

TALON

Spring



Prom 2022 and more!

Enjoy our **SPRING** edition!



Nalani Ginn
Chief editor

Well Hawks, the year is coming to a close!
As we wrap things up, our Talon staff have been working hard to create one last edition, celebrating everything our hard work has led to. The Talon hopes you love this magazine as much as we do! From interviewing you and getting to hear your voices, to capturing your successes on camera, our staff has had a blast in providing an inside look of our campus.
On a personal note, I am so so thankful for our team as well as our school for allowing me the chance to make incredible ideas come to life.
Love you Hawks!
Signing off ...

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Maddie



Secluded Superstar

Aguilar

By Jose Cabrera

Maddie is a Senior at Mission Oak. She has a creative state of mind that revolves around peaceful self expression and ignoring negative comments. Maddie has loved music her entire life. "Even though it was such a big part of my life, I almost felt like I couldn't express it." She began singing within her first years of elementary through middle school in the choir. In her later years she'd act and sing

In addition to being an excellent singer, Maddie also plays the ukelele. She manages to play and sing at the same time. While this sounds simple, it does not mean it is an easy feat. The ability to maintain the constant rhythm and project one's voice is something to admire. Maddie is a great example of how simplicity isn't a bad thing, but the true key is consistency.

"Ever since I got my first solo, In the eighth grade, being able to sing on stage was the greatest feeling I've ever felt. Standing on that stage, blending into someone who isn't at all yourself, hearing the audience clap, it's a feeling I never want to forget. As cliché as it sounds, I've never felt more proud to be where I am today."

- Maddie Aguilar



MISSION OAK BOYS TENNIS IN FULL SWING



THIS YEAR OUR HAWKS FINISHED OFF THEIR REGULAR SEASON WITH AN OVERALL RECORD OF 15-9 AND A LEAGUE RECORD OF 7-3, TYING FOR 2ND PLACE IN EYL. BIG CONGRATS TO ISAAC MACIEL AND JISAAC MALLOY FOR COMPETING IN VALLEY!

MO HAWKS HAVE BEEN SOARING THIS TENNIS SEASON! WITH HAVING WON MATCHES LEFT AND RIGHT AND SPREADING THAT HAWK PRIDE, BOYS TENNIS HAS DONE BETTER THAN ANY OTHER YEAR BEFORE!

THE TEAM HAS SET AN UPSTANDING IMAGE OF MISSION OAK THROUGH THEIR HARD WORK AND DEDICATION. THE SCHOOL COULDN'T BE MORE PROUD!

S Club



What is S club?

S Club is sponsored by the Soroptomist organization in Tulare. It is a community service club. It's an organization that uplifts women in the community, and brings them together to help other women.

S club motto: "Best for Women"- Mrs. Reis



Communities thoughts on S club

"I enjoyed going into reis's room during lunch on Tuesday's to see what the club was planning for not only themselves but for those around them" - Diego, Club member

S club's role in this community?

S Club is an opportunity for students (boys and girls) to volunteer in community events. They are able to contribute to not only the school but the community of Tulare as well. While being in this club they are able to help those and need and give back to those who are deserving of it.

A big thing the S club has done was during woman's empowerment week. They were able to get different women in the work force to come and inform us on their job and the difficulties and success they go through to get where they are now.

MISSION OAK SOFTBALL

2021-2022 season

This season has started off great with our softball girls winning a total of 13 games. Many of the girls can say that the Mission Oak spirit is there on and off the field.



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"I like how our team plays together. We always push each other to do our best and we are all good friends on and off the field." -Rebekah Beasley

Protective Service and Law Academy



Written by Nalani Ginn

Mission Oak is known for excelling in many programs, and one that is very much up-and-coming is our own PSL academy, classes full of education for targeted career prep.

What They Do

If you find yourself walking into Mr. Beasley's classroom, you may come across some questionable items. Whether that be crime scene tape or a dummy lurking in the corner, this class is interesting.

These students are given lots of opportunities to learn real-world experiences within law, law enforcement, and other protective services.

What is your favorite part about being part of this academy?

Throughout the academy, common responses include the staff, featuring Mr. Beasley, Ms. Brown, Ms. McPhetdrige, and Ms. DeLaCruz. Students also are grateful for the experiences they participate in.

What It Offers

The PSL academy features targeted classes, including Introduction to Criminal Justice, Principles of Protective Services & Law, Forensic Science, and Crime Scene Investigation (CSI). It also entails the academy experience, with cohorts that keep students together for classes like English and Science.

Along with basic classwork, students get the chance to participate in hands-on learning, such as through visits with law enforcement officers or with practice crime scenes.

"I think my favorite part about PSL is the experiences it offers."

**- Alejandra Capistran,
Freshman in PSL Academy**

MO's Track Star Runner

Ben's ahead of the curve

by Diego Beltran



Ben Cortez is an outstanding student who is deeply

involved in Mission Oak. He is currently a senior that participates in several extracurricular activities, school events, and rigorous classes. Ben challenges himself and takes his education seriously. He has been part of the Mission Oak Academy of Engineering and AVID for all four years. He has taken some and excelled at AP classes to

push himself as far as he can, such as AP Government and Economics Honors, AP Psychology, and AP English Literature. Even with such a large workload, he has continued to make time to participate in events. Ben was a strong contender for Mister Mission Oak. Despite not winning, He performed splendidly and scored high during the lunchtime competitions. Alongside that, he has also showcased his great singing voice as well during Mister Mission Oak

and earlier in the year at Homecoming. Out on the track, he has also been, a great and fantastic member of the Mission Oak Track Team too. Ben has also participated and did well in Poetry and Prose. Mr. Cortez has also been a member of several clubs.

WRITE ON!

MO authors dominated the Fresno State Young Writers' Conference



- **Gianna Cardenas: President's Award**
- **Jasper Cederlof: English Dept Chair Award**
- **Alana Vega: William Saroyan Award**
- **Julie Castillo: Mia Barraza Martinez Social Justice Award**
- **Audrey Reis: Fresno Poets Association Award**
- **Esperanza Salazar: Chicax Writers & Artists Award**
- **Riley Kurz: Master of Fine Arts) Award**
- **Sophia Whitmore: Honorable mention**
- **Grace Freitas: Honorable mention**
- **Samara Valencia: Honorable mention**

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James “The Mullet” Malloy

THE MAN BEHIND THE
MULLET

Photo and Article by Joan
Davalos

James Isaac Malloy, better known as "JIsaac" is a big shot tennis pro. You can find him easily since he is identified by his perfect blonde mullet. He is also in engineering, as well as being part of the musical religious group Tremble. His hobbies include being an amateurs' car enthusiast, and playing guitar.

This tennis season, James went 8-2 for singles and 8-2 as well with the help of his doubles partner Isaac “The Mace” Maciel in doubles, in the Eastern Yosemite League, putting him at a win rate of 4:1, and just recently, they won EYL for the second year in a row, as well as going hitting Valley in their Area Tournament.

DO IT FOR THE CAMERA

A DEEP DIVE INTO 4DAC AND JOSE CABRERA



STICKERS
SHIRTS
SKATING
AND
"YES!"



Born in December 14, 2003

Straight from Ventura California and now on the streets of
Tulare, we follow Jose Cabrera and his ambitious project. 4dac

"Do it for the camera."
Most highschool students starting a business have nothing going for them. Selling a box of chocolate bars, a few art commissions, or something that shouldn't be on school campus anyways. Contrary to the failure of those markets comes Jose Cabrera and his small business. 4dac, short for "Do it for the camera" came into fruition, officially, during December of 2021. Before it was more like a loose personal production to avoid purchasing clothes. The original logo comes from an idea with a friend during 8th grade, Kiwi, drawn on the bottom of Techdeck finger boards along with other concepts that later join 4dac.

4dac has an arsenal of different items for sale, stemming from stickers to shirts with occasional prints of commission.

Jose's unique art style takes heavy inspiration from Bomberman 64, South Park, Regular Show, and Happy Tree Friends, giving his aesthetic a young and alive feeling. Jose's artistic efforts flourish in the cynical humor of his absurdist tees.

**"IT'S A FISH THAT SAYS
IT'S AT ITS LIMIT.
FUNNIEST THING I'VE
EVER SEEN."**

- JOAN DAVALOS

Jose has continued to keep his business running with his young and grunge and skater aesthetic. His business is associated with his hobbies, drawing and skating. The underground and urban style of his business

appeals to his audience of fellow students but it isn't chosen for them.

Jose chooses his aesthetics, and everything he does, not for profit but out of passion for the craft. "Imma keep it real with you, I just love cartoon stuff. I just love youthful stuff that isn't perfect."

- Jose

4dac is the perfect business for those who run free; for those not held back by the world. Those who rage against the machine.

Jose aims to further his business by sharing skating videos and even considering making a contest for skaters local to the Tulare-Visalia area to participate and have fun. 4dac is a one of a kind business. One of the world's last true self made stories.

Mission Oak Track & Field



Track

Mission Oaks Track team has some star potential and fast runners. Some names include Jaden Hernandez, Kaream Davis, and Isaiah Martinez.

& Field

So far this season Mission Oak has been to 12 track meets and they've done good in all of them.



Team

something from track & Field that makes you want to join is the fact that they are like a family. They all push each other to do their best.

By : Gustavo Sanchez Cardenas

MISSION OAK TRACK AND FIELD

By: Anaisa and Gustavo
Sanchez

As the new Track and Field season starts many athletes are excited to finally receive a full season of meets. These athletes put in so much blood, sweat, and tears into practice and it shows through the school records they have been breaking this season.

Alyssa Arevalo

-800 Meters

-4 x 400 Relay

Eliana Fajardo

-SMR 100-100-200-400m

-4 x 400 Relay

Aileen Alba Tello

-SMR 100-100-200-400m

-4 x 400 Relay

Daisy Wycoff

-SMR 100-100-200-400m

-4 x 400 Relay

Delilah Ledesma

-SMR 100-100-200-400m

Alexis Cunha

-Shot Put - 4Kg



Aileen Alba, Brooke Doherty, Eliana Fajardo, Daisy Wycoff

SCIENCE OLYMPIAD

WHAT IS THIS CLUB?

Science Olympiad is a club filled with Mission Oaks brightest students!

Every member guided under Mrs. Edmond, the advisor of the Science Olympiad club. Science Olympiad has a plethora of events, ranging from taking various test on: disease detectives, anatomy, rocks and minerals, astronomy, code busters, forensics, chem lab;

To taking on tasks like: ping pong parachute, where you have to keep the ping pong in the air for as long as you can. The teams with the most points added up from the events, win!



COMPETITION

This year our science olympiad got to compete in state! In regional our team had 9 events that resulted in students placing.



MEET THE MEMBERS

Albert Ferreira

Nalani Ginn

Alexandra Gonzalez

Nathan Martin

Anne Poole

Roney Nguyen

Anthony Andrzejewski

Venezia Pena

Jesus Reyes

Zachary Stevens

Luis Palomera

Zoey Ramos

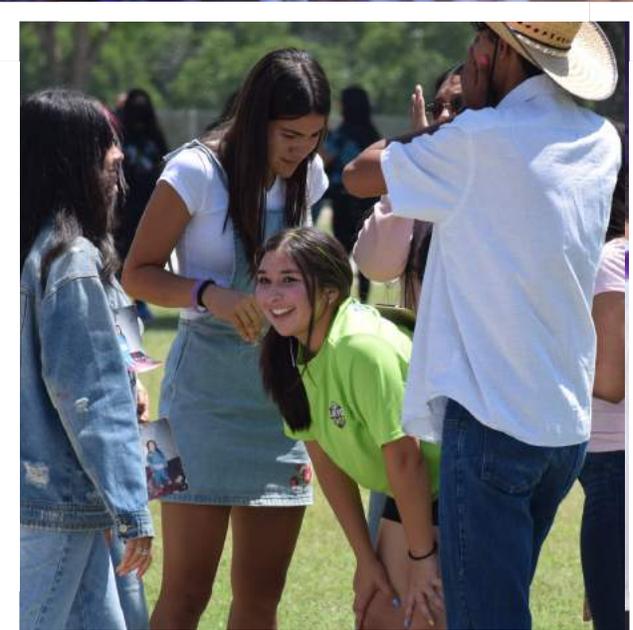
Madalyn Caso

ALBERT FERREIRA

JUNIOR
TENNIS PLAYER
ASB STUDENT

My favorite part of my Junior year has been how involved I've been. My highlights were being a Manager for the girls tennis team, Having the opportunity to participate as Junior Prince in Homecoming, and being able to play my first season of Varsity Tennis. This year has been truly Amazing! And I have made so many friends along the way. I would not change a thing about this year.





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