

Spanish Department Newsletter

Inside this issue:

A Trip to the Zoo

¡Felicitaciones a
Marissa Watson!

Spanish Club

Featured Recipe

Latin American
News

Hispanic Heritage
Month

Tutor and Lab
Hour
Schedule

Upcoming Events:

Noche Internacional:

November 12

A Trip to the Zoo

On September 24, 2011, the Spanish Club went to the St. Louis Zoo to visit the animals and practice Spanish. This enabled the students to learn new vocabulary in a fun setting.



Animal Vocabulary:

- Penguin= Pingüino
- Elephant= Elefante
- Zebra= Cebra
- Lion= León
- Tiger= Tigre
- Monkey= Mono
- Giraffe= Jirafa
- Peacock= Pavo real
- Snake= Serpiente
- Bear= Oso
- Bird= Pájaro
- Flamingo= Flamenco
- Ostrich= Avestruz
- Turtle= Tortuga
- Iguana= Iguana

¡Felicitaciones a Marissa Watson!

Congratulations to Marissa!

Marissa Watson entered an essay contest this month held by the Hispanic Heritage Organization. This contest was created to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month and the topic was *"The Importance of Education for Latino Youths and Adults"*. Marissa was selected as one of the winners, and Friday, September 30, 2011, she attended a ceremony in Chicago, IL to receive her award. Once again, congratulations Marissa.

Phrase of the month:

La vida no es un problema para ser resuelto, es un misterio para ser vivido.

-Anónimo

Life is not a problem to be solved but it is a mystery to be lived.

-Anonymous

Spanish Club



Congratulations to the new Spanish Club officers!

President:

Amelia Kirby

Vice President:

Shelby Waltrip

Secretary:

Allison Call

Treasurer:

Roselia Flores

Still Interested in Joining Spanish Club?

Come to the next meeting!
Wednesday nights: 6:30p.m.
Hudson 200

The purpose of Spanish Club is to come together to share a common interest in culture and language. Amelia Kirby, *club president*, says "we want the members to experience culture in a way that cannot be taught through text. Throughout the year, Spanish club takes several trips such as: going to the zoo and to Sol de Mexico, and they meet once weekly to practice their Spanish in a nonacademic setting." If you are interested in joining, feel free to come to the next meeting!

-Marissa Watson



Latin American News

Mexico Presidential Elections 2012: Enrique Peña Nieto Announces Candidacy

On September 19, 2011, Enrique Peña Nieto, the former governor of Mexico City, announced that he plans to seek the nomination to run in the July 2012 election as the candidate of the once all-powerful Institutional Revolutionary Party, or PRI. Even before Enrique announced that he would run for president many Mexicans already believed that Enrique would be the new president for Mexico. In the *Huffington Post*, it says "Peña Nieto, 45, is seen as the PRI's best chance to regain the presidency it held for more than 70 years before losing to Vicente Fox in 2000 and then Felipe Calderon in 2006, both part of the National Action Party, or PAN." However, many politicians believe that Enrique is not

ready to be president. Political analyst Jose Antonio Crespo said, "He's not very modern, but at least his behavior has nothing to do with a renewed PRI." In addition, Enrique Peña Nieto is married to the popular Televisa soap opera actress Angélica Rivera. Her reputation as one of Televisa's biggest money-makers has led many to speculate about Peña Nieto's relationship in a presidential campaign with Mexico's most powerful television network. The election will be in July 2012.



-Roselia Flores

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2011/09/20/enrique-pena-nieto-president-mexico_n_972545.html

Dessert: Arroz con Leche

Arroz con Leche is the Cuban version of rice pudding.



Ingredients

- 2 1/4 cups water
- 1 1/2 cups short grain rice
- 1 (1/4 inch x 3 inch) strip lime peel
- 1/2 cup water
- 1 cinnamon stick
- 2 tablespoons anise seed, crushed
- 1 (12 ounce) can evaporated milk
- 1 (14 ounce) can condensed milk
- 1 tablespoon vanilla extract
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 cup raisins (*optional*)

<http://allrecipes.com/Recipe/arroz-con-leche/detail.aspx>

Directions

1. Combine 2 1/4 cups of water, rice, and lime peel in a saucepan. Bring to a boil over medium-high heat, then reduce heat to medium-low, cover, and simmer for 20 minutes until the rice is tender.
2. While the rice is cooking, combine 1/2 cup of water, the cinnamon stick, and anise in another saucepan over medium-high heat. Bring mixture to a low boil for 3 minutes, then remove saucepan from stove. Strain flavored water into a bowl and set aside, discarding cinnamon stick and anise pieces.
3. After rice has simmered for 20 minutes, carefully remove the lime peel with a slotted spoon, and over low heat, gradually stir evaporated milk and condensed milk into the rice. Mix in the cinnamon and anise-flavored water, vanilla, and salt. Add raisins, if desired. Continue to stir until the mixture thickens, about 7 to 10 minutes.
4. If the pudding is too watery after 10 minutes, turn up heat to medium-low and stir continuously. When pudding reaches desired consistency, remove from heat and pour into individual dishes, or a large bowl. Store in the refrigerator until ready to serve.

Hispanic Heritage Month

*Word of the
Month:
Zoológico
Zoo*

Hispanic Heritage Month is a celebration in America that recognizes the cultures and traditions of United States citizens who trace their origins to Spain, Mexico, and the Spanish speaking countries in Central and South America, including the Caribbean. Hispanic Heritage Month starts on September 15 and ends on October 15.

-Marissa Watson

Independence Days

September 15: Costa Rica,
El Salvador,
Guatemala,
Honduras,
Nicaragua

September 16: Mexico

September 18: Chile



SP201 STUDENTS :

Don't forget to complete two lab hours each week using your TellMeMore account. One of your lab hours has to be completed in the computer lab, but the other can be done at home. Participating in lab is very important not only because it affects your grade, but also because it improves your Spanish. As you are doing the activities, you are practicing your listening, reading, writing, and speaking skills. Therefore, make good use of your TellMeMore account; it will be to your advantage.

Spanish Tutoring and Lab Hours

Fall 2011

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8-9 am	Marissa 203		Marissa 203		Marissa 203
9-10	Shelby 222	Allison 203	Shelby 222		Shelby 203
10-11 am		Marissa 222 Allison 203		Alison 222 Marissa 203	
11-12 pm	Tiffany 203	Depart- ment Meeting	Tiffany 203	Tiffany 203	Tiffany 203
12-1 pm	Tiffany 222	Tiffany 222	Tiffany 222	Tiffany 203	Allison 203 Tiffany 222
1-2 pm		Marissa 203	Allison 203	Marissa 222	Allison 203
2-3 pm			Allison 203		
3-4 pm					
4-5 pm	Allison Lab		Shelby Lab		
5-6 pm	Allison Lab	Shelby Lab	Shelby Lab	Shelby 203	
6-7 pm		Shelby Lab		Shelby 203 Marissa Lab	
7-8 pm				Marissa Lab	

We want to hear from YOU!

If you have suggestions, articles, recipes, phrases, photographs, or anything else you can think of that you would like to submit to the Spanish Department Newsletter, please contact

Marissa Watson at:

marissa.watson@blackburn.edu

or Roselia Flores at:

roselia.flores@blackburn.edu

Any and all submissions are very much appreciated.

¡Muchísimas gracias!

Credits

Designers.....Roselia Flores, Marissa Watson

Contributing Writers.....Marissa Watson, Roselia Flores

● Photography.....Dr. Meliza Ramirez

● Spanish Club.....Amelia Kirby

● Hispanic Heritage Month... www.biography.com/hispanic-heritage/hh_about.jsp

Featured Recipe.....<http://allrecipes.com/Recipe/arroz-con-leche/detail.aspx>

Latin American News.....Roselia Flores,
<http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2011/09/20/enrique-pena-nieto>