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## Gonzales receives mixed Hispanic support

By Jon Ward

Support from Hispanic leaders and groups for Attorney General Alberto R. Gonzales is mixed, amid calls for his resignation over his handling of eight fired federal prosecutors. "He has strong support from a lot of Hispanics around the country," said Michael L. Barrera, chief executive officer of the United States Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. "He deserves to have all the facts in before there's any judgments rendered by anyone."

Mr. Gonzales, who served under President Bush during his Texas governorship, is the grandson of Mexican immigrants. Mr. Gonzales said last summer that his grandparents may have been illegal aliens.

"He is the first Hispanic that's been appointed to the top law-enforcement spot in the nation. A lot of Hispanics are very proud of that fact," Mr. Barrera said.

However, Juan Andrade Jr., president of the United States Hispanic Leadership Institute, said Mr. Gonzales "owes it to himself to resign, and if he doesn't, the president should fire him."

"As a Hispanic he has certainly disappointed me, because it is very rare that we have a Hispanic in that kind of a position," Mr. Andrade said. "But he cannot play loose with the issue of credibility, and certainly cannot revise events to suit his purpose. He has obviously misled the Congress."

Still other Hispanic groups such as the League of United Latin American Citizens are undecided.



"The board is going to discuss the issue this week and take a position then," said league spokeswoman Lizette Olmos.

Mr. Barrera said that at the National Hispanic Leadership Summit last week in the District, Mr. Gonzales received a standing ovation from about 350 community leaders from across the country.

Support for Mr. Gonzales among congressional Republicans is mixed as well, although Republican leaders in the House and Senate have been conspicuously silent when asked about support for Mr. Gonzales.

But the Senate's lone Hispanic Republican, Florida Sen. Mel Martinez, has voiced support for Mr. Gonzales.

"Alberto Gonzales is a man of integrity and high ethical standards. He has pledged to cooperate with Congress and I

am confident he will," said Mr. Martinez in an e-mail last week to supporters of the Republican National Committee, which he chairs.

"It is irresponsible to pronounce judgment on the replacement of the U.S. attorneys before we have the facts," Mr. Martinez said in the e-mail.

A spokesman for Mr. Martinez declined to comment further.

Mr. Gonzales is under fresh scrutiny this week after new e-mails released Friday showed that he presided over a Nov. 27, 2006, meeting of Justice Department officials to talk about the firings 10 days before they were carried out.

Mr. Gonzales said in a March 13 press conference that he was "not involved in seeing any memos, was not involved in any discussions about what was going on."

"That's basically what I knew as the attorney general," Mr. Gonzales said after the first batch of Justice Department e-mails showed that the White House was more involved in the firings than Justice officials had told Congress.

Mr. Gonzales blamed the discrepancies in congressional testimony on a lack of communication by his former chief of staff, D. Kyle Sampson. Mr. Sampson will testify on the matter today before the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Monica Goodling, Mr. Gonzales' legal counsel, told the Senate Judiciary Committee on Monday that she will invoke her Fifth Amendment right to not answer questions that might incriminate her.

## One Man's Journey to Greatness

By Abel Cruz

Sometimes fate gently taps a person on the shoulder, or places its hand on a person's heart; or perhaps even a person's soul. And the only choice the person has is to answer destiny's call.

Such was the case of a man who would become one of this country's greatest symbols of the meaning of sacrifice; what it means to sacrifice one's life to make sure that those who contribute greatly to the success of this country are treated equally, fairly and with dignity and respect.

In the history of the American agricultural industry, and still today, the immense financial profits enjoyed by a few, have been built on the backs of many. Here in the "giant side of Texas", the landscape is dotted with the haunting images of families; grandparents, fathers and mothers, brothers and sisters; people who used to work in the hot West Texas sun chopping the weeds in the cotton fields for "el patron" or "el viejo".

In my case, it was back in the summers in the mid to late 1960's; a meager \$8 dollars per day being my reward for a typical 10 hour workday.

When I read about the huge farm subsidies enjoyed by farmers, especially some of the large corporations that own the farms these days; I think, how ironic. Back then we used to subsidize them with our cheap labor, today we have to do it again with our hard earned tax dollars.

Sometimes I look back at those days with a certain sense of fondness; some good memories were made and good friendships were formed because we were all in the same proverbial boat. Today, some people who were part of that experience are no longer in the same boat; they own their own yachts now; they achieved the great American dream we hear so much about.

For others, the boat sprang a leak along the way, and they never did get to where they were going in society. Those are the ones, Cesar Chavez fought for.

The great Mexican American statesman, Cesar Chavez, was a humble and modest man who answered destiny's call because he allowed himself to dare to believe that life for those who worked in the fields; harvesting the produce and agricultural products that all Americans enjoy, should be a dignified one.

I have no doubt that Cesar Chavez could have chosen a different path in life. But he was touched by the realities that surrounded him; the poverty, the poor and unjust working conditions suffered by migrants performing back breaking labor; the meager wages that migrants were being paid; and the reality that if things were to ever change a dramatic transformation would have to take place.

Accepting the challenge, he started out as a community organizer as early as 1952. His mission was to bring to light the discrimination being suffered by so many at the hands of the majority. After 10 years as a community activist, he founded the United Farm Workers of America; a labor union whose sole mission was to improve working conditions and achieve better wages for the very group of people who he was a part of. But instead of being welcomed as a champion of "human rights and social causes" he was opposed by those who valued the dollar more than they did human dignity.

Along the way, he encountered ridicule and scorn and outright hostility from the all powerful land owners and farmers. The fact that the opposition, death threats and intimidation that he faced did not stop him, is a credit to his commitment to make a difference in life; to seize the moment and share his vision with the world.

He was able to rally the masses, and day after day he led farm workers in "marchas" (marches) in cities in the southwest and agricultural fields; organizing boycotts to call attention to "la causa" (the cause). He fasted and went on hunger strikes until he almost died; until he successfully achieved some of his goals. His leadership inspired people to take action and together they made a difference in the lives of the less fortunate.

But, what I would call your attention to is the man himself. What lessons can we draw from his life?

For one, we would do well to acknowledge that despite the many accomplishments the challenges are still many. He may have started the struggle, but it is by no means over. That is not to say, that there aren't a countless number of people who share a common cultural bond that have been able to overcome obstacles and succeed in this country; there are plenty.

But, if we are to build a better society for future generations, for our children and their children, then we must follow Chavez's example and add our voice to the chorus of "Si se Puede" for everyone; not just certain segments of our society.

Just because some have walked through the door of opportunity, doesn't mean we should close the door to others.

Unfortunately, there are very few people, if any, like Cesar Chavez who become national symbols of what it truly means to sacrifice one's life in pursuit of racial, social and economic justice. One who cares enough about their fellow human beings to denounce the social and racial injustices; some which are still alive and well in this country; and yes sometimes in this city.

March 31, 2007, would have been Chavez's 78<sup>th</sup> birthday; sadly he passed away in 1993.

As we reflect on the life of one man who dared to answer the call and make a difference, I hope that we can learn from his sacrifices and dedication to the cause of "Justicia para Todos", (justice for all) and find it within ourselves to in the very least commit to making our voices heard; in whichever way we choose. Perhaps even in the voting booth.

Or better yet, maybe for once, people of all political persuasions and economic levels can set differences aside and agree that we all want what's best for all of us; nothing more, nothing less. Although I suspect that's too much to hope for.

We should recognize that the end of the road which leads to real equality and social justice is still a ways away; we must continue to find a common way to get there.

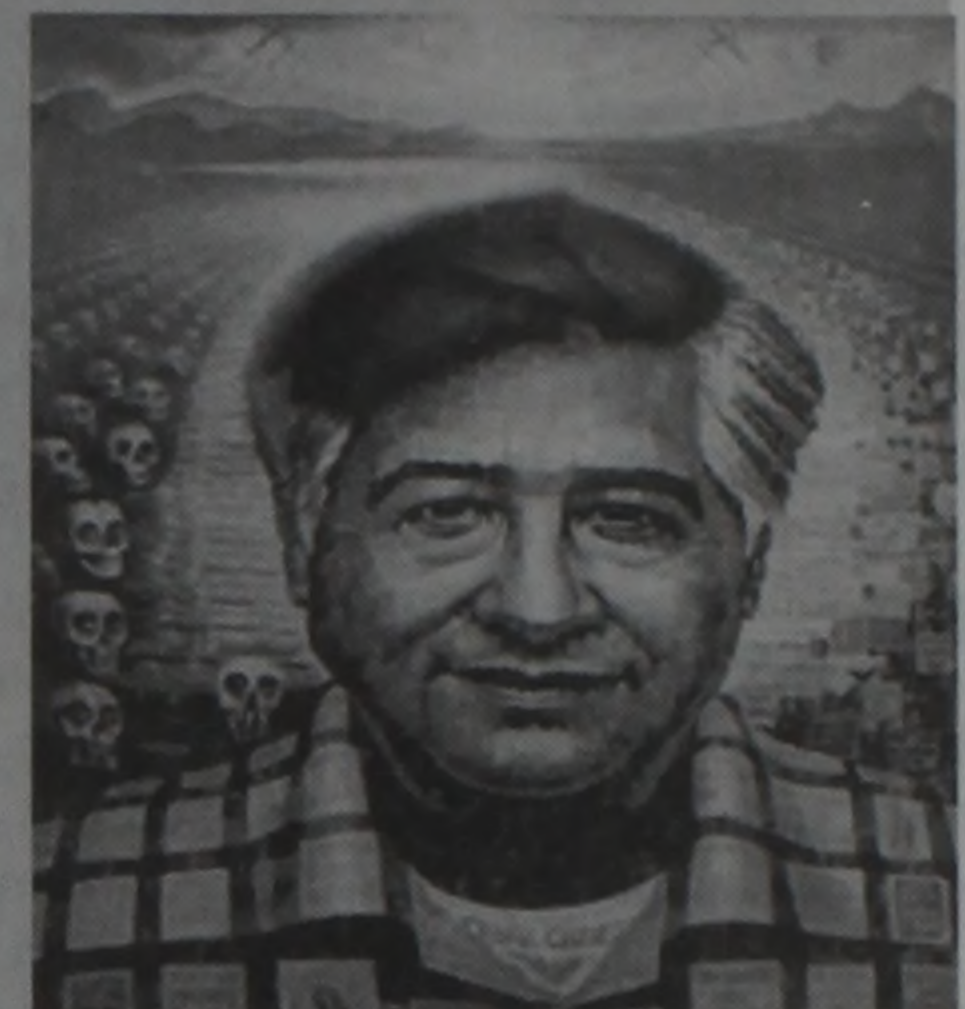
The fact that not very many people achieve greatness in their lifetime is reason enough to celebrate the life and legacy of those who do.

I believe it was William Shakespeare who wrote; "...some men are born great, some achieve greatness and some have greatness thrust upon them".

Cesar Chavez was a simple man who never sought greatness, he earned it; and he sure did wear it well.

(Editor's Note: This column first appeared in its original version in El Editor in March of 2006. It has been updated and we thought it appropriate to reprint it in observance of this year's Cesar Chavez Day).

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## Comentarios de Bidal Agüero



The days that celebrate the life of Cesar E. Chavez throughout the nation, is very often overlooked but in Lubbock the Cesar Chavez committee is attempting to help remember the day.

El Editor would lie to encourage the commemoration of Cesar Chavez day and joins twith them in encouraging all to attend the festivities

### MARCH 31ST PROCLAIMED CESAR E. CHAVEZ DAY IN LUBBOCK, TX

March 31, 2007 has been proclaimed as Cesar E. Chavez Day in Lubbock, Texas.

The Cesar E. Chavez Commemoration Committee accepted the proclamation from the Lubbock City Council during Thursday's city council meeting.

The citizen driven committee pays tribute to this American hero and civil rights leader, and is preparing for Lubbock's 8th Annual Cesar E. Chavez People's March and Celebration, which will be held Saturday, March 31, 2007.

The march attracts people from all backgrounds and helps build public awareness about Chavez. Last year about 2,000 marchers walked in honor of Chavez.

This year, because of the growing concerns over Latino health issues and because health and quality of life drove the efforts of Cesar E. Chavez, the march and celebration will focus around health and wellness. Pedometers will be provided by the Community Health Center of Lubbock (CHCL) to the first 200 marchers at the start of the event. The march will conclude at the Guadalupe Economic Services Building, where a free health and resource fair, organized by the CHCL, will occur.

In addition, announcement of the 2007 Spirit of Cesar E. Chavez Award and the student essay competition winners, which will be presented by Dr. Juan Munoz. A short history presentation regarding Chavez and a future street naming after Chavez will be included. Finally, refreshments will be served, and entertainment will be provided by Mariachi Nueva Generacion.

Chavez's significance and impact goes beyond any one cause or struggle. The son of migrant laborers, Chavez led a nonviolent boycott against California grape growers, protesting poor working conditions and the use of pesticides harmful to farm workers. He is recognized for his non violent approach to handling adversity, and even fasted to call attention to the migrant workers' cause. Although his dramatic act did little to solve the immediate harms, it increased public awareness of the problem. The boycott was finally successful in winning new rights for workers.

## Immigrants are being swept up in a wave of foreclosures

They are getting hit first because of their lower incomes

Immigrants are among the first victims of a growing wave of home foreclosures, as mortgage lending problems multiply across the country.

Nationally, 375,000 high-interest-rate loans were made to Hispanics in 2005, and nearly 73,000 are likely to go into foreclosure, said Aracely Panameno, director of Latino affairs for the Center for Responsible Lending.

About 1.1 million homes in the United States are expected to go into foreclosure in the next six years, and immigrants are getting hit first in part because their incomes tend to be lower and many have lost construction jobs.

Homeownership rates among immigrants surged in the first half of the decade, making their prosperity an economic success story.

Now it is becoming apparent that many people managed to buy homes in an inflated real estate market by turning to unusual new mortgages only now receiving

### Growing Share of Immigrants Choosing Naturalization

The proportion of all legal foreign-born residents who have become naturalized U.S. citizens rose to 52% in 2005, the highest level in a quarter of a century and a 14 percentage point increase since 1990, according to an analysis by the Pew Hispanic Center.

The population of naturalized citizens reached 12.8 million in 2005, a historic high that reflects both a rise in the number of legal migrants and an increased likelihood that those who are eligible apply for citizenship. As a result of these combined trends, the average number of naturalizations annually has increased from fewer than 150,000 in the 1970s to more than 650,000 since the mid-1990s. By 2005 (the last year for which figures are available), naturalized citizens accounted for slightly more than one-in-two (52%) legal foreign-born residents. Among all 36 million foreign-born residents in 2005, naturalized citizens made up a slim plurality (35%) over legal non-citizens (33%) and unauthorized migrants (31%). In 1995, legal non-citizens had accounted for a near majority (47%) of the 24 million foreign-born residents who were in the country at the time, compared to 30% who were naturalized residents and 20% who were unauthorized migrants.

The population of immigrants who are eligible for naturalization was 8.5 million in 2005 and of these more than a third, or nearly 3 million, were Mexican. Mexicans still have a comparatively lower tendency to become U.S. citizens, but the number of naturalized citizens from Mexico rose by 144% from 1995 to 2005—the most of any major sending country.

scrutiny from regulators and legislators.

Many of these loans start with attractive low so-called teaser rates but feature payments that can suddenly increase.

Many immigrants are unfamiliar with the U.S. mortgage market, unable to speak or read English well and vulnerable to the blandishments of real estate professionals who told them property values always rise.

Many also are struggling to deal with high mortgage payments as their homes sag in value, making it more difficult to escape the loans by selling.

"I'm being flooded by phone calls from throughout the country from people begging for help," Mr. Panameno said. "The best I can do is refer people to attorneys to get assistance."

Traditionally, lenders have made loans only to people they thought could pay them back.

Banking regulations forced lenders to adhere to strict lending policies to protect bank depositors, who would be hurt if the banks collapsed.

But in recent years, lenders have found alternative sources of financing for the loans by turning to investors who bought the loans as packaged securities.

These kinds of loans are not supervised in the same ways as loans made by banks and held in their portfolios.

"The market changed so investors were setting the standards for qualifying people for mortgage lending," said Allen Fishbein, director of housing and credit policy at the Consumer Federation of America.

"They had a higher appetite for risk, which led to the lax standards that are resulting in delinquencies," he said.

"The regulators should have been more concerned about protecting consumers than about protecting financial institutions," Mr. Fishbein said.

Officials at the Mortgage Bankers Association have said that the loosened credit policies allowed more families to become homeowners and that reputable lenders do not make loans that cannot be repaid.

### Swift and Co, Recruiting Workers

Last Thursday, March 22, 2007 representatives for Swift & Co. meatpacking plants were in Lubbock to recruit workers for various processing plants. Swift & Co. has launched a drive to fill positions lost to INS raids last December. Those hired will replace undocumented workers that were either deported or are being processed for different violations.

Full-time jobs start at \$11.85 an hour and include benefits relocation expenses for distances of over 90 miles from the job site. Recruiter are hoping to fill approximately 700 jobs.

According to Ruben Flores, the Swift & Co. representative, who hosted the recruit-

ment drive at the offices of the Guadalupe Economic Services at 127 and Erskine. The campaign will be conducted throughout Texas, New Mexico, and Colorado. This campaign will focus in the areas of Lubbock, El Paso, Dallas, and the Valley of Texas. The campaign is programmed for an initial four-week drive.

Recruiters will interview perspective workers on Friday, March 30, from 12 to 7 pm at the Guadalupe Economic Services offices. Those interested in these positions with Swift & Co. are urged to go on-line at or email: recruiter@swiftbrands or call 806-744-4416 or 1-800-555-9185.

Carlos Quirino Jr.

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# EDITORIAL

## Attorney General Gonzales Should Resign

**When** Alberto Gonzales was nominated to succeed John Ashcroft as United States Attorney General in 2004, a large percentage of this country's Mexican American population and other Hispanics, shared a collective sense of ethnic pride. After all, it's not everyday that a person with a Hispanic surname is nominated for such a high office. Up until then, the first stop for most appointees of Hispanic descent was at Housing and Urban Development and at the Department of Energy.

Alberto Gonzales, born and raised in Texas whose roots could be traced to immigrants from Mexico was in a position to be confirmed as the first United States Attorney General of Hispanic descent. We saw Mr. Gonzales' nomination as an ethnic American success story; one in which a first generation Mexican American had managed to achieve heights which no other had before.

His relationship with President Bush went back to 1994 when he served as legal counsel to then Texas Governor Bush. He managed to survive a few political controversies and his loyalty was subsequently rewarded with an appointment to the Texas Supreme Court. That ultimately led to serving as the President's Chief White House counsel until his political road ultimately led to his Senate confirmation as Attorney General in 2005; this country's chief law enforcement officer.

You don't get to that level without exhibiting some loyalty to the person who has the power to appoint you; we understand that.

Although we did not agree with most of Mr. Gonzales' political positions, we were still hopeful that Mr. Gonzales would make the transition from Bush loyalist to chief law enforcement officer for the country and not let political loyalties influence his decisions.

We now know our hope was based on wishful thinking. When you take the oath of office to serve as Attorney General of the United States, your allegiance should shift to representing the citizens

of this country and enforcing this country's laws without any consideration given to political ties or political groups.

Mr. Gonzales' loyalty to Bush should have been left at the entrance to the Justice Department.

When you are the chief law enforcement officer in the country, you are obligated to put your political loyalties aside, your decisions concerning personnel should be based purely on performance guidelines and political considerations should bear no weight.

When you are this country's chief law enforcement officer, you are expected to follow the law, apply it equally in all cases, and appoint people who will best fulfill those objectives; not just be political pawns and enforce laws based on political expectations.

This will ensure that federal laws are enforced equally; independent of political pressure.

The recent controversy surrounding the firings of 8 United States Attorneys clearly shows that Mr. Gonzales has not left his political loyalties behind. And although we agree that a President has the right to replace these political appointments at will, this latest round of firings go beyond that scope.

It is clear that these firings came about as a result of political interference from the likes of Bush presidential advisor and political hack Karl Rove, and former legal counsel Harriet Miers. In one instance, it is alleged that a federal prosecutor in Arkansas was dismissed to make room for a Karl Rove and Bush loyalist. How can that qualify as a decision made independent of political considerations?

Mr. Gonzales now denies any involvement in the decision, but his disingenuous explanations smell like political favors to us.

There have already been too many contradictions in Mr. Gonzales' explanation as to what really happened. His credibility is shot.

It's time for Mr. Gonzales to call it a day and resign.

## LETTERS TO THE Editor

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A Todos/as,

Please join us in welcoming Dr. Maria Herrera-Sobek (Professor of Chicano Studies and Luis Leal Endowed Chair at the University of California, Santa Barbara) to campus on Thursday, March 29 at 5pm in Room 106 of the English Building. She will be offering our community a lecture titled,

"Barbed Wire Politics: The Devil's Rope and Mexican Immigration in Chicano/a Artistic Cultural Production"

Please see below for more information about Dr. Herrera-Sobek, and please forward this announcement.

Looking forward to seeing you there,

María Herrera-Sobek holds the Luis Leal Endowed Chair in Chicano Studies at the University of California, Santa Barbara. She taught at the University of California, Irvine for several years and has been a Visiting Professor at Stanford and Harvard Universities. Herrera-Sobek is the author of several books including *The Bracero Experience: Elielore versus Folklore* (1979); *The Mexican Corrido: A Feminist Analysis* (1990); and *Northward Bound: The Mexican Immigrant Experience in Ballad and Song* (1993). In addition she is the editor or co-editor of numerous anthologies: *Chicana Creativity and Criticism: Charting New Frontiers in Chicana Literature* (with Helena María Viramontes) (1988 and 1996); *Reconstructing a Chicano/a Literary Heritage: Hispanic Colonial Literature of the Southwest* (1993); *Chicana (W)rites: On Word and Film*, (with Helena María Viramontes) (1995); *Culture Across Borders: Mexican Immigration and Popular Culture*, (with David Maciel) (1998); *Recovering the U.S. Hispanic Literary Heritage: Volume IV* (2000); *Power in Academe: Race and Gender - Strangers in the Tower?* (2000); *Chicana Literary and Artistic Expressions: Culture and Society in Dialogue* (2000). *Chicano Renaissance: Contemporary Trends in Chicano Culture*, (with David Maciel and Isidro Ortiz) (2000); and *Santa Barraza: The Life and Work of a Mexicana/Tejana Artist* (2001). Professor Herrera-Sobek has published more than a hundred scholarly articles and has published numerous poems in various journals.

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## PEDRO IS NOT ROBBING PAUL

By Cecilio Morales  
Hispanic Link News Service  
In immigration policy, as in everything else, the facts keep changing. Last year's finding that U.S.-born dropouts were losing jobs to immigrants has been cast into doubt by two new studies.

The growth of unauthorized immigrant employment in low-wage work, write Urban Institute researchers Randy Capps and Karina Fortuny, along with Michael Fix of the Migration Policy Institute, coincided with a decline of U.S.-born workers in those jobs.

However, one did not cause economic displacement of the other.

Let's look at each for a moment.

Immigrants make up about 20 percent of workers earning less than twice the federal minimum wage of \$5.15 an hour and about half of all workers without a high school diploma, state these researchers in "Trends in the Low-Wage Immigrant Labor Force, 2000-2005." They also make up about 10 percent of low-wage workers and almost a quarter of lower-skilled workers.

Capps and Fortuny acquired extensive knowledge of the immigrants in the course of another newly completed study, "The Characteristics of Unauthorized Immigrants in California, Los Angeles County, and the United States."

They found about 2.5 million unauthorized immigrants — about a quarter of the national total — live in California. They are overrepresented in occupations and industries that do not require high educational attainment and job skills, such as agriculture, construction, building and grounds maintenance, manufacturing, food preparation, transportation and leisure, and hospitality, in that order.

The unauthorized immigrant population is so large and well established that any effort to deport this group of workers,

prohibit their employment or otherwise force them to leave the United States "would have a major impact on the state's economy," Capps and Fortuny conclude, noting the aging of the U.S. workforce.

Between 2000 and 2005, about 620,000 immigrants, most of whom were unauthorized, were added to low-wage payrolls. However, the researchers concluded, "This growth did not offset even half of the decline (around 1.8 million) in the number of low-wage, native-born workers."

Let's do the math. The decline of U.S.-born workers in low-wage, low-skilled jobs was almost three times as large as the influx of foreigners, whatever their status in the eyes of immigration law. Take away the immigrants and we're still left with the disappearance of 1.2 million U.S.-born workers from low-rung work.

What happened to them?

Capps and Fortuny found two factors that explain their decline. First, in the last decade U.S.-born women who fit the profile of dropouts became better educated, attaining high school and post-secondary credentials, primarily two-year college degrees. This diminished the pool of U.S. natives between the ages 18 to 64 who lack high school diplomas.

This is the good news.

Then there's the bad news.

There has been an increase, particularly in the past five years, in the proportion of lower-skilled U.S.-born men and women who were unemployed or not in the labor force. The dropouts are not merely dropping out of school, but once the go-go 1990s ended — when almost anyone with a pulse could get a job — the dropouts have begun dropping out of the economy.

That's a problem that needs to be addressed, but it's not an immigration policy issue.

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## Turn Off Lubbock

Only one month after the embarrassing Chippendales arrests made the city of Lubbock a laughingstock all over the country, our city leaders bring us another scandal in the form of Councilman Gary Boren's resignation over lawsuit allegations that Boren repeatedly demanded that the city manager fire certain city employees, in direct violation of the city charter. In order to settle the suit, the city agreed to pay \$250,000, of which the tax payers will be on the line for only \$50,000 of that amount. While insurance will pick up the tab for the rest, the taxpayers will end up paying in the end because insurance is claims driven and the fact that the city had an expensive claim in 2007 means that city insurance will cost significantly more in 2008.

It was only last week that the city council turned down a settlement of the suit, vowing to fight the disgruntled employee in court. Lawyers for the employee took the city up on its challenge by publicly filing a series of embarrassing depositions of past and former city employees that described the nature and extent of the attempt by Boren and other council members to dictate personnel matters to city management. After a local television station ran a story detailing the testimony, the city suddenly reversed course and settled the suit, prompting the resignation of Boren. The suit was settled quickly and expensively to avoid additional public disclosure of behind the scenes council interference with city management. The bottom line is that the city folded like a house of cards when they feared the public would discover how our elected officials conduct themselves behind closed doors.

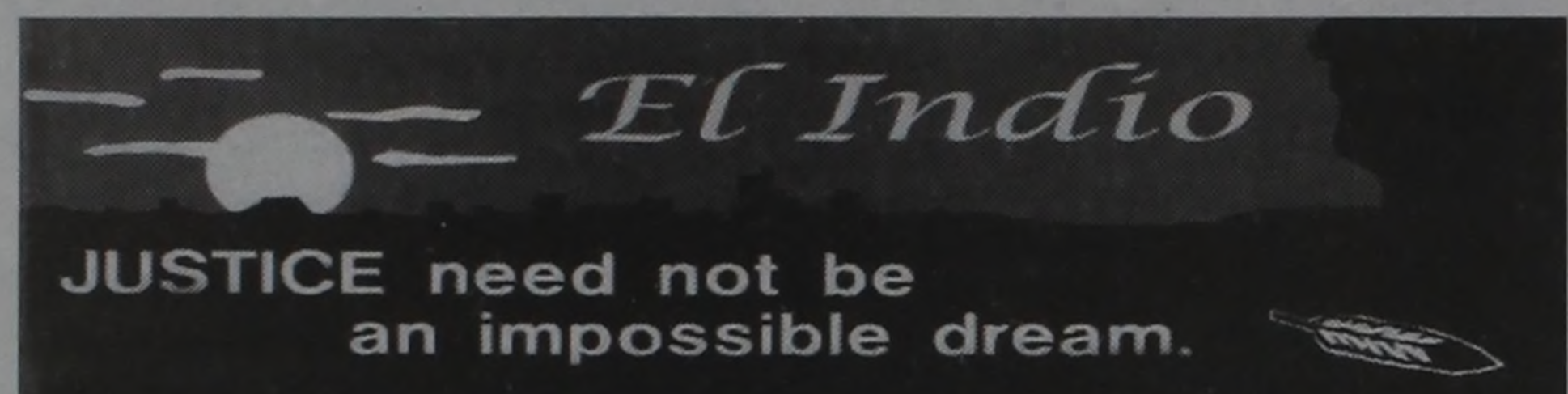
There seems to be no end to the mismanagement at city hall and no department seems to be immune. Who can forget the expensive contract buy outs of former city manager Bob Cass and his assistant city managers and the short tenure and the equally expensive contract buy outs of Lou Fox and Tommy Gonzales? And then there is the LP&L debacle that cost the taxpayers a bundle in increased interest on bonds after the city's credit rating was downgraded because of LP&L debt. And that doesn't count the cost to clean up and reorganize the city owned utility after the resignation of yet another city council member implicated in the affair. Of course, no summary of city mismanagement would be complete without a mention of the bungled SWAT raid which cost the life of a Lubbock police officer and more than a million dollars in taxpayer dollars to settle the lawsuit brought by the

citizen originally accused of shooting the officer. And who can forget the arrests of the Hampton coaches who made the unfortunate mistake of being black and in the Wal-Mart parking lot? Our police department can arrest black coaches for being in the Wal-Mart parking lot and Chippendales dancers who commit the crime of taking their shirt off in a sports bar, but they can't pull over and arrest a drunk cop driving a disabled city vehicle on city streets at three o'clock in the morning until a citizen makes a 911 call and reports it.

Because city council elections are low turnout elections dominated by candidates financed by developers, the businesses who sell to them and the bankers who lend to them, we are always going to have a city council dominated by self-employed business people who have little in common with the ordinary citizen of Lubbock. We need fundamental change in how the city is run and how we elect our council members. We need a new charter that eliminates the city manager style of city government in favor of a mayor-council style of government. Lubbock has become too large to be run by a city manager not accountable to the voters. By expanding the city council to include 10 districts of the city plus a mayor elected at large, and by moving the elections to November, our elected officials would be accountable to the voters and the scandals would decrease. Our county is run by a county judge and county commissioners and it is for the most part, scandal free. Why shouldn't our city be run the same way?

It's time to tell the city that we are tired of the bureaucracy that exists at city hall and that it is time for a charter change. Send a post card to your city council person and tell him or her that you are voting with your pocket book for a change in city government. Tell them that you are switching electrical providers to the private company, away from LP&L until they vote to change the city charter. Tell them that you are turning off Lubbock until it turns on accountability, open government and economic fairness for all. You have a choice. Vote with your electric bill and turn off Lubbock. Do it for yourself, do it for your children and do it for all of us.

Charles Dunn



## What a Week! Gary Boren Resigns; The South Beach Outrage; Recalls In The Works; Out of Control Police Arrest Reporter

by Roger Quannah Settler El Indio

There is a tide in the affairs of men, Which, taken at the flood, leads on to fortune; Omitted, all the voyage of their life Is bound in shallows and in miseries. "Julius Caesar" -William Shakespeare (1564 - 1616)

Last Thursday, El Editor's publication day, a political bombshell hit the arid Lubbock landscape....Councilman Gary O. Boren resigned! One of the two voices of sanity on the out of control City Council is gone....leaving JOHN LEONARD to carry the ball alone. I encourage everyone to write or call JOHN and express their appreciation for his lonely fight against these boondoggles and shenanigans. One of the posters on the Lubbock Online Discussion Board wrote: "I think people don't know WHAT to do, or WHERE to start, or WITH WHOM to start ... I know I feel that frustration ..." [Valentine61] He is EXACTLY right! One of the BEST answers is RECALL....we can't recall our County Commissioners or our Sheriff, but we can recall City Council members.

Recalling the Mayor is a problem, just like the LIQUOR PETITIONS are a problem, because THOUSANDS of signatures are required, and the signatures have to be good ones, passing the tough muster of DOROTHY KENNEDY, the County-appointed Elections Administrator. However, LINDA DeLEON and FLOYD PRICE may be recalled for a relatively small number....and PHYLLIS JONES for 1300 or so. JIM GILBREATH ran unopposed....so the number of signatures required is questionable. LINDA, FLOYD, PHYLLIS....THAT is where to begin! These three Council members and MAYOR DAVID MILLER form the majority....the GANG OF FOUR....JOHN LEONARD votes against them consistently. GARY BOREN joined him a lot, and JIM GILBREATH occasionally. According to the Daily Toreador: "The State Constitution and the City Charter both allow for a recall of any elected official at any time and for any reason, Morrison said. The only requirements are that the person initiating the petition get signatures of 30 percent of the number of people who voted in the last election in the district, 10 percent of whom must attest they voted for the petitioned official."

TOTAL	30%;	10% of whom*:
MAYOR:	20,547	6162 616 or 617
DISTRICT 1:	1646	492 49 or 50
DISTRICT 2:	1360	408 40 or 41
DISTRICT 3:	3190	957 95 or 96
DISTRICT 4:	4299	1290 129
DISTRICT 5:	4726	1416 142
DISTRICT 6:		Unopposed: in doubt

The Mayor, and the council members for Districts 2 [Floyd Price], 4 [Phyllis Jones] and 6 [Jim Gilbreath] are up for re-election in 2008. Gary Boren's District 3 seat shall be voted on in the 12 May election. Districts 1 [Linda DeLeon] and 5 [John Leonard] are not up until 2010....with this in mind, a recall of Linda DeLeon seems the most necessary.

Recalls are in the works for Linda DeLeon [which requires 492 and 49 who say they voted for Linda], and Floyd Price [408 and 40 who voted for Floyd].

1290 and 129 for Phyllis Jones is a little more difficult, and requires more organization. The 6062 and 616 for Mayor David Miller is a formidable task....our liquor petition experience has shown us that. However, the depth of the discontent with the Mayor in particular demonstrates that it is feasible.

Specific ordinances and charter revisions may be overturned by an Initiative, often called Initiative and Referendum. This requires the same 6062 signatures, 30 % of the 2006 turnout....difficult, but possible. Perhaps the South Beach purchase could be overturned with an Initiative. Petitions are very specific in their requirements....the signatories must sign and print their own names, addresses and date of births. The petitioners may fill in the voter registration numbers. Each petition requires an attached affidavit. Amateur petitioners often run afoul of these particulars. Screening the petition

signers is VITALLY important...you may collect 500 signatures, of which only 150 pass muster. Usually, double or triple the amount is safe. Considering that Easter is April 8th, it would be advisable to wait until after April 13 to start the Recalls. That way signatures could be gathered at the polls at the May 12th Amendment election. And the trick is...make certain that their replacements aren't the same suck-it-up prestige-seekers that LINDA, FLOYD and PHYLLIS are. Watch GARY's district carefully....and spot these types of clowns right off, before they gain momentum. NOW IS THE TIME to change this Council....let's get it done before they do any more damage!

The latest on the South Beach tragedy is that the Council "unanimously"....note that fact.... UNANIMOUSLY....voted to buy the South Beach building and force the Gonzales family out to accommodate an unneeded "Visitor's Center".

Once again, our Chicana NON-REPRESENTATIVE on the City Council, LINDA DeLEON, showed her TRUE COLOURS by voting with the Council majority....and AGAINST the Gonzales family, AGAINST their dedicated supporter YSIDRO GUTIERREZ, our Comisionado de Condado, and AGAINST the neighborhoods in District One and the Chicano community in general. I wrote this early in the week....and then learned that FLOYD made the motion to purchase the South Beach property....and GUESS WHO seconded it... LINDA!!! Can you believe it??? For those of you who have defended LINDA because she is a woman, because she is a Democrat, because she was a REAL activist 20 years ago, because we all like her husband, PORFIRIO....this is the last straw. Instead of standing up for her community, LINDA led the charge to close down the ONLY Chicano club in the Depot District. Outrageous! How long are we going to tolerate this kind of "representation"??? The memory of the LINDA that once was is not enough to continue this travesty. That Linda is long gone....replaced by a faithful lapdog of the establishment interests on the Council, first a robot vote for the McDUGAL regime, and now a robot vote for the GANG OF FOUR on the Council. NOW IS THE TIME to change this Council....let's get it done before they do any more damage! \*\*\*\*\*

### NEWS FLASH.....

Dedicated NewsChannel 11 reporter Cecilia Coy-Jones does an investigative piece in Amarillo hospitals, and out-of-control police arrest her, charging her with two felony "attempted kidnapping" charges. As long as it is politically correct to unconditionally support the police, and ask for the hiring of more police, this is what we get....a POLICE STATE!

Good citizens will begin their police criticisms with "I support the police BUT..."

The time has come for people to stop supporting this police phenomenon. We need FEWER police, not more, and we need to rein in these police departments with POLICE REVIEW BOARDS...every city and town needs one....with full powers of subpoena. Until this is done, no citizen is safe from outrageously unfair arrests. Congressman Ron Paul has been fighting this for years....we talk about the Coming Police State....but as Alex Jones says, the Coming Police State has arrived! Remember "It Can't Happen Here" by Sinclair Lewis....YES IT CAN! "First they came for the Communists, and I didn't speak up, because I wasn't a Communist.

Then they came for the Jews, and I didn't speak up, because I wasn't a Jew. Then they came for the Catholics, and I didn't speak up, because I was a Protestant. Then they came for me, and by that time there was no one left to speak up for me." -The Rev. Martin Niemöller (1892-1984) RQSettler@aol.com email: EagleSpeakerTPR@aol.com

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# Antonio Banderas proud of Hispanics' role in Hollywood

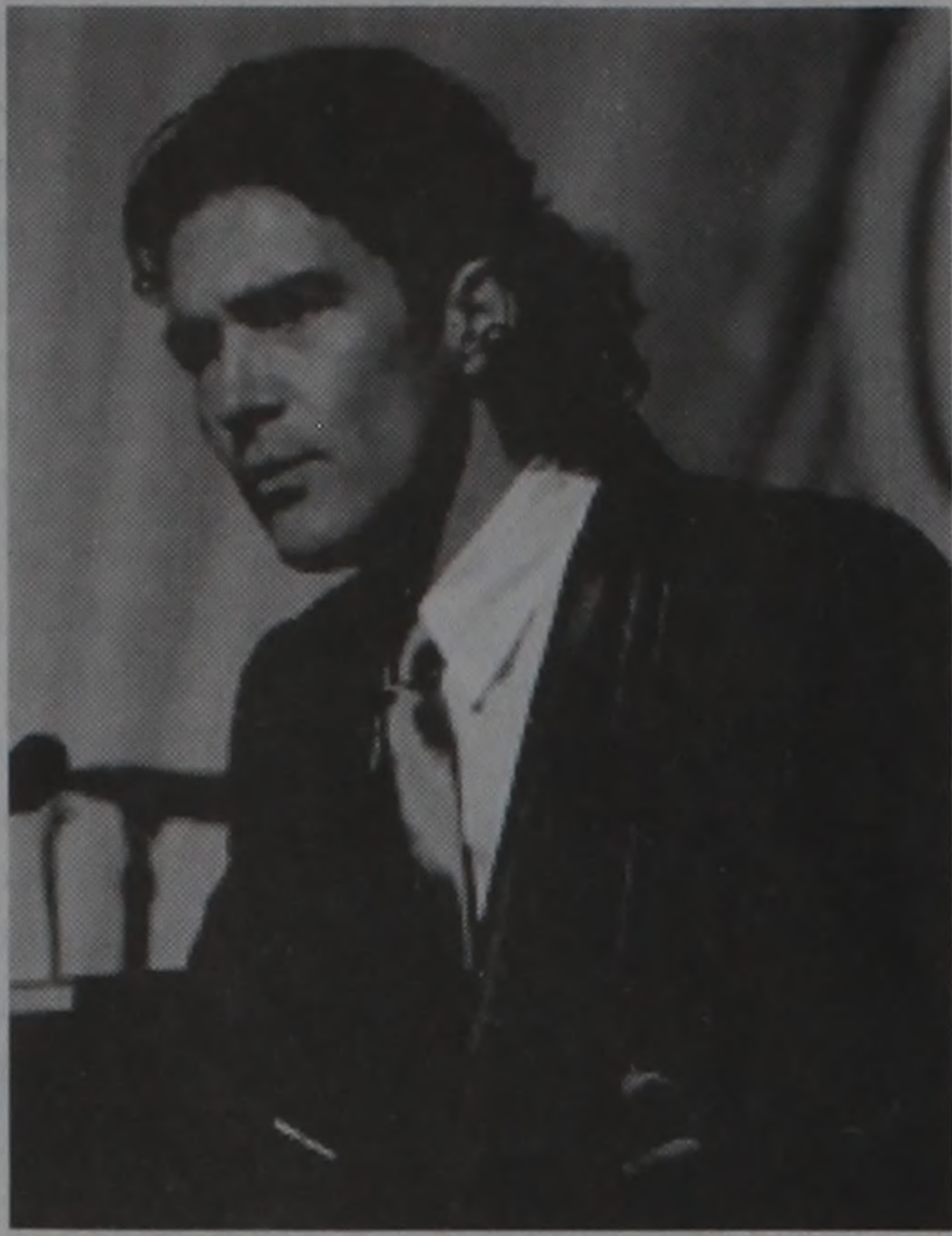
Spanish actor and film director Antonio Banderas said on the weekend that Hispanics' role in Hollywood is very important and evidence for this is the 19 Latino nominations for Oscars at the recent edition of the Academy Awards.

"This year, we had 19 Oscar nominations because (Latinos) are not just a fashion. We're here to stay and to tell stories and (show) human relationships like we see them," Banderas said at a press conference Saturday night at the 12th Guadalajara International Film Festival.

Afterwards, Banderas presented his second work from behind the camera lens - "El camino de los ingleses" - at

a gala at the Teatro Diana, where the audience gave the film a good reception.

In his contact with the press, the



actor said that in Spain a legal amendment had been launched to demand that all television networks allocate 5 percent of their general budgets to protect Spanish film.

"It's the only way we Europeans

have to protect our cinematography. The Americans have a potential market

of 300 million people that lets them make films costing millions and what we did in Europe was take measures to stop that avalanche," he said.

The actor from Malaga said that the measure is more than a mere gesture because it seeks to insert Spanish movie companies into the world financial panorama so that they can truly compete with Hollywood.

He said that there is a potential Spanish-speaking market of 400 million people who can see those films, and the only thing that's lacking is someone to articulate a plan to reach that market.

"We Hispanics have won a place (for ourselves) over a long period of time and that's due to the entire Hispanic community within the United States. Since I came to Hollywood, there's been an unseen participation by Hispanics and it's very powerful: the people who work behind the cameras," Banderas said.

# Enrique, Julio Iglesias may do musical duet

Spanish singer Julio Iglesias said he was willing to record a duo with his

know what I do."

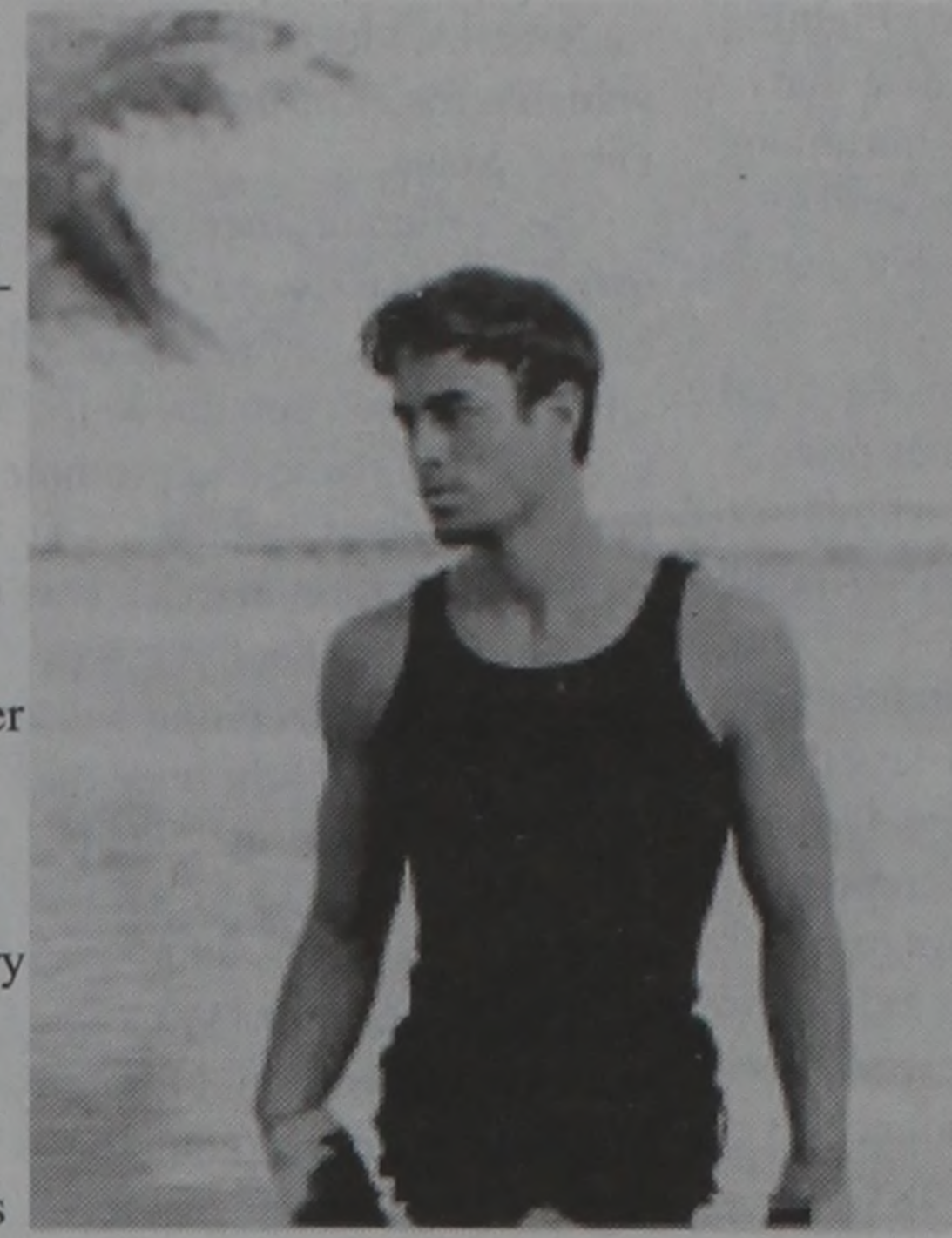
Over the next few months, Iglesias has a full schedule, with concerts planned around the world, including 11 in Spain in August, as well as performances in France, the Dominican Republic, Argentina, Paraguay, Portugal, Sweden, Lithuania, Estonia, Russia, Poland and several other countries.

The singer said the child his girlfriend, Miranda, was

expecting would be called Guillermo.

Regarding the Dominican Republic, where he maintains a luxury home in Punta Cana, Iglesias said it fit his beach-oriented lifestyle perfectly.

"I need to swim at least 300 days a year and Punta Cana is a place that gives me that," Iglesias said.



but it would have to be the younger Iglesias who took the initiative since he did not want to "interrupt a very beautiful time in his career."

"It has never occurred to us to record together. Enrique is very independent, I don't know if he'd want to, but there is time for that.

He'll tell me," the Spanish singer said.

Iglesias held a press conference in the Dominican capital to discuss his upcoming March 31 concert in La Romana, where his twin daughters will watch him perform for the first time and "will find out that their father is a singer, because up to now they don't

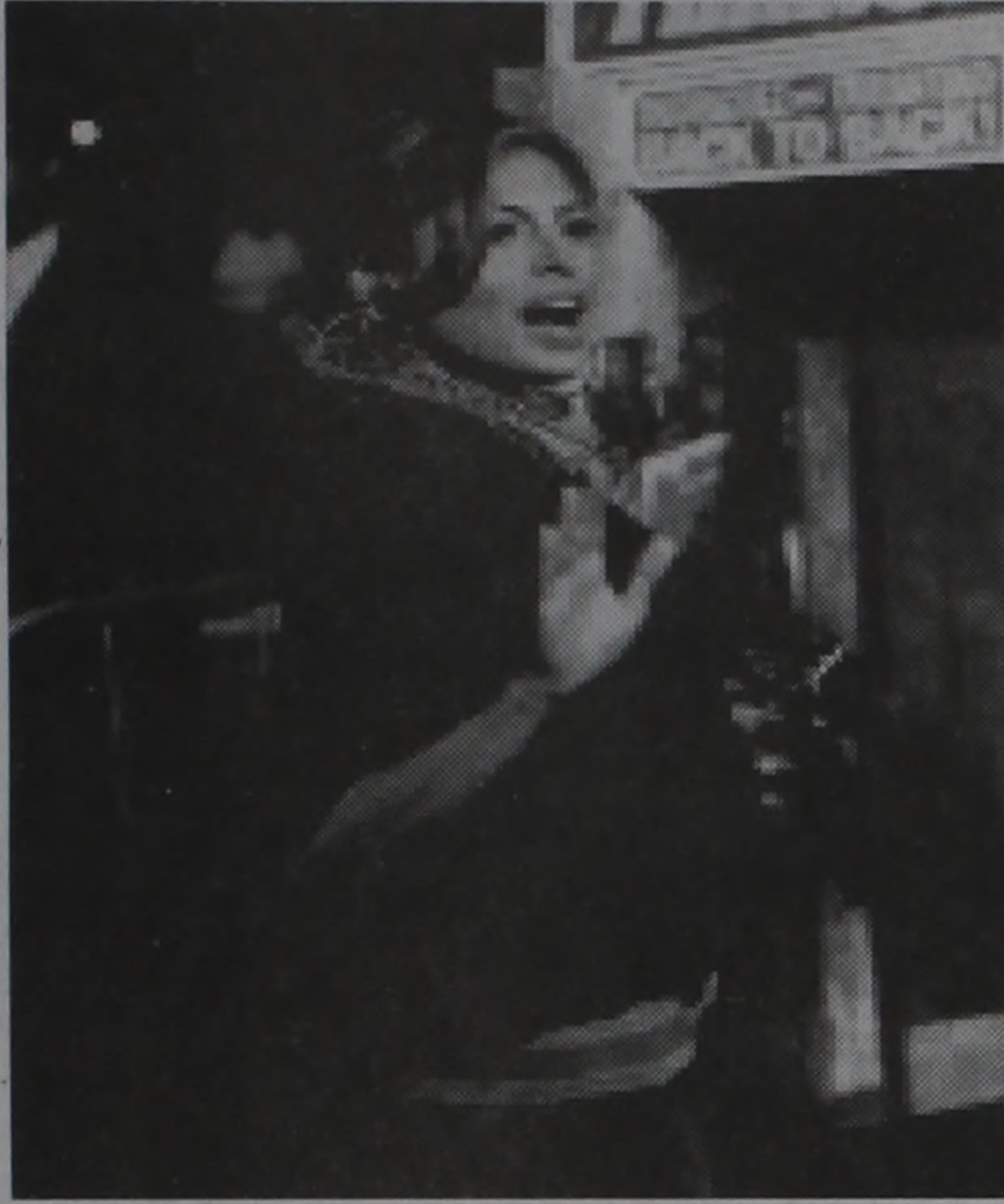
# 'Grindhouse': estreno sangriento

Fue una noche sangrienta. El legendario Teatro Orpheum, en el downtown

que solían proyectarse en salas medio abandonadas.

de Los Angeles, recuperó su esplendor de antaño al recibir a las personas responsables de Grindhouse, el nuevo filme dirigido por Robert Rodríguez y Quentin Tarantino.

El título hace referencia a las sesiones de dos películas, normalmente de terror o de acción —y siempre de dudosa calidad—,



Así, siguiendo la tradición, Rodríguez y Tarantino decidieron que era el momento oportuno de rendir un homenaje a tales producciones con Planet Terror y Death Proof, respectivamente.

La primera siguió a los supervivientes de una infección que ha convertido a los habitantes de Austin, Texas, en muertos

vivientes (sus protagonistas son Freddy Rodríguez, Josh Brolin, Michael Biehn

y Rose McGowan, quien se pasea durante los últimos minutos de su metraje con una pierna-ametralladora de lo más eficaz), mientras que Death Proof presenta la obsesión de un conductor de automóviles (Kurt Russell) por matar a cuantas más mujeres se le crucen por el camino (una de las matanzas desató el aplauso más merecido de la noche).

Ambos largometrajes, especialmente el de Rodríguez, presentan en la pantalla rayas y saltos, así como bobinas "perdidas", dando la impresión de que la copia ha sido utilizada hasta la saciedad. Todo ideal para una experiencia distinta y original.

Y así también se podría calificar el estreno mundial de Grindhouse el lunes por la noche, no sólo por la presencia de la mayor parte de sus estrellas: desde Kurt Russell hasta Freddy Rodríguez, pasando por Rose McGowan, Rosario Dawson, Zoe Bell, Carlos Gallardo, las gemelas Electra

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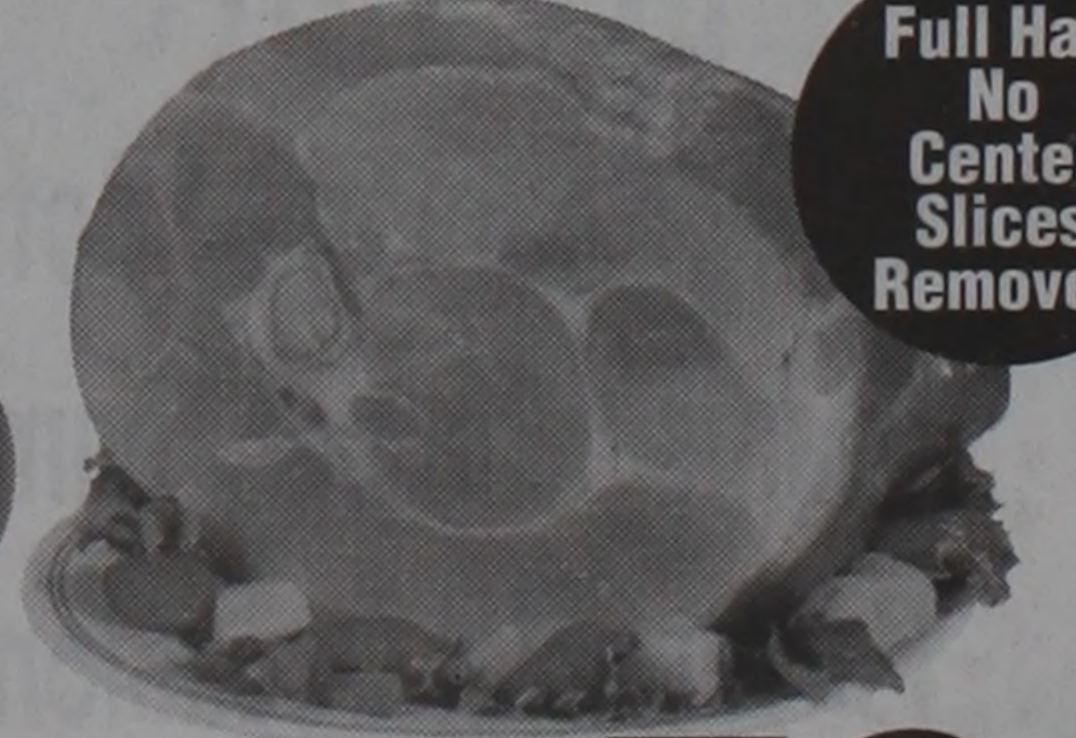
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# UFC agrees to buy rival Pride, clearing way for MMA megafights

The majority owners of Ultimate Fighting Championship have agreed to buy their biggest mixed martial arts rival, Pride Fighting Championships, in a deal that will establish megafights among the outfits' titleholders and possibly attract huge pay-per-view audiences.

Company executives declined to comment on the sales price, but a person familiar with the negotiations told the Associated Press that brothers Lorenzo and Frank Fertitta will purchase the Japan-based Pride for less than \$70 million. The person was not authorized to speak to reporters and spoke on condition of anonymity.

The deal was completed Tuesday and was announced during a news conference in Tokyo, where Lorenzo Fertitta has been negotiating with Nobuyuki Sakakibara, the majority owner and chief executive of Dream Stage Entertainment Inc., Pride's owner.

"We have been talking to Pride for probably about 11 months," Lorenzo Fertitta said. "It's been a long, drawn-out process but we finally we were able to put the two brands together."

To buy the company, the brothers created a new entity

called Pride FC Worldwide Holdings LLC. The newly formed company will take over Pride assets, including its trademarks, video library and valuable roster of fighters, from Dream Stage.

The Fertitta brothers, who own Las Vegas-based Zuffa LLC, the parent company of UFC, intend to keep the well-known Pride name and promote fights under that brand.

The acquisition marks a new phase in the brothers' quest to dominate the burgeoning world of mixed martial arts since they bought the struggling UFC in 2001.

"This is really going to change the face of MMA," Lorenzo Fertitta said. "Literally creating a sport that could be as big around the world as soccer. I liken it somewhat to when the NFL and AFC came together to create the NFL."

The deal allows the Fertitta brothers to broker the biggest MMA fights possible in the near future, increasing their influence in this sports entertainment business.

"We will be able to literally put on the fights that everyone wants to see," Lorenzo Fertitta said. "It will allow us to put on some of the biggest fights ever."

In the past, there has been at least one case in which Pride

and UFC couldn't hammer out a deal to put their top fighters in the ring together. With Pride in their pocket, the Fertitta brothers intend to ensure that never happens again.

The sale gives Pride more financial backing to expand the business internationally after suffering a recent financial blow.

Major sponsor Fuji Television Network Inc. dropped Pride in June after a tabloid linked Pride to the Japanese mob -- something Sakakibara has denied vigorously. To help bolster Pride, the company staged

two PPV fights in Las Vegas. Neither was a financial success. The fights gained exposure for Pride but lost money, making the sale of Pride more likely.

"I think it certainly weakened their position," Lorenzo Fertitta said. "One of our goals is to get back on a major platform back here in Japan."

Lorenzo Fertitta said he'll be looking to expand Pride internationally.

Buying Pride is the latest in a series of acquisitions that the brothers have made in the last six months. Zuffa snapped up World Extreme Cagefighting and World Fighting Alliance

last year.

Similar to Pride, buying WFA gave UFC the rights to a popular fighter named Quinton "Rampage" Jackson. Jackson will face UFC's most popular fighter, Chuck Liddell, the current light heavyweight champ in Las Vegas, on May 26 on PPV.

In the combat world, the Pride deal leaves a fragmented group of upstarts and K-1, another Japanese company that promotes fighters skilled in various forms of kick boxing.

Thanks to a surge in popularity, the brothers' investment in UFC and MMA in general has begun to pay off. Last year, UFC cracked \$200

million in PPV revenue, putting it on par with World Wrestling Entertainment Inc.

UFC stages fights in arenas across the country and airs a clutch of successful television shows on Spike TV. It has also opened an office in London, looking toward establishing itself internationally.

The brothers also run Station Casinos Inc. in Las Vegas. Lorenzo Fertitta is president and Frank Fertitta is chairman and chief executive of Station Casinos, a public company that was recently purchased by a private equity investor group that includes key members of the Fertitta family. Catholic Daughters of

## Ricky Martin gets 18,000 people dancing in Mexico City

Puerto Rican singer Ricky Martin got the 18,000 people who turned out for the Mexico City stop of his "Black and White Tour" on their feet and dancing.

The singer performed some of the material from his "MTV Unplugged" album, including the song "Tu recuerdo," which he sang with Spanish singer Mari. The flamenco group Chambao opened the Mexico City show, playing eight songs.

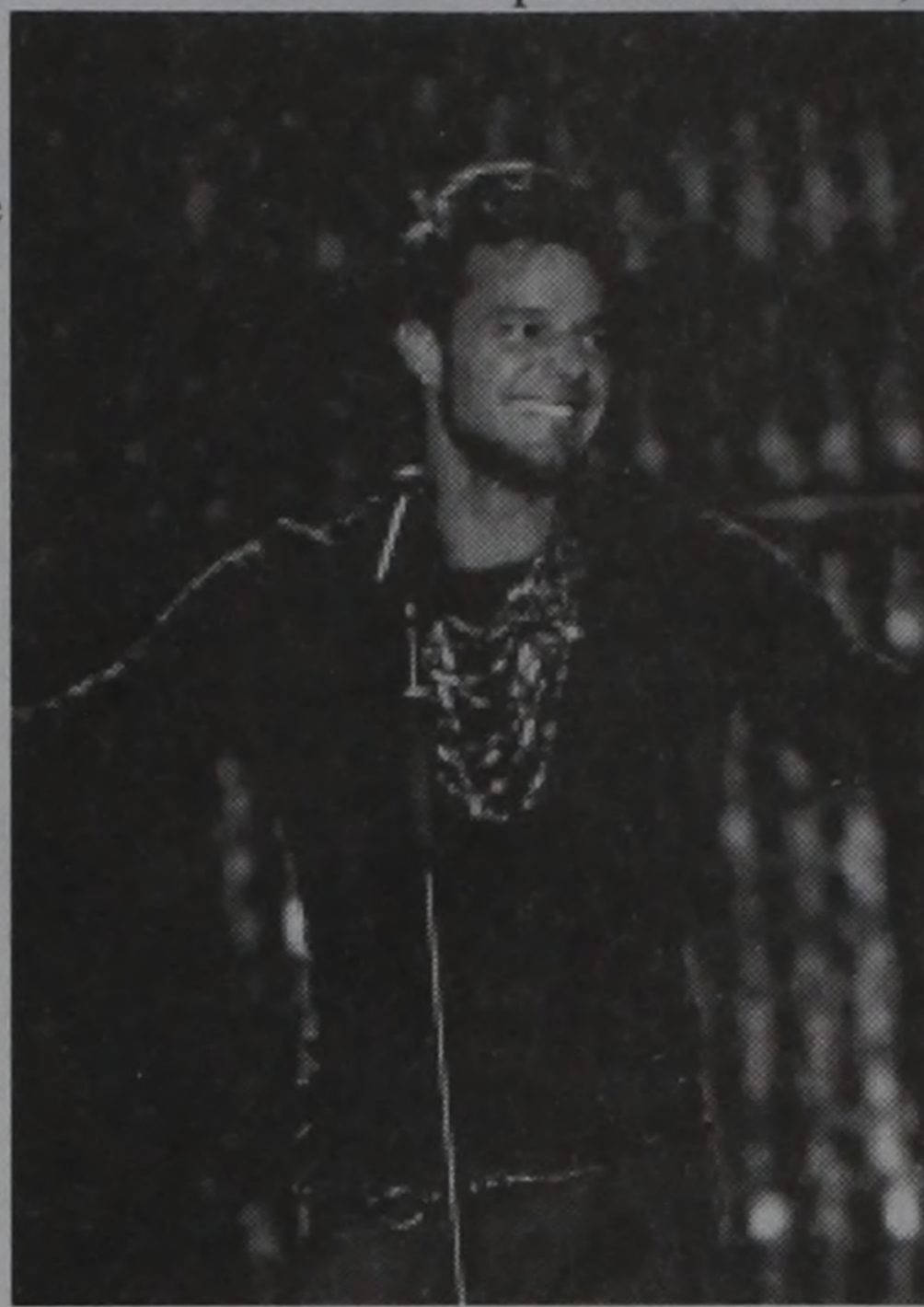
Martin, who has sold 32 million albums around the world, wowed the audience with his dance moves and music, prompting female members of the crowd to scream and shout. "I am delighted to be here

and see these addictive smiles and marvelous looks, that's the DF (Federal District) for me, people who dance a lot," Martin told the audience.

"We're here to forget the problems of work, the country and the world. We're here to be happy, at least for an hour and 45 minutes. Today, no one will feel they are being judged," the singer told his fans.

The audience sang along on a number of pieces, such as "Maria" and "Livin' La Vida Loca," and the singer told his audience that he was returning to his roots.

"I made a big mistake, I abandoned the child that was inside me because I wanted fame, something I achieved. But now I'm back, I am regaining that child I left in Puerto Rico," Martin said.



## 'Grindhouse': estreno sangriento

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y Elise Avellán (sobrinas de Rodríguez) y Danny Trejo, que aparece en unos trailers creados expresamente para la ocasión y que sirven de nexo de unión entre las dos películas.

También el tono festivo del que hizo gala, especialmente, Tarantino —quien antes de iniciarse la proyección con su habitual entusiasmo y con retraso considerable, teniendo en cuenta sus tres horas de duración—, animó a los espectadores a que reaccionaran acorde con lo que sucedía en la pantalla.

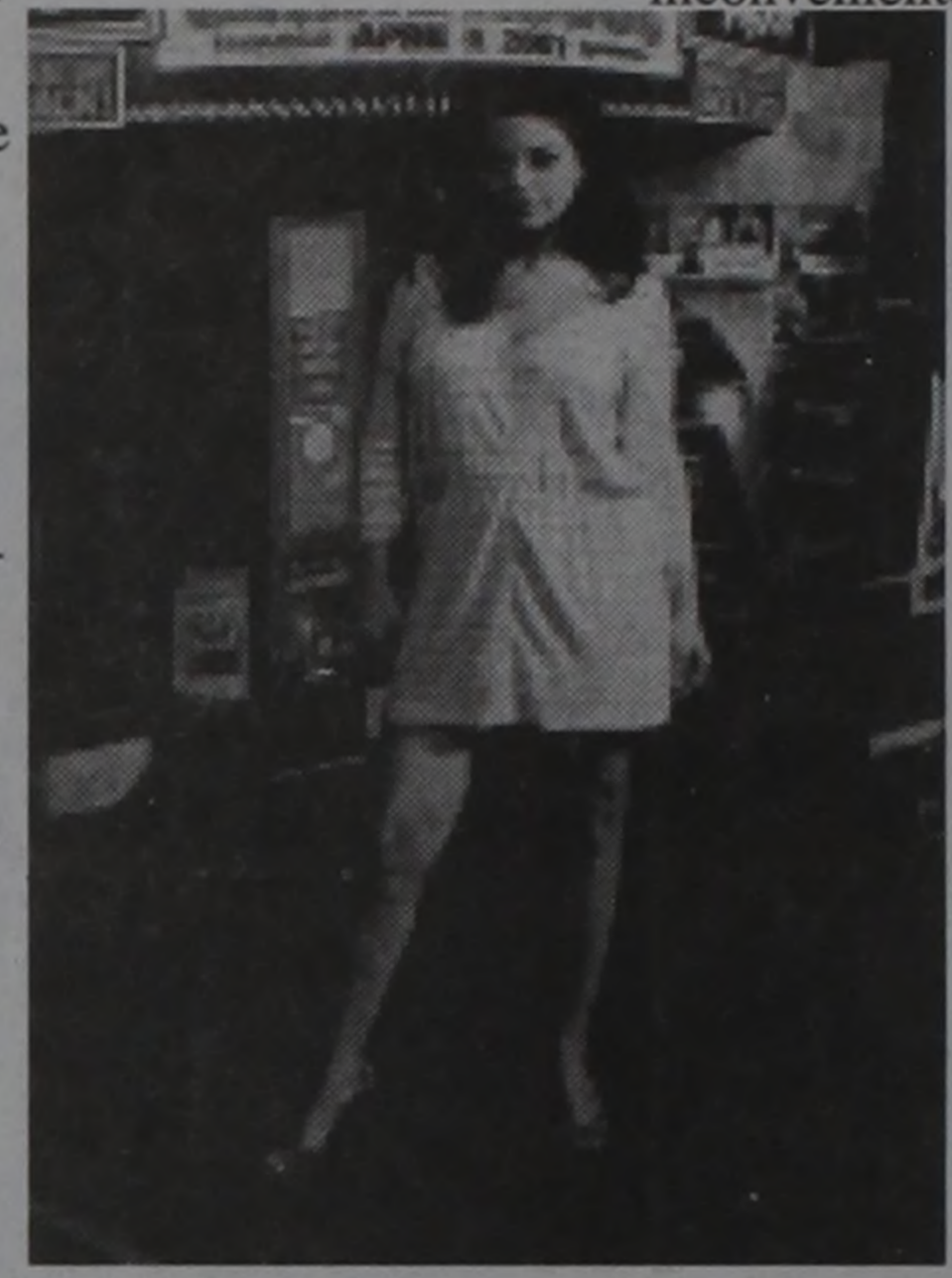
"Y si tienen que ir al aseo, háganlo, porque cuando regresen no sabrán lo que está pasando en la pantalla", gritó al hacer referencia a las bobinas perdidas antes citadas.

Rodríguez, con su habitual sombrero de vaquero, agradeció especialmente la aportación de

los productores y distribuidores de Grindhouse, Harvey y Bob Weinstein —también presentes—, quienes no tuvieron inconveniente en invertir en dos

películas que, por el precio de una, se podrán ver a partir del próximo viernes 13 de abril, aunque en el mercado internacional, ambos títulos serán estrenados por separado, ya que en el extranjero no existe la tradición de las grindhouses; o, al menos, eso es lo que aseguran sus productores. La premiere

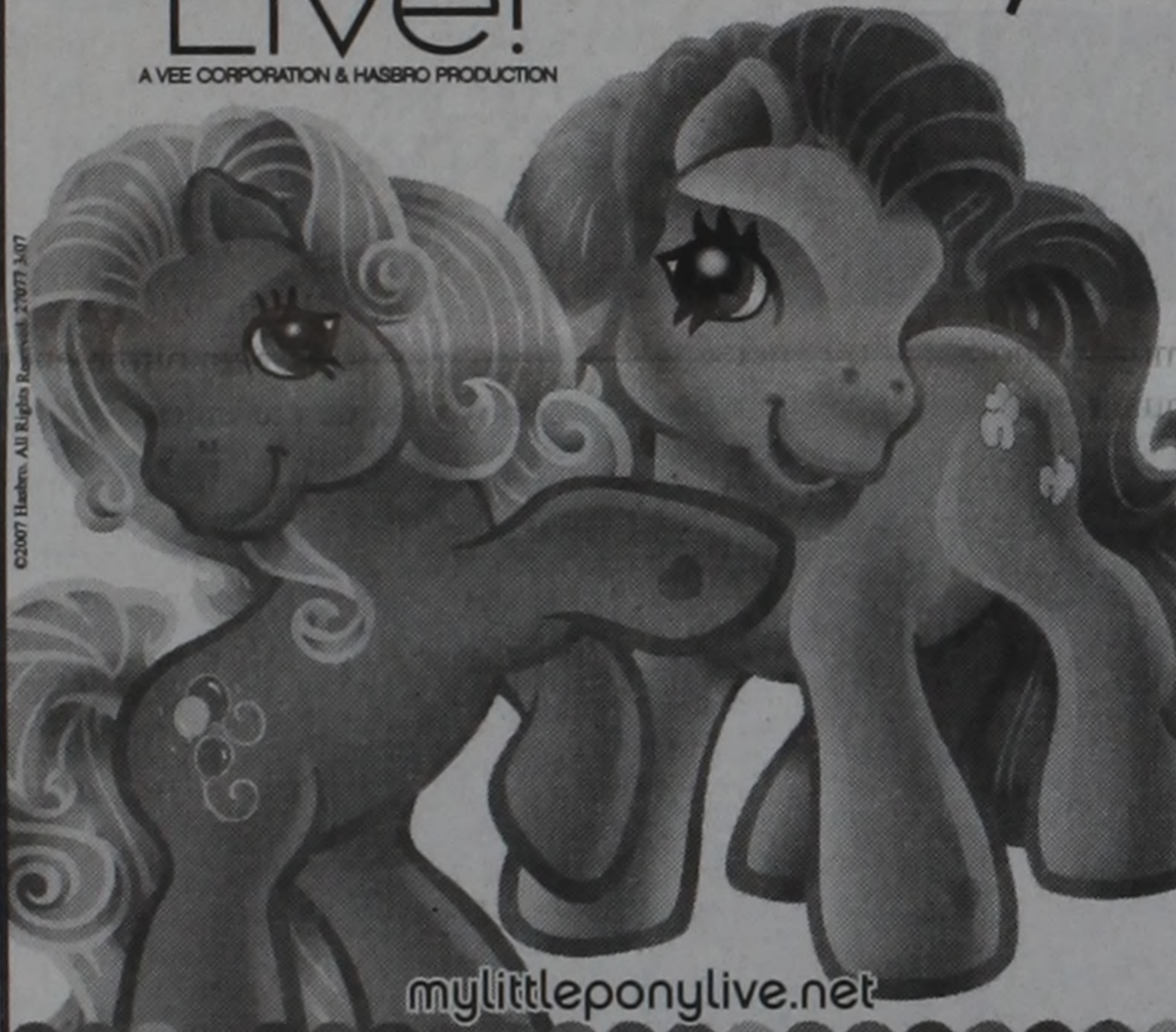
mundial de Planet Terror y Death Proof culminó seis horas después de su inicio, en una deslumbrante fiesta en la que, justo a medianoche, se cantó Feliz cumpleaños a Quentin Tarantino, quien celebró de este modo su 44 aniversario.



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# Female umpire to work MLB exhibition game

A rookie fresh from the minors is about to change the face of baseball: A female umpire is set to work a major league exhibition game for the first time in almost 20 years.

Ria Cortesio, ready to start the season in Double-A, will be on the bases Thursday for a game between the Arizona Diamondbacks and Chicago Cubs in Mesa, Ariz.

"I'm looking forward to it," she said. "There will be a lot more people in the stands than I'm used to."

No female umpire has ever worked in the majors during the regular season. Pam Postema was the last woman ump to call big league exhibitions, back in 1989 — she was in spring training for two years before getting released.

Cortesio is the only female umpire in professional baseball. At 30, she is starting her ninth year overall and fifth in Double-A.

Slender and athletic, she cut her ponytail a few years ago so she wouldn't stand out on the field. She also uses a low grunt to call strikes.

"It's awesome," Cubs star Derrek Lee said. "I think it's about time. Female eyes are as good as male eyes. Why can't they be umpires? Good for her."

Triple-A and Double-A umpires routinely join major league crews in spring training, especially when extra games fill the schedule.

"I was kind of expecting it," Cortesio said. "Umpires with my seniority usually get picked."

Cortesio has been working minor league exhibition games in Arizona this month. This week, she'll move over to HoHoKam Park where a Diamondbacks split squad plays Chicago.

Cubs reliever Scott Eyre liked the idea.

"She's doing our game? Oh, cool," he said. "How do I feel about it? I could care less. If she can call a game, she can call a game."

"If she rings somebody up for me, I don't care. You know what I mean? I wouldn't have a problem with it," he said.

Cortesio was on a big league field last season for All-Star festivities at PNC Park in Pittsburgh. She called the Futures Game for minor league prospects, then worked the Home Run Derby the next night.

Cortesio started her umpiring career in the Pioneer League, yet doesn't trumpet herself as a pioneer in a profession dominated by men.

"I don't do this job to get on TV," she said last July. "But I hope it will raise the awareness a little."

She later worked in the Florida State League. There, New York Yankees owner George Steinbrenner once criticized her strike zone after she worked a game that Roger Clemens pitched while recuperating from an injury.

For several years, she's been

an instructor at the Jim Evans Academy of Professional Umpiring for several years.

This year, Cortesio hopes to move to Triple-A — she's on deck for promotion when the next vacancy occurs. Once umpires reach Triple-A, they are evaluated by major league supervisors, rather than minor league staff.

Life in Double-A isn't luxurious. Last year, she made about \$2,600 a month for the six-month season and her per diem was \$25, with her hotel room paid for; big league umpers can earn well over \$100,000 and get \$357 daily to pay for their meals and hotel.

Plus, there's the travel. Major league umpires jet around the country, a three-person crew in the Southern League drives itself 24,000 miles over a full season.

All that, and no guarantee they'll ever make the majors because jobs rarely open up. Fact is, a player in Double-A has a much better chance of reaching the big leagues than an umpire.

Mike Winters will lead Cortesio's crew Thursday. It'll mark the first time she's worked a game with a major league umpire.

"I think I'm as excited about that as anything," she said. Female umpire to work MLB exhibition game



# Ready, Roger? Clemens says he needs month to decide

Roger Clemens was greeted by a group of autograph-seeking fans as he walked off the 18th green during a pro-am event at Redstone Golf Club on Wednesday.

"Are you coming back?" someone asked. "I'll know in about a month," Clemens answered.

The 44-year-old is no closer to deciding whether he'll return for a 23rd season. He set no timetable, but repeated that he'll choose among the Houston Astros, New York Yankees and Boston Red Sox.

Clemens said his agents, Alan and Randy Hendricks, will let him know when he can't put off his decision any longer.

"They're great at what they do and they'll call me and say, 'Listen, it's time to either make a decision or not,'" the seven-time Cy Young Award winner said. "It could come next week, it could come in 2-3 months, who knows?"

Clemens hinted that he'll pick the team he thinks has the best chance to win the World Series.

Clemens said he's healthy and ready to pitch, but still needs to mentally prepare for a season.

"My arm's not too far off, my body is not too far off," he said. "My mind's just not there yet."

# Mexicana Ochoa gana en el golf de Arizona

La mexicana Lorena Ochoa, al centro del green con los brazos en alto, celebra tras ganar la ronda final del torneo de golf de Arizona, el domingo

y creo que nos obliga a todas a dar lo mejor para ir en pos de ella".

La estrella mexicana inició el torneo con una ventaja



25 de marzo de 2007, en Superstition Mountain, Arizona.

La mexicana Lorena Ochoa desperdició una ventaja de cuatro golpes ante Suzann Pettersen, pero luego tuvo cuatro birdies en los últimos cinco hoyos, para ganar por dos golpes el torneo de golf de Arizona el domingo.

Ochoa dio 68 golpes, cuatro bajo par, para vencer a Pettersen, quien dio 66.

Ochoa desperdició una ventaja de cuatro golpes en la ronda final de este torneo de participación en el circuito del Superstition Mountain Golf and Country Club. Pero esta vez se sobrepuso, superando a la noruega Pettersen con birdies en los hoyos 14, 15, 17 y 18, mientras sus hinchas le gritaban en español "viva Lorena".

"Traté de ser paciente. Tenía muchos hoyos por delante. Me estaba presionando demasiado y algunas veces, cuando uno trata mucho, es difícil darles", dijo.

Ochoa, la mejor del tour este año, se hizo de una bolsa de 225.000 dólares en su décima victoria. Terminó con un total de 18 hoyos bajo par.

"Ella es quizás la mejor del mundo ahora", dijo Pettersen, quien tuvo su mejor cierre de torneo. "Es una gran jugadora

de cuatro golpes, pero esta desapareció cuando Pettersen dio otro birdie en la séptima.

Hace dos años, Ochoa desaprovechó una ventaja de cuatro golpes y perdió ante Annika Sorenstam en el desempate.

"Es difícil decirselos ahora, pero el 2005 fue realmente difícil para mí", dijo Ochoa, ex jugadora de la Universidad de California. "Me dolió, especialmente estando aquí en Arizona, un lugar especial para mí. Fue muy difícil".

El domingo, Ochoa vio su ventaja desaparecer muy pronto.

Pettersen necesitó solamente cinco hoyos para eliminar la ventaja de Ochoa, teniendo birdies en el segundo, tercero, cuarto y quinto hoyos. Pettersen se adelantó cuando Ochoa tuvo un bogey en el sexto hoyo, de par cuatro.

"Ella me presionó mucho", dijo Ochoa.

La mexicana, que nunca estuvo a más de un golpe de distancia, reclamó de manera definitiva el liderato al dar un putt de tres metros en el hoyo 17, de par tres.

Pettersen falló un putt de cinco metros para un birdie en el hoyo 18, de par cinco.

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## Catholic Daughters of America Lenten Fund Raiser

The Catholic Daughters of America Lenten Fund Raiser at St. Joseph Church which is located at 210 North Ave. P. The event will be on Friday, Mar. 30 starting at 11 am to 2 pm. The enchilada plate lunch which includes: 3 enchiladas, beans, rice, chips, salsa, & salad. The fee is \$5 for adults, \$3.50 for children. Dessert .50 cents. There will be dine-in or dine-out, tea, served with dine in only.

Capirotada Contest is open to the public and a \$5.00 entry fee will apply. There will 1st, 2nd & a 3rd prizes.

For information call 765-9935.

## SPACE AVAILABLE FOR BABY SALE BONANZA!

Sell your infant, toddler, pre-school (up to size 5t) clothing, maternity items, toys, and miscellaneous accessories in a community garage sale setting! Maxey Community Center is hosting their 3rd annual Baby Sale Bonanza on Saturday, April 14, 2007, from 9:00 a.m.-Noon. Tables are available for \$15 each, space for a rack is \$5. Space is limited and pre-registration is required. On the day of the sale, the public is invited to come and purchase items, and admission is free!

Registration forms are available at Maxey Community Center located at 30th Street and Oxford Avenue. They are open Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 1:00 to 6:00 p.m. For more information, call 767-3796.

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## "Cesar E. Chavez: Marching for health, marching for life." Essay Contest

The Hispanic Law Student Association is joining with the Lubbock Cesar E. Chavez Commemoration Committee in organizing the annual Cesar E. Chavez Essay Contest for students in the West Texas area. The contest is designed to honor the life and achievements of the late civil rights and labor leader.

The contest is open to students in grades 7 through 12 and will be part of a weekend of community celebrations sponsored by the commemoration committee, which recognizes the birthday of Chavez.

Dedicated to non-violence, Chavez founded and led the first successful farm workers union in American history and was a principal figure in the Chicano Civil Rights Movement. He died in 1993. His birthday, March 31, has been designated a state holiday in Texas.

The deadline for essay submissions is March 27. Students of all ethnic backgrounds are encouraged to enter by composing their essays on the following topic: Describe how health and quality of life drove the efforts of Cesar E, and explain how his ideals can motivate and inspire you in achieving a healthy lifestyle, as well as you promoting healthy living to others in your community.

Students may obtain an entry application and contest guidelines from their school guidance counselor, or by calling Lila Garza, Cesar E. Chavez Essay Committee at 512-699-6460, or Christy Martinez-Garcia, Chair of the Cesar E. Chavez Commemoration Committee at (806) 797-7233.

## Hispanic Job Fair Big Success

Lubbock's Hispanic Chamber of Commerce held a regional job fair this past Thursday March 22, 2007 at the Holiday Inn in the downtown area. Numerous representatives attended the event from companies hoping to recruit new workers. Present were human resource personnel from financial institutions such as American State Bank and Wells Fargo Bank. Insurance companies like AFLAC and State Farm. A representa-

tive from EXCELL meatpacking plant in Plainview, Texas gave prospective employees information on their operations. The Texas Workforce Commission and non-profit organizations like LEARN Educational Talent Search also provided participants the opportunity to interact on a one-to-one basis with employer representatives. Participants were also provided with a chance to hand deliver their resumes to a number of employers during the one day event.

The response to this event by far exceeded expectations. The efforts by the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and all participating employers were undoubtedly well received by the attending job seekers. For sure, the very professional setting established by the sponsors also provided a relaxed atmosphere enabling job seekers an opportunity to become acquainted with possible employers.

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