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Nell Soto, Democratic Candidate for 61st Assembly District

Nell Soto first involvement in the political areas began when she became precinct organizer for Adlai Stevenson! Since then, Soto, a sixth generation native of Pomona, has acquired an enviable reputation for organizing democratic clubs, organized candidates' campaign clubs, delegate to Democratic conventions, organized voter registration campaigns, political consultant, and has experienced every facet of political life at the national, state and local level.

Now, Soto is a Democratic candidate for the 61st Assembly District, to be vacated by Assemblyman Fred Aguiar. Her late husband, Phil Soto, was the first Hispanic elected to the Assembly in 1962, with the enormous energy and organizational skills of Nell Soto. Elected to the Pomona City Council in 1987, Soto, a hard hitting fighter, has established a reputation for major accomplishments as council member, which has been recognized throughout the state.

At the primary election, Soto received a substantial percentage of the vote in Los Angeles and San Bernardino Counties. Her candidacy has received broad support form labor, women's groups, state and local Democratic Party organizations, elected local officials, police and fire fighters associations, community and business leaders, leading state senators and eleven assembly members.

Her major focus will be on education, health care reform, business development and crime.

Bob DeMallie, Republican Candidate for 61st Assembly District

Bob DeMallie is the Republican candidate for the 61st Assembly District to be vacated by Assemblyman Fred Aguiar, due to term limits. DeMallie received 37% of the vote over three candidates in the primary elections.

DeMallie, a graduate of the Southern Methodist University in banking, has 25 years of experience in banking and commercial finance. A member of the United States Marine Corps, DeMallie graduated from the Defense Language Institute, versed in German and Vietnamese. He was decorated for serving in combat in Vietnam.

He was elected to the Cucamonga School Board of Trustees and served as board president. In addition, he is a member of the Rancho Cucamonga Youth Accountability Board.

DeMallie and his wife, Vickie, live in Rancho Cucamonga, and have a daughter and two grandchildren. They attend the Mountain View Faith Community Church. The 61st Assembly District encompasses Chino, Chino Hills, Montclair, Ontario, and portions of Rancho Cucamonga and Pomona. The Republican registration in the district stands at 39%. DeMallie is endorsed by Assemblyman Fred Aguiar.

DeMallie's platform priorities will be to continue to ensure that California continues to have a business friendly environment, improving public education and lowering taxes for working families.

Steve Figueroa, Democratic Candidate for 34th Assembly District

Steve Figueroa, a resident of Victorville, is a candidate for the 34th Assembly District, currently held by Assemblyman Keith Olberg. During his tenure in the Postal Service, Figueroa held positions as Human Resource Officer, Inter-government and Community Relations and Superintendent of Operations, Bloomington, Ca., prior to retirement.

Figueroa has been involved in civic organizations, including: MAPA (National vice president), Latino Legislative Caucus, African-American Chamber of Commerce, Greenlining Institute, Knights of Columbus, Team Advocates Special Kids and the Screen Actors Guild. An advocate of civil rights, Figueroa has been instrumental in children educational rights, law enforcement abuse and political rights in terms of free speech and right to assembly.

As an assembly candidate, Figueroa advocates economic development and jobs, business involvement in education, greater attention for the disabled, especially children, healthcare and greater service for veterans in the desert area.

Figueroa is endorsed by the Democratic Club. Assemblyman Keith Olberg did not submit information on his candidacy.

John Longville, Democratic Candidate for 62nd Assembly District

John Longville, mayor of Rialto since 1987 and former councilman for eight years, is a candidate for the 62nd Assembly District, to be vacated by Assemblyman Joe Baca due to term limits.

Longville was previously legislative aide to Congressman George Brown from 1973 to 1979. Longville has held positions in numerous boards relative to local, councilmanic or mayoral positions: Southern California Rail Authority (Metrolink), Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Committee, Southern California Association of Governments, San Bernardino Association of Governments (served in various committees), Omnitrans Board, Rialto Airport Authority, Agua Mansa Industrial Growth Association and Local Government Commission (statewide organization of county/city officials).

Other community boards include the United Way, Rialto Chamber of Commerce, Inland Aids, Option House, East Kiwanis and American Cancer Society.

Longville cites his achievements in office: co-creator of the Metrolink rail system, elimination of the utility tax, joint city/school day care program, mayor's task force on youth programs, city's TV cable and the restructuring of SCAG's governing board for wider representation, and the clean air and transportation plans for the 1984 Olympic Games.

"These achievements which have protected the citizens of Rialto and my aggressive drive, hard work and proven skills in many areas of government to find solutions to problems will be the same strategies, experiences, skills and hard work that I will implement as your representative in Sacramento," he stated.

Candidate Profiles continued on pages 3, 4 & 5
**Letter to the Editor**

September 26, 1998

Dr. Herb Fischer for San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools.

Dr. Herb Fischer is the only candidate for County Superintendent of Schools who in my evaluation has the knowledge and understanding to timely guide the school districts of San Bernardino County.

For the past 25 years I have been in public education in the County of San Bernardino, during this time I have served three school districts and five superintendents as their chief business officer. I have also been a member of the State Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team and I am familiar with the County Superintendent of Schools’ role in assisting school districts to remain fiscally solvent by meeting the requirements of AB 1200 (State’s School Fiscal Accountability Law).

One of the five Superintendents with whom I worked was Dr. Herb Fischer. During my seven-year association with Dr. Fischer I was impressed with his knowledge of the complex requirements in operating a school district. Dr. Fischer developed a plan that adequately housed all of the District’s students including the building of three new schools. He maintained outstanding labor relations with the bargaining units, and annually adopted and operated a balanced budget.

Dr. Fischer led the Colton Joint Unified School District through a time in the early 1990’s when the State was unable to fully fund the needs of California’s school districts. He was able to maintain all of the District’s programs including music, nursing, and counseling while keeping the District’s budget in balance.

Herb Fischer is an outstanding educational leader. He has lowered the student dropout rate, increased the number of students who are college bound, and runs a superb instructional program for the students in his District. Dr. Fischer’s depth of administrative knowledge and his success in the operation of a large and complex school district’s business functions make him the only candidate qualified for San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools.

Robert W. Murphy
Upland, CA

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**Riverside Sample Ballots are in the mail**

The Riverside County Registrar of Voters announces that mailing of sample ballots for the Consolidated General Election to be held on November 3, 1998 have commenced. Voters registering or changing their address just prior to the October 5, 1998 close of registration, will be included in a supplemental mailing. Registered voters should receive their sample ballot not later than October 13, 1998. If you have not received your sample ballot by that date, call the Registrar of Voters at 800-773-VOTE to ensure you are informed and have the location of your polling place which may have changed since the last election.

Voters are urged to watch for the #1/2 x 11 booklet with a blue cover and to be careful not to discard it as junk mail. The pamphlet contains polling place location, as well as a convenient application for an absentee ballot, and should be retained through Election Day. If receipt of your sample ballot is delayed for any reason, registered voters may also request an official absentee ballot via signed letter or postcard addressed to Registrar of Voters, 2774 Gateway Drive, Riverside, California 92507.

If you have changed your address, registered voters must include your printed name, registered address, address you wish absentee ballot to be mailed to, and the signature of each person named in the request.

**The National Association of Hispanic Nurses**

Inland Empire Chapter presents

**Hispanic Health:**

**Focus on Diabetes**

November 7, 1998 at the San Bernardino Hilton

For additional information contact:
(909) 825-0593
(909) 688-2975

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**Commentary**

**Wednesday, October 14, 1998**

**Life of Marian Luna Celebrated in Riverside Memorial Service**

Queen of Angels Catholic Church in the City of Riverside overflowed beyond its entrance doors as Father Anthony Howard celebrated a Requiem Mass for Marian Esquibel Luna, who was killed in a tragic accident on September 24, 1998.

In attendance were friends and community activists from throughout the Inland Empire, who came to pay their last respects to the Riverside resident and well-known community activist.

“We have lost a person who gave the very best of herself to her family, community and the many individuals who were in need,” stated Father Howard at the final celebration of the Mass.

The daughter of Tony Sr. and Rose Esquibel, Marian attended the Convent of Sorrowful Mother in Wisconsin, Riverside Community College, University of Southern California and University of California, Riverside.

In 1978, Marian married Lino Luna, an elementary school teacher, and this began an extension of her natural-born talent to help classroom students and involvement in extra-curriculum activities as their couple donated many hours of services toward the school and the children in need. In addition, she extended her services for the youth in the Chicano neighborhood throughout the city.

She was involved with the city’s redevelopmen program; Hispanic Chamber of Commerce; Alvord School District’s School Bond Committee and president of its Educational Foundation; Riverside Scholars for Dollars; the Memorial Statue for Ysmael Villegas, Congressional Medal of Honor recipient; and the many services that she contributed toward her community.

Recognized for her community involvement, Marian was awarded the prestigious Josie Locano Memorial Award, the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Monument Visionaries Award, Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Service Awards, among the many received throughout her lifetime.

In a final tribute to his daughter, Tony Esquibel, Sr., said, “Marian was an unselfish person who was devoted to her Mother and to her husband, Lino, and to her community. She will be with us in our heart forever.”
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**Voter Recommendations**

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**Irma Escobar, Republican Candidate for 62nd Assembly District**

Irma Escobar, is the Republican candidate for the 62nd Assembly District, to be vacated by Assemblyman Joe Baca due to term limits.

Escobar, Fontana resident and businessperson, has been involved in various capacities in the educational arena: California Education Round Table Task Force, Health Advisory Committee (chairperson) for the Colton School District, National Campaign to Prevent Teen pregnancy and former PTA president.

Other -participating activities include the Fontana Women’s Club, Rialto-Fontana Republican Women Federated, Republican National Hispanic Assembly, Roller Hockey Coach-Fontana, and Neighborhood Watch Captain.

“I am running for State Assembly because it is an extension of my many years of involvement in education and children’s issues at the local level,” she states in her campaign literature. Her platform includes: raising academic standards, fighting crime, helping single parents, prevent teen pregnancy, resolve child support issues and continuity of the current economic upturn.

Escobar has been endorsed by the California Pro Life Council PAC, California Hispanic Leadership Fund and MAPA.

Individual endorsement includes Assemblyman Leonard, Assemblyman Aguir, Senator Brulte, California Republican Assembly, Mike Reynolds, former assistant chief, Bob Vernon and District Attorney Dennis Stout.

Escobar and her husband, Ron, are the parents of Jennifer and David, Daniel, Joshua and Joseph.

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**State Propositions**

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<td>3. General fund repayment to transportation fund loan</td>
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<td>7. Tax credits on air-emissions reduction</td>
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<td>8. Parent/teacher, councils, teacher credentialing, pupil suspension on drug possession, create chief inspector</td>
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<td>9. Utilities prohibit from using tax, bond and surcharge assessments to pay for cost of nuclear power plants, etc.</td>
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Dr. Dave Long, Candidate for Riverside County Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Dave Long, Superintendent of the Lake Elsinore Unified School District since 1992, is candidate for the County of Riverside’s Superintendent of Schools in the November 3rd election as a result of receiving 42.3% in a three candidate race.

In an interview, Long stated, “I have been dedicated to education for over 30 years. As superintendent, I oversee a budget of $104 million dollars, with 1,700 employees and 15,200 students. I am a successful leader in the educational field.”

Prior to his current tenure, Long was superintendent of the Banning Unified School District for three years, and within the last 27 years, has held positions of assistant principal and assistance superintendent.

He was awarded the 1995 Superintendent of the Year by the Association of California School Administrators and the ASCA, American Association of School Administrators and Thi-Delta-Kappa.

His endorsements include the Riverside County Sheriff's Association, Riverside County Teachers Association, majority of school districts superintendents of school, 28 school board members, County Board of Supervisors, community leaders and major newspapers.

Long and his wife, Joanne, an elementary school principal in the Corona-Norco School District, reside in Canyon Lake, with their daughter, Angelica, who was adopted from a Mexican orphanage.

One major project developed by Long is the teacher exchange between Esposolica School in San Luis Potosi, Mexico and Lake Elsinore School District. Recently, a teacher exchange occurred between six Mexican teachers and eight American teachers.

The County Superintendent of Schools has come from “within the County Office” for over 47 years. It is time for a change. I will provide that change with proven leadership and innovative educational ideas,” he said.

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More Candidate Profiles on pages 4 and 5
Dr. Herb Fischer, Candidate for San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Herb Fischer, Superintendent of the Colton Unified School District, is a candidate for the San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools.

Fischer attended public schools in San Bernardino. He received his B.S. at Cal-Poly, San Luis Obispo, and M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of California, Riverside, and additional training from Dr. Madeline Hunter on Effective Teaching Strategies at UCLA.

Fischer has been in education for 29 years. His teaching experience includes elementary school, middle and high school levels. His administrative experience has been at the elementary, middle and high school, assistant superintendent, involvement in the school desegregation and during campus unrest, and as an intergroup relations specialist.

During his tenure as superintendent of the Colton School District, Fischer has worked with the board of education, parents, teachers, community at large and a diverse student population, and has developed progressive programs which has enhanced the total education system, according to his campaign information.

As a result of his leadership, the following results have occurred in the district: reduction of the dropout rate from 12.4% to 1.6%; increasing the Hispanic educational attainment rates; increasing the college-going rate from 16% to 54%; and creating an incentive for greater Hispanic student enrollment into higher educational achievements; increasing test scores in both reading and math, creating five magnet schools to provide parent and student greater educational choices; improving school safety by adopting policies for uniforms, dress codes, metal detectors; and programs to expand computer technology and Internet to school sites for every student.

Dr. Fischer was named "Educator of the Year" by the Colton Chamber of Commerce. He has served on several state-wide education commissions.

"I have the leadership qualities and professional background to initiate changes and enhance the educational services to every student in the county. I am able, due to my current professional performance, to work with a diverse parent and student population and able to address the needs of all our students," he stated.

Fischer has been endorsed by the major- ity of federal, state and regional elected officials, educational and classified associations, labor, police and firefighters associations, labor unions and grassroots groups.

Brett Granlund, Republican Candidate for the 65th Assembly District.

Brett Granlund is the incumbent Republican candidate for the 65th Assembly District. Granlund was elected to the District in 1994, on a platform of welfare reform, tough-on-crime and commitment to return California to the forefront of pro-business states. He was reelected in 1996 based on his goals and reflection of sponsorship of legislation during his tenure, according to literature provided by the State Assembly Republican Caucus.

Granlund has been appointed to the chair of the Assembly Human Services and Health Committee during his first term, and was a member of the Transportation, Public Safety, Local Government, and Agricultural Committees, and served as the chair of the San Bernardino County, Health and Social Services Committee during his second term. He has served on various key committees, including the Rules Committee, Appropriation and Governmental Organization Committees.

Granlund has focused on senior issues and sponsored the Older Californians Act. He has also sponsored legislation to protect mobile home residents, as well as HMO reform legislation. He has championed efforts to acquire funding for precious resources needed to sustain vital community and educational services. In 1997, he sponsored legislation which would improve the amount of funding the state provides to county libraries.

Granlund and his wife, Lonni, live in Yucaipa with their sons John and Tyler.
Wednesday, October 14, 1998

Pictured above (I to r) are the recipients of the Image Awards Of the Year presented by the Inland Empire Hispanic Lifestyle Magazine at the Mission Inn on Wednesday. Pictured are: Brenda Campbell, Director of the School Leadership Center, San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools, is a candidate for the county superintendent of schools in the November general election. The SLC office provides training for assistant principals, principals, assistant superintendents and superintendents in San Bernardino and Los Angeles counties.

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Brenda Campbell graduated from San Bernardino High School, received her B.A. from the University of Redlands and received an M.A. from the Cal-State, Fullerton.

Starting as a 7th and 8th grade science teacher for the Chino Unified School District in 1975, Campbell was promoted to department chair after three years, due to her leadership skills and ability to work with people. She progressed through the ranks, becoming district coordinator in the district.

Campbell later became assistant principal and principal at Carneal Elementary School in Alta Loma, and principal of Hesperia Jr. High and Almeria Middle School in Fontana.

In 1990, the State Superintendent of Public Instructions visited Almeria Middle School, recognizing the school as a model for providing arid curriculum, safe environment, use of technology in education and opportunities for students with special needs, peer counseling, community involvement and participation in Project Upbeat, a university-based program to encourage middle school students to attend college.

Campbell has served on the state's Title I Committee of Practitioners, Restructuring Advisory Board and State Delegation Committee for Goals 2000 in Washington, D.C. She is a current member of the California Institute for School Improvements.

She received the Regional Merit Award for her leadership skills and services to San Bernardino County.

Campbell has been endorsed by the Democratic Club, MAPA and the Daily Bulletin.

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Health Gap for Latinos- Widening?
By Eddy Jara, MPH, RD, California Nutrition Network Representative

With the arrival of the 1998 school year, many students are dreaming about attending college. For many, scholarships make their dreams become realities. Every year, millions of dollars in scholarships and grants are awarded to deserving students. Such scholarships and grants come from various organizations. Scholarships and grants enable those who want to educate themselves to learn.

Through the United States, there are various types of scholarships offered. In order to receive these scholarships, a student must apply. Many of these scholarships are awarded on the basis of financial need, grade point average, test scores, ethnic background, and planned field of study in college.

In recent years, California has awarded over five million dollars in scholarship money to students. The Beas Foundation awards $500-$2,000 from the Alice Newell Joslyn Medical Fund. It is awarded to Hispanic high school seniors who plan on entering a career in the medical field. For more information, contact Teresa Cerda at (619) 471-5465.

The TELACU Education Foundation awards an Arts Award to Hispanic high school seniors who plan on studying the fine arts, music, dance, drama, or theater. The scholarship is $1,000.00.

For further information, please contact Michael Alvarado at (213) 721-1655.

The TELACU Education Foundation also awards the Cesar Chavez Memorial Award, which is $2,500.00. To receive the award, contact Michael Alvarado at (213) 721-1655.

The University of California, Los Angeles Chicano Studies Research Center awards the Chancellor Fellowship Program, which is $14,000.00. For more information, call Teresa Cerda at (619) 471-5465.

There are numerous other scholarships available to students seeking higher education beyond the high school level. With the arrival of the 1998 school year, many students are dreaming about attending college. For many, scholarships make their dreams become realities. Every year, millions of dollars in scholarships and grants are awarded to deserving students. Such scholarships and grants come from various organizations. Scholarships and grants enable those who want to educate themselves to learn.

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**San Bernardino City Schools Jobs Openings**

**ASSISTANT BLDG SVCSDIRECTOR**

$256.48 TO $311.75/day

(6) yrs pd exp in maintenance, repair & constr. of bldgs & facilities, includes (2) yrs supervision or mgmt of wk activities of wks in (3) or more separate bldg/construction trades AND (60) semester units (or associate degree) of college level course wk, which includes courses in any of the technologies pertaining to bldg/facilities maintenance, constr. engineering, architectural design, or bldg inspection. (Substitution: (1) Add'l supervisory/managerial exp. of kind specified in excess of required (2) yrs may be sub for college course wk at rate of (4) months of such exp for (3) semester units of course work up to max of (3) semester units of the general but not the specific course work. (2) Add'l college course wk in excess of that req'd may be sub for the general exp at the rate of (5) semester units for the general but not the supervisory/managerial exp at the rate of (5) semester units for (2) months exp. up to a max of (24) mos. Valid CDL. Two yrs. exp. preparation & maintenance of financial records. High school graduation supplemented by add'l specialized training or college course work in accounting or bookkeeping or related field.

**BILINGUAL/Spanish Attendance Clerk**

$11.22 TO $13.65/hr

(3) yrs increasingly responsible clerical exp. preferably involving maintenance of detailed records. High school grad. or equiv.

**BILINGUAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SECRETARY**

(English/Spanish)

$2,103.76 TO $2,559.54/mo

(2) yrs resp. secretarial & clerical exp. preferably in education or school setting. Add'l specialized secretarial or business training is desirable. High school grad. or equiv.

**BODY & FENDER MECHANIC**

$2,461.08 TO $2,994.30/mo

(4) pd exp. performing repairs of damaged bodies & body parts of automotive vehicles, such as automobiles, vans, trucks, & buses, (OR) completion of formal apprenticeship in automotive body & fender repair, AND high school grad. or equiv. Valid CDL.

**EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANT IV**

(CHOREOGRAPHY/GYMNASTICS)

$11.22 TO $13.65/hr

(3) yrs. exp. in choreographing musical stage production or giving dance & related body movement or gymnastics exercise instruction, or any combination thereof, AND (18) semester units or equiv. of college/univ. level course work in physical ed. or theater arts, or any comb. thereof. (Substitute: (1) one add'l yr of exp. in excess of that required may be sub for the required ed. providing the applicant has high school graduation or the equivalent. (2) an associate degree or equiv. with at least (18) semester units of college wk in physical ed. or theater arts, or a comb. thereof may be sub for (1) yr of the required exp. Valid CDL & auto liab. ins.

**INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANT**

(PHYSICAL EDUCATION)

$9.78 TO $11.90/hr

Some exp. assisting w/instruction of children or in performance of duties related to physical ed or related field is desirable. High school grad. or equiv. Valid CDL.

**LEAD PLUMBER**

$2,822.68 TO $3,434.22/mo

Any comb. of (4) yrs pd exp. performing journey-level plumbing or certified pipefitting welding, (OR) completion of formal plumbing or welding apprenticeship, AND high school grad. or equiv. Valid CDL.

**LEAD SHEET METAL WORKER**

$2,822.68 TO $3,434.22/mo

(4) yrs exp. performing journey-level work; (OR) completion of formal apprenticeship in sheet metal work AND high school grad. or equiv. Valid CDL.

**MOBILE MAINTENANCE TEAM LEADER**

$2,935.58 TO $3,434.22/mo

(5) yrs recent (w/in last 10 yrs) pd journey-level exp. in structural wk/bldg construction trade or craft. (Substitution: paid lead or supervisory exp. over journey level workers in bldg construction/structural work may be sub for req.

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**CLOSING DATE**

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RFP #0999-11

General Liability Law Firms or Sole Practitioners to Represent & Advise AQMD

11/10/98 1:00 p.m.

Kurt Wisse

(909) 396-3460

RFP #0999-12

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12/1/98 5:00 p.m.

Fred Mirrostan

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RFO #2101

Pre-Quality Source Testing Firms to Provide Supplemental Source Testing Services

11/13/98 2:00 p.m.

Gerardo Mercado

(909) 396-2985

RFO #2104

Scientific Computer

11/13/98 1:00 p.m.

Mark Hennings

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RFO #2107

Landscape Maintenance Provider

11/13/98 2:00 p.m.

Sydne Ortez

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LETICIA DE LA O, Purchasing Supervisor

A COLLEGE EDUCATION BEGINS IN KINDERGARTEN
Inland Empire Mexican News

Edison International Awards $10,000 Arts Grant

San Bernardino, CA, October 6 - Edison International has awarded a $10,000 "Arts for the Community" grant to the Sinfonia Mexicana Society to support the group's Student Mariachi Program as well as two major concerts on December 11, 1999.

Ray Gonzalez, local public affairs region manager for Southern California Edison, said "Sinfonia Mexicana meets the grant program's criteria for making art more accessible and affordable to diverse communities." Part of the Edison grant will be used to support affordable tickets for the performances.

"Sinfonia Mexicana's mission is to generate community awareness and appreciation of Mexican culture through concerts which feature music by Mexican composers and performers of classical music," Gonzalez said.

The first concert will be a holiday performance at the California Theatre of Performing Arts on December 11, 1998 featuring Mariachi Sol de Mexico de Jose Hernandez, Ballet Folklorico Cielito Lindo and the Sinfonia Mexicana Mariachi Youth. The April 1999 concert will feature the Orquesta Sinfonica Nacional de Mexico, directed by world renowned conductor, Enrique Arturo Diemecke.

"We are thrilled to receive one of the Edison grants which provide much needed funds for the arts and arts education for our children throughout the Inland Empire," said G. Louis Herz, president of the Sinfonia Mexicana Society.

Edison International officials plan to disburse $1 million in grants annually for the next three years. "Arts for the Community" grants are offered in three categories: (1) grants for community-based arts education and outreach; (2) grants for college and university based arts education and outreach; and, (3) grants for capital projects.

Edison's support of the arts complements its other grants programs supporting education, economic development and the environment. Information about the program can be obtained by calling 1-888-8EDISON.

Information on the Sinfonia Mexicana Society or ticket sales may be obtained by calling (909) 381-5388.

New SBVC Vice President Believes Motto: ‘The Student First’

When veteran college administrator Maria Elena Martinez talks about the "student first," she isn't quoting an educational cliche. She means it. She lives it.

She will have an opportunity to put her credo into practice when she starts her new job Oct. 19 as vice president of Instruction for San Bernardino Valley College.

Martinez was one of 16 applicants for the job. Martinez comes from East Los Angeles College, a 17,000-student campus in Monterey Park, where she's held administrative positions for the past 20 years. Her achievements there, most recently as vice president for academic affairs, helped the college grow, from fifth to first place among nine colleges of the Los Angeles Community College District. In addition, she is credited with saving her college from a $1 million-a-year budget deficit.

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Over the years, Martinez, a single parent, made the choice to stay close to home, even while receiving invitations for loftier positions elsewhere. This month, her 20-year-old son transferred from one of her own alma maters, East LA, to another, USC, to study international relations.

Martinez is eager to serve with two women whose work she respects, Mayor Judith Valles, longtime educator and former president of the SBCCD Board of Trustees, and Caballero, whom Martinez described as "a maver and a shaker."

Some of the issues she is anxious to tackle:

• The burden of single parents who have multiple responsibilities of child-rearing, college, jobs and homework.
• The salient challenge of maintaining campus morale while preparing for the demolition of SBVC buildings and reconstruction to meet seismic standards.
• The dropout rate of students, particularly Hispanics, who statistically are more apt to leave college after eight weeks.
• New ways to be involved in the community, in industry and with new businesses.
• Role modeling in a collegiate manner, recognizing similarities, rather than differences, among diverse members of the campus community.
• Living within the budget while of-