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New Staff Hired at El Centro

El Centro is excited to announce the hiring of three new staff. The first is Carlos Arzu, our new Executive Director. Carlos has lived for the past 15 years in Guatemala where he has been working as a consultant with the government working on helping rural villages implement clean drinking water systems. Carlos is excited about moving to Waterloo and being closer to his grandson who lives near Iowa City.

Our second new staff member is Terry Tedlie who is the Program Coordinator. Terry will be working with the schools and community educational entities on the Dream Project, as well as many of the programs that are offered

at El Centro like the Job Club, computer classes, homebuyer classes and others.

Domingo Pedro is our new caseworker. Domingo comes from North Liberty and worked at the Department of Human Services in Nebraska. He is from Gualemala originally and will be moving with his wife and three children to Waterloo. He is very excited to be at El Centro and have the opportunity to help.



United Sisters Conference

United Sisters of Black Hawk County is a group of women who work to bring women of all races and ethnic background together to look at common issues and search

for effective results. They are holding a conference on August 13 & 14 at the Five Sullivan Brothers Convention Center in Waterloo. Each day's activities will include

speakers, small group presentations, and networking opportunities. The cost is \$115, but scholarships are available to pay for this cost. To register, call 234-7589 and ask for Essie Buls.

Sign up for Free
School Supplies at
El Centro or the
Food Bank

Job Club

Meets each Wednesday

From 2–4 PM

Come and let us help you

improve your job seeking

skills

iRecuerda!

Empresa Latina

El Mercadito is located at 520 La Porte Road in Waterloo. The store has been in Waterloo for 7 years and has recently renovated to increase room in the store to carry a wider selection of items. Besides grocery items, El Mercadito

has a variety of clothing items like wallets, hats, jerseys and religious items and candles. The store also has a variety of Mexican alcoholic bev-



verages and selections of tequilas. One unique thing the store offers is traditional Mexican medicines. This includes bear oil and other oils, as well as concoctions that can make your hair look better to giving you bigger muscles. Stop by!

Community Information

The YWCA of Black Hawk County provides many excellent programs to help Latinos in the community. Two of these programs are the Latino Moms and Las Chicas.

The Latino Moms group is lead by Dulce Oranza and meets every Monday and Thursday evening from 5:30–7:30 PM. Transportation and childcare is provided at no cost. The group studies English, nutrition, wellness, cooking, and parenting. Any Latino women is welcome to join the group.

Las Chicas is for Latino girls from 8 to 18 years of age. They meet every Tuesday afternoon from 4–6 PM. Transportation is available. The group provides girls with many wonderful experiences like going on shopping trips; trying new fashions, hair and makeup; talking about plans for school and careers; talking about relationships; and much more.

Any girl between 8 and 18 can join the group. There is not charge to join. For more information call 234-7589.

The WIC office in Waterloo now employs a Latina who will help with setting up appointments, getting your supplies, and coaching mothers who are nursing their child. Her name is Adrianna. As a mother of two children herself, she understands the stress of parenting and how hard it is to juggle all the responsibilities of motherhood. Give her a call if she can help in any way. You can reach her at 233-1851. The WIC offices are located at 405 Chestnut Street in Waterloo.

Columbus Honor Roll: Maria Jaramillo, Shaney Esparza, Alfredo Real, Pedro Rodriguez.