

# The Vasquez Post

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## The SweetWater Festival

The SweetWater Festival is a great attraction for families and friends. It took place on Agua Dulce Rd and had a lot of fun activities for the local community. The festival offered many handmade products from local communities everywhere and plenty of delicious foods and drinks! The festival had booths filled with many items such as stylish jewelry, kitchenware, woodwork, 3D printed items, etc. Walking through the fair isn't only fun because of the booths, but also for the people! There are many friends and families with so many smiles being shared. Further into the festival, there are a bunch of food trucks to visit, all with different foods and drinks to choose from! Not only is there yummy food, but there is also live music and a mini petting zoo! Speaking of animals, all the animals at the mini petting zoo are adoptable, there are lots of animals to choose from like baby frenchies, kittens, baby pigs and more. So many cute animals looking for a new home, that home could be yours!  
*Article by Shoned Carr and Alexandria Van Blarcom*



Photo of the Sweetwater Festival taken by Alexandria Van Blarcom

## Upcoming School Events

AADUSD BOARD MEETING @  
7pm on Thursday October 22

## Advisory Period, What is it about?

Mr. Krolik's answers

### How do you feel about the new advisory period we have this year?

I like the idea of having time set aside for the students and letting them have that time to catch up on other classes. There is a drawback to it, though, since the class is not for a grade and everything is suggested. Because of that students have no motivation to complete things we have going in advisory. Like with the quilt we made, it is kind of monotonous since it was not for a grade and many students did not complete it.

### What do you do to help the kids in your advisory class when it comes to their other classes?

Since there's no motivation to do things for advisory activities since there's no grades, I let students have the opportunity to catch up in other classes and get their grades up.

### Did you like the cup stacking activity? why did you not like or like this activity?

It was okay, it was fun and different. We were working on team work, however, students made it more fun and started knocking down other groups' cups.

### What's your favorite activity you've done with your advisory class?

There wasn't many activities done but I do like the fact that students can have this time to complete assignments for other classes but I think we should have more activities in advisory. Maybe all the advisory classes should go against each other in some way to compete in a competition. Or have each advisory class come up with ideas for school spirit and whoever wins the school will make it happen.

*This portion of the article by Hailey McCarty*

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## Meet Your Staff: Ms. Owens

### When did you start teaching at Vasquez High School?

I started teaching at Vasquez during the 2006-2007 school year.

### What is your most memorable moment with any of your students?

After teaching for so many years that is really difficult. I have so many moments that stand out. Overall my most memorable moments are graduations. It is great to see the kids accomplish their graduation goals and to see the kids who struggled in the early years finally make it.

### How has a student made a difference in your life?

I have a few teachers who have actually become my friends or the children of my heart. These young people have actually been there for me when I needed them most. For example, when my son had an accident, they actually brought him food to my home so I could still work.

### Why did you choose teaching as your career?

When I was at State Farm I did a program called Junior Achievement where business people taught finance classes to junior high and high school students. I absolutely loved it and decided to get my teaching credential and become a teacher.

### What is your teaching philosophy?

I believe that it is not what I teach but my interactions with the students that really help them to become successful adults.

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## Horoscope

Happy birthday Libra!! You may feel a bit overwhelmed with all the decisions you have to make, but trust your instincts and rely on your natural ability to balance and weigh your options. Your charm and grace will be your secret weapon when it comes to negotiations and resolving conflicts. Stay focused on your goals, and don't let negative energy from others drag you down.

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## Sports News

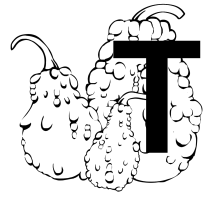
Vasquez is giving it their all in the field and gyms. Practices have started for baseball and the soccer team is getting ready for tryouts.

Upcoming games include: 10/3 Girls Tennis-Girls volleyball both Jv and Var  
 10/5 Girls Tennis-Girls and Boys Cross Country-Girls Volleyball JV and Var  
 10/10 Girls Volleyball game JV and Var  
 10/11 Girls Volleyball Game 10/12 Cross Country Boys Vr 10/13 Tennis Girls Vr  
 10/14 Cross Country Girls and Boys Var

## Weather

It's finally Fall, but unfortunately, it still feels like summer and it doesn't seem like Acton isn't getting the sweater weather we're all looking forward to. Luckily, October temperatures average around the 70s, so hopefully we can start visiting pumpkin patches, eating apple pie, and doing all the other Fall things we love. The coldest day will be the first, with a temperature of 64°, and the hottest day will be the eleventh, with a temperature of 83°. The nights are going to average around the 50s and 40s. Sunrise is going to be around 7:00 AM and sunset is going to be around 6:30-6:00 PM.

*Article by Charlotte Hernandez*



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A new and exciting opportunity may present itself so keep your eyes peeled, and in case you didn't know Libra is an air sign represented by the scales (interestingly, the only inanimate object of the zodiac), an association that reflects Libra's fixation on balance and harmony. Libra is obsessed with symmetry and strives to create equality in all areas of life. These air signs are the aesthetes of the zodiac: Ruled by Venus, the planet that governs love, beauty, and money, Libras adore high art, intellectualism, and connoisseurship. Suave Libras need to surround themselves with stunning objects and create environments that reflect their exquisite tastes. Accordingly, these air signs make excellent designers, decorators, art critics, and stylists.

Horoscope by Angelina Newell

## Continued from the front page: Advisory period Mr. Santa's

Answers

**Do you think hands -on activities help the students?** I think so, it seems to get the kids engaged. I saw that they were working together and thinking creatively.

**What have you been doing in your advisory class?** I have been following the lessons provided. My kids have gotten the opportunity to express their personalities. We've started to form a class identity by making a team name and mascot.

**What's your favorite thing about advisory and why?** My favorite thing about my Advisory class is their high energy. I think the energy is a positive and helps the students to engage with each other more and get to know each other better.

**Do you think the advisory period is necessary?** I think the Advisory period is helpful. It provides students with information about the school, school spirit, and teamwork. I like that its a place where students can work without the fear of a bad grade.

**How does advisory help students prepare for the future in your opinion?** This helps the students prepare for the future by helping them practice skills that aren't in their other classes and it gives them creative intrinsic motivation. They also learn life skills.

This portion of the article by Leeah Wilson

## Inspirational Quote:

Life starts all over again when it gets crisp in the fall, - F. Scott Fitzgerald, The Great Gatsby

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### What is your teaching philosophy?

I believe that it is not what I teach but my interactions with the students that really help them to become successful adults.

### When you were in high school what career did you want to pursue?

I wanted to be a singer/actor when I was in high school.

### What teacher have you had that you felt made a difference in your life?

Donna Carson was my 8th grade and AP Literature teacher. When I first started teaching I used many of her same projects.

### What is some advice you would give students who are transitioning into adulthood?

I would definitely tell them to be lifelong learners. Don't just take what the media says or what your friends say, learn for yourself. Read finance books; talk to people who know about adult things.

### What is something about your life that you think would surprise your students?

I have been skydiving, ridden in helicopters, traveled solo through Europe, worked lights for one production for the Royal Shakespeare Company, and have done many other adventurous things.

### If you could add anything to this school, be it a class, sport, or anything else, what would it be?

I would add a full drama program with many students interested in all aspects of drama including the stage design element.

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