Week's activities focus on Hispanic culture, life

Special lectures, music and films will be part of the University's salute to Spanish-speaking Americans during the second annual Hispanic Awareness Week on campus April 7-13.

The week's activities are planned to increase public understanding of Hispanic culture and history, according to Carmen Alvarez-Breckenridge, coordinator of the University's Office of Hispanic Student Programs.

All the activities are open to the public. Most are free and will be held in the Ohio Union.

The week's activities are summarized below:

**Monday, April 7:** Economic, social and political issues affecting Mexican-Americans will be discussed from 12:30-4 p.m. in the Ohio Union Conference Theater by John Garcia, co-director of the National Chicano Survey at the University of Michigan; Phillip Garcia of the Survey Research Center at the University of Michigan; and Baldemar Velazquez, president of the Farm Labor Organizing Committee in Toledo. "El Super," a film about Cuban exiles during the snowy winter of 1978, will be shown at 8 p.m. in the Conference Theater.

**Tuesday, April 8:** "Pablo Neruda: Poet" and a documentary on Indians of the Amazon, "Listen Caracas," will be shown from noon to 1 p.m. in the Conference Theater. Herminio Portell Vila, Latin American editor for the American Security Council, will discuss Cuba's involvement in Africa from 3-5 p.m. in Room 9, Dulles Hall, and Cuba's influence in South America at 8 p.m. in the Ohio Union Memorial Room.

**Wednesday, April 9:** Pascual Olivera and Angela del Moral will demonstrate Spanish dances at 1:30 p.m. in the Conference Theater. Carmen Gauthier-Mayoral, associate professor of political science at the University of Puerto Rico, will discuss Puerto Rican independence, with comments from two Ohio State Latin American specialists, from 3-5 p.m. in Room 9, Dulles Hall. Pianist Santos Ojeda will present a concert at 8 p.m. in the Conference Theater.

**Thursday, April 10:** "The Double Day," a documentary on working women in Latin America, will be shown at noon in the Conference Theater. Pascual Olivera, Angela del Moral and their company present a Spanish dance concert at 8 p.m. in Mershon Auditorium; for tickets contact the Mershon Ticket Office.

**Friday, April 11:** The State of Ohio Commission on Spanish Speaking Affairs will meet in the Ohio Union Memorial Room beginning at 10 a.m. A Latin ball featuring La Orquesta Charambo will be held in the Ohio Union East Ballroom at 8 p.m.

**Saturday, April 12:** Teatro United, a new Hispanic drama group at Ohio State, will perform "Su Primer Cliente," a one-act comedy, at 2 p.m. in the Conference Theater. The playwright, Jose Cid Perez, and a drama critic will discuss his works following the performance.

**Sunday, April 13:** Haciendo Punto en Otro Son, a group of eight young musicians, will present a concert of folk and contemporary music at 4 p.m. in the Conference Theater.

A complete schedule of activities during Hispanic Awareness Week is available from the Office of Hispanic Student Programs, located in the Ohio Union, or by calling 422-2917.
Hispanic week program to improve relationships

By Linda Bohmer

The goal of Hispanic Awareness Week, today through Sunday, is to improve relationships between OSU's Spanish-speaking students and the community by better understanding the Hispanic culture, according to Carmen Alvarez-Breckenridge, coordinator of Hispanic Student Programs.

This year, the third Hispanic Awareness Week will emphasize the different segments of the Hispanic-American population, Alvarez-Breckenridge said. People often do not realize that Hispanics are of several origins and cultures: Mexican, Latin American, Cuban and Puerto Rican as well as Spanish, she said.

There are 303 Hispanic students at Ohio State, and 16,000 Hispanics in Columbus and 500,000 in Ohio.

The week's events are open to the public. Most will be free and held in the Ohio Union.

The week's activities include:

Monday, April 7: Mexican-American issues will be discussed from 12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the Ohio Union Conference Theater. Speakers will be John Garcia, co-director of the National Chicano Survey at the University of Michigan; Phillip Garcia of the Survey Research Center at the University of Michigan; and Baldemar Velazquez, president of Ohio's Farm Labor Organizing Committee. "El Super," a film about Cuban exiles in New York City, will be shown at 8 p.m. in the Conference Theater.

Tuesday, April 8: Latin-American films, "Pablo Neruda: Poet" and "Listen Caracas," a documentary about Amazon Indians, will be shown from noon to 1 p.m. in the Conference Theater. Herminio Portell Vila, Latin American editor for the American Security Council, will give a lecture and a seminar in Dulles Hall 9 from 3 to 5 p.m. titled "Castro's Adventures in Africa." The seminar, in the Ohio Union Memorial Room at 8 p.m., will deal with Cuba's influence in South America.

Wednesday, April 9: Spanish dancers, Fuchsia Oliva and Angela del Moral will give a lecture/demonstration at 1:30 p.m. in the Conference Theater. Puerto Rican independence will be discussed by Carmen Gauthier-Mavoral.

University of Puerto Rico, in Dulles Hall 9 from 3 to 5 p.m. Two OSU Latin American experts will comment. Santos Ojeda, a Cuban-American pianist and artist-in-residence at the University of Cincinnati, will give a concert of Hispanic music at 8 p.m. in the Conference Theater.

Thursday, April 10: Santos Ojeda will give a workshop on piano pedaling techniques in Hughes Hall Auditorium at 10 a.m. A documentary on working women in Latin America, called "The Double Day," will be at noon in the Conference Theater. Olivera, Moral and their company will perform a Spanish dance concert at 8 p.m. in Mershon Auditorium. Tickets are available at the Mershon Ticket Office.

Friday, April 11: The Ohio Commission on Spanish-Speaking Affairs associate professor of political science at the University of Puerto Rico, in Dulles Hall 9 from 3 to 5 p.m. Two OSU Latin American experts will comment. Santos Ojeda, a Cuban-American pianist and artist-in-residence at the University of Cincinnati, will give a concert of Hispanic music at 8 p.m. in the Conference Theater. University of Puerto Rico, in Dulles Hall 9 from 3 to 5 p.m. Two OSU Latin American experts will comment. Santos Ojeda, a Cuban-American pianist and artist-in-residence at the University of Cincinnati, will give a concert of Hispanic music at 8 p.m. in the Conference Theater.

Saturday, April 12: Teatro Unidad, a new OSU community drama group, will debut with "Su Primer Cliente" at 2 p.m. in the Conference Theater. The drama is a one-act comedy in Spanish by Jose Cid Perez. Afterward, Perez and a theater critic will discuss the work.

Sunday, April 13: Puerto Rico's hottest singing group, Haciendo Punto en Otro Son, will perform a blend of folk and contemporary music, termed the new song movement, at 4 p.m. in the Conference Theater.

All the events are co-sponsored by OSU and community organizations.
Hispanic Week to include play performed in Spanish

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A one-act comedy by a Cuban-American playwright will be the first production of a new Hispanic theater group at Ohio State.

Teatro Unidad (Theater United) will perform the play in Spanish April 12 at 2 p.m. in the Ohio Union Conference Theater as part of the University's annual Hispanic Awareness Week, April 7-13. The play will be free.

The week's activities include special lectures, musical events and films designed to increase public understanding of Hispanic culture.

Michele Davis, co-director of the play, said: "Teatro Unidad was formed several months ago to involve Hispanic-Americans living in central Ohio with Hispanics and others at the University who are studying Latin America or the Spanish language."

She estimates that there are 16,000 Hispanics living in the Columbus area, "so there is definitely a population which should be interested in the University's academic programs and community services involving Hispanics."

Teatro Unidad is "open to anyone with an interest in Hispanic culture," Davis said.

The cast of the play, which includes two persons from Columbus with no previous ties to the University, has an international flavor with other cast members from Cuba, Puerto Rico and Colombia.

The play, "Su Primer Cliente" ("His First Client"), was written by José Cid Pérez, a Cuban-American who is a professor emeritus at Purdue University. Davis describes the play as a humorous look at a man who just received his law degree and who works very hard to impress everyone.

The play's author will address the audience immediately following the performance and will discuss his background and theatrical theories. Dolores Martí de Cid, a Cuban literary critic, also will speak.

If the performance is well received, Davis hopes the play can be presented elsewhere to Hispanic audiences, and that may lead Teatro Unidad to attempt a more serious and complicated play this summer.

Davis, a lecturer in the Department of Romance Languages, came to Ohio State from Purdue where she earned her doctorate last year in Latin American studies with an emphasis in theater. The play's other director is Gwen Kagey, artist-in-residence with the Department of Theater.

OSU hails Hispanics

By Geno L. Winn
Lantern Staff Writer
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1982 marks the fourth year Hispanic Awareness Week will be observed at OSU and the fourteenth year Hispanic culture will be officially honored on a national basis.

Ohio State's program began in 1978, the year the Office of Hispanic Students was established, according to Carmen Alvarez-Breckenridge, coordinator of Hispanic Student Programs.

The first national observance of Hispanics was in 1968, when former President Lyndon Johnson issued a presidential proclamation naming the week of Sept. 12 National Hispanic Awareness Heritage Week.

"Some universities observe the week in fall, but because OSU is not in session then, we celebrate it in the spring," Alvarez-Breckenridge said. "Although other schools do hold Hispanic Heritage Weeks, no other universities have the magnitude of programs we have."

The Office of Minority Affairs, the Department of Latin Studies and more than 15 other student and community organizations are working with the Office of Hispanic Student Programs to sponsor the week's activities.

"We receive strong support for the Hispanic Awareness programs from the university administration," Alvarez-Breckenridge said. She said much of this support is because Ohio has a large Hispanic population.

"There are a quarter-million Hispanics in Ohio, among the highest Hispanic populations of states in the midwest," she said.

The week's events are an attempt to cultivate an awareness of Hispanic culture, Alvarez-Breckenridge said. "They're also meant to create a sensitivity to the farm, labor, migrant and immigration issues facing the Hispanics," she added.
Hispanic Week attracts major stars

The performance of "Carmen," a New York City Opera National Company production, will coincide with the Fifth Annual Hispanic Awareness Week at Ohio State, to be held Jan. 23-29. The opera, with Beverly Sills as general director, will be performed Jan. 18 at 8 p.m. in the Ohio Theatre. Tickets range in price from $7.50 to $20 and are available at the Ohio Theatre, Sears, the Marshon Auditorium and Drake Union ticket offices, and at the Capital University Student Center.

Carmen Alvarez-Brekenridge, coordinator of Hispanic Student Programs at Ohio State, says the week presents three plays at 7 p.m. in Royer Student Activity Center, 85 Curl Drive. The plays are "Las Exiliadas" by Sergio Vondavonic; "Los Vendidos" by Luis Valdez, and "Los Sordos" by German Berdiales.

Tuesday, Jan. 25 — 11 A.M. "La Cocina y su Cultura" Hispanic cuisine and culture in the Ohio Union Memorial Room.

Noon - The film, "Puerto Rico" will be shown in the Ohio Union Conference Theatre. This feature length documentary examines the background of the Puerto Rican political debate.

At 2 p.m. Jose Cid Perez, a renowned Cuban-American author will discuss the roles of women through drama in "Las Mujeres en mi Vida...y en mis Obras."

Milford Ferguson, Department of Urban Education, State of Ohio, will lecture on "Brazil: The Land, the People and the Culture." 3:30 p.m., Ohio Union Conference Theatre.

At 7 p.m. Rafael De Acha will give a vocal concert in the Ohio Union Conference Theatre. De Acha will sing Spanish and Latin American art songs.

Wednesday, Jan. 26 — This day begins at 11 a.m. with a lecture on the cuisine of Brazil and Portugal in the Ohio Union Memorial Room.

Following the lecture, a sampling of Latin American food will be available in the Ohio Union Terrace Dining Room from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Cost is $3.15 for students and $3.75 for others.

Alan Busteed, sintonica de San Juan, Puerto Rico, will present "The Violin and Its Repertoire," in Erskine Hall on the Ohio Dominican campus, 1215 Sunbury Road, at 12:50 p.m.

The film, "Homeboys" will be shown at 1 p.m. in the Ohio Union Conference Theatre. The film is one of the most myth-exploding films about Chicanos.

At 3:30 p.m., Piero Gleijeses, associate professor of U.S. Foreign Policy and Latin American Studies at Johns Hopkins University, will present a lecture titled, "Crises in Mesoamerica, Part I," in Room 253 Agricultural Administration, 2120 Fyffe Road.

Richard Tetley-Kardos, professor of music at Ohio State, will present a piano recital in the Weigel Hall Auditorium, at 8 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 27 — A slide presentation, "Popular Ecuadorian Art," will be shown by Maria Cavaddi in the Ohio Union Memorial Room at 11 a.m.

A lecture, "The History of Hispanic Contributions to the U.S." will be given at noon by Josue Cruz, assistant vice provost for Minority Affairs at Ohio State. He will lecture in the Ohio Union Memorial Room.

Dolores Marti CID, professor of Spanish at Purdue University, will lecture on "Spanish Culture: Root, Branch, Fruit, and Seed" at 2 p.m. in the Ohio Union Memorial Room.

The second part of Crises in Mesoamerica will be given at 3:30 p.m. by Susan Kaufman-Purcell, a senior fellow at the Council of Foreign Relations. She will speak in Room 253, Agricultural Administration, 2120 Fyffe Road.

Alan Busteed will perform again at 7 p.m.

along with the Ohio Dominican College Choir under the direction of Michael Pavone. The performance will be in the Ohio Union Conference Theatre.

Friday, Jan. 28 — From 10 a.m. until noon and 1-3 p.m., there will be a public meeting with the Commission on Spanish Speaking Affairs. Guest speaker is Soledad Neuman, a folklorist and professor of English at Miami University. The meeting will be in the Ohio Union Memorial Room.

From 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., the food of Latin America will be served in the Terrace Dining Room. Cost is $3.15 for students and $3.75 for others.

The Conference Theatre will be the scene for the Brazilian Music Hour at noon. Various selections including the Bossa Nova, Samba and country rock and folk songs will be performed.

From 8 p.m. to midnight a dance will be held in the Ohio Union East Ballroom. Cost is $3.

Saturday, Jan. 29 — MECHA, a University student organization, will have a volleyball tournament at 9:30 a.m.

Teatro Unidad will give an encore performance at 2 p.m. of its three plays performed Monday. They will be performed in the Royer Student Activities Center.

Internationally renowned classical ensemble Los Romeros will perform at 8:30 p.m. with the Columbus Symphony at the Ohio Theatre, 29 E. State St. Tickets are available at the Columbus Symphony Ticket Office, the Marshon Ticket Office, National Record Marts and the Ohio Center Ticket Office.
University will highlight Hispanic culture, politics

A variety of activities that highlight the diverse cultural, social and political contributions the Hispanic community has made to American society will take place during Ohio State's Hispanic Awareness Week, May 7-12.

"The week's activities are an attempt to bring an increased awareness and sensitivity throughout the University, city and state about Hispanic contributions as well as issues of concern to Hispanics," said Carmen Alvarez-Brekenridge, coordinator of the Office of Hispanic Student Programs within the Office of Student Life, sponsor of the annual event.

Hispanics in America are seeking to improve bilingual education programs, laws governing migrant workers, health issues and employment among Hispanics, Alvarez-Brekenridge added.

Ohio State established its Hispanic student program office six years ago to provide support services to students. An annual lecture series, weekly conversation hours, scholarship fund and a financial resource handbook are among the services it offers to the 400 Hispanic students currently attending Ohio State.

As part of the week's activities, the Ohio Commission on Spanish Speaking Affairs, chaired by Alvarez-Brekenridge, will hold its monthly meeting from 10 a.m.-noon and 1-3 p.m. May 7 in the Ohio Union Memorial Room.

During the afternoon session, Olga Lopez, president of Lopez International Steamship Agency, Inc., Toledo, will discuss "International Trade --- A Natural for Hispanics."

Among the cultural highlights of the week are a workshop and concert by El Topo, one of the leading Puerto Rican singers whose music touches on contemporary political, social and economic issues. El Topo will hold a Caribbean Music Workshop for Columbus Public School students at 11:30 a.m. May 7 in the Ohio Union Conference Theatre. The $3 concert will take place at 8 p.m. that evening in the conference theatre.

A lecture focusing on "U.S. Policy in Central America: from Carter to Reagan and Beyond," at 3 p.m. May 8 in room 9 of Dulles Hall will feature Howard J. Wiarda, director of the Center for Hemispheric Studies of the American Enterprise Institute.

That evening, Ohio State's Community Hispanic Theater, Teatro Unidad will present a premiere performance of "La Funeraria de Dona Humilde" at 8 p.m. The play, written by Michele Davis and Luis Rios focuses on the lives of three elderly women in New York who reminisce about their children in Puerto Rico. The performance will take place at Royer Student Activity Center.

A main attraction during the week will be "Spain, 1984," an interdisciplinary symposium featuring 12 internationally known speakers and focusing on various aspects of present-day Spanish society and culture, the development of political parties, the autonomous regions, and trends in literature and the arts. The two-day event takes place from 1:30-4:30 p.m. May 10 and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. May 11. The event has received the support of the Spanish Ministry of Culture, the Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Colleges of Social and Behavioral Sciences, Humanities, Arts, the Mershon Center, the Departments of Romance Languages and Literatures, Political Science, Economics, History and Sociology, and the International Studies Program, the Ohio Council on the Humanities and the Columbus Council on World Affairs.
COLUMBUS, Ohio -- The art and issues of the Hispanic culture will be celebrated during Hispanic Awareness Week, April 19-26.

Sponsored by Ohio State University's Office of Hispanic Student Programs, the eighth annual event will feature an internationally known dancer, Ohio's first conference on Hispanic women, and a lecture by the former ambassador from Nicaragua.

Carmen Alvarez-Breckenridge, coordinator of Hispanic Student Programs from the Office of Student Life, said the celebration will "bring forth a cultural awareness of our rich ethnic heritage.

"Hispanic Awareness Week is our effort to alert the university and community of the issues affecting the Hispanic population," she added.

All events are open to the public. Certain events have admission fees and some are being co-sponsored by the Ohio Arts Council.

Of special note will be a discussion on democracy in Nicaragua. Arturo Cruz, former president of the Central Bank in Nicaragua and ambassador to the United States after the Sandinista Revolution, will address the issue at 4 p.m. April 21 in University Hall Room 14, 230 N. Oval Mall.
Another highlight of the week will be the first statewide conference on issues facing Hispanic women, featuring a keynote address by Dagmar Celeste. The conference, "Hispanic Women: Stepping into the Future," will be conducted April 23-24 in the Ohio Union, 1739 N. High St.

The conference will be a study of how Hispanic perceptions affect employment, education, business and health.

Registrations will be accepted at the door. The conference is co-sponsored by the Ohio Commission on Spanish Speaking Affairs and Hispanic Student Programs. For more information call the commission at 466-8333 or Alvarez-Brekenridge at 422-2917.

Other events during the week include:

--The Opera/Columbus production of "Man of La Mancha" at the Palace Theatre, 34 W. Broad St. at 8 p.m. April 19. Tickets are available by calling Opera/Columbus at 461-0022 or Mershon Ticket Office at 422-2354.

--A dance and vocal recital featuring internationally-known dancer Jose Coronado and Company, dancer Ingrid Lorenzo, and Alvarez-Brekenridge as vocalist. The performance will be at 7 p.m. April 20 at Sullivant Hall Auditorium, 1813 N. High St. There is no admission charge but tickets are required and may be obtained at Mershon Ticket Office. The event is co-sponsored by Ohio State's Department of Dance.

--A workshop on Spanish music and the harpsichord at 11 a.m. April 22 at Hughes Hall Auditorium, 1899 College Road. The presenter will be Gordon Wilson, professor of music. Elizabeth Fleischer will give a harpsichord concert at 8 p.m. in that auditorium. The events are sponsored by the School of Music.

--A discussion of "Picasso's Search for his Father Through his Paintings" will be presented by Carlos Rojas from Emory University at 1 p.m. Friday, April 25, at 260 Cunz Hall, 1841 Milliken Road. It is sponsored by the Department of Romance Languages and Literatures.

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Events highlight

By Jason Lovins
Lantern staff writer

First lady Dagmar Celeste and Arturo Cruz, former ambassador to the United States, will be guest speakers during the Eighth Annual Hispanic Awareness Week, scheduled for April 19-26.

"During Hispanic Awareness Week we have over 30 events on social, economic and political issues relating to the Hispanic people," Carmen Alvarez-Brekenridge, coordinator of the program, said. "(The week) serves to educate not only the university but the community to these issues."

There are more than 500 Hispanic students at the Ohio State University and more than 7,000 Hispanic people in Franklin County, according to a 1980 census.

Alvarez-Brekenridge said Dagmar Celeste will speak at a statewide conference on Hispanic women in Ohio. Celeste is to be the keynote speaker at a meeting called "The Povertization of Women" at 10:45 a.m. April 23 at the Ohio Union Conference Theatre. The conference will continue through April 24.

Arturo Cruz, former ambassador to the United States following the Sandinista Revolution in Nicaragua, is to speak at 4 p.m. April 21 in the Law Building 1, she said.

Cruz is a former president of the Central Bank in Nicaragua, a position he held in 1979 following the establishment of the original Sandinista Coalition, said Doug Graham, professor of agricultural economics and director of the Latin-American Studies program.

Graham said Cruz was appointed Nicaraguan ambassador to the United States when discussions of foreign debt brought the need for a person experienced in economics and banking.

Cruz resigned in 1981 after changing his beliefs about the Sandinista government and its acts, Graham said.

"He was disillusioned and upset by the hardening of the Cuban presence and the more hardening position of the government," Graham said.

Cruz supported the Contra forces and entered the Nicaraguan presidential election in 1984, but dropped out because of harassment and disturbances by gangs during his meetings and assemblies, Graham said.

"We had two straight years of anti-administration speakers and we felt we should try to present the other view to balance out the presentations," he said.

Information on the week's activities can be found in Ohio Union 347 or by phoning 422-2917.

Highlights include:

- **Saturday April 19** — "Man of La Mancha" at The Palace Theatre, 34 W. Broad St.
- **Sunday April 20** — Dance and Vocal Recital featuring Jose Coronado, Ingrid Lorenzo and Carmen Alvarez-Brekenridge, 7 p.m. in Sullivan Hall Auditorium.
- **Monday April 21** — Lecture by Arturo Cruz, former Nicaraguan ambassador to the United States following the Sandinista revolution, in the Law Building 1.
- **Tuesday April 22** — Concert featuring harpsichordist Elizabeth Flescher, at 8 p.m. in Hughes Hall Auditorium.
- **Wednesday April 23** — Statewide conference on Hispanic Women in Ohio begins. Speech by Dagmar Celeste concerning the povertization of women, at 10:45 a.m. in the Ohio Union Conference Theatre.
- **Thursday April 24** — Continuation of statewide conference on Hispanic Women in Ohio. Hispanic Banquet, at 5:30 p.m. in the East Ballroom of the Ohio Union.
- **Friday April 25** — **A Night of Latin Music, Dance, and Cultural Fashion, featuring music by Orchestra Chevare from Youngstown, in the East Ballroom of the Ohio Union.
- **Saturday April 26** — The Ohio State/Community Hispanic Theatre Group's presentation of two plays.
Above are two members of the Jose Coronado and Company repertory company performing a number from the music and dance concert "La Cultura de los Hispanos in Musica y Ballet," which will be the opening event for OSU's Hispanic Awareness Week.
COLUMBUS, Ohio -- Hispanics helped finance the Battle of Yorktown during the Revolutionary War. The Hispanic culture has contributed the concepts of water rights, condominiums, no fault auto insurance and the rights of women in marriage.

Cultural donations range from art, music, sports, food, and architecture to key people in both American and world history.

Those contributions and many others will be honored April 20-26 when Ohio State University celebrates Hispanic Awareness Week. The week's events, which are open to the public and generally free, will feature Latin food, music, history and art.

The week celebrates the Hispanic experience in much of the same way Josue Cruz celebrates his heritage. Cruz, an associate professor of educational theory and practice, thinks awareness of the Hispanic culture is a "full-time, year-round activity."

"The week serves to bring focus to a major linguistic and cultural group that has provided so much in terms of the American value system," Cruz said. It brings attention to "a people that have not always been the recipients of some of the benefits of the greater society in the United States," he said.

"Hispanics still have a higher than normal rate of tuberculosis and high blood pressure, diabetes and cirrhosis of the liver. A lot of people don't know that facilities for health services have not been as readily available to Hispanics as to other people and yet we are an integral part of this general culture and continue to make significant contributions," he said.

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Cruz will discuss the cultural contributions on April 24 when he presents "The Unsung Heroes: Hispanic Contributions to the United States" at 11 a.m. in the Memorial Room of the Ohio Union, 1739 N. High St. The lecture is free and open to the public.

He will cite historical events and current concepts in American culture that can be traced to Hispanics.

One is the Battle of Yorktown. "During the American war of independence, the Battle of Yorktown was financed by jewelry from the women in Cuba," Cruz said. "They responded to a call for money and donated their jewelry, which was traded to the French to provide arms to fight the British."

Other contributions also remain a vital part of today's society, he said. "The Court of Valencia in Spain, several hundred years ago, created the concept of water rights -- the same basis for the law we're using in California and the Southwest today."

In addition, women's rights in a marriage and the concept of community property are also out of Hispanic tradition. "Interestingly, they come from Mexican law," Cruz said. "There is so much of the machismo myth attributed to Mexico. But the interesting thing is that rights of women were granted in Mexican law in the 1800s."

He said Puerto Rican law is the basis of some important American legislation. "It was the Puerto Ricans who first tried and instituted no fault auto insurance," he said. "And when the Puerto Ricans got into a housing crunch, it was they who developed the concept of condominiums. That is how they addressed their housing shortage."

It also was the Puerto Ricans who, in the late 1800s, developed a system of cultivating pineapple as a commercial crop in Hawaii. "Part of the economy of Hawaii is dependent on the success of that crop today," he said.

Cruz noted that Hispanics are expected to become America's largest minority group by the year 2000. Ohio State has 150 Hispanic graduate students and 350 undergraduates. There are currently about 125,000 Hispanics in Ohio and 16 million in the United States, concentrated in New York, Florida, Texas and California. There are an estimated five to 15 million illegal aliens not counted in the total, he said.

"The Europeans and others have rightfully been given credit for their contributions to our society. We Hispanics are proud to be Americans, too, but we need to educate people on the diversity that exists in the country and the contributions that can be felt through diversity," he added.

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Written by Pat Mroczek.
COLUMBUS, Ohio -- Ohio State University will celebrate the contributions of Hispanics to the American culture when it hosts Hispanic Awareness Week, April 20-26.

The week will feature lectures on the moral dilemma of illegal immigrants, historical films on the Chicano experience, and reflections on Mexican-American literature and on current American policy on Latin America.

Hispanic Awareness Week is sponsored by Ohio State's Office of Hispanic Student Programs. All events are open to the public. Most are free and will be in the Ohio Union, 1739 N. High St.

Carmen Alvarez-Breckenridge, coordinator of Hispanic Student Programs for the Office of Student Life, said the celebration is diversified with the work of students, artists and lecturers.

The week begins with opening ceremonies at the Agricultural Administration Building, 2120 Fyffe Road, at 9:30 a.m. on April 20. Hispanic music and poetry will be performed at 12:30 p.m. that day in the Ohio Union Memorial Room.

A 2 p.m. lecture on Hispanics in Ohio will follow in the Memorial Room, presented by Ramiro Estrada, director of the Ohio Commission on Spanish Speaking Affairs.

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Other events during the week include:

--The Ohio premier of the award-winning films "Dos Veces Mujeres" (Twice a Woman) from Costa Rica and "Ardiente Paciencia" (Burning Patience) from Chile at 4 p.m. April 20 and again at 4 p.m. April 27. Both showings will be in the Ohio Union Conference Theatre. Gabriel Gonzalez, president of the National Council of Cinematography in Costa Rica, will discuss film making in Third World countries.

--"English Only: An Option for Ohio," will debated during a bilingual symposium at 2:30 p.m. April 21 in the Ohio Union Conference Theatre.

--A pinata party for children will be conducted on April 21 at 4 p.m. in the Drake Union Shelter House, 1849 Cannon Drive. All children are welcome to participate.

--Economist Vittorio Carbo from the World Bank will lecture on 40 years of policy making in Latin America at 4 p.m. April 23 in Independence Hall, 1923 Neil Ave.

--The Rev. William Barndt of the United Church of Christ will speak April 24 at 1 p.m. in the Memorial Room of the Ohio Union on the moral dilemma of illegal aliens.

--The American premier in English of "El Barbarillo de Lavapies y Dona Francisquita" will be presented at 1 and 8 p.m. on April 25 by the Columbus Light Opera Company at the Martin Janis Center at the Ohio State Fairgrounds, 632 E. 11th Ave.

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Hispanic culture showcased

By Etsuko Motoki
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Hispanic Awareness Week, which begins today, is designed to raise the awareness of Hispanic multi-cultural diversity in the university and community, said Carmen Alvarez-Brekenridge, coordinator of Hispanic Student Programs.

The office of Hispanic Student Programs, with other university organizations, is sponsoring this ninth annual event which will feature Hispanic films, lectures, music, arts and food.

The event also will address social, economic, political and educational issues of Hispanics, Alvarez-Brekenridge said.

Mitchel Livingston, dean of Student Life, said the event "demonstrates to our community that Hispanic culture has a significant influence in American culture."

For Hispanic students, Livingston said, society's recognition of these contributions is very important.

Livingston said the educational environment should reflect society's diversity in order to provide a broader view to students.

Hispanic Awareness Week starts today at 9:30 a.m. with an opening ceremony at the Agricultural Administration Building. A lecture, "Impact of Hispanics in Ohio," will be given at 2 p.m. by Ramiro Estrada, director of the Commission on Spanish Speaking Affairs, in the Memorial Room, Ohio Union.

Grino Rojo, associate professor of the Department of Romance Languages and Linguistics, said Hispanic culture has enormous diversity. "When you talk about the Hispanic world, culture and history, you talk about 18 countries in Latin America," he said.

This is a good opportunity to show people that diversity and complexity, Rojo said.

Josue Cruz, associate professor for the Department of Educational Theory and Practice, said the event gives people a chance to stop and seriously look at the contributions Hispanic Americans have given to American culture.

Cruz said most people do not realize how much Hispanic culture is ingrained in American society.

For example, he said, many geographic and meteorological terms have Hispanic roots, such as the words hurricane, tornado, California and Nevada.

At the Battle of Yorktown during the Revolutionary War, Cuban women donated their jewelry to be used as an exchange for arms.

Also, Hispanic Indians are originally responsible for the cultivation of beans, chocolate, peanuts, squash, melon, pepper and tomatoes in the United States, Cruz said.

In Hawaii, pineapple was introduced and cultivated for profit during the 1800s by a group of Puerto Ricans. About 10,000 Puerto Ricans were sent to Hawaii to cultivate pineapple, he said.

"These are some examples of contributions," he said, "most people just do not hear about." Most history books somehow do not include Hispanic contributions, he added.

Cruz said the awareness week should be only one small part of the whole educational process for Americans. Awareness of Hispanic culture should be an on-going, year-round activity, he said.

He will speak on Hispanic contributions to the United States on Friday at 11 a.m. in the Memorial Room, Ohio Union.

Other highlights are:

- "The films, "Dos Veces Mujer (Twice a Woman)" from Costa Rica, depicting the role of women in Latin American society, and "Arduento Paciencia (Burning Patience)", portraying the life of Nobel Laureate, Pablo Neruda. There will be two other films from Puerto Rico and Cuba.

- The bilingual symposium "English Only; An Option for Ohio?" will be debated at 2:30 p.m. in the Ohio Union Conference Theater.

Rojo said there is a need for bilingual education in the United States, particularly in Ohio. He said a once-strong movement toward bilingual education in Ohio has lost momentum in the last four or five years.

- On Thursday, Vittorio Corbo, senior economic advisor in the Development Research Department, will speak on economic policy in Latin America.

Most of the events are free. For more information, call 292-2917.
College of Arts presents New York sculptor

By Etuko Melodie
Lantern staff writer

New York artist Jorge Luis Rodriguez brought his sculpture titled "Eulogy to Ana Mendieta" to Ohio State for an exhibition presented by the College of Arts in conjunction with Hispanic Awareness Week.

Rodriguez, a Hispanic sculptor, came to Columbus through the Affirmative Action Grant from Ohio State, said Louis Mencos, program coordinator of the exhibition.

Mencos said Ohio State awarded the grant to two Hispanic artists to promote minority artists.

Rodriguez said he created the 6 feet by 4 feet, steel-made sculpture for his friend Ana Mendieta, a Cuban artist, who was killed in New York in September 1985.

Mendieta, who had become a successful artist in Italy, came back to New York to celebrate. After celebrating, Mendieta fought with her husband Carl Andre, one of the founding fathers of minimalism, Rodriguez said.

Mendieta fell from a window at her husband's 34th-floor apartment. The doorman heard her screams. The police reported signs of struggle in the apartment and scratches on Andre's face, Rodriguez said.

Andre said it was suicide, but the district attorney charged him with murder, according to the Village Voice.

The trial has not been held yet, but Andre was released from jail after he posted $250,000 bail, the Voice reported.

Rodriguez created the sculpture "to make people remember her, talk about her and her tragedy because the press does not mention her anymore," he said.

The sculpture's champagne glass-shaped frame represents that Mendieta and Andre had a lot to drink for the celebration, and the transparency symbolizes the champagne, Rodriguez said.

The fight between Mendieta and Andre is expressed by four fighting roosters, and the whole figure stands on a base which imitates the minimalist work of Andre, Rodriguez said.

The laurels on the top of the sculpture express the applause for Mendieta's success, he said.

Rodriguez, who moved from Puerto Rico after high school, received his master's degree from New York University and now teaches at the School of Visual Arts, Manhattan Community College, and Kingsborough Community College.

Rodriguez did many solo exhibitions and participated in many group exhibitions mainly in New York City, but also in Europe.

His style showed some change through his 15 years of sculpture work from abstract form to semi-abstract.

The exhibition will be on the first level in Bricker Hall through April 30. Rodriguez will speak about the interaction between his work and the environment at noon and 2:30 p.m. today, in 334 Hayes Hall. He will show slides of his work and answer questions.
Ana Mendieta shows grace in still display

By Patricia Mroczek

Ohio State is honoring Hispanic art during an exhibit by visiting artist Jorge Luis Rodriguez in Bricker Hall during his tenure in Columbus this week. His visit coincides with Hispanic Awareness Week being held through April 26.

Rodriguez, of New York City, in addition to his sculpting, is an art instructor and art consultant.

One of his sculptures, named Ana Mendieta, will be on display in the first floor viewing area of Bricker Hall from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. through April 30. The exhibit is free and open to the public.

A graduate of New York City's School of the Visual Arts, he studied in Venice, Italy, and in 1977 earned an advanced degree in studio art and sculpture at New York University.

He served as the artist-in-residence at the Studio Museum in Harlem and is an adjunct lecturer on sculpture in the Borough of Manhattan Community College.

Rodriguez comes to Ohio State through the Affirmative Action grant program, Visiting Hispanic Artists.

Composer Robert Rodriguez will visit Ohio State next spring.

Louis A. Menchaca, grant program coordinator, says the two were selected "to increase general awareness of the professional contributions of these artists in their respective fields of sculpture and music."

ANA MENDIETA, a sculpture by Jorge Luis Rodriguez, left, is installed at Bricker Hall April 21. The artist visits the Columbus campus this week through an Affirmative Action grant.
Free trade called key to growth

By Etsuko Motoki
Lantern staff writer

Latin American countries need to integrate their economies into the international economy to create a stable macroeconomic framework, a Chilean economist from Washington D.C. told an audience of about 50 people Thursday in Independence Hall.

Vittorio Corbo spoke on "Forty Years of Ideology, Doctrine, and Economic Policy-Making in Latin America," as part of Hispanic Awareness Week.

Corbo talked about the influence of varying ideologies on Latin American economic policies, why countries choose their policies, and the result of those policies.

Corbo is a macroeconomist, specializing in trade and development problems. He received his doctorate in economics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and is now a senior economic advisor at the Development Research Department of the World Bank.

Corbo said in the '50s and '60s, all Latin American countries protected their domestic industries and isolated themselves from the international economy.

But, when the international market collapsed, new economic policies had to be implemented to get Latin American countries out of the economic crisis, he said.

In 1964, Brazil became the first country to break from their severe protectionism. Because Brazil's economy had become too inefficient and uncompetitive, it decided to develop industries that could compete with the rest of the world, Corbo said.

In 1966 and 1967, Colombia also changed its economic policy and eliminated its anti-export bias. Since opening their markets to trade, both countries have improved their economies, he said.

However, because of domestic pressure, other Latin American countries like Argentina, Peru and Mexico, could not adopt the policies to foster competitive industries. They have maintained their anti-export bias and have continued to protect their domestic industries, he said.

Corbo said it was all right for countries to have a protectionist attitude during a crisis or wartime, but to maintain that attitude after the crisis can cause problems.

"The world is too small for a country to be independent and self-sufficient," he said.

He said he would like to see Latin American countries open their markets and develop industries which could compete on the international market.

Claudio Gonzalez-Vega, professor of economics, attended the lecture and introduced Corbo. "I am very glad to have Professor Corbo speak because he is the number one expert in this field," he said.

Gonzalez-Vega said that the severe economic problems in Latin America have caused some of the countries to amass a great amount of foreign debt. "This is a big concern of this country, too," he said.

The lecture was sponsored by the Latin American Studies section of the Center for International Studies.
COLUMBUS, Ohio -- This year's Hispanic Awareness Week at Ohio State University will be as colorful as festival masks from Venezuela and as animated as Spanish dance theatre.

Fifty programs are planned for the 10th annual campus Hispanic Awareness Week, April 4-10.

Carmen Alvarez-Breckenridge, coordinator of Ohio State's Hispanic Student Programs office, said the festivities will show off the many colors and sounds of the multicultural Hispanic world.

"Hispanics have a richness in the arts and music, but their culture also is a mosaic of writing, sociology, economics and politics," she said.

Alvarez-Breckenridge said there is a "mosaic of diversity" among the 700 Hispanic students at Ohio State, too. Mexican-Americans and Puerto Ricans are the two largest student groups on campus.

"We try to incorporate in our student population a sense of pride in their own culture while increasing the sensitivities of all cultures," she added.

Alvarez-Breckenridge said the first event occurs before Hispanic Awareness Week, on March 29, when the Figueroa Piano Quintet, gives an 8 p.m. concert in Hughes Hall Auditorium, 1899 College Road. The concert will feature five members of the Figueroa family, the fourth generation of Puerto Rico's most important musical family. The concert will be preceded by a dinner of Hispanic cuisine at the Faculty Club, 181 S. Oval Drive, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Reservations may be made by calling the Faculty Club at (614) 292-2262.

A variety of presentations are scheduled during Hispanic Awareness Week. Most events are free and all are open to the public. For more information or a schedule of events, contact Carmen Alvarez-Breckenridge at (614) 292-2917 or at 347 Ohio Union, 1739 N. High St., Columbus, OH 43210.
OPENING CEREMONIES: Hispanic Awareness Week begins Monday, April 4, at 10 a.m. in the Memorial Room of the Ohio Union, 1739 N. High St.

CRAFTS FESTIVAL: Colorful crafts from Peru, Mexico, Bolivia and Ecuador will be sold on Monday, April 4, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the west lawn of the Ohio Union.

HISPANIC CUISINE: Latin food will highlight the luncheon menu at the Ohio Union's Terrace Dining Room from Monday, April 4, through Friday, April 8. The 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. buffet is open to the public at a cost of $3.75 for students and $4.25 for nonstudents. For more information, call (614) 292-6396.

FESTIVE MASKS: Festival masks from Venezuela, Puerto Rico and the Dominican Republic will be on display 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily in Bricker Hall, 190 N. Oval Mall, April 7 – May 7.

CUBA BEFORE CASTRO: A historical look at Cuba before and after Fidel Castro gained political control will be presented Monday, April 4, by Jesus Fernandez, vice president of the Midwest Cuban Federation and director of patient financial services at University Hospitals. The 8 p.m. speech, slide and video presentation will be in the Memorial Room of the Ohio Union.

MEETING: The Ohio Commission on Spanish Speaking Affairs will address issues affecting Ohio's Hispanic population during a 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. meeting on Tuesday, April 5, in the Memorial Room of the Ohio Union.

DEBATE: "International Perspectives on War and Peace in Central America" will be discussed Wednesday, April 6, by Ohio State faculty members John F. Guilmartin, an associate professor of history, and John B. Quigley, professor of law, at noon in 202 Law Building, 1659 N. High St.

PRISON LIFE: Poet Heberto Padilla will speak Wednesday, April 6, at 4 p.m. in 260 Cunz Hall, 1841 Millikin Road, on his 15 years in Cuban prisons and their influence on his work.

HISPANIC WOMEN: Patricia Fernandez-Kelley of Johns Hopkins University will compare life for Mexican-American women in Los Angeles with that of Cuban-American women in Miami at 4 p.m. Thursday, April 7, at 253 Agricultural Administration Building, 2120 Fyffe Road.

MIGRANTS: Politics and U.S. migrant workers will be discussed at noon on Friday, April 8, by Alejandro Portes of Johns Hopkins University in 300 Cunz Hall, 1871 Millikin Road.

SPANISH DANCE THEATER: Ramon de los Reyes Spanish Dance Theater of Boston will present traditional dances of Central and South America on Saturday, April 9, at 8 p.m. in the Hughes Hall Auditorium. Ticket information is available at (614) 292-2917.

Contact: Carmen Alvarez-Breckenridge, (614) 292-2917.
HISPANIC AWARENESS WEEK activities include the beauty of traditional dancing by the Ramon de los Reyes Spanish Dance Theatre at 8 p.m. April 9 in Hughes Hall Auditorium.
Week exhibits Hispanic culture

By Tonja D. Stewart
Lantern staff writer

The 10th Annual Hispanic Awareness Week, beginning Monday, promises to show off the many colors and sounds of the Hispanic culture, said the coordinator of Hispanic Student Programs, Carmen Alvarez-Breckenridge.

Hispanic Week has been very successful in the past in alerting the university community to cultural and political conditions that affect the Hispanic world, she said.

"We try to incorporate in our student population a sense of pride in their own culture while increasing the sensitivities of all cultures," she added.

Fifty programs are planned throughout the week, with opening ceremonies beginning Monday at 10 a.m. Jamie Cano, president of Council of Graduate Students, will speak in the Memorial Room on the second floor of the Ohio Union. In the fall, Cano will become the first Hispanic faculty member in the Department of Agricultural Education.

"We want to make the Hispanic-American students feel welcome on this campus and have a sense of home," Breckenridge said.

Breckenridge has been the coordinator of the Office of Hispanic Student Programs at Ohio State since the office was founded a decade ago. This year the office will receive a 10th anniversary present for their work in Hispanic week, over the past years.

The office sponsors many programs throughout the year, including lectures, films, workshops, concerts, and dance presentations.

The office will also receive the Phillip E. Frandson Award for Continuing Excellence for Quality Programs later this month. The honor is presented annually by the National University Continuing Education Association, which judges the quality of university programming. This is the first time Ohio State has won in the continuing excellence category in the division of humanities, arts and sciences.

"One of my goals was to create programming for Hispanics at Ohio State that would be a model program for other universities in the country," Breckenridge said.

Most of the events are free and open to the public. Students can pick up a schedule of events at 347 Ohio Union.
Tooting his horn

THE FLAUTA, a traditional instrument of Andina, Bolivia, is demonstrated by Rene Valdivia during the first day of Hispanic Awareness Week. The events continue until April 10. For more information, call 292-2917.
HISPANIC AWARENESS WEEK FILLED WITH ACTIVITIES AND SPEAKERS

COLUMBUS -- Hispanic leaders in government, business, education and the arts will visit The Ohio State University campus during the university's 11th annual Hispanic Awareness Week April 17-23.

Nationally recognized Hispanic leaders who will make presentations are: Guy Garcia, novelist and journalist; Toney Anaya, former governor of New Mexico; Alfredo Estrada, editor of Hispanic magazine; Sarah Melendez, education expert; Beverly Vigil-Ellerman, executive director of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute; and Joseph Unanue Sr., president of Goya Products.

In addition, there will be numerous other presentations and panel discussions led by local Hispanic leaders and university faculty and staff members, as well as cultural and entertainment events.

During the opening reception April 17, Myles Brand, vice president for academic affairs and provost, will unveil the goals and objectives of an action plan for recruitment and retention of
Hispanic students at Ohio State. He'll make his remarks at 5 p.m. in the Faculty Club, 181 S. Oval Dr.

A task force of students, faculty and administrators has been working to develop goals, objectives and means of making Ohio State more accessible to Hispanic students and to enriching their educational experiences at the university. Their report, when complete, will form the basis of an action plan for Hispanics at Ohio State, similar to the plan developed for Black students in 1987.

Carmen Alvarez-Breckenridge, coordinator of Hispanic Student Programs, has headed a committee of students and faculty members who planned the week's events.

"This will be the most exciting Hispanic Awareness Week we have had at Ohio State," she said. "We are very pleased to have such an outstanding program of speakers and activities to highlight the many aspects of Hispanic culture and discuss the current and future direction of Hispanics in America."

Events are open to the public. Unless indicated otherwise, there is no admission charge.

- Garcia will give a reading from his novel, "Skin Deep," at 11 a.m. April 17 in the conference room of the School of Journalism, 242 W. 18th Ave. The book, just published, is a mystery set in the Los Angeles barrio, and it has received enthusiastic reviews. Garcia, a staff writer at Time since 1979, wrote the magazine's July cover story on Hispanic culture.

- Anaya will speak at 4 p.m. April 17 in the Grand Lounge of the Faculty Club, 181 S. Oval Dr. His topic is "Building for the Future: Hispanics in the '90s." Now owner of a Washington, D.C., law firm, Anaya was governor of New Mexico from 1983 to 1986. He is known for his commitments and achievements in the areas of economic development, affirmative action, education, the environment and finances.
Estrada will discuss "Hispanic Magazine: Building a New Hispanic Image" at 11 a.m. April 18 in the conference room of the School of Journalism, 242 W. 18th Ave. Estrada is publisher and editor-in-chief of the monthly news magazine, which has a circulation of 150,000. He is an attorney and has written for Harpers and other publications on legal and Hispanic issues.

Melendez will discuss minorities in Ph.D. programs at 11 a.m. April 19 in the Memorial Room of the Ohio Union, 1739 N. High St. Her presentation is titled "Cause for Success: Institutions of Higher Education Who Produce a Large Percentage of of Blacks, Hispanics, and Native American Ph. D. Graduates. Melendez is vice provost and executive assistant to the president of the University of Bridgeport.

Vigil-Ellerman will present "The Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute: Opening the Doors of Opportunities," at 11 a.m. April 20 in the Memorial Room of the Ohio Union, 1739 N. High St. Executive director of the nonprofit educational institute since 1984, she also writes a monthly column about nontraditional women's issues for Hispanic magazine.

Unanue will discuss his business, Goya Products, at 11 a.m. April 21 in the Main Lounge of the Ohio Union, 1739 N. High St. Goya Products, marketer of specialty foods, is the second largest Hispanic-owned business in the United States. Unanue is president of the family-owned business, which employs 1,500 persons and produces and distributes some 700 products.

The Faculty Club and the Terrace Dining Room at the Ohio Union will offer menus featuring Latin foods throughout the week. Prices vary and reservations are required. Phone the Faculty Club at 292-2262 and the Terrace Dining Room at 292-6396 for reservations.

Other events include an exhibition of paintings by Hispanic women artist in the Stecker Lounge of the Ohio Union, showings of the films "Stand and Deliver" and "Mi Vida: The Three Worlds of Maria Gutierrez," and numerous panel discussions.

A three-part Hispanic chamber music series -- at 8 p.m. April 20 and 21 and 3 p.m. April 22 -- will feature a wide range of Hispanic music. The concerts will take place in the Hughes Hall Auditorium, 1899 College Road, and admission is $2 for students and senior citizens and $3 for the public.

The week's activities will conclude with a piano recital by George Haddad, professor emeritus of music, who will play from the works of Scarlatti, Guarneri, Albeniz and other artists with Latin roots at 3 p.m. April 23 in Weigel Hall Auditorium, 1866 College Road.

Contact: Office of Hispanic Student Programs, (614) 292-2917.
Hispanic program unveiled

By Nadine Collins
Lantern staff writer

Building a solid future for the 1990s, and becoming a part of the mainstream is the goal of Hispanic-Americans, said Toney Anaya, former governor of New Mexico.

Anaya spoke Monday night to about 50 people at the faculty club as part of Hispanic Awareness Week. His talk was followed by the presentation of the goals and objectives of the Hispanic Action Plan at Ohio State by Joan Leitzel, the associate provost for academic affairs.

Anaya, who is president of his own law firm, Toney Anaya and Associates in Santa Fe, said he spends time doing speaking engagements around the country concerning the plight of Hispanic-Americans.

"Anywhere I go I find a growing number of Hispanics who are concerned about their future in terms of jobs, family, and education," Anaya said.

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He said Hispanics are the fastest growing group of people in the United States according to the 1980 census. However, he said Hispanics suffer disproportionately, not only in terms of poverty, health and crime, but also in having the largest high school-dropout rate. Anaya also said that Hispanics have difficulty getting into institutions of higher learning.

"Hispanics have to become part of the political, educational and business worlds in order to solve these problems," Anaya said.

"Hispanics are not a threat to anyone; they're only a threat to the bad in society," he said. "We have not been seen as part of the solution, only part of the problem.

"We must break down barriers of ignorance, and education is the key to breaking down these barriers."

Anaya said an effort exists at Ohio State with Hispanic Awareness Week, and the university is showing its concern. But he challenges Ohio State with the commitment of the goals and objectives for the Hispanic Action Plan.

Leitzel, associate provost for academic affairs, later presented the goals and objectives for the Hispanic Action Plan.

Some of the goals of the plan include increasing the number of Hispanic students, faculty and administrators, and increasing their access to higher education. The plan also calls for creating a university environment that emphasizes professional advancement, and is sensitive to specific issues that affect Hispanics.

Margarita Curras, a graduate student in physiology from Miami, Fla., said, the idea for the action plan began in winter of 1988. Curras said she and a group of students presented Myles Brand, provost of academic affairs, with a comprehensive plan for the concerns of Hispanic-American students.

Brand then formed a task force of predominantly Hispanic-American faculty, staff and students, and commissioned them to expand on the plan.

Along with this plan came the goals and objectives of the plan, Curras said.

Leitzel said the task force views its work as complementary to the Black Action Plan. She said the goals of the Hispanic plan are not to compete with other affirmative action activities, but to make the university's affirmative action program more comprehensive.

Leitzel said the objectives of the program are to work in the areas of recruitment, retention and enrichment.

The actual plan will be completed at the end of spring quarter and go into effect for the 1989-90 school year, Leitzel said.

This plan is important because it is the first time Ohio State has officially addressed the educational disadvantages of Hispanic-Americans, Curras said.

Ohio State has a small number of Hispanic-Americans, but is one of the leading institutions of higher learning in the United States, Anaya said.

"I challenge Ohio State to go beyond its leadership and utilize the action plan as a model for other universities," Anaya said.
Hispanics' societal role promoted

By Mary Jacobs
Lantern staff writer

Making Hispanics aware of their place in American society was discussed by the publisher of Hispanic magazine.

Alfredo Estrada, also editor of the magazine, spoke to students and faculty at the Journalism building Tuesday afternoon in commemoration of Hispanic Awareness Week.

"How Hispanics perceive themselves is very important, because awareness really becomes perception and self-perception is self-awareness," Estrada said. "They saw the potential for what they could achieve if they really tried, and took their place in American life."

Estrada practiced law in Washington and New York for about three years, before he started Hispanic magazine, which has been in circulation for one year.

"We've cut across ethnic and geographic lines," Estrada said.

The magazine has done a variety of stories from Mexican-Americans in San Antonio, Texas to Puerto Ricans in New York.

"When people think of Hispanics, they think of people who don't speak English, they think of people who are illegal aliens, and that is just not a representative picture of the Hispanic community," Estrada said.

The Hispanic community has all different income levels, age groups, and interests. Corporate America still tends to think of Hispanics as living in the barrio or living along the border, and Estrada said this is a very distorted picture.

"If Hispanics are aware of their potential, this will lead to a stronger self-image," Estrada said.

He said the magazine tries to build Hispanic identity, which is really self-discovered.

Estrada addressed the concern over who the word Hispanic should apply to, and said it could mean a lot of things. He said the term Hispanic should be a very inclusive one.

Margarita Gonzalez, a graduate student from Puerto Rico, said a Hispanic is any person that lives in a country that speaks Spanish, and in an institution of this size there are many of them.

However, she said, the only

Alfredo Estrada

Hispanics who received information about Hispanic Awareness Week were Puerto Ricans, Cubans and Mexicans.

Gonzalez said she has many friends from Venezuela, Costa Rica, and Bolivia who did not receive any information about Hispanic Awareness Week, and only found out about it from a poster on campus.

Estrada also talked about the role of Hispanics in the future. He said that by the year 1990, in terms of labor statistics, blacks and Hispanics would make up 26 percent of the workforce.

"Companies, particularly high-tech companies, will have to recruit skilled technical labor from the minority community," Estrada said.

The magazine tries to stress the value of education, especially in the areas of science and math he said.

"I would like to see more of an emphasis on education because that's really the bottom line," Estrada said. "Building this labor base is really going to be very important in 10 years."
The April 20th Lantern article: "Hispanics' societal role promoted," should have cited Yolanda Gonzalez as the source instead of Margarita Gonzalez.
Although the number of Hispanic students is much higher at other universities, Ohio State University has made a strong commitment recruiting, helping and simply taking an interest in Hispanic students. "There is no question that we're on the forefront in all affirmative action programs," says Ohio State University President Edward H. Jennings. "We want to support the Hispanic community."

Ohio State University, with close to 60,000 students, has only about 600 Hispanic students. Nevertheless, Ohio State University celebrated its 11th annual Hispanic Awareness Week in April this year, developed the first migrant worker scholarship in cooperation with the Campbell Soup Company, and boasts the first Hispanic co-ed fraternity in the United States.

"Ohio State is extremely interested in creating a diverse campus," says Provost Miles Brand.

During this year's Hispanic Awareness Week, Hispanic artists such as Christina Quiroz and Elsie Sanchez exhibited their work, writers such as Guy Garcia spoke about their books, and extraordinary films such as El Norte and Stand and Deliver were shown. Speakers included former New Mexico Governor Toney Anaya, former Ambassador Abelardo Lopez Valdez, and Beverly Vigil-Ellerman, Executive Director of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute. Panels and workshops discussed everything from Cuban human rights to student-faculty relations. "We not only want to put pride in the Hispanic community, but also to make others aware of the Hispanic culture," Brand says.

Carmen Alvarez-Breckenridge, who has been the Coordinator of the Office for Hispanic Student Programs, Office of Student Life, since the office was created eleven years ago, organizes the annual event. "This University-wide program may well serve as a national model in the area of educational opportunities for Hispanics," President Jennings says many universities are inquiring about Ohio State's program. "They are very interested in what we're doing."

This commitment to Hispanics led to the creation in 1984 of the Campbell Soup Migrant Scholarship Program with a four-year $40,000 grant from the Campbell Soup Foundation. "Campbell was very receptive," says Ricardo Maestas, Director of Hispanic Recruitment. "They employ a lot of migrant workers indirectly." Although migrant farm workers have a dropout rate of almost 90 percent, of 12 Campbell scholarship recipients over the last five years, only two dropped out. Last year Campbell renewed the grant with another $40,000.

Although they are the first ones to admit that Ohio State still has a long way to go, university administrators speak with pride of the school's achievement to recruit and retain Hispanic students and see a bright future ahead for Ohio State University. "I certainly wouldn't say that the job is done, but we're making progress," Provost Brand says. "The job is fully done, when the whole university is totally sensitive to the needs of the Hispanic community."

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Alpha Psi Lambda

A bar of gold, a key, an oil lamp, a torch, two swords, and 13 little crowns are all part of Alpha Psi Lambda, the first Hispanic co-ed fraternity in the country.

In 1984, Hispanic students at Ohio State University realized that no Hispanic fraternity existed anywhere in the United States. So they founded Alpha Psi Lambda, which stands for Asociacion Para Latinos and became incorporated in 1985.

APL boasts more than 30 members and its motto is recruitment, retention, and enrichment. "We get involved in each others' personal lives," says APL President Robert Becerra. "We emphasize not to forget where we came from."

Besides getting heavily involved in the annual Hispanic Awareness Week, Alpha Psi Lambda has also organized relief funds, community projects, and scholarship drives. And with a new chapter at the University of Illinois, Beta Psi Lambda, and more chapters forming at Northern Illinois University, Indiana University, and Chicago State University, all looks well for APL.
PROGRAMS ANNOUNCED FOR ANNUAL HISPANIC AWARENESS WEEK

COLUMBUS -- For young people, education is the key to the future. This may be especially true for those who are of Spanish descent. An advocate of learning, Patrick F. Flores, Catholic archbishop of San Antonio, will visit The Ohio State University during the 1989-90 Hispanic Awareness Week celebration April 2-7.

"Hispanics -- Paving the Way Through Education" is the subject of his talk at 2 p.m. April 4 at the Newman Center, 64 W. Lane Ave.

His visit is just one of many events scheduled during the 12th annual celebration, organized by the Office of Hispanic Student Services and the Office of Student Life in cooperation with several sponsors.

"This week serves to celebrate and enlighten audiences in the rich diversity inherent in the Spanish culture," notes Carmen Alvarez-Breckenridge, director of Hispanic Student Services.

"Events also will educate and inform members of the university and Columbus communities to present-day issues and concerns affecting the Hispanic population."

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Flores was the first Mexican American to be elevated to the hierarchy of the Catholic Church in the United States. Because of his activities on behalf of immigrants and refugee families, he was awarded the Medal of Freedom in honor of the Statue of Liberty's 100th anniversary.

Other activities during the week point to how Hispanics are making their mark in higher education and politics:

Susan Herrera, vice president of the National Council of La Raza, will discuss "Hispanic Education: Equity + Commitment = Excellence" at 11 a.m. April 6 in the Frank Hale Jr. Black Cultural Center, 153 W. 12th Ave. The council is an advocate for Hispanic Americans and serves as a national umbrella organization for 100 affiliates in 32 states.

"Latinas on the Move -- Rising to the Ranks in Higher Education" will feature Louise Ana Nuevo Kerr, associate vice chancellor for academic affairs, University of Illinois, Chicago. She will speak at noon April 6 in 250 Dulles Hall, 230 W. 17th Ave.

One of the highest-ranking Hispanic Americans in the Bush administration will discuss "Hispanics in the Political Arena -- Key to Success" at 11 a.m. April 3 in the Ohio Union Memorial Room, 1739 N. High St. Grace Flores Hughes is serving a four-year appointment as director of the U.S. Department of Justice's Community Relations Service. She has been in federal government since 1966, and has contributed to a number of studies on Hispanic Americans, migrant workers and undocumented aliens.

A less positive aspect of the experience of Latino students, incidents of racism, will be the topic of a lecture and workshop April 2 in the Morrill Tower Browsing Room, 1900 Cannon Drive. Antonio Rigual will discuss "A New Wave of Racism on College Campuses" at 10 a.m. From 1:30-4 p.m., he will conduct a workshop, "Racism -- Alive and Well on College Campuses."

Rigual is the executive director of the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities, founded in 1986 in San Antonio, Texas. Hispanic students comprise at least 25 percent of member universities' enrollments.

A five-part series of presentations will provide "Perspectives on Central America" at 7 p.m. Monday through Friday in the Ohio Union Conference Theater, 1739 N. High St.
Three sessions at 5 p.m. Monday and Wednesday in the Ohio Union Memorial Room and Friday in the Ohio Union Stecker Lounge will concentrate on "Ethnic and Cultural Diversity in the Hispanic Community."

The impact of the Spanish-speaking reader on news media will be explored in two presentations in 211 Journalism Building, 242 W. 18th Ave. First is "The Challenge of Producing a Full Spanish Language Newspaper in a Heterogeneous Community," with Carlos Verdecia, editor-in-chief, el Nuevo Herald, Miami, at 11 a.m. April 2. And April 6 at 11 a.m., Horacio Aguirre will discuss "The Importance of Hispanic Journalism in the United States." Aguirre is editor and publisher of Diario de las Americas in Miami.

Most events are free. However, there is an admission fee for the Wexner Center presentation of films at 8 p.m. April 4, 5, 6 and 7 in the Film and Video Theater, 1850 College Road. The movies are rarely seen landmarks of Latin America cinema. They are:

"Limite (The Boundary)," by Brazilian director Mario Peixoto, a 1930 silent recently named the best Brazilian film ever made;

"Maria Candelaria," winner of the 1946 Cannes Film Festival; "Araya," a rule-defying benchmark honored by the Cannes festival in 1959

"Los Inundados (The Flood Victims)" and "Tire Die (Throw Us a Dime)." by Argentine film maker Fernando Berri.

There also is a fee for the La Comida Sabrosa, a luncheon buffet of Latin food served daily in the Ohio Union Terrace Room, 1739 N. High St. Reservations are required and can be made by calling 292-6396.

For a brochure listing all events and sponsors, call the Office of Hispanic Student Services, 292-2917.

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Week’s events urge Hispanic awareness

By Chris DeVito
Lantern staff writer

Many cultural activities are planned for Hispanic Awareness Week, April 2-7, to entertain and inform the OSU community about the diversity and importance of the Hispanic culture.

The program, in its 12th year, is sponsored by the Office of Hispanic Services and the Office of Student Life. The event is headed by the coordinator of Hispanic Student Programs, Carmen Alvarez-Breckenridge. There will be nationally known guest speakers, special films, Latin cuisine and other events.

Agustin A. Nieves, instructional assistant in Hispanic Student Services and a senior from Puerto Rico majoring in political science, has been involved with Hispanic Week for six years. Nieves said the event helps provide support for Hispanics. It also increases awareness for non-Hispanics and helps them realize how diverse the mainstream United States population is, he said.

Israel Najera, a graduate associate for counseling and consultation services, will be giving a presentation April 4 at 11 a.m. entitled “Acculturation Stress Among Hispanic Students.” Najera will also be giving a video presentation April 5 at 3 p.m. on Hispanic life at Ohio State.

Najera said Hispanic Awareness Week is important because the Hispanic population is growing and an awareness is needed of what kind of issues will face Hispanic students in the '90s. He said there are about 500 Hispanic students at Ohio State.

Najera said that, in 1974, the Hispanic population was 4.5 percent of the U.S. population, and in 1988 it had grown to 8.1 percent.

The values and traditions pertinent to Hispanic students and the effects they have on their lives need to be identified, Najera said. He said that, by getting to know Hispanic students, resources and services can be implemented to help meet their needs.

On April 6, there will be a free dance, with a live band, at the Da Vinci Ristorante, 4740 Reed Rd. At last year’s dance, Nieves said, “Therapiest” and “Tango” were popular. The event helps students realize that there are bright lights in the life of Hispanic students.

One presentation to be given is “A New Wave of Racism on College Campuses,” April 5 at 10 a.m. at Morrill Tower in the Morrill Browsing Room. It will be presented by Antonio Rigual, executive director of the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities. The group is a national association of post-secondary institutions that promotes educational opportunities for Hispanics at schools with a significant Hispanic enrollment.

Rigual is also a project director for the Hispanic Student Success Program, a project designed to increase Hispanic graduation rates from high school and college. A report from the program said that for every 1,000 Hispanic children who enter the educational system, on the average only 70 graduate from college. It also said that, in some areas of the country, the figure is as low as 25 out of 1,000.

Carlos Verdecia, editor-in-chief for the Hispanic newspaper The New Herald, will speak April 2 in the Conference Room in the Journalism Building on the “Challenge of Producing a Full Spanish Language Newspaper in a Heterogeneous Community.”

Grace Flores-Hughes, director of community service in the U.S. Department of Justice, will present “Hispanics in the Political Arena — Key to Success,” April 3 at 11 a.m. in the Memorial Room on the second floor of the Ohio Union. Hughes is one of the highest-ranking Hispanic-Americans in the Bush administration and the first woman to hold that position.

The Wexner Center Media Arts Program will present “Latin America Visions,” a film series of Latin American films that are historically significant and rarely seen, a spokesperson for the Wexner Center said. “Latin America Visions” is scheduled each evening April 4-7. All screenings begin at 8 p.m. in the Wexner Film/Video Theatre, located on the OSU campus. For more information about times and dates, interested people should call 292-2354 Monday through Friday 9-6 or Saturday 10-2. Tickets are also available beginning one hour before screening time, in the Wexner Center West Ticket Office.

A special menu featuring Hispanic Cuisine will be offered in the Terrace Dining Room during Hispanic Awareness Week, too.
Hispanic Week presents culture

Presentations by Guadalupe Quintanilla and Samuel Betances will highlight the 13th annual Hispanic Awareness Week, April 27-May 3.

All events are open to the public. Unless otherwise noted, events will be held in the Ohio Union and are free of charge.

Quintanilla, former U.S. representative to the United Nations, is assistant vice-president for academic affairs at the University of Houston. Her inspirational life and numerous accomplishments have been chronicled in the Reader's Digest, New York Times and People magazine.

Once labeled a “slow learner,” she dropped out of school in Brownsville, Texas, at age 13. Fourteen years later, when her sons were also labeled “slow” because they, too, didn’t speak English, Quintanilla became determined to learn. Within three years, she had a bachelor’s degree.

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degree. She earned a Ph.D. and rose to various academic positions at the University of Houston.

She has made bilingual and bicultural training of police and firefighters a priority. She calls this “Survival Spanish” training which enables more effective communication in times of great stress and danger.

Quintanilla will speak at 2 p.m. Monday, April 29, in the Buckeye Suites on the third floor of the Ohio Union.

Betances, professor of sociology at Northeastern Illinois University, will make three different presentations on April 30, all in the Memorial Room of the Ohio Union. At 11 a.m., he will discuss the role of the news media in shaping the images of Blacks and Hispanics; from 1:30-3:30 p.m., he will lead a workshop on racism, the media and minorities; and at 4 p.m. he will deliver a humorous and poignant monologue on the socioeconomic conditions facing Hispanics in the United States.

Other events scheduled for Hispanic Awareness Week include numerous symposia and workshops as well as:

- Estampas de Mexico, a dance troupe, at 8 p.m. April 27 at the Drake Union.
- Juan Valencia, pianist, at 3 p.m. April 28 in Hughes Hall Auditorium.
- Ohio Hispanic Congress — 1991. Preparing for the 21st Century: educational, social and economic issues affecting the Hispanic population. There is a $50 registration fee. Call 466-8333 for further information.
- A Celebration of Hispanic Film: South American Scenes, new feature and documentary films from the Spanish-speaking world, at 8 p.m. April 30, May 1, 3 and 4, in the Wexner Center Film and Video Theatre. Admission is $4, students and senior citizens $3.
- La Comida Sabrosa, a daily luncheon of Latin food, April 29-May 3, in the Terrace Dining Room of the Ohio Union. Reservations are required; call 292-6396.

For further information or a complete program of events, call the Office of Hispanic Student Services, 292-2917.
Hispanic Awareness Week activities seek to educate local community

By Dona Klinger
Lantern staff writer

Hispanic American Student Services wants to involve the Columbus community in their weeklong celebration of Hispanic Awareness Week beginning Monday.

"We extend an invitation to the community to join. The focus is to let people from all ethnicities be aware," said Larry Hoeeze, assistant to the director of the Office of Hispanic Student Services.

Josue Cruz, associate professor of teacher education, said Hispanic Awareness Week needs to serve and educate the community. It can not be just for Hispanics because that would be "like serving your own choir," he said.

"The week should be used as a catalyst to continue bringing in Hispanic awareness," Cruz said.

He said Hispanic contributions to society should become a part of teaching within the university structure all year long, not just during awareness week.

"If we only reflect for one week," he said, "the awareness won't be successful. We can continue feeding people throughout the year, like food for thought."

Cruz said the awareness week is valuable for pausing and reflecting on Hispanic accomplishments by covering a variety of topics and important events.

Hoeeze said there will be art exhibits, movies, dances and Latin menus throughout the week in which all Hispanic student organizations are involved.

Cruz said Professor Raymon Saldivar, from University of Texas at Austin, will be speaking today in a lecture on "The Border Lands of Culture," as a special preview for the week. It will begin at 3:30 in Room 14 of University Hall, he said.

Hoeeze said there will be an opening reception at Bricker Hall, Monday at 4:00, which is the "key event" for the week and everyone is encouraged to attend.

OSU President E. Gordon Gee will present a welcome speech in the West Ballroom of the Ohio Union on Thursday, Hoeeze said.

Madeline Polonia, vice president of the Hispanic fraternity Alpha Psi Lambda, said the fraternity will sponsor three events next week.

On Saturday, Polonia said, there will be a Folklór Dance Troupe, Estampas de Mexico, performing cultural dances from Mexico in the Conference Theater of the Ohio Union.

A presentation on Monday, "Perceiving Each Other: Multidimensional Scaling as a Method of Assessing Social Distance," will take place in the Memorial Room of the Union, she said.

To finish out the week, Polonia said, there will be a formal dance on May 4 with a Latin band, La Orquesta Sabor Latino, performing Latin songs mixed with American ones, at the Holiday Inn on Lane Avenue.

Polonia said, as a goal of the awareness week, everyone should become culturally enriched and see what it means to be Hispanic.

The community should be aware, Polonia said, that there are a lot of different cultures within the Hispanic group that even the Hispanics might not know about. Included are the cultures of Puerto Rico, the Dominican Republic, Argentina and Peru, she said.

For more information concerning events, contact the Office of Hispanic Student Services, 347 Ohio Union or phone 292-2917.
SURGEON GENERAL HELPS CELEBRATE HISPANIC WEEK AT OHIO STATE

COLUMBUS -- U.S. Surgeon General Antonia Novello will speak April 7 as part of the festivities for the 14th annual Hispanic Awareness Week at The Ohio State University.

Dr. Novello, the first woman and first Hispanic to be appointed surgeon general, will speak at 4 p.m. in Rhodes Hall Auditorium, 450 W. 10th Ave. Her lecture will be free and open to the public. Parking will be available in the Ninth Avenue Parking Garage at Ninth and Belmont avenues.

(Note to editors and reporters: Dr. Novello will give a press briefing April 7 from 2 to 2:15 p.m. at Childrens Hospital, which she will visit as part of the hospital's 100th anniversary celebration. Contact Pam Barber, manager for media relations at Childrens Hospital, at 461-2571 for more information. The topic of her speech at Ohio State hasn't been announced yet.)

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-- Miriam Santos, Chicago city treasurer, will speak April 7 at 1:30 p.m. on "The Hispanic Woman in a Major Political Campaign."

-- Ana Costillo, poet, novelist, and professor of English at the University of New Mexico, will read selections from her works on April 9 at 4 p.m. in the Wexner Center Film and Video Theatre, 30 W. 15th Ave.

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Feminist writer to promote awareness

By Judy Panek
Lantern staff writer

Chicana feminist Ana Castillo is scheduled to visit campus April 9 as part of Hispanic Awareness Week.

Castillo, a poet and novelist, will read from a new non-fiction work, "Massacre of the Dreamers: Reflections on Mexican-Indian Women in the United States 500 Years After the Conquest," as well as selections from her fiction and poetry.

Castillo has taught creative writing and Chicana feminist literature at several universities in the United States and at the University of Mexico. Her performance, co-sponsored by the OSU Office of Hispanic Student Services, will take place at 4 p.m. in the Film/Video Theatre at Wexner Center.

Hispanic Awareness Week "raises an awareness of cultural, social and political issues affecting Hispanics in the United States," said Carmen Alvarez-Breckenridge, director of Hispanic Student Services.

Alvarez-Breckenridge said the myriad of activities planned for Hispanic Awareness Week are listed on a poster that has been distributed on campus.

Angel Morales, program coordinator of the Hispanic Student Program, said the purpose of Hispanic Awareness Week "is to recognize ethnic groups as well as Hispanic contributions to greater society."

Hispanic students comprise 1.1 percent of OSU's student body, Morales said. He said Ohio State is probably the only university actively recruiting students from Puerto Rico. Morales said students from Puerto Rico are eligible for federal aid or scholarships based on the same criteria as out-of-state students because it is a U.S. Commonwealth.

Morales believes the term "Hispanic" is a misnomer created by government in an attempt to conveniently group all Spanish-speaking people together, but they are not a homogeneous group.

"Every single group is very distinctive on their own merit," Morales said. He wants people to be aware of the uniqueness of various cultures and of individuals.

All Hispanic students are welcome to get involved in various activities on campus.

"There is definitely a community feeling here. We all know each other or at least know who each other is," Richard Nieves, a 25-year-old graduate student from Puerto Rico, said. He said there are three organizations for Hispanic-Americans in addition to social activities such as dances and parties to attend.

Recently released statistics from the 1990 U.S. Census lists the Hispanic origin population in the U.S. at more than 22 million, a substantial increase over the 14 million people reported in 1980.
Novello’s speech to highlight Hispanic awareness

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Programs examine Hispanic culture

By Lea Anne Blitz
Lantern arts writer

In recognition of this week’s designation as Hispanic Awareness Week, the Wexner Center will present three cultural programs and a writer’s reading.

Three participating artists will cover a range of work, including a classic Cuban film and films and videos about Hispanic culture and the borders, said Melodie Calvert, assistant curator of media arts at the Wexner Center.

Calvert said the Wexner Center is trying to respond to the community by “interfacing with Hispanic Awareness Week and what is going on on campus.”

Beginning April 7, the first program will highlight the lives of Frida Kahlo and her husband, Diego Rivera. Kahlo’s film, “A Ribbon Around a Bomb,” is produced by Teatro Dallas.

The film, in Spanish and English with English subtitles, shows Kahlo’s life through interviews, photos, art work and archival footage, along with performances from a play written from her diaries.

Rivera’s film, “I Paint What I See,” is a biographical documentary about his career from childhood to his work as a muralist in Mexico and the United States.

Rivera’s art is presented through rare footage from archives, photographs and on-location filming of his murals. “I Paint What I See” also includes the story of his unsteady marriage to Kahlo.

The second program, on April 8, shows low-riding cars as an artform and explores the conflicts of the Mexican-American border. Both of the program’s presentations are videos, which are different from the usual film productions.

The two videotapes are about contemporary Hispanic issues and culture and are produced by artists, Calvert said. This is important because it shows that they are artists in addition to being video producers.

The first video “Low and Slow—San Antonio Low Riders,” is produced and directed by Michael Mehl. The video shows low-riding cars as a Chicano art-form in the barrios (neighborhoods). The video also focuses on the creators of the cars, the majority of whom are auto mechanics.

“Border Brujo/The Shaman,” performed by artist Guillermo Gomez-Pena, is the second video. The audience travels across the U.S.-Mexican border and witnesses the actions of the Border Brujo, which becomes 15 people who each speak a different border language.

“Border Brujo” is presented in English and Spanish.

On April 9, there are two separate programs in celebration of the week. In the afternoon, Chicana feminist Ana Castillo will visit the Wexner Center to read from her fiction, poetry and her new non-fiction work, “Massacre of the Dreamers: Reflections on Mexican-Indian Women in the United States 500 Years After the Conquest.”

Castillo is a poet, novelist, essayist, editor and translator. This reading is co-sponsored by the Office of Hispanic Student Services.

The evening program will be a Cuban film directed by Pastor Vega, “Portrait of Teresa.” This film, presented in Spanish with English subtitles, describes the survival of machismo and sexism in a post-revolutionary society.

The film centers around a conflict that is created when a housewife displeases her husband by getting involved in political and cultural groups.

All of the film/video programs will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Film/Video Theatre. The writer’s reading by Ana Castillo will also be held in the Film/Video Theatre but will begin at 4 p.m. Admission for the film and video programs is $4 for the general public and $3 for Wexner Center members, students and senior citizens.
Correction

A piano recital, to be performed by students from the Rosemary Platt School of Music, was omitted from the list of Hispanic Awareness Week events. The students will perform Spanish music and the recital will be held April 12 at 4 p.m. in Weigel Auditorium. It will be free to the public.
Hispanic Awareness Week celebrates culture

By Yvette Harms
Lantern staff writer

The 14th Annual Hispanic Awareness Week, which runs from April 3-11, offers about 40 programs designed to unite Hispanics from across the state and educates the OSC student body and faculty about the Hispanic community.

The awareness week has been coordinated by the Office of Hispanic Student Services, the Office of Minority Affairs and the Commission on Spanish-Speaking Affairs.

One of the goals of the awareness week is to help make a welcoming and accepting environment for minorities at the university," said Carmen Alvarez-Brekenridge, director of the Office of Hispanic Student Services.

The Hispanic population is projected to be the largest minority group by the year 2000. That is one reason why it is important to begin establishing an awareness of cultural diversity, she said.

"Hispanic Awareness Week provides a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the diversity of cultures and people at Ohio State, and to learn more about Hispanic presence and influence," said OSU President E. Gordon Gee.

"I am delighted that our office of Hispanic Student Services and the Commission on Spanish-Speaking Affairs have made this event a reality," Gee said. "This is the kind of collaboration that will help us explore important social issues and develop intercultural understanding."

These events are not only educational for those who will be attending them, but also for the 100 students that helped plan them, said Sherri Novello, graduate administrative assistant from Dow Chemical, will be bringing 140 Hispanic high school students to the university from across the state, said Victor J. Mora, the director of Minority Graduate Students Development and Hispanic Affairs.

"It is a great opportunity to involve Hispanics throughout the state in a celebration of their heritage," Mora said.

The students will be coming from areas with large Hispanic populations, such as Cleveland, Toledo, Lorain, Youngstown and Bowling Green, Mora said.

The students will be arriving Friday, and will spend the day talking with Ohio State faculty and staff. They will participate in the events scheduled that day as a part of Hispanic Awareness Week, Mora said.

Some of the events include a two-day symposium presented by the Ohio Commission on Spanish-Speaking Affairs. It will be presenting a Quincentenary Observation Symposium on Monday and Tuesday featuring three key speakers.

*Janice Petrovich, a board member and researcher for ASPIRA, a group which promotes leadership among Hispanics, will be speaking about education of Hispanics in the United States on Monday at 11 a.m. in the South Terrace of the Ohio Union.*

*Jose F. Nino, president and CEO of the United States Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, will be speaking about the influence Hispanics have on the national economy on Monday at 11 a.m. in the South Terrace of the Ohio Union.*

*Richard S. Gonzalez, a White House reporter for National Public Radio, will be discussing the role Hispanics play in the White House, Monday at 3 p.m.*

*Tuesday, students and faculty will have the opportunity to hear the United States Surgeon General speak on issues concerning the Hispanic population at 4 p.m. in Rhodes Hall, 450 W. 10th Ave.*

For more information on the week's events contact the Office of Hispanic Student Services.

Surgeon General speaks

U.S. Surgeon General Antonia C. Novello

By Yvette Harms
Lantern staff writer

The United States Surgeon General, Antonia C. Novello, will be speaking to OSU faculty and students Tuesday as part of the 14th Annual Hispanic Awareness Week celebration.

The speech is designed to increase the awareness of issues concerning the Hispanic population, according to the Office of Hispanic Student Services.

Novello is both the first Hispanic and the first woman to be Surgeon General. She has been in office since March 1990, when she was sworn in by Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor.

The Office of Hispanic Student Services invited Novello to speak because she is an excellent role model for Hispanic students, said Sherri Novello, graduate administrative assistant. "Role models are very, very important to Hispanic students because there are so few Hispanics at the administrative level," Novello said.

There is an extreme amount of interest from Hispanic students about Novello because many Hispanic students at OSU are studying medicine, Novello said.

Another reason for Novello's speech is to break stereotypes about Hispanics, said Carmen Alvarez-Brekenridge, director of Hispanic Student Services.

"One of the purposes is to bring outstanding role models to try to break stereotypes. It is an educational means to increase national pride," Alvarez-Brekenridge said.

The stereotypes need to be broken; when they are, Hispanics can affirm their cultural pride, said Victor J. Mora, director of Minority Graduate Students Development and Hispanic Affairs.

With the motto "good science and good sense," Novello's responsibilities as surgeon general include advising the public on health issues such as smoking, AIDS, diet and nutrition, environmental issues and disease prevention.

Novello will be speaking at 4 p.m. Tuesday, in Rhodes Hall Auditorium, 450 W. 10th Ave. A reception will immediately follow the lecture, which is free and open to the public.
Surgeon General dispels Hispanic myths

By Yvette Harms
Lantern staff writer

Surgeon General Antonia C. Novello addressed faculty and students Tuesday, in an hour-long presentation to dispel common myths and stereotypes about Hispanic populations.

Novello also alerted Hispanics of problems their communities are faced with and encouraged education as the solution.

Novello stressed the necessity of moving past the stereotypes many Americans hold about Hispanics.

"We are more than Chiquita Banana and Juan Valdez, I assure you," Novello said.

Novello listed a vast amount of artists, musicians, poets, Nobel Prize winners for medicine and physiology, astronauts, and entertainment personalities to prove her point.

"I am proud to be a Hispanic woman— and that pride is with me today as Surgeon General of the United States," Novello said.

Novello thinks Hispanics are in a great position to make a positive statement about our country.

Hispanics hold several positions in our government today, she said. She named the Secretary of the Interior, Manuel Lujan and treasurer, Cathy Villalpando, as examples.

"I must say that to be of Hispanic descent, and serve as the first female and first Hispanic Surgeon General, makes me proud of what we can do with hard work and determination," she said.

Although Novello expressed an incredible amount of pride in her ethnicity, she also expressed the seriousness of the problems facing both Hispanics and Americans today.

"As Surgeon General, I have the responsibility for the health of the people of this Nation. As a Hispanic woman, I have a special concern for my community, and I must be honest—I am very worried about the health and welfare of our community," Novello said.

Education is the key factor in solving many problems Hispanics are faced with, Novello said. An education can help prevent illness and obtain the benefits the United States has to offer, she said.

Today, however, education among Hispanics is an area of concern, she said.

Approximately half of Hispanic adults are high school graduates, which is less than the percentage of both African American and white adults, Novello said.

One out of 10 Hispanics attend college, she said.

The health status of Hispanics reflects both the financial disparity and lack of education about what health care is available, Novello said.

The top 10 causes of Hispanic deaths include homicide, AIDS, and prenatal conditions, she said.

These causes of death are not among the top 10 reasons for non-Hispanic people, Novello said.

The solution for these problems begins with the effort of each individual's time and energy in their own community, Novello said.

"Ultimately, no government, no community organization alone can save us. We have to take command in saving ourselves," Novello said.

Novello ended her remarks by challenging the Hispanic community to learn about and practice healthy choices and help educate loved ones around them.

"Without our good health, we will have very little to offer this country in the year 2000," Novello said.

The program was coordinated by Together Organized Diligently Offering Solidarity, a student organization providing a network for various groups of Hispanic students to unite, said Ruby Berrios, public relations director of TODOS.

"We saw a need to come together and promote cultural awareness among diverse Hispanic groups," Berrios said.

"We are very proud of having such an outstanding role model here with us on campus. It is not only important to us but to the Ohio State community in general," said Ivelisess Malave, secretary of TODOS and the chairperson of the activity.
OHIO STATE CELEBRATES HISPANIC AWARENESS WEEK

COLUMBUS -- The former governor of New Mexico will help kick off the 15th annual Hispanic Awareness Week at The Ohio State University April 11-17.

Jerry Apodaca will present "Cultural Diversity: Is It Bad to Be Different?" during an opening celebration, which begins at 4:30 p.m. April 12 in the Faculty Club Main Lounge, 181 South Oval Mall.

The week's activities are coordinated by the Office of Hispanic Student Services and are sponsored by a variety of organizations. For more information, call 292-2917.

Among the events are:

-- The Hispanic Art Exhibition, daily in Bricker Hall, 190 N. Oval Mall.


-- "Accessing Federal and Local Agencies to Address the Needs of the Hispanic Community," a presentation by Valentin Obregón, conciliator specialist for the Department of Justice, 10 a.m. April 14 in Memorial Room, 2nd floor of the Ohio Union, 1739 N. High St.

-- "Decolonizing the Body: Kinship and the Nation," a presentation by Ramón A. Gutiérrez, professor of history, University of California, San Diego, and author of the prize-
winning book, *When Jesus Came, the Cornmothers Went Away:
Marriage, Sexuality and Power in New Mexico, 1500-1846*, 3:30 p.m.
April 14, 170 Math Annex, 209 W. 18th Ave.

-- Feature films: *Vera* (Sergio Toledo, 1987), a tale of a
young woman who believes she is a man trapped in a woman's body,
7:30 p.m. April 14; and *Barroco* (Paul Leduc, 1989), a poetic
history of 500 years of Latin and Caribbean culture, 7:30 p.m
April 17. Both are in Spanish with English subtitles. They will
be screened in the Wexner Center Film and Video Theater, 30 W.

-- Jibaro Jazz performing the opening concert for the Ohio State Jazz Festival, 7:30 p.m. April 15, Weigel Hall Auditorium, 1866 College Road. Admission. Call 292-2354.

-- "The Body as Metaphor in Border Art and Literature," a presentation by Mexican-American writer and novelist Gloria Anzaldua, 2 p.m. April 16, Wexner Center Film and Video Theater, 30 W. 15th Ave.
Hispanic Awareness Week brings speakers, art, music

By Hui-ling Lai
Lantern staff writer

The 15th annual Hispanic Awareness Week began Sunday with a picnic at Whetstone Park of Roses, 3923 N. High St.

The main purposes of the week are to open the Hispanic culture to the OSU community and to make Hispanic people at Ohio State proud of their culture, said Claudia L. Moreno, president of the OSU Hispanic Graduate, Professional and Non-traditional Student Organization.

"Because many of us are far away from our families, it's good to continue with the cultural values, with the cultural customs, and to bring them here and to feel proud of them," Moreno said.

Jerry Apodaca, former governor of New Mexico, was the keynote speaker in Monday's formal opening of the awareness week, said Carmen Alvarez-Breckenridge, director of OSU Hispanic Student Service.

A number of OSU Hispanic graduate students will present their research this week, a new addition to the awareness week activities, Alvarez-Breckenridge said.

This event is to demonstrate Hispanic students' talents and to make them role models for other Hispanic students, Moreno said.

About 40 programs fill the week, including a fashion show, a concert, an Hispanic art exhibition, and Hispanic films and panel discussions about laws and issues that affect the Hispanic community.

* Alpha Psi Lambda will present "Noche de Ronda," an evening of entertainment featuring music and dance of Latin America and the Caribbean, at 7 p.m. Tuesday on the South Terrace of the Ohio Union.
* Remo Gutierrez, a professor of history at the University of California at San Diego, will present "Decolonizing the Body: Kinship and the Nation," at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday in room 178 of the Math Annex, 209 W. 18th Ave.
* There will be a panel discussion sponsored by the Hispanic Agenda Committee, entitled "Perspective on Hispanic Issues and Challenges for the '90s at OSU," at 6 p.m. Thursday in the Ohio Union Memorial Room.
* There will be eight panels to discuss topics including a multi-ethnic cultural center, a demographic overview of Hispanics, building a network of communication, Hispanic leadership, community involvement and retention of Hispanic students.
* The opening concert for the OSU Jazz Festival will feature Jibaro Jazz, an internationally renowned Latino jazz group, at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in Weigel Hall Auditorium.
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Speaker opens awareness week

By Hui-ling Lai
Lantern staff writer

A chance to contribute, to learn, to work hard, to be patriotic and to live is exactly what immigrants of all cultures in America want, a former governor of New Mexico said Monday.

Jerry Apodaca, the first Hispanic governor in the United States since 1918, was the keynote speaker at the formal opening of the 15th annual Hispanic Awareness Week.

Apodaca said that in the 1992 presidential campaign, voices full of fear, contempt and prejudice about minorities were strong, and the message was "Take back our country! Take back our culture!"

"But what do the voices mean?" Apodaca asked. "Take back our culture from whom? From the 600,000 immigrants coming in each year?"

Both George Washington and John F. Kennedy said America should be open not only to the respectable strangers but also to the oppressed and the persecuted of all nations and religions, Apodaca said.

Apodaca said the traditional diversity of people in America has proven to be one of this country's greatest strengths. Although there have always been people who fear immigrants to the United States, the voice of tolerance of minorities is a tradition that, if honored, will produce great benefits, he said.

"We want a chance to explore new frontiers. We want the opportunity to participate in all of our rights and privileges," he said.

The traditional concept of America as a "melting pot" of different cultures is one that Apodaca said he rejects in favor of a more positive image of minority inclusion in the American culture.

"I like to believe we are more like a pot of stew, cooking slowly and carefully, adding new ingredients all the time. At the end we would be better and stronger," he said.
AS PART of Hispanic Awareness Week, Emilio Ramirez and Roxanne Medina, both of Toledo, Ohio, show a little Spanish flair during a fashion show in the Ohio Union. Ramirez does rope tricks in his charro outfit while Medina models a Jalisco made by her mother. The event was sponsored by Alpha Psi Lambda.
Hispanic Awareness Week flawed, mismanaged

Last quarter, the Office of Hispanic Student Services coordinated the annual "Hispanic Awareness Week," a potpourri of cultural events, educational forums, and social activities focusing on the contributions of Hispanic culture. The April 11-17 extravaganza included lectures, panel discussions, musical/social events, and numerous "awareness" presentations. Now that the dust has settled, however, pertinent questions must be posed to the OSU Hispanic community: Is Hispanic Awareness Week organized properly by its chief sponsor — the Office of Hispanic Student Services — and does it really contribute to the awareness of diversity among U.S. Latinin/as on campus? The answer is a resounding "NO," because not only was there poor attendance at many of the sessions, but the ethnic background of Mexican-Americans — the largest of U.S. Hispanic groups — was mostly ignored during the more than 40 events comprising Hispanic Awareness Week. Many of Hispanic Week's events were disorganized, and too many activities were crammed into a seven-day period. And because advertisements were not purchased in the Lantern, little publicity was generated around campus for an event of major cultural magnitude.

One particular function, so poorly planned that it became rather ludicrous, was Hispanic Week's opening reception held at the Faculty Club. While the event was well-attended by a diverse crowd, the ceremony itself was unjustifiably lengthy and peppered with grave errors in protocol and etiquette. In fact, one "mistress of ceremony" decided to carry out a vendetta — in the middle of the program — against a fellow Hispanic student under the guise of an "award" to another person. This shameful exhibition of racial diynism was both unwarranted and lacking in good taste.

However, the greatest faux pas of the evening occurred when the members of the sitting audience were asked to remove their chairs and remain standing for the duration of the never-ending program; meanwhile, the increasingly thirsty and hungry crowd was kept away from the ostentatious display of drinks and hors d'oeuvres. Much more should have been expected from the reception organizers, especially since the head of Hispanic Student Services has had more than a decade of Hispanic Week experience. Because the program's agenda was badly blotched, chalk up the opening ceremony under bad planning, a lack of professionalism, and an uncaring and haughty attitude toward the mostly Hispanic crowd.

Next, a careful review of the Hispanic Week's program reveals an excessive number of presentations scheduled into a limited time frame with unappalling paltry party of five or six people in attendance. In these awareness sessions, quantity prevailed over quality: Not only was one particular Hispanic student organization allowed to monopolize the entire week by arranging more than 20 events, but some presentations were also completely inappropriate, as evidenced by one such session's title, "The Flowering of Brazilian Culture in the 20th Century." Since when does "Portuguese-speaking" Brazil represent Hispanic culture? The mission of Hispanic Awareness Week should be to educate and clarify the essence of that which makes "us" unique among all of the world's cultural groups — not to dilute our Hispanic culture with others. Has the dominant Anglo culture done enough of this already?

But, one of the main reasons why poor attendance plagued the majority of Hispanic Awareness Week presentations was the blatant lack of paid publicity for the whole week. It is true that the Week's jazz concert as well as the big formal dance (held at a Ramada Inn) were well-attended, but only at the expense of Hispanic Week's "real" events.

According to the astronomical $15,000 band fee (paid to the so-called "hot band from New York"), the musicians charged about $100 a minute to perform a mere two-set gig. The irony is too obvious: While the Office of Hispanic Student Services splurged close to $20,000 "putting on the Ritz" with the Ramada dance alone, it starved to death the advertisement budget for the Week's badly needed publicity.

This crucial "ad oversight," along with "wasteful spending" on a flashy New York band, reflects terribly on the organizational skills of the director of the Office of Hispanic Student Services. And to top it off, rumors are abound that the monies received at the door from the concert and dance are to be kept in the coffers of two Hispanic student organizations. Really, the funds should be going back to the Hispanic Office, or to another cosponsor, the Hispanic Oversight Committee, to do more programming in the future. (Ticket receipts collected at the door from "subsidized" musical events were not profit because of high overhead costs.) Thus, it behoves the Dean of Student Life to look into the finances of Hispanic Awareness Week and make sure that all funds are properly accounted for; and that these monies not go to subsidize just two Hispanic groups at the expense of four other Hispanic student organizations at Ohio State.

As a Chicano tejano, I expected some events in Hispanic Week to deal specifically with the cultural experience of my ethnic Mexican background. But, the music played at both the concert and dance was strictly Puerto Rican, which is good, but what is wrong with Tejano music? The Tejano culture can be flown in from the Caribbean or a "salsa and flamenco" crowd hired from the Big Apple, why can't a conjunto from the Lone Star State be also? Once again, this lack of ethnic variety should be placed squarely on the Office of Hispanic Student Services, because its director is expected to provide guidance to programming decisions which should allow maximum Hispanic diversity.

A spring cleaning is in order at the Hispanic Student Services Office. As an OSU Chicano student, I reiterate this most critical perspective: The Hispanic Student Services Office, under the direct supervision of the Office of Student Life, is not meeting the needs of its ethnic background; commemorations of Mexican-American days of observance, like Cinco de Mayo, are basically ignored by the Hispanic Office. Thus, 1, as a U.S. Hispanic student, can only conclude that the Office of Hispanic Student Services caters more to international students instead of to U.S. citizens as evidenced in Hispanic Week's programming: Presentations on the Colombian drug problem or a Guatemalan weaver as well as slides on the Peruvian and Amazonian region of South America. But, the inclusion of Luso-Brazilian cultural programs at a Hispanic-oriented event, while it makes sense, is not enough because of high overhead costs.) Thus, it behoves the Dean of Student Life to look into the finances of Hispanic Awareness Week and make sure that all funds are properly accounted for; and that these monies not go to subsidize just two Hispanic groups at the expense of four other Hispanic student organizations at Ohio State.

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OMA charged with censorship of critique

By C. H. Featherstone
Lantern staff writer

The Office of Minority Affairs came under fire this week when the head of the Hispanic Agenda Committee claimed OMA's Office of Retention Services, in refusing to publish an article he wrote, was guilty of censorship.

E. Riggy Lopez, a graduate student in English, wrote a harsh critique of minority affairs' handling of this year's Hispanic Awareness Week. The article was not printed in Hola, the retention services' quarterly newsletter. Lopez was upset by the decision, and an edited version ran in Tuesday's Lantern.

"This is a censorship issue," Lopez said. "They censored me."

In the original six-page critique, Lopez stated the Hispanic Awareness Week's events were "rather disorganized," and "in excessive number of events (were), planned within an extremely limited time frame."

Lopez criticized the lack of Mexican-American representation and sufficient advertising, and the expenditure of most of the budget on an out-of-town band.

"The claim made by Lopez that Mexican-Americans were mostly ignored is "ludicrous" because all of the speakers at the opening reception were Mexican-American or Chicano," said Carmen Alvaro-Breckenridge, the director of the Office of Hispanic Student Services.

"The 1993 Hispanic Awareness Week Celebration was unprecedented in the quantity and number of programs," she said.

Hispanic student services invited all Hispanic organizations to sponsor the week's events, Alvaro-Breckenridge said.

According to Lopez, Lee Jones, the Director of Retention Services, and Luz Allende-Moore, the assistant director, assured Ivelisse Malave, the editor of Hola, that neither minority affairs nor retention services would censor articles.

"I offered to run it with a disclaimer, that it was my opinion as opposed to Minority Affairs," Lopez said. But Lopez said it did not make a difference.

Neither Jones, Allende-Moore nor Malave would comment on why Lopez's article was rejected. In a letter dated June 10, Allende-Moore and Malave told Lopez his criticism was inappropriate for their publication, which is meant to be a student information source.

Jones, in an open letter published in the spring issue of Hola, described the newsletter's purpose as providing "a forum whereby the participants of the Hispanic Peer-Mentoring Program are kept informed of the process of their program."

But Lopez, who said he is not involved with the program, was not convinced.

"Hispanics want to be respected," he said. "We don't want an office newsletter. We want some autonomy. African-American students have Dimensions, we don't have anything. Don't call this 'Hispanic,' call it 'Retention services;' there's a big difference."

Robert M. Duncan, vice president and general counsel for Legal Affairs, who is filling in for David Williams during Williams' absence, said he had not heard of the complaints Lopez alleged against retention services.

"But this may have been something Williams handled himself," Duncan said.

Lopez said Williams scheduled a meeting last

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Thursday with him and seven members of the campus Latino community, but Williams' secretary cancelled the appointment after Charles O. Ross occupied the dean's office in the College of Social Work.

Lopez said Williams apologized and rescheduled the meeting.

The retention services' letter asked Lopez to be more upbeat in his criticism of minority affairs.

"Educate us about your culture," Allende-Moore and Malave wrote. "A thought-provoking piece with positive suggestions may affect change."

Lopez said he had some constructive criticism. He recommended the creation of an editorial board to determine what articles would be published in Hola.

"The decision should be taken from the bureaucrats," Lopez said. "We should all participate in the newsletter."

Retention services refused to comment on new articles selected for Hola. In a second letter to Lopez dated June 28, Allende-McCoy and Malave asked Lopez to serve on the same kind of editorial board Lopez claimed he had requested.

Lopez remained unappeased.

"They just want me to go away, they hope no one will notice," he said.
HISPANIC AWARENESS WEEK AT OHIO STATE APRIL 16-24

COLUMBUS -- Concerts, dances, food, theater, art, meetings and presentations will make up the 16th annual Hispanic Awareness Week at The Ohio State University, set for April 16-24.

Activities begin at 8 p.m. April 16 with The Dave Valentin Quintet jazz concert featuring Latin-laced funk in Weigel Hall Auditorium. Events conclude at 9 a.m. April 24 with the Hispanic Engineering and Architecture Student Leadership Conference.

Ruth Burgos-Sasscer, president of San Antonio College in Texas, will deliver the keynote address during the formal opening of the 16th annual celebration on April 18. One of five Hispanic women holding a college presidency in the United States, Burgos-Sasscer will speak on "Changing Face of Leadership: The Role of Hispanics," at 4:30 p.m. in the Faculty Club Grand Lounge.

A reception immediately following her address will feature music by The Ohio State University Percussion Ensemble and dance presentations. The event is sponsored by the Department of Spanish and Portuguese and Together Organized Diligently Offering Solidarity (T.O.D.O.S.)

"Against All Odds -- The Road to Success" will be the theme of a presentation by Flores Nunez, a municipal court judge, and Anita Ramos, assistant state attorney general, at 1:30 p.m. April 21 in the College of Law Auditorium, 1659 N. High St.

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The Hispanic Engineering and Architecture Student Leadership Conference will be held April 22-24 at a downtown hotel.

Other highlights include dances April 16 at Royer Student Activities Center and April 23 at St. Charles Preparatory School and Fiesta '94, a picnic featuring food, Latin music, games and cultural activities, on April 17 at Blendon Woods Metro Park.

In addition to many other special events, each weekday will feature an Hispanic food luncheon in the Ohio Union Terrace Dining Room and Hispanic Video Festival in the first floor food court, also in the Ohio Union.

Reservations are necessary for the luncheons, and there are admission charges for the dances and certain other events.

For a complete list of the many scheduled activities during the week, contact the Office of Hispanic Student Services at 292-2917.

Hispanic Awareness Week is made possible through the cooperation of Ohio State academic departments and offices, the Hispanic Oversight Committee, the offices of Hispanic Student Services, Student Life and Student Affairs, community agencies, student organizations, and corporate donors.

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Hispanics to celebrate all aspects of their culture

Diversity is the key in this year's events

By Robin Bowman
Latern staff writer

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Alvarez-Breckenridge said planners hope to break down stereotypes and reach out to communities outside of Ohio State. Students from Columbus State, area high schools and other Ohio universities will be attending this week's events, she said.

Although events begin this Saturday, the formal opening of the celebration was Monday. Dr. Ruth Burgos-Saasac, president of San Antonio College, was the keynote speaker. Burgos-Saasac is one of the five current Hispanic university presidents in the United States.

Together, Organized, Diligently Offering Solidarity, a Hispanic social organization, is sponsoring 13 events, including dance performance, video festivals, and theatrical presentations, said TODOS representative Miquel Vicenzo. The group will also hold a formal dance April 23 at St. Charles Preparatory School on East Broad Street. A series of lectures and discussions addressing Hispanic social issues will also be featured throughout the week. One discussion in particular, taking place place April 20, is titled "Hispanic Issues and Challenges for the 90's."

There are many from Central and South American countries, while others may be Mexican-American, Puerto Rican or Spanish. This variation leads to different viewpoints and perspectives, Osborne said.

Because promoting diversity, the sponsors said distribution of information about the awareness week throughout Columbus and other communities was also important.

"One of our goals next week is getting information to more people and getting more people to come out and participate," Alvarez-Breckenridge said.

This way, she said, people "will truly come away from Hispanic Awareness Week with an understanding of the richness of our culture."
Students merengue to kick off week of Hispanic awareness

By Robbin Bowman
Lantern staff writer

Over 150 people packed Royer Student Activities Center Saturday night to attend the opening dance of Hispanic Awareness Week.

Jesse Montano, president of the Latino's Student Union, said the dance and other scheduled events provide Hispanic students the chance to expose others to their culture.

"Getting to see what other people are made of adds to the college experience," Montano said.

Montano added that while some students might forget some of the academic aspects of college, the social experiences they have with other cultures will remain with them throughout their lives.

The semi-formal event featured Tejano-style music, performed by Patricia y Carino Musical, a six-member Latino band from Detroit.

Tejano music is distinguishable by its Latino style which stems from Mexican and Texan influences, said Cid Wilson, of LeSU.

"All of this is not just new to the non-Hispanic students here," Wilson said, "but also to Hispanics here who are from Caribbean areas, like Puerto Rico, who have never been exposed to Mexican culture."

Free lessons in merengue dancing and door prizes were part of the event, which was sponsored by the LeSU and the Hispanic Oversight Committee.

Local sponsors including Kroger, Big Bear, Cantina del Rio, and Estrada's Mexican Restaurant provided food and raffle items for the dance. Benito Lucio, president of the Hispanic Society of Central Ohio, emceed the event.

The dance went well and Montano and other students said they were looking forward to the upcoming week. Wilson said student organizations had been planning awareness week events since September.

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Dan Dougherty/The Lantern

The Patricia y Carino Musical band plays at the Royer Student Activity Center Saturday night to kick off Hispanic Awareness Week.

Hispanic Oversight Committee Chairperson Dr. Omar Barriga said he linked students' enthusiasm to the large amount of responsibility delegated to them in the planning and direction of the week.

"It takes a special kind of leadership to get this kind of enthusiasm," Barriga said. "One of the things the Hispanic Oversight Committee has done is pass the responsibility on to the students. It has to be their doing, not ours. This is why the students are so excited, because they know that this is their work. They know these finished projects are their accomplishments."

The official opening of Hispanic Awareness Week will be today at 4:30 p.m. at the Faculty Club's Main Lounge.

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Merengue!

A group of students demonstrate the Merengue in the food court at the Ohio Union on Monday. The performance was held as part of Hispanic Awareness Week.
HISPANIC CELEBRATION INCLUDES LOOK AT HEALTH ISSUES

COLUMBUS -- The 17th annual Hispanic Awareness Celebration at Ohio State University April 16-May 5 will include the Hispanic Health Conference '95 and screenings for diabetes, a condition that is especially troubling for Hispanics.

The celebration also includes dozens of presentations, lectures, films, and social events. Ohio State's Office of Hispanic Student Services coordinates the annual event. Most activities are free and take place on Ohio State's Columbus campus.

The Hispanic Health Conference will be held from 8:30 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday, April 24, in the Main Lounge of the Ohio Union, 1739 N. High St. It will be the first statewide meeting to discuss Hispanic health issues, said Nohema Garcia, program specialist for the Ohio Commission on Minority Health.

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The Commission on Minority Health and the Ohio Commission on Spanish Speaking Affairs are co-sponsors with Hispanic Student Affairs.

The conference is free, but registration is required. To register, call the Commission on Spanish Speaking Affairs at (614) 466-8333.

On a lighter note, participants of Fiesta '95 will celebrate with Latin music from 3-5 p.m. Sunday, April 16, in the Whetstone Park of Roses, 3923 N. High St. There also will be food, games and cultural activities for all ages.

And a Cinco de Mayo Celebration Extravaganza, with strolling musicians, traditional Mexican ballads and videos, will be held from noon-5 p.m. Thursday, May 4, in the Ohio Union Food Court.
Other activities include:

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Written by Gemma McLuckie
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College key to Hispanic achievement, speaker says

By Alyson Borgerding
Lanternstaff writer

Education is the path to power, said John Garcia at the kickoff of the 17th Annual Hispanic Awareness Celebration yesterday at Ohio State.

Garcia, a Republican from Toledo, is the first Hispanic representative elected to the Ohio General Assembly.

"I get so sick and tired of hearing about brown power, black power, white power," Garcia said. "The only power that we know of that works is the green power, money, and the only way to achieve that is through education."

Garcia told about 100 students in attendance that the next century's jobs will require high-tech skills and a college education. Laborers will be making only a minimum income.

"Here's where the cutoff is," he said, making a gesture at his neck. "Anything below the shoulder, that's minimum income. I think we've had enough of that for the Hispanic community."

Garcia, a former employee of the Libby Owens Ford Company, where he served on the labor committee of the United Glass Workers Union, was offered a scholarship to Michigan State University after boxing in the 1948 Olympic trials. But he turned down the scholarship to get married and raise a family.

In the Ohio legislature, Garcia has co-sponsored bills on health care and welfare reform. He supports an increase in preventive care for Medicare and Medicaid recipients as a health care cost-cutting measure.

Garcia is also in favor of starting an apprenticeship program for high school students to replace the current vocational school system, which he said has failed. The program would be part of a “workfare” system to reform welfare in Ohio.

The Hispanic Awareness celebration, sponsored by Hispanic Student Services, the Hispanic Oversight Committee and Hispanic student organizations, will run through May 6.
OHIO STATE TO LOOK AT THE HISTORY, CULTURES OF LATIN AMERICA

COLUMBUS -- The formation of Latin America in the 19th century was an arduous process, resulting in a period of flux between each country's colonial past and its national independence. April 19 and 20, the Department of Spanish and Portuguese at The Ohio State University will re-visit Latin America's turbulent history.

The discussion, "National Subjects and Discourses in Latin America's 19th Century: A Colloquium (Coloquio: Sujetos Y Discursos Nacionales En Hispanoamerica, Siglo XIX)," is just one event in the university's 18th annual Hispanic Awareness Week, April 14-21.

The colloquium will be held in the second floor Main Lounge of the Ohio Union, 1739 N. High St. Most of the presentations will be given in Spanish. On April 19, topics include:

-- 9:30-11:30 a.m., "Narrativas proto-nacionales: el discurso de los libertadores," with Mabel Moraña, chair of the Department of Spanish Studies, University of Pittsburgh.

-- 3:30-5:30 p.m., "Prensa y nación en la Venezuela independentista," with Alicia Ríos, Universidad Simón Bolívar, Caracas, Venezuela.
April 20, discussions include:

-- 9:30-11:30 a.m., "Reading/Modernity/Culture: Literate Imaginings of the Porfiriato, 1876-1911," with Danny J. Anderson, Department of Spanish and Portuguese, University of Kansas.

-- 5:30 p.m., "Los rincones de la lírica: 'Poesía del pasado, poemas del presente,'" with Ohio State graduate student Ana Merino, winner of the Adonais Literary Award.

Hispanic Awareness Week begins 3-5 p.m. Sunday, April 14, with Fiesta '96, a celebration with food, Latin music, games and activities for all ages. The festival will be at Whetstone Park, 3923 N. High St.

Other events include:

-- Exhibit of Hispanic Textile and Clothing, photos from Peru by Paul-Henri Bourguignon, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. April 8-26 in the second floor of Bricker Hall, 190 N. Oval Mall.

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Hispanic Awareness Week is sponsored and coordinated by the Office of Hispanic Student Services. Individual events are sponsored by a variety of Ohio State and community organizations.

For a poster with a complete listing of events, call 292-2917.

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Hispanic Awareness Week: promoting food, dance and diversity

By Rachel Nicodemus
Lantern arts writer

Whether a person is a scholar interested in Chilean agriculture, an art aficionado or a quesadilla lover, Hispanic Awareness Week, which starts Monday, has activities of interest to everybody.

Although the formal opening is at 4 p.m. April 15 in the Ohio Union’s second floor lounge, the activities began March 27 with a seminar in a series on Latin American development.

Every day of the Hispanic Awareness Week, there will be a different celebration of Hispanic foods such as chimichangas, fajitas and lechon asado (roasted pork) in the Ohio Union’s Terrace Dining Room from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. for $4.50 per guest. Other activities planned for the week include Hispanic art exhibits in the Frank W. Hale Jr. Black Cultural Center and Hopkins Hall and a formal dance open to the public Friday April 16.

Tamara Garcia-Barboza, the graduate representative to the Hispanic Oversight Committee said one of the goals of Hispanic Awareness Week is to teach Hispanics and non-Hispanics about nationalities such as Puerto Rican, Mexican American, and Cuban American which the United States has defined as Hispanic.

"Hispanic is a general category in which the United States has placed more than 25 cultures. So that is why we have so many diverse activities," Garcia-Barboza said.

Carmen Alvarez-Breckenridge, director of the Office of Hispanic Student Services, which coordinates the week, said, "The purpose of Hispanic Awareness Week is for the university, Columbus and statewide communities to bring forth an awareness of the diversity present in the Hispanic culture through programs that are educational, social, cultural, political and artistic in nature. Breckenridge has been involved with the Hispanic Awareness Week since its initial year.

Ezra Escudero, a senior in international studies and president of Alpha Psi Lambda, a Hispanic fraternity, said, "Students need a place to learn about their culture. Sometimes Hispanic students come here and they do not know very much about from where their parents and grandparents came, or what it means to have that culture." Breckenridge said she believes Ohio State is a leader in developing programs to ease the feeling of alienation that many Hispanics endure in the United States. Examples of this leadership include Alpha Psi Lambda, the first co-ed Hispanic fraternity in the United States, being founded at Ohio State and in 1988, Hispanic Student Services won the Phillip E. Frandson Award for National Excellence in Humanities programming as a result Hispanic Awareness Week’s success.

Garcia agreed, "I went to the University of Florida, where there are probably more Hispanics and there were no Hispanic Student Services, and there was no Hispanic Awareness Week and there was no Hispanic Newsletter. You would guess that in a place like Florida there would be more culture, but there was nothing, absolutely nothing. So compared to other universities where I have been, and I have been to quite a few, this is the only one to have a Hispanic Awareness Week."

Carlos Rivera, a senior in elementary education and co-chair of the universitywide Council of Hispanic Organizations, seemed doubtful of Ohio State’s efforts.

He said he was discriminated against while visiting a Columbus restaurant with his white employer. The waitress serving their table turned towards Rivera and said, "We don’t have any nachos." Rivera, who had not expressed a desire to purchase nachos, did not understand her comment until he discussed the incident with his friends and colleagues who convinced him he had been the victim of prejudice. He said people with extreme biases like the waitress can not be persuaded to change their attitudes.

"If people are willing to open up, I think it will help, but the people who are biased won’t change. You can’t force people to listen," said Rivera.

Some students feel that Ohio State lags behind other schools in its efforts to create a better environment for its Hispanic community.

"We make up about 1.5 percent of the college enrollment here and the college-age Hispanic population is about 12 percent," said Emilio Ramirez, a senior in special education and vice president of the Latino Latina Student Union Organization. "We are way behind as far as numbers. The drop-out rate is far worse than any other culture."

Ramirez said conditions have worsened since he first came to Ohio State. He blames the low number of Hispanic students enrolled at Ohio State on poor recruiting and a need for a program to monitor Hispanic students once they are enrolled.

Escudero said that a sense of alienation is understandable due to language and cultural differences, but that members of the Hispanic community and other communities should try to be more understanding of others and they will overcome the feeling of being outsiders.

"You have to go in with an open mind and learn about someone who is different from you because how can you expect others to want to learn about you and appreciate who you are, without you being willing to learn and appreciate who they are? It is very valid to feel excluded if you are not willing to jump in and learn. You are excluding yourself," Escudero said.

"I think a quotation I heard last year at a speech really sums up both sides of the issue with regards to language," said Escudero. "You are a fool to think you can make it in this country without learning English, but you are a bigger fool if you think you can make it in this country only knowing English."
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SUNDAY, APRIL 14
3-5 p.m. Fleets '96
Come and celebrate with food and Latin music! Take part in games and other cultural activities for all ages.
Cospromoted by Alpha Psi Lambda, Inc. Whetstone Park of Roses, 3923 N. High Street

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11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Hispanic Luncheon
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Noon-1 p.m. Hispanic Video Presentation: Brazil and Mexico as Emerging Powers
Co-sponsored by the Department of Spanish & Portuguese and the members of the Brazilian and Friends Association. Food Court, 1st Floor Ohio Union, 1739 N. High Street

1-8 p.m. Formal Opening of the 18th Annual Celebration of Hispanic Awareness Week
The Office of Hispanic Student Services, the Hispanic Student Organizations, and the Hispanic Oversight Committee invite you to an afternoon celebration of our Hispanic Cultural Heritage. Main Lounge, 2nd Floor Ohio Union, 1739 N. High Street. Musical presentations by The Ohio State University Percussion Ensemble. Dance performance by Maria Luisa Font, master's student, Department of Dance. A special thank you to the Hispanic Oversight Committee for their support of today's program.

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TUESDAY, APRIL 16
9:30-11:30 a.m. Public Meeting: Ohio Commission on Spanish-speaking Affairs
The Commission will address issues affecting the Hispanic population in the State of Ohio. Cospromoted by the Ohio Commission on Spanish-speaking Affairs. Memorial Room, 2nd Floor Ohio Union, 1739 N. High Street

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1-2 p.m.  Presentation: Linking Portuguese & Spanish for Success in Career Opportunities
Presented by Lucia Castigan, Associate Professor Spanish & Portuguese. Cosponsored by the Department of Spanish & Portuguese. Memorial Room, 2nd Floor Ohio Union, 1739 N. High Street

2-3 p.m.  Presentation: Do You See What I Mean?
Tamara J. García-Barbosa, Graduate Administrative Associate, Hispanic Student Services, and Ivette Diaz-Greene, doctoral students in the Department of Educational Policy and Leadership will present a demonstration, quiz, and fun facts about the use of non-verbal communication in Puerto Rico. Cosponsored by Hispanic Graduate, Professional, and Non-traditional Student Organization. Memorial Room, 2nd Floor Ohio Union, 1739 N. High Street

4:30-6:30 p.m.  Presentation: The Impacts of Structural Adjustment On Income Distribution And Demographic Trends In Brazil
Archibald Haller, professor emeritus of sociology at the University of Wisconsin will present in Lazenby Hall room 18, 1827 Neil Ave. This program is part of the seminar series dealing with Latin American Development in the Latin American Studies Program. Please see back of poster for full schedule. Cosponsored by Latin American Studies Program and University’s Office Of Research

Thursday, April 18

10 a.m.-6 p.m.  Hispanic Video Series
Hispanic Voices: a cross section of contemporary videos and documentaries from Mexico, the
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Friday, April 19 and Saturday, April 20

COLOQUIO:
Sujetos Y Discursos Nacionales En Hispanoamerica, Siglo XIX
National Subjects And Discourses In Latin America’s
Nineteenth Century: A Colloquium
The Ohio State University: Department of Spanish and Portuguese
April 19-20, 1996
The arduous process of national formation in 19th-Century Latin America
and the progressive institutionalization of legal, literary, historical, political,
scientific, administrative, medical, journalistic, and educational discourses—
to mention a few—produced complex hegemonic and subaltern subjects.
The new interest in postcolonial studies highlights the importance
of revisiting this period of flux.

This colloquium will provide a forum for an in-depth discussion of issues
related to the constitution and questioning of national subjects and
discourses. Its format attempts to provide an excellent environment for a
critical and constructive exchange of ideas among the guests, departmental
faculty, and graduate students. The colloquium is organized by the
Department of Spanish and Portuguese and Co-sponsored by the College of
Humanities, Latin American Studies Center, and the Office of Hispanic
Student Services.

Colloquio events will take place in the Ohio Union Main Lounge South Area,
2nd Floor Ohio Union, 1739 N. High Street

Friday, April 19
9:30-11:30 a.m. COLOQUIO
Presentation: Narrativas proto-nacionales: el discurso de los
libertadores
Presented by Mabel Morala, Professor and Chair, Department of Hispanic
Studies, University of Pittsburgh. Author of Memorias de la generación
fantasma, Literatura y cultura norteamericana, and a number of books including
Relatorios de la revolución de Estados Unidos. Presentation in Spanish.

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1:30 p.m. COLOQUIO
Presentation: La formación nacional como proyecto racional y
nostalgia metafísica
Presented by Nicolas Shumway, Pedro Rivera Professor of Latin American
Literature and Chair of the Institute of Latin American Studies, University
of Texas-Austin. Author of The Invention of Argentina. Presentation in
Spanish.

3:30-5:30 p.m. COLOQUIO
Presentation: Prensa y nación en la Venezuela independiente
Presented by Alicia Rios, Assistant Professor, Department of Lenguas y
Literaturas, Universidad Simón Bolívar (Caracas, Venezuela). Author of
several articles on 19th Century Venezuelan journalistic and constitutional
writing. Presentation in Spanish.

8 p.m.-1 a.m. Hispanic Awareness Week Formal Dance
Co-sponsored by Alpha Psi Lambda, Inc., Latino/Student Union, Hispanic
Overnight Committee and the Council of Student Affairs
Saturday, April 20
9:30-11:30 a.m. COLOQUIO
Presentation: Reading/Modernity/Culture: Literate
Imaginings of the Porfirato, 1876-1911.
Presented by Danny J. Anderson, Associate Professor, Dept. of Spanish &
Portuguese, University of Kansas. Author of Venta del Libro: the Novelist as
Critic. Presentation in English.

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11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Lunch Break

1-3 p.m. COLOQUIO
Presentation: Ficciones de la lengua
Presented by Julie Ramos, Associate Professor, Department of Spanish and
Portuguese, University of California-Berkeley. Author of De encuentros de
la modernidad en Amérca Latina: literatura y política en el siglo XIX.
Presentation in Spanish.

3:30-5:30 p.m. Plenary Session
5:30-6:30 p.m. COLOQUIO
Presentation: Los rincones de la literatura: “Poesía del pasado,
poemas del presente.”
Ana Meiro, graduate student, Department of Spanish and Portuguese, and
winner of the Asonas Literary Award. Author of Preparativos para un
viage. Presentation in Spanish. Sponsored by the Department of Spanish and
Portuguese

Sunday April 21
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Photography Exhibition Cuba: Siempre Viva Reception:
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Alom, Felix Antonio, Orlando Balos, Lucio Bruno, Dennis Eagleston,
Cenio Berroa, Rene Peña, Manuel Piña, and Lissette Solerzono.
Co-sponsored by John G. Miller, The Ohio State University College of the
Arts, Department of Spanish and Portuguese, Hispanic Student Services,
and Hopkins Hall Gallery, 146 Hopkins Hall, 128 North Oval Mall
WITHOUT A WORD, Puerto Ricans would know that Tamara J. García-Barbosa is indicating “many” or “a lot.” With a demonstration, quiz and fun facts April 17, García-Barbosa and Ivette Díaz-Greene, doctoral candidates in education, conducted the session as part of Hispanic Awareness Week. The celebration of Hispanic culture continues through May 3 with an exhibit of contemporary Cuban photography, Cuba: Siempre Viva, in the Hopkins Hall gallery. Also, the Exhibit of Hispanic Textiles and Clothing in Bricker Hall ends tomorrow (April 26). The show in the second-floor lobby includes photos from Peru by Paul-Henri Bourguignon. For details, call 292-2917.
Food, Music, Fellowship kick off Hispanic Heritage Month

By Ping Cai
Lantern staff writer

Hundreds of balloons quivered on the ceiling, their long tapes dangling above people's heads. Food steamed on two long counters covered with striped sarapes, a kind of decorative Latin blanket.

People threaded through, greeting new faces and seeking old ones as a bright colored Piñata, a paper parrot stuffed with candy, stared down from midair.

The main lounge at Ohio Union was transformed into a hall of merriment as the annual opening Fiesta for Hispanic students kicked off. Hispanic students celebrated the 1996-97 academic year and the Hispanic Heritage Month, which runs from Sep. 15 to Oct. 15.

"It's the feeling you want people to feel," said Carmen Alvarez-Brackenridge, director of the office of Hispanic student services about the Fiesta. Kathy C. Bull, director of the office of student affairs, wanted everyone to enjoy the food, music, entertainment and fellowship.

"Our goal is to make your life here successful," Bull said.

One student said more people turned out this year to add to the celebration.

"The turnout is better than last year," said Eddy Jerez, a graduate student in city and regional planning from Nicaragua. "They come for food and music."

Peggy Cianeros, a doctoral candidate majoring in counseling psychology from Miami, said she made a point to come to the Fiesta.

"People are from many countries," Cianeros said. "You don't see so many of them otherwise."

OSU President E. Gordon Gee stopped by the Fiesta after Gore's speech.

"It's good to get the community together," Gee said. "It's important to get a sense of community."

A band from Ecuador, Los Del Altiplano (A Group of Four from Mt. Andes) also performed at the Fiesta.

Clara Cuellar, a master's student from Belize majoring in sports management, couldn't bear to be pulled away from the music.

"It's a wonderful idea," Cuellar said. "To share food and music is a good way to share the culture."

The final highlight of the Fiesta was the breaking of the Piñata. Children with their eyes covered swirl around and then guess the position of the Piñata and strike it with a bat with all of their might.
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OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY CELEBRATES HISPANIC HERITAGE

COLUMBUS -- The implications of Proposition 187, affirmative action and the English Only movement will be examined as The Ohio State University celebrates Hispanic heritage during Hispanic Awareness Week, April 11-18.

The celebration will kick off with a colloquium Friday (4/11) and Saturday (4/12) at the Wexner Center for the Arts. On Friday from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. there will be a panel discussion on the English Only movement and other legislation that affect Latinos. A series of Hispanic literary readings will follow from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

The formal opening of Hispanic Awareness Week will be held at the Faculty Club Main Lounge, 181 S. Oval Mall, from 4 to 6 p.m., also on Friday (4/11). A keynote address by Michael Olivas, professor of law at the University of Houston, will follow at 7 p.m. in the Law School Auditorium, Drinko Hall, 55 W. 12th Ave.

The colloquium continues on Saturday (4/12) at the Wexner Center with a panel discussion from 9 to 10:30 a.m. on Rethinking Ethnicity, Gender and Culture. From 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., there will be a session on new immigration laws. At 2 p.m., there will be a panel discussion on Legislation, Language and Citizenship.

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The colloquium concludes with a 4 p.m. address by Tomas Ybarra-Frausto, associate director for arts and humanities at the Rockefeller Foundation.

Other activities include:

-- The fifth annual Ohio Hispanic Congress, a statewide gathering of community leaders, business people, educators, students and community members, on Monday (4/14) in the Ohio Union, 1739 N. High St. There are a variety of workshops and roundtable discussions on the theme of Ohio Hispanic businesses. Topics include economic profiles of minority-owned businesses, identifying the Hispanic market potential, business and the Internet, financing your business, and business implications of Spanish immersion schools.

-- "Fiesta '97," a celebration with food, Latin music, games and cultural activities, Sunday (4/13) from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Whetstone Park of Roses, 3923 N. High St.

-- Hispanic luncheons in the Ohio Union Terrace Dining Room, April 11, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18. A variety of Latin cuisine will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. The cost of the buffet style lunch and drink is $6.50.

-- "Mi Familia," a film about a Hispanic family dealing with culture, family issues and social conflict in the United States, Tuesday (4/15) at 6 p.m. in the Ohio Union Food Court, on the first floor.

All activities are free and open to the public unless otherwise noted. For a complete calendar of events, call Hispanic Student Services, (614) 292-2917.

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Speaker claims U.S. ignores Hispanic-American issues

By Erika Anderson
Lantern staff writer

America is not willing to get involved with the concerns of Hispanics, guest speaker Michael Olivas, a University of Houston law professor, told his audience.

Olivas spoke Friday about inequality and the struggles facing today's generation of Hispanic-Americans at the opening address for the 19th annual celebration of Hispanic Awareness Week in the Drinko Law School auditorium.

Olivas said Hispanics are invisible when it comes to civil rights in America.

"Race is not a helpful concept in studying and understanding Latino ethnicity or promoting equality," he said. Hispanics are far from achieving equality in this country, civil rights laws exclude Hispanics from public view and political issues because America concentrates only on black and white issues.

"We're like the fruit of the month group," Olivás said. "The laws and politics focus attention on where we're from, not where we are now.

Olivas said most Hispanics are U.S. born citizens, and they were here before the pilgrims, but driven from this land.

Hispanics are not immigrants, he said. Hispanics were in the New World before there were immigration laws, so maybe it's time for Hispanics to create immigration laws of their own.

Immigration laws perceive Hispanics as trespassers to this country, Olivas said. The story of Hispanic people has not been told in American history books and there is an ignorance of how the Southwest was colonized.

He also said the only way for truth to be told of Hispanic culture is for Hispanics to tell their own stories, and show the challenges and courage of their people through publication.

"The press want to study our culture; they think we're sexy," said Olivas, who once studied to become a priest at the Pontifical College Josephinum in Worthington, Ohio.

Olivas holds a doctorate in education and a master's degree in English from Ohio State.

Earlier Friday evening, the Office of Hispanic Student Services held a reception in the main lounge of the Faculty Club to present leadership awards to Tamara J. Garcia-Barbosa, a graduate student in instructional design and technology, and John Howell-Sanchez, a senior majoring in education, for their contributions on campus and to the community.

"Hispanic Awareness Week shows the diversity of Hispanic culture," said Garcia-Barbosa. "Non-Hispanics should not see us as one mass. We may speak Spanish, but we're not all the same."

Both recipients said non-Hispanics have the opportunity to find out more about the Hispanic community through this week's celebrations.
OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY CELEBRATES HISPANIC HERITAGE

COLUMBUS -- Health communications issues for Spanish-speaking people and other issues affecting Hispanic and Latin Americans will be examined as The Ohio State University celebrates Hispanic Awareness Week April 13-17.

The celebration will kick off with a presentation by Daniel Reff, director of Latin American studies, and Riggey Lopez, doctoral candidate in English, on the "Sesquicentennial Remembrance of the U.S. Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo with Mexico" Monday (4/13) from noon to 1:30 p.m. in room 09 Stillman Hall, 1947 College Road.

The formal opening of Hispanic Awareness Week will be held Monday at the Faculty Club Main Lounge, 181 S. Oval Mall, from 4 to 6 p.m. A performance by the Afro-Rican Ensemble will follow from 7 to 8 p.m. at the Frank Hale Jr. Black Cultural Center, 153 W. 10th Ave.

Tuesday (4/14), Part I of the health communications conference will begin with a panel discussion by Raquel Diaz-Sprague, lecturer in the Department of Spanish and Portuguese, and Mary Ellen Echelbarger, assistant professor of adult health and illness, on "Enhancing Medical Communication and Cultural Competence in Caring for Spanish-speaking People" from noon to 1:30 p.m. in room S125 Doan Hall, 410 W. 10th Ave. A public meeting with the Ohio Commission on Hispanic and Latino Affairs will follow at 5:30 p.m. in the Memorial Room in the Ohio Union, 1739 N. High St., with a discussion on issues affecting the Hispanic population in Ohio.

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Part II of the conference will continue Wednesday (4/15) with a presentation by Ohio State medical students on the "Unique Pre-clinical Experience for OSU Medical Students: A Journey to Peru," a look at the exchange program between Ohio State and the Universidad Nacional de Trujillo. The program is from noon to 1:30 p.m. in room S125 in Doan Hall.

Thursday (4/16), the third and final part of the conference will be held with a panel discussion on "Mobilizing Health Community Resources for Spanish-speaking People" with Sandra Cornett, program manager for consumer health education, and presenters Noema Astaburruaga and Leticia Thompson in room S125 Doan Hall.

Other activities include:

-- "Artistic Imagery of El Dia de Los Muertos," a look at the Mexican celebration of the Day of the Dead, presented by Salvador Gonzalez, founder of the FolkArte Gallery, Monday (4/13) from 2 to 3 p.m. in the Memorial Room in the Ohio Union, 1739 N. High St.

-- Hispanic luncheons in the Ohio Union Terrace Dining Room, April 13-17. A variety of Latin cuisine will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The cost of the buffet-style lunch and drink is $6.50.

-- "A Return of Sorts to the Latin Culture: The Reconquest of the Spanish Lands from the Arabs," a presentation by Vicente Cantarino, professor of Spanish, about the glory that was the Spanish return to the art of Europe and the retention of its past, Thursday (4/16) at 3:30 p.m. in room 300, Cunz Hall, 1841 Millikin Road.

-- "Latin and Hispanic America in the 21st Century," a panel discussion on what the future holds for Hispanic and Latin Americans in terms of interaction and cultural ties, Friday (4/17) from 1:30 to 3 p.m. in room 262 Hopkins Hall, 128 N. Oval Mall.

All activities are free and open to the public unless otherwise noted. For a complete calendar of events, call Hispanic Student Services, (614) 292-2917.

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19TH ANNUAL
HISPANIC AWARENESS WEEK
APRIL 11-18, 1997

SPONSORED BY THE OFFICE OF HISPANIC STUDENT SERVICES

FRIDAY APRIL 11
11:00 a.m. - 12:15 noon
Hispanic Music Video
Cospsonianed by Hispanic Graduate, Professional, and Non-
traditional Students Organization
Ohio Union Field Court. 1st Floor Ohio Union, 1729 N. High St.
11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Hispanic Luncheon
Come join us for la comida sabrosa/Latin food! Friday's buffet menu
will include black bean soup, Galician soup, arroz con pollo, techo
asado (roasted pork), while rice, sweet potato fries, pizza, bar.
Price: $5.50 plus tax. For reservations, call 292-2965. Terrace
Dining Room, 3rd Floor Ohio Union, 1728 N. High Street

COLOQUIUM: Redefining U.S. Latino/Latina Citizenship;
English Only, Proposition 187, Affirmative Action and Beyond
The Wexner Center for the Arts
1:30 - 3:00 p.m.
Session I: Legislative Challenges
José Ávila, professor of American and U.S. Latino literature at
The Ohio State University, has published widely in the area of Chicano
literature. He will address English Only and other legislation that
affects Latins in Ohio and the Midwest in his talk, "The Disunity
of English only movements."
Frances Aparicio, professor of Spanish, University of Michigan
has published widely in the U.S. Latino studies and is the editor of Latino
Voices. Leonardo Estrada, professor of Architecture and Urban Planning,
UCLA, and consultant to President Bill Clinton. He will talk about
demographics and the 2000 backlash in California.
3:30 - 4:30 p.m.
Session II: Literary Readings
Erinna González-Berry teaches Chicano literature at the University
of New Mexico. She has published many articles on Chicano
literature, is the editor of Padre por aqui: Critical essays on the
New Mexico Literary Tradition, and is the author of two novels, Patillas
de Guayaba and Rosalyn.
Helena María Viramontes, professor of English at Cornell University
speaks today in creative writing. She has served as the coordinator of
the Los Angeles Writers Association, Literary editor of Xitiro Arte
Magazine, and NEA fellow. She has organized community and
university poetry and fiction readings, is the author of The Macht and
Other Stories, and coeditors China Creativo y Critico: Chanting
New Frontiers in American Literature.
4:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Colloquium: Opening of the 18th Annual Celebration of Hispanic
Awareness Week
The Office of Hispanic Student Services, the Hispanic Student
Organizations, and the Hispanic Oversight Committee invite you to
an afternoon celebration of our Hispanic Cultural Heritage. Faculty
Club Main Lounge, 181 South Oval Mall. Musical Presentation by
the Ohio State University Percussion Ensemble.
A special thank you to the Hispanic Oversight Committee for their
support of today's program.

COLOQUIUM
7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
Keynote Address: My Grandfather's Cuentos from New Mexico:
Critical Race Theory, Latinx, and the Art of Storytelling
Michael Oliva, William Bates Professor of Law, University of
Huston Law School Auditorium, Dinko Hall

SATURDAY APRIL 12
COLOQUIUM
The Ohio State University Department of Spanish and Portuguese
Colloquium
The Wexner Center for the Arts
5:00 - 10:30 a.m.
Session III: Rethinking Ethnicity, Gender, and Culture
Terry Diana Rebolledo, University of New Mexico, Professor of Latin
American and U.S. Latino literature and culture, author of Women
Singing in the Snow and editor of Infinite Divisions.
Erinna González-Berry, University of New Mexico, professor of
Chicano Studies.
Debra Castillo, Cornell University, professor of Latin American
and U.S. Latino literature and culture, author of Talking drunk: Toward a Latin
American Feminist Literary Criticism. Will discuss nationalism and
Latina identity.
11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Session IV: Plenary
Karen Ellington, PhD in Latin American Literature, MA degree from
University of Minnesota; director (15 years) Oficina Legal, Centro
Latino, St. Paul, Minnesota. Will speak about new immigration laws.
Baldemar Vásquez, labor leader who has worked organizing farm
workers in Ohio.
2:00 - 3:45 p.m.
Session V: Legislation, Language and Citizenship
Otto Santa Ana, UCLA, Chico Chavez Chair for Chicano Studies
Widely published in issues of Chicano sociolinguistics and Latin
language. Will speak on metaphors used in media representations
of Latino immigration.
Juan Bruce-Novoa, University of California at Irvine, professor of
Spanish, author of Haberespace. Collected Essays on Chicano
Literature: Chicano Poetry: A Response to Chicanos: and Chicano
Autors Inquiry by Interview.
Louise Ano Nuevo Kerr, professor of history and assistant vice
chancellor at University of Illinois, Chicago. Kerr is a member of the
Fybersh Advisory Committee for American History and recently
chained the Board of the Midwest Consortium for Latino Research.
She has published about Chicano in the Great Depression as well
as an allegorical essay in Multiculturalism in the United States: A
Comparative Guide to Acculturation and Ethnicity.
Norma Mendez-Denton, Professor of Spanish and Portuguese
and Linguistics, Ohio State University. Has published in linguistics
and Chicana studies. Her talk is titled "And the Earth Did Swallow Them
Students and Teachers Negotiating Peripherialization in the Wake of
Prop. 187."
4:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Session VII: Plenary
Tomás Ybarra-Frausto, Rockefeller Foundation, associate director
for Arts and Humanities. Has published extensively on Chicano art
and cultural studies and is the editor of Modern Chicano Writers: A
Collection of Critical Essays.
9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Latin Dance
$5.00 at the door
Royal Center. 85 Sull Drive.
Cospsonianed by Alpha Phi Lambda, Inc.

SUNDAY APRIL 13
2:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Fiesta '97
Come and celebrate with food and Latin Music!
Take part in games and other cultural activities for all ages.
Whetstone Park of Roses, 5923 North High Street
Cospsonianed by Alpha Phi Lambda, Inc.
Coming together to celebrate the future
Ohio State’s Hispanic Awareness Week 2000

COLUMBUS -- The Ohio State University campus soon will come alive with the sounds of Salsa and Meringue as students, faculty and staff come together to celebrate the rich heritage of the Hispanic community during Hispanic Awareness Week 2000, April 22-30.

"It means so much to Hispanic students at Ohio State to be able to celebrate their culture and share it with the university community," said Carmen Alvarez-Breckenridge coordinator of Hispanic Student Services. "We are so proud of our rich heritage, and this is our chance to come together and celebrate it in a meaningful way."

Events include:

APRIL 22 -- Happy Birthday Brazil -- Celebrate the discovery of Brazil with Brazilian band Bossa 2 U, 2-3 p.m., the Ohio Union Conference Theatre, 1739 N. High St.

APRIL 24 -- Art Exhibition -- Enjoy the artwork of several Ohio State Hispanic students by stopping by the Bricker Hall Gallery, 190 N. Oval Mall.

-- Soup & Substance: Latin Issues -- noon to 1 p.m., Ohio Union 3rd Floor Board Room.

-- Puerto Rican Women and the Criminal Justice System -- Juanita Diaz-Corto, a Black Puerto Rican lesbian feminist, socialist and activist in several progressive social movements, will talk about Puerto Rican Women and the Criminal Justice System from 1:30 to 3 p.m., Ohio Union Conference Theatre.

-- Music of Brazil -- Christopher J. Dunn, assistant professor of music at Tulane University, will present a lecture on the music of Brazil from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m., 156 University Hall, 230 N. Oval Mall.

-- Formal Opening of the 22nd Annual Hispanic Awareness Week -- Join in an afternoon of celebration of our Hispanic cultural heritage, 4-6 p.m., Faculty Club Main Lounge, 181 S. Oval Mall. Music provided by Yumbambe.

APRIL 25 -- Ohio Commission on Hispanic/Latino Affairs -- The commission will address issues affecting Ohio’s Hispanic population, 9 a.m. to noon, Memorial Room, 2nd Floor of the Ohio Union.

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-- Fostering Collaborative Leadership in the Hispanic Community --
Hector Garza, vice president for the American Council on Education’s Division of Access and Equity Program, will speak on collaborative leadership in the Hispanic community, 1:30 to 3 p.m., Ohio Union Conference Theatre. Garza is on a two-year leave of absence to start a new organization that will develop K-16 partnerships to foster educational access and opportunity for students in educationally impoverished communities.

-- Latino Dance Lessons -- Learn how to Salsa and Merengue for free, 4 to 5:30 p.m., Steeb Hall main lounge, 70 W. 11th Ave.

-- Comedian Carlos Mencia -- Renowned Honduran born comedian Carlos Mencia brings his “issue driven” comedy to Ohio State, 7:30 to 9 p.m., Ohio Union West Ballroom.

APRIL 26 -- Who Are Our Political Role Models? -- noon to 1 p.m., Ohio Union Memorial Room. Scholarly research in race and ethnic politics points to several different groups as being “model minorities,” and Miami Cubans have been identified within this categorization. Is this characterization of Miami Cubans correct?

-- Study Circles on Race Relations -- An interactive discussion about the term “Hispanic” in relation to the effects of this label on the Latino community, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., Ohio Union Memorial Room. Discussion will also be held on the Latino community and its present status of being a non-visible minority.

-- Latino Dance Lessons -- Learn how to Salsa and Merengue for free, 3:30 to 5 p.m., Siebert Hall, 184 W. 11th Ave.

-- La Loteria! -- Join members of the Hispanic Health Professions Student Association in a game of Loteria, 5-6 p.m., Frank W. Hale Jr. Cultural Center, 153 W. 12th Ave.

-- “If You Don’t Know Where You Came From, You Don’t Know Where You’re Going,” a discussion led by Juan Roberto Job, author of “Just Because I’m Latin Doesn’t Mean I Mambo: A Success Guide For Hispanic Americans,” 6:30 to 8 p.m., Drinko Hall Auditorium, 55 W. 12th Ave.

-- Film: Xica -- 7:30 p.m., 100 Mendenhall Laboratory, 125 S. Oval Mall. A comedy by Carlos Diegues about Xica, a beautiful black slave who uses her sexual charm and savvy to benefit from Brazil’s economic emergence in the 18th century. Portuguese with English subtitles.

APRIL 27 -- Racial Profiling/Justice Issues for Latinos -- 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Drinko Hall. Jose Luis Mas, local attorney with Ellis, Venable, Busaam and Wittenberg LLP., will talk about racial profiling of Latinos.

-- Latino/a Groups at University College Presentation -- 1 to 2 p.m., Ohio Union Memorial Room. Studies show that Latino students benefit from a program that serves as a means of exploring and maintaining cultural heritage while sharing Ohio State experiences.

-- Latina Feminism -- Ellen Gil-Gomez, senior lecturer of Latino/a Studies, will lead a discussion on the history and status of Latina Feminism with the inclusion of a Latina student panel, 2 to 3:30 p.m., Ohio Union Memorial Room.

-- Cinema of Brazil -- 3:30 to 5 p.m., 156 University Hall. Randal Johnson, professor of Spanish and Portuguese at the University of California-Los Angelos, will be the speaker.

-- Detecting, Diagnosing and Treating Diabetes -- 5 to 6 p.m., Hale Center. A free screening will follow a presentation by Billy Ruben of the Central Ohio Diabetes Association.

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-- Hispanics: Panic vs. Reality -- Beatriz Ambranan, founder and director of Hispanic Folk Ballet, will address the historical and cultural contributions of Hispanics in America, 7 to 9 p.m., Ohio Union Main Lounge.

APRIL 28 -- Pop Shock: Recent Latina Lesbian Writing -- This talk focuses on three recent Latina authors: Erika Lopez, "Flaming Iguanas" and "They Call Her Mad Dog;" Achy Obejas, "We Came All the Way From Cuba So You Could Dress Like This?" and "Memory Mambo;" and Giannina Braschi, "Empire of Dreams" and "Yo-Yo Boing!" and the ways in which they are thematic of the contemporary lesbian experience, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Ohio Union Memorial Room.

-- Machismo and Marianismo: A Discussion of Latino and Latina Stereotypes -- an interactive discussion of Latino/a gender role stereotypes that prevail in our society, 1 to 2:30 p.m., Ohio Union Memorial Room.

-- Latino/a Studies Panel -- Come discover how the cross-disciplinary approach of Latino/a Studies can effect the multicultural and holistic education at Ohio State, 2:30 to 4 p.m.

-- Alpha Psi Lambda Picnic and Latino Dance Lessons -- Come join the brothers and sisters of Alpha Psi Lambda Inc. for free Latin dance lessons and music by DJ Ray "Ritmo" Arebalo, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., Hale Center. Free food and refreshments will be served.

-- Film: O Cangaceiro -- 7 p.m., 122 Main Library, 1858 Neil Ave. A classic Brazilian film about cowboy life in the Brazilian backlands.

APRIL 29 -- Nocha de Ronda (An Evening of Entertainment) -- Join the brothers and sisters of Alpha Psi Lambda Inc. in celebrating the diversity of the Hispanic culture through song, spoken word and dance at the annual talent show, 4 p.m., Browning Amphitheater.

-- Dance -- 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Location to be announced. Presented by Alpha Psi Lambda Inc. with music by DJ Ray "Ritmo" Arebalo.

APRIL 30 -- Student Organizations Volleyball Tournament -- 1 to 3 p.m., Ohio Union West Lawn.

For more information, please check the Hispanic Student Services Web site at http://www.osu.edu/units/ir/ess/hisp1.htm
Hispanic Awareness Week April 19-25 is the time where old traditions meet new generations. The Multicultural Center has organized a series of programs to celebrate Latino/a Culture. The week of celebrations includes, dancing, a talent show, food, lectures, movies and different discussion topics. Come and learn about Latino/a history and our presence as Americans in this country.

Schedule:

Sunday, April 19
- *Documentary: A Class Apart* (7:30p-10:00p)

Monday, April 20
- *Formal Opening of the Annual Hispanic Awareness Week* (3:00p-4:30p)
- *History of the Latino Greek* (6:00p-8:00p)

Tuesday, April 21
- *Lecture: Neither Global nor National: Novel Assemblages of Territory, Authority and Rights by Saskia Sassen* (12:00p-1:30p)
- *Y Tu Quien Eres? Is Racism Over* (12:00p-1:30p)
- *What Ethnic and Racial Labels Mean: The Impact of Hispanic, Latino, or Chicano* (1:30p-2:30p)
- *Graduate & Professional School 101: Applications, Entrance Exams, and Statements of Intent* (3:00p-4:00p)
- *Hispanics In Higher Education - Workshop #1 - Ana Berrios: Crafting a Winning Statement* (4:30p-5:30p)

Wednesday, April 22
- *Hispanics In Higher Education - Workshop #2 - Frederick Aldama: Breaking Down the Initial Barriers* (4:30p-5:30p)
- *Film: A Day without a Mexican* (7:30p-10:00p)

Thursday, April 23
- *Hispanics In Higher Education - Workshop #3 - Ernesto Escoto: Psychological Factors of Being Successful in Grad School* (4:30p-5:30p)

Friday, April 24
- *Hispanics In Higher Education - Workshop #4 - Cyndi Freeman-Fail: Choosing the Right Grad School* (4:30p-5:30p)
- *Noche Latina/Late Night* (9:00p-11:00p)

Saturday, April 25
- *OSU Latinos Giving Back To the Community for Dias de Los Ninos* (12:00p-3:00p)