SAN FELIPE DEL RIO CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

## HIGHLIGHTS

OUR DISTRICT OUR STUDENTS OUR PRIDE



Summer Volume 24 2019



#### A TOUR OF THE ALAMO



A group of GT students from San Felipe Memorial Middle School took a tour of the Alamo in San Antonio on Friday, May 24th as part of their end-of-year field trip.

#### **SFMMS ORCHESTRA**





The San Felipe Memorial Middle School orchestra held their end-of-year concert on Tuesday, May 21st at district's Student Performance Center.

#### **SFMMS BAND**



The San Felipe Memorial Middle School band held their end-of-year concert on Tuesday, May 21st. We are very proud of all of our band students and their great accomplishments this school year. A special "Thank You!" to our SFMMS band directors, Mr. White, Mr. Dolehanty and Mr. Cisneros.

#### **STAAR PEP RALLY**



The 6th grade students at San Felipe Memorial Middle School were treated to an exciting and motivational STAAR pep rally on Friday, May 10th. A special "Thank You" to our guest speaker, Coach Joe Nieto, and the awesome SFMMS staff who put on skits and performances to pump up our students.

#### NORTH HEIGHTS ELEMENTARY SENIOR-KINDER WALK 2019



Celebrating their upcoming graduation, the North Heights Elementary Class of 2019 alumni walked the campus during the traditional "Senior Walk." The Seniors were joined by our Kindergarteners, as our outgoing alumni are paving the way for the next generation of NHE Chiefs.

#### NHE ANNUAL END OF THE YEAR TRIP



On May 24, 2019, North Heights Student Council attended their annual end of year trip visiting the autism center in San Antonio as well as the UTSA Institute of Texan Culture Museum. Students sang to the Pre-K and Kindergarten students at the Center for Autism and delivered a basket of puzzles and books donated by the N.H.E. student body.

#### NHE FIELD TRIP TO MCDONALDS



The life skills students from North Heights Elementary took a field trip to McDonalds. Thank you to the staff and Mrs. Amezcua for making this possible.

#### NHE - MRS. PATINO'S CLASS STUDIES ANIMAL HABITATS



Mrs. Patiño's students studied animals and their habitats. Xavier Mijares, Leo Ibarra, Ian Casillas, and Ian Rivas worked on their dioramas of their favorite habitat. They went above and beyond and worked on their projects at home.

#### NHE "I BELIEVE IN ME" STAAR PEP RALLY



"I Believe in Me" STAAR Pep Rally was held on Friday, May 10th. NHE students rallied together to show that collectively, North Heights Elementary will "outshine" the STAAR.

#### **LGE STAAR TEST PLEDGE**



Students pledged to do their best on their upcoming STAAR tests! Go, Panthers!

#### LGE I LOVE MY TEACHER 5K



Teachers felt the love and support of their students and parents at this year's I Love My Teacher 5k!

#### **LGE I LOVE MY TEACHER 5K**





Strings students have been working hard all year long. Great Job, Panthers!

#### **LGE FITNESS FINALLY**



Teamwork is what it is all about! This year's Fitness Finally was a hit!

#### **LGE CHALK FEST 2019**



Chalk Fest 2019 was a huge success! Students were able to display their artwork for all to see. We sure do have some talented artist among us!

#### **LGE BLOCK PARTY**



Panthers have worked extremely hard all year to have the highest attendance in the district! We have won the attendance trophy EVERY 6 WEEKS this year and we were treated to a Block Party for all to enjoy! Keep up the great work, Panthers!

#### **GARFIELD PERFECT ATTENDANCE**



Kinder, 1st and 2nd grade students with all year perfect attendance were treated to pizza, drinks, snacks and a yard sign they may proudly display. We are proud of your accomplishment!!!

#### **8TH ANNUAL ELEMENTARY RELAY**



Ms. Correa and her Garfield Mustangs showed their running skills while participating in the 8th annual SFDR-CISD Elementary Relays.

#### **GARFIELD BIOGRAPHIES COME ALIVE**



Mrs. Tamayo's "powerful" second grade learners from Garfield Elementary used their reading detective skills to make their biographies come alive. They chose a person they admire then created and presented their projects to Mrs. Rubio, Principal, and Mrs. Casillas, Assistant Principal. Future Leaders of Del Rio, Texas, and the World!!!!

### kas, and the World!!!! GARFIELD MUSTANGS PARTICIPATE IN SPECIAL OLYMPICS



Our Garfield Mustangs participated in the Special Olympics at the Ram Stadium. This was a great opportunity to show their athletic abilities with the support of their classmates, teachers and their Principal Mrs. D. Rubio.

#### **GARFIELD CELEBRATES CINCO DE MAYO**



To celebrate Cinco de Mayo at Garfield Elementary, fourth grade students and staff dressed with brightly colored tops and dresses to observe the occasion.

#### **GARFIELD STUDENT COUNCIL VISITS SAN ANTONIO**



Garfield Student Council enjoyed their outing to San Antonio, Texas visiting the Natural Bridge Caverns, eating at the Rainforest Café and last but not least touring the Alamo.

#### DRMS POEMS PUBLISHED IN CREATIVE COMMUNICATION'S 2018-2019 POETRY ANTHOLOGY



Del Rio Middle School celebrated 85 seventh graders on Tuesday, May 28, 2019, for their poems being published in Creative Communication's 2018-2019 Poetry Anthology. Seventh graders were given the opportunity to submit their own poetry for publication, and 85 of them received the honor of being published writers. DRMS celebrated their success with certificates, pizza, drinks and cake.

In addition to the students' success, Mrs. Claudia Talamantez and Mrs. Keri Scholz were recognized as receiving a "Poetic Achievement Award." This award is given to schools who have a large number of entries of which over fifty percent are accepted for publication. With hundreds of schools entering this contest, only a small percent of these schools are honored with this award. The purpose of this award is to recognize schools with excellent Language Arts programs.

#### **DEL RIO FRESHMAN CREATIVE COMMUNICATION**



For over twenty years, Creative Communication has proudly brought recognition to student writers through their Poetry Contest. Del Rio Freshman School is proud to announce that seventy-seven students from Mrs. Alice Lopez's English II classes have been selected to have their poem published in the Spring 2019 Poetry Book. Congratulations on such an honorable achievement.

#### **RBBE I LOVE MY TEACHER 5K**



Students, teachers and parents came out to support the RBBE teachers at the I Love My Teacher 5K.

#### **RBBE 1ST ANNUAL FUN DAY**



First Annual Fun Day at Roberto "Bobby" Barrera Elementary STEM Magnet School. The RBBE PTO and staff prepared a great day for the students.

#### **RBBE CAREER DAY**



Career Day- LAFB and Del Rio organizations came out for RBBEs 1st annual Career Awareness Day.

#### **RBBE EARTH DAY**



Earth Day- LAFB and RBBE celebrate Earth Day with a tree planting, local wildlife awareness and preservation information.

#### **INAUGURAL KINDER GRADUATION**



Inaugural Kindergarten Graduation - Mrs. Weatherly's Kindergarten Class of 2019 graduated on May 28th.

#### **RBBE CAMPING UNDER THE STAARS**



Ms. Scott's 3rd grade, Mrs. Duncan's 4th grade and Mrs. Hjelmstad's 5th grade students prepare for testing by Camping under the STAARs.

#### **RBBE STEM MAGNET SCHOOL WINS 1ST PLACE**



Roberto "Bobby" Barrera Elementary STEM Magnet School won 1st place at the Elementary Track Meet for Small School Participation, all students placing in their races.

#### **RBBE STEM MAGNET SCHOOL CHOIR PERFORMS**



Roberto "Bobby" Barrera Elementary STEM Magnet School Choir performed Yellow Submarine at the Spring Concert.

#### SFDRCISD FOOD SERVICE - RECIPES







#### **MANGO PICO**

Makes 3 cups

#### **EQUIPMENT**

- chef's knife
- · measuring cups
- measuring spoons
- · cutting board
- · medium bowl
- spatula
- peeler

#### **INGREDIENTS**

- 1 medium mango peeled and diced
- 1 small peeled and diced jicama
- · half a small red onion diced
- 2 diced tomatoes
- · 2 limes, zested and juiced
- 1 tablespoon of cilantro
- · 2 jalapenos seeded and diced
- · 2 tablespoons of olive oil
- ½ tablespoon of cumin
- · Salt and pepper to taste

#### **DIRECTIONS**

- Dice mango, jicama, tomato, and jalapeno. Add it to bowl.
- 2. Chop cilantro and add it to bowl.
- 3. Zest and juice limes. Add olive oil, lemon juice, cumin, salt and pepper.

#### **PEANUT SAUCE**

Makes 1 cups

#### **EQUIPMENT**

- zester
- · measuring cups
- · measuring spoons
- medium bowl
- · whisk

#### **INGREDIENTS**

- · 4 Tablespoons of peanut butter
- · 2 Teaspoons or rice vinegar
- · 2 teaspoons of coconut milk
- · 3 tablespoons of soy sauce
- · 2 tablespoons of honey
- · 1 inch of grated ginger
- · 2 garlic cloves grated

#### **DIRECTIONS**

- 1. In a bowl mix peanut butter, rice vinegar, coconutmilk, soy sauce, honey, ginger, and garlic.
- 2. Whisk together until mixture has come together.

#### **SHRIMP LETTUCE WRAP**

Makes 5 servings

#### **EQUIPMENT**

- zester
- · chef knife
- · cutting board
- · medium sautee pan
- · measuring cups
- · measuring spoons
- 2 medium bowls
- spatula
- colander

#### **INGREDIENTS**

- 1 tablespoon of olive oil
- 1 pound of raw shrimp, peeled and deveined
- · 1 lime zested and juiced
- · 1 red bell pepper thinly sliced
- · 1 zucchini thinly sliced
- · 2 carrots thinly sliced
- · 2 garlic cloves
- · 1 small red onion diced
- ¼ cup soy sauce
- · 1 tablespoon grated ginger
- 1 tablespoon grated garlic
- · 1/2 teaspoon of cumin
- · 1 green onion thinly diced
- 1 lettuce head (preferably Boston lettuce)
- · Salt & pepper to taste

#### **DIRECTIONS**

- In a bowl add shrimp, soy sauce, lime juice and zest, garlic, ginger, cumin, onion, green onion, and salt & pepper.
- 2. Let marinade for 30 minutes.
- While shrimp is marinating cut lettuce butt and wash all leaves. Store in ice cold water and let stand on the side until use.
- 4. Add oil in sautee pan and let heat in medium heat. Cook shrimp for about 4 minutes. About half way through cooking the shrimp add bell pepper, zucchini, and carrots. Mix mixture throughout.
- 5. Let shrimp mixture chill for 5 minutes in refrigerator.
- 6. Once shrimp has chilled down drain water from lettuce leaves.
- 7. Use a tablespoon per lettuce leaf. Roll from soft end of the leaf to the hard end of the leaf.

#### **DRHS DECISION DAY**



Student council sponsored Decision Day at Del Rio High School on May 15th for the Class of 2019. Seniors were the shirt of the college/university that they are planning to attend in the fall. Decision Day is meant to celebrate the success of the DRHS staff and students.

#### **MICHAEL SCHOLZ**



This summer, Michael Scholz, from Del Rio, Texas will join outstanding high school students from across the nation to take part in a unique academic and career oriented development experience, Envision's National Youth Leadership Forum: Advanced Medicine and Health Care, in Baltimore, Maryland.

#### CINCO DE MAY AT CARDWELL



Miss Romo's class of three- year-olds learn about respecting each other's individuality by participating in a series of multicultural lessons throughout the school year.

#### **HEALTHY EATING AT CARDWELL**



Cardwell staff participated in a healthy cooking class offered by the school district. Healthy never tasted so good!

#### **CARDWELL I LOVE MY TEACHER 5K**



Cardwell families and staff gather during teacher appreciation week to participate in the "I Love My Teacher" 5K Run. The Cardwell Fitness Committee did an amazing job promoting all health and fitness events throughout the school year engaging students, parents and staff.

#### PARENTING CLASSES AT CARDWELL



Parents gather to celebrate the completion of a six month parenting classes based on the Love and Logic Parenting Curriculum.

Glafiro Santellanes

Rosaura Sierra

Josephina Solis

Bertha Suarez

Armando Urias

David J. Velky

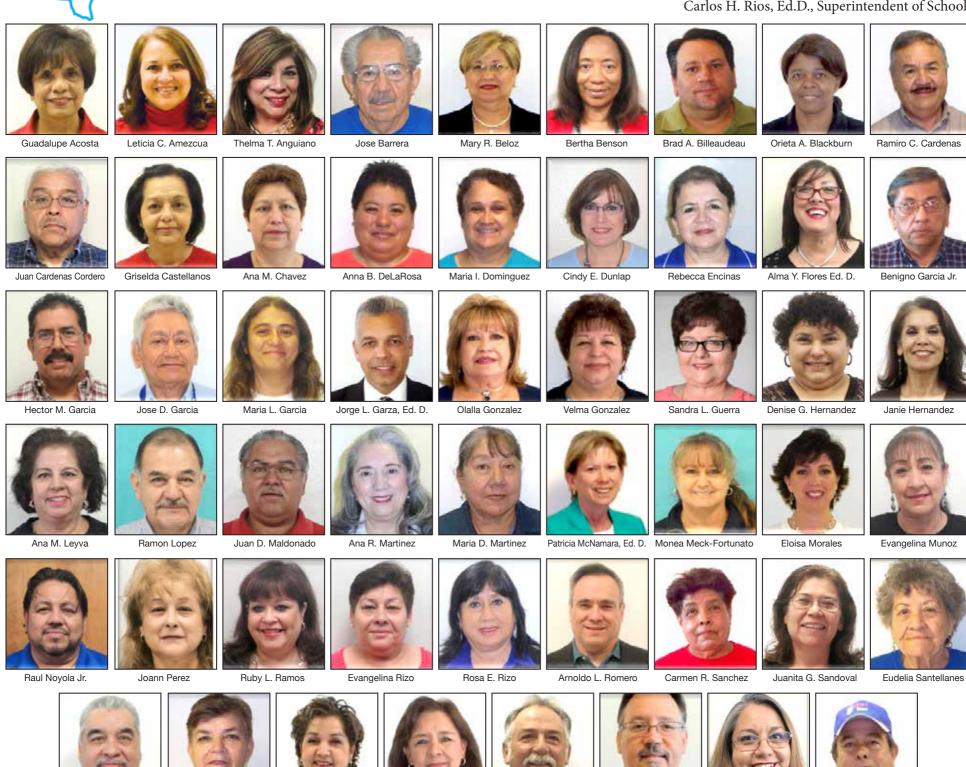
Maria I. Zamora

Jose Zuniga Jr.



On behalf of the San Felipe Del Rio CISD, and in recognition of your years of service, I would like to take this opportunity to extend a huge THANK YOU for your hard work and commitment to a career that requires endless amounts of dedication. May the blessings and joy you have brought so many, along with the satisfaction of a job well done, fill your new journey with happiness. You have made a lasting impact by inspiring with passion and guiding through example. Your professional expertise and friendship will be greatly missed. Wishing you success and happiness in all that you do! It is well deserved! **CONGRATULATIONS! ENJOY YOUR RETIREMENT!!** 

Carlos H. Rios, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools



#### LAMAR ELEMENTARY 5TH GRADE FISHING AT THE CREEK



Fifth grade students at Lamar Elementary spent a day exploring the San Felipe Creek on Friday, May 17th. Mrs. Patty Villarreal, a 5th grade science teacher, organized stations featuring fishing, bird watching and fishing tips from professional fisherman. Texas Game Wardens helped organize the event to provide lessons as well. A huge thank you to the SFDRCISD Education Foundation for providing a grant to Mrs. Villarreal and making this year's "Fishing at the Creek" a huge success.

#### LAMAR ELEMENTARY S.T.E.A.M.



Members of Lamar's Science Technology Engineering Arts and Math club or S.T.E.A.M. visited The DoSeum in San Antonio, Texas on Friday, May 24th. Students worked all year long as a club creating and developing solutions to real-world problems. The DoSeum was another opportunity to experience different ways we use science, technology, engineering and math. A big thank you to Lamar's S.T.E.A.M. sponsors Ms. Adriana Vasquez, Ms. Norma Martinez and Ms. Roxana Yanez.

#### **LAMAR 1ST GRADE ADVENTURES**



First grade students at Lamar Elementary visited the Casa de La Cultura, the Fire Station and the library earlier this month. Students participated in arts and crafts, were informed of the summer reading programs and were able to go tour the fire station.

#### **MAYOR LOZANO VISITS LAMAR**



Mayor Lozano stopped by Lamar Elementary on Thursday, April 25th. Students participated in a quick lesson of mayoral duties and how students can give back to their community through good citizenship skills.

#### **5TH GRADE EXPLORED S.F. SPRINGS**



Fifth grade students at Lamar Elementary toured the city's water plant on Tuesday, May 28th. Students explored our natural resource and how the water plant filters water for the city. Students got a behind-the-scenes look at the equipment used to do so and visited the springs and water tanks.

# LIGHT IT UP DRMS

Del Rio Middle School was happy to celebrate Autism month in April with the involvement of students, staff and parents.

#### DRMS ART CLUB



The Del Rio Middle School Art Club attended a field trip in San Antonio, Texas on May 18th. They visited the San Antonio Art Museum and San Antonio Central Library.

#### **MUMS FOR RAMS**



Thanks to the Education Foundation Grant, Mums for Rams was a success at Del Rio Middle School in promoting partnerships with all students.

#### **DRMS SYMPHONIC BAND**



Del Rio Middle School Symphonic Band competed on April 16th in Eagle Pass, Texas and received a sweepstakes rating.

#### 2018-2019 DRMS ACADEMIC UIL



The 2018-2019 DRMS academic UIL team celebrated their victories with an end-of-year pool party at Villa Bonita! Congratulations on an outstanding UIL season (six first place trophies)! We also want to congratulate the SFDRCISD 2018-2019 UIL Coach of the Year, Mrs. Beatriz Padilla!

#### OH, THE PLACES THEY'LL GO!



Ruben Chavira Elementary School students were provided the opportunity to explore many possible careers choices all without ever leaving school. Mrs. Debbie Escamilla, counselor, spearheaded the most successful and most exciting campus wide career fair Chavira has ever seen! The day highlighted numerous occupations for students to consider for their futures. The career fair committee recruited community members, businesses, law enforcement agencies and local organizations to present to students of all ages about various professions and how children are able to start preparing now for success later in life. The enthusiastic sessions sparked interest and initiated conversations with the children about what their future holds. RCE staff and students are thankful for the investment our community makes in education.

#### **WE'VE GOT THE BEAT!**



"There is music in every child. The teacher's job is to find it and nurture it." ~Francis Clark

Ruben Chavira Elementary School is honored to have Mr. Anthony Leonor as the music teacher. Music plays a fundamental role in Mr. Leonor's life and this influences his desire to pass on his appreciation of music to children. One way he has done this is by taking 30 R.C.E. Choir students to the Tobin Center in San Antonio alongside choirs from Buena Vista, Dr. Lonnie Green and Garfield Elementary. The young musicians participated in the Carnegie Hall Link-Up program where students listen to and perform with the San Antonio Symphony. This year's program, The Orchestra Rock, featured orchestral music with a driving rhythm and epic sounds.

#### ON THE ROAD AGAIN...



Ruben Chavira Elementary School Student Leadership Team journeyed to Corpus Christi, Texas for an unforgettable experience. The 23 students attended multiple presentations at the Texas State Aquarium. Each student was given the opportunity to feed the stingrays and interact with other marine life. In order to make the trip possible, the students completed various projects, logged in many volunteer hours and participated in fundraisers. They are already looking forward to sailing away on another adventure next year!

#### **BUENA VISTA LONGHORN CHOIR AND ART ACADEMY**



On May 22nd the BV Longhorn Choir and Art Academy traveled to San Antonio, TX to perform at the Tobin Center with the San Antonio Symphony. After performing to the program "The Orchestra Rocks" students enjoyed eating and playing at Incredible Pizza. Great job, students and teachers. All your hard work paid off!

#### **BUENA VISTA ROBOTICS**

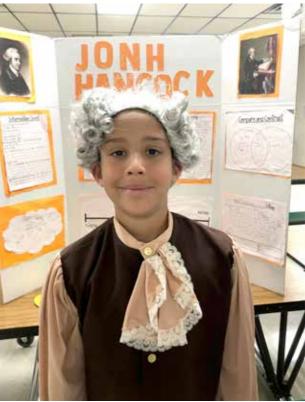




On May 21st Buena Vista's Robotic Team traveled all the way to NASA to learn about the space program. Students were able to tour Johnson Space Center, explore the museum and some even took virtual rides into space.

#### **WAX MUSEUM COMES TO LIFE**





Second grade students at Buena Vista Elementary presented their wax museum to parents, friends, and schoolmates. They studied several historical figures this year in Social Studies. Then they portrayed their historical figure of choice.

#### DR. FERMIN CALDERON PTO VIVA CALDERON FESTIVAL





The Dr. Fermin Calderon Elementary School Parent-Teacher Organization had their first Viva Calderon Festival on Friday, May 24, 2019 from 5:00-7:00 pm on the school grounds. The newly established PTO joined forces with the awesome staff at DFC and put together a fun celebration for the community and families of DFC. Dr. Fermin Calderon's son and daughter in law, Albert and Santa Calderon, were present as we paid tribute to Dr. Calderon and his many contributions to the community of Del Rio. A big thank you goes out to Mayor Lozano, Del Rio Police Department, Val Verde Sheriff's Office, Del Rio High School Dance Company, Del Rio Freshmen Sapphires, Toxic All Star Athletes and Casa de la Cultura for being present that night. These groups either entertained the crowd or provided information at booths. We also would like to thank Rock and Jump for their donations and Team Kaos Volleyball for their help! It was a successful event!

#### **CALDERON 2019 SENIOR WALK**



Dr. Fermin Calderon was graced with visitors from the graduating class of 2019. The Coyote Alumni returned to visit staff and students at their once elementary campus on Tuesday, May 28, 2019. The soon to be graduates received well wishes in form of posters, cheers and claps as they walked the halls at DFC. DFC is so very happy for the students and wish them the very best in their future endeavors!

#### DR. FERMIN CALDERON FINE ARTS SHOW





They say every minute a star is born and Dr. Fermin Calderon Elementary definitely did their part to showcase their young stars with a spectacular Art show. The aspiring artists, singers and dancers stepped into the spotlight over two nights this spring. Students in kindergarten, first and second grade displayed their artistic talents on Wednesday, May 22, 2019, while third, fourth, and fifth grade students stole the spotlight on Thursday, May 23, 2019. The show featured artwork by each individual student enrolled in the school in all areas of the campus. The night also featured singing and dancing by students of all grade levels. Thanks to the Education Foundation, the two grant awarded programs were also able to display their year's work at this show. The Young Entrepreneurs sold pieces of unique artwork that night including coasters, t-shirts, handmade recycled crayons, jewelry pieces and several other projects. Wednesday night ended with a grand finale display of Cardio Drumming by volunteer students led by students Devin Ibarra and Christopher Garza. Our strings students also performed the pieces they have been working on this school year on Thursday night. It was truly a night to remember! Special thanks goes out to our awesome art teacher Miss Erica Hernandez for organizing this successful event. A special thank you also goes out to our staff members, Mr. B. Guerrero, Mr. T. Garza, Coach Juarez-Dobbins, Coach Cortinas, and Coach Mireles for their help in making this event possible! We would also like to thank our Young Entrepreneurs Club sponsors Mrs. Yasmin Zuniga and Mrs. Leticia Reyna!

#### **ISABELLE GONZALEZ**



Isabelle Gonzalez signed with Bellevue University in Bellevue, Nebraska to run cross country and track.

#### **GUY CREAMER**



Guy Creamer signed with Hardin Simmons University in Abilene, Texas to play football.

#### **MOISES ESCAJEDA**



Moises Escajeda signed with Howard Payne University in Brownwood, Texas to play basketball.

#### **ANTHONY MALDONADO**



Anthony Maldonado signed with the University of Dallas in Dallas, Texas to play baseball.

#### **DAVID TELLEZ**



David Tellez signed with Our Lady of the Lake University in San Antonio, Texas to play soccer.

#### **HECTOR ARRANAGA**



Hector Arranaga signed with Howard Payne University in Brownwood, Texas to play golf.