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RIVERSIDE GREETS TOMAS RIVERA ENDOWMENT CHAIR

Riverside education and community leaders attended a reception at the Mayor's Community Room to greet the recently appointed professor and Chair of the Dr. Tomas Rivera Endowment at the University of California-Riverside.

Juan Felipe Herrera, M.F.A., was enthusiastically greeted by Concha Rivera, widow of the late Dr. Rivera, who spoke of her husband's commitment to education and dedication to UCR. Riverside Mayor Ron Loveridge welcomed Herrera to the city and emphasized the importance of education leaders, like Herrera, to enhance the reputation of the late chancellor in the city and nationwide. Herrera spoke of his migrant-background, his educational background, and an steadfast dedication and accolades received from colleagues. Herrera thanked Dr. Rivera for his commitment to education and dedication to UCR.

VERIZON FOUNDATION REACHES OUT TO VICTORY RESOURCE CENTER WITH $25,000

Bob Page, External Affairs Manager for Verizon center, presented a $25,000 grant to Victory Research Center for their new NOVA Program. Accepting the grant, John Amezcua, Director of Victory Research Center COO, left, and Robert Hasseltine, CEO, Photo by IEHN.

The reception area was filled with invited guests, social service personnel, and service recipients of all ages eagerly awaiting to publicly hear the anticipated good news from Michael Page, External Affairs Manager for Verizon Communications, announcing the award of $25,000 to Victory Resource Center (VRC) and Victory Outreach-San Bernardino (VO-SB).

Verizon is very pleased to award this amount to VRC and VO-SB, who have previously demonstrated throughout these many years their ability to provide successful basic education and vocational programs and social services to many individuals who otherwise would be without. VRC has witnessed many success stories of individuals who have gone out and become productive citizens in their community.

EDUCATOR RETIRES AFTER DISTINGUISHED 42-YEAR EDUCATION CAREER

Delfina Lopez Bryant speaks to an audience at a retirement reception in her honor at the Castaways Restaurant, San Bernardino. Bryant is recalling the highlights of an education career spanning 42 years, beginning as a teacher at Lytle Creek School, principal at elementary and middle schools, and finalizing her career as director of English Learners and Support Programs. Raised in the Westside of San Bernardino, Bryant credits her mother Delfina Lopez for instilling values in her and in the educational establishments, where she witnessed many success stories of income productive citizens in their community. Bryant also will noted that the University of California-Riverside's Mavor Community Room, The Resource Center (VRC), and Victory Research Center (VRC) and Victory Outreach-San Bernardino (VO-SB) are among the education and vocational programs and social services to many individuals who otherwise would be without. VRC has witnessed many success stories of individuals who have gone out and become productive citizens in their community.

WILLIAM AGUILAR NAMED CSUSB VICE PRESIDENT FOR ADVANCEMENT

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Addressing the audience, Bryant said, "I have never forgotten my roots. I have always had strong family support. My mother, Delfina Lopez instilled in me the values of hard work, respect, responsibility, commitment, and establishing strong relationships. "As all of you are aware, serving the children has always been my passion, which has been my forte. I would like to express my love and appreciation to my husband John, and my children, John, Barbara and Diane. "God has been and will continue to be my guide throughout the years. I thank him for allowing me to serve Him in such a rewarding career."

The Inland Empire Hispanic News congratulates Delfina Lopez Bryant on her retirement, and commended her for 42 fruitful years of dedicated service in the education of the children and the support of parent groups.

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will be appointed to Aguilar's position.

"As long as we could have searched, I don't think we would have ever found a better candidate than William," Karnig said. "He will be an exceptional addition to the advancement division. William is an excellent colleague, who has the leadership skills, understanding of the university, vision, experience, and talent to excel in this new role."

"Among his first duties will be the development of a strategic plan for advancement and building the infrastructure for university fundraising," Karnig said.

"I'm looking forward to the new challenges and opportunities which this position brings," said Aguilar. "I'm looking forward to reaching out to our communities, expanding our networks, and developing a comprehensive integrated program for advancement. This is really an exciting time to be on the Cal State San Bernardino campus."

Aguilar joined CSUSB as university librarian in 1989 and was appointed IRT vice president when the division was created in 1992. In overseeing seven departments within the division, he also has been the chief

**DEISCOVER WHERE YOU CAN COME FROM**

(NAPS) - If you're like most people, your family is important to your identity, and you may be curious about your family's past. Learning about your family history can help you establish a strong family history. Here are some tips to help you discover where your family came from:

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Tributes were presented from friends and family. Spoke of Bryant being his former student.

Avith honors; and attended doctoral programs.

San Bernardino, receiving a BA in Elementary Education and General Professional Development Training.

Howard Taft University and major bilingual director in Goshen County, Wyoming School District; a principal in Thermal; and Director of English Language Arts.

Bryant attended San Bernardino High School prior to going to college.

She started teaching at Little Creek in 1973, later, as a Title VII bilingual director in Goshen County, Wyoming School District: a principal in Thermal, and Director of English Learners and Support Programs at San Bernardino School District prior to her retirement.

Her honors have included San Bernardino County Multilingual Administrator of the Year, Multicultural Recognition Award-San Bernardino County Educators. CSUSB Outstanding Alumna Educator Award, AMAE-Administrator of the year Award, CSAA Award for Curriculum and Instruction Administrator, Los Padrinos Community Award for Outstanding Services to Youth, California League of Middle Schools-Honorary Service Award, San Bernardino Mayor’s Apple Award and CABE Administrator of the Year Award.

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William," Kamig said. "He will be an excellent vice president when the division was created in 1992. In overseeing seven departments within the division, he also has been the chief architect in the transformation of the university's technology infrastructure.

Along with serving as the Hispanic Caucus chair of the American Association of Higher Education, Aguilar is the founding president of the Southern California Consortium of Hispanic Serving Institutions. SCCHSI incorporates colleges and universities in Southern California that are recipients of funds under Title 5 of the Federal Education Code.

Prior to joining CSUSB, he worked at Central Connecticut State University, the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Pikeville (Ky.) College, and Lamar (Colo.) Community College.

Aguilar has a Ph.D. in library and information science from the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. His master's degree in library science is from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and he has a bachelor's degree in secondary education and Spanish from Adams State College in Alamosa, Colo.

He lives in San Bernardino with his wife, Becky and has a son, Jason, who lives in Riverside. For more information, please contact the university's public affairs office at (909) 880-5007.

**LA MENSURO**

**COOK OFF**

(NAPS) - If you're like most people, your family is important to you—even relatives you've never met. More and more Americans are discovering the joys of learning more about who they are and where they came from, according to a study, more than 60 percent of all American adults are interested in pursuing their family history.

Your heritage is something to be proud of. Learning about your family's past is how you find your place in history.

- **Start with what you know** - Fill out a pedigree chart, either on paper or online. Fill in as much as you can based on memory, then leave question marks indicating what you'll need to research. You can download a print-friendly family history program—such as those on Ancestry.com, can be a huge help. The site provides the largest collection of family history records online. Users can search the records from their home computers.

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Victory Outreach staff happily poses during the acceptance of a $25,000 grant from Verizon Communications for the NOVA Program. (l-r) Robert Hesseltine, CEO, Jose Bustamante, Program Manager, Sally Camacho, Bilingual Community Advocate, John Arias, Sr., COO, Patricia Hill, volunteer, Leroy Andersen, Development Coordinator, Jennie Armendtetz, Office Manager and Erfemire Reyes, Inland Counties Hispantc Roundtable. Photo by IEHN

munities," Page said.

Johny Arias, VRC Director, thanked Verizon for the donation. "We accept this award with anticipa-
tion to continue in our mission to fur-ther provide these services to help individu-als less fortunate than many of us.

VO-SB began in 1974, with the Rev Rick Alans assuming the lead-ership in 1989. His background was one of street gangs at age 10, drug use at 12 and a "rap sheet" of gang life, assault, attempted murder, and drug addiction.

His life changed when a former gang member spoke to him about God's love and changed life. Alans after reflecting on his life of heroin and crime, decided to follow Christ and live in his teachings. His respon-sibilities include five residential re-habilitation facilities with an average of 130 persons.

VO-SB provides a myriad of ser-vices: drug rehabilitation, job train-ing, crisis intervention, anti-gang crusades and intervention, housing placement, family reunification, among other services.

A new training and education pro-gram, NOVA-ILS (Innovative Learning System) is an alternative to conven-tional education. The program offers ESL, Learning Skills, Reading, Writ-ing, Math, High School Completion, Computer Literacy, and Career Em-ployment Skills. The program's tar-get is At-Risk-Youth ages 13 and above.

The Verizon Foundation Grant will provide the mechanism to implement the NOVA Program throughout the County of San Bernardino.

Robert Hesseltine spoke on his life of mental instability and divorce. He en-rolled in Victory Outreach and its programs. He is current associate pastor to Victory Outreach, and final-izing his education in psychology.

Freddie Moreno spoke about his life of drugs and crime and of helpless-ness until entering the programs offered at Victory Outreach. The young man smiled and proclaimed his acceptance of God and reformation of his life.

Michael Page, a graduate of Cal-State, San Bernardino with a BA in Political Science and Business Manage-ment, has been in the telephone indus-try since 1986, starting with CONTEL in Victorville. After sev-eral mergers in the telephone indus-trty, he was appointed as External Af-fairs Director in 1996.

Verizon is one of the world's lead-ing providers of communication ser-vices, with a work force of 210,000. The corporation has four major divi-sions domestic Telecom, Verizon Wireless Network, Information Ser-vices, and International wireline wire-less operations and investments.

VO is planning to open a complete administration and training facility be-tween Waterman Avenue and Allen Street, San Bernardino in approxi-mately 3 years.

ASSEMBLYMAN JOE BACA, JR. TAKES LEAD ON ADDRESSING PERCHLORATE CONTAMINATION

Sun Bernardino, CA-Assemblyman Joe Baca, Jr. (D-Rialto) was named Chair of the Assembly Select Committee on Perchlorate Contamination by Assembly Speaker Fabian Nuñez yesterday.

"I am prepared to take on this lead-ing role to help protect our residents from this harmful chemical," said Assemblyman Baca. "This issue af-fects the people of my assembly dis-trict and I am going to stand with them to ensure their concerns are being addressed through state legislation."

This good news comes at a time when Assemblyman Baca is working to address the perchlorate contamina-tion of the local drinking water. His legislative package includes three pieces of legislation on perchlorate. Assembly Bill 342 assesses a fee on any user or manufacturer of per-chlorate and only be used for the cleanup of contaminated well sites. Assembly Bill 492 requires the De-partment of Toxic Substance Control to develop strict regulations regard-ing the disposal of perchlorate waste. Assembly Bill 1354 sets a "maximum content level" of 6 parts per billion.

Perchlorate is used in the making of rockets, munitions and road flares.

Leaks and spills at factories and mili-tary bases have allowed the chemical to enter the Inland Empire, a major drinking and irrigation water source for Southern California, and several groundwater basins in the In-land Empire.

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Latino Network (LaNet) installed new 2005 officers at a breakfast meeting at the Zacatecas Restaurant, Riverside, with members and public in attendance. Installed officers: (1 to r) President Javier Rosales, Secretary Ofelia Valdez, Vice President Alfredo Figueres, and Treasurer Marion Ruiz. LaNet, a community-based organization, advocates for social, education and health issues for the Hispanic community, and participates with other community groups to improve the quality of life for resident in the Riverside and adjacent areas. For information regarding LaNet and its programs, call at (951) 784-1193.

LATINO NETWORK INSTALLS OFFICERS

HISPANIC OUTLOOK NAMES CAL STATE SAN BERNARDINO A PUBLISHER’S PICK

SAN BERNARDINO, CA - As a reflection of California State University, San Bernardino’s commitment to diversity in higher education, Hispanic Outlook in Education has named CSUSB one of its "Publisher’s Picks for 2005."

The magazine’s Publisher Picks is an annual national list of colleges and universities that the publication sees as having solid records in recruiting, enabling and graduation Hispanic students. The standing are based on data from the National Center for Education Statistics as well as formal and informal inquiries.

Cal States San Bernardino was one of 19 campuses from the California State University system named by the magazine. The other CSU campuses named were Bakersfield; Chico, Dominguez Hills, Fresno, Fullerton, Hayward, Long Beach, Los Angeles, Monterey Bay, Northridge, Pomona, Sacramento, San Diego, San Francisco, San Jose, San Luis Obispo, San Marcos and Stanislaus.

The CSU is one of the most diverse higher education institutions in the nation, with ethnic minorities making up more than half (53 percent) of its identified student body. Hispanics consist of nearly a quarter (25 percent) of its identified student body. Hispanics are the sole public comprehensive university serving Riverside and San Bernardino counties, one of the fastest growing regions in California.

For more information on Cal State San Bernardino, contact the university’s public affairs office at (909) 880-5007 and visit http://news.csusb.edu.

READ ACROSS AMERICA CELEBRATED LOCALLY

Read Across America is a national program of volunteer readers that visit schools and conduct reading session in the lower elementary level. The program’s goal is to encourage young students to develop steady reading habits that will continue throughout their life. Pictured above is Trini Gomez, office manager of the Inland Empire Hispanic News, reading to students at Zimmerman Elementary School in Bloomington. Mrs. Gomez was one of many thousands of volunteers across America that read to students on a designated day in March. Photo by IEHN
Social Security Reform in the Latino Community

This week’s Latino Leadership Link (LLL) is focused on the impact of Social Security reform in the Latino Community. Millions of Latinos pay into Social Security as all of their working lives, and as a result, Social Security has kept millions of Latinos out of poverty. Social Security is of critical importance to the Latino community as they are less likely to have private pensions or 401(k) plans to live on in retirement.

Latinos are the largest minority population in the United States. It is of critical importance for America, is of critical importance to the Latino community. Its role in supporting the American economy has grown exponentially. And so to destroy retirement security for America’s Latino community, Democrats believe we should be looking for ways to preserve and strengthen Social Security, provide more incentives to help more people save for retirement, and improve education and work opportunities to help Latinos get better paying jobs contribute even more to our economy, and have more opportunity to save for retirement.

Social Security Reform in the Latino Community

- So far, Republicans plans for Social Security reform have touched on none of these priorities while at the same time removing the very foundation of the program that has kept so many Latinos out of poverty.

- Social Security Reform in the Latino Community, is of critical importance to the Latino community. Its progressive benefits formula, guaranteed basic benefit, and cost of living adjustment significantly benefit Latinos as they earn less, live longer, have higher disability rates, and are less likely to have additional sources of retirement income than other demographics of Americans. Without Social Security, over half of America’s Latino elderly would live under the poverty line.

- Democrats will fight to protect and preserve a stable and reliable program that’s served generations; and will fight any attempt to replace it with a risky investment scheme that will result in benefits cut up to 50%.

- Any reform to Social Security must preserve the social insurance and progressivity of the program. Republican plans to privatize the system would destroy both of these aspects.

- Social insurance – With 38% relying on Social Security for their entire income, a Social Security check is of critical importance for Latino elderly. Latinos, more often than other demographics, occupy jobs that do not offer pension coverage, have high turnover leading to periods of unemployment, have higher disability rates, and tend to live paycheck to paycheck making it nearly impossible to save for retirement. By privatizing Social Security and allowing the stock market to dictate increase savings and increase productivity of workers, as Latinos have become the second largest population in the country, their role in supporting the American economy has grown exponentially. And so to destroy retirement security for America’s Latino community, Democrats believe we should be looking for ways to preserve and strengthen Social Security, provide more incentives to help more people save for retirement, and improve education and work opportunities to help Latinos get better paying jobs, contribute even more to our economy, and have more opportunity to save for their retirement.

DISTRICT SCOUT EXECUTIVE COMPLETES NATIONAL TRAINING COURSE

Roger Bernard, District Executive for the California Inland Empire Council Boy Scouts of America, completed Professional Development Leadership training in West Lake, TX. Bernard completed the course at the Center for Professional Development operated by the Boy Scouts of America. He serves the Arrowhead District, which includes Colton, Rialto, Highland, Bloomington, San Bernardino, and Lake Arrowhead areas with 3,403 traditional youth in 167 units.

“Every Boy Scout deserves a well trained leader, and it is traditional that all professional scout executives are committed and expected to attend at least one training per calendar year,” Bernard said.

The training provides information and resources plus skills to help scout executives better serve units and adult volunteers in the service area. Bernard has enjoyed working in scouting, and specifically expanding the Scouting program in the Hispanic community. “The opportunity for young men to learn citizenship and leadership skills through the tradition of scouting and the ethics of scouting can only benefit our Inland Empire communities,” Bernard said.

The local Boy Scouts of America Council is located in Redlands and serves the Riverside and San Bernardino Counties. For more information on the council, call (909) 793-2463 or visit the web site at www.cicbsa.org.

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**Social Security Reform in the Latino Community**

- **Productivity** - By addressing the economic and employment challenges that face the Latino community, America can create a larger tax base from which to pull revenues. As stated earlier, with the Latino community becoming the second largest community in America, their economic progress can dictate the long-term viability of Social Security.

- **Education** and job training will lead to higher paying jobs for Latinos that will expand the tax base from which Social Security can pull.

Unfortunately, the Republicans’ plan for Social Security is not a plan to strengthen, but rather a plan to dismantle, Social Security robbing the program of two of its greatest provisions: social insurance and progressivity. Instead of looking to destroy retirement security for America’s Latino community, Democrats believe we should be looking for ways to preserve and strengthen Social Security, provide more incentives to help more people save for retirement, and improve education and work opportunities to help Latinos get better paying jobs, contribute even more to our economy, and have more opportunity to save for their retirement.

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Fred is a native of California, and studies at UCLA and LAVC. He is currently occupied as a teacher of ELT studies while editing his second anthology of verse meditations and two forthcoming biographies of extraordinary, though unsung and unknown personalities he feels will add to the literature of American lore.

CHAMBER HOSTS UNITED STATES SENATOR
Dianne Feinstein will discuss transportation and infrastructure in the Inland Empire

RIVERSIDE, CA - The Greater Riverside Chambers of Commerce has invited United States Senator Dianne Feinstein to Riverside to be the keynote speaker at a luncheon on Tuesday, March 29, 2005, at the Riverside Convention Center, 3443 Orange, at 11:30 AM. Among the key topics of discussion will be transportation and infrastructure in the Inland Empire. Feinstein will also give her Washington Report, a perspective.

As California's senior Senator, Dianne Feinstein has built a reputation as an independent voice, working with both Democrats and Republicans to find common-sense solutions to the problems facing California and the Nation.

Since her election to the Senate in 1992, Senator Feinstein has worked in a bipartisan way to build a significant record of legislative accomplishments helping strengthen the nation's security both here and abroad, combat crime and violence, battle cancer, protect natural resources and secure millions in appropriations for Californians.

Senator Feinstein serves on the Judiciary Committee, serving as ranking member of the Terrorism, Technology and Homeland Security Subcommittee; the Appropriations Committee, serving as ranking member of the Military Construction Subcommittee; the Energy and Natural Resources Committee; the Select Committee on Intelligence and the Rules and Administration Committee.

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