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Marathon High School

Homecoming 2006 Bring Your Game



Congratulations Marathon High on another spectacular homecoming! With a win over the Palmer Falcons in the homecoming game, to a wonderful display of floats, MHS Homecoming 2006 will be one we will never forget. Congratulations to all who took home titles this year - Homecoming King & Queen - Adam Ross & Sandahl Stephens; Most Spirited Class- Sophomores 2009 Homecoming Float 1st Place- Seniors 07; Homecoming Float 2nd Place - Sophomores 09

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The Pride of Marathon High

The Loge-ster

By Josh Frank

Last year the journalism class was run by Scarlett Stirton. This year, however, a lot has changed. The class is no longer "Journalism", it's called Digital Design. It is also one of three steps to the Bright Futures Scholarship. But the name isn't all that has changed. Due to the absence of Ms. Stirton, there is a new taker who says "I'm up for the challenge." Her name is Kathy Loggie. You may also know her from your American Government and DE Intro to Computers classes.

Mrs. Loggie moved to Marathon from New York ten years ago. She was a criminal prosecutor for the Nassau County District Attorney's Office. When I asked Mrs. Loggie about her reasons for such a drastic career change she said, "When I moved to the Keys I didn't really know what I wanted to do... I started substitute teaching... and I never really thought it would last this long."

Something that Loggie would like to change about the paper is the amount of community and parent involvement. She thinks that we



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could definitely use more feedback from them and that they could help the Dolphin Pride quite a bit. She was also a little worried about the fluency of the paper, but thinks that with some more feedback we could solve the problem easily.

As a student in the Digital Design class, I think that Mrs. Loggie is very devoted to her duties as the head of the Dolphin Pride. Aaron Cherniavsky says "She has inspired me to be a better writer; I don't think I could make it through this year without her." As you can see, Mrs. Loggie has already made a big impact on the class and we can only hope for things to continue in this direction.

The Butter Juggler: Melanie Boyd

By Alisha Anisko

Would you think it overwhelming to juggle a class presidency, participation in three sports teams, a winning spot on the homecoming court, a leadership class, two college credited school courses, and your friends and boyfriend? Marathon High School Junior, Melanie Boyd, is hardly phased by these responsibilities. And she still manages to do well academically, and allocate space daily for everything that's on her plate. Melanie admits that the workload can be rather difficult and far less than enjoyable at times. And in response to whether she uses any sort of a regimen or system to complete her tasks at hand, she comically replied, "I spread my time like butter on a piece of toast."

Melanie is renowned for being an accomplished swimmer. She has been on the local youth swim team in Marathon for 10 consecutive years. She has also been a member of the Marathon High School swim team for five years, one of which, she was the team captain. In addition, she has been playing softball competitively for 6 years. She plays both sports tremendously well, but considers herself to have more of an aptitude for swimming. Of any profession in the world, she has stated that she would relish most in being an Olympic swimmer. Melanie has a vast array of medals and awards, and for the 9 or so years we've been friends, she has always remained delightfully modest



Not Your Average Sophomore

By Whitney Dunham

Reggie Paros isn't your average sophomore. Not only is he the president of his class, but he's also involved in many other activities. He's the Relay for Life Team captain, co-editor of the Dolphin Pride, and in student government. He's also in the Leadership class and in the Monroe Youth Challenge Program. Along with all the activities he's involved in, he's also taking advanced classes. After high school he plans on going to the University of Central Florida to major in Business Administration.

When it comes to Reggie's passions and dreams, he really enjoys helping people and making other people happy. He gets

a sense of satisfaction whenever he is helping out, because he knows that he's doing what's right for the community. He believes that everyone has a responsibility to help out when they can. When he sees people doing well in the community, he gets a sense of inspiration.

Reggie is very proud of the sophomore class. They raised \$500 during Open House. During homecoming week they won most spirited class and got second place in the float building contest. Putting on a good prom next year is also very important to Reggie. He wants to start having additional fundraisers so they have enough money for that. We're sure he'll do well.

Jesse Schuby Schubert

By JP McCabe

Jesse Schubert is a new teacher at Marathon High School and recently I had an opportunity to get to know him better through an interview. Mr. Schubert attended De Paul University where he played football. Shortly into the season he broke his ankle and his college ball days were over. Schubert says that he hopes to get involved with all of the sports at Marathon and would like to become active in the weight room with the sports teams.

I asked him what he thinks of Marathon High School, and he said he really likes the fact that there is water all over. Mr. Schubert is from Indiana and, obviously there is very little water there. Another big difference is that he thinks Marathon is less conservative than Indiana. He says that the kids here are also very good kids;



there were a lot of vandals in the school he was at in Indiana.

Mr. Schubert also noted that there are a lot of differences between Marathon and Indiana because Marathon is such a small school. For example, in Indiana they had track and weight lifting.

The only thing he doesn't like right now is all of the construction that's going on. For his first year of teaching, he didn't expect to be in a portable.

when asked about and congratulated on her victories.

After High School, Melanie intends to remain a Florida resident, and is planning on attending Florida Gulf Coast University. She aims to study Sports Medicine, and her objective is to become either a Physical Therapist, or an Athletic Trainer. She is adamant about her future contempt for any college math classes and equally fervent about her aspirations for after college. Like most teens, Melanie is apprehensive to move away and live on her own, but she has decided

that she will definitely return to the Keys, and reside here for as long as she possibly can.

Melanie is looking forward to being a senior after this year, and she hopes that next year's classes will be similar to her favorites this year, those being Gym, Chemistry, and Leadership. When I asked her more about her upcoming senior year, and if she still has the desire to take part in as many activities as she has this year, she quickly responded by saying, "The sports, yes, but I think I'll let someone else have a try at the presidency."

Math Memories

By Cassie Dickson

At the end of last school year, MHS lost a very important teacher to the call of bigger and better things. Janet Meinke, former math teacher, began a new job this year working in Key West and representing our district at State level conferences. Her new job includes providing resources and professional development for high school math teachers, developing and analyzing the new M-BAT test, and working on a plan to provide new technology in the math classrooms, as well as a plethora of other duties, most math-related. And all this coming from someone who declared in high school that she would "never take another math class again!"

In high school, Ms. Meinke only signed up for Algebra I so she could be in the same class as her best friend, but that class went on to guide her to take more upper-level math classes. Well-prepared for college, she graduated from the University of Southern Mississippi and taught in MS for nine years before she discovered the Keys on vacation. Her father's side of the family included fishermen, boat builders, charter captains, and shrimpers and so Marathon "felt like



home." She applied for a teaching job, and has been here ever since, occasionally working for the Navy, Bellsouth, and Universal Cheerleading Association in the summers.

Although glad to bid a farewell to grading papers every weekend, Ms. Meinke hasn't forgotten her old classes. "I miss everything about MHS, but I miss the students and teaching the most. I've always held the teaching profession in such high regard and I feel that I've given up an important part of myself by leaving the classroom."

Former students shouldn't think they can slack off now, though! She might not be at MHS any longer, but Ms. Meinke is still keeping an eye on us and our progress. "I want you and all students to be successful in mathematics," she says. "...To work with your teachers, and to do your best."

Best Kicks In Town

By Vanessa Hernandez

This year, with only four seniors, the girl's varsity soccer team received many new players. The four seniors on this team are Suzie Greenman, Courtney Rudacille, Chelsea Steinmetz, and Arielle Taylor-Manges. Another hurdle for this team is that they have new coaches: Ms. Tollefson for the Varsity team and Ms. Hirschauer for the Junior Varsity team. They have been working hard during their grueling 2-hour practices after school, focusing on their teamwork and conditioning. Suzie Greenman, senior player, states "Our team is greatly improving with every practice and I'm looking forward to our opening game." Their first game will be on Halloween against Island Christian and they are hoping that all their hard work and effort will help them win this game.

"This year we have a lot of new talent and improved talent. We should have no problem winning our up coming games this year," stated senior player Chelsea Steinmetz. Even though the team this year is a very young one it doesn't lack in experience. Many of these girls have been



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playing for years. Some of the undergraduate players are Jade Hollroyd (junior), Katie White (freshman), and Kelli Struyf (freshman). Everyone is anxious to see how this soccer season plays out.

Club Update

By Gaby Brossard

November is a very busy month for many clubs and groups throughout Marathon. The Nike club, sponsored by Ms. Fabian, will be having a canned food drive and possibly sponsoring an underprivileged family by fundraising and donating the money or food to that family. Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) will also begin work on creating a cookbook, using recipes from people all over town. They will then be selling the cookbooks throughout the Keys. The Interact club will be doing various community service projects throughout the month of November. Relay for Life, an organization dedicated to saving lives and raising money for cancer survivors will begin on November 8th with its annual kickoff. Throughout the year all of the different Relay groups will be doing fundraisers to raise money and getting ready to have their annual relay walk.



President of the Middle Keys Marine Association Tom Dodamead presents a \$500 check to Glenn Naklicki, marine mechanics teacher at Marathon High, and Principal John Pertner. These funds were donated under the sponsor-a-classroom organization. This is a program that encourages donations to local classrooms to be spent within the community. Donations are always welcome and greatly appreciated within the sponsor-a-classroom program.

Goodbye Ms. King

By Lyia Stuart

Our office manager, Ms. King, after seventeen years of service is leaving the halls of Marathon High and moving to the Marathon Training Center. Ms. King first came to Marathon High when she was a junior in 1972 and graduated in 1974. She came back in 1980 to become a teacher's aid and has been an office manager since 1991.

At the MTC Ms. King had the idea to make a "paperless district" including things like student cumulative files. This job includes traveling to Monroe County, including Marathon High, so we won't lose her. Ms. King states: "MHS will always be # 1; I will always be a Dolphin."



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5	6 Boys Soccer (H) SAC Mtg. 6pm MS Canned Food Drive through 11/17	7 French Class to KW	8 Marine Mechanics to KW Boat Races	9 District Early Re- lease. Girls Soccer (A) Girls BB (A)	10 Holiday— Veterans Day	11 Girls BB (A)
12	13	14 Girls Soccer (H)	15 Girls BB (H)	16	17 Boys BB (A). Girls BB (H). Boys Soccer (H) Girls soccer (H).	18 Boys BB (A)
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What are you thankful for?

By Anthony DeLillo & Brianna Packer

This Thanksgiving, the Dolphin Pride staff is asked the MHS staff the Thanksgiving question, "What are you thankful for?". Here are some of the responses from our hardworking staff.

Mr. Naklicki- This Thanksgiving I am thankful for the opportunity to pass on my knowledge and life experiences to all my students. To celebrate, all my family and kids are going to come to visit and we are going to have a big reunion.



Dr. Pertner- This Thanksgiving I am thankful for all the simple things in life, which don't seem to be too simple when you are building a big building like this. But the fact that everyone is healthy and everyone is safe in an environment that can easily get out of hand, I'm very thankful for that. This Thanksgiving I am not sure what I am going to do, I will probably be spending time with my wife.



Mrs. Fulcher- This Thanksgiving, I am thankful for a lot of things in my life. First of, I am thankful that I have 3 healthy, successful children. Also, I am thankful for our luck with no hurricanes this year. I am most thankful for my life. After 20 years of hard work, things are finally paying off. Living in paradise is also something I am always thankful for.



SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

ACT prep starts Nov 7th and 8th ; it meets twice a week in P 23 -
See Mrs. Chiesa for more information

After School Program has started. You may still sign up with Mrs. Chiesa - 289-2480 x55411
We meet on Tuesdays & Wednesdays.

**Have A
Wonderful
Thanksgiving
From the
Dolphin Pride Staff**