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2026 Sophomore Semi

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It's that time of year when the Marblehead High School sophomore class gathers at Endicott College's Tupper Manor for a memorable night of dance, music, and celebration! This event is a classic at MHS, and has been one of my favorite high school memories yet.

We arrived at MHS and were breathalyzed for safety, then took buses and arrived at Tupper Manor shortly. With its elegant architecture and scenic coastal setting, the venue is a beautiful place for the most anticipated event of sophomore year. The space filled with students catching up with friends, taking photos, and heading to the dance floor. A buffet-style spread gave students plenty of options, and the ice cream bar quickly became a favorite stop for many throughout the night. Between dancing and talking with friends, students could grab something to eat and relax before heading back onto the dance floor.

Behind the scenes, the event required months of planning and preparation by the sophomore class officers. From organizing logistics to selling tickets and coordinating details with the venue and catering,

the officers worked together to make sure the evening ran smoothly. Their efforts played a huge role in creating such a successful event.

Sophomore Vice President Lucy Molinari reflected on the experience of helping organize the event: "Being a part of planning the Sophomore Semi-formal was both exciting and rewarding, as it involved organizing everything from selling tickets to the overall atmosphere of the event. "It was especially fun to watch all the details come together after so much preparation and time spent with the other officers. The night itself was a huge success, and it was great to see everyone come together to enjoy such a fun and memorable night."

By the end of the night, it was clear that the Sophomore Semi-formal had lived up to expectations. With a beautiful venue, great music, delicious food, and thoughtful planning by the class officers, the dance became a highlight of the school year and a night many sophomores will remember.



Every sophomore in attendance had an amazing night getting dressed up, dancing, and spending time with their friends!

Cradles to Crayons

Grey Collins, Editor-In-Chief, Senior

On Thursday, members of the Social Studies Honors Society took the hour-long bus trip to Newton, Massachusetts, where they spent the day volunteering at a warehouse, sorting and stacking donated clothing. For the day, they traded their desks and pencils for boxes and bags of donated clothing at the Cradles to Crayons warehouse, dedicating their time to helping young people living below the poverty line.

Cradles to Crayons is an organization committed to supporting children up to age 12 in low-income or homeless situations by providing everyday essentials like clothing and school supplies—items necessary to thrive in both learning and social environments. According to the Cradles to Crayons' mission statement, "One day every child will have the essentials they need to feel safe, warm, ready to learn, and valued."



The MHS Chapter of the Rho Kappa National Social Studies Honors Society, founded just last spring by students and faculty advisor and U.S. History teacher Lindsay Bachman, is currently in its inaugural year with its first class of 28 MHS seniors. The newly-found chapter held their first meeting last May, when they elected their officers: the President Grey Collins (the writer), Vice President Colin Maniaci, Treasurer Alex Humphreys, and Secretary Sydney Ball.

Throughout the year, members have participated in a range of community service and educational activities, including hosting guest speakers such as State Representative Jenny Armini and Town Historian Don Doliber, as well as organizing a holiday food drive for the Salem Food Pantry.

The bus departed the high school on Thursday at approximately 8:30 a.m. and drove to the Cradles to Crayons warehouse in Newton, MA, where the students filed out and joined other comm-

unity members inside to listen to a short presentation from the organizers.

During their two-hour volunteer session, students enthusiastically sorted through donations and helped organize clothing by size.

"It was really cool to see how excited everyone was to work together with the community to make a difference," said Ms. Bachman. The team of volunteers sorted and sized a total of 144 boxes of clothing, a number that was cheered when it was revealed. Some of the students even brought their own donations to contribute.

"Cradles to Crayons and the Marblehead students who volunteered there did a lot to help address clothing insecurity, as two in five children do not have the appropriate clothing they need," said Bachman. "Having appropriate clothing improves health and hygiene, limits bullying, and prevents absences in school."



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