

# The Mariner Buzz

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## MVH Happenings!



(Candle-Lit Gathering hosted by Surfrider to protest IB sewage featuring the Mayor, photo taken by Bethany Case)

**Brought to you by Abby LaChapelle ('24)**

This past Wednesday, October 11th, IB locals, government officials, and students from MVHS and CHS gathered outside of Sea180 to protest the lack of action being taken against the Sewage pouring into Imperial Beach's ocean ecosystem.

The Surfrider foundation, alongside many others, have been fighting to resolve the sewage problem. As chemicals and human waste flow into the sea from the Tijuana river, the

ecosystem suffers greatly. Not only does it make the beautiful beaches unsafe to visit and oceans unsafe to swim in, it also has led to overpopulation of algae and mass pollution. Additionally, the bioaerosols from the beach's seaspray pollute the air locals breathe everyday.

Empowered students like Glorie Larson, Josh Nungaray, and Anabella Campos were present to express their beliefs that action must be taken to save the environment. Today, Imperial Beach continues to fight for the State and Federal governments to declare a sewage emergency.

For More Information Visit:  
[SanDiego.surfrider.org](http://SanDiego.surfrider.org)

Or

@mvhsurfriderclub on instagram

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# Homecoming 2023!!

Homecoming is approaching and the time is near to vote for your homecoming court winners. Here are the homecoming court nominations for each grade:

Class of 2027	Princess Court Finalists: Brianna Thurman Estella Nguyen Katie Ballantyne	Prince Court Finalist: Armando Salas
Class of 2026	Princess Court Finalists: Camila Cariman Cyuri Campos Allyson Bell	Prince Court Finalists: Franco Aragon Adam Kieffer Kenneth Poquiz
Class of 2025	Princess Court Finalists: Karissa Bojorquez Erika Preciado Celeste Bonilla	Prince Court Finalists: Joshua Nungaray Axel Mista Maximus Fuentes

Class of 2024	Queens Court Finalist: Fiona Thomas Monique Tovar Alondra Lopez Eunicia Villanueva Abigail LaChappelle	King Court Finalist: Akshay Gakhreja Keeghan Flohr Samuel Fausto Ahmed Albasam Christopher Alonso Tapia
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# Sports & Clubs

## Football! 🏈

### Brought To You By Mikenna Grosse ('24)

We had two games over fall break! Here's a little recap:

We had our first home game of the season and the band played an amazing half time performance of the song “Thriller” by Michael Jackson. The band played wonderfully and blew the crowd away with some famous thriller dance moves! On behalf of the newspaper we want to say thank you to the band for this halftime show, we’re looking forward to other performances!



Picture Credit: Breanna Watson

Our second game was our annual Bell Game against Southwest. We won 36-29 keeping our 15 year winning streak and securing the bell. It was an exciting and close game with both teams battling every minute. Wide receiver and cornerback Lah'Darius Crawford made two touchdowns back to back by sprinting the entirety of the field to give us the winning lead. He says "The outcome of the game was expected but was way too close. Keeping the bell has been a regular thing for years and we intended to keep it that way". Congratulations Mariners for the win, keeping the bell and honoring tradition.



Picture Credits: Hanako Rigby

Band 🎵



## Brought to you by Cameron Gibbs ('24)

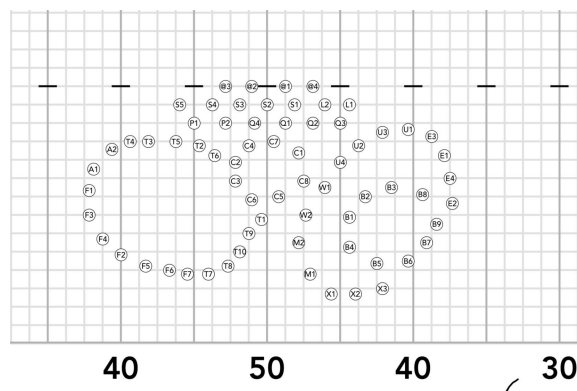
As the Mariner football team was preparing for their September 29th game against Chula Vista, Mar Vista's marching band was also working hard to present their 2023 halftime show. As attendees of the game will know, the show features the classic Michael Jackson hit "Thriller," and includes the iconic dance from the music video.

However, what many may not know is the intense process it took to make the performance possible and the amount of practice that went into making it come to life. The day just before the game, the band was preparing at Montgomery High School from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The seven-hour day was largely spent learning drill for "Thriller," which would just be the first song of the show.

Athletes may know drills as short activities to improve on a specific skill for their sport. Marching band members, on the other hand, know drill as a sheet of paper with a bunch of circles representing where they need to be at a given moment. It takes plenty of practice to learn how to read it quickly, and it definitely sounds easier than it actually is. In fact, learning drill for marching band is not much different from learning plays in football. In both cases it is critical for each person to be exactly where they are supposed to spare themselves from a disappointed audience.

On the day of the game, the band rehearsed again. With their arrival at Montgomery at 8:00 a.m. and staying until after the game around 9:30 p.m. for a near fourteen-hour day of chaos.

The hard work put in was well worth it, though, as many enjoyed watching the marching band's first performance of the year and cheered loudly for the fun dance break. The long rehearsals may sound rather grueling, but they also served as a way to form close friendships with other musicians. Band is currently hoping to add more to every half time show and make sure everything is performance ready!



Here is an example of what drill for marching band looks like.

## Debate Club

Brought to you by Caio Deshong and Daniel Garcia



Students from Mar Vista bring an exciting new opportunity for those looking to improve their argumentation skills. Fast-paced speed debates require students to be able to think on their feet and come up with evidence to support their side of any given issue, along with the ability to refute any claims made against them. In the debate club, students are given an outlet to discuss issues that they may be passionate about or feel the need to share their opinion on. The club also features more lighthearted issues, such as the very important discussion regarding the color of math. When asked if she believes learning how to properly debate will help students, the host teacher, Ms. Bare, responded “I believe that having the skills to properly debate and discuss opinions is important to have in your daily life.” You don’t need to be a professional to come, all are welcome on Thursdays at lunch in room 312. The debate club provides a supportive environment for students who are willing to attend these weekly meetings. While the club may be small at the moment, its ambitious initiators are looking to expand, and one day, they may even be able to compete against other schools. Follow @mvhdebate team on Instagram for information on future meetings.

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# Pop Culture



## Music

**Brought to you by Valentina Cervantes**

In today's day and age of entertainment music has evolved into a variety of genres that are listened to by many. Music has influenced many students to even create their own music. An example of up and coming artists is Jonah Dado-Duenas from Mar Vista High. Some music that influences Jonah include Rnb, soul and hip hop. He is a prime example of being influenced by music. During the interview we discussed his upbringing and how music was a great part of it. He further states that music was always in his life and remembers how his father was in a band. This influenced Jonah so greatly he started his own journey of making music.

**Stay safe on the streets!**

**Brought to you by Glorie Larson ('24)**

According to a recent email from our principal Mrs. Kramer, “the City of Imperial Beach has hired a new deputy traffic enforcer for the area surrounding schools in our community. PLEASE follow all traffic laws at all times. They have already made 35 citations and we don't want you to be next!”

To ensure a safe environment for all please remember to follow speed limits, watch for pedestrians, share the road with bicyclists, limit distractions, and be aware of crosswalks. Statistics show that “1 in 3 drivers were observed to be driving distracted through school zones.” (National Highway Traffic Safety Administration). This results in, “1 in 4 child pedestrian fatalities occur during the hours right after school ends (3 PM to 7 PM).” (National Highway Traffic Safety Administration).

Overall, the addition of the new enforcer could be beneficial to our community. As a student who drives to school, I see road rage and unsafe driving at the early hour of 8 am and it is even worse in the afternoon with all the commotion that comes from getting out of school.

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# Dear Abby;

Editor's Note

Thank you for reading the second edition of the Mariner Buzz! We have collaborated and worked tirelessly to provide the paper, and we are incredibly proud of it! Special thanks to our advisor, Ms Czajkowski for all of the hard work she does and for providing us a space to create. I would also like to thank the Mariner Buzz board members– Anais Perez (Vice President), Mikenna Grosse (Treasurer and Editor), and Hannah Thurman (Secretary) – for making this paper possible.

If you would like to submit advice or anonymous confessions please visit the Mariner Buzz instagram page.

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