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### Young entrepreneurs are Lawrence's future

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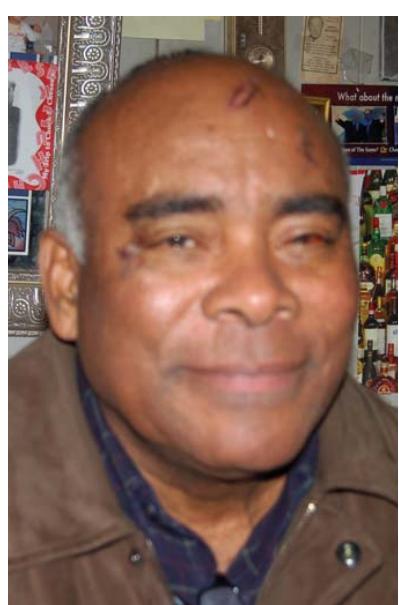


### PERSONA DESAPARECIDA

**B**rynn Kurmas, de 15 años, escapó de la Casa de Santa Ana (St. Ann's Home) en la Calle Haverhill y fue vista por última vez el martes, 8 de marzo 2011, con una blusa negra, pantalón negro, suéter blanco y negro y zapatos blancos tipo flip flop.

Los zapatos y gafas que se cree que pertenecen a Kurmas fueron encontradas el jueves en un banco cerca de una pasarela sobre la cascada de 20 pies de alto de la represa del Río Spicket. El descubrimiento provocó temores de que la adolescente, que tiene una condición médica, se había caído o saltado al Río Spicket.

Cualquier persona con información se le pide que se ponga en contacto con el Departamento de Policía de Methuen al 978-983-8698.



## ¡Dios me salvó la vida!

Estoy convencido de que Dios me salvó la vida esa tarde, comentó Arturo Taveras desde su licorería, comentando acerca del asalto del que fuera víctima el pasado domingo, 6 de marzo, 2011. P.6

### God saved me!

I'm convinced that God saved my life that afternoon, said Arturo Taveras from his liquor store, commenting on the assault upon him on Sunday, March 6th. P.7

### MISSING PERSON

**B**rynn Kurmas, age 15, ran away from St. Ann's Home on Haverhill Street and was last seen on Tuesday, March 8, 2011, wearing a black tank top, black pants, black and white sweater and white flip flop type shoes.

Flip flops and eyeglasses believed to belong to Kurmas were found Thursday on a bench near a footbridge over the 20-foot high Spicket Falls Dam. The discovery sparked fears the teenager, who has a medical condition, had fallen or jumped into the Spicket River.

Anyone with any information is asked to contact the Methuen Police Department at 978-983-8698.

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“Esta es la razón por la cual vinimos a este edificio”, dijo Sue Grolnic, Decana de Humanidades y Ciencias Sociales en Northern Essex Community College mientras daba la bienvenida a todos al Riverwalk.

Además de la Fundación Deshpande y la Universidad de Massachusetts-Lowell y socios incluyen Middlesex Community College, Northern Essex Community College, Merrimack College, Enterprise Bank y Teach For America. Esta iniciativa establecerá el Centro de Innovación y Emprendimiento del Valle de Merrimack en la Universidad de Massachusetts-Lowell, que coordinará las actividades entre los colegios, agencias locales sin fines de lucro y la comunidad empresarial.

El orador principal fue el empresario y mentor Gururaj “Desh” Deshpande, presidente de la fundación quien se desempeña como presidente de A123 Systems, Inc. En Watertown y fue fundador de Sycamore Networks en Chelmsford. Después de adquirir suficiente éxito personal y profesional, estableció la Fundación apoyando programas empresariales en MIT y en el norte de Karnataka, India.

El Sr. Deshpande mantuvo la atención

## Young entrepreneurs are Lawrence's future

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Young people from Lawrence, under the direction of Pavel Payano, formed the Greater Lawrence Young Professionals Network (GLYPN). The evening attracted well over 200 professionals many of them representing important corporations and non-profit agencies of the area.

“This is the reason we came to this building,” said Sue Grolnic, Dean of Humanities and Social Sciences at Northern Essex Community College welcoming everyone to the Riverwalk.

POR FAVOR VEA DÍAZ  
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## EDITORIAL | EDITORIAL

# Debieron hablar antes

La Policía de Lawrence ha sido reducida drásticamente, de acuerdo con la Asociación de Oficiales Superiores de la Policía en una carta al editor, publicada la semana pasada.

En la carta dicen “haber guardado silencio, hasta ahora, mientras que 12 oficiales superiores fueron degradados y 25 agentes de policía fueron despedidos, y como consecuencia todas las unidades especiales de combate de delitos fueron disueltas, a pesar de que los auditores admitieron más tarde que la Ciudad de Lawrence cerró el año fiscal anterior con un superávit de 5,4 millones de dólares.”

El Departamento de Bomberos de Lawrence pasó por una situación similar. Se enfrentaron con estaciones de incendio cerradas y despidos a bomberos. Cada incendio se convirtió en una atracción noticiosa para la prensa de Boston. Se celebró una reunión en frente de una de las estaciones cerradas con el apoyo de la Asociación Internacional de Bomberos, que les prometió ayuda.

Hace un par de semanas, el tira-y-jale terminó entre la administración y el Departamento de Bomberos de Lawrence, cuando el Senador John Kerry, llegó con un enorme cheque de cartón por una gran cantidad de dinero proveniente de los fondos de la Seguridad Nacional, que serán utilizados para contratar de nuevo a los bomberos cesanteados y se espera vuelvan a abrir un par de estaciones de bomberos.

Es evidente que cualquier aumento de la delincuencia en la ciudad es una consecuencia directa de la reducción de la fuerza en que se especializan. Al guardar silencio, no sólo nuestra policía se hace daño, pero han hecho daño a la ciudadanía en general a quienes se supone deben proteger.

Tal vez, si lo intentan, todavía hay dinero disponible de la Seguridad Nacional.

## You should have spoken up before

The Police force in Lawrence has been drastically reduced, according to the Lawrence Police Superior Officers’ Association in a letter to the editor published last week.

In the letter they claim “having been silent, until now, while 12 Superior Officers were demoted and 25 police officers were laid off and all special crime fighting units were disbanded, even though auditors later admitted that the City of Lawrence closed the last fiscal year with a 5.4 million dollar surplus.”

The Lawrence Fire Department went to a similar scenario. They faced closing fire stations and firefighters layoffs. Every fire became a news attraction for the Boston media. They held a rally in front of one the closed stations with the support of the International Association of Fire Fighters, who promised to help.

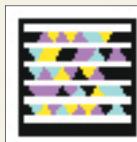
A couple of weeks ago, a tug-of-war ended between the administration and the Lawrence Fire Department, when Senator John Kerry came with an oversized check for a large amount from the Homeland Security that will be used to rehire firefighters and hopefully, reopen a couple of fire stations.

It’s obvious that any increase in crime in the city is a direct consequence of the reduction of that specialized force. By keeping quiet, our police not only hurt themselves but the citizenry at large whom they are supposed to protect.

Perhaps, if they try, there is still money available from the Homeland Security funds!

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# Desde Mi Esquina

## Lantigua debe cuidar sus palabras

El Alcalde de Lawrence William Lantigua está bajo fuego por los comentarios realizados en una estación de televisión en español de Boston, culpando a los agentes de policía de pereza y la razón por la cual las estadísticas de crímenes han subido.

No tengo ni idea si eso es verdad o no, pero hacer esos comentarios no es nada valiente sino que es peligroso. El Alcalde Lantigua le está diciendo a todos que Lawrence es una ciudad sin ley, fracturando la delicada relación con ese departamento. Afortunadamente, el reciente atraco en McCann Liquors demostró a los asaltantes de Dorchester que nuestro Departamento de Policía responde a nuestras necesidades como se esperaba.

De acuerdo a una tabla proporcionada por el Concejal del Distrito F, Marc Laplante, los robos de autos han aumentado en un 114% y los asaltos agravados en un 79% desde los despidos masivos en el Departamento de Policía. Estas cifras provienen del Departamento de Policía de Lawrence.

Quejarse y culpar a la otra parte es fácil, pero no veo el mismo esfuerzo que sale de los agentes de policía como las soluciones

acordadas por los bomberos. Se dieron cuenta a tiempo que debían ceder un poco y escribieron una propuesta al Departamento de Seguridad Nacional para conseguir financiación para los próximos dos años.

Todavía recuerdo un comentario de un oficial de policía que no pueden renunciar a los beneficios que han adquirido a través de los años. Lo tomé en el sentido de que está bien que todos nosotros nos sacrificemos más para que ellos puedan mantener su alto nivel de vida.

Conozco y aprecio la importancia de la seguridad pública pero el momento ha llegado de reconocer que las cosas están muy difíciles para todo el mundo.

Mientras tanto, el Alcalde Lantigua debe ser más sensible y cuidar lo que dice.



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39 SOUTH CANAL LLC	-	0123-0000-0006	39 SO CANAL ST	10469/197	110207	2009
42 AMESBURY STREET REALTY TR	-	0126-0000-0006	42 AMESBURY ST	9546/41	3625	2009
42 ORCHARD ST REALTY TRUST	-	0087-0000-0001	57-57B NEWBURY ST	7895/269	3150	2008-2009
44 - 46 CHANDLER STREET RLTY TRUST	-	0164-0000-0022	44-46 CHANDLER ST	10083/86	20000	2008-2009
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ACEVEDO ARMANDO L	-	0077-0000-0043	28-30 JAMAICA ST	8078/178	4859	2009
ADELINE REALTY TRUST	INFANTE DEJESUS	0143-0000-0015	15 WATER ST	4167/42	4750	2008-2009
ALVAREZ MARGARITA	-	0170-0000-0101	27 MYRTLE CT	4573/87	7850	2009
AMPARO RAMON	LAW PROPERTIES II, LLC	0159-0000-00082	590-592 ANDOVER ST	4573/87	7850	2008-2009
ANCHOR PROPERTIES INC	RODRIQUEZ, GLADYS	0191-0000-0006	180-182 WEST ST 1/2	10892/174	2975	2006-2009
ANTOIN GILBERT E	-	0128-0001-0014	125 B LAWRENCE ST	5556/80	0	2009
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CASTILLO PATRIA	-	0188-0000-0112	4 LYNCH ST 10008/1	1925		2009
COLEMAN LARRY JR	-	0072-0000-0067A	FERRY ST & SUMNER AVE	4231/96	6038	2008-2009
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DAY BENJAMIN	-	0109-0000-0077	217 JACKSON ST	9801/41	7000	2009
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DE LA CRUZ JULIANA	-	0126-0001-0017	46 AMESBURY ST UNIT 5A	5782/197	0	2009
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# ¡Dios me salvó la vida!

POR ALBERTO SURÍS

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**D**espués de haber estado cerrada durante cinco días por la Policía de Lawrence, mientras duraba la investigación de un robo, la Licorería McCann's abrió sus puertas de nuevo el domingo, 6 de marzo. Arturo Taveras, de 67 años, su propietario, sentado en una banqueta, saludaba a amigos y clientes que entraban en la tienda ansiosos por saber de él.

"Mi rodilla derecha aún sigue adolorida de los golpes que recibí y la cabeza, aquí la pueden ver, todavía tengo los puntos de sutura que me dieron. Es un milagro que yo aún estoy vivo", dijo Taveras.

El domingo, 6 de marzo 2011, Taveras abrió su tienda de licores ubicada en el 253 de la Calle Unión esquina a la Calle Andover alrededor del mediodía. Su primer cliente compró billetes de lotería por un valor de \$30 pagando con dos billetes de \$20.00. "Yo acababa de abrir y no tenía suficiente dinero en efectivo en la caja contadora, así que fui a una pequeña caja fuerte que tengo en la parte trasera de la tienda en busca de cambio. En cuanto la abrí, recibí el primer golpe en la cabeza."

En ese punto Taveras se dio cuenta de que su "cliente" lo único que quería era su dinero. "Todo lo que yo podía pensar era, ¡Dios mío, ayúdame!", dijo Taveras.

Fue golpeado en la cabeza al menos diez veces con una pistola y sangrando

profusamente se vio obligado a ir al segundo piso en busca de otra caja fuerte, allí fue atado con cables eléctricos y arrojado al suelo donde sufrió una severa golpiza hasta que perdió su visión.

Taveras, quien portaba un revólver calibre 38 cargado, a pesar de estar atado fue capaz de usarlo en contra de sus captores. Él recuerda haber disparado un tiro que asustó a los asaltantes, permitiéndole correr hacia la puerta principal, donde fue recibido por la policía. "Cuando ellos vieron a la policía, corrieron hacia la parte trasera de la tienda, donde se escondieron siendo posteriormente encontrados por los oficiales", dijo.

Detenidos y fichados por la Policía de Lawrence fueron Rafael Tejada, de 34 años y José Rafael González, de 29 años, ambos de Dorchester, MA y acusados de una larga lista de violaciones incluyendo robo, posesión de arma de fuego y municiones ilegales, asalto y agresión a una persona mayor de 60 años de edad y asalto con intención de asesinar, entre otros. Tanto González como Tejada tienen antecedentes penales y fueron detenidos sin fianza en espera de una audiencia de peligrosidad el miércoles, 16 de marzo.

"Estoy muy agradecido de la persona que llamó al 911 alertando a las autoridades acerca de un robo en progreso en mi tienda. Estoy muy agradecido de la acción rápida de la Policía de Lawrence y del Estado



Los puntos aún no han sido removidos de la cabeza de Taveras.

The stitches haven't been removed from Taveras's head yet.

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que capturó a los intrusos. Estoy muy agradecido de todo el mundo que se ha preocupado por mi persona, pero al que de verdad estoy muy agradecido es de Dios. Estoy convencido de que fue Dios quien me salvó la vida ese día".

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La acción rápida de la Policía de Lawrence el pasado domingo 6 de marzo, dió como resultado la captura de los presuntos asaltantes.

*The fast response of the Lawrence Police on Sunday, March 6, ended up with the capture of the alleged assailants.*

After being closed for five days by Lawrence Police while investigating a robbery, Mc Cann's Liquors store opened its doors again on Sunday, March 6th. Arturo Taveras, 67, Mc Cann's owner, seated on a stool, greets friends and customers coming to the store anxious to know about him.

"My right knee is still sore from the beating and my head, well, you can see my head. I still have the stitches on. It's a miracle than I am still alive," said Taveras.

On Sunday, March 6, 2011, Taveras opened his liquor store located a 253 Union St. and Andover St. around noon. His

first customer bought \$30 worth of lottery tickets and paid with two \$20 bills. "I had just opened and didn't have enough cash in the register, so I went to a small safe I have in the back of the store for some change. As soon as I opened it, I received the first blow to the head."

At that point, Taveras realized that his 'customer' only wanted his money. "All I could think was, God, help me!" said Taveras.

He was struck in the head at least ten times with a gun and bleeding profusely from the head; he was forced to go to the second floor looking for another safe and

was tied up with electric wire and thrown to the ground where he suffered severe beating until he lost his vision.

Taveras, who carried a loaded 38 caliber gun, was able to use it against his captors. He remembers firing one shot that scared them off allowing him to run toward the front door, where he was greeted by the police. "When they saw the police, they ran to the rear of the store, where they hid and were later found by police," he said.

Apprehended and booked by Lawrence Police were Rafael Tejada, 34 and Jose Rafael Gonzalez, 29, both from Dorchester, MA. They were charged with

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robbery, possession of illegal fire arm and ammunition, assault and battery on a person over 60 and many more, including assault with intent to murder. Both Gonzalez and Tejada, who each have previous criminal records, were held without bail pending a dangerousness hearing on March 16.

"I'm very thankful of the person who called 911 alerting authorities about a robbery in progress in my store; I'm very thankful of the quick action of the Lawrence and State Police who captured the intruders; I'm very thankful of everybody who has been concerned about me, but the one that I'm really thankful is God. I'm convinced that it was God who saved my life that day."

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# Semana Nacional de Protección del Consumidor

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**E**l Programa de Protección al Consumidor del Lawrence Community Action Council, Inc., se unió al Departamento de Servicios de Inspección y Postal de Lawrence en la celebración de la Décima Tercera Semana Nacional de Protección al Consumidor con su tema "Su Destino para Información", destacando los materiales educativos disponibles en su sitio web [www.cepw.gov](http://www.cepw.gov).

Los socios de NCPW (National Consumer Protection Week) están promoviendo recursos gratuitos para ayudar a las personas a proteger su privacidad, administrar su dinero y la deuda, evitar el robo de identidad, entender de crédito e hipotecas, y alejarse de los fraudes y estafas.



Lawrence Post Office Clerk Maritza Maldonado, left, and Marie Finelli, of the Consumer Protection Program of the Greater Lawrence Community Action Council, Inc. helping Modesto Acosta, ESL teacher at Cambridge College gather literature to be disbursed among his pupils at the school.

Lawrence Post Office Clerk Maritza Maldonado, izquierda, y Marie Finelli, del Programa de Protección al Consumidor de Greater Lawrence Community Action Council, Inc. ayudan a Modesto Acosta, maestro de Inglés Como Segundo Idioma en Cambridge College, escogiendo literatura que será distribuida a sus estudiantes en la escuela.

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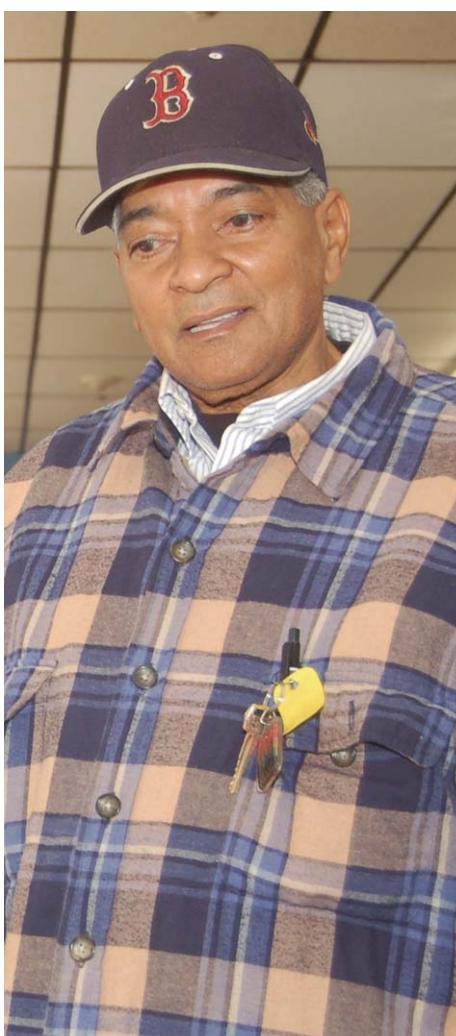


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Miguel López, supervisor del Departamento de Atención al Cliente, LPO, y Marie Finelli del Programa de Protección al Consumidor del Lawrence Community Action Council, Inc. estaban allí para responder preguntas de los clientes.

*Miguel Lopez, supervisor, Customer Services LPO and Marie Finelli, of the Consumer Protection Program of the Greater Lawrence Community Action Council, Inc. were there to respond customers questions.*



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*Mario Vancamper was one of the first to arrive and helped himself with abundant literature. Vancamper claims that many people call him looking for information and by reading it he is always well informed.*

## National Consumer Protection Week

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The Consumer Protection Program of the Greater Lawrence Community Action Council, Inc. joined the Lawrence Postal and Inspectional Service in celebrating the 13th annual National Consumer Protection Week (NCPW) under their theme "Your Information Destination", highlighting the education materials available on their website [www.ccpw.gov](http://www.ccpw.gov).

NCPW partners are promoting free resources to help people protect their privacy, manage money and debt, avoid identity theft, understand credit and mortgages, and steer clear of frauds and scams.



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Celebrando el Día Internacional de la Mujer, la organización DeLaMano reconoció a la Senadora Susan Tucker en su cena de gala el pasado 8 de Marzo. El evento tuvo lugar en el Andover country club y fue con el objetivo de recaudar fondos para la institución.

DeLaMano es una organización sin fines

de lucro que ofrece una línea de emergencia para casos de violencia doméstica en las horas que otras entidades no ofrecen estos servicios. Para mas información sobre esta organización puede comunicarse con Eleanor Turke ([ejthomes@comcast.net](mailto:ejthomes@comcast.net)) o Mary McAlary ([mmcalary@comcast.net](mailto:mmcalary@comcast.net)).

Aquí podrán ver algunas fotos del evento.

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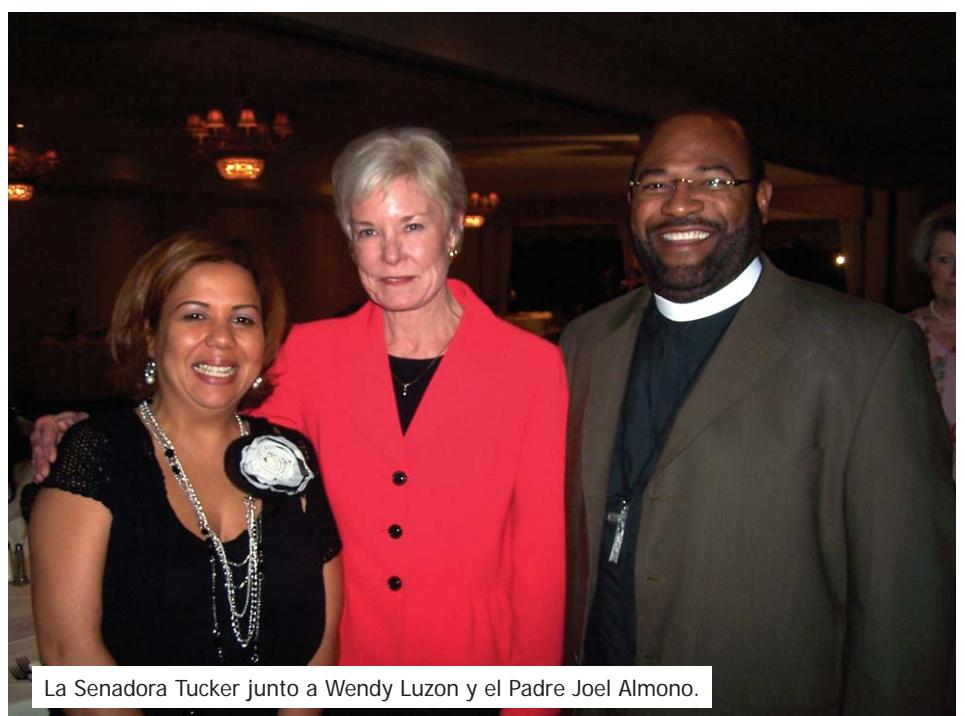
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# Hasta Pronto Doña Blanca Nieve

POR JOSÉ ALFONSO GARCÍA



**M**arzo, trae el nácar. El colorido primaveral. El frío del invierno se desvanece; vuelven las lluvias, las agradables temperaturas, la suave brisa, los días de sol; y nuestros sueños, parecen volar en las alas de las mariposas confundidas en el verdor de un reluciente follaje.

En esta historia, Doña Blanca Nieve se despide con tristeza de su comadre Lluvia Primaveral para contarle sus desilusiones y de paso, darle a su amiga algunos consejos para el futuro.

— Y bien mi comadre, la cité aquí para que hablemos en este lugar tan apartado de la aldea porque no quiero que la vean conmigo. No me perdonaría que a alguien tan noble y tan ingenua como usted le vaya a ocurrir lo mismo que a mí.

Quien hablaba así era Doña Blanca Nieve quien con voz entrecortada irrumpió en sollozos al estrechar la mano de su querida comadre y amiga. Solo quedaban algunos rastros visibles como vestigios de lo que fuera aquella mujer esbelta de cabello rubio, ojos azules y tez blanca como

el nácar.

Una hermosa princesa como en los cuentos de hadas que; aunque un poco pasadita de peso, lucía exuberante, dueña absoluta de su entorno. Ya no vestía aquel traje blanco ceñido al cuerpo que causara tanto furor entre los aldeanos. Un traje de bodas de falda ancha y cola tan larga que cubría todo el valle con sus encantos. Ahora, en vez de un fino vestido Blanco, solo alcanzaba cubrir su cuerpo con harapos, que asemejaban una túnica de color gris, sucia y desaliñada. Era obvio que el cambio de estación no era su mejor momento.

—Vine a despedirte querida amiga, como siempre. No te preocunes; yo sé cuidarme; todo va a estar bien. Recuerda que también tengo origen caribeño; me llevaré bien con los habitantes de esta aldea. Además, yo soy la esencia de la primavera y vengo en son de paz. Regaré los jardines y la tierra germinará para que nazcan las flores y reverdezcan las hojas de los árboles. Rociaré las calles con mi líquido vital para que los aldeanos limpíen el frente de sus casas de tanta basura que ha quedado al descubierto después de que usted se recogió la falda.

Doña Lluvia titubeó por unos instantes mientras miraba a su amiga con tristeza.

Había en sus ojos claros un dejo de compasión. Media cuidadosamente cada palabra que pronunciaba para no lastimar los sentimientos de su comadre y entrañable amiga; luego continuó: —Comadre, mejor cuénteme cómo le fue durante su estadía en esta bella aldea.

—Me siento engañada, abusada, traicionada, soy una verdadera porquería.

—Gritó Doña Blanca Nieve en un tono firme y agregó: —Cuando venía hacia acá, cometí el craso error de ponerme a escuchar la radio y a leer los periódicos de aldeas vecinas y me dejé llenar la cabeza de puras mentiras. Me dijeron tantas barbaridades sobre el gobierno y la gente de esta aldea que vine totalmente prejuiciada. Cuando llegué aquí esperaba encontrar la aldea invadida por unos seres extraños venidos de tierras lejanas; sin educación, sin costumbres y sin la debida documentación para vivir en la aldea.

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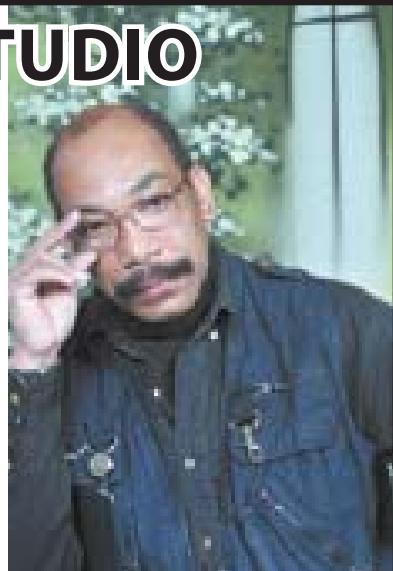
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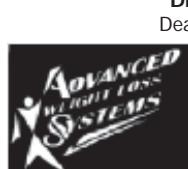
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El Dr. Montesino, totalmente responsable por este artículo, es el Editor de LatinoWorldOnline.com y conferencante de Information Processing Management Department en Bentley University, Waltham, MA.

**C**omo muchos de mis lectores que no nacieron por estos alrededores experimentaron, aprender inglés fue una de las más importantes y desafiantes tareas inmediatas que confronté cuando arribé a este país. Me da cierto orgullo decir que resultó bien porque he logrado triunfar en mis esfuerzos entre las gentes de habla inglesa como muchos de ustedes lo han hecho también.

La adaptación del español al inglés no ha carecido de momentos de confusión absoluta, tal vez humorosa. Una de las más difíciles de absorber para mí fue el cambio en el uso de ciertos pronombres. En la época en la que solo escuchaba español a mi derredor, me era muy claro cómo usar el pronombre "tú" y "usted" por ejemplo. La manera formal de dirigirnos a nuestros superiores y personas de más edad y respeto era siempre usando la palabra "usted." Mis amigos y contactos informales eran simplemente "tú."

Por cierto tiempo en este país, aunque yo siempre acostumbraba usar "you" cada vez que me dirigía a una persona de habla inglesa, yo estaba realmente como refiriéndome a dos pronombres diferentes en mi cerebro. El contacto informal, en mi mente, siempre se sintió como un "tú." El formal se sentía siempre como "usted."

Ellos no lo sabían, pero la expresión de mi cara tenía que reflejar la diferencia en nuestra relación. Apuesto que yo lucía más serio, tal vez más respetuoso, cuando me dirigía a gente mayor diciendo "you" y probablemente lucía jocosamente más amistoso con mis amigos de fiesta cuando usaba el mismo pronombre con ellos. Incluso pienso que tenían una opinión diferente de mi personalidad.

¿Cómo es que no podía ser diferente? ¿Se suponía que le dijéramos "Thou" a nuestros superiores? Esa expresión se usa solamente cuando nos dirigimos a la divinidad en iglesias y templos. Desde luego, mezclarlos a todos es posiblemente más democrático. No hay diferencia, eso es todo. Todos iguales. "You" es "you" y también lo es el resto del mundo. Obviamente el idioma de Shakespeare ganó la disputa si es que hubo alguna. Hasta que comenzamos a venir en números masivos. Los hispanos, me refiero.

Las personas que hablan inglés, en su mayoría, son curiosamente aficionadas al pronombre indefinido español "nada" que quiere decir "nothing." Si yo le abro la puerta a usted, le indico una dirección que usted busca, o le digo la hora, usted me da unas "gracias" gratuita y yo, tratando de expresarle que en realidad fue un placer

servirle, le respondo con las palabras "De nada." Es lo más caballeroso, justo y razonable.

En el mundo inglés, existe una práctica que me temo se está convirtiendo en un anacronismo. Yo fui entrenado cuando aprendí el idioma que si usted recibía una expresión de gratitud tal como "thank you" tenía que responder con una cortés expresión de "you are welcome." Eso era lo propio. No es solamente una cortesía, es también un reconocimiento social y humano que dice que usted ha hecho un sacrificio para hacerme sentir confortable. ¿Qué puede ser más cristiano, más judío, más lo que usted crea religiosamente en la vida, que servir a otros con deleite?

Pero entonces nuestro "nada" hispano se introdujo lentamente en el ambiente anglo. Hoy día, cuando alguien le abre la puerta, le indica esa dirección desconocida o le dice la hora y usted dice "thank you," muchos contestan, no con la famosa expresión de "you are welcome," sino con una nueva expresión amistosa de "no problem." Suena como nuestro "de nada," ¿no es cierto? Oye, yo hice lo que hice

**POR FAVOR VEA MONTESINO**

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**MY POINT OF VIEW** ©1996**THANK YOU... DE NADA**

**L**ike many of my readers who were not born around these parts, learning English was one of my most important and challenging immediate duties when I came to this country. I have to say that it really worked, because I have succeeded in my endeavors among the English-speaking folks and I know many of you do as well.

The adaptation from Spanish to English has not been short of moments of utter confusion, even humorous. One of the most difficult to absorb for me was the change in the use of some pronouns. Back in the days when all I heard was Spanish, it was clear to me how to use the pronoun "you" for instance. The formal way to address my superiors and elders was always the word "usted." My buddies and informal contacts were simply addressed as "tú."

For a while, although I always used "you" whenever I addressed an English-speaking person in this country, I was really dealing with

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# Concienciación sobre el cáncer de colon

**POR MARÍA GONZÁLEZ**  
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Para muchos de nosotros el hacernos una colonoscopía no está en nuestra lista prioridades. Pero una colonoscopía - una prueba de detección del cáncer de colon - puede diagnosticar el cáncer de colon antes incluso de que usted

experimente algún tipo de síntoma. De hecho, puede que esta prueba logre incluso detener la aparición del cáncer. Si tiene 50 ó más años, hable con su médico de cabecera sobre la posibilidad de someterse a esa prueba. La mayoría de veces, el cáncer

de colon se puede prevenir con pruebas rutinarias y cuando se detecta de manera precoz es, a menudo, tratable. Se trata de una prueba que puede salvarle la vida.

A pesar de esto, el cáncer de colon es la tercera causa de muerte por cáncer en Massachusetts - solamente dos tercios de los adultos se someten a las pruebas de detección precoz. El cáncer de colon se da con mayor frecuencia entre personas mayores de 50 años y afecta tanto a hombres como a mujeres.

Todas las personas deberían hablarle a su médico de cabecera sobre la prueba de detección del cáncer de colon una vez cumplidos los 50 años, pero si usted o alguien de su familia ha tenido antecedentes de cáncer colorrectal, de ciertos pólipos o de enfermedades que producen la inflamación del intestino grueso (como la enfermedad de Crohn o la colitis ulcerosa), sus probabilidades de desarrollar cáncer de colon podrían ser mayores. Así que es posible que su médico quiera que se haga la prueba antes de los 50.

¿Quiere reducir las probabilidades de desarrollar cáncer de colon? Entérese cómo hacerlo:

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**POR JOSÉ AYALA**

El Desfile Dominicano y Casa Dominicana llegaron a un acuerdo de unificación en la que ambas entidades funcionarán como una a partir de ahora.

Con la presencia de Darío Silverio, fundador del Desfile y Festival Dominicano en el año, 2000, su presidente actual Brian de Peña, la Presidenta de Casa Dominicana Ana Medina (vía teleconferencia) y otros directivos de ambas instituciones, se llevó a cabo el acuerdo bajo el cual el Desfile ahora pasa a ser un evento de Casa Dominicana.

Durante la reunión, se acordó que todos los directivos pasan a formar parte de la membresía de Casa Dominicana Inc. Fue elegido Nazario Esquea como el coordinador del Desfile quien a su vez formará parte de la Directiva de Casa Dominicana.

Otros presentes en la reunión fueron Diana Severino, Zoila Morbán, Carlos Tejada, Carlos Morel, José Ayala, entre otros.

Según la propuesta presentada por Ayala, todas las actividades, recursos, deudas, contratos y otros compromisos ahora pasan al control de Casa Dominicana.

Los detalles de la fusión serán finalizados en otra reunión la semana próxima, dijeron De Peña y Medina.

Concentrados en la solidificación financiera e institucional, Casa Dominicana llevará a cabo la rifa de un carro para finales de julio así como una cena-baile en una fecha que será anunciada próximamente.

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# Sobreviviendo el invierno con las mascotas

POR JENNIFER DUSSAULT

Humane Education Coordinator MSPCA at Nevins Farm

**S**i usted vive en Nueva Inglaterra, no le resulta extraño lo duro que son los meses de invierno: pelear mucha nieve, arroparse en los días fríos, y viajando lentamente y con cuidado en condiciones de hielo. Esta temporada ha sido un invierno particularmente difícil, con varios pies de nieve en el Valle de Merrimack en pocas semanas. Y mientras que esto impacta nuestra vida día a día, también afecta la manera en que cuidamos de nuestros animales. Para las mascotas que pasan tiempo al aire libre, existen consideraciones especiales que deben tomar en serio para mantenerlos seguros (¡y calientes!).

Está bien seguir caminando con su perro en el invierno, pero en los días de mucho frío se debe limitar a paseos cortos. Si su mascota tiene el pelo corto, usted puede ponerle una chaqueta o un suéter para mantenerlo abrigado. Asegúrese de que su perro haga mucho ejercicio jugando juegos en el interior durante los días fríos (tire juguetes que tenga que correr a buscar, un puntero de láser, o incluso lanzando una pelota de tenis para arriba permitiéndole que salte a cogerla - todas las grandes maneras de cansar a un perro).

El hielo y la sal pueden quedar atrapados en las patas de su mascota. Usted

puede recortarle el pelo para que el hielo no se quede bloqueado, o usted puede poner las botas (si lo permite). Si utiliza sal para eliminar el hielo de su entrada, asegúrese de limpiar sus patas cuando vuelva adentro para que no les salgan úlceras en ellos (o utilice un anticongelante que proteja a su mascota como Safe Paws).

Afortunadamente, Massachusetts aprobó recientemente una ley que obliga a las empresas que hacen el anticongelante para agregar una sustancia química que le da un sabor amargo. En el pasado, la dulzura de anticongelante era atractiva a los animales y los niños, muchos de los cuales fueron envenenados después de beberlo. Sin embargo, sigue siendo muy prudente mantener todos los productos químicos en recipientes bien cerrados y almacenados en un lugar donde los animales no pueden acceder a ellos.

Mantener los gatos en el interior siempre es más seguro que permitirles salir al aire libre, pero esto nunca es más cierto que en el invierno, cuando las temperaturas pueden bajar y la nieve puede caer varios centímetros en tan sólo unas horas. Muchos gatos sufren de congelación en las orejas o la cola después de sólo un corto tiempo al aire libre.

Si usted permite que su perro para el ejercicio en un patio cercado, asegúrese de que los bancos de nieve no llegan demasiado alto de la valla - si es así, entonces no hay nada que pueda mantener a su perro en el patio! Apenas la semana pasada, me encontré con un perro vagabundo errante en mi barrio porque había caminado derecho encima de la valla de 4 metros que rodea el patio (el banco de nieve llegó a la cima de la valla). Esto no sólo es un riesgo para su perro, que puede perderse o ser atropellado por un coche, pero también puede ser multado por el Oficial del Control de Animales (cuyo trabajo es hacer cumplir las leyes de la correa, por la seguridad de todos).

Siempre y cuando usted mantenga a sus mascotas a salvo de los elementos, puede sentirse seguro sabiendo que bastante tiempo para compensar los días largos y oscuros cuando la primavera regrese y todos podremos disfrutar de aire fresco!

Para obtener más información sobre la seguridad de temporada para mascotas, visite [www.mspca.org](http://www.mspca.org) o hable con el personal de su centro de adopción local de la MSPCA.

## Surviving the winter with pets

BY JENNIFER DUSSAULT

Humane Education Coordinator MSPCA at Nevins Farm

If you live in New England, you're no stranger to the demands of the winter months: shoveling lots of snow, bundling up for freezing cold days, and traveling slowly and carefully in icy conditions. This season has been a particularly difficult winter with several feet of snow falling in the Merrimack Valley over just a few weeks. And while this certainly impacts our day-to-day lives, it also affects how we care for our animals. For pets who spend time outside, there are special considerations we should take to heart to keep them safe (and warm!).

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**Councilor Rivera wants Mayor to apologize**

I call on Mayor William Lantigua to apologize for his remarks to the Police Department. There is no reason to make a bad situation worse by blaming the small force we do have for the increase in crime. His remarks are both careless and unhelpful. The rise in crime is a direct result of both the cuts to state aid, and the bad contracts the previous administration agreed to, these two facts have made the City cut police personnel to balance the city's budget.

In a time that we are asking the members of all City unions, especially the public safety unions to give more at the bargaining table, and do more work on the job; the Mayor of all people cannot be making remarks that pits the community against our police officers. He should be bringing people together to face these issues.

I understand the Mayor is frustrated. We are all frustrated. These are very difficult times. I know that the Mayor is better than this, that he is smarter than this.

The community needs to know that the police department is doing its best under these circumstances. We have at least 3 large departments that do not have a department head and are equally important that this Mayor should be focusing on instead of creating public discord with the one department with a proven track record.

The Mayor's remarks take the focus off the real issue of the union contracts and getting compromise from the union to fix our financial problem and turns it into a personal fight between the Mayor and the members of the public safety union. By apologizing to the department it will show this community that the Mayor is ready to lead, ready to bring this community together, that he is ready to get to the negotiation table and fix our financial situation.

Daniel Rivera  
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**POR JOHN ROCKER**

"Dicen que el tiempo cambia las cosas, pero tienes que cambiarlas tú mismo."

- Andy Warhol

**L**a moraleja detrás de esta cita puede decir en otro contexto con el cual muchos de nosotros puede que estemos familiarizados: No se limite a hablar de ello, haga algo al respecto.

Hay una organización local que ha adoptado este concepto y, recientemente, se celebró un año de hacer una diferencia en el área de Lawrence.

Greater Lawrence Young Professionals Network (GLYPN), formado en el 2010, se compone de hombres y mujeres que fueron criados y educados en el área de Lawrence. El objetivo que cubre GLYPN es transformar la imagen que algunos lawrencianos y no residentes tienen de Lawrence.

Los miembros de GLYPN son jóvenes profesionales, empleados en una variedad de carreras que incluyen: educadores, asesores políticos, especialistas en relaciones públicas y gerentes de mercadeo.

Utilizando la combinación de talentos y conocimientos de cada miembro, GLYPN organizó y un taller de entrenamiento de cómo preparar un resumen exitoso y cómo atravesar una entrevista para los estudiantes de secundaria en Lawrence High School, en mayo del 2010 que atrajo a 35 estudiantes.

El éxito de este evento inicial alentó a GLYPN para auspiciar otro taller en octubre del 2010, que atrajo a 100 estudiantes de secundaria de la comunidad de Lawrence.

Recientemente, GLYPN organizó un evento de networking para introducir la Fundación Deshpande y su Iniciativa Sandbox del Valle de Merrimack. La Iniciativa Sandbox se creó con aspiraciones para inspirar y motivar a las empresas y las personas a llevar sus ideas innovadoras para la región e invertir en Lawrence.

Una multitud de más de 200 se reunieron para escuchar el discurso pronunciado por Gururaj Deshpande,



Networking at this event were Carlos Minier, Moisés Brea, Pavel Payano and Jineyda Tapia.

fundador y patrono de la Fundación Deshpande. Además de sus esfuerzos filantrópicos, el Sr. Deshpande es conocido en todo el mundo empresarial como el fundador de A123 Systems - una empresa de tecnología que genera millones en ingresos anuales y es miembro de la junta fiduciaria de MIT.

El de Lawrence de Jóvenes Profesionales de redes acepta nuevos miembros que comparten su visión de un mejor Lawrence. Si usted está interesado en unirse a GLYPN o desea información adicional, puede contactar a Pavel Payano, el presidente de GLYPN a Payano@GLYPN.org.

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# Joining GLYPN

POR JOHN ROCKER

**"They always say time changes things,  
but you have to change them yourself"**  
- Andy Warhol

The moral behind this quote can be stated in another context many of us may be familiar with: Don't just talk about it, be about it.

There is a local organization that has embraced this concept and recently, they celebrated a full year of making a difference in the Lawrence area.

The Greater Lawrence Young Professionals Network (GLYPN), formed in 2010, consists of men and women whom were raised and educated in the Greater Lawrence area. The overlying goal of GLYPN is to transform the image that Lawrencians and non-residents have of Lawrence.

Members of GLYPN are young professionals, employed in a variety of careersthat include: educators, political aides, public relations specialists and marketing managers.

Utilizing the combined talents and knowledge of each member, GLYPN organized and held a successful resume and interview workshop for high school students at Lawrence High School in May of 2010, which attracted 35 students.

The success of this initial event encouraged GLYPN to host another workshop in October of 2010, which attracted 100 high school students from the Lawrence community.

Recently, GLYPN organized a networking event to introduce the Deshpande Foundation's Merrimack Valley Sandbox Initiative. The Sandbox Initiative was created with aspirations to inspire and motivate businesses and individuals to bring their innovative ideas to the region and invest in Lawrence.

A crowd of over 200 gathered to hear the keynote speech delivered by Gururaj Deshpande, founder and trustee of the Deshpande Foundation. In addition to his philanthropist efforts, Mr. Deshpande is known throughout the corporate world as the founder of A123 Systems - a technology company that generates millions in revenue annually -and a trustee of MIT.

The Greater Lawrence Young Professionals Network accepts new members who share their vision for a better Lawrence. If you are interested in joining GLYPN or would like additional information, you may contact Pavel Payano, President of GLYPN at Payano@GLYPN.org.

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## DÍAZ: Young entrepreneurs are Lawrence's future



Jacquie Moloney, Executive Chancellor, UMass-Lowell; Edward Chiu, Vice Chancellor for University Advancement, UMass-Lowell; Sue Grolnic, Dean of Humanities and Social Sciences at Northern Essex Community College; (behind) Chet Szablak, Executive Vice President and Chief Sales and Marketing Officer at Enterprise Bank; State Senator Barry Finegold; and Gururaj "Desh" Deshpande, foundation founder.



Stephen Ives, President/CEO of the YMCA and Annabelle Rondon.



Richard Chavez, Enterprise Bank and Beecher Grogan of Interise, a company helping growing small businesses.



Eileen Everett, Linda Soucy of Methuen Community Action and Councilor at-Large Daniel Rivera.

In addition to the Deshpande Foundation and UMass Lowell, partners include Middlesex Community College, Northern Essex Community College, Merrimack College, Enterprise Bank and Teach For America. The initiative will establish the Merrimack Valley Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship at UMass-Lowell, which will coordinate activities between the colleges, local non-profits and the business community.

The main speaker was entrepreneur and mentor Gururaj "Desh" Deshpande, chairman of the foundation who serves as chairman of Watertown-based A123 Systems Inc. and was founder of Sycamore Networks in Chelmsford. After acquiring enough personal and professional success, he established the Foundation and supported entrepreneurial programs at MIT and in Northern Karnataka, India.

Mr. Deshpande kept the attendees'

attention with his mix of humor and philosophy. "Everyone has an idea; it's the commitment to that idea that matters," said Desh, as he is called.

The rest of the local team of young people was introduced. "I was full of joy and energy to be part of the event. It was a sign that there is an overflow of individuals who are willing to invest their time and efforts to our communities. This was just setting the stage for great organizations to become part of the positive movement in the Merrimack Valley," said Pati Fernandez, GLYPN Networking Chair

UMass Lowell Chancellor Marty Meehan said in a press release, "This new center will be an idea generator that taps the imagination, idealism and capacity to solve problems of some of the best minds in the region. Students will partner with experienced leaders in business and nonprofits, as well as educators at all four

instituciones para abordar los desafíos sociales y estimular el desarrollo económico. Todo el Valle de Merrimack se beneficiará."

Esta iniciativa establecerá el Centro de Innovación y Emprendimiento del Valle de Merrimack en la Universidad de Massachusetts-Lowell, que coordinará las actividades entre los colegios, agencias locales sin fines de lucro y la comunidad empresarial.

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## DÍAZ: Jóvenes empresarios son el futuro de Lawrence

de los asistentes con su mezcla de humor y filosofía. "Todos tenemos una idea; lo que importa es el compromiso que tenemos con esa idea", les dijo Desh, como le llaman.

El resto del equipo local de jóvenes fue presentado. "Me llena de alegría y energía ser parte del evento. Fue una señal de que hay un exceso de individuos con capacidad que están dispuestos a

invertir su tiempo y esfuerzo en nuestras comunidades. Esto fue sólo el principio para que grandes organizaciones pasen a formar parte de un movimiento positivo en el Valle de Merrimack", dijo Pati Fernández, GLYPN Networking Chair

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nutre de la imaginación, el idealismo y la capacidad para resolver los problemas de algunas de las mejores mentes en la región. Los estudiantes se asociarán con líderes con experiencia en los negocios y agencias sin fines de lucro, así como educadores en las cuatro instituciones para abordar los desafíos sociales y estimular el desarrollo económico. Todo el Valle de Merrimack se beneficiará."

# Lawrence Family Development Charter School Admisiones Anuales por Lotería



A mother jumps for joy after her child is selected in the lottery.



A happy mother and new member of the LFDCS Class of 2021.

Cada año en marzo, las escuelas públicas de charter están obligadas a celebrar un sorteo público de las plazas que podrían estar disponibles para el próximo año escolar. Este año más de 100 padres ansiosos se reunieron en la Lawrence Family Development Charter

School el miércoles, 9 de marzo para participar en la lotería de la escuela para la clase de 2021. Ellos esperaban que su hijo o hija sería seleccionado de un grupo de 112 solicitantes de uno de los 65 asientos disponibles en kindergarten septiembre de 2011. Quince (15) otros asientos en

el programa ya habían sido ocupados por los hermanos de los estudiantes actuales. Despues de seleccionar a 65 nuevos estudiantes, los restantes 47 nombres fueron colocados en la lista de espera en el orden en que se sacaron.

A medida que la lotería progresaba, los padres aplaudieron cuando el nombre de su hijo fue seleccionado para ingresar a la escuela en el otoño. Una de las madres, Kara Hernández, dijo: "Esto significa todo para mí. Soy educadora y sabemos lo importante que es para mi hija entrar en una escuela con buenos resultados de las pruebas del MCAS."

Otros padres se mantuvieron esperanzados de que su hijo ganaría la admisión a través de la lista de espera. Rita Almanzar, otra madre de uno de los niños seleccionados, dijo, "Mi meta es que mi hija reciba una mejor educación desde temprana edad. Esto significa todo para su futuro."

Siham Bouzid estaba muy feliz de que su hijo fuera seleccionado. Indicó que, "Esto significa mucho para el futuro de mi hija. Esto es lo mejor que me pueda pasar."

Lawrence Family Development Charter School

## Annual Admissions Lottery

Each year in March, public charter schools are required to hold a public lottery for any seats that might be available for the next school year. This year over 100 anxious parents gathered at Lawrence Family Development Charter School on Wednesday, March 9th to participate in the school's lottery for the Class of 2021. They were hoping that their son or daughter would be selected from a pool of 112 applicants for one of the 65 kindergarten seats available in September 2011. Fifteen (15) other seats in the program had already been filled by siblings of current students. After selecting 65 new students, the remaining 47 names were placed on the waiting list in the order that they were drawn.

As the lottery progressed, parents cheered when their child's name was selected to enter the school in the fall. One parent, Kara Hernandez, said, "This means the world to me. I'm an educator and know how important it is to get my daughter into a school with good MCAS test scores."

Other parents remained hopeful that their child would gain admission from the waiting list. Rita Almanzar, another mother of one of the children selected said, "My goal is to have my daughter receive a better education starting at a young age. This means everything for her future."

Siham Bouzid was very pleased that her child was selected. She indicated that "This means a lot for my daughter's future. This is the best thing that can happen to me."

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Si usted puede, aunque sea ocasionalmente, por favor, llame a Jerry Proulx, reclutador de voluntarios, al 1-800-892-0890 ext. 463 (y mencione Interfaith Caregivers.)

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# 18 Urban Public Charter Schools Recognized for Driving Breakthrough Gains in Student Achievement

Educators at winning schools to receive incentive awards in exchange for sharing their effective practices

The Effective Practice Incentive Community (EPIC), a national initiative of New Leaders for New Schools, announced the winners of this year's EPIC awards honoring high-need urban charter schools driving dramatic student achievement gains. Individual principals, assistant principals, teachers and instructional aides at these schools will be given awards totaling an estimated \$1.8 million in exchange for sharing their effective practices. Through this innovative program, New Leaders for New Schools learns from the successes of these groundbreaking schools and also shares that knowledge with other educators so that they can impact student achievement.

"We are so excited to recognize these schools for their strong results in raising the achievement of their students," said Jean Desravines, Chief Executive Officer of New Leaders for New Schools. "A vital element of the EPIC program is that schools are rewarded for the act of sharing the effective practices that are driving results for students. Through EPIC, we are able to provide school leaders across the country with knowledge about the practices they can use and the actions they can take to create breakthrough gains for students in their schools."

Using a value-added model to analyze performance data from 175 charter schools across the country during the 2009-2010 school year, EPIC identified 18 schools that have made the most dramatic gains in student achievement. The value-added model was created specifically for the

EPIC charter school program and is the only cross-state value-added comparison of charter schools. All participating schools serve high-need populations. On average, more than 75% of students are eligible for free or reduced-price lunch.

With these awards included, the EPIC Charter initiative has distributed nearly \$6.4 million to over 1,500 educators to date. This year, award-winning schools span 14 cities in six states and the District of Columbia.

Of the 18 award-winning schools, eight have won previous EPIC Awards. Two schools, Community Day Charter Public School, Lawrence, MA, and Match Charter Public High School, Boston, MA, have won EPIC awards in all four years of the program. The Community Day Charter Public School in Lawrence will share \$131,000 among its staff.

According to a recent survey conducted by Rockman et al, the majority of EPIC-award winning school leaders (82%) felt that EPIC incentives are a factor in retaining highly effective teachers. Most teachers (72%) and school leaders (71%) said that



Some of the staff members of the Community Day Charter Public School: Steve Federico, fourth grade teacher; Erin Walsh, Lower School Head; Jackie Hanley, fourth grade teacher; and Sebastian Johnson, third grade teacher.

winning an award encouraged them to reflect on their practice and how they might improve. These findings are from survey responses from 58 EPIC award-winning school leaders and 131 award-winning teachers from 2009-2010.

EPIC investigates and documents

effective practices from award-winning schools that are then made available on the EPIC Knowledge System, a powerful web-based professional development resource documenting the real-life practices of urban district and charter schools driving significant achievement gains.

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BY DALIA DÍAZ  
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■ LÉALO EN ESPAÑOL EN LA PÁGINA 4

# From My Corner

## Lantigua should watch his words

Lawrence Mayor William Lantigua is under fire for comments made to a Spanish television station from Boston, blaming the police officers of being lazy and the reason for crime stats to go up.

I have no idea if that is true or not but making such comment is not a brave thing to do – it's dangerous. Mayor Lantigua is telling everyone that Lawrence is a free for all, lawless town, further fracturing the delicate relationship with that department. Fortunately, the recent hold up at McCann's Liquors proved to those assailants from Dorchester that our Police Department responds to our needs as expected.

According to a chart provided by District F Councilor Marc Laplante, auto thefts have increased by 114% and aggravated assaults by 79% since the massive layoffs in the Police Department. These figures came from Lawrence Police Department.

Complaining and blaming the other side is easy but I don't see the same effort coming forth from police officers as the solutions agreed to by the firefighters. They realized early enough that they should give in a little bit and wrote a proposal to

Homeland Security to get them funding for the next two years.

I still remember a comment from a police officer that they cannot give up the benefits that we have acquired through the years. I took that to mean that it is OK for all of us to sacrifice further to allow them to maintain their high standard of living.

I know and appreciate how important public safety is but the time has come to recognize that times are though.

Meanwhile, Mayor Lantigua should be more sensitive and watch what he says.

## Teachers to reapply for their jobs

"60 Minutes" had a segment last Sunday about a charter school that pays its teachers \$125,000 to start. At the end of the year, test results must indicate if their efforts are worthy of being re hired the coming year. There are no unions and no contracts but improvements are remarkable. Needless to say that they work very hard for their money but the children's success should always be the main concern.

In Lawrence, we have two schools called Level 4 schools because of their test scores. Dr. Mary Lou Bergeron has announced that all staff at the two Level 4 schools must all

reapply for their jobs. Her message read as follows: "I am writing to notify of my decision to invoke the right to have all staff re-apply for their positions in our two Level 4 Schools, in accordance with Chapter 12 of the Acts of 2010."

Rumbo did get a comment from Frank McLaughlin, president of the Lawrence Teachers Union. "We are deeply disappointed that the Superintendent has chosen this route, but it is within her power to do so. The dedication of the hard working Lawrence educators to their students' success will not change with this regrettable announcement."

## H. R. Commission – Making it work

Last week I attended a meeting of the Multi Cultural Committee at the FBI of which I am a member. I had the opportunity to talk about the situation in Lawrence, particularly the need of a functioning Human Rights Commission in this city.

One of the main priorities at the FBI is investigating civil rights violations,

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■ LÉALO EN ESPAÑOL EN LA PÁGINA 16

## Concejal Rivera pide a Lantigua disculparse

Le pido al Alcalde William Lantigua que se disculpe por sus comentarios respecto al Departamento de Policía. No hay ninguna razón para empeorar una mala situación culpando a la pequeña fuerza que tenemos por el aumento de la delincuencia. Sus comentarios son descuidados e inútiles. El aumento de la delincuencia es una consecuencia directa tanto de los recortes a las ayudas estatales, y los malos contratos de la administración anterior de acuerdo, estos dos hechos han hecho que el personal de corte policía de la ciudad para equilibrar el presupuesto de la ciudad.

En un momento en que estamos pidiendo a los miembros de todos los sindicatos de la ciudad, especialmente los sindicatos de seguridad pública que cedan en algunos beneficios en las negociaciones y que trabajen más, el alcalde no puede hacer comentarios que enfrenten a la comunidad contra nuestros agentes de policía. El debería estar uniendo a las personas para hacer frente a estos asuntos.

Entiendo que el alcalde se siente frustrado. Todos estamos frustrados. Estos son tiempos muy difíciles. Sé que el alcalde es mejor persona que esto demuestra, que es más inteligente que eso.

La comunidad necesita saber que el departamento de policía está haciendo todo lo posible en estas circunstancias. Tenemos por lo menos tres grandes departamentos que no tienen un jefe de departamento que son igualmente importantes y es en lo que el alcalde debería concentrarse en lugar de crear discordia pública con un departamento que tiene un historial probado.

Las declaraciones del alcalde apartan la atención del verdadero problema de los contratos de la unión y de conseguir un acuerdo con la unión para solucionar nuestro problema financiero, convirtiéndolo en una lucha personal entre el alcalde y los miembros del sindicato de la seguridad pública. Pidiendo disculpas al departamento mostrará a esta comunidad que el alcalde está dispuesto a ser un líder, listo para unir a esta comunidad, que está dispuesto a llegar a la mesa de negociación y fijar nuestra situación financiera.

Daniel Rivera  
Lawrence Councilor at-Large

# Family Service, Inc. Appoints New Executive Director



The Board of Family Service, Inc. is pleased to announce the appointment of Elizabeth (Liz) Sweeney as its next Executive Director effective May 2011.

Ms. Sweeney has worked at Family Service since 1993. She began as a social work intern and has subsequently risen to the position of Associate Director. During her tenure she has conducted mental health counseling, Employee Assistance Program account management, and assisted in successfully expanding the organization's community prevention programs to include over 20 different services.

Ms. Sweeney is responsible for the growth of Family Service's mentoring programs to include more than 500 youth/adult matches, making Family Service one of the largest mentoring agencies in the state. Ms. Sweeney serves on several community coalitions, has a master's degree in social work from Salem State College, and in June will complete Boston University's Institute of Non-profit Management and Leadership program.

"Due to Liz's display of leadership, skill, dedication and enthusiasm, the vote for her appointment was unanimous," says Ron Pollina, Family Service Board President. "We look forward to working with her to lead Family Service into its next exciting chapter."

Ms. Sweeney follows Kay Berthold Frishman, who has served since 1986 as the organization's 10th Executive Director. Family Service looks forward to celebrating Kay's retirement at its annual fundraising Rhapsody event on May 6, 2011, at the Andover Country Club.

Originally established in 1854 as a relief society for the area's newly arriving farm and immigrant mill workers, Family Service, Inc. is a non-profit social service agency located in Lawrence, Massachusetts. Family Service has grown in recent years from a small mental health clinic (c.1985) to a large and dynamic organization providing over 20 programs and services, including youth mentoring, parent education, mental health counseling, suicide prevention and an Employee Assistance Program.

## MR. B'S SPORT STORIES

BY FRANK BENJAMIN



## CENTRAL CATHOLIC'S 1951 FOOTBALL TEAM

This year's Central Catholic Football Team had a great record and also won the Catholic League Division I for the second year in a row.

Dick Moynihan, then a South Lawrence resident, also coached baseball for the red and blue. He is enshrined in the school's Hall of Fame. His team Captain was Joe Riviezzo who was a two-year captain of football. Joe came from the West St. area and graduated from St Mary's Grammar School. He was the secretary of the Student Council and a member of the Glee Club and Sodality. He retired as a timekeeper for New England Power and lived in Florida until his recent death.

His teammates were R. Quinn, Mike Palladino, Joe Pappalardo, J. Rajotte, Phil and Frank Sirois of the Sacred Heart section of South Lawrence. R. Guilmette and Jack Swift, Ron Heggarty was the manager, Ray Matton, R. Belisle, Bobby Laplume of the Sacred Heart section, Bobby Topping was a fine athlete and qb went on to play at Brown University he came from the West St. section and was a great team leader, W. Johnson, K. Dumais, Roger Bossineau and George McCafferty from Andover a fierce running back who also was one of the area's best baseball players as a hitter and a first baseman. He later became a probation officer in Plymouth NH. He was also a teammate of mine as we played for the St. Patrick's CYO and his great attitude added to his talent.

R. Drew also played for the red and blue. Joe Bosse was a gigantic tight end and made almost every all star team around; he lived in the Sacred Heart part of the City and his quiet, easy going ways disappeared once he hit the gridiron. Joe went on to play at Notre Dame and later became an executive at U.S. Steel.

Pete Lambert came from the same neighborhood as the Sirois and Bosse and was the team's center; he also played for a very good Central Catholic hockey team.

Bob Rosemarino is in the school's Hall of Fame along with Bosse and the Coach Moynihan and the Coach's son Buffer.

Rosie played hoop and baseball as

well; he was a good catcher on the diamond. He became a teacher coach and worked under some great coaches including the legendary Ed Buckley through the Lawrence High School title runs in the 50s. He played football at Holy Cross before a broken back suffered in a game against the Quantico Marines a team loaded with pro football players. Rosie became a head coach at St. Rita's in Chicago and later at St. Thomas Aquinas in Rochester, NY before returning to the area to coach Methuen High. He later took over the Greater Lawrence Vocational School reigns and led them to two titles and is now enshrined in their Hall of Fame. He still lives in this area in Salem, NH.

Georgie Lydick was a lineman from the West St. area and his brother Don is still a photographer in the city. Don was a fine hoopster and one year lost the Essex County League scoring title in a tight race to former fast pitch softball pitcher from Rockport, MA Sherm Anderton. Don is in the LHS Hall of Fame. George went and played at Hofstra University and was recommended to that school by legendary Lawrence High School coach Mark Devlin. Later he moved to Florida and became a longtime lifeguard in the Ft. Lauderdale area.

Ronnie Saccuzzo was a fine running back and a basketball star. Don Watkins was a lineman and Charlie Fiorino, a school Hall of Famer who is now retired from Raytheon and living in Florida, was to

become a super star as a QB in football. A fine hoopster, he was a star baseball player and played on the same St. Pat's baseball team with Mc Cafferty and yours truly. Charlie was also a good team player and went on to play and captain two sports at Boston University later becoming the head basketball coach for his old high school team at Central Catholic.

Roger Vachon now retired and a fine golfer resides in Methuen and he also played three sports. Kevin Judge now retired from Merck Pharmaceuticals now resides in Hilton Head where he and former Central Catholic classmate Dick Ehrler used to hit the links quite often until a bad back took Judge out of the games.

Ehrler as a youth was a great gymnast and won many exhibitions for the now defunct Turn Hall on Park St. His sister Marilyn was married to the great Central Catholic baseball catcher Archie McCarthy who passed away at a much too young age. She later became the hostess at the reckoned Bishop's restaurant in the city and resides in Haverhill these days.

Kevin became a paratrooper and played baseball for his Army team as a first baseman. He and Vachon also played for the aforementioned CYO team.

Ronnie Ford was Judge's paratrooping mate while serving as a Ranger. No, I didn't make that up I swear it's true.

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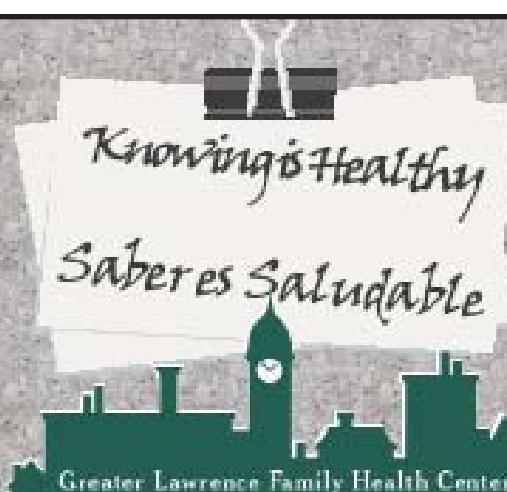
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# LFDCS Celebra el Día de Read Across America



Donna McGrath



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Erick Andrickson-a 2002 graduate of Lawrence Family Development Charter School and AmeriCorps volunteer.

**L**os estudiantes de la escuela Lawrence Family Development Charter celebraron recientemente Read Across America Day en reconocimiento del cumpleaños del Dr. Seuss. Dr. Seuss nació Theodor Seuss Geisel el 2 de marzo de 1904 en Springfield, MA. Él es el escritor y dibujante mejor conocido por sus libros

clásicos para niños, incluyendo el Gato en el Sombrero, Huevos Verdes con Jamón, Cómo el Grinch se Robó la Navidad y Un Pescado Dos Pescados Pescado Rojo Pescado Azul. Sus libros son famosos por sus rimas graciosas y los personajes caprichosos.

En general, 250 estudiantes desde

kindergarten hasta el segundo grado leyeron más de 300 libros durante el evento. Los padres, líderes de negocios locales y profesores compartieron su amor por la lectura con los alumnos mediante leyéndoles de sus personajes favoritos en los libros de Dr. Seuss. Los estudiantes también leyeron a sus invitados y cada niño recibió una copia gratuita de un libro del Dr. Seuss de la edad apropiada para su biblioteca en casa.

Sesenta estudiantes de kindergarten participaron en las actividades dando la bienvenida a un lector invitado muy especial en Biblioteca Familia Foley de la escuela. Dolores Calaf, ex Directora del Campus de Lawrence de Cambridge College y actual miembro de la junta directiva de Lawrence Family Development and Education Fund visitó a los estudiantes y les leyó El Gato en el Sombrero. La Sra. Calaf habló con los estudiantes sobre la importancia de la lectura y discutió las lecciones presentadas en este libro.

# LFDCS Celebrates Read Across America Day

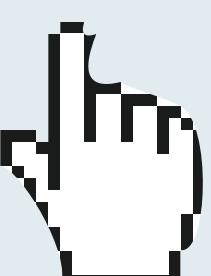
Lawrence Family Development Charter School students recently celebrated Read Across America Day in recognition of Dr. Seuss's birthday. Dr. Seuss was born Theodor Seuss Geisel on March 2, 1904 in Springfield, MA. He is the American writer and cartoonist best known for his classic children's books, including The Cat in the Hat, Green Eggs and Ham, How the Grinch Stole Christmas and One Fish Two Fish Red Fish Blue Fish. His books are famous for their funny rhymes and whimsical characters.

Overall, 250 kindergarten through second grade students read more than 300 books during the event. Parents, local business leaders and teachers shared their joy of reading with students by reading their favorite Dr. Seuss books to them. Students also read to their guests and every child was given a free copy of a grade appropriate Dr. Seuss book for their home library.

Sixty kindergarten students participated in the activities by welcoming a very special guest reader to the school's Foley Family Library. Dolores Calaf, former Director of Cambridge College Lawrence Campus and current member of the Lawrence Family Development and Education Fund Board of Trustees, visited the students and read The Cat in the Hat with them. Ms. Calaf spoke with the students about the importance of reading and discussed the lessons presented in this book.

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# Mayor Manzi Names Rose Carney as March's Artist of the Month

Artist's Work on Display in the Mayor's Office

**M**ayor William M. Manzi has named Rose Carney as March's Artist of the Month. For Rose, the creative process began in earnest after attending an adult education class in oil painting. The love of expressing herself in paint was something she had always wanted to do.

While she was a full time third grade teacher at St. Augustine/Our Lady of Good Counsel School in Lawrence, she arranged her schedule to include time to paint – either for a few minutes or a few hours depending upon the circumstances of the day. She would work on turning a blank canvas into an object of beauty, capturing the light of vistas or the intimacy of a single petal, and she would hope that the painting would touch the hearts and souls of other people. Currently Rose Carney is a member of Methuen's Art Institute Group and the Greater Haverhill Arts Association and is the recipient of numerous awards in various art competitions. Her artwork has been published on the covers of the magazines ArtsNorth and Arts Around Boston and several paintings have received national recognition.



Mayor Manzi stated, "I'd like to personally thank Rose for her participation in this program. She is one of the many talented artists working in our community. It is an honor to display her paintings. I encourage people to come to my office and view her work."

The Methuen Artist of the Month Program was created by Mayor Manzi five

years ago in order to give members of the Methuen Arts Community a forum to display their work and to encourage participation in Methuen's growing creative economy. Methuen artists interested in being considered for Artist of the Month should contact the Mayor's Office.

## Lawrence Native to Speak on Impact of Irish in the Civil War

**P**atriot Capt. Timothy Deasy, as well as the role of all Irish-American Civil War veterans, will be the subject of a White Fund lecture presented by the captain's great-grand-nephew, Lawrence native Robert J. Bateman, on Sunday, March 20, at 2 p.m. in the Lawrence Heritage State Park Visitors' Center, 1 Jackson St., Lawrence. Free and open to the public, it will be offered in partnership with Northern Essex Community College.

Bateman, a Lt. Col., 88th Brigade, Deputy Commander, New York Guard - Army Division, New York, NY, will explore the role of Irish/American Civil War veterans in the Irish Revolutionary/Republic (Fenian) Brotherhood and its fight for Irish freedom and independence.

Captain Timothy Deasy was born in Clonakilty, County Cork, in 1839 and immigrated with his family to the United States settling in Lawrence in 1847. Bateman will discuss the amazing life of Capt. Deasy, who fought for his beliefs on the battlefields of three nations.

Bateman is a 1963 graduate of Lawrence High School. He received a bachelor's degree from Villanova University in 1967 and did advanced graduate work in

Irish Studies at Harvard University. He has studied at Northeastern University and the U.S. Department of Agriculture Graduate School for Government Executives. He concluded 15 years of service with the United States Department of the Treasury as the Assistant National Director of U.S. Savings Bond Sales in 1982. For the past 28 years he has worked in the financial services industry in the private sector. A grandfather of six grandchildren and father of three children, he resides with his wife in New York City.

The views expressed in the White Fund Enlightenment Series Presentations are the views of the speaker and do not necessarily reflect the views or policies of Northern Essex Community College.

The White Fund's purpose is to have a free series of interactive presentations for Lawrence area adults, youth, and children. The audience is encouraged to seek wisdom, cultural enrichment, and intellectual enhancement by attending and participating.

Funded by a generous financial gift from the Honorable Daniel Appleton White, the White Fund Lecture Series has provided cultural conversation featuring



well-known lecturers in fields such as history, literature, travel, the arts, and politics. The White Fund is collaborating with Northern Essex on this series.

For additional information or to receive a calendar of upcoming events in the White Fund Enlightenment Series, call 978-738-7403 or visit the website [www.necc.mass.edu/whitefund](http://www.necc.mass.edu/whitefund).

## Crayone's music now available in UK and Japan



**B**ylli Crayone of Lawrence, MA who released an album this past January has been hard at work promoting the release in the US, UK and Japan. The album entitled "Presto: Element of Surprise" features non-stop dance tracks with some help of his celebrity music friends of the '80s.

Locally, you may have heard his music on KISS 108 or even on television on the Music Choice Channel. He was also on NECN about a week ago showcasing his album during the morning show. Soon you'll be hearing Crayone on the 'Matty in the Morning' show on Kiss 108 as he tells his story of the album. Stay tuned to his website for date and time.

Meanwhile, the album has taken on a life of its own in Japan. "The album seems to have a bigger audience overseas," says Crayone. "I get fans on FaceBook all the time telling me how much they love me".

The albums lead single "It's Okay Boy" featuring 80s Pop Princess TIFFANY is on many DJ's top 20 playlists in the US and overseas. The single was released on December 11th and it is still going strong.

A remix maxi single will be available in April to further promote the release featuring new remixes by Keith Kemper of New York City and Manuel Manroy and Jhon Nunez both of New Mexico. The release also includes a new medley remixed by DJ Hek of Lawrence, MA and a radio Interview as heard on the XL TRACKS Radio Network. So as you can see, this will be an interesting release for the maxi single.

In other Crayone-releated news...

Bylli Crayone was just recognized by his charity "Coats For Kids" in conjunction with Anton's Cleaners. He has been active with this charity since 2008. He received a certificate for helping raise over 68,000 coats for those less fortunate. Promotional partners include Jordan's Furniture, Kiss 108 and Fox 25. More information on his charities at [www.BylliCrayone.com](http://www.BylliCrayone.com).

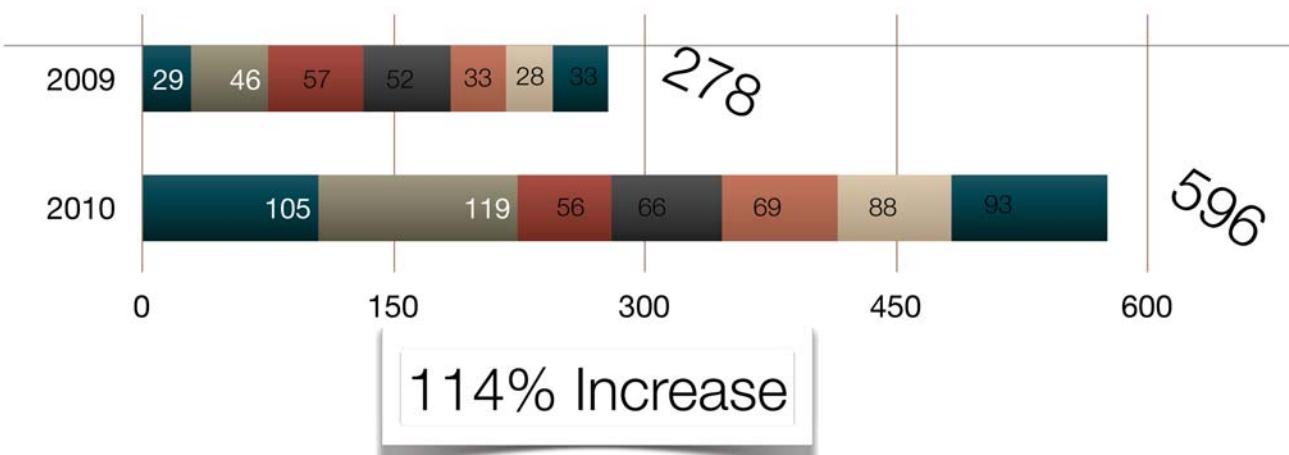
For more on Bylli Crayone, his music, charities, etc. visit [www.BylliCrayone.com](http://www.BylliCrayone.com).



## Lawrence City Councilor Marc Laplante

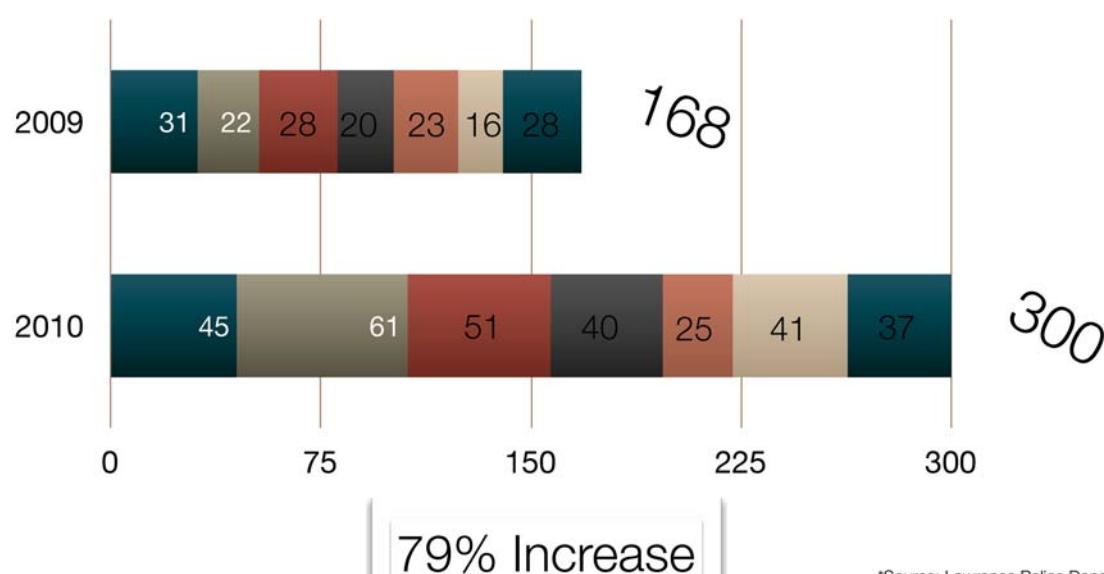
### Auto Theft

July August September October  
November December January



### Aggravated Assault

July August September October  
November December January



\*Source: Lawrence Police Department

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### DÍAZ: From My Corner

which included police brutality cases. I will be talking to the agent in charge of civil rights again this week and, hopefully with their help, we will be able to work with the local Human Rights Commission so that it can begin to operate as it should. They need to appoint an executive director and the mayor has to understand that money has to be found through grants or appropriations to make the residents' safety and justice a priority in this city.

### Money to burn?

The City Council approved the payment of Lawrence High School Legal Fees, \$320,753.98; Guilmette Legal Fees, \$298,500.00; and Guilmette School Work, \$780,000.00 (Total work FY11 and FY12 - 1,325,000; School Department to pay the balance.) Total from "Free Cash" \$1,399,253.98.

Personally, I think that this should be paid by the school department. The legal expenses and the damages at the Guilmette School were all caused by school department employees. If the city cannot or do not have the authority to evaluate school employee performance, why should the city be responsible for payment?

I also questioned why this decision had to be made in executive session and Councilor at-Large Dan Rivera who chairs the Budget and Finance Committee said that if there was any way the schools could have paid for this, they would have wanted them to. Danny explained that, according to the Fiscal Overseer, Robert G. Nunes, the school department can use the school department budgeted money for the cleaning and remediation work, they cannot pay for the legal and reconstruction bills.

"This is just more of the mess we were left to clean up," Councilor Rivera

responded. "I am not sure when it will end, but we will continue to do what's best for the City and its taxpayers, and that means dealing responsibly with what we owe and how we spend what we have."

District E Councilor Eileen Bernal responded that, "The discussion was whether or not to make payment which if denied would result in a lawsuit, they were within their rights to enter into executive session to have that discussion. Otherwise they would be broadcasting their litigation strategy. Discussion of a threatened or pending lawsuit is a well established basis for entering into executive session."

### Good-bye Snow White

Two weeks ago we published a story from Jose Alfonso García that was

widely misunderstood and created lots of controversy. He was referring to Mrs. Snow White and the mess it created but worst yet, once it disappeared, the trash left behind was an even bigger concern.

Oh, how right he was! How about if we all clean in front of our own home or business?

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### DÍAZ: Desde Mi Esquina

#### ¿Dinero para mal gastar?

El concilio de Lawrence aprobó el pago de cuentas de Lawrence High School por concepto de honorarios de abogados, \$320,753.98; cuentas de asuntos legales de la Escuela Guilmette, \$298,500.00, y trabajo realizado dentro de la Escuela Guilmette, \$780,000.00 (el total del trabajo por FY11 y FY12 - \$1,325,000; el Departamento Escolar ha de pagar el resto.) Total a sacar de lo que llaman "Free Cash" \$1,399,253.98.

Personalmente, creo que esto debe ser pagado por el departamento escolar. Los gastos legales y los daños en la Escuela de Guilmette fueron causadas por los empleados del departamento escolar. Si la ciudad no puede o no tienen la autoridad de evaluar el desempeño de los empleados de las escuelas, ¿por qué la ciudad se tiene que hacer cargo del pago?

También pregunté por qué esta decisión tenía que ser hecha en una sesión ejecutiva y el Concejal at-Large Dan Rivera, quien preside el Comité de Presupuesto y Finanzas, dijo que si había alguna manera de hacer que las escuelas hubieran pagado por ello, que ellos lo hubiesen preferido. Danny explicó que, de acuerdo con el Supervisor Fiscal, Robert G. Nunes, el departamento escolar puede utilizar el dinero en su presupuesto para pagar por los trabajos de limpieza y remediación, pero que no pueden pagar los gastos legales y la reconstrucción.

"Esto es parte del lío que nos dejaron para limpiar", respondió el Concejal Rivera. "No estoy seguro de cuándo va a terminar, pero vamos a seguir haciendo lo mejor para la ciudad y sus contribuyentes, y eso significa tratar con responsabilidad lo que debemos y cómo gastamos lo que tenemos."

La Concejala del Distrito E Eileen Bernal respondió que, "La discusión fue si hacer el pago o no porque si nos negamos se traduciría en una demanda y por eso se encontraban dentro de su derecho a entrar en sesión ejecutiva para tener ese debate. De lo contrario, diciendo públicamente su estrategia de litigio. La discusión de una amenaza de demanda o en espera de una es una base bien establecida para entrar en sesión ejecutiva."

#### ¡Adiós Blanca Nieves!

Hace dos semanas publicamos un artículo de José Alfonso García, que fue ampliamente mal interpretada y ha creado un montón de controversia. Se refería a la señora Blanca Nieves y el lío que ella creó, pero peor aún, una vez que desapareció, la basura que dejó tras de sí fue una preocupación aún mayor.

¡Oh, cuánta razón tenía! ¿Qué tal si todos limpiamos el frente de nuestras casas o comercio?

## Easter Seals NH Kicks Off VIP Campaign



Northwestern Mutual Financial Network representatives gathered at the Easter Seals NH 2011 VIP Campaign Kickoff at PSNH to present a Community Impact Award check for \$50,000 that will benefit the Easter Seals 75th Anniversary Children's Campaign. In photo (l to r): Director of Selection Ed Doherty, Director of Recruitment Ann-Marie Forrester, Easter Seals NH President & CEO Larry Gammon, Managing Partner Scott Christensen, retired Managing Partner and Easter Seals NH Chairman of the Board Dick Rawlings, and Executive Assistant Kelly Jordan. For more information about Easter Seals, call 1-800-870-8728 or visit [www.eastersealsnh.org](http://www.eastersealsnh.org). If you'd like to be part of the VIP Campaign, please call 603.621.3457.

## Northern Essex Celebrates Sleep Awareness Week



Do you or someone you know have problems sleeping? If yes, you may want to attend Northern Essex Community College's celebration of Sleep Awareness Week, Wednesday, March 23 from 11a.m. to 2p.m. in Lecture Hall A of the Spurk building on the college's Haverhill campus, 100 Elliott St. In the photo, Northern Essex Sleep Technology Student Nicole Porto of Tewksbury practices giving a sleep study in the college's lab.

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Free and open to the public, the event aims to educate the public on the importance of sleep health, common sleep disorders, and the consequences of poor sleep. During the event there will be a live set up of a sleep study demonstrating what happens during a sleep test. Participants will also have the opportunity to have a free sleep screening and enter to win a raffle for a \$250 gift certificate for Jordan's Furniture with a 'relaxation' gift basket. Two representatives from AAA will also be

presenting the dangers and prevention of "Drowsy Driving."

Northern Essex Community College offers a Sleep Technology Certificate program which combines classroom study, laboratory practice, and clinical experiences. Graduates from this program are prepared to take the Registered Polysomnography Technologist examination and will be ready for a career in sleep medicine. Most graduates work in hospital sleep labs. The 10-month program is offered in a traditional classroom setting or online.

For more information on the Sleep Technology Program, visit the college website [www.necc.mass.edu](http://www.necc.mass.edu) or contact John Murray, program coordinator, [jmurray@necc.mass.edu](mailto:jmurray@necc.mass.edu) or 978 738-7274.

## CHOOSING ADOPTION

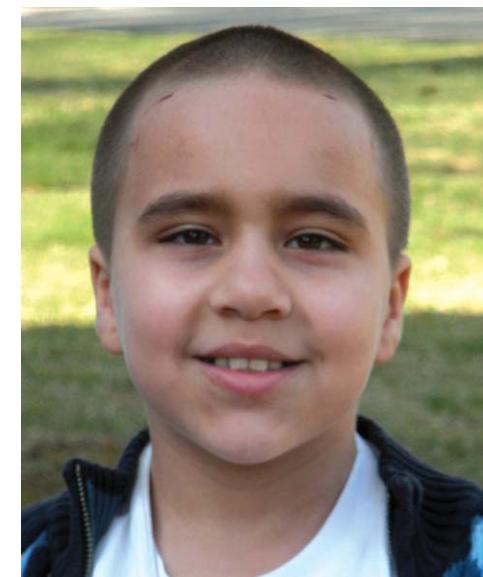
### Hi! My name is Raymond

"I like to spend time with my friends and I want a family who will love me forever"

**R**aymond is a legally free, eleven year old boy of Hispanic descent. He is described as being very engaging and polite. In fourth grade and performing at grade level, Raymond needs a little extra help with his reading skills. He also attends therapy weekly to help him with issues related to loss and separation. He loves to play video games and would someday like to play baseball or even become a professional baseball player when he is older.

In his present home, Raymond is very helpful, does chores and keeps his room very clean. Raymond would do well in a structured and nurturing home. Raymond has requested a two parent home but his adoption worker feels that almost any family constellation could be considered for Raymond. Raymond's new family will also need to help Raymond maintain contact with his brother and sister and possibly four visits a year with his birthmother. Raymond's special wish is to have a family that helps him keep in contact with his brother and sister.

If you want to know more about Raymond or about adoption you can attend the Western MA Spring Adoption Party, Saturday, April 30th, 2011 from 9:30 am-1:00 pm at Springfield College, East Campus: 701 Wilbraham Road, Springfield, MA.



In this Adoption Party you will meet waiting children and their social workers and learn about adoption from a panel of teens. There will be activities such as arts and crafts, and large and small group games. Lunch will be served. Dress for outdoor play! For more information or to RSVP, contact MARE at 617-542-3678 or [web@mareinc.org](mailto:web@mareinc.org). In Massachusetts there are more than 600 children in foster care waiting for adoption.

### ESPAÑOL DECIDIÉNDOSE POR ADOPCIÓN

### ¡Hola! Mi nombre es Raymond

"Me gusta pasar tiempo con mis amigos y quiero una familia que me ame por siempre"

**R**aymond es un jovencito de once años de edad, de ascendencia hispana y legalmente libre para adopción. Se le describe como un niño educado y agradable. Está en el cuarto grado en la escuela y se encuentra al nivel de su clase aunque necesita un poco de ayuda extra con la lectura. También recibe ayuda terapéutica semanal para superar situaciones de pérdida y separación en su vida. A Raymond le encantan los video juegos y le gustaría ser un jugador profesional de béisbol o basquetbol cuando sea mayor.

En su hogar actual, Raymond colabora con los oficios de la casa y mantiene su habitación muy limpia. El respondería muy bien en un hogar con estructura y cariño. El ha pedido una familia con dos padres, aunque su trabajador social dice que cualquier tipo de familia sería considerada para él. También es importante que Raymond continúe en contacto con sus hermanos por lo menos cuatro veces al año.

Su más grande deseo es tener una familia que le permita seguir en contacto con su hermana y su hermano.

Si desea saber más acerca de Raymond o acerca de adopción puede asistir a la Fiesta de Adopción de Western MA-Sábado, 30 de abril, 2011 de 9:30am -1:00 pm que se realizará en Springfield College, East Campus: 701 Wilbraham Road, Springfield, MA.

En esta Fiesta de Adopción usted podrá conocer a los niños que esperan ser adoptados al igual que a sus trabajadores sociales. Habrá actividades como artes y manualidades y juegos para grupos grandes y pequeños. Se proveerá almuerzo. Vístase para jugar al aire libre. Para mayor información o para inscribirse contacte MARE al 617-542-3678 ó [web@mareinc.org](mailto:web@mareinc.org). En Massachusetts hay más de 200 niños y niñas de origen latino que esperan ser adoptados.

# CALENDARIO | CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## DIABETES PREVENTION – CLASSES START MARCH 28, 2011

### News about the Merrimack Valley YMCA's new Diabetes Prevention Program

#### YOU CAN TAKE CONTROL!

The YMCA's Diabetes Prevention Program helps people at high risk begin and maintain healthy lifestyles and reduce their chances of developing type 2 diabetes.

Our program is based on the landmark Diabetes Prevention Program funded by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), which showed that by eating healthier, increasing physical activity and losing a small amount of weight, a person with pre-diabetes can prevent or delay the onset of type 2 diabetes by 58%.

In a classroom setting, a trained lifestyle coach will help you change your lifestyle by learning about healthy eating, physical activity and other behavior changes over the course of 16 one-hour sessions. Topics covered include nutrition, getting started with physical activity, overcoming stress, staying motivated, and more. After the initial 16 core sessions, you will meet monthly for up to a year for added support to help them maintain their progress.

#### PROGRAM GOALS

- Reduce body weight by 7%
- Gradually increase physical activity to at least 150 minutes per week

#### CAN I PARTICIPATE?

To qualify for the program, individuals must be overweight and at high risk for developing diabetes or overweight and have been diagnosed by a physician as someone with pre-diabetes.

#### AM I AT RISK?

Your doctor can tell you if you are at risk. He can determine this through a blood test with one of the following results:

- Fasting plasma glucose between 100-125 mg/dL
- HbA1c between 5.7% and 6.4%
- Random or casual blood glucose level of 240-199 mg/dL or higher

A combination of risk factors such as family history, overweight, gestational diabetes, elevated cholesterol, etc., may also put you at high risk.

#### PROGRAM COST

- Y Members: \$99
  - Program Members: \$149
- We offer financial assistance for those who need it.

#### INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE?

Contact Gia Saraceni, YMCA Diabetes Prevention Program Coordinator, at 978-725-6681 ext. 166 or via email at [gsaraceni@mymca.org](mailto:gsaraceni@mymca.org).

UnitedHealthCare members should check with their employer for program availability, or contact the Diabetes Prevention and Control Alliance to confirm eligibility at 1-800-237-4942.

## SPRING FOOD DRIVE

City of Methuen  
Mayor William M. Manzi, III & Representative Linda Dean Campbell

#### TO BENEFIT:

Mayor Manzi and Representative Campbell have again teamed up to fight hunger. They are asking city employees, residents and businesses to make donations of nonperishable items to the Merrimack Valley Food Bank. The Food Bank provides food to several local pantries and shelters. Your efforts will help to eliminate hunger in our community so that people are better able to face other daily challenges.

The Drive will run from March 7th to March 25th. Donations of nonperishable food items can be dropped off at the Nevins Memorial Library during regular Library Hours, the Methuen City Hall Lobby, or the Methuen Senior Center Lobby, Monday-Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Friday from 8:00 a.m. to Noon.

**Food Needs & Suggestions:** Canned Vegetables (low sodium), Canned Fruit (in lite syrup or juice), Canned Meat & Fish, Beef Stew/Soups, Peanut Butter, Baby Food/Formula, Mac & Cheese, Rice & Pasta, Spaghetti Sauce, Parmalat Shelf Stable Milk Play a Role in Fighting Hunger – Your Help is Greatly Needed.

## News from Nashua (NH)

Public Library  
2 Court Street  
For directions and information on parking go to: [www.nashualibrary.org/directions.htm](http://www.nashualibrary.org/directions.htm)

#### FAMILY FILM SERIES

Family Films are shown on Saturdays at 2 p.m. in the library theater. Children 6 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Sponsored by the Friends of the Nashua Public Library. Call the library's film line at (603) 589-4646 for titles. Please, no food or drink in the theater. No registration required.

#### OPEN STORYTIMES AND PUPPET SHOWS

Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 10 a.m. Thursdays at 7 p.m., and Sundays at 2 p.m. Open Storytimes & Puppet Shows run continuously, and no registration is required.

#### BABIES AND BOOKS STORYTIME

Through stories and music, learn how to read aloud and develop your baby's language and pre-reading skills. Babies and their caregivers are welcome to join us. Thursdays: 9 a.m. and 10 a.m.: ages 13 to 24 months; 11 a.m. and 12 noon: ages birth to 12 months. No registration required. For more information call the Children's Room at (603) 589-4631.

#### CELTIC TRIO AT NASHUA LIBRARY

The Nashua Public Library continues its celebration of Celtic Heritage Month with "Not Your Father's St. Patrick's Day," a performance of harp, cello, poetry, and song, on Sunday, March 27, at 2 p.m. The trio includes Áine Minogue, an Irish harpist, vocalist, and folklorist. Áine not only embodies the soul of traditional Irish music and dance through her sellout performances and albums, but also is renowned for her deep, nuanced understanding of the Celtic spirituality and culture from which the music arises.

Áine's harp has entertained presidents and prime ministers. Reviewing her music, the Los Angeles Times said, "Anyone who's skeptical of the concept of heaven as a place where eternity is spent listening to harp music should hear this. Áine Minogue proves beyond reasonable doubt why the harp is indeed the instrument of angels."

Joining Áine will be cellist Eugene Friesen, who is a member of the Paul Winter Consort; and percussionist Noriko Terada.

The library performance is funded in part by the Friends and Trustees of the Hunt Memorial Building through the generosity of the Ella Anderson Trust. It will be held in the library's Music, Art, and Media Wing and is free and open to the public.

## FBI Summer Transportation Institute

FBI Citizens Academy Alumni: The Citizens Academy Alumni Association Board wanted to share information about this unique learning opportunity for high school students. The Summer Institute is a 4-week long intensive (free) program sponsored by the US Department of Transportation, and partners, that seeks to aid in developing a diverse and robust workforce for the transportation industry by exposing 10th, 11th and 12th grade students to transportation careers. The next class is scheduled for June 26 through July 22 2011 at Merrimack College. The deadline to apply is May 6, 2011.

The program provides a broad range of opportunities including classroom activities, laboratory visits and field trips, worth an approximate value of \$6500, including room and board at Merrimack College.

For full details on the program and how to apply, visit: [http://www.merrimack.edu/academics/science\\_engineering/civil\\_engineering/STI/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.merrimack.edu/academics/science_engineering/civil_engineering/STI/Pages/default.aspx)

## Adopt a Cat

Our foster homes are full of wonderful cats and kittens waiting to be adopted. In order for BCCC to help more cats, we need to find homes for these terrific "fur kids". Please visit our website to see who is available for adoption, or feel free to pass this message along to anyone you know who may be interested in adopting one of our "fur kids". Thank you for your support.

[www.billericacatcarecoaliton.org](http://www.billericacatcarecoaliton.org)

## SPRING CONCERT SERIES BEGINS MARCH 20

The Nashua Public Library opens a series of four concerts this spring on Sunday, March 20, at 2 p.m. with a performance by Shanachie. Celebrate Celtic History Month with the songs, stories, and shenanigans of this Irish singing duo featuring Pat Heffernan and Patrick Keane.

Future concerts in the library's spring series include: Sunday, March 27, at 2 p.m.—Aine Minogue Trio (Celtic harp, cello, poetry, and song); Saturday, April 2, at 3:30 p.m.—Nashua Chamber Orchestra Family Concert; Sunday, April 10, at 2 p.m.—Merrimack Valley Flute Choir.

All performances are free and open to the public. The concerts are held in the library's Music, Art, and Media Wing. The library is located at 2 Court Street. For more information, call Carol at 589-4610 or visit [www.nashualibrary.org](http://www.nashualibrary.org) and click Events. Click Events. For directions, go to [www.nashualibrary.org/directions.htm](http://www.nashualibrary.org/directions.htm).

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Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce

978-686-0900 [www.merrimackvalleychamber.com](http://www.merrimackvalleychamber.com)

### Candlelight Vigil

The Merrimack Valley Chapter of Parents of Murdered Children, (POMC) invites you to the third annual Candlelight Vigil on April 11, 2011, in recognition of National Crime Victim's Rights Week. This year's theme, Reshaping the Future, Honoring the Past.

The event opens at the Lowell Memorial Auditorium at 4PM with informational booths and a social gathering. We then will culminate outside at 7:00PM for a candle light walk to City Hall.

Speakers who will be in attendance are Senator Eileen Donoghue, Sheriff Peter Koutoujian, State Rep. Dave Nangle and Community VOICES, Laurie Myers.

2011 National Crime Victims' Rights Week will recall the ideals that inspired the decades-long struggle of the victims' rights movement and challenge all Americans to honor victims' rights. "This event is in support of all crimes, not just homicides! If you are a victim of a crime or in support of any victim of a crime please join us in our walk." "We will have information booths for anyone seeking help," said Arnie Muscovitz, Chapter Leader of the Merrimack Valley Chapter of POMC. Mr. Muscovitz went on to say "This is a great awareness tool and hopefully it would make people more educated and prevent these horrible crimes from happening."

Only a few decades ago, unfairness, indignities, and disrespect confronted many victims of crime. Victims of Crime in America, the 1984 report of the President's Task Force on Victims of Crime, described a "hellish" justice system, focused on offenders and indifferent to victims' needs.

In the 25 years since Victims of Crime in America was published, a grassroots movement began to combat such unfairness and launched decades of progress for victims of crime. As of 2010, every state has passed victims' rights laws, and 32 states have constitutional victims' rights amendments. All states have victim compensation funds, and more than 10,000 victim assistance programs exist throughout the country. Such changes have made victims participants, rather than bystanders, in the criminal justice system. Yet much work remains. Victims' rights are not always enforced. Some victims

### Cleaning for a Reason

If you know any woman currently undergoing chemotherapy, please pass the word to her that there is a cleaning service that provides FREE housecleaning - once per month for 4 months while she is in treatment. All she has to do is sign up and have her doctor fax a note confirming the treatment. Cleaning for a Reason will have a participating maid service in her zip code area arrange for the service. This organization serves the entire USA and currently has 547 partners to help these women. It's our job to pass the word and let them know that there are people out there that care. Be a blessing to someone and pass this information along.

[www.cleaningforareason.org](http://www.cleaningforareason.org)

receive no notice when a trial is scheduled or an offender released. Some courts deny victims' right to be heard at sentencing or to be present at trials, or they fail to order restitution or issue protection orders to keep victims safe. Some victims never learn about victim compensation or receive victim services, an increasing reality during our current economic downturn. Such failures block victims' access to their rights.

Community members are encouraged to join in the week's activities and get involved in helping victims of crime. If you are interested or know anyone who wishes to have an information table reserved for this event, please contact Diane Bujnowski in the Mayor's Office at 978-9704040 or [dbujnowski@lowellma.gov](mailto:dbujnowski@lowellma.gov).

"Without Arnie Muscovitz and his leadership, the knowledge of how many families locally and nationally who have been impacted with such loss has such a profound effect, says Mayor Jim Milinazzo.

I leave you with this..... "The death of a loved one leaves a heartache no one can heal, the love of a loved one leaves a memory no one can steal."

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#### Daisy

Lhaso Apso: Daisy is a spunky, fun, small 7 year old girl who came in to the shelter with her best friend Brownie the Pomeranian. They have spent their whole life together and would love to find a special home together. Their previous owner became ill and couldn't care for them any longer. Come visit this cute couple and get to know them.



#### Brownie

Pomeranian is a spunky fun little 7 year old boy who came in to the shelter with his best friend Daisy the Lhasa Apso. They have spent their whole life together and would love to find a special home that has enough room and love for the both of them. Their previous owner became ill and couldn't care for them any longer. Buy all of your pet supplies here! All of the proceeds go to help the animals and programs of the Noble



#### Lacie

German Shepherd: Lacie is an intelligent and beautiful 4 year old girl. Her previous owners grandchildren moved in and they made Lacie nervous. She is well behaved in the home and quiet. Lacie knows some commands like sit and down. Lacie prefers a home with adults where she can be the only doggie.



#### Rusty

Lop Eared Mix: Rusty is a sweet bunny in Foster care until he gets some dental work. His story can be read on the medical blog <http://www.mspca.org/adoption/methuen-nevins/blogs/medical-suite-blog/rusty-the-rabbits-recent.html>.



#### Lovey and Dovey

Bunnies: These rabbits live up to their name! They are social and love cheek rubs. They will entertain each other, and any family, for years to come. Bunnies are a great alternative to dogs and cats and can be litter box trained.



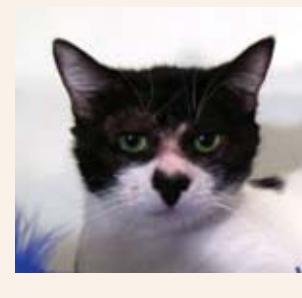
#### Lisa

Domestic Short Hair, Black and White: Sweet little Lisa is about 1 year old and still very kitten-like. She quickly became a staff favorite because of her sweet, loving personality. Lisa is a confident kitty who loves to play and cuddle. She is looking for a forever home where she can be the queen of the castle...she would like to be the only animal so that she can have your undivided attention. She would be fine with older children or teens.



#### Oreo

Domestic Short Hair, White and Black: Oreo has been at the Adoption Center since June of 2010 and is now the longest cat resident here at Nevins Farm. It is difficult for black and white cats to find homes sometimes, and Oreo has an unusual shape nose with an old scar on it. So she has been overlooked... This plump Princess arrived at the adoption center as a stray found in a flooded basement. She had kittens and became very ill. They all found happy homes and now Oreo is waiting for her happy ending.



**SAVE LIVES:** get your pet spayed or neutered Reduced SNAP fees are made possible through generous donations of time and resources by participating veterinarians who believe in the importance of spaying and neutering as part of a complete pet health care program.

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# Elder Abuse Revealed and Addressed

LÉALO EN ESPAÑOL EN LA PÁGINA 30

## Elder Services Keeps an Eye on Child Star Mickey Rooney Testifying before Congress as Victim of Elder Abuse

**A**t a hearing held in Washington, D. C. the U.S. Senate Select Committee on Aging focused on the issue of abuse of the elderly in America. The hearing, called "Justice for All: Ending Elder Abuse, Neglect and Financial Exploitation," was held on Capitol Hill. Several members of the Select Committee from New England spoke at the hearing.

The Committee's lead witness was child film star Mickey Rooney, 91, who told the committee: "Unfortunately, I'm testifying not just as a concerned citizen, but as a victim of elder abuse. Rooney told the Senate Committee he was financially exploited, that his resources were "stolen from me by someone close, a family member... I was unable to avoid becoming a victim of elder abuse..." Rooney urged the committee to pass legislation sponsored

by Senator Herb Kohl of Wisconsin, the "Elder Abuse Victims Act." Elder Services has made Protective Services one of the agency's top priorities. The Protective Service program investigates and resolves issues of elder abuse, neglect, self neglect and exploitation. In the last five years agencies like Elder Services has seen an increase of 31% in the number of reports that need to be investigated. On average Elder Services receives 120 reports a month

that need to be investigated and resolved. Massachusetts has had an elder abuse reporting law for 27 years, but national studies show that for every one case of abuse reported, another 24 go unreported. Every day in Massachusetts, another 54 reports of elder abuse are filed. The problem of elder abuse was called "a silent pandemic" at a Beacon Hill hearing on February 16th. Elder advocates say funding for protective services was cut back to 2008 levels.

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## DUSSAULT: Surviving the winter with pets

or sweater on her to keep warm. Make sure your dog gets plenty of exercise by playing indoor games with her during cold days (tug, fetch, laser pointer, or even just throwing a tennis ball upstairs and allowing her to chase it – all great ways to tire out a dog!).

Ice and salt can get stuck in your pets' paws. You can trim the fur on her feet so that ice doesn't get stuck, or you can put boots on her (if she allows it). If you use salt to de-ice your walkway, make sure to wipe her feet when you come back inside so she doesn't get sores on them (or use a pet-friendly de-icer, like Safe Paws).

Fortunately, Massachusetts recently passed a law requiring companies that make antifreeze to add a chemical that makes it taste bitter. In the past, the sweetness of

antifreeze was attractive to animals and children, many of whom were poisoned after drinking it. However, it's still very wise to keep all chemicals in tightly sealed containers, and stored in a location where animals cannot get to them.

Keeping cats indoors is always safer than allowing them outdoors, but this is never truer than in the winter time, when temperatures plummet and snow can fall several inches in just a few hours. Many cats suffer from frostbite on their ears or tails after just a short time outdoors. If you allow your dog to exercise in a fenced yard, make sure that the snow banks don't reach too far up the fence – if they do, then there's nothing to keep your dog in the yard! Just last week, I found a

stray dog wandering in my neighborhood because she'd walked right over the 4-foot fence surrounding her yard (the snow bank reached the top of the fence). Not only is this a risk to your dog, who can get lost or hit by a car, but you can also be fined by Animal Control (whose job is to enforce leash laws, for everyone's safety).

As long as you keep your pets safe from the elements, you can feel confident knowing that there will be plenty of time to make up for the long, dark days when spring rolls around and we all can enjoy a breath of fresh air!

For more information on seasonal pet safety, visit [www.mspca.org](http://www.mspca.org) or speak with the staff at your local MSPCA adoption center.

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## MONTESINO: Gracias... No problem

por ti, pero no te preocupes amigo (o amiga), eso no fue nada. No tuve ningún problema cuando te apareciste. A veces cuando escucho esa expresión me suena como si me dijeran, "Eh, no te preocupes idiota, y no me des un mal rato, ¿OK?" ¡Acaso nos estamos convirtiendo en una nación de "nadas" en español y en "no problems"?

No sé. Yo no quiero ser un "problem" para nadie. Yo quiero decir gracias. Y quiero escuchar que soy "welcome," no que soy un idiota. Ah sí, déme las gracias por este artículo si quiere. No problem. Y ese es mi punto de vista hoy.

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## MONTESINO: Thank you... de nada

two distinct pronouns in my brain. The informal, in my mind, felt always as a "tú". The formal felt always as "usted." They did not know it, but my face had to reflect the difference in dealing with them. I bet I was more serious addressing older folks, respectful perhaps, when I said you; and probably looked silly friendly when I

used the same word to talk to my drinking cronies. Perhaps they even had a different opinion about my personality.

How could it not be different? Were we supposed to say "thou" to our superiors? That expression is meant only for deity in churches and temples. Of course, mixing it altogether is probably more democratic.

No difference, period. All the same. You are you and so is the rest of the world. Obviously the language of Shakespeare won the dispute if there ever was one. Until we started to come in numbers. Us Latinos, I mean.

English-speaking folks, as a rule, are fond of the Spanish word "nada," an indefinite pronoun that means "nothing." I hold the door open for you, point to a building you are looking for, or tell you the time, you give me a gratuitous "Gracias" and I, trying to convey to you the fact that it was indeed a pleasure to serve you, answer with the words "De nada." Fair and square.

In the English world though, there is a different practice that I am afraid is going out of style. I was trained way back then that you were supposed to answer any expression of gratitude like "thank you," with a gentlemanly or lady-like answer that went like this: "You are welcome." That was really cool. People who went out of their way to hold that door or point that building or tell me that time, expressed their happiness for having served me. It was not only courtesy, it was also human and social acknowledgement. It said that you went through great sacrifice to make me feel comfortable. What could be more

Christian, more Jewish, more whatever you believe in life, than to serve others with delight?

But then our "nada" Spanish effect came to play. Today, when someone holds that door, points that building or tells that time and you say "thanks" they answer, not with a "you are welcome" phrase but with a friendly "no problem" expression. Sounds like "de nada" to me. Hey, I did what I did for you, but don't worry man, it was nothing, I did not go through any problem when you showed up. I even take it sometimes as saying to me "don't worry you idiot" and don't make trouble, uh. Are we becoming more Spanish? Is that our influence? Are we all becoming a nation of "nadistas" and "no problems"?

I don't know. I want to be a problem. I want to say thanks. And I want to hear that I am welcome, not that I am an idiot. Oh yes, if you want to thank me for this article, do that. De Nada.

And that is my point of view today.

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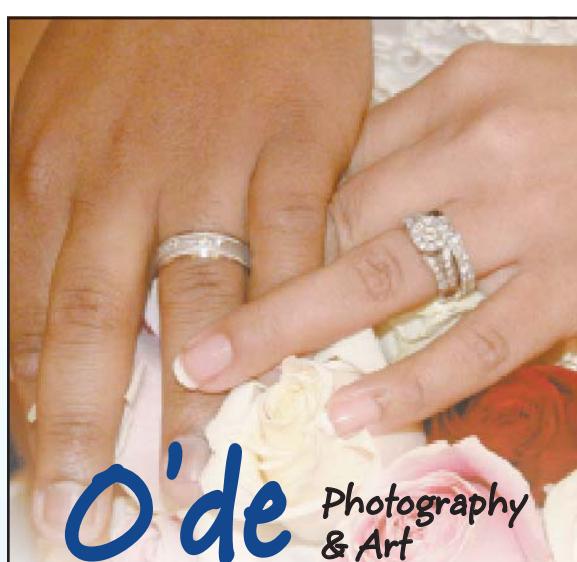
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# Toman medidas contra maltrato de personas mayores

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Elder Services estuvo atento a la ex Estrella Infantil Mickey Rooney y su testimonio ante el Congreso como Víctima de Abuso de Ancianos

**E**n una audiencia celebrada en Washington, DC el Comité Selecto del Senado sobre el Envejecimiento se centró en la cuestión del abuso de los ancianos en Estados Unidos. La audiencia, denominada "Justicia para Todos: Fin de Maltrato, Negligencia y Explotación Financiera", se llevó a cabo en el Capitolio. Varios miembros del Comité Selecto de Nueva Inglaterra, hablaron en la audiencia.

El testigo principal del Comité fue la

estrella de cine infantil Mickey Rooney, 91, quien dijo a la comisión: "Por desgracia, no soy dando testimonio solamente como un ciudadano preocupado, sino como una víctima de maltrato a personas mayores." Rooney dijo al Comité del Senado que fue explotado económicamente y que sus recursos fueron "robados por alguien cercano, un familiar... No pude evitar convertirme en una víctima de maltrato a personas mayores..." Rooney instó al Comité a aprobar una ley patrocinada por el Senador Herb Kohl de Wisconsin, El Acta de Maltrato de Personas Mayores.

Elder Services ha hecho el programa Servicios de Protección una de las prioridades de la agencia. El programa de Servicio de Protección investiga y resuelve los problemas de maltrato, descuido, auto negligencia y la explotación. En los últimos cinco años, agencias como Elder Services han visto un incremento del 31% en el número de casos que deben ser investigados. En promedio Elder Services recibe 120 quejas mensuales que deben ser investigadas y resueltas.

Massachusetts ha tenido una ley que exige que el maltrato a personas mayores

sea reportado durante 27 años, pero los estudios nacionales muestran que por cada caso de maltrato denunciado, otros 24 no se denuncian. Todos los días en Massachusetts, 54 nuevos casos de maltrato a personas mayores son denunciados. El problema del maltrato a personas mayores la llamaron "una pandemia silenciosa" en una audiencia de Beacon Hill, el 16 de febrero. Los defensores de ancianos dicen que los fondos para servicios de protección se redujeron a los niveles del 2008.

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## GARCÍA: Hasta Pronto Doña Blanca Nieve

la fuerza mediante un cruento golpe de estado. Dicen que aquí gobierna un dictador insensible, de manos férreas, que impone sus propias reglas. Pero después de estos dos meses conviviendo con los aldeanos en el seno del pueblo, he podido darme cuenta que estaba equivocada. He podido comprobar que todo es parte de una campaña de propaganda negativa montada por remanentes de gobernantes anteriores que pretenden desacreditar los aldeanos actuales y a sus dirigentes con la esperanza de algún día recobrar el poder que perdieron aunque solo legalmente. Ahora estoy convencida de que los actuales habitantes de estas tierras son gente buena y trabajadoras que aman esta aldea y que buscan un mejor futuro para su familia. No son seres extraños como me hicieron creer. Solo son descendientes de tribus diferentes con otras costumbres y otro color de piel; que ganaron el gobierno municipal limpia y democráticamente por medio del voto y no mediante un golpe de estado. Estos aldeanos inmigrantes, constituyen la mayoría de los habitantes de esta comunidad y tienen todo el derecho de auto gobernarse siempre que cumplan con las reglas previamente establecidas en la aldea.

Doña Blanca Nieve lucía tan alterada, que su comadre Lluvia intervino apresuradamente para tratar de calmarla y frotándole las manos con ternura le dijo: -Trate de calmarse comadre; esto no le hace nada bien. No olvide que usted sufre de presión arterial y acalorarse puede ser fatal.

-Estoy arrepentida de todo el mal que he causado, comadre; pero lo hecho, hecho está y no hay marcha atrás, es irreversible. Pero nunca me perdonaré el haber sido cómplice de aldeanos irresponsables que escondieron sus miserias bajo mi falda para cubrir de basura las calles de la aldea y luego cuestionar acremente la eficacia del gobierno de la ladea. No me perdonaré el haberme dejado usar por un grupo de aldeanos mal intencionados que aunque muy reducido, tiene como única meta, el hacer fracasar el gobierno de la aldea para allanar el camino de regreso a los antiguos amos y señores de las tierras de esta aldea. Definitivamente, caí como una tonta; me alié al grupo equivocado. La Lluvia separó sus manos de las de Doña Blanca Nieve bruscamente como si evitara la mirada penetrante de su amiga mientras miraba a su alrededor un tanto nerviosa y asustada.

-Esto puede ser muy peligroso, comadre. -Murmuró entre dientes, para agregar: -Dígame qué puedo hacer para reivindicarla? Quiero que de hoy en adelante mis acciones estén al servicio de los mejores intereses de la comunidad para remediar un poco las calamidades de la aldea.

-Solo manténgase bien alerta para que no puedan engañarla como lo hicieron conmigo. Ahora que vienen las elecciones para elegir un nuevo Concejo Municipal para la aldea, los candidatos lloverán. Aparecerán como hormigas sobre la mesa en busca de diminutas migajas de pan. Habrá lobos feroces que se disfrazarán de mansas ovejas para conseguir tu apoyo. Todos dirán que vienen en defensa de la aldea. Algunos son muy sinceros y tratarán de ganar con la verdad. Otros, usarán sucias artimañas para denigrar al contrario mientras sus seguidores se despedazan entre sí despiadadamente asesinando sus imágenes con palabras hirientes y distorsiones a la verdad cual en guerra fraterna salpicando su reputaciones con el lodo indeleble de la envidia y la maldad, sin darse cuenta que la más perjudicada será la propia aldea que dicen amar y defender.

-No se preocupe comadre; seguiré sus consejos al pie de la letra. -Dijo La Lluvia en tono tan cortante que marcaba el final de la conversación entre las dos amigas. -Le aseguro que el que intente desestabilizar la tranquilidad y el progreso de esta aldea me encontrará de frente y tendrá que conseguir muy buena sombrilla para protegerse de mi furia; seré implacable y le mojaré hasta los huesos. Deme los nombres de los aldeanos irresponsables que la traicionaron, mi comadrita, y váyase tranquila que yo estaré aquí por un buen rato. Le prometo que serán vigilados día y noche para develar sus planes conspirativos en contra de la aldea. Los culpables serán juzgados ante el Tribunal de la Historia de esta preciosa aldea y será el tiempo quien diga la última palabra.

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## RAMO GARCÍA: Un castillo de arena

produce con las fuerzas de la naturaleza y por azar.

Pero la realidad es tozuda. Los vientos y los huracanes nunca han construido con las arena un castillo. En los desiertos arenosos, los vientos forman dunas, pero nada más. Los terremotos pueden destruir casas, bloques de viviendas y puentes pero nunca han construido al azar un castillo de arena con torres, almenas, fosos y murallas. ¿Y los volcanes? Pueden formar nubes tremendas de humo tóxico y sepultar con su lava hasta una ciudad entera.

Pero queda claro que los vientos, huracanes, terremotos, volcanes y demás fuerzas de la naturaleza pueden destruir muchas cosas, pero no construir al azar ninguna obra de arquitectura, pintura, música, ni siquiera un castillo de arena que lo hacen cada verano miles de niños en todas las playas del mundo.

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Para algunos científicos esta se ha formado y se mantiene por las solas fuerzas de la naturaleza y por azar, por casualidad y juego fortuito. Pero para otros científicos estas razones no demuestran nada. Uno de esos científicos más insignes de la ciencia actual, como es Albert Einstein escribió: "¿Azar? Jamás creeré que Dios juega a los dados con el mundo"

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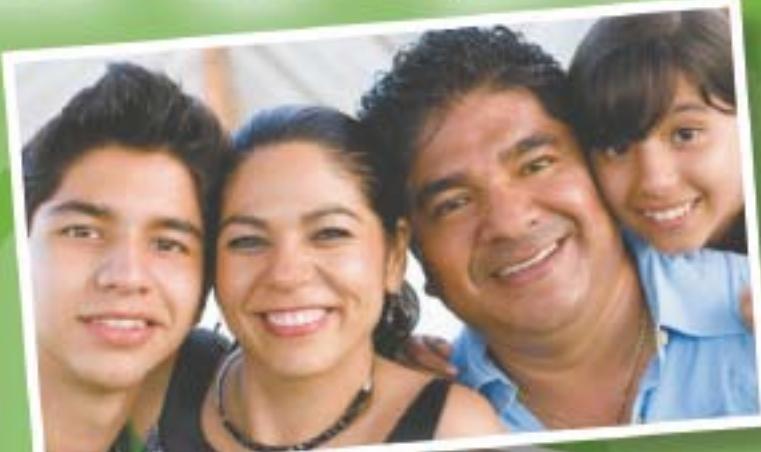
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