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Pirates and Pumpkins Carnival

Marvin Elementary Halloween Carnival

By Lily Bee Malone & Elliot Smith

On October 20th, 2017, the yearly Halloween Carnival happened once again. This year's theme was Pumpkins and Pirates Halloween Carnival from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM. There were many smiles on people's faces. This was a very cheerful sight. For the activities this year there was a small train, a slide, cake walk, a box where you stick your hand in and pull out prizes and many more fun games to play. There was a very long line for the cake walk, in fact it was difficult for some to see where the line ended and where it started.

The food at the carnival was popcorn, nachos, shaved ice, and more. There were two other food trucks with a long menu and sodas were served from food trucks in one area. They could be bought for tickets or money. In room #17 (science lab), there was the 5th Grade Sweet Shop a kind of bake sale which raises money for the 5th grade trips at the end of the school year.

The cake walk was another event. You can get a cake from the cake walk if you win. The way to play is there is a



Cake Walk at the carnival
Photo Taken by Gus Ferreira

circle of chairs with people walking around it, while the people running the game played music. When they turned off the music you had to sit down. In front of every chair was a number 1-25, and if they call out your number you get to pick a cake or some cookies to bring home.

There was a bunch of staff at the carnival. Mr. Schreiber (5th grade teacher) was running the cake-walk with a parent while other teachers were running the food stand such as Mrs. Johnson, Mr. Zeman and Mrs. Murphy. There were many parents and volunteers running the stands or helping with many of the games

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Marvin Halloween Parade

By Oceana Coleangelo

The Marvin Halloween Parade took place at Marvin and was on October 31, 2017. It took place from 1:40-2:05 pm. At about 1:40 pm, the kids lined up youngest to oldest. (transitional kindergarten to fifth grade). When the kids actually started moving, the teachers were trying to keep the kids in line. The parents were standing around taking pictures as the kids walked.

Most of the kids dressed up. Some of the costumes were: a cow- girl, a pumpkin, a pirate, and Minnie Mouse. Some of the teachers dressed up too.



Students show off their costumes
Photo Taken by Sara Etheridge

Some of the costumes were: a stormtrooper, a doll, jellyfish and Minnie Mouse. While the kids were walking around, the Ghostbusters song was playing. The kids went around the tether

balls, then turned to the red bars and then turned by the basketball hoops. They then continued down the hallway and turned at Room 11 and kept going down that hallway then turned to go down to Room 6 and that hallway. The parade continued down to the office, then out through the office to go outside, by the side gate and then walk down that hallway in front of Rooms 1 and 2 and finally turned to go on the blacktop. The school took a picture and went back to their classrooms. **Cont'd p3**

Dads Club Community BBQ

By Eriksson Kylstad

On Friday, October thirteenth, the Dads Club BBQ took place at the Marvin cafeteria. The reason why there was a BBQ was to raise funds for the school. This was the second year that Marvin has done the BBQ and this year there was double the amount of kids and parents at the event. The Dads Club was mainly made to make the dads of Marvin more included with their kids and other students. The students get great things from the club with things like new desks, chairs, pencils, erasers, scissors and other equipment.

The Dads Club planed the event in September and bought 125 hot dogs and hamburgers the day before the event. After a while, they had to buy 70 more burgers because the people at the event finished the burgers. The Dads Club cooked the food right in front of you because they thought it would taste better. There was no donation goal, just what people were willing to give. Throughout only one and a half hours, Marvin raised \$480.

Ms. Parra

By Elaina Allison & Katie Jo Quin

You may know Ms. Parra as our kindergarten teacher, but we wanted to learn a little more about her. Mrs. Para is 40 years old and started working at Marvin Elementary in 2000. This is the only school she has worked at and has been teaching at Marvin for the past 18 years. When Ms. Parra was young she loved to play school. When she went to college, she knew that she wanted to be a teacher. She enjoys being around young kids.

If she could teach one grade besides kindergarten it would be first grade because it is closest to kindergarten. Her favorite part of her teaching day would be art. But out of school, her favorite part of the day would be the morning. She likes that it is cool and nice, and she also feels rested **Cont'd p4**

Mrs. Kang

By Alex Ingalls & Luke Mikolon

Mrs. Kang is one of Marvin Elementary School 2nd grade teachers. The other 2nd grade teacher is Mrs. Murphy. A lot of her students think she is a great teacher, and some of them think she is also very generous. She loves to teach 2nd grade because they are little kids but they pay attention. She first started teaching in a public school at Monterey Park. She moved to Marvin Elementary. She chose to teach 2nd grade because it is fun and easy to teach. Mrs. Kang also likes talking to her fellow teachers and to play games with her students. Mrs. Kang is also very nice because she plays the piano for her students and gives out jello for being good in class. Mrs. Kang has been teaching for 36 years.

When she is not at school, she likes to go to the movies or watch Korean drama. **Cont'd p4**

Great American Shakeout

The Great American Shakeout took place at Marvin Elementary on October, 19th 2017. The event went through all schools in the California area timezone. When it happened, a 1 minute bell went on. In the Shakeout, the students would duck under their desks until they heard the bell. That bell is when they go outside, in complete silence. After the bell, the students went outside, and waited until all schools were ready. The event took place over about 7 minutes. Mr. Sachdeva, principal of Marvin Elementary, ran the event for our school.

Mr. Sachdeva said “that high schools, middle schools, and elementary schools do the drill.”

Every school in America does it, but at different times. Over 100 schools participated in this event. The Great American Shakeout gets its name from being an earthquake drill that takes place all over America, but universities and colleges don't do it. Most schools in the time zone did the event with Marvin.

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thanks to the volunteers.

The staff started setting things up at the end of the school day (on the day of the carnival). It was really busy at about 7:00 PM. The carnival was 11 days before Halloween. The school has this event to get to know each other better, (for students and parents who are new to the school) to feel more comfortable going to the school, and for students to show the school to their parents

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Over all, the halloween parade was fun and very noisy. The reason we have our Halloween Parade is for students to have fun, to build school spirit, and to include parents and the community.

2017 Marvin Sweet Shop

By Zoe Colling & Wyatt Zeiger

This year, Marvin Elementary held a sweet shop to raise money for the end of the year fifth grade activities. Stephanie Colling, current PTF member, organized the sweet shop. She was hoping to make at least four hundred dollars. With the help of Colling and twelve volunteers, they were able to raise six hundred dollars. The fifth grade parents were asked to help set up and volunteer for one hour shifts to help sell goods and clean up after. The fifth graders were asked to donate since the proceeds only benefited them directly for their graduation celebration.

At the sweet shop, the parents took donated sweets, individually wrapped some of the baked goods and spread them out. The most common treats you could've found were, cupcakes and cookies. Also, hot beverages were sold such as coffee and hot cocoa. Parents and students were all allowed to purchase from the sweet shop. The sweet shop took place during the Pirates and Pumpkins Carnival on Friday, October 20th from 5:00 to 8:00 in room 17. It was a success! They exceeded their goal and not many sweets were left.



Sweet Shop set up
Photo by Gus Ferreira

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and awake. At home, Ms. Parra likes to read books.

We asked Ms. Parra what her favorite holiday is. It turns out that her favorite holiday is Christmas. She likes being with family and buying and getting presents. We also learned that her favorite food is pizza because she likes the savory cheese and the pepperoni. But with the food comes the hobbies. She told us that she likes to exercise, hike, and walk her dog. Now we know more about our kindergarten teacher Mrs. Parra.



Interview with Mrs. Kang
Photo Taken by Gus Ferreira

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Her favorite hobby is traveling and meeting different people. She can speak 5 languages which are English, Spanish, Russian, Japanese, and Korean. Mrs. Kang also likes to hang out with her family.