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Brief Description of Contents: In this week's meeting, students from ANT 300 at the University of Northern Colorado discussed holidays and celebrations with research participants.

Reference Key:

LG = Liz Graf

NC = Nicole Crim

MC = Monica Castillo

DO = Dora Osal

RECORDING TRANSCRIPTION

LG: So today, or this week we're going to talk about holidays and celebrations. It says week two but week this week's topics we've already covered, it was about work and we've all talked about it already so, We figured since both of you missed this week that we could touch on these topics.

NC: Work's not nearly as fun as the holidays.

DO: OK. I think Christmas is the very, is the holiday or celebration my country it's it's February favorite. I like it.

NC: What do you usually do on Christmas.

DO: Okay, we prepare all. For Christmas we made that we prepare the dinner. In family. And we spend more time with a family. All the all day in the day we prepare the meal and then I We share the dinner.

NC: What do you usually eat.

DO: We eat eat Turkey or is like tamal, a the name is a Jaffa.

NC: oh nine.

DO: is like tamales Mexico. is more or less

NC :Yeah. You do the same thing, every year, do you make the same food?

DO: Soon, yes, we prepare it every day. Every year. Every year, yes, very delicious.

NC: I wish we ate like Christmas every day. And every year.

DO: Oh no.

NC: That would be awesome.

DO: Well, it could be better because people are happy and share with the family, but it's not all the years. If not all of the day, so. yeah one year.

MC: how do you make your like tamales? I don't know what is the name.

DO: We prepare its like tamales its called a Jaffa in Venezuela.

MC: is the same as.

DO: Is I don't know how is tamale is but I think is made with corn corn flour and. The they have olives a meal chicken rasins. I don't know what else tamales is. it plantain leafs will have the plantain

NC: Do you make tamales usually, Monica.

MC: Yes, but is different.

NC: How so?

MC: I make meat with the chili, chili Colorado and Of course. i'm going to say.And then.The man.To make. With colored pencils or with chase.The difference, I make the difference. of opinion say in chillicothe in a driveway that corn.What is this.

NC: And you're talking about the Tortilla the. yeah the corn flour Tortilla, I think, is what it is gone.

MC: This course.

NC: Oh no Okay, I know exactly. yeah yeah.Do you make them every Christmas as well, Monica do you eat something different on Christmas.

MC: different foods. yeah I make the name is Marco has made.You can make her nita there's a lot of food, yes.yeah. It might may data.She wants to celebrate the. thanksgiving.With the malice as Mexico.Is a Mexican thanksgiving.

NC: that's awesome I love it I can't make them very well, but I worked with a couple people who made them amazingly and my boss would always ask her and my friend, they call her point cuz she they say she sounds just like a like chicken.she's really.Good she's on everybody all the time, and it is awesome she keeps everybody in line. And she makes a really good tonight.

LG: My really good friends make tamales for Christmas and I want them to teach me. This next Christmas.

DO: Because.I have.

NC: Some good.

DO: Yes, but in Mexico, are very hot because they use a, how can they use hot spicy. very hot spicy no.Yes.

NC: yeah I I cry I would cry a little bit.sweat. A lot.

DO: I just have to drink more water or juice or or we're.

NC: Something like that Gary very cold yeah do you guys usually drink beer, do you guys have beer at your and other alcohol at your celebrations. Christmas or other.tests. yeah.

DO: Yes, we we can drink.

NC: If you want yeah.

DO: or wine or beer, it depends yeah. For these holidays. wine. With the food.

NC: food.Sure do love some wine.

DO: I like yes red wine, yes.

NC: I would agree. Monica did you say that you also you guys also have some beverages.

MC: yeah some people make punches with.

NC: me yeah.

NC: it's fun.

MC: In a big pot with the Gunilla dinamo, then why yeah hey. The heck was a drink.

NC: yeah. that's awesome you guys usually dance there is any like tradition that you guys always do. Besides cooking.

MC: What does it say that.

NC: yeah do you guys like.

MC: dancer yes or yes.
yeah.

NC: that's awesome.

DO: I think. It could be a party. In Mexico along. With so many dancing.

NC: yeah with a music. yeah.that's awesome I only dance if i'm if i've had a lot of the punch. dance.

LG: I I wish our culture, like my culture danced more. mm hmm it's just there's something about dancing I guess that it's not really cool to do, unless you're. A good yeah.

NC: yeah I would agree it's not I don't think i've ever gotten up and danced with my family ever ever like. I would be. Definitely a burst and maybe i'll try to initiate that it's really, what are you doing.

LG: mean in a in high school in the United States, we do prom which. I I loved my partner and I getting the dress up and like.

NC: Non fun.

LG: doing all like we and we dance we didn't do what all the other like teenagers were doing of like oh dancing so not cool. yeah and it'll have everything and was just dancing and it was so much fun and I wish I wish expressing our bodies that way was was a.

NC: more common. yeah yeah would have to do with that. Michael what's your favorite holiday, do you also like Christmas. No, no, you say no.

MC: I like it, because you just pour it that day. But. I have a headache because I. I need to buy presence. order to express. jess yeah because you know. They like what I buy.

NC: mm hmm.

MC: That's why I don't like yeah.

NC: Yeah, I'm too.

MC: Busy or my daughter she say oh don't worry it's either for you. it's time for. Everybody to bought something for everybody, or their friends and my we're on kids and my daughter, and my son busier I don't have a stress.

NC: yeah it's like you put your name on it it's fun yeah.

MC: yeah give me money and then.

DO: Do. They. need to increase muscle work a lot with. Everything.

NC: yeah it's a lot of work, my parents eat out now they'll order food now because they're so sick of cooking for everybody and I were not usually like I haven't been home for Christmas, for the last couple of years, so they're like not going to cook for just my family's pretty small so. Unless everybody's there they're not going to. Get that but i'm miss it, Mrs all the Iron Curtain what's your favorite Monica. Is there anything else that is less stressful maybe. Christmas just any other holiday that you like.

MC: I don't have any favors.

NC: Man favorite. match your birthday.

MC: Maybe when i'm Am I am young but not these days.

NC: yeah they can still be fun right you.

MC: Make it cool I like that December rate. Because, as my. In the town is a celebration, the Church.

NC: I don't you does it have a name.

MC: What does cheapness and. games outside of that just mean what does a mechanic so. Like I said yes, but as I said, mechanic right you're not.

NC: Right yeah yeah yeah. that's awesome. What is it it's a for your church, you said.

LG: Yes, yeah.

MC: it's a data. What do you see my records represent my concept here in the spreadsheet or maybe. yeah.

DO: I, like us, a celebration of in us as. His sons given day I like it it's not for beneficial and bad I know about the celebration. And I think is very. it's a very good day you Too thanks God for everything is a very good celebration of United States.

NC: yeah yeah I like to. give thanks on what we are grateful for, and that everybody is like thinking about that, like how we're lucky and. I like that about it too. Is there any holiday, that there is in Venezuela, that there is not here.

DO: No. I think, no. I would like to have here As it. sounds good given they bought. made.

NC: What can what kinds of things you guys were for celebrations to dress up it on.

DO: and I bought a birthday store or.

NC: Like clothing like for dinner anything do.

DO: You see. i'm saying.

NC: Would you say Monica oh.

MC: I said in the Christmas, you need to get a nice clothes. yeah.

DO: How okay very. Yes. yeah my clothes. Yes.

NC: yeah i've been.

DO: lazy i've been wearing. Like, no, no, no.

MC: Maybe I mean.

NC: I haven't had to do much this past couple years so then lazy but usually we dress up usually will wear dresses or at least nice pants and shirt that. People look really nice. I just try enough to get by.

LG: Did you go to church on Ash Wednesday Monica yes, how was that. yeah.

NC: Do you always go to the same church. Do you go to the same one. On.

MC: Mexico and here.

NC: I either.

MC: yeah.

NC: yeah you go to the same one nights ago.

MC: yeah yeah.

NC: Do you have one here that you like.

MC: Yes.

NC: yeah cuz I know it can like the I know there's like a lot of different one so.I don't often go these days I didn't know if, like there was one you really liked or. If it just kind of hard to excuse me it's kind of hard to find one that you really like your.list you go to church at all.

LG: Yes, I was raised Catholic and i'm starting to have different views.So I don't necessarily identify as Catholic, however. I go with my family still because that's a place for us to share quality time with each other.

NC: and traditions tradition that you guys always have done.

LG:yeah my family's been through some rough patches, but we can all agree on meeting at church, even if we all don't believe in. yeah the same way.

NC: yeah that's awesome that you can have different beliefs and so put just being together first.

DO: I think that that, insofar as celebration. That can make the family stay together. This celebration.And, and I think on these days of fun dynamic and the fact is. Every return to stay together, there is very important time. And between the the the space, even if you are away from far away, you have to use the the media, the social media just keep in touch on I think is is very important, and with a pandemic, their families. are returned to go to keep to keep together.

NC: yeah It makes you really appreciate the time we have together because everybody had to stay so far away for so long, and then you know, it was quite a while it's been like over two years about two years. One time to be distant from your loved one.how's your mom doing.

DO: My mom plays very well, they fine.

NC: i'm happy for that yeah.that's good. yeah i'm glad she's doing better.Yes. Is there any like traditions that you guys did that, beyond what we've talked about that you can think of, like any games you play or certain music you listen to if there's like a good day or celebration.

LG: So I had braces.And I when you have braces you can't eat bubble gum and popcorn and those were like my favorite things and my mom put together a like popcorn and bubble gum party for me one.time so that when I got my braces off I had, like all my friends over and we had like a variety of popcorn in a variety of them.

NC: that's so fun your mother sounds creative. that's so fun I like those like not typical types of celebrations.

You. Like to play card games like. funny ones like cards against humanity is something that it's been a while, though. You guys put up like a tree like a Christmas tree in your homes.
yeah. yeah mine is still up.yeah yeah that's right matt.Looking right at it.

MC: ready for that next week.

NC: I get in my staff, the whole year at this point because. Really My cats like deployment and stuff it's. Like yeah it's partially for them, they love it. My dog is like boring.she's just run away. You here.

DO: And they just celebrate carnival in USA on in Mexico.

MC: know.

NC: Did you say in both in both of them. work.

DO: And some a. Here, yes, about. In some some towns that make make our party with the costumes yeah um but a but in these days are lower lower. Less a less people doing that.

NC: Like as you like each year there's like less people that celebrate it. Is it for like.

DO: Sorry, like what.

NC: Is it um you said it's a holiday where people dress up in costumes.

DO: I didn't that because I all all of the year I was working. Man this year I I know what job to do. yeah but I saw in the in the TV making their bars on making them a, how can I say.
hey.Sorry, no.

NC: Oh yes.Yes, exactly right What is the celebration or.Is it like Halloween Oh, really.Oh.

DO: Well Halloween and.i'm not not to not it's not traditional following here yeah some people you like like that.
yeah.

NC: What holidays I love.

DO: Halloween.

NC: I do, I love Halloween I like to dress up and. You know, do anything these days I don't do a whole lot but. We talked previously and the group about I took my dog I just my dog up and a few years ago. So I could like get candy as a 20 something year old it works people gave me candy, even though I just had my dog, he was dressed up like a little pirate and. i'm still finding ways to get candy. As an adult so. But usually I at least go to like a haunted house or a hayride or something. I don't I don't really like haunted houses i'm not gonna lie, have you guys been to a haunted House before.

DO: I. know even the dogs faustian.

NC: yeah yeah

DO: Very funny beautiful.

LG: doggies with the Austin.

NC: Yes, they get to join in on the fun too. yeah I don't like haunted houses, because they're so you're so in such a small space and then like they scare, they are successful at scaring me and I don't like to pay to get scared like that. But if you guys haven't been to one is worth going to you, especially if you like, scary like movies, and things.

DO: And I forgot yesterday was the woman's day congrats.

NC: Yes, yay. heavyweight women's day.

DO: woman's day yeah.

NC: That should be celebrated or in every country. In everyone.

DO: Yes, that's a little bit.

NC: mm hmm.

LG: My my boyfriend made a really nice post on instagram for me and his for his mother, mostly but also for me um he posted like. You posted our picture i've been.

NC: eating.

LG: fruit. yeah you see that on.

DO: The streets i'll see.

LG: yeah he said in honor of national women's day I got to give a big shout out to my mom and my girlfriend they both inspire me so much, especially my mother. Who has supported me and been there for every moment throughout the years my mom is the biggest inspiration in life and has helped me because i'm the man, I am today thanks mama. And then lizzie you are you inspire me to show up for myself my education and for my family i'm forever grateful for that love you both.

NC: house me.They love us so much.

LG: I still have our valentine's day flowers. they're a little that.

NC: Little did you can always make. Those I feel like. yeah.

DO: that's. Another date to celebrate, then a.lover's love day.

NC: That valentine's day you.

DO: were talking about. valentine's okay thanks we. If you write a friendship day friendship day.

NC: yeah lengthens valentine's.
Day.

DO: And somebody told me that there is a day for friendship if.

NC: If.

DO: For friendship.

NC: What.

DO: Are your I don't know somebody told me about the.

NC: day you wanna know about that. i'm familiar but i'm gonna look into that because there should be a friendship day. There should be a love yourself day.
To.

DO: Day.

NC: A day yeah. I know I think a long way I haven't heard of a friends day really unless you unless you just celebrate your friends on valentine's day because you love them, but there should also be a day, where it's love yourself day, as well as friendship day. Because.

DO: that's important to it's like.

NC: yeah exactly is there anything that you guys do. For yourself that you like like if you have a day off no kids and nothing, nobody around what do you like to do for yourself. They don't. They don't on the couch yeah yeah. Marina Sandra.

DO: has something to do. Can you repeat please I.

NC: yeah absolutely yeah is there anything that you like to do just for you like i'm like taking a bath or like going on a walk or.

DO: Yes, not they they a full day in a spa oh.

NC: yeah. Yes to relax mm hmm

DO: Or maybe. Full day in. In a beach a beautiful beach.

NC: So relax mm hmm. I haven't been to the beach since islands. Type in 12 years or so.

LG: The first time i've been to a beach was the summer his last summer.

NC: way to go.

LG: We went to San Diego well coronado island and we spent a couple days at the at the ocean, and I was very surprised I grew up in the mountains my whole life.

NC: yeah and.

LG: And the fact that that it's just it was mind blowing and then every time I figured I started thinking, I can I figured out how to swim in the ocean, I was very wrong and was like. yeah there were several wipeout. yeah.

NC: yeah I love it I love the ocean it's been a long time, though.

NC: Do you guys like mountains or beach better.

DO: He has.

NC: He has better yeah I like that it's warmer definitely, I would like a little bit of both if i'm honest but.

MC: I never. I never said that.

NC: yeah. You want to someday. Maybe maybe yeah.

MC: I compete in the lake.

NC: mm hmm that's fun.

MC: Is. The same but that's okay.

NC: it's like get in the water, you swim.

MC: When you dance, yes, I like to yeah.

NC: I did not swim at all this past summer so i'm ready to go and spring it's almost time. out on the water. ready for.

DO: Allow in USA is still called. it's really cool.

NC: No it's going to be hopefully going to be.

MC: This boy, no.

NC: It is.

MC: Like at one o'clock. Yes.

NC: it's it was doing this morning here to and has I don't know if it still is, but it was most of the day, I was driving to class and the wind is blowing a lot and I couldn't see very well Oh, I thought it would cancel class, but they didn't so.

DO: Oh, my God. And in a next next week, it could be changing the hour the.

NC: Income increased our.

DO: one hour in Colorado mm hmm. Why.

NC: I like when it moves that I like when it's lighter later it always feel so sad when it's like dark at like four o'clock in the afternoon and. it's a. cold yeah it's a cold and dark and it's so sad and, like the when we go back back in yeah And I will remove all this time.

LG: In Colorado. So, like next week is spring break, so we don't have school for a week and. It will snow

NC: On that region every spring break. yeah. So we also want to meet next week because we don't have class so we'll meet the week after next. On here, by the way, we're on the topic.

DO: So okay.

NC: But we'll send you a reminder. yeah that is so that you remember that we don't meet next week, but we will meet the following week.

DO: Okay reminder yes.

NC: breaks because we're gonna party. kidding i'm not doing any oh very good party. A lot of people do go to the beach, or at least get some kind of vacation. This summer.

DO: Oh.

NC: i'm sorry solution here.

DO: Is we were talking about vacation yes to have vacation in Venezuela well. commonly eating in July on July. Yes, that. The students finished their their class.

NC: yeah they can to.

DO: To to get the vacation.

NC: Oh yeah for a month, I think.

MC: But they don't have a spring being. Or the Holy week what is there was one so

NC: I will turn the Easter

MC: Yes.

DO: They are.

NC: Breaking Venezuela.

DO: And, yes.yeah.Yes. Yes, I think it's spring break is. holly holly we know.

NC: Yes, generally, here it is but. Do students just get like that one month off for the most part in Venezuela, because we also get like a month for Christmas and we get a couple months usually for summer at least were like.

DO: nah not because the way we are all day all day year in. In summer.

NC: yeah here.

DO: Is some our the time that just.

NC: Can we have a week.

DO: Two days um I think in March.

NC: mm hmm.

DO: In 24 or 25 of March Two days. And that's not very much. A holy holy week.

NC: yeah Hollywood. yeah these to take the whole week off already with us. Just kidding no I don't do much ever but.

LG: Have you ever seen the snow Dora.

DO: snow and. There is some our time here, the goal setting.

NC: is very high, and.

DO: it's it's no bad when I arrived on the top.there's no was it was fall, it will fall and I can choke on a more or less 1515 years ago I travel to Spain. And I saw the snow to Spain, France, France. It was very cold.

NC: i'm sure it's a it feels very cold when you not experienced it before.

DO: Yes, man. US for for a week that travel for dope.

NC: For five weeks, you said.

DO: Oh.

MC: Wait.

NC: A week oh sorry. that's fun What was your job, then.

DO: i'm at my job in Spain. Yes.

NC: or now i'm in Spain. You said you whisper. That you travel.

DO: Yes, I was in a meeting or. In an interview. A job interview with. With. People who have factory. I don't know how to say is not child is another thing, and I was he there because I. I could be a I will work in there by.

NC: them, you know i'm.

DO: Not counting came true. yeah. I couldn't do that. Because the French. The Spanish the Spanish people want that I I I went to Spain. um I I was a learning French to, and they want that both items with me know. But the French A D them like because they want one of them in the Spanish factory because they both the Spanish factory, and you know the bus very interesting travel, because in the Spanish

factory they the woman's we're working all the factories were. Workers female worker And in the French factory all the workers were men men. The Spanish factory has the more quality down French factory and I was very. surprised for that. It was. Very. very, very. Strange a woman Barry because this. The Lisa they the country, the country or the city is Galicia freedom in Spain, do you have you ever hear our Elisa. Know vanish.

NC: I have this thing.

DO: Okay, you know, because the war may.

NC: All the remains of.

DO: This town.were to the war. went to the word. For word know like Ukraine war. yeah yeah. All all the woman. stay in that town in that factory. And meantime there the men are in the battle in the world.

NC: yeah that makes sense. as to why there's like oh women there still. Is it does that name of the city mean anything.

Hello Lisa.

DO: Lisa is there is the region it's like a state, but then towel I don't remember the name was very.

NC: Has a. million.

DO: People in the various worker some very hard workers.

NC: Yeah has it changed like a lot over the years, you know.

DO: I don't know it goes by, I think this factory is closed nowadays.

NC: Oh yeah.

DO: it's closed he. The French took or a took all to France yeah everything the machinery of the raw material.

NC: from me to frank. hmm. Interesting I don't I wish I was more, I know, had more knowledge about previous wars and things. More around the history behind certain.

areas. need to take more history courses.

You know.

DO: ago. I was traveling in aeronautical. Ever Lang Lang here and I was traveling with them and I I I had to keep keeping contact with the delta airlines for this part time spare. For this firm.wow yeah I. yeah I. Would post them.delta delta airlines was the supplier of I don't know tickle spare and I was very good. spirit games and I to with French aeronautical a. Company. Was there depending the plane.

NC: manic boss very interesting job.

DO: I know some many, many people from from Atlanta from.

NC: A plant that's so cool. it's so cool to. be able to do that. awesome i'm scared of flying a little. I was just curious if there's so one more random question um is there any way that out of you have noticed your hometown where you're from like change over the years from when you were a kid when you were a child until today is there ways that like. Your hometowns have changed. Yes.

DO: I I was born in a city that caused by the PC made. It not very, very. it's very high very yes hi.

NC: And there are many buildings.

DO: Many, many companies and there, there is a big leak see now.

NC: Oh yeah. But it was really small.

DO: Growing it's been growing. On the vs you think.

NC: On the yes. yeah do you like that about it, or do you miss it when you were a kid.
In.

DO: I think here in Venezuela, all the towns, the small towns don't don't change. yeah don't change anything. yeah maybe all this is only the status is how we have been browsing and it depend, of the government not. impulse, then the economy.

NC: In Defense that yeah. What about you have you noticed any changes from your hometown over the years.

MC: I have 22 juice I don't.see my town. yeah but I said that. I sufficient in the Facebook and then this change yeah is.

NC: In what ways.

MC: And they fix the town like. Church is different, they run and. And there's more houses.

NC: yeah.

MC: i'm strips straightest good. I don't know why that's what I was because I have like. You said a little.Small fishes the paper. yeah shared in the face book.

NC: You like what town is that that's not my town. Where is this. So. i'm wondering how.

DO: of your town. Your thumb lane.

MC: Or do you say.

DO: Yes, the name of your town.

MC: or when that when it, what is the Mickey Pacheco.

DO: i'm vinnie the bodies it's a small town.

MC: This is more, this.

One is.

DO: I would like to go to Mexico to.

NC: lattice. Is there anything you guys did. In your hometowns as like kids that you still do today, like any. In activities that you would do in your hometown.

MC: yeah I thought my grandkids and then today's I play outside. We marbles and I went to the river and. The mountains and they say they want to play on the with a phone towel that.

NC: I know. it's not the same.

MC: yeah i've been the rope.

NC: yeah.

MC: And I play like outside with the. kitchen like. somebody's mom somebody.

NC: um yeah yeah definitely we would. Call it playing house yes yeah.

MC: And they went to the rebel. Work and swim. yeah it's a lot of activity in Mexico in my town. yeah.

NC: that's awesome I love that kind of playing like I think it's important for kids to get that kind of experience. Yes, thank you on the phone Did you do anything like that door, did you play outside a lot as a kid.

DO: play in in in town and.

MC: city.

DO: With it with those. We played.

NC: volleyball volleyball volleyball yeah.

DO: Play in soccer yeah, women's soccer.

NC: Yeah, that's awesome. Have you played it all recently, have you played as an adult at all?

DO: yeah.

NC: No, no, no, no, I don't get out to play much these days, either, but I went to. Resonate. With my friends yeah. That's awesome.

DO: That's so fun. You surely we play volleyball at the beach.

NC: Yeah, I Think, I would like each if i'm going to do it because i'm not very coordinated so if I fall, I would like the sand, instead of like you know pavement kind of creating anything else yeah. I think we're about out of time though guys I just. had to ask.

LG: Oh, thank you for meeting tonight and the reminder we won't meet next week, but we'll meet the following week.

MC: This week is a spring...

NC: Spring break partying.

MC: partying.

DO: Have a nice spring. spring break. Yes. Thank you.