

**Recap: 2011 Legislative Summit  
and Upcoming Events**  
April 5th, 2011



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Dear GQCHCC Supporter,

I wanted to share with you the exciting outcomes from my attending the United States Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (USHCC) Legislative Summit from March 28-30, 2011, in Washington, DC. The Summit represented the interests and the agenda of our fast growing Hispanic business community and brought together members of Congress, government leaders, influential Hispanic entrepreneurs and corporate America to network and develop new business opportunities.

Industry roundtables focused on education and the American workforce, healthcare and insurance, technology, small business and environmental issues. I heard from government and political leaders and visited with key legislators and policy makers. I personally met with U.S. House of Representative Members for Illinois, Bobby Schilling and Luis Gutierrez, as well as, U.S. Senators Richard J. Durbin from Illinois and Robert Menendez from New Jersey. All of them are on key Congressional Committees that impact our state. I was able to share with them the community and economic impact that results from the work of the Greater Quad Cities Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (GQCHCC) board, staff, and members, in addition to the significant need for our organization in our region. They agreed to support and partner with the GQCHCC. We will definitely do so!

I was able to meet, learn from, and plan with the Illinois Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and other Hispanic Chambers from around the country. It was a very productive meeting and I have already begun to bring the resources to our area.

A special thank you to Bob Ontiveros of Group O for making my trip possible.



### Network Now-Speed Networking!



Join us for our next networking event on Thursday, April 14th from 7:30 am-9:30 am at Sam's Club, 2845 Elmore Avenue, Davenport, IA.

Cost: \$10

Bring business cards, brochures, and information to share with multiple contacts. This is a great opportunity for our community and business members to connect, share and grow.

Sam's Club will welcome us and encourage partnership opportunities.

### Support GQCHCC Members!

GQCHCC Member, **Black Hawk College**, invites you to attend the Adjunct Faculty Job Fair on Tuesday, April 5th from 4 pm-7pm at their Quad Cities Campus, Building 1 Lower Lobby. Learn more about part-time teaching opportunities and meet with human resources faculty. For more information call 309-796-522. [Read more.](#)

GQCHCC Member, **Western Illinois University-Quad Cities**, invites you to hear Dr. J.Q. Adams, educational psychology professor in the department of educational and interdisciplinary studies (EIS), present the University's 2011 Distinguished Faculty Lecture on the U.S. Census and American Identity on Thursday, April 7 at 3 p.m. in Room 102 on the WIU-Quad Cities 60th Street Campus, 3561 60th Street, Moline.

GQCHCC Member, **St. Ambrose University**, invites you to attend Equal Justice Summit on Friday, April 8th at Rogalski Center from 9 am-4:30 pm. Join us for a day dedicated to exploring access to our justice system and protection of the legal rights of the most vulnerable of our citizens. Cost: \$10 for lunch, free to students. To register call (563) 322-6216. [Read more.](#)

GQCHCC Member, **Western Illinois University-Quad Cities**, invites you to 2011

Breakfast provided.  
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Join us for an informative technology event featuring step-by-step demonstrations designed to help you get the most from Microsoft Office in your day-to-day work. You'll learn how to:

- Get through everyday tasks more quickly
- Overcome e-mail overload
- Create professional documents and presentations with more impact
- Get insight into your data
- Easily connect and share with customers and colleagues

Thursday, April 14th  
5:30 pm-7:30 pm  
Location: Caxton Building Room 102, 1701 River Drive, Moline, IL  
Cost: \$5

Presented by Ray Jones, Program Manager of Group O Marketing Solutions

Light refreshments provided.  
Space is limited, register today!

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**Chick-Fil-A Leadercast Voices of Change**

Distinguished Alumnus Lecture on Tuesday, April 12th at 6:30 pm at Metrolink Centre Station, 1201 River Drive in Moline. Ms. Kathleen McEntee will present "Front Stage, Back Stage & Juggling Priorities: Distinguishing Your Company, Your Brand, Yourself". Seating is limited, register by phone: 309-298-2442 or [e-mail](#).

GQCHCC Member, **Viva Quad Cities**, presents Introduction to Salsa on April 30th at the Moline American Legion, 1623 15 Street, Moline, IL. Dinner is from 6 pm-7:30 pm, Instruction 7:30 pm-8:30 pm and Dance 8:30 pm-Midnight. Cost is \$20/person or \$35/couple. All proceeds benefit the VIVA Quad Cities Scholarship Fund. [Read more.](#)

GQCHCC Member, **St. Ambrose University**, is hosting 13th Annual Social Justice Conference on Thursday, May 12th from 8 am-4pm. This year's topic is "Disentangling Disproportionality: Race, Poverty, and the Overrepresentation of Children of Color in the Child Welfare System". Fee includes continental breakfast, lunch, all materials and continuing education certificate, as requested. Breakfast and morning lecture \$15; all day \$35. Fee waived for 2010-11 SAU MSW agency field instructors and SAU students. [Read More.](#)

GQCHCC Member, **QC United**, is giving away \$1,500! All you need to do is make a donation to the "Dreams Come True Program". This program provides low income Q.C. Youth a 3 day educational trip to Chicago. Donate for your chance to win! The drawing will be held Saturday, June 25th. [Read more and donate.](#)

### **Public Service Announcements:**

**2011 Student Temporary Employment Program** now accepting applications. Job opportunities under the STEP Program offers temporary, flexible employment to students who are enrolled or accepted for enrollment as degree seeking students taking at least a half-time academic, technical, or vocational course load in an accredited high school, technical, vocational, 2 or 4 year college or university, graduate or professional school. [Read more.](#)

Friday, May 6th, 7:30am  
Location: Harvest Bible Chapel, 3800 E 53rd St.  
Davenport

Early Bird Cost: \$99 ending soon

Fee includes all materials, lunch from Chick-Fil-A, all coffee breaks and drawings from area businesses. Call Lori at 563.322.2065 for Group Rates

Each day we have an opportunity to change the culture of our workplaces, communities and families. It starts with each one of us. The Chick-Fil-A Leadercast is about living a life of authentic leadership. You will learn the concepts of

- Leading based on relationships rather than rights
- How to provide exceptional customer service
- Creating a culture of servanthood
- The keys to finding your passion
- Unlocking creativity in your workplace
- Ways to incorporate innovation in your organization.

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#### Quad City Family Caregiver Conference

April 9th, 2011 from 8 am-noon at Water Front Convention Center, 2021 State Street, Bettendorf. Learn about services and program from a large variety of local, professional service providers and agencies. Call 563-324-9085 or 1-800-892-9085 for more information.

**State Farm Insurance** announces new employment positions! [Read more.](#)

#### Alcoa Global Service Leadership

**Scholarship:** Program Overview Alcoa will reward 50 secondary and high school students in the 9th, 10th, or 11th standard, grade, or year with full scholarships to a two-week summer session. Those students will join 50 other individuals from across the world for a unique opportunity to study and learn together at Dwight International School (DIS), Vancouver Island, Canada. Deadline April 22nd.

[Read more and apply.](#)

**Passport to International Fashion** will take place on Thursday, May 5th from 6 pm-9pm at St. Ambrose's Rogalski Center. Tickets are just \$20 per person or \$120 for a table of six. Dinner will be included as well as a style show and silent auction. This event will connect American Women with refugee women within the community, celebrate similarities as well as cultural diversity and raise funds for World Relief's continued work. [Purchase tickets.](#)

#### National Latina Leadership Institute

will host a day-long regional Latina Empowerment Conference focused on leadership development training, networking, relationship building and motivation on Friday, May 6, 2011 from 8:00 am - 4:30 pm at Hyatt Regency Chicago 151 East Wacker Drive Chicago, IL 60601.

[Read more and register.](#)

#### NDIA Midwest Small Business

**Government Contracting Symposium** from May 17th-18th at the i Wireless Center in Moline, IL. The focus of the 2011 Symposium is to allow small businesses to

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