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RHS College Fair

by Alyssa Conde

The college fair for Roswell High School took place on Friday September 30th, 2022. RHS's counselors have put in a lot of work since pre-Covid for this to be a success. The majority of our Junior and Senior students attended this event. Many found interest in at least one of the 25+ colleges who made their way down to Roswell New Mexico, from all around the United States. Accompanied by the fact that many students had a very positive outlook on this with several students going to explain "its a lot of positive opportunities for students" with others saying " I'm very impressed with all the colleges out there and enjoyed how interactive all the recruiters were with students" we can proudly say events like this have given students many opportunities to figure themselves out in order to have the future they've worked towards.

New Faculty Highlight

by Eko Sanchez

Roswell High has a lot of new faculty in several departments! Let's learn about one of our "dramatic" teachers and get a better look into Mrs. Graham. Graham is the new Drama teacher at RHS. She began her teaching career in 2007 teaching Pre-K students. As the years progressed she decided she was interested in older students, giving her experience with almost all grade levels and eventually leading her here to our halls.

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Crystal Graham, Drama Teacher



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Classroom Highlight: Culinary Arts

by Nathan Casillas

you haven't already noticed we have opened a food truck to the public named "Coyote Cafe" and are cooked by the students themselves. The food truck is run and managed by the students at RHS and the food truck is managed or cooked by sophomores, juniors, and seniors. Many students are allowed to cook and run a food truck. Many students gave their thoughts on the food truck such as Analiese Casey, she stated, "To be able to run this food truck smoothly was a great thing to learn and a great experience."

"The purpose of this program is to shed some light on the Culinary industry for students that are interested in it or may not have any idea what it is" stated by Jordan Valverde, the Culinary Teacher at RHS. The program wants to produce graduates that can go out into the community and be ready to join the industry with experience and the skills they can use to their benefit and earn a living.

The students are given the chance to make different kinds of food but as of right now they are testing ideas and setting what sells. The food truck is making burritos, coffees, cupcakes, and muffins as of now and will start to work on more dessert options and plates. Jordan Valverde is hoping to serve food at public events and take more opportunities out into the community, Valverde is also hoping to make new holiday theme items for Thanksgiving and Christmas, her students have already been working on menus and other holiday themed items down the line.

The project had taken more than a year and a half to complete and any profits that the food truck made goes back to supplies which gives students more opportunities for new food items. The truck is currently open for business on Thursdays and Fridays and the students serve breakfast and lunch to the teachers later down the year the food truck will be available for students.

The community of Roswell loves the food truck and many are offering to participate in bigger events such as serving food at football games and any other events that are coming up later this year. As of now, the food truck is in the beginning stages but throughout that, they are having some success in the first runs that they had, and both the staff and the community have been very supportive of the food truck.



Homecoming Recap

by Katie Holloway

Roswell Highschool Homecoming took place on October 1, 2022. The Homecoming court was Freshman prince and princess were Nick Anaya and Anette Montanez, Sophomore prince and princess were Eliana Chavez and Abraham Toscano, Junior prince and princess were Lesley Carreon and Kevin Carbajal, King and Queen were Malia Dumlao and Jesus Campos

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Spanish Club

by Breanna Valdez

RHS Spanish Club did a very good job at organizing, "Fiestas Patrias". The event was so good that it was packed and there was limited room. "The Superintendent, Mr. Bryan Luck was standing against the wall because there was no more room", Mr. Patoni. Mrs. Hilda Sanchez, vice president of the RISD Board of Trustees, gave a speech about Hispanic Heritage Month.

Our Spanish club president, Carolina Soto.

She has a well written speech about independence, freedom, and self-actualization.



Volleyball Highlight

by Matthew Andazola

It has been a good season." states volleyball coach Baca. So far, the varsity volleyball team has maintained an even 50% split in wins and losses. The volleyball coach says the team deals with losses by "focusing on what we did well in each match and what we can do better next time.", choosing to focus on execution, or as coach says, "improving fundamental skills". When asked about the goal of the team this season, Coach Baca replied, "our goal every year is to win the district and make the State playoffs.". She

says the seniors have shown good leadership, complimenting all of the teams commitment to improve.

Coach Baca also hands out a great deal of compliments to her staff, stating "There are two things that I have loved about coaching at Roswell High. I have one of the best coaching staffs anyone could ask for. They are diligent, loyal, and love volleyball and kids.". The second is related to the RHS students, as she says "We don't always have the biggest, most skilled volleyball players entering as freshmen, but we have athletes that are willing to outwork other teams". Coach Baca continues "They play hard for you and will generally do anything you ask them to do."

Overall, it sounds like Coach Baca has enjoyed coaching at Roswell High and working with the staff. The next varsity volleyball game is very soon, beginning on this Tuesday, the first day of November, at 6:30pm. Be sure not to miss it!



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Band Highlight by Mariah Alvarez

“Marching band by all means is a sport” says Dr. Daniel Gomez who is the Band Director for the Roswell High Band. Gomez oversees anything and everything dealing with the RHS Band Program. RHS currently has four bands, each one of these bands will be playing in concerts soon.

With these upcoming events Dr. Gomez says “They’re excited, I’m excited”, he also mentions that the marching band had their competitions during the month of October. The next few months will be spent preparing for Winter Concerts and presentations.

Brett Cook a teacher at Roswell High, who also volunteers with the RHS band. Mr. Cook is known for being “the voice of the Big Red Band”, Cook says “I volunteer my time to go on competitions with the band, help out where I can, move equipment, whatever I can do to help Dr. Gomez” after being asked what he does for the RHS band. Not only does Cook help volunteer, he spends time “giving some words of encouragement because a lot of students can get nervous”. He also mentioned how he is a previous member of the Big Red Band and is so proud of the success the band has reached in recent years.

Coyote Nation has many students to be proud of, and we’re very proud of the Big Red Band and the work they have put in over the season. As long as they play they’ll have fans cheering on their success.



Social Reflection by Alyssa Conde

Over 22% of young adults aged 18–29 suffer from anxiety, with a younger age range of 17% of teens ages 12–17 in America. With similarities to Panic attacks or OCD, the symptoms of anxiety include constant worry, trouble with concentration, hypervigilance, and in some cases even restlessness. In regards to Depression, over 21 million people in America suffer from depression, with over 5 types of depression it is one of the most common disorders in American history. Nevertheless, depression should never be overlooked even at the slightest signs of symptoms such as difficulty with concentration, changes in appetite, sleeping schedule, and energy levels. This isn't going to be the part where you are going to have to read on the basic, dull advice typically given on how to thrive in life, but rather giving you a different opportunity on how to live a better life under your own conditions. We all have to feel sad or retain nervous thoughts regarding some of what life has to bring towards us, as long as we take those feelings and learn how to become an alchemist our pain will never be overlooked as we turn it into a passion for the things we truly care about. With numerous amount of strategies to grow from negative mindsets, asking yourself simple questions such as:

- What emotion (s) do you try to avoid? What triggers this emotion within you?
- What do you think your worst trait is? In what ways does this trait help you?
- Are there times when you could have been kinder to yourself? If so why do you feel you acted toward yourself in such a way?

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About Mr. Sandoval

"I don't want to teach, that's not me," said Art Sandoval, the Vice Principal at Roswell High. Those are not the words you expect to hear from someone who has a 25 year career in education but Sandoval explains he never anticipated the career he has built. In education he found a passion for working with students which has served as his motivation.

When Sandoval attended college he had every intention of joining law enforcement and even applied to the New Mexico State Police Agency. During his wait for the academy he became a sub, got into coaching sports, and some of his mentors intervened, encouraging him to pursue teaching full-time. "I love working with students... I love working with all different sorts of people but kids in general. If it wasn't for you I wouldn't be in this position today" Sandoval said as he described his experience working in education.

"Every kid deserves an opportunity to be successful," explained Sandoval as he discussed how coming to school and helping students is the best part of his day. You could hear the excitement in his voice as he discussed student success and outlined the duties and responsibilities of his role.

For Sandoval it was a slippery slope from never picturing being a teacher to a dedicated educator and administrator at Roswell High.

Multimedia's Spooky not always Scary Movies to Watch

Looking for something to do this Halloween season? We've compiled a list of spooky movies but not always scary movies that can help you celebrate the season.

At the top of our list is a Disney Classic, Halloweentown. This movie is nostalgic, bringing you right back to your childhood and family-friendly. Whether you like scary movies or not anyone can watch this and be reminded of Halloween. Up next is a horror film classic, Halloween. When villains come to mind Michael Meyers is at the top of the list. Since its release in 1978 this movie has been a staple of Halloween. From the storyline to the theme song everyone can't help but tune in.

The next movie on our list takes you from wanting to watch the movie and be a part of the story to instead being scared, that movie is Coraline. If you like the style of a Tim Burton movie then you'll like Coraline. Coming in at fourth is another horror film classic *Scream*. From *Ghostface* to the good-looking actors there is something to like about the movie. This movie is so good it inspired a parody.

Hocus Pocus rounds out our list for several reasons. This movie is a classic and is centered around Halloween Day. It is also the cornerstone of our childhood. It's McDonald's Halloween Buckets, Disney Channel Original, and an elementary school field trip to the pumpkin patch all in one.

Whether you're a horror movie fanatic or not, we hope everyone can find at least one film from our list to enjoy watching this Halloween.

Upcoming Events:

- November 1: Varsity Volleyball
- November 5: State Cross Country Meet
- November 10: Mid-Nine Weeks ends
- November 11: Coyote Football Playoff game
- November 15: Mid-Nine Weeks Reports issued
- November 21-25: Thanksgiving break

