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Fiesta De Amistad returns

The special guest Ballet Folklórico dance group brought by the Mexican Consulate performed dances at the Fiesta de Amistad parade during October. This year's parade, which begins at 10 a.m., will start on West Second Street and end on 2006 N. Main St. (Photo by Louis Zylka)

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Enjoy fall vibes and Halloween games at Sacred Heart

BY LOUIS ZYLKA
THE 830 TIMES

The Annual Sacred Heart Catholic School (SHCS) Fall Fest returns with food, music, games and more at 209 E. Greenwood St. on Friday, Oct. 16, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

The Fall Fest, which will be free to the public, is being put together by the SHCS crew for the first time after a long hiatus. SHCS Principal Julie Ricks spoke with The 830 Times early in the week to give information on the school's fall event, which she mentioned was brought back by SHCS last year.

Ricks said the Fall Fest was brought back by popular demand from past SHCS alumni asking about the festival throughout the past couple of years, which she added was a "big (event at SHCS)"

"We invite the entire Del Rio community to join us. We want everyone to know that everyone in Del Rio is invited because we have been working so hard to make this (event) not just for our students and families, but for everybody to have a fun evening," Ricks said.

The festival will have over 10 food trucks and a DJ playing music on site along with many activities, including cake walks, bouncy castles and a miniature train for children to ride on. Ricks said one aspect that makes the Fall Fest special is the involvement of all the teachers and parents, who will host different game booths on Friday evening.



Children play ring-tossing games with witch hats at the 2025 Sacred Heart School (SHCS) Fall Fest. The SHCS Fall Fest returns at 209 E. Greenwood St. on Friday, Oct. 16, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. (Photo by Principal Julie Ricks)

One special part of this year's festival is that members of the school's parent-teacher club (PTC) will be adding a "Willy Wonka's Candy Trail," inspired by the books from Roald Dahl, which involves five candy-themed stations with staff dressed as characters from Willy Wonka giving away candy and treats to the

children who attend.

While admission for the Fall Fest is free to the public, people need to purchase tickets for the games, food from the school's staff and the "Willy Wonka Candy Trail." An ofrenda, a Mexican altar for Day of the Dead, will be set up for families to honor their loved ones who have

passed away.

A costume contest will also take place at the festival with cash prizes for first, second and third-place winners. Ricks said there will be three categories, which include the funniest, the most creative and the best overall costumes.

Ricks said SHCS is at full capacity this year, and

added that she believes Sacred Heart is a huge part of the Del Rio community. While the Fall Fest is a fundraiser for SHCS, Ricks said the goal of the event is to "bring families together so they can create memories with their children and celebrate our wonderful community."

Fiesta de Amistad brings new routes, familiar spirit of friendship

BY JOEL LANGTON
THE 830 TIMES

Fiesta de Amistad will have a different look this weekend, with a new parade route and more activities centered at the Val Verde County Fairgrounds, but its purpose remains rooted in friendship — and helping local students.

Last year, the celebration helped provide 26 scholarships through the International Good Neighbor

Council's scholarship program, Miss Del Rio pageant and annual art contest, said Andrew Scarbo, the International Good Neighbor Council/Del Rio Chapter's president.

This year's celebration carries the message, "Stronger Together, United by Friendship," with events continuing Friday through Sunday, Oct. 16-18.

Friday begins with one of the celebration's most enduring tra-

ditions: the Abrazo Ceremony at Amistad Dam at 10 a.m.

"Abrazo," Spanish for "embrace," brings representatives of Del Rio and Ciudad Acuña together at the international boundary to exchange hugs symbolizing the friendship between the neighboring communities.

A mayor's reception follows Friday at 6 p.m. at the Enchanted Event Center. The reception is by invitation only.

Saturday's activities begin early with the Fiesta de Amistad 5K at Star Park. Registration and lineup begin at 7 a.m., followed by the race at 8 a.m. Scarbo said runners will travel up North Main Street to the fairgrounds and back.

The Fiesta de Amistad parade follows at 10 a.m., with participants lining up on West Second Street at 8 a.m. This year's route heads up North Main Street to the fairgrounds.

Scarbo said the parade's move from South Main Street, along with the relocation of the arts and crafts fair, reflects an effort to keep the celebration affordable. He said rising city fees and reduced in-kind assistance made the previous arrangements more expensive.

"If we save money by moving some of our events, then that means more scholarships we can give out," Scarbo said.

The changes also bring several attractions together at the fairgrounds, giving parade spectators a place to continue celebrating after the final entry passes.

"Everyone is welcome to come into the fairgrounds after the parade and enjoy all the Charro Extremo events, the Arts & Crafts, the Khoury Kids Zone, and the McDonald's entertainment arena," Scarbo said.

The council has partnered with ARA Productions to bring Charro Extremo into this year's Fiesta de Amistad lineup.

Activities scheduled across the three days include goat roping, a barbecue cookoff, a charreada, a ranch rodeo, bull riding, bronc riding and live music, Scarbo said.

The arts and crafts fair also runs Friday through Sunday at the fairgrounds, with a listed opening time of 9 a.m.

Together, the new arrangements give this year's celebration a central gathering place while continuing a tradition built around the ties between two neighboring cities.



The Alzafar Shriners, a non-profit organization based in San Antonio, ride in mini cars during the 2025 Fiesta de Amistad Parade. Andrew Scarbo, president of IGNC-Del Rio, said the Shriners will return for the 67th Annual Fiesta de Amistad parade on Saturday, Oct. 17. (Photo by Louis Zylka)

Movie Review: OTHER MOMMY

By Louis Zylka
The 830 Times

While the horror genre has had a strong resurgence with quality films over the years, as history taught us, there are still, and will always be inevitable theatrical stinkers every several months. Unfortunately, there are not a lot of spooky features to entertain audiences this upcoming Halloween season. In the midst of various Oscar-baiting films and thrillers, director Rob Savage has

given us the supernatural horror film of the month, "Other Mommy."

Savage's film focuses on a dysfunctional family which is not original, and the daughter (Arabella Olivia Clark) befriending a supernatural entity that takes the form and likeness of her mother Ursula (Jessica Chastain). As this unknown creature begins to attack the family, Ursula and her husband Russ (Jay Duplass) attempt to hide in various areas to protect their daughter from

an expected doom. What the film ends up becoming is a never-ending comical chase sequence for the rest of the film that might as well be a Scooby-Doo cartoon episode.

Chastain does her absolute best with a silly script, but she and the rest of the cast seem to be given awful direction and end up looking like clowns throughout most of the runtime (it does not help that the characters are also terrible people). And though there is a cool visual or two, the film is jarring and terribly edited and filled with embarrassing dialogue, ugly cinematography and a comical plot that ends with a heart-felt, but unearned ending.

"Other Mommy" is not the worst film ever made, but it is absolutely one of the worst films of the year.



Jessica Chastain plays dual parts as the parent of her daughter Bela and a supernatural being taking her likeness to attack her family in "Other Mommy," directed by Rob Savage. (Courtesy Photo)

The cons outweigh the pros, making this October-released horror movie a snooze fest easy to forget.

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6TH FIESTA DE AMISTAD PARADE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17TH

CELEBRATE THE FIESTA DE AMISTAD FESTIVITIES WITH THE ANNUAL PARADE BEGINNING AT STAR PARK, 601 N MAIN ST., AND ENDING AT 2006 N. MAIN ST., ON SATURDAY, OCT. 17, AT 10 A.M.

LIVING HISTORY DAY

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16TH, AND SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17TH

LEARN ABOUT TEXAS HISTORY AND PARTAKE IN HANDS-ON HISTORY ACTIVITIES AT THE WHITEHEAD MEMORIAL MUSEUM, 1308 S. MAIN ST., ON FRIDAY, OCT. 16, AND SATURDAY, OCT. 17.

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SHS FALL FESTIVAL

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16TH

SUPPORT SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL AND ENJOY THE FALL FESTIVITIES AND GAMES AT 209 E. GREENWOOD ST. ON FRIDAY, OCT. 16, FROM 5 P.M. TO 9 P.M.

NOCHE DE DESPACHO

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17TH

ENJOY MUSIC AND SING TO SPANISH CLASSICS AT MESQUITE CREEK OUTFITTERS, 800 S. MAIN ST., ON SATURDAY, OCT. 17, FROM 8 P.M. TO 12 A.M.



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HOMECOMING PARADE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21ST

WATCH PARADE FLOATS MADE BY DEL RIO HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS DURING THE HOMECOMING PARADE TAKING PLACE THROUGH NORTH MAIN STREET ON WEDNESDAY, OCT. 21, AT 5:30 P.M.



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830 Entertainment: *Events at a glance!*

FIESTA DE AMISTAD:

CHARRO EXTREMO

OCT. 16, 17 & 18 - The Val Verde County Fairgrounds, 2006 N Main St., will have Fieste de Amistad events. Goat Roping events will take place on Friday, Oct. 16, at 5 p.m. Charreado and Charro Extremo events will take place on Saturday, Oct. 17, at 4 p.m. The ranch rodeo events will take place on Sunday, Oct. 18, at 12 p.m.

FIESTA DE AMISTAD PARADE

OCT. 17 - The Annual Fiesta de Parade will take place from Star Park, 601 N. Main St., and end at the Val Verde County Fairground, 2006 N. Main St., on Saturday, Oct. 17, at 10 a.m.

CAR SHOW

OCT. 17 - The annual Fiesta de Amistad Car Show will take place at the Del Rio Civic Center, 1915 Veterans Blvd, on Saturday, Oct. 17, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

EVENTS THIS WEEK

17TH ANNUAL PUMPKIN PATCH

OCT. 16 THROUGH OCT. 31 - The First United Methodist Church, 100 Spring St., has brought back its annual pumpkin patch available from Friday, Oct. 16, through Saturday, Oct. 31. The pumpkin patch will be open Monday through Friday from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Sunday from 12 p.m. to 7 p.m.

POKEMON TOURNEY AT 7 P.M.

OCT. 16 - Anime lovers can partake in the Pokemon Trading Card Game (TCG) sessions at Draculina's Nerdvana, 401 S. Main St., on Friday, Oct. 16, at 7 p.m.

LIVING HISTORY DAY

OCT. 17 & 18 - Take part in interactive demonstrations and meet living history interpreters at the Whitehead Memorial Museum, 1308 S. Main St., on Friday, Oct. 16, from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 17, from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

DONUTS WITH DAD

OCT. 17 - Fathers and their children can participate in an arts-and-crafts workshop at the Val Verde County Library, 300 Spring St., on Saturday, Oct. 17, from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

COUNTRY STORE

OCT. 17 - Shop pumpkins and meet local vendors at the First United Methodist Church, 100 Spring St., on Saturday, Oct. 17, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

SILLY MONSTER PORTRAITS

OCT. 17 - Children can learn to create Halloween creatures for two hours at the kids acrylic painting workshop at Marcos Mares Art Studio & Gallery, 205 E. Ogden St., on Saturday, Oct. 17, at 3 p.m. Entry for one child is \$40.

SHCS FALL FESTIVAL

OCT. 16 - Attend the Sacred Heart Catholic School (SHCS) fundraiser and pay games at the Annual SHCS Fall Fest at 209 E. Greenwood St. on Friday, Oct. 16, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

GAMES AT DRACULINA'S

OCT. 17 - Play Games at Draculina's Nerdvana, 401 S. Main St., on Saturday, Oct. 17. The Digimon card game tourney will be at 2 p.m. and the one piece tourney will be at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m.

NOCHE DE DESPACHO

OCT. 17 - Enjoy music and sing to Spanish

break-up songs at Mesquites Creek Outfitters, 800 S. Main St., on Saturday, Oct. 17, from 8 p.m. to 12 a.m.

KID'S STORY TIME AT PUMPKIN PATCH

OCT. 21 - The Val Verde County Library will take its weekly story-time for children to the First United Methodist Church, 100 Spring St., on Wednesday, Oct. 21, from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

DRHS HOME COMING PARADE

OCT. 21 - The Del Rio High School homecoming week will continue with its annual homecoming parade, which will take place on North Main Street and end at Walter Levermann Stadium, 100 Memorial Dr, on Wednesday, Oct. 21, at 5:30 p.m.

BLACK CAT PORTRAIT

OCT. 22 - Learn to create black cats for two hours at a local art workshop at Marcos Mares Art Studio & Gallery, 205 E. Ogden St., on Wednesday, Oct. 22, at 3 p.m. Entry for one person is \$40.

HORROR MOVIE AT MESQUITE

OCT. 22 - Mesquite Creek Outfitters, 800 S. Main St., will be screening "Friday the 13th" as part of its weekly horror-movie marathon on Thursday, Oct. 22, at 7:30 p.m.

POUR TOUR

ONGONG - Visit local bars and collect stamps to receive an exclusive 2026 Pour Tour T-Shirt by supporting businesses in Del Rio's downtown area and on Veterans Boulevard. The participating Pour Tour stops include Doc Holliday's Dance Hall & Tombstone Sports Bar, Gorzugis at the Herald, White Horse Lounge, Mesquite Creek Outfitters, SoJo Cellars, Shane's Whiskey & Bourbon House and The Gin House.

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