

Press Release

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To: Media, PSA Directors, and all interest parties

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Ms Cinco Royalty Reigns

Yakima, WA - The two day Cinco de Mayo Cultural event culminated in the crowning of the Ms. Cinco de Mayo in downtown Yakima. Avina Gutierrez provided leadership training and in getting the young ladies prepared for their time in their continuing education beyond high school.

Briseida Cuevas was crowned Ms Cinco de Mayo 2017. Ms. Cuevas is a junior at Eisenhower High School describes herself as determined. After graduation she plans on attending Yakima Valley Community College before transferring to a University. She enjoys helping others and is already a role model to her younger siblings.

Dalia Lopez was second place as the first Princess. Ms. Lopez is a senior at A.C. Davis High School keeps her plate full. Between her classes at Davis, as well as YV Tech, and working; she finds time to volunteer helping others as a translator with various local labor unions and the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

Jacqueline Granillo won third place as second princess. Ms. Granillo is a senior at East Valley High School is very passionate about sports medicine and is currently enrolled in the Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy and Fitness Therapy program concurrently while finishing her studies at East Valley. She plans on attending Washington State University after graduation.

All were stepped up to the plate in regard to their work, determination and aspirations. This is the beginning for leadership development to help them grow as individuals as they prepare for post graduate work. A total of \$5,000 was awarded in this year's competition

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(L to R) Briseida Cuevas, Ms Cinco de Mayo 2017; Dalia Lopez, 1st Princess; Jacqueline Granillo, 2nd Princess