

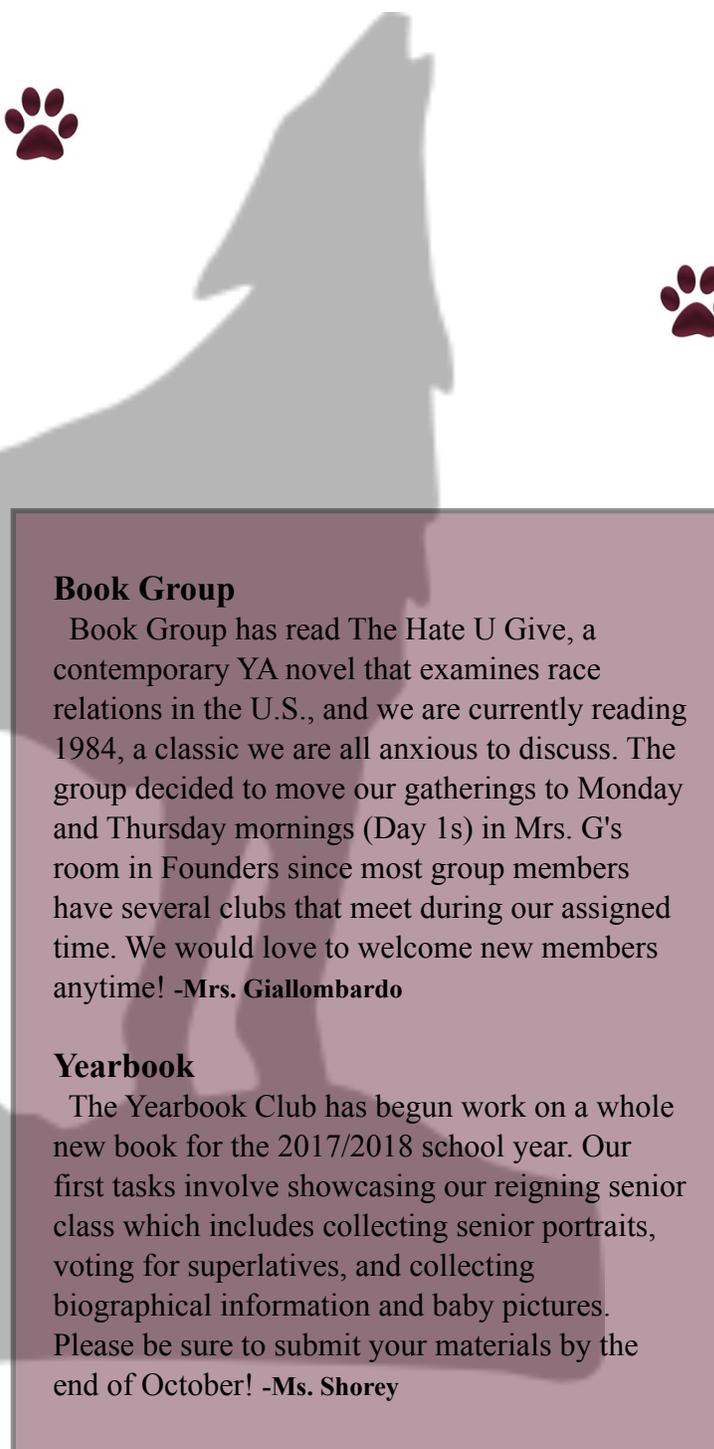


The Husky Howl



MCI Clubs & Activities

The 2017-2018 academic year has kicked off in good fashion through MCI Clubs & Activities. I am thrilled to announce that several clubs have been added to campus. These include Civil Rights Team, Primitive Living Club, Swim Club and Wiffle Ball Club! While many clubs offer the opportunity to meet during Husky Time hours, it is not uncommon for several of them to meet before or after school. Several of our community service based clubs also invest significant time giving back to their community on the weekend. We are always so proud of what our students accomplish through clubs and activities, and as always, I would like to recognize their advisors who continue to go above and beyond to give all of our students an educational opportunity outside of the classroom unmatched by other high schools. Thank you all and great job to start the year!



National Honor Society

The National Honor Society has had a busy opening of school. We elected five officers for the 2017/2018 school year. They are Devon Varney, Allison Hughes, Elspeth Taylor, Meghan Cookson, and Abigail Monteyro. On October 23rd, we inducted twenty-nine new members to our group! In the induction ceremony, these students received their NHS pins and took a pledge to continue to uphold the four pillars of membership: Scholarship, Leadership, Service, and Character.

-Ms. Shorey



Book Group

Book Group has read *The Hate U Give*, a contemporary YA novel that examines race relations in the U.S., and we are currently reading *1984*, a classic we are all anxious to discuss. The group decided to move our gatherings to Monday and Thursday mornings (Day 1s) in Mrs. G's room in Founders since most group members have several clubs that meet during our assigned time. We would love to welcome new members anytime! -Mrs. Giallombardo

Yearbook

The Yearbook Club has begun work on a whole new book for the 2017/2018 school year. Our first tasks involve showcasing our reigning senior class which includes collecting senior portraits, voting for superlatives, and collecting biographical information and baby pictures. Please be sure to submit your materials by the end of October! -Ms. Shorey



Aomori

A few wonderful & warm sunny days were spent by 18 MCI host families and 38 Aomori Minami Sr. H.S. students from Japan, in Oct. 2017. They were welcomed with warmth and sent off with tears. In between, the Aomori students performed presentations about Japanese culture at Vickery and Warsaw schools for 2nd through 5th grades, attended classes at MCI, carved pumpkins, got lost in a corn maze, shopped, ate lobster & whoopie pies, and visited Acadia National Park, to

mention just a few of the activities our MCI host families enjoyed with them. This is their 21st visit to MCI and hopefully it continues for many more years." "Edith Tierney, Destinee Duprey, & Samantha Ray will travel to Tokyo, Japan and onto Aomori City in Aomori Prefecture, Nov. 4th through the 12th. They will be welcomed with home stays with some of the students who were just here, tours and shopping, and a school visit to Aomori Minami Sr. H.S
-Mrs. S. Brown

Quidditch Club

The Quidditch Club has been revitalized by our new members, and enjoying playing quidditch outside in the beautiful fall weather. Moving practices to Front Campus this year has created a magical buzz on campus. Hearing Dumbledore and quidditch references at school meetings proves that Pottermania is still spreading!
-Ms. Lamoon & Mrs. Palonis

GSA

Members of MCI's GSA club spent October 20th on the University of Maine campus *EqualityME's 2017 FALL OUT & ABOUT* conference. Students attended workshops, presentations, and panel discussions on a variety of topics such as: federal and state laws, best practices for educators, supporting at-risk and out-of-home youth, starting a school club, making schools safer, using theater for social justice, queer literature, mental health and resiliency, interrupting oppression, as well as resources for parents and families with LGBTQ+ youth. Friday's Keynote was **Sarah McBride**, National Press Secretary for the Human Rights Campaign and leading LGBTQ activist. -Mrs. Susi

Outdoor Adventure Club

Outdoor Adventure Club has been enjoying the great weather this fall! They've been paddling, slacklining, hiking in Camden, and just won another overnight from Maine Huts and Trails. We meet Tuesdays during Husky Time- let Ms. Wagner or Mr. Libby know if you're interested in joining. -Ms. Wagner & Mr. Libby





Masardis

Masardis has been actively seeking submissions of student art and writing to create the new and improved Masardis Magazine online. Micaela Simeone is leading the editorial board. With a Halloween deadline for submissions. The editors are anxious to get to work on producing and publishing the first edition soon. Coffeehouse hosted their first event of the year on October 26. A variety of performances took place. If anyone is interested in coming or performing at the next coffeehouse, please contact Mr. Buys. Masardis is also looking forward to future collaboration with former member Charlie Ji who is bringing his band up from Berkley to have a concert on campus! More details to follow. -Mr. Buys

Rock Climbing Club

Rock Climbing is back this year and looking stronger than ever! We are a diverse group of people who have little or no experience of climbing prior to joining. Although this club is only on its second year, members are ascending to new heights every week at the Maine Bound Adventure Center at the University of Maine Orono campus. Rock climbing meets every Thursday during Husky time, and we are always looking for new members. Mr. Farson

Student Council

Student Council is off to a busy year and we love it! We started with a new selection process for membership, a big step but one that has paid dividends in the dedication of the group members this year. President Hannah Folan and officers Meghan Cookson, Maggie Hodgins, Sarah Trimarchi and Kendrah Willey welcomed 11 new reps. Our first big project was Theme Week (an annual event for us) which started on October 16 with our hosting School Meeting, highlighted by Staff member George Bevis and student Edith Tierney sharing their

thoughts on the theme, Integrity. Throughout the week we planned activities that allowed MCI community members to reflect on and share thoughts about the theme. We are currently working on our next big adventure, Spirit Week, the purpose of which is to build community and raise the energy level of students and staff alike! We'll coordinate a fun theme for each day of that week, sending everyone off to Thanksgiving break on a high note! StuCo is hoping to make this a yearly event. StuCo sends out a tremendous thank-you to everyone who supports our ongoing Hannaford Card fundraiser and who

bought product from us in our Yankee Candle sale. We've raised enough money to fund our activities for the first semester, and the goal for our next event ---a raffle for 1 \$100 Hannaford gift card--- is to fund the \$350 in scholarships that we provide each year. Lastly, we had ice cream cones and strawberries at our Team Building meeting this week to celebrate being together and our successes so far. We're all pumped for the rest of the year! -Mrs. Kingsbury



Kindness Krew

Kindness Krew has had a very busy start to the school year. Last years spring's jean drive to support Sole Hope was such a success that the project has continued into the fall. Members have been using these jeans to cut out patterns for shoes that will be shipped to the organization in Uganda. We currently have 60 shoes and will soon begin organizing fundraiser to raise \$10 for each pair. This money will be used for shipping, to employ a worker to make the shoes, and to help employ individuals who work at their free clinics. These clinics are hosted by Soul Hope and are intended to remove jiggers from feet and to educate individuals on ways to avoid and care for the problem.

We have also been busy beginning the preparatory work for the annual Thanksgiving Dinner Project. Item collection will begin on October 30 and run until November 16th. Kindness Krew will also be catering a dessert bar for the Academic Support/ Technology Parent Night on November 13th. This will be a donation table with the proceeds going to UNICEF for disaster relief. - Mrs. Libby

Model UN

The MCI Model United Nations club is gearing up for another exciting year of research, collaboration, and debate! We have a large number of eager newbies and a strong veteran contingent to help teach them the ropes of debate. Earlier this year we held our first committee session to acquaint new students to parliamentary procedure. There, students debated issues relating to the rights of women. We are now planning our next committee session: a European Union session to discuss the migration crisis. Students are researching and preparing their positions to get ready.

To help send our team to MeMUNC XX, we have been planning many fundraisers. Here's how YOU can help: spread the word about the MCI Craft Fair on November 18th from 9am - 2pm. We still have some spaces for vendors, but it's filling up quick! Mark your calendars, we'd love to see you there!

Of course, if you want to get in on the action, talk to Mr. Brownell or your academic counselor about joining the Global Issues and Model UN elective in Semester 2! -Mr. Brownell

Key Club

Key Club has started off the year with an increase in membership and several community service projects. The group has supported Key Club President Allison Hughes with fundraising for Play 4 the Cure and Seabasticook Valley Hospital. Members sold t-shirts and other "pink gear" at athletic contests and held a bake sale. They also sponsored the hugely successful Homecoming dance, which raised approximately \$800. Members have helped with: KOA haunted hayride, SVH health fair, and the Elks craft fair, to name a few. Next up for the club: Trick or Treat for UNICEF, serving lunch at the Welcome Table on November 10th and teaming with the Kindness Krew to collect food to provide Thanksgiving meals to local families. -Mrs. Hughes

Philanthropy Council

The council will continue to distribute monthly donations of \$500 to local charities in need during the 2017-2018 academic year. The council will begin their monthly donations in November by providing a donation to Hurricane relief efforts. They are already in the process of raising more money for their donations. Currently, members are selling poinsettias in the local community. They are also planning several holiday donations in the very near future. Lastly, members will continue to work closely with MCI's advancement office in raising funds for the remarkable Founders Campaign. -Mr. Giallombardo



Chess Club

Chess Club has had a good start to the year with strong interest and competitive games being played. The board next to Mr. Villmore's classroom features the results and standings of the players. New players are always welcome. After the Thanksgiving break, the club will shift to become a combined Husky Time/after school club where we will begin training to go to tournaments in the winter. -Mr. Villmore

Wiffle Ball Club

Wiffleball Club has had an excellent season. Games have been fun, yet competitive with a core of hardcore wiffers anchoring each Thursday matchup. Make sure you make the games, which will take place on November 3 and our season finale on November 17!

-Mr. Villmore

Fencing Club

The fencing club is experiencing resurgence in interest and participation this year. We have nine students who attend almost every meeting. We have two returning members and the others are all new. The new fencers are making great strides and our one very experienced student, YJ Li, deserves great credit for working with the new fencers. They are all progressing well and I expect that within a couple of months they will be ready to compete. While there are few opportunities in Maine to fence with other high school students, we will be looking to attend what opportunities exist.

-Mr. Tyson

Math Team

The MCI Math Team has competed once and will go to the second Eastern Maine Math League meet of the year on November 1. Once again, we have entered two teams in the league. We did well during the first meet but I am hoping that we will improve on our standings in the upcoming meet. We are currently ranked 35th and 65th in the state out of 134 teams, but could easily move up multiple places with a little stronger performance. Jinsu Jang is leading the team this year by arranging practices in the evenings to supplement the meetings we hold each week. I am glad to see that we are cultivating a tradition of leadership in the students. Our top scorers at the first meet were Tina Zhang and Victor Wu. I also want to recognize Seamus Walden and Dyllon Dunton for being the top 9th and 10th grade scorers respectively.

-Mr. Tyson

Art Club

Art club has gotten off to an amazing start this semester. Art Club is dedicated to giving the students of MCI a place to create, doodle, and decompress from the busy school week. This year, members have been busy working on unique and self-guided projects which range from geometric drawings to sculptures constructed out of cardboard. Art Club meets every Friday in JR 207; we'd love to see you there! -Mr. Farson

Role Playing Game Club

The Role-playing Game Club is where the members try to keep their imaginary characters living and prospering. They solve problems, sometimes with their wits, sometimes with their strength of character, and sometimes through dice driven combat. Cooperation, planning, and creativity rule in this game of imagination and fun. This statement was in this publication last year for those readers who have not played Role-Playing games. This year we have about a dozen enthusiastic players. Some of them are helping deal constructively with the noisy bedlam that occurs every Tuesday. All the players are responsible for notes about the adventures and their characters to keep everything running smoothly.

-Mr. Tyson

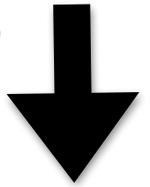
Astronomy Club

This club is smaller than last year but we have able and ambitious students who, despite the club's name, have decided to design and build a UAV (unmanned aerial vehicle) usually referred to as a drone. They are already deeply enmeshed in the shape, power, and materials needed to build one and are also concerned about control. They meet every Monday after school and are attempting to coordinate more time as they have begun to realize the extent of their hopes.

-Mr. Tyson



Outdoor Adventure Club



Sewing Club

Last week we went together to Joann's Fabrics in Waterville and bought some very cool fabrics for our first big project. Members learned how to read a pattern and choose materials. They need to bring these home, preshrink them, and we will start to cut at our next meeting. Normally, we will stay and work after Husky time ends until 3:30 or 4pm, to have time at the machines. Most will be making their first pair of pants, yet they are all headed in different directions with this! It will be exciting to see what this group of individualists will produce!! -Mrs. Glidden

French Club

We are currently planning our first outing set for Nov 3. We will be going to Portland after school for the First Friday Artwalk. We will also visit the Impressionist collection at the Portland Museum of Art, and then grab a crêpe at the Portland market. Our next planned event for Q2 will be an immersion dinner with a native French speaking guest. -Mrs. Glidden

