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## Letter from the Editor this Labor Day Creating a Labor of Love



Roxanne Eguia is journalist from San Antonio. She is a part of a experimental art collective and also works as a computer lab tech at St. Philips College.

What do you want to be when you grow up? A questioned begged by everyone when we were so little. Some kids knew, others parroted positions they saw on television and still others had no context for the idea of a career.

The modern workforce journey is unique for all of us. It requires a balanced mix of searching, preparation, creating our own path and connecting to the economy we live in. Merging our passions with a job that pays can seem impossible but we must shift our perspective and realize the opportunities our city can offer. As we enjoy our time off this week, let's examine the state of the San Antonio workforce economy and how it relates to our own career journeys.

City leaders are dedicated to sustaining the cities major industries: Healthcare, Bioscience, Aerospace, New Energy Economy, Information Technology and Cybersecurity. Some of the most bleeding edge innovations are and we can all be apart of it by skills from one discipline to

learning the key skills.

Higher education is made accessible by the Alamo Colleges system that works with these industries to design certifications that prepare students for real life application of these skills. Not an associates degree, but a certificate, can be earned in some cases less than a year and connect students directly to their future employers through internships and engaged faculty.

I am SAC proud and had an incredible experience with the Journalism department at San Antonio College. Working for the college newspaper prepared me for the expectations of a working newsroom, but like many others, I struggled graduation. Media is going Fund, State Enterprise Fund through an innovation period and writers must really create their own path in order to succeed.

Some industries are not as easy to enter. Especially the fun ones that we are all passionate about. Appreciating what we are good at and finding an outlet for those skills is key in navigating potential careers. We may not care about computers or data or anatomy, but when searching for a job that has longevity, it is good to get creative about the application of our skills.

Moving from retail to something that pays more like construction may seem like something from left field, but there are a lot of parallels and you have to find them. Reading the requirements on happening in these industries a job listing and translating

another can make or break a and we are still working out job application.

Knowing where you ultimately want to be can help you choose what entry level position to prepare for. Getting into a starter position guides us by learning from our superiors and feeling out in the second grade. I wrote the culture of a company.

Then there is always the option to do it yourself and become a self starter. San Antonio harbors a nourishing environment for startups with numerous Tax Abatements, Economic Development Incentive Fund (EDIF) Performance Grants, SAWS Impact Fee Waivers, Development Services Fee Waivers, Foreign Trade Zone no. 80, Tax a print legacy that guides me. to find employment after Rebates, Skills Development and State Enterprise Project Designations. It is no wonder why the city has become a lighthouse for ambitious entrepreneurs.

> Moving into the future compassionately with a priority for the people who were born here is real. We must take advantage of these programs and incentives now before the displaced Californians do. Texas has a reputation for moving and talking slow, but we must make haste to fulfill our passions because the soil that our families have toiled for centuries is nutrient rich and you must have faith that anything you plant here will

Launching the new interpretation of La Prensa Texas has been an illuminating period. This is our 12th print issue

the kinks. Being apart of a skeleton crew has emphasized our responsibilities and our strengths but more importantly magnified the need for a paper like this.

I published my first story about my favorite holiday tradition: making bunuelos with my grandma Hopie for New Years. I knew I would be working in media when I grew up and aggregating the content from every corner of the city is no easy task, but it is a heartfelt one. La agua conectiva. And so we go with the flow. I am so honored to be a Tejana and to be apart of

This week, I hope that you will listen to yourself, to your city and to the people that came before you to find your own path and discover how you will change the world. I encourage you to go out and meet people you would like to be like one day, visit places you would like to work at one day and take risks. We are all capable of so much and we only have this one life to do it.

Thank you for your consideration and support in this transitional period. We have a lot of exciting news to be announced this month.

Besitos Infintos, Roxanne Eguia

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### **About the Cover Artist: Denise Homer Pintor**

Por Melissa Bryant

The cover artwork is entitled, "Morning Chores over Easy", created by a diversely skilled artist, Denise Homer Pintor. Denise has an indiscriminate educational background; in 1987 she obtained her degree in Political Science with a minor in Fine Art at the University of Texas at San Antonio. Further pursuits included learning from old Masters at Bellas Artes de San Luis Potosi in Mexico which were offered during several summer programs that she attended. Exploring her way through her talents and educational opportunities, Mrs. Pintor directed her focus on interior design and decorative arts. This field provided a wealth of experience and contacts. She enjoyed traveling and applying her skills in the and plasters.

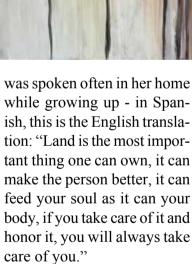
diverse background Mrs. Pintor is of Mexican-American / is reflective of nostalgic, fam-



our world quickly advances custom builders profession through modern contribuas a talented artist / designer tions. Growing up on farms in creating custom faux finishes both Mexico and in the Midwest her works often share After a time, Denise redi- with the audience what life rected her attention in a more was like from day to day. The expressive artist direction of featured artwork on our cover creativity. Drawing on her depicts a young girl washing eggs as a part of the list of daily chores that needed to Anglo heritage and her work be performed for survival... it was the way of life. Denise is ily, childhood memories of a attentive to share close details time that is often forgotten as in her works, paying homage

to the life she remembers and paying tribute to distant memories - always in hope that those memories don't completely fade.

As we communicated for developing this story I understood her love and appreciation for family, and hard work and working together. She revealed a quote to me that has had a lasting impact on her life. This quote from her maternal grandmother



Denise Homer Pintor's work can be purchased and viewed at Hausmann Millworks Gallery and she will be displaying works in an exten sive art exhibit that is being organized by Giselle Diaz. Fo more information you can con tact the artist: facebook.com denise.pintor.1 or at her studio 925 West Russell Place, Sai Antonio, Texas 78212

If you are a local artist or know an artist from San Antonio who would like their work featured on the cover of La Prensa Texas, Please contact Melissa Bryant at info@laprensatexas.com or call 2106860600



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### Just a Thought: Labor Day Weekend



Steve Walker is a Vietnam Veteran, former Justice of the Peace and Journalist

This is Labor Day Weekend and tomorrow is Labor Day, September 3rd.

I love Labor Day since every five, or six years my birthday lands on that national holiday. I celebrated my 65th birthday on Labor Day at VFW Post 76 downtown for the beginning of the official political season kickoff in 2011 for the 2012 May Primary. That birthday however was especially memorable since I qualified for Social Security and Medicare!

While that Labor Day sticks out in my mind as unforgettable, most other holiday birthdays not so much. However, my one other memorable Labor Day birthday was my 59th birthday, as I stood on the sidelines of a local high school football field watching the New Orleans Saints play a scrimmage practice. Owner Tom Benson stood on the sidelines. I was privileged to shake his hand. That was during the 2005 Hurricane Katrina disaster.

As far as future Labor Day birthdays for me, if I can survive and make it 4 more times, I will celebrate my 98th birthday on that special Labor ing on my part, right?

hit the ripe old age of 70, or ary 21, 1887. By the time as I call it, three score and it became a federal holiday ten! That means this year on in 1894, signed into law by Wednesday I will be 72!!

ba-Horvat who was a finalist ebrated Labor Day. some years ago for Puerto Rico's version of Ameriturns 33. This grandpa tells her "my shoes are older than you!" Actress Raquel Welsh is also born on September 5th. What most fans don't know is she is Hispanic. She was born million B.C."

CLU held its second Labor on September 5th, 1883.

official holiday, as originally proposed, and the CLU urged of New York and celebrate a "working men's holiday" on that date. The idea spread with the growth of labor organizations, and in 1885 Labor Day was celebrated in many industrial centers of the country.

In 1882, Matthew Maguire a machinist first proposed the holiday while serving as Secretary of the CLU of New York. Others argue that it was first proposed by Peter McGuire in May 1882, after witnessing the annual Labor

Day. Could be wishful think- Festival in Toronto Canada. Oregon was the first state to In 2016, September 5th, I make it a holiday on Febru-President Grover Cleveland, Local singer Erica Gonza- thirty states officially cel-

Over time, speeches by prominent men and women can Idol, I will celebrate her were introduced as part of birthday with me as well. She Labor Day, as more emphasis was placed upon the economic and civic significance of the holiday to include modern celebrations to include Labor Day sales and specials.

As a former President of in 1940 as Raquel Tejeda. the Harlandale Federation of She worked as a model, pin Teachers which is affiliated up girl and actress. She made with the AFL-CIO, I served her debut in the movie, "One on the Central Labor Council of Labor Unions in Bexar Ironically the first Labor County. As a union member Day holiday was celebrated I have been an active part of on Tuesday, September 5th Labor Day celebrations over 1882 in New York City in the years that happen coinciaccordance with the plans of dentally to coincide with an the Central Labor Union. The occasional birthday for me.!

Since I have been affili-Day holiday just one year later ated with the Bexar County AFL-CIO we have also had In 1884 the first Monday in three female Hispanic presi-September was selected as the dents to include Alicia Garza, Rachel Hernandez and most recently Gloria Parra. In the similar organizations in other 70s the local elected the first cities to follow the example Hispanic female president, Joan Suarez.

> Whether or not you are a union member, remember it is a national holiday to honor all hardworking Americans who provide for their families. So Happy Labor Day tomorrow and remember me when you celebrate!!!

As always, I write "Just a Thought."

#### City announces Labor Day holiday schedule of City services

City Hall and most municipal offices will be closed on Monday, Sept. 3, 2018 to observe Labor Day. Public safety and emergency services will remain in operation. Other City services will operate as follows:

#### Open:

Recycling, organics recycling and garbage will be collected Police will be on duty

Fire and EMS personnel will be on duty

3-1-1 Call Center will be operational 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Downtown visitors will enjoy a free on-street parking day

Dead animal collection crews will be on duty

Animal Care Officers will be on duty

Parks & Recreation's four regional swimming pools will be open from 1-7 p.m.: Heritage, Lady Bird Johnson, Southside Lions and Woodlawn.

San Antonio Botanical Garden, 555 Funston Place La Villita and Market Square shops

Parks & Recreation Department's four regional pools **Closed:** 

Central Library and all branch libraries

Centro de Artes Gallery (regularly closed on Mondays)

Culture Commons Gallery at Plaza de Armas

All Metro Health locations and clinics

Animal Care Services Lobby and Adoption Center

Bitters Brush Recycling Center and Nelson Gardens Brush Recycling Center

Bulky waste collection centers and household hazardous waste sites

Alamodome Administrative Offices and Box Office Municipal Court, 401 S. Frio

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SAFD Administration and Records

Office of the City Clerk, Passports, Vital Records and Municipal Archives and Records

Pre-K 4 SA offices and education centers

Carver Community Cultural Center, 226 N. Hackberry

Senior Multi-Service Centers

Senior Nutrition Sites (seniors or the general public may contact individual nutrition sites for holiday schedule information)

City of San Antonio Community Service Centers Head Start administrative offices and school district sites Child Care Services administrative offices

Fitness in the Park and Cultural Classes will not be held Parks & Recreation Community and Senior Centers

Enrique Barrera Community Fitness Center, 5800 Old Hwy. 90 W

McFarlin Tennis Center, 1503 San Pedro

San Antonio Natatorium, 1430 W. Cesar Chavez Spanish Governor's Palace (regularly closed on Mondays)

La Villita Administrative Offices

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This SBA Accelerator Award winning program helped to revitalize the neighborhood by enabling participants to reside in affordable housing while running a business in the same space. Each program participant was provided with start-up education (if needed), technical assistance, business education including financial and human resources, mentorship, access to capital, financial literacy and credit counseling, and peer-to-peer learning opportunities.

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Christian Reed-Ogba, CEO/founder BethanyEast PR, LLC - New York Life, San Antonio Woman of the Year Award

learning opportunities. Each at the Gardens at San Juan! business and receive technical work: assistance which is tailored to their specific business.

Westside of San Antonio that westsided evcorp.com. reside in the live-work units

program participant is con- Each of the women recently nected with a variety of ad-received prestigious awards ditional sources to grow their for their success and hard

If you are a west side entrepreneur and interested in The Westside Develop- growing your business idea ment Corporation honors and call the WDC at (210) 501congratulates three successful 0192 for more information women entrepreneurs of the or send an inquiry to info@



Lika Torline, founder and owner of In the Weeds Natural Skin Care - National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO) Entrepreneurial Spirit Award



Elsa Fernandez, founder and owner of Eye Candy Boutique – 2018 Retailer of the Year, Fashion Award

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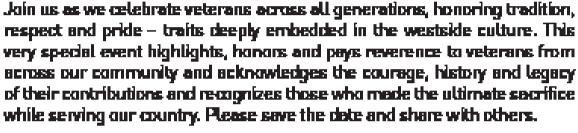




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## Arizona Senator John McCain passes at 81

By Steve Walker

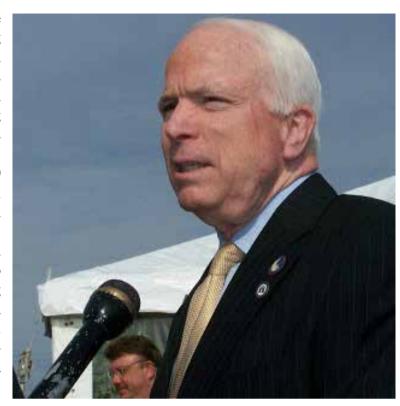
Along with the rest of the county we mourn the passing of a true hero who survived five + years in confinement as a prisoner of war in Viet Nam after his plane crashed flying over the war zone. He was released March 4 in 1973.

I arrived there in Phu Bai 40 miles from the DMZ in April 1970 and came home March 15, 1971.

January 30, 2007, I covered him here in San Antonio when he spoke at the opening of the Center for the Intrepid at Brooke Army Medical Center for wounded warriors and again at Mi Tierra Restaurant March 24 in 2008 when he was officially running for President.

events and I talked with him the second time, wishing him well in his Presidential race. I found him to be honest and forthcoming on issues and a man with a good sense of over the years. humor. I thanked him for his service and he responded in kind by thanking me for my service.

President Barack Obama issued a statement saying that "despite their differences, we shared, for all our differences, a fidelity to something higher." Both former Presidents Barack Obama and George W. Bush each gave an inspiring eulogy at the National



Cathedral, while former Vice Marine) A true American I shook his hand at both President Joe Biden spoke at hero has left this world. Sen a separate service honoring McCain was a man of honor the senator in Arizona. It and integrity who dedicated should be noted the former his life to serving others, who Vice President and Senator put others, his family and McCain were close friends Country before self... His loss

> thoughts on facebook after Peace, Sir. hearing of his death.

May he Rest in Peace!!

Queta Rodriguez (Retired with all.

Locally, a number of Bexar My deepest condolences to

Dora Gonzales says Sena- McCain. A perfect example tor McCain was the keynote of decency and humanitarspeaker at the 2008 American ian. We honor his service to GI Forum National Confer- country both as soldier and ence held in Denver, CO. It representative. Whether Rewas truly an honor to meet publican or Democrat, John him. We have lost a true hero. McCain was always on the right side of being tolerant he is a true American Patriot

by the President, "I like heroes that weren't captured" doesn't know about serving his country. McCain will truly be missed. We pray for Hero he was diagnosed with brain John McCain and his family. We ask God to comfort his family in this time of reflection. Blessings.

wrote: R.I.P. sir. You are a true American Hero. You bled Red, White & Blue. Thank you for all your sacrifices. Much respect to you and your family. God be with them.

Elda Tovar penned: You are in a better world where you belong. Your struggle is over, thank you for your service and caring for the American people.

Maria Perez added: John "Maverick" McCain dies, a legend, a leader and a warrior.

Larry Romo (former Diis a great one for our nation. rector of Selective Service in Obama Administration) County residents posted their the McCain family. Rest In shared "Friends, I want to share part of an American GI Peter Vallecillo wrote: John Forum (AGIF) Resolution passed at the National Conference in late July. Resolution # 2018-10. It was recently forwarded to Senator McCain's and Senator Cornyn's offices. We honored Senator McCain with this passed resolution as and Hero representing what

The disparaging comments is best of our great Country! May He rest in Peace." (note: there were nine more WHEREAS)

> WHEREAS, In July 2017, cancer; since the diagnosis he has taken a reduced role in the Senate, and

WHEREAS, John McCain Deb Escamilla Munoz is a Veteran American Hero who has dedicated his life to promoting partisan issues to put country before party, and

> RESOLVED; The American GI Forum meeting held on July 27, 2018 passed this resolution to acknowledge its appreciation for his contributions and long dedication to public service, for veterans and for the United States of America. Thank you for your service and may the Almighty keep you always in his Good Graces.

> RESOLVED; This resolution be forwarded to Senator John McCain's office and any other interested parties.

> The last thing I wish to say is, to me Senator John Mc-Cain is the best example of integrity, honesty, and a true patriot in every sense of the word. Politically and personally he is an icon that set high standards for the American people"



#### Chicano Is Coming To Major Art Texas Museums



Dr. Ricardo Romo

Recent interest in Latino art in San Antonio and Houston tino artists, and the involvesense in these major Texas cities, where combined, nearly Luis Jiménez sculpture?" two million Latinos reside.

York Times titled "Museums Turn Their Focus to U.S. Artists of Latin Descent" got me thinking about why minority groups remain generally unrepresentative in most Ameripleased at this sudden interest in Hispanics, there appears to be a massive amount of catching up to do. The Times commented that "As the Hispanic population continues to grow and immigration has become Chicano Art. an increasing hot-button political issue, art institutions around the country are beginning to increase their exhibitions, curators and acquisition much to say. For the first sevin Latino art." This makes entry years of the 20th century, perfect sense.



Here, Right Now: San Anto- is re-examining its collec- Gonzalez, and Porfirio Salithe 20th century and saying, ment of many Latino artists in 'Who did we miss because San Antonio's Tricentennial of our biases, because of our shows that inclusion makes ignorance?" Mr. Rothkopf

As people who believe in An article in the New fairness and justice, we have to answer questions like that, and I suggest, we can do better. Here is some good news: San Antonio actually has several Luis Jimenez sculptures. One in particular, "Man on can museums. While I am Fire," sits outside the front patio of the McNay Museum. This seven foot bronze statue created in 1969 by El Paso native Jimenez, represents one of the earliest works in what was then an emerging field of

> As for the museum curators interested in the Latino art they missed in collecting dur-

is not surprising. This interest seum of American Art ob- Witte Museum, visitors will during the early 1970s. was long overdue. A recent served in the Times article see examples of this art in the nio (April 21-August 5, 2018) tion historically. "We'll be nas. The first two artists were focused on San Antonio La- looking back at the whole of born in Spain and emigrated art is mainly landscapes filled with bluebonnets.

> said. "Why don't we have a where or when Chicano art ers movement which had its first appeared in Texas. Based on a few studies and newspaper articles, we can estimate the Texas Rio Grande Valley. that the beginning years were between 1968—1972.

> > Jacinto Quirate, a graduate student in art history at the University of Texas at Austin in the late sixties, knew as much as anyone in America about the rise of the Chicano art movement. For his dissertation research, he traveled throughout the Southwest interviewing artists. He documented a total of 28 painters and sculptors who appeared in for his barrio portraits, were his book, Mexican American Artists published in 1973.

ing the last century, there is the origins of Chicano art: it an art graduate of UT Austin, evolved from different communities, principally in the New York City experiment-Texas Hispanic artists were Southwest, but also in several ing with pop art. His first Scott Rothkopf, chief not identified by ethnicity. In cities of the Midwest, specifi- Chicano art pieces can be curator of the Whitney Mu- an upcoming exhibition at the cally Chicago and SouthBend, traced to his 1969 "Man on

Installation view, Right Here, Right Now: San Antonio. Photo by Tere Garcia

Chicano art followed the exhibit in Houston, Right that the Whitney Museum works of Jose Arpa, Xavier rise of the Chicano Movement which we began to witness following the campaign by Cesar Chavez for justice and to Texas from Mexico. Their fair wages for farmwork-Strong artistic images ers. were needed to communicate No one can say for sure support for the farmworkroots in California, but also emerged in South Texas and

> Chicano activists expressed a sense of frustration at injustices. To Chicanos who engaged in painting, art was needed to compliment the writing and poetry of the new Chicano Movement.

The cities of El Paso, San Antonio and Kingsville gave the Chicano art movement its major impetus in Texas. Luis Jimenez, a sculptor and Gaspar Enriquez, an artist famous among the most prominent Chicano artists of the El Paso We do know this about artists community. Jimenez, spent the turbulent sixties in

Fire" which was one of the first Chicano art pieces to be included in the Smithsonian's world famous art collection.

Jimenez told a writer for the Smithsonian that "Man on Fire" memorializes the disproportionately large numbers of Chicanos who were drafted into the military and sent to Southeast Asia.

Another El Paso native, Mel Casas had grown up in that border city, but moved to San Antonio in 1961 following his graduation from the UT El Paso and the University of the Americas. Casas, who taught at San Antonio College for 29 years, is known for his cleaver incorporation of English and Spanish words in his images. He also mentored many young Chicano artists.

During the late 1960s, several of the most important early Chicano artists received their training at Texas A&M Kingsville. They included Cesar Martinez, Carmen Lomas Garza, Jose Rivera, Amado Pena, and Santa Barraza. After their graduation, Martinez, Garza and Barraza moved to San Antonio where they began an association with Mel Casas, an art professor at San Antonio College.

The early works of these South Texas artists have appeared in many exhibitions, but their art is held by only a few museums. Latino artists have important things to say about life and diversity in Texas. Museum curators interested in including Latino art for their permanent collections would be wise to consider these artists and others from this region.

## Here's a Checklist for Changing Jobs

A few generations ago, goals, risk tolerance and time frequent job changes are salary goes up. a fact of life: The average nancial situation:

money kept in a liquid, low- (HSAs), if available. risk account.

permitted; or you could roll the funds over to an IRA. age you may require. You'll want to weigh the making a decision.

are most appropriate for your too, can be a taxable event.

it was not un- common for horizon. Contri-bute as much workers to stick with a single as you can afford to the plan, job for their whole careers. and consider increasing your But for many of us today, contributions every time your

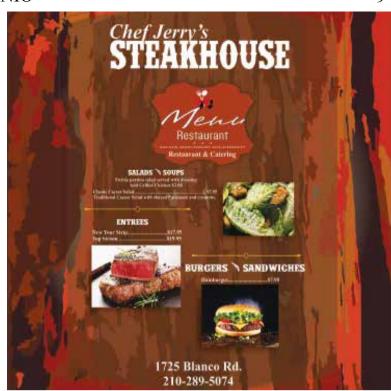
Make sure you've got employee tenure is just over health in-surance. The health four years, according to the insurance offered by your Bureau of Labor Statistics. new employer may not begin So, assuming you're going the minute you start your to switch jobs a few times, job. Given the high costs of you'll want to be prepared. medical care, you'll need to Here's a checklist of things make sure you are protected you can do to smooth these until your coverage kicks in. transitions and help your fi- So, for that interim period, you may need to consider Build an emergency fund. the federal health insurance Some of your job changes marketplace, COBRA conmay be involuntary, so you'll tinuation coverage or private want to have a cash cushion medical insurance. You might handy – just in case. One also be eligible to be covered smart move would be to build under your spouse's health an emergency fund, contain- insurance. And you may want ing three to six months' worth to learn what your options are of living ex-penses, with the for health savings accounts

Review your new ben-Consider your options efits package – and take steps for your for- mer employer's to fill gaps. Your new benefits 401(k) plan. If you had a package may include life and 401(k) plan with your former disability insurance, but these employer, you have three group poli-cies may not be main options: You could enough to fully protect you leave your money in the plan, and your family. A financial if the employer allows it; you professional can help you could move the money into quantify your protection and your new employer's plan, if insurance needs and offer guidance on how much cover-

Understand your income "pros" and "cons" of these tax con-siderations. Getting a choices care-fully before new job may involve income tax implications, such as Choose investments from changes in your tax bracket, your new retirement plan. If severance pay, unused vayour new employer offers a cation and unemployment 401(k) or similar plan, you'll compensation. And if you are need to choose the invest- thinking of exercising stock ments within the plan that options, be aware that this,

Finally, if you have to move to take a new job, you may incur some relocation and job hunting expenses that could be deductible. You will need to discuss all these issues with your tax professional.

Starting a new job can be exciting - and challenging. But you may be able to make your life easier by putting the above suggestions to work.





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## River Authority Invites Public to Celebrate Mission Reach 5th Anniversary with Photo Contest

Awarded.

San Antonio River Authority announced today that it will support from the San Antonio River Foundation and REI San Antonio, to celebrate the 5th anniversary of the Mission Reach section of the San Antonio River Walk. The public is invited to submit photos taken along the Mission Reach to showcase the project's beauty, recreational amenities and ecosystem restoration efforts. The contest kickoff will take place Saturday, September 1 with a free photography workshop starting at 10 a.m. at Confluence Park given by The Creative Light that is open to the pub-October 7, 2018.

To enter the contest, participants need to visit the contest's webpage at www.saratx.org to review the terms and conditions and view the six eligible categories. Then participants need to visit the Mission Reach (between S. Alamo and Camino Coahuilteca), take pictures and upload their along the restored river." entries on the contest's webpage. Previous photographs taken by participants since the October 5, 2013 grand opening of the Mission Reach are also eligible. The contest is open to the community and individuals can submit photos in different categories for a chance to win. A judging panel will decide the winners 2013. The restored ecosysthree entries in each category

SAN ANTONIO – The package from the San Antonio from REI San Antonio, deoutdoors.

"The Mission Reach Ecosystem Restoration and Recreation Project has revitalized the landscape of San Antonio south of downtown by transforming the San Antonio River from what was once a drainage ditch to nine miles of restored habitat, and a hike and bike trail system reconnecting the river to the San Antonio Missions, the only UNESCO World Heritage site in Texas," said San Antonio River Authority General Manager Suzanne Scott. lic. Entries will be accepted "The success of the Mission until 11:59 p.m. (CST) on Reach is seen in the smiles of the people enjoying the river and in the return of the native landscape, habitat and wildlife. Through this photo contest we invite the community to commemorate the project's anniversary by showcasing the beauty and enjoyment of the Mission Reach through photos of their experiences

The Mission Reach Ecosystem Restoration and Recreation Project successfully restored the ecosystem of a nine-mile stretch of the San Antonio River south of downtown previously channelized for flood control purposes. Construction of the project was completed in October for each category and the top tem consists of 113 acres of aquatic habitat, 334 acres of

FREE Photography Work- will be eligible to receive the riparian woodland, 31 riffle ing construction and currently shop Kickoff on September 1. "People's Choice" category structures, 13 acres of embay- oversees operations, mainte-Over \$3,000 in Prizes will be voted by the general public. ment habitat, and two river nance and concessions. For Winners will receive a prize remnants. The project was more information about the primarily funded by Bexar Mission Reach project and River Authority, with support County, with additional fund- the photo contest, visit www. ing from the City of San Anhost a photo contest, with signed to enhance enjoyment tonio, the U.S. Army Corps of the Mission Reach and the of Engineers and the San An- Authority was created by the tonio River Foundation. The 45th Texas Legislature on San Antonio River Authority May 5, 1937 and reorganized was the project manager dur- in 1961 to plan, manage and

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implement water-related programs and projects within the San Antonio River Basin. The State of Texas empowered the River Authority to preserve, protect and manage the resources and the ecology The San Antonio River of the San Antonio River and its tributaries. To learn more about the River Authority visit our website at www. sara-tx.org.





#### MISSION REACH ANNIVERSARY

#### PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

it's time to celebrate! The Mission Reach section of the San Antonio River Walk is one of the nation's largest urban ecosystem restoration projects, and in honor of the five-year anniversary of the October 5, 2015 grand opening, the San Antonio River Authority is hosting a photo contest. We would love to see your photos of the Mission Reach! Over \$3,000 in prizes will be awarded!

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## SPORTS

#### Gracias Manu

Por Jessica Duran

Ginobili, announced his retirement on his twitter account Many across the NBA and Monday ending his 16 year tenure with the Spurs. In the tweet he stated "Today, with retirement wishes to his aca wide range of feelings, I'm announcing my retirement from basketball. IMMENSE GRATITUDE to everyone (family, friends, teammates, coaches, staff, fans) involved in my life in the last 23 years. It's been a fabulous journev. Wav beyond my wildest dreams." The tweet along with a picture of him waving to fans heading into the tunnel Hailed as one of the greatest at the AT&T Center, was ee- six man to ever play, Manu rily similar to Tim Duncan's won four championships with

final wave to the crowd a little the Spurs. Other notable ac-Our beloved Spur, Manu over 2 years ago in Oklahoma City during the playoffs. major media personalities tweeted gratitude and happy count, some including Dirk Nowitzki, Kobe Bryant, and LeBron James.

Manu has had a historic career and one of, if not the greatest player to ever be drafted in the second round in NBA Draft history. Manu went from no one in the media knowing how to pronounce "Ginobili" to absolute legend.

complishments include a Sixth Man of the Year award winner, 2 times All-NBA, and a 2 time NBA All-Star.

Outside of all his success on the court, he was and still is, a true champion off the court. He made countless trips to Christa Santa Rosa Hospital and the Children's Hospital, as well as countless visits to schools across San Antonio. This is proof of his love for the community and is truly unmatched. He always made time for fans off the court, despite his own privacy, he made every fan feel special and part of the team. Throughout last season, there were crowds at

every game, in every arena, of traveling Manu fans flying from all over the globe to see him play in person. And of course, Manu being Manu, after his shoot around before the game, he would stop to take pictures, sign autographs, and even hug fans, especially those who were from his native Argentina.

Manu went out on his own terms and revealed his incredible play during the past 2 seasons was because he was ready to retire, ready to go out with a bang. And he did just that. Even Mayor Ron Nirenberg late Monday night tweeted that August 30th will

officially be "Manu Ginobili Day" in the city of San An-

On behalf of San Antonio and a long time Spurs fan, gracias Manu. You got me through personally some tough times the past year or two as I'm sure for so many others as well. You are a man of the people with your sportsmanship and with your kind and friendly heart. You are a legend and no matter where life takes you, San Antonio will always be home and no words can express the gratitude us fans have for you. So, all we can just say is GRACIAS MANU.

### Hawaii Wins Little Leage World Series

Por Jessica Duran

Little League World Series in Williamsport, PA -- Hawaii is back on top as they win their first title in a decade and the first title for the U.S. since New York back in 2016. Not just representing the U.S. against South Korea, but representing the island of Honolulu. Despite being thousands of miles away from their home, almost the entire crowd surrounding the entire field were rooting for the Hawaiians. Only 6 pairs of parents were able to fly from South Korea to support their team but many Korean-Americans showed up from all over the country to root for them.

South Korea had not given up a single run in the entire with one pitch, Mana Lau Kong drove a hit to almost dead centerfield over the fence leading to a 3-0 lead. Kong's mother was given the home run ball to keep after someone brought it to their side. Kong's mother was visibly seen crying with tears of pride and joy for her son's big moment. Hawaiian pitcher Ka'olu Holt was their pitcher that day and only gave up 2 hits in the game and pitched the first shutout in a title game since 2002. It was also Holt's first ever shutout game he's ever pitched. Rightfully so, he picked an important game to do so.

Despite South Korea's great play throughout the tournament, even knocking

international side of the tournament, they couldn't match Hawaii and had an off day at the plate, simply something you can't do against a team served LLWS title run. Conlike Hawaii.

South Korea should be proud to have made it so far where many have not. It's an accomplishment in itself by making it to the title game in such dominate fashion as they did. Staying humble, the Hawaiians quickly after celebrating on the field, shook hands across home plate, went over to the South Korea parents and fans and waved their caps to them. With many South Koreans still visibly upset and crying, the Hawaiians gave one last consolable hug to each mem-

tournament but unfortunately out powerhouse Japan in the ber keeping in mind their coaches's lesson to "stay humble no matter what". Congratulations to Hawaii on an incredible and well degratulations to South Korea and also congratulations to Japan for a third place victory over Georgia.

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