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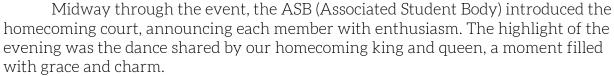
Homecoming Dance 2023

Kaden Phabmixay

Homecoming, a time of year where current high school students create new memories with a dance hosted by the Class of 2024. This year, it was a wonderful event themed after Alice in Wonderland which was known as "Lost in Wonderland," where our imaginations came to life in vibrant colors. The venue was beautifully adorned, with tables decorated intricately and lanterns hanging from the trees. Rows of delectable desserts lined the hall, featuring cupcakes, cookies, and a variety of candies. Additionally, there were canes creatively incorporated into the catering.

A designated drink station offered both hot and cold beverages, including refreshing lemonade and comforting hot tea. Once attendees found their seats, the dance floor came to life with the in-

fectious energy of the crowd.



As the dance came to an end, the atmosphere was still buzzing with excitement. People joined in, adding to the lively atmosphere with more dancing and singing. It truly was a night of wonder and fun, an unforgettable experience that will be cherished by all. who attended.



Rhizome / Karime Frias

Rhizome is presenting students with a great opportunity to participate in civic engagement within their communities, by providing students with support and strengthening their voices. Available nationwide, Rhizome was created by young people for young people in August 2021, building this nonprofit organization that is "truly student-led," as they have students shape their goals, visions and changes within their work environment. Now, Rhizome needs students from Orange County to create a well-rounded team and ensure that students have the opportunity to speak out against any conflicts within their schools, and positively impact their communities.



According to the Rhizome.org website, the organization addresses root causes and acts as connective tissue that links students from different walks of life, fosters belonging, and builds more resilient communities.

Apart from the various opportunities listed above, Rhizome offers community service hours for every meeting attended, offers scholarships/stipends to its students, and looks great on college applications. Meetings are through Zoom on Thursdays, from 6 P.M.-7 P.M.

If interested, please fill out this application: https://tinyurl.com/rhizomeapp.

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Magnolia Capstone Portfolios

are due in **April**

Showcases for Seniors are April 24, 26, 29

Holidays to look forward to:

- 1. Veteran's Day (11/10)
- 2. Thanksgiving Week (11/20-24)
- 3. Winter Break (12/25-1/5)
- 4. Martin Luther King Day (1/15)
- 5. Teacher Training Day (1/26)
- 6. Lincoln's Birthday (2/12)
- 7. Washington's Birthday (2/19)
- 8. Spring Break (3/25-29)
- 9. First day of summer vacation (5/24)

Important Dates For Magnolia in November & December:

11/2 Cross Country League Finals

11/13-17 Week of Thanks

11/28 Red Cross Blood Drive

11/28 5 Cs Breakfast

12/4-8 Winter Sports Spirit Week

12/15 Choir Winter Concert

12/21-22 Semester Finals, minimum day

12/23-1/7 Winter Break

UPCOMING EVENTS AT MAGNOLIA / HADIA ZAKIR

Magnolia is buzzing with anticipation as we gear up for an action-packed few weeks ahead! From marvelous Choir and Band concerts to the upcoming holiday season, there's something for everyone to look forward to. Be ready to mark your calendars, and let's dive into the exciting events that await us!

First off, our wonderful Chamber Singers in Choir have been invited to perform at two prestigious invitational choir festivals this year! One is at Riverside Community College on October 18th at 10:00 AM and the other is at Fullerton College Choir Festival on November 1st at 11:00 AM. Next, the vocal Harmonia has been invited to perform at the Troy HS Invitational on November 14th. However, all of our choir students will be performing together in our upcoming Fall Concert on Friday, October 20th! This concert is happening at Magnolia Baptist Church (720 S Magnolia Ave, Anaheim, CA 92804). The concert begins at 7 PM with doors opening at 6:30 PM. Tickets are \$5 at the door but can be purchased for \$3 during pre-sale from any choir member or from Mr. Garcia in Room 701, so don't miss out!

Next, we have **Red Ribbon Week!** This week is all about promoting a drug-free and healthy lifestyle. Magnolia will be vibrant with a powerful message: Say "no" to drugs! Join us from **October 23rd to October 27th** as we raise awareness about the importance of making good choices and saying no to drugs. Get ready for a week filled with fun activities, educational sessions, and plenty of red-themed spirit days.



Also, our Halloween Costume Contest will be on October 31st. Get your costumes ready Sents, because on Halloween, we're hosting a spooktacular costume contest! Dress up in your most creative or scary attire for a chance to win exciting prizes. It's going to be a day of frightful fun!

On **November 8th**, prepare to be dazzled by the musical talents of our Magnolia High School band. The **Band Spectacular** at Glover Stadium promises to be an unforgettable evening filled with melodious tunes and outstanding performances.

As Thanksgiving approaches, let's take a moment to express our gratitude. Join us for the Week of Thanks from November 13th to November 17th as we celebrate kindness, generosity, and the spirit of giving back to our community.

Following that week, it will be time to take a breather and enjoy some quality time with family and friends during our **Thanksgiving break** from **November 20th to November 24th**. We hope you have a restful and joyful holiday season!

Returning from the break, on **November 28th**, the Kennedy Performing Arts Center will be the stage for our talented band members in the **Band Winter Concert**! Join us for an evening of beautiful melodies and harmonious compositions

that will surely warm your heart as winter approaches.

Lastly Sents, it's time to give the gift of life! On the same day as the Band Winter Concert, November 28th, our gymnasium will host a Red Cross Blood Drive. Your generous donation could save lives, so don't miss this opportunity to make a difference!

GIVE BLOOD SAVE LIFE



As the days get shorter and the holiday season approaches,

Magnolia is the place to be! These upcoming events promise excitement, entertainment, and opportunities to come together as a school community. Mark your calendars, get your costumes ready, and be prepared for a memorable time at Magnolia!

AN EXTRAORDINARY AP GOV MAESTRO /

JUSTIN PUERTA

In the realm of academia, there exists a remarkable conductor of knowledge, none other than Mr. Groover. With his expertise in AP Government, he orchestrates the complexities of politics and governance in a way that leaves an indelible mark on his students.

One intriguing fact about Mr. Groover is his passion for fishing. Beyond the classroom, he transforms into a master angler, spending serene weekends by the lakeside, reeling in tales of adventure and patience. His love for fishing mirrors the patience and perseverance he instills in his students, ensuring they grasp the intricate world of government and politics.

But it's not just fishing that defines Mr. Groover; it's his affinity for heavy metal. The same teacher who unravels the intricacies of government can often be found headbanging to the powerful rhythms of metal bands. This unexpected love for the genre reflects his ability to surprise and engage students, keeping them enthralled with his charismatic teaching style.

However, beneath these unique interests lies Mr. Groover's undeniable prowess as an educator. His AP Government class is renowned for its intellectual rigor and engaging discussions. He possesses a unique gift for making complex political concepts accessible, fostering a love for civics in his students.

Mr. Groover's dedication to his craft extends far beyond the classroom. He encourages critical thinking and thoughtful debate, nurturing students' abilities to become informed and active citizens. His mentorship has cultivated a new generation of young leaders who are not only well-versed in government



but also passionate about making a positive impact on society.

Mr. Groover is more than just an AP Government teacher; he's an angler, a metalhead, and a visionary educator. His dedication to fostering civic engagement, coupled with his unique interests and teaching methods, creates an unforgettable learning experience for all who are fortunate enough to be in his class. Here's to Mr. Groover, the maestro of AP Government, whose passion and expertise inspire us all.



MAGNOLIA CYBERSECURITY INSTITUTE

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CYBERSECURITY / CHRISTINA HIPOLITO

2023-2024 marks the 7th year of the Magnolia Cybersecurity Institute. The Cybersecurity career pathway gives students the opportunity to learn more about cybersecurity, a steadily growing field that is estimated to grow in jobs by almost 35% by 2031, according to the US Bureau of Labor and Services.

In the pathway, students are given the chance to learn more about different skills relating to cybersecurity, along with other things like 3D printing, computer hardware and software, web design, and programming. Also, they also get to earn industry-recognized certifications in order to get an advantage when it comes to looking for a job either during or after high school. Students also participate in national competitions relating to cybersecurity: the Cyberpatriot and Cyber-Start America competitions. They also get the chance to take part in dual enrollment classes relating to cybersecurity and computer science with Cypress Community College, where they can earn college credits alongside high school credits. These can be transferred to other colleges or continued at Cypress for a degree or certificate.

The pathway lasts for 4 years, one class per year. Students would start with Mr. Derbish in Cyber Literacy 1, where they are given the first basics on things like computer hardware, computer languages like HTML, CSS and Python. Then they move to Cyber Literacy 2 with Mrs. Keledjian, where they learn a bit more about coding languages, binary and hexadecimal conversions, and get the chance to take their first industry certification exam: the CompTIA ITF+ certification exam. In their third year they take Cyber Innovations with Mr. Derbish again, learning about active directory and real-world applications for cybersecurity. More certifications can be earned here. both from CompTIA and Google. Finally, in the fourth year students can take Cyber Mentoring, where they can also earn at least one more certification from Google.

MEDALLIONS ACROSS THE DISTRICT / ALYSSA MULDONG



A significant historic change has occurred within our district. The Anaheim Union High School District (AUHSD) has made a signed commitment to implement only medallions for the Class of 2024 and the future high school graduating classes. Making its way to become a tradition, each school will now have a custom-made individual sash for each high school student to wear. When given the sash, students will receive medallions to display them on the same singular sash during the graduation ceremony. Although, now students cannot wear their additional personal sashes and cords, they are allowed to wear them after their graduation ceremony or off stage to keep the dress-code organized and maintain fairness when on stage.

tion, sports accomplishments, CTE pathways, and more.

The objective of the medallions is to recognize and honor various accomplishments beyond just academics. Sashes and cords were merely focused towards academic achievements. Thus, the AUHSD has come to the consensus towards implementing this new approach.

What are your thoughts on this matter? Your words matter!



It's a new school year, and that means it's a new term for the Tiger Woods Learning Lab (TGR) within the Tiger Woods Foundation! The TGR Learning Lab is a learning environment and a resource offered to students from 7th-12th grades. It even provides field trips to elementary schools once students enter 5th grade located in Anaheim ever since in 2006. This safe space is one of the resources out of many others being offered from the Tiger Woods Foundation! Being a close partnership with the Anaheim Union High School District (AUHSD), The TGR Learning Lab provides **free** STEM, engaging classes, along with free bus transportation after school.

As the TGR Learning Lab reopens their doors, they are ready to welcome every student and provide them the opportunity to expand their knowledge on their passions! If you are a student wanting to do enjoyable, engaging hands-on activities to make the

most of your time after school, then the TGR Learning Lab is the place for you! They offer the most unique classes that aren't usually taught in a school setting, such as food science, multimedia journalism, game design, innovation creation, and even learning a new sport such as Golf- Tiger Woods' speciality, and the list goes on. These classes are offered to 7th-12th grades. Registration is required through this link: https://online.traxsolutions.com/tigerwoods/labca#/search

We have multiple alumni who are now in college and pursuing their dream careers by being a part of the TGR Learning Lab community all while being a long-term member. Such inspiring leaders include, **Brandon Layman** who is pursuing Video Production, **Andres Cuamani** Program Coordinator for Earl Woods Scholar Program, and





Nathan Zet who will major in Paleontology in Kansas.

The TGR Learning Lab recently completed remodeling their environment where there are more modernized resources, more study spaces, and having more spacious lounges for peers to connect with one another coming from different schools within the AU-

The TGR is only available within Anaheim, CA. With that, I, **Alyssa Muldong**, an 8-Year member of the TGR Learning Lab, would highly recommend this opportunity to you all. "Be a champion for youth." For more information, visit www.TGRFoundation.org

STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS / ALYSSA MULDONG

We would like to highlight a handful of talented students coming from the Choir program and take the time to congratulate them on their efforts!

Words from Mr. Garcia, the Choir and Music Theory Teacher at Magnolia HS:

"11 students auditioned for the Southern California Vocal Association (SCVA) Honor Choir. These students are Steven Rodriguez, Jahkoy Boyce, Maxson Robert, Kourosh Daneshi, King Valdez, Jhed Ramos, Summer Libanan, Yaritza Ramirez Cervantes, Johanna Lopez, Queen Valdez, and Jocelyn Perez. We'll hear the results from them on October 14th!"

Congratulations! Magnolia High School wishes them the best of luck and encouragement to those that will be receiving the results! Thank you to Mr. Garcia for his efforts and his continuous support!

MATH CLUB: THE PI-THONS ARE BACK / QUANG HO

Hello, and welcome to Magnolia's Math Club! Have you always had a passion for math or even wanted to explore more aspects around this topic? Then, this is your place. We know, math could get overwhelming with all the worksheets and complex calculations. But, that is not what Math club is all about. We provide many community service opportunities through working with elemen-

tary school students, a chance for you to tutor or receive tutoring by working with Gear Up and afterschool in **room 310**.



Not only that, the best part is the opportunity to take part in monthly math competitions where if you score the highest, you will receive a gift card! Here at Math Club, we focus on making math fun and enjoyable while helping students to figure out how to apply it to real life situations. Math is a

vast field of things for you to explore! If you are struggling with math, we are also here to help you with homework and lessons. Come by **room 905** if you are interested or simply write an email to 1059931@student.auhsd.us.

WORDS FROM A MHS ALUMNUS/ MARIELA SANJINES

As this school year starts, everyone begins to settle into their new classes and schedules. For the new freshmen, that means going to first football games, buying homecoming tickets and joining new clubs. As for our seniors, it means dreading college essays and avoiding PIQ's. Although I'm not a senior yet, I can assume how stressful it might be to start on college applications as soon as the year begins.

Look at this as a sort of guide to "college applications" and everything that comes along with applying. Now to start it off, I've interviewed a Magnolia alumni, **Liana Sanjines**, currently attending UC Berkeley with a major in film/media.

She starts with a piece of encouragement, "I understand how stressful and overwhelming it can be as college applications begin. However I suggest you start on your college essays as soon as you possibly can. Prioritize working on your PIQ's, you don't want to be in a position where you're overwhelmed and unable to put in your best work." When working on your college essays, I think it's

good to start early because you never know change your whole prompt. You always want

She gives advice to students who are interreally passionate about something, don't doubt person you want to be." I know Art majors it is, however there are ways to refute that. lar career that can financially sustain you and

As for those of you seniors who are lost and should know that, that is completely okay. Liapaces and sometimes college isn't for all of us. shouldn't feel too much pressure to automati-

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when inspiration can strike and convince you to to stay prepared and have a plan B. ested in pursuing an Art major, "Go for it, if you are your abilities. Do what you want to do and be the aren't always the most popular because of how risky For example, you can always major in a more popuminor in the career you're passionate about. confused about where to even start, I think you na says," Give it time, everyone moves at different You can find success in other ways." Personally, you cally know what you want to do with your life, you

can always change your major and change it and then change it again. However, be sure you have an idea of what your interests are so it provides you with some sort of confidence to start your journey.

Once you've received your acceptance letters, you can expect to be scared, excited and nervous to move away, especially if you're moving far away and being met with a whole new environment. Liana says, "There are good and bad things, you definitely gain more independence and freedom and you have room to grow as an individual", this however can come with its pros and cons. Realistically, if you're moving far away you can expect to be homesick and just that single emotion can make you feel weary of your new environment. The transition will be stressful but it's how you personally develop as a person and handle that, that can make or break your college experience.

Liana leaves you with one last piece of advice, "once you're done applying for colleges, look for scholarships, focus your time on signing up for any and all. It can help you tremendously with affording books and school supplies. Lastly, make sure to take time for yourself. It's very mentally draining so make sure to take breaks and take time for yourself, and good luck on college applications! You got this!"



Esports Statistics:

- 1. The total market value of the Esports industry exceeded one billion dollars in 2021.
- 2. The top Esports team by earnings—Team Liquid—has won almost \$40 million in prize money.
- 3. The top-earning Esports player has won over \$7 million.
- 4. Elden Ring is the most streamed game on Twitch.
- 5. Just Chatting is streamed by nearly 4 million people on Twitch

MHS Overwatch Team:

- Justin Puerta
- Eduardo Hernandez
- Francisco Vasquez
- Christopher Torres
- Daniel Sanchez
- Andrew Acosta
- Duy Nguyen
- Isaiash Roque

League of Legends Team:

- Cordell Castro
- Justin Puerta
- Gabriel Cota
- Alan Vo
- Lalain Tapia (Manager)

COLLEGE HIGHLIGHTS: UCI / DUY NGUYEN

Hey there, future college students! If you're on the hunt for the perfect university that combines academic excellence with a fantastic campus life, look no further than the University of California, Irvine (UCI).

First off, UCI consistently ranks among the top public universities in the United States. With its cutting-edge research, modernized technology, and a diverse community of students, it's no wonder UCI stands tall among its peers. Just imagine bragging rights to say, "I'm a UCI student!"

Now, for all the stats lovers out there, here's the scoop. UCI boasts an impressive 29,000+ students, ensuring you'll meet people from all walks of life. Majors? We've got them all! From Computer Science and Biomedical Engineering to Dance and Film & Media Studies, UCI's got something for everyone. If you're not sure what you want to major in yet, don't worry; UCI's got awesome advisors to help you figure it out.

But what truly sets UCI apart is its vibrant campus life? With over 600 clubs and organi-

zations, there's something for every passion. Whether you're into gaming, environmental activism, or performing arts, UCI's got a club for you!

So, why is UCI the perfect fit for some students? Well, if you're looking for a topnotch education, a diverse and inclusive



community, and a campus that's basically paradise, then UCI is your dream school. So what are you waiting for? Go get ready to apply to a top school in Cali, UCI.

ESPORTS REBOOT! / LALAINE TAPIA

Esports is a multiplayer tournament that's played through video games such as Overwatch, Valorant, League of Legends, and many more. This year, Magnolia is deciding to dive into the esport category with the Magnolia Mages, our school's very own esports team. The team so far plays two games: Overwatch, and League of Legends.

Esports experienced a significant rise in popularity during the 2000s, but it truly exploded again during the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020. Due to the increasing advancements in technology, including faster internet connections and powerful gaming platforms, these factors made esports more accessible to a broader audience. Gamers found themselves with the means to enjoy a smoother and more immersive gaming experience, even if they were relatively casual players.

The social and competitive nature of esports played a big role in rising gamers. Gamers often form tight-knit communities, both online and offline, providing a sense of connection that became even more valuable during the pandemic's isolation. Esports is offered a way for people to connect through video games and small competitions.

The school team was started after **Gabriel Cota**, a senior also known as Gabe, who wanted to bring back the esports team from last year. With the help of **Justin Puerta**, a senior who is also captain of the Magnolia's Overwatch Team, and **Duy Nguyen**, a senior, worked with the YMCA to officially start this

month. Their practices are held in the cyber room after school. They also practice in their own free time to prepare for tournaments.

For those gamers out there that want to display, showcase, or immerse yourself in gaming skills in a competitive and engaging environment, email

1050923@student.auhsd.us.

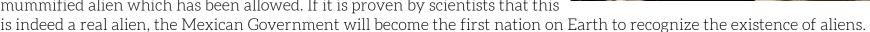


WORLD NEWS: ALIENS CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS / Alexander Flores

On September 13, 2023, the Mexican Government revealed to their congressional hearing a mummified alien body that had been found near Peru in 2017. The hearing has been led by Jaime Maussan, Ufologist. His theories about UFOs and aliens have been proven a hoax and lie countless times, except for this time, he brought proof which has the whole world wondering, what has he said about his claims being true?

The scientific community has speculated that his alien-like body is fake and just more of this lies. However, this time Maussan came with proof as he oversaw tests being conducted as he claims, with genetics and DNA making sure, especially that it's not connected with human evolution or any origin from this planet. The alien has three fingers, a long head, and an extremely small, scrawny body. The alien has been preserved within Peru with barely any perfections which has people wondering, how did the alien die? The death revolving around the alien hasn't been proven yet.

However, Avi Loeb, a Harvard Astronomy Professor, called on Maussan to allow international scientists to perform further research on the mummified alien which has been allowed. If it is proven by scientists that this is indeed a real clien, the Mayigan Covernment will become the first nation on





FUTURE BUSINESS LEADERS OF AMERICA: A CHAPTER ON A RISE /

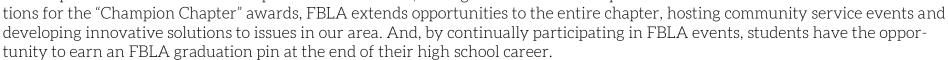
Leticia Alvarado-Franco

FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America) is a student-led organization dedicated to empowering students in their professional endeavors. For high school students looking to dive into career exploration and gain

hands-on experience prior to entering the workforce, this club provides a constructive learning environment.

Our Magnolia High School chapter travels all across California attending competitions and participating in networking events with students from diverse backgrounds. Last semester, with three members finalizing in the Southern Section Competition and one member proceeding to the California State Final, the FBLA chapter traveled to Sacramento, uniting with high school chapters across the state and engaging in a statewide member karaoke night!

With over 90 competitions in subject areas ranging from Business Law to UX Design, our club enables students to further their knowledge of business in a sector that aligns with their unique interests. Whether you're introverted or an accomplished public speaker, there are competitions for each level of expertise. Furthermore, through collaborative competi-



If this opportunity interests you, feel free to contact our club advisor, Ms. Noh, at noh_e@auhsd.us and follow us @Magnoliafblaa for more information. Welcome to the team!



MAGNOLIA GETS A SPOTLIGHT

You may have noticed visitors to one or more of your classes recently. That's because teachers from all over the country have been descending on Magnolia High School recently to observe how we teach and how we operate. Specifically, they are looking at how we teach basic skills like math, science, reading & writing, and how we gain skills in the 5 Cs and utilize our student

as other dignitaries. Administrators and superintendents get on a plane and fly here to investigate our school.

Most of these groups want to see the MACC (Magnolia Agriscience Community Center) and enjoy seeing what we've accomplished there. But overwhelmingly the thing that has the greatest impression on them is our students. Because of the heavy emphasis on communication at MHS, our students often offer brilliant insights in our student panels and in the classroom visits. Not every school gets this spotlight, and Magnolia students have been incredible at impressing visitors with their approach to learning and explaining their teachers' approach to teaching.



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In the 18th century,
Lamplighters went out
nightly and lit the gas
lamps that lined the
streets. In the morning, they put out the
lights. We're unsure
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Do you have an idea for a story? You can submit stories or ideas to Mr. Turner at Turner_R@auhsd.us. We encourage guest contributors to keep stories around 350 words.

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Across:

- 4. The spooky month holiday
- 6. Red _____ Week: Keeping kids drug-free
- 7. Magnolia _____ Institute
- 8. Racket sport this season

Band

9. Recent hurricane in California

Bring this completed crossword puzzle to room 301 in the morning. If all your answers are correct, you'll be entered into a raffle for prizes! Deadline is one week from publication.

Down:

- 1. Seniors should be thinking about their college _____.
- 2. Homecoming King and
- 3. Applying to a four-year
- 5. Future _____ Leaders of America Club

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Word Search

Chicken Sandwich Lamplighter Sophomores Football Homecoming Sentinels Freshman Magnolia Juniors Seniors English French Tennis Spanish Chess Sammy JROTC Apex



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