

Stiles Gatorade Player of the Year

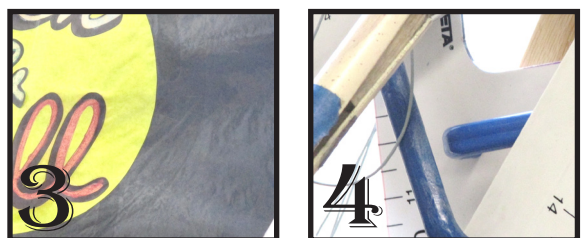
Second MHS Student Awarded Honor

Upcoming Events

- May 11- AP English Lang & Comp Test, Parent Driver Ed Meeting 6:00 PM, MHS Blood Drive
- May 12- HS Student Council Elections
- May 14- HS District Track Meet at Glasgow
- May 16-18 State Golf Meet at Shepherd/Huntley
- May 18- Senior Semester Tests
- May 19- Senior Semester Tests, Baccalaureate, 2016 Class Night, Senior Grades due 4:00 PM
- May 20- Senior Check out, Graduation Practice
- May 21- HS Divisional Track meet at Great Falls
- May 22- Class of 2016 Graduation 2:00 PM
- May 23-24- HS Semester Tests
- May 25- Last Day of School-Dismissed at noon
- May 27-28- State Track at Bozeman

Photo ID Hunt

Directions: Examine all given photos. After determining the MHS room location of each item, be the first to submit your answers to Mrs. Pankratz for a 1st and 2nd place prize.



Mystic Striker & Monicha Williamson MG Staff

A history of honoring the future Gatorade Player of the Year was established in 1985 to recognize and celebrate the nation's most outstanding high school talents for their athletic achievement, academic excellence, and exemplary character from each state. Linda Cummings, who once played for the Lady Griz, and is now teaching and coaching at Glasgow High, was the first student from Malta High School selected in 1996 as Gatorade Player of the Year. Sophia Stiles was recently nominated for the 2015-2016 Gatorade player of the year for the state of Montana. She is the second student from Malta High School to be selected. Stiles said, "It's an amazing honor and I am extremely grateful to have received it. There are a lot of great basketball players in the state of Montana, so it's really cool for me to have gotten it."

"Linda and Sophia were both successful multiple-sport athletes and both had a real passion for basketball and continued to have a passion. They worked extremely hard in the off season of the game and put their team success ahead of their own. In school they were both driven to academic success and were conscientious students around the school," according to Malta High School principal, Mr. Scott King.

Sophia Stiles is an all-around amazing student no matter where she is, whether it's in school, in the community, or at home. She has succeeded in so many things and has been selected for many awards. Stiles mentioned that, "Being back-to-back state champs feels pretty amazing! It is a very hard thing to accomplish, but we, as a team, put in a lot of work and got it done."



ABOVE: Sophia Stiles stands proudly with her Gatorade 2015-16 player of the year award. Photo compliments of Mystic Striker.

The best advice Sophia has ever received was from her mom always telling her, "You can't control everything that happens in the game, but you can control your attitude and how hard you work." Sophia would like to thank her mom and dad first, "I wouldn't have even played basketball if not for them." Stiles says, "Thanks to my family for always helping me, and of course my teammates and coaches from over the years."

High School Journalism Day

Macy Knudsen
MG Staff

Journalism Day took place on April 14 in Missoula, Montana. The group consisted of Vanessa Mann, Devyn Salsbery, Evie McCorkle, Macy Knudsen, and our advisor Mrs. Pankratz. Journalism Day was an event that the Missoula Journalism School put on. This event had three sessions per time slot that contain at least four classes. These classes ranged from learning tips on photography, how to write better paragraphs, and what the journalism students in Missoula were creating. The day was a gloomy day with a little bit of rain. That didn't stop us though. Mrs. Pankratz was on a mission to get there early enough so that we weren't rushed. The first session started at 10:10, the classes you could take were fun with design, opinion writing, phone photography, and simple techniques. Session two consisted of using tools, cutting out the fat, photography, and diversity writing. The final session featured classes about what the journalism students were working on, critiquing your newspaper's stories, and breaking news.

Photojournalism:

By: Evie McCorkle

This class was taught by Professor Jeremy Lurgio, who told us the fundamentals of improving your smartphone photography. In this class we learned how to take pictures using a grid that is on your phone and to always make sure to take a picture that shows a topic. We also now know how to take pictures that capture the moment so that there's enough background to show what's going on, but not a lot so that the main topic of the photo is missing. We also learned that most photographers that work for a business, take pictures with their smartphone. They do this because it is easier to use their smartphone then set up with all their camera's equipment. We ended this class with a slide show of a professional photographer that uses his smartphone to take pictures.

Catch The Bad Guys and Save the World:

By Vanessa Mann

At the journalism school at the University

of Montana, participants learned how to write investigative stories. This class was taught by Professor Joe Eaton who had previously worked for National Geographic. While with Nat. Geo. he wrote investigative and historical stories for their website. In the class participants learned exactly what investigative reporting actually was. One thing almost all investigative articles start out with is some kind of scandal and a strongly recognizable bad guy. You always have to figure out who the bad guy is whether it be a big company, the government hiding something, or the president himself. An example of an investigative story is the Watergate scandal that President Nixon was involved in. In investigative writing, you need to know what the problem is and you need to research it. He asked us what we pictured an investigative writer as and we all said Sherlock Holmes or Mulder and Scully from the X-files. He told us we were right because there is a lot of detective work involved in investigative stories. Other than finding the bad guy, fact checking, and doing detective work, he gave us some key points in writing an investigative story.

He shared the following points that are critical in writing an investigative article:

1. Strive to Make News
2. Foster Leaks and Whistle blowers
3. Don't Forget Documents & Learn Laws
4. Learn the art of Research and Enjoy Digging!
5. Embrace hard Boring Work
6. Question the Narrative and Look Deeper
7. Hold authority Accountable
8. Persistence is key
9. Start Small and Focused
10. Collaborate

You Can Say That Better:

By: Devyn Salsbery

I walked into a room filled with complete strangers. We wrote topics of interest on the board and talk about the articles we had written. The instructor, Jule Banville told us to write an article, but start it with a short story. "A good hook is key," she told us. Those were some of the things I learned in "You Can Say That Better."

MHS Cupcake Wars

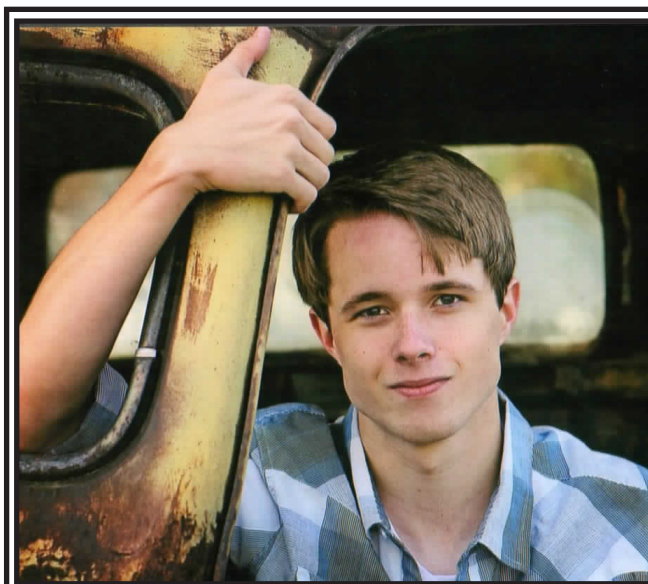
Evie McCorkle
MG Staff

On April 27th and 28th, Mrs. Bruce's Culinary Arts classes held Cupcake Wars. Some of the most creative cupcakes were Alice in Wonderland themed (Dominick Judd), Dinosaur themed (Libby Rush), Puppy themed (Jenna Waters), and Sheep themed (Brita Giblette). The two classes were judged by people's choice and judge's choice. The 3rd period class winner of People's Choice was Dominick Judd with an Alice in Wonderland theme. The judge's Choice was a three way tie between Dominick Judd, Vanessa Mann (Peach Mojito Alien), and Libby Rush (Dinosaur Tres Leches.) For the 5th period class the People's Choice winner was Tachante Cole with Tropical

Spice cupcakes. The Judge's Choice winners were: 1st place- Tachante Cole, 2nd place- Brita Giblette (Sheep Cupcakes), 3rd place- Savannah Barkoskie (Froggie Mayhem). The prizes for this competition were suckers, Skittles, oranges, and a frosting bag kit that were randomly chosen by the winners. Some of the other cupcakes not mentioned above were Cookie Monster themed (Kenzie Stolem), Minions themed (Chanel Lett), candy cane cupcakes (Taylor Eggebrecht), and musical chocolate cupcakes (Clara Waters) "Eat Me, I'm Irish" cupcakes (Lily Maxie), and Flinstones themed (Reed Veit). This high school competition was inspired by the popular TV show "Cupcake Wars."



ABOVE: (Clockwise from top left) - Dominick Judd presents his cupcake display. Tachante Cole's cupcakes offer a beach theme, and Vanessa Mann's "Believe" message resonates in its peach mojito flavors. Photo compliments of Mrs. Bruce.



WALKER PERRY

What are your plans after high school?
-Attend MSU and get a business degree
What is your favorite high school memory?
-Whenever I go to sports games, the students always make you feel at home
What is your favorite school lunch?
-Ham & Cheese
What is your favorite quote?
-"Gossip is when you hear something you like, about someone you don't like." -Earl Wilson

GOOD LUCK TO THE
CLASS OF 2016!
WE WISH YOU THE VERY BEST!



MARY KALAL

What are your plans after high school?
-Go to Oregon and play volleyball and get my nursing degree
What is your favorite high school memory?
-State track
What is your favorite school lunch?
-Stromboli
What is your favorite quote?
-"Don't allow wounds to transform you into someone you are not." -Paulo Coelho



CALEB SALVESSON

What are your plans after high school?
-To work.
What is your favorite high school memory?
-John and I kicking Palmer's binder down the hall to the lunch room like a soccer ball.
What is your favorite school lunch?
-Sloppy Joes
What is your favorite quote?
-"Live everyday as it's your last."





JOHN WATERS

What are your plans after high school?
 -I'll be leaving for a couple months to live in Florida before going to college for music and education at an unknown place.

What is your favorite high school memory?
 -Graduating

What is your favorite school lunch?
 -Chili Dogs

What is your favorite quote?
 -"The people who are crazy enough to think they can change the world, are usually the ones that do." - Steve Jobs



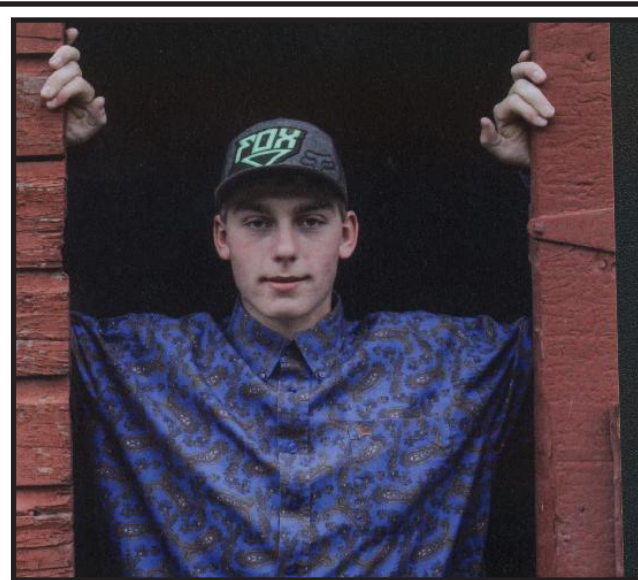
JOLEEN WATERS

What are your plans after high school?
 -College

What is your favorite high school memory?
 -FFA trips

What is your favorite school lunch?
 -Cheeseburger

What is your favorite quote?
 -"When it rains look for rainbows, when it's dark look for stars." - Anonymous



JORDAN PIERCE

What are your plans after high school?
 -Diesel Mechanics

What is your favorite high school memory?
 -Playing football

What is your favorite school lunch?
 -Pizza

What is your favorite quote?
 -"Let's take the jet skis out!"



MARLEY MANOUKIAN

What are your plans after high school?
 -Attend MSU-Bozeman and major in Animal Science

What is your favorite high school memory?
 -Winning the 2015 State Basketball title

What is your favorite quote?
 -"Spend a little more time trying to make something of yourself, and a little less time trying to impress people."

- The Breakfast Club



DEREK PEIGNEUX

What are your plans after high school?
 -College

What is your favorite high school memory?
 -Football

What is your favorite high school lunch?
 -Little Ott's

What is your favorite quote?
 -"I ain't giving you a quote." -Austin Wiese



MICHAEL NAGEL

What are your plans after high school?
 -Diesel Mechanic

What is your favorite high school memory?
 -Working on vehicles in the shop

What is your favorite school lunch?
 -Pizza

What is your favorite quote?
 -"I may not be the best, but I'm definitely like the rest."



KEENAN VAN WICHEN

What are your plans after high school?
 -College at Tech

What is your favorite high school memory?
 -Triple overtime State Boys Championship in Butte

What is your favorite school lunch?
 -Stromboli

What is your quote?
 -"If two wrongs don't make a right, try three."
 Laurence J. Peter



CHASE MURRAY

What are your plans after high school?
 -Haven't decided yet

What is your favorite high school memory?
 -Pep band

What is your favorite school lunch?
 -Pizza

What is your favorite quote?
 -"What goes up, must come down."



KAITLYN SMITH

What are your plans after high school?
 -Throw javelin and possibly shot put in college

What is your favorite high school memory?
 -Overnight trips with my teams

What is your favorite school lunch?
 -Little Ott's or Stretch's

What is your favorite quote?
 -"Let your smile change the world, but don't let the world change your smile."



PALMER GIBLETTE

What are your plans after high school?
 -Two year mission, and then college in Butte

What is your favorite high school memory?
 -Pranking Mr. Bleth

What is your favorite school lunch?
 -Chili dogs

What is your favorite quote?
 -"Wanting something does not give you the right to have it." -Ezio Auditere



NASH PRATT

What are your plans after high school?
 -Going on an adventure around the U.S. with some friends

What is your favorite high school memory?
 -Seeing all my favorite teachers each day

What is your favorite school lunch?
 -Burritos with nacho cheese

What is your favorite quote?
 -"Out of the mistakes you make, can become some of the greatest things."

FFA STATE CONVENTION

Alanis Doney
MG Staff

The FFA (Future Farmers of America) organization was founded in 1928, and was to solidify the support for agricultural education. FFA is not just for youth that want to be production farmers it also welcomes students who want to have careers such as teachers, scientists, and business owners. It helps with leadership skills, personal growth, and also succeeding in future careers. As we were discussing the state convention, Mr. Messerly said that the convention provides experience for members such as in working with new groups and learning new things about agriculture. Mr. Messerly, as the Malta Chapter's advisor is in charge of getting the students to where they need to be, whether it's competitions or workshops, he gets it done. While at the convention, we had attended workshops one of which was helpful

in taking your struggles and learning how to cope with them, or use it to your advantage. It also took the people in your life and made you realize how they shape who you are. We had gone to breakout sessions which consisted of speeches by the state officers, and people in the organization and supporters. These people talked about how FFA had been a big influence in their success. The FFA State Convention was fun and supplied us with much valuable knowledge that can be used throughout life and its hardships.



JUNIOR INTERVIEW

Ashley Scheffelmear
MG Staff

Ashley Schefellermear: What is the most interesting aspect about yourself?

Alanis Doney: I have an extra toe.

Jace Bishop: My hair

A.S.: Do you plan on leaving Malta after high school?

A.D.: Yes

J.B.: Yes.

A.S.: What would you like to major in?

A.D.: Undecided. I'm 17! Give me a chance to live!

J.B.: Civil Engineering

A.S.: What was the best part of junior year? The worst?

A.D.: When I stayed at

Rheanna's for 3 months. The worst was when I left Rheanna's.

J.B.: The best, bus rides. The worst, ACT test days.

A.S.: What do you look forward to next year?

A.D.: Graduating.

J.B.: That it's my last year of high school.

A.S.: What has been your most memorable moment of high school so far?

A.D.: Everyday in Mrs. Olson's class.

J.B.: Making state basketball my freshman year.

A.S.: Any advice for lower classmen?

A.D.: Walk on the right side of the halls!

STATE SCIENCE

Jacob Czereda
MG Staff

Every year, the University of Montana in Missoula hosts the state science fair. The science fair had over six hundred students most of the participants were middle school students and about one hundred high school students. The science fair took place over a span of three days. On March 20-22, Logan Olson and Jacob Czereda attended this year's state science fair. The participants were judged for four and a half hours. The two students from Malta high did not get any awards and were not able to go to international science fair.



ABOVE: HIGH SCHOOL SCIENCE PARTICIPANTS - LOGAN OLSON (LEFT) AND JACOB CZEREDA (RIGHT).

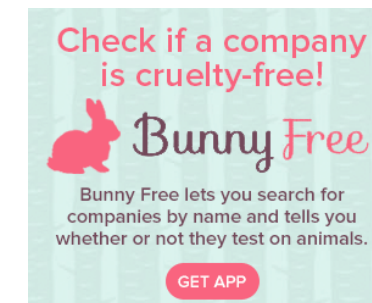
TAKING A SECOND LOOK AT ANIMAL TESTING

Vanessa Mann
MG Staff

Right now you might think that animal testing is simply just applying blush, or lipstick to an animal, or washing it with the shampoo we use. I wish it was that kind and simple, but unfortunately it's not. When products are tested on animals it's a process that isn't so kind.

What is animal testing? According to the Humane Society of America the term "animal testing" refers to tests and experiments performed on living animals for research into basic biology and diseases. It can also be defined as a means to assess the effectiveness of new medicinal products, to test the human health, and/or environmental safety of consumer as well as industry products such as cosmetics, food additives, pharmaceuticals and industrial/agro-chemicals. However, the anatomy of an animal is much different than ours, so these tests are not effective to any point in my opinion. All of the tests and procedures, including those classified as "mild," have the potential to cause the animals physical, as well as psychological distress and suffering. A lot of the

time the suffering is unbearable. Most of the animals are killed at the end of an experiment, but some may be reused in following experiments: forced chemical exposure in toxicity testing, which can include oral force-feeding, forced inhalation, skin or injection into the abdomen, muscle, etc.



Exposure to drugs, chemicals or infectious disease at levels that cause illness, pain and distress, or death. Food and water deprivation Surgical procedures followed by recovery Infliction of wounds, burns and other injuries to study healing. Each year, more than 100 million animals— small rodents, reptiles, amphibians, domesticated house pets, like cats, dogs, and even primates like monkeys, and chimpanzees —are killed in U.S. laboratories for biology lessons,

medical training, curiosity-driven experimentation, and chemical, drug, food, and cosmetics testing. Before the animals die most are forced to inhale toxic fumes, others are immobilized in restraint devices for hours. In addition to the torment of the actual experiments, animals in laboratories are deprived of everything that is natural and important to them—they are confined to barren cages, socially isolated, and psychologically traumatized. The animals who are used in experiments are treated like nothing more than disposable laboratory equipment.

Five brands that test on animals are Purell, Chapstick, Covergirl, Colgate, Tresemme. Five brands that don't test on animals are ELF, Bath and Body, Moroccanoil, Wet n Wild, OGX hair.

You can get apps for your smartphone like, Bunny Free, and Cruelty free where you can search brands, type them in, or scan them and they will tell you if the product is tested on animals. Also look for the bunny logos on bottles. If there is a bunny, a V for vegan, or a pawprint you're probably fine, and the product is most likely cruelty free.

INSIGHT TO MHS GOLF WITH COACH LYNN NEVRIVY

Jacob Czereda
MG Staff



ABOVE: HIGH SCHOOL HEAD GOLF COACH, MS. NEVRIVY. PHOTO COMPLIMENTS OF JACOB CZEREDA.

Jacob Czereda: How long have you been golfing? Mrs. Nevriy: Probably about 15 years. J.C.: How long have you coached golf? M.N.: This is my 10th year. J.C.: Do you enjoy coaching golf? Why? M.N.: Sure- most of the time. It's great when kids learn something they can do the rest of their lives. J.C.: What are you looking forward to this season? M.N.: Boys qualifying for State. Seeing all the coaches. J.C.: What kind of clubs do you use? What kind do

you recommend for your athletes and why? M.N.: I use Cobras right now. I have 3 sets. I would recommend a mid price set (\$100-\$300) depending on how serious they are. J.C.: What is the goal for your team this year? M.N.: To develop the girl's skills enough to qualify for State and to qualify the boys. J.C.: When did you realize you wanted to be a golf coach? M.N.: I guess I was in the right place at the right time. The head coach left and the assistant coach moved up and I was asked to coach. J.C.: What is your favorite/least favorite part about coaching golf? M.N.: Least- bad weather-wind & rain. Favorite- seeing golfers improve and have fun. J.C.: Who is your golf role model? M.N.: It changes all the time. J.C.: What has been your greatest accomplishment as a golf Instructor coach? M.N.: 2012 Girls State Champions. J.C.: How would you describe your teaching style? M.N.: I tell it like it is, I am direct, and I don't sugar coat anything.

Why Play Golf?

1. Golf is a game of a lifetime.
2. Golf is exercise and social.
3. Golf is therapeutic and a stress reliever.
4. Golf gets us close to nature.
5. Golf is a sport that allows us to be competitive and active long after other sports are not possible for us.
6. Golf allow all players, regardless of the level of ability, to compete.
7. Golf builds character.
8. Golf reveals character.

MHS TRACK ATHLETE INTERVIEWS

Monica Williamson & Mystic Striker
MG Staff

Mystic Striker: How do you feel knowing that it's your last year in high school track? **Marley Manoukian:** Glad! **M.S:** What events do you plan on doing this season? **M.M.:** 100M hurdles, 300M hurdles, pole vault, and short and long relays. **M.S.:** Why did you decide to participate in track? **M.M.:** To stay in shape and improve in other sports. **M.S.:** What is the best advice you have received from the coaches? **M.M.:** "It's a great day to be an M-Ette." -Coach King **M.S.:** How many years have you been in track?

M.M.: four years. **M.S.:** What is your favorite event? Why? **M.M.:** The 4x100M relay. It is fun to be apart of a team event, and I like starting the relay! **M.S.:** What is your most memorable track meet or practice? **M.M.:** Last year at Divisionals it was cold, windy, and pouring rain. Some events had to be cut short. I've never been so cold before.

Monica Williamson: How do you feel knowing that it's your last year in high school track? **Kaitlyn Smith:** Kind of sad, but I get to do javelin in college so I'm excited about that! **M.W.:** What events do you plan on doing this season? **K.S.:** Javelin and Shot Put. **M.W.:** Who is your biggest competition in the events you'll be partaking?

K.S.: Returning throwers from last year at state track. **M.W.:** Why did you decide to participate in track? **K.S.:** I love to throw the javelin. It's my favorite. **M.W.:** What is the best advice you have received from the coaches? **K.S.:** I have received so much advice and it has all been so helpful. **M.W.:** How many years have you been in track? **K.S.:** All four years, one being a manager because of my knee. **M.W.:** What is your favorite event? Why? **K.S.:** Javelin, it is my favorite event, and I have loved it since freshman year. **M.W.:** What is your most memorable track meet or practice? **K.S.:** Junior year state track. It was in Kalispell and nice weather.



RILEY MORTENSON

What are your plans after high school?
 -Attend MSU-Northern- double major in secondary education, minors in accounting, & an associate's in agricultural technologies
 What is your favorite high school memory?
 -Bus trips
 What is your favorite quote?
 -"A common question that gets asked in business is "Why?". That's a good question but an equally valid question is "Why not?" -Jeffrey Bezos

SERENA STINE

What are your plans after high school?
 -Go to college or cosmetology school
 What is your favorite high school memory?
 -Cheerleading at state basketball
 What is your favorite school lunch?
 -Beans
 What is your favorite quote?
 -"All our dreams can come true if we have the courage to pursue them." -Walt Disney



KALEN WIEBE

What are your plans after high school?
 -Attend MSU-Bozeman for business and agriculture degree and eventually own my own farm/ranch
 What is your favorite high school memory?
 -Pep band trips
 What is your favorite school lunch?
 -Quesadillas
 What is your favorite quote?
 -"Some days you're the dog, some days you're the hydrant." -anonymous



ADRIANNA BIBEAU

What are your plans after high school?
 -To go to Sheridan to do my generals, then to the University of Montana for physical therapy
 What is your favorite high school memory?
 -All the time I have spent with my friends
 What is your favorite school lunch?
 -Stromboli
 What is your favorite quote?
 -"If everyone minded their own business, the world would go around a great deal faster than it does."
 - Lewis Carol



EDWIN MEDINA

What are your plans after high school?
 -Go to the Hi-Line Retirement Home to work
 What is your favorite high school memory?
 -Getting my driver's license
 What is your favorite school lunch?
 -Stromboli
 What is your favorite quote?
 -"The soul that sees beauty may sometimes walk alone."



ALEX NAST

What are your plans after high school?
 -Hit up some college
 What is your favorite high school memory?
 -My first senior year
 What is your favorite school lunch?
 -Stromboli
 What is your favorite quote?
 -Life is like a box of chocolates, you never know what you're going to get." -Forrest Gump



ANTONIO LOPEZ

What are your plans after high school?
 -College football
 What is your favorite high school memory?
 -Playing football with the buds
 What is your favorite school lunch?
 -Pizza
 What is your favorite quote?
 -"You drank my orange juice."



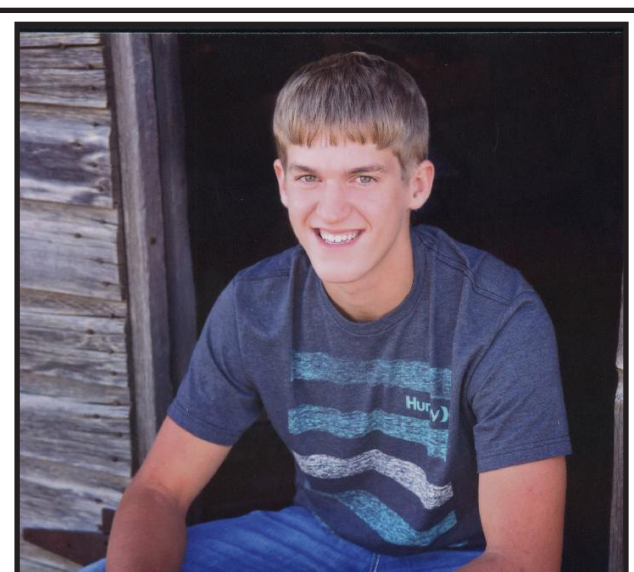
TARYN SHORES

What are your plans after high school?
 -Attend college at MSU-Northern and pursue a degree in business
 What is your favorite high school memory?
 -My whole sophomore year
 What is your favorite school lunch?
 -Pizza
 What is your favorite quote?
 -"I'm on the hunt for who I've not yet become."



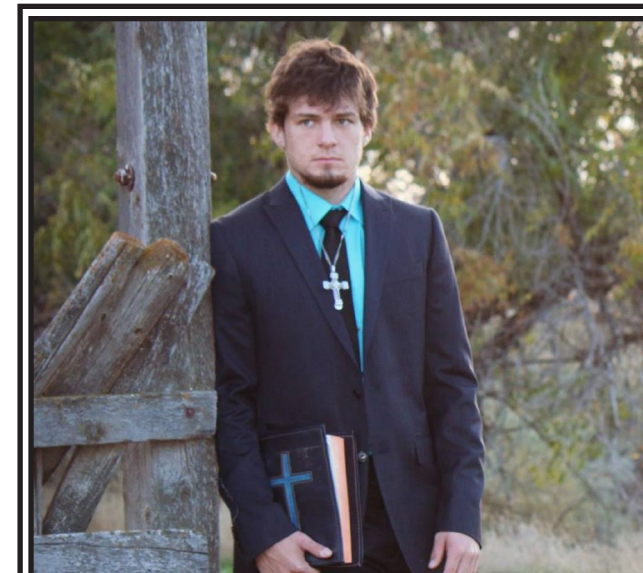
HAILEY OLSON

What are your plans after high school?
 -Attend Bold Beauty Academy in Billings
 What is your favorite high school memory?
 -Pep Band Trips
 What is your favorite high school lunch?
 -Pizza
 What is your favorite quote?
 -"Hakuna Matata"



TYSON CARNEY

What are your plans after high school?
 -Attend the University of Mary to play football and major in athletic training.
 What is your favorite high school memory?
 -Triple overtime
 What is your favorite high school lunch?
 -Stromboli
 What is your favorite quote?
 -"Girls rule, Boys drool."



ALLEN WILLIAMSON

What are your plans after high school?
 -College football at Bozeman or Missoula
 What is your favorite high school memory?
 -Beating Glasgow at districts in basketball
 What is your favorite school lunch?
 -Salad
 What is your favorite quote?
 -"Nothing is impossible with God." -Jesus

GOLF INTERVIEW

Shelby Brookie
MG Staff

Shelby Brookie: In what ways do you think you can improve game?
Peyton Meeks: I could really improve my long range game, especially the distance of my drive.

S.B.: What kind of goals are you setting for yourself this season?
P.M.: My goals are to make it to the state golf meet, hopefully.

S.B.: Who influenced your choice to participate in golf? How did s/he influence you?
P.M.: Probably Keenan by asking me everyday until I said yes.

S.B.: Are you inspired by a famous golfer? Who? Why?
P.M.: Arnold Palmer, because he seems like a real classy kind of guy and he has a

pretty good drink named after him.

Shelby Brookie: In what ways do you think you can improve game?
Jenise Amestoy: Well, the first time I ever held a golf club was the first day of practice, so I could improve just about everything.

S.B.: What kind of goals are you setting for yourself this season?
J.A.: I need to become more consistent.

S.B.: Who influenced your choice to participate in golf? How did s/he influence you?
J.A.: My brothers influenced me because it is something we can all do together. Also, golfers get to miss a lot of school.

S.B.: Are you inspired by a famous golfer? Who? Why?
J.A.: I am inspired by Grant O'Brien.



LEFT to RIGHT: Jenise Amestoy and Peyton Meeks at the Malta golf meet. Photos courtesy of Taryn Shores.

SENIOR VIEW

Frankie Orahoad
MG Staff

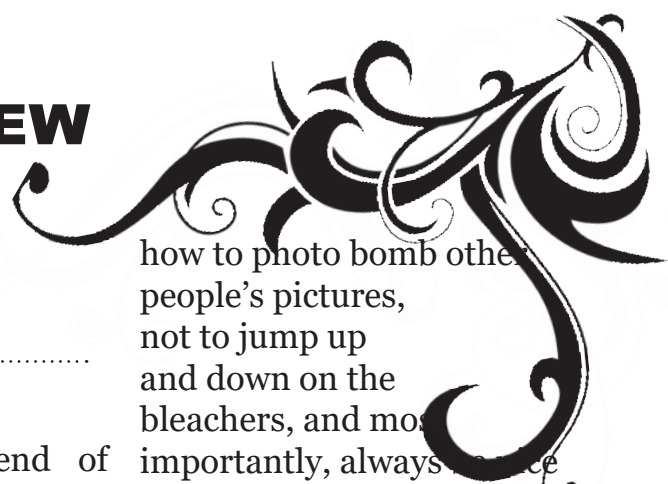
As we approach the end of our senior year, we often stop and reflect the past four years that were full of many happy memories. We remember the exciting tournaments, homecoming week, and watching your upperclassmen friends leave. The you realize this was your last homecoming week, the last tournament that you'll cheer in the student section, and it's you leaving your lower classmen friends. Some might remember the first day of high school well, for others it was just a blur. Every day after that went even faster until the weeks before graduation. These ones seem to take years to go by. Many have wanted to graduate as soon as you stepped into these halls, others still need a little time to comprehend what is actually about to happen.

We have all paved the way like those before us. You were just as loud and obnoxious as them, and you had no idea how high school would affect your life. They are young and naive to the world that's out there, not a kid anymore but not quite an adult. High school is full of lessons that you will use later, but you already knew that. It was where you learned that you needed to

cite your sources,

how to photo bomb other people's pictures, not to jump up and down on the bleachers, and most importantly, always respect to the teachers. You'll never have someone that will watch out for you like that again. So congratulations, you are on your way to adulthood.

There are some who have everything figured out. They know exactly where they're going to college, how many years they will be there, what job they will have, and what their salary will be. Others don't even know what they are going to have for lunch today, but that's okay. Life is full of decisions that have yet to be made. There will be days that you will change your mind, and you'll probably will multiple times. What you want to do with your life is your choice, no one else's. Don't let anyone ever decide what's best for you, only you know what you want to do. Despite what everyone tells you, this isn't where you determine who you are, even though it sure feels like it. You will change throughout the course of your life, for better or for worse is your decision. So as you walk these halls one last time, remember that it is not the end but the beginning. This is the start of the next chapter in your life for you to write and there are endless possibilities.



MHS SENIOR TRIP 2016

Jase Galt
MG Staff

Billings was the location we decided on for our senior trip. It might not be the most exciting or exotic place for a senior trip, but we definitely made the most we could of Billings.

We left bright and early at six thirty AM to start our trip. Almost every senior attended our trip and we all had a great time together. We also had four great chaperones come along with us.

Our class would like to give a special thanks to Mr. Sargent for getting us there and back safely and we would like to thank Mrs. Galt, Mr. Hanson, and Mr. Somerfeld for taking us on our trip as well. These four definitely made the trip all the more fun. Sarg. let us play our favorite music through the bus speakers on the way up to Billings and thanks to Mrs. Galt we had a ton of great snacks to eat on the bus. Mr. Somerfeld and Mr. Hanson participated in activities with us all throughout the day.

When we arrived for the day in Billings we had two major activities to choose from to do in the morning. We could choose between playing nine holes of golf on the beautiful Peter Yeagen golf course or get down and dirty on the Diamond paintball course. The class split pretty evenly with half going golfing and half paintballing. Mr. Somerfeld took the golfers and Mr. Hanson took the paint ballers. Both activities proved to be a great time. Each golf group got their own golf cart and had some laughs in the beautiful Billings weather. As for the paintballers, we arrived got geared up with

guns and masks, and got right to it.

It was an adrenaline rush filled with paint and mud. The paintball course was a great time for those who didn't mind getting a little dirty. During paintball the kids were split up into two teams the light shirts vs. the dark shirts. We played quite a few games and even got to take on some of the professional paintballers that were there instructing us. They killed, absolutely killed us with their fancy paintball guns and paintball knowledge, but it was a great time battling against the pros. By the end of the day we were all filthy, but very happy with the experience.

After both groups were done with our activities we all got back on the bus and headed to the mall for some shopping and lunch. The paintball kids also had to kind of get cleaned up and most of us had extra clothes to change into. You always have to love the food you can buy at the mall. The delicious pretzels, pizza, or orange julius are absolutely irresistible. Most kids did some shopping and bought new clothes or something funny from Spencers, and then it was time to get back on the bus and head to Fireside Lanes for some bowling. The bowling was a blast some of us learned it isn't as easy as it looks, but some did really well. After a few hours of bowling it was time for dinner.

For dinner we got to choose between two restaurants that were near each other. We could choose between the Olive Garden or Outback Steakhouse. The dinners were delicious and everyone got plenty of money to eat whatever they pleased. At Outback many got huge juicy steaks or delicious barbeque baby back ribs and at Olive Garden Italian lovers got all the could handle with a variety of great pastas.

Finally with our bellies full it was time to pile on the bus and make the trek home. On the way home many of us got together on the back of the bus and told stories and jokes. You know you have a good class when you can make even a trip back from Billings on a bus fun.



ABOVE: THE SENIORS AT THE PAINT BALL ARENA.

STATE FCCLA

Shelby Brookie
MG Staff

On Sunday March 20, Malta FCCLA took a trip to Billings for the state conference. State conference events began Sunday afternoon with a career fair and several fun workshops. I attended a chocolate tempering workshop and a seat belt crash simulator. The chocolate tempering workshop was led by a student from Johnson and Wales University in Denver. The young man shared his knowledge of cooking and told us some awesome stories about where he has worked in the past. He told us a story about working as a chef at a hotel that Lady Gaga was staying at. She called the kitchen and requested chocolate dipped strawberries...except she wanted to come down to the kitchen and dip the strawberries with a group of her friends. By the time the chocolate dipping was done, the kitchen was a mess, but everyone had a good time. Montana Highway Patrol and Montana Department of Transportation teamed up together to inform students about the importance of a seatbelt. Each student got the opportunity to experience what it feels like to be buckled up during a head on collision going 15 miles per hour. It was eye-opening and I'm sure that students won't hesitate when it comes to putting on a seatbelt after taking a ride in that simulator.

On Sunday evening, we ate tacos at the convention center with 700 other FCCLA members from across the state. After dinner, we registered for our competitive events. Once we were registered for our events, we went back to the convention center for the opening ceremony.

At the opening ceremony, each chapter and district presented flags and pennants. I presented our chapter pennant alongside the presidents of other chapters from across the state. The opening ceremony also began a 3-day game of survivor between state FCCLA officers. The theme of the conference this year was "Find your Roar." The participants found their roar by working together during the games that tested their patience, knowledge, and skills. We had an incredible keynote speaker named Scott Backovich. Backovich is one of the most demanded teen motivational speakers. He made us laugh, he made us think, and he inspires everyone he speaks to! After opening ceremony, we returned to our hotel to swim and play on the water slides until bed time.

Monday was the most important day of our trip. We presented our projects in front of judges. In FCCLA, you can do projects on whatever you are passionate about. Malta FCCLA members presented a variety of projects. I presented an advocacy project about my partnership between Walleyes Unlimited and myself.

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BAILEY GRAVES

What are your plans after high school?
-College in Miles City
What is your favorite high school memory?
-Shop class
What is your favorite school lunch?
-Westside
What is your favorite quote?
-"Work hard, play harder."

"IF OPPORTUNITY DOESN'T
KNOCK,
BUILD A DOOR"
-MILTON BERLE



JORDAN BRIDLE

What are your plans after high school?
-Barbering school
What is your favorite high school memory?
-Arm wrestling Kori and Quintan
What is your favorite school lunch?
-Tacos
What is your favorite quote?
-"Love is life, if you miss love, you miss life."



SHELBY BROOKIE

What are your plans after high school?
-Study criminal justice/community leadership at MSU-N
What is your favorite high school memory?
-When Tyson found out I was allergic to peanuts and asked if that meant I was allergic to peanut butter too.
What is your favorite high school lunch?
-Oriental Salad
What is your favorite quote?
-"The happiest people don't have the best of everything, they make the best of everything."



BRIANNA PLUMMER

What are your plans after high school?
-Go to college in Billings
What is your favorite high school memory?
-Music Festival
What is your favorite school lunch?
-Chicken Patty
What is your favorite quote?
-"Our greatest fear is not that we are inadequate. Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure..." -Marianne Williamson



FRANKIE ORAHOOD

What are your plans after high school?
-To rodeo for Central Wyoming College and become a surgical nurse
What is your favorite high school memory?
-Going to all the tournaments
What is your favorite school lunch?
-Stromboli
What is your favorite quote?
-"I will not walk backward in life" -J.R.R. Tolkien



HAILEY NICHOLSON

What are your plans after high school?
-Play basketball for U of M
What is your favorite high school memory?
-Winning State
What is your favorite school lunch?
-Pizza
What is your favorite quote?
-"Stop keeping track of the mistakes you've made. It's time to forgive yourself."



JENISE AMESTOY

What are your plans after high school?
-Go to the University of Montana to pursue a degree in speech therapy
What is your favorite high school memory?
-State cross country
What is your favorite school lunch?
-Turkey gravy
What is your favorite quote?
-"No one else has it." -Jada Nicholson

JASE GALT

What are your plans after high school?
-Attend Montana Tech to play football and to study construction.
What is your favorite high school memory?
-Boys and girls winning districts here in Malta sophomore year, and the good times in the locker rooms after big wins.
What is your favorite school lunch?
-All of them are legit.
What is your favorite quote?
-"God gave you shoes that fit you, so put them on and wear them. Be yourself, be proud of who you are."



CLASS OF 2016



LEILA MECKLENBURG

What are your plans after high school?
-Go to MSU Bozeman for agricultural education
What is your favorite high school memory?
-My friends that I met and had fun with at lunch
What is your favorite school lunch?
-Ham and cheese melt
What is your favorite quote?
-"Learn from your mistakes and don't turn back. Keep moving forward."



DEVON RAYBON

What are your plans after high school?
-College
What is your favorite high school memory?
-Making All-State music
What is your favorite school lunch?
-Stromboli
What is your favorite quote?
-"RKO!" - Randy Orton

Academic Olympics

Frankie Orahood
MG Staff

On the 23rd of March, ten students were sent to Glasgow, Montana to compete in the annual Academic Olympics. They were split up into two teams consisting of five each. Team One was made up of Devon Raybon, Frankie Orahood, Grant O'Brien, Bella Mackey, and Reese Sjoström. Team Two was Tyson Carney, Jenise Amestoy, Cru Darrah, Travis Epperson, and Grayson Waters. The morning started out with a bus trip leaving at the extremely early time of 6:30 in the morning followed by a much-needed McDonald's run to fuel the competitors for the day's rigorous testing. They would be competing against multiple schools throughout the district.

There were four tests modeled after the four

basic principles learned from kindergarten to high school, these being English, Science, Math, and Social Studies. Each test was over an hour long and was followed by ten minute break. After the final test was turned in, everyone was treated with a lunch of Eugene's pizza. Soon, the quiz bowl would challenge the teams' knowledge and trigger finger with fast questions and even faster answers. Team one made it to the semi-final round, but lost by a total of ten points. Team two received a bye the first round, but failed to move on in the second. After the quiz bowl, awards were given out and Malta High School and three competitors that placed in multiple events. Tyson Carney placed sixth in the category of science. Grant O'Brien placed eighth in social studies. Devon Raybon was tenth in science, seventh in English, and first in Social Studies. He placed second overall in his grade.

**Close Up
Trip 2017**



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Track Coach Interview

Jase Galt
MG Staff

Jase Galt: What made you decide you wanted to be a high school Track and Field coach this year?

Travis Somerfeld: Simply for the love of the game.

J.G.: What events will you be coaching the kids up in?

T.S.: I am coaching the javelin and the hurdles, long and short distance.

J.G.: How do you feel about the group of kids you get to coach every day and how are they doing at the meets?

T.S.: I am working with a good group of kids. They are all doing really well at the meets and I feel I have a few state competitors on my team.

J.G.: Have you ever coached Track and Field before? If so how much experience do you have?

T.S.: I have not this is my first year.

J.G.: You used to be a Track and Field athlete for the Power Pirates. What was your favorite event and why?

T.S.: I liked both the high jump and the 4x100 meter relay. I liked the relay because it is a team event had had to rely on your team and you didn't want to let your team down either. I liked high jump because I was good at it.

J.G.: What are you most excited about for this Track and Field season.

T.S.: The most exciting part for me is seeing my kids improve from week to week.

J.G.: Out of all the meets you've been to what was your favorite track to compete on?

T.S.: The Memorial Stadium in Great Falls.
J.G.: How well have you gelled with the team so far this season?

T.S.: I feel I have gelled well with the rest of the team the kids say they really like me.

J.G.: If you could change one thing about Track and Field practice what would it be?

T.S.: More interval days... just kidding I would have less static stretching and more of an active warm up.

J.G.: Do you feel you could still compete and do well in a few of your old events?

T.S.: No doubt I feel strongly that I could beat Devon in a high jump off still.

J.G.: Is there any major differences in Track and Field now compared to when you were in it?

T.S.: I feel now a days kids are less competitive at the meets and there are a lot more all weather tracks too. In my day we ran on dirt most of the time rubber tracks were a once in a lifetime experience.

J.G.: If you were trying to convince an athlete to come out for Track and Field what would you say to try and convince them?

T.S.: What other sports do you get to spend outside on beautiful days hanging out with friends and you get to have the thrill of competing as well.

STATE FCCLA CONT.

Kari Koss did a recycle and redesign project, Taylor Eggebrecht presented a Focus on Children project, Chayana Stolem's project was about money management, Dominick Judd participated in illustrated talk, Chloe Hunter presented about nutrition and wellness, and Raleigh Hunter presented a chapter project.

Once all of our projects had been presented, we attended a few workshops then some of the kids went swimming. I sewed a pillowcase for a Montana women and children's shelter at one workshop. There was a stress-free room set up with an oxygen bar, service dogs, coloring pages and an area to meet new people.

We ate spaghetti for lunch at the convention center and dinner at the mall. We went shopping for a while then returned to the hotel for more swimming. On Tuesday morning, we ate breakfast at the hotel, had a district meeting, then we went to the convention center for a state business meeting and an award ceremony.

Malta FCCLA did well in their competitive events at the state convention. Dominick Judd, Kari Koss, Taylor Eggebrecht, Chloe Hunter, Raleigh Hunter, and myself went home with silver medals while Chayana Stolem took home a bronze. The weekend was a success. Malta FCCLA will bring their A-game to the competitive event arena next year as well!

2016 SENIOR WILLS

Frankie Orahood
MG Staff

Keenan VW.: Poker table and Golf Pong Table to Landon.

Devon R.: I would like to will my trombone to Blake Sjoström, my voice to Dominic Judd, and my basketball skills to Taylor Mathews.

Riley M.: I will my senior and P.E. lockers to my one and only sister Raina Mortenson.

Antonio L.: I will my government and history knowledge to Coach Bleth.

Edwin M.: Do your best and keep a smile on your face. Be calm, cool, and collected.

Hailey N.: I will Jada, Eva, and Sophia my hilarious jokes.

Laila M.: Be kind to the ones in your life. Don't push people away.

Joleen W.: I will my "amazing" personality to Daphne.

Taryn S.: I would like to will my percussion skills to Jada :)

Allen W.: I will my name to Keenan's son and my lucky shorts to Jace Bishop.

Caleb S.: I will my sound system to Kayden Bergos.

Shelby B.: I will my locker to Kari Koss and my driving abilities to Tanner Smith.

Jase G.: I will my sports locker to Konner Kuehn, my favorite screwdriver to Keenan Schipman, and my beetle collection to Hunter Love.

Kaitlyn S.: I will my dimples to Erica.

McCall L.: My advice is to work hard, learn

from your mistakes, and stay out of trouble.

Adrianna B.: I will my basketball number to Raina Mortenson.

Brianna P.: I will my singing skills to Clara Waters.

Frankie O.: I will the ring of power to Billie and my driving skills to Georgia.

Marley M.: #4 to Taylor Gilkerson.

Serena S.: My cat lovin skills to Janessa.

Mary K.: My amazing sax skills to Cru and my chair in band. Enjoy it!

Kalen W.: I will my laugh to my sister and my beard to Ostin.

Jordan P.: My welding skills to underclassmen.

Derek P.: I will heyy to Mr. Benton.

Michael N.: I will my locker to any upcoming senior.

Austin W.: I will my sense of humor to Reed Veit.

Alex N.: I will my ability to stay in school til the end to future high schoolers.

John W.: My favorite pair of polka dot underwear.

Walker P.: I will my crime syndicate to Cru Darrah.

Palmer G.: I will agency to the 2016-2017 senior class and my magnificent oboe skills to Chloe H.

Jenise A.: I will my sick math skills to DeeDee, golfing abilities to Peyton, and Candy Crush skills to Konner.

Tyson C.: I will the physical size of my cranium to Tel.

Fun Facts

Jacob Czereda
MG Staff

Apple iPad's retina display is actually manufactured by Samsung.

Apple has over 80,000 employees around the world.

The World's most valuable brands are Apple, Microsoft, and Google.

Every tweet Americans send is being archived by the Library of Congress.

The U.S. State with the longest official name is the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations.

There are more Facebook users from the U.S. than U.S. citizens that voted in the last election.

President Obama has read every Harry Potter book.

Every minute, more than 100 hours of video are uploaded to YouTube.

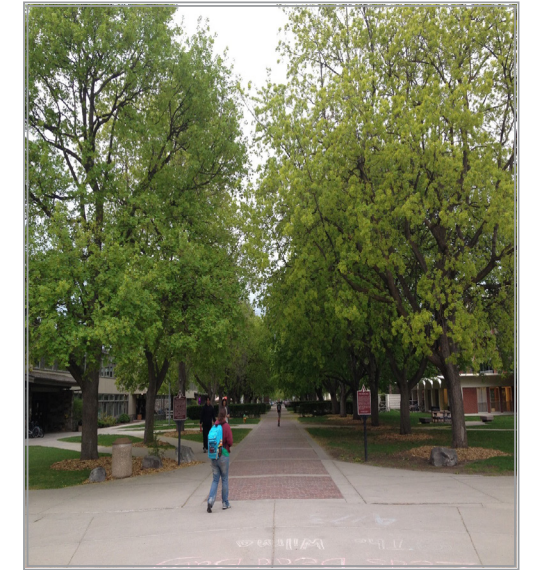
If you search for "Do the Harlem shake" on YouTube, the page itself will do the Harlem shake for you.

There has never been snakes in Ireland because being cold-blooded, snake couldn't survive the frozen ground during the ice age in the past.

Montana Art Institute 2016

Dawn Jenkins
MG Staff

Missoula Art Institute hosted an event for art students around Montana, to show off their skills and learn more about different styles of art. The MAI event was on April 22 and 23 at



University of Montana. Malta students took a bus with Glasgow and Nashua. We arrived after a long bus ride in Missoula. We stopped at Hellgate high school to drop off our luggage, then made our

way to the campus to have dinner, a tour, and our first workshop.

After our first workshop we were separated into groups, each group made human operated art piece and had a mini parade. Each student brought their own artwork to be displayed at the campus art gallery. The following morning we were awoken



at six am for breakfast and the next two workshops. Then we attended the food zoo for a college lunch (aka breakfast), then returned to our last workshop. Afterwards we had a closing circle and had the chance to win prizes.

SENIOR TRIBUTES

MYSTIC STRIKER & MONICHA WILLIAMSON MG Staff

Alex Nast

Alex has been in creative writing for one year. He has been involved in choir, and honor choir. After high school, he plans to attend MSU-Northern to be an Electrician. He is one funny man, and has a great personality. Alex has co-authored pieces from the Alta-Care room. W



Shelby Brookie

Shelby has been in creative writing for one year. She has been involved in Key Club, FCCLA, National Honor Society, reAct, and BPA. After high school she plans on attending MSU-Northern for criminal justice/community leadership. Shelby is always in a good mood. She loves to joke around with the creative writing members a lot too. She is one smart lady. During her time in creative writing, Shelby was always so eager to share her thoughts regarding the direction of the newspaper, and we are very thankful for her thoughts.



Taryn Shores

Taryn has been in creative writing for one year. She has been involved in golf, basketball, volleyball, fall cheerleading, winter cheerleading, FCCLA, band, honor band, and drumline. After high school she plans on going to MSU-Northern for business. Taryn is one of a kind and lets everyone know what's up. During her time in creative writing, we are thankful for her generosity. She has a memorable sense of humor and always has a smile on her face.



Hailey Nicholson

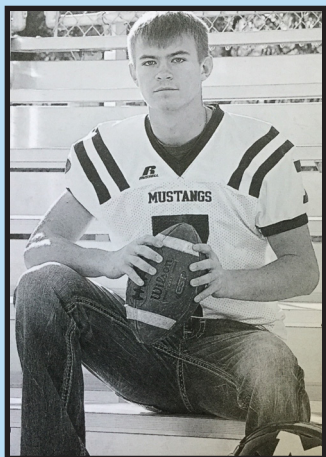
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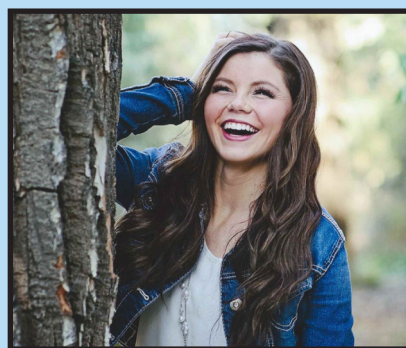
for one year. She has been involved in basketball, cross country, band, track, jazz band, student council secretary, key club, and FCCLA. After high school she plans on going to University of Montana to be a Lady Griz basketball player. Hailey is one of the kindest students in creative writing. She always knows how to make everyone smile. She is the person you'd want to see when you're having a bad day. We will miss her and are thankful for her time in creative writing. GO LADY GRIZ!

Jase Galt

Jase has been in creative writing for one year. He has been involved in football, basketball, golf, track, and National Honor Society. After high school, he plans on playing football for Montana Tech. Jase is a master of verbal irony, and has a great sense of humor. He is a blast to be around. He was cool way before hipsters were cool. During his time in creative writing, we loved Jase's creative mind. It will be greatly missed.



Hailey Olson



Hailey has been in creative writing for a year and a half. She has been involved in basketball, volleyball, drumline, track, and band. After high school her plans are to attend Blanco

Blanco Cosmetology school. Hailey is a wonderful lady. She isn't afraid to be herself around anyone.

Frankie Orahood

Frankie has been in creative writing for one year. She has been involved in MHSRA, National Honor Society, Key Club, Business Professionals of America, Boy's basketball manager, and Academic Olympics. After high school her plans are to attend Central Wyoming college to become an RBSN and later on, a surgical nurse. She is a sweet lady. Frankie is willing to do a variety of writing assignments while in creative writing. We are thankful for her willingness to help out.



Senior Name Crossword

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