CULTURAL CELEBRATION
Tuesday, September 18, 2018 from Noon to 1 p.m. in the MCC Commons
Enjoy a tasting of various foods from Latin American countries. Guess from where in Latin America the foods are from! Giveaways will be available.

AFRICAN INFLUENCE IN LATIN AMERICAN
Presenters: Sophia Silva and Melissa Sanchez
Wednesday, September 26, 2018 at Noon in the MCC Commons
Discover the history and origin of African influence in Latin America. Compare and contrast various customs, language and colorism. Review personal statements from Afro-Latinos in today's society and how they identify with their race/culture. Review and discuss various perceived acceptance levels of this specific identity from different societies.

LOTERIA GAME
Monday, October 1, 2018 from Noon to 1 p.m. in the MCC Commons
Join us to learn about the Lotería origins, find similarities in Bingo and play Lotería Game. Prizes will be awarded.

BEYOND LIMITS: UNLEASHING OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL
Presenter: Roberto Suarez
Wednesday, October 10, 2018 at Noon in Room B166/B167
Through early life experiences and overcoming environments of violence, drugs, and discrimination, Roberto developed a drive to go beyond personal, cultural, and economic limits and become a first-generation college graduate taking up the call of unleashing opportunities for all students. Roberto’s keynote will provide insight on how individuals can attain success by going the extra higher education mile and expand one’s collaborative leadership by endlessly connecting to the intellect, energy, and creativity of others to achieve a greater outcome.

Roberto Suarez is the first Latino President in the 80-year history of the Illinois Association for College Admission Counseling (IACAC).

Visit the MCC Library!
The MCC Library has a great collection of materials pertaining to Latino history and culture as well as books written by Latino authors. For more information and for help in locating materials, please see a librarian.

MCC Student Radio
The student radio will add Latin music in the playlist throughout the day during Hispanic Heritage Month.
Argentina – Dr. Julio C. Palmaz (December 13, 1945 – )
Dr. Palmaz was born in Argentina in December 13, 1945. He is recognized for inventing the first commercially successful intravascular stent (balloon expandable stent), which gained a U.S. patent in 1985 and received FDA approval for use in cardiac arteries in 1994. Dr. Palmaz's Stent has been used with over 1.1 million implanted each year around the world. It is used in coronary, peripheral arteries, in organs such as the trachea, urethra, bile ducts and colon.

Inspirational Quote: “We are guilty of many errors and many faults, but our worst crime is abandoning the children, neglecting the fountain of life. Many of the things we need can wait. The child cannot. Right now is the time his bones are being formed, his blood is being made, and his senses are being developed. To him we cannot answer ‘Tomorrow,’ his name is today.”
- Gabriela Mistral, Chilean Writer

Guatemala – Luis Von Ahn (August 19, 1978 – )
Luis Von Ahn was born in Guatemala in December 1685. He is recognized for discovering Captcha Codes. The online access code format used to prevent spam.

Inspirational Quote: “If you believe what you say, words become reality.”
- Ingrid Betancourt, Colombion Politician

Mexico – Guillermo Gonzalez-Camarena (Febrero 17, 1917 – April 18, 1965)
Guillermo Gonzalez-Camarena was born in Mexico on February 17 in 1917. He is recognized for his discovery on color television. His invention was used in NASA's Voyager mission in 1979 to take pictures and video of Jupiter.

Inspirational Quote: “Books have the power to be the light we are seeking at crucial moments in our lives. Reading helps us realize we are not alone, that we can change our circumstances and even achieve the impossible.”
- Gioconda Belli, Nicaragua Author

Peru – Pedro Paulet (July 2, 1874 – January 30, 1945)
Pedro Paulet was born in Peru on July 2, 1874. He is recognized for his discovery on liquid fuel for rocket propulsion, and designed, built, and tested the first liquid fuel rocket engine known to history. Paulet also designed an early spaceship prototype.

Inspirational Quote: "It's true that a human being cannot control what happens to him. However, what we can control is how we respond to what happens to us, what we do with what happens to us. Even if the range of choice is minimal, there is always a choice. From that point of view, destiny is our battlefield.
It's not a tragedy; it is what we do with it.”
- Rosa Montero, Spaniard Writer

Uruguay – Alejandro Zaffaroni (February 27, 1923 – March 1, 2014)
Alejandro Zaffaroni was born in Uruguay on February 27, 1923. He is recognized for his discovery on 45 patents: including the development of the birth control pill, the nicotine patch, the DNA chip and corticosteroids. He was inducted into the National Inventors Hall of Fame in 2012.

Inspirational Quote: “The most unpresentable persons are generally the most interesting.”
- Teresa de la Parra, Venezuel Writer

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