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Halloween is almost here! It's time to carve the pumpkins, take out the candy, and best of all, pick a costume! What are you going to be for Halloween? If your not quite sure, we can give you a few ideas:

All year we see non-intentional costumes (think "People of Wal-Mart"), but when it comes down to choosing one for Halloween, we are fresh out of ideas. You can go the traditional route and dress up as a vampire, a werewolf, the devil, an angel, or even the Tooth Fairy. Most teenagers have outgrown these overused ideas, so here are a few new ones:

Flying solo? Try a Banana suit, a Miley Cyrus costume, a Rubiks Cube, a yellow Minion, Lady Gaga, or Freddy Kruger!



Have a partner? Try the Thing 1 & Thing 2 duo, Bonnie & Clyde, Danny & Sandy from Grease, or Peanut Butter & Jelly!

Halloween Treats

Couture Carmel Apples

Ingredients:

- 1 1/2 cups of sugar
- 1 cups light corn syrup
- 1 tsp. of fine sea salt
- 6 Granny Smith apples
- 1/2 stick butter, soft-ened
- 1 cup heavy cream
- 1 tsp. pure vanilla ex-tract
- Special Equipment: 6 chopsticks

Toppings:

- Chopped Pecans
- Toasted Coconut
- Ginger Snap Crumbs
- Sprinkles



Directions:

1. Put the sugar in a saucepan and add the corn syrup and salt. Give it a nice stir. Put on the stove over medium-high heat. The sugar will dissolve, get nice and clear, and then start bubbling and turn a golden brown. Meanwhile, poke a chopstick through the center of each apple.
2. Once the caramel is nice and brown, stir in the butter. Turn off the heat. Add the cream, but be really careful because it releases a lot of steam (wear an oven mitt to stir). Then add the vanilla and mix in. Have a bowl of ice and water, and put a metal bowl inside the ice. Scrape the caramel into the metal bowl. Let the caramel cool a bit in the ice bath.
3. Dip the apple in the bowl, coating with the caramel. Use a rubber spatula to help the process, if needed. Then dip the coated apples into the toppings of your choice, place on a plate and let harden up a bit.

Featured 1

We bleed MAROON!

The Boys of Fall.

The Roughnecks' homecoming game was a well played, exciting game. However, they did not capture the win. They will be playing Sweeny next week in Sweeny. The junior varsity played Bay City and lost, but it was an impressive game. JV player Dennis White has confidence in the the Roughnecks with the Battle of The Bernard against Sweeny. "I always think they'll win." We lost the fight this year, but next year, IT'S ON!



Dig It Lady 'Necks!

Now on to volleyball! The Lady 'Necks volleyball team is continuing their fantastic season. They dominated Stafford on their home turf. Coach Murphy feels that it was "the best match" because "the girls have come together." Not only is she proud of the game, she is also proud of her astounding young players. Be sure to go out and support our Lady 'Necks.

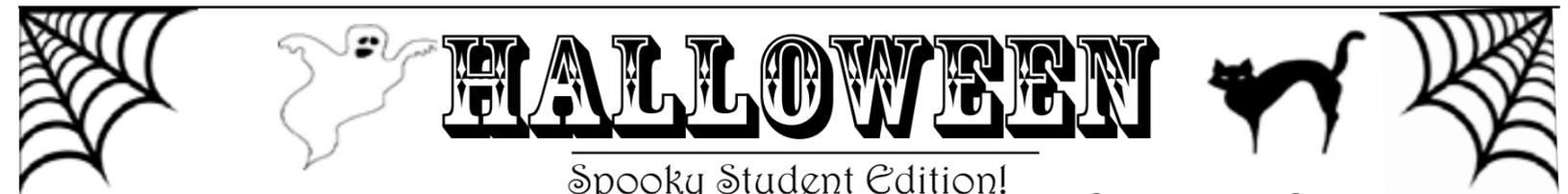
Catch Me if You Can!

The Cross Country team is still doing excellent! Coach Carr is making sure they that they still drink plenty of fluids and that they stretch before they run. The girls and JV boys run 2 miles, while the varsity boys run 3. So you know that they need to stay hydrated. With all this practice, they will do outstanding at the next meet. Coach Carr's top runners, Anthony Jimenz, Keenan Maxie, and Journey Hartung will surely give Stafford a run for their medals.

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HALLOWEEN

Spooky Student Edition!

We asked the CHS students some spooky questions and we got some WACKY answers!

What is the weirdest or craziest costume you have ever worn?

"I was a traffic cone with an eye ball with the word scream on it (ice cream cone)"

- Journey Hartung

Have you ever had any "spooky" encounters?

"I saw my sister before she had on makeup."

- Triston Giesie

What is your biggest fear?

"I fear nothing."

-Kaitie Braddock

What is the scariest movie to you?

"I don't watch scary movies, I'm too scared."

-Alex Mezzgar

Do you ever go to haunted houses, why or why not?

"No, because things popping out at me might make me cry"

-Selena Olivares

Do you still go trick or treating, why or why not?

"No, I'm too old."

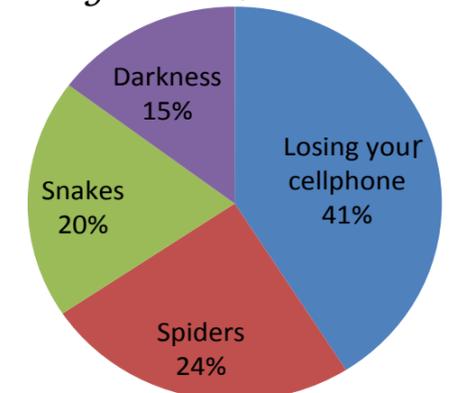
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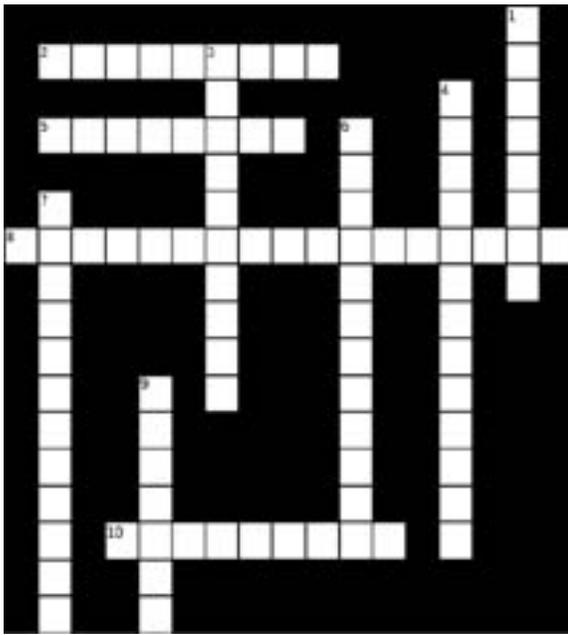
CRIME STOPPERS

On January 9, 2013, suspects Broke into the field house of Columbia High School. Several items were taken; 3 maroon football helmets, 1 set of girls warm ups, 1 Black I-pod classic & 8 master pad locks with keys.

On January 31 & February 1, 2013 Wild peach elementary was broken into by 2 or more suspects. The items taken were listed as; Flat screen monitors, laptop computers, Wii and Xbox Game systems. If you have any information that will help solve the crime, contact Brazoria County Crime Stoppers. Information that leads to prosecution can earn cash rewards of up to \$5000.00.

What scares you the most?





Who was the most famous French skeleton?

Napoleon bone-apat.

Who won the skeleton beauty contest?

Nobody.

What do fisherman say on Halloween?

'Trick-or-trout!'

Why is Dracula so unpopular?

Because he's a pain in the neck!

What do you call a witch who lives at the beach?

A Sand-witch.

Why do witches fly on brooms?

Vacuum cleaner cords aren't long enough.

Down:

1. What do people carve?
3. What are the humans that change during a full moon?
4. Where do you go if you want to be scared?
6. What day is Halloween on?
7. What was the name of the doctor who brought the monster back to life?
9. Who rides brooms?

Across:

2. What holiday is in October?
5. Who bites humans?
8. People give you candy when you go _____.
10. What is the most popular type of candy?

Why did Dracula's mother give him cough medicine?

Because he was having a coffin

Why wasn't there any food left after the monster party?

Because everyone was a goblin.

Why did the vampire's lunch give him heartburn?

It was a stake sandwich.

What would you call the ghost of a door-to-door salesman?

A dead ringer.

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