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A Tale of Two Cities: Contrasting Cleveland and Toledo's response to HR 4437

Commentary by Alan Abrams, La Prensa Senior Reporter

Cleveland's Latino population and Latino community leadership are primarily of Puerto Rican descent.

Toledo is heavily Mexican-American or Mexican.

So what city do you think would be the first to take official action against the draconian HR 4437, the *Sensenbrenner-King*

House bill that targets Mexicans and other undocumented immigrants for repressive action?

Surprise! It was Cleveland's City Council which, in a 19-0 unanimous vote, passed on Feb. 27th Resolution No. 342-06, opposing HR 4437.

What made that courageous act so important? Copies of the resolution were

transmitted to Ohio's two U.S. senators, *George Voinovich* and *Mike DeWine*. Both Republicans will be voting later this month or next on a Senate version of the immigration bill. And their votes and willingness to break with the Republican majority could be crucial.

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Fox dice que EEUU pedirá trabajadores

MEXICO (AP): El presidente mexicano *Vicente Fox* dijo que en 10 años Estados Unidos rogará a México que le envíe trabajadores, pero entonces la nación latinoamericana se negará a hacerlo, porque todos tendrán empleo en su país, según comentarios difundidos el jueves.

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Get an education pendejo!

Commentary by Ramón Pérez

Getting an education is the biggest and most important challenge Mexican-Americans will probably ever face in their lifetime. As you may know, knowledge comes in many forms, including academic, economic, political, and societal, such as raising your familia.

These four categories are all crucial areas to understand, especially if you know our current standing in the United States and more so in Toledo of Northwest Ohio. There is still a major divide that is widening, almost daily, between Mexican-Americans' substandard of living and most other groups who live in the United States.

To this day, there is still no grassroots plan in place to improve our deteriorating living conditions in Toledo, Ohio, or in the U.S. So, get an education pendejo!

Many Mexican/Latino organizations have come and gone and the ones that are still around are still incapable of moving us out of poverty and improving our quality of life in any noticeable or measurable way.

Most opinion leaders will argue that the people themselves are responsible for moving themselves out of poverty. While I agree, then why are these state and local Latino organizations in existence? Who are they really serving? It can't be for our gente, because we are still living in poverty more so than most other groups.

You can't have it both ways. The old and sometimes young leadership are still stuck with antiquated ideas and strategies about how to organize us to the next level. We are our own worst enemy when it comes to overcoming the Mexican-American collective psyche, with all its complexities, and delivering us from our own cultural incompetence.

Our leaders are too afraid or incompetent to get out into the barrios and start the movement. All the while, the power of our people is right in front of us; on Starr, Broadway, Segur, Vinton, and Bancroft Strets, and in cities such as Perrysburg, Bowling Green, Napoleon, Fremont, Defiance, and



Ramón Pérez

Wauseon, ...and the list goes on.

We are everywhere, and yet nowhere!

Up to now, Latinos/as have made marginal progress in all areas of their quality of life. Local, state and national studies continue to show Latinos are basically still at the bottom of the educational, political, economical, and health totem pole. Already this year, I have cut out many articles from Latino, Black, and Anglo newspapers, emails, and magazines highlighting the minimal-to-no progress among Mexican-Americans and it is just too painful and embarrassing to give you the facts again, and again, and again.

Although, a few months back, I attended a gathering of Latino "leaders" in downtown Toledo when it was revealed that only 2%

to 4% of Latinos voted in the 2005 November local election. Also, each year, 1.2 million children don't graduate from high school. Of those, 300,000 are Latino. *Need I say anymore!*

"Get an education pendejo!" is about learning our status in the United States and then taking responsibility for our own problems. Most national and local Latino organizations have been ineffective in this area. They won't leave their usual meeting rooms or comfort zones and hit the streets. *They don't know how!*

We are stuck as a people who have yet to realize the power "in collective numbers" of our people. Us, Y our parents, relatives, *nuestra gente*, collectively have to stop being satisfied with high school dropouts, families living in poverty, and not having real political power to change our poor living conditions. Otherwise, the Anglos and Blacks will continue taking care of us.

In 2006, Mexican-Americans in Ohio will have another opportunity to choose the next governor, attorney general, auditor, treasurer, secretary of state, two Supreme Court judges, all 99 state representatives, and 17 of 33 state senators. Locally we have primaries in May, the selection of a new Toledo Public School superintendent, and November elections for Lucas County commissioner, auditor, and so forth.

In defense of President

Hugo Chávez

Commentary by Ricardo Urrutia, La Prensa Political Correspondent



While the military of the United States bombs Iraqis for the benefit of oil companies and war profiteers, Venezuela President Hugo Chávez uses Venezuela's oil (via CITGO) for the benefit of the poor in Venezuela, Cuba, Bolivia, the Caribbean, and even the United States.

In January, Exxon-Mobil announced record profits of \$36 billion for 2005. Meanwhile, Venezuela's state-owned oil company announced it would provide heating oil at discounted prices for low income families in Philadelphia. The offer in Philadelphia came after Venezuela provided similar discounts to low income communities in New York, Vermont, Massachusetts, and Maine.

At a time when busi-

ness is booming for oil companies and the U.S. elite is pushing free trade (such as NAFTA and CAFTA) and warfare, Chávez is showing the world that oil revenues can be used to meet basic human needs.

In a seminal display of compassion, Chávez has traded discounted oil for Cuban doctors and teachers. He also signed *PetroCaribe*, an alternative trade agreement between Venezuela and

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A look at pending

undocumented immigration bills

(AP): A handful of bills dealing with illegal immigration have been introduced and killed at the Legislature this year. Here's a quick look at the pending measures.

- *House Bill 1343* requires that companies doing business with the state to certify that they haven't hired illegal immigrants and allows the state to break any contract with a company that knowingly hired illegal immigrants. They would also have their names placed on the Secretary of State's Web site for two years.
- *House Bill 1306* would

require the state to audit a 2003 law that limits the use of identification issued by other governments.

- *Senate Bill 110:* People who counterfeit identification papers for use by illegal immigrants could be fined \$50,000.
- *Senate Bill 90:* Police officers would have to report any illegal immigrant they arrest to federal immigration authorities. Cities that adopt "sanctuary" policies to stop police officers from working with federal immigration authorities wouldn't be able to get state grants.

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Los Angeles cardinal says if anti-immigrant bill is approved, he would tell priests to defy it

By PETER PRENGAMAN
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP): Cardinal Roger M. Mahony called on Roman Catholics Wednesday to embrace immigrants regardless of their legal status, criticizing what he said was some increasing hostility toward the nation's bulging undocumented population.

The cardinal also said he would tell priests to defy any law enacted that would try to force churches and other organizations to determine the legality of immigrants before giving them assistance.

Mahony, a longtime advocate of immigrant rights who oversees a racially diverse archdiocese of more than 4 million people, used Ash Wednesday and the beginning of the Lenten season to urge Catholics to "make room" for immigrants.

"Unless you are a Native American, everyone in here is the son or daughter of immigrants," said Mahony, speaking during Mass at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels.

Mahony said he was concerned that "voices that are very much anti-immigrant, mostly in California and Los Angeles, are catching fire," but didn't name any particular group.

On Tuesday, Mahony criticized the Minuteman Project and other anti-illegal immigration groups, arguing their efforts were misguided and wouldn't solve national security issues.

"The war on terror isn't going to be won through immigration restrictions," he told the Los Angeles Times. As the illegal population balloons, now an estimated 11 million people, most of whom are Latino, the debate on how to deal with the phenomenon is intensifying.

Anti-undocumented immigration groups regularly stage protests at day labor sites where Latinos wait for work, threatening to report employers who hire illegal immigrants. Immigration advocates have responded, staging counter protests and organizing campaigns against legislation to crack down on illegal immigrants. Mahony told those attending Mass Wednesday he was not in favor of "unfettered immigration," but that the current system was inhumane and inefficient.

Mahony said stringent laws and government bureaucracy meant immigrants were often separated up to 15 years from family members trying to immigrate.

"We need reform that looks to family unification," he said. "What we have now is broken and invites violation."

Reflecting positions of the U.S. Roman Catholic bishops, Mahony said reform had to include a guestworker program and the legalization of



undocumented immigrants. Mahony said the church's stance was not political, but he made reference to the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee, which is slated to take up immigration reform shortly, after the House passed HR 4437 in December.

During an interview with Spanish-language press afterwards, Mahony vowed to instruct priests to disobey any law requiring churches and other social organizations to ask immigrants for legal documentation before providing assistance.

Such a provision was in the immigration bill passed by the House of Representatives in December.

"I would say to all priests, deacons and members of the church that we are not going to observe this law," said Mahony, speaking in Spanish.

When asked if he would be willing to go to jail for the stance, Mahony said "yes" because "helping people in need were actions that are part of God's mercy."

Gobernadores de EEUU cada vez más críticos con inmigración

Por ROBERT TANNER

WASHINGTON (AP): Un creciente número de gobernadores están quejándose cada vez de forma más enérgica por el flujo de inmigrantes que está llegando a sus estados, y buscan que el presidente y al Congreso a tomar medidas.

Tanto gobernadores republicanos como demócratas dijeron el domingo que presentarán sus preocupaciones al presidente George W. Bush y a su gabinete en los próximos días.

"Esto es un tema nacional", dijo la demócrata Janet Napolitano, de Arizona, estado en el que 500.000 inmigrantes ilegales fueron devueltos a sus países el año pasado.

Se calcula que hay 11 millones de inmigrantes ilegales que están perjudicando los recursos gubernamentales. "Mediante el dinero de los contribuyentes estamos absorbiendo los gastos de las cárceles, los costos de la salud y los de la educación", dijo Napolitano.

La inmigración es uno de los temas más candentes de la reunión invernal anual de la Asociación Nacional de Gobernadores, a la que asisten más de 40 líderes estatales. Los gobernadores también esperan hablar sobre la Guardia Nacional, donde temen recortes, y del seguro de salud.

Bush, quien se reunió el domingo por la noche con los gobernadores en una cena oficial en la Casa Blanca, les dio la bienvenida y comentó que "me gusta estar con los gobernadores, pues son gente dedicada a obtener resultados. Esperamos poder trabajar con ustedes para ayudarlos a darle forma al futuro del país", indicó Bush.

Posteriormente se dio un concierto para los gobernadores con música del cantante Aaron Neville.

La queja sobre la inmigración también llega de estados que se encuentran lejos de la frontera sur con México, como Utah, Misuri, Tennesí y Vermont. Los gobernadores de estos estados dijeron que los inmigrantes le está costando a los estados dinero federal. Todos están de acuerdo que la respuesta la tiene Wash-

ington y esperan que el Congreso pase nuevos proyectos de ley.

"Es importante que los gobernadores nos expresemos con una sola voz", dijo el republicano Jon Huntsman Jr., de Utah. "Abordamos estos temas cada día".

Los gobernadores han diseñado un plan de varios puntos para solicitar un refuerzo en la frontera que aproveche mejor la tecnología, mejorar el sistema de visas, adoptar un programa de trabajadores temporales.

Buscan también mayor cooperación con México y otros países de América Latina para eliminar la razón que obliga a millones de latinoamericanos a aventurarse a Estados Unidos.

"La noción de oponerse, o de hacerlos lo de la vista gorda, no tiene ningún sentido", dijo el demócrata Phil Bredesen, de Tennesí.

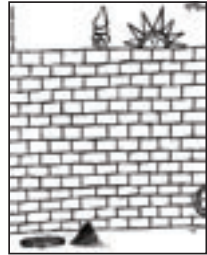
La presión por el tema ha ido en aumento en los últimos meses. En Texas, hubo un enfrentamiento armado entre autoridades estatales y presuntos narcotraficantes mexicanos disfrazados de militares.

En Minnesota, el republicano Tim Pawlenty quiere que el estado dé un seguimiento a los inmigrantes y que se multe a los empresarios que conscientemente contratan a aquellos que sean ilegales.

El año pasado, la inmigración ilegal llevó a Napolitano y al gobernador demócrata de Nuevo México, Bill Richardson, a decretar el estado de emergencia en condados fronterizos en ambos estados.

Al mismo tiempo, los gobernadores advirtieron que medidas muy duras provocarían graves daños a muchos estados, particularmente donde la agricultura depende de la mano de obra de los inmigrantes.

"Nuestra industria realmente confía en los empleados extranjeros para tener éxito" dijo el legislador republicano Jim Douglas, del estado de Vermont, donde la escasez de desempleados y la población que envejece encuentra dificultades para hallar trabajadores para las granjas lecheras del estado.



Hace dos años, Bush delineó las bases para un programa de trabajadores temporales, pero las elecciones del 2004 llevaron al gobierno y a algunos elementos del Congreso a mostrarse renuentes a abordarlo.

Ese año, algunos senadores decepcionados de una comisión criticaron abiertamente a Bush por no haber luchado por su propia propuesta.

La Cámara de Representantes aprobó una ley para aplicar las leyes de inmigración el año pasado, que contemplaba erigir muros a lo largo de la frontera entre México y Estados Unidos, y le daba a las autoridades locales el poder aplicar las leyes de inmigración y exigió a los patronos a verificar el status legal de sus empleados.

El líder de la mayoría, Bill Frist, dijo a los legisladores que el Senado comenzará a negociar una ley de inmigración para el 27 de marzo, pero el senador republicano John McCain predijo que el Senado no consideraría la reforma de inmigración sino hasta el mes de abril o posteriormente.

Los gobernadores también hablaron de sus temores sobre un plan del Pentágono para reestructurar a la Guardia Nacional del Ejército, que muchos consideran que dejarían a los estados sin la capacidad de responder a los desastres y emergencias locales, como inundaciones en el Medio Oeste, incendios forestales en el Oeste o huracanes en la Costa del Golfo de México.

Los 50 gobernadores firmaron una carta a principios de este mes y que enviaron a Bush para oponerse al plan. El secretario de la Defensa, Donald Rumsfeld, sostendrá un almuerzo privado el lunes con los gobernadores para abordar sus temores.

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Granholt and COSSA promote Michigan Latinos

Governor Jennifer M. Granholt met last week with members of the Commission on Spanish Speaking Affairs (COSSA) to discuss the commission's five-year strategic plan. The commission is focusing its efforts in the areas of economic development, education, leadership and political involvement, and the Legislature.

"This five-year plan is on target to serve the needs of our Hispanic citizens in Michigan while strengthening the state and our economy as a whole," Granholt said. "I applaud the dedication and professionalism of the members of this commission. Their work is helping to make Michigan a place where people want to live and do business."

The mission of COSSA is to develop a unified policy and plan of action to serve the needs of Michigan's Latino residents. The strategic plan will help the commission to affect the quality of lives for Michigan Latinos. The plan includes: planning and hosting a small business forum; increasing

high school graduation rates and college enrollment and graduation rates; and increasing the number of Latino leaders in both the public and private sectors.

The commission was created by Public Act 164 of 1975 to advise the governor and legislature on issues concerning Michigan's Spanish-speaking residents. The commission consists of 15 members appointed by the Governor.

Navarro appointed to Board of Psychology

On another note, Governor Jennifer M. Granholt announced last week the appointment of *Monica P. Navarro* to the Michigan Board of Psychology. Navarro, of Lake Orion, is the principal member of the law firm of Frank, Haron, Weiner, and Navarro, based in Troy. Ms. Navarro is appointed to represent the general public for a term expiring December 31, 2009. She succeeds James C. Pascoe whose term has expired. The Michigan Board of Psychology provides for the licen-



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Members of the Adrian, Michigan Latino business organization HOLA celebrated the grand opening of Jimadores restaurant in Adrian last week.



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Council action was echoed several days later by the *Cuyahoga County Board of Commissioners*, who also unanimously passed a resolution opposing HR 4437, which would make felons of 11 million-plus undocumented immigrants— including an estimated 1.6 million children.

HR 4437 also requires the construction of 700 miles of wall along the Mexican/U.S. border (by *Halliburton?*); would criminalize contact with undocumented immigrants by social agencies, churches, and non-profit organizations; and frustrate the dreams of legal immigrants seeking citizenship.

The Cleveland City Council action was co-introduced by Councilman *Joe Santiago* of Ward 14. The resolution was introduced as an emergency measure. Here's what Santiago told *La Prensa* about his motivation for stepping up to the plate and taking action.

Santiago, along with his assistant *Sr. Alicia Alvarado*, OP, said the bill is unconstitutional and is a huge blow to the freedom of all U.S.-Americans. "All of us come from immigrant families and we cannot forget the hardships that our families encountered in the past. This House Bill would make criminals of many of us living in the United States today."

"I am of Puerto Rican descent and do not have to be concerned about immigration problems, but I support my Latino brothers and sisters," added Santiago.

Then Santiago drew a frightening parallel between HR 4437 and Nazi Germany when he said, "This can be compared to what Hitler did to the Jewish population sixty years ago and cannot be tolerated in Ohio and any other state in this great nation. We must work together to find solutions to making immigrants legal citizens so that they can continue to work and provide for their families."

Santiago's words and those of the Cleveland Council Resolution can be expected to carry weight with Sen. *Voinovich*, a former mayor of multicultural Cleveland, and who, histori-



Rob Ludeman

cally, has been sensitive to the needs of immigrants.

But what about Sen. *DeWine*? His Democratic opponent in November's election, veteran U.S. Rep. *Sherrod Brown* (D, OH-13), told *La Prensa* Saturday that he believes his presence in what observers see as a close race has already moderated *DeWine's* stand.

"He has voted correctly on more bills in the past six months than he did in his entire 11 years in the Senate," said *Brown* about *DeWine*.

And *DeWine* may yet have the opportunity to come down squarely on the side of justice. The Senate is considering several alternatives to HR 4437, which passed The House on Dec. 16, 2005. *Brown*, along with Rep. *Marcy Kaptur* (D, OH-9), voted against the bill.

Rep. *Ted Strickland*, who represents Ohio's 6th U.S. Congressional District and is the front running Democratic candidate for Governor of Ohio, broke with most of his fellow Democrats and voted for the bill. He has since acknowledged that he regrets that vote.

Sen. *Arlen Specter* (R-PA), chairman of the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee, has introduced a draft that removes the construction of the Berlin-type, 700-mile wall from the bill and introduces the issue of guestworkers, which was not covered in HR 4437 due to Republican objections. Senators *John McCain* (R-Arizona) and *Edward Kennedy* (D-Massachusetts)

have also introduced a compromise bill.

The last time the city councils of Cleveland and Toledo passed a resolution of such great importance to the Latino community was the support both cities gave to endorsing the *matricula consular*, the Mexican ID. That time around, Toledo acted first and Cleveland followed suit.

That unanimous resolution was shepherded through Toledo's City Council by *Baldemar Velásquez*, the founder and president of FLOC, the Farm Labor Organizing Committee. And *Velásquez* is in the front line trenches once again to see justice done in Toledo.

"HR 4437 would make felons out of all of us at FLOC, who are working to help undocumented immigrants," *Velásquez* told *La Prensa* Monday.

"That's enough of a local issue to justify consideration of a resolution by Toledo's City Council," added *Velásquez*.

But that is not the only local significance of HR 4437, which turns local police into immigration agents, draining their energies in the fight against crime and other critical duties.

But Republican Council president *Rob Ludeman* didn't think so when *La Prensa* spoke to him on Sunday.

Ludeman said he had been approached by appointed council member *Taylor Balderas* (District 3) about a resolution and told her he would not allow one to be introduced if it wasn't about a matter concerning Toledo's business.

"I remember when council wasted a lot of time debating a resolution about the Patriot Act," said *Ludeman*. He politely told *Balderas* she could solicit letters of support from individual council members on their official letterhead.

The news about *Ludeman's* remarks rankled *Velásquez*, who quickly swung into action. Within hours, he had changed *Ludeman's* mind and promised to hand-deliver a resolution for consideration by council this Tuesday. At press time, it was believed



FLOC's annual March for Justice—this is the march from 2003. This year's march is scheduled for April 12 and will highlight immigration reform.

that *Velásquez* had lined up the necessary commitments, from at least six council members.

Here is the text of *Velásquez's* proposed resolution, which is comparable to Cleveland's:

**"PROPOSED RESOLUTION
An Emergency Resolution**

Opposing the "Sensenbrenner-King Bill", HR 4437, which would make felons of 11 million undocumented immigrants, criminalize contact with undocumented immigrants and frustrate the dreams of legal immigrants seeking citizen-

ship.

WHEREAS, on December 16, 2005, the US House of Representatives approved the Border Protection, Antiterrorism and Illegal Immigration Act, HR4437, also known as the Sensenbrenner-King Bill; and

WHEREAS, HR4437 criminalizes the mere presence of an alien without valid immigration status, thereby causing 11 million undocumented immigrants, including 1.6 million children, currently living and working in the US to be guilty of a federal felony; and

WHEREAS, the Bill's broad definition of "smuggling" allows the federal government to prosecute almost any American having casual contact with an undocumented immigrant; and

WHEREAS, HR4437 could potentially make criminals out of church groups providing food, shelter or other assistance to undocumented immigrants, social workers assisting undocumented workers who are victims of domestic abuse, co-workers giving an undocumented immigrant a ride to work, and a US citizen liv-

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ing with a spouse who is an undocumented immigrant; and

WHEREAS, Toledo is the home of national Farm Labor Organizing Committee and said legislation would make felons of all its officers and staff. It would criminalize many of its members and make it impossible for them to adjust their status.

WHEREAS, HR4437 eliminates judicial oversight of delays in the naturalization process and allows the federal government to use subjective and secretive information to bar legal immigrants from becoming US citizens; and

WHEREAS, HR4437 would greatly increase the cost of our Police Department by adding immigration duties to their responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, this resolution constitutes an emergency measure for the immediate preservation of public peace, property, health or safety, now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TOLEDO:

Section 1. That this Council hereby opposes the "Sensenbrenner-King Bill HR4437 and any other similar bills, which would make felons of 11 million undocumented immi-

grants, criminalize contact with undocumented immigrants and frustrate the dreams of honest, hard-working immigrants seeking to become full residents of our community and a part of the American dream.

Section 2. That the Clerk of Council is hereby directed to transmit copies of this resolution to U.S. Senators Mike DeWine and George Voinovich.

Section 3. That this resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and, provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Signed: March 6, 2006, Toledo, Ohio.

Once again, Baldemar Velásquez, *Beatriz Maya*, and other FLOC activists have stepped forward to ensure that "justice be done." The annual *March for Justice* follows, scheduled for April 12, 2006, with a theme of immigration reform.

As often said by Velásquez, "*Hasta La Victoria!*"

Findlay fundraising event raises \$80,000 to aid Central American children

By Alan Abrams
La Prensa Senior Correspondent

All the shiny new cars were back on the floor in the showroom of Findlay Ford Lincoln-Mercury Monday morning. There were only a few hanging decorations left to remind a visitor that this had been the site of a successful weekend gala, which raised nearly \$80,000 to aid Central American children.

The *Children's Wishing Star* gala is the annual fundraising event for the non-profit organization which helps children in El Salvador and neighboring Central American countries. Children's Wishing Star was founded ten years ago by Stan and Pat Kujawa, the owners of Findlay Ford Lincoln-Mercury. The Kujawas turned the spectacular showroom into a festive party with a Latino flair.

The evening got off to a great start Saturday with a \$25,000 donation from the organization's sponsors. Another \$10,000 came from an anonymous donor in New Jersey who asked that the donation be split evenly between the *Nutrition for Niños* program and the children's home operated by Children's Wishing Star in San Salvador. The balance was raised by the silent and live auction at the event.

The First Lady of El Salvador, Ana Ligia Mixco Sol de Saca, had planned to fly into Findlay to personally thank Children's Wishing Star for their support. About a week before the event, she injured her leg in an accident and was unable to attend. However, she sent three members of her office staff from the Secretaria Nacional de la Familia: Evelyn de Quintanilla, María Mercedes de Cruz, and Carolina Paniagua de Ostos.

The three were accompanied to Findlay by Alba Nubia Arevalo, the director of the Children's Wishing Star home in San Salvador, who read a message from the First Lady.

Nearly 2,000 children from across Central America have stayed at the facility, which is adjacent to the Hospital Nacional de Niños, the 300-bed Benjamin Bloom Hospital. Children's Wishing Star pays the government of El Salvador \$1 a year for the lease of the property.

Guests at the gala were treated to a buffet meal ranging from delicious appetizers through exquisite roast beef and sumptuous desserts—all prepared under the direction of Executive Chef Reggie Baugh from the Heri-



Evelyn de Quintanilla holds Ana Gabriela Diehl, the most recent of the ten children from El Salvador to be adopted by a Findlay, Ohio family, through the efforts of Children's Wishing Star.

She is flanked by María Mercedes de Cruz, Pat and Stan Kujawa, founders of the program, and Carolina Paniagua de Ostos.

The three women from El Salvador are aides to First Lady Ana Ligia de Saca, who, because of an injury, was unable to attend the March 4 fundraiser at the Kujawa's Findlay Ford Lincoln-Mercury.

The Kujawas organized Children's Wishing Star after they adopted the first of two children from El Salvador ten years ago—photo by N.C. Abrams.

tage/ McClellan Senior Living complex. Baugh, one of the first African-Americans to host their own television cooking show, delighted viewers for years on "Cooking with Chef Reggie" on Lima, Ohio's Channel 47.

Residents of Findlay have opened their hearts as well as their pocketbooks and wallets to Children's Wishing Star. All ten of the children adopted from El Salvador and now being raised in Findlay were presented on stage. They ranged from Caroline and Annie Kujawa through little Ana Gabriela Diehl.

Entertainment was provided by *Pantasia*, a Findlay High School musical entourage. Also performing was talented vocalist *Nicolás*. Those who may have seen him perform at Bowling Green's Black Swamp Festival know him as *Nick de la*

Torre. He is the son of Cuban-American activist and community leader *Esther García-Tío* of Bowling Green.

Nicolás was accompanied by *Elena Moore* on violin and *Dallas Black* on guitar. Among the musical numbers he performed was a song Moore wrote for El Salvador's First Lady.

Nicolás, who sings in Spanish, Italian and English, is auditioning in Orlando, Florida in June for several major record label executives. He plays piano and guitar, and recently wrote and performed a requiem for a fellow Bowling Green High School student who committed suicide. Four hundred people attended the performance, which featured orchestral and choir members from Bowling Green State University and the community.

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Afif Safieh, born in Jerusalem, left for Belgium in 1966 to attend the Catholic University of Louvain. Absent from the West Bank when it was captured by the Israelis in 1967, he was not allowed to return home. Safieh says that the 1967 war made him a "wandering Palestinian" and that he still is. In his 2005 Christmas letter to President Bush, Safieh, a Roman Catholic, complains that "the birth place of Jesus Christ has been totally caged in by the Apartheid Wall," the security fence that Israel is building in the West

Bank, and that Israel refuses to facilitate Palestinian legislative elections in East Jerusalem.

Safieh was president of the General Union Palestinian Students in Belgium (1969-71) and in France (1974-75) and was deputy director of the PLO Observer Mission to the United Nations in Geneva (1976-78). From 1987 to 2005, Safieh was PLO representative to Netherlands and Palestinian general delegate to the United Kingdom and the Holy See. In January 2005, he joined the Vatican-sponsored International Board of Trustees of Bethlehem University.

Safieh's articles and essays have been published in two books: *Self Determination and One People Too Many?*, and his recent essays include "Children of a Lesser God?" and "Peace Process: From Break-



Afif Safieh

through to Breakdown." According to Israel's "Haaretz" newspaper, Afif Safieh "is considered the most articulate Palestinian diplomat in Europe, and possibly the world."

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On behalf of _____, we would like to express to you our strong objection to the provisions outlined in the *Sensenbrenner-King bill (HR 4437)*, which are now before you as a member of the Senate Judiciary Committee. The harsh and punitive provisions of the bill, such as criminalizing unlawful presence, turning state and local police into immigration agents, and making it more difficult to become U.S. citizens, will devastate Ohio's Latino community, and by extension, the economy of our state as a whole. In addition, no part of the bill addresses an opportunity for legalization for the undocumented members of our community.

The Latino community, both documented and undocumented, has become an integral and valuable part of Ohio and Michigan and its economies. This is reflected in the growing numbers of Latino small businesses and entrepreneurs in these states.

For example, in Northeast Ohio alone, Latino restaurants generate millions of dollars in revenue and add to the states' diverse cultures. Latino congregations are thriving, as evidenced by the number of Spanish-language services in Detroit, Grand Rapids, Lansing, Ann Arbor, Monroe, Adrian, Pontiac, Muskegon, Holland, Kalamazoo, Cleveland, Toledo, Columbus, Lorain, Cincinnati, Dayton, and even in the smallest towns in Ohio and Michigan.

The Latino community is also an invaluable part of Michigan's and Ohio's workforce, driving and growing the economy by filling up the second and third shifts in plastics and rubber factories, assembly plants, chemical plants—jobs that are no longer attractive to most people but necessary for these economies.

Latinos are the countless and often invisible laborers who work in Michigan's and Ohio's fields. Where would Ohio's and Michigan's farmers and nursery growers be without the Latino community? In Lake County, for example, the nurseries generate \$600 million in revenue per year. A majority of Ohio's agricultural workforce is Latino. They are our friends, colleagues and family members, and are a vital and important part of our lives. Yet, many are forced to live a life "in the shadows." While members of our community can buy homes, cars, start a business, and go to school, they can't vote or get a driver's license. And they live with the fear of being arrested at any moment, being separated from their families and losing everything. This is not the U.S.-American way!

We understand there is a very loud, anti-immigrant, anti-Spanish-speaking segment—but they are a small minority. We know this because of the progress we have made in our states. This progress is a result of wonderful partnerships we've established with Ohio and Michigan universities, schools, banks, elected officials, and businesses.

The provisions outlined in the Sensenbrenner-King bill would take away all the progress we have made. It will strain the relationships we have built, because many institutions will hesitate to work with us, fearing reprisals from the government.

We ask that you pass comprehensive immigration reform. We need a path to citizenship. Not detention centers to house our friends and family members. Building multi-million dollar jails for immigrants is a very demoralizing prospect for us to face, and a waste of valuable assets—our people.

In addition, esteeming those who help the less fortunate is more fitting of Michigan's and Ohio's history and tradition, not prosecuting them as the Sensenbrenner-King bill requires. Legislation that penalizes churches and the Good Samaritans who help immigrants has no place in Ohio.

We should have laws that reunite our families, promote Ohio's family values, rather than cause our close-knit families to separate. Legalizing immigrants, not criminalizing them, will make Ohio's economy grow and thrive. This will benefit all the people of Ohio.

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Time to bring your body and mind into harmony. While your mind is poised for action, your body is much more sluggish. Rx—adopt a sensible fitness/exercise plan suited to your taste.

TAURUS: (APRIL 19 - MAY 20)
What better way to Deep-6 the winter blues than to plan a pleasurable diversion. Bring along your "inner child" because being wacky and playful will enhance the whole experience. We should never COMPLETELY grow up.

GEMINI: (MAY 21 - JUNE 20)
You must be familiar with the adage, "People in glass houses shouldn't throw stones." This week in particular the temptation to find fault will be strong. Concentrate on empathy, not condemnation.

CANCER: (JUNE 21 - JULY 22)
View the world not only straight on, but also sideways and upside down. This may help clear up some of the confusion that you've had lately. Not everyone thinks and acts as you do, so you must learn to expand your awareness.

LEO: (JULY 23 - AUGUST 22)
Think about this for a while: Winning can sometimes be losing. In striving to be first—to be the one on top - you may be jeopardizing important relationships. Coming on too strongly may arouse unwanted resistance.

VIRGO: (AUGUST 23 - SEPTEMBER 22)
If you have paired up with a Pisces, here is what to expect: You are polar opposites, so you will be captivated by each other. A Virgo's need for order plays off well against a Pisces' intuitiveness and strong attraction to chaos. Of course, Virgo will win any arguments.

LIBRA: (SEPTEMBER 23 - OCTOBER 22)
Remember "pi", the number that expresses the ratio of the circumference to the diameter of a circle? It is reliably constant—always 3.1416. Math is nice that way; it's an exact science. Don't expect all of life to be so precise.

SCORPIO: (OCTOBER 23 - NOVEMBER 21)
Someone is keeping you "on tenterhooks"—i.e., in suspense. And the not knowing is making you rather moody. See if there isn't a polite way of approaching the subject so that you are no longer just hanging there in limbo.

SAGITTARIUS: (NOVEMBER 22 - DECEMBER 21)
If the drama of sport can be considered a metaphor for the drama of life, then by all means, stake out a spot on the players' level. The nosebleed seats, although more affordable, will not get you close enough to the action.

CAPRICORN: (DECEMBER 22 - JANUARY 19)
You can't please all of the people all of the time. Mata Hari, the infamous WWI spy, got caught giving secrets to both the French and the Germans and was executed for her deceit. Pick a side and stay loyal.

AQUARIUS: (JANUARY 20 - FEBRUARY 18)
Sometimes by grasping on too tightly, you can actually lose out. New opportunities are on the horizon and they involve leaving the familiarity of old habits behind. By letting go of the past, your new future will come into view.

PISCES: (FEBRUARY 19 - MARCH 19)
Normally, your boss doesn't encourage too much joking around. But everyone will need to blow off steam this week. Your laid back, dreamy nature will bolster the whole staff.

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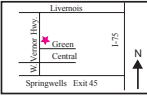
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Education urged as key to integrating Latinos, who also develop increased health problems after moving to the United States

By RANDOLPH E. SCHMID
Associated Press Writer

DC (AP): Millions of Latinos come to the United States looking for jobs and educations, but remaining here seems to be bad for their health.

The longer Latinos are here, the more likely they are to become obese, to develop diabetes, high blood pressure, and heart disease. Latinos born in the United States have even higher rates of those illnesses, a new government report shows.

The analysis of immigrants' health by the federal Centers for Disease Control comes alongside a report that recommended more educational programs for Latinos, who are expected to increase to nearly one-fourth of the country's population in coming years, mirroring the German population.

"Failure to close Hispanics' education and language gap risks compromising their ability to both contribute to and share in national prosperity," cautions the study by the National Research Council, an arm of the National Academy of Sciences.

Marta Tienda, a sociology professor at Princeton University and head of the panel that wrote the National Academies report, said Latinos are scattering across the country and "transforming their new destinations even as we evolve as a nation."

"We are in the midst of the Hispanic moment," she said at a briefing. But, she

said, there are two ominous trends for Latinos: worsening health status and increased risk of family disruption.

The immigrants report, also released March 1st, promptly documented her health concerns.

It found that 22 percent of Latinos who have been in the country five years or more are obese, compared to 16.1 percent who have been here for fewer than five years.

High blood pressure climbs from 13.4 percent for newer arrivals to 19.8 percent for those here longer. As they stay longer than five years, diabetes rates rise from 6.9 percent to 7.5 percent and heart disease from 3.5 percent to 7.4 percent.

Latino immigrants also are among those least likely to have health insurance.

Among Latinos born in this country, 29.8 percent are obese, 24.5 percent report high blood pressure, 10.8 percent are diabetic and 7.6 percent have heart disease.

Among the native-born U.S. population overall, 22.9 percent are obese, 24.3 percent have high blood pressure, 6.1 percent are diabetic and 7.6 percent have heart disease.

One positive note is that cigarette smoking declines from 15.3 percent to 13.8 percent among Latinos here more than five years. Some 20.1 percent of U.S.-born Latinos smoke, as do 24.0 percent of the overall population.

Latinos are a diverse group, ranging from fami-

lies that have lived in the United States since the earliest Spanish colonies to the millions of recent immigrants that have made Latinos the country's largest minority group.

That causes problems in drawing broad conclusions, Stephen J. Trejo of the University of Texas said. For example, lack of education is a problem for many Latinos, especially Mexicans, but Cubans have very high rates of education, he said.

The most recent estimates from the Census Bureau show 40.5 million Latinos in a U.S. population of 285.7 million in 2004. The bureau estimates that immigration and natural increases are adding 1.5 million Latinos annually, a growth rate that will make them nearly 25 percent of the population by 2050.

The key question for the future, the report says, is whether being Latino will evolve into a symbolic identity, as has happened with other groups such as Americans of Italian, Polish, German and Irish descent, "or whether it will become an

enduring marker of disadvantaged minority group status."

Most immigrant communities become ethnic groups within three generations as a result of intermarriage with other groups, improved ability to speak English, residence in integrated neighborhoods and improved economic status.

Intermarriage with others is rising among U.S.-born Latinos, the report said, and Spanish fluency is eroding the longer people are in this country and across generations.

Areas densely populated by Latinos create the false impression that the United States is becoming a bilingual nation, the report says. In reality, it says, this is a temporary phenomenon because of large numbers of recent immigrants.

The grandchildren of the current immigrants most likely will speak mainly English, the report said.

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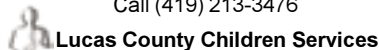
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Notice of Two Public Meetings

The next scheduled meeting of the Lucas County Family Services Subcommittee (MONTRA) will be held on **March 13, 2006 at 3pm** in the Oregon Room on the 3rd floor of the Job and Family Services Building at 3210 Monroe Street, Toledo, OH. Please RSVP to C. Wawrzyniak at 419.213.8809 or email wawrzc@odjfs.state.oh.us if you plan to attend.

The next scheduled meeting of the Lucas County Family Services Committee will be held on **March 17, 2006 at 12N** in the Oregon Room on the 3rd floor of the Job and Family Services Building at 3210 Monroe Street, Toledo, OH. Please RSVP to C. Wawrzyniak at 419.213.8809 or email wawrzc@odjfs.state.oh.us if you plan to attend.

**Director, Residence Life
The University of Toledo**

(Job # 423): The University of Toledo, a nationally recognized, student-centered public metropolitan research university, serves nearly 20,000 students and offers more than 250 undergraduate and graduate programs through its eight colleges: Arts & Sciences, Business Administration, Education, Engineering, Health and Human Services, Law, Pharmacy and University College. Students come from 46 states and 108 countries—and Hispanic/Latino, African-American and other traditionally underrepresented groups comprise nearly 25 percent of total enrollment.

Responsibilities: Providing vision and leadership for a comprehensive housing department; developing and implementing strategic plans, policies and procedures; selecting, training and evaluating staff related to the Department of Residence Life. The University of Toledo has 9 student housing venues, which house over 4,000 students. The Director has fiscal responsibility for a budget exceeding \$20 million. Administrative responsibilities include occupancy management, marketing, leasing, contract administration, room assignments, financial reporting, policy and program. This position will directly supervise 5 Assistant Directors, with a staff of over 90 professional and support staff.

Qualifications: A Master's degree in Higher Education, Student personnel, Counseling or a related field and a minimum of five years of progressively increasing responsibility at the senior management level in housing or residence life administration, preferably at a large metropolitan or comprehensive university is required. Completion of a doctoral degree from an accredited college or university in a closely related field is highly desirable.

The salary range for this position is \$72,000 - \$80,000 per year.

Applications must be received by Friday, March 31, 2006

Candidates are asked to provide their résumé; names, addresses, and phone numbers of five current professional references; and a cover letter (include position title and **job #423**).

Applications should be sent to: The University of Toledo, Human Resources Department, Mail Stop 205, Toledo, Ohio 43606-3390; Fax (419) 530-1490; or email recruit@utoledo.edu

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Lucas County Improvement Corporation (LCIC) is searching for an Executive Director to lead the economic development effort in Lucas County, Ohio. LCIC has the full support of the Lucas County Commissioners; the City of Toledo; other Lucas County Cities, Villages, and Townships; and Private Sector Individuals & Businesses.

With the support of local government and private enterprises, the Executive Director will:

- Make economic development the focal point of revitalizing Lucas County and its economy.
- Drive economic development strategy and initiatives to bring new public and private enterprises to Lucas County.
- Support the retention and/or expansion of business enterprises in Lucas County.
- Work cooperatively with local governments, the Regional Growth Partnership and the Lucas County Port Authority to support economic development.
- Recommend policies and processes to make it easier for businesses to remain in, expand in, and/or relocate to Lucas County.

The Executive Director reports to an Executive Committee and must have the ability to organize and manage a strong, hard-hitting economic development enterprise. Salary will be commensurate with experience.

Please send résumés to: Selection Resource, 3231 Central Park West Drive, Suite 109, Toledo, Ohio 43617. Applications will be accepted until midnight March 17, 2006. LCIC is an equal opportunity employer.

NOTICE: The Hispanic College Fund to Award \$2 Million in Scholarships

The Hispanic College Fund (HCF) launched its 13th annual search to provide 2 million dollars in scholarships to more than 700 outstanding Hispanic college students across America. HCF is looking for the next generation of engineers, business executives, scientists, and health professionals with the drive to become leaders of America's professional workforce.

Scholarships are awarded to students demonstrating academic merit and financial need. Students can apply online at <http://www.hispanicfund.org>

The application deadline is **April 15, 2006**. Awards will be given for the 2006-2007 academic year and can amount anywhere from \$500 - \$10,000. The HCF Scholarship Program is open to all students with a minimum 3.0 GPA majoring in studies related to business, finance, engineering and the sciences. Other HCF scholarship programs such as the Sallie Mae First in My Family Program and the ALPFA Scholarship Program have more specific criteria.

HCF Scholars will also become members of a network of community leaders and corporate sponsors who are committed to diversifying the executive workforce. This fall, HCF scholars will be able take advantage of HCF Connections, an online alumni network sponsored by MasterCard International which will offer mentorship opportunities, professional resources, job postings and other resources.

HCF scholars will compete through an essay contest to participate in the HYP Leadership & Development Program. The thirty winners will receive an all-expense-paid trip, traveling to Washington, DC, to participate in the three-day program featuring career workshops, corporate tours, cultural activities, and a mentorship luncheon where they are paired with some of the most influential people in Washington. The program culminates in the Hispanic College Fund's 13th Annual Scholarship Awards Gala where the scholars are honored for their academic achievements in front of an audience of corporate executives, entrepreneurs, members of Congress and community leaders.

The Hispanic College Fund (HCF) is a private non-profit organization dedicated to developing the next generation of Hispanic professionals in America. The HCF mission is to provide Latino students with the vision, resources, and mentorship needed to attain successful careers and become community leaders. Since its founding in 1993, HCF has supported the education of over 3,000 financially disadvantaged Hispanic students seeking careers in business, science, engineering and technology with over \$6 million in grants.

For more info: visit <http://www.hispanicfund.org> or call 1-800-644-4223 .

PUBLIC NOTICE

RENTAL ASSISTANCE

This Public Notice is to inform all interested persons that the waiting list for rental assistance through the Section 8 Program will open for one day only. To submit your pre-application for housing assistance you must call 1-419-259-9411 on Friday, March 3rd, 2006 between the hours of 10:00 A.M. until 6:00 P.M..

For individuals requiring speech and hearing assistance please call 419-259-9529.

Someone other than yourself can call for you, however, **only one call per household will be accepted.**

All of the pre-applications will be held in a pool and the Lucas Metropolitan Housing Authority will select names from the pool according to: the date and time of the phone call and the preference claimed. Preference will be given to families not currently receiving rental assistance and to singles that are elderly, handicapped or disabled. Names will be drawn from the list as needed to fill existing vouchers and instructions to apply will be sent to those names once drawn.

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Minimum requirements: Completion of two-year program in library media technology or library science (or two years experience working in academic or public library with duties involving technical library practices and procedures such as knowledge of Anglo-American Cataloging Rules, Dewey Decimal and Library of Congress classification systems with operation of automated library systems) plus: one course in public relations (or one month experience in position involving public contact); or equivalent. Must have and maintain a valid driver's license and remain insurable with the University's Office of Risk Management. \$15.26 Per Hour. To apply, an employment application must be completed and turned in to the Ofc. of Human Resources, 100 College Park Office Bldg., BGSU, Bowling Green, OH 43403, by 1:00 p.m., Friday March 17, 2006. (Job R-000341) <http://www.bgsu.edu/offices/ohr/> or Ph: (419)372-8421. BGSU is an AA/EO educator/employer.

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Please respond with cover letter, resume and salary requirements no later than March 18, 2006 to:



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 Attn: HR – I/T Technical Support

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Associates Degree in Accounting required. Bachelors Degree or currently working towards Bachelors Degree preferred. One to three years experience in general or specialized Accounting functions. Strong PC skills with intermediate or better rating in Excel.

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Search Committee/Technical Theatre and Design
#06-000342-F
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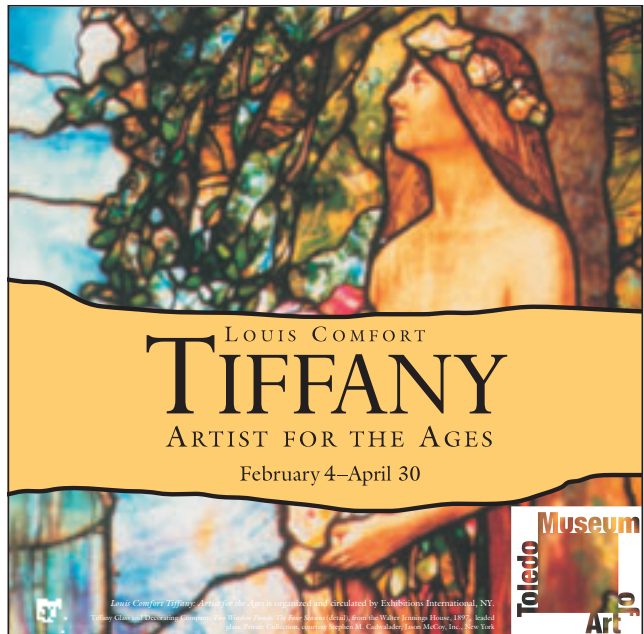
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