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## REMEMBERING RICHARD "RICO" NELLER



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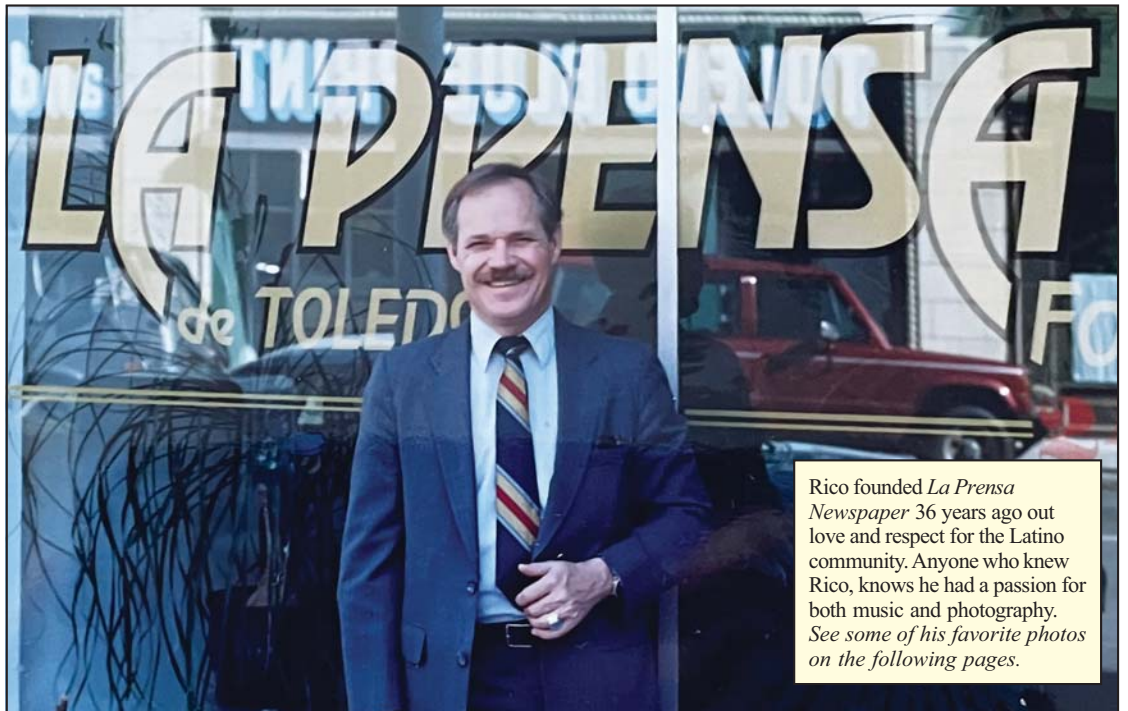
### Close friends reunite to celebrate the life of La Prensa's own, Richard "Rico" Neller

Oregon, OH: A small group of former staffers, musicians, DJs, and friends gathered Friday evening, June 21, 2024, at *Mexico Lindo Restaurant and Cantina*, to reminisce and celebrate the life of *Rico Neller*, who died May 21, 2024.

"Most of us in attendance worked closely with Richard in the early days of *La Prensa*," stated Celso Rodriguez. "We had good times with him and created so many memories."

Others in attendance included Tony Rios, Jr. and his wife Maryori Miranda, Melinda Sanchez, DC Burch, Ramon Perez, Israel Zamarripa, Yvonne Ramos and husband Mike Ibarra, Manny Enriquez and sister Gloria Pizzana, Robert Torres and girlfriend Renee Clarke, friend and legal adviser Chuck Boss, Raquel Rodriguez, and Rico's son, Rick Keel.

The group shared many stories and memories of their time working with Rico. All agreed that he was a very charismatic and friendly person who attracted many loyal colleagues and who gave selflessly in promoting the Latino communities throughout the mid-west. Among his many passions were the newspaper, music, and politics, which were instrumental in advancing the wellbeing of all communities he served. One would always see Rico at events



Rico founded *La Prensa Newspaper* 36 years ago out of love and respect for the Latino community. Anyone who knew Rico, knows he had a passion for both music and photography. See some of his favorite photos on the following pages.



with his camera recording moments that he would share in *La Prensa*.

"It was great to reunite with everyone and share memories of our dear friend. He will be forever in our hearts and missed dearly," said Mr. Rodriguez.

Rico's son, Rick, indicated he

and his sisters are working to ensure their father's legacy and *La Prensa's* future continues for years to come.

#### Editors Note:

Rico's family will hold a *Celebration of Life* honoring *Richard "Rico" Neller* on Saturday, Au-

gust 3, 2024 that will be open to the public. Details will be announced soon.

The *Toledo Board of Education* also honored Rico by recognizing him for his years of service to the Latino community at their June 25th board meeting in downtown Toledo.





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Clarkston		
Howell	July 3, 2024	July 6, 2024
Kalamazoo	Hartford	Grand Rapids
Mackinaw City	Jackson	
St Ignace		
Taylor	July 4, 2024	
Trenton	Kalamazoo	
White Lake	Mackinaw City	



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