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THE NEDLAM NEWS



MHS is rich in musical talent with superb Winter Performance

MHS sophomore Melissa Calixte performs as part of the Jazz Band in the Winter Instrumental Concert. This year's show highlighted "Original Compositions".

Three MHS students are selected for full college tuition POSSE scholarships

Three Malden High School seniors have been selected to receive full, four-year college tuition scholarships through the Posse Foundation. The Posse Foundation identifies urban-based, public high school students with extraordinary academic and leadership potential. There are 10 city centers nationwide where nominations emanate.

Malden High School students selected and the schools they will be attending are:
Pryanna Alper -- Centre College (Danville, Kentucky)
Keri Gilligan -- Bucknell University (Lewisburg, PA)
Lana Giha -- Bryn Mawr College, (Bryn Mawr, PA)



The Posse Foundation extends to these students the opportunity to pursue personal and academic excellence by placing them in supportive, multi-cultural teams—"Posses"—of 10 students. The Foundation's partner colleges and universities award Posse Scholars full-tuition leadership scholarships. The Posse Foundation is marking its 30th year awarding scholarships to

to talented students of diverse backgrounds. The Posse model works for both students and college campuses and is rooted in the belief that a small, diverse group of students—a Posse—carefully selected and trained, can serve as a catalyst for individual and community development. As the U.S. becomes an increasingly multicultural society, Posse believes that the leaders of the 21st century should **See P.6**

Here is the 'Long and Short of It': Welcome Back... & Happy New Year to our students and staff!

It's a great time to build on past achievements and also get off to a fresh start in the new year

To All Malden High School Educators, Staff, Students & Administrators:

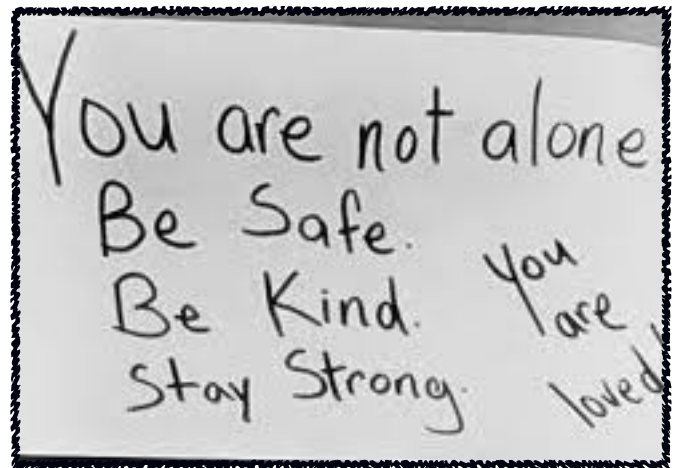
To coin a phrase, here is the "Long and the Short of It": Yesterday we welcomed everyone back from the longest break in our academic year on the school calendar, 12 days in all. This week? Well, it is absolutely the shortest school week of the year, just two days in all, due to the New Year's Day holiday arriving right in the middle of the week. Still, we know that we all made best use of the time we had this week to get back into the swing of our routine and guide our students to do the same. I hope that everyone had a great winter break and spent plenty of time enjoying the holidays and recharging for the new calendar year and all the tasks that await us as we begin the "2020 part" of our 2019-2020 school year. In addition to kicking off a new year in 2020, we are also embarking on a brand-new decade. At this time of year we are caught in the middle between assessing the year just past and looking ahead to what the new year may bring. Many of us also set goals and look forward to working toward them. As we did in August, when our school year began, we once again can take this opportunity to begin a new page with the start of the new year. We can also encourage our students to do the same. Tell them it is never too late, or too early, to begin a new page and start writing a new chapter in their lives. We all have the ability and energy to take up a refreshed approach to academic achievement, social interaction and relationship-building. Happy New Year, MHS!

Please do not miss the opportunity to take in our Play Production Class performances of the popular *Fame*, which will be next weekend for three shows, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, January 9, 10 and 11 at the Jenkins Auditorium here at Malden High School. Our PlayPro students, Ms. DeRosa and others are excited about the show and invite all to attend.

Mr. Mastrangelo—Principal



Mr. Mastrangelo



Please review the Malden High School Aspirational Instructional Focus Statement

Malden High School educates an inclusive and equitable community of diverse learners whom we are preparing to be Communicators, Collaborators, Critical Thinkers, Innovative Learners, Empowered Citizens, and Persistent Individuals. As such, MHS instructional practices present authentic and relevant experiences that are intellectually engaging, student-centered, inquiry-based, cognitively complex, process-oriented, and encourage productive struggle. Furthermore, these instructional practices encourage students to pursue their interests, leverage their strengths, and explore unfamiliar concepts that prepare students for life in our ever-changing modern world.



Congratulations to 110 Adams Scholars at Malden HS

Congratulations to the 110 Malden High School students who are members of the senior Class of 2020 that qualified for the Adams Scholar Program. The John and Abigail Adams Scholar Program is state-funded and provides a 100% tuition scholarship at any Mass. state college or university to students who achieve in the top 25% of their district in the MCAS testing program. *Courtesy/ Mr. Mastrangelo*

MHS NOTES & CALENDAR



THURSDAY, JANUARY 2 —Classes resume in Malden Public Schools

FRIDAY, JANUARY 3— MHS Varsity coed Gymnastics season opener, @ Winthrop HS, 6:00 p.m.

MONDAY, JANUARY 6— Late Entry @ Malden High School; Homeroom at 9:30 a.m. and first class 9:37 a.m.

THURSDAY-SATURDAY, JANUARY 9-10-11— Play Production performances of Fame in the Jenkins Auditorium; Each night at 7:00 p.m. Tickets available in advance and also at the door those evenings.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10— Districtwide Professional Development Day; Early Dismissal @ 12:30 p.m



Malden High School Vision Statement

The Malden High School community believes in the potential of all students to learn, to grow and to become active, conscientious participants in the 21st century global society. We believe that students learn most effectively in a safe, respectful environment that encourages diverse viewpoints, promotes critical thinking and perseverance and establishes vigorous standards for all. We honor the diverse nature of our Malden community, promote social awareness and community involvement and strive to meet the needs of all students through innovative methods and continued professional development. We are committed to ensuring that Malden High School graduates are thoughtful, independent, purpose-driven, lifelong learners. We seek to equip all students with the skills and habits necessary to successfully navigate and contribute to our ever-changing world.



PILLAR AWARDS— Mr. Mastrangelo hosted a ‘Reveal Gathering’ for the October Pillar Award selectees where the students were told which educators had nominated them for outstanding contributions to the MHS community.

MEET THE MHS OCTOBER PILLAR AWARD WINNERS

Stanley Yang	Juliana Davidson	Sophonie Thomas
Beatrice da Silva Salvino de Oliveira	“Jacob Pettigrew	Haylie Sudant
Angel Garcia	David Higuera Milonopoulos	Moise (Moses) Anglade
Casey Hanson	Tenzin Tekhang	Sarah Benson
Aliya Fournier	Angelique Fleuridor	Andrew Louis
Possible Ojo	Amber Craig	Mikayla Wilson
	Kiana Tse	Jacob Williams
	Amraqui Yasmine	Benouari Hajar

THREE MALDEN HS STUDENTS RECEIVE POSSE SCHOLARSHIPS of FOUR YEARS, FULL TUITION

Continued from Page One reflect the country’s rich demographic mix. The key to a promising future for our nation rests on the ability of strong leaders from diverse backgrounds to develop consensus solutions to complex social problems. Posse’s primary aim is to train these leaders of tomorrow. Malden Public Schools Director of Guidance Ms. Craven made the exciting announcement of the MHS selectees right before the winter break. The dollar value for the tuition scholarships for the three MHS Class of 2020 members is nearly \$600,000!

MALDONIAN STAFF will be CONTACTING CLUB ADVISORS for PHOTOS & INFO SOON!

To all MHS Club Advisors,

The *Maldonian* Students have received the list of clubs they are responsible for this year, for reporting in the yearbook. The students should be reaching out to you for information about your club.

We are under a strict deadline from the publisher. The deadline this year for club reporting is January 17, 2020.

There are over 60 clubs this year and each club will have coverage in the yearbook. All the clubs need their picture taken and information about the club given to the reporter. As you can imagine it is a lot of details that have to be handled in a short



amount of time.

If you could help us out and respond to the student’s email request as soon as possible it would be greatly appreciated.

Please let us know if you have any questions. **Beth & Jim/ Maldonian Advisors**

MHS ATHLETICS:

The Winter Sports Season for the Malden High teams is officially under way! Please support ALL the Malden HS Golden Tornado teams in 2019-2020!



Tornado swim team wins first 'New GBL' meet v. Somerville

By STEVE FREKER For the Malden Public Schools

It was a big day for "firsts" on Wednesday, Dec. 18 when the Malden High coed swim team dove into the new season with a 92-64 victory over league rival Somerville on the road at the JFK School pool.

First meet of the year, first matchup in the brand-new Greater Boston League (GBL)... and the opening competition for first-year head coach Jessica Bisson, a longtime Malden High educator and assistant coach the past several seasons.

With all these "firsts" topping the list, the Tornado swim squad came up with a bunch of top-shelf performances, led by senior Haoxi Wang, junior David Lombardi and sophomore Tony Giech.

All three Tornados swam to a first-place finish in two individual events, and each of them contributed to two first-place relay team wins as well.

For the day, Malden took first place in all 11 events and went 1-2 in a number of others, a solid start in its first outing.

"It's great to win the first meet, especially since there was not a great deal of practice before it," Coach Bisson said. "But our team worked hard to



The MHS Varsity Swim Team got some great performances in its first meet in the newly-reconstituted Greater Boston League (GBL), 92-40 over host Somerville High. *Steve Freker Photo*

prepare and we do have a lot of experienced swimmers who are expected to contribute this season."

On Wednesday, Lombardi won the 500 freestyle race with a 5:37 time and was also on top in his signature event the 100 backstroke, with a time of 59.15 seconds.

Lombardi also swam in the winning 200 medley relay with a time of 1:57, with teammates Haoxi Wang, Tony Giech and Tony Luu. Malden also won the 400 freestyle relay with a time of 4:03, with Lombardi, Wang, Chloe Akombi and Ryan Vasili.

Wang won the 50 freestyle with a time of 23.46 seconds and made it a two-win day with a victory in the 100 freestyle with a time of 1:00.57.



Still Available!: NAME a SEAT in Jenkins Auditorium... Great Gift!

Looking for a great gift idea for a Malden High graduate? Name a seat in the Jenkins Auditorium in their honor! Please go to: maldenhighalumni.com for more details



The Malden High School Alumni Association, Inc's purpose is to establish a non-profit organization to enhance and preserve the image, prestige, and traditions of the Malden High School; to reconnect with the graduates of Malden High School; to create awareness of the history of the high school, the activities, location and achievements of its graduates; to protect, preserve and display the school's artifacts, papers and photographs; to develop programs, publications, newsletters, public speakers bureau, and any and every type of communication network and outreach activity

PLEASE CONTRIBUTE TO 'THE NEDLAM NEWS'!
LET'S SHARE THE GOOD NEWS ABOUT MHS!

Do you have some good news to share about students, teachers, administrators and other staff members? An extracurricular activity, club or sports team? There is LOTS of Good News @ Malden High School! Let's share it with EVERYONE! Mr. Mastrangelo encourages everyone to email Steve Freker: sfreker@maldenps.org with any news you like to share: stories, snippets, photos, announcement of meetings, events coming... and ones held. **THE NEDLAM NEWS** appears every

DID YOU KNOW?

You think you know "loud"? THIS was LOUD!! The loudest sound in recorded history was the eruption of the Krakatoa volcano on the island of Indonesia on August 26, 1883. it was so loud, and powerful that it ruptured the eardrums of sailors 40 miles away on ships in the Sunda Strait. Shock waves circled the world seven times. Anyone within a 10-mile radius of the volcano would have been rendered deaf. And the force of the explosion was estimated at four times that of the most powerful thermonuclear weapon test ever performed.