

Mija's Message "Go Mija! It's your B-day!"

Issue five is here with much, much delay! I honestly do apologize Mijas. This issue is going to be scrumptious because (yet again) Mija Magazine is going through some transition. It seems like we change gears every summer. There have been many Mijas calling me saying, "Roberta Rosa ju got some splaning to do!" OK, OK, OK dis is my "esplanation."



Back toward mid-April we got this thing in Ohio that comes every year called, "Spring." And within this time we Ohioans go totally crazy, porque the weather gets so nice that we think its summer. The boots come off and the chancletas come on, the snowman melts then we eat his carrot nose <--why not it's still fresh right? It has been frozen all winter. So anyways, your girl here felt like she was superior to Mother Nature. I came to find out that I was as superior as a cartoon character about to jump into an empty pool. CRASH! I got a real sweet thing called strep throat. That pushed back the official b-day launch. Then the soup even got sweeter Mijas; in the middle of this plague, I got a call from a local hotel that wanted to interview me the next day for a full-time front desk position. I said raspily, "ERR cough cough...I will be there will bells on!" So I go and with my award winning/world famous personality, *conceited moment* I "whoo" the hotel administration and got the job, then was asked to take a drug test the next day. Mija's I didn't take any medicine that whole night and I was just horrible, pero I passed the drug test and now I work full-time, 2nd shift at a well known hotel. <--Which is going real well.

I hate to have everything pushed back. Believe me, I am not a procrastinator what-so-ever. It's just hard doing this without an office and I got great contributors, but at the pace Mija is growing; now I am happy to say that we are looking for more writers nationally. Mija Magazine gets invited to go to many shows, premiers, events, ect. We finally got a phone number now; it's a cell phone, so Mijas can even call or text me whenever they want. There are a few changes and new sections I wanted to bring to your attention.

First "AcadeMija", I felt that my Mijas in college/high school were being somewhat deprived, so I designed this section to reconnect and revitalize a new network for students to go and get useful information in various subjects: from scholarship information to how to make better Ramen noodle dishes. There is only one story displayed but there will be much more in October! My next move was to merge Mija Commerce with the Politics. We need politics to move commerce & vice versa; might as well merge them right? The tentative name of this merger of sorts will be called "Mija Xchange" if you come up with a better name, please be my guest. Third, since it's summer, plus I have to work, Mija Magazine will be updated bi-weekly as news comes in, but our 6th issue will not be released until October. Fourthly, as you can see toward your left hand side we have a new link entitled, "Affiliates" this link is for any and all Latina/o magazine, newsletter or free publication that would like to publish any of Mija Magazine's articles. Our articles are genuine; like no other and there are other Mijas out there who need some Mija articles in their life.

In closing, I want again apologize for the delay. Mija Magazine is a down-to-earth magazine, so my audience deserves a real explanation. I thank God for all of you that kept me going and kept me accountable. I wanted to let you know that Mija Magazine is not just one of those "great things" that come and fade away to die. We may be down, pero never out and you can take that to the bank and cash it and spend the money all on me! The goal for \$10,000 starts now, so let me straighten up my name tag and go to work while you enjoy Mija's first belated birthday issue. See you in October. Thanks again! Oh....y mira...we are over 25,000 visitors! Peace.

Remember comments, pictures and submissions are always welcome here at Mija Magazine, so

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