



POLAR PRESS



Polar Espresso Opens at MHS

A new addition to Margaretta Junior High & High School is the *Polar Espresso* in the cafeteria.

Starting on May 3rd, all students and staff have the opportunity to purchase an iced coffee and pastry in the morning before school for \$3. Coffee will also be available during the lunches for \$3, but the pastry will not be available at that time. Pastry options are subject to availability and include: muffins, cinnamon rolls and banana bread. Coffee flavors that will be available to choose from include: vanilla, carmel and chocolate.

Drink options may change as the seasons and the weather changes. Other options may include: teas, hot chocolate and seasonal flavors for coffee.

The decision to start the coffee bar was to provide options for students and staff a keep CCP students in house while giving them a relaxed atmosphere. Mr. Kurt explained that they were able to have success with this at Findlay High School and the students really liked the option.

Profits from the coffee bar will go to the Food Services Department. The coffee bar will operate on a CASH ONLY basis.



Next Year's Schedule

There are many questions regarding the current plans of the administration to shift the schedule at Margaretta from 11 periods down to 7 periods, and today you'll get some answers.

The first thing on most student's minds is why exactly this schedule change occurred. When asked this question, Mr. Smith stated that it will help students focus more by reducing the workload given to them.

When the schedule change was first announced, many students were skeptical and some even irritated; however, as time has gone on, the student body has grown more accepting of this idea.

These new periods will be reduced in number, but each period will be 8 minutes longer, moving from 42 to 50 minutes in length. When asked about how this change will affect the number of elective classes available to each student, Mr. Smith replied that many of the electives would become semester long classes allowing students to take just as many, if not more, elective classes.

Lastly, Mr. Smith was asked how these changes will affect lunch periods, which he explained will result in 50 minute lunch periods. With the added bonus however, students will be able to acquire and fill out Lunch Waivers which will allow them to skip lunch and take another class if they so desire.



A Night Under the Stars



This year, the promenade at Margaretta is looking like it's going to be quite exciting for those wanting to attend. We spoke to Mrs. Marnie Szymanski for some clarification on some of the specifics of prom this year.

The most important question on our minds was what the COVID-19 guidelines at the prom were going to look like. Mrs. Szymanski responded to our question, saying, "To accommodate COVID protocol, all students attending the prom must wear face masks. The promenade line will be spaced to meet social distancing standards and no slow songs will be played," which means that there will be more upbeat songs to keep the celebration moving.

Another question that we asked regarded the possible capacity that would be allowed to attend the prom. We are fortunate to hear that Mrs. Szymanski said, "We are holding the prom outside so there is no limit on the number of students that can attend," which means very good news to any senior that was worrying that they would not be able to attend the prom for their final time.

Prom King and Queen will still be voted upon this year. Mrs. Szymanski responded to this by saying, "King and Queen are always voted on at the dance. I am trying something new this year and we will vote online via cellphone." This is good news for many, as it means that staple prom features will still be present, but in a much more modern way.

Hopefully, prom this year will be exciting and safe for all that will be in attendance, and will leave that mark that many search for during their high school years.



What's Happening at MHS!

Mr. Denman's Industrial Tech class recently completed a wood project in which they were part of the planning, preparation, build and installation process.

The following students were involved:

Ashli Bowers

Alexa Braun

Grace Carter

Jayden Jones

Elexis Moore

Sean Reardon

Dalton Rohrbaugh

John Zwiesler

Mitch Raifsnider

Caleb Worley

Owen Kromer

Reese Keegan

Myles Keegan



Great teamwork!!



BAND NEWS



MARGARETTA MUSIC IS PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THE FOLLOWING RATINGS FROM OUR RECENT VIRTUAL SOLO AND ENSEMBLE CONTEST. RECORDINGS WERE MADE OF SOLOS AND ENSEMBLES AND SUBMITTED FOR JUDGING BY OMEA.

HERE ARE THE RESULTS:

MHS WOODWIND CHOIR - I (SUPERIOR)
MHS BRASS CHOIR - I (SUPERIOR)
MHS PERCUSSION QUINTET - II (EXCELLENT)
MHS PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE - III (GOOD)
JOSIE STARK - TIMPANI SOLO - I
BOBBY SUTO - TRUMPET SOLO - II
SEAN REARDON - TUBA SOLO - II
KRIS BENNETT - TRUMPET SOLO - I
COLE MORRIS - PIANO SOLO - I
ANTHONY MILLER - TENOR SAX SOLO - II
COLIN CAMPBELL - BARITONE SOLO - I

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THESE STUDENTS ON A FINE JOB!





Achievement Banquet



Ben Brunner Memorial- Spencer Michel

Herman Gant Memorial- Elliana Schaefer

Cheryl Zahel Memorial- Kylee Cheek

Julie Michelle Miller Achievement Award- Josephine Stark



United States Marine Corps Scholastic Achievement Award- Kaitlin Miller

United States Marine Corps Distinguished Athlete Award- Madyson Morris & Mitch Raifsnider

OHSAA Awards:
Archie Griffin Sportsmanship Award- Elliana Schaefer & Spencer Michel

OHSAA Courageous Student Award- Audrey Watson

OHSAA National Award of Excellence- Mitch Raifsnider



Senior Bios



Audrey Watson

Hobbies: Volleyball, Cheerleading, Diving, and Riding Horses

Siblings: Hannah, Wyatt, Colt, Austin, Clayton, and Hope

Favorite Food: Tacos

Favorite Subject: English

Favorite Sports Team: Ohio State Buckeyes

Favorite Person or Teacher: Miss Comparette

Favorite Season: Fall

Favorite Color: Purple

Favorite Book: Dear John by Nicholas Sparks

Favorite Band/Artist: Luke Combs

Favorite Quote: "There may be people that have more talent than you, but there's no excuse for anyone to work harder than you do."

Favorite Childhood Toy: My Childhood Stuffed Monkey

Favorite Holiday: Christmas

Favorite High School Memory: The pregame jam sessions in the locker room before volleyball games

Future Plans: Attend College to become Vet or Vet Tech.



Makayla Meggitt

Hobbies: Playing Softball, and Shopping

Siblings:

Favorite Food: Fried Rice

Favorite Subject: English

Favorite Sports Team: Ohio State Buckeyes

Favorite Person or Teacher: Miss Comparette

Favorite Season: Fall

Favorite Color: White

Favorite Book: The Great Gatsby

Favorite Band/Artist: Luke Combs

Favorite Quote: "If you want to live a happy life, tie it to a goal. Not to people or things" -Albert Einstein.

Favorite Childhood Toy: Barbies

Favorite Holiday: Christmas

Favorite High School Memory: Getting team captain for softball freshman year

Future Plans: Become a dental hygienist



Madison Neill

Hobbies: Working out and Makeup

Siblings: Taylor Skeels

Favorite Food: Fruit and Pasta

Favorite Subject: English

Favorite Sports Team: Ohio State & Browns

Favorite Person or Teacher: Mrs. Kim Miller

Favorite Season: Summer

Favorite Color: Yellow

Favorite Book: Wonder

Favorite Band/Artist: Luke Combs and Morgan Wallen

Favorite Quote: "Everything happens for a reason"

Favorite Childhood Toy: Roller Blades

Favorite Holiday: Christmas

Favorite High School Memory: Friday Night Football Games

Future Plans: I will be furthering my education at Kent State University to become a Pediatric Nurse.

Senior Bios



Breanna Gilliam

Hobbies: Singing, Watching crime videos and reading true crime articles, reading weird history articles, and writing.

Siblings: Josh Gilliam

Favorite Food: Shrimp Alfredo or Salmon Patties

Favorite Subject: English or Sociology

Favorite Sports Team: Don't have one

Favorite Person or Teacher: My parents/family, and Mr. & Mrs. Reardon

Favorite Color: Purple

Favorite Book: Lord of the Flies

Favorite Band/Artist: BTS, Little Mix, or the Dear Evan Hansen Soundtrack

Favorite Quote: "Today is going to be a good day and here's why, because today, today at least you're you and that's enough."-Dear Evan Hansen Finale

Favorite Childhood Toy: Microphone

Favorite Holiday: Christmas

Favorite High School Memory: New York City Band and Choir Trip

Future Plans: Forensic Social Work



Elizabeth Patrick

Hobbies: Softball, Swimming, Bowling, and Band

Siblings: JT and Jennifer

Favorite Food: Pasta

Favorite Subject: English

Favorite Sports Team: Cleveland Indians

Favorite Person or Teacher: Lebron James

Favorite Season: Fall

Favorite Color: Purple

Favorite Book: Tuesdays with Morrie

Favorite Band/Artist: Taylor Swift

Favorite Quote: "Be Yourself"

Favorite Childhood Toy: Plastic Play Kitchen

Favorite Holiday: Christmas

Favorite High School Memory: National FFA Convention Trip

Future Plans: Attend college and major in early childhood education.



Madyson Morris

Hobbies: Sports: Volleyball, Cheerleading and Diving. I also enjoy art, music and being outdoors.

Siblings: Dylan and Keiygan Morris, Katelyn and Robbie Cox

Favorite Food: Pasta

Favorite Subject: English

Favorite Sports Team: The Buckeyes

Favorite Person or Teacher: My Mom

Favorite Season: Fall

Favorite Color: Purple

Favorite Book: It's too hard to choose just one

Favorite Band/Artist: Kane Brown and Gabby Barrett

Favorite Quote: "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."-Philippians 4:13

Favorite Childhood Toy: Baby Doll

Favorite Holiday: Christmas

Favorite High School Memory: Getting Homecoming Queen!

Future Plans: Attend Cleveland State University to major in Education.

Senior Bios



Brodie Sutorius

Hobbies: Farming

Siblings: Younger Brother and Older Sister

Favorite Food: Pizza

Favorite Subject: Biology

Favorite Sports Team: Browns

Favorite Person or Teacher: Grant Lustig

Favorite Season: Fall

Favorite Color: Red

Favorite Book: Of Mice and Men

Favorite Band/Artist: George Strait

Favorite Quote: "You Only Live Once"

Favorite Childhood Toy: Little Tractors

Favorite Holiday: Christmas

Favorite High School Memory: Goofing around in the lunch room

Future Plans: Continue to help my dad farm.



Landon Palmison

Hobbies: Work on cars

Siblings: Hemi Palmison

Favorite Food: Steak

Favorite Subject: English

Favorite Sports Team: Steelers

Favorite Person or Teacher: Brodie

Favorite Season: Summer

Favorite Color: Green

Favorite Book: The Great Gatsby

Favorite Band/Artist: Polo G

Favorite Quote: "Believe it, the mind can achieve it."

Favorite Childhood Toy: PlayStation 2

Favorite Holiday: Christmas

Favorite High School Memory: Having classes with friends

Future Plans: Attending Tara Tech for maintenance engineering.



Bryan Harris

Hobbies: Skiing, Writing, and Playing Music

Siblings: Older Sister

Favorite Food: Steak and Potatoes

Favorite Subject: Band

Favorite Sports Team: Cleveland Indians

Favorite Season: Fall

Favorite Color: Light Blue

Favorite Book: Joy-land

Favorite Band/Artist: The Doors

Favorite Quote: "Expose yourself to your deepest fear; after that, fear has no power, and the fear of freedom shrinks and vanishes. You are free."

Favorite Childhood Toy: Matchbox Cars

Favorite Holiday: Thanksgiving

Favorite High School Memory: Going Skiing in New York

Future Plans: Attend Oberlin college to study English to eventually become a writer.

Senior Bios



Noah Hesch

Hobbies: Reading, Gardening, and Talking with Friends.

Siblings: Hannah, Daniel, Stephen, and John

Favorite Food: Bread

Favorite Subject: Literature

Favorite Sports Team: Croatia National Football Team

Favorite Person or Teacher: Logan Ewing, for being a loyal and kind friend

Favorite Season: Autumn

Favorite Color: Brown

Favorite Book: Lebor Dabala Erenn

Favorite Band/Artist: Korpiklaani

Favorite Quote: "At last! The spheres arise to din and dark concert, as here beneath the gibbous eye of the watching moon waits lonely earth."

Favorite Childhood Toy: Nintendo DS

Favorite Holiday: Samhain

Favorite High School Memory: That time Dalton Fortnite danced on the stage during a test and Mr. Gluth didn't notice.

Future Plans: Go to college to study Architecture and Architectural Engineering or Folklore and Anthropology.



Jesse Flores

Hobbies: Making Beats/Music Composition, Skateboarding, Cinematography, Photography, and Reading.

Siblings: None

Favorite Food: Steak

Favorite Subject: English

Favorite Sports Team: Brooklyn Nets

Favorite Person or Teacher: None

Favorite Season: Winter

Favorite Color: Black/White

Favorite Book: None

Favorite Band/Artist: Brent Faiyez

Favorite Quote: "At the end of the day, it's not about what you have or even what you've accomplished. It's about what you've done with those accomplishments. It's about who you've lifted up, who you've made better. It's about what you've given back." -Denzel Washington

Favorite Childhood Toy: None

Favorite Holiday: Christmas

Favorite High School Memory: Freshman Track Season

Future Plans: Attend BGSU and major in Cybersecurity.



Dylan Aceto

Hobbies: None

Siblings: Devyn, Kayla and Kylee Aceto.

Favorite Food: Steak

Favorite Subject: Lunch

Favorite Sports Team: None

Favorite Person or Teacher: Will Smith

Favorite Season: Summer

Favorite Color: Blue

Favorite Book: The Cat In The Hat

Favorite Band/Artist: None

Favorite Quote: "Grrr Mondays"

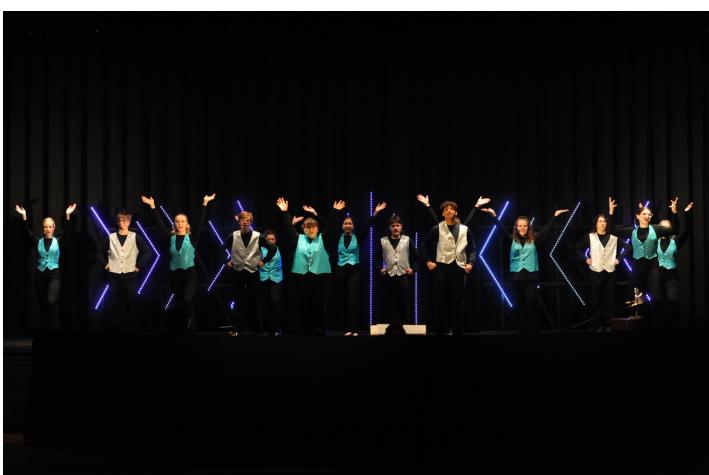
Favorite Childhood Toy: None

Favorite Holiday: Christmas

Favorite High School Memory: Lettering my freshman year

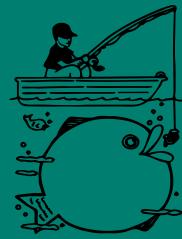
Future Plans: None

Dinner Theatre Highlights





Staff Retirements



Mr. King

How many years have you taught? 33 years

What subjects have you taught?
Physical Science, Biology,
Environmental Science, Anatomy,
Human Physiology

Best Teaching Moment?

Everyday when students have that "Ah-Ha Moment" and then ask more questions because they "get it" and want to know more.

What schools have you taught at?

Started in Toledo area as a long-term sub. Hired at MHS in 1990.

What are your plans for retirement?

Relax, visit family and friends, Kayak on the lake, and do whatever I want whenever I want.

What are you going to miss most about teaching?

I will miss the interactions with students and other staff members. I really enjoyed working with young individuals. They helped me realize that most people are good people and are just trying to find their way through life.



Mr. Denman

How many years have you taught? 37 1/2 years

What subjects have you taught?
Industrial Tech

Best Teaching Moment?

Seeing the way the junior high kids' faces light up when I show them how easy it is to understand fractions. I also enjoy seeing how proud students are when they have accomplished a project.

What schools have you taught at?

Ansonia (by Dayton) and then MHS

What are your plans for retirement?

Go hunting with my dogs

What are you going to miss most about teaching?

Seeing the look on a kid's face when they really understand fractions.



Mrs. Hedden

How many years have you taught? 34 years

What subjects have you taught?
Art and Social Studies

Best Teaching Moment?

There are so many. Making a difference in a student's day for the better.

What schools have you taught at?

Wright State University and MHS

What are your plans for retirement?

Expand my pottery at local galleries and travel as much as possible

What are you going to miss most about teaching?

The students by far!!! I especially hate leaving my Art 2-4 students

Happy Retirement!!



Staff Retirements



Mr. Volzer

How many years have you taught? 32 years

What subjects have you taught?
Spanish 1-4, World History,
Government, American History,
Geography, Civics, Sociology,
Psychology

Best Teaching Moment?
When students come back and thank me for teaching and pushing them to succeed. They see the relevance of education.

What schools have you taught at? Firelands High School and MHS

What are your plans for retirement?
Not sure. Possibly still coach.
Relax and figure it out as I go

What are you going to miss most about teaching?
The interaction with the students. I have had over 4,000 students in my career and I have enjoyed watching their successes and achievements.



Mr. Yantz

How many years have you taught? 33 years

What subjects have you taught?
Business, Typing, Personal Finance

Best Teaching Moment?
Teaching students and helping them succeed in competing in the business world

What schools have you taught at?
MHS

What are your plans for retirement?
Fishing and working on projects

What are you going to miss most about teaching?
Staff and student interactions



Mrs. Tucker

How many years have you taught? 33 years

What subjects have you taught?
English/Language Arts, Health and Physical Education

Best Teaching Moment?
I always love those moments when a student finally is successful and realizes that they can do what they previously thought was impossible; learning the value of never, ever giving up

What schools have you taught at?
Parkway & MHS

What are your plans for retirement?
Travel, visit my kids and granddaughter, Mila, golf, fish and church activities

What are you going to miss most about teaching?
The relationships and friendships I have made



Happy Retirement!!



Softball Update



Spring sports have experienced a different swing in things in the past couple of months compared to the season previous to this one. Even with Covid still being around while these sports are taking place, the players and coaches still have been working hard toward their goals for this newest season. The coach, Scott Dickman, has been glad to have a season this year with his team again.

He has been working with his team for the past few months to perfect their defense on the field to prepare them for SBC, and having the hope to win it. With the season coming to a close, he is still pushing his athletes. He's predicting, based on their progress this year, the team will go far in their tournaments. Covid is not stopping them, or getting in their way of what they are trying to achieve.





Track Update



The 2021 track season is coming to a close, and Todd Polk's athletes are still striving to continue their hard work in practices. Conferences are around the corner and each individual athlete is constantly working to improve their technique, and work with each of their relay teams.

At the past invitational meets, the girls team has taken first place in the: Edison Invitational, Lakota Invitational, Margaretta Invite, and the first annual Erie County Meet. The boys team is improving and figuring out what they need to do to perfect their techniques in running and throwing.

Conferences are coming faster than ever. Both our boys and girls team are continuously pushing to further their spot in their event. That means they must take and use every practice as an advantage to improve their skills. After the Conference Meet, State is not too far behind where it really matters to show off their skills and what they have been practicing leading up to this moment.



Congratulations to Junior Kenna Stimmel for setting the OHSAA Girls Pole Vault record of 14' 1" at the Edison Invite!!

