

THE SONIC SOUND

Franklin Monroe High School

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Spring Sports Update

By: Hallie Aslinger

The high school track team has competed in one meet so far at Newton. Their first home meet is April 5th. Make sure to watch for some of the freshmen throwers and sprinters, as well as both 4x8 teams as they hope to go to regionals this season. The girls track team has only one senior, a thrower: Olivia Graves. The boys track team has 6 seniors: Aaron Crist, Ethan Garber, Mitchell Schmitmeyer, Brandon Myers, Zach Wilson, and Draven Stephens, pictured bottom right.

Softball has played 3 scrimmages so far, and their first game is on Saturday, April 1st at West Milton. Two home runs have been hit so far in their scrimmages by sophomores Joanie Hall and Jocelyn Gray. The seniors on the softball team are Skylar Bauman, Grace Beeson, Emma Hein, and Kerri Miller. The softball team hopes to have a good season and improve their record from last year, pictured right.

The baseball team has also only had scrimmages. Their first game is also at National Trail Sunday, March 27th. The seniors on the baseball team are Cameron Barga, Cole Blumenstock, Dylan Brumbaugh, Gabe Sargent, Blake Sease, Jayce Byers, and Mason Feters, pictured below.

Creative Writing: Poetry

By: Kerri Miller

the cruelty of sonnets (a sonnet)

i don't need to tell you sonnets are cruel
their lines filled with unnecessary breaks
thrown in places to keep a certain rule
followed by writers who care not the ache
of limited freedom, to which they hold
without question of why, or any protest
against the powers of poetry bold
enough to harbor our right to write, dressed
in clothes made from the heartache and bloodshed
of past poems confined to line numbers
and rhyming patterns, thrown to a deathbed
of starved potential, eternal slumber
only being a small sacrifice paid
to a system based solely on a grade



Choir Coffeehouse

By: Amber Nottingham

At the Coffee House event with many songs, the junior high choir sang Payphone by Mark Brymer, Hallelujah by Mac Huff, and 4 Chords also by Mark Brymer. In 4 Chords there were 2 soloists Lainee Hackney and Emma Feters. There were many solos and small groups. Melanie Clement, a junior, sang Control by Zoe Wees. Next was Alexis Kleismit and Sophi Durst, both freshmen, Sang A Thousand Years by Christina Perry. Sloan Fugate, an 8th grader, went next. She sang Fix You by Coldplay. A duet was next by Kerri Miller and Lexi Olson, both seniors. They sang Free from Barbie Princess & the Pauper. After that was a small group of Amber Nottingham, a sophomore, Melanie Clement, a junior, and Maggie Clement, a 7th grader. They sang I Want It That Way by The Backstreet Boys. Another solo was by Kerri Miller singing Someone Like You by Adele. To finish, high school choir performed I Want You Back/ABC by Mark Brymer, Hall of Fame by Roger Emerson with 2 soloists Carson Clement, a freshman, and Melanie Clement, a junior, and Hamilton Highlights by Lisa DeSpain with 4 soloists Ethan Olson, a freshman, Libby Fox, a sophomore, Melanie Clement, a junior, and Kerri Miller, a Senior. They would like to give a special thanks to Trevor Swiger, a freshman, and Tyler Miller, a sophomore, for running sound and Picnic's Pizza and Grille. Thanks to all parents and families who donated time, food, and drinks including the Franklin Monroe School Board, administration, staff, custodial staff, friends, and family.

End of Year Motivation

By: Molly Krauss

The last nine weeks is about to begin. That means that this school year is almost over. Continue to work hard. It is very easy to get lazy with your classes through the last quarter, but I encourage you to try your best to keep up with your work. State testing is also coming up, so aim to prepare and show your critical thinking and understanding of the content. Putting in the extra work is a sign of responsibility.

Good luck and keep up the good work!

Upcoming Dates:

April 5: HS Track Meet at FM 4:30PM

April 7: Girls Softball Game vs. Dixie at FM 5:00PM

April 14: 2 Hour Early Dismissal

April 15 & 18: NO SCHOOL

April 16: Girls Softball Game vs. Catholic Central at FM 10:00AM, Boys Baseball Game vs. Catholic Central at FM 10:30AM

April 19: Girls Softball Game vs. Newton at FM 5:00PM, Boys Baseball Game vs. Newton at FM 5:00PM, Track Meet at FM 4:00PM

May 7: Junior & Senior Prom

May 13: Chicago Choir Trip, In Flight Service Day, MVCTC Seniors Last Day of School

May 17: MVCTC Juniors Last Day of School

May 24: End of Year Awards Assembly, Band and Choir Spring Concert 7:00PM

May 25: Last Day of School for FM Seniors

May 27: Graduation Awards and Breakfast for Seniors

May 27, 31, & June 1: Exams

May 28: Graduation 7:00PM

May 30: NO SCHOOL

June 1: Last Day of School, 2 Hour Early Dismissal

Creative Writing: Short Story

By: Alexis Kleismit

Avery Miller was a normal teenage girl, but one day that all changes. Last night, Avery went out to a party with her friends. When she came back everything seemed fine until the morning. Avery woke up and went downstairs and her mom started yelling to her dad that there is a stranger in the house. Her dad started shouting at her to get out of his house. She got in her car and drove to her best friend's house.

She started banging on the door. "Lilly, my parents don't know who I am! I need your help" Avery said. "I don't know who you are, but I hope you figure out what you need" Lilly said. Lilly shut the door and left her out here. Avery went to the police station and told them that something is wrong with her parents. "Ok young lady, calm down, tell us your name" the police officer said. "My name is Avery Lynn Miller and I was born on September 1, 2003" Avery said. "You are not in our system" the officer said. "What do you mean? I'm right in front of you" Avery said. "I don't know I don't care" the officer said.

Avery left the police station and went to sit in her car. "They didn't believe me either" some guy suddenly said. "What?!" Avery asked. "They didn't believe me either. I woke up one morning and my parents kicked me out of my house, and I told the police and they told me to go away" he said. "But why?" she questioned.

To be continued...

Reminders and Updates for End of School Year

- Turn in the **yellow transportation form** you received during homeroom to the office.
- Turn in the **white in flight service day form** to the office (high school only).
- At this point, **class schedules** for next school year were due on March 29th to Mr. Clark. Be sure to see Mr. Clark to make sure your schedule is correct for the 2022-2023 school year or if you have any questions or clarifications that need made.
- **State testing schedule:** *English Language Arts* Grades 7, 8, and 10 on April 6 and 7 in the AM, *Biology* on April 20 AM & PM, *Science* Grade 8 on April 20 and 21 in the AM, *Math* Grades 7 and 8 on April 27 and 28 in the AM, *Algebra 1* on April 27 and 28 in the AM, *Geometry* on April 27 and 28 in the PM, *US History* on May 2 AM & PM, and *Government* on May 3 AM & PM.
- **Final exams** for your classes will take place the last 3 days of school: Friday May 27, Tuesday May 31, and Wednesday June 1.

Sonic Sound Staff

Writers and Staff:

- Olivia Graves - Senior
- Kerri Miller - Senior
- Lexi Olson - Senior
- Hunter Warner - Junior
- Hallie Aslinger - Sophomore
- Elli Earwood - Sophomore
- Amber Nottingham - Sophomore
- Natalie Suter - Sophomore
- Sophi Durst - Freshman
- Nate Good - Freshman
- Alexis Kleismit - Freshman
- Molly Krauss - Seventh

Adviser:

- Mrs. Howell

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Creative Writing: Poetry

By: Nate Good

Slow Down, Take a Breath

We always know they're
going to happen,
As we wake up every morning and
before we close our eyes every night.
Yet we cherish them and their beauty.
We stare at them and capture
their moment with a photo.
I think they happen to make us slow
down and experience life
for a few minutes.
They remind us that life is happening
and that time is passing.
They remind us that there is a
whole world out there,
That the beginning of our day is the
end of someone else's.
I think we should treat life more like
them. We should cherish it even
though it usually always comes
again the next day.
Because life is beautiful if you just
slow down, even if it's only
once or twice a day.
The belief that we are invincible doesn't
lessen life's beauty.
Even if it's true that life's fleeting
nature makes it sweet,
But you have to slow down to taste that
sweetness before it's gone,
And you can't forget to,
Or else you'll miss your chance,
To sunrises and sunsets.

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