Chimayo Elementary school performs well in Fuel Cell Challenge

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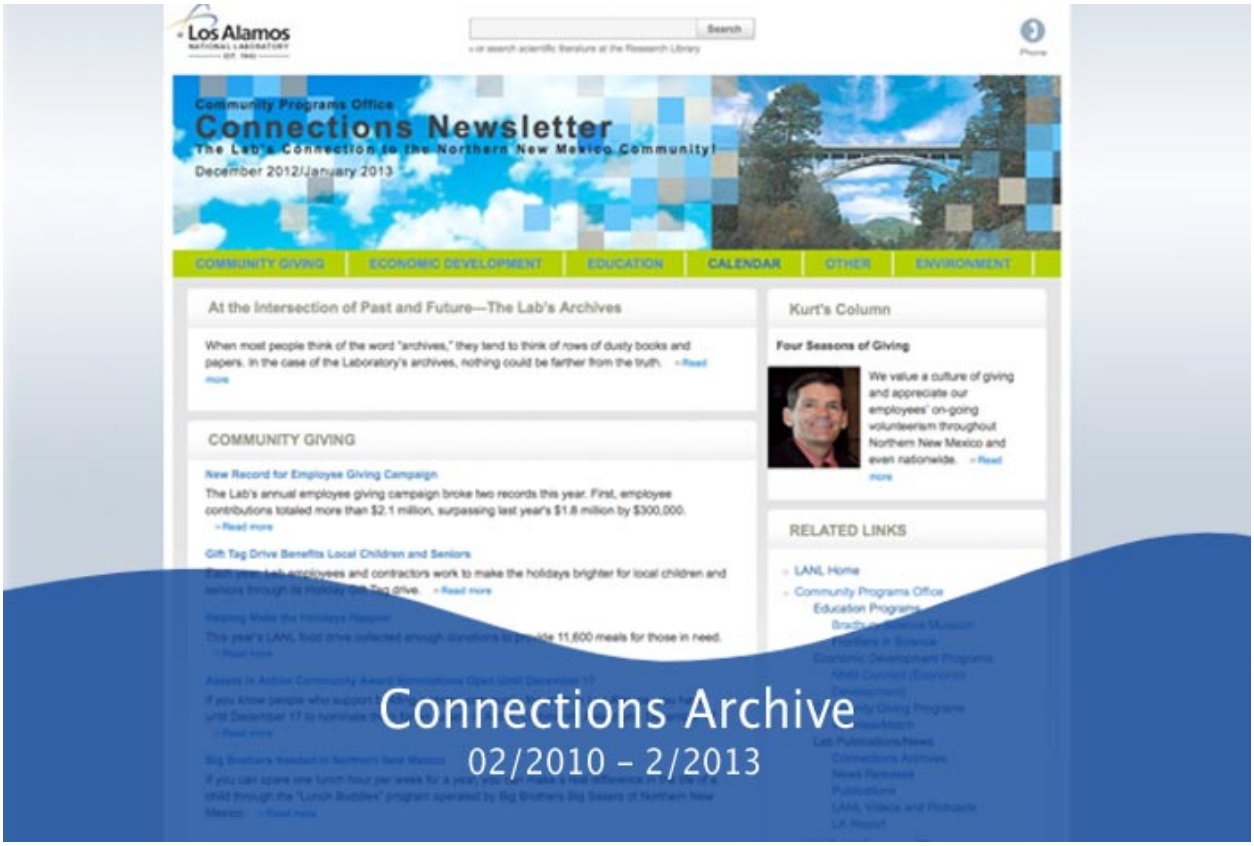

In mid-November, 47 teams from 26 schools from all over New Mexico came together at Highland High School in Albuquerque as part of the New Mexico Alternative Fuel Challenge. The event provided the students, in grades six through eight, with an opportunity to see how their hand-made, fuel-cell cars would compete against each other. A team from Chimayo Elementary School placed second overall in the competition, even though it was its first year in the event.

In addition to learning about how to build and race fuel cell cars, the teams of students also had to work together to answer the question “How could a hydrogen car contribute to reducing global warming?” and make a presentation with their answers to judges.

Other winners for the day included Albuquerque's Kennedy Middle School, which won first place in the overall ranking, and Albuquerque's Taylor Middle School teams, which placed first and second in the racing results.

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