



The MACHS Anchor



Providing information about the school and maritime industry to faculty, family, and friends

Set Sail with these Lists of Events:

Middle School:

High School:

Mon, 3/23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Day Computer-Based Tutoring – Until 8:15 AM D.A.R.E. Program Baseball Game @ Northwood – 3:30 PM Book Bunch – 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM Chess Practice – 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM Newspaper Club – 4:15 PM – 6:00 PM Softball Practice – 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM
Tue, 3/24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> B Day Computer-Based Tutoring – Until 8:15 AM After School Tutoring – 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM Baseball Practice – 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM Book Bunch – 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM Choir Practice – 3:45 PM – 5:00 PM Sea Perch – 4:15 PM – 6:00 PM Softball Game vs. NFCS – 3:30 PM
Wed, 3/25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Day Computer-Based Tutoring – Until 8:15 AM Baseball Game vs. NFCS – 3:30 PM Boatbuilding Class – 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM Book Bunch – 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM Softball Practice – 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM Parents Workshop #1 - PSSAs: Facts, Myths, and Helping your Child Excel – 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM
Thu, 3/26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> B Day Computer-Based Tutoring – Until 8:15 AM Last Day to Submit Pretzel Orders Community Meetings After School Tutoring – 4:30 PM – 5:00 PM Baseball Practice – 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM Chess Practice – 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM Sea Perch – 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM Softball Practice – 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM
Fri, 3/27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> B Day Computer-Based Tutoring – Until 8:15 AM Community Meetings G.R.E.A.T. Program
Other Important Reminders: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3/28-4/6 – SPRING BREAK! School Resumes on Tuesday, 4/7/15 (No PD on 4/10) 4/7 – Volume 29 of <i>The MACHS Anchor</i> is published 4/8 – Quarter 3 Ends 4/12 – Quarter 3 Grades are Due 	



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Tue, 3/24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Day ACT Prep Baseball Practice Keystone Prep Softball Practice Study Hall Varsity Track Practice – Meet at MS by 3:30 PM
Wed, 3/25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> B Day Baseball Practice Keystone Prep Newspaper Club Sea Perch Softball Practice Spanish Credit Recovery Varsity Track Practice – Meet at MS by 3:30 PM
Thu, 3/26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Day Baseball Game vs. Tacony Keystone Prep Softball Game vs. Dobbins Study Hall Varsity Track Meet Zumba!
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Bravo Zulu!



Recognizing success and points of pride around MACHS

Nine MACHS Cadets Chosen as Mayor's VIPs

Since 2008, Mayor Michael Nutter has chosen students from across the area to be a part of his Very Impressive Performers (VIPs) Program. This year, the elite group of people competed against over 400 students in 25 schools who have demonstrated incredible involvement in their school and community. It is with overwhelming pride that we congratulate the 9 cadets who were chosen for this quarter: **Rebecca Appiott (Gr. 11), Charles Cardonick (Gr. 11), Tydirah Dixon (Gr. 11), Deonna Eddins (Gr. 10), Devian Eddins (Gr. 10), Danielle A. Farr (Gr. 10), Jaqueline Hample (Gr. 11), Briana Rodriguez (Gr. 10), and Rebecca Vilella-Perez (Gr. 10).** In recognition of their hard work, they will have their choice of attending one of 2 Philadelphia 76ers game, and participate in the VIP Parade at City Hall in June. Way to go!

MACHS Skating Fundraiser to Take Place on April 28th

Some of you may be dismayed that the MACHS Bingo event that was scheduled for April 17th was postponed. However, for those looking for a preview to those baskets, or simply interested in a night of fun, we encourage you to attend our **MACHS Skating Party Palooza!** This all ages event will be held at the Palace Roller Skating Center on Tuesday, April 28th from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM. For just \$10, attendees gain entrance and free skate or roller blade rental. Non-skaters and children under 5 are \$5, and optional food vouchers can be purchased by April 10th for \$3. While guests can purchase at the door, we strongly encourage all students, faculty, and friends to complete an RSVP form, and submit it to either their advisory teacher (or Ms. McDevitt in the HS) to better coordinate the schedule of events and amount of raffle prizes.

All proceeds of the event will benefit the middle and high school Athletics Departments.

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Lighting the Way

Maritime industry news that guides our students towards understanding

Save the Dates: Notable Maritime Events in June

We are pleased to announce that Maritime Academy Charter School will take part in two upcoming maritime events around Penn's Landing. The first is for **Maritime Day**, which is on June 9th. The second is the much-anticipated **Tall Ships Philadelphia-Camden** that will have on display numerous vessels from around the world from June 25th to June 28th. For those of you who are unfamiliar, National Maritime Day is observed on May 22nd of each year. During last year's event celebrating the influence of the maritime industry, MACHS participated through its volunteerism and participation in various activities. This year, the goal is to have even more faculty, cadets, and friends involved in showcasing our time and talents.

As for The Tall Ships Challenge, it is an annual event in which a showcase of international ships are put on display in various ports along a 3-year cycle of locations in the Great Lakes, and the Pacific and Atlantic coasts of North America. The last time this event took place along the Atlantic coast, it was hosted by ports in Canada, Rhode Island, New York, and Georgia. This year, the journey of the featured vessel, *L'Hermione*, celebrates the relationship between the United States and France by following the path that Lafayette used in 1780. Wherever these vessels dock, the goal of Tall Ships America is provide character building and leadership for the youth while aboard tall ships.

We look forward to providing further information about these events, but if you would like to develop your own plan or purchase tickets for Tall Ships Philadelphia-Camden, you can do so at their website: <http://tallshipsphiladelphia.com/>. You can also read about our introduction to the event in Volume 17 of *The MACHS Anchor*, which can be read [here](#).



A Few Final Remarks and a Preview for Next Week

We conclude this last week of March before our celebration of spring break with these reminders:

- Per information that was shared with us from Temple University's Center for Obesity Research and Education, we would like to inform you of a sleep study for children aged 8-11 years old. You can obtain more information by calling them at (215)707-8998, or reading a 6abc article that you can access [here](#).
- On Wednesday, the middle school will host its first Parents Workshop in coordination with our CLC Program. Led by teachers **Ms. Allen** and **Ms. Fanega**, and titled, "PSSAs: Facts, Myths, and Helping your Child Excel," its goal will be to orient parents and guardians to better prepare their children for the PSSAs that are set to begin on Monday, April 13th. To RSVP, or to gather more information, contact Ms. Fanega at fanega.d@maritimecharter.org.
- As we approach the end of another month (and marking period!), the middle school will celebrate outstanding cadets at community meetings that are set for Thursday and Friday. We congratulate the hard work of all of our students as they excel in academics and behavior.
- Excelling in athletics the middle school softball team, who began their season with a 9-1 win last week! A spring start of snow stopped our other sports from beginning their seasons, but we look forward to sharing positive news about them soon.
- Finally, our monthly newsletter raffle concludes this week, and it seems to be a battle between middle school and high school students! **Ahdiyah Robey (Gr. 11)** has been truly admirable in her dedication to spread good news, but **Julia Welsh (8A)** is set to be our first 2-time winner. All participants, including readers of this week's issue, have a chance of winning a prize that has a minimum retail value of \$10. For those who forgot, by March 31st, you simply have to be the person who generates the most referrals. To qualify, all someone has to do is send us an e-mail stating that you referred them. Best of luck, and tune in April 7th to find out who won!

Do you have news to share? Send your pictures, stories, and ideas to newsletter@maritimecharter.org.