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Ceramics from El Salvador that were primitively fired in underground pits are part of a collection on display this weekend at the Ceramic Showcase at the Oregon Convention Center, 777 N.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.

Latin Ceramics on Exhibit

Volunteer artists visited El Salvador

A group of volunteer artists from in El Salvador at the Ceramic Show-ramics in parts of rural El Salvador hit case, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, hard by economics, a lack of educa-April 25-27, at the Oregon Convention Center. Admission is free.

The Oregon Potters Association Portlandare sharing their experience delegation taught elements of cetion, politics and natural disasters.

The group is sharing lots of pho-

tos, stories and some of the pieces educational tour. that were made, including works that using dried cow dung.

Cindy Roach was one of the Portland artists who participated in the survival," she said.



A happy El Salvador girl shows off a clay art piece during a visit to the country by volunteer artists from the Oregon Potters Association.

Roach found life in El Salvador were fired in the ground for free "heart breaking, astonishing and

"People are challenged with pure

Pageant Winner Alleges Racial Bias

Says crown yanked for speaking Spanish

(AP) -- A Hispanic woman who won the Miss California USA contest only to have her crown yanked days later has sued the pageant for half a million dollars, alleging rigging and racial bias.

The pageant director rejected the claims, saying winners during his tenure have been some of the pageant's most racially diverse

Christina Silva, 24, was crowned Miss California USA on Nov. 25. Three days later, the pageant's executive director, Keith Lewis, told her "there has been a mistake and you are not the winner," according to the lawsuit filed in Superior Court.

Raquel Beezley, 21, was subsequently crowned.

Silva is of Ecuadorean and Mexican descent. The lawsuit claims Lewis was "uncomfortable with the can girls' may not opt to compete fact that Miss Silva spoke Spanish in the following year.' with certain vendors; he felt that it may detract from the caliber of the damages for public humiliation and pageant and some of the 'all Amerilost prizes.



Christina Silva, 24, poses for a photo at her home in Los Angeles.

The lawsuit seeks \$500,000 in

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César Chávez Holiday Proposed

Hispanic caucus introduces

measure

Several members of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus were recently joined by other Members of Congress and organizational leaders to recognize the life and work of César Chávez, a labororganizerandcivil- César Chávez rights activist.

eral national holiday honoring César comes a better nation.' Chávez, and urging public schools 61 co-sponsors.

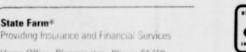
"The creation of a national holiday will not only honor a great man but also educate Americans about César Chávez and help ensure that

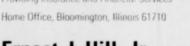
his legacy continues to inspire others to work for the fair and just treatment of all people," said U.S. Rep. Joe Baca of California, caucus chair.

Congressman Raul Grijalva of Arizona. added "César insisted on the best for us and on the best in us. He insisted on tolerance

Specifically, they are support- that we as human beings should ing House Resolution 76, a Con- understand and respect each other, gressional nonbinding resolution and with that respect comes underurging the establishment of a fed-standing and with that respect

Chávez championed fair wages, to teach about his life and contribu- safe working environments, digtions. The resolution currently has nity, respect and equality for all. He was born on March 31, 1928.







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