

THE COMMODORE CHRONICLE

COUGARS DON'T MAKE THE NEWS, WE BREAK THE NEWS!



The Cougar Store is Back!!

BY ISABELLA PLASCENCIA

The point of having the Cougar Store is to give kids a chance to experience real life. Mrs. Clark wants the kids to work for the Cougar Cash by showing they C.A.R.E. They earn the Cougar Cash as incentives for positive behavior. She got inspired by all the students who are doing the right thing at school and wanted to reward them. The reason why Ms. Clark keeps the cougar store going is because she loves to motivate students, and she thinks that if kids can't buy something they want at home, they can earn Cougar Cash to buy what they want at the Cougar Store.



8th Grade Students at the CTE Field Trip showing their Commodore Pride!

The Carnival Brings Fun to Everyone!

BY JAYLEN ABILEZ, NICOLAS ARCEO,
AND VALERIA HALL

The Carnival was a success! Many kids came with their family and friends, and ended up leaving with timeless memories. We interviewed various people from different classes and the majority said the best thing there was The jumper that you could race your friends in! Many people thought the food was delicious! In my personal opinion, and a few others, the raffle was exciting! As some loved the carnival others were not as enthusiastic. "It needed more activities, food options and decoration..." one said, and they wished the taco trunk had returned. Many other students were impressed with the diverse culture the stands represented such as the lumpias and nachos. Many former students also said seeing their old friends, or coming back to see all time favorite teachers was definitely the highlight of the carnival!



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CTE Field Trip
An Awesome Experience for All!

BY JAYLEN ABILEZ, VALERIA HALL,
AND NICOLAS ARCEO

This was the second year the CTE trip was held. All middle schools from the Stockton Unified School District were invited to see the creative stands that represented each school. They showed off their unique qualities to help you pick your best interest and pursue it throughout your high school career. The program advertises the wide variety of careers and jobs they our high schools help prepare students for. Many stands had games with candy being given as prizes, while others were more interactive with such games as “Name the bone,” or having students “laying down brick,” which drew a curious crowd. Some said their favorite showcase was the Robotics team from Edison High, while others stated it was the Mariachi Band from Chavez. These presentations were convincing and encouraging, and have greatly inspired us to get more involved with our future.



Some Campus Fun and Celebrations!



KEYWORD

Interview with Mrs.
Wagner

BY JOAQUIN CARRASCO AND
MICHAEL JOHNSON

HOW HAS YOUR SCHOOL YEAR BEEN
GOING?

Mrs. Wagner: **VERY FABULOUS**

How was the carnival and Lunch on the
Lawn this year?

Mrs. Wagner: The Carnival was really fun and I worked the Snack Bar for the 1st time. I'm really glad Lunch on the Lawn is back!

What did you do over Thanksgiving
Break?

Mrs. Wagner: I spent a lot of time with my family and helped my family with dinner!

What are your favorite hobbies?

Mrs. Wagner really enjoys watching her children play sports.

Teacher Spotlight: Mrs. Garcia

BY ARIANNA VILLANUEVA AND RINA
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Mrs. Garcia’s interview

There are many outstanding teachers in this world, and we’ll be discussing one of those teachers in this article. The teacher we’ll discuss is Mrs. Garica, and I’m sure you might have heard of her somewhere. You probably heard of her from an older sibling or parent who had her in the past. Or maybe you heard her from another student who also had Mrs. Garcia. The point is, you might have heard of her in the past, and if you haven’t, then now you have. Mrs. Garcia is a sixth-grade teacher who has been teaching for eighteen years. She’s inspired many students in the past, and I’m sure she’ll inspire more students in the future. Mrs. Garcia is a very kind and caring teacher who does a lot for her students, and after reading this, you’ll think so as well.

Now, if you’ve seen her classroom, you’ll see a variety of things that have to involve colleges. You might ask why different colleges are the theme of her classroom, and the reasoning behind this is quite simple. Mrs. Garcia’s theme is college preparation because she wants to be able to have her students want to choose a college at an early age. She also has simple but effective expectations: to work hard, be respectful, don’t lie, behave, and always be prepared. Before she became a teacher at Commodore, there were too many substitutes before her. They needed a sixth-grade teacher for one of the sixth-grade classes, and Mrs. Garcia applied for the job. Mrs. Garcia also has a fantastic method of teaching her students. She first earns her students’ trust and respect, which isn’t easy, and then she can teach them everything needed.

Since we discussed Mrs. Garcia's classroom and expectations, we can now talk about Mrs. Garcia herself. Her favorite thing about teaching is when her students understand what Mrs. Garcia is teaching them.

She also loves teaching her kids because they can bond and connect, and her favorite subjects are English, math, reading, and writing. Mrs. Garcia’s favorite grade is any grade because she can teach any grade if she wants to, and she has since Mrs. Garcia taught all grade levels. Her hobbies are swimming, crochet, and making blankets, and she loves cats and dogs. Her favorite color is red because it’s bold and speaks for itself. Mrs. Garcia’s favorite movie is also “Stand and Deliver” by Ramón Menéndez. Now that you know everything about Mrs. Garcia, this is the end of the report. I hope you learned something new about Mrs. Garcia, and make sure to say “hi” to her the next time you see her.

Commodore Showcase

By Camila Quiroz and Jaylah Alcon





Football Championship Team

Sports Report- Football Championship
By Michael Johnson and Joaquin Carrasco

The games started off with the players getting their flags on while the audience is getting ready for the action.

We interviewed some players to find out their thoughts about the game just before kickoff.

What are your plans for the championships?
(Jabari) To win the championships!
(Manual) to win with good sportsmanship.

What would you do if you lost the championships?
(Jabari) I would be very disappointed in myself and my team.
(Manual)I will be very disappointed that my teammates will not get pizza.

What happens if you win the championships?
(Jabari) I will be delighted and excited if we won.
(Manual) I will be very happy that we won the championships!

Who do you think is going to win the championship?
(Manual) I think my team is going to win because we have great sportsmanship.
(Jabari) I think we are going to win.

What happens if your team throws an interception?
(Manual) Do our best to keep our heads up and get back on defense.
(Jabari) Keep playing and prevent the team from scoring.

What celebration dance would you do if you got a touchdown?
(Manual) We would do a chant.
(Jabari) Start jumping in the air.

The score was 30 to 29 the winning team was period 3 the MVPs of the teams were Jabari and Jayden. Jabari was MVP because he was throwing very well, and Jayden was also MVP because he got a winning catch in the last seconds of the game. The losing team MVPs were Leilani, Ja'Leah, and Zander. Layonni ran as fast as a rabbit and got two touchdowns, Ja'Leah caught most of the throws and got 2 touchdowns, and Zander because he got Jabari's flag twice and was a really good lineman defending the quarterback.

CAMPUS TALK BY ELIAS AYALA

I went out around campus and asked students to talk about some of their favorite things. Here is what I found:

The top 3 Favorite Sports of students surveyed were: Football, Basketball, Soccer

Students Favorite Colors were: Red, Blue, Green

Favorite Animals were: Pets and Wild Animals

Thoughts about the school:
Commodore is an awesome school!
Younger grades love AR!!



The Commodore Staff: Holiday Traditions

By Elkin Perez and Valeria Hall

As the end of the year rolls around and we pass the holidays, many of our students and staff enjoy the season with their family. Many have special traditions for the holiday season. We interviewed a few people around the office to ask about their favorite holiday tradition. A few answered with Christmas traditions, while others mentioned Thanksgiving. The traditions and reasons behind them were truly heartwarming! Mr. Mosqueda says helping his mom make tamales is truly a family bonding experience. He says he didn't always love doing this but as the years have passed, the small things become just as memorable as everything else. Ms. Melanie states putting up the Christmas tree with her kids is her favorite tradition, as it is a tradition for all which represents unity and peace. Mrs.Stricklen enjoys a Secret Santa with her loved ones! It's a real fun tradition that brings joy and mystery together in one night! Many of us come together around this time of year to end it on a good note and create a fresh start to the new year.

Band Review

BY KYLAH CADMAN AND ADRIAN FOWLER

Well, let's just say, everyone participating at the concert was absolutely amazing and did an amazing job! Everyone did such a good job and played so well! The set was very well organized. The seating was a bit of a problem, but the concert made up for it. At the concert, they played "Louie Louie," "The Avengers," "Dark Adventure," and a couple other songs. All of the songs were very well performed and executed. Overall, the band concert was really cool and entertaining to watch and listen to. We cannot wait for the next one!



Question Corner

By Kiana Torres and Jocelyn Pico

What is your favorite Holiday and favorite type of candy?

Mrs.McHan's Students
Angela said she likes Christmas and her favorite type of candy is sour.
Alejandra said she likes Christmas and her favorite type of candy is sweet.
Shawn said he likes Christmas and his favorite type of is sour.

Ms. Munoz's Students
Aliyah said she likes Christmas and her favorite type of candy is sour.
Ryan said he likes Christmas and his favorite type of candy is sweet.

Mr. Eales's Students
Catalina said she likes Halloween, and her favorite type of candy is sour.
Kai said he likes Halloween, and his favorite type of candy is sour.

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