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### **SUPER BOWL '25!**

The 2025 Super Bowl occured at the Caesars Superdome in New Orleans, where the Philadelphia Eagles defeated the Kansas City Chiefs 40-22. The Eagles' defense was strong, keeping the Chiefs from gaining much ground, especially in the first half. Quarterback Jalen Hurts led the team with 221 passing yards, two touchdowns, and a rushing touchdown. This win gave the Eagles their second championship and stopped the Chiefs from winning three Super Bowls in a row.



Written by Piper Eskridge



The halftime show featured Kendrick Lamar, making history as the first solo hiphop artist to headline the event. His performance included hits like Humble, DNA, and All the Stars, which featured singer SZA. The show also had a powerful message about society's view of rap and Black culture. A highlight of the performance was "Not Like Us," a song known for taking shots at fellow rapper Drake. The show also featured producer Mustard and tennis star Serena Williams, adding to its impact. **STUDENT LIFE** SUPER BOWL CONTINUED...

After the game, Chiefs tight end Travis Kelce admitted that his team struggled and lacked energy. He praised the Eagles for playing better and said the Chiefs needed to learn from the loss.



#### STUDENT LIFE CONTINUTED

#### **GRAMMY'S 2025!** Written by Audrey Huizinga

The 2025 Grammys happened on February 2, 2025, in Los Angeles. The Grammys are held to acknowledge the best music in different genres/categories throughout the year. One of the most competitive categories is "Song of the Year." The songs were "Not Like Us," "A Bar Song (Tipsy)," "Birds of a Feather," "Die with a Smile," "Fortnight," "Good Luck, Babe!", "Please, Please, Please," and "Texas Hold 'Em".



"Not Like Us" won the song of the year. "Not Like Us" also swept all the nominations, that it was in winning all 5 of them, which include Record of the Year, Song of the Year, Best Rap Performance, Best Rap Song, and Best Music Video. Which makes it the most decorated song in Grammy history! Album of the Year was competitive and included *The Tortured Poets Department, Short n' Sweet, The Rise and Fall of a Midwest Princess*, etc. Coming out on top was *Cowboy Carter* by Beyoncé! **Senior Mason Robinson** said, "I wish Billie Eillish had won. Her song was much more popular than Kendrick's!"

### SUNDAY SOUP! Written by Kate Somsel

This Sunday, February 16th, NHS is hosting an empty bowl soup drive at the school. It will occur from 12-2, passing out Chicken Noodle soup and Cheddar Broccoli soup!

You can pick out a homemade bowl to take home! Bowl and Lunch is \$20, and just lunch is \$10!

All proceeds go to a food pantry and the MMHS Fine Arts Program.

#### STUDENT LIFE CONTINUTED

Senior parents have been working hard to plan a fun and memorable celebration and we need your support to make it happen! From food nights to fun events, several fundraisers are coming up in the next few months for you to get involved in and help our seniors have a great night.



### SENIOR GRAD BASH 2025 FUNDRAISERS!

Written by Hailey Johnson



March fundraisers:

• Movie night at the Vogue - March 18

Enjoy a movie night at the Vogue Theatre on March 18th to support grad bash.

• Spaghetti dinner at MMHS - March 20

Come have a spaghetti dinner at MMHS with all proceeds for fundraising grad bash.

• Senior t-shirt & sweatshirt sales

All seniors will be able to receive senior t-shirts/sweatshirts in support of grad bash.

For any questions, reach out to any seniors or senior parents like <u>thunter@manistee.org</u>



### **BEYOND THE TRACK** STUDENT ATHLETE INTERVIEW:

#### FEATURING... AUDREY HUIZINGA Written by Gabby Senters

Our sports program here at MHS is a great way to make new friends. Audrey is one of the students in our sports program. Don't be afraid to start a conversation with her. If you want to learn more about our classmate Audrey, read the interview below:

### What sports do you play?

• I run cross country and track.

### What got you interested in sports?

• Family! They have been so active throughout the years that I wanted to join in.

### What is your favorite sport to watch/play?

• I like to watch collegiate track meets, or professional runners run fast!





### What do you want your future career to be?

• Maybe an athletic trainer

### What are some of your favorite hobbies outside of sports?

• I enjoy reading, biking, and being outside

### Do you plan on playing sports in college?

• Yes! I committed to run at Wayne State University next year!

### What are the challenges you encountered when being a student-athlete?

• A challenge I encounter is forgetting to do homework, so it ends up being late

#### STUDENT LIFE CONTINUTED

### STAFF OF THE WEEK: MRS. FREDERICKS

Written by Alayna Edmondson

Staff spotlight is a way for everyone to get to know the new and old faces around the school! This week, we have Mrs. Fredericks! She taught middle school science, 6th grade exploratory, and physical science during the first semester, but now is teaching Chemistry, physical science, and 6th grade exploratory. We are so

happy to have her here at MMHS!

#### How long have you been teaching?

• I have been teaching for 18 years.

#### Where are you from?

• Dayton, Ohio.

### What was your favorite subject in school?

• Biology!





#### Where did you go to college?

 I got my bachelors from CMU, my masters from Ferris, and began my doctorate at GVSU.

#### What's your favorite animal?

• Alpaca!

### WRESTLING DISTRICTS!

Written by Hailey Johnson

Our Manistee wrestling team went to districts this weekend, with boys going to Grayling on Saturday and our lady wrestlers going to Montague on Sunday.



The Mariners had three guys go to districts. **Eli Fulton (12)** went 1-2 with a pin for his win but fell short in the 2nd round of consolations. **Caleb Thompson (9)** went 0-1, falling short in a big bracket, only being able to wrestle one match, but his progression was great this year. **Peyton Stallings (11)** punched his ticket to regionals, going 3-2 and taking fourth.

The Lady Mariners sent five girls to districts. Seeded second in her bracket, Ava Pike (12) went 2-1, pinning both of her wins and taking a loss in the finals, placing her in second and sending her to regionals. Seeded fourth in her bracket, Hailey Johnson (12) went 1-1 with a pin, then wrestled in the blood round for her regional placement but fell short in a good match. Amerika Roberts (10) went 1-1 with a pin, placing her third and taking her to regionals! Gege Hansen (11) had a tough bracket going 0-2 but is ready to place next year! Faith Fessenden (10) went 1-2, winning by points and falling short in the consolation semifinals.



All of the Manistee wrestlers did great! Those continuing to wrestle will be wrestling this weekend!

SPORTS CONTINUED

Written by Alayna Edmondson

## VICTORIES FOR MARINER BASKETBALL!



Our Mariner boys basketball team both gained a win against the tough Muskegon Oakridge basketball team. The JV boys won 57-42, with **Adam Olson (9)** leading with 15 points, followed by **Wyatt Protasiewicz (10)** with 14. **Xavier Goodspeed (9)** contributed with 13 rebounds! They are now 12-2 overall! For our varsity boys, Oakridge is one of the hardest teams in our conference, being ranked 2nd overall. With strong defense, the Mariners came out on top, winning 58-54. The Mariners were down by as many as 12 points before rallying back to secure the win. **Kaden Kott (12)** was the leading scorer with 20 points, followed by **Landin Sowa (11)** with 19 points. Kott also led with 5 assists, while Sowa led with 7 rebounds. There was also outstanding defense from many players that helped lead the Mariners to victory!

### **BASKETBALL CONTINUED...**

Moving forward to February 4, the girls played home against Oakridge girls. Both JV and Varsity secured a win. The JV had an intense game, and came out winning 29-20! Varsity girls came out winning 66-40. **Alayna Edmondson (11)** and **Kate Somsel (12)** both had 11 points each. Edmondson led with 6 assists. **Grace Whitmer** (12) contributed 9 rebounds. A great game for both boys and girls against the Oakridge Eagles!





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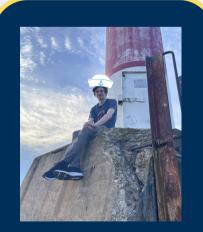


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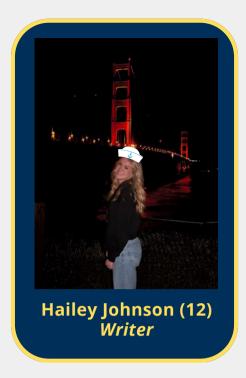
Noah Maue (12) Writer "Life is a stage play; what do you want to happen next?"



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Mr. Quakkelaar Advisor "You've got to be kind"

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