

May 2009

Senior Beat!



MTA Class of 2009

A Thought for Your Future:

There are only a few weeks left until MTA seniors take the graduation stage. The past four years have been a wonderful experience. I wish you all the best in your future endeavors. In life there are so many different paths placed in front of us. My hope for all of you is that you think about what you truly want out of life and then confidently step onto the path that will put you in that direction.

As said by Morrie Schwartz, in "Tuesdays with Morrie" by Mitch Albom, "So many people walk around with a meaningless life. They seem half-asleep, even when they're busy doing things they think are important. This is because they're chasing the wrong things. The way you get meaning into your life is to devote yourself to loving others, devote yourself to your community around you, and devote yourself to creating something that gives you purpose and meaning".

Thank you all for putting more meaning into my life. xoxo, Mrs. Vannah

Senior Happening & Dates

May 23, 2009: MTA Senior Prom at A Taste of Maine, Woolwich 8pm-12am

June 4, 2009: Senior Awards Banquet, MTA Commons 6pm

June 14, 2009: Graduation Day, MTA Football Field or Gymnasium 1pm

June 14-15, 2009: Project Graduation, Cranmore Family Fitness, North Conway, NH

Project Grad questions?... contact Ellen Messier or Allen Graffam

Things To Know

CAPS & GOWNS

Some seniors have worked hard over the past 3.5 years to raise funds for graduation & activities costs. We have been tracking all seniors. 126 seniors have participated in fundraising. Based on individual efforts, some seniors will receive vouchers for free caps, gowns, stoles, and tassels. If a senior does not receive a voucher, they will need to pay the \$33 fee. Vouchers will be handed out after May 23. If there is need for financial assistance, please contact Stacey Vannah at vannah@link75.org.

OUTSTANDING FEES \$\$\$

Check with Mrs. Anderson in SAO to see if you have any outstanding fees or fines before May. You will not graduate if they are unpaid.

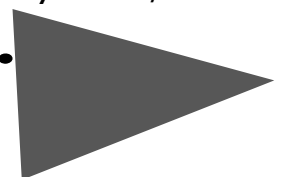
The Portland Press Herald will be doing a write-up in late June of our senior class. They are asking seniors to take a survey on-line about their thoughts and plans. All replies are anonymous. **Take the survey at: <http://tinyurl.com/dx87ch>**

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"Today is the first day of the rest of your life."



Senior Beat! will be posted at
<http://www.mta75.org/YOG2009/SeniorBeat.pdf>



LANTERN VIDEO PRODUCTIONS - Class of 2009 Graduation Video

There are few milestones in our lives that are as important and valuable as this special day. With all of the emotion and excitement surrounding the event, it is easy to miss details of the day. A video captures every detail for you to relive for years to come. A video of your child's commencement ceremony gives you the opportunity to share the day with those who were unable to attend. Videos also make wonderful keepsakes for grandparents, aunts and uncles, friends or anyone else who may wish a copy. The video will include all speeches, presentations, and events surrounding the ceremony itself. We make every effort to ensure that each graduate will be seen receiving his or her diploma.

Completed videos are usually ready within 4 weeks of graduation and are shipped directly to your home. If you are ordering multiple videos as gifts, we can ship them directly to the recipients as well. If you have any questions, or for more information, please call us at (207) 786-6978.

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Pre-Order Form

Purchase your Class of 2009 Senior Video NOW! The price is \$8.00.

Checks should be made out to MTA Class of 2009. Forms can be brought back to Mrs. Vannah's room or homeroom advisers. For further questions contact Stacey Vannah at vannahs@Link75.org or Ethan Burnette at Ethanburnette19@yahoo.com.

Student(s) name: _____

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the Web!**

[http://www.
projectgraduation2
009.pbwiki.com/](http://www.projectgraduation2009.pbwiki.com/)

***“Believe in
yourself and all
that you are.
Know that there
is something
inside you that is
greater than any
obstacle.”***

Christian D. Larson



GRADUATION INFO:

MARCHING PRACTICE:

ALL graduating seniors are REQUIRED to attend marching practice. Marching practice is on Thursday, June 11 and Friday, June 12.

Practice begins promptly at 8 am. It will end at 11am only if all seniors are there to begin at 8am. We cannot begin until every single senior is there. Please get to MTA BEFORE 8am so that you are ready to go. The plan is to be done by 11am each day, BUT we will stay as long as necessary. If we start late, we will end late. Teamwork, punctuality, and cooperation are key during marching practices.

GRADUATION TICKETS:

All graduating seniors will receive 8 graduation ceremony tickets. If you need more, you MUST let Mrs. Thiboutot (Guidance Office) know by Friday, May 29. This deadline will not be extended.

These tickets are free. Seniors will receive the official tickets after marching practice.

Josten's graduation announcements ARE NOT graduation tickets, they cannot be used on graduation day for admission.

Let Mrs. Thiboutot know if you need accommodations for handicapped seating. This seating is NOT necessarily in the front row. It will be in a location that is safe and accessible.

CAPS/GOWNS/HONORS CORDS:

Seniors will pick up caps/gowns/stoles and tickets AFTER marching practice on June 12. ALL MTA fees and fines MUST be paid in full in order to receive caps/gowns/stoles and tickets. Mrs. Anderson (SAO) takes care of payments for fines and fees. These must be paid by Friday, June 5.

Honors cords will be handed out on graduation day, before the ceremony.