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Let's Talk About it... Homelessness

By Yvette Tello

On Nov 11, 2019, News 4 spoke to officials on the growing issue of homelessness in San Antonio. The HOMELESS TOWN HALL panellists included: Joe Gonzales, Bexar County District Attorney, Brenda Mascorro, Executive Director for South Alamo Regional Alliance for the Homeless (SARAH) Mayor Ron Nirenberg, Mayor of San Antonio, Dominic Gonzalez, person who was formerly homeless, Kenny Wilson, CEO of Haven for Hope What do you think needs to be done? Let's talk about it...

Vanessa Martinez Campos:

"We need better educational and income opportunities for the families in SA. Education and stable incomes help reduce DV/IPV. That means starting in PreK and going all the way through high school, not giving up on getting our children educated and prepared for jobs that will help them thrive. We also need to make sure everyone in SA has living wages. Iowa State also created an educational program for offenders that reduced recidivism. Hand in hand these two ideas would be excellent prevention techniques."

RD Gonzales: The focus should be helping those in OUR city first! Homelessness is a multi-faceted problem. There isn't just one answer to the problem but many ways to help that don't always mean just giving a handout. Programs to help people get back on their feet and be independent. It's doesn't happen overnight and it's a process. If there's



hope within someone, there's a chance to improve their life."

Manny Santana Montilla: "Self supporting homeless mini townes within the city. Let them run their own area to include businesses set up by investors giving profits back to support the townes. Give tax breaks to those that support it. All jobs are given to homeless to help themselves. Use the camaraderie they already have developed on the streets. Give volunteer hours to those not homeless to help with clothing and food donations. We have to

many organizations on their own doing their own thing. Give them storefronts in this town to help. Set up laws and by laws to keep it clean with assigned personnel in specific jobs. There are plenty of places not being used in this town."

Letty Martinez: "This mayor also loves to give churches that open their sanctuary to feed these people and min-

ister to them a hard time! I wonder why? It's not only haven for hope that works with these homeless, the church under the bridge is a great organization as well and taking it to the streets. These organizations even offer to help the homeless. Why were they not invited to speak in your town home?"

Poy Castañá: "Make services easier to access for folks, it's so difficult to get help! We make people jump through hoops."

Stephanie Martinez: "Good luck to all n God bless"

Loretta Ybarra: "Quit bringing homeless people from other states in like New Yorkers y'all are bad for that I know the city is getting a kick back for every homeless person that is sent here"

Terry Ramos: "Maybe affordable dorm rooms so they still pay there way some way to encourage them to find work and if they can't am sure they can help with that too"

Joseph Ortiz: "Stop helping the illegals with housing and moving them from City to city. House and feed the homeless, give them the help to get them off the street."

Del Tita Dls: "I do my best to feed them on upcoming holidays Not all homeless people are bad the way people think. I don't give out money I offered to buy food and if they say no then I'll tell them sorry but I don't give cash. Most of them do understand and will take the food. I'll be out there next weekend to give them their pre-thanksgiving lunch with some hygiene bags."

Ruben Ronin Trejo: "This happens in EVERY DEMOCRATIC run city.... stop voting for democrats"

Candace Little: "Stop giving housing to illegals and fake refugees would be a start. Americans are denied help but there's many agencies that only help illegals and the fake refugees."

About the Artist

Joey Fauerso

Joey Fauerso is an artist and Professor in the School of Art and Design at Texas State University. Recently her work has been included in exhibitions at MASSMoCA, the Drawing Center in New York, The David Shelton Gallery in Houston, and Antenna Gallery in New Orleans. Fauerso received her MFA from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, WI, in 2001 and a BFA from the University of Iowa, Iowa City, in 1998. She has been the recipient of numerous grants and residencies including BSC's Berlin Residency Program with Künstlerhaus Bethanien in Berlin, Germany, and the Drawing Center's Open Sessions Residency in New York (2014-15). She lives and works in San Antonio with her husband Riley Robinson and their two sons.

The artist is currently showing an exhibition called TEARDOWNS at the Bluestar Contemporary Main Gallery until January 5, 2020. She presents new work continuing her investigation of themes of culture, gender, family, and humor as a method of response to our socio-political climate and the destructive and reconstructive natures of humanity. The exhibition features a 50-foot mural inspired by the White House's Diplomatic Reception Room wall paper Views of North America. The mural is presented along with sculpture, video, and performance-based works, including the wooden blocks



Utopia 2016 Acrylic on paper 43" x89" "Across text, painting, film and sound, Fauerso luxuriates in a coiled chaos, telescoping from the whimsical, joyful intrigues of family to the dark, cresting tides arising from a year where the world is gripped with hatred and panic." -Neil Fauerso

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which have served as both prop and installation elements since Fauerso's time at the Künstlerhaus Bethanien for the BSC Berlin Residency Program in 2017. The exhibition also integrates Fauerso's ongoing interest in the ways gender is expressed and defined in Western art and the cognitive and creative processes of children observed and lived through her parental experiences.

Catch a TEARDOWNS special performance FEATURING DAVID HURLIN AND LAEREE next month on Saturday, December 7 from 7-8pm.

David Hurlin is a professional drummer and percussionist. Drummer for Apocalypso Tantric Noise Choir, Soulmath, Elizabeth Moen, Annalibera, and most recently with The Mike Dillon Band, he has toured all over the country and is in high demand, both

as a performer and session drummer. He is working on drum performances and collaborations which lean more toward sound art/sculpture and performance art.

Laeree is a visual and performance artist based in San Antonio, Texas. A graduate of Texas State University in San Marcos, TX, Laeree explores themes of identity, theatre, digital culture, romanticism, desire, fantasy, and gender, while advocating and creating space for LGBTQIA communities. Laeree has worked in collaboration with Teardowns artist Joey Fauerso to activate artworks in the exhibition and can be seen featured in videos on view in the exhibition.

This will also be a special opportunity to talk with Fauerso in person about her work on view. For more information Visit <https://bluestarcontemporary.org/>

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Counting Ourselves

Our Community In For the 2020 Census



By U.S. Representative Lloyd Doggett (D-San Antonio)

In a time of great division, we should unite for a complete census count. Recently, at El Progreso Hall, to dedicate the new census office I joined the Tafolla Middle School Mariachis, Lanier High Color Guard, State Rep. Bernal, Commissioner Rodriguez, Councilmember Viagran, and former Councilmember Mary Alice Cisneros, and many others.

This upcoming 2020 census is a once-in-a-decade recording of who lives where in our community. While the census taking begins April 1, 2020, we are beginning now to build understanding and encourage neighbors to help count neighbors by applying for available jobs at 2020census.gov/jobs, 1-855-JOB-2020.

The census represents a crucial way to express ourselves so that our government's resources—through our tax dollars—work for us. Nine years ago, during the last census, Hispanic communities were undercounted—particularly in Texas. This time, Trump attempted to deliberately discourage participation in the

census from some Hispanic families by insisting upon posing a citizenship question. While that manipulation was fortunately rejected by the Supreme Court, the publicity surrounding it undoubtedly will continue to mislead some. This wrong has been magnified by Trump's rampant hate speech and the stirring of anti-immigrant hysteria. And even local efforts to inform immigrants to "know your rights" may encourage some to keep their doors closed to any government official.

Together, we must overcome these obstacles. Census workers do not work for ICE and cannot report to ICE. For every person living in the United States, regardless of citizenship, it is

free, safe, and private to respond to the Census. We must not yield to fear.

What we do now will impact our area and beyond for years. Our efforts are particularly important because, unlike many states, Texas has contributed no funding to promote mobilization and has not even created a complete count task force. We have to make up for this failure of state Republican leaders by redoubling our local efforts.

Based on the Census count, the federal government decides: How many members of Congress represent us and what monies are available for Medicaid, food security, roadways and public transportation, affordable housing, children's

healthcare, and early childhood education. A grade of 99 is normally outstanding, but an undercounting by even one percent could result in a loss of \$300 million each year for Texas. The data gathered will also influence how district lines are drawn to assure accessible school trustees, city councilmembers, county commissioners, and state representatives.

Everyone in Bexar county counts—the immigrant who just arrived, those trying to overcome homelessness, and the family whose ancestors date to our city's 301-year-old origin.

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UTSA Professor Discusses the Resilience of San Antonio's Cultural Heritage

By R Egua

Last month, scholars, community members and students gathered at the Southwest School of Art Coates Chapel to hear a conversation by the San Antonio Conservation Society Endowed Professor at UTSA, William Dupont, called A Resilient Heritage: Designing San Antonio's Future to Preserve Our Past.

The talk introduced Cultural Sustainability as the continuity of cultural systems of human existence. People have heritage identities and values that bind them to places and communities are essential for full sustainability.

"Design with respect for Heritage," was a key theme as Dupont explored the challenges in capturing intangibles in cultural traditions and spirituality. He asked, "How does a place come to be as it is?"

Founder of UTSA's Center for Cultural Sustainability, Dupont's work informs how communities, designers, and policy-makers use heritage. His goal is to make cultural heritage more resilient and to raise awareness about what he argues is one of the great challenges of our time. "I



start from the premise that cultural heritage, like natural heritage, is easily harmed or destroyed if we do not make careful choices about how to keep what we value," he said.

He identified natural disasters as one of the main threats to historical preservation and talked about his work Building a Sacred Places Heritage Network with the State Historic Heritage Network for Disaster Resilience in the Texas Gulf Coast Region. The correspondence for these efforts are anchored in the network of Historic Churches in the Gulf Coast.

Fast change strains the existing built environment, increases vulnerability to disasters and decreases resilience to sustain, survive or

recover. On the positive side, Dupont observes how greater resilience of cultural heritage strengthens communities, increases respect for cultural identity, and deepens our understanding of each other as humans.

His body of work proactively designs for a future that retains the wisdom of past generations, promotes continuity of cultural identity and increases the resilience of the built environment. Dupont conducts his research with the assistance of passionate colleagues and lots of enthusiastic students who were all in attendance. The room was filled with warmth and he spoke with so much joy and appreciation for the support of his peers.



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SAN ANTONIO'S HISPANIC FAMILY OWNED NEWSPAPER

STATE REPRESENTATIVE BARBARA GERVIN HAWKINS

GET ENROLLED USA

Enrollment into the ACA IS NOW OPEN THROUGH DECEMBER 15th

WHAT: Open enrollment for 2020 health coverage through the Affordable Care Act (ACA) is now open through December 15th. According to recent U.S. Census reports the rate of uninsured individuals is on the rise for the first time since the inception of the ACA, and Texas ranks first in the overall number of insured individuals (5 million) and the uninsured rate (17.7%). Despite this public health crisis, GET ENROLLED USA is here to help and has the answers people need. The ACA remains the law of the land and consumers can still sign up for affordable health care coverage. Financial assistance is still available and GET ENROLLED USA Enrollment Assistants are available to provide FREE Enrollment Assistance. Additionally, the San Antonio area market is seeing lower prices than previous years with quality coverage options.

WHEN: Saturday, November 16, 2019

TIME: 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

WHERE: State Rep. Barbara Gervin Hawkins Office
3503 Northeast Parkway
San Antonio, Texas 78218

WHO: GET ENROLLED USA Enrollment Assistants

Guest speakers will include the Honorable State Representative Barbara Gervin Hawkins

MORE: More than 11 million Americans—and nearly 66,000 in the San Antonio area—have come to count on the coverage they've purchased through the Affordable Care Act (ACA) marketplace. Nothing about the ACA marketplace has changed and quality, affordable health options for 2020 remain.

Open enrollment for 2020 is currently open through December 15th. Residents in the San Antonio area can sign up by calling (210) 429-2669 and/or contacting Ramon Chapa, Jr. at (210) 365-5250 or at ramonchapajr@yahoo.com



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Por Rich Stinson

El Sistema del Aeropuerto de San Antonio (SAAS) y los funcionarios de Parques y Recreación de San Antonio, junto con la concejal Rebecca Viagran, presentaron el nuevo Stinson Hike and Bike Trail este mes. El nuevo diseño del sendero conecta el histórico Mission Trail a lo largo del río San Antonio con el Aeropuerto Municipal de Stinson.

“El nuevo sendero dará a los visitantes acceso a las Misiones del Patrimonio Mundial de la UNESCO, nuestro propio aeropuerto histórico y todos los elemen-

tos auténticos que hacen de San Antonio una ciudad de clase mundial”, dijo Russ Handy, Director de Aviación de la Ciudad de San Antonio.

“Esta nueva caminata y sendero para bicicletas lleva años preparándose y estoy agradecida de verla fructificar”, dijo la concejal Viagran. “Estoy emocionado de que ahora esté abierto otro nuevo servicio de senderos en el Distrito 3 que dará la bienvenida a las familias, ciclistas y turistas de San Antonio por igual para complementar todo el trabajo que hemos estado haciendo con nuestros interesados locales

en el aeropuerto de Stinson”.

El Aeropuerto Municipal de Stinson ocupa un lugar único en la historia de la aviación. La familia pionera de Stinson estableció la Escuela de Vuelo de Stinson en 1915 y hoy en día el aeropuerto es el aeropuerto de operación continua más antiguo del país. El aeropuerto sirve como relevista de aviación general al Aeropuerto Internacional de San Antonio.

El Consejo de la Ciudad de San Antonio aprobó el Acuerdo de Construcción de Socios y Diseño entre los Servicios del Parque Nacional y la Ciudad a principios



* Foto - Día de apertura de Stinson Hike & Bike (de izquierda a derecha) Carlos Contreras, Asistente del Gerente de la Ciudad, Ciudad de San Antonio Homer García, Director Interino, Parques y Recreación, Ciudad de San Antonio



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H-E-B

FIRST NATIONAL CHICANO STUDENT WALKOUTS CONFERENCE

3-Day Conference to be held November 21–22, 2019 at UTSA

By Mario Compean

Chicano students will look back on the high school walkouts of the 1960s that led to a historical Supreme Court case, Rodriguez v. San Antonio Independent School District, 1971 that helped spark a continuing education equity debate, at a three-day conference beginning Wednesday, November 20th at the Downtown University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA) campus, Our Lady of the Lake University Thursday, November 21st and the Guadalupe Theater.

Opening reception on Wednesday, November 20th includes acknowledgement of the November 20th Anniversary of the Mexican Revolution; a keynote by Professor of Ethnic Studies at the University of California, Berkley, David Montejano, Ph.D. (The Rise of a Movement: Chicanx Goals and Strategies of Resistance); mariachi music by Mariachi Las Coronelas; Música de la Revolución Mexicana: Azul Barrientos; Música Indígena by GerYom, poetry by San Juan Guillermo; and spoken word music by Eduardo Garza and Jazz Poets at the Downtown UTSA Campus. Eduardo Garza will officiate as Master of Ceremonies.

Second day events Thursday, November 21st includes a Thematic Address by Texas Poet Laureate of 2015, Carmen Tafolla, Ph.D.; a Lunch Plenary “A Walkout That Impacted Education in

Texas and One Man’s Life” lead by Juan Andrade, Jr., Ed.D, President of United States Hispanic Leadership Institute, Inc.; a panel discussion “Testimonios from the Walkouts”; and a viewing of “The Schools of Crystal City” documentary. Music and entertainment will resume at the Guadalupe Theater from 6:30-10:00 pm by Carmen Tafolla’s Children’s’ Theatre Group, and Los Nahuatlatos and Conjunto Los Secretos.

Third and final day of the conference, Friday, November 22nd will spotlight Demographics: 1969 Chicanas/os, 2019 presentation by Professor of Demography, Rogelio Saenz, Ph.D., Lunch Plenary: ”The Politics of a Movement: Youth Organization for Political Rights;” Arte y Cultura Durante El Movimiento with panelists Norma Elia Cantu, PhD and Alex Rubio; and discussions on “The Politics of Education: 50 Years Later -MAS K-12 Initiatives in Texas.” Entertainment and music resume at the Guadalupe Theatre and include Juan Tejeda and Conjunto Aztlan, Keli Rosa Cabunoc y El Tallercito de Son, and Dharma Paax to close conference events.

The event is free and open to the public. Registration is requested and box lunches may be purchased for each day attended at <https://chicanohistorytx.org/registration/>.



NATIONAL CHICANO STUDENT WALKOUTS CONFERENCE

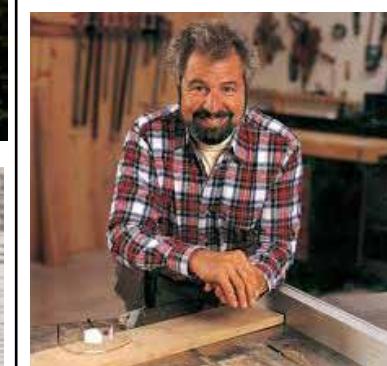
The Chicano Movement was more than just a civil rights movement. It was a movement for social change, equality and social justice that sought to eradicate racial discrimination and subordination of Mexican Americans on multiple fronts: cultural, economic, education and political in the five southwestern states of Arizona, California, Colorado, New Mexico and Texas and

beyond. In San Antonio the Chicano Movement inspired the formation of several community organizations that waged sustained struggle against the

Establishment on these fronts for more than a decade. Their struggle transformed race and power relations in local institutions and politics that had persisted since the separation of Texas from Mexico.



By Leonard Rodriguez
This column highlights inspiring stories of Latino leaders. For more than 500 years, Latino men and women have positively influenced the face of United States society. Let us celebrate these outstanding hispanics.



Bob Vila

After restoring a Victorian house in Massachusetts which was held as the “Heritage House of 1978” by Better Homes and Gardens magazine, Robert Joseph Vila was offered the opportunity to host a 13-part step- by- step home renovation TV series. The premiere of “This Old House” in 1979 was such a success that it was picked up by PBS for National syndication, and Home Improvement guru Bob Vila was born. After hosting the show for 10 years, Vila with Sears Roebuck and Company founded BVTV, Inc to produce “Bob Vila’s Home Again.” He is the host of today’s American Home segment of NBC TVs today and a spokesman from numerous home oriented products. King of the do-it-yourself movement, Villa is the recipient of numerous honors including two Emmy Awards.

U.S. Military Parade

Photos by Ramon Chapa Jr.

La Prensa Texas was well represented in the U.S. Military Parade. Co Publisher and U.S. Army Veteran Ramon Chapa, Jr. rode with Judge Rosie Gonzalez, Jeannette Flores and Steve Duran.



ALBERT URESTI, BEXAR COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR FILES FOR RE-ELECTION

Photos by Lisa Anderson

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Assessor-Collector.

Albert has held to his promise to help keep families in their homes. "Our staff knows that along with our requirement to collect taxes, our mission is "WORKING TO HELP KEEP FAMILIES IN THEIR HOMES, with an emphasis on helping our Senior Citizens, our Disabled, our Veterans, and ultimately our Children!" Our goal is, "To Remain the Number One Tax Office in the State of Texas" by providing the best customer service possible to our Citizens and the business community," said Albert Uresti.





Los Spurs retiraron la playera No.9

El guardia francés Tony Parker, la vistió por 17 temporadas con 4 títulos NBA

Por José I. Franco

El guardia estelar francés Tony Parker (de 37 años de edad), decidió retirarse de la acción en la NBA, tras haber jugado 17 temporadas con Spurs de San Antonio y la número 18 con Hornets de Charlotte durante la temporada 2018-2019.

Parker, clasificado como el mejor basquetbolista europeo y uno de los guardias titulares de mayor consistencia en la NBA, durante evento especial celebrado en el estadio AT&T Center, al finalizar el partido Spurs vs. Grizzlies de Memphis (celebrado en la conmemoración Veterans Day), se hizo acompañar por su esposa Axelle Francine, sus hijos Liam y Josh Parker.

Así como de sus padres, y ex compañeros del seleccionado de baloncesto francés, que fueron encabezados por el delantero Boris Diaw, quien en la campaña 2014 estreno sortija de campeón con Spurs. Parker, recibió, felicitaciones del entrenador Gregg Popovich, sus ex compañeros David Robinson, Tim Duncan, Manu Ginóbili, Bruce Bowen y Patty Mills. En especial saludo de RC Buford, CEO/Spurs Sports & Entertainment, quien lo fichó durante el NBA Draft del 2001, en la primera ronda, escaño número 28.

Parker, teniendo de fondo los cuatro trofeos ganados en las temporadas 2003, 2005, 2007, 2014, con suma atención y emocionado, escuchó los mensajes de Pop, Timmy, The Admiral (David Robinson), y el escolta argentino Manu, y de su paisano Diaw, quien resaltó que Parker, sostiene gran base de seguidores pequeños, con quien ha compartido clínicas de baloncesto, promoviendo el talento y aspiraciones de cada chico participante en clínicas.

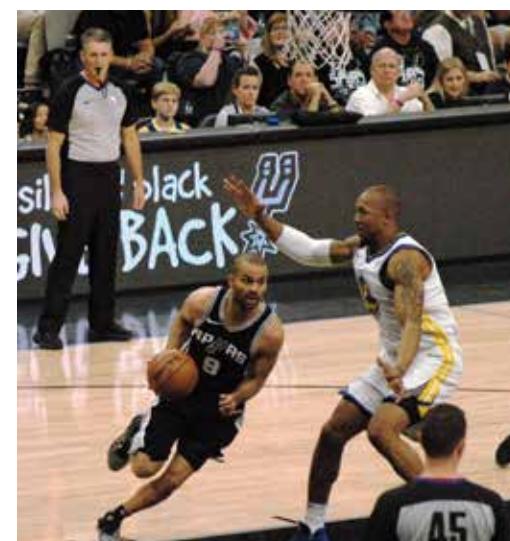
“Vine a San Antonio para triunfar (no perder). A los 19 años, comenzó mi trayectoria en la NBA y los Spurs, gracias a la confianza de Buford, Pop y Timmy. Pronto me dieron la oportunidad de comenzar partidos y creo que con el paso

del tiempo Timmy y Manu, lo hicimos bien como tercera, prueba de ello son los cuatro trofeos que aquí aparecen con nosotros. Lo último que les pido a ustedes seguidores de Spurs, es que me acompañen coreando fuerte ‘Go Spurs Go’. Muchas gracias San Antonio”, concluyó diciendo el orgullo francés.

“Definitivamente lo que le abrió a Parker, la oportunidad que él deseaba, fue su propio trabajo sobre la duela, aunado a su gran velocidad y asistiendo a sus compañeros (pasándoles el balón). Hoy me disculpó ante Tony, porque desde un principio de su carrera, los tratamos duro, aprendió y aceptó nuestro plan de juego”, apuntó Popovich.

Parker, en su discurso, aceptó la “disculpa” de Pop, a quien además señaló como su segundo papá (por el intenso programa en su desarrollo profesional, y en lo personal). Parker dejó en la NBA marcas de 892 victorias (7º). 9º con 4,045 puntos anotados en playoffs. MVP en Final de 2007. Sexto en elección de All Stars, en 2006, 2007, 2009, 2012, 2013 y 2014. En la franquicia Silver & Black, estableció récord de 6,829 asistencias.

Cabe anotar que el sábado



9 de noviembre el concilio de San Antonio, nombró el “Tony Parker Day”, lo cual ex un máximo honor, y ello motivo al escolta francés, para indicar que San Antonio, será su segundo hogar. (Fotos por Franco).



EL CONSEJO DE SAN ANTONIO A

**Por Greg Harman,
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El mes pasado, el Ayuntamiento de San Antonio votó 10-1 a favor de un plan climático destinado a reducir la contaminación climática de la Ciudad a 2050 y preparar mejor a los residentes para el clima extremo acelerado por el calentamiento global. El resultado limita una campaña de dos años del Sierra Club y nuestros numerosos aliados de coalición con Climate Action SA.

La aprobación del Plan de Acción Climática y Adaptación, resistido por los intereses locales y estatales de petróleo y gas, entre otros, convierte a San Antonio en la segunda ciudad del estado después de Austin (también en camino a 2050) en adoptar un plan climático. Houston y Dallas están haciendo cola para ser los siguientes.

Nuestro compromiso se hizo mucho antes de la reunión del Consejo del jueves 17 de octubre. Fue una decisión tomada hace dos años.

Después de que Donald Trump anunció que estaba alejando a Estados Unidos de su compromiso de colaborar con la comunidad internacional para resolver la crisis climática, los antonianos se levantaron.

Nos unimos a personas de mentalidad similar en todo el país para asegurarnos de que llenamos lo mejor que pudimos el vacío dejado por la hostilidad de la Casa Blanca. En medio de las elecciones de segunda vuelta de la alcaldía de 2017, los residentes de San Antonio exigieron que

nuestro próximo alcalde se pusiera de pie frente a la negación de la Casa Blanca.

La respuesta nacional se hizo conocida como We Are Still In. A nivel local, el nuevo alcalde electo Ron Nirenberg inspiró a ocho miembros del Concejo Municipal a aprobar una declaración de solidaridad de París. Se comprometió a la Ciudad a cumplir con los objetivos de París y a embarcarse en un análisis de costo-beneficio para explicar qué significaba esa decisión en términos de impactos sociales y económicos.

A pesar de casi dos años de trabajo, ese análisis de costo-beneficio nunca llegó, para disgusto del concejal del Distrito 10 Clayton Perry y otros ansiosos por denunciar el “engaño de mil millones de dólares”. Los autores del plan se preocuparon sobre cómo medir el costo de la inacción en la crisis climática mientras se mantiene oculto a la vista al mayor infractor climático de la región, CPS Energy, propiedad de la ciudad. Fue solo una de las oportunidades perdidas de la CAAP.

El CAAP no tiene una hoja de ruta para cumplir con nuestras obligaciones de limitar el calentamiento global a 1.5 grados centígrados. Sin embargo, debido a la fuerte presión de la comunidad, ahora hay una aguja de la brújula que apunta a objetivos de reducción de emisiones basadas en el sector que suman un total de 41 por ciento de reducción en toda la ciudad para 2030; 71 por ciento de reducción en toda la ciudad para 2040; y reducciones del 100 por ciento en toda la ciu-

dad para 2050.

Después de un guiño a los compromisos de la Ciudad en 2017, Nirenberg anunció antes de la votación del jueves que los residentes de San Antonio ya no serían “espectadores” en lo que describió como una “emergencia climática”. siguiendo todas las recomendaciones del plan, buscó asegurar a los escépticos con mentalidad de acción que “todo está sobre la mesa”.

En sus comentarios, el Dr. Terry Burns, presidente del San Antonio Sierra Club, desafió lo que llamó la obstrucción de CPS Energy en el proceso y pidió la intervención del Consejo en la estructura de la Junta de Síndicos de CPS o la eliminación de la CEO de CPS, Paula Gold-Williams, si la relación de la comunidad con la empresa de servicios públicos no mejora.

Sus comentarios fueron respaldados por el mensaje entregado con el periódico de la mañana.

Como San Antonio Express-News consejo editorial de escribió el:

De las miles de respuestas [a la CAAP], el comentario número 2 fue un llamado para terminar con el uso de combustibles fósiles, en parte cerrando todas las plantas de carbón para 2025, según un resumen de comentarios publicado por la ciudad.

Curioso, entonces, que el borrador final del Plan de Acción Climática y Adaptación de la ciudad, que será votado por el Concejo Municipal, no mencione las plantas a carbón de CPS Energy.

Curioso, hasta que te das

cuenta de que CPS Energy, ya en abril, estaba presionando contra el lenguaje en el primer borrador del plan que buscaba cero emisiones.

Es una maravilla: que 4,3 millones de toneladas de la contaminación de la empresa de servicios públicos se hayan descontado en el inventario de invernaderos de la CAAP; que la planta que bombea 8 millones de toneladas métricas de GEI anualmente no se menciona en ninguna parte del CAAP; ese carbón solo se menciona en dos de las páginas del plan fuera del apéndice. Una maravilla, pero no impensable para aquellos familiarizados con la política de San Antonio.

CPS Energy financia la ciudad en gran medida.

Se ofrecieron voluntariamente para pagar el desarrollo del Plan de Acción Climática de \$ 500,000.

Y se aseguraron de que se borrara el lenguaje que los habría obligado a abandonar los combustibles fósiles para 2050. El plan pasó de ser una promesa de “eliminar gradualmente la generación de todas las fuentes de combustibles fósiles” a una que

“reducirá la generación de todas las fuentes de combustibles fósiles”. Ya no nos comprometímos a “alcanzar un factor de emisión de 0.0 kg CO₂ / kWh para 2050”. “, Sino, más bien, un” impulso hacia la neutralidad de carbono para 2050 “.

Sin embargo, dos años de activismo de amplia base dirigido a nuestros líderes electos aseguraron que la planta de carbón JK Spruce fuera el centro de discusión

el día de la votación, ya que avanzaremos todos los días mientras hablamos de poner este plan en acción.

La búsqueda de Spruce en un horario de jubilación acelerado fue un punto de discusión del alcalde Nirenberg, como lo fue para el concejal del Distrito 9, John Courage. La concejal del Distrito 7, Ana Sandoval, usó un poco de azúcar para transmitir el mensaje de que, para avanzar significativamente, CPS necesita abrir sus libros de contabilidad sobre el costo de la generación de energía a una comunidad más amplia.

“Algunos de los números que nos faltaban era información detallada sobre el costo de eliminar la planta de carbón o pasar a la energía solar”, dijo.

“Confiamos en nuestros amigos en CPS. Ellos son los expertos. Ese también es un diálogo que necesitamos tener con todos nuestros interesados en la mesa ”, dijo. “Entonces, lo que espero es que CPS traiga todos esos números adelante. ... Simplemente no podemos llegar allí sin este tipo de información en la mesa ”.

Por su parte, la directora ejecutiva de CPS, Paula Gold-Williams, continuó presionando en contra de esa conversación.

En abril, rechazó específicamente la idea de crear un comité de generación de energía que incluyera miembros de la Ciudad de San Antonio y el público (PDF). En aparente respuesta, la Oficina de Sostenibilidad extrajo el lenguaje del plan que habría hecho exactamente eso.

ABRAZA LA ACCIÓN CLIMÁTICA

La semana pasada, el día antes de la votación, CPS Energy emitió un comunicado de prensa sobre los noticieros nacionales de relaciones públicas en el que Gold-Williams acordó perseguir los objetivos del plan, pero advirtió, en forma hiperbólica de Trump, que las malas decisiones energéticas tomadas para avanzar hacia El objetivo acordado para 2050 “podría hacer de San Antonio uno de los mercados energéticos más caros de Texas y, quizás, de la nación.”

Aquí, nuevamente, estaba en desacuerdo con la comunidad, el Ayuntamiento y el Express-News, el último de los cuales argumentó en su editorial del jueves:

“[Spruce] es una fuga de dinero, con pérdidas estimadas de \$ 135 millones en 2015 y 2016.

“El año pasado, la empresa de servicios públicos gastó \$ 27 millones para reemplazar su generador defectuoso. Ese mismo año, un informe de Moody’s Investor Service, una compañía líder de calificación crediticia, mostró que la planta operaba a menos de la mitad de su capacidad y se encontraba entre las más caras administradas por una ciudad o cooperativa en el país.

“También el año pasado, un estudio encargado por Sierra Club estimó que ejecutar Spruce 2 entre 2012 y 2016 costó \$ 36 millones más que las alternativas del mercado”.

Mientras que pocos de los que resistieron agresivamente el plan a principios de año se molestaron en aparecer en la votación —Como la Cámara de Comercio de San

SAN ANTONIO'S PATH TO CARBON NEUTRALITY

Avoiding the most serious climate change impacts will require significant emissions reductions in the next decade. As one of the fastest growing cities in the nation, San Antonio has a particular challenge of reducing emissions alongside the projected increase in population. To meet the goal of carbon neutrality by 2050 San Antonio has set the following interim goals³⁸:

INTERIM GHG REDUCTION TARGETS	2030	2040	2050
Total Emissions: percent reduction over 2016 GHG emissions	41%	71%	100%
INTERIM GHG REDUCTION TARGETS			
Stationary emissions	41%	74%	
Transportation emissions	47%	75%	
Solid waste emissions	32%	54%	
Water supply emissions	<1%	<1%	
Industrial process emissions	23%	56%	

Antonio, Valero Energy y la Fundación de Políticas Públicas de Texas— hubo algunas probabilidades de negación y termina en la asistencia.

David Fry, jefe del comité de asuntos gubernamentales de la Asociación de Fabricantes y director de recursos humanos en Cox Manufacturing, abrió con un pasaje de la Biblia antes de criticar a la ciencia climática como “más una ideología que una ciencia”.

Una vez candidato a la alcaldía de San Antonio y El autodenominado periodista de investigación Will McLeod declaró que “solo Dios controla el clima” antes de exponer a Al Gore como un “falso profeta que debería ser acusado”.

En verdad, los partidarios también eran escasos en comparación con los cientos que se organizaron para la acción

dos años hace. La suavidad del lenguaje objetivo y la ambigüedad en torno a CPS Energy en el CAAP han reducido la aceptación de la comunidad y no han logrado atraer significativamente al liderazgo empresarial.

Dada la lucha involucrada en avanzar el Plan de Acción Climática y Adaptación a través de dos años de controversia y complicación, es tentador para los partidarios abrazar su paso como un cruce heroico de la línea de meta. O para que los líderes electos lo vean como un límite suficiente para una promesa pendiente. Pero si San Antonio realmente va a cumplir su promesa de 2017 de alcanzar los objetivos del Acuerdo Climático de París, tanto en nuestras reducciones de carbono como en nuestro compromiso con la justicia climática, tendremos que

superar rápidamente las deficiencias de la CAAP.

Las frecuentes referencias a Spruce por parte de los miembros del Consejo y el alcalde parecen sugerir que al menos eso se entiende.

Cuando se trata de la realización de un plan de acción climática basado en la equidad para San Antonio, con CPS Energy en el centro de la ecuación, ambas partes parecen estar de acuerdo, este voto es solo el comienzo. La confianza en el liderazgo de la Ciudad inevitablemente lle-

gará lentamente para muchos, dada la sensación de traición que viene con un plan tan debilitado. Para que todas las expresiones urgentes y sinceras del Consejo entren en acción, la primera oportunidad para generar esta confianza no llegará en algún momento, con los Comités de Implementación y Equidad de

la CAAP destinados a guiar el proceso que no se ha unido durante varios meses todavía.

La composición de esos cuerpos y autoridades que se les confían será de gran utilidad para señalar las intenciones de la Ciudad de seguir adelante a medida que se active el plan en acción. Pero la estrategia crítica de primera reducción, el objetivo obvio, radica en la utilidad de la Ciudad, fuente de la mayoría de nuestras emisiones y operador de la oportunidad más económica para el éxito.

Con suerte, este Consejo aprovecha esa oportunidad con la misma unanimidad casi tan grande como lo hicieron con el CAAP.

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Avoiding Advance Fee Loan Scams this Holiday



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November is here and South Texas consumers have started preparing for the holidays. The season is known for shopping, and as people travel to see family and attempt to find the perfect gifts for loved ones, it can be easy to find yourself strapped for cash around this time of year.

With so many spending opportunities, it might be tempting to take out a small loan to help ease some financial strain but be on the lookout for advance fee loan scams. If this is the first time you're hearing of this kind of scam, it works like this: You receive communication (this could be a phone call, email, flyer or online ad) offering a great deal on a loan. They may even promise a guaranteed low interest rate or tell you you've qualified for a



special program. The deal is, you must pay an upfront fee for processing or insurance. Once you pay the fee, the lender, and your money, disappear.

More than 100 advance fee loan scams were reported to BBB Scam Tracker across Texas in 2018, with claimed losses ranging from \$25 to \$7,000. This scam is also aimed at small businesses needing startup capital or funds to scale their operation. So, what can you do to keep yourself safe? Follow these tips from your Better Business Bureau:

Watch for vague fees. It is not uncommon to charge fees for loans. These can include application, appraisal and credit report fees. A legitimate lender will discuss those fees upfront and collect them from the money they lend you. A scammer may try to collect fees be-

fore you get the money.

Avoid guarantees and unusual payment methods. Trustworthy lenders won't guarantee you a loan or certain interest rate before checking your credit score and other documents. They will also never ask you to pay through unusual or untraceable methods like wire transfer or gift card.

Do your research. Some scammers will pretend to be from legitimate agencies to gain your trust. Contact the agency directly to confirm the program is real. Lenders and loan brokers must also be registered in the state where they do business. You can check their registration by calling the Texas Attorney General's office.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

CPS Energy Seeks Candidates for Citizens Advisory Committee

CPS Energy is currently accepting applications for one at-large vacancy on the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC). The CAC has fifteen members – one member for each of the 10 respective council districts and five members at-large. At-large members are chosen from applicants, nominated by the CAC and confirmed by the CPS Energy Board of Trustees. All members of the CAC can serve up to three (3) two-year terms for a total of no more than six years.

The purpose of the CAC is to support CPS Energy's essential elements of success by acting as an interface between CPS Energy and its customers; to help tell the CPS Energy story often and well; to understand performance measures; and to challenge CPS Energy to "think outside the box." The CAC is a trusted interface in facilitating two-way communication between CPS Energy and its customers.

CPS Energy will accept applications through November 27, 2019.

CPS Energy invites those interested to go to cpsenergy.com/CAC for an application, or for more information contact Velma Corona at (210) 353-5952 or by email at VCorona@CPSEnergy.com.



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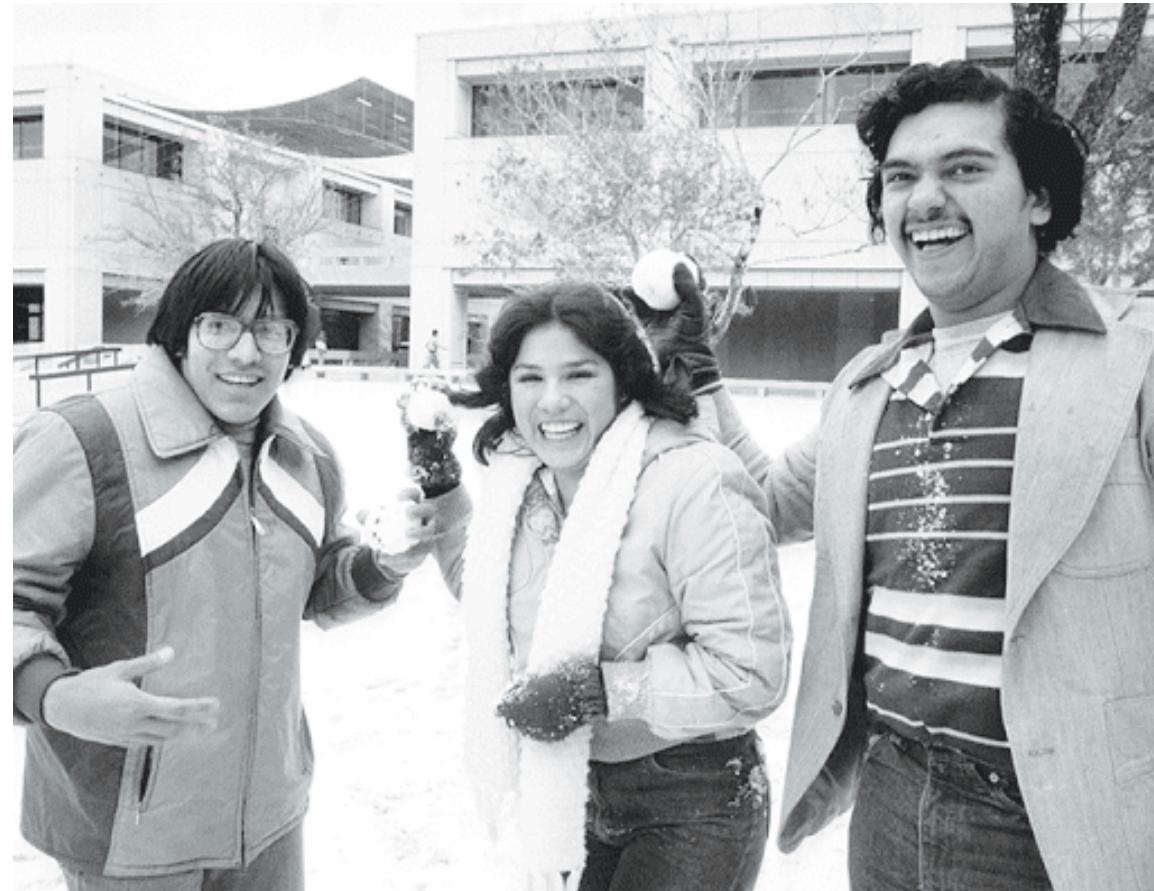
By Isa Fernández

University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA) faculty, administrators and staff have reconvened the La Raza Faculty and Administrator Association (LRFAA) to urge university leadership to recommit to its original goal of being a “truly” Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI). Defined by the U.S. Department of Education as an “institution of higher education that has an enrollment of undergraduate full-time equivalent students that is at least 25 percent Hispanic students at the end of the award year immediately preceding the date of application.” – /sAs the last major city in Texas to receive a public university, UTSA was established in 1969 to provide higher education access for working-class families living in underserved areas. The original promise of the legislative bill that authorized the creation of UTSA was to pinpoint a site that was accessible to the “socioeconomically underprivileged populations of the inner city.” Despite this, the university ended up being built in the suburban outskirts of San Antonio, resulting in a lawsuit filed by the Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund (MALDEF) in 1987. The lawsuit led to the downtown satellite campus being created in the urban core of San Antonio in 1997 to help provide originally-intended access. –

To address continuing concerns involving access and

opportunity, the LRFAA committee was founded in 1988 by Dr. Jesse T. Zapata, who recently served as Senior Vice Provost for Academic and Faculty Support. Zapata is – widely considered a founding faculty member of UTSA, joining the university in 1976 as an assistant professor of Counseling in the College of Education and Human Development. Before retiring, he also oversaw the downtown campus as Vice Provost for the UTSA Downtown Campus. He and other Latino leaders at the university – Manuel Berriozábal, Professor of Mathematics, Lalo Valdez, Professor of Sociology, Angie Aguilera, among them, created the LRFAA to address opportunities for UTSA to commit to the original goal of being a Hispanic Serving (and Thriving) Institution. – Today, LRFAA is led by Dr. Enrique Alemán, University of Texas Professor and Chair of Educational Leadership, who says that despite years of conversations, UTSA has not been living up to its original mission of being an HSI. “We can’t address our challenges unless we first embrace our identity...UTSA shouldn’t shy away from, but embrace its identity...and say, we’re an HSI and proud to be one,” he says.

Towards that effort, the LRFAA has created a Change.org petition to urge concrete steps be taken by university leadership that help to ensure that UTSA maximizes its role



*Snow on UTSA’s campus, January 1982.
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as an HSI that can better serve the Latino community. More than 60 percent of UTSA students come from underrepresented groups and 45 percent are first-generation college students. The San Antonio population of Latinos is currently at 63 percent. Nearly 20 percent of Latinos in San Antonio live at or below the federal poverty line (American Community Survey, 2018). /sThe concrete Action Steps for Helping UTSA to Thrive outlined in the petition narrative are:

Embracing and fulfilling its HSI identity. The petition notes that “for too long,

the University has sought to distance itself from the HSI moniker – opting for rhetoric like “inclusive excellence” that minimizes and obfuscates the majority Latina/o/x and Chicana/o/x student population and region it serves—except when it benefits from federal monies and grants.”

Recognizing the historical origins of UTSA and the downtown campus through a land and history acknowledgement. –

Establish an Office of the Vice Provost for HSI Initiatives and Strategies, with dedicated staff, space and budget working towards stu-

dent goals. –

A “Westside SA Initiative that is resourced, reciprocal, community-centric and sustainable.” The idea that the hard-won downtown campus expansion could potentially become a part of ongoing gentrifying forces that threaten to displace downtown residents after the campus was built expressly to serve the underrepresented urban population, was too much. – Dr. Rogelio Sáenz, Demography Professor & former Dean of the UTSA College of Public Policy, joined LRFAA in 2011 when he started at UTSA. He expressed concern over the



recent downtown campus expansion, detailing “the reason it was built in the first place” was to be a place for inner-city residents to have access to attend university classes. About the process, Sáenz commented that it was “very much a top-down plan established by the university, rather than a true engagement and true partnership,” that is likely to increase gentrification without careful and ongoing participation from the community. The petition is clear that “Not all “development” is good, and the University should not be an accelerant to gentrification, furthering community mistrust and continued economic inequality. Although announced efforts appear promising, community residents and leaders have not been at the center of these initial efforts. Trust must be earned.” –

“A living wage for professional, clerical and support staff and re-evaluation of contracting services that are

used as a means for reducing personnel budgets.” The petition states that “San Antonio is the 7th largest city in the U.S., it also leads the nation in poverty rate. Many of our staff are life-long residents of San Antonio and contribute selflessly to ensure successful programming, efforts, and initiatives. They are committed to the institution and allow our programming to be successful. The University has a moral obligation to lead in efforts to address issues that impact the working families and low-SES (socioeconomic status) workers who make our institution better.” Sáenz noted that there “needs to be in terms of staff...not working poor...if working full-time wages and salary are adequate. In the past, there has been outsourcing with cleaning and services and so forth.” LRFAA Chair Alemán added that it was important to include this living wage for staff bullet in the petition since most staff are Latino. He

added that “they are local and typically have more interaction and run our programs, more than faculty, because they’re primarily based in San Antonio.” –

2. – SERVE the majority Latina/o/x and Chicana/o/x student population – –

Develop full Department of Mexican American, Chicana/o/x and Latina/o/x Studies, as well as a Center for Mexican American Studies.

Ensure that access and retention programs are multi-year and come from dedicated University funds, not only grant funding. – –

Promote “policies that support and student programs that engage undocumented, DACA and DREAMer students...DACAmented student population. The University must fully embrace its undocumented and DACAmented student population, provide safe spaces, and promote programming that is unabashedly pro-undocumented student.”

Targeted Latina/o/x and

Chicana/o/x student recruitment and family engagement which is also bilingual. – / s3. BUILD a representative Chicana/o/x and Latina/o/x Faculty and University Leadership that mirrors San Antonio and South Texas.

Create a “long-term initiative for recruiting, hiring, retaining and promoting Latina/o/x and Chicana/o/x faculty, across academic disciplines. –

Support a “long-term, intentional and scaffolded approach to building a pipeline and hiring of Latina/o/x and Chicana/o/x administrative and executive leadership.” / sLRFAA claims that UTSA’s “academic and student affairs leadership positions do not represent our community. The University must do better in recruiting and hiring leaders that represent and understand our community, and that indeed, want to work, have experience and are experienced with working on our community. For the most part

with the new administration, we haven’t seen a priority on being an HSI in recruiting faculty, we continue to hover 12-15% faculty that are Latino (20% includes tenure and non-tenure track and adjunct).”

Speaking at his retirement reception, April of this year, Dr. Zapata spoke in historical context about how far the university has to go: “In 1976, Latino faculty were under 10%, 11% in 1989 and are now at about 16% of the tenured and tenure track faculty. African American faculty were about 1% in 1989 and at about 4% now. Currently, there are few Latino and African American department chairs at UTSA, four university wide and three in the College. There are also few Latino and African American vice presidents and on various leadership councils, including the Academic Affairs Council. – And there are fewer Latino and African American vice provosts today than there were a few years ago. Is a presence of Latino and African American administrators at the higher levels needed to ensure that UTSA and the College of Education continue to provide programming for Latino and African American students here and in the public schools?” –

As of article print date of this article has 973 signatures. The La Raza Faculty and Administrator Association will meet with UTSA President Dr. Taylor Eighmy and Provost Kimberly Andrews Espy next month. /sRead Petition in Full: <https://www.change.org/p/university-of-texas-at-san-antonio-la-raza-faculty-administrator-association-becoming-a-hispanic-thriving-institution?signed=true> –



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30TH ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL PEACE MARKET

By Imgard Rop

The Esperanza Peace and Justice Center is pleased to announce its 30th annual Mercado de Paz/Peace Market! The Mercado provides an alternative to black Friday by hosting local and visiting artisans and merchants, offering shoppers handcrafted gifts centered around themes of peace, social justice, cultural diversity and ecological concerns. This year the Peace Market will be held beginning Friday, November 29th through Sunday, December 1st, the three-day Mercado will be open from 10am to 6pm on Friday and Saturday and 12pm to 6pm on Sunday at the Esperanza Peace and Justice Center at 922 San Pedro Ave. San Antonio,

TX 78212.

The International Peace Market / Mercado de Paz celebrates 30 years of combining the arts with economic empowerment, international and cultural exchange, and social consciousness. The Mercado is not only a place to buy quality goods, but a space to come together as a community, as global citizens and conscientious consumers, supporting talented artists and creating a family-friendly environment while honoring the worldwide tradition of open-air markets. The products at the Peace Market are unique, hand crafted artesanía coming from diverse cultures, as artists from around the globe are invited annually

to present and sell their community's wares. This year, nearly 100 vendors will offer their wares and the opportunity to support individual artists and their communities. What sets us apart from other holiday markets is the mixture of local artists and international artisans. In addition to a wide variety of artesanía, delicious refreshments will be available and Esperanza will be holding an hourly raffle for beautiful goods donated by the artists. Not to mention musical and other performances by local artists! Over 7,000 shoppers came together just last year to make a difference—come share the experience this November at the 30th annual Mercado de Paz. Admission is free!



Esperanza was founded in 1987 by a group made up of mostly Chicana activists seeking to bring together diverse movements for peace and justice in San Antonio and around the world. In the early years, the Esperanza was engaged in caravans to Central America,

demonstrations against the KKK, mural projects that engaged children as artists, and the first art exhibit in Texas to focus on the Queer community and the AIDS crisis. Esperanza continues to be a politically progressive, outspoken, and unwavering force for justice in San Antonio and beyond.

For the last 30 years, the Esperanza has become a unique institution, having galvanized a multiracial, multicultural and bilingual cultural arts/social change community headed by Latinas, the majority of whom are lesbians. Esperanza is mujeres, Latinas,

African Americans, Asians, Native Americans, and Whites. Esperanza is queer and straight. Esperanza is the economically disadvantaged trabajando junto con la gente de clase media. Esperanza is feminist, politically progressive, and outspoken.

Esperanza is strong and overworked because we are people struggling to find new voices, new forms and new solutions to the problems oppressed people are facing.

Esperanza has also built a year-round calendar of arts and cultural programs intended to bring together diverse communities, bring a new political consciousness to community gatherings, and build solidarity among diverse groups and causes. Esperanza's cultural programming continues to thrive, serving over 70,000 people each year through direct participation in arts and cultural events, including exhibitions, workshops, concerts, theater performances, film screenings, and more.

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“Ain’t done yet”



By Steve Walker

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Welcome to issue #5 of the “Ain’t done yet” series. Previously you have been given an overall view and information on how it flows at Madison Estates on Fredericksburg Road. Having said that, we continue our journey on details of independent retirement living.

This past week was full of activities to include celebrating Veteran’s Day and honoring the 45 veterans who live here, some with their spouses. Four of those veterans happen to be women. Two of those women served as nurses, one officer and our friend Mary Luna who we sit together at meal time. She was trained in dental hygiene. Recently I was upset for losing my Viet Nam cap along the way, and Mary bought me a new Viet Nam cap to wear! Now that is a real friend.

Another event we participated in this past week as well was “Health Awareness Month” to include 10 of us walking a makeshift runway in the fireplace lounge, to highlight Men’s health. Ironically all ten men are veterans.

We were issued a tee shirt with a logo depicting a top hat, eyeglasses, and mustache. Each participant wore a different



colored shirt. Mine was Black. Others were Green, Red, Yellow, Blue, Gray and so forth.

As luck would happen I lead the charge on the runaway. I represented Men’s vision. How ironic, since I experienced successful cataract surgery.

Others represented various diseases affecting over-all health. The last resident, Les Carter was given the opportunity to tell his personal story on how he survived numerous surgeries that affected his quality of life. He is a walking miracle. He lives across the hall from my wife, Linda and me.

I would point out that my wife and I have a larger apartment than most at the retirement home. For me I am thrilled since I turned one room into a Kid Cave! Now it is complete with photos of me as a child and as an old man which means it looks great. By the way, although there are many more photos of me than there are of my wonderful wife, I do admit she is more photogenic than I am, however it is my Kid Cave. Ha ha!

I forgot to share that on the Veteran’s Day event, an active duty Army Sergeant participated by awarding a token medal to all the veterans in attendance.

It was a festive event and those who served felt honored and not forgotten.

I have said in previous columns, every day is a new adventure. That sentiment is embraced by most residents who choose to live here.

As more people of age continue to move in Madison Estates, we will have numerous opportunities to continue sharing their lives and dreams with the readers. Imagine what memories they will willingly share. Only time will tell.

Don’t forget moving to Madison Estates at the corner of Fredericksburg Road and Hamilton Wolff is a positive decision because as we all know, we “ain’t done yet!”

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Tras eliminar al duro rival Potosinos, el trubuco de Broncos de Reynosa SA del timonel Roberto Garza, enfrentara a la sorprendente novena de Águilas de San Luis (que eliminó a Cachorros de Nava), que comanda Héctor Javier Chapa Sr., ambas novenas en serie a ganar 2 de 3 partidos, se estarán disputando el banderín de los que va a ser toda una gran final en la serie del playoff en la categoría (sabatina) de Veteranos Verano 2019 en Liga Potranco que es organizada por el gerente general Eloy Rocha, el presidente Simón Sánchez (compilador oficial), en su sede del concurrido estadio Potranco Baseball Field. Broncos, bicampeón del playoff en Potranco, se clasificó de líder

en la campaña, en la que recibirá trofeo de campeón, por lo seguirá siendo el equipo a vencer en la serie final en la que tendrá un gran rival (Águilas de San Luis), que en su alineación trae beisbolistas de grueso calibre quienes darán la pelea para adjudicarse lo que bien puede ser su primer banderín en el mejor béisbol sabatino (Veteranos) independiente del sur de Texas.

Las series entre Cachorros de Nava de Alejandro Becerra (Rábano) y Águilas de San Luis, Broncos de Reynosa SA y Potosinos de Catarino Obregón fueron de mucha acción, encuentros en los que aficionados disfrutaron de las hazañas realizadas por jugadores (categoría) especial y veteranos.

Broncos y San Luis, abrirán su serie el sábado 16 de noviembre en el horario de la 1 p.m. de acuerdo al presidente y compilador oficial, señor Simón Sánchez y Eloy Rocha, gerente general que no quita el dedo del renglón apoyando el desarrollo del rey de los deportes en los circuitos sabatinos y dominicales.

“Potosinos se dan por bien servidos. Una gran experiencia haber disputado la semifinal compitiendo contra los grandes”, dijo Catarino Obregón. “Gran respeto para todos los equipos que participaron en la temporada. Les damos las gracias por haber jugado un buen béisbol. Broncos listos para la gran final”, apunto el manager Garza.

“Cachorros cumplió con la temporada. En la siguiente nuestra alineación tendrá refuerzos y con ellos vamos a seguir adelante”, indicó Rábano Becerra. “El béisbol es muy celoso. Todos los partidos son diferentes. Por lo que seguiremos adaptándonos a nuestro plan de juego y llegar preparados a la serie por la final”, explicó Héctor Javier Chapa Sr.

En la categoría Abierta dominical, Indios de Nava (Campeón de Campeones 2019), fue alcanzado por Águilas, finalizando por límite de tiempo empatados 5-5. Para Águilas, este partido fue su segundo empate, ya que anteri-

ormente lo hizo contra el trubuco Tuneros&Mineros. Piratas de Sabinas bajo el timón de Sergio De Luna y el capitán Brayan Guerrero, debutó con éxito al lanzador Aldo Rodríguez, quien doblegó 2-1 a Tuneros&Mineros, con salvamento del zurdo Goyo Quintero, con derrota para Lee Colón. Este partido de nueva cuenta contó con el respaldo de la base de seguidores y familiares de Piratas que ostenta cinco campeonatos. Con el título de campeón de la Zona Norte y subcampeón de la gran final “Campeón de Campeones 2019”, que le disputó a Indios de Nava.

Broncos de Reynosa SA con su abridor Antonio Galván, y el relevista Mike Taylor (que pegó jonrón solitario), dieron cuenta

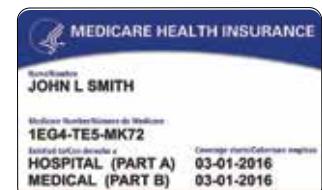
de Rieleros con pizarra de 6-1. Tecolotes dirigidos por el scout, Frank Torres, con el abridor derecho Alfredo Obregón, derrotó a Dodgers de los hermanos Ramírez con pizarra de 6-2. La derrota fue para Chris González. Cardenales dirigidos por Nacho García y Efraín Cruz Franco, con su as del pitcheo Orlando Barraza, apalearon 10-1 a los Mets, que recibieron 16 ponches por parte de Barraza en toda la ruta. En las fotos aparecen: Freddy García, de Águilas de San Luis, que bateó de 5-6 ante Cachorros. Héctor “Papo” Garza, relevista de Cachorros. Aldo Rodríguez, lanzador debutante con Piratas. Orlando Barraza, de Cardenales que poncho a 16 bateadores de Mets. (Fotos por Franco).



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