

Making The News This Week

Baseball Fails Steroids Test

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Democratic Congressmen **Joe Baca** of California and **Bennie Thompson** of Mississippi lead a campaign among House members to protect the Food Stamp program. They raise concerns about proposed funding cuts that the Agriculture Committee will consider in a 2007 bill to meet budget cut demands. The pair has gained the support of nearly 70 members... The Rev. **Al Sharpton** along with **Christine Chávez**, union organizer and granddaughter of the late labor leader **César Chávez**, announce the formation of the group Latino & African American Leadership Alliance. The Los Angeles-based coalition prompts racial unity between blacks and Latinos in the city, hoping to ease tensions over jobs, schools and housing... The Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute will honor actress **Rita Moreno**, newly elected

Los Angeles Mayor **Antonio Villaraigosa** and community leader **Alonzo Cantú** in its 28th annual gala on Sept. 14 in Washington, D.C... In Arkadelphia, Ark., 30 children are left without their parents after a poultry company was raided by immigration authorities, deporting 100 workers. The children, as young as three months old, were left behind in day care centers or with relatives. Local church volunteers are helping make arrangements for their temporary care... **Pilar O'Leary** is named director of the Smithsonian Center for Latino Initiatives. She will be responsible for promoting a greater understanding and appreciation of Latino history and culture... **Antonio Flores**, president of the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities, announces the opening of the its western regional office in Sacramento, Calif.

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HISPANIC LINK WEEKLY REPORT

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AFL-CIO Loses Half a Million Latinos, Defectors Claim

AFL-CIO:

- 54 affiliated unions
- 9 million members
- Latinos: not disclosed

SEIU:

- Hospital workers
- 1.8 million members
- 235,000 Latinos

TEAMSTERS:

- Drivers, warehouse workers
- 1.4 million members
- 210,000 Latinos

AFSCME:

- public service employees
- 1.4 million members
- 70,000 Latinos

By Marc Heller

The nation's largest umbrella group of labor unions, the American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations, lost more than half a million Latino workers when its biggest members quit in July, according to estimates provided by some of the unions.

Bush Signs CAFTA, Calls It Good for United States And Rest of Hemisphere

By Alex Meneses Miyashita

President Bush signed the Central America Free Trade Agreement into law Aug. 2 following months of lobbying and a near defeat in the House of Representatives in July.

Joined by ambassadors and officials from the five participating Central American countries and the Dominican Republic, as well as Commerce Secretary Carlos Gutiérrez, among others, Bush said during the brief signing ceremony, "The bill I'm about to sign is good for America."

Bush added that "the United States has a moral obligation and a vital national security interest in helping democracies in our neighborhood succeed, and CAFTA advances this goal."

The agreement will gradually allow 80% of products from the United States to Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua and the Dominican Republic to enter those countries duty-free.

The trade proposal drew fierce opposition from the majority of Democrats, including 18 members of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus, who argued CAFTA will take jobs away from the United States and exploit workers in Central America.

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as both the AFL-CIO and the unions that left said they plan to boost organizing efforts among Latino workers, the fastest-growing segment of the U.S. workforce and a significant portion of the 108 million workers in the United States who do not belong to unions.

"I think this is good news for immigrants in general and Latinos in particular," said Eliseo Medina, executive vice president of the Service Employees International Union, the biggest union to leave the AFL-CIO, with a membership of 1.8 million, of whom an estimated 235,000 are Hispanic. The SEIU has the largest Latino membership of any union, labor leaders say.

Officials at the SEIU and other members of the Change to Win coalition say they can organize workers with the money they would

otherwise send to the AFL-CIO. That's \$35 million for the SEIU, Medina said. The SEIU has been especially active in Texas, where it aims to organize about 8,000 janitors and other workers in Houston.

But the AFL-CIO is stepping up its own efforts, starting with what a spokeswoman claimed is the first-ever attempt to count the number of Hispanic workers who belong to the organization's 54 unions. In a resolution adopted July 25 at its annual convention—just as the SEIU and others were quitting—the AFL-CIO also adopted a resolution requiring the number of women and people of color among delegates to be in proportion to the number in the general membership.

"We're asking for a count now," said the

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109th Congress Progress is Minimal for Latinos, Some 'Moments but No Movement' Says Expert

By Alex Meneses Miyashita

Several bills that would have direct impact on Hispanics were introduced in the first session of the 109th Congress, which is now in recess, but only three of the measures have become law. This congressional session also saw the debut of two Latino senators.

The most recent bill passed was the Central America Free Trade Agreement.

Other legislative measures that passed in the first six months of the session include the so-called REAL ID Act, and a bill lifting the 66,000 annual H2B visa cap for seasonal foreign workers. Both of these

measures were attached as amendments to a budget bill approved in May.

The REAL ID Act will create uniform standards for driver's license by 2008 that will require proof of legal status, among other things.

Legislation still under consideration includes an immigration reform bill introduced in May by Sens. John McCain (R-Ariz.) and Edward Kennedy (D-Mass.). It proposes legalizing undocumented immigrants and allowing them to apply for permanent residency.

Other immigration legislation, introduced by Sens. John Cornyn (R-Texas) and Jon Kyl (R-Ariz.) in July, calls for the exit of all undocumented immigrants from the country before they can become eligible to gain temporary legal status.

Andy Hernández, political scientist at St. Mary's University in San Antonio, told Weekly

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MARTINEZ

Political Poop

By Patricia Guadalupe

Slugger Turns Over Documents

Baltimore Orioles first baseman Rafael Palmeiro Aug. 3 agreed to turn over to Congress information about his recent positive test for steroids. The documents include the dates of the test and the results.

Palmeiro recently tested positive allegedly for the steroid stanozolol, according to a source close to the investigation who told the New York Daily News that it was unlikely Palmeiro would have unknowingly taken such a powerful drug. Palmeiro has said he took "something" a teammate gave him and was unsure what it was.

In congressional hearings last March,

Palmeiro adamantly stated he had never used steroids.

Rep. Tom Davis (R-Va.), chair of the committee which sponsored the hearings, said, "Once we review the documents, we will determine our next step." Palmeiro could face perjury charges if found to have lied under oath.

The positive test came after Palmeiro's congressional testimony, but before he reached his 3,000-hit goal last month.

Doing One for the Gipper

Rep. Henry Bonilla (R-Texas) introduced legislation that would rename 16th Street NW in downtown Washington, D.C., "Ronald Reagan Boulevard."

The bill was sent to the House Committee on Government Reform, which has ju-

risdiction over federal activities in the nation's capital.

U.S. Certifies Colombia

The Bush administration Aug. 2 issued a human rights certification for Colombia the same week the president was meeting with his Colombian counterpart, Alvaro Uribe at the Bush ranch in Crawford, Texas.

The State Department certification, which states that Colombia is "making progress" for human rights and combating narco trafficking, allows the South American country to receive nearly \$70 million in U.S. aid.

In order to receive aid, every six months the State Department must certify that Colombia is working positively on human rights and drug trafficking issues.

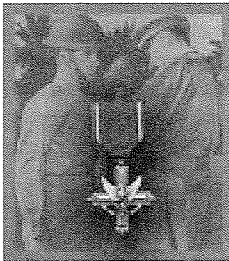
Army Officials Seek Hispanic Veterans Who May Have Been Overlooked for Honor

By Alma Dalia Rojo

The U.S. Army Human Resource Command has been gathering information in search of Hispanic Distinguished Service Cross recipients who served between Dec. 7, 1941, and Dec. 12, 2001, to find anyone who may have been overlooked for the Medal of Honor, the highest award bestowed on soldiers who demonstrate valor in action against enemy forces.

"No one has ever said that these people who received the Distinguished Service Cross were passed over for the Medal of Honor because of discrimination but the understanding is that that may possibly have been the case, and so the feeling is that their service records should be reviewed again," said Alice Buchalter, senior technical information specialist in the Library of Congress Federal Research Division.

The FRD was contracted by the Army in 2003 to research and publicize their search



for DSC recipients. Similar efforts from other organizations have resulted in researching and re-awarding blacks and Asian Americans for their services.

Currently, close to 200 Hispanics have been reported to have received the DSC: 65 from the Vietnam War, 35 from the Korean War, and 100 from WWII, according to Buchalter.

FRD research analyst Marieke Lewis heads a team of researchers at the National Archives to determine whether DSC recipients are of Hispanic descent. They compare published lists on recipients, general orders, journals and awards case files, Lewis said. The Army will evaluate this compiled information for special consideration in upgrading them to the highest award.

"Hispanics were not considered a separate ethnic group until after all these wars took place," Lewis said. "So you can't go by the Army personnel."

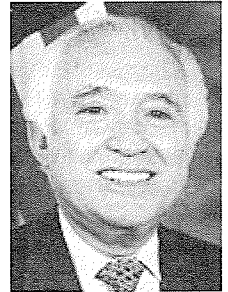
The FRD's two-year project is scheduled to conclude on Sept. 30, and FRD is asking that anyone with information on Hispanic DSC recipients submit case evidence by visiting www.loc.gov/r/r/frd or calling 1-866-730-8405 for instructions.

Bush White House Starts Trade Negotiations with More Latin Countries

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But supporters argue it will create jobs and strengthen political stability in the Hemisphere.

Three Hispanic Democrats voted for the bill: Texas Reps. Henry Cuellar, Rubén Hinojosa and Solomón Ortiz. The agreement was signed more than one year ago by the participating countries.



The U.S. Senate passed it 54-45 in June and the House 217-215 last month.

Three side agreements related to the textile industry still need to be negotiated by the Congress.

El Salvador, Guatemala and Honduras have passed the agreement, but Costa Rica, Nicaragua and the Dominican Republic have yet to pass it.

The Bush administration has been negotiating other free trade agreements, including ones with Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador and Peru.

Latina Youngster in Playground Skirmish Becomes Center of National Fracas

By Daniel Anthony Dávila

After escalating to a nationally charged incident pitting Fresno, Calif. activist groups against city officials, the case of an 11-year-old Latina charged with a felony assault for throwing a rock at an eight-year-old Hmong boy has been dropped. Court commissioner, Kimberly Nystrom-Geist, agreed to informal probation where Maribel Cuevas and her family are required to attend a mediation session with Elijah Vang's family.

The charges were brought last April after Vang and friends allegedly threw water balloons and rocks at Cuevas, and she retaliated by throwing a rock. It hit Vang in the

forehead, causing a wound that required stitches.

A neighbor called 911 and the police arrived without an interpreter. Cuevas, who speaks little English, was then grabbed by the shirt, forced to the ground, pinned with an officer's knee in her back, handcuffed and put into the back of a squad car, according to Rev. Floyd Harris, president of the California chapter of the National Action Network, founded by the Rev. Al Sharpton. He told Weekly Report that what the police did was "overkill."

Maribel spent five days in juvenile hall and was forced to wear a GPS locator anklet for 30 days.

The Fresno Police Department has said

coverage of their handling of the case by the Associated Press was unfair, stating that it left out elements the rock was "jagged-edged" and that Cuevas physically resisted arrest.

Fresno Mayor Alan Autry commended the police department for the action it took.

Maribel's family is from Guadalajara, Mexico. It has lived in the United States for 18 years.

In Fresno, a city where community activists say police brutality is a major problem, 40% of the fatalities resulting from police shootings are Hispanic, according to the civil rights group Central Valley Criminal Justice Committee, which examines incidences of police brutality.

Phoenix Judge Drops Case Against Four Undocumented Students After Field Trip to Canada, But They Still Could Be Deport to Mexico

By Daniel Anthony Dávila

After waiting three years for a ruling on their U.S. residency status, four undocumented Phoenix students now in their 20s have one more hurdle before being allowed to remain in the United States.

Federal Immigration Judge John Richardson dismissed their case July 21, concluding that the information obtained by the U.S. Department of Immigration and Customs Enforcement was seized illegally, by using racial profiling, thereby violating their Fourth Amendment rights.

ICE has 30 days from the date of the

ruling to appeal Richardson's decision.

In 2002, Oscar Corona, Jaime Damian, Yuliana Huicochea and Luis Nava, all high school honor students, were on a field trip that included a visit to Niagara Falls on the Canadian side. While still at a visitor's area on the U.S. side of the border, a teacher questioned a border agent whether student identification would allow them to cross the border and return. The agent questioned and detained them when they could not produce proof of their legal status.

The students said they were "vaguely

aware" of their immigration status, though it had not been an issue in nearly two decades of living in the United States, according to Marianne Gonko, one of the lawyers for the students.

Gonko told Weekly Report that each student has different prospects on becoming a legal resident. Corona is now married to a U.S. citizen, which makes him eligible to apply for residency. Huicochea's stepmother is a U.S. citizen, and Nava is looking into a work visa. Damian and Huicochea both attend Phoenix Community College.

Hispanic Workers Could Play Key Role in Future Direction and Role of Unions

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spokeswoman, Esmeralda Aguilar. But other unions' estimates of Latino population are "totally false," she said, adding that AFL-CIO lawyers have demanded that non-AFL-CIO unions retract their estimates.

Aguilar declined to predict how the splintering of the AFL-CIO may affect organizing efforts among Latinos but said she worries that unions will raid each others' ranks for members. The SEIU has already begun organizing public sector workers, stepping into the territory of the AFL-CIO's American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees.

While the two sides disagree about the direction of unions, there is no doubt that Latinos play a key role, said Zaragosa Vargas, a professor

at the University of California at Santa Barbara and author of *Proletarians of the North: A History of Mexican Industrial Workers in Detroit and the Midwest, 1917-1933*.

Latino populations are growing in the Northeast and Southeast as well as in the Southwest, he said, and in 15 years Latinos will comprise a quarter of the U.S. workforce.

"The future of the American labor movement depends on unionizing Latinos and bringing them into its ranks," he said.

Vargas said unions can target Latino workers by focusing on issues such as immigration, which he said has helped the SEIU build its Hispanic membership. "Sadly, the AFL-CIO has not shown a commitment to fully integrate Latinos into its union ranks by organizing, educating and bringing them into the

American labor movement to achieve economic rights," he said.

The United Farm Workers, with 27,000 members in California and a handful in Texas, Florida and other states, joined Change to Win but did not bolt the AFL-CIO. "We joined to get more resources to organize," said spokesman Marc Grossman. The union's membership is nearly 100% Hispanic, he said.

Unions say the benefits of membership for Latinos are obvious, with Latino union members making 59% more than their non-union counterparts.

But one of the chief advocates for Latino union membership, the Labor Council for Latin American Advancement, faces challenges because the breakup will cut the funding LCLAA receives from AFL-CIO, said a spokesman, Cesar Moreno. "That, more than anything, is going to weaken what we can do," he said.

Marc Heller is the Washington correspondent for the Watertown (N.Y.) Daily Times.

Groups Decry 'Little Movement' on Key Issues

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Report that in this Congress "there have been moments, but no movement," on some issues of interest to the Latino community.

"The force of policy has to go to increasing the amount of money Latinos make," he said, adding that raising the minimum wage — currently at \$5.15 per hour — putting more resources into education and reforming the immigration system are priorities that Congress should take up.

Raúl González, legislative director for the National Council of *La Raza*, told Weekly Report that bills such as AgJOBS — which would legalize undocumented farmworkers — and a measure which has not been reintroduced that would grant undocumented students in-state tuition status, known as the DREAM Act, have seen no movement "because congressional leadership has not made these bills a priority."

This year, Ken Salazar (D-Colo.) and Mel Martínez (R-Fla.) became the first Latinos in more than 30 years to occupy a seat in the U.S. Senate.

Salazar, a former Colorado Attorney General, said in a report after his first 100 days in office that his legislative priorities continue to

be national security, education and economic development, civil rights, rural issues, agriculture, health care and energy.

Salazar is co-sponsor of the McCain/Kennedy immigration reform bill.

Martínez said as he was sworn in as the first ever Cuban-American senator that he'd pursue the principles of an "ownership society," with free markets, less taxes and a strong military.

Martínez is co-sponsor of the Housing America's Workforce Act, which would provide assistance for low income workers. He served as Housing and Urban Development Secretary under President Bush before reaching the Senate.

Larry González, Washington director of the National Association of Latino Elected Officials, told Weekly Report that both have "gone very slowly in their first year, which is a good way to be. I don't think that as a freshman senator your initial reaction is to go out there and rock the boat and make people angry."



SALAZAR

Umpire Told 'Fuera' After No-Spanish Ban

By Sonia Meléndez

A Little League umpire in the Boston suburb of Methuen, Mass. who had ordered a team not to speak Spanish on the field was suspended July 29 for the rest of the year, league officials said.

League officials admitted that the umpire was wrong in telling coach Domingo Infante that he could not give instructions in Spanish to the pitcher and catcher, who are from the Dominican Republic and speak little English.

Little League official Chris Downs said that the umpire feared that the coach may have been communicating "illegal" plays in Spanish to the pitcher.

There is no rule in Little League that prohibits players or coaches from speaking Spanish or any language other than English.

A Challenge to Major League Baseball

A complex network of jammed-packed superhighways, interconnecting countless over-populated termite colonies, flows inside his home's walls. The boy jumps into his worn out tennis shoes, and out he goes onto the muddy path seeking fresh air, a meal, or at least hope. Here comes a baseball scout peddling illusions, offering thousands of dollars to good players.

Each dollar is worth 30 pesos — a hallucinogenic amount of money.

At 15, destitute and chasing dreams, he drops out of school to join a baseball training camp. There he injects himself with a lethal cocktail of animal steroids to perform up to the scouts' expectations—he does it all for the money.

The teams sign the best among a generous supply of juiced-up kids, dumping the vast majority, strong, handsome, uneducated and unemployed. Many become criminals; others

join prostitution rings servicing the Dominican Republic's booming tourism industry.

In 2001 Lino Ortiz, a 19-year-old pitcher died after injecting himself with a cocktail of pig, horse and cow steroids. His friend, Boston Red Sox's José Manuel Avila, told the Washington Post that 70% of Dominican prospects were using animal steroids' cocktails.

MLB BRASS TURN A DEAF EAR

Almost 50% of minor leaguers are Dominicans, but Robert D. Manfred Jr., Major League Baseball (MLB) drug czar, deserves the MVP for successfully refusing to test them. It is too "expensive and complicated," he said before saying, "We don't want to flush a lot of money down the toilet." And elaborated this slippery non-statement: "We're trying to gather some information and re-evaluate what we want to be doing." Now he whines "unfortunately, the laws in the Dominican Republic forbid us from suspending steroid violators and make the operation of an optimal program more difficult."

That's juiced-up nonsense!
No law prohibits employers from banning substances that directly affect their employees' productivity.

During Congress' grandstanding on steroids in the pre-season, California Democrat Henry Waxman asked if any "diabolical foreign country" was smuggling steroids into the U.S. He should have the historical records straight; those who ignore history will be ignored by history.

Using research confiscated from Nazi labs as spoils of war,

doctor John Ziegler, a weight-lifting fan, produced the first steroids in York, Pa., in 1958, to help Americans defeat the Soviets in the Olympics.

Dominicans accepted steroids as another U.S. miracle, like the Polio vaccine of yesteryear or McDonald's today. Then the U.S. turned the tables around, controlling steroids here, but American labs kept producing and distributing them freely down there, creating sublimely ridiculous situations.

Frank Almonte, a Dominican tele-evangelist in Queens, was arrested at NYC-JFK airport in 1999 while attempting to bring illegal steroids for his son, a 12 year-old weight lifter. The charges against him were dropped because he bought them legally in the Dominican Republic.

Dominicans were taught all about steroids' benefits, but nothing about its dangers. Our ignorance and poverty, seasoned with steroids and cooked in the international legal system loopholes, have proven very profitable for baseball moguls. An "evil" cross-pollination of drugs and greed has produced this steroids-fueled performance-guided madness, killing American and Dominican children alike.

IS THIS WHAT BASEBALL IS ALL ABOUT?

Bob Dylan may ask:
How many dead kids will it take 'til we know that too many children have died?

We must ask:
Do we really want baseball to inspire our children while harming so many other children?

Should die-hard fans like Fidel Castro, Kim Jong Il, and Hugo Chávez form a coalition to launch a pre-emptive attack and save Cooperstown from becoming Steroidstown?

Baseball, once a beacon of hope, America's all time best goodwill ambassador to the world, now kills the very children it used to lift from poverty. And it will soon be fueling anti-Americanism, unless MLB's draft goes global with a serious steroids testing program.

Pioneering racial integration with Jackie Robinson is baseball's history. With a global draft, the Old Ballgame will be exporting United States labor standards to eventually protect workers worldwide.

This is history in the making.
In this "with or against us" world everyone must take a stand: with or against history, with or against clean baseball. Politicians, union leaders and corporate tycoons are up.

(Dominican journalist Julio C. Malone is a Fellow of the Knight Center for Specialized Journalism, and author of "Sammy Sosa in 9 Innings." He may be contacted at editor@hispaniclink.org.)

Sin pelos en la lengua

ATTENTION VIRGINIA WHITE PEOPLE: Specifically those living in Herndon, Va., **LOCK YOUR DOORS!!!!** The invasion has begun!

Our friends at The Washington *Pravda* are at it again. As part of a story on the D.C. suburb's plans to open a community center for the area's growing Latino workers, the paper that publishes all the news that raises a fit weighs in with their latest invective on the local Latino community.

"Herndon Confronts Immigrant Tensions," talks about how the "throng" of Latino immigrants waiting for work outside of a local 7-Eleven "has been the most noticeable part" of the former "farming hamlet" and its "rapidly dwindling white majority."

Jesus, Mary and St. Joseph! The white people are disappearing!!!! It's the invasion of the Brown Body Snatchers!

And of course, the brown people are at the "center of ethnic and

racial tensions simmering" in the town.

One resident told the Post Paranoia Patrol, "We are being really crushed by these Central American people!"

Holy cow! There are so many brown people, the white people left can't even breathe!!

The paper continues, "Every facet of life, from schools to neighborhoods to the town's downtown, has been affected by the influx."

Heavens to Mergatroy!!! Next thing you know, they'll be putting *burritos* on the school menu, or worse, one of those brown people will **SLEEP WITH YOUR DAUGHTER!!!!** Lord have mercy on us!

YER OUT: Baltimore slugger and Mack Daddy wannabe **Rafaél Palmeiro** has been cut out of an upcoming documentary, "Viva Baseball," which tells the story of Latino ballplayers, and airs on Spike TV on Sept. 23. The New York Daily News reports that director **Dan Klores** took him out because of "ethics." Note to **Rafi:** Be careful who you shake your finger at next time.

— Kay Bárbaro

COLLECTING

DHS REPORT: Deporting every undocumented person could cost the Department of Homeland Security more than \$206 billion over five years, according to a study by the Center for American Progress. The study, "Deporting the Undocumented: A Cost Assessment," estimates an annual cost of \$41.2 billion to deport them, which would significantly surpass the annual cost of military operations in Afghanistan (\$16.8 billion) as well as the DHS's overall budget of \$34.2 billion.

To view the report online, visit www.americanprogress.org. Center for American Progress, 1333 H St. NW, 10th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20005. (202) 682-1611.

— By Alma Dalia Rojo

HISPANIC-OWNED BUSINESSES REPORT: Hispanics owned 1.6 million businesses in 2002, an increase of 31% over the previous five years, and higher than the national growth rate of 10% within the same period, according to new census figures.

The report, "Preliminary Estimates of Business Ownership by Gender, Hispanic or Latino Origin, and Race: 2002," shows that businesses owned by groups of color and women increased at a rate higher than the national average between 1997-2002. Complete results are available at www.census.gov. Phone: (888) 225-4022. 4700 Silver Hill Rd, Washington, D.C. 20233.

— By Alex Meneses Miyashita

HISPANIC TEENS AND TECHNOLOGY REPORT: Eighty-nine percent of Hispanic youth aged 12-17 use the internet, compared to 87% of white and 77% of black teens, according to a survey of 1,100 teenagers by the Pew Internet and American Life Project. The 57-page report, "Teens and Technology," claims that 87% of those surveyed use the internet, compared to 66% of adults. Among those teenagers, about half go online every day.

The overall internet usage rate for teenagers is higher now than it was in 2000, when an estimated 73% went online. The report is available at www.pewinternet.org. (202) 419-4500. 1615 L St. NW, Suite 700, Washington, D.C. 20036.

— By Alex Meneses Miyashita

CONNECTING

By Kissairis M. Muñoz

TODAY'S GENERATION GAP REPORT

The Casey Journalism Center on Children and Families is hosting "Today's Generation Gap," allowing 25 broadcast and online journalists to attend panel discussions on the latest trends and findings on today's children and how to find new stories. It will be held Oct. 14-15 in Albuquerque. Those selected will be provided with a travel subsidy, lodging, materials and meals. Applications are due by Aug. 22. For more information, visit: www.cjc.umd.edu/fellowships, or contact: Casey Journalism Center on Children and Families. 4321 Hartwick Rd., Suite 320, College Park, MD 20740. (301) 699-5133

API NEWSPAPER SEMINAR

The American Press Institute's "Train the Trainer" seminars allow newspaper trainers from all departments to learn how to better motivate, educate, and train personnel. The next seminar will be held in Reston, VA, Oct. 23-26. Twenty newspaper trainers will be chosen to participate. Tuition, room and meal package is \$1,100. The application deadline is Aug. 12. For more information, visit: www.americanpressinstitute.org, or contact: American Press Institute, 11690 Sunrise Valley Dr., Reston, VA 20191 (703) 620-3611

SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY FELLOWSHIP

The American Association for the Advancement of Science and Technology Policy is offering a one-year congressional fellowship. The program includes an orientation on government branches and a yearlong seminar series on science, technology and public policy. Applicants should demonstrate exceptional competence in an area of science or engineering. Requirements include either a doctoral-level degree or a master's degree in engineering with at least three years of post-degree experience. In addition, they must be U.S. citizens; federal employees are not eligible. Two congressional fellows will be chosen for 2006-2007. Each will receive a \$64,000 stipend. The deadline is Jan. 10. For more information, visit: www.fellowships.aaas.org or contact: AAAS Science and Technology Policy Fellowship Programs. 1200 New York Ave. NW, Washington, D.C., 20005. (202) 326-6700.

Calendar

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THIS WEEK

CELIA CRUZ EXHIBITION

Washington, D.C. Through Oct. 30
The National Museum of American History hosts the exhibit ¡Azúcar! The Life and Music of Celia Cruz.

Information: (202) 633-3306

NCMEC CONFERENCE

Washington, D.C. Aug. 11-13
The National Center For Missing & Exploited Children holds a conference.

Information: (202) 797-5782

LATINA BUSINESS SERIES

Philadelphia Aug. 12
Latina Style hosts a Latina Business Series seminar.

Information: (800) 651-8083

SAN DIEGO FILM FESTIVAL

San Diego Aug. 13 - 18
The San Diego Arts Program stages its annual Latino Film Festival.

Information: (619) 230-1938

COMING SOON

CANDLELIGHT VIGIL

Los Angeles Aug. 23
La Placita Olvera - Our Lady Queen of Angels Church hosts a candlelight vigil for the victims of violence in Ciudad Juárez.

Information: (213) 629-3101

HEALTHCARE CONFERENCE

Washington, D.C. Aug. 24
Dialogue on Diversity hosts "Science, Economics, Policy: The Beginning Conundrum" health conference.

Information: (703) 631-0650

NAHFE FOREIGN AFFAIRS AWARDS

Washington, D.C. Sept. 7
The National Association of Hispanic Federal Executives hosts its annual foreign service awards luncheon.

Information: (703) 787-0291

LATINA SYMPOSIUM

Washington, D.C. Sept. 8, 9
Latina Style stages its annual Latina Symposium.

Information: (800) 651-8083

BUSINESS CONFERENCE

Milwaukee Sept. 14 - 17
The U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce stages its 14th annual business conference.

Information: (800) 874-2286

HWC CONFERENCE

Phoenix Sept. 15, 16
The Hispanic Women's Corporation stages its 20th annual women's conference.

Information: (602) 954-7995

SALSA FIESTA

Del Mar, Texas Sept. 24
The Ballet Nacional stages a Salsa Fiesta.

Information: (361) 854-6528

THIS WEEK IN LATINO HISTORY...

Mexican-American political leader **Miguel Antonio Otero Jr.** passed away **Aug. 7, 1944.**

Puerto Rican political leader **Samuel Quifones** was born **Aug. 8, 1904.**

Mexican revolutionary leader **Emiliano Zapata** was born **Aug. 8, 1880.**

Farmworker leader **César Chávez** was awarded the Medal of Freedom on **Aug. 8, 1994.**

Mexican-American activist **María Gutiérrez-Spencer** died **Aug. 12, 1992.**

Cuban-American congressman **Lincón Díaz-Balart** was born **Aug. 13, 1954.**

Puerto Rican historian **Lidio Cruz Monclave** was born **Aug. 13, 1886.**

Puerto Rican baseball great and humanitarian **Roberto Clemente** was born **Aug. 15, 1934.**

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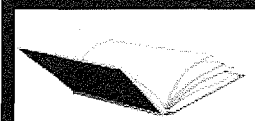
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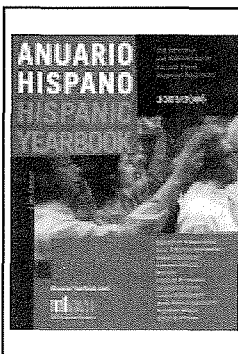
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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

L.A. STILL THE PLACE: The *Latin Grammy Awards* will return to Los Angeles' Shrine Auditorium this year, with a date now set for Nov. 3 and a first-ever broadcast on the Spanish-language network *Univisión*.

Nominations for the sixth-annual awards are set to be announced Aug. 23 at the Henry Fonda Theatre in Hollywood, the **Latin Recording Academy** announced last week. Awards will be presented in a total of 43 categories of Spanish- and Portuguese-language music.

Earlier this year the Latin Academy announced a multi-year pact with *Univisión*, which will produce the ceremony in Spanish and air it over its network and to some 100 countries. All previous ceremonies were in English and broadcast by **CBS**.

Except for the 2003 ceremony held in Miami, all *Latin Grammy* shows — including last year's at the Shrine — have been in Los Angeles. All previous ceremonies were held in September but, as part of its agreement, *Univisión* requested to air the show in November, an important sweeps period when advertising rates are set.

9/11 ON FILM: Fresh from the critical success of urban drama *Crash*, actor Michael Peña will portray one of two cops who were among the last people rescued from the World Trade Center attacks of 2001.

Peña will play William J. Jimeno in Oliver Stone's still untitled project, the first feature film to dramatize Sept. 11 events. Nicolas Cage plays the other police officer, John McLoughlin, and the two cop's wives will be played by Maggie Gyllenhaal and María Bello. The two Port Authority policemen, trapped in the rubble of the World Trade Center, have authorized the dramatization of their story.

"I was really impressed when I met Will — the police motto, 'protect and serve, really means something to him," Peña said in a statement. "All he ever wanted to do is be a cop — it's one thing to read that on the

page, but another thing to hear him say it. It feels great to be making a movie about great cops."

The **Paramount Pictures** film is set to go into production later this year.

Stone, who was feted last month in Guanajuato, Mexico, in that city's international short film festival *Expresión en corto*, is reportedly also working on a film about the Battle of Little Big Horn, to be titled *Custer*.

In other film news:

■ The latest film from Brazilian director Fernando Meirelles (*Cidade de Deus*, *Diarios de motocicleta*) is among 19 films chosen to compete in the Venice Film Festival Aug. 31 to Sept. 10. It is *The Constant Gardener*, an adaptation of John Le Carré's novel about a career diplomat's life in Africa. It is a British, Kenyan and German co-production.

■ The government of Uruguay has said it will seek a legal remedy against the makers of the Steven Seagal straight-to-video action film *Submerged*, for presenting what officials say is an erroneous and damaging image of the country. The name of Uruguay and its flag are seen in the film, which gets the geography, political structure and culture wrong. Shot in Bulgaria, the film shows a country with mountains and swamps, a corrupt dictatorship and Mayan ruins.

ONE-LINERS: Spanish poet Tomás Segovia, a longtime resident of Mexico, was awarded this year's prestigious Juan Rulfo Latin American literary prize; he will receive the award and \$100,000 at this November's *Feria Internacional del Libro* in Guadalajara. The first *World Salsa Championship* will take place Dec. 14-17 in Las Vegas with thousands of dancers expected to compete.

(Antonio Mejias-Rentas is entertainment editor with the Los Angeles Spanish-language daily *La Opinión*.)

Media Report

NEW SPANISH-LANGUAGE NEWS SERVICE: *Amigot* launched a 24-hour Spanish-language news Web site www.iblnews.com on July 28, New York-based *Amigot* announced. The site is billed as "the only 24-hour independent online news service in Spanish produced in the United States by Hispanic journalists," and was founded by Spanish media professional Michael Amigot.

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television network — and brainchild of Venezuelan President Hugo Chávez — *Telesur* hit the airwaves on July 24. The network, already being touted as an all-Latino **CNN**, was feted with a big bash in the Venezuelan capital of Caracas and allegedly had Cuban leader Fidel Castro glued to the tube — the network has a bureau in Havana.

NEW REGIONAL HEADS AT NAHJ: The **National Association of Hispanic Journalists** elected three new regional directors and one returning director to its board during their national conference in June, NAHJ announced on Aug. 4. The new head of

NAHJ's Region Two is Joanna Hernández, an editor for the **New York Times** Regional Newspapers; the new head of Region Four is María Padilla, an editorial writer for the **Orlando Sentinel**; the new head of Region Five is Manuel de la Rosa, a reporter for **KRGV-TV**; and **Denver Post** reporter Elizabeth Aguilera was re-elected as Region Seven Director. A special election is being held for regions one and eight, and ballots from NAHJ members in those regions must be received by Aug. 16. For more information about NAHJ's board and the area each region covers, visit www.nahj.org.

— Sirena J. Scales



President Bush signs the Central America Free Trade Agreement in the East room of the White House Aug. 2 in the presence of legislators, administrators and ambassadors.