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Texas: Empresa cabildea para detener a familias inmigrantes

Por MEREDITH HOFFMAN, Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas, 20 IV 17 (AP): Una compañía carcelaria privada pasa apuros para convencer a los legisladores de Texas a que autoricen que una de sus instalaciones pueda tener detenidos a padres inmigrantes y sus hijos, una práctica que el gobierno del presidente Donald Trump se comprometió recientemente a mantener.

El centro de detención Karnes, a 96 kilómetros (60 millas) al sur de San Antonio, comenzó a operar como un centro de detención familiar en 2014 y solía retener a los detenidos durante meses, hasta que un juez federal falló que los niños retenidos más de 20 días deben ser albergados en instalaciones sin vigilancia policial con licencias para el cuidado infantil.

Después que el Departamento de Servicios de Protección Familiar de Texas le concedió a Karnes una licencia, los activistas demandaron, bajo el argumento de que mantener a niños detenidos

les provoca daños psicológicos y físicos. Un juez estatal falló el año pasado que los centros de detención no cumplieran los requisitos necesarios para obtener una licencia.

Ahora los legisladores sopesan reducir los requisitos para las instalaciones de cuidado infantil, pero los opositores dicen que ese proyecto de ley les concedería licencias a los centros sin hacer que las condiciones mejoren. Los abogados han advertido que podría ser una invitación para una costosa demanda.

Un representante estatal que presentó la propuesta reconoció que la iniciativa provino directamente del GEO Group, la segunda compañía de cárceles privadas más grande del país, que opera las instalaciones de Karnes.

"Conozco desde hace tiempo a la dama que les hace el cabildeo... De allí provino la iniciativa de ley", dijo el representante estatal John Raney, un republicano del poblado rural de Bryan. "Nosotros no inventamos nada. La gente nos trae las cosas y nos pide ayuda".

Hace unos días, el secretario de Seguridad Nacional John Kelly dijo que las familias que sean sorprendidas cruzando la frontera sur podrán permanecer juntas, en general. Su comentario a una comisión del Senado contrastó con pronunciamientos anteriores de que su agencia sopesaba separar a los hijos de sus padres como medida para disuadir a quienes pretendan cruzar la frontera.

Kelly dijo que dichas familias no serán separadas, a menos que "la situación en ese momento lo requiera". Dio como ejemplo casos en los que la mujer está enferma o es adicta a las drogas.

Los activistas en pro de los inmigrantes dicen que el mantener a las familias detenidas—una práctica utilizada por el gobierno de Barack Obama para disuadir a los que cruzan la frontera—es igual de dañina, y que las familias que buscan asilo deberían ser puestas en libertad para que sigan adelante con sus procesos jurídicos.

ACLU Of Ohio files lawsuit calling for documents of implementation of Trump Muslim Ban

CLEVELAND, April 12, 2017: The American Civil Liberties Union of Ohio filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) lawsuit today requesting government documents about the on-the-ground implementation of Donald Trump's Muslim bans.

The action is part of a total of 13 FOIA lawsuits filed by ACLU affiliates across the country. The ACLU of Ohio lawsuit is seeking records from U.S. Customs and Border Protection's Regional Field Office in Chicago, Illinois. In particular, the lawsuit seeks records related to CBP's implementation of President Trump's Muslim bans at Cleveland Hopkins International Airport, and Port Columbus International Airport.

The ACLU first sought this information through FOIA requests submitted to CBP on February 2. Since the

government has failed to substantively respond, the ACLU has now filed a lawsuit.

"The public has a right to know how federal immigration officials have handled the implementation of the Muslim Bans," said Freda Levenson, legal director at the ACLU of Ohio. "Multiple federal courts have blocked various aspects of these executive orders, and since the CBP has failed to respond in the time allotted under federal law, we have no choice but to file a lawsuit," added Levenson.

"CBP has a long history of ignoring its obligations under the federal Freedom of Information Act—a law that was enacted to ensure that Americans have timely access to information of pressing public concern," said Mitra Ebadolahi, Border Litigation Project Staff Attorney with the ACLU of San Diego and Imperial Counties.

Each lawsuit seeks unique

and local information regarding how CBP implemented the executive orders at specific airports and ports of entry in the midst of rapidly developing and sometimes conflicting government guidance.

The coordinated lawsuits seek information from the following local CBP offices: Atlanta, Baltimore, Boston, Chicago, Detroit, Houston, Los Angeles, Miami, Portland, San Diego, San Francisco, Seattle, Tampa, and Tuscon.

Read the complaint <http://bit.ly/2o6EecZ>

The release on the original FOIA requests is found at:

<https://www.aclu.org/news/aclu-files-demands-documents-implementation-trumps-muslim-ban>

More background on CBP's FOIA practices is at: <https://www.aclu.org/letter/aclu-letter-cbp-foia-practices-july-2016>

Mexico says deportation of 'DREAMer' Ohio mother violated rules

MEXICOCITY, DF, April 20, 2017 (AP): The Mexican government says the deportation of a mother of four U.S.-born children as well as that of a young man brought to the United States as a child violated U.S. rules.

Mexico's Foreign Relations department said Thursday it was assisting Maribel

Trujillo, who lived in southwest Ohio after she entered the country without documentation in 2002.

The department says a Mexican consulate in the U.S. had also contacted the family of Juan Manuel Montes, who was deported to Mexico despite having permission to be in the U.S. under the so-

called "DREAMer" program that shields young immigrants.

The department says the two deportations "represent a violation of the stated norms for deportation, given that neither of the Mexican citizens had a criminal record or represented a security risk."

Mexican mom with 4 US-born kids deported

CINCINNATI, April 19, 2017 (AP): An immigration official says a Mexican mother of four U.S.-born children living in southwest Ohio has been returned to Mexico.

Attorney Kathleen Kersh of Advocates for Basic Legal Equality (ABLE) says they are "disappointed" about the Wednesday deportation of Maribel Trujillo Diaz. "We are [further] outraged that ICE has chosen not to exercise prosecutorial discretion despite the thousands of calls and nationwide advocacy from community members, elected officials, and faith lead-

ers," said Ms. Kersh.

According to Ms. Kersh, "Maribel's deportation shows that the Trump Administration is not focused on deporting criminals, but rather on separating peaceful mothers from their American children. It is horrific that American children will be the ones to pay the price for these heartless policies."

Maribel's motion to reopen her asylum case remains pending at the Board of Immigration Appeals, and ABLE is committed to continue representation of Maribel and her family until the case is resolved.

A U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE)

statement says courts have "uniformly held" that she had no legal basis to remain. Immigration officials say she entered the country without documentation in 2002.

She had been moved to an immigration detention center near Jena, Louisiana, after a federal appeals court on April 11 dismissed her bid for an emergency order. Faith leaders and community supporters had called for her to be reunited with her family in Butler County.

The Trump administration has pledged stepped-up immigration enforcement.



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CHIP hosts 22nd leadership conference at LCCC, April 29

By La Prensa Staff

The *Coalition for Hispanic/Leadership Issues and Progress (CHIP)* organizes and hosts one of the best leadership conferences in the Midwest. It is the 22nd year of leadership issues, venued on April 29, 2017 at LCCC's Spitzer Conference Center.

This year's speakers include: Cleveland immigration attorney David Wolfe Leopold, educator Dr. Nelson Soto, activist Anita Kinsar of UnChained Love, culinarian Yolanda Ramos, and veteran Oscar F. Hagelsieb. Cultural entertainment will be experienced by the presence of

Lorain's Latin City Soul band, comedian Joey Villagomez, and dancer Anthony Velez.

Attorney Leopold is the keynote speaker.

For more information contact Carmen or Alisha at 440-258-8676 or 440-258-7250

EDUCATOR DR. NELSON SOTO SPEAKS AT CHIPS' LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE ON APRIL 29

Nelson Soto, Ph.D. is the provost and vice president for academic affairs at Union Institute & University. He provides leadership to assure the quality of the university's academic programs, advancing the university's mission of engaging, enlightening, and empowering students and continuing development of enrollment.

"My vision for Union Institute & University is to have the theme of social responsibility permeate our curriculum and interdisciplinary scholarship, to provide an innovative space for faculty to explore new ideas to enhance curriculum and course offerings that parallel to current tech-

nological trends, and to foster an environment for thoughtful educators—individuals who inspire and teach learners to pursue their career aspirations and contribute to our global society."

Dr. Soto comes to Union Institute & University from Harrison College, Indianapolis, where he served as associate provost and vice president for curriculum and instruction from

2010 to 2013. Prior to Harrison College, he served as an assistant dean in the graduate office at Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI) from 2008 to 2010 and as an instructional development specialist at IUPUI's Center for Teaching and Learning from 2005 to 2008. He has served

as faculty at Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis in the School of Education; at Indiana University, College of Arts and Sciences; University of Missouri-Columbia, College of Education; and the University of Cincinnati, University College.

Dr. Soto holds a Ph.D. in educational policy studies from Indiana University, Bloomington, and bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Cincinnati. His dissertation research focused on teachers' perceptions and beliefs of Latino middle school immigrants, particularly rural communities that witnessed an increase in Latino immigrants within the past decade.

CHIPS' KEYNOTE SPEAKER: DAVID WOLFE LEOPOLD, ESQ.

Mr. Leopold is the founder and principal of DAVID WOLFE LEOPOLD & ASSOCIATES Co., LPA. His diverse immigration, visa and citizenship practice focuses on complex removal cases, including trials, appeals, and federal court litigation; employment-based immigration for international medical graduates, researchers, scientists, high-tech workers, engineers and other skilled professionals; representation of foreign nationals at U.S. consulates abroad, including E-1 and E-2 treaty trader/investor visa applications and waivers of inadmissibility; family-based immigration, including foreign spouses, fiancées, and family unity waivers; asylum; naturalization and citizenship; and I-9 compliance audits/employer sanctions defense.

Mr. Leopold is the past president and past general counsel of the Washington, D.C.-based American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA), the premier bar association of immigration lawyers and professors in the U.S. He has served as AILA's liaison to

the Department of Homeland Security's key enforcement bureaus and cofounded the American Immigration Council's Litigation Institute, a hands-on continuing legal education program focused on federal immigration litigation.

A nationally recognized immigration reform advocate, blogger, and public speaker, Mr. Leopold has testified as an immigration law expert before the U.S. Congress. His opinions and analysis on cutting edge immigration issues frequently appear in major media outlets, including *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *The Los Angeles Times*, *CNN*, *Al Jazeera America* and *CCTV*.

Mr. Leopold lectures on immigration law and policy throughout the U.S. He served as a Senior Editor of AILA's *Immigration & Nationality Handbook* and as a contributing author to AILA's *Visa Processing Guide*. For nearly 20 years Mr. Leopold served as an adjunct professor of law at the Case West-



ern Reserve and Cleveland-Marshall Schools of Law where he taught survey and advance courses on immigration, visa, and asylum law.

He received his Juris Doctorate from the Case Western Reserve University School of Law in 1985 and took a Bachelor of Arts Degree from the University of Michigan in 1980, where he studied economics.

Mr. Leopold is admitted to practice law before the bars of the Supreme Court of Ohio, the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio, the United States Courts of Appeals for the Fifth, Sixth and Ninth Circuits and the United States Supreme Court.

YWCA takes stand against Racism

TOLEDO, April 21, 2017: YWCA of Northwest Ohio calls all individuals to join in taking a *Stand Against Racism* on Thursday, April 27, 2017. According to organizers, "*Stand Against Racism* will unite our community in a bold demonstration that delivers a clear message: We are on a mission to eliminate racism."

"There are heightened emotions around race and racism in our nation. It is time to bring our community leaders together and show that we not only have the skills to talk about the realities of race, but we

also possess the ability to develop solutions.

"Part of a national campaign, 790 sites in 46 states and the District of Columbia took a Stand Against Racism in 2016. Locally over 600 citizens participated in our event. This year, the YWCA of Northwest Ohio is diving deeper," said Lisa McDuffie, president and CEO.

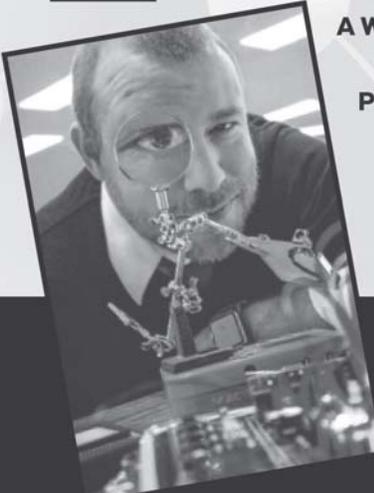
On Thursday, April 27, at 9:00 a.m. at the McMaster Center in the Toledo Public Main Library, the "YWCA Stand Against Racism Summit" will invite leadership from business, education, healthcare, legal, faith-based and community service to

come together in order to move Toledo toward honest conversation and powerful action.

Ms. McDuffie concludes that: "The strength of Toledo's future depends on our ability to develop new skills around inclusion and equity, social determinants and health disparities. The ability to understand the realities and negative implications of institutional and structural racism today and to commit ourselves to action is paramount to having a community that promotes peace, justice, freedom, and dignity for all."

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Grand Rapids town halls to share racial profiling data

GRAND RAPIDS, April 18, 2017 (AP): The results of a 2017 race-based traffic stops study will be presented to the public and the *Grand Rapids Police Department* in upcoming town hall meetings.

The Grand Rapids Press (<http://bit.ly/2o1Fk33>) reports Lamberth Consulting Inc., an independent group, will share its methods and findings from the \$157,000

study Tuesday and Wednesday during four community meetings.

The study assesses if there's a disparity against minorities in traffic stops by determining if Grand Rapids officers unreasonably stop more minorities than others. Surveyors observed 20 locations in the city and recorded drivers' demographic information. They then compared the information to traffic

stops made in those areas between 2013 and 2015.

The study's results fulfill one of 12 recommendations made by *City Manager Greg Sundstrom* to improve relationships between Grand Rapids police and community members.

Information from: The Grand Rapids Press, <http://www.mlive.com/grand-rapids>

Michigan school leader sees backlash over immigrant comments

LANSING, April 20, 2017 (AP): A west Michigan school superintendent faces backlash from civil rights advocates regarding his meeting with federal immigration authorities that resulted in controversial advice for school staff about potential deportations.

The Detroit News (<http://detne.ws/2oup2aP>) reports that *Holland Public Schools Superintendent*

Brian Davis told district staff March 3 that residents must open the door when U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials knock, an idea civil rights groups discourage without a warrant.

Davis said this week he asked ICE in the meeting to find out how schools might be involved in deportations.

His meeting prompted a March 31 letter from two civil rights advocates warning the

government and school officials across Michigan about the potential for schools to be influenced by President Donald Trump's immigration enforcement initiatives.

A 2010 U.S. Census report says about 23 percent of Holland's residents are Hispanic or Latino.

Information from: The Detroit News, <http://detnews.com/>

Michigan town bans seat reserving for Tulip Time parade

HOLLAND, April 20, 2017 (AP): The *Holland City Council* has decided to not allow items to be placed in public right of ways as spot reservations the night before a parade part of a festival celebrating Holland's Dutch heritage.

The Holland Sentinel (<http://bit.ly/2oqulZG>) reports the council voted 6-2 Wednesday banning placing items to claim spots the

night before Saturday's *Muziekparade*, an event included in the city's *Tulip Time* festival [May 6 to May 14].

Placing blankets and other items on sidewalks and curbs was previously allowed starting at 9 p.m. the day before. This year, claiming a spot can only begin after 6 a.m. the day of the parade.

Councilman *Todd Whiteman*, one of the mem-

bers who voted against the resolution, saying that claiming spots early is a convenience factor.

Tulip Time Executive Director *Gwen Auwerda* cites aesthetic and safety reasons for the change.

Information from: The Holland Sentinel, <http://www.thehollandsentinel.com>
www.tuliptime.com/muziekparade-maps-info/

Police arrest 3 in immigration protest in Grand Rapids

GRAND RAPIDS, April 20, 2017 (AP): Police have arrested three demonstrators after a Grand Rapids protest against federal immigration policy blocked traffic.

MLive reports about 40 people participated in the protest Thursday that at one point blocked traffic near the Gerald R. Ford Federal

Building in downtown Grand Rapids.

Police say that after issuing several warnings, they arrested two men aged 64 and 40 and a 49-year-old woman for impeding traffic and resisting and obstructing. They say the remaining protesters continued to a nearby the plaza without further incident.

A spokeswoman for the demonstrators, *Cynthia Quintana*, says the three who were arrested are allies and that such actions are needed to get the attention of federal officials.

Last month, 600 people participated in a *Day Without Immigrants* demonstration in Grand Rapids.

Report: More Michigan children living in poverty since 2008

LANSING, April 18, 2017 (AP): The *Michigan League for Public Policy* reports that child poverty in the state has gone up since 2008.

The 2017 Kids Count in Michigan Data Book is being released Tuesday and shows an overall 15 percent increase since 2008 of chil-

dren living in poverty.

There were 455,357 kids in poverty in 2008 compared with 481,421 in 2015. The numbers peaked in 2012 at nearly 550,000. In 2015, 47 percent of black and 30 percent of Latino children lived in poverty.

Several counties across the state have poverty rates of more

than 28 percent.

Rates in Wayne, Roscommon and Lake Counties were among the highest. Livingston, Ottawa and Oakland counties had some of the lowest child poverty rates.

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KEYNOTE SPEAKER:
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Fifth Third Field will Rock-n-Blast the largest fireworks show in history, July 3rd

TOLEDO: For the first time ever at Fifth Third Field, the postgame fireworks show on Monday, July 3, 2017 will be "in the round." Fireworks will be set off from multiple locations around the ballpark creating a dramatic ending to the Mud Hens July Fourth weekend celebration.

The 20-minute show, synced to Rock-n-Roll music, features fireworks shot off the Fifth Third Field rooftops, the warning track, and Monroe Street, transforming the night sky into a colorful

palate of red, white and blue. Fans can view the fireworks show from the seating bowl at Fifth Third Field, one of the Hensville rooftops and in Hensville Park.

The festivities continue after Rock-n-Blast when Laith Al-Saadi takes the Fleetwood's Outdoor Stage in Hensville Park—part of the summer Hensville Live! music series presented by Price Pro. The Ann Arbor, Michigan native and NBC "The Voice" finalist won the hearts of fans with his authentic blend of blues, soul and clas-

sic rock. Hensville Live! is a free live music series that happens after every Friday and Saturday Mud Hens game and on several holiday bonus dates between Memorial and Labor weekends.

For information or to purchase ticket packages for Fleetwood's Rooftop Rock-n-Blast party, the popular Freedom Feast party, or Fourth of July weekend game tickets, visit www.mudhens.com, or call 419-725-4367.

La escuela elemental bilingüe Toledo SMART celebrará por primera vez el Día del Niño

Consulado de México participará con "Día de los niños, Día de los libros". Por: Isabel Flores, Corresponsal La Prensa

TOLEDO: El Consulado de México en Detroit celebrará su tradicional "Día de los Niños, Día de los Libros", el próximo viernes 28 de abril en la escuela Toledo SMART Bilingual Elementary School, ubicada en el 1850 Airport Highway, quienes por primera vez tendrán varias actividades para sus niños y realizarán una ceremonia para conmemorar el 5 de mayo, la Batalla de Puebla. Las actividades se llevarán a cabo de 1:00 a 4:00pm [de 2017].



directiva, la cual es presidida por Lourdes Santiago.

La oradora principal, Margarita De León es vicepresidente de The Kaleidoscope Group, una firma global de consultoría en diversidad e inclusión, con sede en Chicago. Ha trabajado ahí durante los últimos 17 años, asegurando, liderando y administrando clientes a nivel nacional e internacional, en Diversidad e Inclusión.

Margarita cuenta con una carrera impresionante de más de 30 años, incluyendo 17 en la industria de la salud. Tiene experiencia en las áreas de marketing, publicidad, desarrollo sin fines de lucro, comunicaciones corporativas, publicación, recaudación de fondos, eventos especiales, diversidad y servicio público.

En 1988 fundó IMAGE of Northwest Ohio, un capítulo local de una organización nacional de defensa latina. De 2003 a 2006, encabezó y copresidió la campaña Diamante Scholars - una campaña de recaudación de fondos de medio millón de dólares en el noroeste de Ohio para cinco instituciones de educación superior para estudiantes latinos que asisten a la universidad. Ayudó a establecer la Cumbre de la Juventud Latina en 2001 bajo los auspicios de la Universidad de Toledo, una reunión de estudiantes latinos de todo el estado de los grados 7-12 para motivar la graduación de la escuela secundaria.

También trabajó en la Comisión de Asuntos Hispánicos de Toledo y en el Comité de Diversidad del Museo de Toledo durante muchos años. Fue la primera latina en formar parte de la Autoridad Portuaria del Condado de Lucas de Toledo.

Ha recibido innumerables premios y reconocimientos, en

octubre 2000 fue admitida en el Salón de la Fama de Mujeres de Ohio por su trabajo de promoción. Cuenta con Licenciatura y Maestría en Bowling Green State University y un MBA de la Universidad de Toledo. Le gusta la música latina contemporánea, el arte y la literatura. Nacida y criada en Lorain, Ohio.

Cabe destacar que la primaria SMART de Toledo es una escuela pública gratuita y actualmente cuenta con 150 estudiantes de kínder a cuarto grado. El próximo año escolar (2017-2018) incluirá quinto grado. Los estudiantes son elegibles para programas estatales y federales; además los desayunos y almuerzos son gratuitos para los estudiantes. Los estudiantes llevan uniforme todos los días. Se ofrece una camisa uniforme gratis cada año por estudiante. TWB cuenta con transporte en toda la zona de Toledo, gracias a que actualmente se trabaja con una escuela asociada para proporcionarlo.

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Eighth Annual Toledo Sister Cities International Festival happens April 29

TOLEDO: Jim Hartung, president, Toledo Sister Cities International Board of Trustees, announced today that final preparations are underway for the Eighth Annual International Festival which kicks off this Saturday, April 29, at 10 a.m. with the Parade of Nations at Savage Arena on the campus of the University of Toledo. The festival continues until 6 p.m.

The International Festival, hosted by Toledo Sister Cities and sponsored in part by The Blade, The University of Toledo, and Reynolds Clinic, is a family-fun event with eight hours of music, dance, and ethnic foods celebrating cultures from Spain, China, Hungary, Poland, Japan, Tanzania, Germany, Lebanon, Pakistan, and India, as well as other local groups.

Additionally vendors will be selling crafts from around the world. Last year over 3,000 people attended the International Festival and over 20 local groups performed.

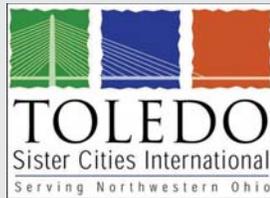
Beer, wine, coffee, soft drinks, and water will be sold, along with the ethnic foods. Admission is \$5 for advanced purchase, seniors 65 and older, and students with I.D. General Admission at the door is \$7, and children 10 and younger are free. Parking is free.

The Toledo Sister Cities International Festival holds the distinction of being the first festival of the season in Northwest Ohio.

"We hear people talk about diversity. This festival highlights our diversity with different ethnic entertainment, foods, crafts, souvenirs, and even a language corner," said Hartung. "This really is our opportunity to share pride in our heritages and learn about other cultures—To truly show the diversity of not just Toledo, but all of Northwest Ohio."

Toledo Sister Cities International is a 501 (c) 3 organization and has been at the forefront of building international relationships between municipalities since 1931. It is widely believed that the first "sister city" relationship—anywhere—was established between Toledo, Ohio and Toledo, Spain that year.

In 1956, U.S. President Dwight D. Eisenhower continued to foster Sister Cities agreements on a mayor-to-mayor basis. Toledo Sister Cities International is in its 24th year of service and has established agreements with Coimbatore (India); Delmenhorst (Germany); Hyderabad (Pakistan);



Poznan (Poland); Qinhuangdao (China); Szeged (Hungary); Tanga (Tanzania); Toledo (Spain); and Toyohashi (Japan). A regional agreement is in place with Bekaa Valley (Lebanon).

Toledo Sister Cities also runs the International Youth Academy, which brings youth from all over the world to Toledo for a two-week period during the summer months. Additionally, Toledo Sister Cities assists in the facilitation of area economic development ventures by providing cultural, educational, language and other key services.

For more information on the Eighth Annual Toledo Sister Cities International Festival visit www.toledosistercities.org

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The Wood County Clean Plate Awards Going above and beyond for safe food handling

BOWLING GREEN: Wood County Health District has announced the presentation of this year's *Clean Plate Awards* on Thursday, May 11, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. The presentation will take place at the Wood County Health District located at 1840 East Gypsy Lane Road, Bowling Green, Ohio.

The 2017 Clean Plate Awards will be presented to thirty-four (34) licensed food service operations out of more than 800 food service operations in Wood County. These restaurants and other food service operations have been dedicated to upholding excellent sanitation and food safety knowledge within their facility.

The recipients will receive a certificate of excellence and recognition of excellent performance in food safety from the Wood County Health District. The

winners of the Clean Plate Award will also receive a Clean Plate Award decal to display at their facility. This is the seventh year that the Wood County Board of Health will hand out the awards.

"The Food Service Operations in Wood County that are presented with the Clean Plate Award have gone above and beyond in the practice of safe food handling," said Lana Glore, Director of Environmental Services at the Wood County Health District.

This year's recipients include: Arby's #7372, Bass Pro Shop, BG's Frosty Fare, Bowling Green Middle School, Carolyn's Personalized Catering, Conneaut Elementary School, Crim Elementary School, Eagle Point Elementary School, Eastwood Middle School, Eastwood High School, Frobose Meat Locker, Kenwood Elementary School, Kingston Care Center of

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Questions regarding the Clean Plate Awards may be directed to Lana Glore, Director of Environmental Health at 419-354-2702, ext. 3244 or lglore@co.wood.oh.us.

Where is pot legal?

April 19, 2017 (AP): Whether it was fear, racism, or economic concerns that led the U.S. in the 1930s to ban growing or even possessing marijuana, the nation's wall against pot lasted a generation. Now, it's showing signs of wear.

Twenty-nine U.S. states consider pot legal for people with certain medical conditions. Eight of those states, plus the District of Columbia have legalized pot for all adults over 21.

But the United States' marijuana experiment isn't over. Many states still ban the drug for adults who aren't sick, and threats to the growing industry persist because pot use remains federally illegal.

Three months into the Trump administration, on the eve of the 4/20 date celebrated by marijuana enthusiasts, here's a look at the drug's history in the U.S., its legal status and what's next for the ancient but mysterious plant:

HOW WE GOT HERE:

In the 1970s, at least 11 states removed criminal penalties or jail time for possessing small amounts of marijuana. A few years later, some victims of the AIDS epidemic ravaging the U.S. began turning to pot to relieve pain, stimulate their appetites and help them sleep.

In 1996, California voters blew a hole in the anti-marijuana wall by saying sick people could use weed. The nation's most populous state simply decided it would stop prosecuting sick people for using pot.

More than a dozen other states followed. The U.S. government expressed outrage and dispatched drug agents to the places growing and selling pot, but those sporadic raids couldn't keep the wall intact.

Sixteen years after California voters authorized medical pot, two other Western states—Colorado and Washington—decided in 2012 that pot should be legal for all adults, not just sick people.

Within the next four years, six more states and Washington, D.C., legalized pot for adults.

WHERE ELSE IT'S LEGAL: Cannabis possession is illegal

in most countries under a 1925 treaty called the *International Opium Convention*, and trafficking can carry the death penalty in extreme cases. Generally speaking, though, international marijuana prohibitions are thawing just as they are in the U.S.

Dozens of countries have decriminalized small amounts for personal use, with some unenforced areas of marijuana commerce, as in an Amsterdam coffee shop.

A few countries have authorized cultivation but not the sale of pot. Uruguay is the only country where it's legal for adults who aren't sick to grow, transport, sell and use pot. Uruguay may soon be joined by Canada, where the government has said marijuana would be made legal for recreational use by July 2018.

WHERE IT'S ILLEGAL:

Actually, everywhere in the U.S., since state can't override federal law. But enforcement of federal drug law has always relied on state and local officers, so the votes in those pot states to stop enforcing prohibition have made the federal ban essentially toothless there.

HOW HAVE U.S. AUTHORITIES RESPONDED?:

Presidents from different parties have responded in similar ways to legalization measures. Democrats and Republicans have held the White House as states defied pot prohibition. Those presidents disavowed weed—even as some admitted using it themselves as youths. Since 1996, states have seen plenty of saber-rattling from federal drug authorities but little coordinated effort to stop the pot experiments.

Not long after he was elected in 2008, President Barack Obama's Justice Department sent an enforcement memo spelling out what states already knew: Federal authorities didn't plan any coordinated effort to maintain blanket marijuana prohibition in states that legalized weed. In response, marijuana businesses in some states started

coming out of the shadows, behaving like traditional retailers, complete with storefronts and advertising.

By 2012, when Colorado and Washington State authorized recreational pot, a few states had a fledgling marijuana industry, taxed and regulated. So far, the federal government has kept its word about not meddling with state pot laws.

WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW?:

That's unclear. Donald Trump said during the 2016 campaign that states should be left alone when it comes to pot. After Trump's election, some marijuana activists thought Trump would continue Obama's largely hands-off pot policy.

Not so fast. Trump's spokesman and some of his Cabinet members have said marijuana legalization may not be tolerated any longer. U.S. Attorney General Jeff Sessions said in a memo to the nation's prosecutors this month that he's ordered a review of existing marijuana policy to see how it may conflict with the administration's crime-fighting agenda.

Confused? So is the industry, which continues to grow despite the uncertainty.

WHAT'S NEXT?:

Several members of Congress have proposed legalizing marijuana nationwide. Similar measures have been proposed before, though, and there's little reason to think this year's attempt will make it to Trump's desk. So marijuana prohibition laws are unlikely to end any time soon. That means the Trump administration can decide how vigorously to enforce marijuana prohibition.

So far, the Justice Department and other agencies that may have a hand in marijuana enforcement have signaled more interest in tightening immigration law. Of course, that could change at any time.

The U.S. marijuana wall may be full of holes, but it hasn't been torn down yet.

Report: ICE does bad job of overseeing deportable immigrants

By ALICIA A. CALDWELL, Associated Press

WASHINGTON, DC, April 20, 2017 (AP): Immigration and Customs Enforcement [ICE] deportation officers aren't doing a good job of keeping track of immigrants facing deportation but released from jail, an internal government watchdog has concluded.

The Homeland Security Department's inspector general found that ICE deportation officers are routinely assigned to manage thousands of cases at a time and are so overburdened that the agency likely isn't deporting all the immigrants it could.

Part of the problem, it said in a report, is that deportation officers are routinely assigned duties be-

yond overseeing their caseloads, including checking in immigrants for routine interviews or driving immigrants from detention centers to court.

The result is that these officers don't have enough time to make sure travel and identity documents are gathered for people ordered back to their home countries.

ICE "will likely not be able to keep up with growing numbers of deportable (immigrants)," the report said. They said that ICE couldn't explain why caseloads were so heavy or how staffing decisions and assignments were made.

The auditors made five recommendations, including that ICE come up with a plan to appropriately staff

deportation operations. ICE agreed with all of the recommendations and said the agency is working on fixes.

The report comes amid stepped up enforcement by ICE agents tasked with finding and arresting immigrants in the country illegally. Since Donald Trump took office in January, ICE has arrested more than 21,000 people, an increase of about 40 percent compared to the same time period in 2016. Deportations during that same time have dipped slightly.

Trump has proposed hiring 10,000 new ICE agents, though it's unclear what jobs those new agents would fill.

Sylvia Moy, Motown's first female songwriter and producer, dies at age 78

DETROIT, April 20, 2017 (AP): Motown songwriter Sylvia Moy, who penned or collaborated on several hits by recording stars like Stevie Wonder and Marvin Gaye, has died in suburban Detroit. She was 78.

Her brother, Melvin

Moy, tells The Associated Press his sister died Saturday at hospital in Dearborn from complications from pneumonia.

Moy's credits include Wonder's "My Cherie Amour" and Gaye's "It Takes Two." She was inducted into the Songwriters Hall of Fame

in 2006.

Motown arranger and musician Paul Riser says Moy was the studio's first female producer and "pioneered some really, really unique things for women."

Ms. Moy's survivors include five sisters and two brothers.



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New 'delicioso' postage stamps dedicated to Latino cuisine

By SUSAN MONTROYA BRYAN, Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M., April 20, 2017 (AP): From the kitchen table to the mail, the U.S. Postal Service on Thursday recognized the influence of Latino foods and flavors on U.S. cuisine with the release of a new series of stamps.

The dedication ceremony for the *Delicioso* Forever Stamps was being held at the National Hispanic Cultural Center in Albuquerque.

The stamps feature bright illustrations of tamales, flan, empanadas, chile rellenos, ceviche, and the traditional soup sancocho.

Award-winning illustrator John Parra, known for his Latino-themed children's books, said in an interview that it was an honor to work on the project. For him, each stamp brings back memories of the meals shared with family while growing up in California.

Parra's father is Mexican and his aunts were known for their cooking, particularly tamales. And Parra was never one to turn down flan, a traditional custard dessert.

An important part of

Latino culture, many dishes and flavors have moved into the mainstream. Salsa overtook ketchup as a top condiment years ago, tortilla chips typically outsell potato chips, and tacos and burritos have become US-American staples.

"It doesn't matter what your background is. Everybody loves the food," Parra said, before sitting down at one of Albuquerque's popular New Mexican restaurants for a green-chile infused lunch.

"It's such a universal food for everybody now," he said. "And it's a great way to connect with people. Food is such a universal language."

The Postal Service approached Parra about two years ago with the idea of focusing on popular dishes from Mexico, Central and South America and the Caribbean. The list was eventually whittled down to six that would translate well to the limited real estate of a postage stamp.



Parra called them tiny works of art, saying he was thrilled to have the chance to design a stamp.

It took several months to create the images. Each illustration was made by applying multiple layers of acrylic paint to textured boards. Parra then used sandpaper to reveal the layers and give the designs a vintage look.

Parra's Latino roots and the influences of Mexican murals and folk art have provided a colorful palate for his work over the years. His next children's book, "*Frida Kahlo and Her Animalitos*," is due out later this year.

Familia quiere donar cerebro de Aaron Hernández a la ciencia

Por PHILIP MARCELO y DAVE COLLINS, Associated Press

BOSTON, 20 IV 17 (AP): Sus familiares quieren donar el cerebro de Aaron Hernández a la ciencia, pero funcionarios de Massachusetts se niegan a entregárselo, pese a que ya pusieron a disposición de una funeraria el resto del cuerpo, señaló el jueves el abogado del ex astro de la NFL.

Hernández, quien cumplía cadena perpetua por una condena de homicidio, aparentemente se suicidó el miércoles en su celda de la prisión.

José Baez, abogado de Hernández, dijo que la familia acordó que investigadores de la Universidad de Boston que realizan un estudio de trauma cerebral en atletas, se quedarán con el cerebro de Hernández tras la necropsia. El forense entregó el jueves los restos de Hernández, pero el abogado afirmó que no han devuelto el cerebro como habían prometido inicialmente.

No se permitió el ingreso de periodistas en busca de comentarios de

la oficina del forense. Baez dijo que la familia buscará que se realice una necropsia de manera independiente.

"Si no obtenemos respuestas, y rápidamente, iremos a la corte", dijo Baez frente a la oficina estatal del forense en Boston. "Literalmente, se trata de destrucción de evidencia".

No dijo si él o la familia piensan que el daño neurológico sufrido durante sus días como jugador, fueron un factor en el suicidio del ex tight end de los Patriots de Nueva Inglaterra.

El jueves las autoridades se negaron a difundir más detalles sobre el aparente suicidio de Hernández.

Hernández aparentemente se suicidó al ahorcarse con una de sus sábanas, la cual amarró a una ventana de su celda en el Centro Correccional Souza-Baranowski, en Shirley. Los guardias encontraron a Hernández poco antes de las 3 a.m. del miércoles.

Funcionarios de correccionales afirman que Hernández trabó la puerta para impedir el ingreso de

los guardias, no dejó una nota de suicidio y no se creía que corriera el riesgo de quitarse la vida.

Aún no han hecho público el reporte del incidente, la bitácora de los guardias, tomas de video del área alrededor de la celda de Hernández ni otros detalles sobre el protocolo de prisión, pese a las repetidas solicitudes por parte de The Associated Press.

El portavoz del Departamento de Correccionales, Christopher Fallon, dijo que la agencia no comentará más hasta que se complete la investigación. El vocero de la policía estatal Dave Procopio también citó una investigación "activa" como motivo para no dar a conocer mayor información. La oficina estatal del forense tampoco comentó sobre el estatus de la necropsia o la entrega de los restos.

Collins reportó desde Hartford, Connecticut. Los reporteros de AP Collin Binkley en Boston y Michelle Smith en Rhode Island también contribuyeron con este despacho.

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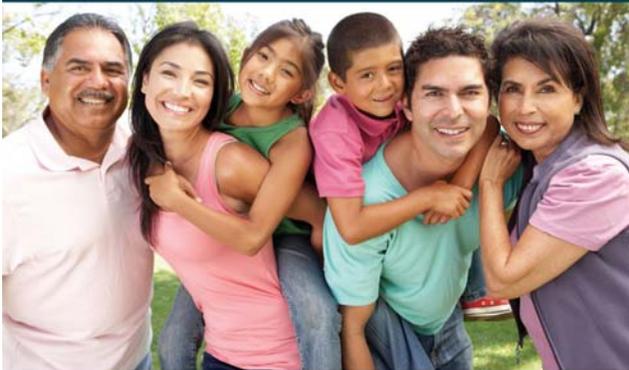


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Lorain County Community College (LCCC) will host a lunch to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the first graduating nursing class from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, May 6, 2017 in LCCC's College Center. Attendees will receive one continuing education credit for the required Ohio Board of Nursing.

General admission is \$15 and includes lunch.

Those unable to attend may consider making a donation to the Nursing Alumni Association. Donations will go towards instructional materials needed for nursing programs.

LCCC is located at 1005



N. Abbe Road, Elyria. To purchase a ticket, visit <https://lcccfoundation.org.presencehost.net/events.html/event-form/registration-form/21235> or visit www.lcccfoundation.org to learn more.

LCCC's Civic Chorale presents 38th Annual Spring Sing

Lorain County Community College's Civic Chorale will present the 38th Annual Spring Sing '17 on Saturday, May 6, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. in the Stocker Arts Center Hoke Theatre. The concert will be conducted by Nancy Davis, LCCC's Director of Choral Music Performance and feature the music of Gershwin and Rodgers and Hammerstein.

This ever-popular concert will feature Broadway favorites including: June Is Bustin' Out All Over, Oklahoma, Do-Re-Mi, I Whistle

a Happy Tune and You'll Never Walk Alone. Music with a swing jazz feel includes Gershwin's 'S Wonderful, Let's Call the Whole Thing Off and They Can't Take That Away From Me. The "Talent Showcase" segment will feature the piano artistry of David Blazer with jazz trio, Kathleen Kurucz performing a beautiful jazz flute solo with jazz trio and John Philipps performing a lively and fiery jazz piano suite.



The Stocker Arts Center is located at 1005 N. Abbe Road, Elyria, Ohio on the campus of Lorain County Community College.

General admission tickets are \$9 each or \$8 for LCCC students, staff and seniors. For more information or tickets, call the Stocker Arts Center box office at (440) 366-4040 or visit www.stockerartscenter.com.

MMS announces 2017 Queen and details about Cinco de Mayo festivities for May 6th

LORAIN, April 24, 2017: Mexican Mutual Society (MMS) has announced that KORRA SOTO is the 2017 Cinco de Mayo Little Queen. Korra is 6 years old and is in 1st grade at St. Anthony's School. Her parents are Amanda Walker and Antonio Soto. Korra likes the arts and dances in the Alma de México dance group.

The Princess is Emely Leija. She is 6 years old and is in 1st grade at Washington School. Her parents are Guadalupe Zamarripa and Armando Leija. 2016 Little Queen Gia LeAnn Soto is Korra's cousin and will be on hand to help in the Coronation of her prima.

Korra will reign in the 20th Annual Cinco de Mayo Parade on Saturday May 6th, 2017, headed by 6th Ward Lorain Councilman Angel Arroyo Jr. The Pa-



rade Marshal is David Flores.

The parade steps off at 4:00 from St. Francis Church on Homewood & RT. 57. It travels west on Homewood Dr. to Clinton, then west on 31st. to Pearl & 29th St. where the parade breaks up near the MMS Courtyard.

Mexican food and refreshments will be ready for the public after the parade. The festivities continue with the JROTC presentation of the flags and national anthems. The Little Queen Coronation is at 6:00.

David Flores will be honored for his 30-plus years of being involved

with MMS. A cultural dance program will be presented by the Alma de México dancers and DJ Pepe Rivera will provide the music.

There will be raffles, games, and piñatas for the children.

Social membership is available for only \$10.00 and helps to sustain the club and granting of scholarships. Applications for scholarships are now available at your local library or at the club. Call 277-7375 after 5:00 or Marie Leibas @ 440-288-0144 for any further information or if any organization would like to join in on the parade.

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Bicycle Safety Day ready to roll at Tri-C Western Campus, May 20th

PARMA: The Western Campus of Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C®) will host its annual Bicycle Safety Day from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, May 20, 2017, to promote and encourage safe riding habits.

Bicycle helmets will be given to children ages 5 to 12 while supplies last. Studies show that helmets reduce the risk of head and brain injuries in the event of a crash.

Children who attend Bicycle Safety Day will learn about safe riding habits and proper helmet fitting. Participants also will get the chance to test their steering, braking and general maneuverability skills on an obstacle course.

The family-friendly event will include free hamburger or hot dog lunches, plus entertainment and ac-



tivities. Children and adults also can check out local safety vehicles as well as an emergency medical helicopter.

The free event will be held rain or shine at the KeyBank Public Safety Training Center at Western Campus, 11000 Pleas-

ant Valley Road in Parma. Bicycle Safety Day is sponsored by Tri-C's Campus Police and Security Services.

To register for the event, visit www.tri-c.edu/BikeSafetyDay. Call 216-987-0270 for more information.

Tri-C Eastern Campus hosts 'Spring Into Fitness 5K' on April 29th

HIGHLAND HILLS: Raise your heart rate while raising money for student scholarships this Saturday during the Spring Into Fitness 5K and 1 Mile Fun Walk at the Eastern Campus of Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C®).

The run/walk begins at 9 a.m. Saturday, April 29, 2017 at the campus, located at 4250 Richmond Road in Highland Hills. The out-and-back course circles the campus grounds and extends to Tri-C's Corporate College® East.

Proceeds benefit student

scholarships through the Cuyahoga Community College Foundation.

Online registration is open through 9 a.m. Friday, April 28, at www.hermescleveland.com. Pre-registration cost for the 5K is \$20 (\$15 for current Tri-C students), while the cost for the 1 Mile Fun Walk is \$15 (\$10 for Tri-C students).

On-site registration will be available the day of the race beginning at 8 a.m., with the 5K cost being \$25 (\$20 for Tri-C students) and the 1 Mile Fun Walk being \$20

(\$15 for Tri-C students). All runners and walkers will receive a **race T-shirt while supplies last.**

Awards will be given to the top three overall male and female runners and the top three finishers in the following age groups: 11 and younger; 12-14; 15-19; 20-24; 25-29; 30-34; 35-39; 40-44; 45-49; 50-54; 55-59; 60-64; and 65 and older.

Post-race refreshments and entertainment will be offered at the finish line.

For more information, *Hermes Sports and Events* at 216-623-9933.

Superman flies into CPL for exhibit, May 6th

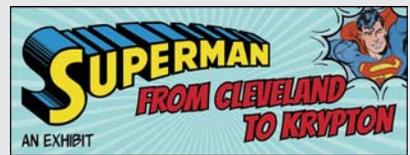
CLEVELAND, April 20, 2017: Although Superman was born on Krypton, he was created in Cleveland. Cleveland Public Library (CPL) pays tribute to Superman and his creators Jerry Siegel and Joe Shuster in *Superman: From Cleveland to Krypton*, at Main Library, Saturday, May 6th, 2017.

The exhibit follows the world's greatest superhero from his creation in Cleveland through his nationwide popularity, his influence on the current superhero craze, and the continued love the community has for its home-grown superhero.

"Superman is more than just a superhero," said Felton Thomas, Executive Director of CPL. "Siegel and Shuster, just a couple of young men in Glenville, Ohio, created an icon, who is able to inspire unique qualities in all of us."

The exhibition spans across three floors of Main Library. Some of the highlights include:

Action Comics No. 1: An original copy of the comic book featuring Superman's first appearance is only on display for the grand opening.



Mike Curtis Collection: Writer of the *Dick Tracy* comic, and owner of one of the largest Superman memorabilia collections in the United States. Curtis donated over fifteen thousand items to Cleveland public Library.

David Deming Statue: Deming's supersized sculpture of Superman will be on display in Brett Hall of Main Building.

Superman's costume: Costume worn by Brandon Routh in *Superman Returns* will be on display.

Opening reception: The family-friendly celebration on May 6th will span across both buildings at Main Library. In addition games, music and crafts, the festivities will include:

11:15 a.m.—Superman Exhibit Ribbon Cutting Ceremony — Main Building Lobby

11:30 a.m.—Panel Discussion Creating, Collecting and Consuming Superman — Louis Stokes Wing Auditorium

12:30 p.m.—Superman Cake — Louis Stokes Wing — Lower Level Lobby

3:00 p.m.—Screening of *Superman: The Super Spring Used Book Sale* in the Indoor Reading Garden — 1st Floor, Louis Stokes Wing — Louis Stokes Wing Auditorium

All day—Super Spring Used Book Sale in the Indoor Reading Garden — 1st Floor, Louis Stokes Wing

Skip the Crowd: Friends of Cleveland Public Library are hosting the *Superman: From Cleveland to Krypton* preview party on May 5th, 6:30p.m. — 9:30 p.m. This ticketed event will give attendees the chance to meet *Mike Curtis*, and learn about *Jerry Siegel* and *Joe Shuster* from *Brad Ricca*, author of *Superboys*.

Ticket price includes heavy appetizers and complimentary valet parking. Cash bar. *Superman costumes welcome!*

For more information, please visit cpl.org/superman.

'Lights, Camera, Action': Tri-C workshop creates 'Movie Magic' for Tr-C grad, Andrés García

CLEVELAND, April 24, 2017: Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C®) film student *Andrés García* landed a Hollywood job without leaving Cleveland.

García turned a five-week workshop at Tri-C into a production assistant job on the set of *White Boy Rick*, a crime drama starring *Matthew McConaughey*—a native of Uvalde, Texas—that began filming in Northeast Ohio this spring.

Mr. García, the 25-year-old Cleveland resident and Tri-C grad, will be on the set through May.

"It's pretty exciting," García said. "If it wasn't for Tri-C, I never would have had this opportunity."

García graduated from Tri-C's *Film Crew Training Workshop* earlier this year. The College created the intensive five-week course to build the workforce needed to support Northeast Ohio's fast-growing movie industry.

Movie industry professionals teach the workshop, which touches on various aspects of the production process. The fast-track training provides students with on-the-set skills demanded by producers.

"The workshop definitely prepared me for what was going on," García said. "The



class gives you hands-on experience, so you can come onto a set ready."

The studio producing *White Boy Rick* also hired four of García's classmates. Several other graduates worked on other movies—including *Acts of Violence* starring *Bruce Willis*—that just wrapped filming in Cleveland.

"Studios shooting movies in Cleveland look to hire as many local crew members as possible," said Lee Will, program manager of the College's Student Production Office. "Those jobs go to people who can walk onto a set and know what to do, and producers know they can find those skilled workers at Tri-C."

García said he'll begin working later this year at a new studio production center opening in Cleveland. He expects his current gig to help him secure a job with the next movie shooting in Northeast Ohio.

He said he wants to learn the movie business and work his way into a producer's chair. García said he fell in love with the art of filmmaking after making videos with a camera at home.

"I can make a life in this," García said. "It's just a matter of making your opportunity."

Editor's Note: *Tri-C's next Film Crew Training Workshop* begins in January 2018. For information, call Will at 216-987-0252.

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Addressing Obesity Concerns Among Minority Groups

For the last week of Minority Health Month, Neighborhood Health Association had our Community Health Workers (CHWs) examine the racial disparities of common diseases affecting all Americans. Today, we are focusing on obesity rates of patients in the Latino and African American communities.

Obesity, or excess weight of roughly 30+ pounds for your **Body Mass Index (BMI)**, is a major health concern for more than one-third of Americans, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. For Mexican-American adults, the obesity rate is nearly 41%, and for African American adults the rate is almost 50%, both higher than the overall national average of 36%.

"Among African American women, the numbers are especially dramatic," says Shanile Harris, a CHW at Neighborhood Health Association's Nexus Health Care and Mildred Bayer Clinic for the Homeless. "The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services says that four out of five African American women are overweight or obese."

Why Obesity Rates Are Causes for Alarm

In response to these star-



ting statistics, the U.S. government has set a goal to eliminate the growing health disparities among racial and ethnic populations. A CDC report states, "Given the overall high prevalence of obesity and the significant differences among minority groups and whites, effective policies and environmental strategies that promote healthy eating and physical activity are needed for all populations and geographic areas, but particularly for those populations and areas disproportionately affected by obesity."

You may not realize it, but obesity puts individuals at risk for more than 30 chronic health conditions, including type 2 diabetes, high cholesterol, hypertension, gallstones, heart disease, fatty liver disease, sleep apnea, stress, incontinence, asthma and other respiratory conditions, and numerous cancers.

Reducing your weight to a healthy BMI can significantly improve your quality of life, and reduce your risk of developing chronic conditions.

Tips for Avoiding the Obesity Epidemic

Harris shares these five tips for maintaining a healthy weight and avoiding obesity:

- Assess your weight: Body Mass Index (BMI) and weight circumference are two screening tools to estimate weight and potential disease risk. A BMI between 25 and 29.9 is considered overweight. A BMI over 30 is considered obese.

- Engage in physical activities: Go for a brisk walk, tend to your garden, or play your favorite sport to maintain a healthy weight.

- Make healthier food choices: Eat more fruits, vegetables, nuts, and whole grains.

- Exercise regularly: Aim for moderate exercise at least 30 minutes per day.

- Eliminate sugar: Cut down your consumption of fatty and sugary foods.

- "Walk a little more, eat healthier foods, and do what you need to maintain a healthy BMI," says Harris.

To schedule an appointment at NHA, please call 419.255.7883 and visit www.nhainc.org.

GM halts operations in Venezuela after factory is seized

By TOM KRISHER, AP Auto Writer

DETROIT, April 20, 2017 (AP): General Motors has stopped doing business in Venezuela after authorities took control of its only factory there in what GM called an illegal judicial seizure of its assets.

The plant was confiscated on Wednesday as anti-government protesters clashed with authorities in a country that is roiling in economic troubles such as food shortages and triple-digit inflation.

The Detroit automaker said in a statement Thursday that other assets such as vehicles were taken from the plant, causing irreparable damage to the company.

It's not the first time the Venezuelan government has seized a foreign corporation's facilities. In July of last year, the government said it would take a factory belonging to Kimberly-Clark Corp. after the U.S. personal care giant said it was no longer possible to manufacture in the crisis-ravaged nation due to a lack of materials.

President Nicolas Maduro accused Kimberly-Clark of participating in an international plot to damage Venezuela's economy and said his socialist government would provide public funds to the workers at the plant.

Kimberly-Clark joined Bridgestone, General Mills, Procter & Gamble, Ford Motor Co. and other

multinational corporations in scaling back operations in Venezuela.

In March, a World Bank arbitration panel determined that Venezuela did not have to pay \$1.4 billion to Exxon Mobil Corp. for confiscating company assets during a wave of nationalizations.

GM says its plant was seized Wednesday in disregard of its right to due process. The company says it will defend itself legally and that it's confident that justice eventually will prevail.

GM has about 2,700 workers in the troubled country, where it's been the market leader for over 35 years. It also has 79 dealers that employ 3,900 people, and its parts suppliers make up more than half of Venezuela's auto parts market, the company said.

GM, though, hasn't produced a single car at its plant in the industrial city of Valencia since 2015. Like most carmakers in the oil-producing nation, it has seen production grind to a halt as the cash-strapped government chokes off its access to dollars needed to import parts and repatriate profits.

Nationwide, car makers assembled just 2,849 cars last year, from a peak of 172,218 vehicles in 2007.

Despite Venezuela's grim outlook, many car makers have decided to stay put and avoid the drastic step of shutting down operations to avoid losing market share in case the economy dramatically improves or a more business-friendly govern-

ment takes power.

If the government permits it, GM workers at the Valencia plant will get separation benefits "arising from the termination of employment relationships due to causes beyond the parties' control," the GM statement said.

Dealers will continue to service vehicles and provide parts, the company said.

GM's Venezuelan operations have been a drag on earnings for several years. In the second quarter of 2015, the company took a \$720 million charge for currency devaluation and asset valuation write-downs as the economy faltered.

South American operations, which include Venezuela, account for a relatively small portion of GM's earnings and sales. Last year the company lost \$400 million before taxes in South America, but as a whole the company made a pretax profit of \$12.5 billion. GM sold just over 583,000 vehicles in the region last year, but that was only about 6 percent of its total sales.

In its 2016 fourth-quarter earnings release, the company said that its South America region "remains challenged from macro-economic and political standpoints."

Shares of General Motors Co. rose 18 cents \$33.97 in morning trading.

Josh Goodman contributed to this report from Caracas.

GM frena operaciones en Venezuela por decomiso de planta

DETROIT, 20IV 17 (AP): General Motors frenó sus operaciones en Venezuela después de que las autoridades tomaron el control de su única planta en el país, acción que según la firma constituye un embargo ilegal de sus activos, informó la empresa el jueves.

La planta fue confiscada el miércoles mientras manifestantes que protestan contra el gobierno se enfrentaban con las autoridades en un país repleto de problemas económicos como la escasez de alimentos e inflación de tres dígitos.

El fabricante de automóviles de Detroit dijo en un comunicado que otros activos—como los vehículos—fueron retirados de la planta, causando daño irreparable a la empresa.

GM dijo que la planta fue tomada sin tomar en cuenta su derecho al debido proceso. La compañía agregó que se defenderá legalmente y confía en que la justicia prevalecerá.

GM tiene alrededor de 2,700 trabajadores en Venezuela, donde ha sido líder del mercado por más de 35 años.

La empresa tiene 79 concesionarios que emplean a 3,900 personas y sus abastecedores de refacciones integran más de la mitad del mercado de autopartes de Venezuela, según la compañía.

Si el gobierno lo permite, los trabajadores recibirán prestaciones de separación "debido a la terminación de la relación laboral por causas que rebasan al control de las partes", señaló GM en un comunicado.

Los concesionarios continuarán dando servicio a los vehículos y proveyendo refacciones, señaló la compañía.

GM ha tenido problemas de ingresos en Venezuela durante años. En el segundo trimestre de 2015, la compañía asumió un cargo de 720 millones de dólares por devaluación de la moneda y devaluación de

activos debido al deterioro económico del país.

Las operaciones de GM en Sudamérica, que incluyen a Venezuela, representan una porción relativamente pequeña de los ingresos y ventas de la compañía.

El año pasado, la empresa perdió 400 millones de dólares antes de impuestos en Sudamérica, pero en conjunto tuvo ganancias antes de impuestos por

12.500 millones de dólares. GM comercializó poco más de 583.000 vehículos el año pasado en la región, el 6% de sus ventas totales.

En su informe de ganancias del último trimestre de 2016, la compañía dijo que su región sudamericana "afrenta diversas dificultades en los planes macroeconómico y político".

Las compañías han reducido operaciones en Venezuela debido a una inflación sin control y estrictos controles cambiarios. En mayo, el fabricante de neumáticos Bridgestone vendió su negocio después de seis décadas de funcionar en el país.

Bridgestone ingresó en la lista de multinacionales

extranjeras como Halliburton, Ford Motor y Procter & Gamble que redujeron el ritmo de sus actividades o abandonaron sus inversiones en Venezuela.

Las acciones de General Motors Co. tuvieron una ligera subida en las operaciones previas a la apertura del mercado bursátil.



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Comisión Hispana reconoce a estudiantes graduados de las universidades de Michigan

Por: Isabel Flores, La Prensa

Lansing, MI: El pasado viernes 7 de abril, la Comisión Hispánica/Latina de Michigan (HLCOM por sus siglas en inglés) realizó su primera ceremonia para reconocer a 45 graduados hispanos de las universidades de Michigan, en el Centro Lansing, ubicado en el 333 East Michigan Avenue.

Al evento asistieron alrededor de 150 personas, entre quienes se encontraban, familiares, amigos y profesores de los graduados de las diferentes universidades del estado: Michigan State University, Western Michigan University, Siena Heights University, Saginaw Valley State University, Northern Michigan University, Eastern Michigan University, Ferris State University, Grand Rapids Community College, Lake Michigan College y Lansing Community College.

Felipe Sustaita, Director

Ejecutivo de HLCOM, dijo que el objetivo principal era reunir a todos los estudiantes hispanos del estado en un solo lugar para empoderarlos. "Los jóvenes enfrentan muchos problemas en la comunidad y es necesario que miren los logros de sus compañeros para que sepan que todos lo pueden lograr. Es importante que se den cuenta que existen más latinos. Tuvimos a cuatro graduados de doctorado y eso motivo mucho a los demás. Aunque sabemos que hay más graduados en el estado, este es el primer año que realizamos el evento y esperamos crecer año con año para seguir motivando a los latinos. El siguiente año daremos más difusión e iniciaremos con más tiempo los preparativos para que más gente pueda participar".

El orador principal de la noche fue el estudiante



Kevin Curiel de Grand Rapids Community College (GRCC), quien fue seleccionado porque tenía el mensaje más fuerte de todos los graduados. "La energía positiva que se desprendía del cuarto donde fue la ceremonia fue algo increíble. Podías ver como el sacrificio que habían hecho los abuelos y los padres como migrantes, había valido la pena y ahora se sentían orgullosos. Especialmente con todo lo que está pasando en la política actualmente, sientes como una opresión en nuestra cultura y el haber estado en esa ceremonia nos lleno a todos de mucha energía positiva para seguir adelante. Fue muy motivante

para mi ver a un graduado de doctorado con tan solo 29 años y cinco hijos, eso me alentó a seguir avanzando", compartió Kevin. "Yo soy soltero y tengo 27 años. Si él pudo lograrlo, yo también puedo".

Originario de Guadalajara, Jalisco, Kevin llegó a Grand Rapids desde hace 18 años, junto con sus padres y sus dos hermanos menores. Después de siete años en GRCC finalmente logra su graduación. "Al principio fue muy difícil porque estaba indocumentado y trabajaba en la construcción para poder poner comida en la mesa pero no era lo que yo quería. Tenía que pagar la escuela de mi propio dinero y nada más podía cursar una o dos materias por semestre, por eso tarde siete años en poder graduarme. Cuando obtuve el beneficio DACA conseguí un mejor trabajo y todo cambio por completo", informó el estudiante. "No quiero que los demás pasen lo mismo que yo, quiero que el sistema de educación le ayude a todos y no a unos cuantos".

El sueño del entrevistado es convertirse en Presidente de alguna Universidad, para lo cual desea obtener una maestría que le permita ingresar en un puesto administrativo y poco a poco ir subiendo. Pero el primer paso es ingresar a la Universidad y ya ha sido aceptado en Western y Grand Valley State, ahora

únicamente tendrá que ver cuál le ofrece mejor oportunidad para obtener una beca.

Actualmente, se encuentra trabajando en el Centro Hispano del Oeste de Michigan como asistente del programa de mentores, en donde se encarga de buscar mentores que apoyen a los jóvenes para continuar con la escuela. También trabaja en el M-TEC de GRCC ofreciendo apoyo en los programas de inglés como segundo lenguaje y educación para adultos.

"La educación es la que te da las oportunidades en la vida, siempre hay que seguir avanzando, no importa cuánto te tardes. No te fijas en los demás, muévete a tu ritmo y aprovecha todas las oportunidades que tienes para que en el futuro puedas impactar a la comunidad en una forma positiva", señaló Kevin. "Todos los estudiantes DACA debemos mantenernos informados porque siempre hay apoyos que podemos conseguir para sacar adelante nuestra educación, nos han dado una gran oportunidad de estar aquí en el país y trabajar, tenemos que aprovecharlo, mantenernos calmados, responsables y enviar un ejemplo positivo a los demás, para que más estudiantes puedan ser beneficiados".

Así como Kevin, hay muchos estudiantes hispanos que han batallado

para salir adelante, es por eso que la Comisión quiere reconocer este gran esfuerzo. "Tanto los estudiantes como sus familias merecen el reconocimiento y nosotros como Comisión queremos hacerles saber que necesitamos de su ayuda en el futuro, que se gradúen, trabajen y se involucren en la comunidad, no podemos salir adelante sin ayuda de ellos", dijo Felipe Sustaita. "La educación avanzada abrirá muchas puertas para estos estudiantes y estamos orgullosos de liderar este evento honrando a aquellos comprometidos con su futuro y el futuro de Michigan".

Aunque se esperaba una mayor asistencia, el evento fue considerado como exitoso ya que logró motivar a muchos estudiantes. "Toda la gente estaba muy emocionada. Hubo un grupo como de 20 personas que manejan siete horas para estar presentes en Lansing, eso fue algo muy especial. Poco a poco iremos creciendo para que otros estudiantes y sus familias puedan acompañarnos", concluyó Felipe Sustaita.

HLCOM se esfuerza por promover los servicios del estado a los hispanos de Michigan, alentar iniciativas para reducir las tasas de deserción escolar de los jóvenes hispanos y facilitar los esfuerzos para aumentar la matrícula de hispanos en programas de educación postsecundaria y capacitación.



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