



The Husky Howl

MCI Clubs & Activities

The 2016-2017 academic year marked another successful one for MCI Clubs & Activities. Thanks to our wonderful faculty & staff, MCI is able to offer over 40 different clubs and activities, meeting the needs of all students both in and out of the classroom. The year has been filled with leadership, service, and learning experiences that are unmatched by many other schools. I am very happy and proud to share with you the many great accomplishments of our students and their advisors! Thank you for another wonderful year, and I am already looking forward to our Club & Activity Fair for the 2017-2018 academic year in late August!

-Mr. Giallombardo



Student Leadership Committee

SLC went to Bud's Shop N Save and performed an environmental scan. The students looked at where alcohol and tobacco products were placed in the store and if it would be enticing to teens. They also checked to see if there was an advertisement to promote the product or if the item was on sale. The students found that some of the alcohol was placed next to juice or by cookies but had stickers saying "we card" next to the alcohol and tobacco products. We learned from Chris Peterson the reasoning of why these things were placed where they were and why they couldn't be moved. The business was diligent in doing their part with putting up "we card" stickers by these products. We really appreciate the local business working with us on this project. SLC has been working with SVH and teamed up with them on the SVH 5k High on Life not on Drugs race/walk held at MCI. Because of the rainy weather and rescheduling of games we only had a couple of students that were able to help with the event. Even though it was raining the day of the race we had over 90 participants and our own Mr. Buys finished 2nd! The students did a great job jumping in and helping, and even joined in on yoga!

-Mrs. Caldwell

Book Group

Book Group members went on a "field trip" this winter; we spent lots of money at Books a Million and other books stores and then had dinner together. It was a good bonding experience! Lots of laughs! We've decided on two books to read as a group this summer: *Isadora: A Novel* and *The Raven Boys*. We also created a Good Reads group to keep in touch and recommend books to each other throughout the summer. We will certainly miss our seniors, and we will be a much smaller group without them! Book Group will have a table at the clubs & activities fair in the fall... consider joining our group next year!

-Mrs. Giallombardo





GSA

Six Members of MCI's GSA attended Out & About, a one-day event to support LGBTQ, held on the campus of University of Maine at Farmington in early May. Over 90 educators, school counselors, college students, high school and middle school students, as well as parents from all over the state attended the educational gathering, coming together to hear new information, learn important skills, and create strategies to make schools safer for LGBTQ youth. There were 9 workshops and presentations attendees could choose from throughout the day, each addressing a specific issue that affects the health and safety of LGBTQ youth. Attendees are

already looking forward to attending the fall conference on the campus of UMaine at Orono on October 20-21, 2017.

-Mrs. Susi

Kindness Krew

The Kindness Krew Jean Drive was a great success! Thank you to everyone who made a donation. The group has stayed busy this spring cutting out the shoes, which is a project that will continue into the fall. We estimate being able to send enough material and money for over 30 pairs of shoes!

-Mrs. Libby



Masardis

Masardis celebrated their seniors and their final coffeehouse with MCI Technical Theatre's student-directed scenes! Due to the size of the set and anticipated audience, the event was set in the dining hall. Faculty, students, and guests performed vocal, instrumental, and improvisational acts for a large audience number around sixty people. Ms. McKeown gave her swan song serenade on saxophone with Peri and Sydney. We will really miss her duets with students! Isaac Tardy played an excellent Harry Potter and was selected as a match over Beyonce and Abraham Lincoln. Technical Theatre's scenes had people laughing with aliens. Michael Niayesh gave his senior goodbye with three songs, two his original compositions. As usual, it was also a pleasure to hear songs from around the world shared by some of our residential students. We were also delighted to have Mr. Wright sharing his piano prowess throughout the evening.

Special goodbye to our Masardis Seniors Jin Ding, Stefan Gui, Michael Niayesh, Tom Schellen, Emillie Singh, and Riley Trafton. Their talents will be missed, but their friendships will always be remembered.

-Mr. Buys

Philanthropy Council

The council has remained busy through the end of the academic year.

Recently, the council challenged the MCI faculty & staff to a Founders Campaign matching donation. The faculty responded, generating \$500 that was then matched by the council in support of this very important campaign! The council anticipates making their monthly donations to charities during the 2017-2018 academic year, and looks forward to impacting those in need!

-Mr. Giallombardo



Quidditch Club

Over the long winter and rainy spring, Quidditch Club members have been meeting indoors and watching Harry Potter movies, playing Harry Potter trivia, and doing other indoor activities. We are eager to start meeting outdoors and getting back into the competitive quidditch spirit in the fall, and we hope to have some new members join us!

-Ms. Lamoon

Student Council

The 4th quarter is busy and fun. We devote a meeting to choosing scholarship recipients. Recipients for 2017 are:

MCI Student Council Contribution Award - Carter Pearl (who served as an officer this year)

MCI School Contribution Award - Carter Pearl

Cummings Leadership Award - Brayden Rollins

We also devote a meeting to choosing a faculty member to recognize at our final event. This is always a heartfelt and difficult decision. This year the StuCo chose to recognize math teacher Sarah McKeown. The StuCo makes a donation in the recipients name to a charity of her choice; Ms. McKeown chose Hardy Girls Healthy Women, based in Waterville.

Much of our time in the final quarter of the year is used for planning the May Campus Coffee, which is a time to recognize, and rib, the seniors a bit, as well as enjoy beverages and goodies. The 4th quarter also sees some of us out and about filming for the senior video shown at May Campus Coffee. Special thanks this year to Maggie Hodgins who pulled it all together for us! Also, thank you to our 3 graduating senior members: Abigail Bernier, Jacklyn LaRochelle and Carter Pearl.

Our last task of the year is to choose officers for next year. They are Meghan Cookson, Maggie Hodgins, Sarah Trimarchi, Kendrah Willey and as president, Hannah Folan. Congratulations to them.

They have already started working on making next year a memorable one!

-Mrs. Kingsbury



Model UN

MCI's Model UN team traveled to USM Gorham to participate at Maine Model United Nations Conference XIX. There, we represented Rwanda, Seychelles, Turkey, Sweden, and Panama on committees to discuss solutions to important global issues. Students worked with students from around the northeast throughout the 3 days at MeMUNC, practicing crucial problem solving, negotiation, and debate skills. Our delegates heard from keynote speakers from the State Department foreign service and from Senator Angus King, both of whom extolled the importance of cooperation and compromise in public affairs.

In addition to keynote speakers, our students also heard from professionals and academics in their debate topics to help them deepen their knowledge of topics like arctic commerce, refugee integration, security in the South China Sea, and African public health crises. MeMUNC has been a great experience socially and academically for our delegates.

We're looking forward to MeMUNC XX next year, and to holding scrimmage committee sessions with area schools. If you're interested in being a part of Model UN, talk to your counselor about the class, or with Mr Brownell about joining our club!

-Mr. Brownell

Art Club

With our academic year quickly coming to an end, art club has been working on projects to help reduce the stress of finals. Recently our own Helen O'Brien was selected to attend Haystack Mountain School of Craft, where she participated in a workshop on garment making. She is now sporting a new denim jacket she made around campus. As the club advisor, I am so proud of the work and friendships formed this year, and I cannot wait for next year's art club.

-Mr. Farson

Key Club

Key Club had a busy spring, with group service projects and individuals completing many service activities on their own. As a group, we assisted the Kiwanis at the annual Easter egg hunt, volunteered at MCI track's Husky Throwdown, provided campus tours and information to the parents of incoming freshmen, and helped with 8th grade move up day. Our members also volunteered their time working in the concession stand for various events, working at the "High On Life" 5K, working on a project with the Maine State Library, and assisting at the Special Olympics. We're looking forward to summer and helping out at the Kiwanis Karnival and look forward to next year!

-Mrs. Hughes

Fencing Club

The fencing club has ended for the year. We introduced the sport to approximately 20 students with four students fencing the entire year. The club also facilitated the travel to the Maine State Open for one of our fencers, who greatly enjoyed the experience though discovered that the competition was much stiffer than he expected. Next year will see new fencers coming in, as most of our regulars were seniors this year. Mt. View HS has a fencing club, and we will be trying to arrange to fence with them as well as get some of our fencers to open USFA meets.

-Mr. Tyson

Math Team

The Math Team enjoyed another creditable season this year with two teams, Solar and Lunar, competing throughout the year in the Eastern Maine Math League and then sending a

team to the State Meet. MCI Solar placed 29th out of 146 teams in Maine, while our second team, Lunar, defined the median. At the State

Meet, we were again sitting in the 29th place out

of all teams in Maine and finished 7th in class "C." MCI was led in scoring by Lyndon Tao who finished

with the 60th highest score of the almost 750 students competing. Next year we are hoping to improve with several students who made significant contributions returning.

-Mr. Tyson

Role Playing Game Club

The Role-playing Game Club was overflowing this year with 16 or more participants in attendance every week to play. While chaotic the students learned record keeping and problem solving, they had a wonderful time exercising their individual and collective imagination. While collaborative efforts sometimes failed, the students became friends and comrades. While almost half of our students were seniors this year, the club is on solid ground for next year, though the students debating the direction the storyline will take are vociferous. The club wishes to say goodbye specifically to Alexis Baker, Michael Johnson who have graduated now but attended almost every session for the entirety of their four years at MCI.

-Mr. Tyson

Astronomy Club

This club stays in flux as student interests change and students come and go. Unfortunately, Kevin Shen will be transferring to a school in Washington State, but he is leaving us all of his rocketry materials to take up the "Team America Rocketry Challenge" again next year. We have a few students who are interested in that. I will also be recruiting students for the Science Bowl that we did not attend this past year. Other activities will depend on student interest.

-Mr. Tyson

