

# What's Up?

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## Cuba Salutes Bike Rally / Fiesta

Photo by Traci Martinez



By Kirsten Hernandez

This weekend I went to the Cuba Salutes and to be honest it was an honor being there. The Cuba Salutes honor the brave men and women that stand and have fallen for our country. I filmed the event that day. Ryan Walters, and Jared Toledo rode on motorcycles with cameras rolling all the way to San Ysidro at six thirty in the morning. Zack Montoya filmed from his perch in the helicopter as they flew over the bikes on their way back to Cuba. The Grand entry was beautiful all the motorcycles stream into the park in perfect formation, where Philip Montoya and Jordane Cayaditto caught the action. We can't forget Tracy who was there early interviewing Rick Romero, the event organizer. There were a lot of vendors selling food and many more items. The kids from the elementary performed their cultural dances. It was great day, it showed how many people support our heroes. Next year I think that you all should go and check it out.

### Mark Your Calendars

for Big Fun at the Little Globe Story Telling Festival

Common Ground  
June 7th at 9:00 pm  
Sandoval County Fairgrounds

## Dine Club Pageant



Photos by Adrian Toledo and Ella Pablo

By Gabrielle Sandoval

On Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Dine Club Prince and Princess Pageant, Gabrielle Sandoval and Zack Montoya passed on their titles as Cuba High Schools 07-08 Dine Club Prince and Princess to Rashaunda Toledo and Albert Toledo. Each Year the Dine Club holds a pageant selecting two individuals to represent the club and the entire student body. Once they are selected they attend different events in different places. Holding these titles is a wonderful learning experience. It gives students a chance to experience, As well as public speaking and socializing. "It is so much and is one hell of a fun time, but it also takes a lot of time and dedication." Zack Montoya (07-08 Dine Club Prince) As Gabrielle and Zack's time of royalty ends Rashaunda and Albert's begins. "We were saddened at the lost of our titles, but also very relieved from all the hard work. We will both miss being royalty so much, but say good luck to the new prince and princess and hope they have as much fun with it as we did!" Gabrielle Sandoval (07-08 Dine Club Princess)

# Clubs/Organizations

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## 2008-2009 Student Council Executive Board

President: Patterlisha Toledo  
Vice President: Damien Augustine  
Secretary: Tyffany Herrera  
Treasurer: Tracilynn Martinez  
Social Activities Directors: Gabrielle Sandoval  
Parliamentarian: Marti Toledo  
Sponsor: Laura Saucedo

## Multi Media at CHS

Ms. Langdale along with Ms. Bagby are founding board members of the Southwest Multimedia Education Collaborative (SMEC), which is a group of Sandoval County educators whose mission it is to expand multimedia education in the four Sandoval County school districts of Cuba, Jemez Valley, Rio Rancho and Bernalillo for adults and students. Several students and teachers will be attending boot camps at UNM and CNM to learn the art of filmmaking and animation. These events are in the last have of the month of July. SMEC needs a board member at large from Cuba.

Please see Ms. Bagby (x230) or Ms. Langdale (x210) for further information.

## Valedictorian & Salutatorian announced at NHS Banquet



Martinez



Duran

The competition for the highest honors of the graduating class of 2008 finally had a winner. Roz Carroll presented Triana Martinez as the Valedictorian and Elyssa Duran as the Salutatorian at the NHS banquet on Thursday, April 24th. Congratulations and the best of luck in the years to come!!

## PAT Meeting Underattended but Productive

On Tuesday, May 13th at 6:00 pm, the Parent Assistance Team (PAT) met in the cafeteria to talk about school issues and share a meal. Although attendance was not as high as expected, despite buses running out to the chapter houses to transport parents. Those who were drawn to the event were involved in setting a new role and course for parents in the upcoming school year.

Ms. Roz Carroll presented two ideas for how PAT can work with the school. The parents voted for the choice which involves them most closely with the goal teams at the high school. Essentially, each goal team will have PAT members as team member. We hope to reach our Academic Yearly Progress (AYP) goals sooner with this positive and inclusive step.

In the 2008-2009 SY our Educational Plan for Student Success (EPSS) will be composed of four strands, which will correspond with four goal teams. They will be Math, Climate and Operations, Reading, and Writing.

Many thanks to the PAT team members and Carmen Gallegos for providing and serving the extra special meal.

## National Honor Society Banquet a Success



NHS Banquet with Ms. Carroll, Superintendent Velarde, Tim Ramirez & Sam Kilroy.

By Gabrielle Sandoval

In the CHS cafeteria on Thursday, April 24th at the 2007-2008 National Honor Society Banquet, the qualified students of Cuba High School were inducted and recognized for their achievements. At the end of each year several students are selected to be inducted into the National Honor Society. The requirements to be selected into N.H.S., are to have a GPA of a 3.3 or higher and to be a high achieving student with high standards. At this year's N.H.S. banquet each class of students attended the event along with their parents and other family members. There was a class full of students' worth of inductees. "This year's N.H.S. banquet was fun and interesting with plenty of surprises." Crista Arellano. Being in the N.H.S. is a great privilege and brings more opportunities to you. If you plan to attend college this is one society you must join.

Principal Roz Carroll's welcome speech set the tone for the event. Kyle Sandoval introduced the guest speakers after the Pledge of Allegiance was said by Lovenia Cayaditto, (Navajo), Victoria Dominguez (Spanish) and Ben Olivas (English.) Guest speakers were Tim Ramirez, son of Ruben and Clara Ramirez of CHS, and Samantha Kilroy, both Gates

Millenium Scholarship winners and members of the CHS graduating class of 2003. They both gave inspiration to students "through tips for students" and the fact that "being from Cuba can be a plus" in the competitive post secondary environment. GO RAMS!

### Inductees: Sophomores:

Jacob Archuleta, Crista Arellano, Tory Barbone, Alexis Campbell, Luke Castillo, Tressia Castillo, Jamito Chiquito, Karl Eichwald, Roxanna Francisco, Adrian Herrera, Tyffany Herrera, Zackery Herrera, Analysis Martinez, Amber Pitts, Mariano Salaz, Marti Toledo, Nicole Toledo, Sheldon Toledo, Cyrus Wagner. Juniors: Chasity Castillo, Chandi Toledo, Brady Wagner. Seniors: Alex Albers, Erin Cayaditto, Erica Chavez, Josh Concha, Elden Keetso, Rico Martin, Titus Negale, Ben Olivas, Derrick Otero, Calvina Pinto, Brian Salaz, Daniel Sanchez, Crystal Shepherd, Lashawna Toledo, Jared Toledo, Audrey Tolth, Brandon Willetto.

NHS Members: Eugenia Armijillo, Shannon Barney, Lovenia Cayaditto, Janelle Chavez, Victoria Dominguez, Elyssa Duran, Kathleen Gonzalez, Vanessa Gurule, Armolita Herrera, Lee Johnson, Triana Martinez, Matthew Montoya, Zechariah Montoya, Lonie Morales, Corey Rico, Adriano Rodriguez, Terri Sam, Gabrielle Sandoval, Justin Sandoval, Kyle Sandoval, Rashane Sandoval, Steven Sorrow, Johnson Toledo, Patterlisha Toledo, James Trujillo.

# What's Up @ Cuba High School

## 2008-2009 School Year

By Damian Augustine

As you are aware Cuba High School is awaiting a new High School. The High School we attend and work at will no longer be the same and major changes are headed our way. Here's the updates from our high school principal, Ms. Roz Carroll. First of all, construction will make way in late summer or early fall. However a temporary campus is now being set up for next school year 2008-2009 as well as 2009-2010, but where are we underclassmen students going to attend school? Here's what the plan is... the elementary school campus will be transformed into our temporary high school campus. The playground equipment will be transferred back to the elementary. Two more portables are needed for the temporary campus. The temporary high school campus will need 48 classrooms. The big move will occur once the elementary is fully completed. At the present there is no specific date when the actual move will begin. Aside from this major move, we will be wishing farewell to some of our high school staff. Next year we may be welcoming some new staff and seeing familiar faces of returning teachers. We are also excited about the return of Mr. Dennis Smith. We will also have a new principal at the temporary campus for School Year 2008-2009, as Ms. Roz Carroll will be taking the job of Asst. Superintendent of Instruction.

## Senior Four Pose Portraits

*are scheduled to be taken on*

**September 11, 2008.**

Retakes are scheduled for 9/24.

## MySpace

By Lovenia Cayaditto

My Space is a popular website for teens to communicate with one another. Some of the codes used on MySpace are very hard to get. You can learn many hyper text markup language (html) codes to customize your text.  
<fontface = arial> to get arial text  
<small> to make small text  
<big> to make big text  
<U> text here </u> to underline. text .

## M.E.S.A

By Gabrielle Sandoval

The Mechanical Engineering /Science Association (M.E.S.A.) Club took a trip on Saturday, April 26, to the 2007-2008 New Mexico Robo-Rave in Las Cruces, NM for a robotics competition. The students that attended this event were Patterlisha Toledo (President), Gabrielle Sandoval (Vice-president), Ella Rose Pablo (Treasure), Lovenia Cayaditto (Secretary), Marcus Castillo, Alanna Castillo, Charrae Toledo, Alex Toledo, Adrian Toledo, Myles Sylvester, Elden Keetso, and Willis Castillo, and their two sponsors Mr. Velasquez and Ms. Stahlhut. There was only one team that was allowed to compete. The team that competed was the Undecided Team (Patterlisha, Alanna, and Charrae). Unfortunately the team didn't place due to some technical difficulties with the robot, but in the end we became known to many of the Robo-Rave leaders and the freshmen members learned lots of new and exciting ways to build and program robots. This trip was the last M.E.S.A. Trip for the year. M.E.S.A. is open to anyone who takes an interest in playing with legos and it is a great start for people who want to go into the field of engineering. For more information concerning M.E.S.A. please contact Patterlisha Toledo or Gabrielle Sandoval.

## Teaching and Learning at CHS

By Audrey Tolth

Katharine Bagby is a teacher at Cuba High School. She has been teaching at Cuba High School for six years now. When Ms. Bagby first started teaching at Cuba High, she was teaching English I out in the portable which is now the elementary school library. Internet, phone service and a walkway are now available in that room. The following October, she began to teach Creative Art. While she was teaching one subject she had a lot of spare time to develop lessons and work on reading in the art classroom. As of now Ms. Bagby teaches History, English, Photography, Creative Art, Yearbook and the Newspaper. She doesn't mind working hard, but would like to be able to focus more on just one or two subjects.

Bagby plans on returning to Cuba High School in August of this year, because "the programs are important and will go well and have great benefits for students." The photography, film, art, yearbook/newspaper classes all interface to create a well-rounded vocational experience. Ms. Bagby says. In her free time she enjoys working on art projects, reading, watching movies and likes to travel. She has been to Europe many times as well as Africa and Central America.

Bagby got her undergraduate degree in Fine Arts - Drawing and Painting from Wichita State University. She studied German Language and Culture at the University of Strasbourg in Strasbourg, France; and has a minor in Art History. She earned her teaching certificate from UNM in Art Education. She studied advanced teaching strategies in Leesburg, VA and earned her Masters degree in Educational Technology from Lesley University from Cambridge, Massachusetts.

# What's Up at Cuba High School



By Elyssa Duran

It's Thursday morning at Cuba High School and the juniors and staff are already stressing out. It is about 60 hours from the start of the traditional prom at Cuba High School. Everybody else in the school is going about their daily business, while the planning is coming together and decorations are coming to life. Both Thursday and Friday the junior prom committee spent preparing for "A Night in the Orient."

There were many quarrels and uprisings through the monotonous task of hanging an orient city on the bleachers, the assembly of the pagoda (arch) and columns, not to mention the distribution of fish to their center pieces. As the hours wore on, perfection was almost reached.

Saturday evening rolled around and everyone began getting themselves ready. For those who attended the track meet at Piedra Vista and various others, they made their dinner reservations for El Bruno's. This local eatery is always a great choice, classy and close. For others, they journeyed a bit further to Albuquerque to eat. The mariachis of Gardunos and the games at Chucky Cheese's proved to be entertaining and different attractions than the usual.

About 9:30pm the prom was in full swing. There were many couples on the dance floor, showing off the moves they'd practiced at the Spring Fling dance. The music was provided by Simpatico. The band held a sort of "dance contest", in which the three finalist couples received a CD of the bands' most recent recordings.

The night progressed energetically and all had a good time. Pictures were taken by Cuba's own "Duke Shoman" and his assistant. The attire of the evening was all so elegant, with colors varying from dark purples, bright greens, all the way to camouflage. The cake was pleasing to the eye and to match, tasted delicious. Dancers were constantly on the floor, even when the band wasn't playing.

All in all, the prom was no doubt a night to remember, a complete success. There were no fights or mishaps to be reported. The biggest problem that night was among the girls. They were left with one question. "How do I get my fish home alive, without spilling it out of the glass on the way home?"

To: My best friend

Fr: Kasper

Message: Thanks for being my best and thanks for being there for me through good and bad. LOVE

To: Sheena

Fr: Blank

Message: Sheena loves Cowboys!

To: Raymond

Fr: Anna

Message: Happy Birthday Boyfriend

To: Darla Largo

Fr: Misty & Cora

Message: Happy Birthday Big Sis!!!

To: Rashane & Shannon

Fr: Lee

Message: Hi best buddies!!!

To: My Buddy Briannah

Fr: Ur buddy

Message: Hi buddy

To: Carmen

Fr: You Know who

Message: Hola Mamacita!!!

To: Rashane & Lee

Fr: Shannon. B

Message: Hey what's up Homie-G-Dawgs? (LOL)

To: Jennifer & Krissy

Fr: Shannon Barney

Message: Hello My best Buddie-ole-pal!



# Students of the Year



**Freshman  
of the Year**



**Sophomore  
of the Year**



**Junior  
of the Year**



**Senior  
of the Year**

# Summer Jobs

By Jasmine Toledo

School is out and you're free for the summer. What are you going to do? Maybe catch up on your sleep, watch all the reruns to your favorite TV show, or just hang out with your friends. Your plans are set, well maybe until the parental units tell you that you are not going to lie around the house all summer. What are you going to do then? You might as well just get a job for the summer.

Summer jobs are a great learning experience for those that are new to roles and responsibilities to the workplace. It helps you realize that others will depend on you to show up at work on time and get things done. Working a summer job will give you a certain amount of experience you could not obtain anywhere else. You will be able to have your own money to pay for clothes or college. No more asking for money that your mom probably doesn't have or needs for bills. Not only will you be earning money but you will be receiving experience that will follow you through life.

So how do you find a job? It's not like you have fifty offers waiting for you at home, right? So what you need to do is use all your available resources to get that ideal summer job. Talk with your parents because they probably have friends or know somebody that may need some help that they will pay for. If that doesn't work, you could always check your local newspaper or surf the Web for jobs. There are any numbers of places where you can look for summer jobs.

Local grocery stores: maybe not the most exciting jobs, but probably the most convenient.

Small businesses: there are plenty in Cuba.

Hotels and resorts: summer is the busy tourism season.

Fast food and restaurants: there are few in Cuba so apply quickly.

Working for yourself: you could be the best babysitter around.

Whatever you find just remember that you are going to have to work no matter who it's for. A job is a job and in this competitive world it's not good to be picky. Good luck finding a summer job and have a nice summer!