

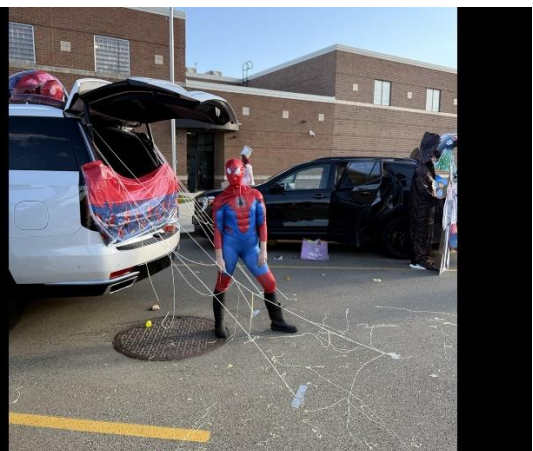
Trojan Times

5th grade Newspaper Club

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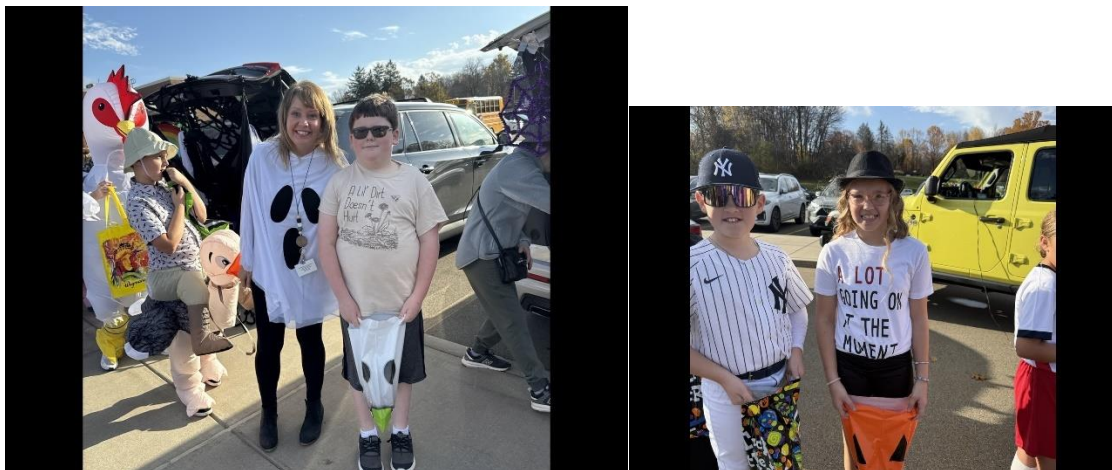
Southwestern Elementary Trunk or Treat

Southwestern Elementary hosted trunk-or-treat for all the students with over hundred cars to celebrate Halloween. One highlight of trunk-or-treat was all the different types of cars. Some of the favorite cars that were seen were Candyland, Minion's, McDonalds cars, Starbucks cars, pirate ships, and many more. We interviewed sports superstar and 5th grader, Mason Winchester. He said his favorite cars were the movie theater car and the Candyland car. Another highlight of trunk-or-treat was the different kinds of candy. A few examples of candy were Twix, full size candy bars, and some cars even gave toys. Mason's favorite kinds of candy were KitKats, Reese's, and the giant pixie sticks. The students received so much candy that some did not even need to go trick-or-treating at night, but they still did, because who wouldn't want more candy? Another fun part of this year's Trunk-or-treat was that the students and teachers all dressed up. Mason's favorite costumes were a blow-up chicken, Willy Wonka, and a blow-up axolotl. There were lots of cars, candy, and costumes. The energy was awesome! What was your favorite part of this spectacular Trojan tradition?



The Elementary School Celebrates Red Ribbon Week

Have you heard of Red Ribbon Week? During Red Ribbon Week, SWCS celebrates by promoting a drug-free lifestyle. Red Ribbon Week is a time when we dress up in different costumes/outfits. For example, we wear our pajamas to express the phrase, "I wouldn't dream of doing drugs." The second day of red ribbon week was to wear red because we "pledge to be drug free." The third day was to dress like your favorite teacher because "Our school chooses to be drug free." Finally, the last day was to wear your Halloween costume on Halloween. On Halloween the coined phrase was to "Say BOO to drugs." Mr. Crandall says his favorite day to dress up is Halloween because he loves getting new costumes every year. He would even like Amazon to sponsor him because that is where he gets his costumes from. The purpose of all the fun red ribbon week costumes is to show that here at Southwestern we say NO to drugs. We don't do drugs because they mess with your health and body. Mr. Crandall says, "Drugs are bad because they cause you to make bad decisions." I hope you learned a lot during red ribbon week and choose to not ever do drugs.



Trojan Spotlight

Trojan Cheerleaders

Did you know that the Southwestern cheer team won 1st Place at their competition? Here are some facts about the cheer squad! To be on the cheer team, you need to have a lot of skill and strength. One of the skills you need to have is strength because if you are a "base" you are responsible to hold someone up in the air. Another skill you might need is tumbling. Tumbling is a big part of routines. We received feedback from one of our star cheerleaders, Isabelle Lander! Isabelle said that cheerleading is hard, but not so bad once you get used to it. She also said her favorite part of cheer is being with her friends. She would rate cheerleading 10 out of 10! Cheerleading is one of the most competitive sports. Southwestern Elementary School is extremely proud of our cheer team for winning first place. Let's cheer for our Southwestern cheerleaders' hard work!



Lakewood Starz Gymnastics

Since there are many Southwestern students on the Lakewood Starz gymnastics team, we decided to highlight their achievements. These girls practice many times a week to achieve their goals in gymnastics. For instance, Caroline Brown practices three times a week. Caroline Brown said, "I practice for three hours on Wednesday and Monday and then I practice for two hours on Thursday." Recently, Starz gymnastics had a competition, and they have more to look forward to in the future. For example, Emilie Roush said she could not wait for the next competition. If you want to be a great gymnast and if you are interested in gymnastics, I think you should try this out. You could contact the Lakewood YMCA Starz gymnastics team. The phone number is (716) 763-0303. These ladies work so hard to be good gymnasts, maybe you would like to join the Lakewood Starz too!



3rd Graders Travel to Brookdale

After trunk-or-treat the 3rd graders went to Brookdale to show kindness to the elderly. The 3rd graders walked all the way to Brookdale with their classmates. The walk over there was very pleasant. Third grade teacher, Miss. Becker, said they were lucky with the weather and the 3rd graders were very excited. While the 3rd graders were at Brookdale, they sang songs to the elderly. They sang two Halloween songs. Miss Becker said they sang "Oh pumpkinseed" and "Halloween night". Both songs are a tradition to be sung in 3rd grade. After they sang songs to the elderly, they each gave them a craft which they made with love. Every class made a different craft. Miss Becker's class made paper jack-o-lanterns. Mrs. Swan's class made Q-tip-skeletons. Mrs. Strong's class made Halloween bookmarks. Mrs. Anderson's class made paper pumpkins. Lastly, Mrs. Beaver's class decided to make two crafts: they were pumpkin magnets, and foam doorknob hangers. The 3rd graders were very thankful to sing songs and give the elderly a craft. Southwestern Elementary School is extremely proud of the 3rd graders' tradition of giving back to the community. Great job 3rd grade!



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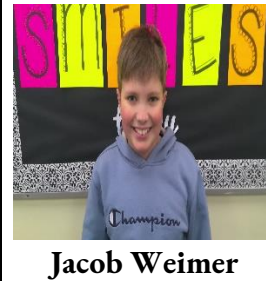
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