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Ramón Ayala at LatinoFest illustrates the deep roots of Tejano/Norteño music in NW Ohio and SE Michigan

There is no question that the beautiful weather that blessed downtown Toledo on June 19, 2010—the day of *LatinoFest X*—and the hard work of the LatinoFest committee paid off, with several thousand festival attendees appearing last Saturday to listen to Tejano and Norteño *música*, and the master of norteño music, Sr. *Ramón Ayala*!

Other Tejano bands that performed were: *Los Hermanos Villegas* (Adrian MI), *Fito Valle y Harmonia Tejana* (Defiance OH), and *Grupo Invenzible* (Fort Wayne IN).

Committee Consultant *Margarita De León* said that Co-Chair *Consuelo Hernández* estimated the crowd at 4,000. Other estimates ranged from 2,500 to 5,000.

De León informed *La Prensa*: “Hats off to the LatinoFest Committee and to Consuelo Hernández wonderful leadership. All decisions made are made by the committee. We have a very dedicated group. It really paid off this time. It was great to see so many people come out for the 10th anniversary. It was the right price for a great artist. All the money goes back into another great festival and to local Latino non-profits.”

Freddy Gutiérrez stated that “a lot of hard work and long hours made it happen” and “we wish to thank the media for their support; also, the committee, and María and Jaime Molina for the distribution of flyers” to the many venues.

The LatinoFest Committee is comprised this year of *Consuelo Hernández* and *Bob Salazar* (Co-Chairs), *María Molina* (Marketing and Volunteers), *Olga Flores-Jaimez* (Family Time), *Freddy Gutiérrez* (Entertainment, with *José Cárdenas* and *Jaime Molina*), *Betty Rios* (Vendors), *Mateo Espinoza* (Logistics, with *George Plasencio*), *María Trinidad* (Finance, with *Katherine Trinidad* and *Jessie Jaquez*), *Jeff Sabo* (Security, with *Linda De La Peña*), *Simon Rodriguez* and *SGI Images* (T-Shirts and Design). *Margarita De León* and *Julie Champa* were consultants.



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The U.S. Conference of Mayors has approved resolutions condemning AZ's anti-immigrant law

OKLAHOMA CITY, June 14, 2010 (AP): The U.S. Conference of Mayors has approved resolutions condemning Arizona's new immigration law and asking Congress for an overhaul of federal immigration policies.

Conference spokeswoman Elena Temple-Webb says both resolutions were approved on a voice vote, with some opposition.

Phoenix Mayor Phil Gordon sponsored the first resolution opposing the Arizona law that makes crossing the border without documentation a state crime and requires police to verify people's immigration status. The law goes into effect July 29, 2010, unless barred by federal courts in numerous pending litigations. A second resolution by Los Angeles Mayor *Antonio Villaraigosa* calls for the repeal of the AZ law and for the U.S. Congress to pass comprehensive changes to immigration law.

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MSU researchers get \$2M US grant for flu study

EAST LANSING, June 18, 2010 (AP): Two Michigan State University researchers have received a \$2 million federal grant to study how cells react to the flu.

The *National Institutes of Health* grant goes to food science and human nutrition associate professor Elizabeth Gardner and microbiology and molecular genetics assistant professor Sungjin Kim.

Influenza and its side-effects are the fourth leading cause of death among people 65 and older.

The university says Gardner and Kim recently identified a critical role for “natural killer” cells in controlling early influenza infections in mice.

The researchers will seek to introduce an effective “natural killer” cell response as a way to control early influenza infection in the elderly and other vulnerable people.

Online: Michigan State University science research news: <http://news.msu.edu/topic/13/>

U-M approves 1.5 percent tuition increase

ANN ARBOR, June 17, 2010 (AP): The University of Michigan plans to raise its undergraduate tuition by 1.5 percent at its Ann Arbor campus next fall, its smallest increase in 26 years.

University regents approved the 2010-11 budget Thursday afternoon. Annual tuition for a full-time, instate freshman at the university’s main campus will be \$11,837 next academic year, up \$178.

University officials say cost-cutting helped limit the increase with no large-scale layoffs. They say donations also have increased for financial aid and scholarships.

The Ann Arbor campus raised tuition 5.6 percent last year.

“We achieved cost savings faster than we anticipated we would be able to,” Provost Teresa Sullivan said in a conference call with reporters before the board meeting.

The school also announced \$126 million in financial aid—the most ever—and a \$500 economic hardship grant for instate students who qualify to reduce the financial strain of student loans.

The university said the budget is based on the \$315.1 million state appropriation recommended by the state Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Higher Education. University President *Mary Sue Coleman* said in a statement the budget depends on that commitment and it might be necessary to recommend a tuition increase in the event of a midyear cut.

The school also set a 3 percent increase for out-of-state undergraduate students and 2.8 percent for most graduate programs.

Tuition will rise 3.9 percent for undergraduates at University of Michigan-Dearborn and University of Michigan-Flint.

Michigan Technological University and *Saginaw Valley State University* both increased tuition for the upcoming year by 5.9 percent for instate undergraduates.

Eastern Michigan was the state’s first public university to set its rates for next school year, freezing them at this year’s level.

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Op Ed by americasvoiceonline.org Do Republican Hardliners on Immigration Have a Shoe Fetish?

Washington, DC: Evidently, House hardliners have compared notes when it comes to backing the “papers please” Arizona anti-immigrant law. Representatives Steve King (R-IA) and Brian Bilbray (R-CA) are defending the Arizona anti-immigrant law against charges of racial profiling by arguing that footwear is the key to identifying who is in the country illegally. Really? Yeah, really.

This week, Rep. King said that law enforcement could spot those here illegally by noting common indicators, such as, “what kind of clothes people wear... what kind of shoes people wear, what kind of accent they have, um, the, the type of grooming that they might have, there are all kinds of indicators there and sometimes it’s just a sixth sense and they can’t put their finger on it.”

King’s comments eerily track comments made previously by Rep. Brian Bilbray (R-CA). When challenged to describe “non-ethnic aspects” by which those here illegally would be identified by law enforcement, Bilbray said, “the kind of dress you wear, there is different type of attire, there is different type of — right down to the shoes, right down to the clothes.”

According to Frank Sharry, Executive Director of America’s Voice, “Are these the best sound bites the House hardliners can come up with? Shoes? Fashion? Sixth sense? They know – we all know – what’s going to happen when the Arizona law goes into effect: Cops will be compelled, under threat of lawsuit and in a way that undermines community policing, to seek out those with brown skin and Latino accents.”

To Representatives King and Bilbray, America’s Voice has a video that illustrates the absurdity of these arguments: “How will Arizona Profile People? Shoes!”

Watch the America’s Voice Shoes Video: <http://americasvoiceonline.org/page/s/Shoes>

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La Red de Inmigrantes de Ohio (RIO) hace saber a la comunidad Guatemalteca que el Servicio de Ciudadanía e Inmigración de Estados Unidos (ISCIS, por sus siglas en inglés) informa a los ciudadanos guatemaltecos que tienen a su disposición varios beneficios de inmigración para aquellas personas que los soliciten.

La tormenta tropical Agatha y la erupción del Volcan de Pacaya han dejado cientos de muertos y heridos y más de 86,000 personas albergadas, más de 144,000 personas evacuadas, más de 193,000 personas afectadas y más de 21,000 viviendas dañadas entre otros daños. USCIS está consciente de que un desastre natural puede afectar la capacidad de un individuo de establecer o mantener su estatus de inmigración legal y ha otorgado ciertas medidas de ayuda temporal para los ciudadanos de Guatemala. Estas pueden incluir:

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Editor's Note: The Ohio Immigrants Network, (*Red de Inmigrantes de Ohio*, RIO) is a coalition of grass roots immigrant organizations in Ohio. Its members include Farm Labor Organizing Committee (FLOC), Immigrant Workers Project (IWP), Mayan Immigrants Guatemalans (MIGUATE), The Coalition for the Dignity and Rights of Immigrants (CODEDI) and Comité Guatemalteco P'wuj Bill T'banal afiliados a CODEDI.

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FLOC confronts JPMorgan Chase on way to Detroit forum

On June 22, 2010, noon, the Farm Labor Organizing Committee (FLOC)—a migrant farm worker union affiliated with the AFL-CIO—rallied at One Government Center, Toledo, Ohio, to build support to stop the inhumane treatment of tobacco field workers at RJ Reynolds Tobacco Co. and their “complicit partner,” JPMorgan Chase.

According to its news release, FLOC has chosen the Government Center “as the symbol of the government that has failed to protect these workers by their inability to enforce existing laws regarding minimum wages, adequate housing, working conditions, criminal indentured servitude and many other human rights violations.”

FLOC will be joined by hundreds of movement builders from all over the country, who will be passing through Toledo on their way to the U.S. Social Forum in Detroit. At the U.S. Social Forum on June 25th, FLOC will lead thousands of protesters in the Faith, Labor, and Community March and Action Rally against JPMorgan Chase.

This march will make the links in the entire economic chain: from the tobacco harvesters exploited by RJ Reynolds and its business partner Chase to the foreclosures in Detroit and beyond.

FLOC has chosen to go to the seat of power of the corporations who are responsible for these conditions to demand change in the practices in their supply chain.

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Por The Associated Press

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