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Welcome Back! By: Ryder Dye

Welcome to a brand new school year at McDonald! Here at MHS, there have been a number of new classes, technology, and additions to the staff.

Part of this year's new staff includes French teacher, Mrs. Evans. When asked what she was excited about for the coming year, Mrs. Evans said, "I'm really excited to start the new French program here at McDonald because it gives me a chance to bring a new culture to this great school."

In addition, Mrs. Evans likes being able to teach in the same town that her family calls home. Being close to her own kids makes life easier.

Mr. Hungerford is another new staff member. He is filling in for Senora Ronghi until her return at which point he will be helping with math tutoring in the spring.

Some other additions this year include a growing emphasis on technology. Drones are new this year to be used in a variety of classes including Programming and Journalism. Further, two more Chromebook carts were added for student use throughout the school day.

Building new electives into the curriculum, MHS has added a host of classes including French, Foreign Films, and Web Design, all taught by Mrs. Evans. Yearbook is also now a year-long course taught by Ms. McGee.

Be sure to take advantage of all of these opportunities throughout the year.

Pictured: Mrs. Evans works with her 8th period Web Page Design students Greg Meadors, Thomas Hall, and Matt Meser.



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A Night in Hollywood By: Cailey Titus

The juniors of student council are hosting the 2018 homecoming, "A Night in Hollywood", tomorrow night at Ciminero's from 6:30-9:30.

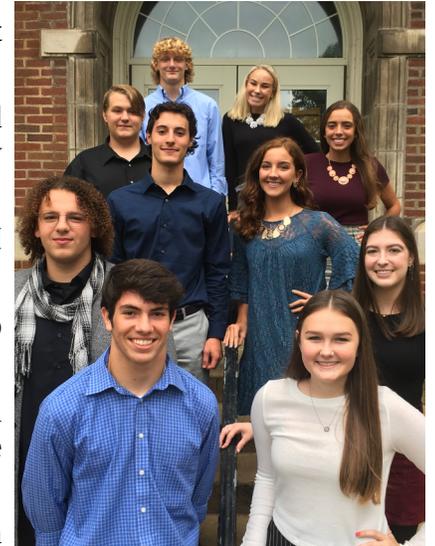
This year's court comprised of Alex Cintron and Oliva Perry, Zach Gray and Julia Williams, Rocco Pascarella and Sierra Schrader, Lucky November and Emily Reckard, Pierce Sloan and Macey Guerra.

Court member Sierra Schrader said, "I am excited to be on court because I get to walk across the field with all my friends."

The junior student council has been working hard and meeting since June to make this homecoming as enjoyable as possible.

Many students are excited about the new venue and that it is at a formal place this year. It makes Homecoming something that is special that all share together and remember as a special night for not only them, but for everyone going.

The homecoming game is tonight at 7 pm playing at home against Jackson Milton. Before the game, at 6:30 pm, the court members will pair up and be recognized before announcing the 2018 homecoming king and queen.



The Homecoming Court smiles big for their court photo. Photo credit: Mrs. Stonestreet

FUNDRAISER: GETTIN' STUDENTS POPPIN'

By Ethan O'Connell

On Wednesday, August 29th students had a fundraiser with a twist that required students to bring their phones to help increase the principal's fund.

In one period, students had to sell as much gourmet popcorn as they could, with cash prizes for selling certain amounts acting as motivation. When given the signal, they were able to get on their phones and call or text whoever they thought would buy some. It was a new fundraiser for McDonald that had been previously successful in other schools.

The principal's fund is money set aside to help sponsor things like extra curricular activities and the CARE Student Lunch. Recently, Mr. Carkido also invested time into looking at a new color printer for the office that this fund would potentially buy. This printer would allow clubs and classes to print on things like vinyl to make more professional signs while promoting new clubs and programs such as STEM.

With the fundraiser complete and the money collected, Mr. Carkido would like to thank the student body for their amazing participation in this fundraiser.



Mr. Carkido helps organize students to get them ready for popcorn deliveries

Editorial By: Kara Meehan

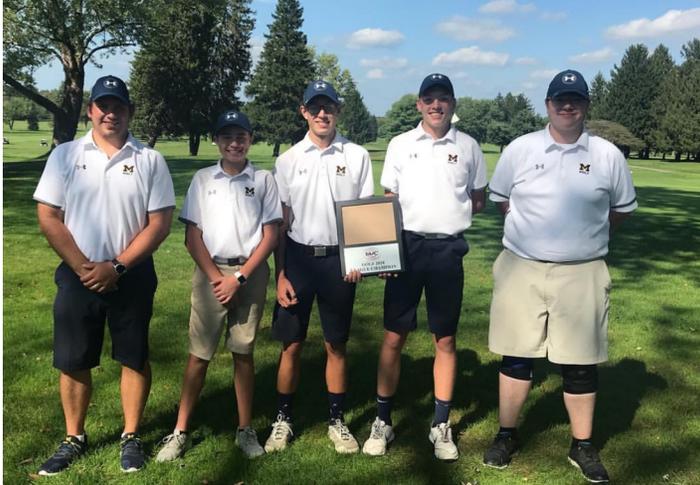
Finally, school is back in action and we are ready to get back to learning. Some kids are glad to be back, while others could use a longer break. Classes began on August 20th and students have been working hard ever since. For some students, back to school season is an exciting time because they get to see their friends and their favorite teachers. This is also the time for seniors to step up their game and work hard to graduate and get in to a good college or career. School is always an anxious time for students, but together as a community we'll get through it.

With the new school year, we have new classes, teachers, and clubs! Another addition we have is that students are allowed to have their cellphones in study hall. Students seem to love the idea and they keep quiet and behave. We also now have lunches that the students can buy if they cannot go home for lunch. The most welcome addition for seniors is the CCP lounge in the study hall room for students to work on assignments in peace and quiet.



Students Going The Distance

By: Ali Hammond



The golf team poses after achieving victory in their latest match. Photo Credit: Carla Matig.

Fall sports have had a great start to their seasons so far.

This year's team consists of eight golfers. Three of the top four are returning from last year, with newcomer Freshman Michael Porter being in the new fourth man spot this season.

Senior Tanner Matig said, "Our team chemistry is at an all time high after breaking the record of 153 multiple times. We need to keep this effort up as we head into tournament time next week."

The Cross Country team has had some ups and downs this season, due to missing some of their top eight runners. They have had many runners step up throughout this season.

Senior Elliot Gibbons said, "Walsh was our toughest meet so far because of the weather conditions." In that meet the team was still able to take third. Gibbons continued, "Tournament time is definitely on our minds but before that, we have to put in a lot of good work and get our top runners back."

Both of these athletes talked about the importance of tournament time and how hard they must work to be prepared for these matches. This is what they look forward to every year, because they always have state on their mind. The golf team has a lot to look forward to, especially trying to break the school record. Come on out and cheer on your Blue Devil Crews!

New Props Enhance Halftime

By: Elise McMaster

Notice anything different at halftime? With a new *Friends* themed halftime show props have been added including a couch, stage, generator, and some themed signs.

Along with these additions, at the September 14th game against Waterloo, Devilette For A Day took place. About 60 elementary students came to learn basic twirls with a baton, the pre-game routine, and how to dance to the fight song when the band plays.



Emma Fusselman and Anacia Johnson work with elementary students at the practice for Devilette For A Day.

Photo credit: Cailey Titus

The new props and equipment have been an exciting addition to the half-time shows. Mr. Anthony said, "I love them. It's setting us apart from any group we've seen."

It seems that a lot of the band members

think the additions were good ideas and are loving them. Alyssa Strange said, "The props were easy to incorporate; it just needed some work and it also brings the show to the next level."



Band members perform the half-time show.

Photo credit: Katie Merdich

When asked about some challenges with the new props, Strange added, "Getting the stage on the field in the right place in time is hard."

With the additions of the generator and stage, the guitars in the band are being heard more because it allows the band to play throughout the whole game. Using the amps has expanded the music played including more rock.

The band is trying to make their performance the best it can be so adding props and equipment with the help of the band boosters parents is just part of the plan to enhance the show. Next Friday, come for football, but stay for the band.

Junior/Senior Spotlight

By: Kyleigh Sierra



8th grader Maria Rasile plays volleyball and enjoys playing the sport with her friends. She is striving for a personal goal of excelling in the sport for next season.



Cross country runner Wyatt Wolford is a 7th grader shooting for a sub 12, all while enjoying the company of his fellow runners and friends.

Photo credits: Becky Wolford



Cameron Tucker has a goal of breaking the school record for receiving yards. He also enjoys tackling his opponents.

Photo credits: Tyler Cintron



"A successful team beats with one heart." Senior varsity cheerleader Lea Brown says, "I enjoy competing individually and with my team. I also like supporting the teams in my school." This year she intends to make a memorable senior year of cheerleading and to improve as a cheerleader.

McDonald, Briefly...

The Academic Recognition was held on September 20th in the Auditorium. To qualify for an award or letter, a student needed to earn As and Bs in the core classes. This year, 37 Junior High students received certificates and 104 students in grades 9-11 received letters for their achievements last year. Mr. Carkido said, "Congratulations to those students receiving

awards and continue to strive to improve in and out of the classroom."



SPIRIT Week is Next Week!

Monday- Meme Monday

Tuesday- Tye Die Tuesday

Wednesday- Student/Teacher Switch Day

Thursday- Class Day Shirts

Friday- Jersey Day



Credit: Shelby Myers

Don't forget to dress for the occasions!



Junk In The Trunk

By: Ziad Aziz

This is Isaac Booth's trunk. He has a couple speakers and a tool box, too. He even has shoes and a whole outfit in the back. When questioned why he has all of this in his trunk he said, "I have all of this for a reason, just in case my clothes get ruined I have a back up pair." He added, "I wish I had more shoes in the back so I could change my sneakers a lot more." People, don't let your trunks look like this!



October Events

by Nikolina Drobnjak



Cross Country:

- October 2- Home @4:00 p.m
- October 6- Trumbull County Fair @9:00 a.m
- October 9-Home @4:45 p.m

Football:

- October 5- Home w/Mineral Ridge @ 7 p.m
- October 12-Away @Sebring @ 7 p.m

Other Events:

- October 1-5 -Spirit Week
- October 4- Ram Roast
- October 12- No School
- October 18-Picture Retakes
- October 23- End of 1st Nine Weeks
- October 26- Report Cards
- October 31- Halloween

Celeb Birthdays:

- October 1-Julie Andrews
- October 11-Cardi B
- October 18-Zac Efron
- October 24- Drake
- October 29-Bob Ross

Happy Halloween!!!



HOROSCOPE OF THE MONTH

By: Lauren Johnson

Some people around you have their way with words and could be untrue to you or their own hearts. Don't take misconceptions personally. Follow your heart and create your own path to follow. Fight for the truth and nothing but the truth.

Strengths: Cooperative, diplomatic, gracious, fair-minded and social.

Weakness: Indecisive, avoids confrontations, will carry a grudge, self-pity.

Lucky Number: 4,6,13,15,24



What is the best fall activity according to MHS?

Football Games	42
Pumpkin Patch	26
Corn Maze	19
Hayride	9
Apple Picking	7

By: Bri Callow

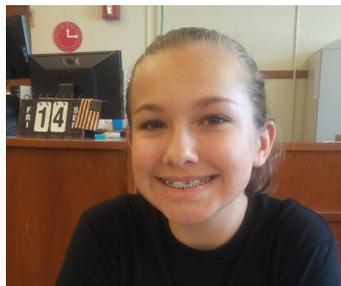
With 103 votes from throughout the high school, here are your results for what the best fall activity is! Taking the gold with 42 votes is going to football games. Pumpkin patches weren't too far behind. Corn mazes and hayrides may not be an MHS favorite with only votes 28 combined. Apple Picking is definitely outdated for MHS students with only 7 votes. Thanks to everyone who participated in voting! :)



People On The Street:

If The School Had A Vegetable Garden, What Would You Grow?

By: Lauren Johnson



<p>Antonio D'Avanzo Seventh Grade</p> <p>"I would grow cucumbers because they are a healthy, tasty treat."</p>	<p>Lauren Sierra Seventh Grade</p> <p>"I would grow bell peppers because they are my favorite vegetable, and easy to grow."</p>	<p>Cheyenne Chaney 10th Grade</p> <p>"I would grow tomatoes because they are red, and that is my favorite color."</p>	<p>Tanner Matig Senior</p> <p>"I would like to grow carrots because they are good and can make your eyesight better."</p>
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Corpse Bride Movie Review

by Nikolina Drobnjak



To be honest, I thought that I would really hate this movie before watching it. I've never really been into Tim Burton movies but I was extremely surprised and not disappointed when I saw this movie for the first time.

The story of *Corpse Bride* is based off of an old 19th-century Russian folktale that follows a similar premise to the movie.

The movie centers around Victor Van Dort, a young man, and Johnny Depp look-alike, who is in an arranged marriage with Victoria Everglot, the daughter of "poor aristocrats". The arranged marriage seems to be going well since Victor and Victoria do love each other, but things don't go so well for Victor when he completely messes up during his wedding rehearsals.

That night, Victor decides to practice his vows, while walking through a very dark and scary forest. That's when he also decides to put his wedding ring on a twig, which is not a twig, but the bony hand of Emily, a corpse. What happens next is an emotional roller coaster of events that does eventually bring closure.

Something about this movie that is just stunning is the animation and the setting. Until I started writing this review I always thought that the movie was animated by computer, but I was wrong. It was animated using stop motion, which looked amazing in this particular movie. The one thing that I didn't enjoy as much were the musical numbers. They helped to move the plot forward, but they were rather forgettable in my opinion.

A lot of people say that *Corpse Bride* is Burton's best work and I can see why. What makes this movie so special is the way that it is all put together. Before watching this movie, I thought *Corpse Bride* would be an animated horror movie of sorts, but it's not. It is a Gothic Victorian tale of lost love and death that is so unforgettable and so well put-together that once you watch it, you will want to be in Victor's world forever.

It's called *Corpse Bride*, but it really shouldn't be just a Halloween movie and unlike the people of the underworld in this movie, the movie itself and its message can live on forever.

Top 5 Fall Treats

By: Bri Callow

1. Pumpkin Rolls- Think of it as a Hostess HoHo, but with the deliciousness of that pumpkin flavor we all love at fall time.

2. Caramel Apples- Everyone's favorite fruit, but dipped in gooey caramel and topped off with some sprinkles.

3. Kettle Corn-Traditional popcorn but sweetened with sugar during cooking. Perfect to eat while watching a Halloween movie!

4. Pumpkin Pie- The best part about Thanksgiving is this dessert pie with a spiced, pumpkin based custard filling.

5. Candy Corn- This treat will make the trick or treaters jump for joy! Sweet, smooth, sugary, delicious candy with a fondant texture.



BACKPAGE PICS

By: Ziad Aziz

