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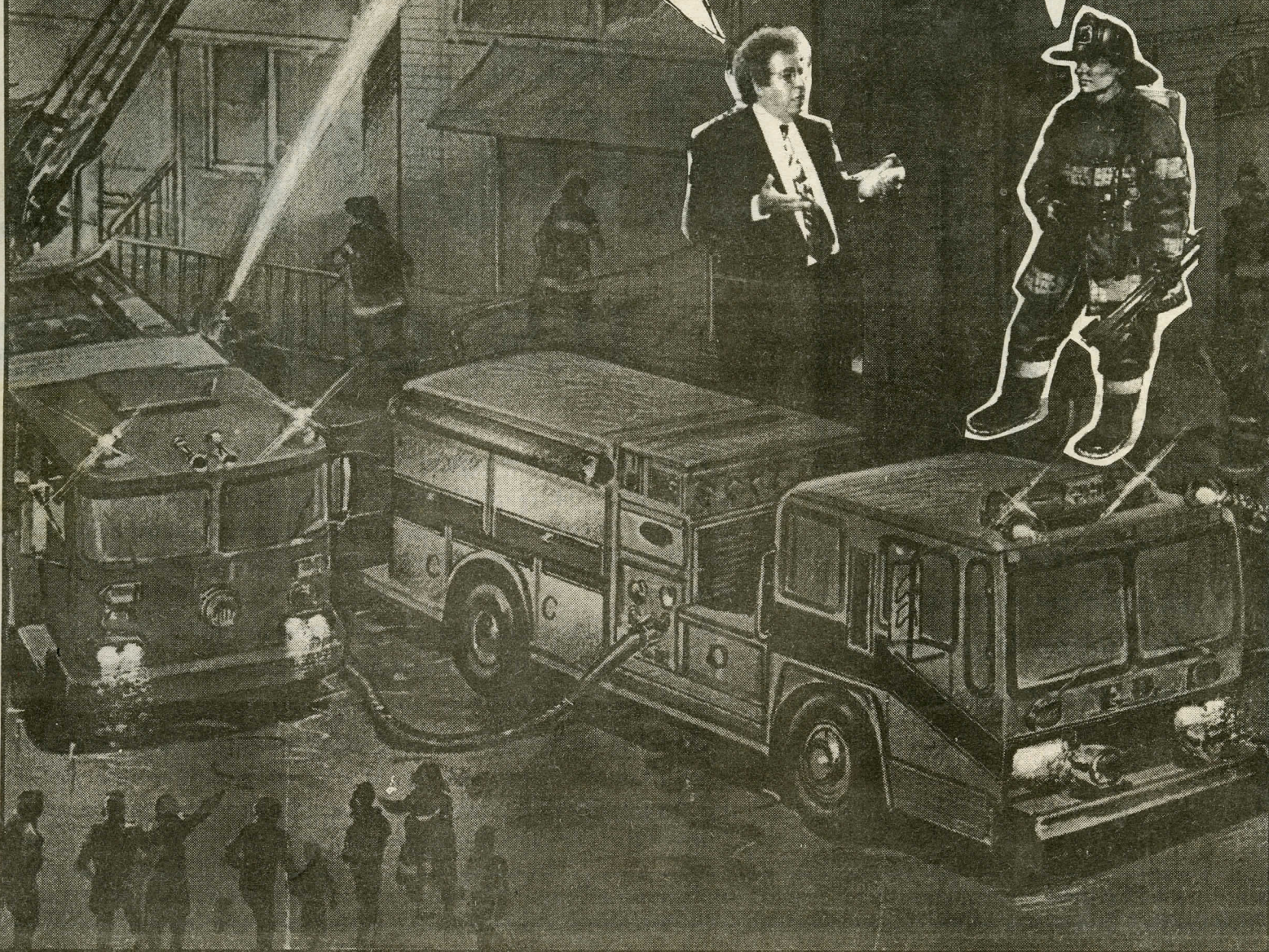
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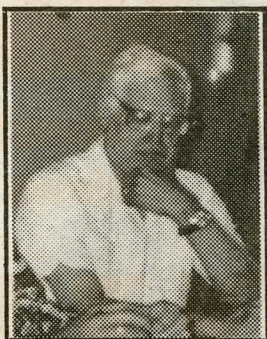
Long time Fort Bend County community activist and attorney Dora Olivo filed to run in the Democratic Primary for State Representa-

tive in District 27. This area includes much of Fort Bend County and the cities of Richmond and Rosenberg.

Olivo stated during filing that she will be *"a legislator who will advocate and work to bring resources from state government needed to better educate all the students of Fort Bend County."*

Olivo comes from a migrant farmworker background and went on to receive her bachelors degree from Texas A&I University in Kingsville along with a teaching certificate. After teaching school for 10 years and picking up a masters degree in early childhood education from the University of Houston, she decided it was time to change careers. She entered law school at the University of Houston and graduated in 1982.

Having practiced law now for more than 10 years Dora Olivo is ready to take her wealth of experiences and apply them to the Texas Legislature. For those wishing to help Dora in her race contact her at (713) 344-9439.



Lanier Appoints Leonel Castillo

Mayor Bob Lanier appointed Leonel Castillo to the position of Educational Liaison.

The position which pays \$38,000 a year is designed to keep the mayor apprised of educational matters and how they relate directly and indirectly to the city.

Leonel Castillo has a long history of community involvement that includes being one of the initiators of SER Jobs for Progress and the Hispanic International University. In the early 1970s he was elected to the position of city controller in 1971 and went on to serve two additional terms. President Jimmy Carter named Castillo to head the Department of Immigration and Naturalization.

Castillo ran unsuccessfully for Mayor of Houston in 1979 and city council in the at-large position in 1989. Leonel has worked in the immigration and citizenship area for the last several years and chairs the weekly Latinos Unidos meeting at Velias Cafe on Navigation. Castillo can be contacted at 748-0136.

Magazine Targets Latinas



Don't tell Maria Arias *que no se puede*. She refuses to subscribe to the idea *que no se puede*. What she does believe is that there is a need for Hispanic women to be portrayed more fairly in the media.

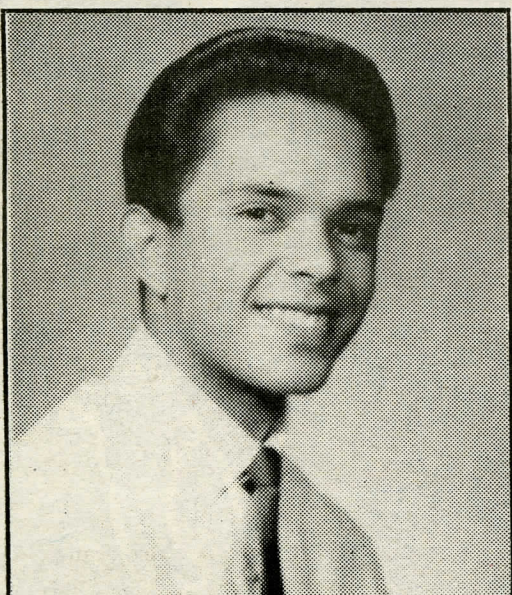
With this idea then, she founded *Latina Style*, a magazine that targets Hispanic women who are between the ages of 18 and 50 in households with an annual income of more than \$60,000.

According to Ms. Arias, there are 2.4 million Hispanic American women who fit this profile. They are bilingual but use English more than Spanish because they are mainstream. While some of the ads in *Latina Style* are in Spanish, the magazine is written in English.

Prior to beginning the magazine Ms. Arias worked for *Hispanic Magazine* when it was headquartered in Washington, D.C. as a managing editor. When *Hispanic Magazine* moved to Austin, Texas last year, Arias decided to stay in D.C.

"You will never read a negative article on a Latina in Latina Style" says Arias. *"there are already enough negative images out there."*

To subscribe to *Latina Style* contact them at 955 L'Enfant Plaza, North, S.W. Suite 400, Washington, D.C. 20004 or call (202) 651-8084



"I believe that we should be represented by citizen legislators, not career politicians."

JACK Rodriguez

U.S. CONGRESS

Jack Rodriguez was born in Houston and raised in the 29th Congressional District. His parents, Ray and Agapita Marquez Rodriguez lived in Magnolia (Ave "F" and 75 street). For more than 30 years Jack's father, Ray was a barber and the owner of the Old Milby Barber Shop located at the corner of Milby and Canal. Jack worked there after school as the shoe shine boy.

After graduating from Milby High School in 1967, Jack enlisted in the Navy and was sent to Vietnam (1968-69). He was awarded a Bronze Star and returned stateside and completed his military service in Houston.

Jack has worked in a variety of businesses including several years in photography with his brother Lee Rodriguez. Jack served as an administrative aide to Harris County Commissioner Jim Fonteno for nine years and was Director and Vice-President of East Harris County Senior Citizens for four years. He is presently works as small business consultant.

An Open Letter from Dr. Nestor Rodriguez Sociology Department University of Houston

January 12, 1996

Mr. Raul Yzaguirre
National Council of La Raza
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Yzaguirre

I read your comments in the January 12 issue of the Houston Chronicle newspaper praising the current border enforcement campaigns, which include elements of militarization. The Chronicle quotes you as referring to these border campaigns as "sound policy."

After a decade and a half of research among undocumented communities in the United States, and numerous visits to Mexico and Central America, I must strongly disagree with your endorsement of the present border enforcement policy. For decades, major U.S. urban and rural employers actively encouraged the flow of undocumented migrants to the country's economic centers. Moreover, during the 1940s to the mid 1960s the U.S. government undertook, with agribusiness, the massive Mexican labor importation policy of the bracero program, which spurred an equally large undocumented migrant stream. In many cases, apprehended undocumented workers were converted to braceros without being required to return to Mexico.

Many men and women who currently must leave family and other loved ones behind to journey to the United States as undocumented migrants are victims of an economic crossfire from international and national policies that provide scarce resources for the maintenance of family and home. Others are fleeing horrifying political violence from perpetrators who operate with impunity. When apprehended, most undocumented political refugees face little chance of human redress in INS courts if they migrated from countries with U.S. supported regimes.

The many years I have spent interviewing undocumented migrants and their families in the United States and abroad lead me to the conclusion that the current "get tough" border enforcement policy is not the right response to deal with a human movement propelled by economic need and mortal fear of persecution. Placing U.S. military forces at the border only serves to recreate the image of closed societies abhorrent to cultures that value the ideals of freedom. Why not propose an immigration policy that is more attuned with the realities of the changing functions of the nation-state in the globalization process, that is, a policy that recognizes the de facto development of global regional markets of capital and labor?

Such a policy, I believe, must involve multinational collaboration with a studied program that uses not the labor cattle drives of the bracero program but the advantages of energetic, geographically diverse and fluid labor forces. When gainfully employed, these work forces generate public revenues and consumer markets affording additional opportunities for economic growth in this country and abroad. The wealth of nations, according to the Scottish philosopher Adam Smith, originates as much from human determination and drive as it does from unfettered commerce in ever expanding geographical scales.

I take no pleasure in publicly opposing your view regarding the present border enforcement policy. Indeed, I feel most uncomfortable. But I am compelled to do so by mental images of the faces of undocumented migrants who paid with their lives the highest cost of being undocumented. I am referring to Antonio who suffered an agonizing cancer death when undocumented status kept him from health care, to Pedro who walked onto a San Antonio freeway to end the emotional torment of family separation, and to a nameless young Salvadoran woman pulled down by Rio Grande currents as she attempted to reach the Texas shore.

Nestor Rodriguez, Ph.D
Department of Sociology
University of Houston

Letter to the Editor

December 29, 1995

FRUMENCIO'S PRETENTIOUS VIRTUE

Dear Editor:

Is there any pretense of virtue left in the Democratic Party? Is there any sense of democracy and decency remaining among Democrat leaders? Is there any respect left for the decisions made freely by American citizens?

The answer to these questions is clearly "No"? if one takes **Frumencio Reyes'** December 1, 1995 letter to Democratic Precinct Judges and Democratic activists as the prevailing thinking of Democrat party leadership.

Reyes' letter threatens Democrat Precinct Judges and Democratic activists who endorsed **Orlando Sanchez** with censure and de facto expulsion from the Democrat Party.

Democrat activist **Reyes** blatantly tramples on individual's rights to make choices and endorsements in non-partisan races. Obviously what **Reyes** cannot handle is that **Sanchez** who is known as a Republican was endorsed by individuals who are Republicans and Democrats who saw in him the leadership qualities Houston needs.

Are to think that the Democratic Precinct Judges who endorsed Sanchez did not realize that in carrying out individual, responsible citizen duties and making public their choices in a non-partisan race they might face censure from the likes of Reyes?

I like to think the opposite. These people made intelligent, courageous choices and instead of Democrat condemnation should be praised and receive salutes for placing Houston's needs above partisan politics.

Reyes while scolding Republicans for mean-spiritedness demonstrated the ultimate in hypocrisy. His attempts to stifle independent thought and choice must be condemned and rejected.

Reyes' actions in the **Orlando Sanchez** matter prove the **Republican National Hispanic Assembly's** point that there is not room in **Reyes'** Democrat Party for self-reliant, free thinking, ardently independent, socially responsible Hispanics.

Pete Moreno
Texas Republican National
Hispanic Assembly

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Southwest Voter Registration Executives Visit with the Houston Hispanic Leadership



(Pictured above is Lydia Camarillo, Executive Director of SVREP, addressing those in attendance at a luncheon. Looking on are (LtoR) Councilmember Gracie Saenz, Council member John Castillo, State Representative Jessica Farrar, Justice of the Peace, Armando Rodriguez, Justice of the Peace Richard Vara and Council member Felix Fraga

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VOTE TUE, MARCH 12, 1996

(Campos Communications) - Executives from Southwest Voter Registration Education Project (SVREP) - a San Antonio based national Hispanic organization dedicated to increasing Hispanic voter participation throughout the U.S. - paid a visit to Houston on January 5.

Antonio Gonzalez, President, and Lydia Camarillo, Executive Director, met with Hispanic elected officials and Hispanic leaders to discuss Southwest Voter's 1996 activities and to brief the leaders on Hispanic political issues in the U.S. Their busy schedule included a breakfast meeting with fourteen local and state Hispanic elected officials, a luncheon with forty Hispanic leaders, and a meeting with Mayor Bob Lanier.

During the meetings, Gonzalez and Camarillo discussed SVREP's 1996 project entitled *Latino Vote - Campaign '96*, an ambitious effort to register a million new Hispanic voters in the U.S., with more than 250,000 Hispanic voters in Texas alone. A preview of SVREP's public service announcement (PSA) featuring actors from the hit movie *Mi Familia* was presented. The PSA will be a trailer on the home video version of *Mi Familia*, and according to Gonzalez, will soon be broadcasted on national Spanish language networks.

Among the chief topics discussed throughout the day was the possibility of initiating a Houston-based voter participation project. "The Houston Hispanic community is very important to Southwest Voter. We have always had a productive working relationship with the city's Hispanic leadership and meeting *entre familia* is useful in making sure that we are united on any effort initiated in Houston," said Gonzalez.

State Senator Mario Gallegos, who attended the meetings, looks forward to the 1996 local effort. "Southwest Voter Registration Education Project is the premier Hispanic voter registration organization nationwide. Southwest Voter is successful because it works so well with local leadership. I am confident that the 1996 local effort will be successful."

Hispanics Scheduled to Run in March 12, 1996 Primary in Harris County

	CANDIDATE	AGE	OFFICE SEEKING	INCUMBENT	PARTY AFFILIATION	EDUCATION	YEAR OF GRADUATION	OCCUPATION
1.	Art Contreras	56	Sheriff Harris County	No	Democrat	B.A. Houston International University	1990	Assistant Chief of Police Houston, Texas
2.	Diana Davila	30	State Representative District "145"	Yes	Democrat	B.A. Harvard University	1988	State Representative
3.	Jessica Farrar	29	State Representative District "148"	Yes	Democrat	B.Arch. University of Houston	1995	Architect Intern
4.	Felix Fraga	65	United States Congress District "29"	No	Democrat	B.S. University of Houston M.S.W. Our Lady of the Lake	1952 1954	Houston City Councilmember V.P. Neighborhood Centers
5.	Yolanda Navarro Flores	45	State Representative District "148"	No	Democrat	B.A. Texas Southern University J.D. University of Houston	1975 1981	Attorney at Law
6.	Baltazar Garcia	21	State Representative District "140"	No	Democrat	Junior University of Houston Political Science Major Class	1998	Small Businessman Student
7.	Sylvia Garcia	45	County Attorney Harris County	No	Democrat	B.A. Texas Woman's University J.D. Texas Southern University	1972 1984	Director and Presiding Municipal Judge
8.	Raymond T. Garcia	NA	Harris County School Trustee Position # 7	No	Republican	N/A		N/A
9.	Alfred G. Leal	51	County Attorney Harris County	No	Democrat	B.A. University of Houston J.D. University of Houston	1967 1973	Attorney at Law
10.	Victor Morales	46	United States Senate	No	Democrat	B.S Texas A & I University	1976	High School Teacher
11.	Jack Rodriguez	47	United States Congress District "29"	No	Republican	Graduate Milby High School	1967	Business Consultant
12.	Lupe Salinas	52	State District Judge "351" District	Yes	Democrat	B.A. University of Houston J.D. University of Houston	NA 1973	District Judge 351st District Court
13.	Gerard Torres	33	State Representative District "143"	Yes	Democrat	B.A. University of Texas at Austin	1984	State Representative
14.	Hector Uribe	50	Railroad Commission	No	Democrat	B.A. University of Miami J. D. University of Miami	N/A	Attorney at Law
15.	Sergio Treviño	33	Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Place 1	No	Republican	B.A. Texas A&M J.D. Texas Tech	1986 1991	Attorney at Law
16.	Victor Treviño	44	Constable Precinct 6	Yes	Democrat	B.A. University of Houston	1993	Constable Precinct 6
17.	Richard C. Vara	47	Justice of the Peace Precinct 6 Place 1	Yes	Democrat	B.B.A. University of Houston	1974	Justice of the Peace Precinct 6 Place 1

Are "We" Progressing Raza?

How has La Raza progressed in Harris County during the Primary Election season? In 1990 there was only one Hispanic female running in the March primary with 12 Hispanic males. In 1992, there were

6 Hispanic females who entered the primary in Harris County together with 21 Hispanic males. In 1994, a new record was set when 10 Hispanic females ran for elective office along with 24 Hispanic males. In 1996 we dropped

in that there are now only 4 Hispanic females running for public office along with 13 Hispanic males.

Ahora, la pregunta, are we progressing raza? Maybe yes? Maybe no? For those who believe that

numbers are everything then the answer is clearly no. For those who believe that there should be some question about the quality of the candidates, the answer is

**Vote
March
12th**

A Democratic Comeback in 1996?

Para los miembros del partido Republicano tanto como los Democrats, 1996 será tal vez más importante que 1994. Los Republicans quieren extender sus majorias. Si logran capturar más posiciones van a poder dominar como lo hicieron los Democrats en la época de Franklin D. Roosevelt. Esto será un sueño realizado para los que han tenido que esperar con mucho paciencia tantos años.

Ahora, si el partido Republicano peirda varios posiciones en noviembre, entonces se va decir que 1994 fue nomas un temporary break though y que la gente en el país no son del pensamiento de Newt Gingrich. But if the Republicans vuelven a ganar, then you can bet que si van a sacar el filero y a cortar!

Bueno eso es lo que dicen. Personalmente no creo yo que los Republicanos pueden bailar. O sea, cuando empieza la musica y tiene que salir al dance floor, no van a poder hacer lo que han prometido. Porque? Por que the large agricultural growers that obtain yearly subsidies se van a quejar. The companies that get other benefits from a large and bureaucratic government will not want to see the Republican knife coming their way.

You see, if the poor people get cut, then the question becomes who gets cut next? The rich are quite good at using the poor to keep the attention off themselves. If you cut the poor then who is going to be the bad guy?(to paraphrase Al Pacino in the movie Scarface?) Los ricos, en ropa de los Republicanos dicen que van hacer esto y el otro, pero a la hora de la hora se van a rajar!

MAD Convention In El Paso

The **Mexican American Democrats of Texas** will hold their annual screening and endorsement convention in El Paso, Texas from January 19-21. The convention site will be the Comfort Inn on 900 Yarbrough. The convention host is **Gilbert Serna** and he can be reached at (915) 860-9183. Rooms are available at \$39.00. For more information or questions please contact **Monica** at (214) 943-8683. ¡Alla nos vemos!

Tejano Democrats To Hold Founding Convention In San Antonio

The **Tejano Democrats** will hold their founding Convention at the Holiday Inn Riverwalk North (the former Tropicano Hotel) 110 Lexington Avenue San Antonio, Texas on January 26-27 1996.

The **Tejano Democrats** is a new organization that is a result of the inability of The **Mexican American Democrats of Texas** to patch up their internal differences. For more information about the convention please contact **Paul Moreno** at 815 Brazos Suite 500 in Austin, Texas 78701 or call (512) 477-9181. ¡Alla nos vemos!

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HOUSTON - The University of St. Thomas announces the opening of seven fellowship for a \$198,000 Title VII graduate for 25 students to teach in Houston area school districts with full salary and benefits while earning a Master of Education degree or Bilingual or ESL endorsement from UST at no cost to the participant. Classes begin January 29, 1996.

This fellowship will train bilingual education pre-service teachers for grades 3-8. Prospective teachers will be employed as teaching assistants by local school districts. The goal is to structure the program to provide supervised field experiences to the participants.

"The rewards are two-fold, the student receives mentoring from district teachers and support from the university," said Dr. **Higinia Karna**, UST associate professor of education. "Hard work and outstanding programs like this one benefit the community and the student. "Candidates for ESL endorsement must be fluent in English and one other language. In addition, all candidates must meet the following requirements:

- * hold a valid Texas Teacher Certificate
- * desire to work in Bilingual Education with language minority students grades 3-8.
- * secure admittance to UST's School of Education Masters Program

For more information call (713) 525-3551

HISD Police Chief Enters Race for Sheriff

Burce Marquis is one of three Democratic candidates running for the position of Sheriff in Harris County. In addition to being the current Chief of Police for the **Houston Independent School District**, Marquis has been a Special Agent with the FBI, Security Manager for the Olympics, and worked for the U.S. Air Force as security police.

Marquis is a Vietnam-Era Veteran and achieved the rank of captain. He earned his B.A. at the **University of Portland** (Oregon), an M.B.A. from **Pepperdine University** in Los Angeles and a Doctorate in Education from **Texas Southern University**.

Among the many community activities which Marquis finds time for are the University of Houston Downtown Criminal Justice Center Advisory Board, National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (past state president) and Leadership Houston.

Bruce Marquis is married and has one child. His campaign phone number is 630-2047.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Aztlan Development Company is pleased to announce the release of its 1996 edition of:

The Directory of 200 A Guide to Hispanic Organizations in Houston, Texas

This 37 page publication contains the most comprehensive listing of Hispanic community organizations in the city. It is divided into 10 categories and contains an index for cross referencing.

Professional Social Services Civic
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The Directory is a valuable resource for educators, community activists, and those involved in providing social services. To order your copy please send \$25.00 to the **Aztlan Development Company**, P.O. Box 7654 Houston, Texas 77270 or call (713) 863-9293

Kathleen Norman Cuellar

Kathleen Norman Cuellar who helped to found El Chico Restaurants with her husband and his brothers died in Dallas, Texas on New Years Day. She was 87 years old.

Mrs. Cuellar was born in Troup, Texas and was working in her father's dime store when she met her husband to be Gilbert Cuellar. They married in 1939 and moved to Dallas.

After Gilbert Cuellar died in 1986, Ms. Cuellar became a consultant to El Chico and often visited the restaurants. Every Wednesday night she hosted a dinner in her home where 30 to 35 people would often show up.

Ironically, Ms. Cuellar didn't enjoy cooking but instead loved to entertain. It was her sense of hospitality that became the key ingredient in making El Chico a success.

Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center in San Antonio

The **Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center** presents the 19th edition San Antonio Cinefestival from January 31 to February 4, 1996. This is the country's oldest and largest Chicano/Latino film festival. For more information please call (210) 271-3151

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On November 7th, 1995, Bob Lanier ran for his third and final term as mayor of the City of Houston. Although he had two opponents, he still managed to pull in an impressive 104,222 votes. Because the office of mayor is generally agreed to be the most visible in the city, and because there is already ongoing speculation as to who might be stepping forward to run for mayor in 1997, we thought it would be useful to examine which voting precincts performed the best with respect to the mayoral vote.

We have also included the votes received by the five at-large city council members and the controller's position so as to provide for several points of comparison with respect to current "voter pull."

Remembered that the precincts in the table below represent but a small part of the more than 1300 voting precincts that took part in the November 7, 1995 elections. The parentheses in the table indicate that another candidate received the greatest number of votes in that particular precinct.

One of the questions that one might consider as one examines the data in the table is whether there is a discernible coat-tail effect present. In other words, are there some candidates who are perceived as being close to the mayor who drew a similar number of votes because of this closeness?

Another question that one might ask is how many times did a city council candidate obtain more votes than the mayor. And given the precinct in which this occurred, what is the significance of this observation? See precinct number 259 for a case in point.)

Election Results November 7th, 1995

Mayor Lanier . . . 104,222
Gracie Saenz . . . 87,066
Joe Roach 83,641
Orlando Sanchez 24,352
John Peavy Jr. . . . 80,900
Judson Robinson . . 70,479
Lloyd Kelley 58,048

Where are the Voters? The Top 50 Precincts.

	Precinct	Registered Voters	Ballots Cast	Percent Turnout	Lanier Votes	Saenz Votes	Roach Votes	Sanchez Votes	Peavy Votes	Robinson Votes	Kelley Votes
1.	14	2,014	567	28.15	464	387	413	132	309	240	293
2.	17	2,450	612	24.98	519	434	424	280	360	348	291
3.	27	2,699	517	19.16	416	381	285	217	145 (258)	231	215
4.	40	2,716	535	19.70	419	385	356	97	281	304	174 (253)
5.	92	5,743	890	15.50	597	465	653	217	379	224 (256)	395
6.	118	2,684	548	20.42	424	386	391	145	340	202	283
7.	129	2,958	561	18.97	457	382	397	194	345	255	309
8.	132	3,030	641	21.16	523	381	364	21 (99)	513	517	268
9.	136	2,142	683	31.89	577	422	316	39 (99)	604	609	279
10.	140	1,977	654	33.08	519	428	372	39 (121)	564	559	230 (243)
		28,413	6,208		4,915	4,051	3,971				
11.	156	3,057	751	24.57	579	451	485	24 (183)	635	644	277
12.	175	2,393	512	21.40	416	342	344	124	292	222	254
13.	176	1,870	542	28.98	455	382	382	127	316	263	249
14.	180	2,763	497	17.99	401	249	237	18 (75)	358	384	160
15.	204	3,113	751	24.12	602	497	561	161	459	323	432
16.	207	3,542	631	17.81	557	484	426	284	229 (304)	292	328
17.	210	2,354	515	21.88	405	287	223	17 (98)	424	435	184
18.	218	2,233	483	21.63	429	363	326	194	206	221	244
19.	219	2,462	584	23.72	474	320	293	18 (104)	474	482	192
20.	224	2,355	524	22.25	411	376	366	148	313	271	222
		26,142	5,790		4,729	3,751	3,643				
21.	234	2,851	560	19.64	464	405	392	206	350	261	344
22.	240	2,712	607	22.38	483	311	316	22 (73)	469	488	255
23.	255	2,255	579	25.64	465	396	382	189	312	267	280
24.	256	3,191	634	19.87	503	436	451	166	361	252	305
25.	259	3,474	1,008	29.02	870	575	594	41	800	905	349
26.	265	2,786	641	23.01	522	456	479	182	396	276	360
27.	271	2,369	635	26.80	500	384	311	29	534	548	204
28.	281	1,882	604	32.09	529	440	440	202	363	321	243
29.	286	2,571	608	23.65	466	426	321	62 (107)	472	484	249
30.	287	2,634	681	25.85	545	470	457	224	365	302	294
		26,725	6,557		5,347	4,229	4,143				
31.	294	2,830	608	21.48	444	319	293	15 (95)	470	482	207
32.	303	3,045	589	19.34	471	410	404	196	373	242	358
33.	304	2,348	692	29.47	599	488	512	157	417	319	326
34.	309	2,459	573	23.30	466	424	398	222	349	206	333
35.	311	2,932	602	20.53	467	413	423	199	342	252	281
36.	315	1,861	516	27.73	443	359	379	146	293	239	251
37.	318	2,829	706	24.96	555	488	372	51 (105)	621	603	327
38.	324	2,199	611	27.79	508	387	453	91 (181)	354	250	359
39.	390	1,499	517	34.49	422	334	276	52 (79)	408	437	200
40.	403	1,845	500	27.10	426	336	366	123	296	222	226
		23,847	5,914		4,801	3,958	3,876				
41.	407	2,706	526	19.44	422	348	393	110	306	169	275
42.	437	2,128	537	25.23	431	385	425	226	372	135	362
43.	461	2,853	520	18.23	406	346	327	80	303	168	256
44.	462	2,804	545	19.44	437	378	360	102	325	255	225
45.	473	2,079	535	25.73	435	322	475	96	258	145	236
46.	490	2,856	548	19.19	447	383	350	139	326	297	246
47.	525	2,365	488	20.63	427	341	298	86	296	269	195
48.	578	2,408	586	24.34	488	395	432	126	351	231	324
49.	745	3,136	585	18.65	453	352	501	96	297	175	280
50.	1095	3,925	720	18.34	562	462	590	103 (140)	385	194	303
		27,260	5,590		4,508	3,712	4,151				
TOTALS		132,387	30,049		24,300	19,701	19,784	6,235	18,110	16,420	13,730

The Year in Review - 1995

The Events, the People and the Places that shaped 1995 and La Raza's Presence in the World
Los Eventos, la Gente y los Lugares que formaron la presencia de La Raza en el Mundo

January/enero, 1995

19, 1995 - Alfredo Rodriguez Santos c/s, editor of *La Politiquera* runs with 18 other candidates in Special Election for city council at-large position. Comes in 10th with 887 votes. John Peavy and Kathrine Tyra go into a run off with Peavy wins.

21, 1995 - Hispanic Republican Party of Nueces County announces their formation.

February/febrero, 1995

Carlos Aguilar's contact with KTRK Channel 13 not renewed, meetings are held to discuss possibility of a boycott.

Big immigration march in San Antonio, Texas draws 300 - 400 people including Benardo Euseste who has not been seen in some time in San Antonio. Por que será?

17, 1995 - Maria Luisa Miljes, local 6th grader at Crocket Elementary honored at 24th Annual International Bilingual Education Conference in Phoenix, Arizona

March/marzo, 1995

16, 1995 - Olga Soliz is awarded the Willie Velasquez Distinguished Citizen Award

17, 1995 - Pedro González, radio pioneer dies at the age of 102 in Lodi, California.

April/abril, 1995

8, 1995 - Chicano Law Students at Thurgood Marshall School of Law hold annual banquet

16 - San Antonio - Archbishop Patrick Flores celebrates 25th year as first Mexican American Catholic Bishop in the United States.

17, 1995 - National LULAC President Belen Robles joins effort to remove the Howard Stern Radio program from the airwaves in light of his comments.

22, 1995 - Del Rio, Texas voters reject bid to recall city's first Chicano mayor

27, 1995 - Hispanic Education Committee holds press conference to call attention to ongoing problems at Houston Community College in areas of employment, promotions and retentions.

May/mayo, 1995

3, 1995 - The Gregory Nava movie *Mi Familia* opens nationwide and shows before large audiences

7, 1995 - Cinco de Mayo returns to Moody Park after more than a decade.

10 - 14, 1995 14th Annual Tejano Conjunto Festival in San Antonio, Texas. The Japanese conjunto group *Los Gatos* make American debut.

June/junio, 1995

7, 1995 - New York Daily News launches *El Daily News* nation's first bilingual daily newspaper. Paper folds in November.

10, 1995 - Texas Hispanic Magazine sponsors Brillante Awards. 75 Hispanics from around the state are honored.

22-24, 1995 - NALEO holds 12th annual conference in Austin, Texas

July/julio, 1995

5, 1995 - Houston Press reports on feud within Arte Publico Press at the University of Houston

9, 1995 - Houston Chronicle does major write on long time AAMA employee Albert Gallegos.

15, 1995 - Chicana History Conference held at the University of Houston. Numerous women scholars from around the country attend.

16-19 - National Council of La Raza holds annual conference in Dallas

20, 1995 - *La Jornada* reports that U.S. has donated a total of 609 vehicles and diverse war materials to Mexican Armed Forces.

20-22, 1995 - The Texas Association of Mexican American Chambers of Commerce hold annual convention in Dallas

22, 1995 - Lori Rodriguez writes last piece as a columnist for the Houston Chronicle

August/agosto, 1995

1, 1995 - Houston Chronicle publishes University of Texas at Austin communication professor Mercedes Lynn De Uriarte article titles Clinton missed chance to touch Texas Latinos.

3, 1995 - U.S. District Judge David Hittner rules that City of Houston does not discriminate against Hispanics or dilute their voting strength with current 9-5-1 election arrangement for council and mayor. The Mexican American Bar Association, Jesse Campos and W.R. Morris were the plaintiffs in the lawsuit. Frumencio Reyes was the lead attorney.

4, 1995 - Hispanic activists say they will wait until year 2000 to renew fight over the way city council in Houston is elected.

9, 1995 - Jerry Garcia of the Grateful Dead Band dies at the age of 53. Garcia led one of the most popular musical groups to come out of the 1960s. Some estimates put the Grateful Dead's annual concert revenue and related businesses at \$80 million dollars.

10, 1995 - Cisneros Asset Management Group closes doors because of client defections. At one time it handled \$760 million dollars in fixed-income assets.

18, 1995 - Entertainment Magazine puts Selena on the cover and titles it the Selling of Selena

September/septiembre, 1995

8, 1995 - Hispanics in North Texas seek judges removal for ordering Marta Laureano to speak only English to her 5 year old daughter as part of divorce and custody settlement.

16th, 1995 - *Fiestas Patrias* celebration includes 130 float parade in downtown Houston. A number of people quoted in *Houston Chronicle* coverage of the event did not know correct significance of date including reporter who wrote story *Linda Friedlieb*.

24, 1995 - New York Times reports that U.S. wants to rent 12 Huey helicopters to Mexico to help in effort against Zapatista Movement in Chiapas

October/octubre, 1995

11, 1995 - Selena/Saldivar Trial begins in Houston. Hundreds are expected to show up for one of the 25 available spectator seats. Only 48 come on first day.

12-15, 1995 - Daniel Bustamante organizes 16th Annual Festival Chicano at the Miller Outdoor Theatre in Herman Park

19, 1995 - Eduardo Aguirre, Jr. was sworn as a Regent of the University of Houston System

23, 1995 - Houston jury finds Yolanda Saldivar guilty of murder.

November/noviembre, 1995

7, 1995 - The race to replace Ben Reyes ends with John Castillo taking 55% of the vote. Challengers were Luciano Salinas, W.R. Morris and James Partch--Galvan

12, 1995 - Voters in Gary, Indiana which is 80% black elect Scott King a 44 year-old white lawyer, the first since 1967.

13, 1995 - Lost chapter in diary about Battle of Alamo discovered. The author of the diary, Jose Enrique de la Peña was a Mexican Army officer claims Davy Crockett did not die during the battle but was instead taken prisoner and executed later.

28, 1995 - Federal Judge Sim Lake rules that the 92 year-old Texas law banning voter guides at election polling places is unconstitutional. Attorney Mark Cotham challenged law after being denied use of League of Women Voters Guide.

December/diciembre, 1995

1, 1995 - Harrisburg Heritage Society organizes tribute to out going Houston City Councilman Ben Reyes.

9, 1995 - Actor Edward James Olmos visits Houston to help spotlight the growing problem of domestic violence.

11, 1995 - Cato Institute releases report showing immigrants have a positive effect on the country's economy.

17, 1995 - Houston Chronicle produces special report titled *Twilights Children*. Covers children and education in both Mexico and the United States.

24, 1995 - Lori Rodriguez of the Houston Chronicle writes major piece on out going Houston City Councilman Ben Reyes.

26, 1995 - Mexico prepares to auction off 61 petrochemical plants. Workers are worried because it may mean the end of thousands of jobs.

28, 1995 - The National Council of La Raza, a Washington, D.C. based advocacy groups organizes the BRAVO Awards which aired nationally on the FOX 26 network.

Parece Que Si y Parece Que No

After All, What Are Friends For?

Parece que si y parece que no but the race for County Attorney is going to be an interesting one to say the least. Three individuals are running for the position on the Democrat side. They are Terry O'Rourke, Al Leal and Sylvia Garcia.

O'Rourke currently works for the District Attorneys Office, Al Leal is a former Criminal Court Judge and now an attorney in private practice, and Sylvia Garcia is the current Presiding Judge of the Municipal Courts for the City of Houston.

What is most interesting is that many Hispanic activists were under the impression that Sylvia and Al were friends. So when Al Leal filed back in December and then Sylvia decided to file after wards, it came as a surprise that two people who were "friends" were now going to be running against each other.

What has put a sour taste in the mouth of some Hispanics is that by Sylvia Garcia filing for county Attorney after another Hispanic had previously filed, it begs the question of when are Hispanics going to shake the old crab syndrome *de que cuando se trata de subir uno y hay viene otro a estirarlo para abajo*.

The other thing that provides an ironic note of sort into this race is that back in 1982, when the 148th State Representative district was first created, Al Leal was seriously considering getting into the race with Frumencio Reyes, Gene Mendoza, Olga Soliz and Roman Martinez.

One day two people pay a visit to Al Leal. Their names? Sylvia Garcia and Sylvia Garcia. *Una de ellas es la que esta corriendo ahora para County Attorney. La otra es la businesswoman. Pues dicen las dos Sylvias a Leal, que es mejor no correr for State Representative porque Olga Soliz, quien es amiga de todos esta corriendo. Y que si corre, pues va causar muchos feelings medios uncomfortable.*

El Al Leal se rasca la cabeza y se pone a pensar. Despues les dicen que tienen razon. Por la amistad el no va correr.

Now here we are 14 years later y ahora we know how much *la amistad* en la politica is really worth. After all, what are friends for? *Andale pues!*

Parece Que Easter is Coming Early for Some Hispanics

Parece que si y parece que no, but it looks like Easter is coming early for some Hispanics in Texas. Easter is of course the religious tradition of the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

A number of Hispanic and Hispanics are busy trying to resurrect either their image or political careers. *Pues por mi parte yo digo que todos tienen el derecho to make a move. So for the record vamos a notar aqui publicamente quien esta haciendo para que.*

Primero, tenemos a Domingo Garcia alla en Dallas who running against su compadre Roberto Alonzo. (See their story elsewhere in this issue of La Politiquera). Then we have Pedro Nieto in Uvalde who was elected in 1992 as a Democrat, switched to the Republican Party in 1994 and was defeated by Tracy King. Pedro is now running for County Attorney on the Republican ticket in Uvalde against Jerry Evans.

Closer to home we have W.R. Morris who is now heading up the Hispanic Policy Action Center. W.R. ran last November along with several others for Ben Reyes District "I" seat. John Castillo came out the victory much to the surprise of many without having to take race into a run-off.

Up on the Northside, Yolanda Navarro Flores wants here. old State Representative seat back. Yolanda is running against Jessica Farrar who captured the seat in 1994.

Aver quien más, until recently, Mark Sandoval was going to run for State Representative against Diana Davila in District 145. This time though *el Mark* was going to run as a Democrat. This is significant in that in 1992 he ran as Republican and in 1994 he ran as a Democrat in the 148th district. Make up your mind Mark! At last report Mark was disqualified because of residency problems.

LULAC Protests Spanish Only

Parece que si y parece que no, but here is something that has all the *Gabachos* confused. LULAC, the League of United Latin American Citizens, the group that went bat for Selenia when Howard Stern the New York City radio talk show host bad mouthed her and *la musica Tejana*, the group that has for years fought a number of good fights all around the country and the group that has even done battle with those who would dare to make it the law of the land that English be made the official language, has now taken issue with a radio station in Dallas that wants to move to a Spanish only format.

According to one of the LULAC spokes persons at a news conference, he said it was impor-

tant to keep the English component of the radio talk show in question because English is part of "our heritage." The spokes person went on to say that LULAC would be meeting with the station management over this concern.

Ahora, ponte tu en la posición de un Gabacho that is trying to understand multiculturalism, diversity what the hell is going on con La Raza in these United States. *El pobre Gava se anda rascando la cabeza diciendo pos que chingos quieren esto Meskins. Primero they want to speaky Spanish in the schools. Now they want to speaky English on the radio.*

Wait until the English Only people get a hold of this issue!

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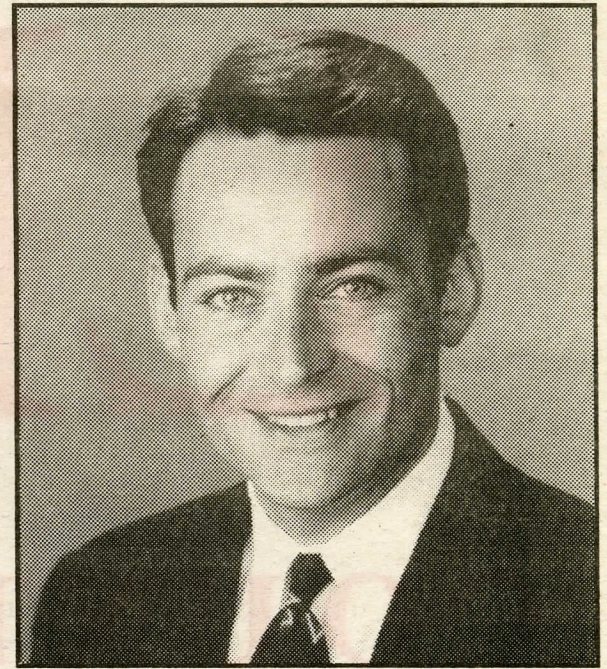
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