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## MHS Dolphins Football '06

By Josh Frank

Monday, August 1st, the pads were handed out and it marked the first day of the Marathon Dolphin's football season. After a summer of conditioning and working out, the team is in great shape and ready for this season. This year we are hoping to shatter last year's record of three wins and four losses. Our starting offense includes Senior Mason Ellis (TE), Junior Waymon Ross (RT), Junior Andrew Araque (RG), Sophomore Derrick Hunt(C), Junior Bryant Marles(LG), Senior Zack Badaway (LT), Senior Adam Ross (QB), Junior Chris Flingos (FB), Junior Sergio Howard (HB), Junior Fernando Taylor (WR) and, Junior Stanley Jean Charles (WR). This year our offensive line is just as big and strong as ever. Together they weigh over 1300lbs.

The Marathon defense is just as strong. It consists of Mason Ellis (E), Junior Josh Frank (T), Junior Cody Stricklin (N), Waymon Ross (E), Chris Flingos (MLB), Andrew Araque (SSLB), Junior JP McCabe (WSLB), Adam Ross (DB), Fernando Taylor (DB), Sophomore Kenny White (DB) and, Stanley Jean Charles (DB). This defense is sure to give our opponents a hard time getting down the field.

While there are only four seniors this season, they are expected to play a big role in our success. Zack Badaway, measuring in at 6'6" and 280 lbs, is by far the biggest player on the team. Mason Ellis, three year starter, is considered a team leader and plays a big role in the motivation of the team. Adam Ross, starting quarter back, also helps get the team get hyped before games. Kyle Riffe (WR) is expected to help the receivers out quite a bit this season. The class of '08 is the largest on the team. There are 12 juniors on the team this year and they are expected

to play a giant role in our season. Junior Cody Stricklin said "We are definitely ready for another hard hitting season."

Coach Lance Martin says "We are young and hungry." With the team being so small this year, the youngin's will be just as important as any upper class-man this year. They need to be ready to be on the field at anytime due to injury and fatigue. There are two freshmen this year that we have high hopes for. One is AJ Freeman (RB). Standing at 5'3" 137 lbs he will add some definite speed to our back field. The other is John Porter (TE). At 6'2" 195 lbs and a freshmen he has a lot of potential for the future.

We also have a large coaching staff this year. The coaches are

Head Coach Lance Martin, Coach Jason Frank, Coach Jessie Schubert, Coach Andre Garvey, Coach Tom Junker, and Trainer Luis Leal.

The Dolphins had a good look at how their season could be on Friday August, 18. We played Cocoa Beach High School. The team was on top of their game with a final score of Dolphins - 24 and Cocoa - 7. With over 100 passing yards and over 300 rushing yards the score could have been a lot higher. Coach Jason Frank said "We need to work on our game inside the red-zone."

With the four talented seniors, the dedicated class of '08 and the promising underclassmen, Marathon is in for a memorable season.

- Photo Submitted by  
Kathy Lancaster



## Welcome Back to MHS

By Cassie Dickson

To our newcomers, welcome to MHS, and to our veterans, welcome back for the 2006-2007 school year! The Dolphin Pride, now under teacher Kathy Loggie's direction, is proud to introduce many new members to our team. This year we are introducing two new features that anyone can participate in. The first is the advice column, "Ask Brianna." Our columnist, Brianna Packer, welcomes your letters if you want advice about school, friends, relationships, etc. You can e-mail them to her (packerb.mhs@keysstudents.com), or drop them off in P5. Be warned: if they're not kept appropriate, they won't be printed. Also we are tentatively starting up a Letters to the Editor section. If you have concerns about anything in the school or community, you can also write us a letter and drop it off in P5, or e-mail it to: kathy.loggie@keysschools.com. We might print yours! This year will mark many changes at our school itself. More old buildings will be torn down and, if all goes as planned, we'll have a new gym by December of this year. Throughout the year, as the new MHS goes up, we will publish updates and information about the construction front to keep you up-to-date. We will also keep you informed on events going on around the school and community, including clubs and sports, and welcome article tips. You can send them the same way as letters to the editor. We anticipate another busy school year, and look forward to facing it with you!

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# New Teachers at MHS

By: Vanessa Hernandez

This year Marathon High School welcomed many new teachers from a variety of different backgrounds and lifestyles. They will all contribute to making this school a better learning environment for students now and for students to come. Here are a few interesting facts about our new faculty.

Christina (Tina) Tollefson:

Ms Tollefson received her Bachelor of Arts and Business from the University of Florida, and her Master's of Business Administration from the University of Miami. During these years of school her favorite subjects were Math and Sports. After she graduated she worked in pharmaceutical sales in Florida but switched her profession to teaching because at the end of the day she wanted to say "I helped improve a kid's life today." This is her first year of teaching and she is going to be teaching 7/8 grade intensive math and 7th grade math. She will also be the soccer coach. So far she likes Marathon High School because it is its own little community; its own little business.



Greta Van Der Linden:

This is the second year of teaching for Ms. Van Der Linden. Her first year of teaching was at Shrewsbury High School, which is in Massachusetts, and this year she will be teaching 7th grade World Geography and 10th grade World History here at Marathon High School. She so far likes it here at MHS because of its friendly faculty. She has wanted to become a teacher ever since she was a child and she says her favorite thing about teaching is seeing a student understand a difficult concept.



Jessie Schubert:

This is Mr. Schubert's first year of teaching and he is glad for it to be here because he thinks the kids are really unique and he enjoys working with them. He will be teaching 10th grade and 11th grade English and he says what every student should know about his class is that it's not a playground. When asked why he became a teacher he states "I like being around kids and I really love to read. I'm hoping I can rub off on some of these kids and they can learn to love reading too." This year he will also be helping out with the high school football team.



Denise Wisenbaker:

Ms. Wisenbaker is Marathon High School's new health teacher, more specifically she teaches Health Careers 1, 2, and 3, Life Management Skills, and Parenting. She has an associate's degree in Dental Hygiene and a bachelor's degree in Health Science. During these years in school her favorite classes were Anthropology and Microbiology. Before coming to teach at MHS she was a dental hygienist for 15 years. She became a teacher to help provide information and prepare young people for adult life. Her future goals for her teaching career are to continue her education and get a master degree in Education so that she can teach Dental Hygiene at a college.



Teresa Allen:

Ms. Allen has had 5 years of teaching experience before coming to Marathon High School to teach ESE: Life Management Skills, English, Learning Strategies, and Inclusion. She graduated from Bluffton University with a bachelor degree in Elementary Education and Special Education. She would like to finish her Master's degree by the year 2010. She is a certified teacher in both the state of Ohio and Florida. She spent two years teaching in Lima City Schools and 3 years at Allen East Middle School. When asked what her favorite thing about teaching is she said "Empowering people/students to be more than they thought they could be. Helping students to see the potential they have to succeed in life!"



Amy Urban:

Ms. Urban came to Marathon High School from Raleigh, North Carolina. When asked what she likes about MHS she said, "My students are fabulous: excited, hardworking and interesting, everyone is very welcoming and helpful and the technology is amazing." She will be teaching 8th grade Science and 9th grade Integrated Science this year. She has received her Bachelors degree in Science Education and has been teaching for 4 years. During her time at high school and college her favorite subjects were Biology, French, and Art. She has many hobbies including running, biking, swimming, snorkeling, gardening, cooking, traveling, any outdoor activities, and of course, spending time with friends and family.



Julie Bowerman:

This year Marathon High School's new Spanish and French teacher is Mrs. Bowerman. She attended college in both California and Michigan and has a bachelor's in Spanish, Environmental Conservation, and education. She also has a Masters in Guidance counseling. Throughout her years in college her favorite subjects were snowboarding, snowshoeing, scuba, and the history of rock and roll. Other hobbies of hers are cycling, reading, and traveling. She has had 4 years of teaching experience from a school in the upper peninsula of Michigan. When asked what her favorite thing about MHS is she stated, "I love having a bathroom in my classroom!"



Jason Gray:

Mr. Gray is Marathon High School's new Special Education teacher. He teaches classes in Reading, Math, and Science. He had a bachelor's degree in education, a master's degree in Special Education, and a reading endorsement. This is his 4th year of teaching and he is glad for it to be here because he really enjoys how involved the community is in supporting our goals as an educational institution. When asked why he became a teacher he stated, "Dollar, Dollar, bills ya'll" In the future he says that he possibly might go into administration but he wants to stay in a classroom for a few more years before pursuing that option.



Barbara Duncan:

The new middle school Language Arts teacher is Mrs. Duncan. She has had 7 years of teaching experience from Mulberry Middle School, which is in Mulberry, Florida. She graduated from the University of Florida with graduate hours from Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, Virginia. During these years of college her favorite subjects were Drama, Art, Writing, and communication. When asked why she became a teacher she stated, "My daughter and all of her friends thought I would be good at it. I thought it would be easy and it's turned out to be the most challenging thing I have ever done."



Clara Gonzales:

Ms. Gonzales has dedicated over 30 years to teaching English, ESOL, and French, mostly in her home country of Venezuela, and hopes to teach another 10 years here at Marathon High School. She has taught both at a college level and a high school level and has worked in planning, teacher training and in educational overseas advising. This year she is teaching both English and Intensive English. She states about teaching, "[Teaching is] more than a profession, I consider teaching a vocation where the ultimate goal is to facilitate the learning and acquisition process of my students. My students' success is my success too."



David Warfield:

Mr. Warfield was born and raised in the Downriver area (south of Detroit) in a quaint Victorian town on the Detroit River named after a band of the Huron tribe, the Wyandotte. He is certified to teach ESE, grades K-12, Social Studies, grades 6-12, and Business Education, grades 6-12. This is his third year of teaching; his prior two years were spent teaching at Dearborn Heights, Detroit and Central Florida. He ran the 2:47.38 Boston Marathon and also shattered a twenty year distance record with his team at Hanna Relays in Maui, where he lived for eight years. Some other hobbies that he has are scuba diving, downhill skiing, cycling, and basically anything outdoors.



Gregg Weatherby:

Mr. Weatherby is our new PACE teacher here at Marathon High School. Before he came here to teach he taught high school English at several locations in upstate New York and near the Catskill Mountains and college-level writing and literature for the State University of New York and Empire State College. He has a master's degree in adolescent education from Mount Saint Mary College and a bachelor's degree in English/Creative Writing. He has many hobbies including reading and writing, riding and training horses (although he no longer does rodeo), swimming, hiking, camping, and rock scrambling in the mountains.



# WELCOME TO MHS NEW TEACHERS!

# Marathon Welcomes New Assistant Principal

By Gaby Brossard

New to our school and Marathon we welcome our new Assistant Principal Ms. Elizabeth "Liz" Logan. Ms. Logan moved here from Watertown, Wisconsin where she was a principal of two elementary schools. Prior to that she had been a middle school assistant principal in Pinellas County, Florida.

Ms. Logan wants all the students at Marathon to know that throughout her career all decisions she makes are based on the kids. She loves the kids that she works with and feels that they are the best part of her job. She is also very determined to improve FCAT scores, and plans on doing whatever it takes to achieve this goal. Even if that means working with kids one by one to ensure that every child has the best chance possible at passing. She feels student succession is the most important part of her job.

As far as discipline goes, Ms. Logan wants all the students to feel safe and secure on this campus. She wants the kids that attend this school to be respectful, and follow the student code of conduct. Ms. Logan says that she wants all students to succeed; this applies to conduct as well as academics.

When asked about what she likes most about MHS, she replied with the people, the positive attitudes and of course the kids. Ms. Logan's hobbies and interests include the water and boating, she also has two saltwater aquariums and she loves running and traveling. In addition she also enjoys spending time with her 10 year old son Jake. Ms. Logan is very excited to begin the new year and wishes everyone the best of luck with this school year.



 <span style="font-size: 2em; font-family: cursive;">September 2006</span>   						
Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
<u>27</u> Aug.	<u>28</u>	<u>29</u> Volleyball (A) ICS 5 PM	<u>30</u>	<u>31</u> Volleyball (A) Key West 3/4:30	<u>1 Sept.</u> Football (A) Pembroke Pines 7 PM. Early release	<u>2</u>
<u>3</u>	<u>4</u> Holiday Labor Day	<u>5</u> Golf(A) Miami CD. Volleyball (H)WCS 6 PM (Coral Shores)	<u>6</u> Golf (A) Key West	<u>7</u> Volleyball (H) Doral 6 PM (Coral Shores)	<u>8</u> Football (A) Gulliver 4 PM. Golf (H)	<u>9</u> Swimming (A) Coral Shores
<u>10</u>	<u>11</u> Cross Country (Cross Country (H)	<u>12</u> Challenge Day Golf (H) Palmer 6 PM Volleyball (H) Palmer (Coral Shores). SAT sign up dead line for Oct. 14	<u>13</u> Swimming (A) Key West	<u>14</u> Golf (H) WCS 6 PM JV Football (H) Florida Chris.	<u>15</u> Progress Report. Volleyball (A) Key West	<u>16</u> Football (A) Curley 2 PM. Swimming (A) Coral Shores. Volleyball (A) Key West
<u>17</u>	<u>18</u> Cross Country (H) Westwood. Volleyball (A) Key West	<u>19</u> Golf (H) Key West. 4 PM Volleyball (H) Coral Shores	<u>20</u> Swimming (A) Coral Shores	<u>21</u> Golf (A) Curley	<u>22</u> Football (H) Westminister Chr. 7 PM. Volleyball (A) Miami Chris. ACT sign up dead line for Oct. 28	<u>23</u>
<u>24</u>	<u>25</u> Cross Country (H) ICS	<u>26</u> Golf (A) Palmer	<u>27</u> Swimming (A) Key West	<u>28</u> Volleyball (A) WCS 4 PM JV Football (H) Palmer	<u>29</u> Football (H) Westminister Acad. 7 PM. Golf (H) Doral. Volleyball (H) Westwood 4 PM. SAT sign up dead line for Nov. 4	<u>30</u>