Celebrate Diversity Fifth Annual Hate Crimes Conference June 19 and 20, 2006

Registration deadline: Thursday, June 15, 2006

Conference Location: English Oak Room at Tower City 50 Public Square Cleveland, Ohio 44113

June 19: Diversity, Hate Crimes, and Youth

June 20: Multi-Cultural Day

Who Should Attend:

- Business Leaders
- School Administrators
- Teachers
- College and University Faculties
- Students
- · Religious Leaders
- Medical Service Providers
- Social Workers
- Law Enforcement Agencies
- Community Leaders
- Attorneys
- Corporate Human Resource Generalists

The Federal Bureau of Investigation and the

U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Ohio recognize the following organizations for their participation:

- Hate Crimes Working Group
- Forest City Enterprises
- Executive Caterers at Landerhaven
- FBI Citizens' Academy Foundation
- Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
- Anti-Defamation League

The Northern Ohio Hate Crimes Working Group (HCWG) began in 1998. It is cosponsored by the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Ohio and the Cleveland Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The HCWG is composed of over fifty organizations from northern Ohio. The working group consists of three committees: Law Enforcement, Legislation, and Community Outreach/Education.

This message was provided for you as a public service by the Organization of Chinese Americans of Greater Cleveland.

NEWS RELEASE CLEVELAND DIVISION

Federal Bureau of Investigation Date: May 17, 2006

for the Northern District of Ohio join with the Northern Ohio Hate Crimes Working Group and the FBI Citizens' Academy Foundation of Cleveland to present the 5th Annual Hate Crimes Conference June 19 and 20, 2006 in the English Oak Room at Tower City Center. The two-day "Celebrate Diversity" conference will have speakers and presentations designed to educate attendees about various cultures, hate crime issues, and the value of diversity. There is no charge to attend the conference, but registration is required due to space limitations. For more information or to register, contact Colleen Brown at cos.cv@ic.fbi.gov or (216) 622-6615.

The first day will commence with a presentation on the "Transforming Power of Diversity," by Partnership for a Safer Cleveland's Michael Walker; followed by a presentation about Responding to Hate Crimes by Organization of Chinese Americans' National President

The FBI and the U.S. Attorney's Office ing Diversity, How to Interpret Officer Actions, the Culture of Bullying, EEOC and Civil Rights Commission Updates, Assumptions about Interracial/Intercultural Relationships, and a reading of hate crime poetry by local student Chris

Day two will begin with a presentation by local TV personality Dick Russ discussing Cleveland's Diversity and the International Community Council, followed by presentations about cultures including Somali Bantu, East Indian, American Indian, Sikh, and Hispanic. There will also be an interactive session on diversity and a session on Israeli-Palestinian Coexistence.

The conference was made possible by the generous support of the FBI Citizens' Academy Foundation of Cleveland, the Organization of Chinese Americans of Greater Cleveland, the Avenue at Tower City Center, and Executive Caterers at Landerhaven.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE **Events, Community News and Arts Editors**

Cleveland will be formally introduced to the Year of the Dog through public art. Throughout the day, the St. Clair Superior Development Corporation (SCSDC) will be installing canine public art throughout the St. Clair Superior Neighborhood, which encompasses the area from the lake to Superior and Payne Avenues from Martin Luther King Boulevard to East 30th Street

Twenty-five, five foot, five inch fiberglass dog sculptures, have been uniquely designed by twenty participating neighborhood artists, including well-known established Cleveland artists such as Hector Vega, George Kocar and celebrity artist, Dick Goddard from Fox8 News.

A unique public art project, the Year of the Dog celebrates St. Clair Superior's growing Asian Community, its blossoming artistic community and its business community. In commemoration of the Chinese Year of the Dog, which began with the new moon January 29, 2006 and will end February 17, 2006, a collection of local artists creatively designed dogs that will draw people into the community. Local businesses will offer special Year of the Dog dis-

"In orchestrating this project, we have successfully assembled St. Clair Superior's business, artistic,

and Asian stakeholders to work toward the common goal of building a community where people choose to be," said Jamie Blackson Baker, Executive Director of

This project was made possible through the generous support of the Cuyahoga County Commissioners through an ACE grant, Abington Foundation and local businesses including: Artefino Café, Asia Food Market, Asia Plaza, Asian Town Center, Custom Rubber Corp., Day Glo, Dominion, Erie Tavern, Forest City Enterprises, Goodrich-Gannett Neighborhood Center, Graystone Properties, Josaphat Arts Hall, Key Bank, Legal News, Ohio Technical College, Rose Metal Industries, PS Awards, Rysar Properties, Shorebank, Siam Café, St. Martin de Porres High School, Tesco, The Plain Dealer, TruTruc, and Ward 13 Councilman Joe Cimperman.

Artists participating in the event include: Academy Graphic Communication Inc., Erin Aleman, Sharma Askov, Dick Goddard, Michael Gold, Salvador Gonzalez, Michael Greenwald, Beth Gregerson, Suzanne Hively, Brian Jasinski, George Kocar, Susan Mathias, Robert Maschke Architects, Susan Mathias, Billy Nainiger, Ian Petroni, Georgio Sabino, Terri Snider, Hector Ve ga, Karen Wellman, and Jerome White.

The Melting Pot Boiling Point: **Immigration Debate in America**

Immigration Policy Chief Carlos Iturregui at The City Club of Cleveland



CLEVELAND, OH-Carlos Iturregui, chief of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Office of Policy and Strategy at the U.S. Citizenship & Immigration Service, will speak about the immigration debate and the administration's policy at noon on Friday, June 2, 2006, at The City Club of Cleveland

Immigration reform and securing the U.S.-Mexican border have become hot button issues for leaders in Washington. On May 15, President Bush released his plan for comprehensive immigration reform in a televised speech from the Oval Office. In that address, he called on the nation and Congress to find a "rational middle ground" on immigration. The plan outlined five objectives: securing the borders, which includes dispatching National Guard troops to the border; creating a temporary worker program; holding employers accountable for workers; dealing with millions of illegal immigrants already here; and honoring the American tradition of the melting pot.

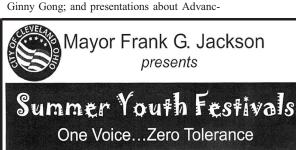
Should illegal immigrants have a path to citizenship? How should a guest worker program be developed? Are immigrants an asset or threat to the American economy? How does the War on Terror fit into the picture? What is an appropriate border policy for a region of the nation so closely linked culturally and economically to its neighbor?

Iturregui is responsible for making policy recommendations, performing policy research and analysis on all national immigration services issues, and ensuring that policies developed for USCIS are pursuing the Department of Homeland Security main objective of keeping the homeland secure.

Tickets for this City Club Friday Forum are \$18 for members and \$30 for non-members. Lunch is in-

cluded. Reservations are required at least 24 hours in advance of the event. They can be purchased by calling The City Club at 216.621.0082 or visiting the website at www.cityclub.org.





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