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Bilingual Comic Book Character “AMIGOMAN” by Kansas City Creator to be Featured on Johnson County Library 2015 Summer Activities Book Cover.

Kansas City, KS – April 10, 2015: Strong Ave. Studios is pleased to announce that our bilingual comic book super hero AMIGOMAN™ will be featured on the cover of Johnson County (Kansas) Library *Calendar of ACTIVITIES and Guide to Services* 2015 Summer Edition.

The 2015 *Calendar of ACTIVITIES and Guide to Services* will feature the AMIGOMAN character on both front and back cover. The cover art was designed by creator and Kansas City, Kansas native - Anthony “AO” Oropeza. The publication plans to also feature inside graphic background art work, an AMIGOMAN™ kids coloring page and a possible Q&A with the creator.

The library quarterly will be distributed to all fourteen (14) Johnson County (KS) library branches serving over 2 million patrons in north eastern Kansas. The publication will also be available on-line at www.jocolibrary.org.

The estimated release for the publication is early May 2015.

Lead Creator and owner of Strong Ave. Studios, Anthony “AO” Oropeza feels really honored to be asked to be part of a really cool project and to work with the library.

Oropeza says, “It is such a huge honor for a small outfit like our Strong Ave. Studios, first, to be considered, and then ultimately selected to have our AMIGOMAN character and our art and design work showcased on the cover and inside of one of our home town library publications like The Johnson County Library: *Calendar of ACTIVITIES and Guide to Services*. We are huge fans of the library, the staff and the many services they provide to Johnson County residents and neighboring communities.”

“One of the reasons we publish our AMIGOMAN comic books is to promote reading for school-aged kids, and being linked with institutions with similar educational and community goals, like the Johnson County Library, is a huge win-win. And we are glad to be a part of it.”, Oropeza says.

ABOUT AMIGOMAN

AMIGOMAN is a the bilingual comic book super hero based in the fictional city of Del Oro (Oropeza uses Kansas City as Del Oro's model). This masked avenger is just a twenty-something high school teacher by day and a masked vigilante out for justice by night. He's on a mission to catch the band of bad guys that hurt the only father-figure he ever had in his life - his abuelo (Gramps). He was a street kid that was on the verge of joining a gang and dropping out of high school, Antonio F. Alvarado (aka AMIGOMAN) went on to finish high school, college and was then accepted into law school – all with the help of his grandfather. During his first year at law school, tragedy struck. His grandfather was brutally beaten and soon after dies. Antonio then placed law school on hold to find the villains of the crime and planned to head back to finish law school. But along the way he has made a bit of a positive impact in his community and they believe he is a hero and the city believes they need him for more positive change. He later becomes torn and has to make a decision - stay and help his city or go back to law school to some day return and help the people in his community as a lawyer.

About Strong Ave. Studios

Strong Ave. Studios is an independent bilingual comic book publisher. All books are creative collaborative projects by Oropeza and artist Lorenzo Lizana (St. Louis, MO) and other various artist and translators in the KC area. The studio focuses on young readers comic books with hopes to produce small graphic novels and chapter books. Previous Strong Ave. Studios releases include: *Hello, I am AMIGOMAN / Hola, Soy AMIGOMAN* (2011), *AMIGOMAN vs. Frankenstein* (2010) & *AMIGOMAN: The Origin Part Dos* (2013). Oropeza has also written an AMIGOMAN play (currently in re-write) and is co-author of his first young reader chapter book titled - *AMIGOMAN: The Origin – Part II*, with plans to sell via the new Strong Ave. Studios web site going live mid summer 2015.

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