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UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Tuesday, November 4** - General Election. Remember to vote!
- **Monday, Tuesday, and Friday, November 3, 4, and 7** - Challenge Day for Freshmen
- **Thursday, November 6** - Sophomore Parent Guidance Information Meeting, 6 - 7:30 p.m., English in the Library, Spanish in the Guidance Classroom
- **Friday, November 7**, Last day to request letters of recommendation
- **Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, November 6, 7, and 8** - *M-A Fall Play, The Mousetrap* (See [article](#) for times) Performances are in Room C-16.
- **Monday, November 10** - 8th Grade Information Night, 6:00-8:30 p.m., Ayers Gym, **NOTE DATE CHANGE**
- **Friday, November 14** - *M-A Fall Play, The Mousetrap* (See [article](#) for times)

PTA



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Did you miss the fashion show? Do you need to see your talented senior modeling again? Do the grandparents need a DVD? Don't worry, it's not too late to order your copy of the fashion show DVD. Find forms on the [PTA website](#) and order yours now!

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FOUNDATION FOR THE FUTURE

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 MENLO-ATHERTON HIGH SCHOOL

Our 2008-09 Annual Campaign is underway! Despite the current economic turmoil, M-A is depending on the Foundation to raise \$1,100,000 for salaries for **smaller classes** (\$460,000), **professional development for excellent teachers** (\$125,000), **strong curriculum** (\$265,000), **college and career preparation** (\$115,000), and **critical programs and services** (\$155,000).

We Need Your Help! Click [here](#) to DONATE NOW on-line. Please visit www.mafoundation.org for more information and instructions for Mailing A Gift, Employer Matching, Leadership Donations and more. A gift of any size makes a difference.

Announcing the **FOUNDATION 500 CHALLENGE!** Donate today and your gift will mean even more. A small group of supporters will give M-A \$50,000 if at least 50 donors increase their contribution by \$500 or more over last year by December 31st. Can you can be one of the 50?

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M-A ADMINISTRATION

Bear Naked News, our School Newspaper. Subscriptions to the monthly "Bear Naked News" are now on sale! The rate for the entire year is only \$20, and each issue will be mailed to you. Please support the student newspaper by ordering your subscription NOW.

In order to subscribe, mail a check payable to Menlo-Atherton High School Journalism to the attention of Mr. Welsh, M-A High School, 555 Middlefield Road, Atherton, CA 94027. Be sure to include your mailing address, your student's name and ID# on the memo line of the check.

For more information, please feel free to contact Mr. Doss Welsh, Journalism Advisor, at dwelsh@seq.org. The PTA has given the Bear Naked News financial support through mini-grants in previous years, but the newspaper is run solely by the students. Please help sustain this valuable program by subscribing for home delivery.

M-A Yearbook Dedication Pages. Attention SENIOR parents: Congratulations on your student's accomplishments! What better way to celebrate this momentous feat than by dedicating a page to your daughter or son in the M-A Yearbook. Include pictures and personalized messages that will be with them for a lifetime. Visit www.JostensAdService.com to start your page today! Prices start as low as \$60. Also, yearbooks are still available for the early bird price of \$65 online at <http://shop.jostens.com>.

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ACTIVITIES AND CLUB NEWS

DRAMA CLUB. The M-A fall play, *The Mousetrap*, by Agatha Christie, will be performed on Thursday, Nov. 6 at 7 pm, Friday, November 7 at 7 p.m., Saturday, November 8 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., and Friday, November 14 at 7 pm. Staff and students are \$5, Adults are \$8. All performances are in Room C-16. For questions, contact Mandy Peoples at apeoples@seq.org.

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M-A COLLEGE AND CAREER CENTER

CollegeWeekLive (www.collegeweeklive.com) is a virtual college fair that will be held on November 12 and 13. This fair will feature over 200 colleges from across the country and around the world. The full list of participating schools can be found here: <http://collegeweeklive.com/colleges.html>. You will be able to interact with school admissions officials and current students via real-time online chat, as well as download school brochures and access relevant information all in an online environment. There will be keynote speakers addressing important admissions topics as well as student panels where current college students will be discussing admissions issues. You can find the agenda for the show at

<http://collegeweeklive.com/agenda.html>.

There will be scholarship giveaways during the show, such as the ones you can learn about at <http://www.collegeweeklive.com/scholarships.html>. This college fair is free to all attendees. (Commercial sponsors will have booths at the "fair," so if you're wondering how it can be free to attendees, that should answer your question!) If you are just starting the college search process, or have narrowed down your list and are looking to speak to people at specific schools, take a look at this free resource which is an opportunity to attend a college fair from the comfort of your home computer. If interested, you can register at <http://collegeweeklive.com/register.php>.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

GOT SPRING SOCCER FEVER? MP Strikers 93G(U15) Girls Class One Team looking to add new players. Please Contact Head Coach Chris Bobb @ (408) 876-9704 or chrisbobbsoccer4@yahoo.com or Laura Thiele-Sardina @ (650) 743-5101 or laura@sardina.com, and check club website: www.mpstrikersfc.com for more info.

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ATHLETICS



All the Scores and More!
(Click [Here](#) for This Week's Calendar)

Change to Parent Information Meeting. Attention all Winter Sport Athletes - the regularly scheduled Parent-Athlete Sports Info Night has been reconsidered this season. Instead of the broad gathering planned for Monday, November 17, each team will instead hold its own information meeting. You should find out the date, time, and location of your team meeting from your coach. Please plan to bring at least one parent to your team meeting which will cover sportsmanship guidelines, as well as practice and game schedules for your upcoming season.

The Fall Sports Awards night will be held on November 20.

FOOTBALL. The varsity football team defeated Menlo in a deluge Saturday 31-13. Vaughn Smith and Will Preston both had two rushing touchdowns and Eric Stanske added a field goal to complete the scoring. The defense had a great day, led by Rod Nash's three interceptions. The JV football also defeated Menlo with an impressive score of 35-6. Zach Klein and Cameron Moody both rushed for two touchdowns each while Junior Sakalia added another touchdown and Sam Falkenhagen booted in a field goal.

GIRLS WATERPOLO. Our water gladiators claimed the PAL championship for the 2nd year in a row by beating Woodside and ending the regular season undefeated in league play. On Saturday night, rain couldn't stop the Bears from storming over SHP 8-4 in front of a standing-room only crowd. The Bears now prepare for this week's post-season PAL tournament in their quest for the CCS title. Congratulations, Vanessa Lane, Palo Alto Weekly's player of the week, and Becca Dorst and Emily Dorst for player of the week honorable mentions! M-A U-Know!!!

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL. Come support the team! The last game of the season is this Tuesday at Woodside at 4:30!!!

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BEARNOTES SUBMISSION INFORMATION

- Email submissions to [your BearNotes Team](#) by Thursday noon, spellcheck/proofread them first, and format them in Arial 10 pt.
- Please keep submissions **concise**, and include the organization name, event, date, time, location, and contact info, including web site URL.
- All submissions are subject to editing by the PTA.
- For the PTA policy on BearNotes publication, please go to the [M-A PTA web site](#).

Menlo-Atherton PTA does not endorse third-party events or submissions, nor take responsibility regarding the content of any third-party websites.

Go Bears. Grrrr!

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M-A High School PTA BearNotes

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