

*Monte Vista High School***Homecoming 2019- Senior Hallway***Inside the Issue***MOONLIGHT
MADNESS FUN**

An article about the annual celebration of Halloween by Monte Vista through the Moonlight Madness event.

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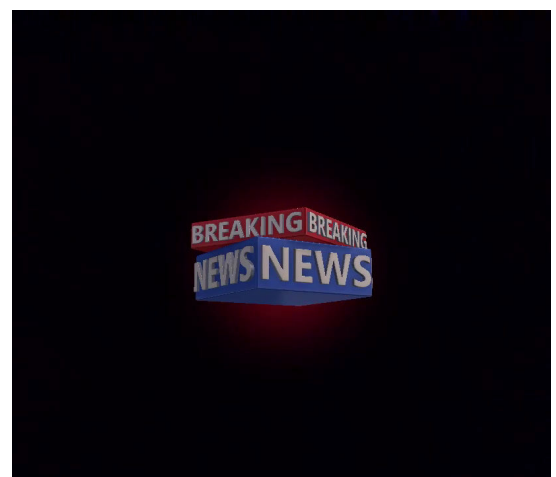
The MVHS's annual Homecoming festivities were kicked into high gear with participation from all the students.

**GIVING THANKS
WITH FAMILY**

Thanksgiving is a great time to be with family and eat plenty of great food, and isn't that what we're here for?

**HALLOWEEN STUDENT
INTERVIEWS***by Cody Timmins*

Halloween is a fun time of year for kids of all ages to dress up in cool costumes and go around town trick-or-treating. But who says high-schoolers can't have fun and dress up and trick-or-treat too? In this video, I ask a few teenagers about their opinions on Halloween, and a general consensus is that it can be well enjoyed by people of all ages.





MOONLIGHT MADNESS FUN

by Cody Timmins

As the Halloween spirit kicks into full gear every year, the city of Monte Vista puts on a city-wide event called Moonlight Madness. During this two hour event, the kids of Monte Vista have an opportunity to go trick-or-treating to all the local businesses up and down the Main Street of Monte Vista. With several new businesses cropping up in the last year, this event became much bigger and more children were able to go have fun.

In addition to this being a fun event for the kids, it is also a safe alternative to regular trick-or-treating. While the traditional Halloween night trick-or-treating isn't necessarily a bad thing, parents always have to be on the lookout for those select few people who might choose to tamper with the candy they hand out. Then parents have to also worry about their children wandering off and getting lost or taken. The city's Moonlight Madness event presents a safe and simple option for trick-or-treating outside of the traditional version.



THANKSGIVING STUDENT OPINIONS

by Cody Timmins

Thanksgiving has become controversial in the most recent years due to its beginnings with the pilgrims.

However, Thanksgiving takes a much different meaning in my household. We celebrate our family and everything we have.

Thanksgiving is about connecting with family and being grateful about how privileged we are.

Thanksgiving is about love, for us.

-Rachel Neuerburg

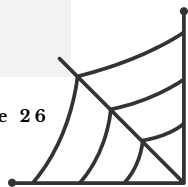
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I enjoy Thanksgiving because it provides an opportunity for my family to get together.

That we can make time for it, and be guaranteed to meet up.

We make so much food and it's always delicious.

-Jocelyn Lopez-Duran





THE ORIGINS OF HALLOWEEN

by Cody Timmins



Halloween is a holiday celebrated each year on October 31, and Halloween 2019 occurred on Thursday, October 31.

The tradition originated with the ancient Celtic festival of Samhain, when people would light bonfires and wear costumes to ward off ghosts.

In the eighth century, Pope Gregory III designated November 1 as a time to honor all saints.

Soon, All Saints Day incorporated some of the traditions of Samhain. The evening before was known as All Hallows Eve, and later Halloween.



Over time, Halloween evolved into a day of activities like trick-or-treating, carving jack-o-lanterns, festive gatherings, donning costumes and eating treats.



MONTE VISTA HOMECOMING

by Crissa Stewart

Homecoming is a great time every year, and this year certainly didn't disappoint. This year's homecoming theme was music genres and each grade chose the following genres. The Freshmen had Spanish music, the Sophomores had Rock music, Juniors had Country music, and the Seniors had Hip-Hop/Rap music. With such a wide range of musical options, it was sure to be an interesting week.

Throughout the Homecoming activities and games throughout the week, with all the grades competing, the Juniors and the Seniors were neck and neck for the week, but in the end the Juniors came out on top, having won more points and earning a trip to the Sand Dunes Swimming Pool.

Our Homecoming football game was played against Center, and we won with a final score of 36-6. The Homecoming Varsity Volleyball game was played against Center as well, and won with a final score of 25-23.

The dance on Saturday the 25th was well attended, and fully enjoyed by over a hundred different students. With Tristan Castillo taking on the role as DJ, the students danced and enjoyed the night away.





GIVING THANKS WITH FAMILY

by Cody Timmins

Thanksgiving, a time sarcastically referred to by some as Turkey Day, is a great time for family. It's a time to celebrate the things in life that you are thankful for. Whether you gather with close family or even closer friends, it's the perfect time to be around the people you love.

Besides the special people in your life, Thanksgiving is also a great time to eat delicious food. Whether you have a juicy turkey or a nice ham, or even vegetarian options if that's what you go with, the food is definitely one of the finer parts of this great holiday.

Unfortunately, the holiday is also reminiscent of how the Pilgrims arrived in this country. They came across the seas and landed on the mainlands here, welcomed by the Native Americans openly, and helped to grow and survive by their hand but then the Pilgrims slaughtered the Native Americans for their land. While my intention is not to harp on old events such as these, it is a sobering reminder to not take everything for granted, but aside from that, have a great Thanksgiving!



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WHAT WOULD YOU DO WITH A DAY TO LIVE?

by Cody Timmins

"I would go skydiving... without a parachute. Nothing else to lose, really."

-Erik Villagomez

"I would hang out with my friends, do everything that's on my bucket list, I guess, just things that I haven't done. All that jazz."

-Alia Baker

"I guess I would... die? I don't know. How am I supposed to answer this question?"

-Jocelyn Lopez-Duran

"Ummm, come to school because it lasts forever, and that way it wouldn't feel like 24 hours, it would feel like 48 hours instead."

-Caleb Rigggenbach

"I would fly to Miami and I would drink and eat happily there, then lay on the beach, then go to the Everglades and wait out my 24 hours there. They have guava everything there. Guava water, guava ice cream, I would have all the great guava stuff they have."

-Dr. Castillo-Gallegos