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## Happy Halloween!



October has been a busy month at MHS. Beginning first with spirit week, Homecoming parade, Homecoming dance, and game, the month finally ends with Halloween celebrations. Take a look inside this special photojournalism issue. You will find how MHS students contribute to the school community festivities.

By Brian Wright



Cindy Zaldivar (left) shows off her school spirit at the Spirit Day Pep rally. Above: Students show their spirit in carnival dress providing a circus atmosphere in the halls during Spirit Week fun. Photos courtesy of Beatriz Martinez and Cynthia Garcia.

## El Dia De Los Muertos!!

By Cindy Zaldivar



Catrinas 2. Photo courtesy of Wikipedia Images

A holiday dedicated to the memory of the dead, known in Mexico as "El Dia de los Muertos" (the Day of the Dead) is similar to Halloween. While Halloween is celebrated on the 31st of October, "El Dia De Los Muertos" is celebrated on the 2nd of November. This holiday is celebrated throughout Central America as well as Mexico. The holiday is a combination of the Christian holy days of All Saints Day celebrated on Nov. 1 and All Soul's Day celebrated on Nov. 2nd. Unlike the Christian holy days, El Dia de los Muertos is a time for celebration. Parades and festivals take place and food is offered for the dead. Some say that these holidays are celebrated to honor death, and to scare away all the spirits that come out during the holiday. It is said that the meaning of dressing up scary and ugly, and decorating the house with skulls is to make it unpleasant so the spirits go away without wanting to possess anyone.

## Wilma the Hurricane Witch

By Kelsey Wonderlin

On October 24, 2005, many of the lives of the citizens of the Florida Keys changed. Hurricane Wilma, expected to cause virtually no damage to the area, devastated residents with its unforeseen storm surge. Being the third hurricane of the 2005 season to reach category five status, Hurricane Wilma surely had Keys residents frightened. However, just before reaching Marathon and its surrounding islands, Wilma settled back down to a category three. A vast majority of residents stayed in town rather than evacuating for a storm they believed would simply pass over with minimal damage. On that day of October 24, 2005, the hurricane appeared to have passed, leaving only a palm frond here, a small branch there. A few hours after Wilma seemed to be over, Gulf-side residents were unpleasantly surprised by a rising sea-level. Actual waves (a strange occurrence for the Keys) rolled up onto the land, engulfing it in its powerful grasp. Frantic locals scrambled to throw their valuables onto high shelves as the water entered and filled their homes. Absolute chaos struck Marathon on that day. Countless residents were forced to throw away nearly everything they owned and begin anew. The rebuilding process was long and hard for those distraught families, but as we reflect back upon that wretched time in Marathon's history, we can recall the overwhelming support that was given by our tightly-woven community. Our little town of Marathon came together to help one another; those fortunate enough not to receive physical damage from Hurricane Wilma aided the unfortunate many who needed it. Five years later, Marathon is a stronger, closer community; all thanks to a little something the locals like to call "Wilma the Witch."

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# Special Homecoming Edition

## It Begins with Spirit Week- Life's A Circus

### Monday-Decade Day



An MHS Monday through the ages- Kelsey Wonderlin and Michelle Sardina (far left) in 1840's finery. Cynthia Garcia (left) shouts, "80's anyone?"

Tuesday was an international parade of students dressed in styles from around the world. Pictured right: Kianna Spiering poses as a Japanese Geisha with her Viking friend, Connor Boyd and Gina Pezzella, the Greek maiden. Far right: Is that a Swiss Miss? No, it's Alaina Boyden.

### Tuesday-Around the World



### Wednesday-Famous Day



Pictured far left: SOS call off the search party-Nemo (Annabelle Walker) found swimming through the halls of MHS. Kelsey Wonderlin (left center) must be keeping her true Taylor Swift identity secret but Ricky Ceja gives it away. Lady Gaga (Alicia Zielinski) stops for a smile.

*Photos courtesy of: Kesi Guishard, Ady Hernandez, Mary Hernandez, Nate Kitchen and Cynthia Garcia.*

### Thursday-Circus Day



Call in the clowns (Chris Campbell), lion tamer & lion (Kianna Spiering. and Meredith Ryder.), fortune tellers, (Meladie Anisko. and Jessica Broche.) and that ever popular circus treat - the frankfurter- Circus Day is a full three ring event.

Pictured left: Kesi Guishard and KC Sagan dress up as Lil' Wayne imposters.

## Friday: Homecoming Crowning - Game Victory - Go Dolphins! by John Keller



Finally! The varsity football team has got their win. The one they have been waiting for, and it couldn't have come at a better time than at our homecoming game. We beat the Florida Christian Patriots with a touchdown with only 30 seconds left in the 4th quarter to make the score 19-13 a great victory for the Marathon Dolphins. This win would lead to a great celebration at the homecoming dance the next day. Good job Marathon Dolphins!

Kelley Struyf and Alex Fantroy arm n arm as they take their first royal stroll afte being crowned MHS Homecoming King and Queen.



*Photos courtesy of Dr. Kathy Lancaster*

# Special Homecoming Edition

## The Roar of the Crowd...MHS on Parade



By Cheyenne Martin

On Thursday, October 21st, Marathon High's Homecoming parade went through town with a big turn-out from locals and tourists alike. The event started at 1:00 p.m. and went through town to end at Publix around 2:00 p.m. The school's marching band got the crowd on their toes as the Grand Marshals of the parade, MHS teachers, Mike and Michele Lettau, cruised by waving to the crowd. Next, MHS's varsity and junior varsity football teams rolled by on the fire truck. Middle School's 6th, 7th, and 8th grade Mr. and Ms. took over the spotlight from the football boys. The floats came next with freshmen leading the way and sophomores following close behind. The juniors and seniors paraded by after them. Congratulations to the sophomore class for winning the float competition. Seniors took second place. Freshmen come in third place with juniors' taking fourth. After the floats went by, the crowd looked on excitedly when the Homecoming Court came into view. Congratulations to Alex Fantroy and Kelley Struyf who were chosen to rule as our 2010 Homecoming King and Queen. They were crowned at Friday night's game as students, parents, faculty and community onlookers cheered.



*Sophomores pose with their trophy at Friday night's game after winning 'Best Float.'  
Parade Photos courtesy of the Dolphin Pride Staff*



# DOLPHIN PRIDE **Extra! Extra!**

## Halloween At the Movies! Movie Review Perspectives: Pro and Con

Pro's about Silent Hill by Alexis Trobis

A great horror movie to sit around and eat popcorn and watch during Halloween is Silent Hill. With its great effects, sounds, and imagination it's an interesting movie to watch in the dark, curled up on the couch. Some great things about the movie were when the sirens went off and it changed to an alternate reality. The actors were great and adapted to the movie compared to other horror movies. Every second of the movie was filled with suspense and mystery and will always have you at the end of your seat waiting to see what happens next. This movie had more suspense, action, and mystery compared to other horror movies. There is continuous action that moves the story quickly. On a scale from one to ten I would definitely give it a nine.



Photo courtesy of Google Images.

Con's about Silent Hill by Logan Jones

Silent Hill had some issues. There were many problems, one being the unexplained reason that everything became old and rusted for no reason. Others include why they put Pyramid Head, one of the many creatures in the movie, in only two scenes. He was a main staple of the video game franchise that the movie was based on. It was very confusing when Amy, the nurse of the first game in the end of the movie, was suddenly supposed to show up at the beginning and show the protagonist of the movie the horrors of Silent Hill. The main character was a girl and you see it as her nightmare and supposed demon sister. As for the biggest problem, it is the ending. There is no explanation for the ending or how events led to it. Over all I would give this movie a 7.5 out of 10 points, with 1 being "Burn the movie" and 10 being "Oscar winner."



**Picture Day**  
Smile for the camera everybody, time to capture the perfect yearbook pose!

Photos courtesy of Stetson Odom



## Switlik Carnival Halloween Fun! by Daniela Ortiz

The Halloween Carnival is a Stanley Switlik Elementary school community tradition that the children of Marathon always look forward to. Every year they host this "spooktacular" event. This is a PTO fundraiser in order to raise money for students and school activities. The school plans this event to coincide with Halloween. A cake walk, pumpkin decorating, costume contests, music and dancing are just some of the activities scheduled for the day. As you can see from the pictures children, adults, as well as MHS students and staff join in the fun. Moving counter-clockwise, Switlik students help at a booth. Ms. Jessica Richard and Mr. Richard Mangel, MHS teachers, smile as they work their positions. Switlik students dress up as their favorite characters.

Photos courtesy of Christine Paul

