al estado de Ohio, 6055 personas han ingresado su solicitud de DACA, de los cuales 3532 han sido aprobados y 4994 han realizado ya su renovación. Mientras que en Michigan 8784 personas realizaron su solicitud, de las cuales, fueron aprobadas 5220 y 7420 realizaron ya su renovación.

El programa de Acción Diferida para Llegados en la Infancia (DACA) fue anunciado el 15 de junio del año 2012 y aunque entro en vigor hasta dos meses después, se considera esa fecha determinante del inicio, por eso la conmemoración de los tres años el 15 de junio.

Los requisitos para obtener este beneficio son que las personas hayan entrado a Estados Unidos a una edad menor a los 16 años y que al 15 de junio del 2012 hayan estado viviendo continuamente en este país, durante al menos cinco años. Deben ser estudiantes o haberse graduado de alguna preparatoria o tenido el diploma de GED, haber trabajado en la guardia costera o en las fuerzas armadas; además de no contar con antecedentes criminales en su record y tener menos de 30 años al momento de la solicitud.

Para la renovación que se lleva a cabo cada dos años, tiene que estar vigente DACA con 120 a 150 días antes. Es importante que una vez que fueron aprobadas, las personas no deben salir del país a menos que cuenten con un permiso especial.

"Ya hemos hecho mucho pero falta bastante, pedimos a los connacionales que tramiten sus documentos mexicanos y tengan todo a la mano. No esperen hasta que se aprueben los alivios migratorios, hay que tener siempre los papeles en orden para estar preparados por cualquier cosa", finalizó el diplomático mexicano.

Para mayor información, contactar a Ana María Reyes del departamento de Protección, al (313) 964 4515 ext. 14.



Columbus' Pinta and Nina to be docked at Bay City port, July 2nd to July 6th

Bay City: On Friday, July 3rd, 2015, the 'Pinta' and the 'Nina', replicas of Columbus' ships, will open in Bay City. The ships will be docked at Veterans Memorial Park, 215 John F. Kennedy Drive, near Liberty Marina, until their departure early Monday morning, July 6th.

The 'Nina' was built completely by hand and without the use of power tools. *Archaeology* magazine called the ship "the most historically correct Columbus replica ever built."

The "Pinta" was recently built in Brazil to accompany the Nina on all of her travels. She is a larger version of the archetypal caravel. Historians consider the caravel the Space Shuttle of the fifteenth century.

Both ships tour together as a new and enhanced 'sailing museum' for the purpose of educating the public and school children on the 'caravel', a Portuguese ship used by Columbus and many early explorers to discover the world

The public is invited to visit the ships for a walk-aboard, self-guided tour. Admission charges are \$8.00 for adults, \$7.00 for seniors, and \$6.00 for students 5 - 16. Children 4 and under are free. The ships are open every day from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. No reservations necessary.

Teachers or organizations wishing to schedule a 30minute guided tour with a crew member should call 1.787.672.2152 or email columfnd1492@gmail.com. Minimum of 15 persons. \$5.00 per person. No Maximum. Visit our website at www.ninapinta.org

Michigan Asian Pacific American Affairs Commission to meet June 19 in Detroit

Detroit: The Michigan Asian Pacific American Affairs Commission (MAPAAC) will meet in a public session from 9 am to 12:00 pm on Friday, June 19, 2015 at the MSU Detroit Center, 3408 Woodward Avenue, Detroit.

The Commission will hear updates from its Strategic Initiatives Groups on the Michigan APA Legislative Caucus, results of a recent MAPAAC survey of Asian Pacific Americans, and the status of a *Fred Korematsu* recognition initiative in Michigan.

An opportunity for public comment will be offered at the end of the meeting. Persons with matters to bring before the Commission should contact MAPAAC Chair Jamie Hsu at jhsu@ltu.edu (or 2489538083), or Denise Yee Grim, MAPAAC Coordinator, at mapaac@outlook.com (or 2487667088) by June 17, 2015.



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All Age Comedy Show to benefit Sighted Guide Ohio

By Kevin Milliken, La Prensa Correspondent

Family-friendly laughs are the draw at an all-ages comedy show on Saturday, June 20, 2015 to benefit nonprofit organizations and the quarterly publication *Sighted Guide Ohio*. The 3 p.m. show will feature *Rikki and Friends* at the Toledo *Funny Bone*, 6140 Levis Commons Blvd., Perrysburg OH.

"We just thought it would be a good idea to have some comedy to try and raise some money for Toledo and the blind community," said *Rick Keel*, who works with comedians, singers, and other entertainers as a show promoter.

"It was really hard to find services and resources in the Northwest Ohio area for the visually impaired and blind," said Adrianne Kolasinski, the publication's founder. She has a son who is completely blind. "Last year I started a publication that targets the entire state of Ohio to help create awareness."

Sighted Guide Ohio is a quarterly magazine that offers a hands-on guide to all services, programs, and resources for the blind and visually-impaired population. More information can be found at www.sightedguideohio.org.

Mrs. Kolasinski formed a separate nonprofit, VIFAS (Visual Impairment Family Association & Support), to advocate for her son and others like him. VIFAS is pairing up with the Maumee-based Jairus Foundation, which is cosponsoring the event.

A raffle and silent auction also will be part of the fundraiser, which she hopes will raise more than \$2,000. Most of the proceeds will go to three other groups: *Toledo Blind Outreach, Frogtown Low Vision*, and *Rally Cap*, a nonprofit that focuses on children with special needs.

"One of the big things I want for this event is to show people when organizations collaborate, everyone wins," said Mrs. Kolasinski. "We are all out there for the same things. If we all collaborate and we all share, we're able to get more done and work harder."

There will be a couple of brief presentations on technology for the blind and visually impaired before the comedy starts. Jerrod Witt of AudiblEye in Bowling Green and Ken Serey of Westerville-based Visual-Tech Connection will share the advancements they've made.

18-year old *Taylor Adolph*, a blind graduate who was valedictorian at TPS's Rogers High School, is being invited to receive a special award at the event. He may be the first blind student to ever graduate at the top of his class at Toledo Public Schools.

H.B Sanders, a national headliner, will perform a standup comedy routine. Adrianne's oldest son, John Soovagian, who is completely blind, will write some jokes and emcee the event. He's called "Mr. Jet Stream John" at school. Her daughter, Adrianne "Rikki" Chasteen, will perform a comedy set.

Comedy show tickets can be purchased for \$5 by calling 419.870.2797.

Rikki y amigos

Rikki Chasteen, who is headed into third grade, will turn 8 two days before the comedy show. She's been doing standup comedy for about eight months and is encouraged by family and friends including her grandmother, Olga Castilleja Bechtel.

"This is the first all-ages show. Normally she does open mike nights at comedy clubs," said Keel. "She does her time, then she takes off and is hiding in the back somewhere because she's not old enough to get in normally."

Keel describes himself as the "class clown" or someone "who always got detention and never got paid for it." Rikki may be starting to develop a similar personality, with her own twist

"She's a sponge. Anything I tell her, she takes in. I notice where she's starting to get her own little routine. She wants to go up there and be herself. She doesn't want 'Oh, my dad

says this, so I've got to do this," explained Keel. "She's been a character since I don't know when—always silly, always in a good mood."

Rikki is no stranger to the stage. She has been doing musicals and plays since the age of five through the Children's Theater Workshop.

"Her parts have always been funny parts, because she makes people laugh. I just saw some kind of spark in her with comedy. So I figured, let's write some jokes. It's been fun," said Keel. "So she's really growing and she really surprises us with the laughter onstage. Offstage, she's really witty. When I tell her to do something, she reminds me that she can be really funny, too."

Rikki even recently had her first heckler during an open mike night performance. Her dad stated she handled it like a pro.

"Even my comedian friends that have been in the business (a long time), they're just shocked at how quick she is, her response," said Keel, who's not going to push her into a future in comedy.

"Whatever she wants to do, I just think it will help her in life, just the confidence to be able to talk to a group of kids or adults. She's a bit nervous for this show, because of her peers. I'll be interested to see how she does."

Agenda

Event starts at 3:00pm with *Mr. JetStream John*, who will be the main MC for the day.

Ken Serey from *Visual-Tech Connection* in Westerville, OH will be presenting a Smart Reader with a few jokes of his own at 3:15pm.

Taylor Adolph: Congrats for your accomplishments!

Jerrod Witt and/or Austin Ekert from Audible Eye in Bowling Green, OH will be presenting his invention at 4:00pm.

Ayi Ayi Rikki will start on stage around 4:15pm and HB Sanders will be our headliner for the day!



Juan Felipe Herrera named nation's first Latino poet laureate

By BRETT ZONGKER, Associated Press

WASHINGTON, DC, June 10, 2015 (AP): A son of migrant farm workers in California, *Juan Felipe Herrera* will be the next LLS poet in chief

U.S. poet in chief.
The Library of
Congress announced
Wednesday the
appointment of Herrera as
the nation's 21st poet
laureate for 2015 through
2016, beginning in
September. Herrera, 66,
whose parents emigrated
from Mexico, will be the
nation's first Latino poet
laureate since the
position was created in
1936.

Librarian of Congress James Billington said he sees in Herrera's poems the work of an American original

original.

"His poems engage in a serious sense of play—in language and in image—that I feel gives them enduring power," Billington said in a written statement. "I see how they champion voices, traditions and histories, as well as a cultural perspective, which is a vital part of our larger American identity."

Some of the works
Herrera said he most
enjoyed writing were
captured in "Half the
World in Light," a book
of poems lauded for his
experimentation and for
documenting his *Chicano*experience in the United
States.

Herrera was born in 1948 in Fowler, California. His family of migrant workers moved often, at times living in tents and trailers along roads. His father learned English by paying fellow workers pennies to teach him each new word.

Herrera said he is humbled and overwhelmed to be named U.S. poet laureate and to be the first of Latino descent.

The laureate position involves crafting poetry projects and broadening the audience for poetry. The 2013-2014 poet laureate, Natasha Trethewey, launched a series of reports from locations nationwide for a "PBS NewsHour" poetry series to explore societal issues.

For his term, Herrera is envisioning a program with the Library of Congress that he calls Casa de Colores—House of Colors-to include people of every color and cultural background. He may host voice ensembles with young people to engage with poetry, perhaps taking a poem by Walt Whitman and then having a group write a poem together to perform in spoken word or with music. Or perhaps the public could contribute to a national writing project by making submissions online.

"Yes, I am the first Latino poet laureate in the United States. But I'm also here for everyone and from everyone. My voice is made by everyone's voices," Herrera said.

At the same time, he said, he also wants to encourage more young Latino students to write

and read and benefit from the Library of Congress' resources.

"You know, we speak about understanding each other, having those conversations nationwide culturally, historically—and yet there's a lot of gaps," he said. "So I want to assist with closing the gap of knowing about and hearing about our Latino communities in terms of literature, in terms of writing.

"And I want our young Latinos and Latinas to write their hearts out and express their hearts out and let us all listen to each other."

Herrera grew up speaking Spanish in his early years and became ashamed to speak at school, so he shut down, he said. But he eventually found his voice through joining choirs in middle school and high school.

Herrera eventually graduated from UCLA, earned graduate degrees at Stanford and the University of Iowa Writer's Workshop, and built a career in teaching. From 2012 to 2015,

Herrera served as poet laureate of California. In March, he retired from teaching creative writing at the University of California, Riverside and is now a visiting professor in ethnic studies at the University of Washington.

8th Annual NOWOH Community Art Show at BGSU Art Galleries

BOWLING GREEN: Artists of all skill levels are encouraged to enter the eighth annual Northwest Ohio (NoWOH) Community Art Exhibition, hosted by the *Bowling Green State University Art Galleries*.

NoWOH supports regional artists by providing an opportunity for them to show their work in a professional setting. The show will open at 7 p.m. July 17, 2015 with a gallery talk by award juror *Jason Franz*, executive director and chief curator at Manifest Gallery in Cincinnati, followed by a reception. The event will be held at the BGSU Fine Arts Center, and is free and open to the public.

Online registration is open now until July 1. Artists are encouraged to preregister online to avoid waiting in line when they drop off their artwork on July 11 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Further information regarding how to enter can be found at www.NowohArtShow.org.

Artists who display their work at the exhibition are eligible to win up to \$1,500 in cash prizes and gift certificates. Among the awards are: The Andersons Best of Show award, the Kiwanis Young Artist Awards, and a People's Choice award.

Artists 16 years of age and older from the following counties are eligible to participate in the exhibition: Defiance, Erie, Fulton, Hancock, Henry, Lucas, Ottawa, Paulding, Sandusky, Seneca, Williams and Wood. For artists ages 16-18, the entry fees are \$15; for artists 19 and older, entry fees are \$30. All entrants are able to submit up to three nieces.

Volunteers are needed to assist with the setup and take-down of the event as well as gallery hosting during the exhibition. Artists who volunteer for the event will receive a registration discount. Contact Jacqueline Nathan at galleries@bgsu.edu for more information about volunteering.

NoWOH hours are 6-8 p.m. Thursday evenings, and from 1-4 p.m. Friday through Sunday. The exhibit will continue until Aug. 1.





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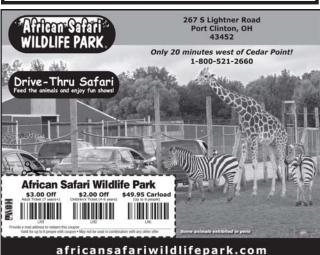






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American Heart Association hosts 'Go Red Por Tu Corazón' Empowerment Dinner June 24

 $DETROIT, June\,12, 2015: A\,mix\,of\,cultural\,expression\,and\,health\,is\,the\,focus\,of\,the\,2nd\,annual$ Go RedPorTuCorazón Empowerment Dinner on June 24, 2015, from 6 pm – 9 pm. at El Kisoko Banquet Hall, located at 7271 Dix Street in Detroit.

This free event, hosted by the American Heart Association, aims to inspire Latinas to put their health first. Spaces are limited, so individuals are asked to reserve their spot at empowermentdetroit eventbrite com

"Heart disease is the number one killer of Latinas," said Kristian Hurley, multicultural director for the southeast Michigan American Heart Association. "Like many women, they are gatekeepers for their families' well-being and often put the needs of others before their own," said Hurley.

According to the Association, only three in 10 Latinas say they know they're at a higher risk of developing heart disease. The Go Red Por Tu Corazón Empowerment Dinner is designed to equip Latina women with healthy resources and life-saving skills like CPR.

Attendees will also have the opportunity to sample healthy Latin fusion cuisine and dance to the rhythmic sounds of *Bomba*, a folkloric dance and drum set provided by *La Bomba* Rica. In addition, a heart survivor will share an inspiring message.

"It's time to take charge of your corazón—and the hearts of the women in your life," said Nohemi A. De La Torre, literacy associate for Matrix Head Start. "Join Go Red For Women for yourself and all the important women in your life.'

"We want women to know that lifestyle changes can start with simple steps," said Hurley. Lifestyle changes can be as simple as: cooking traditional foods with healthier ingredients; teaching your family and loved ones to embrace good health by together going grocery shopping for healthier foods; and exercising together as a family.

"Through Go Red Por Tu Corazón, Latina women will learn how they can make healthy living a family affair and create new traditions for their loved ones," said Hurley.

Zoo offers Watch It Grow garden tour series

Toledo: Have you ever wondered about the effort and care that goes into keeping the Zoo grounds beautiful? The Watch It Grow garden tour series takes guests through the Zoo's beautiful gardens and grounds to see how our plants grow, bloom and change throughout

This year's tours will focus on highly requested topics including: trees, sun and shade loving plants, bird and butterfly gardens and plants in & around animal exhibits.

Each tour is guided by a Zoo horticulture staff member that will discuss plant identification, proper plant selection and offer a variety of gardening tools and tips.
Tours meet at Ziem's Conservatory at 10:30 a.m. Guests should wear comfortable walking shoes as the tour encompasses the entire Zoo.

These 90-minute walking tours are free with regular Zoo admission. Reservations are required and can be made at toledozoo.org/gardentours:

Wednesday, June 17, 2015 – Trees; Wednesday, July 15 - Sun & Shade Loving Plants; Wednesday, August 19 - Bird and Butterfly Gardens;

Wednesday, September 16 - Plants in & Around Animal Exhibits.





American Pharoah seguirá corriendo

Por BETH HARRIS y RICHARD ROSENBLATT, Associated Press

NUEVA YORK, 7VI 15 (AP): American Pharoah se pavoneó con su condición de ganador de la Triple Corona, al tiempo que su dueño y preparador lidiaban con la impactante realidad de que el caballo había completado la primera barrida del Kentucky Derby, Preakness y Belmont en 37 años.

En un domingo de sol radiante en el Belmont Park, el entrenador Bob Baffert sacó al potro de su establo para darle una vuelta al día siguiente de su victoria por cinco cuerpos y medio. American Pharoah pareció disfrutar toda la atención, al posar para fotógrafos y dejar que los presentes le tocaran cariñosamente.

"Es un caballo muy gentil", dijo Baffert. "Queremos que todo el mundo lo vea".

Poco más tarde, American Pharoah llegó a Louisville, Kentucky, donde le aguardaba una bienvenida por todo lo alto en Churchill Downs, su hogar.

Víctor Espinoza, el jinete mexicano del ganador, lanzó el primer lanzamiento de un juego de béisbol en el Yankee Stadium, donde estuvo acompañado por Baffert.

Lo siguiente para el 12do caballo que completa la Triple Corona es tomarse un merecido descanso, después de competir en cinco exigentes carreras dentro de un lapso de dos meses y medio. Eso es un esfuerzo enorme para un purasangre, que suele tener 30 días entre sus

"Fue asombroso lo que hizo ayer", dijo Baffert. "Fue un lindo momento".

Su propietario *Ahmed Zayat* prometió que el caballo seguirá compitiendo, al menos hasta fin de año. Previo al Belmont, Zayat vendió los derechos de reproducción a American Pharoah por un monto no difundido a Coolmore Ashford Stud cerca de Versailles,

'No tienen influencia alguna hasta que se retire", señaló Zayat. "Se lo debemos al deporte, hacer lo correcto. El dinero es un factor importante en este deporte. Ya vendí los derechos de reproducción, pero es mi genuino deseo, como aficionado, como alguien que adora a los caballos, que pueda correr la mayor cantidad de veces possible".

Zayat dejará que Baffert elija las fechas.

Entre las posibles carreras en las que el ganador de la Triple Corona podría participar están la Haskell en Monmouth Park el 2 de agosto; la Jim Dandy en Saratoga el 1 de agosto; la Travers en Saratoga el 29 de agosto u otra en Del Mar, California, el mismo mes

El Haskell tendría ventaja, ya que es una carrera que Baffert ha ganado siete veces y Zayat vive en Teaneck, Nueva Jersey.

Pero el gran objetivo es el Clásico de la Copa de Criadores, con una bolsa de 5 millones de dólares, y que se disputará el 31 de octubre en Keeneland in Lexington, Kentucky, la cuna del hipismo estadounidense y donde American Pharoah se quedará como semental cuando

En caso que algo le ocurra al caballo en las próximas carreras, Zayat está cubierto por una póliza de seguros, con cifras "increíblemente altas", dijo Baffert recientemente.

Zayat, quien ha invertido decenas de millones de dólares en el hipismo, asegura que no todo se gobierna por el dinero cuando uno guarda pasión por algo

"En esto no estamos pensando en la cotización o dinero", afirmó. "Cuando el caballo esté listo, no tendremos miedo alguno de sacarlo a correr, gane o pierde. Que la gente lo disfrute. Esto es historic".

Alejado de las pistas, Zayak tendrá las manos llenas con un sinfín de oportunidades de mercadeo. Pero no hay una idea clara debido a que American Pharoah es el primer ganador de la Triple Corona en la era de la Internet y las redes sociales.

Secretariat, el ganador de la Triple Corona en 1973, salió en las portadas de las principales portadas y hasta en estampillas del servicio postal. Hasta hoy, se mantiene como referencia del deporte y mercancía con su imagen se vendió el sábado en el Belmont Park.



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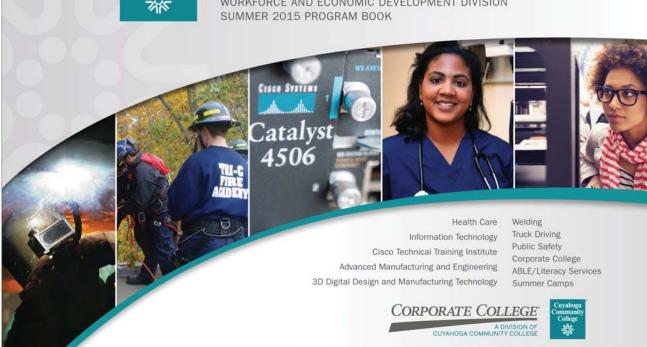




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Canton's International Festival features Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan Singers

Canton, MI: Talented New York and a recently International Festival performers will fill the grounds with sights and sounds from around the globe on Satur-Canton Live! Stage.

to take place at 1:30 p.m. during the International ance by Soprano Madeline Dillard, and Mezzo Soprano Laura Reaper, presented by the Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan.

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graduated Toledo Opera Resident Artist from the of Canton's Liberty Fest 2014-2015 season. She has appeared in Toledo Opera productions of Lucia di day, June 20, 2015, from Lammermoor, Susannah, 11 a.m. – 6 p.m. from the Faust, Aïda, Don Giovanni, and made her debut as the One of the many fea- Shepherd Boy in last year's tured performances slated production of Tosca. Ms. Harts has sung with the Buffalo Philharmonic Chorus Festival is a special appear- and is a chorister at the historic Mariners Church of Harts, Tenor Dorian Detroit. She holds degrees in Performance and Music Education from Ithaca College (BM) and Performance from Bowling Green State University (MM). Ms. Harts Madeline Harts is a is also the Director of Comcoloratura soprano hailing munity Engagement Out-

for Toledo

Dorian L. Dillard II is recent graduate of Claflin University from Detroit, Michigan. He has performed in many productions ranging from opera to musicals. With

such roles



the rise. Dorian has played such roles as King Casper in the Christmas opera Amahl and the Night Visitors, Rinnucio in the opera Gianni Schicchi Dorian has competed and won numerous competitions throughout his undergrad career.

Winning 1st place in the District NATS Auditions and 3rd in the Regional Auditions, Dorian was one of 14 chosen amongst 400 singers to advance in the 1st NATS Nationals Auditions. In January of 2015, Dorian competed in The Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions and went on to win an Encouragement Award as one of the youngest competitors. Starting in the fall, Dorian will be attending the University of Michigan for his masters in vocal performance. Dorian's long term goal is to become an opera

Dorian L. Dillard II

singer who branches out into every aspect of performing.

Laura Reaper recently completed her second year as an Artist in Residence with Toledo Opera where she performed the roles of Alisa (Lucia di Lammermoor) and Mrs. Ott (Susannah). Laura was also seen as Orfeo (Orfeo ed Euridice) in the Toledo's "Opera on Wheels" educational outreach tour. Ms. Reaper's previous credits include Katisha (The Mikado), Ciesca (Gianni Schicchi), and Marcellina (Le nozze di Figaro).

Laura has appeared as the Alto Soloist in Beethoven's Symphony No. 9 and as the Mezzo Soprano Soloist in Copland's In the Beginning. Ms. Reaper currently serves as Adjunct Professor of Voice at the University of

Toledo. She holds an MM in tions, exhibits, and perforvocal performance from Bowling Green State University and a BM in vocal performance from the Peabody Conservatory.

The Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan, founded in 1988 and based in Canton, MI is a non-profit organization dedicated to encouraging and supporting the development of young opera singers, and to fostering appreciation of the music of Giuseppe Verdi and other composers of opera and popular music for the theater.

Another goal of the Verdi Opera includes the promotion of goodwill and friendship through music, for everyone's enjoyment and cultural enrichment. Through the years, the company's opera presenta-

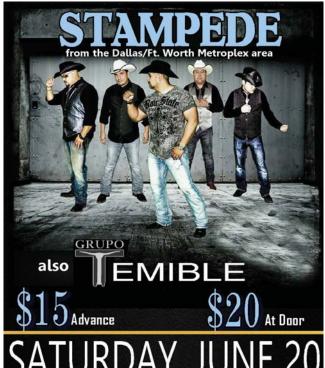
mances in theaters, at cultural organizations - including the Detroit Institute of Arts and the Detroit Opera House, social clubs, schools, restaurants, civic centers and public parks - have delighted thousands of audience members.

Don't miss these talented performers on the Canton Live! Stage at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 20 in beautiful Heritage Park, located adjacent to Canton's Administration Building, west of Canton Center Road between Cherry Hill Road and Summit Parkway.

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Latina Profile: ACLU Policy Manager Advocates for Latino Rights in Ohio

By Kevin Milliken, La Prensa Correspondent

Shakyra Díaz has a fighting spirit-not only advocating for her own education, but injustice wherever she sees it in Cleveland and beyond.

As policy manager for the state chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU-Ohio), Ms. Díaz takes tough tactics to any attempt to affect the rights of the African-American or Latino communities. Some call her a community organizer, others a grass-roots activist.

"My job is to essentially develop policy or legislative campaigns to address some sort of civil liberty or civil rights issue," she explained. "That involves a lot of strategies: identifying areas where rights are not addressed, policies or laws that need to be developed. or legislation that needs to be advanced. Those usually involve criminal justice, juvenile justice, and educa-

One of her main passions is what she calls the "school to prison pipeline." But she also deals with immigration issues, police-communityrelations, and discipline in school.

"Issues involving mass incarceration. mass criminalization, and issues related to the education system really impact the Latino community," she said. "One example is the use of restraints or seclusion rooms in schools. Seclusion rooms were widely used in Ohio, but there were no rules or guidelines. There were situations where children were locked in rooms for several hours in a day and denied access to water, lunch, and access to the bathroom."

Ms. Díaz worked on a campaign to set those rules and guidelines, mainly settling ways to communicate with children. She stated that campaign impacted students who spoke English as a second language. The campaign also stopped children from being restrained in ways that prevented them

Cleveland, June 19, 2015: from being able to communicate verbally or with their

> She's also overseen the organization's Spanish language translation and its award-winning summer internship program. Her other efforts have examined hip-hop as a form of political activism, reproductive health care access for Latinas, and ineffective gang initiatives.

> Ms. Díaz called the Farm Labor Organizing Committee (FLOC) racial profiling lawsuit against the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) "one of the issues we're monitoring around the state." She said the ACLU has spent a lot of time and energy educating people "about what their rights are" while encountering law enforcement.

> Ms. Díaz was born in the Dominican Republic, but her family immigrated to California when she was a preschooler. Her family moved to Cleveland from San Jose at the age of eight. Her mom "wanted a change of scenery," but had friends in Cleveland and Miami. So she flipped a coin to determine which city they would

> "She had me call it and it came up heads so we moved to Cleveland," said Ms. Díaz. who laughed when recalling the childhood story. The 37year old advocate is the second-oldest of four daughters on her mom's side, but the oldest of five children on her dad's side.

> "I've always been pretty much committed to community," she said. "I really believe in the idea that it takes a village to raise a child. I'm also very aware that it takes a village to fail a child."

> Ms. Díaz graduated from Case Western Reserve University with a bachelor's degree in communication sciences and sociology with a concentration on social inequity. She is a former Esperanza scholarship award winner. She also

earned a half-tuition scholarship through a history competition. Her first job out of college was based at Cleveland's Glenville High School as project director for Youth Opportunities Unlim-

"I was very fortunate to work with teenage students. I love high-school age young people-that's my favorite demographic," she said. "The little ones wear me out, but I love working with teens.'

Ms. Díaz stated she "was fortunate enough" to work in the same high school where she graduated: Cleveland's East High School. She worked as a retention specialist through the Upward Bound program based at Case Western Reserve University.

"I was really struck by how so many in our community were working so hard, but were faced with so many barriers and challenges," she said. "It was not because we were lazy or we were not trying or we were not smart. The opposite is true. We're very hard-working. We're very intelligent. But there are so many barriers that are put in front of us. I left that profession to learn more about those barriers and to understand them and to empower our community. We're just not aware there are people who make decisions that impact our lives and our family's lives for generations."

Those experiences have guided her work over the past decade at the ACLU. The first policy campaign that she worked on brought an end to a 23-year-old policy that unfairly saddled approximately 35,000 African-American Clevelanders with felony drug possession instead of misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia for a crack pipe.

Ms. Díaz also has worked on initiatives that have brought about reforms in drug law policies, selective enforcement, adult and juvenile sentencing, anti-immigrant policies, juvenile access to counsel, juvenile shackling, equitable access to diversion,

collateral sanctions, voting rights for currently and formerly incarcerated people, healthcare alternatives to incarceration, and sexual assault victim interviews.

"Despite the fact that communities of color do experience systemic bias, systemic barriers from a number of different systems, we have to be able to learn more about those systems impacting us," she said. "We are subject matter experts, in many respects, about how those systems impact us, but we also have to learn how those systems are enacting policies and practices that impact us so we can change them "

Ms. Díaz is also a member of: The New Jim Crow



Speakers Bureau, Cuyahoga County Place Matters Team, National Network for Justice, Greater Cleveland Congregation's

Criminal Justice Team, and Cleveland New Voices. She was named the Women of Color Foundation's 2014 "Woman of Courage.

Lorain Public Library's Summer Reading Program

June 12, 2015: Lorain Public Library System's Summer Reading Program is for all ages. The 2015 theme is heroes. From superheroes to everyday heroes, it's going to be a fun, educational summer.

Win Books! Summer Reading participants, birth through 12th grade, will earn a free book for every four hours of reading. Score up to five new books this summer! Stop by the library to pick up a reading record with instructions, or print one from online at LorainPublicLibrary.org/Summer-Reading-Program.

Did you know that being read to also counts toward reading credit? Reading to someone or listening to audio-books gets all listeners closer to each reading goal.

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Adults are encouraged to get in on the action too. Each library has its own unique adult Summer Reading Program. Contact the library for details.

Last year, over 2,000 teens and children participated in Lorain Public Library System's Summer Reading Program. Their combined efforts added up to over 36,000 hours of reading! Over 700 adults read more than 6,000 books. Congratulations to all. Help make this year a success too!

For more information, call the Lorain Public Library System at 1-800-322-READ. *Book prizes available while supplies last.

El Centro June 2015 Events

June 18, 2015: El Centro Food Pantry – In collaboration with Second Harvest Food Bank of North Central Ohio, from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., at El Centro, 2800 Pearl Ave., Lorain. Families are given one box of food on a first come first served basis-FREE- Photo ID



June 20, 2015: Legal Aid Society will be hosting a FREE Brief Advice & Referral Legal Clinic, Civil Matters Only (Not Criminal), from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at El Centro, 2800 Pearl Ave., Lorain, First come, first served basis.

June 20, 2015: Lorain Metropolitan Housing Authority Fatherhood Initiative Picnic. from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Southside Gardens 3010 Vine St., Lorain. Rain Location: Boys and Girls Club, 4111 Pearl Avenue, Lorain.



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Mayor Hicks-Hudson restores HAC with 7 appointments

By Kevin Milliken, La Prensa Correspondent

June 9, 2015: Toledo Mayor *Paula Hicks-Hudson* is making good on a promise made earlier this year to Latinos to restore the defunct city *Hispanic Affairs Commission (HAC)*.

Toledo City Council on Tuesday considered three more appointments of Latinos—Hernán Vásquez, Louis Escobar, and Josh Flores—to join the commission, rounding out a full slate of seven members. The commission wasted no time, holding an organizational meeting right after the council meeting at Forrester's on the River to set its agenda for 2015-16 and elect board officers. Louis Escobar is being appointed to a two-year term. Vásquez and Flores will serve a one-year term.

Vásquez was born in Chile and raised in Perú, but immigrated to the U.S. to pursue an engineering degree at the *University of Toledo*. He owned Mandell-Vásquez until 2011, when the business closed due to the recession. He restarted a business later that year as MV Group. He is a past Diamante award winner and was named a Distinguished Hispanic Ohioan. He served on the UT Board of Trustees for a decade and has also served on a number of boards with engineering, business, and community groups.

Louis Escobar is a former Toledo City Council president, Adelante, Inc. executive director, and coordinator of the UT Multicultural Student Center. He has served on a number of boards, including the Ohio Ethics Commission, Area Office on Aging, EOPA, Northwest Ohio Development Association (NODA), Fair Housing Center, as well as former Mayor Mike Bell's transition team. He is a past winner of the César Chávez Humanitarian Award and the Judge Joseph Flores Trailblazer Award. UT has a scholarship fund that bears his name.

Josh Flores teaches Spanish and Latino culture at eastside's Waite High School, which is 30 percent Latino. He has worked as a Upward Bound academic skills counselor at

 $Lour des \ University, and a \ Latino \ college \ student \ entry \ liais on \ at \ UT. Flores \ was \ a \ 2013 \ recipient \ of the \ Toledo \ "20 \ Under \ 40" \ award \ and a \ former \ winner \ of the \ Toledo \ Board \ of \ Community \ Relations \ Youth \ Empowerment \ Award.$

The four other previously appointed and approved commissioners of the HAC are: John Escobar (mortgage loan



originator), Donatio Iorio (attorney), Mario Vargas (Ironworkers Local #55), and Lisa Canales. Ms. Canales is president of the Lucas County Hispanie/Latino Democratic Caucus.

"The Latino community is excited about the promise the mayor has made to restore the commission," said Ms. Canales, community affairs and development director at Kistler Ford. "We are excited to begin our efforts anew toward working with the mayor's office and city council to advise them on important issues within the Latino community, such as education, employment, and immigration."

In other city appointments this date, Linda Parra, executive director of Nuestra Gente Community Projects, Inc., was reappointed to a two-year term on the Toledo Youth Commission. That commission's board already has a heavy Latino presence, with Job and Family Services caseworker Francisco Aguilar, Toledo Public Schools (TPS) administrator Emilio Ramirez, and TPS behavioral intervention specialist Melissa Avalos. Rosalinda Contreraz is the Youth Commission's executive director.

Editor's Note: The HAC was co-created by Carleton "Carty" S. Finkbeiner during his first term as Toledo Mayor [the Carty I term, January 1, 1994 – 2002] but essentially vanished during the Carty II term [January 3, 2006 – January 4, 2010], when Finkbeiner eliminated the position of director.

NODA and Toledo Fair Housing Center host Homeownership Community Celebration

Northwest Ohio Development Agency (NODA) and Toledo Fair Housing Center jointly host a Homeownership Community Celebration on Wednes-

day, June 17, 2015 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., in the Court-yard of Justice located at 432 N. Superior Street.



A free community cel-

ebration open to all, this event will recognize June as Homeownership Month and highlight the work of NODA and Toledo Fair Housing Center in supporting homeownership. Guests can enjoy food and refreshments, and resources will be available for those seeking assistance. The event is sponsored in part by Westfield Insurance.

According to the hosts, "Homeownership Month is an opportunity to recognize the efforts of both NODA and Toledo Fair Housing Center in increasing and enhancing homeownership. NODA provides the educational tools to develop informed home buyers, and offers loan assistance to increase access to homeownership.

"Toledo Fair Housing Center seeks to eliminate the discriminatory practices that may prevent individuals from purchasing a home. Together, they work to ensure all individuals have equal access to housing opportunities. The agencies will also be honored with proclamations from the City of Toledo and Lucas County Commissioners."

NODA will also announce the *Home Sweet Home Awards* program, which celebrates beautification efforts made in targeted neighborhoods, recognizing homeowners for improvements to the aesthetic quality of their property.

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First Friday displays early school options for Latino families

By Kevin Milliken, La Prensa Correspondent

June 5, 2015: Several academic leaders went through early educational opportunities for local Latino families during June's First Friday event, held at the José Martínez Memorial Galeria, 1224 Broadway St. and sponsored each month by the Sofia Quintero Art and Cultural Center.

Dr. Hope Bland of Lucas County Collaborative Head Start told the gathering their staff is working to establish a cohort of Latino preschool children to focus on bilingual skills within Spanish-speaking households before they enter kindergarten.

Lucas County Collaborative Head Start is a cooperative effort of local organizations, which includes Toledo Public Schools (TPS), the WSOS community action agency, and the Lucas County Family Council.

"We have put together what we call a Latino initiative program within TPS so we can inform and education Hispanic and Latino families about the educational process of our program, as well as many of the needs of the community," she said. "We are looking at possibly a few hundred families. Within the Head Start program, we have about 35 families

Head Start has started a recruiting campaign, which already has added an additional 30 Latino families to the program. essentially doubling the number of Latino children it will

"We know that the families are out there. We know that the need is there," said Dr. Bland. "It is very important to us to make sure that we're meeting those needs. The capacity is there. If it is not, it's our responsibility to make sure that it is."

Head Start has held two informational meetings with Latino parents and a parental focus group this spring. The one common denominator from those meetings is translators to assist Spanish-speaking families with students enrolled at TPS or Head Start.

"They're missing out on a lot of the instructional information coming home, as well as when they come to the school. That whole piece is missing where the information is not translated for them. So it's really basic, but it's something we need to correct," admitted Dr. Bland. "Some programs are on top of it, but it's not what I would call across-the-board. Some programs within TPS have not quite reached that level yet.

Anyone interested in obtaining more information can call 419.671.8755. Head Start enrollment forms and information are available in Spanish at www.tps.org/school/ pre-schools.

L. Hollingworth School, K-8

However, other educators who presented at the meeting could only speak of academic options for elementary-age students. Preschool programs may be established in the future, but no such programming is offered at present.

"We want to be able to fulfill the need and right now we're not ready to do that," said María Aguirre, parent and community outreach coordinator for L. Hollingworth School in East Toledo, a K-8 charter school that continues to grow its Latino student population.

Part of the reason the percentage of Latino students grows by about five percent each year are the bilingual instruction and services the school offers. The school already is 90 percent toward its target enrollment of 360 students. About 40 percent of the students are Latino, a number which is "creeping' toward half, according to Ms. Aguirre.

"I think it's just word of mouth about the love and care we have for our children and the families see it," said Ms. Aguirre. "We just want what's best for our children. We don't care what

Anyone interested in obtaining more information can

Toledo SMART School, K-2

Toledo SMART School is another charter school which caters directly to Latino families and their children. María González told the gathering the first year as a K-2 school was very successful, so plans will proceed to add third grade for the 2015-16 academic year. The school intends to add one grade each year, as its original students advance to a higher grade level.

Toledo SMART School has no plans for a preschool at present, but does offer an intensive three-week academic program to help kids "catch up" between kindergarten and first grade.

'Some of them, they haven't even been to preschool," said Ms. González.

The school opened its doors with 34 students, but lost five ecause their families moved during the academic year. But Toledo SMART School's enrollment has already expanded to 53 kids—and its marketing campaign has not even started yet. The school is 98 percent Latino right now

About 60 percent of the students are bilingual, while 20 percent are strictly Spanish-speaking.

"I am very confident we are going to achieve the goal of 20 (students) per grade," she said. "We are encouraged by what we see. Most kids are able and willing to embrace both languages equally. That is the beauty of it. They are learning those languages side-by-side. They switch back and forth and it's without any effort."

Ms. González touted Toledo SMART School as a legitimate bilingual education choice. She informed the group the school just graduated Toledo's first-ever bilingual kindergarten class.

"To me, it was such an accomplishment for the community," she said with a smile.

Anyone interested in obtaining more information can call 419.276.0605.

Queen of Apostles Catholic School, K-8

Queen of Apostles Catholic School also offers a K-8 education, but does not presently have a preschool. One school official stated the older building would have to be significantly reconfigured to offer a preschool program. But she predicted it may happen within five years

"We actually seriously considered it to start this coming year, but decided it was just not feasible," Sister Joselyn Weeman, who taught third grade the past eleven years, but took over as principal this past academic year.

She touted the school's character education and religionbased curriculum, which she felt would greatly benefit a three and four-year old preschool population

"We celebrate diversity. We have mostly Hispanic families. but we also have black children, white children, and mixed race," said Sister Weeman. "The whole experience makes for a wonderful school experience for the students. I think you have to look pretty far to find the diversity we have, that mix.

Sister Weeman emphasized the outside groups who partner with the school, citing a STEM Club (science, technology, engineering, and math) that is administered by a staff member at the Sofia Quintero Art and Cultural Center, as well as a drug prevention programs offered by Adelante, Inc.

We try to instill self-discipline in our students, so they are able to manage their own lives and progress to the best of their potential and ability," she said. "I would say our school is a family atmosphere. That is probably the biggest thing that would draw people to our school. I think that best fits the Latino culture.

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CUYAHOGA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS SCHEDULES VOTER REGISTRATION UPDATE IN JULY

The Cuyahoga County Board of Elections has scheduled the cancellation of over 51,000 voter registration records. This cancellation is part of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (NVRA).

The NVRA requires that each state conduct a general program that makes a reasonable effort to remove the names of ineligible voters from the official lists of eligible voters. Voters identified are sent a Confirmation Notice and have four years or two federal elections to respond to the notice. Voters who did not conduct any voter activity (for example: votes, signs a petition, etc.) nor responded to the Confirmation Mailing during that four year period are required to be removed from the eligible voter registration list.

Relative to this year's removal process, voters identified for cancellation were mailed a Confirmation Notice in July of 2011. Any inactive voter records where the Confirmation Notice was not returned or the notice was returned undeliverable are now required to be cancelled. As required by law, The Cuyahoga County Board of Elections has scheduled the cancellation on July 24, 2015, which is the four year anniversary of the 2011 mailing.

Any individual who is scheduled for removal but wishes to remain eligible to vote will be taken off the cancellation list by completing and returning a Voter Registration Card to the Board of Elections at 2925 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44115. Voters may also update their address on-line at the Board of Elections website. Registration Cards are available at public libraries, Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles offices, most local municipal buildings, and the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections website: www.443vote.com.

About 200,000 people were mailed cancellation notices in 2011. "We are very pleased that 75 percent of these voters responded to our notification and/or updated their voter registration," said Pat McDonald, Director of the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections. "Regular voter registration maintenance is very important for proper election administration. Clean records allow us to provide accurate voter turnout statistics, help us evaluate political boundary lines and budget for elections and normal operations," said McDonald.

The number of cancellation records represents six percent of all registered voters in the County.

Additional background information concerning the cancellation is available on the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections website: www.443vote.com or by calling (216) 443-VOTE (8683).

LA JUNTA ELECTORAL DEL CONDADO DE CUYAHOGA **PROGRAMA** LA ACTUALIZACIÓN DE LAS LISTAS DE INSCRIPCIÓN DE ELECTORES **PARA JULIO**

La Junta Electoral del Condado de Cuyahoga ha programado la cancelación de más de 51,000 registros de inscripción de electores. Esta cancelación es parte de la Ley Nacional de Inscripción de Electores de 1993 (NVRA, National Voter Registration Act). La NVRA exige que cada estado dirija un programa general que haga el esfuerzo razonable para eliminar los nombres de los electores inelegibles de las listas oficiales de electores elegibles. A los electores identificados se les envía un Aviso de Confirmación y tienen cuatro años o dos elecciones federales para responder al aviso. Los electores que no realizaron ninguna actividad electoral (por ejemplo: votar, firmar una petición, etc.) ni respondieron al Envío Postal de Confirmación durante ese período de cuatro años se tienen que eliminar de la lista de inscripción de electores elegibles.

En lo que respecta al proceso de eliminación de este año, a los electores identificados para la cancelación se les envió por correo postal un Aviso de Confirmación en julio de 2011. Todos los registros de electores inactivos a los que se envió el Avisó de Confirmación y no lo devolvieron o se devolvió sin poder entregarse se tienen que cancelar ahora. Tal como lo exige la ley, La Junta Electoral del Condado de Cuyahoga ha programado la cancelación el 24 de julio de 2015, que es el aniversario de cuatro años del envío postal de 2011.

A todo aquel que esté programado para eliminarse pero que desee permanecer elegible para votar se le quitará de la lista de cancelación si completa y devuelve una Tarjeta de Inscripción de Electores a la Junta Electoral a 2925 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44115. Los electores también pueden actualizar su dirección por Internet en el sitio web de la Junta Electoral. Las Tarjetas de Inscripción se encuentran disponibles en las bibliotecas públicas, en las oficinas del Departamento de Vehículos de Motor de Ohio, en la mayoría de los edificios municipales locales, y en el sitio web de la Junta Electoral del Condado de Cuyahoga: www.443vote.com y haga un clic en español.

En 2011 se enviaron avisos de cancelación por correo postal a unas 200,000 personas. "Nos sentimos complacidos que el 75 por ciento de estos electores respondieron a nuestra notificación y/o actualizaron su inscripción de elector, ahora es el momento de asegurarnos de que todo aquel que no haya votado pero desee permanecer inscrito nos lo haga saber", comentó Pat McDonald, Director de la Junta Electoral del Condado de Cuyahoga. "El mantenimiento regular del registro de electores es muy importante para una apropiada administración electoral. El limpiar los registros nos permite ofrecer estadísticas precisas de participación electoral, nos ayuda a evaluar las líneas de límites políticos, presupuesto para las electiones u operaciones normales," dijo McDonald.

El número de registros cancelados representa el seis por ciento de todos los electores inscritos en el Condado.

Se puede encontrar más información sobre la cancelación en el sitio web de la Junta Electoral del Condado de Cuyahoga: www.443vote.com y haga un clic en español o llamando al (216) 443-VOTE (8683)

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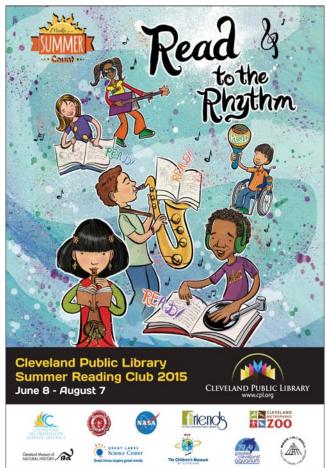
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