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# THE NEDLAM NEWS



## AND THE WINNER IS....!

### Door decorating contest is a success

Shown above is the overall winner of the First Annual Black History Month 'Door Decorating Contest' held at Malden High School. This is the door from Ms. Alexis Room Br384. In addition to creating a beautiful artwork rendition of a black woman, also included was an interactive series of mini-history lessons all around the artwork which were accessible by scanning through a phone app. *Courtesy/Malden Public Schools*



## STATE CHAMPION!

**MHS Junior Yohanni Costa wins Wrestling title 2nd year in a row; Girls team finishes #2 in Mass.!**

Malden High School junior Yohanni Costa, front row, center, shown with her teammates and Coach Rin Van, right, won her second straight State Wrestling Championship on Saturday at Methuen High School. She is now the two-time 149-lb. State Champ, having won the championship in 2019 as well. *See Story, Page 5 Courtesy Photo/ MIAA*

*Back to the 1980s! 80th Annual  
Junior Varieties Show Tonight!!*





### **UPCOMING @ MALDEN HS:**

**Monday, March 9**— Late Entry for Malden High School: Homeroom at 930 am and first class at 937 am

**Friday, March 13**— Districtwide Professional Development Day — NO SCHOOL for students

## **The Oracle is accepting submissions from students! Please encourage them to create!**

*The Oracle*, Malden High School's literary magazine, is now accepting student submissions! Historically *The Oracle* has been a venue for student writing including poetry, short stories, plays, and other creative writing media, but we also accept essays/nonfiction as well as visual art and photography. All submissions can be sent to the editors via email at [mhsoracle@gmail.com](mailto:mhsoracle@gmail.com). It would mean the world to our editors if you could encourage the students you know who are writers and artists to submit their work! We will be accepting submissions until the day before April break, 4/17, but the sooner work is submitted the more time our editors have to consider it :)

Thank you so much for reading and for emboldening submitters.

**Tom Snarsky/ Advisor**

## **MHS NOTES & CALENDAR**



**TONIGHT, FRIDAY, MARCH 6** – The 80th Annual Junior Varieties performance, put on stage at the Jenkins Auditorium at 7:00 p.m.

**SATURDAY, MARCH 7** – The 80th Annual Junior Varieties show will be performed once again in the Jenkins.

**MONDAY, MARCH 9** – Coffee & Conversation for MHS staff to celebrate Daylight Savings Time, 7:15 a.m. in The Gallery in Holland House  
\*\*\*\* Late Entry for MHS students, homeroom 9:00 a.m. and first class at 9:37 a.m.

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11**— Student & Faculty Basketball game, Finn Gym, 3 p.m.

**SATURDAY, MARCH 14**— SAT Exam being held at Malden High School



## **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.

# MALDEN HIGH CELEBRATES BLACK HISTORY MONTH with Students & Staff



A fantastic cultural dress fashion show was held!

“Most Inclusive” Door Decorate winner



“Most Creative” Door Decorate winner



Cultural items from Africa



In attendance at the MHS Black History Month Interactive Presentation included: Principal Mr. Mastrangelo, Supt. Oteri, left, Mayor Christenson, third from right, and organizer Mr. Yakine, right. Black Culture Club advisor Ms. Magras, 4th from right and Ms. Stroud from DESE, an MHS alumnae who helped judge the Door Decorating Contest. *Steve Freker Photos/ For the Malden Public Schools*

# BACK2BACK STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS for MHS JUNIOR YOHANNI COSTA... HISTORY is MADE!!

**By Steve Freker**

The first time Malden High junior Yohanni Costa won a State Wrestling Championship, it was remarkable.

The second time? Well, it's simply unprecedented.

For the first time in school history, Costa made it to the top of the mountain for a second time, when she pinned her opponent in the MIAA Girls State Wrestling Championship final Saturday at Methuen High.

It was also back-to-back for the MHS honors student, who won the same title a year ago at the same weight class of 149 lbs.

Costa was the top seed in the 2020 MIAA State Championships at 149 lbs. and pinned all of her three opponents in the first period to repeat as champion.

Also, it was nearly a two-trophy day for the Costa family as Yohanni's younger sister, MHS freshman Hayeni Costa, made it all the way to the finals at 162 lbs. before being defeated by a defending state champ.

Overall, along with Yohanni's state title, the Malden-Everett co-operative Girls Wrestling Team also finished second overall in Massachusetts out of 45 teams entered, with 45 points, just trailing State Champion Chicopee, which had 58 points. Chicopee had two state champions and a third-place finisher in the girls tournament.

In her first match, Costa bested Audrey McGillivray of Plymouth South to advance to the semifinals. In the semis, Costa needed just 14 seconds to pin Durfee High School's Ashley Duong and advance to the championship match.

In the finals, as fate would have it, it was a rematch of the 2019 title matchup, as Costa faced Tayla Tildsley of Shawsheen Tech. The Malden wrestler dominated from the start, piling up points before ultimately pinning Tildsley at 1:20 of the first period.

No other wrestler, boys or girls, in Malden High history has ever won two state wrestling titles. "It's a big honor



Malden High junior Yohanni Costa pins her opponent, Tayla Tildsley of Shawsheen Tech, in the MIAA State Girls Wrestling Tournament championship final. *Malden Public Schools Athletics Photo*



Malden High freshman Hayeni Costa wrestled for the State Championship at the MIAA Tournament, just missing in the title final. *Malden Public Schools Athletics*

for the program and for the school. Yohanni (Costa) is a hard worker, a great student and sets a very good example for our student-athletes," said Malden Public Schools athletic director Charlie Conefrey.

"We are very proud of Yohanni (Costa) and all of our female wrestlers, they worked very hard all season and finished strong," said Malden High third-year head

Rin Van, who noted the Tornado girls contingent finished second in the state overall. Other wrestlers competing in the tournament for Malden-Everett were Nicole Zeng at 108 lbs., Hermanjalee Jagmohan at 113 lbs.

# MHS field trip to BHCC by English Language Learners classes

It was a sunny day for our ELL classes and instructors on a field trip to Bunker Hill Community College (BHCC) in Charlestown. Students learned first-hand of the opportunities available to them when they finish their Malden High School education. *Courtesy Photo*



PLEASE CONTRIBUTE  
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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](mailto: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 Friday in your Inbox and is then shared on the District website [www.maldenps.org](http://www.maldenps.org)

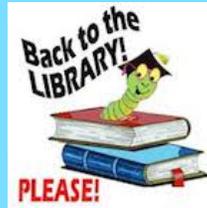


## DID YOU KNOW?

For those with good "Meterological Memories," this is the first year in a few years that the arrival of March did NOT live up to the adage, "March comes in a Lion... and leaves like a lamb". Last year, the beginning of March 2019 brought seasonably cold temperatures in the low 30s for the first 10 days, including snow showers in three of the first four days of the month. In March 2018, it also snowed on the first two days of the month. No sign of any of that this year as the beginning of the month of March 2020 gave us continued unusually un-winter-like weather with temperatures in the high 30s Sunday, March 1 and then VERY warm, near 60 Monday and Tuesday this week!

# LOOKING FOR OVERDUE MHS LIBRARY BOOKS

Hello all,  
For homeroom teachers, I put your students' overdue library book slip in your mailboxes. Please pass them out to your students and have them bring back their books asap or come to the library to renew them.



Thank you for your help in getting the books back to the library!

—*Mary Liberge/ MHS Librarian*



**MALDEN HS SPEECH & DEBATE TEAM SHINES!—** Another solid weekend of competition for MHS students who continue to make us proud. *Courtesy Photo*

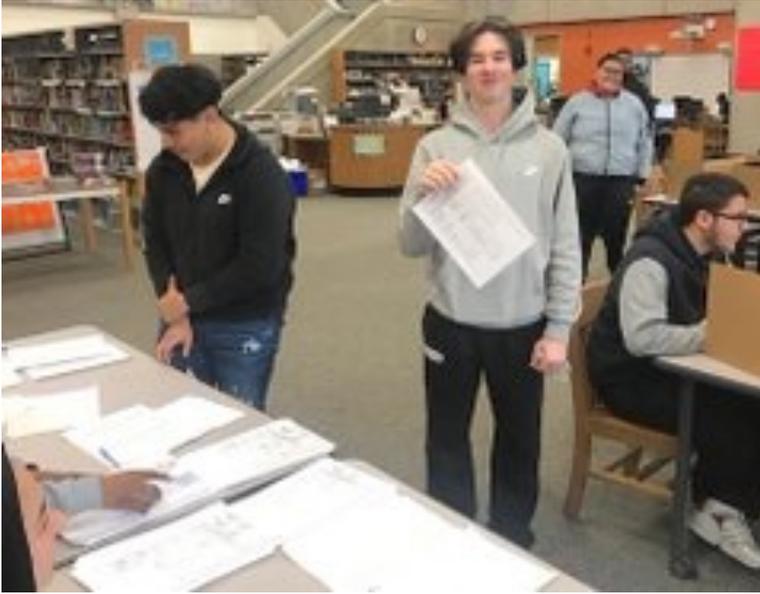


**ATTENTION: Ms. Ceppetelli invites all to the PEER TUTORING sessions @ the MHS Library on Tuesdays &**

**PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE** Continued from Page One nation's culture. Thanks also to Ketshaly Philome who gave a stirring poetry reading to kick off the event in The Gallery. She also did a tremendous job in the Regional "Poetry Out Loud" Competition this past weekend. Congratulations to the Costa Sisters who helped bring our Girls Wrestling Team to a #2 finish in the state among 45 teams at the MIAA State Tournament with their solid individual performance. Yohanni, a junior, made school history when she captured her second straight State Championship and freshman Hayeni was a state runner-up. See you at the show tonight!

— *Mr. Mastrangelo, Principal*





## MHS Mock 'Super Tuesday' Primary Voting

The Malden High History classes participated in its own 'Super Tuesday' Mock Presidential Primary Election on Monday, led by History Team Leader Ms. Veritas and the History educators. In order of finish: Sanders, Warren, Bloomberg, Biden. *Steve Freker Photos/ For the Malden Public Schools*

# BRIDGE to HOPE FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP

Malden Overcoming Addiction is excited to announce that we are bringing the Bridge to Hope Family Support Group to Malden.

The purpose of this group is to provide education, guidance and support to those with a loved one who may be struggling with substance use disorder.

The Bridge to Hope is a peer led support group for families dealing with addiction and recovery. The meetings will be the 1st and 3rd Monday of every month at Club 24, 787 Salem Street Malden from 7:00-8:30 PM. The 1st meeting will be April 6th, 2020 at 7:00pm.

**FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP**  
A PEER SUPPORT GROUP FOR FAMILIES DEALING WITH ADDICTION AND RECOVERY

**bridge TO HOPE**

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LOCATED AT CLUB 24 787 SALEM STREET MALDEN, MA 02148

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**We must accept finite disappointment, but never lose infinite hope.**  
Martin Luther King, Jr.