I never knew that!



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DID YOU KNOW? Way back in 1947, a Native American gentleman in full regalia came to visit the children at what was then called Sandoval Elementary School, now Corrales Elementary School. The visitor was a friend of Rose Abouselman who taught at the school.

This photograph was lent to CHS by Frank Perea, who is the boy with his finger in his mouth. Frank grew up in the Francisco Gonzales house now owned by Alice Glover. Frank's mother Soledad was raised by Francisco's daughter Sofia in the Gonzales house because Juanita, Soledad's mother and Sofia's sister, had died young.

Across from Frank in the photo is Mayta Martinez (now Mayta Morris, who still lives in Corrales), who is wearing a jumper. She is standing next to Dolores Armijo (far right) and in front of a tall girl, probably "one of the Gonzales girls." Frank didn't know who the boy in the white sweater was but he did know that Leroy Gonzales was standing to the left of the boy in the white sweater. "The boy with his hand on my shoulder is one of the Harrington boys," Frank stated. The Harringtons lived in Casa Vieja, next door to the Gonzales/Glover house.