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Let's Talk About It Bullying

By Yvette Tello

43% of bullied students report notifying an adult at school about the incident. Students who report higher rates of bullying victimization are more likely to report the bullying. This week a Middle school student gets 27 stitches after being slashed with razor at school. Is this getting worse? Are we addressing this? What can we do? Let's talk about it..

Jesus Tello: "He already knew what was going to happen and didn't say anything. Damn, next time he needs to speak up"

CeCe Bloom: "Man, that's assault with a deadly weapon on top of being on school premises!! Those kid's need to be charged! Prayers for this young man and his family!!! This mother failed to listen to her son!"

Chena Flores: "Oh heck no. If my kid didn't wanna go to school bc of bullies, you betta know I'm gonna cause a scene the next day and keep him safe with me till it's fixed."

Virginia Ann Sherwood : "This is sad that it had to come to this no one deserves that. I have one of my adopted daughters that she had a girl at school fallowing her and she found out that supposedly she wanted to fight her lucky that we have taught her if she cant speak to a teacher right away she

texted us and we were able to get a hold of the principal and got to the bottom of it where it comes to be that the girl didn't want to fight her that it was a mutual girl that was instigating the whole thing so they would fight. We have to talk to our kids and listen."

Jane Consolie: " When your child is saying he/she doesn't want to go to school, PLEASE stop and listen to find out why. Take it from someone that was not listened to and was getting her head slammed against the cider block bathroom walls. There is always a good reason for children to now want to go to school and it is usually because they are getting bullied"

Blake Luce : "Well that kid who did that, just earned him self some time. A long time behind bars. Or at least should be."

Paul Crow Castillo : "This is but only one reason why kids from 11 years of age and on should be charged as adults, the kid that slashed this other boy "KNEW EXACTLY WHAT HE WAS DOING WITH THAT RAZOR, therefore he should be charged with attempted murder with a deadly weapon, if he thinks of himself as a real tough guy, put him in prison with the general population so he can show all the cons there, 10 years in prison ought to do it to

show just how tough he really is, this young criminals who will someday be grown up criminals need to be punished the same way that the older ones,, remember that a 12 year old boy will kill you just as dead as a 40 year old criminal"

Jules Estrada: " Listen to your child if they ask to stay home or say they have a stomach ache that's a sign of anxiety. Talk to your child. So sad. I hope the school and the other child is held responsible."

Cristella Morales : " Oh no as a parent I did what I had to do when my kids went to elementary and middle school I make sure no one Messed with them. I was bullied in elementary and middle school and high school I know how it feels ..I hate bullies"

Arceo Anthony: " And another reason why I put my son in boxing; he will not be a victim"

Annette Rodriguez: " Listen to your children! This little boys throat could have been slashed! Im glad whomever was responsible is facing charges! When your child is saying he/she doesn't want to go to school, as a parent it's your responsibility to find out why! She's lucky she's not burying her son because she chose to NOT listen!"

Leonard R. de Hoyos
Bless this kid. My heart

snd prayers go out to him. May who ever did this him get the punishment he deserves. People please do not avoid outcries from you children. This is just plain mean and evil. Ramona Frett: " Parents and children who are committing these crimes need to be held accountable. These bad behaviors are learned behaviors and if they doing it now, imagine what will happen when they call themselves adults."

Kel Grubh : "Another reason why I homeschool."

Waven Boone Amazing: " The school should be held responsible and the student who did this should be in jail, (minor or not.)"

Crissy Reed: " He must of known something was coming to begged not to go to school. Listen to your kids. School isn't what it used to be. I understand why so many choose homeschool now."

Jamie D. Mercado: " Sad to hear this. Prayers to the boy and his parents that he had to undergo this. The two boys accused of doing this should be treated as adults. They are over the age of reasoning. Send them to prison and lock them up for a long time. Make sure these two accused reimburse him for all his medical expenses in they are out if prison and start working. Also get them to pay pain and suffering for what he underwent."

About the Artist

Albert Gonzales

Dr. Ricardo Romo

Albert Gonzales, a native of San Antonio, spent his early childhood and teen years living in several south-side and westside neighborhoods. He studied business at Lanier High School and graduated in 2009. His first jobs were in banking where he worked as a teller. He left banking and served as a clerk preparing insurance coverage data for a retail pharmacy.

Gonzales drew and sketched in his spare time and was encouraged to become an artist by a total stranger who saw some of his drawings. He was intrigued by the idea of becoming an artist. Gonzales found desk work boring and decided to try his hand in creating art. After quitting his job, he began to paint. Unable to support himself as an artist, he spent months on the street sleeping at I-Hops and other retail stores that remained open at night.

Upon selling his first paintings, he traveled to Philadelphia and New York to visit art museums and study the masters. In Philadelphia he saw a Henri Matisse painting of a vase with flowers that took his breath away. He returned to San Antonio

and began a series of paintings what he titled “Wabi Sabi” which he describes as a Japanese philosophy that can be translated to the idea of embracing the beauty of the imperfect, or in simple terms, perfectly imperfect.

His works largely represent flowers floating in a transparent vase, and he explained that he uses “water to tell a story of life by keeping the water in the vase in a constant fluid motion even though the vase is on a flat plane.” One of these interpretations is in his example, “We all have our ups and downs in life.”

He considers his art as a visual interpretation of that Japanese philosophy where he creates what he views as “non-anatomically correct flowers to stand as a symbol meaning we are the flower. We all have our own imperfections or insecurities.”

When asked about his flower series, he elaborated that he liked to “use bold colors to encourage the viewer to look past the abstract and imperfect.” He has been successful beyond his own expectations, selling more than 400 flower canvas paintings in the last three years.



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Just a Thought The “Bolillo”



By Steve Walker

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

In 1978-79 the year before I taught at La Memorial High School in Edgewood and wrote for the Westside & Southside Suns for a brief stint, I taught at Pearce Elementary School in Southside ISD. I was a Migrant Reading Teacher, pulling students out from their regular classes during the day and working with them in the Library.

One day after finishing lunch duty in the cafeteria I was walking down the hallway back to my designated teaching area when one of my second grade migrant reading students passed me on her way to her regular class. She paused for a moment and said “Hello Mr. Walker” in her sweet voice and then took me by surprise by asking me, “Mr. Walker are you a Bolillo?”

Not knowing how to respond, since I wasn’t familiar with the term at the time, I answered, “Graciela I am not sure but I will get back with you later on it ok?” She smiled and nodded and walked on to her class.

Immediately I marched into the teacher’s lounge down the hall looking for a fellow teacher, preferably a Hispanic teacher who could tell me the definition of a “Bolillo!” I had no idea if it was good or bad. All I knew was that Graciela believed me to be one.

Mrs. Guzman one of the 1st grade teachers was in the faculty lounge and I told her one of my students asked me the question if I was a “Bolillo.” Her answer was short and to the point. “In English it means a piece of white bread. I answered with a puzzled look on my face. “You mean she is calling me a piece of white bread?” Mrs. Guzman laughed and replied, “It is another word for ‘Gringo.’” She then asked me, “How did she say it?” I answered, “What do you mean?”

She explained, “Did she casually just ask the question are you a ‘Bolillo’ with a smile or are you a ‘Bolillo’ with a little snarl on her face as if accusing you?”

I answered that it sounded like an innocent question to me. Mrs. Guzman smiled and informed me that Graciela was using it as a term of endearment not an insult. Boy was I relieved!

The more I thought of it the



happier I got. Graciela said I was a “Bolillo,” therefore it was so. For the rest of the year and for many years later when I taught in the predominantly Hispanic community, I referred to myself as the “Bolillo.” I was also referred to by other Hispanic words but I am not at liberty to share those particular ones with the reader!!! I am just kidding.

Later in my teaching career at La Memorial in Edgewood,

La Techla, in SAISD and in 12 years in Harlandale ISD I was able to learn so much more about the Hispanic community.

I learned to appreciate the rich culture and write about those in the Hispanic community who do so much for the community as a whole.. We are all in this together.

Anyway, as always, what I write is “Just a Thought.”



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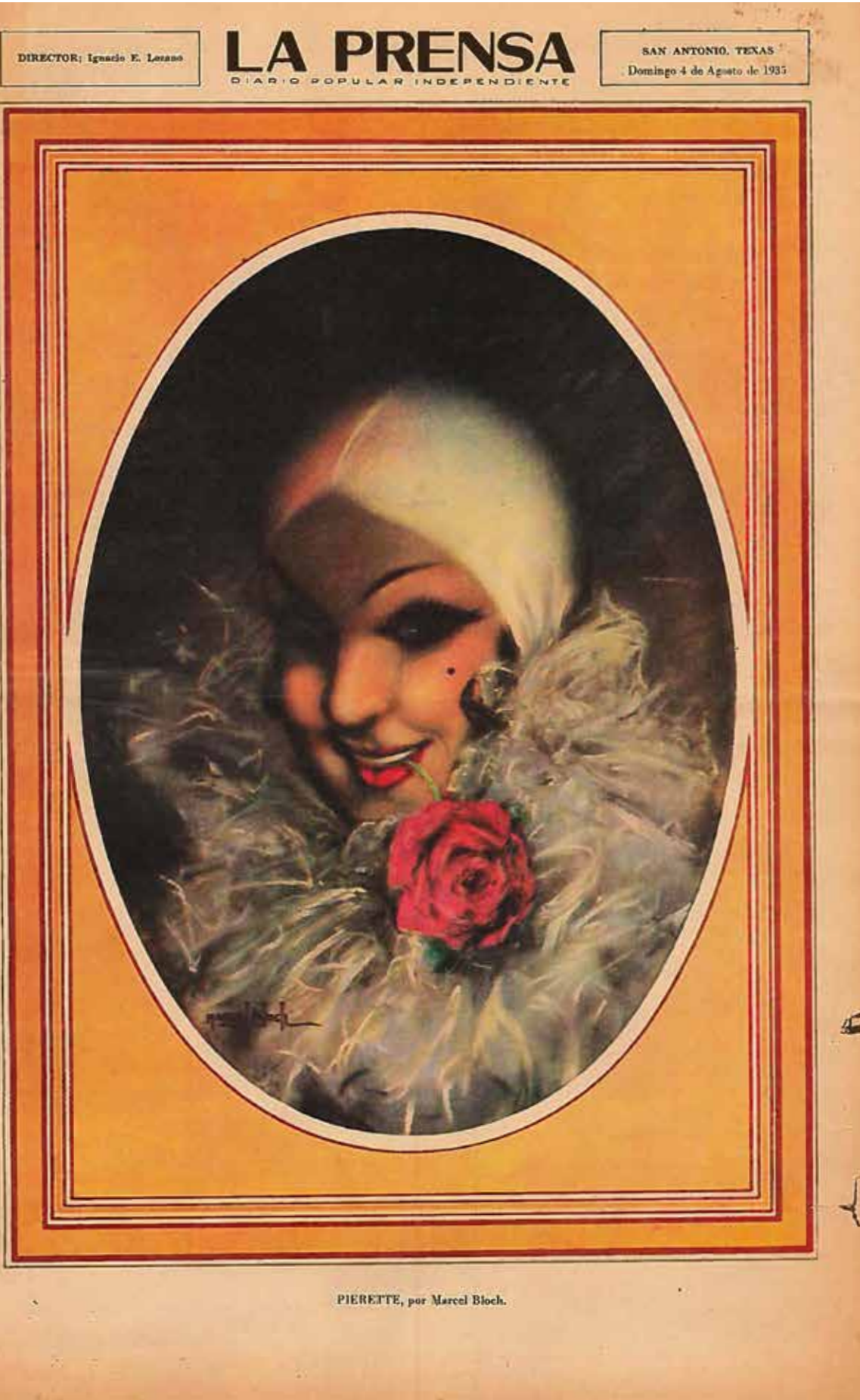
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THIS DAY IN LA PRENSA HISTORY



Mexican Colonized History 1821-1993 A Brief and Partial Chronology of Texas

1928-1944
Researched, compiled & edited by Mario Longoria, Ph.D.

-1945. In World War II, U.S. Army Staff Sergeant Lucio Adams from Port Arthur, Texas received the Congressional Medal of Honor for gallantry in Europe.

--U.S. Army Staff Sergeant Macario Garcia from Sugarland, Texas received the Congressional Medal of Honor for bravery in Europe.

--U. S. Army Sergeant Jose Lopez from Brownsville, Texas is bestowed the Congressional Medal of Honor for bravery in Europe.

AMONG THE VALIANT

--U.S. Army Private First Class Silvertre Herrera from El Paso, Texas received the Congressional Medal of Honor bravery in Europe.

Raul Morin

--U.S. Army Staff Sergeant Cleto Rodriguez from San Marcos, Texas received the Congressional Medal of Honor for gallantry in the South Pacific.

-1947 The Good Neighbor Commission is created and becomes a permanent agency of the Texas government. The commission was formed as an excuse for Anglo's racist behavior. The Mexican government used the "braceros" as a lever to force Texas to end discrimination against Mexicans.

-1948 The American G.I. Forum was founded and organized in Corpus Christi, Texas by Dr. Hector P. Rodriguez and a group of Mexican American WWII Veterans in response to the persistent Anglo racism, discrimination and institutionalized neglect in Texas. The Forum's first against racism and injustice was on behalf of WWII U.S. Army soldier Felix Longoria, a Mexican American who was killed in action in the Philippines. When his remains were returned to his home in Three Rivers, Texas, The local Funeral Home owned by Tom Kennedy refused funeral service because he was Mexican. Dr. Hector Garcia and U.S. Senator Lyndon B. Johnson responded to the Longoria incident and secured Longoria's burial in Arlington National Cemetery. The organization addressed the issues of Mexican American veterans denied medical services by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, and other issues such as voting rights, jury selection, educational desegregation and civil rights.

--Congressman Lyndon B. Johnson and ex-governor Coke Stevenson are involved in a controversial run-off election. Johnson wins by only 85 votes and both parties make charges of voter fraud. Interestingly, in Duval County it is later discovered that 40-50 votes cast in the election were by people no longer living.

-1950-53. The Korean War. U.S. Army Corporal Benito Martinez from Fort Hancock, Texas receives the Congressional Medal of Honor for valor.

--U. S. Army Staff Sergeant Ambrosio Guillen from El Paso, Texas receives the Congressional Medal of Honor for bravery in Korea,

NON-PROFIT HIGHLIGHT

A Letter from SAHCC 2020 Chairwoman And Stamp Allergy Ceo, Erika G. Gonzalez, M.D

Dear Colleagues,

Our San Antonio Hispanic Chamber asserts a strong leadership role to build opportunity and prosperity for all of San Antonio. Since our founding in 1929, growing stronger through the decades, we are now poised to influence our collective success in 2020. I am honored to serve as the 2020 Chairwoman and invite your proactive participation in your Chamber.

The Power of Our Voice is the 2020 theme for the San Antonio Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. We will continue to leverage our influence for greater success and opportunities in business both small and large, economic development, international trade, education and workforce, leadership development and policy advocacy. Prosperity, growth, and equity will ground us in ensuring that we are always doing what is best for our members and our community.

When the Cámara de Com-

ercio Mexicana first started, we knew that our voices were diminished and excluded. This was 91 years ago. That is no longer the case. With 55 million Latinos in the U.S. today our voice and market influence will only become stronger. As a community, we value the voices of everyone that has a stake in our success: chamber members, allies, friends, and our public leaders.

It is even more critical to speak up in 2020 as policies are debated that affect our businesses and community during an election year, such as the USMCA and many others. We are also in a census year and the run-up to the Texas Legislative Session next January. We all should participate to exercise The Power of Our Voice in these arenas.

In addition to business and public policies, we must also focus on local quality-of-life issues. As a physician, I can attest to the importance of health and well-being for a

productive workforce, stable families and communities. Mental health is one of my priorities and we will make strides to educate on this critical topic during the year.

The Power of Our Voice will drive a common vision and actions for prosperity for all of San Antonio.

The Power of Our Voice will mobilize our influence on policies and issues critical to our future.

The Power of Our Voice will have a platform and be amplified through your Hispanic Chamber of Commerce!

If you are in search of an advocate and a resource, we invite you to join or get even more involved, volunteer, support, and participate with our Hispanic Chamber. We look forward to 2020, with all its challenges and opportunities, confidently because we know The Power of Our Voice will make a difference.

Sincerely,
Dr. Erika Gonzalez



The San Antonio Hispanic Chamber of Commerce is the first organization of its type in the United States, having been originally chartered as the Mexican Chamber of Commerce in 1929. Today, there are about 35 Hispanic chambers of commerce in Texas and about 600 across the nation.

The Mexican Chamber was organized by Don Enrique Santibañez, Consul General of Mexico in San Antonio, who became its first president. Given the deep historical and commercial ties and tensions between the U.S. and Mexico, the chamber's primary emphasis in its early years was to promote trade, policy and cultural harmony.

While the chamber's leaders forged ahead to define modern Hispanic business, the social climate of the time posed many barriers. Minorities faced discrimination in business, just as in employment, education, voting, infrastructure, access to capital and markets. These social issues necessitated that the chamber go beyond the traditional scope for chambers of commerce and into one of dual social and business advocacy.

The San Antonio Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (SAHCC) has been selected as one of the best-run chambers in America. A strong advocate for Hispanic business and Hispanics in business for 85 years, the Hispanic Chamber has been officially notified of its designation as a 5-Star Accredited Chamber from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. It is the first Hispanic Chamber in the United States to be accredited by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

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Latinos' Contribution to the US Economy

By Dr. Ricardo Romo

Nearly 60 million Americans are of Latino descent and they live in every state and U.S. Territory. They are the nation's largest minority group and constitute 18% of all Americans. Indeed, there are nearly five million Latinos residing in Los Angeles County alone. San Antonio is now 65% Latino and growing.

Researchers have recently published studies on the rising impact of Latinos on the economy and their increasing consumer influence of this ethnic group. The study findings are quite surprising. This essay reviews some of those findings.

Our story begins with a report published by Barron's this past September titled "Latinos are the Future for U.S. GDP Growth." The article presented the findings of scholars from the University of California Los Angeles [UCLA] and California Lutheran University [CLU]. The university researchers, reported by Barron's, concluded that if Latinos were their own country they would "be the eighth-largest economy in the world, just behind France." The Gross Domestic Product [GDP] value for American Latinos was estimated

at \$2.3 Trillion in 2017. This is a startling observation given that Latino economic power is now greater than the economies of Brazil, Canada, Russia, or Mexico.

Dr. David Hays-Bautista, a prominent UCLA scholar, and other key researchers for the study told Barron's that "Latinos are the cavalry coming to the rescue of the insufficient workforce in America." He noted that Latinos provide both quantity and quality of workforce. Having studied Latinos for the past four decades, Hays-Bautista offered that "Latinos pay taxes, believe in education, have a strong family culture, are law-abiding, optimistic, young and they serve our country."

Professor Hays-Bautista joined with the Latino Donors Collaborative [LDC], a California non-profit organization dedicated to reshaping the perception of Latinos as part of the American social mainstream to issue a report on the economic impact of Latinos. The LDC report found that the purchasing power of Latinos has been on a steady growth pattern since the 1980s. The LDC report estimated that Latino purchasing power

had grown 70% faster than that of Americans in general with a projection of \$1.7 trillion in 2020. Thus the "Latino Nation" within the United States buys as much in terms of American goods and services as most European or Latin American countries.

Writing for Forbes magazine in February, 2019, Mayra Rodriguez Valladares found other researchers to corroborate the UCLA/CLU study. Citing the research of Gonzalo Huerta and Jacob Funk Kirkegaard, Valladares titled her commentary "Hispanics, Not Trump, are the Biggest Engine of U.S Economic Growth." The studies both noted that Latinos are central to the continued rise of home ownership among American families.

Over the past decade, Latinos have emerged as major players in the housing market, making up 50% of all new home buyers according to the Latino Donors Collaborative. Latinos are buying homes in cities like San Antonio where Latinos make up 65% [807,000] of the population. Gilbert S. Gonzalez, San Antonio Board of Realtors President and CEO, points out that San Antonio's hous-

ing market is among the most affordable of the large cities in Texas. He added, "That affordability combined with job growth across many industries like tech, medical, and military make this a desirable place to buy and sell property."

Home ownership for San Antonio Latinos is in fact among the highest in Texas due largely to the reasonable

cost of homes. With a median home list price of \$218,000, many Latino working families can afford to buy their own homes in San Antonio. Austin's median list price of \$350,000 for homes is \$130,000 greater than that of San Antonio. Home ownership is also notable in Houston's Latino community of nearly one million residents.

A notable challenge for Latino families is finding work that pays a living wage and offers some type of health and retirement benefits. The median income for all Latinos in Texas is \$44,579 compared to the state median of \$56,565. Latinos earn less than most Texans because they are clustered in low-skilled work where hourly wages are below the state's median. Among the jobs employing the

largest number of Latinos are construction; restaurant and food industries, and service related jobs in hospitals, schools, and health industries. Many of these jobs pay hourly wages of between \$10 to \$15 dollars and offer few benefits.

The Federal Reserve of Dallas found that median household income rises to \$49,900 for Hispanic households headed by a U.S. native, compared to \$38,580 when the head of the household is foreign born. The same study noted that a "greater share of Hispanics live below the poverty line [22 percent] than the overall share of the state population in poverty [16 percent]."

Still there are reasons to be optimistic. According to the Latino Donor Collaborative, Latinos are "creative, risk-takers and resourceful, and they create 87% of all new businesses in America." Moreover, Latinos are responsible for 82% of the growth of the U.S. labor force since the Financial Crisis of 2008 according to the LDC report. In the coming decades, America's Latinos will play an even larger role in driving the nation's economic growth, as will Latinos in Texas.

Los Spurs Y Patty Mills Por Primera Vez En La NB Honraron Naciones Indígenas En Partido Vs. Miami Heat

Por José I. Franco

La empresa Spurs Sports & Entertainment (SS&E), propietaria del pentacampeón equipo Spurs de San Antonio, en conjunto con el guardia australiano Patty Mills de origen indígena nativo de Canberra, y de la nación aborígen de Torres Strait Islander, con el patrocinio de la cadena de supermercados H-E-B, y la anuencia de la NBA, con éxito durante el partido dominical en el AT&T Center, contra el visitante rival Miami Heat, celebraron la primera edición denominada “Patty Mills Bobblehead Night”. H-E-B, en reconocimiento a las naciones indígenas honro al popular guardia, patrocinando diez mil, muñecos con su imagen, los cuales recibieron gratuitamente aficionados con boleto de admisión pagado. Durante tiempo pedido los aficionados aplaudieron la colorida presentación del grupo de danza Tap Pilam Coahuiltecan Nation. Mills, quien incursiono a la NBA, mediante fichaje del club Trail Blazers de Portland, durante el Draft NBA 2009, en el escaño 55º, donde jugó del 2009 al 2001, tras haber jugados dos años en el baloncesto colegial con Saint Mary’s College, del estado de California. Mills, posteriormente en el 2012 fue canjeado a San Antonio,

donde ha vestido con orgullo su tradicional playera con el número 8. Mills, ostenta anillo de campeón con Spurs ganado durante la campaña de 2014. Por su carácter positivo y alegre, Mills, se ganó la simpatía de la base de seguidores de los Spurs. Patty Mills, que encabeza la segunda unidad de Spurs, contando con el respaldo del entrenador en jefe Gregg Popovich, fue alineado en los primeros minutos al lado de la quinteta estelar, sobresaliendo en el plan ofensivo y defensivo. Spurs tras cerrado partido se quedó con la victoria con pizarra de 120-118 puntos. “Gracias a la NBA y los Spurs,

hoy se logró hacer historia, presentando el primer evento que honra a las naciones indígenas del mundo. A todos muchas gracias por participar en este evento con el que también se pretende reunir dinero, para donarlo al fondo de recuperación por los incendios forestales en Australia”, dijo Mills. La tienda de los Spurs, ubicada en el sector Plaza Level, estará exhibiendo accesorios con logos de Mills y de la nación indígena Tap Pilam Coahuiltecan. En las fotos parecen integrantes de la porra mixta, Spurs Hype Squad. Aficionados con los muñecos Patty Mills Bobblehead. Una

toma de Mills con pequeños indígenas, tomada de la televisión central, con motivo de extensa presentación de Mills en diversas actividades celebradas por la comunidad indígena

de su país. Fila de fanáticos que a temprana hora acudieron al estadio AT&T Center. Mills, agradeciendo al público asistente y en acción contra el Heat. (Fotos por Franco).



Writing As An Extension Of The Soul

By David O. Martinez

Writing is the life source that allows authors to give flesh and blood into characters. And these made-up characters propel the reader into the past or catapult him into the future. Either way, it's a heady experience. It's also an imaginary state of being that lingers in both the Truth and the Absurd. How so? You can imagine yourself flying just as birds and planes fly, and you ask yourself—why not me?

I was born and raised in the west side of San Antonio. I attended Our Lady of Guadalupe elementary school, on El Paso St. And the nuns were instrumental in my childhood development not only spiritually but also academically. Although they stressed the three R's, they didn't exactly direct you in any specific path of life.

In 1963, I transferred to

Sidney Lanier Junior High and graduated in 1969. Lanier's main goal was to provide its students with technical/vocational training to enter the work force. The powers that be saw us not as likely candidates to attend college simply because we were Mexican Americans. I was inspired to go to college by my older brother as I had no idea what I wanted to major in. But I do admit writing was not something I enjoyed. Book reports, essays, and term papers in particular were definitely something I would avoid. While in college, I finally realized my calling and found out the U.S. Navy offered that training I was looking for and got paid while doing it. It was a rewarding 20 years that provided more than a technical skill as a Biomedical Electronic Technician but also develop

my leadership skill. I received several awards because of it.

In retrospect, I suspect there was one person who indirectly influenced me. Her name is Becky Byrant, a journalism major from Texas Tech University, who was in charge of Los Recuerdos, our high school yearbook, back in '69. I don't why but she assigned me captions to write for half of the faculty pictures. She gave me complete liberty to write what I saw beyond the photo. I remember Ms Bryant saying, "I wish I could submit this caption but I don't believe it will be allowed." I have to admit some questionable ones did pass the censors.

I hadn't given it a second thought to ask what might lead me to pursue writing fiction as a hobby, let alone putting my first stories into a book.

Of course, it was my 1969 Reunion Group, who were the catalyst and wanted something scary to read, something we'd experienced while growing up in the West Side of San Antonio.

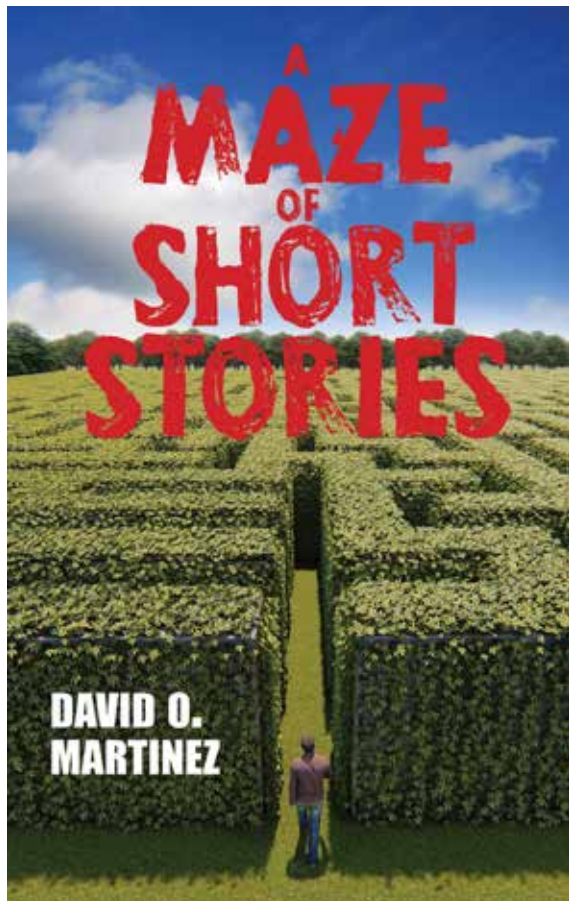
A handful of us picked up the gauntlet, including two distinguished graduates who taught at colleges and universities. I read the stories and something inside me told me I should give it a shot.

After much encouragement from dear friends and associates, I took the plunge and discovered my narrative voice. I had heard strange exotic tales from my grandmother, and, of course, the Texas urban legends. Many of the stories in this collection, *A Maze of Short Stories*, are an outgrowth of that experimental urge to create and begin expressing myself

in a fictional mode. One word led to one sentence and then a paragraph and before long I had characters with conflict and resolution.

When I approached the CEO of La Prensa of Texas, I wanted to contribute something that would make our readers find comfort and pleasure because writing is a means to express individuality. Our readers need to know that through reading they can improve their thinking skills. The west side of San Antonio have hundreds of stories waiting to be heard. All we can do is listen to their stories.

David Martinez is a retired Navy noncommissioned officer who spends his time writing, reading and volunteering for local non-profits. He is the author of "*A Maze of Short Stories*" (Arc Manor Press, 2020).



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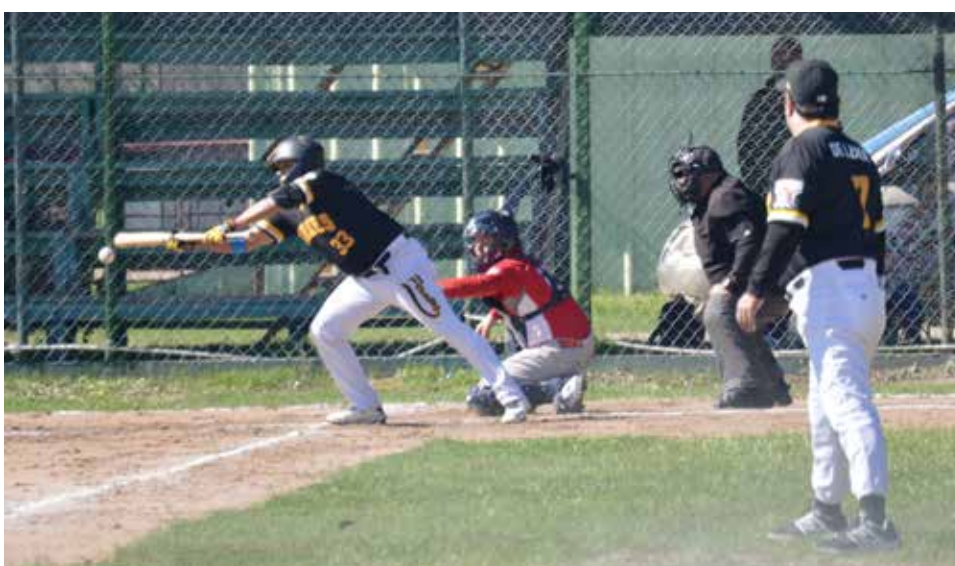
La serie final del playoff en liga Abierta dominical Potranco Baseball League 2019-2020, se la están disputando los potentes clubes Indios de Nava que dirigen el timonel y propietario Juan (Pachín) Martínez y su coach Rudy Barrientez, y los Piratas de Sabinas, del clan Guerrero, que tienen de base al manager Sergio De Luna, el coach y jugador Iván Rubinsky. La serie pactada a ganar 2 de 3 partidos, comenzó el domingo 19 de enero en el campo 2 del estadio Potranco Baseball Field, propiedad del magnate Eloy Rocha, quien tiene el gran apoyo del compilador oficial (comentarista) y presidente don Simón Sánchez. Indios de Nava, que finalizó de líder en la Zona Norte, y en la postemporada eliminó en dos partidos al trabuco Tuneros&Mineros. En su vitrina exhibe el flamante trofeo denominado “Campeón de Campeones 2019”. Mientras que Piratas de Sabinas, que también finalizó de líder en la Zona Sur, con cinco títulos bajo la tutela del timonel De Luna, y subcampeón de la pasada final en “Campeón de Campeones 2019”, ganó su boleto a la gran final eliminando al duro rival Águilas de Veracruz,

que dio una vez más la pelea siendo derrotado en el segundo partido de su respectiva serie. Indios y Piratas en calidad de campeones del norte y sur, el domingo 19 de enero, lograron reunir un buen número de asistentes, que disfrutaron de las espectaculares acciones en el campo 2, donde se estará jugando los partidos por el resto de la serie, debido a que el campo 1, se encuentra en tratamiento sobre la superficie de las praderas en el estadio principal. Los aficionados salieron ganando durante este concierto beisbolero, ya que ambas novenas en sus respectivas alineaciones, presentaron beisbolistas de gran calibre local e internacional. Indios por mejor promedio de juego, fue designado como “local”, por los que Piratas, fue “visitantes. Sabinas, sin dar tregua desde el primer capítulo se lanzó, con todo en la ofensiva, aprovechando errores y jugadores golpeado en su turno al bate, para anotar seis carreras en la apertura del combate. La ventaja tempranera se logró al plan ofensivo estipulado con anticipación por el timonel De Luna y el capitán Brayan Guerrero, quien en el primer inning le puso el cascabel al gato conectando imparable

productor de tres anotaciones. De Luna, después con bases llenas, ordenó jugada de “squeeze play”, en la que anotó el corredor Camero Dullnig. Seguidamente el bateador designado Johnny López (quien bateó por el lanzador abridor Gregorio “Goyo” Quintero), realizó sorpresivo toque de bola, produciendo la quinta carrera. Piratas, fabricó cuatro carreras más a lo largo del partido llegando al cierre del noveno episodio con pizarra de 10-0. Quintero, fue removido del montículo, dejándole la responsabilidad a su compañero Aldo Rodríguez, quien no entró en su forma, aceptando dos carreras y salvando el partido, con lo que Indios logró quitarse la blanqueada, tras paliza recibida durante el interesante partido. La pizarra final fue de 10-2 carreras, cifra que prácticamente para nada gustó al experimentado manager internacional Pachín Martínez. El partido sancionado por los ampáyeres, Rico Medina tras el plato y Robby Wadley, en las bases. “Un mal domingo”, dijo Martínez, quien reconoció haber perdido por gran diferencia y de pase lo invicto en series del playoff final. “Se jugó de acuerdo a plan de juego en la defensiva. Nos

salió todo buen cada jugador hizo lo suyo, y no queda más que reconocer que estamos disputando una segunda serie de campeonato ante un duro equipo (Indios de Nava). Todavía restan dos partidos en la serie”, así se expresó De Luna. El segundo partido está programado para jugarse este domingo 25 de enero en el horario de las 12 p.m. Campo 2 del Potranco Baseball Field. En las fotos aparecen: Jugadores de Indios de Nava. Piratas de Sabinas. Grupo de seguidores y jugadores de Piratas, encabezados por el buen amigo Chilo Gallegos, quien tuvo de

invitado especial al beisbolista internacional, Jesús Óscar Bailleres, receptor y lanzador de los equipos Cachorros y Selección de Nuevo León, en la categoría Mayores de 60 años en la liga Súper Mega Master. Los directivos Juan (Pachín) Martínez y Rudy Barrientez, los ampáyeres Robby Wadley y Rico Medina, los directivos de Piratas, Iván Rubinsky y Sergio De Luna. Johnny López, bateador designado de Piratas, ejecutando perfecto toque de pelota, produciendo la quinta anotación de Sabinas en la primera entrada. (Fotos por Franco).



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Albert Uresti, Bexar County Tax Assessor–Collector, has received the endorsement of the Bexar County Tejano Democrats in his re-election campaign.

“I am honored to have received the endorsement of the Bexar County Tejano Democrats. Tejano Democrats play an integral and important role in the election of Democrats in San Antonio and Bexar County,” said Albert Uresti, Bexar County Tax Assessor-Collector.

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