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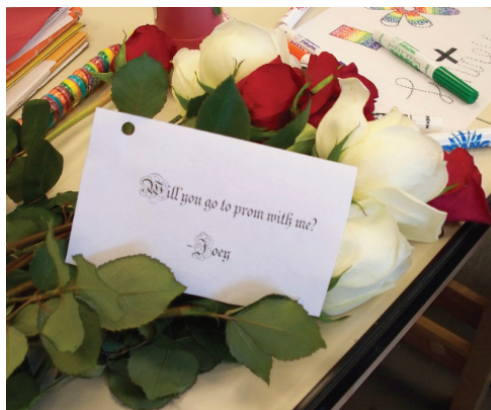
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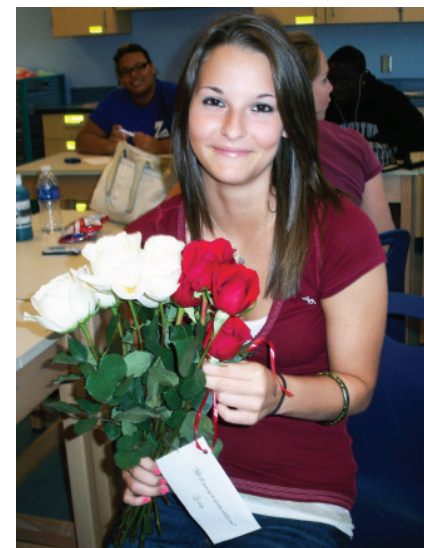
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Romance is in the air as seniors prepare for prom, one of the biggest nights in a student's life.



Prom is all about the excitement of attending a formal affair as soon-to-be graduates complete a rite of passage into the world as young adults. It all begins with the invitation and the romance of asking that special someone to attend. Pictured above, Whitney Kamerzal (right) blushes as she holds the dozen roses that were given to her - one at a time by selected messengers who without a word gave her a rose until the last messenger presented her with the note saying- "Will you go to prom with me?" What more can be said - Whitney's smile shows her acceptance as our own Dolphin Pride's Joey O'Connor's date for the prom. We are certain that many other interesting and innovative ways of asking someone to prom were taking place all over our campus these last few weeks. We wish our seniors and juniors a beautiful fun-filled safe evening, May 16, 2009 that they may always look back upon and remember with a smile. *The Dolphin Pride Staff*

A School Year in Review

By TaKara Coleman

Pep rallies, rival victories, school spirit, and Dolphin Pride. It doesn't get much better than that. The 2008-2009 school year has been filled with fun and laughter. We've had school-wide cookouts, special assemblies, guest speakers, and fantastic school events. A new class of freshman have been ushered in, and soon they will move up the food chain to make way for upcoming 9th graders. Graduation approaches for our seniors, and even though good-byes will be hard, we have to let them leave us behind and find what lies in store for them.



Juniors will finally have the chance to be the best, and run the school as the new seniors. And as for our sophomores, they simply get one step closer to being juniors. The cycle restarts, and the Dolphin students and staff prepare for another wild new school year. There's no telling what could happen with new class presidents as well. The bottom line is, no matter how many budget cuts and staff changes we undergo, we will always be Dolphins, and we will always have and show our pride.

MHS Football players standing on the sidelines - waiting for their turn. *Photos courtesy of Dolphin Pride*



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

By Sarah Bradshaw

Since this is our last issue of the Dolphin Pride for this school year, we wanted to give our principal, Mr. Russell, a chance to share his thoughts about the '08-'09 school year and his hopes for the coming year. Mr. Russell made it clear to me that he is extremely proud of our school, and that the current "A" rating is due to the hard work and dedication of the students and teachers in the classroom. The student body builds "a positive school culture that embraces the idea of 'Team, Family and Pride.' As the summer approaches, I would like to say how proud I am of the seniors, The Class of 2009, for their leadership and setting a positive tone on our campus," states Mr. Russell. The principal is very proud of all of our students. "Our career and technical education programs along with our academic program are really taking off and I am extremely proud of the staff and students who have made that possible."



Finally, here is an end of the year message to the students from Mr. Russell himself:

"I would like to wish all of you a safe and wonderful summer break. Those students who will be graduating and moving on, don't be a stranger, always remember your alma mater. For those students returning, I look forward to working with each of you and continuing to build a world class school. Go Dolphins!"

CHOICES, CHOICES

Looking towards next school year...

By Layne Doyle and Nicky Smith

Students, the time to pick your majors is here. Next year Marathon will be introducing many new courses based upon student interest. Along with the core classes that has option before at there are plenty available to throughout New electives Humanities, & Marketing, classes such as Human Studio Art, History. All the and classes to change due enrollment each option. Of are only the additions to selection and there are still tons of other electives that will still be here to choose from. Options are open and students will soon have the chance to choose whatever they please and are most interested in.

Marathon Middle and High School 2009-2010							
MHS Core Course	8 th Grade	9 th Grade	10 th Grade	11 th Grade	12 th Grade		
English/Language Arts	Language Arts 6	Language Arts 7 or Advanced Language Arts 7	Language Arts 8 or Advanced Language Arts 8	English I or English I Honors	English II or English II (Pre-AP)	English III or AP English & Language	English IV or AP English & Literature
Reading	Reading 6 or Intensive Reading or Advanced Reading 6	Reading 7 or Intensive Reading or Advanced Reading 7	Reading 8 or Intensive Reading or Advanced Reading 8	Intensive Reading *only if required	Intensive Reading *only if required	Intensive Reading *only if required	Intensive Reading *only if required
Math	Math 6 or Advanced Math 6	Math 7 or Advanced Math 7 or Algebra I Honors	Math 8 or Algebra I or Geometry or Algebra I Honors or Geometry Honors	Algebra I/A/B (books) or Algebra I or Geometry or Algebra II Honors or Pre-calculus or DE Algebra/College Trig	Geometry or Algebra II or Liberal Arts Math or Math for College or Pre-calculus or DE Algebra/College Trig	Geometry or Algebra II or Liberal Arts Math or Math for College or Pre-calculus or DE Algebra/College Trig	Liberal Arts Math or Algebra II or Math for College or Pre-calculus or AP Calculus AB
Science	Comp. Science 6	Comp. Science 7	Comp. Science 8 or Advanced Comp. Science 8 or Integrated Science Honors	Integrated Science 9 or Integrated Science Honors or Biology Honors	Biology or Chemistry Honors or Physics Honors	Chemistry or AP Chemistry or Physics or Physics Honors or AP Biology	Marine Science or Astronomy or AP Chemistry or Physics or Physics Honors or AP Biology
Social Studies	World History Grade 6	World Geography Grade 7	U.S. History Grade 8	American History or World History or American History Honors or AP World History	World History or World History Honors or AP World History	Contemporary History/Economics or DE Contemporary History/Economics Honors	US Government or Law or AP US Government/Constitutional Law II
Advanced Placement Elective					AP Human Geography (selective only) or AP US History (selective only) or DE Business/DE Marketing	AP Human Geography (selective only) or AP US History (selective only) or DE Business/DE Marketing	AP Human Geography (selective only) or AP US History (selective only) or DE Business/DE Marketing

Schedule of Choices- Subject to change.

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO THIS SUMMER?

SUMMER, SUMMER, SUMMER! STUDENT SURVEY

By Michelle Saunders



Summer is on its way and I took the initiative to run around Marathon High asking fellow students what their plans are for the summer. Here are just some the replies that I received:

- “Traveling to Italy for EIL” - Tori LoMonaco
- “Softball Camp” - Alaina Davis
- “Volunteering for Youth Group” - Leslie Valenzuela
- “Working on an internship at a Children’s Hospital” - Anonymous
- “Volunteering at Grace Jones” - Sterlyne Jean-Charles
- “Going to Chicago with my girlfriend” - Brett Moran
- “Visiting colleges and traveling to Massachusetts” - Ashley Hooper
- “Traveling on a Caribbean cruise with my family” - Kelsey Wonderlin
- “Working at Quiznos” - Alexander Morato
- “Going to Canada, Costa Rica, Miami, Texas, and Las Vegas” - Cassidy Burgos
- “Leaving for college on July 13th- I’m going to the Art Institute in Miami” - Danny Valerdi

Looks like our MHS Dolphins will be busy this summer – studying, traveling and working! The Dolphin Pride staff wishes everyone a great summer!

Getting A Job? Summer Job Outlook

By Alicia Young

It’s the end of the year and summer is slowly creeping upon us. Many teens are thinking of looking for jobs. For many students who are planning to get a summer job, "it's time for them to Google the word recession," states msnbc.com contributor, Eve Tahmincioglu. Teens planning to get jobs this summer need to start quickly because many business owners are cutting down the amount of employees they will be hiring this year. When asked why? Managers responded that they just don't have it in their budgets. A report put out this month by the Center for Labor Market Studies at Northeastern University states that "the summer 2009 job outlook for teens looks particularly bleak." Adding insult to injury, more older workers are going out for the teen jobs in retail and food services. "Overall, the numbers of teens working in the United States has been on the decline, as parents from all socioeconomic groups have wanted their children to focus on academics and extracurricular activities instead of paying work."

According to some of our MHS students who are looking for jobs, it's been a tough market. Eleventh grader, Melissa Barrera says, "It's been hard trying to find a job. I've been to Publix and all of the food stores and they are not hiring. I hope that something turns around so that I will have a job before summer is over." So get off your butts, start looking now before summer passes you by with no job and no money.



The sixth graders did it again! This Saturday under the direction of 6th grade math teacher, Ms. Amanda Hirshauer, and 6th grade science teacher, Ms. Jessica Snook, the two teams of three went up against four teams from Plantation Key School at the annual KCMSE Math and Science Bowl. They came up victorious with a first and third place finish. Two competitors are returning champions from last year's fifth grade competition from Stanley Switlik Elementary school and we had a fresh group of champions this year. Congratulations Team!

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| 1st: | 3rd: |
| Will Wolfe | Aaron Grube |
| Eugene Kyle | Zach Perry |
| Carlos O'Farrill | Kody Sparks |

Way to Go 6th Grade Scholars

March 27-April 3, 2009 Pete Rosin Junior Senior Scholarship Art Show & Competition Winners



- 1st Place in Photography:
"Getting Ready" by Alicia Young
- 2nd Place in Acrylics:
"Cello Concerto in G" by Sasha Sosa
- 2nd Place in Mixed Media:
"An Eye on Things" by Anthony (AJ) Cerny
- 3rd Place in Pencil:
"Austin" by Shane DiPaolo
- Honorable Mention in Graphics:
"Play the Hand You're Dealt" by Chris Falcon
- Honorable Mention in Graphics:
Senior Class Dolphin Mascot by Danny Valerdi

Top Row: Danny Valerdi, Anthony Cerny, Alicia Young.
Bottom Row: Chris Falcon, Sasha Sosa, Shane DiPaolo
Photo courtesy of Dolphin Pride Staff



Glimpse of what's to come - Yoslan has started the project that will fill the entire three story auditorium wall facing traffic on Sombrero Beach Road for all to enjoy. "Go Dolphins!"

*Photo courtesy of
Cherin Moody*

MHS Alumni Artist, Yoslan O'Farrill Returns To Paint Mural for Senior Class

"Grad Nite" 2009

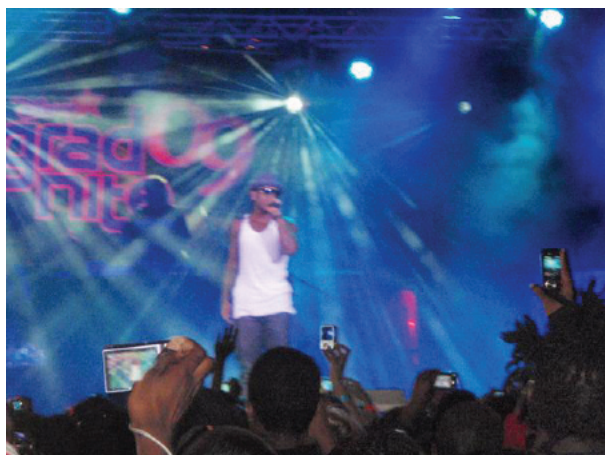
By Joey O'Connor

With the school year coming to a close many students, especially seniors, are beginning to feel stressed out with preparations for college and after graduation plans. Luckily many of the seniors were able to find relief on "Grad Nite." On Friday, April 17th at eight o'clock in the morning, about thirty seniors piled onto a charter bus and were on their way to Disney's MGM studios.

The students enjoyed watching movies, stopping to eat and shopping at a mall on their way to the amusement park. The bus finally arrived at the amusement park at about 7:30 p.m. The students then scattered leaving their troubles behind, focusing on enjoying themselves as much as possible. The fun started when the students went on rides like The Tower of Terror, Rock 'n' Roller Coaster and Toy Story mania.

The students also enjoyed such live action attractions as the American Idol experience and the Indiana Jones Epic Stunt Spectacular. The park also provided the students with live entertainment with concerts found throughout the park from artists such as Lloyd, Katy Perry, and The White Tie Affair. The park also provided students with some refreshments such as free Fuze samples and free bottles of Coke Zero.

The night came to a close with a firework display and a dance party sponsored by Coca-Cola. The students began piling back on the bus at about 2 a.m. The students quickly fell asleep on the bus satisfied with the experience they all had just shared.



The night was filled with live entertainment and good times. Pictured left: Live music concerts were enjoyed by all. Pictured center: Morgan Roberts, Joey O'Connor and Vanessa Sardinia take a moment to pose. Right: Students ready to begin the fun. *Photos courtesy of Joey O'Connor and friends.*

DOLPHIN SPORTS

Farewell to Seniors



Danny Valerdi, Blanie Connel, Toby Eigner, Josh Gratton, Jose Lopez.



'09



Lauren Green, Sarah Melia, Vanessa Sardina, Morgan Longstreth, Jeanette Betencourt



Marquieta White, Latrice Jackson, Vanessa Sardina, Shavonne Williams, Bianca Sturat.

Joel Torres, Javier Rodriguez, Morgan Roberts, Blake McCarthy.



Anthony D'Ascanio, Al Hoffman, Aj Cerny, Kerry Wonderlin, Matis Pezzella, Charles Bregan, Jose Galicia, Earl Harris, Johnny Lancaster, Noel Ceja, Thomas Carey, James Bregan, Danny Valerdi



Johnny Lancaster, Kerry Wonderlin, Ricardo Dominguez, Michelle Bellevue.



Thomas Carey, Joey Platt, Al Hoffman, Josh Gratton

Good Luck Senior Athletes

Earl Harison, Johnny Lancaster, Waldy Dearnis, Kenny White, Blaine Connel, Daric Hunt, Bobby Richardson, Hector Vicioso, Justin Larson, Angelo Hidalgo, Toby Eigner.



Megan Gardner, Vanessa Sardina, Morgan Longstreth

