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Movilizarán votantes hispanos para lograr reforma migratoria

Activistas proinmigrantes afirmaron este miércoles que movilizarán a los votantes hispanos para exigir que, pese a la oposición republicana, el Congreso apruebe una reforma migratoria que incluya una vía a la ciudadanía de los indocumentados.

Durante una conferencia telefónica con periodistas, activistas de la coalición Movimiento por una Reforma Migratoria Justa (FIRM) delinearon los "principios" que, a su juicio, deben tomar en cuenta los republicanos de la Cámara de Representantes.

Los republicanos no apoyan la reforma que aprobó el Senado en junio pasado y preparan medidas parciales con enfoque policial. El presidente de la Cámara Baja, el republicano John Boehner, elabora una serie de "principios" con su bancada que aún no ha presentado.

"Nos encantaría ver lo que hay en la propuesta republicana, no solo sus 'principios'" y éstos deben incluir la vía a la ciudadanía, insistió Gustavo Torres, director de Casa en Acción.

Explicó que los "principios" de FIRM incluyen también la reunificación familiar; medidas para futuros flujos migratorios; una política fronteriza que "respete" a las comunidades; el restablecimiento del debido proceso, y el reconocimiento de las contribuciones de los inmigrantes al país.

Al igual que en 2013, los activistas harán protestas, ayunos y actos de desobediencia civil y, de cara a los comicios de noviembre próximo, inscribirán a "miles de latinos e



inmigrantes" que puedan marcar la diferencia en las elecciones, agregó.

Kica Matos, activista de FIRM, rechazó críticas de que el activismo de 2013 haya sido en vano porque "si no hubiese sido por las voces de este movimiento, las marchas y las protestas, este asunto hubiese tenido una muerte lenta".

Pero los republicanos se oponen a crear una vía especial para la ciudadanía. El legislador republicano por California y "número tres" de la Cámara Baja, Kevin McCarthy dijo hoy al canal KBAK/ KBFX que apoya dar estatus legal a indocumentados para que "puedan trabajar y pagar impuestos".

Se prevé que los "principios" republicanos reflejen la postura de siempre de ese partido: más vigilancia fronteriza, sanciones para empresas que contraten a indocumentados, verificación de estatus legal de los empleados, y más visas para extranjeros con altas destrezas laborales.

El asunto del acceso a la ciudadanía –algo que ya permite la ley federal para quienes llevan al menos cinco años de residencia permanente- se ha convertido en un punto de fricción incluso entre los mismos partidarios de la reforma.

Grupos defensores de los "Soñadores" han dicho que la prioridad inmediata es la legalización, para después centrarse en la ciudadanía.

Dentro y fuera del Congreso, otros insisten en que la ciudadanía no es negociable. Josh Hoyt, director de National Partnership for New Americans, advirtió en la llamada que no se puede excluir a ciertos grupos del proceso democrático, y tratar al inmigrante como un "ciudadano de segunda clase".

Los activistas hicieron estas declaraciones en víspera del segundo aniversario del debate electoral en Tampa (Florida), el que el republicano Mitt Romney propusiera la "autodeportación" de los indocumentados y que, en última instancia, le hizo perder el apoyo del voto latino en 2012.

Texas executes man despite opposition from Mexico



A Mexican national was executed Wednesday night in Texas for killing a Houston police officer, despite pleas and diplomatic pressure from the Mexican government and the U.S. State Department to halt the punishment.

Edgar Tamayo, 46, received a lethal injection for the January 1994 fatal shooting of Officer Guy Gaddis, 24.

Asked by a warden if he had a final statement, he mumbled "no" and shook his head. As the lethal dose of pentobarbital began taking effect, he took a few breaths and then made one slightly audible snore before all movement stopped. He was pronounced dead 17 minutes after the drug was administered, at 9:32 p.m. CST.

The execution, the first this year in the nation's most active death penalty state, was delayed more than three hours while the U.S. Supreme Court considered last-ditch appeals.

Tamayo never looked toward Gaddis' mother, two brothers and two other relatives who watched through a window.

"He's a coward just like when he shot my brother in the back of the head and he died a coward," Glen Gaddis said

Gaddis said.
There were several dozen

police officers and supporters of the slain patrolman were revving their motorcycles outside of the prison before witnesses were let inside the death chamber. Tamayo selected no witnesses of his own.

"A little bit of my shredded heart is feeling better," the officer's mother, Gayle, said.

The execution came after the U.S. Supreme Court and lower federal courts rejected last-day appeals and Texas officials spurned arguments that Tamayo's case was tainted because he wasn't informed, under an international agreement, that he could get legal help from the Mexican consulate after his arrest for the officer's slaying.

Attorneys had also argued unsuccessfully that Tamayo was mentally impaired, making him ineligible for execution, and that the state's clemency procedures were unfair.

The Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles rejected Tamayo's request for clemency on Tuesday.

"It doesn't matter where you're from," said Lucy Nashed, spokes-woman for Gov. Rick Perry. "If you commit a despicable crime like this in Texas, you are subject to our state laws, including a fair trial by jury and the ultimate

penalty."

Tamayo's lawyers, Sandra L.
Babcock and Maurie Levin, issued
a statement after the Supreme
Court's ruling, saying Perry and
Attorney General Greg Abbott "ignored promises they made to our
nation's leaders that they would
ensure review of Mr. Tamayo's
consular rights violation."

"The execution of Mr. Tamayo violates the United States' treaty commitments, threatens the nation's foreign policy interests, and undermines the safety of all Americans abroad," Babcock and Levin also said.

The Mexican government earlier this week said it "strongly opposed" the execution.

"The issue of fundamental importance in this case is the respect for the right of access to protection provided by our consulates to Mexicans abroad," Euclides Del Moral Arbona, a director in the Mexican Ministry of Foreign Affairs, told reporters outside the prison.

Gaddis, who had been on the force for two years, was driving Tamayo and another man from a robbery scene when evidence showed the officer was shot three times in the head and neck with a pistol Tamayo had concealed

in his pants. The car crashed, and Tamayo fled on foot but was captured a few blocks away, still in handcuffs, carrying the robbery victim's watch and wearing the victim's necklace.

Mexican officials and Tamayo's attorneys contend he was protected under a provision of the 1963 Vienna Convention on Consular Relations. Legal assistance guaranteed under that treaty could have uncovered evidence to contest the capital murder charge or provide evidence to keep Tamayo off death row, they said.

Records show the consulate became involved or aware of the case just as his trial was to begin.

Secretary of State John Kerry previously asked Abbott to delay Tamayo's punishment, saying it "could impact the way American citizens are treated in other countries." The State Department repeated that stance earlier Wednesday but had no immediate comment following the execution.

Another of Gaddis' brothers, Gary, said it was "unfortunate this has become a political event."

"But we're here to remind the public who the true victim is in this crime and to warn the public that John Kerry has no right to try to change the locks of the Supreme Court and turn the keys over to the international community," he said.

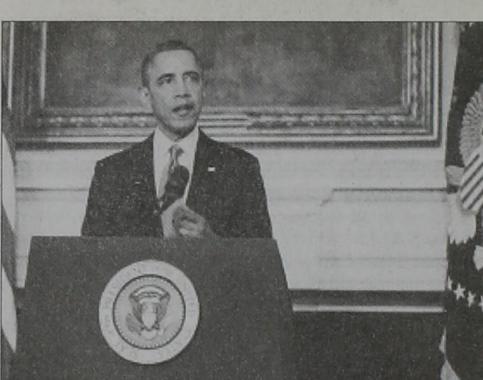
Tamayo was in the U.S. illegally and had a criminal record in California, where he had served time for robbery and was paroled, according to prison records.

At least two other inmates in circumstances similar to Tamayo's were executed in Texas in recent years.

He was among more than four dozen Mexican nationals awaiting execution in the U.S. in 2004 when the International Court of Justice in The Hague, Netherlands, ruled they hadn't been advised properly of their consular rights.

The Supreme Court subsequently said hearings urged by the international court in those inmates' cases could be mandated only if Congress implemented legislation to do so. That legislation has not been passed.

Pope Francis, Obama to Meet in March





President Obama will meet with Pope Francis in March during a diplomatic trip to the Netherlands, Belgium and Italy, the White House said Tuesday.

"The president looks forward to discussing with Pope Francis their shared commitment to fighting poverty and growing inequality," the White House said in a statement on the planned March 27 meeting.

While in the Netherlands
March 24-25, Obama
will attend the Nuclear
Security Summit, "where
world leaders will highlight
progress made to secure

nuclear materials and commit to future steps to prevent nuclear terrorism," the White House said in a statement.

Obama will be in Brussels
March 26 for a U.S.-European Union summit with
presidents of the European
Council and the European
Commission. The White
House said Obama also
will have bilateral events
with Belgian officials and
with the NATO leaders.

While in Rome, Obama will meet with President Giorgio Napolitano and Prime Minister Enrico Letta.

Our EDITORIAL Voice

We Stand With Wendy

Last week, Wendy Davis, Democratic candidate for Texas Governor, announced that her campaign had raised more than \$12 million dollars during the latest reporting period of 2013.

This week, a volley of political shots fired from the right came fast and furious. There is no doubt in our minds whatsoever, that a recent story in the Dallas Morning News (DMN), a right leaning publication, was published in an attempt to cast doubt on Ms. Davis' personal story. It was designed to make voters believe that she had somehow lied about some personal details about her past, and most importantly; it was designed to stem the tide of support and positive news Ms. Davis' campaign had been generating lately.

It's as if the substantial amount of money raised by the Davis campaign woke up the attack dogs to the realization that Davis is indeed a credible candidate with a great chance of defeating presumed Republican candidate Greg Abbott.

What's that old saying about money talking?

The story in the DMN is not worth reading, nor is it worth the newsprint it was printed on. But for the purposes of this editorial we offer two excerpts as clear examples of the sexist attitudes exhibited by the writer in his shameless and disgusting attempt to taint Ms. Davis.

1). "Davis was 21, not 19, when she was divorced. She lived only a few months in the family mobile home while separated from her husband before moving into an apartment with her daughter."

2.) "A single mother working two jobs, she met Jeff Davis, a lawyer 13 years older than her, married him and had a second daughter. He paid for her last two years at Texas Christian University and her time at Harvard Law School, and kept their two daughters while she was in Boston. When they divorced in 2005, he was granted parental custody, and the girls stayed with him. Wendy Davis was directed to pay child support."

Looking at the first excerpt, the writer clearly wants readers to believe that Ms. Davis lied about how old she was at the time of her divorce and that she only lived a few months in a mobile home. The line about the mobile home has no value at all. Many people live in a mobile home by choice. But drawing upon prejudicial notions about people who live in mobile homes, the writer wants to make sure that Davis' version of events has somehow misled people. As for pointing out the age at the time of her divorce? So she misstated or misremembered her age, so

The second excerpt stinks even more of sexist, Texas male chauvinistic attitudes. Ms. Davis is portrayed as someone who married for the convenience of having her school paid for by her husband and that she lost custody of her children for some nefarious reason.

Again, would these personal details have been highlighted if Davis was a man? The answer is a resounding no; especially here in "too red Texas".

As Ms. Davis has said, her story is not unique in that it is a story similar to stories lived by many other women. In fact, we happen to know quite a few women who have gone through similar circumstances in life and the story is repeated quite often in our Mexican American communities around the state; albeit with unique and different outcomes.

We have been around Texas politics long enough to know that women who are brave enough to take on the powers that be in this state, run the risk of "being pu in their place"; or is it shamed into their place?

Need an example? Look at what Rick Perry/Greg Abbott and their minions have done to women's access to health care and how they have tried to control women by legislating what a woman can or can't do with her body. Take a look at

what they have done to voting rights. The story of Wendy Davis is really fairly simple to us. She is someone who has the guts, the smarts, and the empathy necessary to take on the Republican goons who have ruled this state for too many years. Here's what we wrote in our editorial in the November 21, 2013 edition of El Editor about Ms. Davis: "We like Wendy Davis, not only because of what she believes in, but because we think she gets it. We think she understands that the state is made up of a very diverse population with different needs and pressing issues."

We stand by our editorial and in fact are stronger in our belief that Ms. Davis is the right person to lead our state. If there is anything that scares and threatens people who are in power, especially today's Republicans and their tea party compatriots, it's a strong willed person like Ms. Davis.

Her Republican opponent Greg Abbott, who continues to confirm that he is out of touch with Texas' diverse population, has definitely not made any attempt to reach out to Texas' diverse populations in a meaningful way. He's the kind of politician who thinks that just because he speaks Spanish, that's reason enough for Hispanics to vote for him.

The story in the DMN doesn't surprise us; that's what Republicans do when they feel threatened; especially by a strong and accomplished woman. We are certain that as the Davis campaign gains more and more traction, we will see more and more of these kinds of attacks.

But, as we wrote in November, "We look forward to the 2014 November

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election with the hope that we can wake up on the day after the election and proclaim that our long nightmare in Austin is finally over."

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You're Damn Right it's a True Story

(Editor's note: As this week's Our Editorial Voice notes, a story published by the Dallas Morning News was a failed attempt to paint Wendy Davis in an unflattering light. Here is Ms. Davis' response to the story, an open letter which was published on her campaign web site at www.wendydavistexas.com.)

Dear Friend,

As our campaign has gained momentum, our opponents have gotten more and more desperate. But now they've stooped to a new low by attacking my family, my education, and my personal story - playing politics with the journey that has

Mine is a story about a teenage single mother who struggled to keep her young family afloat. It's a story about a young woman who was given a precious opportunity to work her way up in the world. It's a story about resiliency, and sacrifice, and perseverance.

And you're damn right it's a true story.

Throughout this campaign, I've shared that story - not because it's unique, but because it isn't.

The story of my life is also the story of millions of single mothers who feel alone in the world, millions of young dreamers searching for their chance to become something more than what they were born into, millions of families all across Texas who would sacrifice everything to give their children a better future. It's those stories - your stories - that drive my campaign. But Greg Abbott and his allies don't want to hear them. They don't have anything to offer Texans who find themselves in the same difficult situation I was in when I was young. They would slam the doors I walked through and pull up the ladders I was lucky to be able to climb.

And now, instead of offering real ideas to improve your life, they're attacking

It won't work. The only thing Greg Abbott and his allies have proved with these desperate attacks is that they don't understand what it means to live a life like mine - a life like that of so many people all across our state.

They don't know me - and, what's more important, they don't know you. I'm not surprised that the Abbott campaign would resort to attacking the story of a single mother who worked hard to get ahead.

And I'm not afraid of their false attacks – I developed thick skin long before anyone knew my name.

What I am is deeply proud of the life I've built and the daughters I've raised and deeply grateful to the many, many people who have shared their stories and offered their support as I've traveled our state.

No false attack can take away my story. And no sleazy political trick will stop me from giving voice to yours.

Your stories are why I'm running for Governor. And together, I know we'll make sure that the Texas we leave to our children is a place where every young mother can build a better life for her child. . . where every family can work their way up the economic ladder. . . where every Texan can achieve their dreams and live out their own success story.

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El Movimiento Zapatista Mexicano Cumple 20 Años

SAN CRISTOBAL DE LAS CASAS, México (AP) — En sus bastiones de las nebulosas montañas de Chiapas, miembros con pasamontañas y simpatizantes del movimiento zapatista se reunieron para celebrar el 20mo aniversario del levantamiento que atrajo la atención mundial hacia los problemas de los empobrecidos y a menudo abandonados indígenas del país. La noche del martes, los zapatistas y cientos de simpatizantes de distintas partes del mundo recordaron el breve alzamiento armado que se calmó tras 12 días de enfrentamientos bajo una tregua con el gobierno, y fue seguido de dos décadas de estancamiento con ocasionales momentos de tensión.

Antes del levantamiento, "éramos totalmente engañados, manipulados, sometidos, controlados y olvidados. Sumidos en la ignorancia y la miseria, pero hace 20 años, como (en) estas fechas, dijimos ya basta", dijo a la multitud una líder indígena conocido como Comandante Hortensia en una de las conmemoraciones, que tuvo lugar en el patio de una escuela en el poblado de Oventic.

Unas 2,000 personas de México, Estados Unidos, España e Italia bailaron, jugaron básquetbol y entonaron canciones políticas en una noche fría en la que también escucharon a los

comandantes zapatistas hablar en español y lenguas indígenas como tzotzil y tzeltal.

La rebelión zapatista sorprendió a México y generó amplio apoyo de izquierdistas de todo el mundo por su mensaje de derechos indígenas y oposición a la globalización económica. Pero desde entonces ha habido pocos cambios en la media decena de apartados enclaves que los zapatistas han formado en el puñado de comunidades que mantienen.

La pobreza sigue siendo tan grande, o peor, de como era antes del levantamiento en parte porque los zapatistas rechazan los programas de ayuda gubernamental.

hacia otros movimientos indí-

genas más exitosos. En Bolivia Evo Morales se convirtió en el primer presidente indígena en el 2006, e indígenas de las etnias aymara y quechua ahora hacen parte de su gabinete.

El subcomandante Marcos, líder de los zapatistas, parece reconocer que muchos han dejado de prestarles atención. Se fueron. Unos se fueron más pronto que otros. Y la mayoría no nos ve o lo hacen con la misma indiferencia y desdén intelectual con que lo hacían antes del 1 de enero de 1994", escribió Marcos en un comunicado dado a conocer el sábado.

Para algunos, el mayor logro de la revuelta fue provocar que México reformara su consti-Y la atención del mundo giró tución en 2001 para consagrar los derechos de los pueblos

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indígenas y el movimiento realizó una caravana por buena parte del país para respaldar la reforma que culminó con una serie de dramáticos discursos de rebeldes con pasamontañas en el Congreso.

Pero los zapatistas se enardecieron cuando los legisladores suavizaron las partes que más les interesaban: expandir la autonomía indígena y el control sobre la tierra y los recursos naturales.

Los indígenas mexicanos siguen siendo una minoría discriminada a la que se le niega la entrada o el servicio en tiendas y restaurantes lujosos. Sólo reciben atención ocasionalmente, por ejemplo, cuando un equipo de basquetbol de niños triquis que juegan descalzos ganó un torneo internacional el año pasado.

Pero el movimiento, conocido por sus siglas EZLN, sigue vivo, dijo el obispo de San Cristóbal de las Casas, Felipe Arizmendi. La Iglesia ha tenido gran importancia desde hace tiempo en los movimientos indígenas de Chiapas.

"El EZLN sigue vivo, no ya como una opción militar, sino como una organización social y política, que lucha por una vida digna es un esfuerzo de demostrar que es posible la autonomía, sin dependencia del gobierno".

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STATEMENT ON BEHALF OF ERICA YSASAGA & HER DAUGHTER JOCELYN IN REGARDS TO FUNDRAISERS

Statement by Jesse Madrid on behalf of the family of Erica Ysasaga and her daughter Jocelyn:

"We are very appreciative to all those that have made donations to assist in burying our beloved Erica Ysasaga and Jocelyn Maldonado. With a very heavy heart we laid them to rest yesterday, Friday, January 17, 2014.

While we are grateful for the outpouring of support, we would like to make the public aware that further fundraisers held by any other parties are not for the benefit of Erica or Jocelyn. We feel compelled to assure that the public is not misled to believe that additional funds requested or fundraisers held are for the burial of our family members.

We further ask for privacy as the Ysasaga & Madrid family takes time to mourn our Erica and Jocelyn, as well as to care for our little Priscilla as she continues to progress and overcome this tragic experience. We ask for continued prayers and thank all that have been gracious. In conclusion, we wish the best to the Maldonado family."

More Nonsense on Farm Bill

Randy Neugebauer recently told Fox34 News in Lubbock that he was "happy with how much progress," Congress has made on a comprehensive five-year farm bill for the nation. "So I'm particularly proud of the fact that we've brought the farm bill to this point."

And it doesn't stop there. As West Texas farmers grow anxi ous about the ridiculously slow pace on the farm bill, Neugebauer has decided to blame our most unfortunate citizens, calling for draconian cuts to SNAP and food stamp benefits. He's decided to hold the farm bill hostage to score political points off of the poor.

Neal Marchbanks knows we need to look out for ALL the people of West Texas, including farmers and those with less. He knows that the people of West Texas need a farm bill now and we can have a farm policy that benefits both producers and the truly indigent.

Neal needs us now if he is going to stand for all West Texans, including our producers. Please donate at: http://marchbanksforcongress.com/donate/ or at: https://secure.actblue. com/contribute/page/marchbanks. Please give \$10, \$20, \$50, or more now so Neal's balanced approach can be heard in Congress!

The House has passed an extension on the farm bill until January 31st, but the Senate has yet to act. We need a congressman who will act, not one who is satisfied with farmers and the poor left out in the cold. Neal will strengthen the farm safety net by ensuring that we renew crop disaster relief, maintain strong crop insurance programs and establish a permanent disaster relief program

As a small town, West Texas native, Neal knows that the future of West Texas will come from expanding infrastructure in rural communities and that investing in those communities can boost economic growth for small rural businesses. He will begin on day one to work for ALL the people in our district. For Neal to help us, we need to help Neal, please give now! No more Neugebauer Nonsense in Washington.

Greg Abbott Speaks with Educators in Lubbock

Attorney General and gubernatorial candidate Greg Abbott was in Lubbock, TX today where he continued his series of education roundtables. Abbott met with educators and administrators at Lubbock ISD's Byron Martin Advanced Technology Center to discuss establishing genuine local control.

"I had the opportunity today to visit with administrators, principals and education leaders right here in Lubbock," Abbott said. "We learned firsthand the needs of education and the common goal that we both share. We want to see the Texas education system rise to the very top in the nation. And in Lubbock, they are implementing the kind of top quality standards to be replicated across the state of Texas - the kind of standards, jobs and skills that employers across the state are demanding."

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Furniture Store To Support O.L. Slaton Middle School:

Challenges or Offers an Opportunity for all 8th Grade Students

Bob Mills Furniture Selects O. L. Slaton Middle School for Partnership

Bob Mills Furniture, located at 6000 Spur 327-Unit A, announced today its official commitment to help O. L.



Slaton Middle School. The store wants to make a major impact on the lives of students by offering much-needed assistance and transforming the student environment into a positive learning experience. Plans of Bob Mills Furniture were announced officially to the students and faculty at the school yesterday at a 10 am gathering at the school's auditorium which the media, El Editor was on site. Some

students had a chance to meet Bob Mills in person and you could feel the excitement within them.

The O.L. Slaton faculty will work closely with the Lubbock furniture store to

distinguish what will help students excel. Principal Trey Aguilar and teachers value commitment, integrity and each other. Help from Bob Mills Furniture will allow O. L. Slaton Middle School to continue their mission to inspire excellence in students.

The magnet school is academically rated as a "Needs Improvement" campus. With 651 students enrolled, 87% of students are classified as economically disadvantaged. Bob Mills Furniture is developing a program specifically targeting the 215 eighth grade students. Although the initial program has been outlined, it was designed to be flexible enough to meet the needs of the school.

O.L. Slaton Middle School

President of SPAMMA, Joel Narbaez invites all of Lubbock

FairPark Coliseum. "We need Lubbock to support this event and lot of other events to

keep the momentum of keeping these type of events for the betterment of Lubbock,"

SPAMMA has held 8 shows which started in 2011 and have been held within 3

years. Participants from Lubbock, Odessa, Plainview, Amarillo and all West Texas

Participants ages vary from 18 to 42 years of age. There will be a total of 12 fights

will be here on Saturday and want everyone to come out and enjoy and support this.

full of actions for everyone. The event is schedule to start at 6:30 pm. Admission will

A shotout to Andrew "Fro" Montemayor who will be the official ring announcer

be \$16.00 for general; \$20.00 for VIP; \$300 table are available thru any Select Seat

said Joel. Zane Davis who is the vice president of the organization will be fighting

during this event. He is 42 years of age and will be fighting a 19 year old fighter.

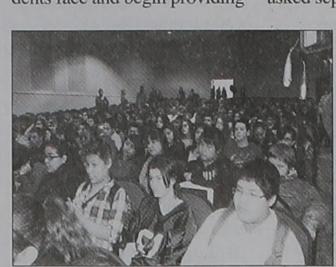
'This is something that everyone will enjoy watching," says Joel.

outlet or by calling 806: 466-2149 and ask for Joel.

for the entire event. Come out Lubbock support this event.

and surrounding communities to support this great event on Saturday, Jan. 25 at the

emphasizes learning around fine arts such as theatre, art, dance, band, choir and orchestra. The partnership will help address the academic, social and financial hardships students face and begin providing



solutions.

Bob offered for each student to enter a Jingle Contest which the winner will be given a \$1000 dollar savings/scholarship toward their future schooling. "Maybe college is for some and maybe not for others", he addressed a full size attendance of 220 eighth graders in the OL Slaton auditorium. The contest will start as of today and will end all entries by/on Feb. 28, 2014.

Bob also shared his life time with some struggles and hardship on his way thru life and to where he is today at Bob Mills Furniture.

Mr. Aguilar and Bob were asked separately if they

submission of the jingle needed to be in English, Spanish, or bilingual.... their responds were however the student submits the jingle the way it will be accepted.

In closing, Bob made a great announcement for

the 8th graders of OL Slaton Middle School who was to receive a \$99 value pillow for each student to sleep comfortable and help everyone to have better days in school. "I believe that great achievements comes in school by having a good day at school from having a good sleep," says Bob to the student assembly. Everyone seemed to have enjoyed the announcement of the partnership.

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¿Que Pasa?

Vaccination Clinics for This Week

The City of Lubbock Health Department will hold vaccination clinics for both adults and children at the following locations during the week of January 27, 2014:

1/27/2014 Mahon Library 1306 9th St. 9:30 a.m. - Noon 1/28/2014 Health Department 806 18th St. 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. 1/29/2014 Health Department 806 18th St. 8:30 a.m. - Noon Vaccines will be available for ages 2 months through adulthood. Adult vaccine prices vary. The cost for children's vaccines (age 2 months -18 years) is \$15.00 for one dose of vaccine or \$20.00 for 2

All children must meet Texas Department of State Health Services' guidelines to receive state supplied vaccines.

or more. Influenza vaccine is now available.

Anyone with questions may contact the City of Lubbock Health Department Immunization clinic at 775-3090.

St. Joseph Catholic School Participates In Nation's

Largest-ever Celebration of Educational Opportunity

Slaton - St. Joseph Catholic School will hold a special event beginning on Monday, January 27, 2014 to celebrate National School Choice Week, school leaders announced today.

An All School Mass featuring the Children's Choir will kick off the week's events on Sunday. During the week, students will participate in a Spelling Bee, a Science Fair, Career Day, Student Breakfast in Pajamas, Vocation Day, a Community Field Trip and end with a district Mass at CTK. We will kick off "Pennies for Patients" in which we raise money for Cancer Patients and will collect canned food items for the city's food pantry, Mercy Manna. . The events will be held at the school, except for Mass which will be at St. Joseph Parish

St. Joseph Catholic School is a Catholic school serving grades Pre-K through 8th Grade, with a student enrollment of 56.

St. Joseph School is one of 5,000 schools participating in National School Choice Week (January 26-February 1, 2014). The goal of the Week is to shine a positive spotlight on all types of education options for children – from traditional public schools to public charter schools, magnet schools, private schools, online learning and homeschooling.

"We are excited to have St. Joseph School participate in National School Choice Week with this special event," said Andrew Campanella, National School Choice Week president. "It is because of great events like this that National School Choice Week, in Texas and across the country, will break records as the largest and most influential celebration of educational opportunity in American history

For more information about the event, visit stjosephslaton.com.

Lubbock Public Library Events Lubbock Chess Club at Mahon Library

The Lubbock Chess Club will meet at the Mahon Library, 1306 9th Street, on Sunday, January 26 from 2 to 4:45 p.m. All ages and skill levels are welcome. Contact cmw02b@gmail. com for more information.

Bluebonnet Book Club at Mahon Library

The Bluebonnet Book Club will meet at the Mahon Library, 1306 9th Street, at 4 p.m. on Monday, January 27. This will be our final meeting and we will vote for our favorite Bluebonnet Award nominees. For more information, please call 775-2838.

Children's Movie at Mahon Library

Come enjoy refreshments and a movie at the Mahon Library, 1306 9th Street, at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, January 28. For movie title and other information, please call 775-2838.

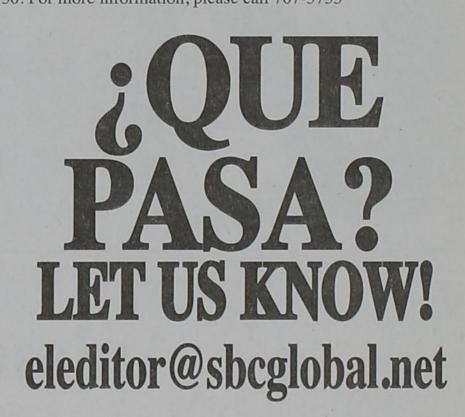
Learn to Knit at Groves Branch Library

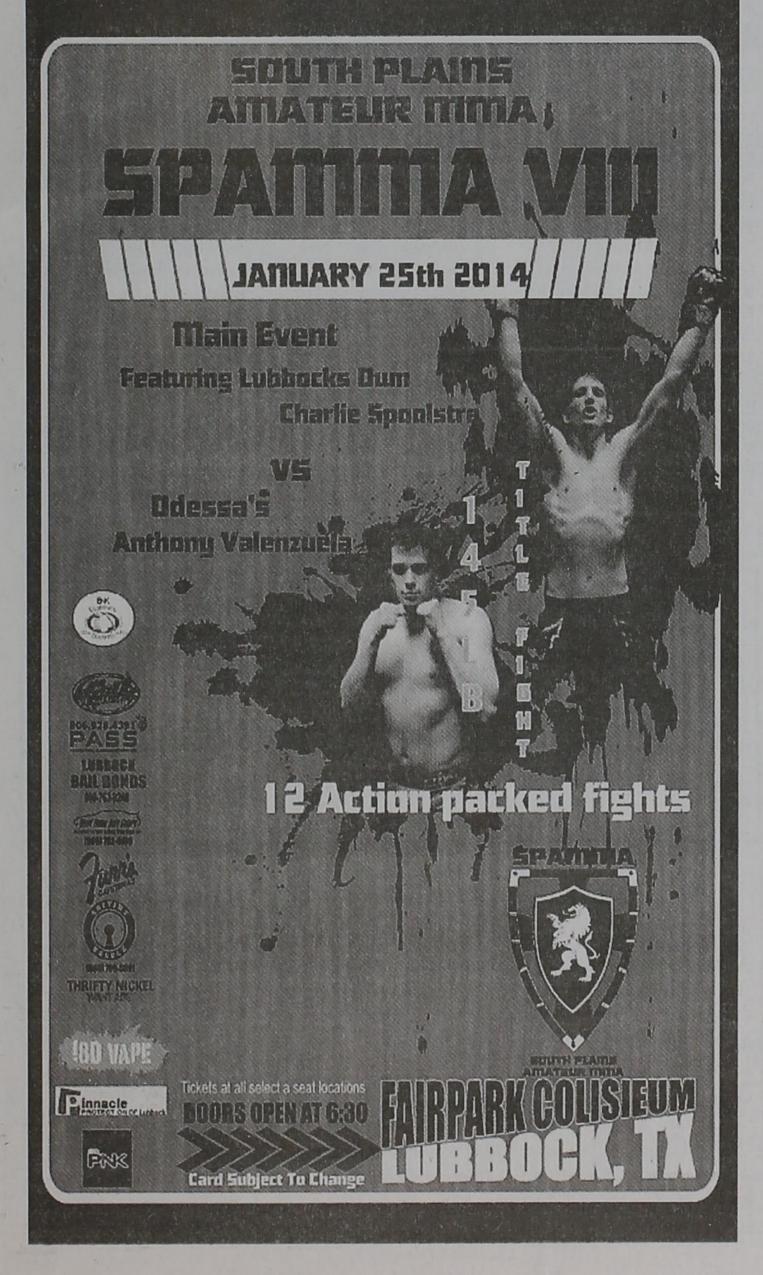
Join us for an evening of fun while learning the basics of Continental style knitting at the Groves Branch Library, 5520 19th Street, at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 28. For more information, please call 767-3733.

Bear Storytime at Groves Branch Library

Bring your favorite bear or other stuffed animal to storytime at the Groves Branch Library, 5520 19th Street, at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, January 29 and Thursday, January 30. We will read stories about bears and make a bear craft. For more information, please call 767-3733.

Games for Kids and Teens at Groves Branch Library Everyone in grades four through 12 is invited to the Groves Branch Library, 5520 19th Street, for an afternoon of video games and board games starting at 4 p.m. on Thursday, January 30. For more information, please call 767-3733







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Bruno Mars Heads to Super Bowl, Then Grammys

said he now wants to collabo-

rate organically with others -

much like on his latest album,

"Unorthodox Jukebox," which

is nominated for four honors

at Sunday's Grammy Awards

in Los Angeles. His sopho-

more effort, released in late

2012, features Mark Ronson,

Jeff Bhasker, Diplo and Paul

single and No. 1 hit, "Locked

Out of Heaven," is nominated

He said the upbeat jam took

"People didn't see us going

studio and pulling out our hair

for a song like 'Locked Out of

Heaven," he said. "Trying to

get these drums right and fig-

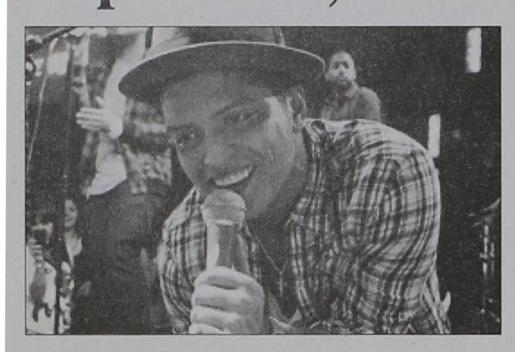
ure out a base line. ... It being

at each other's throats in the

"months and months" to cre-

Epworth. The album's lead

for song and record of the



Wish Bruno Mars would write you a hit song? Keep dreaming.

The singer-songwriterproducer, who has penned hits like CeeLo Green's "Forget You!" and B.o.B's "Nothin' on You," says he's not interested in churning out tracks for other artists like he's done in the past

"There's a piece of me that's no longer there - which was basically let me write a song and then sell it," Mars said in a recent interview. "That was back in the day when I was struggling and hustling to pay rent. I was selling songs for 250 bucks ... but now that I'm OK, I shouldn't treat it like a

The 28-year-old, who is onethird of the production trio The Smeezingtons, has produced for Alicia Keys, Justin Bieber, Lil Wayne and Flo Rida. Mars

categories is an extreme honor."

The crooner's other No. 1 hit, "When I Was Your Man," is nominated for best pop solo performance, while his neardouble platinum album is up for best pop vocal album.

This year marks Mars' fourth nomination for record of the year; this is his third for song of the year. He won his first and only Grammy for best male pop vocal performance with "Just the Way You Are" in 2011.

Though his debut, "Doo-Wops & Hooligans," earned a nomination for album of the year, Mars said he's not disappointed "Unorthodox Jukebox" isn't competing for the top prize this year.

"I'm good, man," he said with a laugh. "If I would have asked for anything more, I'd be a jerk. I'm happy."

The singer, who was named Billboard's top artist last year and will perform at the Super Bowl halftime show on Feb. 3, will launch a tour April 18 in Honolulu. He said he isn't recording new music at the moment.

"Nope. Nothing. I'm tapped out," he said. "Of course melodies come into my head and chord changes come in, but honestly I've just been enjoying this right now."

Gael García "le echa la sal" a Alfonso Cuarón

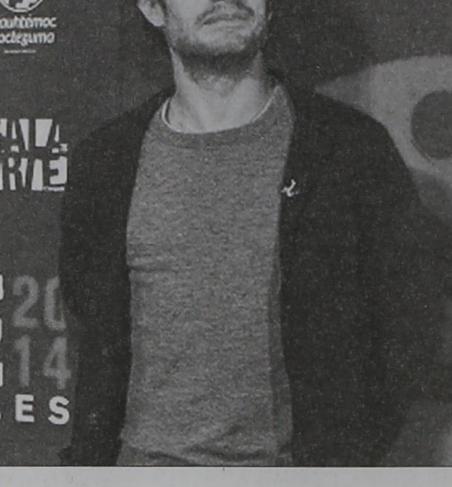
Gael García Bernal dijo este miércoles que Alfonso Cuarón "es el mejor director del mundo", y auguró que el realizador mexicano se hará acreedor al Oscar por su trabajo en "Gravity", nominada a 10 premios Oscar.

¿Pero no "le habrá echado la sal" en realidad a su compatriota con este vaticinio? Hace poco más de un año, afínales del 2012, el joven actor mexicano de talla internacional hizo lo mismo con la película chilena "No", la cual estuvo nominada al Oscar 2013 como mejor película extranjera.

Gael protagonizó la cinta dirigida por Pablo Larraín, y en aquella ocasión, había declarado que "No" era una fuerte contendiente al premio de la Academia, asegurando que obtendría la desea estatuilla dorada, lo cual no sucedió.

Hoy, García Bernal declaró: "Alfonso (Cuarón) es el mejor director del mundo, el mejor 'charolastra', y ganará como mejor director del mundo, de eso estoy seguro", ¿Será contraproducente este deseo del también director de

Sin embargo, Gael García, de 35 años, no se mostró tan entusiasta con la posibilidad



de que "Gravity", el espectáculo espacial en 3D protagonizado por Sandra Bullock, se lleve la codiciada estatuilla a la mejor película por la que también compite.

"Como mejor película quizá no la gane, pero como mejor director, eso seguro", dijo durante una conferencia de prensa realizada el miércoles en la capital mexicana al respecto de la 9a edición

de la gira de documentales Ambulante.

García Bernal tiene bastante experiencia en los Oscar. Actuó en "Babel", de Alejandro González Iñárritu, nominada al Oscar en 2006; en "Diarios de motocicleta", nominada al premio al mejor guion adaptado en 2004, y en "Amores perros", otra cinta de González Iñárritu, nominada al Oscar en 2000.

recognized in these monster Miss Hispanic Lubbock ZUMBA Sat. Jan. 18 - 11 am Sat. Feb. 8 - 11 am Sat. Feb. 22 - 11 am Talkington School for Young Women Leaders (415 N Ivory Ave)

Marc Anthony, Juanes y Gloria Estefan presentarán el Grammy

Los cantantes Marc Anthony, Gloria Estefan y Juanes serán presentadores en la ceremonia de premios del Grammy americano, anunciaron en Los Angeles sus organizadores.

En la lista de presentadores también aparecen Black Sabbath, Zac Brown, Anna Faris, Jamie Foxx, Ariana Grande, Neil Patrick Harris, Olivia Harrison y Anna Kendrick.

Asimismo, Alicia Keys, Cyndi Lauper, Jared Leto, Bruno Mars, Martina Mc-Bride, Miguel, Yoko Ono, Smokey Robinson, Ryan Seacrest y Steven Tyler.

La ceremonia de entrega de premios a lo mejor de la música en 2013 está programada para efectuarse este domingo en el Staples Center de Los Angeles.

La Academia Nacional de Artes y Ciencias de la Gra-

bación (NARAS, por sus siglas en inglés) también reveló nuevos nombres de artistas que cantarán en la ceremonia estelar.

Entre estos se encuentran los nominados Gary Clark Jr., Hunter Hayes, Nine Inch Nails, Queens Of The Stone Age y Dave Grohl que cantará junto con Lindsey Buckingham.

Previamente, la academia había anunciado las actuaciones de los ex Beatles, Paul McCartney y Ringo Starr, además de John Legend y Taylor Swift.

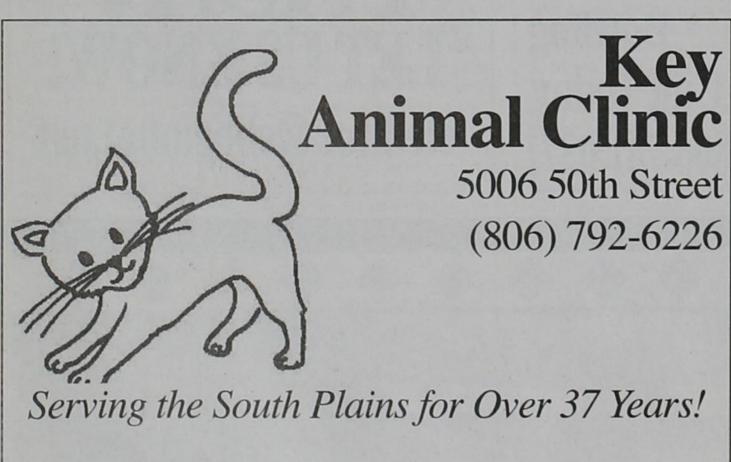
NARAS también confirmó las actuaciones de los

máximos nominados al Grammy con siete postulaciones Macklemore & Ryan Lewis, además de Kacey Musgraves y Keith Urban. Paul Mc-

Cartney y Ringo Starr como integrantes del legendario "Cuarteto de Liverpool", The Beatles, recibirán el Grammy a la trayectoria.

Otras actuaciones especiales serán las de la ganadora de cuatro Grammys, Sara Bareilles y la homenajeada como Persona del 2014 en el Grammy, Carole King.

Asimismo, las actuaciones de Daft Punk con Nile Rodgers (de Chic), Pharrell Williams y el ganador de 25 Grammys Stevie Wonder. Kendrick Lamar con Imagine Dragons, Lorde, Metallica, Katy Perry, P!nk y Chicago, entre muchos más.



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Mariah Leon earned a spot on the USA International Boxing Team



Lubbock Optimist Boy's & Girl's Club Warriors Boxing Team Member Mariah Leon just returned from Reno, Nevada where she won the National USA Boxing Championship and earned a spot on the USA International Boxing Team. Mariah won the Championship by defeating Iris Contreras of

Corte Madera, California by unanimous decision. Mariah reached the finals by defeating Katrina Nahe of Antioch, California by technical knockout in the 4th round of their bout. In the Quarter Finals, Mariah defeated Jessica Alvarez of Detroit, Michigan by unanimous decision. Mariah will be invited to the USA Olympic

Training Center later this year to prepare for competition against other countries. Maria has won 2 other National Championships. Mariah Leon has won the PAL National JO Championship in San Antonio, Texas and the Golden Gloves national Championship in Ft. Auderdale, Florida this past summer. Maria will be competing locally in Lubbock on Feb. 7th and *th at the MCM Elegante Ballroom. The site of the 2014 Texas State Regional Golden Gloves Championships. Mariah will begin the quest to repeat as the National golden Gloves Champion for 2014.

The Texas State Regional Golden Gloves Tournament will feature the top boxers in the West Texas area. The Mean and Women's Division Champions will be advancing to the Texas State Championships in Ft. Worth, The State Champions will then advance to the National Golden Gloves Championships. The Texas State Regional Championships will be held at the MCM Elagante Ballroom located at 801 Ave. Q on February 7th & 8th beginning at 7:30 pm each night. Ticket will only be available at the door.

5th Annual Fitness Open House

Parks and Recreation has the resources to help you achieve your New Year's resolutions! On Saturday, January 25, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., our community and senior centers (see below) will host open houses to introduce the public to their fitness areas and classes. There will be refreshments and admission is free. There is never a cost to use the fitness equipment, but patrons must complete an orientation packet with annual waiver and be instructed on how to use the equipment prior to their first workout. Each center has different equipment, so patrons are welcome to check them all out and decide which best fits their fitness goals.

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Parks and Recreation is dedicated to helping Lubbock citizens maintain a healthy lifestyle and offers many activities at low or no cost. All of these activities are listed in the 2014 Spring Recreation and Leisure Guide, which is available online at www.playlubbock.com or by mail by calling 775-2673.

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Poll: Hispanics See Diabete as Top Health Concern

Luis and Adriana Gonzalez of Sylmar have witnessed the devastating effects of diabetes first hand and are doing all they can to keep it away from them and their four children.

"My mother died of diabetes and (Luis') mother has it," said housewife Adriana Gonzalez, 41, following a free Spanish-language class Monday at a "diabetes teaching kitchen" at the San Fernando Community Health Center.

Luis Gonzalez, who had just learned with his wife to make a healthy Greek salad and a chicken and bean soup, said he's more concerned about diabetes than cancer since "we have more of a propensity for it" and "because of the habit of eating here — it's a lot of fast food."

Nearly 1 in 5 Latinos in the nation said diabetes is the biggest health problem facing their families, beating out cancer and high blood pressure, according to a new poll. The findings released Tuesday were part of a larger survey on Latinos in the country conducted by NPR, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and Harvard School of Public Health.

A 2013 poll had found that nearly 40 percent of Latinos named cancer as the disease or health condition that poses the greatest threat to Americans, more than any other health problem. But in the NPR poll — which asked the question differently — 19 percent of those surveyed named diabetes as the disease or health condition that is the biggest problem for their own families, more than any other condition.

Cancer was mentioned by 5 percent of Latinos while high blood pressure/stroke was mentioned by 4 percent, according to the poll.

"We switched and asked them about you and your family; the surprise was it wasn't cancer," said Robert Blendon, professor of health policy and political analysis at the Harvard School of Public Health. "It shows in terms of living with the problems, diabetes is very prevalent in my family, in my community and that's what's really on our mind. It's what faces us in our own family. It's a high incidence of diabetes and it's really a burden for day-to-day living in Latino communities."

Diabetes was the top concern mentioned for each of the six Latino groups surveyed; Mexican (22 percent); Central American (15 percent); South American (21 percent); Cuban (12 percent); Puerto Rican (14 percent) and Dominican (12 percent), according to the NPR poll.

Blendon said the findings highlight how important the disease is to Latinos of all backgrounds.

"This is a central issue, which I don't think is discussed as widely as it will be after these findings," Blendon said.

While studies indicate that immigrants, in many cases, end up eating less healthy in the United States than they did in their native countries, the NPR poll found that many immigrants themselves don't see it that way.

Only about 21 percent of the immigrants polled see their diets as less healthy now than in the country they came from.

"Prior studies have shown that obesity rates among immigrants increase as their duration of residence in the U.S. increases," the NPR survey noted. "They suggest that this may be attributable in part to changes in lifestyle, including unhealthy diet."

National survey data between 2007 and 2009 for people ages 20 or older indicates that 7.1 percent of non-Hispanic whites, 8.4 percent of Asian Americans, 11.8 percent of Hispanics and 12.6 percent of non-Hispanic blacks had been diagnosed with diabetes, according to federal health data.

The diverse San Fernando Valley is particularly vulnerable to diabetes because several ethnic groups — not only Latinos but also Koreans and Armenians — have higher rates of incidence than the average population, said Dr. George Andros, medical director of the Amputation Prevention Center at Valley Presbyterian Hospital in Van Nuys.

"This is not a trend, it's a tsunami," Andros said. "Los Angeles is the epicenter of diabetes in the United States."

Andros said he opened his center, which takes an interdisciplinary approach, five years ago to deal with the No. 1 cause of a diabetic person being admitted to a hospital — an ulcer on the foot that can lead to amputation. The center sees hundreds of patients a week, many of them Latino.

Several preventive and education programs target the Latino population and are available throughout the Valley. For example, the San Fernando Community Health Center in San Fernando offers a free diabetes self-management education series in addition to its free diabetes kitchen classes. Classes are taught in English and Spanish. Valley Presbyterian offers free community health education classes about diabetes health/management in English and Spanish by appointment.

The Center for Healthier Communities at Northridge Hospital Medical Center also works with 34 schools in the Valley, many of them with predominantly Latino students, to educate parents and children on nutrition and chronic disease self-management, including diabetes. The center is working with 12 of those schools to provide a physical education program since many schools do not have a physical education teacher, said Martha Zuniga, the center's program manager.

"The students that we work with, they have a big population of overweight kids," Zuniga said. "Children that are overweight tend to develop diabetes."

Poll: Hispanics See Diabetes Obamacare beneficiará a hispanos con diabetes

La cobertura médica de los mercados gubernamentales tendrá un impacto muy positivo entre los hispanos debido a que son más propensos a padecer diabetes y enfermedades relacionas con el corazón, dijo Mayra Alvarez, directora asociada de la Salud de las Minorías, del Departamento de Salud y Servicios Humanos.

"Entre los latinos tenemos tasas más altas de problemas del corazón y de diabetes, por eso es tan importante que se inscriban al programa médico", aseguró Alvarez.

Explicó que mediante estas coberturas las familias hispanoparlantes ya no se verán obligadas a desembolsar ni siquiera las tarifas asignadas por el Gobierno de entre \$20 y 80 como antes, cuando necesitaban atención de un médico.

"Uno de cada dos latinos no tenía una cobertura médica y uno de cada tres no acudía a un doctor de manera regular", añadió. "Sabemos que 10.2 millones de latinos son elegibles para la cobertura nacional y ahora la poder

án tener a un buen precio".

Alvarez dijo que, por cultura, los hispanos suelen otorgar un mayor valor al núcleo familiar, comparado con otras razas o etnias del país y esa parte se verá muy beneficiada con el nuevo plan médico debido a que todos los miembros de la familia podrán atender su salud.

"Hay más latinos sin seguro, en general, por eso es importante conectarnos con los centros comunitarios, como las iglesias, los servicios sociales, las bibliotecas, que ya trabajaban con otros programas y que ahora son socios nuestros para ayudar a orientar a la comunidad", agregó.

Para Oscar A. Torres, de 30 años de edad y originario de El Salvador, este plan de salud va a resultar muy benéfico para



aquellos que carecen de una cobertura médica.

En su caso, cuenta con un seguro de salud desde junio de 2013, otorgado por Green Star, compañía de servicios de limpieza de edificios para la que trabaja desde principios del año pasado.

"Seis meses después de que entré, me dieron el servicio y me cubre entre el 20 y el 25% en el pago de consultas", dijo. "En accidentes, por ejemplo, si me fracturo un dedo o un pie, me cubre hasta \$3,000".

Explicó que este tipo de paquete de salud incluye el servicio para la esposa del beneficiario, pero no para los hijos.

"Por fortuna yo no tengo problemas de diabetes, sólo he tenido problemas con la vista y por eso tengo que estarme atendiendo", agregó Torres, quien dijo que una consulta con un doctor le puede costar unos \$45, ya con el apoyo de su cobertura.

De acuerdo con el Departamento de Salud y Servicios Humanos, los hispanos originarios de México en Estados Unidos presentan casi el doble de posibilidad que los blancos no hispanos de ser diagnosticados con diabetes.

"Tienen tasas más altas de enfermedades renales en etapa terminal, causada por la diabetes, y son un 50% más propensos a morir de diabetes que los blancos no hispanos", según la información oficial.

"En 2008, los hispanos fueron 1.5 veces más propensos que los blancos no hispanos de morir de diabetes", según la información.

La dependencia de salud señala que los mexicanos en Estados Unidos padecen en mayor medida que los anglosajones de sobrepeso y obesidad, "dos de los factores principales de riesgo de una enfermedad cardiaca".

Las muertes prematuras son mayores entre hispanos en un 23.5 % que entre los no hispanos, con el 16.5 %, de acuerdo con los datos oficiales.

A partir del 1 de enero de 2014, todas las personas en Estados Unidos deben contar con seguro de gastos médicos o pagar una cuota en sus impuestos anuales.

De acuerdo con los datos

desglosados del plan médico, cerca de 2.2 millones (2,153.421) de personas seleccionaron planes de cobertura entre el 1 de octubre hasta el 28 de diciembre de 2013.

El Departamento de Salud y Servicios Humanos ha dicho que aún no cuenta con datos sobre los hispanos inscritos, debido a que no existe un desglose por raza o etnia.

Asocian el Alzheimer con altos niveles de colesterol

Investigadores de la Universidad de California llegaron a la conclusión de que los niveles bajos de colesterol "malo" (LDL) y los niveles altos de colesterol "bueno" (HDL) ayudan a disminuir la llamada "placa amiloidea" en el cerebro.

Esta es, sin dudas, una buena noticia porque la acumulación de esta placa es una indicación de la enfermedad del Alzheimer, tal como comentaron los responsables del estudio, encabezados por el Dr. Bruce Reed, director asociado del Centro de la Enfermedad de Alzheimer de la UC Davis.

"Por mi parte, coincido en que los niveles altos de colesterol guardan relación con la Enfermedad de Alzheimer. Lo que se discute, es a través de qué mecanismo las cifras elevadas de colesterol son un factor de riesgo para esta enfermedad, pero lo cierto es que hay una relación que está apoyada por diversos estudios epidemiológicos y de laboratorio", expone al ser consultado el jefe del servicio de Neurología del Hospital Universitario Austral (HUA), Dr. José Antonio Bueri.

"Por otro lado, no está claro si usar drogas que reducen los niveles de colesterol sanguíneo es útil como protección frente al Alzheimer", agrega.

"No obstante, cuidar los niveles de colesterol sanguíneo brinda múltiples beneficios para la salud en general, ya que es indudable que reduce las enfermedades cardíacas, los accidentes cerebrovasculares y la patología vascular. Aún así, no sabemos si puede prevenir o retrasar el Alzheimer, razón por la cual la recomendación

en cuanto a utilizar drogas o no, depende de cada profesional: algunos creen que es útil y otros no", completa el Dr.

El mencionado estudio integra la reciente edición de la revista JAMA Neurology. Participaron de él 74 hombres y mujeres reclutados de clínicas de accidente cerebrovascular, grupos de apoyo, centros de adultos mayores y del Centro de la Enfermedad de Alzheimer de la UC Davis, en California.

Tres personas tenían demencia leve, 33 no tenían problemas con la función cerebral y 38 tenían un deterioro leve de su función cerebral.

Los investigadores utilizaron escáneres cerebrales para medir los niveles de amiloidea de los participantes



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