

Club spotlight

> Karina Cazares
Reporter

Knowledge Bowl



Michael Grudt,
sophomore

“My favorite part about Knowledge Bowl is traveling to the League meets in Pueblo because they are really big and the bus trips are fun.

Members:

Colton Cromwell, freshman
Gabby Curioca, freshman
Michael Grudt, sophomore
Samantha McDowell, freshman
Braxton O’Bryan, freshman
Allan Soto, junior
Daniel Stroh, sophomore
Alex Truitt, sophomore
Jayme Wootten, sophomore

Sponsors:

Mrs. Karen Henderson
Mr. Chris Medina

NHS Trick or Treat Street

National Honor Society is hosting a trick or treat street on October 31 from 5:00-6:30 p.m.. Members will be at the high school at these times handing out candy to trick or treaters. Candy is provided by its members.

Other groups participating include: the Colorado State Patrol, the Port of Entry, DECA, FBLA, Student Council, Newspaper/yearbook, the Catholic Church Confirmation class, librarian Mrs. Mary Degnan, and paraprofessional Ms. Kayla Olvera.

Trick or treaters will begin their route from the northeast parking lot door and end at the southeast parking lot door. The doors will be located in the classrooms along the way.

The main goal of the NHS trick or treat street is to provide children with a safe place to trick or treat.

Marching back to the 80s



Sophomore Hannah Jameson, freshman Lailoni Estep, junior Ailed Hernandez, and freshman Kaitlyn Mapes march during the homecoming parade waiting to play their parts. The parade started at Beech street, went down Sixth and ended at the community building.

Photo by Harley Jameson

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Instead of using their usual t-shirts, the band tried out marching uniforms for the homecoming parade.

The uniforms were from the late 80’s so some students had trouble finding a good fitting uniform.

“The uniforms were small on some of us,” said junior Kaitlyn La Cost. “We just don’t have the bodies that they had in the 80s.”

The main sizing issue was the pants since they were generally too small. However, everyone was able to find every other piece of the uniform in their size.

To fix this issue, band director Bob Seay made sure the students making up the perimeter of the marching formation wore full uniforms. Students who couldn’t find

a pair of uniform pants, wore black pants.

“The decision behind wearing marching uniforms was entirely student led,” Mr. Seay said.

Juniors Alyssa Abitia and Alyssa Carty came up with the idea of wearing uniforms and the rest of the band followed behind them.

In all, the band students really enjoyed wearing marching uniforms.

“They made the band look really professional,” said sophomore Nancy Darbyshire.

Regardless of the issues the band had, they are not looking into buying new uniforms anytime soon. The band marches two times a year for the 9/11 parade and the homecoming parade, so the uniforms would not be used much. Also, the band department budget would not allow for the expenses. According to

Mr. Seay, each uniform would cost around \$150 or more. The total cost would then come to around \$7,500.

“The idea of competitive marching was brought up,” said Seay, “but it isn’t anything serious.”

If the band were to buy new uniforms, they could use them in competitive marching. At one time at LHS, the band participated in this activity.

“They would perform their routines during football halftimes,” said councilor Mrs. Karen Henderson. “I think it added a lot to the games.”

The challenge now is that students would have to practice after school for two or more hours, and it would be difficult for students involved in other extracurricular activities to do.

As for wearing the uniforms again, Mr. Seay is open to the idea.

Trick-or-treaters stay safe at night

> Kenneth Barrett
Reporter

On October 31 over the past three years there has been one collision in Lamar. Even though the chances for an accident is very low there are still precautions to be taken.

If someone likes to wear darker costumes, make sure to have reflectors, a flashlight or glow sticks for drivers to see them. People who take younger kids out trick or treating

should try to incorporate glow sticks or reflectors to the costumes themselves.

A way to to this could be to find a light up wand or sword, adding a glowing necklace, and bracelets.

“Be safe; if you are with smaller children then plan ahead on where you are going to go or which houses to go to first,” School Resource Officer Tanisha Clevenger said. “There aren’t many street lights

everywhere.”

Another way to stay safe is to go to well-known houses, or go to a trunk or treat held by a group.

Trick-or-Treat Alternatives

What: Treat Street
When: 5:30-7:30
Where: LCC Campus, Betz Building
What: LPL Trunk or Treat
When: 5-7
Where: Library Parking Lot

Teacher’s
hair-raising
hobby scares
community> Alex Castaneda
Reporter

With the Elm street haunted house now closed, a neighborhood ‘goof’ puts on his own haunted house- Bill Becker, a teacher at Alta Vista.

Q: What is your address?

A: 36 Mayhew Drive

Q: How long does it take to set up?

A: It takes around 20-30 hours of work time to set up.

Q: How long have you been putting it on?

A: Around 12 years.

Q: How do you decorate?

A: I put plastic around the walls, on the walls and add decorations on the inside.

Q: How long does it take to go through it?

A: Around 2-3 minutes.

Q: Describe the level of scariness.

A: Most grade school kids love it, and sometimes I see parents more startled than the kids.

Q: Why do you do it?

A: It’s fun, the kids like it, and I enjoy being creative.

Q: Is Halloween your favorite holiday?

A: Halloween is labeled as the big pagan holiday. To me it’s fun and I avoid dragging the negative into it.

Q: What’s your favorite part about doing the haunted house?

A: I enjoy seeing families, couples, and friends having fun.

Q: How much does it cost to get in?

A: It is free, no charge.

Q: When does it start and close?

A: Halloween night from 6-10 p.m.

Q: Do you have anything else to add?

A: One time a parent brought back their daughter claiming she got cut on the chain saw. Finally, the boyfriend admitted that she got cut when he pushed her down and trampled over her. We have security cameras to watch after to see all the people be scared.