

hallway of Fame

junior class beats seniors in homecoming hallway decorating contest



Student Council coordinated the first annual hallway decorating contest during hoco week. Student Council members of all grade levels invited their friends to help decorate on Nov. 9. Each grade was assigned their portion of the main hallway, and began decorating.

"We decided to decorate the hallways for homecoming this year because we wanted to amplify the school spirit," junior Damaris Benitez said. "It allowed the Mac community to get together and support our fellow Knights on the field."

Members of Student Council and their friends spent the afternoon decorating the main hallway with streamers, balloons, posters and lights.

"I decided to decorate because I knew that I had unique ideas to bring to the table that could help us get the win," junior Noah Cooley said.

The juniors were announced as the winners of the competition was announced at the homecoming pep rally at the end of the week.

Photo courtesy of Stephanie Watson.

ROYAL BLUE INDEED

During halftime of the district finale against Reagan, homecoming king Max Perez and homecoming queen Sophie Cheesar walk down the field after having been announced. "It meant a lot to win homecoming queen, especially this year, because it's my senior year," Cheesar said. *Photo by Joseph Cardenas.*



bringing it home

Knights royally rout Raiders, 61-0

As the bleachers filled at House Park on Nov. 10 the excitement in the stands was clear. This year's homecoming game was special this year because the Knights had the opportunity to finish their regular season with a perfect 10-0 record for first time in 51 years.

Thanks to a pair of 70-yard-plus touchdown runs, both Knight quarterbacks, starter Max Perez and backup Cole Davis, had 100 yard-plus rushing games. Senior Jackson Masters scooped up a fumble and ran for a 66-yard touchdown.

"It's kind of like in *Forrest Gump* when he says 'I picked it up, and I just kept running and running,'" Masters said. "It was like that. I just kept running."

The Knights rushed past the Reagan Raiders, shutting them out 61-0. This was not only the perfect end to the season and the perfect preview of the playoffs, but the win also put an exclamation point on a perfect regular season as the 2017 Knights joined the 1966 Knights as the only teams in school history to finish the regular season undefeated.

At halftime of the football game, the 2017-18 homecoming court was announced. Along with the king, Maxwell Perez, and the queen, Sophie Cheesar, junior prince and princess Townes Hobradschk and Alejandra Berrelleza, sophomore duke and duchess Owen Scales and Sophie Knifton and freshmen baron and baroness Aiden Howison and Sophie Lewis were also crowned.

"It was very different than the typical thing on TV that I grew up watching," Howison said of his first homecoming experience. "It was a fun experience, which I got to share with a close friend of mine, Sophie Lewis. From the morning rehearsal on the black top, to walking the field, there was a great energy."

For the seniors, 2017 was their last high school homecoming and they made the most of it by dressing up and dancing with their friends at the homecoming dance the Saturday night after the game.

Senior Atticus Tait attended the disco-themed dance on Nov. 11.

"Honestly, I mostly went because I felt like I'd regret not going when I got older," Tait said. "Senior homecoming is a big deal to a lot of people, so I figured I'd experience it as well."

we've got spirit yes we do

students show their school pride by dressing up for homecoming spirit days

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TIE-DYE: Freshmen Makayla Mason and Luci Borowski pose with their tie-dye shirts on the first day of Spirit Week on Nov. 6. "I think showing school spirit is really important. It not only shows everyone you love McCallum, but it shows the athletes that you support them," Borowski said. *Photo by Bodhi Tripathi.*



DENIM DAY: Junior Emily Horan, senior Lorenzo Celli-Vargas, junior Jazzabelle Davishines, freshman Blake Houston, junior Sophie Petrosky, and junior Matthew Hernandez traded royal blue for their favorite denim on Nov. 7. "I love to wear denim because it's timeless and when I found out it was Denim Day I knew I had to take part in it," Petrosky said. *Photo by Kirsten Pacotti.*



TWIN DAY: Sophomores Tomas Chu and Liam Hannon show their school spirit and their friendship by rocking their twin attire on Nov. 8. "We saw the matching shirts at Barton Creek Mall, and we knew we couldn't pass them up for Twin Day," Chu said. *Photo by Aranza Sanchez.*



DISCO DAY: Senior Vivica Griffin was having a (disco) ball while staying alive during Disco Day on Nov. 9. Although this wasn't the spirit day with the most participation, Griffin said she was motivated to dress up for this spirit day because of her love for disco music. *Photo by Jasmine Barrera.*



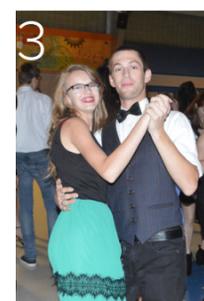
MAC PRIDE DAY: Freshmen volleyball teammates Emilia Morgan, Campbell Race, Abby Soto, Hannah Zufiga and Gizelle Perez showed their MAC Pride on Nov. 10 by dressing in blue and wearing mums for the homecoming game. "It was fun for us to show our spirit and represent McCallum all day," Race said. *Photo by Kirsten Pacotti.*



1. DISCO SURPRISE: During the third week of the season, seniors Max Perez, JB Faught and Jack Switzer were listening to music in the locker rooms and started dancing. They decided it would be funny to bring their dance moves to homecoming. After a season full of rehearsing, they cleared the dance floor during the homecoming dance on Nov. 11, with a choreographed dance to "Lowdown" by Boz Scaggs. "My favorite part was definitely the intro, and once we established the funkiness and attitude of the dance, everyone started cheering and it became a lot more fun," Faught said. *Screenshot of video by Charlie Holden.*



2. CELEBRATE GOOD TIMES: Senior Kegan Aleman celebrates after the team defeated Reagan on Nov. 10 to complete a perfect regular season. The 2017 Knights are the second team in history to complete a perfect 10-0 regular season. "After winning, I felt excited, and it wasn't because we had a perfect season; it was actually because we were moving on to playoffs," Aleman said. *Photo by Madison Olsen.*



3. DANCING JUNIORS: Senior Kasey Beck and junior Jonathan Forbes dance at the disco-themed homecoming dance, which took place on Nov. 11 in the cafeteria. "I went to the homecoming dance just to have fun and dance with friends and to get away from all the craziness," Forbes said. *Photo by Charlie Holden.*



4. FINAL CHEER: Sophomore cheerleader Lina Coleman gets the crowd pumped at the homecoming pep rally. "It was bittersweet because we knew it was going to be our last pep rally for a while and we didn't want the fun to end," Coleman said. "This game meant we may go 10-0, which gave us a positive mindset." *Photo by Madison Olsen.*