

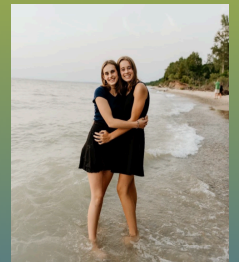
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# THE CHIPPEWA HERALD

SENIOR EDITION



PREVIEW



## A Message From Your 2022 Class President

By: Alyssa Jackoviak

Well seniors, we made it! Our four years have come to an end. Tomorrow, we will practice our graduation and enjoy a final senior cookout with everyone. Today, it will be the last time we walk through the MHS doors as a student. Over these hundreds of days spent together, we have created a plethora of memories such as winning only one powderpuff game (mind you, it was against the freshman... our senior year), Aiden Prince being Lizzo for Mock Rock, and of course, we can't forget our goat mascot for sophomore powderpuff. None of these memories...

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## ***A Message From Your Class President continued***

...couldn't have been made without the help of you all, the Class of 2022.

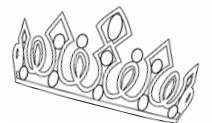
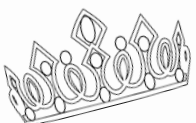
While the position of Class President did have its stressful moments, I am very grateful that I was able to take on such role. This role helped me to bond with more and more of my classmates, which in turn helped me to create friendships that I hope will last beyond the doors of MHS. Being able to connect with all of my classmates was by far one of my favorite parts of senior year, and I wish everyone had the opportunity to do what I did!

Anyways, thank you all for being such an amazing senior class. You all should be very proud of yourselves. See you all at our class reunions!!

## ***Prom Royalty 2022***

By: Libby McCarthy

If you haven't heard already, at prom last Saturday we got the results for the 2022 Prom King and Queen. Out of all the great candidates, the winners were Kenton Zatarga and Allie Thomas!!! But, Allie wasn't the only queen in the Thomas family, "I was so surprised and I thought I missed them announcing the winners but I didn't! I have dreamed of this moment my whole life but not for myself but for my younger brother Gannon. I used to dress him up in dresses and crowns. He doesn't let me do that anymore but it was fun while it lasted. I am so honored to be crowned queen!" Kenton shares how he felt in the moment hearing his name being announced, "When I heard my name get called for prom king I was completely astonished. I had no expectation of achieving royalty when I showed up but I'm grateful that I did." Big congrats to these two Manistee High School Royalty!



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## ***Senior Reflection: Solana Postma***

Dear Ceci,

After this week, things will be different. We will no longer drive to school together every morning with the same music on repeat. We will no longer laugh about what Mr. Nezski said or critique dad's outfit choice. We will no longer share everything from clothes to vending machine money to the school we attend.

As you navigate the next two years without my constant (and probably irritating) presence, I want you to remember some things:

Always be kind. Don't let your personal attitude and insecurities affect the way you treat others. Give people the benefit of the doubt and know they are trying too.

Follow your arrow. Don't live by comparison. You are not me. You are not dad or mom or your friends or famous people. You are so smart, good, beautiful, and loved. There is no reason for you not to live exactly as you desire.

You will never be alone. You are loved by your family and dog, your friends, and so many others. And, if there are times when sadness creeps in, I will just be a Facetime call away.

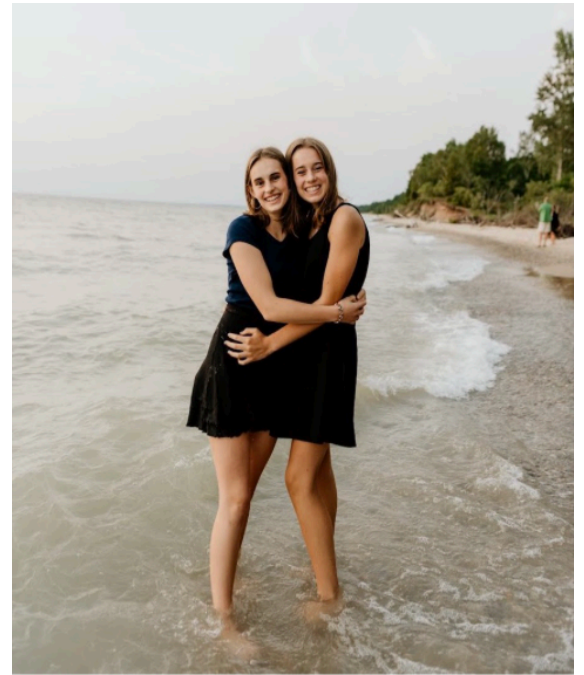
And, when you drive to school, shuffle your music through a mix of George Ezra, Kasey Musgraves, and Taylor Swift to think of me.

Love,

Solana

## ***Senior Reflection: Trevor Mikula***

Do the work as a Freshman so it pays off as a Senior.



## Senior Reflection: Shelby White

I am beyond excited to be out of high school and start a new path in life. But I am also going to miss it like crazy. I won't miss any of the work, but I will miss the games, assemblies, field trips, winter carnival, homecoming, prom, and even just the simple things like spending time with my friends at lunch or in classes. I'm glad that throughout high school I got involved in different things such as mock rock, powderpuff, float building, parade, etc. Getting involved is one of the best things you can do, because you gain so many fun memories. I have many good and bad memories to take with me when I leave high school. Half of my high school experience was covid where half was online, and half was in person. This sucked, but was also cool to have memories that not many people will be able to have. I'm just glad to have had a pretty normal senior year. I know these last few days are going to go by so quickly, and I'm beyond excited to get the full graduation experience. - Shelby White



## We'll Miss Mrs. Kiss!

By: Courtney Haag

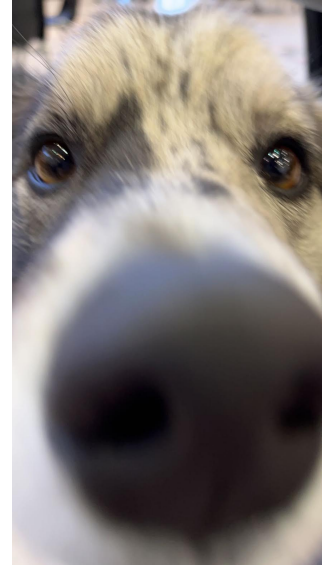
Unfortunately for us, we will have to say goodbye to one of our beloved office ladies, Ms. Kiss, as she is retiring after the end of this school year. She has spent 24 years of her life working at Manistee high school, and even spent 14 of those years teaching drivers ed with Premier Driving Academy. After the busy time that she has spent at MHS, Ms. Kiss mentioned that it is finally time for her to wind-down and make a change. She has found a position elsewhere that offers her a little more time off, and she will go from a full-time job to more of a part-time job. Although she enjoyed her time at MHS, this job was the right opportunity at the right time. With her newfound free-time, Ms. Kiss plans to spend time with her children, as three of them are engaged to be married in the coming months. Likewise, she is excited to have time for more fun activities, and might even pick up a new hobby. Despite being ready for her new position, Ms. Kiss says that she will miss all of the great kids and coworkers that she has spent the last years with. Even though we will miss Ms. Kiss's presence at the school, she has graced us with some parting words. Her advice to us is to "laugh often and be optimistic," to "count your blessings each day as you wake up as you've been given another day to make a difference" and to "make each day count." It is clear that her time in the education field has made as much of a difference on her as she's made on us, and there is no doubt that the school will be missing something in the future without her.



## Applause for the Paws

By: Courtney Haag

As you may have noticed in the last year and a half, our school has had a new student. But, she doesn't really look like all of the others, as she walks around the halls on four legs. **Dixie Piper** is the loyal companion to junior **Lola Piper**, who started bringing her to school (or work in Dixie's case) as a service dog in early 2021. The German Shepherd-Husky mix began training at around 7 weeks old, with Lola as her sole instructor. With Youtube's help, Lola was able to find commands that best suited Dixie. Although she doesn't need to use it often, Lola has a controller that vibrates Dixie's collar when she needs discipline. Dixie is also rewarded with plenty of treats. Despite being an extremely compliant animal, Dixie has her moments, specifically when there is stray food on the ground- this is where that buzzer comes in handy. Bringing Dixie to school was a personal decision for Lola, and it was somewhat of a



process for Dixie to be approved to come. But, now Dixie comes to school everyday, unless Lola has a college class or wakes up late. Dixie's presence in the school environment helps with Lola's social anxiety and makes her feel safe and secure. Lola has had a generally positive reaction from others, as everybody that has come across Dixie loves her (I mean who wouldn't). But, Lola mentioned that it can be kind of a hassle as some younger students don't understand that Dixie is working and pet her without permission. Similarly, Lola states that having a service dog can cause judgment from others (just like anything that makes you stand out). However, the duo's experience at MHS has been mostly positive, and now probably serves as a comfort companion for not only Lola, but others as well. Dixie may even consider the school as a second home for herself, as she considers Mrs. Warnke's physics class to be her favorite!

## Senior Reflection: Breanna Whitmer

Dear Grace and Chad,

You guys will go far, stick together and keep your heads up. Mom would be so proud of you two. Love you both!



# Senior Mock Elections!

By: Libby McCarthy



Category	Boy Winner	Girl Winner
Most School Spirit	Trevor Mikula	Madalyn Fox
President of Truck Nation	Lukas Coopshaw	Piper Salmon
Best Car	Caleb Cameron	Lauren Bell
 Worst Senioritis	Connor Beaudrie	Raegan Codden
Most Likely to Ruin a Sand Castle	Caiden Cudney	Raegan Codden
Class Clown	Quentin Bradley	Breanna Whitmer
Loudest	Joe Oberlin	Breanna Whitmer
Most Likely to Become Famous	Luke Kooy	Kasey Eckhardt
Most Athletic	Trevor Mikula	 Allie Thomas
Quietest	Gabe Bednarczyk	Bay Anderson
Most Likely to be Given AUX	Ayden Bladzick Garber	Emma Bevans
Class Mom and Dad	Seth Thompson	Alyssa Jackoviak
Class Genius	Seth Thompson	Solana Postma
Most Likely to be Mistaken for a Freshman	Caleb Cameron	Addy Witkowski
Most Gullible	Jordan Fink	Kasey Eckhardt
Worst Driver 	Connor Rischel	Nayleigh Gauthier
Most Likely to Cheer You Up When You're Having a Bad Day	Aiden Prince	Amanda Kelley
Most Creative	Aiden Prince	Bay Anderson
Best Laugh	Caine Weed	Amanda Kelley



# Senior Mock Elections continued

Category	Boy Winner	Girl Winner
Born in the Wrong Decade	Kyle Pierce	Kyla White
Most Basic	Adam Fennell	Shelby White



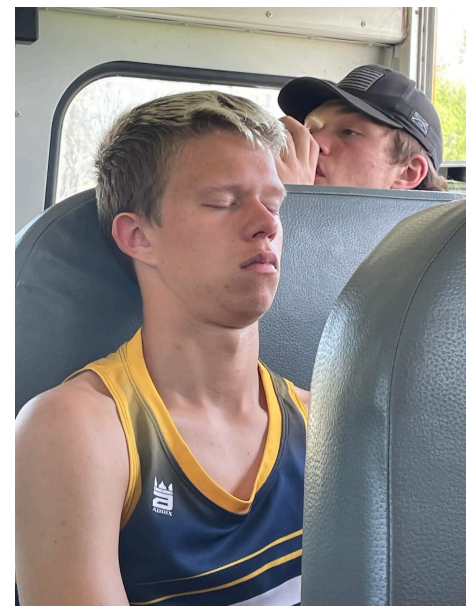
Best Friends Set #1	Amanda Kelley and Shelby White
Best Friends Set #2	Kyle Pierce and Robby Laurain
Best Friends Set #3	Drake Reid and Arian Gilbert
Best Friends Set #4	Trevor Mikula and Connor Rischel
Best Friends Set #5	Faith Dalke and Devin Beaudrie

## Senior Reflection: Seth Thompson

Thank you. To everyone who has helped me over the past four years. To anyone, or anything in that matter, that has allowed me to fully become who I am today. To all my friends and my teachers. To all my enemies and disappointments. To the feeling before a test, to the excitement after a concert. To the tears over bad days, or to the smiles on good ones. Thank you. With out you, I never would have come close to growing from who I was, to who I have become. I never would have had the chance to truly have fun, to truly recognize what high school is.

Maybe it's torture, anger, and boredom for some. But for me it was an experience I will NEVER forget. It's an experience that is not strictly learning, but discovering. Discovering — not just knowledge — but how to truly live my life. "There are two types of education. One [that] teaches us how to make a living, and the other how to live" — John Adams. Luckily, Manistee helped me with both. So for the final time before I leave the doors of the school tomorrow, thank you.

(Resident Class Genius after a very tiring track meet)



## Senior Reflection: Brandi Monroe

From day one, we were always told these years would go by fast. High school seemed like a never-ending adventure. So, like many others, I counted down the days until I would be done with it all. It never seemed real until the end of this year. I began looking around and realizing that far too soon, I would no longer see the faces I spent the last 13 years with. After years of looking forward to my graduation, I now dreaded it. We're saying goodbye to everything familiar and comfortable. You'll never get this time back, so make the most of it while you can. Don't take anyone or anything for granted. Live every second with love, happiness, and ambition. Soon enough, you too will be saying your final goodbyes to some of the most influential people in your life. Please, cherish every moment. Hold onto every last second of high school. You don't realize how precious your time here is until it runs out.



Farewell Seniors, and may life ever be in your favor.  
Let your journey be joyous, and enjoy every moment.

**Congratulations to the graduating  
class of 2022!**

**Shout out to THESE  
students who found  
Waldo last edition!**

**-Ceci Postma (10)**

**-Noah Maue (9)**

**-Grayson Prince (10)**

**-Gavin Yeager (10)**

**-Luke Smith (10)**



# Track Girls Run, Jump, and Throw Their Way to Victory

By: Libby McCarthy



The boys and girls track team traveled to West Michigan Christians to compete in the Conference Finals on the Warriors brand new track. The girls came home with the conference champions title for the second year in a row while the boys came in second! The competition was high but this is a great way for the Chips to leave the Lakes 8 conference!



We had many athletes finish as first team and second team all conference. First Team All Conference for the boys include; Mr. **Luke Kooy (12)** in pole vault, **Luke Senters (10)** in the 800 and the 1600 meters, and **Jack O'Donnell** in the 3200 meters! More boys just barely fell short of first but still have the great accomplishment of Second Team All Conference. We have the boys 4x400 meter relay with a team of **Kenton Zatarga (12)**, **Kanon Petzak (10)**, **Trevor Mikula (12)**, and **Jordan Fink (12)** and the 4x800 ran by O'Donnell, **Jarod Wright (11)**, Mikula, and Senters. Finishing second we also have **Cai Johns (10)** in shot put and discus! Great job boys!!

Onto the girls, we have first place finishes by **Lacey Zimmerman (11)** in the 100 meters, **Audrey Huizinga (9)** in the 200 and 400 meters, Anna Huizinga (12) in the 100 meter hurdles, **Libby McCarthy (10)** in highjump, **Kendal Waligorski (10)** in pole vault, the 4x100 with a team of **Ashtyn Janis (11)**, **Kasey Eckhardt (12)**, McCarthy and **Lacey Zimmerman (11)**, the 4x200 Janis, Eckhardt, Audrey H and Zimmerman, and finally, the 4x400 with a team of McCarthy, Eckhardt, and the Huizinga sisters. Amazing job girls! Other second place finishes included Anna Huizinga in the 400 and McCarthy in the 300 hurdles.

With the track season coming to an end, that means there's lots of important meets for our Chippewas to compete in. May 20th is Regionals, May 25th is the All Star Meet at Reeths Puffer, May 28th is the MITCA Team State Meet that our boys and girls qualified for, and finally, on June 4th is the D3 State Finals at Jenison. Can't wait to see how our boys and girls do!



# Meet the 2021-2022 Staff

**Lauren Judkins,  
Writer and Editor**



**"Treat people  
with kindness"  
- Harry Styles**

**Solana Postma,  
Writer**

**Avery Vaas, Writer and  
Editor**



**"You'll never hit the  
bullseye if you don't  
shoot your arrow."  
-Anonymous**

**Alyssa Jackoviak,  
Writer**



**"No matter where  
life takes me, find  
me with a smile."  
- Mac Miller**

**Libby McCarthy,  
Writer**



**"Sometimes I feel  
grateful thoughts  
don't appear as  
bubbles over our  
heads." -Anonymous**

**Jenna Fortier,  
Writer**

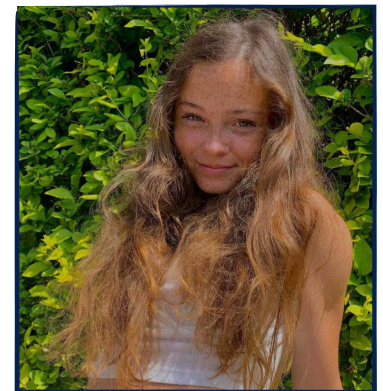


**"Every day is a new  
day."**

**Courtney Haag,  
Writer**



**Allie Thomas, Writer**



**"Honestly, don't  
you read?"  
- Hermione  
Granger, Harry  
Potter and the  
Sorcerer's Stone**