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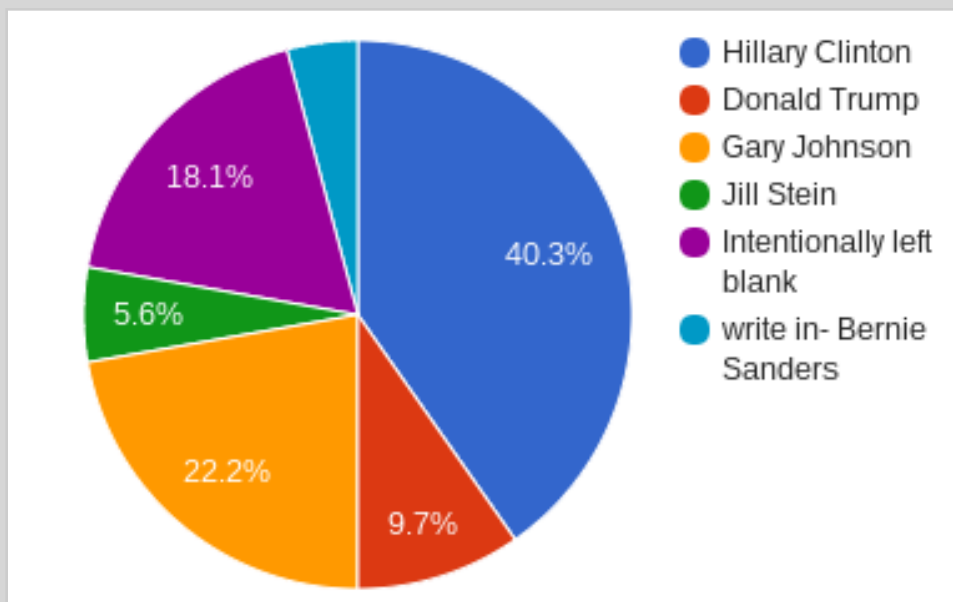
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Presidential Election Results By Albert Salas



The voice of the people from Nuestrós have spoken and, with the school's mock Presidential election, students have overwhelmingly chosen Hillary Rodham Clinton as President-elect!

President-elect Clinton received just over 40% of the vote, easily defeating former New Mexico Governor Gary Johnson.

What was most surprising, as we have yet to see from the actual Presidential election, is the string of political protests from Nuestrós voters during the schools' election.

Typically done as a political statement, nearly 18% of votes casted were intentionally left blank. This political act is not uncommon. In Ecuador, for example, nearly 4 million votes were purposely left blank during 2006 elections there. Donald Trump, the candidate of concern for many students at Nuestrós, received 9.7% of the vote. Jill Stein received 5.8% of the vote, while some students chose to write in Bernie Sanders, a former opponent turned supporter of Hillary Clinton.

Of the school population, 49.6% of students at the school voted. This is lower than the national average during Presidential elections for the country as a whole, which varies year-to-year, but averages below 60%.

Will Nuestrós' election results match that of the real Presidential election? We will see, but if it does, it is important to note that Hillary Clinton will become the first woman to be elected to serve as President of the United States. That is something to celebrate!

#VoteNovember8

#VoteorDie



Donald Trump (top left), Hillary Clinton (top right), Gary Johnson (bottom left), and Jill Stein (bottom right) are the four main candidates for the Office of the President of the United States.

The Real Celebration

by Jaleesa Canan

For most of us, Thanksgiving usually means feasting, four-day weekends, football games, floats, family reunions, or a forerunner to Christmas festivities. The first Thanksgiving, however, was neither a feast nor a holiday, but a simple gathering. Following the Mayflower's arrival at Plymouth Rock on December 11, 1620, the Pilgrims suffered the loss of 46 of their original 102 colonists. With the help of 91 native of American, the remaining Pilgrims survived the bitter winter and yielded a bountiful harvest in 1621. In celebration, a traditional English harvest festival, lasting three days brought the Pilgrims and natives to unite in a Thanksgiving observance.

This Thanksgiving meal would not be celebrated again until June of 1676. On June 29, the community of Charlestown, Massachusetts proclaimed a Day of Thanksgiving for their good fortune. Ironically, this celebration excluded the natives of America, as the colonists' recognized their recent victory over the "heathen natives." One hundred years later, in October of 1777, all 13 colonies participated in a one-time Thanksgiving celebration which commemorated the patriotic victory over the British at Saratoga. It would take a span of over 150 more years to establish Thanksgiving as we celebrate it today. George Washington proclaimed Thanksgiving a National holiday in 1789, Lincoln proclaimed the last Thursday in November. Thanksgiving in 1863, and Congress sanctioned it as a legal holiday in 1941.

HOW THANKSGIVING IS CELEBRATED NOWADAYS

By Luis Angel



Thanksgiving Day is a day that we give thanks for all the things that we have and have received. This tradition started in 1621 when the Pilgrims first came to America from England. It's a day to share with our families and spend time with them. Many people travel from different states to visit their families. People from different countries that have come to the United States have adopted the Thanksgiving tradition. The purpose of Thanksgiving is to eat dinner with our families and have a good time together.

But nowadays the meaning of Thanksgiving is being lost. The main reason for this is Black Friday sales, because many people like to go shopping that day. People are choosing to go shopping over family time. That's why the meaning of Thanksgiving is taking a second place. Most of the stores open Thursday evening and continuing with black Friday opening at early hours. In our family we like to stay at home and enjoy the time together. For Thanksgiving dinner my family usually cooks a turkey, ham, mashed potatoes, green beans, and corn. For dessert we usually have a pumpkin pie. Before we eat, we pray and then each of us take turns saying what we are grateful for.

Conspiracy Corner: The JFK Assassination

by Pearla Casillas

There are numerous conspiracy theories surrounding the assassination of John F. Kennedy on November 22, 1963. These theories say that the assassination involved many people or organizations. In 1964, the Warren Commission concluded that only Lee Harvey Oswald was responsible for the assassination of Kennedy. But could Lee Harvey Oswald really act alone in the assassination of our president Kennedy? Or could the CIA be involved? The Warren Commission was created to investigate the Assassination of President John F. Kennedy. It was established by President Lyndon B. Johnson on November 29, 1963. Another theory says that he was going to leak some of the government's secrets such as aliens. An uncovered letter written by John F Kennedy to the head of the CIA shows that the president demanded to be shown highly confidential documents about UFOs 10 days before his assassination. When the government found out, they killed him. Then again these are two of many conspiracy theories. So, these may or may not be true.

What do you think?

11.22.63

TV Show Review

by Jasmine Casillas

Most know this infamous date as the day our President John F. Kennedy was killed, however, it is also a show only on Hulu. Based off the novel by Stephen King, 11.22.63 takes place in present time 2016 and the past 1960's. A newly divorced English teacher, Jake Epping, travels back in time to 1960 to prevent the assassination of the president. "But the president doesn't get killed into 1963" you say? He stays in the past for three years and in present time, 2016 he's only gone for a couple of seconds! Obviously, whenever he does something to change the past it also changes the future, but apparently the past can decide to push back causing Jake to encounter death a couple of times. Mr. Epping didn't think that doing the right thing could cause such a horrific effect in 2016. The show is filled with cliffhangers and had me on the edge of sanity begging to



find out what
would happen
next.

FIND THE PICTURE



Whoever can correctly identify where this picture was taken wins a prize!


If you think you know where this , write down your answer and bring it to Mr. T. First person to have written down the correct answer wins!

Siblings in College

by Elizabeth Monarrez

Sometimes pressure and high expectations are part of being the younger sibling. My cousin Gaby is in her fourth year, my sister Araceli is in her third year and my brother Juan is in his first year of college. They are all currently enrolled in the University of New Mexico (UNM). Having them in college puts pressure on me because there are high expectations of doing well in school, getting good grades and being accepted into college. Most of the pressure is put there by me and is imaginary, but it feels so real because most young siblings want to surpass their older siblings/family members and do great things. Also it's the pressure of not wanting to let my mom down because I do want to do well in school and attend college. Neither I nor my family members want to let my mom down because she has worked and continues to work really hard to give us the life and education she couldn't get. My mom wants us to live life to the fullest and to get a good education because a good education will get you far in life. We want to show her that she did not struggle for nothing and that everything she does for us is greatly appreciated even if it does not seem like it. All we want is for her to be proud of our accomplishments. Pressure can be good and bad because it pushes you to do better, but it can stress you out if you don't know how to manage your time. As the youngest sibling I do my best to control the pressure placed on me by re-affirming myself and focusing on what is important.

Almost 90% of hungry households in New Mexico, have an annual income of less than \$20,000 a year and the rest report having no income at all.



Why are people malnourished in the richest country on Earth?

48.8 million American's including 13 million children live in households that lack the means to get enough nutritious food on a regular bases

59% of hungry households report choosing between paying for medicine or medical care and food in the last year.

what do you call
a fake noodle?



an impasta



#BlackLivesMatter

by Alicia Mandujano

(Continued from last edition)

Black Lives Matter is a movement to raise awareness for African Americans. To understand the perspective of the movement that is not social media; Coach Curry, Mr. Adkins, and Mrs. Jody were able to answer some questions about the movement itself. Many people believe that because of their skin color they are targeted by law enforcement. "Big percentage of African American people believe that they're being singled out when it comes to their relationship with law enforcement" said Curry. Which is true, based on social media and what you hear on the news, it is giving the audience the vibe that police is targeting blacks. Which some African Americans give the excuse, "because I'm black". Curry, Adkins, and Jody are all supporters of the movement because they want to save lives, educate others, change society, recognize the problem and have a peaceful solution. So far, finding a peaceful solution has been hard for many. These protests have gotten out of hand, "All it takes is for one person to do something stupid, just one person" said Adkins. So far, of what the movement has done, they were asked if the movement was successful. Curry, Adkins, and Jody felt that yes, it has been successful so far. If it has been successful or not, it is a time will tell question. "If I was asked this question 5 years from now, I will be able to answer that of the overall movement itself..." Adkins said.



What Are *You* Most Thankful For?



"I'm thankful for my family for pushing and motivating me"

-Ernesto Lucero



"I'm thankful for my grandma because she supports me in everything I do."

-Josslyn Giddings



"I'm thankful for my family's support."

-Mica Trujillo



"I'm thankful for my kids health."

-Mr. T



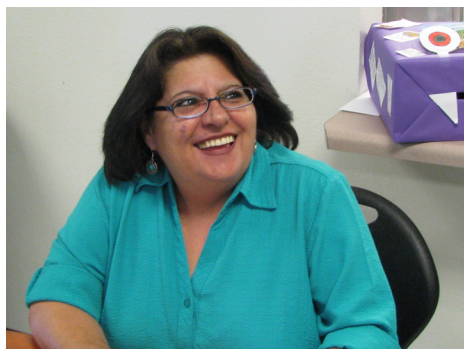
"I'm thankful for my family."

-Mrs. Padilla



"I'm thankful for all that God has given me, family, friends, wrestling, and my students."

-Mr. Griego



"I'm thankful for being alive."

-Mrs. DeeDee



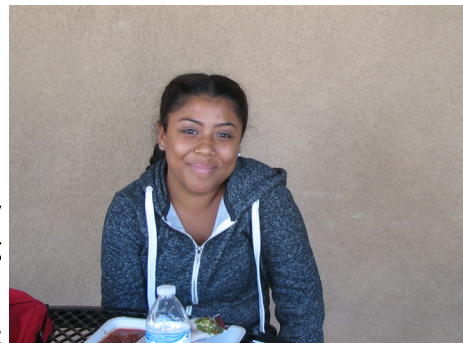
"I'm thankful for the ability to help out these kids."

-Coach Ty



"I'm thankful for my family for helping me become better."

-Shania Herrera



"I'm thankful for my mom because my sister left and my mom is working more."

-Julianna Bermudez

What Are You Most Thankful For?



"I'm thankful for the women in my life."

-Mr. VerPloegh



"I'm thankful for my family and for my girlfriend, Melissa."

-Arturo Castillo



"I'm thankful for my whole family; I'm glad they're in my life."

- Alejandra Saldivar



"I'm thankful for having a house and having my family with me and being in school still."

-Miguel Garcia



"I'm thankful for my brother and opportunity to play [flag] football."

"I'm thankful for my brother "

-JJ and George Pacheco



"I'm thankful for football and school members."

-Marisol Rodriguez



"I'm thankful for all the food and the family."

-Lexy Chavira



"I'm thankful for the fact that everyday I have food and every night I have a cozy bed."

-Ms. Chavez



"I'm thankful for the food and time with family."

--Nae Chavez



"I'm thankful for my health and the health of my family."

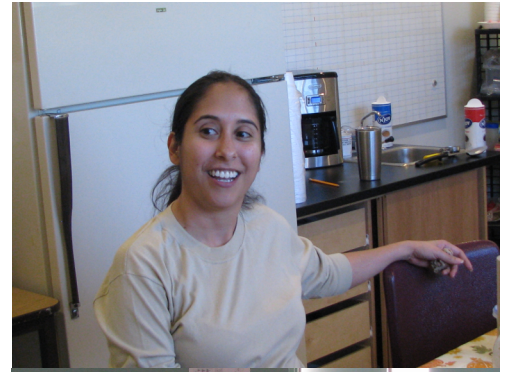
Mr. Breeswine

What Are *You* Most Thankful For?



"I'm thankful for my friends and family."

-Mr. Garcia



"I'm thankful for the realization that my problems are all first-world problems."

-Mrs. Garcia



"I'm thankful for the health of my kids, husband, and extended family."

-Monica



"[We're] thankful for each other, family, and friends."

-Rubi and Melina

Assemblies

Nuestros has had a few assemblies lately. Students have been able to witness a trial with the Courts-to-School program, as well as hear from motivational speakers. The students have enjoyed these and are excited for more!

Youth Engagement Presentation



The presenters pumped up students to get an education using hip-hop and music (left)



DJ VP was not to be messed with during his freestyle. (left)



Student Kaitlyn Wasierski recites a poem, while student Elijah Garcia engages in a freestyle battle with the presenters. (above)



Coach Curry spits fire during a freestyle (above)

Working at Student Conservation Association

by Lexy Chavira

The Student Conservation Association (SCA) is an organization that some of the Nuestros Valores students participated with over the summer to help clean the Petroglyph fence line. We cleared weeds 5 feet in the boundaries and 5 feet out of the boundaries of the fence, covering almost 3 acres of land. The students George Pacheco, Marisol, Venegas, Midestiny Garmon, Elena Romo, Lexy Chavira and Levi Newkirk joined the program for 3 weeks, but the program started later than expected, so the team only worked for 2 weeks. Our work was compensated a fair amount, but besides the money we really enjoyed doing the work. The work was rough, but enjoyable since everyone knew each other from school. It was an experience of a lifetime.



George stated how much he loved the program he really found it to be something he would want to do again. SCA works five days a week while the 5th day was an educational day where we would go hiking in the Sandias, to the volcanoes and ate good food provided by the program. We also hiked around the Petroglyph National Forest. Around the first couple days of work we did bonding exercises to get to know each other, which was pretty weird since we all knew each other from school. After bonding we got to see where we were going to be working. We all imagined it to be super hot and difficult, but everyone was so excited to just get to work. The Sheriff's Office took the time to speak with us about how we have to be careful and not endanger each other with the tools, how to properly hold the tools, and work with them. The biggest lesson we were taught was communication. When Midestiny and some others found out there was going to be snakes we freaked out because, who wants to work around those scary things? We ended up seeing two snakes. George found a dead one and Levi and Midestiny found a live one slithering towards them. Levi explained "I didn't even realize it was a snake because it sounded like a cat right



by me." We repaired three areas along the fence line. It wasn't like what we really expected, it was hot but not as hot as we thought it would be. Our leaders and everyone made it fun for us, we all got super close. George brought his speaker and played oldies. He and Marisol were always so dirty. My favorite part of the whole experience was how we got close and enjoyed it also how I got to smash the weeds down. Since it did get really hot, sometimes we would play this we invented this game called "missionaries." It was just us filling our hats with water and dunking it on our heads so we could cool down. The water was pretty cold, but relaxing

and fresh. We always made sure we had our hats, gloves, boots, long sleeves, and pants. On the first Friday we went to the mountains to hike and got to eat Fuddruckers! It was great! We got to climb up the mountains while it was foggy! It was so scary! Then the next Friday we went to the volcanoes and then went to Cochiti Lake to swim. That was our last day of work. Midestiny and Elena stated that they both really liked the program and how exciting the work was and recommended this to everyone for the summer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

No School- Every Friday in November

Thanksgiving Day Lunch- Wednesday November 16th

Thanksgiving Break- Wednesday November 23rd -Friday November 25th

Posole Dinner- Friday November 17th at 4pm

First Basketball Game- Monday, 7:30 at RFK High School

Popejoy Nutcracker Show- Tuesday November 29th

Assemblies continued...

Courts-to-School Program



The procedures of the courtroom were actually played out in front of students (right), including lawyers of the defendant and the state.

Even the justice for the convicted was real, as they were handcuffed for sentencing (right).



Reporters Alicia Mandujano, Lexy Chavira, and Shastity Sandoval learn more about the justice system from Judge Gonzales.

Tiger Pen reporters learn more about the Courts-to-School program from Program Director Al Valdez (below).



Motivational Assembly



Students learn about the importance of motivation in achieving success from the



Above, students learn about their rights when pulled over by police.



Both lawyers teach students what rights they have when they encounter police.