

Hispanic Heritage Month

September 15 - October 15

KENT COUNTY CELEBRATES



1) **Cesar Estrada Chavez** (1927-1993) - Influential Mexican-American farm worker, labor leader and civil rights activist who dedicated his life to improving the treatment, pay and working conditions for farm workers. 2) **Helen Gutierrez** - Administrator, Kent/MSU Cooperative Extension. 3) **Honorable Patricia D. Gardner** - Kent County Probate Judge. 4) **Honorable Sonia Sotomayor** - First Hispanic United States Supreme Court Justice. 5) **Daniel Villalobos** - Parking & Grounds Transportation Supervisor, Kent County Department of Aeronautics. 6) **Lupe Anderson** - Administrative Specialist, Kent County Human Resources. 7) **Mandy Trevino** - County Patrol Officer, Kent County Sheriff's Office. 8) **Zorimar Johnson** - Juvenile Probation Officer, Kent County Circuit Court - Family Division. 9) **Debora Sanchez** - Probate Manager, Kent County Probate Court. 10) **Jose Regal** - Caseworker, Kent County Circuit Court Services. 11) **Belinda Lopez** - Assistant Caseworker, Kent County Prosecuting Attorney's Office. 12) **Ellen Lauri Ochoa** - First Hispanic woman astronaut in space. 13) **Jose Hernandez** - Mexican-American engineer and NASA astronaut. 14) **Ruben Ramos** - Animal Control Officer, Kent County Animal Shelter (Health Department). 15) **Luis Placencia** - County Corrections Lieutenant, Kent County Sheriff's Office. 16) **Antonio Gutierrez** - Aircraft Rescue Firefighter, Kent County Department of Aeronautics. 17) **Hilda L. Solis** - Current (25th) United States Secretary of Labor. 18) **Kenneth Lee Salazar** - United States Secretary of Interior, former U.S. Senator and former Attorney General of Colorado. 19) **William Blaine Richardson III** - Governor of New Mexico and former U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations, Energy Secretary and U.S. Congressman. 20) **Juan Antonio (Chi-Chi) Rodriguez** - First Puerto Rican to be inducted into the World Golf Hall of Fame. 21) **Roberto Walker Clemente** (1934-1972) - Puerto Rican baseball player who is often referred to as "The Great One" and first Latin-American player elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame. 22) **Desi Arnaz** (1917-1986) - Cuban-American musician, actor and television producer. 23) **Jennifer Lynn Lopez** - Latin-American actress, singer, record producer, dancer, fashion designer and television producer. 24) **Rita Moreno** - Puerto Rican singer, dancer and actress. First and only Hispanic female and one of ten performers who have won an Emmy, a Grammy, an Oscar and a Tony and the second Puerto Rican to win an Academy Award.

"Kent County...Where Diversity and Inclusion Matter"