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Sadly, the sweet goat Lluvia died this week. Lluvia was probably born around June, 2005. She and her brother Nube were gifts to Kino from the Bloom family in 2006. We are looking for a new goat to keep Nube company.

In Memory of Lluvia

by Cassandra and Alex Huerta

She was a good goat and we loved her a lot. She will be missed. It will be hard for Nube, too. He will miss his sister.

From the archives

This article was written by Ariel Porter, It appeared in the January 16, 2004, **Kino Connection**.

Lunch Duty: A Vital Kino Tradition

by Ariel

Lunch duty is a very crucial and essential thing. Without it, the eating areas would become disgusting and dirty. That's why every day one home room has the duty of . . . Lunch Duty. It alternates through the seven home rooms.

There are three centers where kids eat. Each one has to have the tables wiped clean, the chairs or cubes put away, the floors swept, and the trash taken out. Some home rooms have a first come first serve rule for choosing jobs. Others have the jobs assigned in advance.

Younger students always do an excellent job helping out and older kids should take a hint from them. It's very important that you do your job and not pass it off on others, because that is not the Kino way.

Lluvia Memorial Hoedown

Don't forget the Spring Hoedown tomorrow, Saturday, March 28. We'll get started at 4 o'clock. The students who have been taking music with Lisa will be performing. Admission is free, and we will have a cook out with food for sale.

The proceeds will benefit the Animal Center, gardens, and other outdoor areas.

Grief is the price we pay for love.

--- Queen Elizabeth II

Some thoughts about

Lluvia

collected by Alex H and
Cassandra

"Every little child loved her." Rebekah

"I was getting to be friends with her." Chloe

"She was a very sweet goat." Judy

"That grey reminds me of her collar." Josh L.

"She was a cute white goat, whose eyes were very

pretty." "I liked her very much, even her goaty

slobber." Jonna

"She was such a sweet goat. When I let her out of her pen she used to run around with me." "She would

stop running when I stopped running." "She liked

scratches and she loved mesquite pods." "She

smelled likegoat." Heather W.

"She was such a friendly goat, she was so good with

the little kids." "She was a pretty cute goat." Lindsay

"I never thought that I would bond with a goat."

"I always enjoyed seeing her run up to the fence when she knew she would get a handful of sweet

feed." Jennifer

"Lluvia was a good goat." Christy

"I loved Lluvia." Alex V.

"I liked that she always seemed happy." Ellie

"She was very nice." Emmi

"I loved her. She was the best girl goat I had ever met!" Alex H.

"I love Lluvia. She was one of the best goats I had ever seen." "I loved her a lot." Cassandra

Pets are humanizing. They remind us we have an obligation and responsibility to preserve and nurture and care for all life.

- James Cromwell

Congratulations Heather!

Congratulations to Heather Eastman. She has heard from every college to which she applied and they have all accepted her. She has been accepted by Gettysburg College and Wells College, both private liberal arts colleges back east; The Evergreen State College in Washington, which Heather the teacher graduated from, and Northern Arizona University. Now, to make the decision !

Sixteen Ways of Looking at Homeroom

In one of the junior high weekly summaries a few years back, Mary Jane asked: "Why is participation in homeroom important?" These are all bone fide student statements.

- Sometimes there can be announcements and activities.
- To lend the homeroom teacher a hand.
- Cleaning the homeroom.
- Helping the "lit-luns."
- It's more fun when everyone participates.
- It is good to tell people what you're going to do and how your day went.
- It is good to make friends with the people in your homeroom.
- You can learn about each other.
- You learn social skills.
- If you don't, you spoil the fun for everyone.
- It is bonding.
- To get organized and collect your thoughts.
- Our homeroom is like our family.
- To feel part of the community.
- To solve problems.
- To be a role model for younger kids.

I think the students nailed it. Each of those reasons recognizes a distinct and important reason for homeroom. You can learn about upcoming field trips and activities that you might otherwise miss out on; you can learn to appreciate people of all different ages; you can learn how to participate in making decisions; you can learn to make waffles, play ghost in the graveyard, and sardines; you can learn to plan your day; you can learn that you are an important part of the group. But --

You can't learn from home room if you are not in home room. Homeroom starts at 8:30. That's when you need to get to school.

**Tomorrow -- March 28 -- 10 am -
Nutritionalist Ginger Carter will talk about
how to feed Healthy Happy Kids. RSVP
Donna Shelor-Cole 744-7004**

The Pacific Northwest Trip

Dates: May 4 - 18, 2009

Adults attending this trip will be Heather, Ann, Martha Martin, and TBA

Cost: Will range from \$400 to \$450. The exact cost depends on fundraising.

We are planning a 15-day road trip to the Pacific Northwest, from Tucson to the coast of Washington and back.

We will be focusing on three main themes: forests, volcanoes, and marine biology. We plan to visit the bristle cone pines (the oldest living trees in the world), the redwood forests (the tallest trees in the world), the giant sequoias (the most massive ones), the giant spruces, and the temperate rainforest. We will see the results of extensive logging and learn about its environmental impacts.

We will see Mount Shasta, Crater Lake, Mount Hood, Mount Adams, Mount Saint Helens, and Mount Rainier, all of which are active volcanoes. We also hope to visit some hot springs along the way.

We will also be visiting several aquariums: The Seattle Aquarium, the Monterey Bay Aquarium, and Scripps Birch Aquarium. We will also be camping on the beach and tidepooling!

It's a Raffle !

Martha Martin is raffling one of her beautiful bead crochet necklaces to raise money for the Pacific Northwest Trip. Martha's beadwork jewelry is sold in fine jewelry stores and is exquisite. The necklace that is being raffled is a choker for an adult or it can be a nice dangle necklace for a child.

Tickets are 1 for a dollar; 5 for \$3; or 8 for \$5.

The winning ticket will be drawn at lunch time on Friday, April 10th, the day before spring break. The winner does not need to be present to win.

We'll let you know if you've put your contact information on the ticket and we will also announce the winner in the Kino Connection.

You can buy your raffle tickets at the front desk from Nancy or you can call Martha at 250-8376.

