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Public Broadcasting Service announced it is airing the new Ken Burns documentary series, THE WAR, in September 2007. The seven-part documentary series, directed and produced by Ken Burns and Lynn Novick, explores the history and horror of the Second World War from an American perspective by following the fortunes of so-called ordinary men and women who get caught up in the greatest cataclysm in human history: It is a 14 hour documentary.

The documentary was previewed November 16 – 19, 2006 at the International Conference on World War II at the National World War II Museum in New Orleans.

Maggie Rivas-Rodriguez, Ph.D. Associate Professor, School of Journalism, University of Texas and Director of the U.S. Latino & Latina WWII Oral History Project, became aware of the project through staff member Raquel Garza who attended the New Orleans preview. Garza spoke to a Burns producer in New Orleans who verified that Latinos were included in the documentary.

Dr. Rivas-Rodriguez received information from Ken Burns' staff and shared the following information, which by omission seem to imply that Latinos are not included in the 14-hour documentary of World War II.

1) The film was not intended to be structured around any ethnic group; however, both the Japanese Americans, and African Americans, will be identified for their experiences.

2) The film focuses on four towns and people in those towns — absolutely no criteria was suggested for the selection of these four areas: Waterbury, Connecticut; Mobile, Alabama; Sacramento, California, and Luveme, Minnesota.

3) Although about 40 plus individuals were interviewed, a much smaller group dominates the film.

4) The criteria for selection of people to interview were quite unclear. The explanation was that people were selected based on their stories, how they were on camera, their materials, and many other reasons.

There is an appreciation that the racism of WWII directed at the African Americans, Japanese, and Mexican-Americans will be exposed. However, Mexican-Americans and other Latinos were also targets of racism.

This documentary will honor the heroism of all, but not the Latino contributions.

I am appalled, flabbergasted, almost speechless at a time when the underestimating of the contributions of Latinos to the United States would strengthen our nation, at a time when 50% of Latinos federally employed are in depressed communities of this nation, at a time when the underestimating of the contributions of Latinos to the United States would strengthen our nation, at a time when the cost of healthcare is out of control and Latinos are not getting the healthcare they need and deserve.

Nati Fuentes, former executive of the Concilio for Spanish Speaking since 1988, was honored on the occasion of her retirement by over 200 family, friends, elected officials at the Zacatecas Restaurant in Riverside. Fuentes was the catalyst for development of four child care centers in Riverside and Rancho Cucamonga. Well known in the region for her strong advocacy for decades to promote programs for the Eastside, Fuentes has been recognized for distinguished community services by numerous organizations and the City of Riverside. Photo by IEHN

City of Riverside's Eastside has generated outstanding political and community leaders and one such person is Nati Fuentes, who after decades of dedicated service to her church, community and multitude of individuals, retired to 'enjoy' life.

Over 200 came together at Zacatecas Restaurant in Riverside family, long time friends, politicians, employees, former students to honor Nati Fuentes, and commend her for her leadership in the community and city.

Father Patricio Guillen praised Fuentes for her dedication to her church, Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine, the children of the community and her struggles to promote programs to the area.

Mayor Ron Loveridge, Alfredo Figueroa, Ofelia Valdez-Yesager, Doretha Anderson, former students, previous and current employees, and relatives spoke of her sacrifices and deep commitment to the community, and involvement in a myriad of committees and task forces to fight for better living conditions, social and economic programs to the area.

Children from the Concilio for Spanish Speaking of the Inland Empire (CFSSIE) sang several songs in her honor for her leadership in the development of the historic non-profit Eastside school.

Nati Fuentes was born in East Riverside where her family had deep roots for many decades. She graduated from Poly High School in 1953, entered the work force and enrolled at Riverside Community College. She later received a B.A. in Business Administration from California Baptist College; a Social Service Certificate from the University of California, Riverside; an Early Childhood Development Certificate from Cal-State, San Bernardino, and Multicultural Workshops from Arizona State University.

Fuentes' professional career has been associated with the welfare of family and children: her employment included the Busy Bee Nursery School as teacher; community liaison for the Office of Economic Opportunities and the Riverside School District; and in 1980, was appointed as executive director with endorsements by numerous organizations and the City of Riverside.

Her mission throughout her tenure as director has been to upgrade life-long services to families in the area.

CFSSIE has outgrown the present facility and a new facility is planned with a groundbreaking ceremony.

NATI FUENTES-A RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY ICON

Kiwani Club of Greater San Bernardino is sponsoring the 7th Annual Menudo Cook-off on March 25, from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm, to be held at 11030 Nevada Street, Redlands. The event is a scholarship fundraiser for students in the area, and support for the extended youth programs.

The Menudo Cook-off event is a contest for participants to provide big samples of their menudo culinary expertise and judged by a panel of Kiwanians for the best of best. Food and entertainment will be available and an array of prizes will be raffled.

For information on sponsorships, call Rosemarie Armendariz at (951) 809-0181.

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MEASURE Z NEVER MEANT TO FUND JUST POLICE—A POINT OF VIEW
By Oscar Gonzales

My wife, Shirley, and I, accompanied by community leaders Evelyn Wilson and Evelyn Alexander, attended a very impressive meeting Feb. 15, of families from San Bernardino congregations to call for action about violence in our city.

The meeting was held at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church's social hall, and the crowd was estimated at 500. Those in attendance included clergy, council members, school board members, educators, community leaders and parents.

The event was sponsored by Inland Congregations United for Change, a group of 12 congregations throughout the city that represent the clergy association and clergy caucus, and was conducted by high school students from these congregations. Mayor Pat Morris and San Bernardino City Unified School Superintendent Arturo Delgado were invited guests and speakers.

The forum was dubbed "A Pathway of Hope" and was brilliantly led by two 15-year-old high school students, Mireya Olguin and Romelio Flores, who served as co-chairs of the event.

I was amazed by the impressive show of leadership, energy and enthusiasm articulated by these two young leaders and other students who presented their case to the mayor and superintendent in succinct terms that they want their schools, homes, streets and neighborhoods and communities safe from violence and crime.

According to Tom Dolan, community organizer for ICUC, these young students started organizing in November 2005 after the murder of 16-year-old Melanie Myers. Twenty to 25 students met in subsequent monthly meetings to plan their strategy, which culminated in the last organizing meeting attended by 53 of them two weeks before Thursday's forum.

The kids came up with their own questions and also did some research on the Internet on youth violence, Dolan said. They were assisted in their research findings by three professors from different universities who met at Claremont College, along with six parents and nearly 30 kids. They also participated in meetings with the mayor and chief of police, who pledged to do everything in their power to respond to the students' needs.

The results of their research and hard work, a survey of 7,613 high school students, were presented to the mayor and superintendent, who promised to form a partnership to work together to increase funding for youth programs.

According to Dolan and Kathy Olguin, an executive board member of ICUC and its first chairperson, Auxiliary Bishop of the San Bernardino Diocese Rutilio Del Riego was so impressed by the students' presentation that he committed his time to work with them and their parents to seek additional funding for youth programs. He also agreed to speak "from the heart" or read a letter written by ICUC pastors at today's Feb. 20 City Council meeting.

I was concerned that the program lacked the inclusiveness of African-American and Anglo students, and Dolan acknowledged this as "a weakness." He said invitations had been sent out to black and Caucasian student unions but promised to reach out to both populations in the future as heavily as ICUC focused on Hispanics for this forum.

I hope that the five council members present heard the loud message sent by the students and will seriously consider allocating the $114,000 left from Measure Z funds to achieve the holistic anti-crime strategy envisioned by the mayor and chief of police.

I support the Police Department and believe that the $1.5 million, or 92 percent, allocated to it already is more than enough to meet its needs. Nonprofits are pleading for funds and have maximized resources, so they need the city's financial assistance to continue their work.

The mayor's goals of suppression, prevention and intervention are good strategies, but I wish that in his campaign for Measure Z, he had not emphasized in the myriad signs posted all over the city that by voting for the measure, we would be voting for "more police on the streets."

I believe that this contributed to the confusion by voters who cast their vote without reading the ballot. I read it and knew that it included "anti-gang and anti-crime operations." Yet I do not recall seeing this on any sign—only that it would provide "more police on the streets."

I do not want to live in a police state. When I imagine this scenario, it reminds me of visits to my family international Trade Development, Patty Covarrubias, Citibank, Sarah Del Gesso, GMAC Park Realty, Rudy Diaz, RDS Printing, Raymond Hicks, Southern California Edison, Jaime Hurtado, Supervisor Marion Ashley's Office, 5th District, Christopher Sandoval, Hispanic Lifestyle, and George Velasco, Kaiser Permanente. Executive director: Lorraine Hernandez Saint. Keynote speaker: Gustavo Bidary, Vice President-Community Relations director for Citibank West-South Coast Inland Empire.

Photos by IEHN.

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GREATER RIVERSIDE HISPANIC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE INSTALLS OFFICERS

Greater Riverside Hispanic Chamber of Commerce installed new officers at its 28th Annual Installation of Officers at the Mission Inn, Riverside. New officers (not in order): President Eralan Gonzalez, Riverside County Economic Development Agency; Vice President Kathy Barr, AT&T; Secretary Frances Gines, California EDD; Treasurer Lydia Mendoza Carmona, Union Bank of California; Board of Directors-Aurelio Aguirre, Riverside County Economic Development Agency, Ramiro Cordova, MBS Consultants, Robert Corona, Center for International Trade Development, Patty Covarrubias, Citibank, Sarah Del Gesso, GMAC Park Realty, Rudy Diaz, RDS Printing, Raymond Hicks, Southern California Edison, Jaime Hurtado, Supervisor Marion Ashley's Office, 5th District, Christopher Sandoval, Hispanic Lifestyle, and George Velasco, Kaiser Permanente. Executive director: Lorraine Hernandez Saint. Keynote speaker: Gustavo Bidary, Vice President-Community Relations director for Citibank West-South Coast Inland Empire.

Photos by IEHN.
WTS-IE AWARDS SCHOLARSHIP TO JULIANNA GONZALEZ

WTS-IE, at its Annual Scholarship and Awards Benefit at the Mission Inn, Riverside, awarded $1,500 scholarship to Julianna Gonzalez, a junior at California State Polytechnic University, Pomona. Gonzalez is a Civil Engineering major with a core GPA of 3.25 and plans to attend graduate school to further her goal of working in the transportation industry. Proud of her accomplishments, Julianne states, “I was the first in my family to graduate from high school and go to a four-year university. I plan on receiving a bachelor’s degree in the field I enjoy the most—engineering.”

NATI FUENTES-A RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY ICON

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DEANNA AVEY-MOTIKEIT APPOINTED CHILDREN SERVICES DIRECTOR

Linda Haugan, Assistant County Administrator for Human Services, announced Wednesday the appointment of DeAnna Avey-Motikeit as Director of the Department of Children’s Services (DCS). Ms. Avey-Motikeit replaces Cathy Cimbalo who is retiring March 15 after dedicating 32 years to DCS.

Avey-Motikeit began her career with San Bernardino County in 1988 as a Children’s Services social worker and has held leadership positions in a variety of Human Services departments, including Deputy Director of Aging and Adult Services. Ms. Avey-Motikeit will leave her current position as Assistant Director with the Department of Behavioral Health to head DCS on February 19, 2007.

Avery-Motikeit earned her bachelor of arts in psychology and a Master of Arts in speech communications at Sheppard University and has a Master of Arts degree in clinical research psychology from John Marshall University.

“Deanna is uniquely qualified to lead this department. She understands the child welfare program, but more importantly her management experience has given her a good understanding of how to evaluate programs and organizational effectiveness and transfer this into processes that obtain positive outcomes,” said Assistant County Administrator Linda Haugan.

CHERYL DONAHUE-WTS-IE MEMBER OF THE YEAR

Cheryl Donahue, Public Information Officer at SANBAG, has been selected as Member of the Year by WTS-IE at its Annual Scholarship and Awards Benefit at the Mission Inn, Riverside.

Donahue, a standing member of WTS, and first Communication Co-Chair, designed many of the chapter material andJump started the bi-monthly Newsletter Corridors. This year, she accepted the board position of vice president, a merger with the program chair. Donahue currently organizes and plans the bi-monthly luncheons, providing informative speakers and incorporating new format in which promoted members, chapter members, and chapter sponsors are recognized. As PIO, she oversees all information media and communication dissemination for the transportation agency and uses her contact to gain recognition for WTS. She also works closely with Caltrans, member-cities, County and other stakeholders, in order that project information is clear and concise and the public is well informed during the course of the ongoing projects. Donahue is considered an asset at SANBAG and provided her skills and abilities to WTS.

DEMOCRATIC LUNCHEON CLUB SCHEDULE

Democratic Luncheon Club holds its meeting every Friday at the Democratic Club Headquarters, 136 Carousel Mall, and San Bernardino

Schedule

February 23 Gary Madden, 211 Directors, Inland Empire United Way March 2 Joe Baca, Jr., and Rialto City Councilman March 9 Don Singer, President, San Bernardino Community College District Board Of Trustees-Academic Freedom vs. Sexual Harassment: Which is paramount March 16 Honorable Pat Morris, Mayor, San Bernardino March 23 TBA March 30 Dark March 31 Installation of officers at Gourmet, 1445 E. Highland Ave., San Bernardino, At 11:30 AM, program and lunch, $25 per person. RSVP Dave Raley at (909) 798-9284 or email at: mustanger@aol.com by Marcy 25 Meal choice: chicken parmesan, Swiss steak or vegetable Lasagna.

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fense positions, at a time when in some areas 50% of those under 25 are through the various levels of education and yielding a fairly proportionate number of high school and postsecondary graduates. The pipeline for Latino/a students, however, does not work in this way.

Dr. Solorzano examines the research literature on critical transitions within each segment of the educational pipeline-k-12, community college, undergraduate, and graduate—and offers policy recommendations.

Added commentary will be provided by Dr. Linda Lacy, Interim President, Riverside City College, Mary Figueroa, President, Riverside Community College District Board of Trustees, and Bob Biddle, Regional Outreach Coordinator, Campaign for College Opportunity.

Parking will be available in the public structure.

KEN BURNS’ THE WAR.....14-HOUR WWII DOCUMENTARY-EXCLUDES LATINOS, WHY

By Dr. Carlos Munoz, Jr.

—Extract from PBS Press Release

There is something surreal in all this. The U.S. government is warning Iran against meddling in Iraq. But the U.S. government is meddling in Iraq! Is there a clearer case of a pot calling a kettle black?

Neither country should be meddling, but there are important differences. Iraq is next door to Iran but far from the United States. Iraq, 'backed by extremists in Iraq, should go unchallenged,' John Negroponte, the U.S. intelligence boss, added. Meanwhile, President Bush has authorized American troops to kill Iraqis in Iraq if they seem to be engaged in activities hostile to the United States. He’s also sent a couple of carriers to the Persian Gulf in a show of force aimed at Iran.

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partner, was office manager. The Muñoz also became involved in community service and political activities at the local and state level.

Muñoz also attended Crafton Hills College, and graduated with an A.A.

Her organization memberships included: the Soroptimist International of Yucaipa, Inland Empire Hispanic Democrats, Latino Impact, Yucaipa Democratic Club, Crafton Hills College-Interclub Council, Alpha Gamma Sigma, 65th Assembly District, San Bernardino County Democratic Central Committee, San Gorgonio Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Sinfonia Mexicana, California Democratic Party-Inland Empire, and the Cesar Chavez Tribute Committee.

In eulogizing his wife, Viola, Jesus Muñoz eloquently stated, “We were married for 56 years, and were inseparable every day of our lives. She was the stabilizing force that kept our family together and in an even keel. We enjoyed our activities and our contribution to our community and the Democratic Party. We respected each other every moment of our lives. I will miss her.”

Survivors include Jesus Muñoz, Jr., Beverly Muñoz, Kenneth Muñoz, five grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

The Muñoz family suggests donations be made in honor of Viola DeLeon Muñoz to either: Chicano Service Action Center, 315 W. 9th Street, Los Angeles, 90015, or Chicano/Latino Caucus, Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 33, Yucaipa, CA. 92399.

(San Bernardino, CA) The Diocese of San Bernardino announced the completion of the preliminary phase of Our Lady Queen of Peace Cemetery, the first and only Catholic Cemetery serving the 1.2 million Catholics of Riverside and San Bernardino Counties. With the blessing of All Souls Mausoleum and Chapel, construction on the first five acres of the 30 acre cemetery is complete.

“This a blessed event for the Catholic community of Riverside and San Bernardino Counties, we now have a fully functional Catholic Cemetery in the Inland Empire,” said Bishop Gerald R. Barnes, Bishop of the Diocese of San Bernardino and Riverside.

All Souls Mausoleum has space for the internment of 1500 individuals that includes space for both caskets and urns containing the remains of the cremated. The Chapel will be used for Masses of Christian Burial for up to 200 persons, which will allow people to choose to have both the Mass and burial on the cemetery grounds if they choose. Previously, the Mass of Christian Burial needed to take place at one of the parish churches.

The ceremony was be led by the Most Reverend Rutilio Del Riego, Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of San Bernardino.

Our Lady Queen of Peace Cemetery is located at 3510 Washington Ave. in the City of Colton adjacent to Montecito Cemetery.

The Diocese of San Bernardino is the 11th largest Catholic Diocese out 195 in the United States and comprises the 27 thousand square miles of San Bernardino and Riverside Counties.

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As President Bush moves to rapidly increase the number of troops in Iraq by 20,000, a recent survey again shows that our commander-in-chief is on the wrong page.

According to the Pew Hispanic Center, one in two Americans favors bringing U.S. troops home from Iraq as soon as possible. That sentiment is even stronger for Hispanics. The Center states that 66 percent of the Hispanics surveyed were in favor of bringing troops home. This is up from 51 percent in January 2005.

Hispanics also largely disagree with the U.S. decision to go into Iraq and with how the war is being managed. More than two-thirds of Hispanics, or 68 percent, said the war in Iraq was not going well. Among those surveyed, 51 percent agreed. That is certain. What must also be certain is the public's ability to insert our sons and daughters fighting in Iraq.

The survey also shows that Latinos who are foreign-born show greater discontent with the war in Iraq than native born Latinos. That some Latino immigrants come from nations ravaged by violence may help explain how war is taken not only seriously, but also from the point of experience. With violence raging in Iraq, aggressive military recruiting in low-income and minority communities, and Bush's defiance of expert recommendations and public opinion, Latinos understand that the stakes are high. As of December of 2006, 11 percent of the soldiers that were killed in Iraq were Hispanic.

And behind each soldier lost is a family. While the public has been pushing for a timetable for withdrawal, we're hearing instead that a great number of troops may be sent to Iraq. A debate between Congress and the president over this proposal is certain. What must also be certain is the public's ability to insert loud voices into a debate that will shape the future of our sons and daughters fighting in Iraq.

BUSH OUT OF STEP WITH LATINOS ON IRAQ WAR
PRESIDENT AGAINST THE CURRENT

By El Diario/La Prensa-editorial

Sanctions will eliminate this traffic delay and provide two travel lanes, a bicycle lane and a sidewalk in each direction, plus a center turn lane. The street also will be realigned to the east of its current location at the BNSF track crossing.

Local street improvements also are part of the project. Nolan Street and Short Street will be realigned where they intersect State Street. Traffic signals will be added at both of these intersections.

Estimated Schedule, Cost
SANBAG is completing right-of-way acquisition for the project and is preparing to begin advertising for construction bids. The Board of Directors likely will be asked to award a construction contract in April, with work likely to start in May or June and to last about two years. A public information meeting is planned for this spring, prior to the start of construction. Funding will be provided mainly through the state's Traffic Congestion Relief Program, with a contribution from BNSF Railroad.

The total estimated cost of the project is approximately $28 million, including design, right-of-way work and will continue to serve as the lead once the project enters construction.

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Where the wealth is

The richest 2 per cent of adults owned more than half of the world’s wealth, according to the most comprehensive study of personal assets. Among the largest economies, Britain boasted the third-highest average wealth of $126,832 (£64,172) per adult, after the United States and Japan, a United Nations development research institute found.

Those with assets of $500,000 could consider themselves to be among the richest 1 per cent in the world. Those with net assets of $2,200 per adult were in the top half of the wealth distribution.

Although global income was distributed unequally, the spread of wealth was more skewed, according to the study by the World Institute for Development Economics Research of the UN University.

“Wealth is heavily concentrated in North America, Europe and high-income Asia Pacific countries. People in these countries collectively hold almost 90 per cent of total world wealth,” the report said.

Researchers defined wealth as the value of physical and financial assets minus debts.

The richest 10 per cent of adults accounted for 85 per cent of assets. The bottom 50 per cent of the world’s adults owned barely 1 per cent of global wealth.

Among high-income nations, the amounts varied from $37,000 per person in New Zealand to $86,369 in Germany and $109,418 in the Netherlands.

In terms of wealth distribution, the US was among the most unequal, whereas Japan had one of the lowest levels of inequality. Britain ranked with Russia, Indonesia and Pakistan in wealth inequality.

James Davies, Professor of Economics at the University of Western Ontario, and one of the authors of the report, said: “Income inequality has been rising for the past 20 to 25 years and we think that is true for inequality in the distribution of wealth.

“There is a group of problems in developing countries that make it difficult for people to build assets, which are important, since life is so precarious.”

The gulf between rich and poor nations has long concerned politicians and economists, who say that it is one of the biggest barriers to development.

Household wealth in 2000 was valued at $125 trillion, equivalent to about three times total global production, or $20,500 a person, according to The World Distribution of Household Wealth report.

Average wealth in the US was $143,727 a person in 2000, and in Japan, $180,837, it said.

In India the figure was $1,100, in Indonesia per capita wealth was $1,400, and in Zimbabwe, $1,465. The Democratic Republic of Congo came last with $180.

Professor Davies said that there were some hopeful signs: China and India, developing rapidly, were gaining wealth.

In countries such as Bangladesh, the spread of micro credit institutions was helping to increase personal wealth. In others, registration programmers were allowing the poor to own land for the first time, he said.

Anthony Shorrocks, the institute’s director, said: “Despite its rapid growth, China does not yet feature among the super-rich, because average wealth is modest and evenly spread by international standards.

“However, China is already likely to have more wealthy residents than our data reveals, and membership of the super-rich seems set to rise fast in the next decade.”

13,568,229: number of dollar millionaires in 2000

499: number of dollar billionaires in 2000

Source: The World Distribution of Household Wealth

Assembly Member Wilmer Amina Carter Introduces Bill to Reduce Juvenile Crime

Sacramento—A public safety bill, authored by Assembly Member Wilmer Amina Carter (D – Rialto), has been introduced. Assembly Bill 360 will revise the basic principles of juvenile justice in California to emphasize rehabilitative treatment programs by way of restorative justice.

Assembly Member Carter said, “I have introduced AB 360 because I am deeply concerned about the youth in our society. There needs to be a way to teach our youth about the consequences of their actions before they commit crimes that land them in prison. I believe the programs described in AB 360 will force our youth to deal with their victims and the consequences of their crimes; teaching them responsibility and how to avoid future crimes. We need to find more approaches to combating juvenile crime and this bill does just that by promoting care and rehabilitation to minors for non-violent offenses.”

The bill defines restorative justice as a balanced response to crime. Instead of considering an offense through a retributive lens (which identifies offenses as rules that are broken within the system), an offense seen through a restorative lens is viewed as an action that repairs relationships. Violators are seen as individuals in the community who have a responsibility to the victim and the relationships they hold. Additionally, restorative justice seeks to build responsibility where the violators become directly accountable for their actions to the victim and the community as a balanced response to wrongdoing.

AB 360 aims to reduce juvenile recidivism, increase school-going populations and fiscally recapture dollars lost due to juvenile crimes and their effects on the counties across the state.

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Bank of America has a student leadership program for high school students currently in their junior or senior year. Students that are not aware of these programs are recommended to research for information regarding this program and other opportunities. Bank of America primarily goal is to target high school principals in the Riverside area to ensure that students are aware of information on the availability of programs and student aids.

Additional information is available at:

MUSIC OF MEXICO - QUETZAL AND SON DE MADERA

The Department of Music at the University of California, Riverside, presents Music of Mexico - Quetzal and Son de Madera. Quetzal, a Los Angeles-based group presenting Chicano music in collaboration with Son de Madera, one of the best-known son jarocho groups from Veracruz, Mexico.

February 23, Friday - 8:00 pm
University Theatre
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$22 General, $12 Students/Seniors
Parking: 15.00 in Lot 6 (No fee with UC permit)
Information: (951) 827-3245

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ROUTE 210 ROUNDUP

Storm drain construction moves to Highland Avenue

The final phase of storm drain work for State Route 210 is requiring lane closures on Highland Avenue between State Street and California Street in San Bernardino. Storm drain excavation will begin this month and continue through May. Deep trenching is requiring the closure of the westbound lanes on Highland Avenue. One eastbound lane will remain open for local business access only. Other drivers will be detoured to State Street, 20th Street and California Street during this closure.

Please remember to visit these businesses during construction:

Alicia Mufflers & Radiators
American Legion Post 710
American Lumber Sales, Inc.
BB Tune Auto Repair
Ernie’s Artwork
Extra Space Storage
Huerta’s Auto Electric
Ita’s Barber & Beauty Salon
J & K Tobacco Corporation
La Consentida Night Club
La Oficina Bar
Mike’s Market & Liquor
Los Aguayos Tires/Glass
Muscoy Liquor
Old School Tires
Sonora Tire
Thrifty Gas
Triple Eight Auto Repair & Body Shop
Valero Gas

For more information, call the Route 210 Helpline: 1-866-HELP-210 (Se habla espanol)