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Happy Thanksgiving MHS

Special Homecoming Photo-Journalism Edition



Emily Perez and AJ Freeman as our new High School Royalty- Homecoming King and Queen. *Photos courtesy of Dolphin Pride staff*

Election Day 2009 by Michelle Saunders & Paul Acosta

Election day has passed. The Marathon City Council candidates that appeared on the ballot this year were John Bartus, Don Vasil, Kevin Kenny, Rich Keating, Mike Cinque, and Joan Nelson. On November 3rd, the residents of Marathon chose Mike Cinque (his second term in office) and Richard Keating as our new city council representatives. Cinque had beaten all other candidates with 862 votes and Keating with 788 votes. Congratulations and good luck. Serve Marathon well!

Not only has the election affected the older Marathon residents, it has affected the students as well. Those who are 18 years of age had the opportunity to vote on November 3rd. As editors of the Dolphin Pride, we went around to interview our Marathon High School 18 year olds to get their view on the election. Lianet Fleites had voted on November 3rd and shared her opinion; "I voted for Mike Cinque. I believe his views on how to improve our community will benefit us as citizens." Jose Galicia had also voted on November 3rd and he chose Richard Keating. "Richard Keating would do well to serve the community and he's got a handle on how our city runs." There you have it! Democracy at work.



Prize winning float- Junior class 2011

HOMECOMING IS HERE!

By Lianet Fleites

The origins of homecoming activities are up for debate but reach back to around 1910, with many of the original traditions still in place today. The costume dress up plays a big part in the festivities.

An entire week of school-spirit activities leads up to the big football game and dance. Different spirit activities include dress-up days, with a different theme each day of the week, special competitions between classes that add to the atmosphere, a student pep-rally fires up the student population for the traditional football game, and then the tension is released by dancing the night away.

A parade usually is held to get the community and high school students fired up and ready for the big game. Classes from the high school often collaborate to create floats. These floats are then judged by school faculty and the winner is announced later that week. The football team, cheerleaders and school band always make an appearance. Younger school students may also participate in the parade in many ways and others in the community join the homecoming parade to show support.

The crowning of the homecoming king and queen highlights the festivities for the student body. The homecoming royalty candidates typically come from the senior class, though the underclassmen also have their class representatives. The couple is chosen with the high school student body voting on the winners. The crowning ceremony may occur during an evening pep rally or during halftime at the homecoming football game.

Homecoming generally falls during football season, with a game highlighting the end of the week events. The football game allows the entire community to join in support of the team and the school. Here alumni are often seen enjoying the homecoming football game. A homecoming dance also caps the week, either following the football game or on another weekend evening. Here the high school students dance off their spirit and party away in a safe enjoyable environment.

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Special History of Thanksgiving in America

By Danielle Pabon and Michelle Saunders

Thanksgiving is a time of celebration and giving thanks for the things you're grateful for. It is believed by many to have started in 1621 when the pilgrims came to Plymouth Rock to escape the harsh rules of England. The Indians shared the feast with the colonist. Even though this meal was looked at as the first Thanksgiving, it was actually a celebration of the first harvest. It has survived for a long time in families and people as a holiday to celebrate and feast.

The people who have studied Thanksgiving history aren't sure what was exactly eaten at the first celebration. There were no pumpkin pie or mashed potatoes or special drinks for they barely had anything when they landed at Plymouth Rock. Venison and wild fowl were recorded in historical journals and the Indians had corn and whatever else they harvested.

Today turkey is the main dish with little vegetables on the table, but that is opposite of the original feast. Vegetables were often the main dish served at colonist's celebrations. Wine and water were served and puddings were also a side dish. Spices such as cinnamon or nutmeg were used along with fruits and special sauces. There are many things people believe should be on the Thanksgiving table, but for most Americans, the turkey becomes the focus of the feast.

Turkey & All the Sweet Fixings

By Kaite Landry

Thanksgiving is a holiday where family and friends congregate to catch up, reminisce, and most important, to give thanks for all the good things in life. In 1789, George Washington became the first president to declare Thanksgiving a holiday and by the mid 1800's many states had accepted it becoming a holiday. During the Civil War in 1863, Lincoln wanted a way to unite the nation and this is when he declared Thanksgiving to be on the last Thursday in November. In 1939, 1940, 1941, Franklin D. Roosevelt wanted a way to lengthen Christmas shopping and attempt to make Thanksgiving the third Thursday in November. Congress and others disagreed and decided to keep Thanksgiving as the fourth Thursday in November.

Thanksgiving is traditionally celebrated with a feast amongst friends and family. It also tends to be celebrated at home unlike the fourth of July and Christmas, which are associated with many public events.

Pumpkin Pie:

Ingredients:

- 1 1/4 cups pumpkin puree, canned or fresh
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon all-purpose flour
- 2 eggs, lightly beaten
- 1 cup evaporated milk, undiluted
- 2 tablespoons water
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 unbaked pastry shell (9-inch)

Preparation:

Combine pumpkin, sugar, salt, spices, and flour in a medium mixing bowl. Add eggs; mix well. Add evaporated milk, water, and vanilla; mix well. Pour into pastrylined pie pan. Bake at 400° for 15 minutes; reduce heat to 350° and bake about 35 minutes longer, or until center is set.



By Christina Rios

What comes to mind when you think about Thanksgiving? Is it turkey or mashed potatoes or how about sweet potato pie? Well, what may be a common tradition to many of us may not be to all of us.

Thanksgiving is a time in America where we remember to appreciate what we have. Most Americans have a traditional Thanksgiving. Some of these dishes include turkey, sweet potatoes, mashed potatoes, cranberry sauce, stuffing, pumpkin pie, apple pie, and my all time favorite the pumpkin roll. Here's the recipe for this delicious dessert.

- Ingredients:
- 3 Eggs
- 1 cup Sugar
- 2/3 cup Pumpkin
- 1 teaspoon Lemon juice
- 3/4 cup All-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon Baking powder 2 teaspoons Cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon Ginger
- 1/2 teaspoon Nutmeg
- 1/2 teaspoon Salt

Filling:

- 8 ounces Cream cheese -- softened
- 4 tablespoons Butter -- or margarine
- 1 cup Powdered sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon Vanilla



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Preparation:

In large bowl, combine eggs and sugar, beating with an electric mixer until thick and light yellow in color. Add pumpkin and lemon juice, mixing until blended.

In separate bowl, combine flour, baking powder, spices and salt. Add to egg mixture, mixing well. Spread batter into greased and waxed-paper lined 10-by-15-inch jelly-roll pan

Bake at 350 ° for 15 minutes. Remove from oven. Cool for 15 minutes. Place cake on clean tea towel sprinkled liberally with powdered sugar. Cool 10 minutes longer. From 10- inch side, roll cake up in towel. Set aside.

While cake is cooling in towel, prepare filling. Beat together cream cheese and butter; stir in powdered sugar and vanilla and blend until smooth.

Unroll cake. Evenly spread filling over cake. Roll up cake (without the towel). Wrap in plastic wrap. Cover and chill at least 1 hour. Slice before serving. Keep leftover slices refrigerated. This pumpkin roll freezes well.

Thanksgiving is also a time in which people around the world celebrate their own harvest celebrations. Examples of these are the August Moon Festival (Chinese), Tet Trung Thu (Vietnamese), Succoth (Jewish), Kwanza (African), Chusok (Korean), and Thanksgiving (which, of course, is American). But no matter where you live, what your religion or culture you have we all have something in common: we all give thanks in our own unique way.

Spirit Week 2009 "Out of This World" MHS On Parade

NERD Day





Patrick Auguste makes a convincing nerd. Haylie Heller and Marina Kay Wiatt are the nerd candy twins. Photos courtsey of Lianet Fleites

Senior Citizen Day





Jessica Smith, Lianet Fleites, and Patrick Auguste pose as our Marathon High Senior Citizens. Sofia Antoine is ready to attend classes as a "little old lady." Photos courtsey of Michelle Saunders



Taylor Konrath and Michelle Sardina as astronaut and fellow alien.. Photos courtsey of Cindy Zaldivar

Space Day











Parade photos courtesy of Dolphin Pride staff





DLPHIN SPORTS

Fall Sports by Jose Galicia

Girls' Soccer

It's winter, and soccer season has begun. The MHS girls' soccer team started their season at home against University. The game started off well with both teams going back and forth at each other until the deadlock was broken by a University girl. The MHS girls continued their attack; then Freshman Kaite Landry scored the equalizing goal. The game ended with a 1-1 draw. Tuesday, November 10th, the MHS girls were visited by Westminster Christian. The game was very exhilarating with both teams attacking a lot and making good passes and good runs. Westminster opened up the score sheet but the Lady 'fins responded with a goal from Kaite Landry. Later on in the first half, Marathon took the lead with another goal from Kaite Landry. They kept attacking and it looked like we had the game won, then about five minutes before the game ended, the Westminster girls tied the game. The game overall was very good and it was a pretty good result.

State Championship -Here We Come

OUR GIRLS' CROSS COUNTRY TEAM IS GOING TO STATE!!! The MHS Girls' Cross Country team has been doing phenomenal this season. Seven girls will be headed to compete in the state championship, Friday, November 20th. Ashley Adamo, Nancy Ceja, Regan Durkin, Savannah Schumacher, Naomi Valerdi, Marina Kay Wiatt, and Kelsey Wonderlin will be representing Marathon High School. We are very proud of them and we hope they come back with that state title. Good luck girls!!!

Homecoming 2009



Dolphin's ready for the action at the homecoming game against LaSalle. Footbal photos courtesy of Jose Galicia.

The Game

At last we had our eagerly awaited homecoming game. This game was also our last game and the MHS team wanted to end the season with a win. The first half was dominated by LaSalle with them scoring three touchdowns in the first half and Marathon scoring none. The second half was much better. Marathon scored a touchdown first but LaSalle responded back soon after. It was still too early to give up so the Dolphins did a couple of good plays and managed to score another touchdown. Overall the game was not a bad one; we saw many good runs and some nice touchdowns. Even though we lost 35-21 we still cheer on our MHS football team and we hope to win next season.



Pep Rally

Luis Gonzalez (far left) shakes the spirit stick. Class of 2011 cheers for the crowd. Kelsey Wonderlin proudly carries the wining Junior class spirit links. Josh Deluca, below

beams with spirit.. Photos courtsey of Dolphin Pride staff.









Homecoming Court

By Cindy Zaldivar

Homecoming weekend arrived and all the MHS students were very excited about it. Everybody was anxious to know who the homecoming King and Queen were going to be. Many girls were planning to go to the Homecoming dance as well. "Yes I'm totally going. I've been planning what I'm going to wear since the beginning of school year," said 9th grader, Jessica Smith.

Mr. and Miss

Mr. & Miss. Freshman: Yoniel Esquirol-Lopez & Gina Pezzella

Mr. & Miss. Sophomore: Joey Gonzalez & Haylie Heller

Mr. & Miss. Junior: John Milo & Alaina Davis

Mr. & Miss. Senior: Matt DeFillips & Latasha Coleman

Homecoming Court

Patricia Bologna & Josh Boulter Ashley Hooper & AJ Freeman Shakia Mitchell & Nyran Ross Emily Perez & Ethan Wallace

Samantha Mothner & Tyler Rousin



Pictured right: homecoming court except for football players who had to return for the second half. Congratulations to this year's homecoming king and queen, AJ Freeman and Emily Perez!