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Magnolia vs. Food Deserts / Chris Moua

Sustainable farming in order to grow healthy vegetables has been advocated for in many high schools, but more specifically our very own Magnolia High School has an agriculture program and club that strives to achieve this. Mrs. Giakoumis, the designer of the program, thinks that



this program will also be able to pave the way for tastier and healthier meals in the cafeteria.

Since the beginning of the school year, stu-

dents have always yearned for better breakfasts, lunches, and generally better food to be served; one of the aspirations of the agriculture club and program on campus strives to achieve just that. The very interesting thing is that this program surveys and collects statistics of rates of diabetes and obesity from neighborhoods. Once this data is collected, the bigger goal of the program is to start the growth of fruits and vegetables which goes to district cafeterias and is shared with the community.

This club is not solely only to focus on promoting healthier eating habits and diets, but is also a program to create a community. Everyone that is a part of this program – or not – has a voice in this; students that are a part of this program work very hard to achieve the goal of the club and this showcases their character. More specifically, it creates a sense of community when students in this program work together.





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FOOD DESERT

An urban area where most of the community lives at least one mile or more from the neares supermarket. They usually have food available but all or most of it is unhealthy. Food deserts disproportionately affect people of color.



IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES



<u>April</u>

- 11-15 Spring Sports Spirit Week
- 19 AUHSD Soapbox Speech Contest
- 23 STEAMAPALOOZA!
- 26 Band Spring Concert
- 27 Choir End of Year Concert
- 30 Prom

May

- 5 Senior Awards Night
- 6 Senior Luau
- 13 Grad Night @Disneyland Resort
- 23 Graduation Rehearsal Senior Barbecue
- 25 Graduation/ Min Day
- 26 Now what?







INTERNATIONAL! / ISABEL DELA RAMA

February! The month of love! The annual Super Bowl! For Magnolia students, the month of international!

Magnolia has consistently held International Shows every February—one in the morning for the students, then a slightly different one at night for family and students alike.

International is the time for students to perform traditional or modern performances based on cultures they personally connect with or simply enjoy. Clubs like Dream Club (Filipino), Poly Club (Polynesian), Latin Dance, K-Pop Dance, VSA (Vietnamese), Indian Dance, and more begin to practice a few months before international begins to soon show off what they've learned and what they want to introduce to the students. International is a way for the school to show off the diversity of the students they have and show appreciation to as many cultures as possible.

This night is perhaps the largest event that Magnolia has to offer and most definitely one of the most enjoyable one. Those who participate get to showcase what they enjoyed learning and doing while the ones who watch get to appreciate and indulge just a tiny bit in cultures they may not have been familiar with before. Although each year performances tend to consist of the same kind of groups, they never fail to disappoint the crowd!

Magnolia is always welcome to see new kinds of cultures perform at school, so if you ever have the idea, never be afraid to introduce it! If not, don't shy away from learning about other cultural dances or performances, there are many clubs that would welcome you with open hands!

Raising Student Voices & Participation



RSVP / Erick Perez & Aylin Valle

A couple of months ago, several students in the AUHSD district, through the program called RSVP, contributed their time in order to collect information from students from class to class in order to consider their suggestions regarding the faculty, school food, and safety. While a majority of Magnolia students have taken into consideration their safety at Magnolia High School due to the recent activities, many students continue to voice their opinions about the quality of restrooms and the lack of supplies. Although the janitors attempt to keep them in stock, supplies run short and force several students to wait several class periods and to be first in line for the stalls, only to struggle to find one available because the other stalls have no toilet paper.

After talking to the head of the student-led facilitators Rahi Patel we have come to a better understanding of which things are going to be fixed in a social aspect. In the case of education, Magnolia High School will try to accommodate students with more supports. This will help the students who feel like they need more assistance. When it comes to facilities, there is talk of adding mirrors to the restrooms, and more security has also been added to the school. For the Magnolia community there will be more scholarship opportunities, community service events, and student recognitions. Students in the upcoming weeks will take part in the next summit; please participate. This will help the school district focus on the main issues students want to be fixed.

In this issue, we proudly highlight one of our very own beloved teachers, a math prodigy, Mr. Brian Ake. He has been teaching at Magnolia High School for more

than a decade.
Starting as a coach for the aquatics club, Mr.
Ake then started teaching geometry, and transitioned to teaching calculus about seven years ago.

Mr. Ake is actually a Magnolia alumni. He grew up in the ar-

ea, went to Maxwell Elementary,
Dale Junior High, Magnolia High,
and UC Irvine. As a matter of fact,
Mr. Ake chose to teach at Magnolia
solely because he felt that it is his
home, it is a place with good people, and he felt the need to come
back and contribute to what

helped him grow.

Finding math very enjoyable to explain in college, Mr. Ake then decided that teaching math is what he truly wanted to do. He has no

ultimate goal but to have a daily goal of helping his students to learn math and get better at understanding it. Besides teaching, Mr. Ake also plays just about any sport. Currently, he has developed his love towards pickleball. Not only that, Mr. Ake knows various coding languages, he loves fly-

ing drones, solving puzzles and math.

If you also enjoy the world of math and problem solving like Mr. Ake, definitely consider meeting him. After school or early in the morning, Mr. Ake is always present in his room 307.



SPORTS

This year has provided Sentinels with many challenges, however, Sentinels are a resilient and proud bunch who have excelled on the fields of battle. In sports news, our football team rallied this fall to qualify for a CIF bid. Our new coach, Vince Lobendahn, has reignited a spark with our gridiron crew and you can expect even more exciting football in the year to come.

Girls tennis finished as Orange League Champions and made it to 2nd round CIF. MVP honors went to senior Diana Vo who finished her season undefeated 30-0. She was also the recipient of the CIF Athlete of Character for 2021-2022.

Girls Basketball qualified for CIF and went to quarter finals in the state tournament but lost to Santa Ana in a close game. Diana Vo, Teresa Martinez, Destiny Lindesky and Chloe Espinosa finished the season with All Orange League honors.

Girls Wrestling won the Orange League title with Misa Nguyen, Arissa Valle, Alexa Caterino, and Cristal Jimenez qualifying for CIF individuals and Lalaine Tapia representing Magnolia at the Masters tournament held in La Ouinta, Ca.

Spring sports are underway and top teams to watch will be the boy's volleyball team which is currently ranked 7th in CIF division 6. Varsity boys tennis is 2-0 in league play at this time. Girls softball is coming off a CIF award winning season and great things are happening this year for them. Big wins over Bolsa Grande and Rancho Alamitos are a sign of mighty things to come for our lady Sentinels!

COLLEGE HIGHLIGHTS: UC SANTA BARBARA!

/ ALYSSA MULDONG

Heya, Sents! For this issue's college highlight, the Lamplighter 3.0 will be featuring the University of California Santa Barbara (UCSB)! UCSB is known for its competitive admission rates and unique programs offered to students for those that want to search for their fitting major and hidden passions. UCSB is ranked as of 2022, the 5th top public universities and 28th within the National Rankings. Since UCSB is a public university, there are approximately 26,000+ students that attend this university for those that enjoy being outdoors with other students and have not forgotten to mention about the greenery area and its beautiful beach nearby of the campus; perfect for a stroll



around the campus and have some relaxing time at the beach on a sunny day.

Many well-known programs are offered. First, we have the Computer Science Program. Secondly, the Biology Program for students that are interested in the Science field. This pro-

gram allows students to learn and develop an understanding while performing labs related to marine biology, ecology, microbiology, etc. Lastly, we have the Sociology Program for those interested in the liberal arts major. The program provides the opportunity to let students learn about the sociology of culture, globalization, and the diversity of perspectives. Students have access to important tools to assist the researchers to capture accurate data.

With all the awesome opportunities given to the students at UCSB, it is never too late to start now, no matter what grade you are in- 9th or 12th, there are plenty of clubs and programs here at Magnolia to help you figure out what colleges stand out to you, including your interests. If any of the information about UC Santa Barbara matches your ideal college likings, then this college is for you!

Congratulations

Rosalinda Hernandez Pablo Asmaa Abubaker Alexi Canete Adriana Flores-Osorio Amy Acosta Kattya Canseco Giselle Fonseca Angela Hernandez Sanchez Cao David Acosta Phu Nataly Frisan Destiny Hernandez Torres Isela Frutos Michelle Acosta Thinh Cao David Hernandez-Martinez Ricardo Carbajal Hugo Herrera Osuna Valery Frutos Acosta Rodriguez Alyssa Raine Adante Jacqueline Cardenas David Gallegos Gustavo Herrera Zavala Itzhia Galvan Maritssa Aguilar Garcia Jose Carreno Justin Ho James Huddleston Timur Akbari Gladys Carrillo Aryana Garcia Anthony Alanis Jorgina Castaneda Cristian Garcia Amber Interrante Daniela Alas **Brandon Castanon** Enrico Garcia Yasmine Ismail Salvador Jaimes Andrew Alcaraz Joshua Castillo Jackeline Garcia Jennifer Almazo-Bustos KaitlynCastillo Rodriguez **Jaylene**Garcia Ariel Jauri Oscar Garcia YousufJeewa Abdelrahman Alquza Edgar Catalan Emilio Alvarado Alexa Catarino SamaraGarcia Diego Jimenez Jennifer Jimenez Ricardo Alvarez Carlos Catarino Herrera Vivian Garcia Aaliyah Amaya Yasmen Garcia Yazmin Cervantes Venustiano Jimenez Sharrell Chance Katherine Andalon Esmeralda Garcia Canizal Cristal Jimenez-Mondragon Ricardo Garcia Cortez Mathew Andrade Aymane Charifi Deven Johnson Jesus Aranda Alize Chavira Mike Garcia-Hernandez Juarez Jose Ashley Aranda-Morales Brian Chiem Kimberly Garcia-Pliego Brian Justo Cortes Aracelly Arellano Desiree Comte Brian Gomez Edwin Laino Jonathan Langarica Alexis Arenales Kenny Cortazar Martha Gomez Elias Lara Candy Argueta Diego Cortes Rios Shiela Gomez Alan Arias Alvarado Emily Cortez Evalyn Gonzalez Alexis Laurian Alondra Arias Becerra David Cruz Josue Gonzalez Ashley Lazcano Anthony Armenta Halleen Cruz Rogelio Gonzalez Anh Hoai Le Julian Arzate Katie Cruz Cristian Jesus Gonzalez Dimas Evelyn Le Esmeralda Avalos Nathan Cruz Sofia Granados Katana Lee Jimena Avalos David Cumplido Anthony Griffith Kimberly Leonides Baazizi Alexander De La Cruz Edwin Guel-Hernandez **Destiny Linetsky** Aya **Bakies** Isaac Del Rio Edu Guido Valentin Loeza Valerie Guillen Isabel Dela Rama Sonia Barajas Cristal Lopez David Barrera Urania Delgado Michelle Gutierrez Katherin Lopez Christopher Dellia Maximiliano Bartolo Faustino Josue Guzman Robert Lopez Briseida Guzman Flores Leonel Bautista Alberto Deras Jennifer Lopez Cruz Isaac Bautista Martinez Arturo Diaz Hammour Andy Lopez Hernandez Sera Jonathan Benitez Vu Do Erica Han Miguel Lopez Hernandez Anthony Lopez-Anzurez Alexis Bonilla Daniel Dominguez Orion Haymes Ashley Bonilla Tommy Duong Jamie Helguera Morales Angela Lozano Sarai Luna Rosales Rhomaelyn Eleazar Andrew Borges Jeremy Helguero Andree Airhon Encabo Marcel Bowens Ariana Hernandez Alexis Luu Jayden Brandenburg Christopher Escobar Brian Hernandez Alison Magana Jessica Hernandez Brandon Bruce Hellen Espana Mark Magana Thomas Burman Alberto Espinosa Jennifer Magana Arroyo Jocelyn Hernandez Miguel Estrada Barrera Louise Marie Maganto Rembrandt Jarno Cabuyadao Joseph Hernandez Kelly Maldonado Alvear Daniela Caceres Hernandez Christopher Estrella Melanie Hernandez Kimberly Cadena Alejandro Europa Siurabe Hernandez Aya Mandapat Juan Calderon Abygail Faircloth-Daniels Jayden Manibusan Sophia Hernandez Joseph Don Marcelino Federico Campos Natalia Flores Vanesa Hernandez

Kevin Flores Hernandez

Miguel Hernandez Jimenez

Brian Mariano

Alexi Canete

Seniors!

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Christopher Markarian
Adan Martinez
Alex Martinez
Carlos Martinez

Christopher Martinez

Johanna Martinez Yesenia Martinez

Yolanda Martinez

Gilbert Martinez

Leslie Martinez Manzo

Ameera Maswadi William McPherson Gustavo Melchor Yurixi Melendez Bran

Amireny Mendoza Brian Mendoza Kevin Mendoza

Valerie Marie Mendoza

Alondra Meza
Oscar Millan
Akram Mohammed
Yumi Monden

Jessica Mora-Gomez Rene Morales Robledo Derek Moran-Berbaez

Brian Muniz
Beatriz Munoz
Charles Naupoto
Keannah Navarro
Vicente Neri

Christopher Moua

Helen Ngo Michael Ngo Tram-Anh Ngo An Nguyen

California-Vu Nguyen

Jimmy Nguyen
Julia Nguyen
Julien Nguyen
Kevin Nguyen
Nathan Nguyen
Tam Nguyen
Thanh Nguyen
Vincent Nguyen

Vanessa Nicolas Padilla

Jonathan Nunez
MarcosNuno
Marco Olivera

Diego Organes

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Jennifer Ortiz
Nancy Ortiz
Omar Osorio
Jocelyn Oxlaj Vicente

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Jason Palomino
MiriamPantoja
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Jose Perez Chavez
Jonathan Perez Hernandez
Paola Perez Jimenez
Jeffrey Perez Lopez

Anthony Perez Villegas
LisbethPerez-Bravo
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John Pham
Sarah Pham
Daniel Pineda
Sophia Pineda
Anthony Ponce
Brian Ponce

Ana Pozos Fernandez

Angel Prillwitz

Maria Prudencio Secada

Jocelyn Pulido Palacios

Freddy Quiroz Jorge Quiroz

Nayely Rabadan Velazquez Kaydie Rajapasith Ashley Ramales

Daimean Ramirez
Jimmy Ramirez
Marlene Ramirez
Melissa Ramirez
Nathaniel Ramirez

Evelyn Ramirez Blanco

Joseph Ramos

Robert Randolph
Angel Raymundo
Matthew Renteria

Kenneth Edsel Ramos

Jasmine Reyes
Taylor Ricker
Victor Rios
Ashley Rivera
Caleb Rivera
Damien Rivera
Kevin Rivera
Linda Rivera

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Angel Tena
Bayan Tinawi
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Hieu Tran
John Tran
Ken Tran

Quan Tran
Thao Tran
Huy Trinh
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Daniel Zavala
Carlos Zepeda



DR. GIAKOUMIS ONE OF 3 DISTRICT TEACHERS OF THE YEAR

Dr. Giakoumis has been selected to be one of three District Teachers of the Year, the first time that Magnolia High School has sent teachers to be in the running for the Orange County Teacher of the Year in back-to-back years (Mrs. Mundy was selected last year).

For the past 15 years, Dr. Giakoumis has worked at MHS, as the athletic trainer, then a science teacher, and now as the Project Coordinator for the Magnolia Agricultural Community Center.

Along with her work as a teacher and MACC coordinator, she also cochairs the Science Department with Mrs. Morgan and is an adjunct professor at night, teaching math and science credential courses at UC Irvine. Her husband also teaches at Magnolia. She's one of those absolutely unforgettable teachers who has the respect of the faculty, staff, and students for her hard work ethic, her ability to work well with others, and her devotion to her students.

Orange County Teachers of the Year are announced in April/May of this year.



What other teachers are saying about Dr. Giakoumis:

"Dr. Giakoumis has been tireless in working to improve MHS by developing the MACC after starting the Magnolia Garden. ." — Mr. Parsons

"Dr. Giakoumis is special; she has this ability of always being the smartest person in the room but making you feel like you are, she inspires others to take action and make a difference in our school and community. And she has the ability to bring out the best in everyone around her. — Mr. Sherman

"Dr. Giakoumis is one of those people that every time you talk to them, you learn something new. She prompts me to reflect on the way I teach, and the way my students learn. — Ms. Becerra

"Dr. Giakoumis is great at having a vision and working with students and staff towards making that vision a reality. "- Mr. Lieu

"Her Pear Deck training was a huge highlight of recent years." — Mr. Turner

ADVANCED PLACEMENT/CHRIS MOUA

Advanced Placement Exams: a sort of "coup de grâce" of an A.P. class for most students. Students con- but here are some general exam taking tips: sider many factors when enrolling in these classes. First, the main purpose is college credit. Most California colleges will take a score of 3 or more on an exam and give you credit, which ultimately saves you time and money that would be used for taking the class in college. Taking Advanced Placement classes improves your chances of getting into select colleges, as they prove to the college that you are willing to push yourself and further your education.

A.P. classes during the pandemic however caused controversies. In 2020, A.P exams such as European History were shortened to a single DBQ. Consequently, many students who were stronger in multiple choice questions, but weaker in writing felt that the exam did not properly represent what students had learned. In 2021, the exams were finally full length, but because they were virtual, College Board altered how they wrote questions in order to mitigate students using the internet to search for answers. This was also seen as unfair, as the College Board essentially made the tests more difficult for that year.

This year, it is still unclear whether tests will be

held in person or online due to the ongoing pandemic,

- 1. Answer every single question, whether you are confident in your answer or not. Guessing penalties have been gone from the exams for over a decade now, meaning there is no harm in guessing. When guessing, remember to consider the process of elimination.
- 2. The people who read your essays want to give you points. With essays, test examiners are not looking to nit pick your writing. Remember to cover all possible nuances of the question in order to show your understanding.
- 3 Remember to manage your time. You only have around 2 or 3 minutes to answer each question. If you find yourself stuck on a particular question, move on to the next because if you spend too much time on trying to get one question right, you will have to rush other questions, increasing your chances of getting wrong answers.

STEAM-A-PALOOZA!

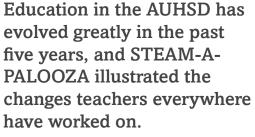
Anaheim Union High School District's STEAM-A-PALOOZA returned to Magnolia High School on Saturday, April 23, 2022 for the first time in two years. Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math were all highlighted during the massive event. This year's crowd dwarfed previous years, with crowds numbering around 5000.

Dozens of forward-thinking teachers from across the district brought students to showcase projects, performances, and all manners of learning that reflects AUHSD's emphasis on the 5 Cs.



Elementary schools from all around Anaheim sent prospective students to see what kinds of civic engagement, project-based learning, socialemotional experiences, career preparation, technology usage, and 5 Cs instruction they could look forward to throughout their 7-12 grades.

Students from Empowered classrooms across all content areas brought their business start-ups to life. Empowered is a national organization with the goal of building a marketpowered classroom driven from self-discovery and nurturing an entrepreneurial spirit. At STEAM-A-PALOOZA, students fully operated their businesses by having their products for sale and their business plans on display.



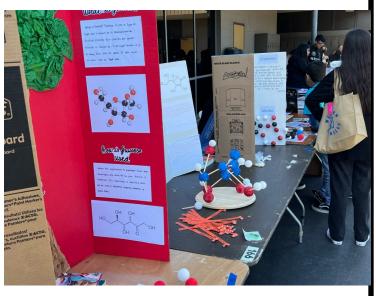
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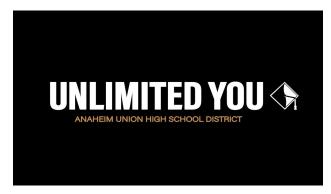
















STUDENT SUCCESS:

- Make sure you attend every class and stay focused (i.e., no multitasking) during the class.
- Create a schedule for when you'll accomplish each homework assignment.
- ♦ Read 20 minutes a day.
- ◆ Email teachers to see what missing work can be made up.
- Look through Schoology and make sure everything is accurately entered.
- Ask your teacher what the late-work policy is.
- ♦ Keep in mind—your teachers want you to succeed. Ask for help.

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-8225

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Congratulations Graduates of the Class of 2022!



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In the 18th century,
Lamplighters literally
went out at night and
lit the gas lamps that
lined the streets. In
the morning, they put
out the lights. We're
not sure how our
newspaper ended up
with that name.

