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## Espectacular Presentación del Ballet Folklórico Paso del Norte Junto con El Mariachi Jaliscencie



The sounds of Mariachi together with the glitter of the beautiful colors of Mexican Folklórico Dance groups will fill Lubbock Civic Center Theatre this coming March 8th and 9th when the Eight annual Viva Aztlan Festival will take place in Lubbock. Featured group

will be the winner of last year's "Best of Festival". The Ballet Folklórico Paso del Norte. They will perform together with "El Mariachi Jaliscencie" from Juarez on Saturday night at 7:45.

The group comes to Lubbock rich in tradition and history and

showcasing the Art and History of Mexico through song and dance. The dance troupe, under the Artistic Direction and Chorography of Professor Rodolfo Hernandez, was founded in 1976 and has traveled extensively throughout the United States and Mexico.

La organización Lubbock Centro Aztlan anuncio esta semana que Lubbock sera el local para sola una presentación del reconocido El Ballet Paso junto con el Mariachi Jaliscencie este proximo sabado por la noche.

Ambos grupos se presentaran durante el Festival Viva Aztlan que se llevara acabo en el Teatro del Centro Civico Memorialempdesando a las 7:45 de la noche.

Mas de 10 grupos folkloricos se presentaran durante el Festival. Los grupos vienen de diferentes ciudades.

Grupos que participaran vienen desde Greeley Colorado, Juarez Mexico, Portales New Mexico, San Antonio, Terlingua, Ralls, Alvin, El Paso, Dallas and Lubbock Texas.

El Festival empiesara el viernes por la tarde a las 8 de la mañana con talleres de danza presentados por maestros de baile que vienen desde Mexico. Los talleres seran para jovenes interesados y estudiando el ballet folklórico pero seran abiertos al publico por el precios de entrada. El presenció de entrada para todas los funciones sera \$3 por dia y son accesibles en la puerta del Centro Civico.

Premios seran presentados para diferentes aspectos del Ballet incluyendo los mejores vestuarios, mejor tecnica, mejor cheografia y otors. Presentacion de los premios sera empesando a las 9:15 el sabado.

Este programa fue hecho posible por consecciones del concilio de la ciudad como recomendado por el Lubbock Arts Alliance y Civic Lubbock Inc. y por donaciones de United Supermarkes, Lubbock Avalance Journal, Brito Communications y El Editor.

Para mas información se puede llamar al 806-763-3841 o al 773-9200.



## Fuerzas Aliadas Continúan Bonbardeos

Fuerzas aliadas en la lucha contra el terrorismo encabezadas por Estados Unidos continúan hoy la ofensiva armada para eliminar los reductos de Al Qaeda y de los talibanes al este de Afganistán.

Aparatos estadounidenses mantuvieron por cuarto día consecutivo los bombardeos contra las posiciones de los renegados que están resistiendo con fiereza la mayor ofensiva de las fuerzas aliadas en lo que va de año.

Se desconoce con precisión si se han movido las posiciones sobre el terreno de algunos de los bandos, pero los rebeldes han conseguido frenar el avance sustancial sobre el terreno de las tropas aliadas y de los combatientes afganos.

La ofensiva armada contra los renegados atrincherados en la red de cuevas y búnkers que salpican las montañas de los distritos de Arma y Zarmat en la provincia oriental de Paktya causó el mayor número de bajas estadounidenses desde que Washington inició el 7 de octubre la operación "Libertad Duradera".

Fuentes oficiales de Washington admitieron la muerte de ocho de sus soldados desde que lanzaron el viernes por la noche la ofensiva armada contra combatientes afganos al mando de militares locales leales al gobierno de Kabul.

Las tropas estadounidenses sufrieron ayer un revés cuando combatientes de Al Qaeda y talibanes dieron muerte a seis soldados al derribar un helicóptero, mientras que uno más perdió la



vida en otro helicóptero alcanzado por el fuego enemigo.

Portavoces estadounidenses informaron también de la muerte de varios combatientes afganos y calificaron de elevadas las pérdidas humanas en las filas enemigas.

Comandantes de las tropas locales afganas que participan en la operación junto a las fuerzas aliadas declararon hoy a la agencia afgana de noticias "Bakhtar" que al menos 200 militantes de Al Qaeda y talibanes habian perdido la vida en los cuatro días que duran los combates.

Atrincherados en la red de cuevas y búnkers naturales que salpican las montañas de los distritos de Arma y Zarmat, los incondicionales de Osama Bin Laden y los talibanes se

defienden con misiles tierra-aire, lanzadoras de cohetes, morteros y otras armas de fuego ligeras.

Militares norteamericanos sospechan que los rebeldes pueden disponer también de misiles Stinger, que Estados Unidos entregó a los combatiente afganos en la década de los años ochenta para que combatieran a los ocupantes soviéticos.

Los feroces combates por tierra contra los renegados durante los primeros días disminuyeron en intensidad, pero los bombardeos han continuado ininterrumpidamente hoy martes con la participación de aviones franceses.

U.S. and Mexican negotiators are working on an agreement to increase the number of Mexicans allowed to work in the United States and to authorize Mexican trucks to operate north of the border region, Homeland Security Director Tom Ridge said Thursday.

They hope to have the plan ready for President Bush and Mexican President Vicente Fox to unveil when the two leaders meet later this month in Monterrey, Mexico, according to officials familiar with the talks.

Ridge, who met with reporters before he departs for Mexico City on Monday, noted that efforts to legalize more Mexicans to work in this country were sidetracked by the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. The Immigration and Naturalization Service said nearly 175,000 Mexicans legally immigrated to the United States in 2000.

But he said the talks have regained momentum in recent weeks and negotiators from both countries are "keen on trying to give both presidents at least a partial answer to the larger problem."

Mexico supports two programs to improve the lives of the estimated 4 million Mexicans now living illegally in the United States.

Fox wants the United States to increase the number of Mexicans granted temporary work permits.

In a move that has stirred political controversy in the United States, he has asked the United States to put many of the workers on a path toward a green card, which provides permanent legal residence and is a step toward U.S.

citizenship.

Addressing efforts to settle safety and regulatory concerns that have limited the ability of Mexican trucks to operate on U.S. highways, Ridge said negotiators "hope to have those issues resolved before the president (Bush) meets with President Fox" at an international conference.

In December, Congress approved a plan to let Mexican truckers into the country if they abide by a long list of rules. Mexican truckers were miffed about the rules, even blocking border entry ports to drive their point home. But the U.S. Department of Transportation has moved forward with working out the details of the congressional plan.

Officials from Mexico and the United States acknowledge that Fox, whose domestic popularity has slid because his first 15 months in office have produced few tangible results, has staked his reputation on forging agreements with the United States. They also say that Bush, who has a close relationship with Fox and wants to court Mexican-American voters, would benefit from an agreement, even one that offered only part of what Fox seeks.

In his meeting with reporters, Ridge praised Mexico's understanding of heightened U.S. security concerns after Sept. 11 and hailed Fox's efforts to combat corruption.

He also said the National Guard troops being sent to the Mexican and Canadian borders are a temporary stopgap to fill security needs and talked of plans for new technology to speed the \$260 billion annual flow of trade

between the two countries.

"We appreciate the fact that our Mexican friends understand that the dimension of security in our mind has been elevated dramatically after the 11th," Ridge said. He said that, although the two countries' law enforcement agencies had a good relationship before the terrorist attacks, "it got even better" afterward.

Asked about law enforcement corruption that has aided Mexican smugglers of both humans and drugs, Ridge said he has "great respect and admiration" for Fox's efforts to fight the problem.

"Everyone knows that there's a challenge that his government has with regard to the application of the rule of law and making sure there's integrity across the entire border with regard to law enforcement and local officials," Ridge said. "And I think there's been great progress on that."

Ridge said the topics they will discuss with Mexican officials include technologies to speed the flow of commerce that has seen the two countries' economies become steadily integrated.

One idea embraced by the United States, Mexico and Canada calls for "pre-clearance" of trucks before they reach the border, crossings, where lines cause delays.

On Tuesday, Ridge met with Arizona Gov. Jane Hull, who asked him to support the state's request for \$108 million in emergency funding for a truck bypass at Hoover Dam. Concerns that terrorists might target the dam have led to lengthy delays of traffic crossing the dam at the Arizona-Nevada line.

## Reforms Urged As Latino Immigrant Remittances Plunge by \$4 Billion

By Arlene Martinez

Job losses caused by the U.S. recession top the list of reasons why monies -- an estimated \$20 billion annually -- sent back to Latin American countries by Latinos living in the United States may have dropped by \$4 billion over the last year, a report commissioned by the Inter-American Development Bank's Multilateral Investment Fund has found. Nearly half of those sending remittances are from Mexico.

Another \$3 billion was spent in fees to get the money to the

countries through wire services such as Western Union and MoneyGram Services, the study reported. Four in 10 senders utilize these well-known companies. The impact to the Latin countries' economies is further affected by billions of dollars in fees associated with sending the money.

For the report, made public Feb. 25, MIF surveyed 1,000 U.S. immigrants from Latin America. Included in its findings:

-- Seven of 10 sent money home, with the youngest, lowest-wage earners most likely to do so.

-- Half of the respondents said they had cut their remittances by 50 percent or more.

-- On average, immigrants sent \$200 seven times a year.

-- Only two in 10 people use traditional banks or credit unions to send money, largely because few immigrants (56 percent of those polled) or recipients have bank accounts.

At a Feb. 28 hearing of the Senate Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee on remittances, Sergio Bendixen, one of the report's researchers,

commented: "It is unconscionable that the poorest of the working poor in our society are paying approximately a 12.5 percent surcharge every time they send money to their family in Latin America."

The actual transaction cost to the wire services ranges from \$3 to \$6 per transfer, though some analysts argue that it's even less, according to Manuel Orozco, project director for Central America at the IDB.

Transfer charges to send \$300 or less range from \$7 to \$26 based on the service used and amount.

Companies that charge among the lowest rates still clear a profit, even excluding the added charges culminating from the difference in exchange rates.

Last year, Western Union reduced its rate to send up to \$300 to Mexico from \$14.99 to \$9.99, but the company sets its own exchange rate, which often translates into higher fees.

Lowering wire costs by 5 percent to a country like El Salvador would generate an additional \$98.6 million in income to families there, the report projected.

U.S. Rep. Luis Gutiérrez (D-Ill.) is proposing the Wire Transfer Fairness and Disclosure Act, which has 70 co-sponsors. The bill would require wire providers to disclose to customers all commissions and fees charged, including the exact rate of exchange.

"The profits from these 'currency conversion fees' are staggering, allowing companies to reap millions of dollars more than they make from service fees," Gutiérrez said during the hearing.

Dr. Raúl Hinojosa-Ojeda, a

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# Endorsements

It's been the year for mud-slinging in Texas and all the candidates seem to be using the tactic as much as possible. Because of this there has been little talk about the real issues and it has made it harder to decide who to recommend to our readers.

In spite of this, we at El Editor feel that it is important for us to endorse who we think will best represent us in the different races.

We will only make endorsements in contested races and would recommend that our readers take time to ask the individual candidates about their credentials and their reasons are for running.

## For Governor

### Tony Sanchez

Although we know that Dan Morales is an outstanding candidate and has has continually worked toward the benefit of our people during his stint as attorney general, we cannot agree with him and support him for his ruling on Hopwood decision. This resulted in preventing perhaps hundreds of minority students from attending law schools and major Universities by hendering their financial aid.

Tony Sanchez seems to have the right idea

## For U.S. Senate: We are split between Ken Bentsen and Ron Kirk

On this race we recommend our readers to read materials available on both these candidates and pick the best candidate.

## In Local races

For those that are republican we recommend the following

### For County Judge: Chris Winn

**Delwin Jones for State Representative** - He has done a good job in representing and looking out for the interest of our people in Austin, In all the other races, including that between Brad Underwood and Warnick we would recommend voting against the incumbent. It seems that all the present elected officials are simply notdoing their job.

## Vote March 12 - It's Our Duty - If You Don't -- Don't Complain!

# Tom Head Has Had His Chance It's Time For Chris Winn To Lead.

" Incumbent Tom Head has been a disappointment as a leader of the Commissioner's Court. Mr. Winn... might be an opportunity to bring leadership to the county."

Sunday, February 24, 2002 The Lubbock Avalanche-Journal

Tom Head

Chris Winn

### Collections of Accounts Receivable To Lubbock County

"It's not my responsibility."

"It will be my responsibility."

### Chief Budget Officer Of Lubbock County

"It's not my job."

"I'll make it my job and my responsibility."

### Questionable Budget Amendments

"I thought those were all thought out. "

"I'll think through the budget process."

### Communication With Other Cities In The County

"I haven't done a very good job of that. "

"I'll make it a priority."

### Feeding the Hungry with General Assistance

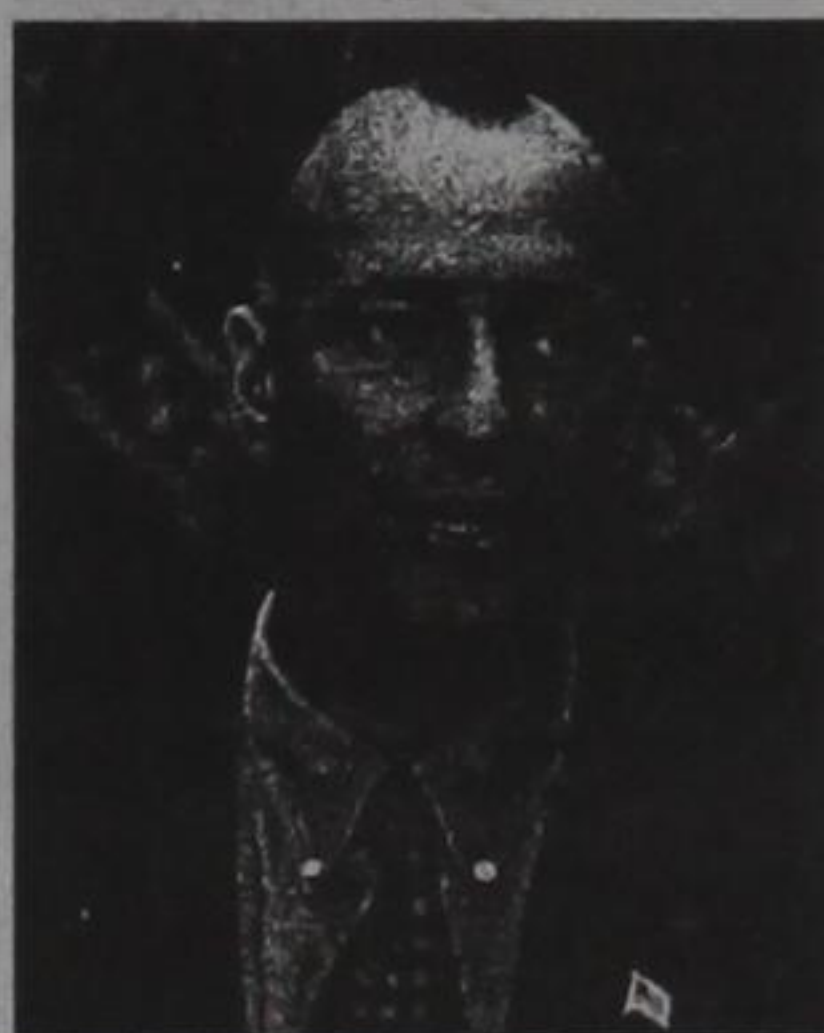
"To take money and give it to a person in need amounts to theft"

"Doing what is morally right is never wrong."

# WINN

## For COUNTY JUDGE

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# Democratic Primary Candidates

**Yolanda Guerrero**  
Candidate State Representative  
District 84 - Unopposed in Primary

My name is Yolanda Guerrero, and I am the Democratic candidate for Texas State Representative District 84. I am running for this office, because I feel I can do better at representing the working citizen of this area.

I feel the regular West Texas citizen is not being represented by West Texas Republican politicians, which threaten the economy and jobs in this whole region. This is one of the reasons, I decided to run for State Representative. I feel I have a lot to offer because I understand worker needs, and I am asking for your vote to represent you as your state representative in District 84. Thank you.

**GENARO S. GARCIA**

Candidate County Surveyor - Unopposed in Primary

Genaro was born in the city of Idalou, Texas on February 16, 1955, he has lived in Lubbock County all his life. He attended South Plains College where he majored in Geology and Texas Tech University where he majored in Mechanical Engineering Technology. He attended Lubbock Christian University, where he is pending a Bachelor of Science in Organizational Management. He plans to pursue a master's degree and a doctoral degree at Lubbock Christian University.

He believes he can serve this community as a leader with efficient, responsible and accountable actions, he states "it would be my honor and pleasure to serve this community as well as this country".

**DANIEL ZAPATA**

Candidate County Commissioner Pct. 2 - Unopposed in Primary

Daniel Zapata is a 29 year-old committed to his wife, Tracy, and three beautiful children, five-year old Isaich, three-year old Aryssa, and one-year old Marcos. He has been a General

Manager for Midwest Money Centers, Inc. (of Lubbock) for 11 years and owns his own business in Slaton, where he was born and raised. He has at least 20 hours in pre-law from Texas Tech University and plans to continue his education in the future. Daniel and his family are active members of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church.

Mr. Zapata has comprehensive experience in budget projection and money/business management. He is a competent individual ready to use his skills and personal demeanor at a greater level - to serve the community as County Commissioner, Precinct #2.

**John Mancias**

Candidate Justice of the Peace Pct. 2 - Unopposed in Primary

John attended and graduated from Plainview High School in May of 1972. John Mancias, Moved to Lubbock, Texas to attend Texas Tech University in 1972.

On top of all the volunteer work he is employed with ACS the administrator of the Texas Health Network one of the managed care Medicaid plans in the Lubbock Service Area. With all this dedicates his free time to his Native American Culture and Spirituality.

**Christy Martinez**

Candidate County Treasurer - Unopposed in Primary

By profession Christy Martinez has 15 years experience in a highly accountable Communications, Public Relations, Marketing, Communications, or Management role. She currently is self-employed and does PR/marketing consulting. She attended Texas Tech Uni-

versity and majored in PR and Marketing. She was named a Texas Tech McNair Scholar. She will also be working towards a Masters in Public Administration at Texas Tech.

She worked for the City of Lubbock as a Public Information Specialist, where she coordinated and planned many PR, marketing and campaigns plans. She is most noted for planning and implementing the City's Census 2000 public awareness campaign, which targeted historically undercounted groups.

In addition to her career, she takes pride in her community involvement. She is an advocate of the eradication of breast cancer, and through her platform she committed developing a community Breast Cancer Awareness Campaign with bilingual information for women.

She has been the director of the Miss Fiestas del Llano Scholarship Pageant for three years.

Some of her volunteer activities and honors include serving on Texas Tech University's Chancellor's Advisory Council, the American Heart Association Special Groups Task Force, the YWCA Board, Lubbock Susan G. Komen Foundation Board, Lubbock Meals on Wheels, League of Women Voters, serving as president of the Hispanic Association of Women, and the Board Chair of Fiestas del Llano, Inc. just to name a few.

More recently, Christy filed to run for County Treasurer, and is encouraging the community to get out and vote.

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Tuesday, March 12th

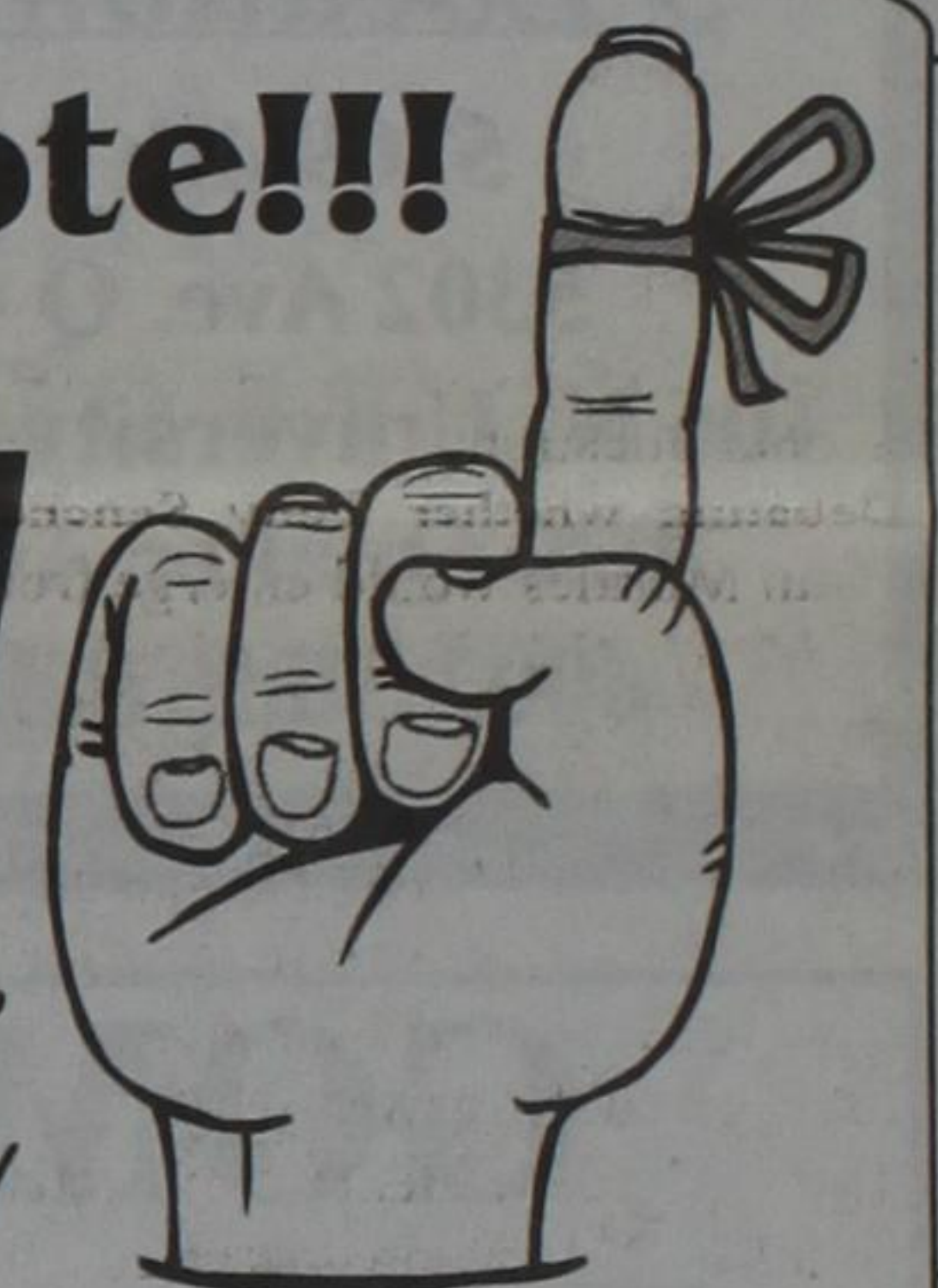
# Tom Head

Lubbock County Judge

"I would be honored to continue ..."

Paid for by the Campaign to Re-Elect Tom Head, Cecil Marberry, Treasurer, P. O. Box 64904, Lubbock, TX 79464, 806-791-1374

Tom Head



"What Lubbock County needs is judges who care about due process."

# KATIE DILL

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For Justice of the Peace Precinct 2

Paid for by the Campaign to Elect Katie Dill, Garrett Gamble, Treasurer, 450 West Garza, Slaton, TX 79364, 806-828-6937

## Condit Loses Re-Election Bid to Former Portege

Rep. Gary Condit on Tuesday resoundingly lost his uphill bid to hold onto his Central Valley congressional seat, his successful political career ended by his relationship with missing intern Chandra Levy.

Condit's defeat, at the hands of a onetime friend and protege, Assemblyman Dennis Cardoza, marked the end of a 30-year political career. Cardoza was one of several Democrats who challenged Condit for a seat that, until Levy disappeared last spring, was considered a sure bet for the incumbent. Instead, Condit became one of the few entrenched incumbents to lose a primary contest.

Although police have said they do not consider him a suspect in the case, questions about the married congressman's relationship with the 24-year-old intern derailed his career and brought the unwelcome glare of the national spotlight to his conservative agricultural district. For most of Tuesday, Condit avoided reporters

and reportedly stayed at home to await word of his fate.

"Today the people of the Central Valley stood up for their values, the values that are central to their lives," Cardoza said in a victory speech shortly after 10:30 p.m.

About the same time, Condit emerged from his house in Ceres, dressed in a purple fleece sweatshirt and blue jeans. The congressman avoided conceding, but thanked the voters of the 18th District and the people who worked on his reelection bid.

"I appreciate their support, their love," he said. "I will never forget that."

With more than two-thirds of the vote counted, lawyer and labor union official Linda Sanchez, sister of Rep. Loretta Sanchez (D-Garden Grove), was leading South Gate Councilman Hector de la Torre and Assemblywoman Sally Havice of Cerritos.

"Obviously, it looks good at this point," Linda Sanchez said. "It's like a dream come true. It's hard to grasp right now."

## Why is more than 95%\* of Walker's money from outside District 83?

Maybe you should ask him!

It's true and it's public record. Gary Walker has accepted contributions totaling more than \$54,000.00\* from out-of-district lobbyists. Money has come from Washington D.C., California and Wisconsin. Even more money has come from Dallas, Houston, Austin and San Antonio. These cities manipulated redistricting in federal court in an effort to silence the voice of rural and West Texas.

**Delwin Jones**, on the other hand, has fought against "Big City Money." He refuses to be influenced by "Political Powerbrokers" and has not solicited contributions from metropolitan lobbyists. His campaign has been paid for by 200 individual contributors who live in District 83.

## Who do you think will best represent the people of District 83?

RE-ELECT

★ **Delwin Jones**

REPUBLICAN  
DISTRICT 83  
Texas House of Representatives

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***Knight Multimedia Show Aside,***

# Tech Set For Big 12 Tourney

The Texas Tech media guide has a Stepford Wives feel to it.

Bob Knight has had a relatively calm start at Texas Tech.

Each player is quoted twice, once each on facing pages, about playing for Bob Knight. Most of it is stuff that couldn't have possibly been said without, um, a little prompting. Cue the nodding androids.

"Ninety-six percent of Coach Knight's players graduate ....," stated junior college transfer Will Chavis who didn't know Knight until he signed in April.

Fellow transfer Kasib Powell lauds his coach with a 72-word bouquet. Powell's playing history is only slightly larger at 84 words.

"I admire Coach Knight's preparation ....," Powell states, "... and how friendly he is."

Get the picture that Texas Tech wants to remind us that Knight's image has been scrubbed clean and is ready for human consumption?

Seems that way. In this month alone, Knight will be the subject of a movie and have two books published about his career. One, it should be mentioned, was written by him.

"That's why I wrote a book about me," Knight said Wednesday, the day before his first Big 12 Tournament. "Almost everybody (else) wrote a book. I made it a real simple title, Knight, My Story. It's about time I told the story."

Actually, his story has been told over and over, but until this season, it usually hasn't been very palatable. Wednesday's comments are as testy as Knight got as his first - decidedly calm and cool - year at Texas Tech wound down.

As usual, wherever Knight goes, it's never all about basketball. The television movie *A Season on the Brink* will be shown at a private screening here Thursday before debuting Sunday on a national cable network.

"Doesn't all television exploit people?" Knight said, almost shrugging off the f-word-laden production. "That's what it is in the final analysis. People are used to bringing advertisers. That's not a phenomenon with this thing."

A good cop/bad cop paperback is coming out this month. One side of the book, *Good Knight*, features positive stories about Knight. Turn it over, and *Knightmares* gives you all the dirt on the Dark Knight.

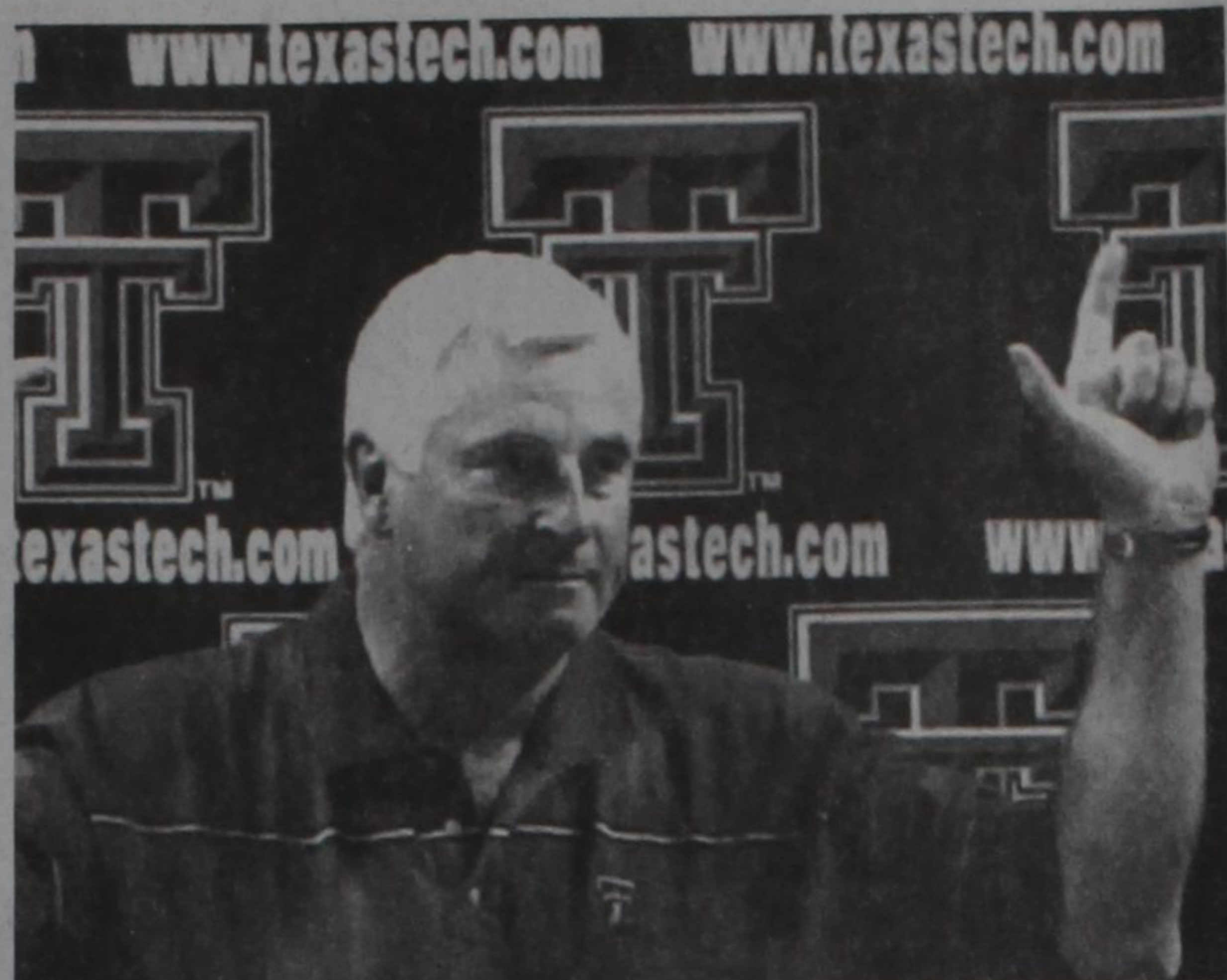
Yep, it's all about Bob as usual, but it shouldn't be.

On the court, Knight, 61, has turned around a rag-tag 9-19 bunch to a smooth-running 21-7 team that finished tied for third in the Big 12 and is assured of an NCAA berth. The Red Raiders were ranked for the first time since 1997 and produced their first all-conference player (Andre Emmett) since 1998. In the process, Knight became a national coach of the year candidate.

Off the court, well, no news is great news for a program that took a giant risk in hiring the bombastic Knight.

"A lot of times, we come for practice or away games, coach isn't even on the bus," Powell said smiling. "Cameras are standing there. It's funny."

Give Knight this: He has brought a spotlight to a place where college basketball wouldn't bother to shine a 30-watt bulb in the past. If he seems bigger than the program, well, it has been that way for 30



years. And really, that's part of what Texas Tech was pursuing when in the defrocked Knight.

But even Knight says the players deserve credit for performing well in the ongoing circus.

"Any time there is a new coach there's a lot of pressure on players to change old ways," Knight said. "You can't get anything done without the kids really saying, 'OK, this is what we're doing. We're going to work like hell at this.'"

"The players deserve a lot of credit," 6-foot-11 senior center Andy Ellis said. "Coach is probably the main reason, but we are the guys out there making the plays doing what he wants on the floor. It's definitely a joint effort, but we deserve a lot of credit, too."

Knight's coaching credibility initially bought him time with the Texas Tech players. Then Knight had to quickly recruit and blend six new players into a team that didn't know how to win.

Floating above all that was that other thing, the temper percolating just below the surface, that got Knight fired at Indiana.

"He wakes us up every day," Ellis said. "It was a little surreal when we first started, but now we're settling into it. We're going out and playing basketball."

"I really didn't know what to expect. I knew it was going to be a different set of rules and coaches. We took it with an open mind."

The players deserve credit for accepting both his ways and his chalkboard. Knight's motion offense is antiquated in the sense that it requires thinking and effort

to run all the screens, picks and back-cuts.

Most modern players want to shoot and run. Knight wants them to run things his way -- or be shot.

"I think it's hard to learn," Ellis said of the offense in which he has averaged 16.8 points. "I don't know if it's so much learning, it's just knowing those rules. What makes

us so hard to guard is we don't know what we're going to do. I don't know how the defense can know."

The Red Raiders started out 13-1 and, not surprisingly, faced a dose of reality in the Big 12. The 10-6 conference record featured victories over Oklahoma State and Oklahoma. Emmett, a 6-5 sophomore guard, went from averaging 7.7 points as a freshman to leading the team with 19.4 points. When Emmett was named All-Big 12, though, all Knight did was grumble about his defense.

Typical, but without Knight's usual lava flows.

"We've been friends for a long time," Texas Tech athletic director Gerald Myers said. "I don't think he's changed, his environment has changed. I think people he's around have changed. I think he's relaxed. I think he's comfortable, he enjoys West Texas. He's not a big metropolitan-type guy."

The reason Knight is in Lubbock is because of Myers. As a young Texas Tech assistant in the early 1970s, Myers sought out Knight while in Chicago to watch a Bulls practice.

"While I was up there, I asked him if would ever have some time to talk basketball," Myers said. "He said, 'Yeah come on down.' I stayed at his house. He didn't know me from Adam. I was a young coach eager to learn everything I could learn."

"I never knew a coach to be that accommodating. We looked at film, we talked for a couple of days. I became a pretty big Bobby

profanity. Feinstein denies he ever agreed to that.

"What I've seen to this point is what you've seen, excerpts on TV," Knight said of the movie. "Almost all I've seen heard and seen is not very close to what I do or say."

It will have to be weird, though, for Texas Tech players taking the floor Thursday afternoon against Texas A&M after a movie about their coach has premiered.

"It's the most publicized movie



Knight fan because he spent that kind of time with me."

Mirroring the movie that already has been widely panned, Knight has spent the season shooting down the bad side of his legend. For the record, Knight says he read six pages of the now 16-year-old Brink book before seeing an f-word and putting it down. He says to this day that author John Feinstein agreed to keep out the extreme

maybe that's ever been made," Myers said.

"I want to see how true the thing is because we've lived it, we know first hand," Ellis said.

"I think it will be interesting to watch," Powell said. "We're definitely going to watch it. We know most of the stuff won't even be true about him."

Watch the NCAA Selection Show, Sunday March 10 at 6 p.m. ET, only on CBS!

## First of Spring Softball Tournament

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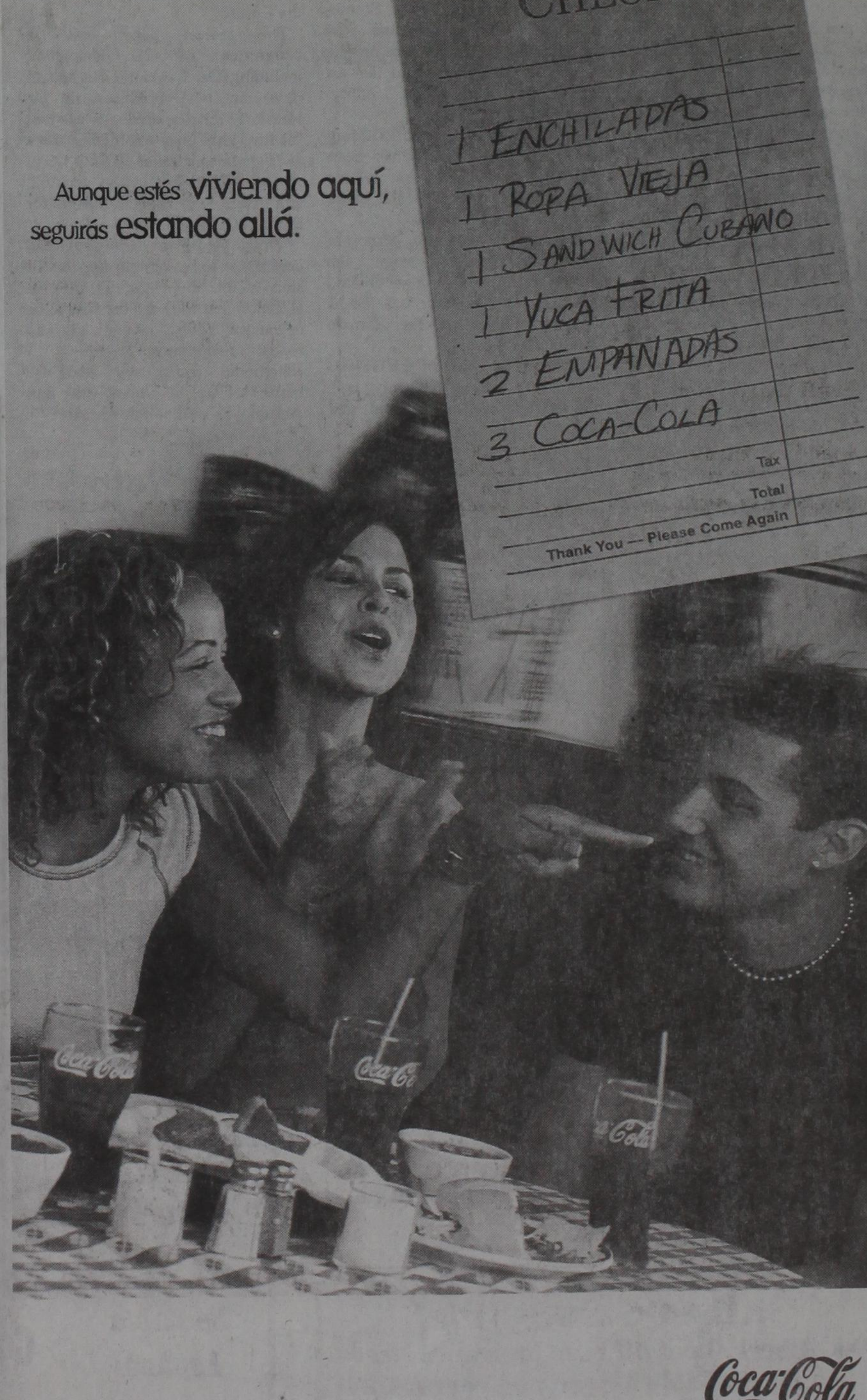
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## Exigen Reformas Al Caer Las Remesas De Inmigrantes Latinos Por 4 Mil Millones

Por Arlene Martinez

Las pérdidas de empleos causadas por la recesión económica de Estados Unidos puede ser la razón principal por la que el dinero enviado por los latinos residentes en Estados Unidos a países latinoamericanos -- alrededor de \$20 mil millones al año -- se redujo por \$4 mil millones el año pasado, dice un informe encargado por el Fondo Multilateral de Inversión (FOMIN) del Banco Interamericano de Desarrollo (BID). Casi la mitad de los que envían remesas son de México.

Según el informe, otros \$3 mil millones se gastaron en cuotas para que el dinero llegara a los países a través de compañías de servicio de transferencias electrónicas, tales como Western Union y MoneyGram Services. Cuatro de cada diez personas remitentes de dinero utilizan estas compañías conocidas.

Los miles de millones de dolares pagados en cuotas relacionadas con envios de dinero empeora el impacto sobre las economías de los países latinos.

Para hacer el informe que se hizo público el 25 de febrero, FOMIN entrevistó a mil inmigrantes latinoamericanos en Estados Unidos. Entre otros hallazgos, se descubrió que:

-- Siete de cada diez inmigrantes enviaba dinero a su familia, y los más jóvenes y de ingresos menores eran los más propensos a enviar dinero.

-- La mitad de los participantes dijo haber reducido sus remesas por 50 por ciento o más.

-- Como promedio, los inmigrantes enviaron \$200 siete veces al año.

-- Sólo dos de cada 10 personas usan bancos tradicionales o bancos cooperativos para enviar dinero, principalmente porque pocos inmigrantes (el 56 por ciento de los encuestados) o destinatarios tienen cuentas de banco.

En la audiencia sobre remesas del 28 de febrero del Comité Senatorial de Banca, Vivienda y Asuntos Urbanos, Sergio Bendixen, uno de los investigadores del informe, afirmó: "Resulta inmoral que los más pobres de la clase pobre trabajadora de nuestra sociedad estén pagando 12.5 por ciento como recargo cada vez que envían dinero a su familia en América Latina".

En realidad, la transacción le cuesta a las compañías de transferencias electrónicas entre \$3 y \$6 por transferencia, y algunos analistas afirman que es aún más barato, según Manuel Orozco, el director de proyecto para América Central del BID.

Los cargos por transferencia por envío de \$300 o menos fluctúan entre \$7 y \$26, dependiendo del tipo de servicio que se use y de la cantidad. Incluso las compañías que cobran las tarifas más bajas, ganan un ingreso, aun después de excluir los cargos añadidos por las diferencias en tasas de cambio de moneda.

El año pasado, Western Union redujo su tarifa por envío de hasta \$300 a México, de \$14.99 a \$9.99, pero la compañía establece su

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professor of international and regional development at the School of Public Policy at the University of California, Los Angeles, suggested a more fundamental change needs to occur. He advocated more efforts to make immigrants familiar with U.S. financial institutions so that they become active participants therein.

Increasing remittances into Latin American countries boosts investment opportunities and can stimulate economic growth both in the United States and abroad, he said. By involving senders in banking systems, wiring costs are reduced, pumping more money into the hands of recipients and increasing immigrants' roles in and understanding of a complex financial landscape.

Among the report's recommendations:

-- Create a remittance oversight board in the United States

-- Create a Latin American task force on remittances and development

-- Improve money transfer companies' liaison with banks and credit unions.

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propia tasa de cambio, lo que con frecuencia se traduce en cuotas más altas.

Bajar el costo de una transferencia electrónica a un país como El Salvador por un 5 por ciento generaría \$98.6 millones adicionales en ingresos para las familias allá, estimó el informe.

El representante congresional Luis Gutiérrez (D-Ill.) propone el Wire Transfer Fairness and Disclosure Act (la ley de justicia y transparencia en transferencias electrónicas), que cuenta con 70 co-ayudadores. La ley requeriría que los proveedores de servicio de transferencias les revelaran a sus clientes todas las comisiones y cuotas que están cobrando, inclusive la tasa de cambio exacta.

"Los ingresos provenientes de estas cuotas de conversión de moneda son exorbitantes, y permiten a las compañías recoger millones de dólares más de lo que ganan a través de sus cuotas de servicio", dijo Gutiérrez en la audiencia.

El Dr. Raúl Hinojosa-Ojeda, profesor de desarrollo regional e internacional de la escuela de política pública de UCLA, insinuó que debe ocurrir un cambio más fundamental. Abogó por esfuerzos mayores que transformen a las

instituciones financieras en entidades más conocidas para los inmigrantes y que éstos se conviertan en participantes más activos de las instituciones.

El aumento en las remesas hacia los países latinoamericanos aumenta las oportunidades de inversión y puede estimular el crecimiento económico tanto en Estados Unidos como en el extranjero, añadió. Al hacer partícipes a los que envían el dinero en los sistemas bancarios, los costos por transferencia bajan, impulsando más dinero a las manos de los destinatarios y expandiendo el papel que desempeñan los inmigrantes en un escenario económico complejo, así como su comprensión de éste.

El informe recomienda, entre otras cosas, que:

-- Se forme una junta de fiscalización de remesas en los Estados Unidos

-- Se establezca un equipo de trabajo latinoamericano para atender remesas y desarrollo

-- Se mejore el vínculo de las compañías de transferencia de dinero con los bancos y los bancos cooperativos.

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## Monument To Pay Tribute To Tejanos' Contributions

A project for a monument of a Tejano family surrounded by longhorn cattle and mustangs to honor the state's Hispanic heritage came to Houston on Saturday to corral support for the \$1.4 million endeavor.

Dr. Andres Tijerina, an author and history professor at Austin Community College, said the monument would be the first on the state's Capitol grounds to pay tribute to the contributions of Tejanos.

"The word Tejano means Texan, and it means all Texans. This monument belongs to the future of Texas," Tijerina told a Houston group of the League of United Latin American Citizens.

Last year, the Legislature passed a resolution allowing Tejano Statue-Capitol, doing business as Monumento Tejano, to raise private funds for the monument as an established charitable entity, Tijerina said.

"But we cannot start building until the total amount has been raised," he said of the bronze monument. Plans call for it to be erected within four years.

Texas artist Armando Hinojosa was selected to design the monument. Hinojosa also created the Mexican vaquero and Texas cowboy statues at the Laredo International Airport.

"We felt the heart of the Tejano community was the family, and this artist showed us the heart and real soul," Tijerina said.

A preliminary drawing shows a 25-foot-long arc-shaped monument with an 8-foot-high wall across the middle. Standing atop the wall will be life-size statues of a Hispanic couple. The man will be dressed in vaquero gear, and the woman will have a baby wrapped in her shawl.

Two older children stand on a

lower level on each side of the couple, a young girl with a sheepherding dog and a boy with a playful goat.

Longhorn cattle and mustangs range on each end of the monument. The front of the drawing will change a bit, Tijerina said, to add a mestizo vaquero riding a horse and a Spanish explorer examining a royal land grant. A mestizo is a person of mixed Indian and Spanish blood.

"It was important not to show a conquistador or soldier, but an explorer who epitomized those who settled here," Tijerina said.

Tentatively, the monument will be erected on the northeast side of the Capitol grounds between the Lorenzo DeZavala State Library and the Capitol.

The project began with a committee of 20 Hispanics, including Dr. Cayetano Barrera, a physician who practices in the Mission-McAllen area. An account for funds has been established there at the International Bank Corp. About \$70,000 is in the account, and there are commitments for \$400,000, Tijerina said.

"Houston is the first regional committee to be inaugurated, and it says a lot about the Tejanos in Houston that they are the first to be organized, duly recognized and ready to raise funds," he said.

Regional committees also are being set up in Dallas and San Antonio, as well as other areas.

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