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## Valenzuela Named Full Professor at UT-Austin

On December 16, 2005, Angela **Valenzuela** was promoted to the rank of full professor at the **University of Texas at Austin** in both the Department of Curriculum and Instruction and the Center for Mexican American Studies.

This appointment makes her one of a literal handful of Mexican American female faculty to ever achieve this status at the **University of Texas at Austin**. **Dr. Valenzuela** also received special recognition with a **Haskew Centennial Professor Fellowship** from the College of Education where she will serve as the executive director of a new university-wide center for education policy that is currently in its embryonic stages.

**Dr. Valenzuela** received her doctorate from **Stanford University** and was at **Rice University** and the University of Houston before making the move to **UT Austin** in 1999.



## Ana Hernandez Wins State Rep Seat in District 143

# People in the News

After a heavily contested and acrimonious debate between Mexican American activists in Houston over who should fill a state representative seat left open after the death of **Joe Moreno**, **Ana Hernandez** emerged the winner in December.

The 27-year-old attorney who is originally from **Reynosa, Mexico** graduated from the **University of Houston** in 1999 and from the School of Law at the **University of Texas at Austin** in 2004. She also worked as a staff member for **Moreno** who was killed in an auto accident in April of 2005.

**Hernandez**, who faced **Laura Salinas**, in the December 9th runoff will now be representing east **Houston** and **Pasadena**. **Hernandez** presence in the Texas Legislature now brings the number of Latinas to 8.



## Bret Ruiz Named New Chief at the Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center

**Mr. R. Bret Ruiz, 47**, a native **San Antonian**, has been named the new President of the **Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center** in **San Antonio, Texas**. Raised in **Kansas**, **Ruiz** graduated from **Yale University** and then went on to earn a Masters Degree from **Northwestern University**.

As the new chief at the **Guadalupe**, **Ruiz** believes that

arts education inspires our residents to continue creating a rich and vibrant cultural community that makes everyone feel welcome to participate in and experience. **Mr. Ruiz** will use his strong leadership and fundraising experience to take the **Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center** to the next level.



## Arévalo Appointed President of Eastern Washington University

**Dr. Rodolfo Arévalo**, provost and vice president for Academic Affairs at **The University of Texas-Pan American**, was named the 25th president of **Eastern Washington University** on Monday, January 9th. In addition, this appointment makes **Arévalo** the first Latino president of EWU and of any public four-year college or university in the state of Washington.

*"I am elated to join the Eastern family and continue the forward momentum Eastern has made over the past several years. It is an exciting time for myself and my wife, **Nadine**, to come to Eastern, and we're humbled by the responsibility to continue ensuring the quality of the University," **Arévalo** said.*

**Arévalo** received a B.B.A. from **Pan American University** in 1969, an MSW and Ph.D. from the **University of Michigan** at **Ann Arbor** in '72 & '73.



## Roland Galvan Passes Away in San Antonio

A former **KPRC** weathercaster who worked at television stations throughout Texas has died. **Roland Galvan** was 48. Family members say **Galvan** died at a **San Antonio** hospital on Christmas after suffering from liver problems for about two years.

He was chief meteorologist at **KIII** in **Corpus Christi** before leaving in November 2004. **Galvan** also had worked at what's now **WOAI** in **San Antonio**. From the mid-1980s to the early 1990s, **Galvan** was on **KPRC** and **KTRK** in Houston. **Galvan** also worked at **KTLA** in **Los Angeles** in the late 1990s. He did weather segments in **Beaumont** and **San Francisco** before arriving in **Corpus Christi**.





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# Offense vs. Defense Editorial

## y no estoy hablando de football

*Que bueno que los Texas Longhorns ganaron el campeonato en college football. It was a long time coming. And from what I can tell so far, this Rose Bowl game will be remembered for years to come. Congratulations to the University of Texas Longhorns!*

**Cambiando de  
Temas**

Over the last several years, I have noticed that when Latino organizations find themselves in the news it is usually to offer a reaction to something that someone has said or done.

Take for example the **National Council of La Raza (NCLR)**. When the traditional media tends to mention **NCLR**, the organization is either: outraged, concerned, appalled, disappointed, deeply disappointed, or extremely disappointed.

The same thing seems to happen to the **League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC)**. They are either decrying, denouncing, opposed to, strongly opposed to, against or outraged.

Of course these organizations cannot control what the traditional media decides to pick up and air or print. But it sure makes it look like they are always on the defense as opposed to the offense. And politically we all know that you tend to score more points on offense than you do on defense.

**Cambiando de Temas**

Below you will find a letter from **Veronica Villafañe**, President of the **National Association of Hispanic Journalists**. It was posted on their website. Read it and I will ask you a question.

Dear friends and colleagues,

It is undoubtedly one of the worst times to be working in the news industry. Across the country, layoffs, buyouts, shutdowns and threats of hostile takeovers have left thousands of journalists wondering about their future.

In the midst of all this angst, there is another concern: will media companies continue to diversify their newsrooms in this changing media landscape?

We should all be afraid... not just of losing our jobs, but losing our voice. For years we have struggled to convince those in charge of hiring journalists that Latino, Black, Asian American and Native American journalists were necessary in all newsrooms seeking to accurately reflect the world we live in and report about. Now, with so many news companies downsizing, newsrooms may regress in the progress they have made hiring journalists of color.

*Newsday*, *The New York Times*, the *Philadelphia Inquirer*, the *Philadelphia Daily News* and the *San Jose Mercury News* all announced cutbacks in recent months. The latest company to join the rest: *The Baltimore Sun*. They just announced they are asking for 75 people to take voluntary buyouts. Tribune stations WPHL-TV in **Philadelphia** and KSWB-TV in **San Diego** have recently ceased their news operations. A total of 17 broadcasters of color lost their jobs.

All in all, hundreds of jobs are gone. At *Newsday*, 49 took buyouts. In **Philadelphia**, the *Inquirer* and the *Daily News* were expected to cut a combined 100 newsroom jobs. In **San Jose**, where the *Mercury News* not only shut down *Nuevo Mundo*, its 9 year-old Spanish-language publication, but also sold its Vietnamese weekly, 56 people took a buyout. Five Latinos took the buyout. Two others who applied and were rejected opted to leave anyway. In just one shot, more than 20% of the Latino staff at the paper was gone.

What is amazing is that in the case of **Philadelphia** and **San Jose**, more people than were needed applied for the buyout. This means many journalists are unhappy or unsatisfied with their jobs, their employers or perhaps overwhelmed by the uncertainty of the business we are in.

It seems like the news business is crumbling. Many critics argue that the industry is now a war of profits over public service and nobody knows what to expect next. While we can not fight against business decisions, the **National Association of Hispanic Journalists** is committed to raising our concerns with these media companies and help our members, who fell into the black hole of the bottom-line, with the next phase of their careers.

**What is wrong with this letter?**

In the next issue of *La Politiquera* we will carry responses to Veronica's letter. I will also share with you the letter I wrote her.



**Alfredo R. Santos c/s**  
**Editor and Publisher**

# Just Two Votes per Precinct Would Have Decided Special Election Outcome in State Rep. District # 48

The votes are in and barring any surprises the two top vote getters in the Special Election to fill an open seat for State Representative in District 48 are headed into a run-off.

**Donna Howard** and **Ben Bentzin** were the two top vote getters in Tuesday's special election in Western Travis County. While **Ben Bentzin** beat **Howard** in the early vote, she took the election day turnout 4,880 to 3,036 votes.

But this was not enough to win 50% of the vote plus one to

decide the election. **Howard** needed 72 votes to avoid a run-off election, two votes per precinct. Now she will face **Bentzin** next month one more time.

According to the **Travis County Clerk's Office**, there were 98,792 registered voters in State Representative District 48 in 39 voting precincts. 4.64% turned out to vote early and only 9.15% turned out on election day. Altogether, only 13.79% of the voters bothered to participate.

### Campaign Finance Reports

The **Texas Election Commission** reports for the four candidates shows that in the report due on the 8th day before the election, candidate **Donna Howard** raised \$78,910.09 in total political contributions. Of this amount, \$5,023.85 were less than \$50.00. **Ben Easton's** report showed political campaign contributions of \$929.00. **Kathy**

**Rider's** report for this same period showed a total of \$45,100.00 in political campaign contributions. Only **Donna Howard** reported a loan to her campaign of \$6,000. Attempts to find the political campaign reports of **Ben Bentzin** produced documents with all zeros. Upon checking all his previous campaign reports, zeros were once again found. Upon checking Political Action Committee reports we again found zeros. This could be a reporting error at the **Texas Election Commission**.

## Election Summary

	Early Voting		Election Day Voting		Total Vote	
	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage
Kathy Rider (Dem)	551	12.08%	865	9.62%	1,416	10.45%
Donna Howard (Dem)	1,825	40.00%	4,880	54.27%	6,705	49.74%
Ben Easton (Libertarian)	99	2.17%	211	2.35%	310	2.29%
Ben Bentzin (Rep)	2,088	45.76%	3,036	33.76%	5,124	37.80%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,563</b>		<b>8,992</b>		<b>13,555</b>	

Source: Travis County, County Clerk office









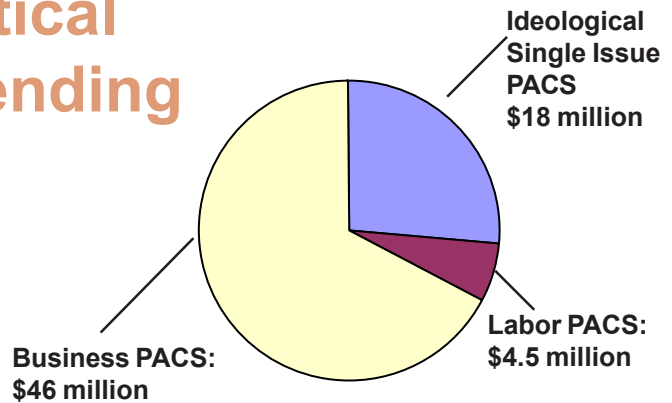
# Follow the Money

## Texans for Public Justice Compile List of Political Action Committee Spending

Political action committees (PACS) in Texas spent \$69,000,000 million dollars in the 2004 election cycle. Business PACS tended to dominate the spending with \$46,000,000 million (67%) of all spending. Spending by ideological and single-issue PACS accounted for 26% of the spending (\$18,000,000) Among the highlights of the report by the **Texans for Public Justice** group: Texans for Lawsuit Reform spent \$3,100,000 million. Coming in second was the Texas Association of Realtors with \$3,000,000 million in spending. The 48 largest PACS spent more than \$300,000 each

### political action committee

In the USA, any lobbying organization that raises funds for political candidates and in return seeks to commit them to a particular policy. PACs also spend money on changing public opinion through media campaigns. In 1990, there were about 4,300 PACs, controlling 30% of all funds spent in elections for Congress. Donations to candidates amounted to \$358.1 million, the largest PACs being the National Association of Realtors and the American Medical Association.



## Fastest Growing Large PACs

PAC	Sector	2002 Spending	2004 Spending	2002-2004 Growth (%)
MAXXAM, Inc.	Finance	\$9,000	\$277,768	2,986%
Jobe PAC	Construction	\$7,951	\$162,103	1,939%
Majority PAC of Texas	Ideological	\$49,806	\$660,310	1,226%
Friends of Phil Gramm	Ideological	\$48,254	\$514,274	966%
Fort Worth Firefighters	Labor	\$45,495	\$454,890	900%
Centex Corp.	Construction	\$13,000	\$110,822	752%
TX Assn. of Mortgage Attorneys	Lawyers/Lobbyists	\$95,090	\$647,500	581%
TXU Power & Energy PAC	Energy	\$41,516	\$230,418	455%
Apartment Assn. of Tarrant Co.	Real Estate	\$36,200	\$154,452	327%
Grande Communications	Communications	\$55,000	\$212,950	287%
TX Podiatric Medical PAC	Health	\$46,677	\$177,618	281%
Vought Aircraft Industries	Transportation	\$33,000	\$120,750	266%
Associated Republicans of TX	Ideological	\$480,820	\$1,688,087	251%
<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>\$961,809</b>	<b>\$5,411,942</b>	

Texas' fastest growing big PAC is that of corporate-raider Maxxam, Inc. A 2002 TRMPAC memo recorded a \$5,000 pledge from Maxxam CEO Charles Hurwitz along with a note on Hurwitz's agenda: "Horseracing, #1." Maxxam owns two Texas race tracks and has applied to regulators to open a third. Heavily funded efforts to legalize slot machines at Texas race tracks failed in the 2005 session. Yet too much money is at stake to declare this horse dead yet.

## For the 100 Largest Political Action Committees, see the next two pages



# The Top 100

## Political Action Committees in Texas

Election Cycle Ranking			Registered Name of Committee	Total Spending	Interest Category
2004	2002	2000			
1	4	5	Texans For Lawsuit Reform	\$3,105,386	Ideological
2	5	4	TX Assn. of Realtors	\$2,967,081	Real Estate
3	2	2	Republican Party of TX	\$1,927,676	Ideological
4	1	1	TX Democratic Party	\$1,922,185	Ideological
5	7	8	TX Medical Assn.	\$1,919,026	Health
6	-	-	Texans For Insurance Reform	\$1,911,888	Lawyers & Lobbyists
7	26	6	Assoc. Republicans of TX	\$1,688,087	Ideological
8	3	9	TX Trial Lawyers Assn.	\$1,665,284	Lawyers & Lobbyists
9	12	41	Valero Refining & Marketing	\$1,607,132	Energy/Nat'l Resources
10	15	12	SBC TX Employee Pac	\$1,167,318	Communications
11	9	7	Vinson & Elkins	\$970,289	Lawyers & Lobbyists
12	-	-	Stars Over TX	\$956,675	Ideological
13	14	19	Fulbright & Jaworski	\$805,250	Lawyers & Lobbyists
14	18	23	Burlington Northern Santa Fe	\$740,964	Transportation
15	32	102	HillCo PAC	\$705,343	Lawyers & Lobbyists
16	231	-	Majority PAC of TX	\$660,310	Ideological
17	141	129	TX Assn. of Mortgage Attorneys	\$647,500	Lawyers & Lobbyists
18	30	33	TX Optometric PAC	\$598,844	Health
19	20	18	TX Dental Assn. PAC	\$593,590	Health
20	57	98	Union Pacific Corp.	\$579,480	Transportation
21	23	10	Coca-Cola Enterprises, Inc.	\$564,703	Misc. Business
22	85	36	Andrews & Kurth	\$516,813	Lawyers & Lobbyists
23	234	-	Friends of Phil Gramm	\$514,274	Ideological
24	104	95	Centerpoint Energy, Inc.	\$488,886	Energy/Nat'l Resources
25	28	34	Bracewell & Patterson	\$483,421	Lawyers & Lobbyists
26	-	-	Good Government PAC	\$465,915	Lawyers & Lobbyists
27	25	28	Farmers Employee & Agent	\$463,705	Insurance
28	29	30	Akin Gump Strauss Hauer...	\$461,951	Lawyers & Lobbyists
29	247	284	Fort Worth Firefighters	\$454,890	Labor
30	-	-	Annie's List	\$454,177	Ideological
31	63	73	Baker Botts	\$435,167	Lawyers & Lobbyists
32	27	25	TX State Teachers Assn.	\$405,825	Labor
33	46	-	Q Pac	\$398,697	Finance
34	35	49	Houston Police Officers Union	\$376,324	Labor
35	16	16	TX Automobile Dealers Assn.	\$371,311	Transportation
36	-	-	u (This is what it is called)	\$366,512	Ideological
37	10	14	Compass Bancshares, Inc.	\$362,468	Finance
38	19	17	Reliant Energy, Inc.	\$361,574	Energy/Nat'l Resources
39	22	51	TXU Corp TX Employee PAC	\$349,935	Energy/Nat'l Resources
40	-	-	TX Fed'n of Republican Women	\$347,460	Ideological
41	87	256	TX Friends Time Warner Cable	\$338,015	Communications
42	102	126	Friends of the University	\$330,247	Ideological
43	40	72	TX Apartment Assn.	\$324,000	Real Estate
44	53	53	HOME Pac of TX	\$314,317	Construction
45	41	45	Hughes & Luce	\$312,098	Lawyers & Lobbyists
46	31	35	TX Oil & Gas PAC	\$311,500	Energy/Nat'l Resources
47	61	65	Winstead Sechrest & Minick	\$310,950	Lawyers & Lobbyists
48	34	42	TX Farm Bureau	\$305,194	Agriculture
49	142	623	Ryan & Co.	\$288,526	Finance
50	101	372	C Club	\$280,392	Ideological

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2004	2002	2000			
51	551	-	Maxxam Inc.	\$277,768	Finance
52	59	52	TX Assn. Insur. & Fin'l Advisors	\$277,029	Insurance
53	55	43	Conserv. Republicans Harris Co.	\$273,106	Ideological
54	54	90	Houston Apartment Assn.	\$268,608	Real Estate
55	17	13	United Services Auto. Assn.	\$262,157	Insurance
56	45	103	Gardere Wynne Sewell	\$261,524	Lawyers & Lobbyists
57	48	70	Independent Bankers Assn.	\$260,161	Finance
58	103	-	Landry's Seafood Restaurants	\$259,615	Misc. Business
59	76	155	Plumbers Local #68	\$253,993	Labor
60	72	46	Jackson Walker	\$250,622	Lawyers & Lobbyists
61	65	60	Wholesale Beer Distributors	\$242,984	Misc. Business
62	52	56	TX Hospital Assn.	\$239,932	Health
63	37	59	Haynes & Boone	\$238,950	Lawyers & Lobbyists
64	33	69	TX Aggregates/Concrete Assn.	\$231,732	Construction
65	261	80	TXU Power & Energy PAC	\$230,418	Energy/Nat'l Resources
66	77	82	TX Classroom Teachers Assn.	\$225,309	Labor
67	56	66	Independent Insurance Agents	\$224,090	Insurance
68	75	85	TX/Southwestern Cattle Raisers	\$220,194	Agriculture
69	210	421	Grande Communications	\$212,950	Communications
70	125	62	TXU Electric Delivery PAC	\$209,358	Energy/Nat'l Resources
71	115	-	Bexar Co. Democratic Party	\$207,195	Ideological
72	130	75	Sn Antonio Police Officers	\$197,751	Labor
73	66	78	Turner Collie & Braden	\$193,740	Construction
74	98	77	TX Credit Union League	\$191,508	Finance
75	36	38	TX Society of CPAs	\$189,609	Finance
76	211	350	El Paso Mun'l Police Officers	\$185,438	Labor
77	123	-	Gulf States Toyota Inc.	\$183,750	Transportation
78	150	119	Sn Antonio Firefighters PAC	\$182,315	Labor
79	70	101	Houston Prof. Fire Fighters	\$181,552	Labor
80	95	93	TX Society of Anesthesiologists	\$181,095	Health
81	92	215	TX League Conservation Voters	\$178,142	Ideological
82	238	425	TX Podiatric Medical PAC	\$177,618	Health
83	112	175	Gr. Houston Builders Assn.	\$177,075	Construction
84	111	436	Harris County GOP PAC	\$176,277	Ideological
85	114	91	TX Ophthalmological Assn.	\$175,763	Health
86	74	-	Citizens For Equality	\$175,488	Ideological
87	93	224	Kirby Corp.	\$174,067	Transportation
88	129	223	TX Architects	\$170,000	Construction
89	97	58	BMC PAC	\$168,100	Lawyers & Lobbyists
90	84	110	TX Industries, Inc.	\$166,250	Construction
91	60	47	Beef PAC	\$162,750	Agriculture
92	-	-	BG Distribution Partners	\$162,300	Misc. Business
93	575	-	Jobe PAC	\$162,103	Construction
94	68	71	Associated General Contractors	\$160,667	Construction
95	94	86	Trinity Industries, Inc.	\$160,516	Construction
96	187	67	TXU Corporate PAC	\$158,363	Energy/Nat'l Resources
97	144	87	TX Thoroughbred Breeders	\$157,278	Agriculture
98	58	536	Travis Co. Democratic Party	\$156,987	Ideological
99	301	194	Apartment Assn. of Tarrant Co.	\$154,452	Real Estate
100	83	74	TX Petro Marketers...	\$153,250	Misc. Business

**National Association of Chicano  
and Chicana Studies Annual  
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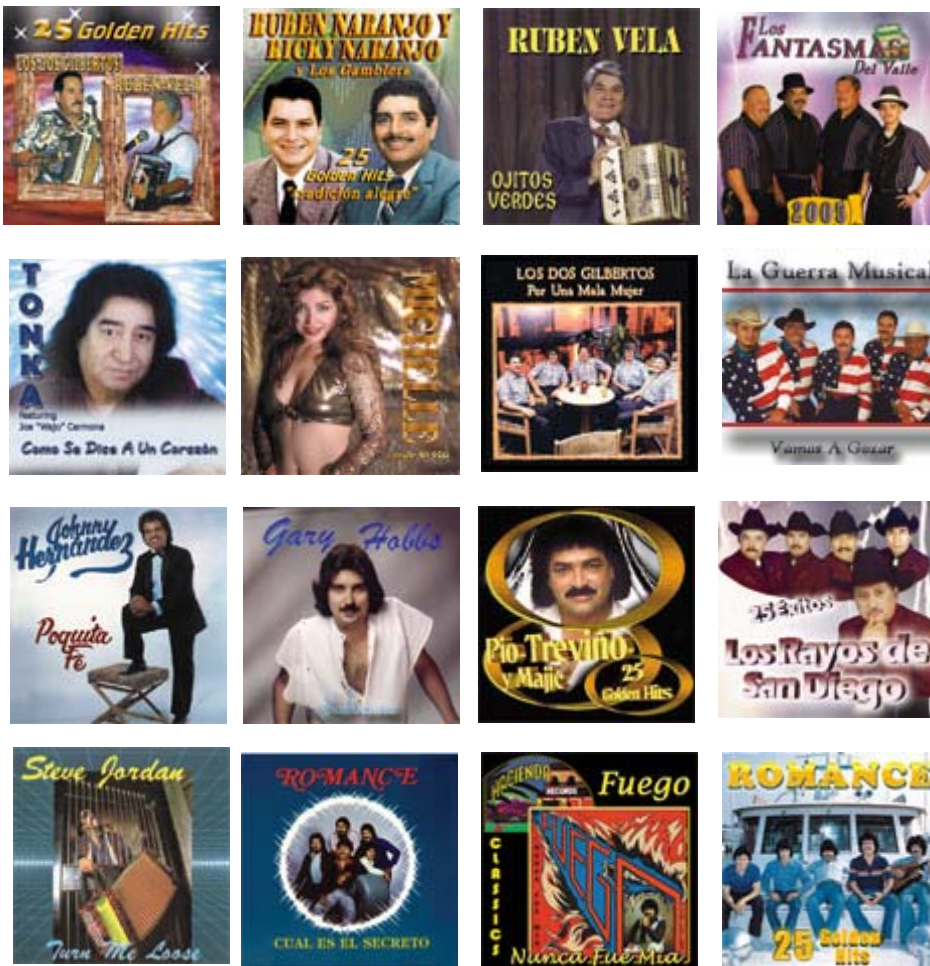
**Theme:** Transnational Chicana and Chicano Studies: Linking the Local with the Global in Struggles for Social Justice

Chicana/o studies, as a field of study has never separated academic production from the struggles to achieve social justice. In fact, the reason for creating the field was to articulate the relationship between intellectual work and activism in various communities. An integral part of this engagement, was also the preoccupation with internationalist struggles and the lessons Chicano communities could derive to apply them within the US context. The transnational connection was especially important with **Mexico**, as many of our families resided both in the US and in **Mexico**, but as well as with the rest of the Americas. The theme for the 2006 meetings is especially opportune given that our conference site will be in **Guadalajara, Mexico**.

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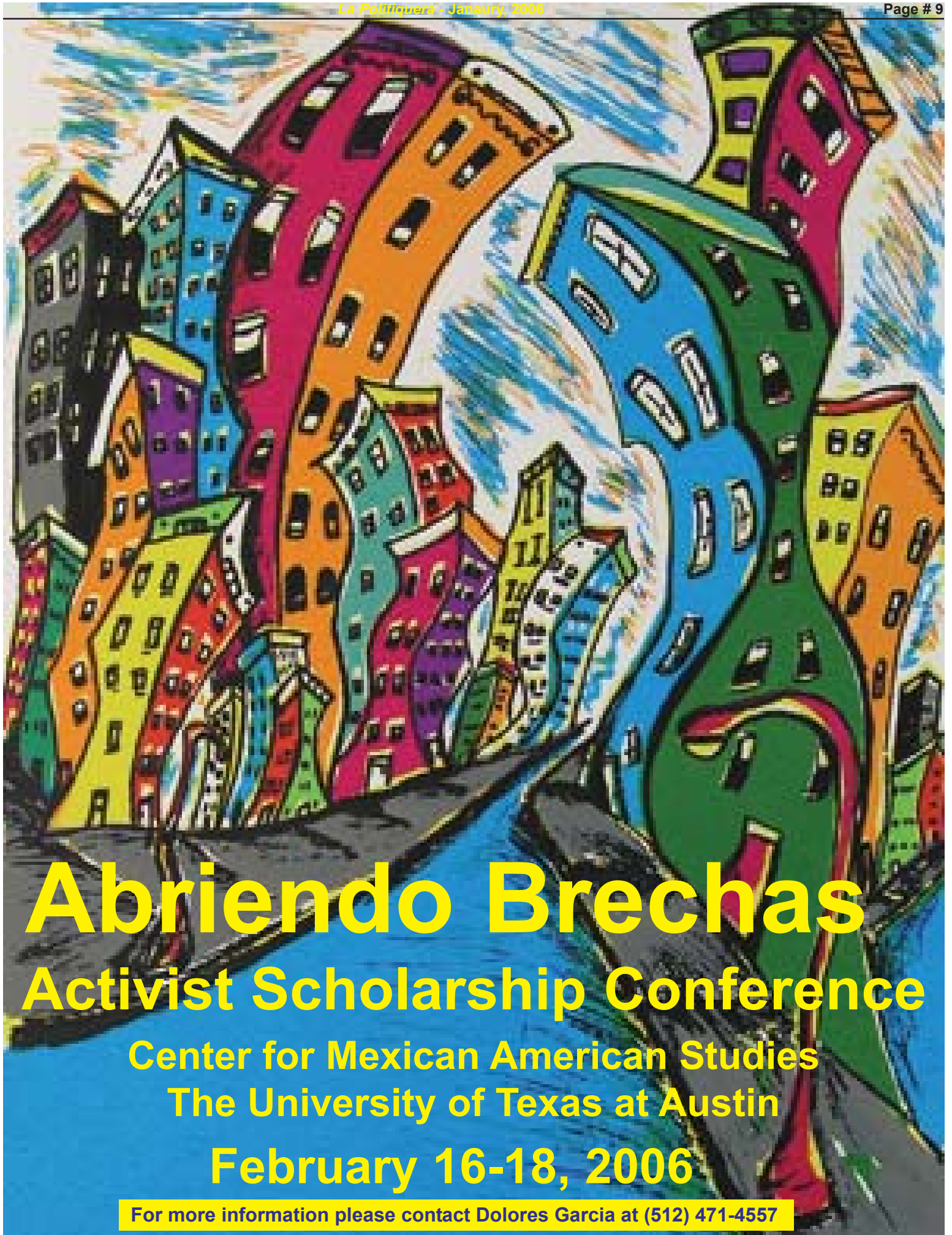


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# Abriendo Brechas

## Activist Scholarship Conference

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February 16-18, 2006

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# Calendar of Events

## January, 2006

**January 17, 2006** - The Voice of the Poor Committee Meeting for the Austin Diocese Council of The Society of St. Vincent De Paul will be held Jan. 17 at 7 p.m. at the diocesan Council office located at 7801 N. Lamar Blvd., Ste. B-163, Austin, TX 78752. The committee meets every other month. For more information, contact John Sauer at (512) 251-7569.

**January 18-21, 2006** - The 44th Annual Southwest Liturgical Conference Study Week, "Liturgy Evangelizing Life/La Liturgia Evangeliza La Vida" is being co-hosted by the Diocese of Austin and the Southwest Liturgical Conference, Jan. 18-21 at the Doubletree Hotel at IH-35 and 290 in Austin.

**January 26th, 2006** – Greater Austin Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Annual Meeting at the Hyatt Regency Hotel. Meeting starts at 6:00pm. For more information please call the chamber at Greater Austin Hispanic Chamber of Commerce 2800 South IH 35, Suite 260 Austin, Texas 78704 Phone: (512) 476-7502 Fax: (512) 476-6417

## February, 2006

**February 6th, 2006** – Last day to register to vote in Texas

**February 8-10th, 2006** - 31st Annual TACHE Conference (Texas Association of Chicanos in Higher Education) From Minority to Majority: Implications for Higher Education Hyatt Regency Houston 1200 Louisiana Street Houston, Texas 77002 For more information please visit the TACHE website at: [www.tache.org](http://www.tache.org)

## February, 2006

**February 12, 2006** - *35 Years of Triumph and Struggle: Mexican Americans in Texas, A Photographic Exhibition by Alan Pogue* 5:30 PM-7:30 PM West Mall Building (WMB), 5th Floor Center for Mexican American Studies The University of Texas at Austin Austin, Texas For more information please call (512) 471-4557

**February 16-18th, 2006** - Activist Scholarship Conference on Crisis, Politics and Performance in the Americas at The University of Texas at Austin. See the Center for Mexican American Studies website for more information or contact Dolores Garcia at (512) 471-4557

**February 21st, 2006** – First day of Early Voting in Texas

**February 28th, 2006** – Last day to apply for ballot by mail in Texas

## March, 2006

**March 7th, 2006** – Primary Elections in Texas. Polls are open from 7:00am to 7:00pm. Vote and vote often!

**March 25th, 2006** - Annual Cesar Chavez March San Antonio, Texas. Grand Marshall this year will be Richard Chavez. For more information call Jaime Martinez at (210) 842-9339

**March 10-12th, 2006** - Tejano Music Awards FanFare All details will be announced very, very soon, but for now, you can mark your calendars for the Fanfare to occur in San Antonio, March 10-12, 2006 with the Awards to follow on March 18, 2006. Details for the exciting Awards Show will be announced very soon as well and we encourage our supporters to keep viewing our website for all details.

## April, 2006

**April 11th, 2006** - Run-off elections in Texas

## May, 2006

**May 10th – 13th, 2006** – Tejano Conjunto Festival, San Antonio, Texas. Sponsored by the Guadalupe Culturals Arts Center. For more information visit the website: [www.guadalupeculturalarts.org](http://www.guadalupeculturalarts.org)

## June, 2006

**June 2nd, - 3rd, 2006** – Republican State Convention, San Antonio, Texas Expected attendance, 17,000.

**June 8th, 9th, 10th, 2006** Texas Democratic Convention in Fort Worth, Texas Expected attendance ??

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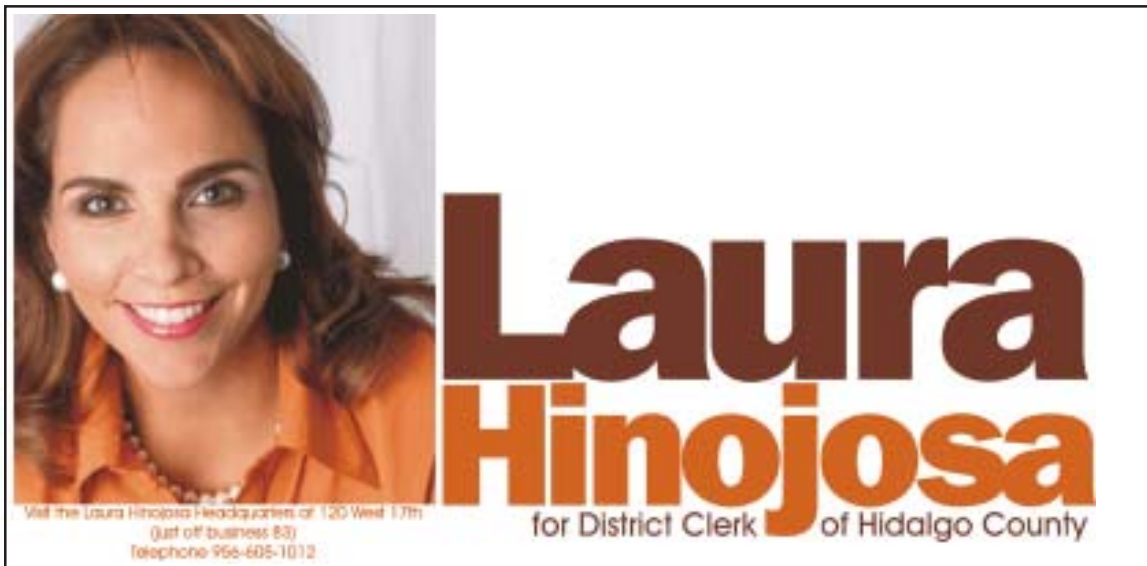
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ABOVE: Margaret Gómez is running for re-election as a Travis County Commissioner.

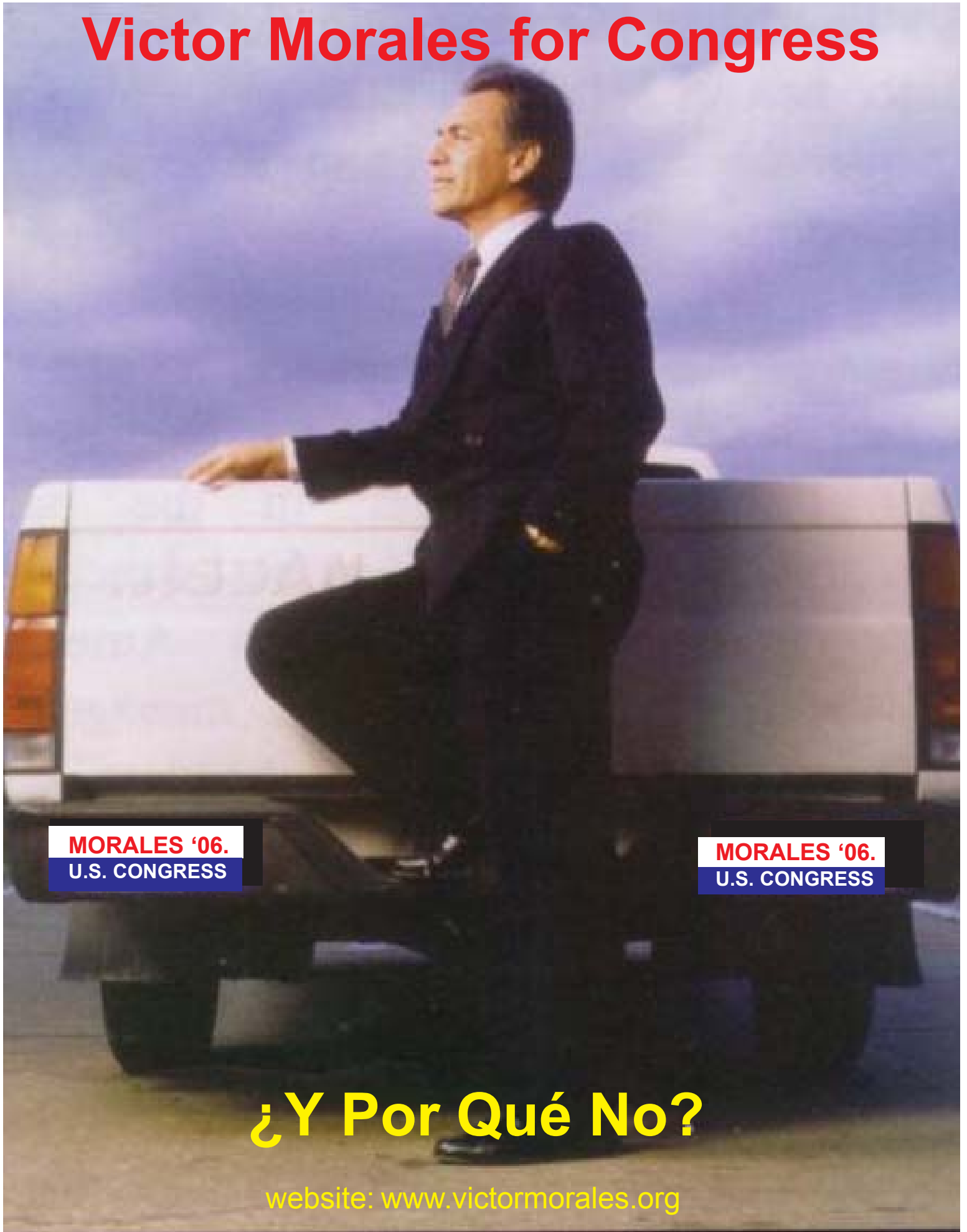


ABOVE: Laura Hinojosa is running for District Clerk in Hidalgo County.



ABOVE: José A. Aranda is running for re-election as the County Judge in Maverick County (Eagle Pass, Texas)

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