Octoberfest
Staff
Students from the University City community came together for the annual Octoberfest put on by Educate to raise funds for the UC schools. There were plenty of games and challenges, including the Principal’s Challenge. Everyone had great fun. See page 7

PTSA Book Fair A Huge Success!
Gaia Furiosi
Staff
The Book Fair is a fun event hosted in the library where people can buy books and other small things like erasers, pens, pencils, and more.

“It was kind of small but I liked the options.”
- Elizabeth Lyon

“I got this poster because it’s cute and wasn’t expensive.”
- Anna Chumakova

“It was fun and there were a lot of choices in the books.”
- Tim Linossier

“I liked it and I would go again because I liked the options they had there.”
- Leon Speter

Fright Night
Danica Fletcher & Gaia Furiosi
Staff
Fright Night was really a fright! It had a haunted hallway which was so scary it had some kids in tears. Mr. Carroll said it took him over 50 hours to complete it. There was also food and snow cones. Also, there were some games made by the clubs here at school. It was very fun seeing everyone’s costumes and everyone seemed to enjoy it.

Spirit Week
Malcolm Scott
Senior Editor
Spirit Week was a fun way to advertise excluding the use of drugs and alcohol. On Monday our Standley Seahawks dressed up with jerseys and shirts to support their favorite sports teams. On Tuesday students dressed up with red for Red Ribbon week. On Wednesday we dressed up as twins and would wear the same clothing as some of our best friends. On Thursday everyone dressed up with wild socks and showed them off. On Friday people brought their pajamas and everyone was cozy. See page 5 for more photos
Are Football Refs Really Ready?

Do they have enough training for calling plays?

Austin Johnstone

Do the NFL referees in a football game have the proper training and skills? Because, in the past they have made some very poor decisions when deciding plays. Starting off with Mortal Kombat XL, it was the Steelers going against the Seahawks and you would think it was a normal game. The Steelers won and the Seahawks lost. What is overlooked though is that the Seahawks were flagged on multiple occasions on controversial crucial calls; it looked like the Seahawks were even screwed with the Steeler's and the refs. Four years later, after a few from the game went over and said that he had kicked two calls in the fourth quarter. He was quoted as stating, "I've greatly impacted the game and you never want to do that," which implies that the Steeler's might have been robbed of the Super Bowl.

Another incident was in the 2018 NFC Championship with under 2 minutes in the game. It was 26-20 in the fourth quarter and Drew Brees found his wide receiver on a wheel route and seeing that he might get a first down and maybe a touchdown. A member of the Rams defense decided to layout the wide receiver and it was clearly a pass interference but there was no flag or call which caused an overtime. The Rams went on to win the game so the Saints were robbed of the Super Bowl by the refs. It was such a bad missed call that the NFL implemented the rule that you can challenge any play involving a penalty.

Finally: the tuck rule. In Super Bowl XXXVI the Patriots and the then Saints Louis Rams were facing off in the Super Bowl. Tom Brady was about to throw the ball, as Ram’s rusher came out of nowhere he sacked Brady and made him fumble the ball. You would think that that is the ending play but the refs called for a replay and implementing the tuck rule. They said that since Brady was fumbling the ball in as he was being sacked, it was ruled New England’s ball. They ended up throwing a game winning touchdown and stole the Ram’s chance of winning the Super Bowl. I think they would not call that for any other person in the NFL. I think that they needed to test the rest of the features, and that more will be coming in the future. The sniffer, on the other hand, was a mob that everyone liked (hence the majority of votes). The two other options were the “Tuff Golem” and the “Rascal”. The tuff golem lost the first round, and the rascal lost the second. If you missed out and want to see it live, watch it next year on youtube, and vote on the game itself or vote on the website or game for a new feature.

The Evolution of Mortal Kombat

An Advancement in Technology

Melanie Campos

Senior Editor

Mortal Kombat is a game where you fight other players (or computer if you want to play alone) and advance into different levels. If you are playing on your own, you can choose a variety of characters to start the game with.

Mortal Kombat first came out on October 8, 1992 as a video game. In total, there are a total of three movies. Mortal Kombat, filmed in 1995, Mortal Kombat: Annihilation, filmed in 1997, and the newest one: Mortal Kombat, filmed in 2021. In the old videogame, you select a character. Then, you battle different characters, each being stronger like in a story mode. The biggest difference between the first Mortal Kombat and the newest, is the type of art style. Since there are a lot of different types of technology things Nowadays, the art looks more realistic and detailed. Another difference is that there is way more variety in the characters, though you may have to buy some, in the old videogame you could only pick 7 characters. If you have played and see these videogames/movies, then you can tell the difference between the new or old. But only one can decide. Which is better? New or old?

Halloween Recipe

Ideas

Andreamma Baladad Staff

It’s the Halloween season! From pumpkin patches and costumes to trick or treating and Halloween sweet treats.

There are multiple different Halloween treats for you to try for you to try and make! Starting off with breakfast, if you want a delicious breakfast you can try making bloody pancakes! Pancakes are a classic breakfast. You can make pumpkin pancakes normally and pore on some jams, preferably strawberry jam to make it look like blood. If you are a true believer in healthy eating, you can make pull- apart gravy bread cakes. You can make cupcakes normally and add a layer of cake on top of the cupcakes and make the gravy by mixing marshmallows. You can add other details with frosting or candy. Another recipe idea is to make ghostly cookies. You would making cookies normally and then add white frosting to make the ghost! There are also some savory Halloween snack ideas. For example, you could make pigs in a blanket which is basically just a hotdog with dough around it. You can then add some eyes to make it look like a mummy. I recommend using fake plastic eyes just for decoration. You would obviously take them out when you eat though. There are many Halloween recipes for you to try.

Minecraft Live 2022:

Everything You Need To Know

Evan Lopez

Staff

Every year, Mojang studios hosts a live event for its best-selling game: Minecraft. This event attracts thousands of online viewers every year since 2010. This event announces new features, new mobility, and accessibility. Along with this, players have been able to vote for a "Red List" to get added to the game since 2017. They have normally been able to do this on twitter, but this year, it’s more accessible to the media. People have now been able to vote on the game itself, and the game’s website. People overwhelmingly voted for the "sniffer" which will be added in the next update. They also announced that the new game, Minecraft Earth will be coming next year. This game is a mix of a sandbox game, and an action-strategy game, which seems like an interesting mix.

The New Update and The Sniffer

Evan Lopez

Staff

Like every year, the new update was announced in the show, but this year, it was a little different. At the end of the show, the update was announced feature by feature, and it ended a little earlier than expected. The one that stood out was the "Minecraft Earth" feature. It was new and displayed on the screen. The new update included the "Sniffer" feature, which the players would be able to vote on in the next update.

Breast Cancer Awareness

Eva Sipe

Staff

Breast cancer awareness month is a worldwide celebration and it’s pretty common in the USA. Each year about 264k cases of breast cancer are diagnosed 2400 founded USA. Since cancer awareness are to wear some sort of pink clothing to resemble fear and also hope for the future of breast cancer patients. If you don’t have any pink clothes you could also show respect by using pink face paint!

Bioluminescence Has Returned

Red Tide

Allison Spencer & Caitlin McKebar Staff

Have you ever seen bioluminescence, where the ocean glows blue? Well, bioluminescence or red tide as some people call it, just appeared off the coast of southern California at Newport Beach, Laguna Beach, and all the way down to San Diego.

We asked some people what they thought about the red tide. Turns out a lot of people have seen this beautiful algae bloom.

Q: Where have you seen the red tide?

A: “Montery Bay” Rafaela Baleto stated, “Torrey Pines Beach.” Simone Woodward also said, “La Jolla Shores,” Elizabeth Russell remarked “Monterey Beach” Sanvi Penmetsa said. Simone Woodward even said that “the ocean lights up when you step on it!!!” Reoal Saniyi Pennetau said Simone Woodward even said that “...the ocean looks like fireflies swimming in the water when you watch the bioluminescence at night.” I believe that the most interesting answer that we got was that Elizabeth Russell said that she thinks it is a “kind of plankton.”

We also asked people what they thought about the red tide. “...the red tide algae can appear in some beaches instead of others.” “...it looks like fireflies swimming in the water...” “...the ocean looks like fireflies swimming in the water when you watch the bioluminescence at night.” “...it looks like fireflies swimming in the water...” "Fireflies are actually bioluminescent which is why they light up.

The red tide only occurs every couple of years. This is because the red tide needs perfect ocean conditions to bloom and thrive. These ocean conditions have to be not too hot but not too cold. The nickname “red tide” comes from this interesting story.

A toxic algae bloom causes the water to look a reddish brown color which is why it is called the “red tide.” Because of this “red tide” is not safe to swim in the water when it is a red tide. If the water is normal in color that means that it is not a harmful bloom and that it is actually safe to swim in. Ocean habitats may also benefit from healthy algae blooms.

The bioluminescence may be very pretty at night. Though they are pretty, they can be harmful. Enjoy bioluminescence while it’s here and who knows, you might see it again in the future...

It’s finally Fall! Time to get cozy in cute oversized sweaters and baggy jeans. Orange, green, brown, and grey are good colors to choose for your Fall closet. Here are some Fall outfits from our Standley students and inspiration pictures!

Today’s Fall fashion is a variety of different Fall clothes. Some of the Fall clothing is all around school right now. Everyone is expressing themselves. We’re gearing up for winter time, that means wearing warm clothes. When school is in full gear, and it’s getting cooler, we can wear coats and scarfs. Don’t forget the long pants, and of course, accessorize! That means bright creative earrings and matching necklaces and tie it all together with a nice shiny belt. It’s also rainy season right now so don’t forget those umbrellas.

Finger Fan
Not just for Halloween.
Paint your fingers fun colors for Fall.
Monday: Wear Your Favorite San Diego Gear

Tuesday: Wear Red

Wednesday: Wear Matching Clothes w/Friends

Thursday: Sock It To Drugs Wear Crazy Socks

Friday: Pajama Day

Everyday: Participate
Frida Kahlo
Cammie Pearce
Staff
Frida Kahlo was born on July 6th, 1907 in Coyoacán, Mexico. When Frida was little her father encouraged her to play sports, but at age seven she was diagnosed with polio. Because of this, her muscles in her right leg grew weak. For most of her life she wore long skirts to cover her legs. In 1925 Frida was hit by a bus and injured her spine, pelvis, shoulder and a lot more damage to her body. To take away the pain and boredom of her injuries, she began to paint. Painting helped her explore herself. 55 out of her 143 paintings were self portraits. She used paintings to express her sadness in life, her heritage, her struggle with society, her failed marriage with Diego Rivera and many more topics. In her last painful years, she even had to have one of her legs amputated. Frida Kahlo died on July 13, 1954. Three days before she died, she wrote in her journal “I hope the exit is joyful and I hope I never return.” Frida Kahlo is still today a beloved artist and role model. Even though hurt and suffering, she shared her talents with the world.

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*Me as Frida Kahlo age 8. (Cammie Pearce) pictured far right

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Imagine this actually happening...
Author: Hana Fitzenz
(This is not a true story)
First Person.
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Third Person.
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Standley Girls Basketball
Updates & News
Judson Grubbs
Staff
As the boys’ Basketball Team navigates through the season so does the Standley Girls’ Basketball Team, and quite successfully too. The girls’ basketball team has gone 6-0!

Question: How do you think the team will perform in the playoffs?
“I think we will do really well, the team works hard and we all get along very good too.”
-Jennifer Lopez

Question: How do you think the team could improve?
“Honestly not much, but I do think our team should work more on shooting from all areas on the court and also passing.”
-Melina Eichorst

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• JOKES

Why did the farmer have to separate the chicken and the turkey?
He sensed fowl play.

What did the turkey say to the computer?
Google, google.

Which holiday is Dracula's favorite?
Fangsgiving.

What was the turkey thankful for on Thanksgiving?
Vegetarians.

When do you serve rubber turkey? Pranksgiving!

Why didn’t the vampires attack Taylor Swift?
A: Because she had bad blood!

Why did the vampire need mouthwash?
A: Because he had bat breath!

What do mummies listen to on Halloween?
A: Wrap music!

What room do ghosts not need?
A: The living room!