

elines for Undocumented ants Take Effect

During the next two years, the U.S. government will phase in new rules for the care of undocumented immigrants held in U.S. jails and prisons.

But some Central American immigrant advocates contend these aliens lost out in the negotiations to approve the Clinton administration's final budget, which practically banished their chances of obtaining legal residency.

During 2000, the number of immigrants held in jails and detention centers awaiting the resolution of their cases averaged 20,000 a day, up from 8,200 in 1997.

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Do you think that the U.S. government should treat different undocumented immigrants held in U.S. jails and prisons?

According to immigration attorneys and advocates, these inmates are subject to abuse, and in some cases to mistreatment, confinement in inadequate conditions and without

access to legal counsel from the consulates of their respective countries of origin.

The Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) began to use local jails to house undocumented immigrants after hundreds of Cuban inmates rioted and burned down the Oakdale, Louisiana, federal detention center in 1987.

Previously, each jail or detention center was allowed to apply its own standards in the care of detained immigrants.

Former INS Commissioner Doris Meissner ordered the new guidelines to standardize the care of jailed immigrants nationwide before resigning in mid-November.

The new guidelines extend visiting times with attorneys and immigrant legal advocacy groups and provide legal materials and information.

Jailed immigrants will also be allowed to make free telephone calls to free legal services, consulates and courts.

INS spokesman Russel Ber-

geron said the guidelines were not adopted because of systematic problems in INS facilities but to establish national rules and specific guidelines in all facilities.

The 36 new guidelines cover a wide range of aspects including visiting rights, grievance procedures, marriage applications, mail, religious services, medical assistance, access to legal libraries, personal funds and goods, recreation and food.

Undocumented immigrants - whose exact number is unknown, but is estimated at more than six million people, almost 70 percent of them from Mexico and Central America - had pinned their hopes on legalizing their situation two months ago.

At the time, President Bill Clinton threatened to veto a final budget deal brokered by the Republican-majority Congress unless more than one million immigrants were given

a chance to legalize their residency.

But that was before the presidential elections when Democrats, as well as Republicans, were courting the Hispanic vote. After the election, Clinton dropped his threat and signed the budget, which only benefits immigrants from Mexico, India and other countries with large populations.

Those excluded from the possibility of obtaining legal residency include 400,000 Salvadorans, Guatemalans and Hondurans and some 50,000 others, especially from Haiti and Liberia.

"Most of these people came here at a time of extraordinary strife in Central America (civil wars) that we (the United States) had a big hand in," Angela Kelley, deputy director of the National Immigration Forum said.

"The Central Americans have the strongest case for relief, and yet they got absolutely nothing," she noted.

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Controversial Chavez Named Labor Secretary

Linda Chavez, the college liberal-turned-conservative political columnist, has been named Secretary of Labor for the George W. Bush administration. For some, her stances on affirmative action and bilingual education provide an needed, independent perspective on issues facing the Hispanic community. To others, her conservative views hurt much more than it helps.

"I intend to vigorously pursue economic opportunities for all Americans," Chavez said during Tuesday's official announcement. "I hope to promote safe working conditions, and enforce the nation's labor laws."

Chavez, the daughter of a hispana mother and an Anglo father, was born in Albuquerque, New Mexico in 1947, but raised in Denver, Colorado. According to the Denver Post, she was a "liberal college student" at the University of Colorado in the 1960s, tutoring the children of migrant farm workers who were admitted to CU though they did not meet all of the school's academic criteria. Hispanic community activist Pierre Jimenez, who attended college with Chavez, told the Post that he even recalls her writing a column in the student newspaper supporting affirmative action at CU.

After two years of doctoral studies at UCLA, she left to work as a staff member of the House judiciary subcommittee on civil and constitutional rights. That work led her to a career in various government and civil rights positions, including her two-year stint as staff director for the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights under the Reagan administration. In



1995, she founded the Center for Equal Opportunity, a conservative think tank that researches race, ethnicity and assimilation issues.

"She is to me a heroine," said U.S. Rep. Tom Tancredo (R-Colorado) to the Denver Post. "This pick shows me that (Bush) is not afraid to do things that will cause some people heartburn."

Opposition "Out of the Barrio"

Over a decade after her college experience, Chavez became a controversial figure to many Latinos beginning with her stint in the Reagan administration, where she alienated liberals in Congress and civil rights groups by reversing established agency positions.

Chavez really caused a stir

in 1991, when her book, *Out of the Barrio: Toward a New Politics of Hispanic Assimilation*, was first published. Chavez made strong claims in opposition to bilingual education and affirmative action programs. In her syndicated columns, Chavez has continued her conservative arguments against programs and policies many Hispanics tend to support.

Chavez's book and syndicated columns have contained the following arguments, to the dismay of many Latinos:

-- Chavez argued in her book that the liberal policy of the 1960s and 1970s failed and that the Reagan administration was a positive experience for the U.S. Latino community.

-- Chavez has argued that bilingual education, as structured in the late 1980s and early 1990s, was an impediment to Hispanic upward mobility. She blamed bilingual educators for much of the policy's flaws in an article she wrote in 1992.

"Like many social programs, bilingual education benefits primarily those who provide the services," argued Chavez in a 1991 USA Today column. "Bilingual educators, unlike the clients they serve, are well educated, well organized and politically effective. For more than 25 years, they have dominated public-policy debates on this issue, produced self-serving research and intimidated their opponents into silence."

-- In a chapter in *Out of the Barrio* called "The Puerto Rican Exception," Chavez argued that the Puerto Rican experience in the United States has been a prime example of how resisting assimilation hinders economic and educational growth. Puerto Rican critics were angry at Chavez for citing stories of Puerto Rican women having babies simply for its welfare benefits.

On Tuesday, labor leaders also wondered about her capacity to enforce labor discrimination policies.

"The Department of Labor has significant civil rights jurisdiction and obviously labor enforcement and other important functions which she has been hostile to," observed Cecilia Munoz, vice president for policy at the National Council of La Raza (NCLR).

During her comments Tuesday, Chavez vowed to "vigorously enforce" the department's non-discrimination laws.

two additional meetings to examine, develop positions and make recommendations on those issues.

The National League of Cities is the nation's oldest and largest municipal government organization, with a membership of more than 1,700 cities and towns of all sizes. All of the nation's 49 state municipal associations also are members of the NLC, making it a national representative for more than 15,000 municipal governments throughout the United States.

Patterson Named to Top NLC Leadership Post

Lubbock City Council member T.J. Patterson has been appointed chairman of the Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Policy Committee of the National League of Cities (NLC) for 2001.

NLC President Dennis Archer, who serves as mayor of Detroit, said, "T.J. brings valuable insights and thoughtful guidance to this committee. It will be an honor to work with him and to benefit from his experienced leadership in the coming year. Important local concerns involving pipeline safety, waste management, air and water quality are some of the key areas this committee will focus on this year."



The Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Policy Committee is one of seven standing NLC committees that develop policy positions on national issues involving municipal governments. Patterson has been a member of the committee for four years.

Each NLC committee has a membership of approximately 200 officials from cities and towns throughout the nation. The committee will hold its first meeting on March 10, 2001 at Washington.

The full committee will identify specific policy issues to be addressed during the year. A smaller group, working as a steering committee, will hold

News Briefs

AZTECA NAMES KEY SALES EXECUTIVE

Azteca America Incorporated, a joint venture between Pappas Telecasting Companies and TV Azteca to form a third Spanish language television network, announced Tuesday the appointment of Gerald Linehan as executive vice president of national spot sales.

Reporting directly to Peter Chrisanthopoulos, Azteca America's President and Chief Operating Officer, Linehan will be responsible for developing a national spot TV sales strategy for Azteca America along with building a national sales staff. Linehan will be in charge of the recruiting, hiring and training of a national spot TV sales force, along with opening offices nationwide.

"I have known Jerry, professionally and personally, for a dozen years and I am very pleased he will be joining us," said Chrisanthopoulos. "We look forward to having Jerry sell and package our national spot inventory to the advertising community."

Linehan spent the first 26 years of his career employed by Petry Television, Inc., from 1973 through 1999, serving as senior vice president and general sales manager of the television division from 1992 to 1999.

Prior to joining Azteca America (NYSE: TZA), Linehan served as vice president and national sales director for Freeinternet.com, one of the first companies to offer consumers free access to the World Wide Web.

"I am delighted to become a new member of the Azteca America team, and I look forward to working closely with the Hispanic and general market advertising community," said Linehan.

Azteca America, a subsidiary of Azteca TV, a large producer of Spanish language programming based in Mexico, continues to form a team in hopes of competing with Univision Communications, Inc. the premier Spanish language network in the United States. Univision, a company that enjoys 90 percent market reach, recently bought USA Broadcasting, a subsidiary of USA Networks, Inc., which owns over ten local television stations.

CENTRAL AMERICANS DUMPED IN IMMIGRATION BILL

An immigration law now in effect effectively prevents hundreds of thousands of Central American and other Latin American immigrants from receiving even permanent residency in this country.

Signed by President Bill Clinton on December 21, the Legal Immigrant and Family Equity Act, which was proposed by Sen. Phil Gramm (R-Texas), has four main components. First, the law allows about 400,000 mostly Mexican and other Latin American immigrants who applied for amnesty in 1986 to now apply for citizenship.

Second, the so-called "245(i)" provision is restored, which allows as many as 200,000 illegal immigrants to pay a \$1,000 fine in order to adjust their immigration status if they apply by April.

Third, spouses and minor children of legal residents who have been waiting more than three years for visas can receive a new visa which allows them to bypass backlogs.

Finally, another new visa, called a "K-visa," allows spouses of U.S. citizens temporary status. However, the law leaves out hundreds of thousands of mostly Guatemalan, Honduran, El Salvadoran and Haitian immigrants who do not fit one of these specifications.

"The new legislation is only covering a small percentage of people," observed Gabriela Lemus, policy analyst for the non-partisan League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC). "There are people that have been here for 15 years but don't fit under these qualifications."

Hispanic civil rights organizations and immigration advocacy groups were trying to receive amnesty for all these people, some of whom moved here during the Cold War in order to flee Washington-supported dictatorships and civil war.

Lemus said that some Republicans supported this bill because, they argued, they did not want to make an ethnic-based argument for amnesty. However, Lemus pointed out, a 1997 law provided special amnesty for Cuban refugees and Nicaraguans arriving before 1995. Lemus also said that Republicans either failed to understand or admit that the U.S. was part of the strife that drew many of these Central American immigrants to move here.

After a long fight to pass a bill granting much wider amnesty, the Congressional Hispanic Caucus remains unhappy over the bill's passage. Rep. Luis Gutierrez (D-Ill.) wrote a letter late last year to President Clinton, saying that signing the bill shows a "lack of fortitude" on his part. All the Caucus's members are Democrat.

"The Caucus is absolutely furious," said Lemus. "They put a lot of political capital on the line and they lost."

CHIAPAS REBELS SAY THE FOX-ORDERED ARMY WITHDRAWAL NOT ENOUGH

On the seventh anniversary of its Indian-rights rebellion, Chiapas rebels called for more military withdrawal.

During a ceremony Monday, members of the Zapatista National Liberation Army (EZLN) praised new President Vicente Fox for his efforts thusfar, which includes a desire to restart peace talks and his call to close a second military base in the Southern state of Chiapas. However, the EZLN still wants more actions taken.

"Each one of the bases represents an affront to the desire for peace of the vast majority of Mexicans and of tens of thousands of people from other countries," said rebel commander David. Though the EZLN contends the leadership of the army comes from the elderly, female clan leaders, many consider Subcommandante Marcos, a Spanish-born revolutionary, to be the group's leader.

The Indian-dominated EZLN, or Zapatistas as they are also called, began a low-intensity civil war on January 1, 1994, the same day the North American Free Trade Agreement took effect. EZLN members and supporters celebrated its anniversary Monday with cultural and sporting events.

GET WELL SOON BIDAL!!!

On behalf of the Aguero family, we would like to extend our sincere thanks to all the people in general, especially for our friends for their prayers toward Bidal Aguero's recovery. By the time everyone knows it -- he will be back to normal and enjoying writing his cometary column that people always want to read.

Thank You! -- ¡Mil Gracias!

El Espangles Es Un Exito Comercial

Por Olivia Muñoz

"Oli, yo quiero que tu come back," me dice mi hermanito, "el nene," por teléfono, medio en castellano, la otra mitad in English.

Como he estado fuera de casa, me echa mucho de menos. En el trasfondo oigo los chasquidos de mi mamá, que dice, "Habla bien, mijo."

Hace años que muchos de nosotros venimos oyendo esas mismas palabras de nuestros padres y abuelos nacidos en Latinoamérica, hasta las oímos de los hermanos mayores, como yo. Habla bien. Decide hablar o en inglés, o en castellano. No los mezclas. Y por Dios, ¡no inventes palabras! ¿Qué es eso de 'watcha'? ¡Eso no es ni inglés ni castellano! Pero bien que sabemos lo que significa, ¿right?

Well, los mayores fruncirán los ceños ante el mosaico que es el idioma de sus hijos -- pero pregúntale a cualquiera -- es la moda.

Claro, venimos por años hablando así, desplegando un menú de opciones de mezclas idiomáticas, como la leche, crema, o Cremora para el café. Me parece que ahora sí podemos declarar con tranquilidad que formamos parte de la mayoría nacional.

So look, y oye lo que te digo. Muchos dirán que esta forma de hablar tiene tiempo ya, con lo de la explosión latina y todo. No obstante, en este país, no le has tocado ni el dedo gordo del pie a la cultura popular si no has podido explotar de tu herencia por dinero.

Por ejemplo, Hallmark en Español, afiliada de una de las compañías más grandes de tarjetas, ofrece una serie de mensajes para diversas ocasiones. Una tarjeta cuyo mensaje le desea una pronta recuperación a una persona doliente, pone lo siguiente:

Watch un poco de televisión
Drink your té con limón
Before you know it
and de repente
You'll be feeling
¡excelente!

¿Qué mejor manera de subirle el ánimo a alguien que con alegres poemas en espanglés? Y suena bonito, ¿doesn't it?

Antes, el insertar en un aviso publicitario una o dos palabras en español bastaba para indicar que se vendía algo latino. No es más así.

Spanglish Is A Commercial Hit

By Olivia Muñoz

"Oli, yo quiero que tu come back," my little brother, ¡El Nene, tells me over the phone, half in Spanish, la otra mitad en inglés.

I've been away from Michigan and he misses me. My mom tsk-tsks in the background and says, 'Habla bien, mijo.'

So many of us have been hearing those words for years from our Latin American-born parents and abuelos, sometimes even from older hermanas like myself. Talk correctly. Speak either in English or Spanish. Don't mix them up. Y por Dios, stop making words up! 'watcha'? ¿Qué es eso de That's not English or Spanish! But we sure know what it means, verdad?

Pues, the elders might furrow their brows at their children's

Davis Delivers Sermon On Miami's Title

By Keith Gave

Miami Hurricanes coach Butch Davis woke up Wednesday morning with a sore elbow.

"Been doing the tomahawk chop all night," Davis said the morning after his 'Canes took care of business with an overwhelming 37-20 victory over Florida.

Butch Davis, with TE Jeremy Shockey, is Florida State's No. 1 fan Wednesday night (AP)

Now, just a few days after saying he couldn't care less about the outcome of the Orange Bowl game between top-ranked Oklahoma and No. 3 Florida State, he has become the Seminoles' No. 1 fan.

The Hurricanes can claim a share of the national title with a Florida State victory, which would give the 'Noles the coaches title by automatic

Recientemente, el servicio de internet, America On-line, ofreció un link entitulado, "Go Loco in Luxury."

Un rápido clic del maus te llevaba a una sección especial de productos de Saks Fifth Avenue, tienda que todos sabemos es famosa por... las cosas que a mí no me alcanza el sueldo comprar. Investigué un poco el sitio. No había allí nada ni remotamente latino.

Los publicistas, quizás un poco como los niños latinos de primera o segunda generación que aprenden inglés, no se preocupan tanto por la gramática, llena de errores, con tal que se dejen entender.

Otro negocio, esta vez de caramelos, Starbust Candies, arrojó la palabra "Juice-ísimo" en una cartelera publicitaria. Vale decir que el que pasara en carro sabía lo que el sufijo del español significaba. Juice-ísimo, mucho juice. Simple.

Hey, el espanglés tiene suficiente tiempo entre nosotros como para merecer un poco de reconocimiento oficial. Ha sido el lenguaje de muchos jóvenes latinos durante generaciones.

Los que dicen "burrito" con dejo neuyorquino o tejano, que pronuncian la "hache" en Honduras, y que oyen letras de canciones latinas en inglés, ya están a la moda, at last.

Las generaciones que también oyeron a Selena (y que por supuesto vieron la película), que se aseguraron de que sus maestros pronunciaran correctamente sus apellidos y que compraron todos los meses la revista Lowrider, ya no tienen que forjarse una identidad.

Las generaciones que se ríen "ja, ja, ja," que exclaman ¡Ay! y no Ouch!, y que sin querer dicen "San Anto," por la ciudad de San Antonio, "East Los" por el sector este de la ciudad de Los Angeles, y por New York, "Nuebayol" están probando que no sólo somos un mercado gigantesco, sino que nuestra cultura vende, también.

¿Quién lo hubiera pensado, huh?

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patchwork language, but ask anyone -- it's la moda.

Sure, many of us have been doing it for años, making our manner of speaking very much like a coffee creamer option: half and half. But I think it's finally safe to say we've made it into the country's mainstream.

Now, mira, hear me out. Sure, many will say it's been going on for a while now, what with the Latin Explosion and all. But in this country, you haven't even begun to put a dent in pop culture until absolutely anyone can make a quick buck off your heritage.

Hallmark en Español, a branch of one of the larger greeting-card companies, offers greetings for a variety of occasions. One, a "get well soon" card, offers this:

vote. The Associated Press' writer's poll decides its own championship, and Davis is hoping his team showed enough to convince the voters and earn half of what would be a split national title.

But Davis also believes there is more at stake -- like the reputation of a program he has worked hard to restore -- when the votes are cast.

"I hope that the writers around the country know they have a chance to send a message -- that they appreciate the way our football team has played, and not just from a football standpoint," said Davis, who resurrected a program rocked by scandal and probation since taking the job six years ago. "The way our players have conducted themselves with class, the adversity they've overcome and the way in which they have tried

Immigration:

More Than 28 Million Immigrants Living In U.S.

Some 28.4 million immigrants live in the United States, an increase of 43 percent since 1990, according to a report released Wednesday by the Center for Immigration Studies (CIS).

The report said immigrants represent 10.4 percent of the U.S. population, which has grown to 281 million people according to the latest census.

Although the number of immigrants is the highest in the history of the nation, the percentage of the population of foreign origin has not surpassed 12 percent of the nation's total population, a high reached in the past century's second decade.

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Do you think that everyone was counted last year by the Census Bureau?

The CIS, which lobbies for increased restrictions on immigration, said that "at the end of the 1990s, more than 1.2 million immigrants, both legal and illegal, were relocating to the United States every year."

"The number of immigrants that live in the United States has tripled since 1979, rising from 9.6 million to 28.4 million," CIS director Steven Camarota said.

"Immigration has become the determining factor in the growth of the population of the United States," Camarota added.

we want to know!
How do you like to be called?
Hispanic
Latino

"This latest data confirms what many Americans see with their own eyes: the nation is in the midst of the largest sustained wave of immigration in its history," Camarota said. "Drink your té con miel y limón. Watch un poco de televisión. Before you know it y de repente You'll be feeling ¡excelente!"

What better way to boost someone's spirits than with a cheery poem in Spanglish? And it flows pretty nicely, ¿qué no?

It used to be that using a word or two in Spanish would guarantee an ad was about something Latino. But not so any more.

Internet provider America Online recently offered a link titled "Go Loco in Luxury."

A quick click of the mouse led to a special shopping section featuring Saks Fifth Avenue, which we all know is famous for... stuff I can't afford. I looked around the site a bit. There was nothing even remotely Latino there.

Advertisers, perhaps like first- or second-generation Latin American children learning English, don't care so much that their their grammar is full of flaws so long as they get their message across.

Starbust Candies splashed the word "Juice-ísimo" on a billboard advertisement. I think it's safe to say that anybody driving past knew what was meant with the Spanish suffix. Juice-ísimo, as in mucho juice. Simple.

Oye, Spanglish has been around long enough to deserve some recognition. It's been the language of many young Hispanic-Americans for generations. Those of us who say "burrito" with a New York or Texas accent, who pronounce the "h" in Honduras and listen to English-language music lyrics are in style, por fin.

to demonstrate that there is still an old-fashioned way of playing football. ... About being respectful, not being in your face. You can win and become national champions without embarrassing anybody. Hopefully (writers) will recognize that."

Davis was on a roll. But he wasn't necessarily preaching to the converted at an 8 a.m. news conference. With the national media in the palm of his hand, his message was intended for prospective recruits -- and their parents -- more than anyone.

"I just hope people recognize the fact that as hard as we've worked to win football games, we've also worked extraordinarily hard to try to change the perception and image of the university," he said. "We've got a school that we're very proud of. It's a great academy."

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ota said. According to the Population Reference Office, a private group that studies demographics, the United States experienced, in terms of the proportion of the population, a much more significant wave of immigration from 1900 to 1920.

The CIS study said that 37.4 percent of the foreign-born residents have gained

U.S. citizenship. It said immigrants make up 5.5 percent of the electorate.

"The immigrant population remains highly concentrated," Camarota said, "Seventy-one percent live in just six states."

The CIS study found that more than half of the immigrants and their children that arrived in the United States after 1970 live in poverty, compared to 28 percent of

American natives and their children "One-third of the immigrants lack medical insurance, a rate that is 2.5 times higher than among natives," Camarota said.

"The immigrants that arrived after 1989 and their American-born children represent 60 percent of the increase in the total number of people lacking health insurance," Camarota said.

Nuevo Año - Nueva Vida



New Year Baby-Lubbock, Tx. Gregorio and Julie Cortez hold their new daughter, Geniva Ann, Monday, January 1, 2001 afternoon at Covenant Medical Center. She was Lubbock's first baby of 2001, was born at 2:14 am. Geniva will be sharing a home with brothers Ignacio Cortez, 9 months, and Christopher Escalanté, 5, along with her older sister, Samantha Escalante, 6. Congratulations to the whole family!



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Ravens Have the Reputation, But Titans Have Top Ranking

By Pete Prisco

They have the top-ranked defense in the league, but the second-best on the field this Sunday.

It sounds weird, but it's true.

That's what the statistics say. The Tennessee Titans led the NFL in total defense, but the Baltimore Ravens, their opponent Sunday in the AFC divisional playoffs, set a record for fewest points allowed in a 16-game season.

That makes the Ravens the best ever -- since scoring defense is the ultimate grade. But it was the Titans who led the league in fewest yards allowed this season, giving up 238.4 per game, compared to 247.9 for the Ravens. The Titans were better on third down and also allowed one less first down.

Randall Godfrey's arrival from Dallas gave the Titans more speed at middle linebacker.

In fact, were it not for the remarkable play of the Baltimore defense, the Tennessee defense would be getting all the attention heading into Sunday's game at Adelphia Coliseum. The Titans defense allowed just 191 points -- third best since the league went to the 16-game schedule behind the Ravens this season and the 1986 Bears.

Yet all you hear about is the Ravens defense.

Tennessee? That's Eddie George and Steve McNair's team.

The D in Nashville stands for Dissed.

"It doesn't bother us," Tennessee middle linebacker Randall Godfrey said. "We know how good we are. We don't let that stuff get to us. Baltimore has been doing it on defense the past couple of years, so they get the attention. But we're not second to any defense. I don't believe there is another defense that is any better."

Said coordinator Gregg Williams: "It's easy to motivate these guys because they play with a chip on their shoulders. They know how good they are, and they should be getting more attention, so they want to go out there and show it. That helps as a coach to have guys who want to prove something."

Williams is one of the rising stars in the coaching profession and is considered a head coaching candidate for the expansion Houston Texans. A former quarterback, he believes aggression is the key to defensive success.

That's why he had the Titans in a blitz-man coverage situation late in last January's Super Bowl when the Rams hit his defense with a 73-yard touchdown pass with 1:54 left in the game that proved to be the winning points. The way Williams saw it: His attacking style got his team there, so why change?

It's a style that suits the personnel perfectly. Since

speed is a must, the Titans were built with that as the prerequisite. Up front, end Jevon Kearse is as fast as there is in the league, although being consistently double-teamed has hindered his production during his second season. The rest of the front is also quick, fast, and penetrating.

The linebackers can run as well as any group in the league. In addition to Godfrey, signed as a free agent from the Dallas Cowboys, the Titans start Eddie Robinson and Greg Favors outside. All three have the speed to cover tight ends and backs and can blitz effectively.

After a slow start assimilating into the defense, Godfrey has been outstanding the past eight games. His ability to run to the ball is something this defense didn't have the past couple of years from the middle linebacker spot.

"I struggled with some of the defenses," Godfrey said. "But the more I played, the more comfortable I felt. Guys like Eddie have really helped. He's like a coach out there. He sees things before the ball is snapped. A lot of times, he'll point out where the play is going before it happens."

"Randall's personality has been a great addition to this defense," Williams said. "He's played very well."

Backing up the linebackers are strong safety Blaine Bishop and free safety Marcus Robertson. Bishop is a sure tackler and one of the best in the league near the line of scrimmage. Robertson is the ball hawk of the unit, although he might be slowing down.

The corner duo of Samari Rolle and Denard Walker is a good one. Both players are good man-cover corners -- a must in Tennessee's defense. Rolle was named to his first Pro Bowl this season after what he said was a maturation process.

"The older guys showed me that it takes a lot of studying and time to be a great player," Rolle said. "That's what I got from Blaine and Marcus. You have to put the time in to become a great player. So I did." The common denominators

of the defense are speed and toughness. The Titans are one of the best tackling teams in the league. It is rare to see a short pass result in a long gain. It's usually catch -- and then drop.

The different looks the defense gives can be confusing for opposing offenses. Williams blitzes players from all locations on all downs, making it difficult to determine trends.

While his defense is well structured, Williams doesn't want robots on the field. Godfrey said players are asked to be instinctive.

"You think on the run," Godfrey said. "They allow us to make plays. Players have to think while we're attacking. You have to know the defense, but you can also be instinctive. That's what makes this defense so good."

Good as in the best? That will be determined Sunday. For now, Godfrey and the Titans are not backing down from any claim that they have the best defense.

"I don't think we should," Godfrey said. "Baltimore has the marquee guys like Ray Lewis, but we have a bunch of no-name guys who just go out and get the job done. It's not about names, though. It's about doing your job, and that's what we do."

Even if they do it without much attention.

"They're not quite respected enough," Williams said.

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democratic school with great integrity and we wanted a football program that can be a shining light of that university. We've spent an awful lot of time trying to recruit kids with great integrity and character -- even at the expense, maybe, of turning some players down who maybe were slightly more talented in high school. We just didn't feel that in the end that's how we wanted to recreate the program.

"I hope that last night, to some extent, brought to light a little bit of perception around the country that this is a program that can be a role model. These are good kids, and they handle themselves with class and act in a sportsmanlike manner."

Now if Davis can only do something about the team mascot, who jumped into the pile in the end zone after the Hurricanes' final touchdown Tuesday night. That was the first of two penalties that forced kicker Todd Sievers to successfully convert a point-after from 50 yards -- for the second time this season. His career long field goal is from 44 yards, which he also made in the Sugar Bowl.

Regarding his future, which has been the subject of intense speculation around Bourbon Street this week, Davis reiterated he has no plans to leave the Miami despite rumors

linking him to NFL teams in Cleveland and, earlier in the season, Dallas.

He said he is the final stages of negotiations with athletic director Paul Dee on a new five-year deal that would raise his salary to \$1.3 million from \$900,000.

"I hope to talk with Paul and get it signed this morning," Davis said. "We've had some conversations the last couple of days. I'd like to get it done as soon as possible."

Next among his priorities, before hitting the recruiting trail, is rounding out his coaching staff. He awarded the vacant defensive coordinator's job to Chuck Pagano after the Sugar Bowl victory. Pagano had been defensive backs coach and special teams coordinator. Davis would like to fill both those positions among as many as four new hires to his staff.

Other than that, he plans to kick back and enjoy the party even if the 'Canes have to share the limelight a bit with his new favorite football team.

"How are we going to celebrate? Well, I thought we

could start by making our reservations to go to the White House," he said, referring to the honor the nation's president traditionally bestows on sports champions. "I figure we can go on the same charter with Florida State."

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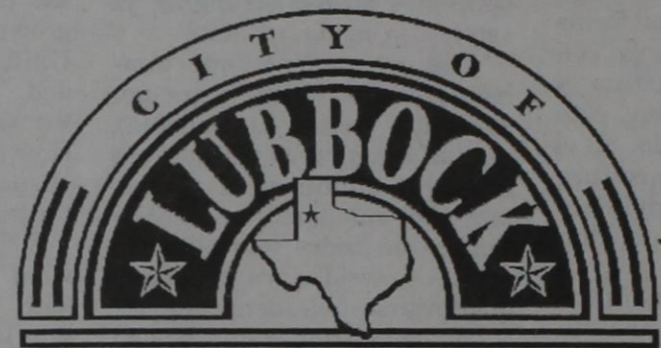
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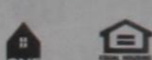
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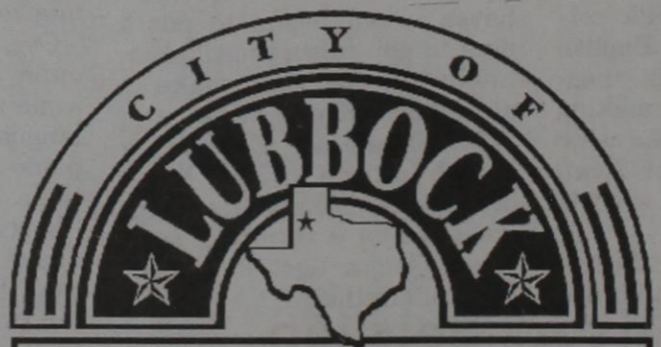
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Jennifer Lopez Highest Paid Latina In Hollywood



Jennifer Lopez

Jennifer Lopez is the highest paid Hispanic woman in film history, according to *Ally* magazine.

The January issue reports that Lopez, 30, achieved that status by receiving \$9 million for her role in the romantic comedy "The Wedding Planner." She plays a busy bridal consultant in the film, which co-stars Matthew McConaughey and is due in theaters Jan. 26.

Lopez said the loss of privacy and anonymity that accompanies fame has been difficult. "Cause you want it, but then when it happens, it's

like, a weird feeling," she said. "I started asking different celebrities who had been in the business a long time, 'What do you do? Is this normal, this feeling that I have? Is this going to be OK? Am I going crazy?'"

Lopez took advice from other celebrities to meditate. She also unwinds by exercising and reading books about spirituality.

When asked by *Marie Claire* magazine on whether she prefers to be described as smart or sexy, Jennifer Lopez chose the latter.

"I have a very curvaceous body and I like to accentuate that; feminine clothes, things that make me feel sexy," Lopez says in the February issue that hit newsstands Tuesday. The actress-singer appears on the cover with "The Wedding Planner" co-star McConaughey.

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New Hispanic Talents Compete for Grammys

Albums by Christina Aguilera, Oscar de la Hoya, Luis Miguel, Alejandro Sanz and Shakira are in hot competition for the best Latin record of the 43rd annual Grammys.

As in other Grammy categories, the Spanish-speaking artists nominated represent a wide cross section of both new and old talent, with such veterans of the music industry as Cachao, Celia Cruz, Gloria Estefan and Tony Vega included alongside relative newcomers De la Hoya and Aguilera.

For Best Latin Rock/Alternative Album the nominees were Cafe Quijano's *La Extraordinaria Paradoja del Sonido Quijano*, El Tri's *No Podemos Volar*, La Ley's *Uno*, Los Amigos Invisibles' *Arepa 3000*, and Fito Paez's *Abre*.

Other Latin categories included in the 43rd Grammys are Best Traditional Tropical Latin Album, Best Salsa Album, Best Merengue Album, Best Mexican/Mexican American Album and Best Tejano Album.

Hispanic artists were also nominated in other, non-Latin categories.

Christina Aguilera was nominated for Best Female Pop Vocal Performance along with Madonna and Britney Spears.

Marcelo and Ricky Martin compete for Best Male Pop Vocal Performance with their respective hits "You Sang to Me" and "She Bangs."

Jennifer Lopez's "Let's Get Loud" and Enrique Iglesias' "Be with You" compete for Best Dance Recording.

All in all, the Grammys have placed legendary names such as Eric Clapton and B. B. King side by side with newcomers such as rap singer Eminem, whose musical talents compete with his controversial lyrics for the spotlight.

Eminem has managed to be accused in record time of being homophobic and a misogynist,

LHCC January Luncheon

The Lubbock Hispanic Chamber of Commerce invites everyone to its monthly luncheon that will be held on Friday, January 12, 2001. The luncheon will be held at the Holiday Inn Towers at 801 Avenue Q starting at 11:45 am - 1:00 pm.

Luncheon highlights will be the Installation of the 2001 Board of Directors and Sponsorship Presentation. Special celebrity guest master of ceremonies M.C.-Jocelyn Maminta, Anchor Woman for CBS Channel 13.

The sponsor for the luncheon will be *Mi Casita Care Center* 2400 Quaker, Lubbock, Tx 806-792-2831. The cost for the luncheon per person is \$15.00. If you RSVP by January 8 at 5:00 pm, the cost will be \$12.00 per person. Call 762-5059 for more information.

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seems to become stronger. We have a fail-safe method that we lean on at every impasse. When all else fails (and sometimes out of sheer habit), we go to the courts and we let the judges decide.

In Mexico, though, as far as most Mexicans know, these are uncharted waters. For generations Mexicans have known only that power and the rule of law rested in the party of institutionalized revolution, the perfect political oxymoron, the PRI. Nothing happens in Mexico without the party somehow knowing of it or having a hand in making it happen.

In fact, there are many Mexicans who believe that the bloody Zapatista uprising in Chiapas is nothing more than the refracted light of a PRI lantern. The belief goes that the power structure set up Subcomandante Marcos as its controlled prodigal in order to establish a need for order. As weird as it sounds, some Mexicans allow themselves to harbor the idea that the government would cause itself trouble in order to perpetuate itself.

In a land where things are seldom what they appear to be, the election of an opposition candidate is suspect from the inside.

So the question posed to me was real. Am I among those who believe that things are really going to change in Mexico?

Vicente Fox, with all his striding confidence, is still a member of the power class in Mexico, the class that turned a revolution into a monolithic institution. Should we expect a change?

For the vast majority of Mexicans, Fox is a revelation. They cheer him as they would cheer a mythical champion. Fox did the undoable, the unthinkable, the impossible. He broke down the institution and freed the revolution, and in his wake the power of old was sent reeling. Fox has said he plans to meet face-to-face with Subcomandante Marcos to bring an end to the trouble in Chiapas and establish the rights of the natives of the Lacandon forest.

"Of course," the cynics say, "there is no more need for the thorn."

Things will certainly change in Mexico, but only because a change has already begun. There has been more U.S. investment in Mexico in the past six years than there had ever been in all the years before. And it's no secret that Fox and George W. see in each other a staunch commercial and political ally. U.S. interest in Mexico will only grow in the coming years, and with Bush as our president, Texas stands to benefit greatly.

What is likely is that in Mexico the already wealthy will become more so, and in Texas the already stout good ol' boys will become bloated.

Those who believe in the mythical Fox expect him to enter the presidency swinging a wrecking ball. They expect the demolition of the former power structure. They look forward to a new beginning while others wait for the dust to settle before they believe in the new order.

Which brings me back to the presidential election in the United States. Here, as well as in Mexico, we hoped for the best. Here, as well as in Mexico, we have undergone a bloodless revolution. Power seems to pass from one hand to another without the slightest disruption. But while we expect stagnation and gridlock, they expect a new day. Well, some of them do.

"In Mexico," my young friend told me, "things never change."

"In the U.S.," I told him, "things change very slowly."

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NFL Schottenheimer Named New Redskins Coach



SCHOTTENHEIMER

The Washington Redskins hired former Kansas City and Cleveland coach Marty Schottenheimer as their head coach and director of football operations on Wednesday.

Schottenheimer received a four-year, \$10 million contract from the Redskins, who finished the season 8-8 and missed the playoffs despite the largest player payroll in NFL history.

To hire Schottenheimer, the

Redskins have agreed to give the Chiefs third-round picks in the next two drafts.

Schottenheimer, who has worked for ESPN the last two years and has been critical of Redskins owner Dan Snyder, replaces interim coach Terry Robiskie, who coached the final three games of this season after Norv Turner was fired.

Schottenheimer coached the Chiefs from 1989-98, compiling a 101-58-1 record. He resigned in January 1999, with three seasons left on his Kansas City contract.

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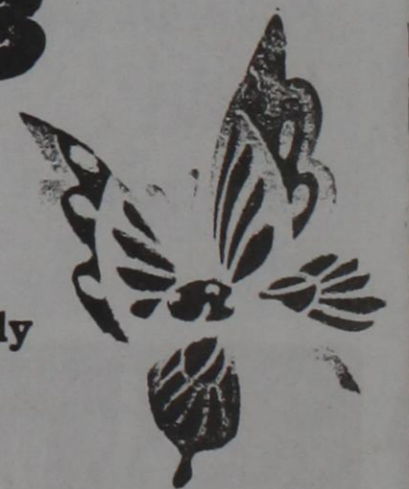
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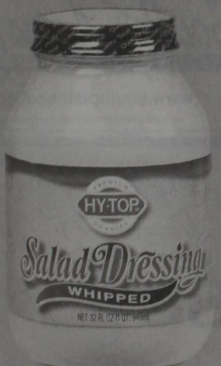
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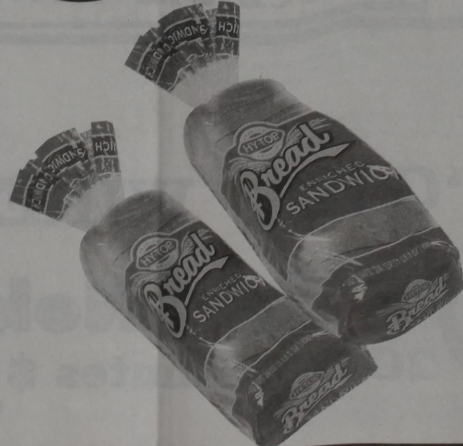
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