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## **Chicano culture at conference**

Students will have a unique opportunity to rub elbows with another culture and its perspective on society Thursday and Friday during the Chicano conference "Que Pasa Raza?" "Que Pasa Raza?" loosely translated means "What is happening, people?"

Activities during the conference include a blend of discussion on the problems and needs of Chicanos and a variety of cultural activities.

Alfonso Cabrera, chairman of the conference, said members of the Chicano Task Force hope students interested in anthropology, education, sociology, journalism and political science will attend the conference on the Chicano experience and apply it to their fields.

"The University is supposed to offer a cultural exchange for students, but mostly it doesn't," Cabrera said. "We wish professors would send their classes to the conference." Brochures on the conference were sent to most departments on campus, but so far none have responded, Cabrera said.

One of the main problems the conference will emphasize is that "to a great extent the label 'minority' has been a burden to the Chicanos. We find ourselves as lost within this grouping — which has, in practice, been Black — as we ever were in the White Society," Cabrera said.

Problems in the areas of recruitment and student services, affirmative action, and ethnic studies will be discussed Thursday by Chicano speakers

from Oregon and a number of other states, and in workshops and seminars held Friday.

Friday night Comida Mexicana (Chicano Dinner) will offer a sample of Chicano cooking and a chance for informal interaction among community members, students, staff, faculty and administrators. The dinner is free, but those planning to attend must pick up a ticket in University President Robert Clark's office in Johnson Hall, at MECHA, rm. 304 EMU, or at SESAMEX, 110 Fenton Hall.

Friday evening Los Vallistas from Woodburn will entertain with Chicano music at a dance from 8 p.m. to 12 p.m. in the EMU ballroom.

Art work by Chicano students, skits by the Ballet Folklorico and a fashion show by the Chicano Task Force Women will be featured events Thursday night.

Events of the first day of the conference will be video by PL-3, the University's closed-circuit television station, which is available to viewers on Cable Channel 10. The proceedings will be rebroadcast during the following week.

University President Robert Clark and ASUO president Bill Wyatt will welcome conference participants at 1 p.m.

Manuel Rivera, elementary school teacher from San Jose, Calif., and Ramsey Muniz, presidential candidate for La Raza Unida, Crystal City, Texas, will make the opening remarks at Que Pasa Raza?, at 2 p.m.

Speakers for the ethnic studies meeting at 2:30 p.m. are Frank Sandoval of Chicano Studies Institute, Long Beach, and Alex Kuo, director of ethnic studies at Central Washington State College, Ellensburg.

Mario Obledo, Mexican-American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, San

Francisco, and Maxine Baca-Zinn, University doctoral candidate in sociology, will speak at the 3 p.m. session on recruitment and student services.

Sonny Montez of Mt. Angel College, and Earl Barrios of CANAAC, Eugene, will be speakers at the 3:30 p.m. session on the Chicano community and university relations.

Affirmative action will be discussed at 4 p.m. by Lee Sainz, regional director of the Women's Bureau of Affirmative Action, Denver, and Lorenza Schmidt, ex-interim director of Affirmative Action at the University.

Chicano Task Force Women will present a fashion show at 4:30 p.m., followed by skits by Ballet Folklorico of Sacramento, who will also perform at 5:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m.

The keynote address in the evening at 7:30 p.m. will be by Rivera and Muniz.

The conference will reopen at 1 p.m. Friday, January 19, with an informational session on the seminars and workshops that will be held throughout the afternoon.

Speakers for the several meetings will include Paul Simonds, associate professor of anthropology at the University, Arnoldo Vento of the University of Michigan; Lila Gonzales of the University of California at Berkeley; Gilberto Anzaldúa of the Oregon State Board of Education; Frank Martinez, director of the Valley Migrant League in Woodburn; and Francisco Martinez, lawyer, Legal Defense, Denver.

Alfonso Cabrera, University conference program chairman and coordinator, Gerald Bogen, University vice president for student services; and Margarita Tavera, University chairman of MECHA. The Thursday speakers will also be on the Friday afternoon program.

Informal interaction among community members, students, staff, faculty, and administrators is the plan of Comida Mexicana, the Chicano dinner, scheduled at 6 p.m. The event is open to the public at no charge, although tickets are required. The free tickets may be picked up at the President's Office in Johnson Hall, at MECHA on the 3rd floor of the EMU, or at the SESAMEX office, 110 Fenton.

The conference will close with a Chicano dance, Un Baile Estilo Chicano. This will start at 8 p.m. and feature the music of Los Vallistas from Woodburn.

All events of the conference will be held in the EMU and are open to the public.

## **Horton plans LINT changes**

Lane District Attorney J. Pat Horton said he feels "completely vindicated of all the reckless charges" filed against him.

Monday afternoon Judge Richard Mengler had issued a three-page opinion denying any election violations on Horton's part in the recent election.

Mengler, ruling on the charges brought by law student Donald Armstrong, concluded his opinion by saying, "If campaigns for the office of District Attorney are to be taken out of the 'political arena' it must be done by legislative enactment and not by judicial disapproval of practices within the statutes."

Horton commented at a Tuesday press conference on his campaign pledge to pursue

misdeemeanor citations for possession of less than an ounce of marijuana. He said, "it's a program that's going to take place, my campaign promises were not hollow." When asked how he would accomplish this, Horton replied that "the procedure is already a practice in other jurisdictions."

The Oregon Revised Statutes permit law enforcement agencies to issue, at their discretion, citations ordering a person to appear in court instead of jailing them.

During the campaign for district attorney Horton criticized the use of LINT the Lane Inter-Agency Narcotics Team. When questioned as to what changes he planned to make

the new D.A. responded that "LINT is going to be changed . . . we're going to start concentrating on the pusher of dangerous drugs, we don't have the time or manpower to find every casual or incidental user of marijuana and prosecute them . . . it's a matter of priorities."

In addition to the other changes, Horton indicated he would seek funds from the County Commission for the hiring of a cost analyst to streamline the operation of the D.A.'s office. He also indicated that he would announce an appointment soon to the new position of community liaison with the University. Horton said that for too long valuable resources at the University have been ignored.

