

HALLOWEEN

Candy Corn, is it liked?

by Ethan Thornton

Candy Corn was made by George Renninger way back in the year 1880. An employee at The Wunderle Candy Company located in Philadelphia. The candy's ingredients are mainly corn syrup and pure sugar. But the candy didn't really get popular until the Goelitz Candy Company (Now The Jelly Belly Company) located in California found the recipe. The candy wasn't called "Candy Corn" when first being sold but actually, "Chicken Feed".

Now, You may be wondering why it was called "Chicken Feed". Corn in the late 19th Century to early 20th Century was a very coarse food that didn't taste good, but was cheap. So Corn wasn't considered a food for people but for livestock. According to History channel, Packages of Goelitz's candy corn from the 1920s displayed a rooster and the motto, "King of the Candy Corn Fields."(Who Invented Candy Corn?). Then in the 1950's Candy corn got heavy advertisement. And that is how Candy Corn came to be.

Did You Know Candy Corn is well liked here at our school of Greenon? According to a survey sent out last week 67% of the school liked the taste of Candy Corn, which was more than expected. When asked his

thoughts on Candy Corn, Griffin Turner said, "It's alright it's a seasonal thing". Which is true looking at the sales of Candy Corn during the Halloween season.

Thus, Candy Corn is a 143 year old candy with a ton of history behind it, along with being a pretty good treat in my opinion.

Junior High Fall Harvest Dance

by Ellie Price

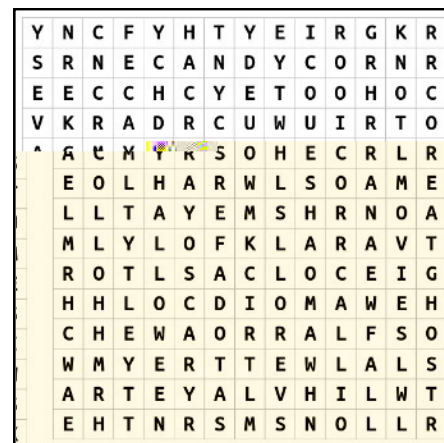
Switching buildings can be hard to adapt to school with schedules and work. Most students attend the dance as a relief. Most students enjoy the dance because it's fun to enjoy time with their friends after a long summer and more!

This past Friday, Oct. 20, 2023, the 7th and 8th grade Harvest Dance was held in the Greenon High School cafeteria. Most students in junior high planned to attend the dance including 7th grader, Marleigh McCurry. Before the dance she said, " I am super excited for the dance. This is my first official dance, and I hope for lots of entertainment and fun!" I have heard multiple students' reactions about the dance, and they've all been positive. 7th Liana Mooney said," I am excited for the dance. I am also excited to spend valuable time with my friends."

Have you ever wondered what

the purpose of a dance is? The purpose of a school dance is to create a greater sense of community within the school and boost morale. School dances provide a supervised safe space for students, and they also help to create memories that can last beyond school. They allow students to spend time interacting with others and improve their social skills. Most students look forward to attending multiple school dances a year. Due to behavioral problems, some schools do not hold dances, so everyone in our school should feel lucky to be able to attend the Harvest Dance for Greenon Jr High students.

We hope our 7-8th graders enjoyed their time at the dance!!



Fall Movies Halloween
Leaves Scary Horror
Treat Ghost Dark Trick
Costumes Candy Corn

Band Victorim!

by Ethan Thornton

Last Saturday the Greenon Marching Band went to a competition at Bellbrook High School. After performing their show titled "Hidden", The Band went on to win 1st Place in class AAA, Best Auxiliary, Outstanding Music Performance, and Outstanding Practical Effects! Which is amazing for the band after the last competition. When asked, he had this to say . "It was definitely an unexpected thing and the performance was very well and a good moral booster after the past 2 weeks" (Colton Beaver).



The Carving of Pumpkins

by Hailey Shepherd

Carving pumpkins is a popular tradition in the U.S. that's been around for quite a long time. It all started in the late nineteenth to early twentieth century when Irish immigrants brought their folktales with them as they moved their lives

to North America. One of their many stories was that of the Jack-O-Lantern.

Originally the Irish would use turnips and potatoes. However, when the Irish moved to North America they began carving pumpkins instead because they grew naturally and made much better Jack-O-Lanterns.

Today many families all over the U.S. continue the tradition of making Jack-O-Lanterns from carving pumpkins. Many families enjoy this tradition as it brings them together creating funny or scary designs and working together. There are many things about pumpkin carving that people find enjoyable, including picking the perfect pumpkin, creating a design, digging out all of the seeds and "guts", and some will even toast the seeds for a delicious fall snack. So this year when you are carving your pumpkin, remember to thank the Irish for bringing their stories and traditions to their new homes.

A Trick or Treat Guide

by Gordon Yu

Trick or Treat is just around the corner. You might be wondering when and where the event will be taking place. In this short article (length of a youtube short), you'll find out just that. Before we actually get to the meat of the matter, we have to go over one thing: Trick or Treat doesn't actually occur on October 31st. Trick or treat happens on Beggar's Night

Night which is just before Halloween. The chosen date for this special event varies from year to year and is planned that way to address safety issues concerning young children being involved in unsupervised Trick or Treating. Our small village of Enon will hold Beggar's Night on Saturday, October 28 from 6-8pm. Don't worry we won't judge you for going Trick or Treating (but others might), so go reliving your younger times worry free.

Fall Fruit Sale

by FFA Reporter Kaylee Smith

The Greenon annual fruit sale has officially kicked off. We started by gaining all the information about the items we would be selling. The items included many different types of fruit, cheese, BBQ, and nuts. This fruit sale is one of our main fundraisers and allows us to pay for all our events.

The sale will end on November 16th so if you would like to buy something, please contact any FFA member or you can email our advisor Sara Casto:

scasto@greenonschools.org.

This year we added the ability to Pay with a credit card so customers have more options. If you order from our fruit sale the fruit is set to arrive the week of 4th, which is just in time for the holidays. Thank you for supporting the Greenon FFA.

The History Behind Halloween

by Ellie Price

Have you ever wondered about the history behind Halloween? Halloween, a date most people are familiar with, started in 1840. "It dates back to the ancient Celtic festival of Samhain in the 7th century CE when Pope Boniface IV established All Saints' Day, originally on May 13, and in the following century, perhaps in an effort to supplant the pagan holiday with a Christian observance, it was moved to November 1. The evening before All Saints' Day became a holy, or hallowed, eve and thus Halloween was created. Participants believed that on the night of October 31, the portal between the realm of the living and the dead opened, allowing lost souls to return to the human-occupied earth." (from history channel)

The history of trick-or-treating traces back to Scotland and Ireland, where the tradition of guising, going house to house at Halloween and putting on a small performance to be rewarded with food or treats, goes back at least as far as the 16th century, as does the tradition of people wearing costumes at Halloween. Kids and Tweens of all ages trick-or-treat as a tradition yearly. Trick-or-treating includes candy and friends which is the reason why some adults trick-or-treat.

I Overall, I think we can all agree that Halloween has been enjoyable at some point in our lives. Even though most kids stop trick-or-treating around the age of 13, that doesn't mean that you can't still be involved in the Halloween holiday!

Staff's Stance: Halloween Movies

by Addelynn Ricketts

Halloween is around the corner and the spooky season has been up and running! With the holiday spirit at an all-time high, movie-watching is an enjoyable activity everyone partakes in during Halloween. From the classics to fresh off-the-press movies, everyone has their own must-watch movie during Halloween. In this article, we will review the Greenon staff's choices of their favorite Halloween movies while also answering a very controversial question: is Nightmare Before Christmas a Halloween or Christmas movie?

When asked what his favorite scary movie was Mr. Ferguson said, "Actually, this is very controversial but a lot of people will say that this is not actually a Halloween or horror movie but, I classify it as a Halloween/horror movie: Alien with Segornie Weaver. Great movie. It's one of the very few movies I watched that I was scared to death when I watched it." When asked if Nightmare Before Christmas is

a Halloween movie he said, "Yes, yes it is."

"Mr. Newport responded, "Scream. It's just a classic."

Next we spoke to Mrs. Brooks who said, "It's [the movie Signs] more suspense than necessarily scary. It's more of a thinker type as well. I don't like the kind that is just gory, bloody. I have no interest in that. But when it makes you think further and harder, and "Oh my gosh, what if that happened to us, and what would I do?" That's why it really resonates with me." Mrs. Brooks has never seen Nightmare Before Christmas but Avery Bear chimed in with her two cents, "I would say that Nightmare Before Christmas is a Halloween movie strictly because it was released on Friday the 13th in October."

Mr. Bragg responded, "The 2013 Evil Dead remake." We asked him about the qualifications for a Halloween Movie and he said, "Anything that is fall-themed. I count the Harry Potter movies as Halloween movies because they take place in the fall era. Nightmare Before Christmas, I count, even though it's a Christmas movie, it bridges the gap between both."

Some of your favorite movies might just be liked by your favorite teacher. While some like gore, others like suspense, or an old classic. And the age-old question of whether or not Nightmare Before Christmas is a Halloween or Christmas movie still stands for debate.

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