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Alecia Odom  
& Maggie Gill  
Reporters

## Homecoming King & Queen Nominees



Nieko Borrero

"People should vote for me because I'm the best choice; I'm a man of the people."



Jalen Allen

"I didn't really want to run. I didn't even know I got nominated."



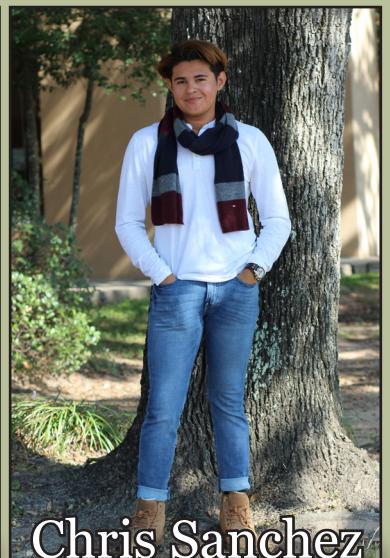
Rigo Gonzalez

"I'm very upbeat, friendly, enjoyable to be around, and love supporting our school."



Dylan Weaver

"My parents inspired me to run because they never supported me or cared about school. I'm just trying to prove them wrong."



Chris Sanchez

"People should vote for me because my ambition portrays my everyday character."



Sophie Brenner

"I'm very involved on campus, I'm supportive of everyone around me, and I love being a Conroe tiger."



Cindy Martinez

"I love helping the community and love how everything runs at CHS."



Shae Desilets

"I have a lot of school spirit and I love Conroe High."



Jahailin Cerda

"I am a very nice person and putting myself out there like this is not something I normally do, but it's what I want to do now."



Victoria Ratcliff

"I want to be the exception. I want to show people that you don't have to be super popular to win something like this."

# Triumph Staff 2017-2018

Kaytee Jarvis  
Reporter

**Jessy Ramos**  
Grade: Senior  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF



"This is my second year in the Triumph and I'm still obsessed with The Weeknd."

**David Faul**  
Grade: Junior  
REPORTER



"This is my first year in newspaper. I like to play basketball in my free time."

Arely Hernandez & Roselyne Vazquez  
Reporters

**Rigoberto Gonzalez**  
Grade: Senior  
ASSISTANT EDITOR



"This is my second year in newspaper and I am the assistant editor."

**Kaytee Jarvis**  
Grade: Junior  
REPORTER



"This is my first year on the Triumph staff. I like to spoil movies."

**Alecia Odom**  
Grade: Senior  
SECRETARY



"I am the secretary of the Triumph and this is my second year."

**Rose Vazquez**  
Grade: Junior  
REPORTER



"This is my second year on the Triumph and I like to write."

**Arely Hernandez**  
Grade: Senior  
REPORTER



"This is my first year in the Triumph and I like to go shopping."

**Maggie Gill**  
Grade: Sophomore  
REPORTER

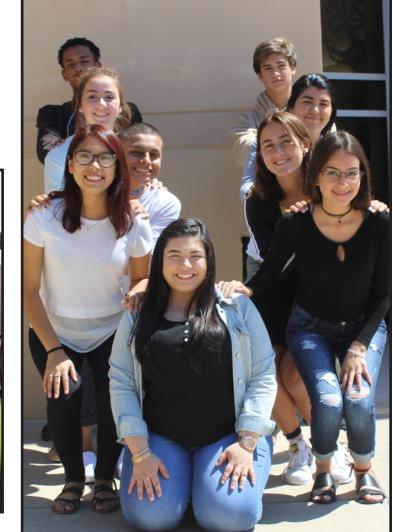


"This is my second year in newspaper, but my first at the Triumph."

**Caleb Gaddis**  
Grade: Junior  
REPORTER



"This is my first year in newspaper and I plan to make it a good one."



Caleb Gaddis, David Faul, Maggie Gill, Rose Vazquez, Rigo Hernandez, Kaytee Jarvis, Arely Hernandez, Jessy Ramos and Alecia Odom

## Students of CHS

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"Be yourself, talk to as many people as you can and don't be anybody else but your own self."  
-Eduardo Hernandez



"Go to games, school events and join clubs to really become a part of the CHS Community."  
-Maria Ahmed



"I like to hangout with my friends, but I'm mostly always at work."  
-Oscar Aguilar



"Try your best and don't give up on your dreams."  
-Miranda Ramsey



"I help out my sister with her kids, then see if my mom needs any help." - Jaylin Locke



"Be confident about yourself and make your year great."  
-Felipe Jimenez



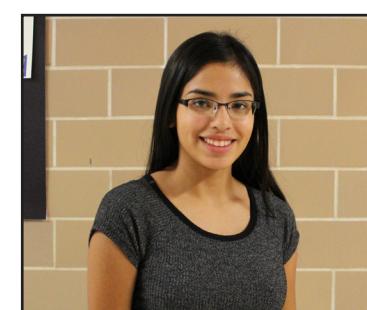
"I like to take pictures in my free time."  
-Hunter Jones



"In my free time I like to play basketball and watch youtube videos."  
-Tashona Mc Intosh



"In my free time I hang out with my friends and work."  
-Nutchana Catherine Berry



"In my free time I like to play soccer."  
-Nancy Castro

David Faul  
Reporter

# TOP SCARY MOVIES



**Get Out**

IMDb rating: 7.8/10  
Students rating: 8/100



**The Conjuring**

IMDb rating: 7.5/10  
Students rating: 14/100



**The Conjuring 2**

IMDb rating: 7.4/10  
Student rating: 2/100



**Don't Breathe**

IMDb rating: 7.2/10  
Student rating: 13/100



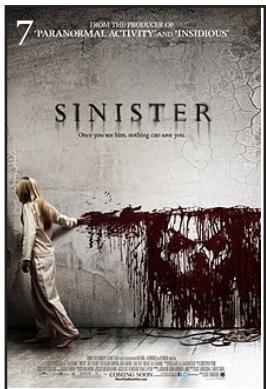
**Annabelle: Creation**

IMDb rating: 7/10  
Student rating: 12/100



**It Follows:**

IMDb rating: 6.9/10  
Student rating: 7/100



**Sinister**

IMDb rating: 6.8/10  
Student rating: 7/100



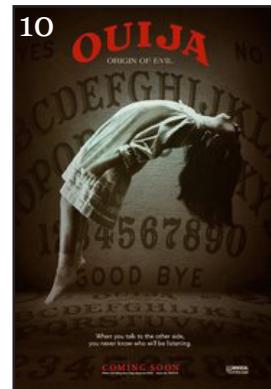
**Lights Out:**

IMDb rating: 6.4/10  
Student rating: 27/100



**The Woman in Black**

IMDb rating: 6.4/10  
Student rating: 4/100



**Ouija: Origin of Evil**

IMDb rating: 6.1/10  
Student rating: 6/100

Alecia Odom  
Secretary

Hurricane Harvey left a path of destruction across the Texas gulf. It ripped through homes and businesses at a slow 2 mph. It's estimated that Houston received about 49.76 inches of rainfall from the storm. The last time that there was a category 4 hurricane in Texas was in 1961.

Many students were affected by Harvey leaving them distraught in the aftermath. **Trinity Curnel**'s house was flooded during the disaster and everything on the bottom floor of her house was completely ruined.

"I think we were as prepared for the storm as we could have been," Curnel said.

The storm set her back emotionally and mentally for a minute, but then she was ready to move forward.

"People can help me personally by praying for us," Curnel said. "We need a lot of prayers."

The next step for her and her family is rebuilding and doing everything all over again.

"My biggest setback is not having



Many students and staff came out to the food drive to support Harvey victims and donated their time to relief efforts.

## Harvey After Shock

random things that you normally wouldn't think about that are gone, like a kitchen," Curnel said. "Like maybe you go downstairs to wash your hands or something and there's no sink."

Many other students also faced challenges as their home and personal belongings to a big hit by the storm.

"I definitely didn't think the storm was going to do as much damage as it did," **Ally Cannon** said. "I was not expecting it."

Ally lost her house and everything in it and couldn't wait for it all to finally pass.

"The hardest part of the storm was actually leaving because we live on a farm and have a lot of animals, so we had to leave all of them behind," Cannon said. "When the storm was over I felt relieved that the rain would stop and wouldn't do anymore damage to anyone."

The actual storm wasn't even the major issue for most people, the aftermath of Harvey is the most challenging.



Members of the football team help unload vehicles at the Harvey Food Drive.

"The storm affected me emotionally and mentally because it was really straining and stressful to try and figure out what to do afterwards," Cannon said.

Other students can help her and other victims by not judging or bullying them for their hardship, and offering kindness and compassion towards them.

"They could've lost everything, all their clothes and their home," Cannon said.

Cannon is currently living further away than she is used to, and it's harder for her to get to and from school now.

Despite what all of the hurricane victims went through during the storm, they will rise back up with the help from the community, friends, and family.

The school held a food drive and donated all items to the Montgomery County Food Bank. Assistance is still available and you can see your counselor for more information.



Folding boxes, **Cameron Burdine** and **Coach Poncho** assist the Montgomery Food Bank during the Harvey Food Drive.

Jessy Ramos  
Editor-in-Chief

## MORE THAN A CONTACT SPORT

As the football players ran out of the tunnel, the band played the infamous school song, ‘Tiger Boogie.’ The Golden Girls and cheerleaders stood in lines as they performed their pre-game routine, and as the 2017 football season kicked off, the students and faculty were excited for a new football season to begin.

It’s always heartbreaking to see older teammates graduate and no longer play with the rest of the team, but the players are pushing through to make this season one for the books.

“It’s harder cause we had some good players last year who now graduates, but we’ll pull through,” wide receiver and junior captain, **Michael Gutierrez**, said.

With the tragedies that hurricane Harvey brought upon some of the students and the community, the football players lent a helping hand to those in need.

“It feels really good having selfless teammates, I’m truly blessed,” linebacker and senior captain, **Ty’Dus Clay**, said.

Caleb Gaddis  
Reporter

The Theater program is having their first production of the year, “The Merry Wives of Windsor,” at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, October 12 through Saturday, October 14 and again Monday, October 16 in the Auditorium. Tickets are \$5 at the door.

The play is a comedy written by William Shakespeare that is set in the 15th century.

“Personally I think Shakespeare is more interesting than more of the other shows we’ve done,” sophomore Aubrey Ontiveros said.

This year the theater group has more freshmen and less seniors than usual, so the students are looking forward to fresh, young faces joining the crew.

“We have lost a few good actors but we have recruited some new ones that we can train to be as good as the old actors,” sophomore **Bri Octaviano** said.

The loss of seniors will really take affect with “The Merry Wives of Windsor” being the first production of the year but the actors have confidence in this play being one of their best with the younger actors taking the reins.

The football team went to Cryar Intermediate to read to both fifth and sixth graders for the districtwide Read For A Better Life event on September 20th.

“Seeing little kids smile for something that you did brightens up your day,” quarterback and senior captain, **Jordan Black**, said.

As one of the most watched sports in all of Texas, expectations are always high for the team and this year they are determined to make it a great season, win or lose.

“We’re working harder this year, we also got a new and smarter line and it’s getting better,” tailback and senior captain, **Donaven Lloyd**, said.

The football team is doing their hardest to not disappoint. It’s not just about winning games that makes a great team; but it’s about what you do for the community.

Come out to support the team tonight at Montgomery for Battle of 105, and at the Homecoming game against College Park on October 20th at Moorhead Stadium.



Many football players volunteered their time at the Harvey Food Drive a few days after the storm hit.



Reading to a group of elementary students at Cryar Intermediate, **Cole Brown** engages the children by being expressive and interactive.

## THEATER

“We have been preparing for this play for about four weeks after school,” **Jacob Wheeler** said.

The program has been working hard since the beginning of the school year and it has made their environment inside the program feel like a family.

“It’s very active and fun,” junior Wheeler said. “And everybody really gets along.”

With all the newcomers this year, there have been several transitions from technician roles to actor roles for the upperclassmen.

“I have a role in ‘The Merry Wives of Windsor’ play, like a large role, so I have to memorize a lot more and rehearse harder,” junior **Castle Warren** said.

Unlike many other schools, the theater program builds their own sets for every production and builds them far in advance to ensure they have everything they need in time for each play.

“I mean there’s lighting, sounds, and a bunch of other extra fun stuff like that which is why I love tech,” Warren said.

Check out “The Merry Wives of Windsor” before it’s too late!



Josue Hernandez and Aubrey Ontiveros act out their parts while practicing for their “The Merry Wives of Windsor” production.



Theatre cast: Jacob Wheeler, Castle Warren, Bri Octaviano, Aubrey Ontiveros, Alex Martinez, Sam Neeley, Patric Allen, and Jonathon Quinn.

**Maggie Gill**  
Reporter

This year's volleyball team has started their year off with a bang with a insert record.

This year is a very interesting year for the players because they are almost all seniors creating quite a drastic change for next year's varsity team.

"We've played together since we were in the seventh grade, we're sisters," middle blocker, **Josy Rodel**, said.

These girls are a very close knit bunch, they know each other like the backs of their hands.

Growing up together has been a large benefit for these girls because they are able to communicate in a way that other teams can't, and it has shown in their playing.

"It was exhilarating the first time we won together, because it felt like all that hard work paid off," **Sydney Walling** said.

Since the girls are almost all seniors they will have to have a almost completely new team. The girls are very confident in the upcoming team but they still have a few words of advice for them to help them out in the future.

**Rigo Hernandez**  
Assistant Editor

## Volleyball

"Work hard and always give it your all because effort beats talent," outside hitter **Brooke Bartlett** said.

The varsity team has been making their way through the season one spike at a time always putting in 100% of effort if not more.

The team really focuses on hard work and determination so that they can climb the ladder all the way up to playoffs.

"Make sure you work hard, and if you really want it, go after it," **Amelia Kalehuamakanoe** said.

All of the girls goals are to make it to playoffs together and be able to share that victory with one another.

"We always keep each other up and try to motivate one another during games because that's when we all play our best," middle blocker **Victoria Ratcliff** said.

Despite any losses they might have during the season the girls will still continue to be family after this and never give up, that is what it's all about.

Come out and support the girls tonight at home against the Woodlands.



Serving the ball, **Gabby Mize** earns a point for her team.



Spiking the ball over the net, **Jazzmin Kim** aims it between the two defenders to score for the team.

## NEW SPONSORS, SAME TEAM

After 13 seasons as the Golden Girl sponsor, Amanda Bond has stepped aside from the role and introduced two new sponsors to lead the group.

"We have two new amazing directors who are making sure we are doing everything to the best of our abilities," officer **Viridiana Barrera** said. "The choreography and new ideas that they both bring are to die for."

This year the team size has also increased from 70 to 85 members, with nine officers; **Hanna Bailey** (major), **Sophie Brenner**, **Morgan Muños**, **Megan Beltran**, **Jacklyn Vaughn**, **Viridiana Barrera**, **Christina Velasquez**, **Rose Duron**, and **Ava Henson**.

Bailey became major by completing requirements such as a solo, a directed interview, a team interview, a judge interview, teaching the team about her solo, and making a scrapbook.

"It feels great to be major, but I feel I am equal to the rest of the officers," Bailey said. "Rank isn't important to me; the officer line is very united since we've become a family and I am so blessed to be able



The Elite Golden Girls team waits for the music to start before beginning their routine at the camo day pep rally.



Ending their infamous "Tiger Boogie" routine at the football game against Huntsville, the Golden Girls are all smiles.

to work with eight other amazing girls."

This year the team has its first male member, **Lucas Gaddie**.

"I chose Golden Girls because I saw there were no boys on the team at any point in time, so I decided I wanted to change that," Gaddie said.

But with change comes both positive and negative side effects.

"Sometimes it seems bittersweet to be the only guy on the team," Gaddie said. "There is the pressure of impressing the crowd but also blending in and facing the fact that not everyone likes me being on the team but I always make sure to stay positive."

Despite the new changes, the team and sponsors expect to improve this season and bring everything they have to the dance floor.

"I'm expecting for everyone to be 'wowed' by the golden girls to see how far we've gotten as a team," officer **Megan Beltran** said. "Golden girls is a great organization to be a part of, it has taught me valuable lessons that I'll be using throughout my life."

So cheer on the Golden Girls at their performances this year!

Jessy Ramos  
Editor-in-Chief

# Spirit Days

Be in-the-know for spirit days so you don't miss out on making memories with your friends!

**Homecoming Week**  
**Monday, Oct. 16**



**PJ Day**

**Homecoming Week**  
**Tuesday, Oct. 17**



**Country vs. Country Club**

**Homecoming Week**  
**Wednesday, Oct. 18**



**Neon Color War**

**Homecoming Week**  
**Thursday, Oct. 19**



**Disney Day**

**Homecoming Week**  
**Friday, Oct. 20**



**Royalty Day**



**Christmas Day**

**Friday, October 27**



**Overall Day**

**Friday, November 3**



**Flashback Friday**

## CONROE HIGH SCHOOL THEATRE PRESENTS **THE MERRY WIVES OF WINDSOR** By William Shakespeare



October 12, 13, 14, 16  
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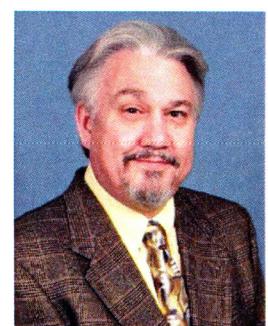
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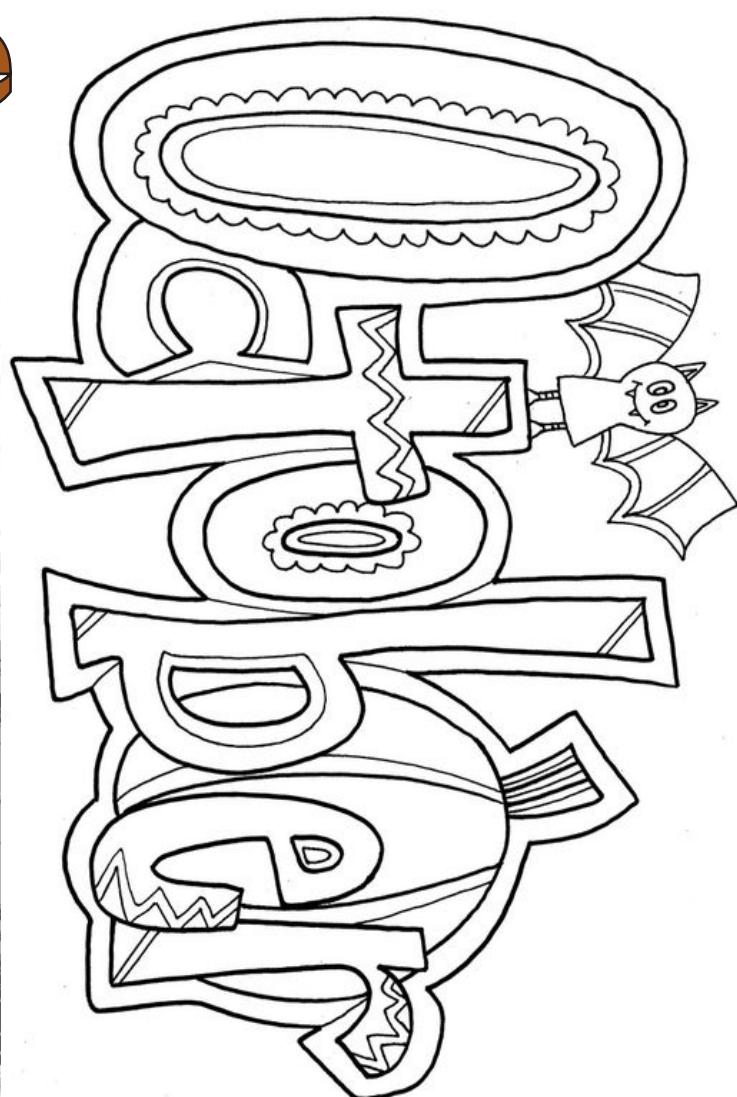
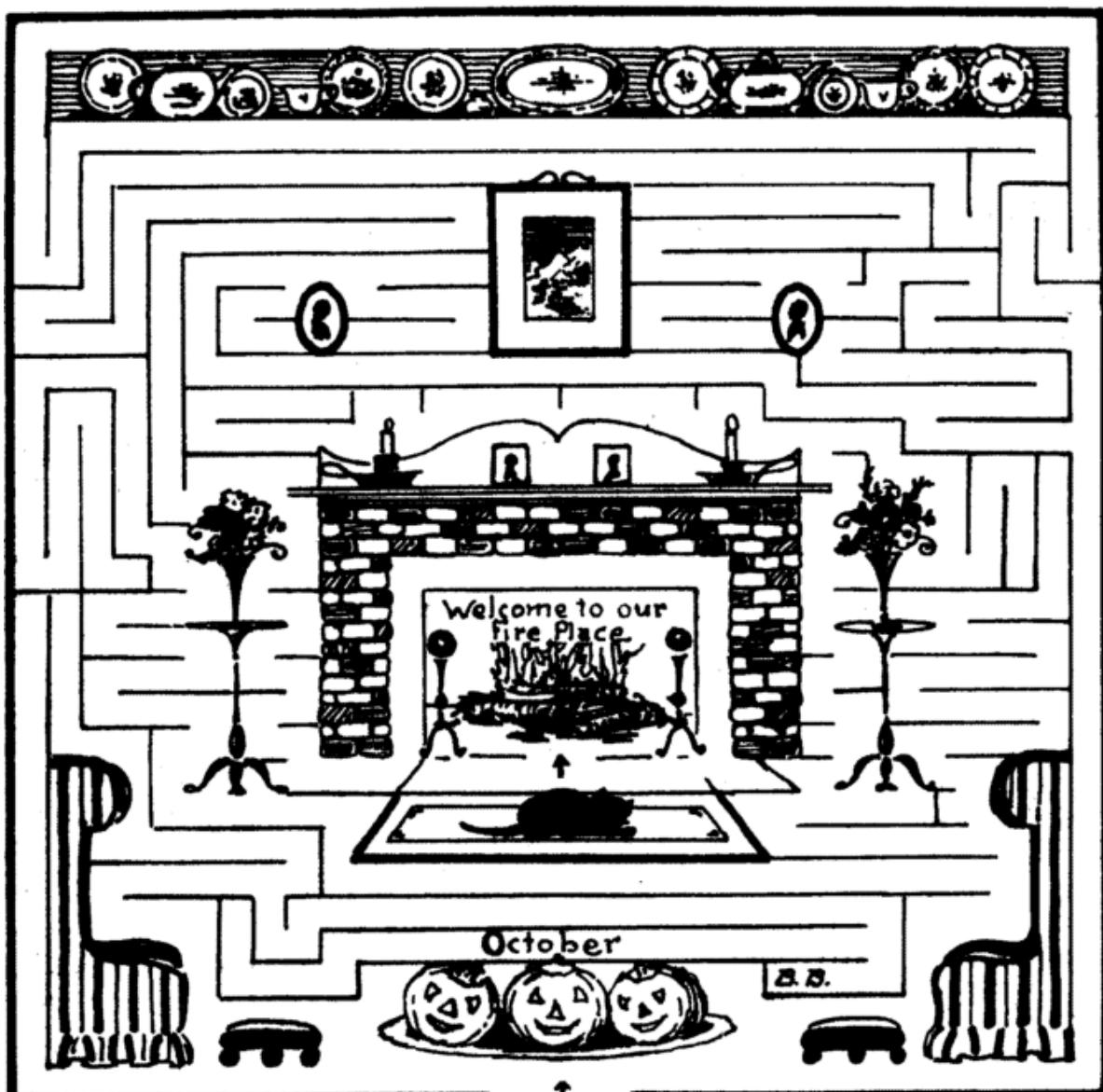
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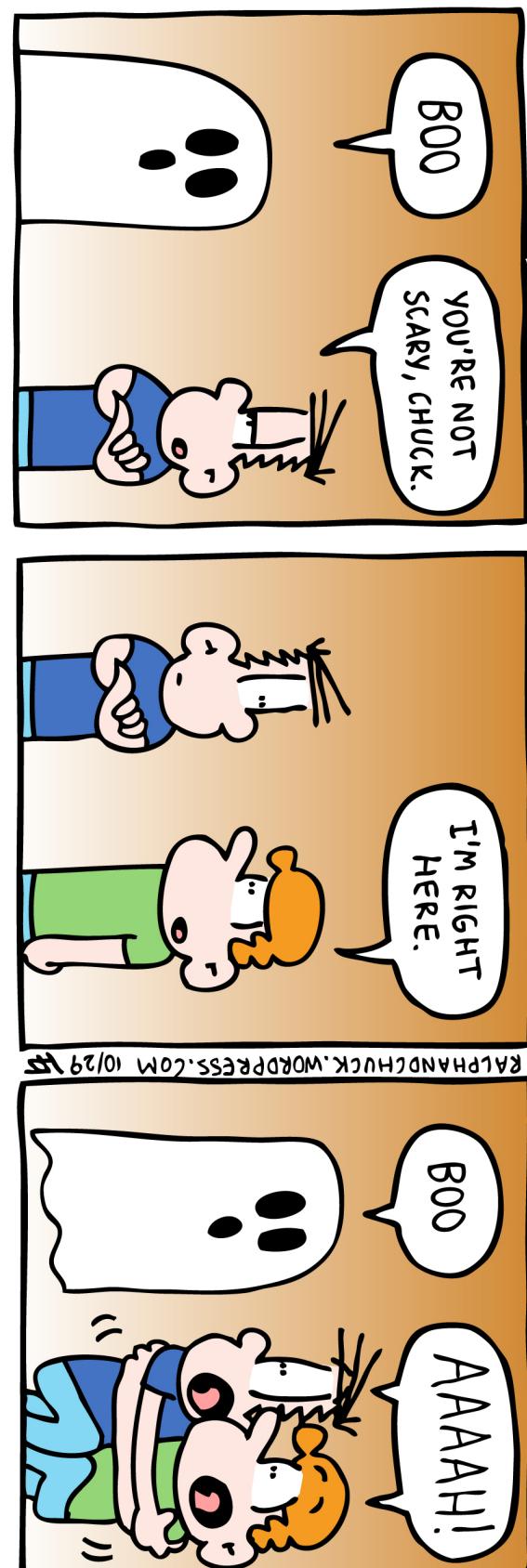
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# OCTOBER EVENTS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
8	9	10 Talent Show auditions  4:30 PM Volleyball @ Lufkin  5:00 PM Tennis	11 PSAT	12 Cross Country District Meet @ College Park  Talent Show auditions 4:30 JV White & Gold Football vs. Montgomery 5:00 Fresh Football @ Montgomery 7:00 PM "Merry Wives of Windsor" Theatre Production	13 Senior Coffee 11:00 MPF in LGI 4:30 PM Volleyball vs. TWHS 7:30 Varsity Football @ Montgomery 7:00 PM "Merry Wives of Windsor" Theatre Production	14 10:45 AM Band Contest @ Woodforest  Spanish Club @ Conroe Catfish Festival  7:00 PM "Merry Wives of Windsor" Theatre Production
15	16 2:35 PM StuCo meeting in LGI  5:00 NHS meeting in LGI  7:00 PM "Merry Wives of Windsor" Theatre Production  *PJ Day*	17 5:00 PM Orchestra Region Auditions  4:30 PM Volleyball @ Montgomery  *Country vs. Country Club*	18 2:45 PM Interact Club Meeting in LGI  6:00 PM Homecoming Parade  *Neon Color War*	19 4:30 Fresh Football vs. College Park  4:30 JV Football @ College Park  *Disney Day*	20 *Homecoming* *Royalty Day*  Girls Varsity Golf @ Montgomery (April Sound) 3:00 PM Tennis vs Willis 4:30 PM Volleyball @vs. College Park 7:30 PM Football vs. CP	21 8:00-11:00 PM Homecoming Dance  JROTC Competition
22	23 Golden Girls Booster Meeting	24 Orchestra Dress Rehearsal  7:00 PM FFA Meeting in Rotunda  Men's Choir @ SHSU invitational	25 7:00 PM Orchestra Concert in Auditorium	26 *Christmas Day*  7:00 PM Orchestra Concert in Auditorium 4:30 Fresh Football @ TWHS 4:30 JV Football vs. TWHS	27 *Overall Day*  Senior Coffee 7:30 PM Football vs. TWHS	28 Band Marching Contest
29	30 2:35 PM StuCo meeting in LGI	31 Tigerette basketball scrimmage @ Cy Creek	1 2:45 PM Interact Club Meeting in LGI	2 2:30 PM Spanish Club Meeting in Rotunda  4:30 Fresh Football vs Lufkin 4:30 JV Football @ Lufkin	3 4:00 PM Tigerette basketball vs. MacArthur-Porter 7:30 PM Football vs. Lufkin	4 Boys basketball scrimmage away - TBD

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