EL CENTRO CHICANO Presents
3rd Annual Latino Trojan Family Reunion:
A networking night for undergraduates, graduate students alumni & friends
Tuesday, March 29, 2011
6:00pm – 9:00pm @ El Centro Chicano, UUC 3rd Floor

AGENDA:
6p-7p: Reception/Networking
7p-8p Alumni Panel w/ Q&A
8p-9p Networking Mixer/ECC Endowment Raffle & KAPLAN Raffle
**6p-6:30p: Special Professional Development Informal Workshop will be held above El Centro, UUC 4th Floor**

"Please join us before our distinguished panel from 6:00-6:30pm on the 4th floor of the United University Church for a workshop that will prepare you for this amazing networking opportunity! Led by current USC student leaders, this workshop will provide you tips on how to present a professional 30-second elevator pitch, follow-up after networking interactions, and develop a unique personal brand. This interactive workshop will help you leave a memorable impression on tonight's panelists and successful alumni. Who knows, this may be the difference for you to land that internship or fellowship opportunity!"

Complimentary Appetizers: PORTOS BAKERY** & Attire: Business Casual Recommended

Co-sponsored by LSA, USC Latino Alumni Association, Target, Jarritos & Kaplan

We are happy to announce the 3rd Annual Latino Trojan Family Reunion! This is a great event to meet alumni and also network. Sylvia Lopez will be Moderating the Alumni Panel, focused on life after USC and key life skills that every Trojan should know. She is a current anchor of KCAL 9 News and a USC Alumna of the School of Journalism.

The Following is the List of Alumni Panelists Confirmed:

Dr. Magdalena Arias-Arenas, the first Latina pulmonologist in several Los Angeles Hospitals. She received her Doctorate from the Keck School of Medicine in ’97

Wendy Carrillo, host of “Knowledge is Power” on Power 106 and the online editor for Voto-Latino.org. She received her MA in Specialized Journalism from USC in ’09

Luis Genaro Garcia, local social justice artist/muralist and art teacher at Thomas Jefferson High School. He received his MA in Public Art from USC in ’09.

Miguel Espinoza, current deputy district attorney for the County of Los Angeles. He received his JD and MA in Public Policy from USC in ’07.

Aldo Palma, market manager at NBC Universal. He graduated in ’07 with a degree in cinema television critical studies and business administration.

LAST CHANCE TO BUY YOUR ECC RAFFLE TICKETS!!!

During the event we will announce the winner of the ECC Endowment Fundraiser Raffle which includes prizes such as a Mark Sanchez Autographed Jets NFL Football, a Ron Artest Autographed cap and M. Sanchez Jets Jersey. Ticket Price : 1 for $20 or 7 for $100. For more information, go to: http://saag.usc.edu/elcentro/calendar/ecc-chicano-endowment-raffle.aspx or contact me directly at wvela@usc.edu. BTW 1st 40 Alumni/Faculty/Staff will receive a FREE Goodie Bag from Target.

Finally KAPLAN will be providing 2 Lucky Students a chance to receive a FREE KAPLAN BOOK of their choice. When you CHECK-IN at the Latino Trojan Family Reunion on the 1st Floor of UUC, you will be given a Ticket and after the Panel Q&A session is over—we will announce the winners!
2011 ALPFA Student Symposium

Looking for a way to network or find an internship? Attend the ALFPA Student Symposium for free. Program highlights continental breakfast, panel discussion, workshops, lunch, and a career fair. All students (freshmen through juniors) are encouraged to attend. Preferably students majoring in finance, accounting, marketing, or an y related career profession.

When: Saturday, April 2, 2011
Time: 9:00am– 5:00pm
Location: Los Angeles, CA TBD

For more information visit:
http://alpfa.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=Calendar.eventDetail&eventID=1260&pagedId=2020

Which Way, America?

When: Wednesday, April 6, 2011
8:30 AM-4:00PM
Where: Davidson Conference Center, University of Southern California (USC), Los Angeles, CA
RSVP NOW!!!
Go to http://usc.edu/esvp and enter CSII for the event code.

With the failure to secure comprehensive immigration reform in Washington—including to pass even the DREAM Act—two things seem clear. The first is that what is driving the debate is not simply the immigration system per se but also a deeper anxiety about the changing demographics and economics of our nation. The second is that the challenge if immigration policy is moving down the geographic scale: increasingly, the battles about integrating or restricting immigrants will occur at the state, regional, and local levels. Participation is by RSVP only. Conference fee is $20. For more information email us at csii@usc.edu or reach us by phone at 213-740-3643

March Madness

Ever notice that “busy” is a four-letter word? Join us for an interactive workshop on stress management strategies. Being “stressed out” does not need to be “normal.” We will discuss maintaining balance, time management, learning how to relax, and other super secret solutions to manage stress.

March Madness: Stress Management Sessions
Student Counseling Services, 857 Downey Way (YWCA building)
Tuesdays at Noon
March 22 and March 29th
Light lunch will be provided, please rsvp at 213-740-7711

For more information contact Elizabeth A. Reyes at eliza-bar@usc.edu
Latino Leaders Fireside Chat

On the evening of March 30th, the University of Southern California will have the pleasure of hosting two of the most young and influential Latina leaders in America today. The Latino Leaders Fireside Chat Series is an event where USC students, faculty, and staff will have the opportunity to listen first hand to the inspirational stories of two empowered women who’ve risen to success in their individual fields and have utilized their influence as a vehicle to promote social change.

PLEASE COME EARLY BECAUSE SPACE IS LIMITED! Once the room is to capacity, no additional people will be allowed in. Thank you for your understanding.

The Latino Leaders Fireside Chat Series was launched in November 2010 with Dolores Huerta with the intention to showcase and acknowledge Latina/o leaders in the community who continuously push for social change in America. Ultimately, this event warrants honorable speakers who could really add value and inspire our youth!

When: Wednesday, March 30th at 8:00pm to 10:30pm
Where: TCC 450 (The Forum)

Mexican American Opportunity Foundation

MAOF invites you to meet ABC’s 7 Management Team in Montebello to meet with you, community leaders, and residents. The main goal is to hear from you about your community.

Space is limited, so please RSVP via email to abc7communitymeeting@abc.com or call 818-863-7238, or please call Diane Medina at 818-863-7231

IDEAS (Improving Dreams, Equality, Access & Success)

IDEAS is a new club looking for new members to join our discussion and support group for issues of Undocumented students (AB 540) and their allies at USC and in higher education. If you’re interested, our first meeting is Wednesday, March 30th from 5pm to 6pm in the lecture halls of El Centro Chicano located on the third floor of the United University Church. Please come if you’re interested in taking part of something in the making. For more info contact: Oscar Garcia at ogarcia@usc.edu.
Upcoming Events!

Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater
When: Friday, April 15, 2011 at 6:00pm to 11:00pm
Where: Dorothy Chandler Pavilion, 135 North Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90012
http://web-app.usc.edu/ws/e02/calendar/32/event/881695

The Struggle for Human Rights in Contemporary Mexico: A lecture by Lydia Cacho
When: Wednesday, April 6th 2011 at 12:00pm
Where: Doheny Memorial Library (DML) Friends Lecture Hall, Room 240
http://web-app.usc.edu/ws/e02/calendar/113/event/873384

Musical Patois: Reflections of Language in Music
When: Thursday, March 31, 2011 at 7:30pm
Where: Alfred Newman Recital Hall (AHF)
http://dornsife.usc.edu/events/view/881505/musical-patois-reflections-of-language-in-music


USC and USG Diversity Affairs are taking an important step in the promotion of further understanding and awareness of disabilities. Please come to our events and enjoy the free goodies brought to you by Seattle’s Best Coffee!

Monday, March 28
“Arrest My Sister” Concert / 12-1 pm @ Tommy Trojan*****

Arrest My Sister takes live music to new frontiers with its bold and eclectic mix of music styles. The members of Arrest My Sister believe in giving back and are heavily involved in helping people with disabilities. The band is partnered with Disability Dances, an organization with the mission to spread disability awareness to the typical community by providing inclusion opportunities for people with and without disabilities.

*I Am Sam* Film Screening / 7-9 pm @ THH 207***** + bike raffle from Seattle’s Best!

Tuesday, March 29
Speaker Carmen Apelgren / 1-2 pm @ WPH 207*****

Carmen Apelgren was 7 years old when she was diagnosed with retinitis pigmentosa, a congenital eye disease that would change her life. Refusing to let her eye disease stand in her way, upon graduation she took her show on the road to New York City. For the next 20 years Carmen worked as a professional performer with a wealth of talents. In 1990, she was hired as Braille Institute’s community relations coordinator. These days Carmen brings her show business acumen and infectious energy to her speaking engagements, promoting the Braille Institute throughout the southland.

Wednesday, March 30
Special Olympics Fundraiser at the 9-0 Bar & Grill: Want a fun way to help people with disabilities? USG’s Diversity Affairs is holding a fundraiser at the 9-0 Bar & Grill to raise money for people with disabilities as part of Disability Awareness Week. If you go to the 9-0 between 9 and 11 pm, 20% of purchases for food and drink will be donated to the Special Olympics. After 11 pm, order a “Trojan Tea” or “Student Body” and 10% of your bill will be donated!

For more information on any of these topics below:

- CYS
- ALFPA
- Which way America?
- Latino Fireside
- MAOF
- LA Times Festival of Books
- Internships

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