

PUMPKIN TO TALK ABOUT

Best Buddies holds its annual trunk or treat event Oct. 29 in the parking lot



MINNIE EARS ON Shruthi Damodhar (12) paints pictures of TV show puppets on her pumpkin. The Trunk or Treat event included more events than just trick or treating. "I really loved spending time with my buddies on the costumes. I went to the trunks for treats, helped out on setting it up and cleaning it up, and I even won one of the costume contests, which felt great," Damodhar said. Photo by Bria Gilliam



READY TO PAINT Jessica Maracida (11) participates in a pumpkin painting activity. The Peer Counseling pumpkin station allowed students to decorate pumpkins with their buddy partners. "It was really exciting because everyone had the chance to express their creativity on a pumpkin. I decorated mine with purple stripes because I was going for a hocus pocus look," Maracida said. Photo by Bria Gilliam

ALL IN THE FALL

One local suburb enjoys the spooky season with a haunted house created by several students

Not one knows about the popularity of a haunted house on Halloween better than Duncan Engel (11) and Tyler Sanderlin (11), who started creating their own haunted house a few years ago. "The best part is watching the neighborhood's reactions. It's not something that everyone does, so it's fun to see the neighbors being like 'Wow, This is crazy!'" Engel said.

This year's clown-themed

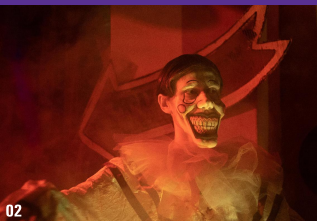
house, titled "Karnevil," was their biggest and production yet. The duo spent a year developing the concept.

"It's satisfying to see the work pay off when the people enjoy it, especially this year when we had bigger crowds than ever before. There were hundreds of people constantly outside," Sanderlin said. "At the end of the day, it was just about putting on a show and uniting the whole community."



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01 IN COSTUME, Bailey Leeder (09) puts his mask on with SFx's makeup. The haunted house's story involved clowns who were outcast from the circus. "I've never been a big fan of haunted houses or scary experiences. But, after giving this haunted house a shot, I realized how fun it is to be an actor in one," Leeder said. **02 SMOKE RISING** Duncan Engel (11) introduces the crowd to the haunted house. As part of the first scene visitors encountered, Engel made sure to set the mood and give visitors a scare. "Theatre kind of taught us that story is important, so in our haunted house there are back stories for like everything as you go through," Engel said.



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PBL PROD HAUNTED HOUSE

"The most memorable part was definitely seeing how cool something like this could be when fully put together. I learned through this how great it is to try things you aren't comfortable with."

Bailey Leeder, 09

"We had a lot of fun creating something from the very beginning to the very end and kind of seeing that process lay out. It was so cool watching the reactions from the entire audience."

Tyler Sanderlin, 11

WE'RE LOOKING FA-BOO-LOUS

ASB hosted a Halloween fashion show on Oct. 28, and students showed off their costumes



ANYA FORGER
from Spy X Family

"It's all about showing who you are on the inside. I don't really dress for other people it's about dressing for yourself and wearing the clothes that you like to wear."

Karsten Chen, 12



COSMO AND WANDA
from Fairly Odd Parents

"It was really cool to be in front of my classmates and do something that was kind of fun and silly. When we blew glitter out to the crowd everyone was cheering, and it felt great. It's definitely something I'll want to do again next year."

Aidan Drykerman, 10

JUST A FANG TASTIC PARTY

AVID classes take a break from classwork for a Halloween party

GRAB THE DOUGHNUT

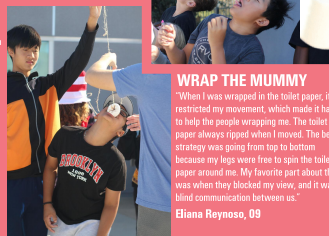
"It was hard to eat the doughnut without hands, but my friends got the doughnut in a certain position where where I could bend underneath it and try to eat it. Even though I volunteered, I probably wouldn't do it again because it was pretty messy."

Abdulla Khanani, 09

CATCH THE COOKIE

"When I was doing this activity, I tried to move my facial muscles to lead the cookie to my mouth. The most challenging part was not dropping the cookie, but my favorite moment is eating the cookie after the activity."

Aidan Le, 09



WRAP THE MUMMY

"When I was wrapped in the toilet paper, it restricted my movement, which made it hard to help the people wrapping me. The toilet paper always ripped when I moved. The best strategy was going from top to bottom because my legs were free to spin the toilet paper around me. My favorite part about this was when they blocked my view, and it was blind communication between us."

Eliana Reynoso, 09

