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Welcome back to the 2011-2012 school year!

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Girls' Soccer



Lizzy Jewiss
Oct. 4
Meet Photo-
A. West
K. Morley

Soccer by Staff Reporter, Anson Dann

The Marathon Central boys varsity soccer team is off to a good start for 2011 with a 6-1 record through the first seven games. Our first game was 3-0 victory versus Dryden. It was a positive result while gaining our first victory, but also exposed some weaknesses where we needed improvement.

The next match was against Trumansburg, a very good large school team. Last year's T-Burg team had its post season cut short in the regional game when they were defeated by Skaneateles. Skaneateles cruised through the state finals and were the New York State Class B Public High School Champions. We were able to take advantage of a T-Burg slow start and scored three goals in the first 20 minutes of the game and went on to a 4-2 victory.

The majority of players on this team have

Battling on the Battlefield, Staff Reporter, Abby West

The Marathon Cross Country Team traveled to Newton Battlefield State Park in Elmira, NY, on Saturday Sept. 17, for their meet against several opposing schools. The other racing schools were Elmira, Watkins Glen, Windsor, Madison, Candor, Owego, and Horseheads, among others. The races were split into junior high (1.5 miles), junior varsity (2.2 miles) and varsity courses (3.1) miles.

Notable times for the

played together since about five years old, so we know what to expect from each other. We have been working very hard in practice to prepare for the next match regardless of the upcoming opponents record. Under Coach Stewart, every second of every game has purpose.

Throughout many games Coach Stewart tries different players in different roles to find out how we have the best chance for success later in the season. He also utilizes the regular season time to develop younger players to promote future success.

T-Burg was another big game. T-Burg has chosen Marathon as their opponent for their "under the lights" match, as they too believed this will be a good game, and it was with an MCS victory (2-1). There are a few play-

ers on the T-Burg team who have teamed up with a few players from the Marathon team on local premier club teams, so we know each other quite well adding fun to the game and the element of mutual respectful. That being said, make no mistake, we want to win! Next home game-**FRIDAY, OCT. 7TH AGAINST MORAVIA!**



Coach Todd James said, "It is a fine balance between going out too fast and going out too slow. We will put some more focus in these next couple of races, so we can become more competitive."

The following Tuesday, the team went to Filmore Glen Golf Course in Moravia, NY to race Watkins Glen, DeRuyter, and Moravia on the hilly, heated course. Acclaimed

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Footloose and Fancy Free, E. Lawrence, Staff Reporter

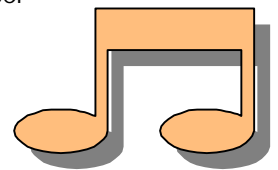
The announcement has been made by co-directors, Mr. Wilson and Mrs. Upcraft that the musical of the year this year at MCS will be the off-Broadway version of Footloose. In 1984, the movie Footloose came to theaters portraying the struggle between a city boy and an uptight Midwestern town girl whose town had just banned dancing. The show will have many dazzling dance numbers and upbeat musical numbers you won't

want to miss! Drama club members are anxiously awaiting the posting for auditions and encourages any student to join drama club and to become part of this upcoming high school event.

In other news on the music front, the junior high band and chorus concert will be held Tuesday, **November 8**, in the high school auditorium at 7 p.m. The senior high band and chorus concert will be held Wednesday, **November 9**, in

the high school auditorium, also at 7 p.m. Please consider attending one or more of these events as several of the students will showcase their musical abilities and talents.

A special thanks to the musical directors for offering the students at Marathon School the opportunity to enjoy a meal at the Spaghetti Warehouse and attend the off-Broadway show In the Heights on November 10th.



Dear Abbey, Answered by Anonymous Staff Reporter

Dear Abbey,

I'm so sick of it; my one friend keeps telling me that our other friend is saying mean stuff about me. I'm tired of feeling hurt, left out, and confused over who to believe. What do you think I should do?
Sincerely,
Confused



Dear Confused,

Although your friend is obviously trying to watch out for you by telling you about what your other "frenemy" is saying behind your back, it is time for you to end all the hurt. You should tell your well-intentioned friend that while you appreciate her telling you what is said when you aren't around, you would rather not

hear about the things that are said when you aren't present. While this might seem like you are letting your "frenemy" win, you will save yourself a lot of hurt and keep your self-confidence by not hearing so many untrue comments.

Although everyone has freedom of speech, if you want this girl to stop talking about you, you should talk to her. Avoid any major confrontations by talking to her in person in a PRIVATE area. Just let her know that her words are causing you pain, and you would sincerely appreciate it if she stopped talking about you when you are not present. If she doesn't stop, then she is obviously not a friend at all.

If you need someone to talk to, your teachers, guidance counselor, and school social worker are great resources to express your anguish. They can help you feel confident about yourself and forget about anything that your "frenemy" ever said.

Stay strong, Abbey.

Junior High Student Council Corner-The President's Corner

Junior high student council held elections for officers the first week of October and has a host of exciting activities they are planning for the seventh and eighth graders this year. Add these activities to your agenda book and be ready to add more activities after the officers are elected and more ideas begin to flow. Once such event to anticipate...

Lock-in-October 21st

JH Semi Formal-May 12th

Teaching, A Walk in the Park, by Staff Cartoonist, Alexis Kryssing



A Real Person, Just Like You and Me, by Staff Reporter, Leah DeMatteo

Marathon Central School would like to welcome our new Superintendent, Mrs. Rebecca Stone. Mrs. Stone is not the scary intimidating type of person people expect superintendents to be. I had the opportunity to sit down and talk with her for a while and was very happy to find out that she is a real, normal person, just like you and me.

She loves the color purple, and her favorite food is dessert food. In general, she "loves food, especially cannolis!" On weekends, Mrs. Stone enjoys sleeping in just like everyone else. She also enjoys

doing activities with her family. She loves to explore new opportunities and to have fun.

Mrs. Stone grew up in the small town of Rodman, New York. She attended school at South Jefferson. I asked Mrs. Stone why she wanted to apply to Marathon. She answered with a smile on her face, "I like the small town atmosphere, and I have family in Cortland. It moved us closer to them. I also came to Maple Festival and loved the community. Everyone was really great."

Mrs. Stone would like

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.times for this meet were Austin Fiske (10:30) and placing 4th, Celeste Rogers (12: 23), and Cailey Chase (13: 06). The second race combined boys and girls both junior varsity and varsity for a fast paced 3.1 mile course.

Andrew Doxey (20:37), John Larkin (20: 07), and Lizzy Jewiss (22:35) were

the runners to beat, while Luke Williams (23:14), Taylor Ryan (23: 26), Lucas Marsh (25: 28), Nikole Hurlbert (27:30), and Kayla Morley (28: 56) all had great results this meet, as well.

Coach James noted, "We seemed to race much better today, and it is evident in most of the times. This is a very hilly course, and we

to see the opportunities students have now to continue, and to possibly explore new classes, field trips, and other types of experiences. The last words she gave me were what she wanted everyone to know, "I'm very appreciative to how people welcomed me and my family. We like what the area has to offer. I really like it here."

While interviewing Mrs. Stone, I couldn't help but notice during the whole interview that she kept a smile on her face. She made me laugh and gave simple and honest answers. She is a very friendly, open person, and I'm excited to see what changes she can bring.

seemed to run fairly well while remembering to concentrate o the whole course. Concentration is essential over the entire race."

Upcoming cross country event to come see:

- **THE MARATHON INVITATIONAL: OCTOBER 22**

Field Hockey News by Staff Reporter Ashton Hawks

The varsity field hockey team has been doing great so far this year. Their record right now is **EIGHT WINS, ZERO LOSSES, AND ZERO TIES.**

The team has seven returning starts this year and is considered a "young team." There are seven seniors, eight juniors, and one sophomore. The team seems to be really clicking together and working very hard. Captains this year are Tatum Knapp, Margaret Thon, Ashton Hawks, Amanda Horton, and Shelby Underwood.



REPORT CARDS

When will I get my...

MARKING PERIOD ONE

- Interim- Oct. 14
- Report Card- Nov. 18

MARKING PERIOD TWO

- Interim- Dec. 16
- Report Card- Feb. 3

MARKING PERIOD THREE

- Interim- March 9
- Report Card- April 13

MARKING PERIOD FOUR

- Interim- May 18
- Report Card- Mailed

"The direction in which education starts a man will determine his future life."
Plato

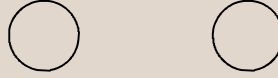
Senior High Student Council Corner by President Nicole Hurlbert

The Marathon Student Council is very proud to start out the new school year with a new advisor, Ms. Siesel. We would also like to take this time to thank Ms. Walker for all of her time and dedication as an advisor over the past couple of years. Student council is extremely excited for new activities this year such as laser tag, a dance-a-thon, and the employment of it's new scholarship fund through hoops for scholars.

Along with these three new events, student council is planning a revamped deck the doors, pep-rallies, and a raffle, because everyone likes free stuff. Someone once said, "Anything free is worth saving up for." All of these events are important to student council for one reason and one alone: to provide fun events and activities for the students, by the students.

Unscramble the words below. Then use the circled letters to solve the riddle.

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C E S N E C I



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I T G N Y O M O E T R R



D A B



K K C I



Why were the early days of history called the dark ages?

They had so many

Editorial by Editor, Margaret Thon

This year is the village of Marathon's sesquicentennial, or its 150th anniversary. It is a historical year in the town, so why not make it a historical year in your life as well? Now I'm not saying you should do something drastic like change your name from Harrison to Marathon like the town did in the past. Just try to make a mark, make history, do something incredible.

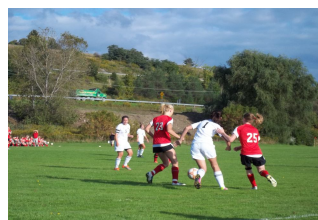
Lewis Swift, who was from Marathon, went on to become a famous astronomer. He discovered a comet. This year you can discover your own comet. You can make your mark at Marathon High School this year simply by getting involved. Never played a sport before? Join one. Have you always wanted to create a 'way out there' piece of artwork? Go for it. Do

you want to voice your say in student issues? Become a member of student council. There are so many ways for students to create history here in the town Marathon. Create your own path this year. Jephth Hunt settled in Marathon in 1794, and in 2012 you can create your own history.

In my tenth grade year, I decided to get involved in something I never thought I would ever join: drama club. I made my own personal history by doing something new and exciting, rather than staying on the path I had always followed. The memories I made singing, dancing, and hanging out with new people will never be forgotten, and although I will not be in the history books for participating in drama club, I know it will always be part of my own story. You can experi-

ence new things this year as well, just by stepping up and putting yourself outside of your comfort zone. Make a mark this year.

So along with the celebration of Marathon's 150th birthday, create your own anniversary. Anything is possible this year, you just have to step up and choose to make your own history, as well as the history of your town, amazing and exciting. Jephth Hunt was one of the first settlers of this town, and now it is ours to continue shaping for many more years, let's start now.



Lady Olympians Soccer by

Kaitlyn Morrison

The girls' varsity soccer team has many new, young players. They kicked off their season with a loss to Dryden, but have gone onto a five game winning streak after that.

The lady Olympians broke a 79 game IAC wining streak held by Lancing in an under the lights show-down and are looking forward to a showdown against Trumansburg under the lights.

Captains Kaitlyn Morrison, Ellena Holl, Emilee Reynolds, and Samantha Courtney are doing a great job leading the young team this year and are looking forward to the rest of the season. Sam Courtney and the lady Olympians have posted four shut outs so far this season