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NHS EARTH DAY CLEAN-UP

Written by Reese Shively

Each year on April 22, an annual celebration known as Earth Day is celebrated. It's a day to celebrate the planet we call home, and raise awareness about the importance of taking care of the environment. The theme for Earth Day 2023 is "Restore Our Earth." This year's theme focuses on the idea that we can all take action to help restore the environment and protect the planet.

To take part in this theme, Manistee's National Honors Society went around our town collecting trash. Most of the trash collected consisted of plastic wrappers and bottles. Though they may seem insignificant-even the smallest pieces of plastic can take hundreds of years to decompose and while doing so can harm our wildlife and pollute our waters. Choosing a reusable water bottle or even the recycling bin instead of our boardwalks are a way to contribute to this Earth Day movement.

CLEAN UP CONTINUED...

Earth Day is a reminder that we all have a role to play in protecting the planet. By taking action to reduce our impact on the environment and supporting sustainable practices, we can help ensure a healthy and vibrant planet for generations to come. Let there be Earth Day everyday.

In addition to this, there are many other ways to get involved with Earth Day, including planting a tree, turning off the tap when brushing your teeth, and so much more.

YAC BOXES

Written by Kaleb Shoemate

The Chippewa Chapter of the Manistee County Community Foundation's Youth Advisory Council is running a youth needs assessment. And they need YOUR help. In both the middle school and high school academic wings students will find a box with a poster with directions. Read the poster for directions on how to help us out with this project! All students will need to do is answer a few questions. There are 4 possible questions to answer, but students can answer at their own discretion.

Boxes can be found in the MS academic wing between Mrs. O'Connor's room and Mrs. Miller's room, right across from the girls bathroom. An additional box can be found in the HS academic wing between Mrs. Watkins room and Ms. P's room, right across from the girls bathroom.

STUDENT LIFE

Written by Jayna Edmondson

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CLASS OF 2023 VALEDICTORIAN AND SALUTATORIAN

As graduation is approaching for the senior class of 2023, we spoke with the valedictorian and salutatorian to reflect on their past four years of high school, and their plans after graduation. This year, Jeffrey Huber earned the academic title of Valedictorian and Maya Bradley achieved the Salutatorian title.

Jefferey Huber, Valedictorian

1: What does being valedictorian/salutatorian mean to you?

Huber: It's more of just an honor to represent my class than anything else.

Bradley: Being recognized as the salutatorian of my class has meant quite a bit to me. It's a great honor to be able to represent my class in this way. While I definitely feel as though there are people more deserving, I still appreciate the recognition for all of the work I've put in over the years.

2: Who or what inspired you the most throughout high school?

Huber: The teachers and staff at MHS.

Bradley: For the majority of my high school career, I've relied on self-motivation to get me through. I used to get good grades because I feared how my parents would react if I didn't. At some point, I realized this was a pointless struggle — if I was going to work hard, it would be for the betterment of myself on my own accord. I'd encourage everyone who currently struggles with motivation to look no further than themselves to find what they need to succeed.

V&S CONTINUED...

GRADUATION

Maya Bradley, Salutatorian

3: What activities have you been involved in at MMHS?

Huber: I play football, basketball and baseball. I have been a part of NHS, Student Council, and I served as the student representative on the school board.

Bradley: I have been a part of NHS, and as of this year I've had the pleasure of being a member of the PRISM board. I was also stage manager for the MMHS production of Beauty and the Beast last March!

4: If you could describe your highschool experience in one word, what would it be?

Huber: Lovely.

Bradley: Amusing.

5: What college are you attending? What are your goals/plans for the future?

Huber: University of Michigan - majoring in either environmental sciences or International studies.

Bradley: I will be attending the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor next fall. While subject to change, I currently plan on majoring in chemistry with a minor in environmental science.

6: What advice would you give to the underclassmen?

Huber: The hardest work you do has to be while you're an underclassman. Bad grades and lack of understanding of material early on will set you back a lot. Get involved with things outside of the classroom because finding good people and connections is the most important thing you can do for yourself.

Bradley: Get your work in. Be kind to yourself. Enjoy your time here. Also, don't be afraid to load up on AP courses. They're not as difficult as you think and the GPA benefits will greatly help you down the line when you're applying for schools and scholarships.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE INTERVIEW : RAFAEL GONCALVES

Written by Lauren Mezeske

Question 1: Where are you from?

- São Paulo, Brazil.

Question 2: Why did you want to come to America?

- The opportunity to improve my English and adapt to a new life.

Question 3: What activities do you participate in? If any.

- I was on the soccer team, swimming team, powerlifting team, and, currently, I am in the track team.

Question 4: Where do you see yourself in 5 years?

- In five years I see myself with a college degree for engineering and working full time.

Question 5: What's the biggest difference between school in America and school in Brazil?

- The biggest difference between schools in the U.S. and in Brazil is that in America the teachers have fixed classes and the students must go to different classes everyday. Whereas in Brazil, the students have fixed classes and the teachers are the ones to change their classes every period.

Question 6: What's something you wish to do or experience in America before you leave?

- Prom and graduation.

STAFF SPOTLIGHT: MR. SAYLOR

Written by Kaleb Shoemate

This week's staff spotlight is Mr. Saylor! Mr. Saylor currently teaches 9th grade US History and AP US History. He also is a class advisor to the Class of 2024!

Q: What is your favorite flavor of ice cream?

A: Mint chip.

Q: What makes teaching worth it?

A: Teaching is worth it because it is a job that makes a genuine difference in people's lives, even if it takes them many years to realize it. Seeing the great things that our students go on to achieve is a feeling that's hard to describe.

Q: How long have you been working for MAPS?

A: I am in my fifth year of teaching.

Q: What is your favorite hobby to indulge in?

A: I have 3:

1. I taught myself how engines work and now I like to work on my jeep.
2. I play several instruments and like to perform music.
3. I work out in my home gym that I built.

MR. SAYLOR CONTINUED...

Q: What was your dream job as a child?

A: I was originally going to be a music composer and make film and TV scores. Or SuperMan.

Q: Who was your biggest inspiration growing up?

A: It changed depending on what my interest were at the time, or what season I was in. One of the biggest was John Williams though. His music defined movies for me and I wanted to be him when I grew up.

Q: Who do you nominate for next week's staff spotlight?

A: Mrs. Nowicki

VOTE FOR MAX SCHARP

Written by Libby McCarthy

Another Chippewa Athlete is on the ballot for Catchmark Sports Athlete of the Week!

Go vote for Freshman Max Scharp

https://catchmarksports.com/vote-for-catchmark-sportsnet-player-of-the-week-april-17-22-2023/

Let's help Max win! Keep up the good work!!!

EXCHANGE STUDENTS FINAL MONTH AT MHS

Written by Libby McCarthy

This school year we were lucky enough to have a large group of awesome exchange students! They came to Manistee from a total of 6 countries; Germany, Spain, Italy, Finland, France, and Brazil. Most arrived in August so they have spent eight months in the US so far and have one exciting and bittersweet month left with us.

Instead of being sad that its over, the exchange students are happy that they got to spend their time here with their friends and MHS family.

Bianca Racito spoke to us about how she feels about her last month in the US, "Having reached the end of a dream that I had since I was a child, it makes me understand that despite the difficulties one may encounter, anything can be achieved. It made me understand that I have grown up and that in the future I will be able to face some events in a more mature way. But, I am sad to leave all the wonderful people I met here who made my year abroad unforgettable. But I'm sure I'll see some soon!"

It will be sad to see them go but there is still so much time left! Thank you to all the exchange students for bringing more to our community and for all the memories that have been made this school year!

NOW SHOWING:

MOVIE REVIEWS WITH NOAH

Written by Noah Maue

RRR: The Absolute Definition of Cinema

On March 20th, The Vogue Theatre held a special event and screened the movie *RRR (Rise, Roar, Revolt)* for one night only. I was luckily able to attend, and after rewatching it on Netflix this past Monday, I would like to talk about why it is perhaps among the best cinematic experiences out there!

Out of everything I've seen in my 13 months as a Vogue movie marathoner, nothing has made me appreciate cinema more than this film. The entire movie is on a grand scale, and there isn't a single "small" scene. This movie never holds back with the action sequences, the relaxing segments, and especially the dance battles!

This movie is just one big display of showmanship, and I'm all here for it! I was surprised by how often I was in awe, especially considering my previous movie-going experiences! This film feels like it was created specifically for movie theaters, and it's seriously an incredible sight to see. I've even learned the choreography of one of *RRR*'s musical numbers because it was so great!

But even disregarding how much pizzazz went into this movie, the film holds up on its own! The character dynamics are unique and engaging, the plot is super exciting with its many twists and turns, and the soundtrack especially pops off when it matters most! My only real complaint is that the CGI isn't very realistic, and it quickly became obvious whenever it was used. However, I am more than willing to ignore this considering how *RRR* excels in nearly every other area.

So with all of this in mind, I've concluded that RRR is a stellar film which deserves a watch! And while it may not change your life, it will totally renew your interest in cinema. **I give *RRR* a rating of 8.5/10!**

SPORTS CORNER

MANISTEE GOLF EARNS FIFTH PLACE AT TRAVERSE CITY CENTRAL INVITE

Written by Jayna Edmondson

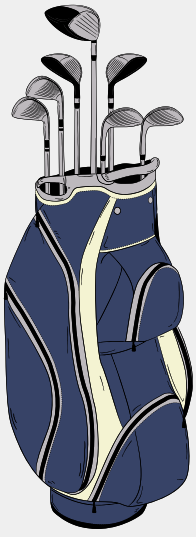
Manistee golf traveled to Crystal Mountain for the two day Traverse City Central Invite beginning April 21. Manistee led after day one, but eventually earned fifth place overall. There were 22 teams at this Invite and our boys did super well against some competitive schools!

With a score of 75, **Max (9)** and **Jacob Scharp (11)** had the day's lowest average. Together they totaled 149 and 160. **Max Scharp** was the individual medalist placing first at the entire Invite by three strokes! **Jordan Bladzik (12)** earned a 170, while **Braydon Sorenson (11)** finished with 173.

Along with beating out all the competitors from 22 teams, **Max** also beat his brother. We asked **Jacob** how that felt, "It's good to be able to compete with him. I think we both push each other to be better. I usually don't like to think about what it's like getting beat by him because it doesn't happen that often but when it does happen, I don't hear the end of it till the next time we go out and play."

Manistee is scheduled to host a conference match on April 24th at Manistee National.

Keep it up boys!!!



GIRLS SOCCER STAYS 6-1 IN WEEK 4

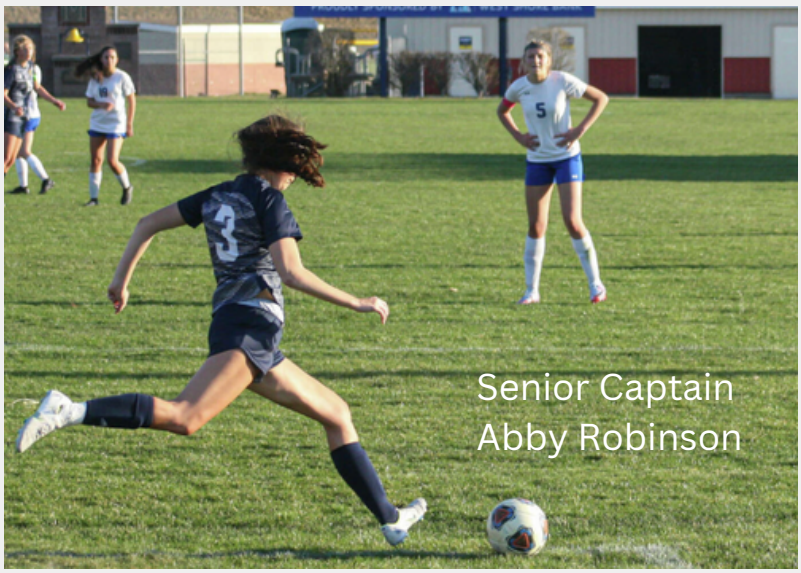
Written by Jayna Edmondson

On Monday, April 24, the Manistee varsity girls soccer team defeated Shelby 3-0. In the first half, **Kate Somsel (10)** scored with a free kick, and in the second half, **Emily Rabeler (12)** scored off of a drop ball. The final goal was scored by **Jayna Edmondson (11)** late in the second half. Manistee controlled the ball for the majority of the game, preventing Shelby from getting on the scoreboard. Goalkeeper **Piper Eskridge (10)**, and the defensive line led by **Abby Robinson (12)** and **Mariah Bialik (12)** didn't allow the Shelby offense many shot opportunities, which earned the team their fourth shutout of the season. This win improved the Chippewas overall record to 6-1. **The team will travel to Ludington on Wednesday, April 26th, for another conference game.**

Freshman Alayna Edmondson

Team captain **Abby Robinson** states, "I think that we played really well on Monday. Our offensive players took some really nice shots, and our defense shutout a team with a strong offense that hadn't been shutout yet. I think this will be a really good confidence booster going into Ludington on Wednesday and moving forward."

Sophmore Piper Eskridge



Senior Captain Abby Robinson

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"The shell must break before the bird can fly."

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Editor/Writer

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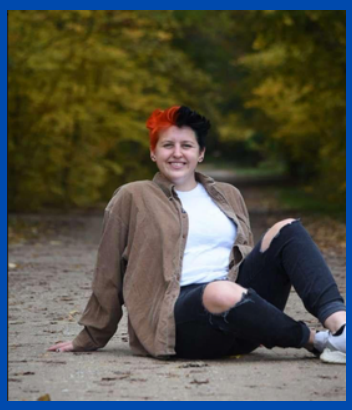
Writer

Brooke Jankwietz (11)
Writer

Noah Maue (10)
Writer
"I'm not perfect, but that won't stop me from trying to be."



Jaz Madsen (12)
Writer
"You can make up a quote for me" - Jaz

Avery Vaas (11)
Writer
"It's the possibility of having a dream come true that makes life interesting." -Paulo Coelho

Lauren Mezeske (12)
Writer
Live Laugh Love

Ceci Postma (11)
Writer
"Don't let the muggles get you down"
-Ron Weasley

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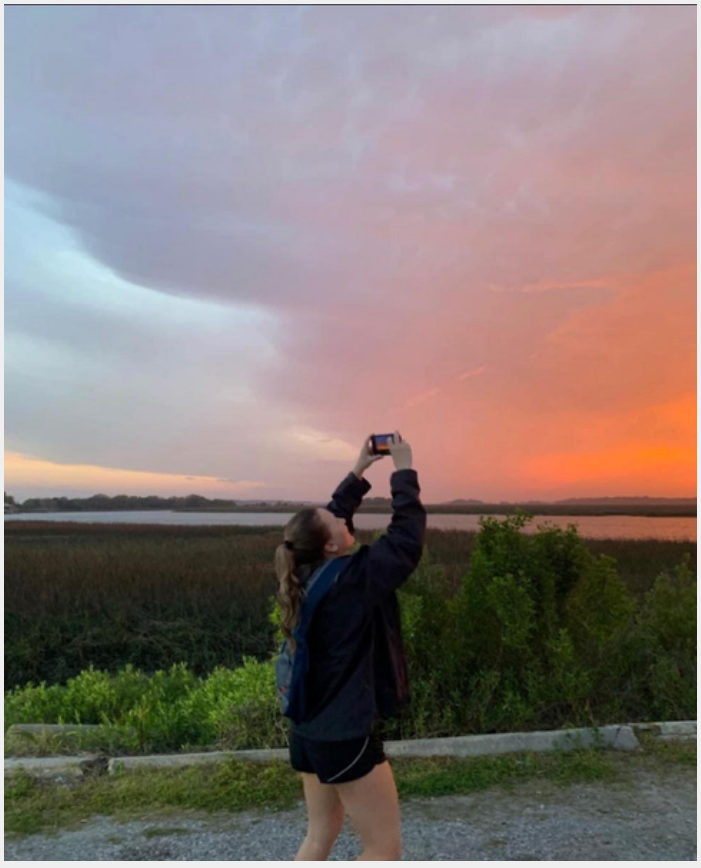
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