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It's that time of year again though many may be a little disoriented by the time switch. The Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Greater Kansas City is preparing for its 13th annual Fiesta Kansas City at Crown Center. Unlike previous fiestas, this year's event will take place the weekend of June 22 - 24 as opposed to May.

Carlos Gomez, chamber CEO and president, explained the rationale behind the date change.

"We have been asking Crown Center for a summer date for the last three years. ... In May the weather patterns have been real inconsistent the last five years in Kansas City. A week ago it was in the 40's and they were telling people to bring in their flowers. So May has always been tricky in the Midwest."

"IT'S A FAMILY FIESTA" / PAGE 6

TARADUCE GEMMA TORNERO

Es esa época del año otra vez; aunque muchos puedan estar un poco desorientados por el cambio de fechas. La Cámara de Comercio Hispana de Kansas City, se prepara para su 13ra Fiesta Anual Kansas City, en el Crown Center. A diferencia de fiestas anteriores, el evento de este año, se llevará a cabo, el fin de semana del 22 al 24 de junio, a diferencia de mayo.

Carlos Gómez; Presidente y Director de la Cámara, explicó la razón fundamental detrás del cambio de fecha.

"Hemos estado pidiendo el Crown Center para una fecha de verano, durante los tres años pasados. En mayo, el clima ha sido realmente inconsistente en los cinco años pasados en Kansas City. Hace una semana estábamos en los 40 grados Fahrenheit y, los meteorólogos le decían a la gente, que ya era tiempo de sembrar sus flores. Entonces el mes de mayo, siempre ha sido complicado en el Medio Oeste. Estamos muy contentos de celebrar en junio. Aún si nos llueve, estará caliente inmediatamente y la gente, será capaz de disfrutar del evento. De hecho, la gente podría disfrutar de la lluvia."

"ES UNA FIESTA FAMILIAR" / PÁGINA 6

Korean War Veterans Local Chapter Names Barbosa Commander La Delegacion Local de Veteranos de la Guerra de Corea, nombra Comandante a Barbosa

Jess Barbosa prepares for his new role as the Commanding Officer of the Kansas City chapter of the Korean War Veterans. Barbosa sits by the Korean War Veteran flag as Gene Winslow, Adjunct Secretary, stands behind him before their monthly meeting begins.

Jess Barbosa, se prepara para su nuevo papel como el Oficial al Mando de la Delegacion Kansas City, de los Veteranos de la Guerra Coreana. Barbosa se sienta bajo la bandera de Veteranos de la Guerra Coreana, mientras Gene Winslow; Secretario Adjunto, está de pie detrás de él, antes de que su reunión mensual comience.



TRADUCE GEMMA TORNERO

El veterano naval Jess Barbosa, sirvió en la guerra coreana hace 62 años, en el buque Rochester USS. La guerra coreana ha sido llamada la Guerra Olvidada de los Estados Unidos, pero él está trabajando con otros Veteranos de la Guerra Coreana, para asegurarse que su servicio y la guerra, no sean olvidados.

El 13 de junio del 2012, los miembros de la Asociación de Veteranos de la Guerra Coreana, se reunieron para ver a Barbosa, de 79 años, tomando juramento como el nuevo oficial al mando de la Delegacion de Kansas City. El Comandante Saliente Delbert White, tomó el juramento. Como el nuevo Comandante, él planea trabajar para promover la Delegacion a otros Veteranos de la

Guerra Coreana y, animarlos a unirse.

"Sé que hay otros Veteranos de la Guerra Coreana por ahí y, ellos pueden no saber sobre nosotros y nuestras reuniones mensuales. Cuando servimos en el extranjero, éramos camaradas y quiero que nosotros tengamos aquel compañerismo otra vez", comentó Barbosa. "Me gustaría invitar a otros; a los que

BY DEBRA DECOSTER

Navy veteran Jess Barbosa served in the Korean War 62 years ago on the USS Rochester. The Korean War has been called America's Forgotten War but he is working with other Korean War Veterans to make sure that their service and the war are not forgotten.

On June 13, 2012, members of the Korean War Veterans Association gathered to watch the 79-year-old Barbosa sworn in as the new commanding officer of the Kansas City Chapter. Outgoing Commander Delbert White delivered the oath. As the new Commander he plans to work to promote the chapter to other Korean War veterans and encourage them to join.

"I know there are other Korean War veterans out there and they may not know about us and our monthly meetings. When we served overseas, we were comrades and I want us to have that camaraderie again," said Barbosa. "I would like to invite others that would like to be a part of us to come to the meetings. We need others to come and we need to be together like it was overseas. Don't just sit at home and not be involved - join us and become involved in the organization."

"DON'T JUST SIT" / PAGE 8

les gustaría ser una parte de nosotros, a que asistan a las reuniones. Necesitamos que otros vengan y tenemos que estar juntos como era en el extranjero. No sólo se siente en casa y no se involucre, -acompañenos y empiece a involucrarse en la organización".

"NO SÓLO SE SIENTE" / PÁGINA 8

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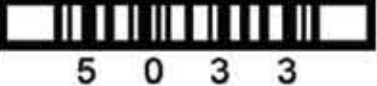
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"This is not amnesty"

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tive order by the president. It is not a new law. What they are doing is agreeing to extend the privilege of deferred action, meaning they won't take any action against people to remove them."

The policy change does not offer a path to citizenship or confer permanent legal status but does allow for those young immigrants to apply for work permits and drivers licenses making it easier to get a job. The rule change applies to immigrants 30 or younger that entered the United States before turning 16 years old. They must also be in school or be high school graduates or military veterans without criminal records. The rule requires that applicants reapply every two years for the status recognition.

In his remarks Obama praised those affected by the new rule. "These are young people who study in our schools, they play in our neighborhoods, they're friends with our kids, they pledge allegiance to our flag. They are Americans in their hearts, in their minds, in every single way but one: on paper. They were brought to this country by their parents, sometimes even as infants, and often have no idea that they're undocumented until they apply for a job or a driver's license or a college scholarship."

The president was quick to clarify what the new policy was not. "This is not amnesty. This is not immunity. This is not a path to citizenship. It's not a permanent fix. This is a temporary, stopgap measure that lets us focus our resources wisely while giving a degree of relief and hope to talented, driven, patriotic young people. ... It is the right thing to do."

Sharma-Crawford was impacted immediately by the ruling. "The first thing that I thought was, 'How many do I have in my office as clients that this helps, including the kid who had to take an order of voluntary departure yesterday?'"

He told Hispanic News that the new policy is a reflection of "the administration as a whole understanding the complex nature of immigration law. You have to understand when you look at immigration law in its raw context it is about the orderly progression of people into the United States on visas. That was the concept. That is not what the case is now. I think the administration finally understands the true nature of modern immigration."

Sharma-Crawford noted that the new rules will also benefit those students because it will put them in a better position than those that have come here under student visas, which do not allow them to work while they are pursuing their studies.

He noted that the rule will face a lot of challenges including from supporters. "We will be challenging a number of pieces. Proof of arrival in the United States in a certain age is going to be litigated. Also the nature of the criminal conviction [will be litigated]. In Missouri for example, the municipal misdemeanor conviction is not considered a crime - it is considered a civil wrong. Does that count as a conviction? So there is going to be a lot of litigation over the narrow piece of the bill."

Sharma-Crawford expects to be answering a lot of questions as the rule sinks in. "We have been getting calls from larger organizations seeking guidance for their populations like churches and that kind of thing. The individual calls will probably come tomorrow."

The news spread quickly in social media and was greeted enthusiastically by many people including members of the DREAM Act Alliance, an advocacy group working on behalf of youth immigrants.

Sayra Gordillo recently graduated and has worked on behalf of the DREAM Act. "It was great news it was definitely considered a victory for all the hard work of the young student organizers. It also brings us closer to what we ultimately need which is com-

prehensive immigration reform. It is very exciting that he made that announcement. ... I was not really anticipating anything at this point."

Gordillo is affected by the decision personally pointing out that her family has faced the issue with two relatives that are undocumented. She said that they had to put their studies on hold because they could not get work to help offset the cost.

"While this does not give a permanent solution to the members of my family, it certainly gives great hope in continuing with what they want to do. There are many obstacles as to why young people cannot continue their education and one of those are the documentation but we know that there are other issues in our community. ... but this brings a lot more potential to those students that had good grades and had every intention to continue their education but, based on some sort of technicality, were not able to do that," added Gordillo.

Congressman Emanuel Cleaver II supported the president's action. "I think the president is doing everything within his power to provide a path for citizenship and educational opportunities to young people who, through no fault of their own, came to the United States as undocumented immigrants. I support this move and have voted for the DREAM Act each time it has come before Congress."

The new policy was greeted with criticism from many Republicans. Republican Rep. Steve King, R-Iowa, in a statement said, "The American people have rejected amnesty because it will erode the Rule of law. In much the same way, I believe the American people will reject President Obama for his repeated efforts to violate the Constitutional separation of powers."

Rep. Allen West, Republican from Florida was quoted by Fox News, "I think right now, this shows that we are getting away from a government that's based upon consent of the American people, and we're starting to live under a rule by edict or executive order."

At the end of his speech, Obama called on Congress to take up the issue of the DREAM act again.

"There is still time for Congress to pass the DREAM Act this year, because these kids deserve to plan their lives in more than two-year increments. He also underscored the justness of his decision. Here's the reason — because these young people are going to make extraordinary contributions and are already making contributions to our society. I've got a young person

who is serving in our military, protecting us and our freedom. The notion that in some ways we would treat them as expendable makes no sense."

"Esto no es la amnistía"

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No es una nueva ley. Lo que ellos están haciendo, es estar de acuerdo en extender el privilegio de acción aplazada, significando que ellos no tomarán ninguna acción contra la gente para sacarlos del país."

El cambio de política, no ofrece un camino a la ciudadanía o confiere el estatus jurídico permanente, pero realmente permite a aquellos inmigrantes jóvenes, solicitar permisos de trabajo y licencias de conducir, lo que hace más fácil el conseguir un trabajo. El cambio de reglas se aplica a inmigrantes de 30 años o más jóvenes que entraron en los Estados Unidos, antes de cumplir 16 años. "Ellos también deben estar en la escuela, haberse graduado de la preparatoria o ser veteranos militares sin antecedentes penales". La regla requiere que los candidatos vuelvan a solicitar cada dos años para el reconocimiento de su estatus.

En sus comentarios, Obama, elogió a los beneficiados por la nueva regla. "Éstos son jóvenes que estudian en nuestras escuelas, juegan en nuestros vecindarios, son amigos de nuestros niños y, juran fidelidad a nuestra bandera. Ellos son estadounidenses en sus corazones, en sus mentes; de todas las maneras excepto en uno: en documentos. Sus padres les trajeron a este país; a veces cuando eran simplemente niños, y a menudo no tienen ni idea que ellos son indocumentados, hasta que ellos solicitan un trabajo, un permiso de conducir o una beca en el colegio".

El presidente fue rápido para clarificar lo que no es la 'nueva política'. "Esto no es la amnistía. Esto no es la inmunidad. Esto no es un camino a la ciudadanía. No es un arreglo permanente. Esto es temporal, una medida interina que nos permite enfocar nuestros recursos sabiamente, dando cierto grado de alivio y esperanza a jóvenes talentosos, de empuje, gente joven, patriota. Esto es lo correcto".

Sharma-Crawford, fue impactado inmediatamente por el fallo. "La primera cosa que yo pienso fue, '¿Cuántos tengo en mi oficina como clientes que esto les ayudará, incluso el niño que tuvo que tomar una petición de la salida voluntaria ayer?'".

Él dijo a Hispanic News, que la nueva política es una reflexión de "la administración", que en conjunto entiende la naturaleza



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compleja de la ley de inmigración. Usted tiene que entender que cuando mira la ley de inmigración en su contexto crudo, es sobre la progresión ordenada de la gente en los Estados Unidos y los visados. Ese era el concepto. No era el caso que es ahora. Creo que la administración finalmente entiende, la verdadera naturaleza de la inmigración moderna".

Sharma-Crawford notó que las nuevas reglas, también beneficiarán a aquellos que estudian, porque esto los pondrá en una mejor posición que aquellos que han venido aquí bajo visados estudiantiles, y que no se les permite trabajar mientras ellos prosiguen sus estudios.

El notó que la regla enfrentará muchos desafíos incluso de sus partidarios. "Estaremos desafiando varias piezas. La prueba de la llegada a los Estados Unidos a una cierta edad va a ser litigada. También la naturaleza de la convicción criminal. En Missouri por ejemplo, la convicción por falta menor municipal no se considerará un delito, se considera una falta civil. ¿Cuenta esto como una convicción?. Entonces va a haber mucha litigación sobre las piezas clave de la regla".

Sharma-Crawford, espera contestar a muchas preguntas mientras se capta la regla. "Hemos estado recibiendo llamadas de grandes organizaciones, buscando una guía para sus poblaciones como iglesias y ese tipo de organizaciones. Las llamadas individuales, las recibiremos probablemente mañana".

Las noticias se regaron rápidamente en las redes sociales y fue recibida con entusiasmo por muchas personas, incluso miembros de la Alianza DREAM Act; un grupo de defensa que trabaja a fa-

vor de jóvenes inmigrantes.

Sayra Gordillo recientemente se graduó y ha trabajado en nombre de DREAM Act. "Eran grandes noticias, definitivamente se consideró una victoria por todo el trabajo duro de los jóvenes organizadores estudiantiles. Esto también nos trae más cerca, a lo que por último necesitamos, que es la reforma de inmigración completa. Es muy emocionante que él diera esa noticia. Yo realmente no esperaba nada a este punto".

Gordillo es favorecida por la decisión, ya que personalmente su familia ha afrontado el problema con dos parientes que son indocumentados. Ella dijo, que ellos tuvieron que posponer sus estudios, porque no podían conseguir el trabajo que les ayudara a compensar el costo.

"Mientras esto no da una solución permanente a los integrantes de mi familia, seguramente les da gran esperanza para continuar lo que desean. Hay muchos obstáculos en lo que se refiere al por qué los jóvenes no pueden seguir su educación y, uno de esos, es la documentación, pero sabemos que hay otras problemáticas en nuestra comunidad. Pero esto trae mucho más potencial a aquellos estudiantes que tenían buenas calificaciones y la intención de seguir su educación, pero, basados en alguna clase del tecnicismo, no eran capaces de hacerlo", añadió Gordillo.

El congresista Emanuel Cleaver II, apoyó la acción presidencial. "Creo que el presidente, hace todo dentro de su poder para proporcionar un camino a la ciudadanía y para ofrecer oportunidades educativas a jóvenes que, por ninguna culpa propia, vinieron a los Estados Unidos como inmigrantes

indocumentados. Apoyo este movimiento y he votado por el DREAM Act, cada vez que se ha presentado ante el Congreso."

La nueva política fue recibida con críticas por parte de muchos republicanos. El Representante Republicano, Steve King, de Iowa, en una declaración dijo, "La gente estadounidense ha rechazado la amnistía, porque erosionará el estado de derecho. Del mismo modo, creo que la gente estadounidense rechazará al Presidente Obama por sus esfuerzos repetidos de violar la separación Constitucional de poderes".

El Representante Republicano Allen West, de Florida, fue citado por el Canal de Noticias Fox, "Pienso ahora mismo, que esto muestra que nos alejamos de un gobierno que está basado en el consentimiento de la gente estadounidense, y comenzamos a vivir bajo una regla por edicto u orden ejecutiva".

Al final de su discurso, Obama pidió al Congreso, retomar el problema del DREAM Act otra vez.

"Todavía hay tiempo para el Congreso de aprobar el DREAM Act este año, porque estos niños merecen planear sus vidas más allá de incrementos de dos años. Él también subrayó lo justo de su decisión. Aquí está la razón —porque estos jóvenes van a hacer contribuciones extraordinarias, y ya hacen contribuciones a nuestra sociedad. Tengo a una persona joven que sirve con nuestros militares, protegiéndonos a nosotros y a nuestra libertad. La noción de que en alguna manera, los trataríamos como prescindibles; no tiene sentido".

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If you ever walked or drove by the Duran's home on 20th Summit on Kansas City's Westside, you more than likely saw Luis Alonzo Duran, his sister Cecilia Hernandez and from time to time their mother Juana P. Duran on the edge of the yard fence waving at neighbors as they passed by. They always had a smile for anyone who took the time to say hello or give them a smile in return. On Wednesday June 13, 2012 Luis Alonzo Duran passed away at a local hospital at the young age of 37.

This past weekend, Tomas Melgoza shared his thought with mourners at Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine during a memorial service of a man he was proud to call a friend.

Duran was a constant in the neighbor. "He was a man that in spite of his physical disabilities and bad health, from a young age was a very amiable and happy person. ... He knew the area and we knew him," said Melgoza.

Melgoza's fondest memories come from the times that Duran would come to Guadalupe Center during the bingo games and call out the numbers. "He would call out the numbers in a way that people would love to hear. ... He would say, 'B doce (b12) la Virgen los conoce. Viva la Virgen de Guadalupe. ... We were a better community for having him here. He will be a legend in this community."

Father Michael Goode spoke with Hispanic News about Duran. "The fondest memory I have of him is the authentic friendliness of his

spirit ... the gentleness that he was. In a group of people there seemed to be a light in his face when he smiled. I always felt that that was real and there was nothing fake about him at all."

Goode noted that people like Duran give many things to those around them by simply being who they are. "They take life for what it is and they seem to go with it and they seem to be themselves. There is nothing pretentious and they have a capacity simply to offer friendship if people are willing to accept it from them. We could all learn from that for our own welfare."

Luis A. Duran, 36, of Kansas City, MO, passed away Wednesday, June 13, 2012 at Truman Medical Center. Mass of Christian Burial was held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, June 16, 2012 at Our Lady Of Guadalupe Shrine, 901 Cesar Chavez Ave., Kansas City, MO. 64108. Luis is survived by his mother, Juana P. Duran, of the home; sisters, Cecilia Hernandez of the home and Maria Montoya of Houston, TX. Luis is also survived by several nieces. Arrangements: McGilley Midtown Chapel.

Condolences may be left at www.mcgilleymidtownchapel.com.

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Si usted alguna vez camino o manejo en coche por la casa de Durán; en la calle 20 y Summit, en el Westside de Kansas City, usted muy probablemente vio a Luis Alonzo Durán, a su hermana Cecilia Hernández y, de vez en cuando a su madre Juana P. Durán, en el borde de la cerca del jardín, agitando su mano como saludo, a los vecinos cuando ellos pasaban. Ellos siempre tenían una sonrisa para cualquiera que se tomara un tiempo para decir 'hola', o darles una sonrisa a cambio. El miércoles, 13 de junio del 2012, Luis Alonzo Durán, falleció en un hospital local, a la joven edad de 37 años.

Este fin de semana pasado, Tomás Melgoza compartió sus pensamientos con los deudos en la Capilla de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, durante el servicio fúnebre de un hombre, al que él estaba orgulloso de llamar "amigo".

Durán era fiel en el vecindario. "Él era un hombre que a pesar de su discapacidad física y mala salud; desde una edad joven, fue una persona muy amigable y feliz. Él sabía sobre el área y le conocíamos", comentó Melgoza.

Los recuerdos más tiernos de Melgoza, vienen a partir de los tiempos en que Durán iba al Guadalupe Center durante los juegos de bingo y, gritaba los números. "Él gritaba los números de una manera que la gente amaba escuchar. Él decía, 'B doce (b12), la Virgen los conoce. ¡Viva la Virgen de Guadalupe! Éramos una mejor comunidad al tenerle aquí. Él será una leyenda en esta comunidad".

El padre Michael Goode, habló con Hispanic News acerca de Durán. "El recuerdo más tierno que tengo de él, es la amistad auténtica de su espíritu, la dulzura que él era. En un grupo de gente, aparecía una luz en su cara cuando él sonreía. Yo siempre sentía que era real y no había nada falso sobre él, en lo absoluto".

Goode notó que la gente como Durán da muchas cosas a aquellos que están alrededor de el-



los, siendo simplemente quienes son. "Ellos toman la vida para lo que es y, parece que van con ella y que son ellos mismos. No hay nada pretencioso y simplemente tienen una capacidad para ofrecer amistad; si la gente quiere aceptarla. Podríamos aprender todos de esto para nuestro propio bienestar".

Luis A. Durán, de 36 años de Kansas City, Missouri, falleció el miércoles, 13 de junio del 2012, en el Centro Médico Truman. La misa del entierro cristiano, se llevo a cabo a las 11:00 a.m., el sábado, 16 de junio del 2012, en Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, en el 901 de César Chávez Ave., Kansas City, Missouri. El velorio fue de 9:00-11:00 a.m. El sábado por la mañana, antes de los servicios en la iglesia, Luis fue cremado según sus deseos. Las contribuciones conmemorativas, pueden ser hechas a: Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, 901 César Chávez Ave., Kansas City, Missouri 64108. A Luis le sobreviven su madre, Juana P. Durán, hermanas, Cecilia Hernández; quienes residen en Kansas City y, María Montoya de Houston, Texas. A Luis también le sobreviven varias sobrinas. Funeral: Capilla de McGilley Midtown.

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In Loving Memory PHYLLIS GRADO

Phyllis Grado, 80, of the Kansas City, MO Westside Neighborhood, was called home to her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, Thursday, on June 14, 2012. She was surrounded by her family after a battle with cancer. On Tuesday, June 19, family and friends gathered at McGilley Midtown Chapel to say their final farewell and to share thoughts and stories of Phyllis who touched so many lives. During the visitation a rosary was prayed. On Wednesday, June 20, 2012, a mass was celebrated at Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine in Kansas City, Missouri.

Phyllis was born May 21, 1932 in Emporia, KS to Jose and Dolores (Trujillo) Madrigal. Mom had a great passion for music, entertaining with her piano, cooking, ceramics, planting flowers and playing marbles with her grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; sisters, Ramana Moreno, Rosa Cavillo, Pauline Velasquez, Mary (Lucy) Reynaga and her brother John Madrigal. Phyllis is survived by her husband of 64 years of the home, Robert Grado, Sr.; her daughters and sons, including spouses, Linda Frias (Guadalupe), Robert Grado, Jr. (Lilly), Bernard Grado (Christine), Sally R. Grado-Gasca, Irene Anzua (Cosme) and David

Grado, all of Kansas City; her sisters Josephine Meneses, Eva Miramontes of Kansas City, brother Ralph Madrigal (Mary) of San Jose, CA; 26 grandchildren, 51 great grandchildren and one great-great granddaughter of Tucson, AZ and several hundred nieces and nephews. Mom was mainly a homemaker but had worked at seasonal jobs for the US Post Office, Empire Mfg. Co., Luce Luggage; and her last couple of jobs was working as a nanny for other families, Drs. Michael Farrar and Debra Green and Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Melland. Online condolences may be left at www.mcgilleymidtownchapel.com.



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The **Hickman Mills C-1 School District** is accepting sealed bids for the following projects: **Hickman Mills C-1 Schools Athletic Supplies** until 10:00 AM local time, Wednesday, June 27, 2012 at the Administration Center, 9000 Old Santa Fe Road, Kansas City, Missouri 64138. Bids will be publicly opened at this time. A copy of the Invitation for Bid may be obtained by calling 816-316-7049 or by accessing the Hickman Mills C-1 School District website: www.hickmanmills.org

**INVITATION TO BID
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The Housing Authority of Kansas City, Kansas is seeking qualified companies to bid on the construction of two new single family homes built to Energy Star standards. Contractors bidding on this project must have Energy Star construction experience. Project is located on the Southwest corner of 3rd Street and Parallel and 3rd Street and Troup in Kansas City, Kansas.

Sealed bids will be received until **2:00 p.m. CDT, July 9, 2012** at the Housing Authority's administration office, at 1124 North 9th Street in Kansas City, Kansas. Bids received after this time will not be accepted.

Bid packages will be available from Timlis Arketekcher/City Vision, 726 Armstrong Ave, Kansas City, KS 66101, 913-371-5200x304 Attn: Jon Birkel. A refundable deposit of \$100.00 will be required per set of construction documents. Check shall be made out to Housing Authority of Kansas City, Kansas.

A **pre-bid** conference will be held at **10:00 a.m. CDT, June 28, 2012** at the Housing Authority Main Building, 1124 N 9th St, Kansas City, KS 66101.

This project is federally funded and subject to all applicable regulations. Prevailing wage must be paid as scheduled in the Project Manual. The Authority reserves the right to waive irregularities and reject any and all bids or request additional information from any bidder.

Questions regarding the Invitation to Bid should be addressed in writing to: Tony Shomin, Modernization Coordinator, Housing Authority of Kansas City, Kansas, 1124 North 9th Street, Kansas City, Kansas 66101. Minorities, Section 3 Contractors and WOB are encouraged to bid.



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Questions regarding this project should be directed to Tom Gorman, Turner Special Projects, tgorman@tcco.com Phone: 816.283.0555

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"It's a family fiesta"

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We are very happy to have June. Even if it rains on us it will be hot immediately ... and people will be able to enjoy the event. In fact, the people might enjoy the rain."

Gomez pointed out that this year's fiesta will be similar to past fiestas with the main difference being an expansion of participants and interactive events.

"We have expanded the Bellas Artes tent," explained Gomez. "In the past we have had eight to ten artists and this year we have 18 to 20. So we have almost doubled the amount of artists and we are very happy about that. The food booths are already sold out and have been for months but the non-food booths are getting ready to be sold out in the next few days."

Gomez takes pride in the musical acts that increasingly are becoming the fiesta's signature.

"As far as entertainment, we have Pablo Montero coming from Mexico City singing mariachi. We are getting a great response from not only Montero but also Banda Machos and if you have not seen them, they give an incredible show. ... Through social media, word spreads very quickly. Any of these bands that we are bringing in you would pay 35 to 50 dollars to see in one night, let alone over three nights for 12 dollars."

Apart from the informational booths, the arts, music and vendors selling diverse wares, Gomez believes that the fiesta's real strength is its family friendly image.

"The best thing of the fiesta is the camaraderie of the community coming together. It is the families coming out every year. Even when [we had] bad weather, people still came out and it is good to see the families, the grandparents, all together. It is just a great family event. We get people not only from Kansas City but also as far away as Garden City and Omaha. We are getting calls from Arkansas and the Joplin area."

Gomez touted the location as important in boosting the fiesta. "We have been at Crown Center for seven of our thirteen years.

We have a great relationship with them. ... They are great to work with and the venue is a beautiful venue. We have vendors that travel all over the country and they can't believe what a beautiful venue this is. ... There is no reason why Latinos should not celebrate an event at one of Kansas City's premier venues."

The fiesta is a major fundraiser for the chamber and its non profit, the Greater Kansas City Hispanic Collaborative.

"As any non profit, we rely on funds and we appreciate any support the community gives us. This allows us to help give back to the community," explained Gomez. "As far as our operations, most of our funds come from our membership. Thanks to our 429 members. They are the core of our budget."

Gomez added that the fiesta funds provide the chamber the base to do its small business outreach and lobbying efforts as well as educational programs and workshops. He pointed out that in the past year the chamber has been able to help close to one hundred businesses deal with a variety of issues from startup questions, expansion, certification, business plans, capital issues all the way to lease and signage concerns.

Gomez cited a recent success, which involved collaboration with Google. "We had fifty people come to a workshop where Google taught our business community how to use their free applications to analyze their business and to increase web traffic. The two-hour session was free to members first and then the public."

"We just did a roundtable with the Army ROTC program and our Hispanic veterans to see about getting more Hispanic officers to apply. We applaud the Army for saying, 'We see a disparity and we want to change that. We want to look like the way the United States is.' The veterans were able to give feedback and help identify candidates and advise them on how to get more people into their program."

Gomez has big hopes for the fiesta. He would like to see it as close in numbers and influence

as the Irish and Italian fests.

"This is an opportunity for people to learn about our culture. They can come and try the food, come see our art and our music and more importantly interact with our community. The more people get to know each other, the more people will understand some of our positions when it comes to immigration. When someone puts a face to an issue it usually changes opinions.



We do welcome the whole community, not just Hispanics."

The hours for the fiesta are Friday 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., Saturday noon to 11:00 p.m. and Sunday noon to 10:00 p.m. Adult admission is free if arriving before four, otherwise it is five dollars with a three-day pass costing \$12. Children 12 and under get in free. Tickets are available at the fiesta or can be purchased at Paletaria Tropicana locations in advance.

"Es una fiesta familiar"

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Gómez indicó que la fiesta de este año, será similar a las fiestas pasadas, con la principal diferencia de que hay una extensión de participantes y acontecimientos interactivos.

"Hemos ampliado el stand de Bellas Artes", explicó Gómez. "En el pasado, habíamos tenido de 8 a 10 artistas y, este año tenemos de 18 a 20. Entonces hemos doblado casi la cantidad de artistas y, estamos muy contentos

cualquiera de estos grupos que le traemos, usted pagaría una entrada de 35 y 50 dólares para verlos una noche, sin mencionar que aquí, son tres noches por 12 dólares".

Aparte de los stands informativos, las artes, la música y los comerciantes que venden artículos diversos, Gómez cree que la verdadera fuerza de la fiesta, es su imagen familiar amable.

"Lo mejor de la fiesta, es el compañerismo de la comunidad reuniéndose. Son las familias que salen a divertirse cada año. Aún cuando tuvimos un mal clima, todavía la gente salía y, está bien ver a las familias, a los abuelos, todos juntos. Simplemente es un gran evento familiar. Viene gente no sólo de Kansas City, sino también de tan lejos como Garden City y Omaha. Recibimos llamadas de Arkansas y el área de Joplin".

Gómez da crédito al lugar donde se lleva a cabo el evento, como algo importante en el empuje de la fiesta. "Hemos estado en el Crown Center, durante siete de nuestros trece años. Tenemos una gran relación con ellos. Son gente con la que es grandioso trabajar y, el lugar es un escenario hermoso. Tenemos vendedores que viajan por todo el país y ellos no pueden creer lo hermoso del escenario. No hay ninguna razón por la que los latinos no puedan celebrar un evento en uno de los principales escenarios de Kansas City".

La fiesta es uno de los principales eventos recaudadores de fondos para la Cámara y, para su agencia no lucrativa, el Colaborativo Hispano de Kansas City.

"Como cualquier agencia no lucrativa, dependemos de fondos y apreciamos cualquier apoyo que la comunidad nos dé. Esto permite que nosotros ayudemos, regresándole el apoyo a la comunidad", explicó Gómez. "En lo que se refiere a nuestras operaciones administrativas, la mayor parte de nuestros fondos, vienen de nuestras membresías. Gracias a nuestros 429 miembros. Ellos son el corazón de nuestro presupuesto".

Gómez añadió, que los fondos de la fiesta proporcionan a la Cámara, la base para realizar su trabajo de alcance a pequeños negocios y para los esfuerzos de cabildero, así como programas educativos y talleres. Él indicó, que desde el año pasado, la cámara ha sido capaz de ayudar, a cerca de cien negocios con una

variedad de asuntos, desde preguntas de arranque, extensión, certificación, planes de negocios, cuestiones de capital, desde el rentar y hasta preocupaciones de señalización.

Gómez citó, un éxito reciente que involucro una colaboración con Google. "Teníamos a cincuenta personas que llegaron a un taller, donde Google le enseñó a nuestra comunidad de negocios, como usar sus aplicaciones gratuitas para analizar su negocio y aumentar el tráfico en línea. La sesión de dos horas, fue gratis primero para los miembros y, luego al público".

"Acabamos de tener una mesa redonda con el programa ROTC del Army y nuestros veteranos hispanos, para pensar en como conseguir que más oficiales hispanos se enrolen. Aplaudimos el refrán del ejército, 'Vemos una disparidad y queremos cambiar esto. Queremos vernos de la manera en que son los Estados Unidos'. Los veteranos estuvieron dispuestos a darnos su opinión y, ayudar a identificar a candidatos y aconsejarles sobre como conseguir a más personas en su programa".

Gómez tiene grandes esperanzas de la fiesta. Le gustaría verlo tan cerca en números de asistencia e influencia, como el festival irlandés o italiano.

"Esto es una oportunidad para que la gente pueda aprender sobre nuestra cultura. Ellos pueden venir y probar la comida; venga a ver nuestro arte y nuestra música y, lo más importante, a interactuar con nuestra comunidad. Entre las personas más se lleguen a conocer el uno al otro, más personas entenderán algunas de nuestras posiciones cuando se trata del tema de inmigración. Cuando alguien pone un rostro a un problema, esto por lo general cambia opiniones. Damos la bienvenida a la comunidad entera, no sólo hispanos".

El horario de la fiesta es el viernes de 5:00 p.m., hasta las 11:00 p.m., el sábado desde las 12 p.m., hasta las 11:00 pm., y el domingo, desde las 12:00 p.m., hasta las 10:00 p.m. La entrada de adulto es gratis llegando antes de las 4:00 p.m; por otra parte, son 5 dólares, o con un pase de tres días, con un costo de \$12 dólares. Los niños de 12 años y menores entran gratis. Los boletos están disponibles en la fiesta, o pueden comprarse en pre-venta en la Paletaria Tropicana.

Sporting Torches Toronto announces international friendly



JOHN SILVA

Forward Eric Avila took a ball behind the Sporting backline and put a chance beyond goalkeeper Jimmy Nielsen. The shot however would bounce off the left post, roll down toward the right post, hit it and get cleared by defender Aurelien Collin. It is a microcosm of the season for Toronto.

Five minutes later, KC's pressure earned them a corner kick. Midfielder Graham Zusi removed confetti from his feet still left from the first goal and sent a ball towards the far end of the penalty box. From about eight yards out Defender Julio Cesar picked the ball out of the air and hammered it into the top of the net at the back post for an insurance goal. The set piece could not have been executed any better as

Sporting got what they needed to end the half and eventually the match 2-0.

The win puts KC squarely in second place in the Eastern Conference with 28 points. Without defender Matt Besler (injury) and forward Kei Kamara (international duty), Sporting is utilizing their tremendous depth to maintain their lofty stature in MLS and continue their quest to capture the Lamar Hunt trophy. It will be needed as the US Open Cup still would require three more games to win amid a stretch of league matches the latter part of this month.

We found out before this match that the club has added one more fixture to its schedule. As expected an international club of note will be visiting LSP

this summer. After a couple of years of storied English Premier League clubs coming to town, the League across the Chunnel will send their best to KC.

Ligue 1 Champions Montpellier Hérault Sport Club will play an international friendly on July 24th. The 2011-2012 French champs will bring their talented squad, which may or may not include forward Olivier Giroud

who is currently playing for Les Bleu in EURO 2012. The exhibition is a tune-up for Montpellier as they prepare for the upcoming Ligue 1 season.

It will be interesting to see if KC fans will flock to see a French club who not many may have seen on television. It is part of the season ticket package, but as a marketing tool it is likely not to see as big a crowd as showed

With only three points three months into the season, Toronto FC had a regime change and installed Paul Mariner as head man on the pitch. Mariner put in a different system and tried to kick start the moribund franchise, the MLS's most wayward organization which ran former Wizards Preki and Mo Johnston out of town when they tried to change the Canadian club's fortunes. Mariner's time in the coaching merry-go-round began with a trip to Livestrong Sporting Park.

Kansas City put the pressure on immediately and in the eighteenth minute midfielder Jacob Peterson made a cross from the right side of the area toward the center of the box. With two defenders whiffing, forward C.J. Sapong beat a third defender to the ball and cranked it for his fifth goal of the season.

In the 30th minute the lack of luck for TFC shone again.



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Clockwise from upper left: Josie Gonzalez, Edwin Martinez, Michelle Garcia Hubbard, Blanca Alvarado, and Alejandra Ruiz



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"Don't just sit at home"

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One initiative the organization has already made to encourage veterans to turn out has been to change the meetings from Wednesday evenings to afternoons. Barbosa was encouraged to see that the change led to more veterans in attendance.

"The evening meetings were difficult for many of our members to come because they didn't like to drive at night. We hope with this change it will encourage the veterans who wouldn't come out at night to come back to our meetings," he said.

At their monthly meetings, the members discuss changes to veterans' benefits, community service projects, what is happening at the Veteran's Administration hospital regarding veteran's health care policies. They also discuss their Tell America project, where Korean War veterans from the chapter visit schools, libraries and other events and tell their story of service in the Korean War.

Barbosa's new position comes at a time when he is ready for other challenges. He has decided that at the ripe age of 79 he will retire next month. He currently is working part-time at the Marriott Hotel in downtown Kansas City, Missouri. While serving in Korea from 1952 until 1955, he learned a trade as a cook which he turned into a career once he left military life.

The USS Rochester, a heavy cruiser ship provided gun support for the troops on the

ground. As it operated along the Korean coast it also served as a mobile helicopter base. As a young boy from the Westside of Kansas City, he had worked in a meat store before going into the military and wanted to work as a cook on the ship, but it was not an easy job to get.

"I watched the boys in the galley and I asked the warrant officer in charge ... 'if I could join the boys in the galley and we could cook up a storm.' He told me he had my name and he would let me know if something came up. I kept pestering him until he finally gave me a job in the galley," he said.

It was at this point that the warrant officer learned that Barbosa had cooking skills and he moved Barbosa from cooking in the service men galley to cooking for the officers of the ship.

Cooking for the officers had some benefits as he explained to Hispanic News. "They (officers) ate well on the ship and as the cook for the officers that meant that I ate well too. The officers would get steaks for their meals and other good meats while the other men on the ship, their meals would consist of whatever they had on hand to feed them," he explained.

After three years in the service, he returned home to his Westside community and began to look for work as a chef. He went to the larger hotels looking for work in the kitchen and was turned down by many places. He finally got a break at the Muehlebach Hotel in Kansas City.

"I finally got a chance there and I started as a cook and worked my way up to become an executive chef. I spent fifteen and a half years there and I was trained by the European chefs and they are the best to learn how to prepare meals," said Barbosa.

He left the Muehlebach Hotel when the Alameda Plaza hotel was ready to open to the public and was their executive chef for seventeen and a half years. He left when the Ritz Carlton purchased the hotel and began a twenty-two year shift at the



downtown Marriott. He left the kitchen as executive chef about eight years ago and became the hotel's food buyer.

Cooking has been a way of life for him and he has enjoyed every minute he spent in the kitchen creating new platters of food for wedding parties, com-



Delbert White retired as Commander of the Korean War Veterans Association Kansas City chapter and sworn into office Jess Barbosa as the new Commander of the Kansas City Chapter.

Delbert White, se retiró como Comandante de la Asociación de Veteranos de la Guerra Coreana Delegación Kansas City y, tomo juramento ante la oficina a Jess Barbosa, como el nuevo Comandante de la Delegación Kansas City.

Jess Barbosa served in the Navy during the Korean War from 1951 until 1955. He worked as a chef in the Officers Galley on board the USS Rochester.
Jess Barbosa, sirvió en la Marina, durante la guerra coreana de 1951 a 1955. Él trabajó, como jefe de cocina en la Galera de Oficiales a bordo del buque Rochester USS.

munity events or dinners for the hotel guests.

"I left the kitchen ... because I couldn't stand on my feet that long anymore," stated Barbosa.

As his retirement date ap-

proaches, he looks forward to enjoying life, running the Korean War Veterans meetings and getting out having fun. On the nice sunny days he is likely to be found out on the greens shooting golf, his favorite pastime.

The Korean War Veterans associations meetings are held at the DAV building, 8787 Old Santa Fe Road, Kansas City, Missouri; the second Wednesday of each month.

"No sólo se siente en casa"

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Una iniciativa que la organización ya ha hecho, es animar a los veteranos a cambiar las reuniones de los miércoles por la noche a la tarde. A Barbosa se le animo a ver que el cambio atrajo a más veteranos a asistir.

"Las reuniones por la noche, resultaban difíciles para que asistieran muchos de nuestros integrantes, porque no les gustaba conducir por la noche. Esperamos con este cambio, animar a los veteranos; que no saldrían por la noche, a regresar a nuestras reuniones", aseguro él.

En sus reuniones mensuales, los integrantes hablan de cambios en las prestaciones de los veteranos, proyectos de servicio comunitario, lo que pasa en el hospital de Administración del Veterano, en cuanto a las políticas de asistencia médica al veterano. Ellos también hablan del proyecto de 'Dicen los Estados Unidos' (Tell America), donde los Veteranos de la Guerra Coreana, van de visita a las escuelas de la delegación, bibliotecas y otros eventos y, cuentan su historia de servicio en la guerra coreana.

El nuevo puesto de Barbosa, llega en el momento cuando él está listo para otros desafíos. Él ha decidido que en la edad madura de 79, se retirará el próximo mes. Él actualmente trabaja medio tiempo en el hotel Marriott, en el centro de Kansas City, Missouri. Mientras servía en Corea de 1952 a 1955, él aprendió un oficio como cocinero y, que convirtió en una carrera una vez que dejó la vida militar.

El buque Rochester USS; un barco crucero pesado, proporcionó el apoyo de armas a las tropas en tierra. Ya que éste funcionó a lo largo de la costa coreana, también sirvió como una base de helicóptero móvil. Siendo un muchacho joven del Westside de Kansas City, él había trabajado en una tienda de carne, antes de entrar en el servicio militar y, había querido trabajar como cocinero en el barco, pero no era un trabajo fácil de obtener.

"Miré a los muchachos en la galera y pregunté al brigada responsable 'si yo pudiera acompañar a los muchachos en la galera y, podríamos preparar una tormenta'. Él me dijo que tenía mi nombre y me avisaría si tenía algo para mí. Seguí molestándole, hasta que él finalmente me dio un trabajo en la galera", comento.

Fue en ese momento que el brigada supo que Barbosa, tenía habilidades en la cocina, después movió a Barbosa de cocinar en la galera de hombres, al servicio de la

cocina para los oficiales del barco.

La cocina para los oficiales, tenía algunas ventajas, como explicó a Hispanic News. "Ellos, los oficiales, comían bien en el barco y, como el cocinero para los oficiales yo comía bien también. Los oficiales conseguían filetes para sus comidas y otras carnes buenas, mientras que para los otros hombres en el barco, sus comidas consistían de los alimentos que ellos tuvieran a la mano", explicó él.

Después de tres años en el servicio, regresó a casa, a su comunidad del Westside y, comenzó a buscar trabajo como jefe de cocina. Él fue a los hoteles más grandes a buscar trabajo en la cocina y fue rechazado por muchos lugares, finalmente consiguió algo en el hotel Muehlebach, en Kansas City.

"Finalmente conseguí una oportunidad allí, comencé como cocinero y trabajé mi ascenso hasta llegar a ser un jefe de cocina ejecutivo. Me pase quince años y medio allí, fui entrenado por los jefes de cocina europeos y, ellos son los mejores para aprender como preparar comidas", recuerda Barbosa.

Él dejó el hotel Muehlebach, cuando el hotel Alameda Plaza estaba listo para abrirse al público y, fue su jefe de cocina ejecutivo durante dieciséis años y medio. Él se marchó cuando el Ritz Carlton compró el hotel y, comenzó un periodo de veintidós años en el Marriott del centro de la ciudad. Él dejó la cocina como el jefe de cocina ejecutivo, hace aproximadamente ocho años y tomo el cargo de comprador de comida del hotel.

El cocinar ha sido un estilo de vida para él y, ha disfrutado de cada minuto que ha pasado en la cocina creando nuevos platillos de comida para fiestas de bodas, acontecimientos de la comunidad o comidas para los invitados de hotel.

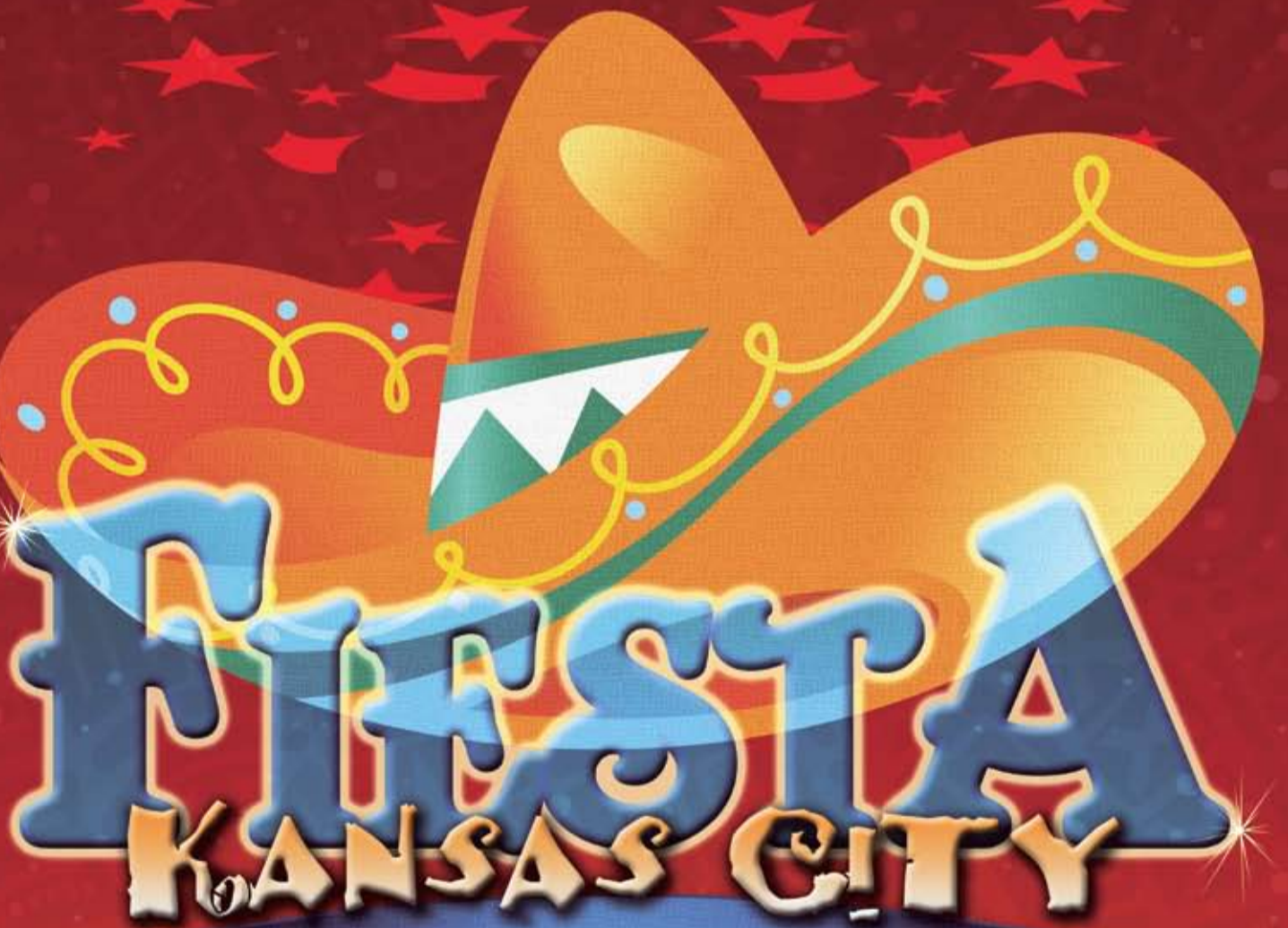
"Dejé la cocina, porque yo no podía estar de pie por mucho tiempo más", declaró Barbosa.

Ya que su fecha de jubilación se acerca, él tiene ganas de disfrutar de la vida, dirigiendo las reuniones de Veteranos de la Guerra Coreana y, salir a divertirse. Durante los días soleados agradables, a él probablemente se le encontrará en los verdes campos de golf, pegándole a una bola de golf; su pasatiempo favorito.

Las reuniones de asociación de los Veteranos de la Guerra Coreana, son llevadas a cabo en el edificio de DAV, en el 8787 Old Santa Fe Road, en Kansas City, Missouri; el segundo miércoles de cada mes.

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