

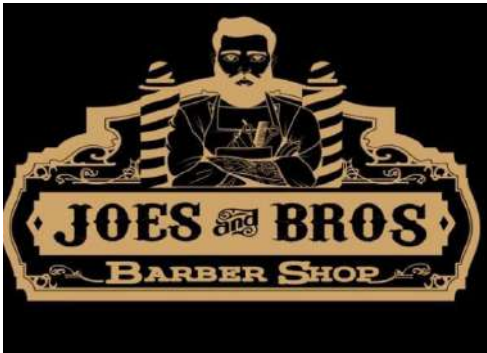
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Our first community spotlight interview is Joe Flores from Joe's Barbershop who has been cutting hair for 20 years. Joe's Barbershop is located at 1027 Dover Pl, Delano, 93215. You can view his work @ Joes&BrosBabershop on Instagram. Joe Flores interviewed by his daughter, Sophia Flores.

Sophia Flores: How did you get into the barber business?

Joe Flores: My mom went to barber school and she would cut my brother's hair in that backyard. At first she wasn't good at it and didn't know how to use the machines properly, but one day I showed her what each machine was for and how to properly use them. I never knew how, but I watched the people at the barber shop do it. Once I showed her how to do a lot of things and she got better, she told me I should go to barber school for barbering and that I was a natural at it. She told me that I could make more money and be my own boss, so I went with her one day to school and it felt like high school, a bunch of young people who were open minded and willing to learn; the next day I signed up and I've been a barber ever since.

Sophia Flores: Who inspired you and why?

Joe Flores: My Tio Tony inspired me because he was a barber and had a house, cars and a barber shop. I wanted to be like that.

Sophia Flores: What was it like starting your own business?

Joe Flores: It was hard at first, because I was by myself the first 2 or 3 years. I worked alone, so it was tough. I had to be there all day and all night to keep the business open.

Sophia Flores: What's the hardest haircut you've done?

Joe Flores: Peso Pluma

Sophia Flores: What's your biggest barber pet peeve?

Joe Flores: Uhh, I don't like when customers ask dumb questions. Like when they call the barbershop and I'll be like "Hello, barbershop" and then they ask, "Are you guys open?"

Sophia Flores: What do you think is a good way to market yourself?

Joe Flores: Instagram! The best way I've made my living is off posting my work on social media. That's made my business really good.



Celebrating Mexican Heritage Month Written by Heather Herrera

Here's everything you need to know about Mexico Independence Day, September 16. The Mexican War of Independence was an armed conflict and political process resulting in Mexico's independence from the Spanish Empire. It was not a single, coherent event, but local and regional struggles occurred within the same period, and can be considered a revolutionary civil war. Slavery lasted more than 300 years in New Spain until Vicente Guerrero abolished the practice in 1829; almost 40 years before President Abraham Lincoln would do the same in the United States when he signed the Emancipation Proclamation in 1863.

On September 16, 1810, Mexico declared independence from Spain under Miguel Hidalgo on September 15, 1953. September 16, marks an eventful day in the history of Mexico. It was a rallying call that ignited the Mexican War of Independence. This day is also known as the "Cry of Dolores" (El Grito de Dolores) when Miguel Hidalgo, a priest, rang the church bells and called for rebellion against Spanish rule.

Mexican Independence Day has become a huge nationwide celebration over the past 200 years. Fireworks fill the skies at night and the day is filled with patriotic speeches, flag-waving, parades, live music, and home-cooked feasts. Red, white, and green colors of the Mexican flag are seen everywhere across Mexico and even in cities in the U.S. with large Mexican populations. Rosario Sotelo, 8th grade, stated "It feels great, it is a blessing to be part of it. I'm proud to be part of Mexican culture. Family gatherings are a huge part of being Mexican." Sotelo describes it, "As a part of a Mexican family, we like to party." She goes on to say, "As well as getting together and talking about things that matter. For example, my quinceanera, which is upcoming next year, is something that we Latinos celebrate and is truly important." Daniel Vargas stated "It feels nice since you get to go to a lot of Mexican parties." He states, "I am glad to be a proud Mexican."

One of the most popular events connected to Mexican Independence Day is when the President of Mexico rings the 200-year-old bell that Father Hidalgo used in 1810 and recites the Grito de Dolores speech in front of 500,000 people. This event is broadcast live to millions via Mexican tv and radio on the evening of September 15. Mid-September in Mexico, the country is decorated with Mexican flags and the streets are colored with parties, parades, and fireworks. Mexican Independence Day is a national holiday and banks, government offices, schools, and most workplaces are closed. Celebrations also take place in Mexican communities around the world.

Principal's Message

Welcome to the 2nd quarter of the 23-24 school year. I am excited for the opportunities this year brings! I encourage each of you to be here every day and to give your best, ALWAYS!

Being here every day is the best way to ensure your success! Attendance is closely monitored, and we will honor students with great attendance throughout the year!

Congratulations to those of you who made great improvements on your SBAC tests last year. We will begin working on a field trip for you soon!

Finally, please be aware of your words and actions on a daily basis. Think before you act or speak. We never know exactly what others are going through, and it is always best to be kind!

Wishing each of you a wonderful year!

Mrs. Townson

Me: when I think smart



Zaile E. (#10) with a set against Pioneer. La Vina Junior Varsity beat Pioneer 2 sets to 0.



Alyssa P. (#5) with a spike against ATMS. Varsity girls beat ATMS at home 2 sets to 0.



Ian T. (#07), Andrew I. (#11) and Brandon N. (#15) celebrate a touchdown against ATMS. Flag Football was victorious at home.

Keeping up with the Eagles



Arelio R. interviewed by Xitali S.

Xitlali S. : What would you change about last school year?
Arelio R. : Probably the sports.
Xitlali S. : What would you like to accomplish by the end of the school year?
Arelio R. : Get good grades.
Xitlali S.: Would you rather go to school for 4 days a week for 10 hours or 5 days a week for 8 hours?
Arelio R. : I would rather go to school 4 days a week for 10 hours.
Xitlali S. : Would you rather receive \$1,000 or meet your idol?
Arelio R. : I would rather receive \$1,000.
Xitlali S. : What motivates you to come to school everyday?
Arelio R. : My friends motivate me to come to school everyday.
Xitlali S. : Fit check!! Where is your shirt from?
Arelio R. : Burberry.
Xitlali S. : Where are your pants from?
Arelio R. : True Religion.
Xitlali S. : Where are your shoes from?
Arelio . : Coach.

Teacher Talk



Mrs. Aguirre interviewed by Jazleen T.

Jazleen - How long have youve been teaching for?
Mrs.Aguirre - Ive been teaching for 8 years.
Jazleen - Where do you see yourself in 5 years?
Mrs.Aguirre - I see myself still working here at La Vina teaching learning and growing personally.
Jazleen- What schools have you taught at?
Mrs.Aguirre - I was a long term substitute teacher for over 5 years so I got to teach at every elementary & middle school here. The most I've been able to teach at was Almond Tree, Cecil, & La Vina.
Jazleen- Out of all grades taught, what is the best grade taught?
Mrs.Aguirre - I originally liked fourth grade, fourth grade was fun, but I ultimately liked sixth grade. Sixth grade is fun because you get to communicate with the students a lot better and we get to go to SCICON.
Jazleen - How do you show your school sprit?
Mrs.Aguirre - By making sure I come to work every single day. I try to be energetic and I try to get all my students to participate in any after school activty like sports & ASB anything like that.
Jazleen - If you won the lottery & decided to quit teaching what would you do?
Mrs.Aguirre - I guess I will be just a stay at home mom and live in a mansion.
Jazleen - What are your strengths & weakness as a teacher?
Mrs. Aguirre - My strengths would be the willingness to learn & to grow I like to talk i think thats a strength as well. My weakness, I have a hard time asking for help.



Chanelle H. interviewed by Soleil S

Soleil S. : What would you change about last school year?
Chanelle H. : I would change how much drama there was last year.
Soleil S. : What is one thing you would like to accomplish by the end of this school year?
Chanelle H. : I'd like to get good grades and good classes.
Soleil S.: Who is your favorite teacher so far and why are they your favorite?
Chanelle H. : Mr. Fernandez because he's funny and he tells good stories and he's not that strict.
Soleil S. : Would you rather go to school for four days a week for ten hours or five days a week for eight hours and why?
Chanelle H.: Five days for eight hours because that's usually how many times I go to school. It's just that we usually come for 6 hours.
Soleil S. : Would you rather receive \$100 or meet your idol and why?
Chanelle H.: \$100 because I don't have an idol.
Soleil S. : What motivates you to come to school every day?
Chanelle H. : Seeing my friends.
Soleil S. : Where do you get your clothes from?? Fit check?!
Chanelle H.: Usually my clothes are from Boot Barn, Shein, and Ross.



Mrs. Wesir interviewed by Mazee M.

Mazee: How long have you been teaching?
Mrs. Wesir: I have been teaching for 10 years.
Mazee: Where do you see yourself in 5 years?
Mrs.Wesir: In 5 years I see myself here at La Vina, wiser, smarter, and a better teacher then I am today.
Mazee: How do you show your school spirit?
Mrs. Wesir: I show my school spirit by making myself available to my students and attending all extracurricular activities and meetings held for La Vina, that is why im one of the ASB advisors because I love being a part of stuff.
Mazee: What are your strengths and weaknesses as a teacher?
Mrs.Wesir: My strengths and weaknesses as a teacher are that I'm very patient and kind, but those are also my weaknesses because I let my students take advantage of me because I want to be kind.
Mazee: If you won the lottery and decided to give up teaching, what would you do instead?
Mrs.Wesir: I would give up teaching and be a stay at home mom.
Mazee: What mission were you motivated to undertake to become a teacher?
Mrs.Wesir: Going to school and college because of all the studying and tests.