In December, after having the story of The Golden Sled read to them, kindergartners and pre-first graders joined forces with members of the National Honor Society to build their own sled. Building these sleds using popsicle sticks and glue was enjoyable for all. The children looked like they were having a great time mingling with the eleventh and twelfth graders. Each child received a golden sled to hang on their Christmas tree. Some of the older students still have the sleds they made in Kindergarten.

### 2015 CNY Scholastic Art Awards

Each year, Marathon Central School’s high school students enter artwork into the CNY Scholastic Art Awards competition. This year, between Mr. Quinlan’s and Miss Jennison’s art classes, there were 31 pieces entered. This very competitive and prestigious competition receives thousands of entries every year, and out of those vast entries, the judges selected 5 pieces from 4 of our very own students to receive awards. 10th grader, Chloe McConnell won a Gold Key and received Honorable Mention for Printmaking; 10th grader, Emily Krebs won a Silver Key for Drawing; 12th grader, Leah DeMatteo received Honorable Mention for Painting; and 12th grader, Kyle Young received Honorable Mention for Photography. Their artwork is currently on display at the Scholastic Art Award Exhibit at Onondaga Community College in Syracuse, NY. The exhibit opens to the public on Friday, January 16th, and runs through Friday, February 27th. All are welcome to come and see the exhibit. Congratulations to those winning students, and to all of our talented artists who entered the competition. Below are our award winners: Chloe McConnell, Kyle Young, Emily Krebs, and Leah DeMatteo.

### Maple Festival Queen Pageant Ticket Sales

Admission tickets for the 2015 Marathon Maple Festival Queen Pageant will go on sale on Saturday, March 14, at the Marathon Civic Center, from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. A donation of $4.00 will be collected. The pageant, which will be Friday, March 20, at 7:30 p.m., leads off the 45th Annual Marathon Maple Festival weekend. After March 14th, to inquire as to the availability of tickets for purchase, please call Mary Bliss, at 849-3246.
Physical Exams

The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends yearly physicals. The State of New York requires them in kindergarten, 2nd, 4th, 7th, and 10th grades. The School Health Program at Appleby and the High School would like to offer them to all students each year. If you would like to schedule a physical for your child please call Carol at Appleby 849-3180 or Teresa at the HS 849-3900. If your child has had a physical this year or is planning to have one elsewhere, please be sure to send the office a copy for your child’s school health record. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the School Health Program at the numbers above.

Mid-Winter Break & Staff Development Day
February 16-20, 2015
No student attendance
grades UPK-12

Lots of Room to Grow!

Would you like to honor a graduate of The Class of 2015? Or remember a past graduate or favorite staff member?

We have lots of spaces for new bricks in the path under the new high school awning. Orders received by April 30 will have bricks installed in time for Graduation Weekend!

$50 per brick or 2 bricks for $90

Contact the Business Office or PO Box 1 for an order form or e-mail pifry48@frontier.com
(All profit supports Graduation awards)

2015-2016 BUDGET PRESENTATION AND COMMUNITY INPUT FORUM
February 11, 2014 at 6:00 PM
High School Library
All community members are invited to listen to the presentation and have an opportunity for input.

Financial Aid Night
Do you want help filling out the FAFSA?

Information and assistance filing the FAFSA provided by financial aid counselors at TC3 and other local colleges

When: 6-8PM February 23rd, 2015
6-7PM information session
7-8PM filing the FAFSA

Where: McEvoy BOCES Cortland

Please feel free to contact Michelle Walker with any questions at 849-3229

Emergency School Closings:

Emergency closings due to weather will be broadcast over the following radio and television stations between 6:30–7:00 am. K-12 Alerts will also contact the designated phone number of the student’s primary contact.

Radio Stations:
- 1290 AM – WNBF (Binghamton)
- 1360 AM – WKOP (Binghamton)
- 98.1 FM – WHWK (Binghamton)
- 99.1 FM – WAAL (Binghamton)
- 101.5 FM – WXHC (Homer)

Television Stations:
- WBNG – Channel 12 (Binghamton)
- WIVT – Channel 34 and 9 (Binghamton)
- WTVH – Channel 5 (Syracuse)
- YNN - (Binghamton and Syracuse)

CAREER AND TECHNICAL (OCCUPATIONAL) EDUCATION

At Marathon Central School career and technical education opportunities will be offered without regard to sex, sexual orientation, race, color, creed, religion, national origin, political affiliation, age marital status, military status, disability or use of a service animal. If there are any concerns in this area, please contact Michelle Walker, School Guidance Counselor, or Deborah James, coordinator of Title IX activities at 607-849-3229.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Budget Hearing of the inhabitants of Marathon Central School District, Towns of Marathon, Freetown, Lapeer, Harford, Virgil, Willet and Cincinnati, Cortland County; Lisle and Triangle, Broome County; Richford, Tioga County; qualified to vote at school meetings in said district, will be held in the library of the Marathon Central School building at 1 Park Street, Marathon, New York, on Monday evening, May 11, 2015, at 7:30 PM, Eastern Daylight Savings Time.

The PROPOSED BUDGET for the School Year 2015-2016 and the BUS PURCHASE RESOLUTION will be reviewed, as well as the transaction of such business as is authorized by Education Law.

AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the time of the VOTING on the Annual Budget, the Bus Purchase Resolution, and the Election of two Board Members shall be Tuesday, May 19, 2015, from 12:00 PM (Noon) through 9:00 PM in room 107 (CSE suite) located in the Main Building, 1 Park Street, Marathon, New York.

AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the election of members of the Board of Education and voting upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures may be done by qualified voters by means of an absentee ballot as provided by Education Law Section 2018-b and in accordance with policy 2120 of the Marathon Central School District.

AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required for the ensuing year for school purposes, exclusive of public monies, may be obtained in the office of the Marathon Central School in the Village of Marathon, New York, by any resident during the fourteen days immediately preceding the budget vote, except Saturday, Sunday or holidays.

AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the following Propositions will be submitted:

Proposition #1

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Marathon Central School District be authorized to purchase four (4) (two(2)-66/44 passenger and one (1) 35/23 passenger and a Chevy Suburban) school buses at an estimated maximum aggregate cost of $400,000; and that such cost, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax to be collected in annual installments; and in anticipation of such tax, debt obligations of the school district as may be necessary not to exceed such estimated maximum aggregate cost shall be issued.

AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that petitions nominating candidates for the office of the Member of the Board of Education must be filed with the Clerk of the District not later than MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2015. The following vacancies are to be filled on the Board of Education:

TRUSTEE FOR A TERM OF THREE (3) YEARS
REBECCA EDSALL, Name of Last Incumbent

TRUSTEE FOR A TERM OF THREE (3) YEARS
KIRSTEN PARKER, Name of Last Incumbent

Each petition, a copy of which may be obtained at the District Clerk's office, must be directed to the Clerk of the District, must be signed by at least twenty-five (25) qualified voters, must state the name and residence of the candidate.

Date: March 2015

NANCY A. LoPRESTI
District Clerk
Board of Education

## Senior Citizens’ Exemption

### Income Levels

The Marathon Board of Education recently updated the income levels for which senior citizens can qualify for tax exemptions on school taxes. Please check the qualifications and income levels below, you may qualify.

Tax exemptions will be granted only if:

- The applicant owned the property for 12 consecutive months prior to filing the application.
- The property is the legal residence of the applicant.
- The property is used exclusively for residential purposes, although if part is not used for residential purposes then only that part shall be subject to taxation.
- There is no child attending public school who resides on the property.

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Seniors who qualify can obtain an application from the Town Assessor and must file EACH YEAR by March 1.

We have begun the budget process for the 2015-2016 school year at Marathon Central School District. Our primary focus is to provide our students with the best education possible with minimal impact to tax payers. To do this we will do the following:

- Prioritize district needs and re-allocate existing funds
- Create a five year plan for educational services, equipment, school vehicles and continue our five year plan for school bus replacement
- Utilize our fund balance and reserves responsibly to help balance this year’s budget

The first draft of our 2015-2016 school budget can be found at: http://boarddocs.cnyric.org/nj/mesdny/Board.nsf/Public (January 21, 2015). A programmatic highlight in this budget will be the addition of an Agriculture Career and Technical Education (CTE) sequence. This is a three year plan which will provide juniors and seniors with an opportunity to become educated and active in agriculture within our community. The first step in this process will be to hire a half time technology/CTE teacher in 2015-2016. It is our intent to invite surrounding school districts to participate in our new agriculture CTE program, making Marathon the “Go To” place for agriculture instruction.

I invite you to come to our public forum on Wednesday, February 11th at 6:00 PM to learn more about this exciting opportunity as well as our initial thoughts for our upcoming budget. The forum is designed for small group discussions with the administrators. Through-out the evening, we will be seeking feedback which will help us create the next draft of the budget. Feedback from our community is very important. We hope you will be able to join us.

You may have noticed Capital Project work is well under-way in both buildings. At the elementary, the new fire alarm system is 90% complete. Wiring for the new phone and camera system is also going well. The plan is to be done with the internal work at the elementary before summer. At the high school, ceilings have been opened up to gain access to water pipes and wiring. The area around the cafeteria is the primary focus at this time. This area has been closed to students and staff after school and will continue through February. The primary entrance used after school is the handicapped entrance. Ceiling work will continue in other portions of the building during March and April, with boiler replacement beginning as soon as we are out of the heating season. I want to thank everyone for their assistance during our project. Capital project work done during the school year would not be successful without the cooperation from all students, staff and community members.

As always, if you have feedback or concerns, please feel free to contact either the building principals or myself. Thank you for all you do to support Marathon CSD.

Sincerely, Rebecca Stone
Appleby News & Notes

Wonderful things are taking place in our classrooms and students have returned from the Christmas Recess with great effort and a willingness to learn. If you have questions regarding your child’s education, please let me know so that I have an opportunity to discuss this with you.

Reminders:

- Students riding on Marathon Central School transportation must wear their safety belts at all times.
- Please send a note in with your child if they are getting picked up early or if there is a change in transportation. Notes must be received by noon the day of the requested change.
- Due to our new school management system, Schooltool, we must have a note explaining reasons for late arrivals (tardy) and early dismissals to avoid your child being marked as excused.
- Please remember to sign in and out at the main office when visiting Appleby.

Calendar of Events:

- Friday, February 6th: Report Cards Sent Home
- Monday, February 9th: PTSA Meeting, HS Library, 6:30 pm
- Wednesday, February 11th: Budget Public Forum, HS Library, 6 pm, BOE mtg. follows
- Friday, February 13th: Appleby 2nd Quarter Awards Assembly
- Monday, February 16th: UPK-3 at 1 pm, 4-6 at 2 pm

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Monday, February 16th-20th: Mid-Winter Break

UPK-3 at 1 pm
4-6 at 2 pm

Thank you! Jonathan Hillis, Appleby Principal

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**3rd Annual Grocery Grab Raffle**

Marathon Community Scholarship Foundation will sponsor this fundraiser once again to raise money for scholarships awarded to high school seniors at graduation. Tickets will cost $3.00 each or 2 for $5.00. Tickets will be sold at Gregg’s Market in Marathon on Saturdays, Feb. 21, Feb. 28, March 7 and March 14. Tickets will be sold at Maple Festival on Sat, March 21 and Sun, March 22. The winning ticket will be drawn at 3 pm on Sun, March 22 by the new Maple Queen in the high school auditorium. Winner does not need to be present at drawing. The winner of the raffle will have 2 minutes to run through Gregg’s Market in Marathon on Thurs, March 26 and grab free groceries. A $200 cash prize may be chosen by the winner instead of the 2 minute grocery grab.

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**Santa’s Secret Shop**

A Huge Success

The Marathon PTSA held their annual Santa’s Secret Shop at Appleby Elementary during the week of December 8-12th. Santa’s secret shop is a store that provides affordable items for the children of Appleby to purchase as gifts for their loved ones. Members of the PTSA shop all year long to stock Santa’s shelves with a variety of gifts. The children enjoy the wonderful feeling of giving gifts; their faces light up as they choose from Santa’s inventory, and each item is two dollars or less. Many volunteers are needed to make this week a success, and I wish to thank them for their hard work and dedication. Thank you to the adult volunteers: Shelley Warnow, Tessa Call, Abby Homer, Courtney Mathers, Mary Jane Wood, Yvonne Moore, Sunshine Ensign, Pete Elliott, Desiree Jamison, Sandra Morris, Bobbi-Jo Dilello, Nancy Aiken, Peg Wheaton, Pat Canfield, Christine Keller, Liz Spiegel, Rebecca Edsall, Korisa Wright, Kacie Penrose, Robin Baez, Sue Marshall, Christine Lambert, Sarah Wood, Stephanie Canfield, Emily Lawrence and Christine Elliott. A huge thank you to Mrs. Karen Eaton who organized the 11 high school student helpers: Kylie Cannon, Jacqueline Moore, Lea DeMatteo, Marissa Harris, Holly Morrison, Kendra Ross, Rachael Hammond, Lauren Votra, Megan Contri, Taylor Buddenhagen, and Alison Eaton.

Thank you Appleby teachers for sharing your students with us for 40 minutes, we enjoyed every minute of it. I wish to thank the principals, Jon Hillis and Doug Pasquerella for their efforts and patience during this busy week. To Mrs. Rebecca Stone, thank you for always supporting our group. Thank you Sue Light and Judie Hill for all always being there when we need you! The Appleby custodial staff was very helpful making sure our room was always clean, locked and also for your help setting up and tearing down. THANK YOU!

Special thanks to Mary DeCunzo, Pat Villani, Gary Contri, Jen McConnell, Carrie Newkirk, Marilyn Negus, Jen Lung, Becky Gillette, Nani Coleman, Jim and Lynn Ryan, Korisa Wright and Rebecca and Mike Stone for their generous monetary donations. Thank you Marathon Dollar General for your support and donations! Thank you Marathon Gregg’s Big M for providing the bags so the kids can carry their gifts home safely. Thank you Onnajean Votra of LOGThis for your great hats! Special thanks to Becky Gillette for the amazing lunch you made for us! I would like to thank my husband and my three daughters for tolerating all of the shopping trips, unloading the van, counting the inventory and helping me stay organized. Thank you to the entire PTSA group for your ideas and support! I greatly appreciate you all.

Each year we select a class that shows the most kindness, manners and outstanding behavior while shopping. This class receives the DeCunzo-Ryan award, a special snack as a reward. I am happy to announce the winner is Mr. Mikels’ 2nd grade class. This year, many of the classes were very well behaved, but his class was exceptional. Keep up the great work Appleby students! You make us very proud! PTSA is looking forward to seeing you next December at Santa’s Secret Shop! Keep working hard!

Sincerely,
Melinie Lawrence,
2014 Santa’s Secret Shop Organizer
Hello! My name is Rebecca Jennison, and I am one of the Jr/Sr High School Art Teachers here at MCS. I have decided to submit a bi-monthly article to be in our own Torchlight paper. Each article will feature some of the artwork that the students in my classes have been doing, and I will also be featuring a Student Artist of the Month for each month. I hope you all enjoy our talented students’ work, and continue to show support for the Arts in our community.

Scholastic Art Competition
In December, some of my students submitted their very best artwork to the Scholastic Art Award Competition. This art competition is very prestigious and is very competitive with thousands of entries for the judges to choose from. The students who submitted work from my classes are: Brianna Phillips, Ashley Bush, Emily Krebs, and Elyse Brickner. Out of the works submitted, Emily Krebs won a silver key for her drawing titled “Until the Song Ends”. The artwork to the right is Brianna Phillips’ watercolor painting entry titled “Bliss”.

Gyotaku – Fish Printing
To the right, is a piece of artwork created by one of the students in my Studio Art class, Iadan Berke. This project was a lesson on Gyotaku, which is a form of printmaking. Gyotaku is the traditional Japanese method of fish printing that originated in the early 1800’s by fishermen to record the size and type of fish they caught. This allowed the fisherman to keep a “copy” of their trophy catches, and then still be able to sell and profit from that catch. The students in my Studio Art class really enjoyed this project, and created some really great artwork at the same time.

Miss Jennison’s Student Artist of the Month
December’s Featured Student Artist: Ashley Bush
Ashley is a junior in my Creative Crafts class, and has also pursued some Independent Study work. She is a very motivated student, who really loves to paint. Currently, she has been working on a series of “Skyscapes” using acrylic paints. To the right is one of her pieces that was entered in the Scholastic Art Competition. The piece is titled “Sky and Water”.

January’s Featured Student Artist: Emily Krebs
Emily is a sophomore in my Creative Crafts class, and has also pursued some Independent Study work. She is an excellent student, and she really loves art. Emily likes many different art mediums, but particularly has a passion for drawing. To the right is her Silver Key, award winning piece that was entered into the Scholastic Art Competition. The piece is titled “Until the Song Ends”.

UNBROKEN
Seventy students went to the movies Tuesday, January 13th to see “Unbroken”. They included the junior class who read an excerpt from the novel and concurrent enrollment seniors who read the novel in its entirety went to see the film version of the novel Unbroken, the story of a WWII prisoner of war veteran Louis Zamperini. The students were very appreciative of the opportunity, and Mrs. Jennison was appreciative that Arts and Education funding generously paid for the trip. Courtney Duda, a junior said, “The movie showed her even if life is tough that it could be so much worse.” Desiree Brame another junior said, “It was a great movie,” while Andrew Allen, also a junior added, “It wasn't just great. It was inspirational.” A special thanks should be given to Mrs. Brown, Mr. Evans, Mrs. Frost, Mrs. Forkey, Mr. Pasquerella, the cafeteria, school health office, and bus drivers, Becky Mullen and Terri Hammond, who took time out of their day to make the trip possible.

All County Chorus
A select group of chorus students from Marathon in 7th-12th grade participated in All County chorus this past weekend at Homer Intermediate school. These students rehearsed for three days with other students from the county and worked with guest choral conductors from the state. The concert was held at 2pm on Saturday, January 17th, and they all did a fantastic job.

Tickets go on sale February 2
$3.00 Students
$5.00 Adults

Marathon High School Presents
February 26, 27, & 28
7:30 PM
Directed by:
Corinne Uprock
Reese Wisner

High School Auditorium

**Miss Jennison’s Student Artist of the Month**

January’s Featured Student Artist: Emily Krebs

Senior High All County Students: (Front Row L-R)
Casey Wood, Kyle Cannon, Diamond McKay, Hayley Morey, Emily Lehman, and Leah DeMatteo

Back Row L-R
Austen Hollebeck, Austin Smith, Mason Kneedler, Lauren Votra, and Darian Charles

*Missing from the photo: Courtney Duda, Rachael Hammond, and Miranda Stone*

Junior High All County Students: (Front Row L-R)
Raven Reynolds, Emma Fritts, Dan McDonald, Scerenia Barber, Abby Pailey, Zoe Carter, Gabby O’Neill, and Jamie Strumpfeller

Back Row L-R
Isaac Thornton, Jessica Rivas, Karitina Hart, Nash Vincent, Jordan Loope, Hailey Minor, and Kassandra Farr

*Missing from the photo: Erin Johnson and Breeanna Powerski-O’Neill*

STAY SAFE.
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CAPCO EVENTS

MAPLE FESTIVAL: March 21st and 22nd - the Family Resource Center in room 118 will be open to all during the Festival. We will be offering:
- A Fidelis Care Representative will be present to speak with people about health insurance.
- The Clothing Closet will be open. FREE clothing.
- Baby changing area.
- Nursing mother’s area.
- Play area for toddlers and pre-schoolers.
- Rest area for moms and dads.

ZUMBA & TABATA WITH CINDY: Zumba on Mondays in Whitney Point at St. Patrick’s Church on Keibel Rd. 6:15 - 7:15 p.m. Tabata on Tuesdays and Thursdays in Marathon at St. Stephen’s Church on Academy St. 5:45 - 6:45 p.m. Bring light hand weights. $3.50/class. Students are Free! For More Info, call Cindy at 760-0410.

ZUMBA WITH GIUSE: Tuesdays & Thursdays 7 p.m. and Saturdays 9 a.m. at Giuse’s Place on Rt. 221West. For More Info., call Giuse at 761-3451.

LEARNING TREE PLAY GROUP:
1. If you earned less than $33,484 and your adjusted income tax assistance, please call Raimona Rowe at 607-745-2114 to sign up. VITA volunteers are preparing taxes in Cortland, McGraw, and Cincinnatus. www.cortlandfreetaxes.org
2. Did you find the Little Library Don Jennison built? It is at the Town of Freetown Town Barn! Take a book, leave a book. Adult and children’s books will be available. Another little library will be placed in Kirkwood.

FOOD PANTRY:
- The Marathon Food Pantry is open on Tuesdays from 4:00 -5:30 p.m. and Thursdays from 5:30-7 p.m. in the Old Town Hall. If you have questions, call 849-3127.
- Fidelis Care will be at the Marathon Presbyterian Church the first Wednesday of each month from 9:00 a.m. -12 noon and 12:30-2:00 p.m. Call 753-6781 for more info.

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ONGOING EVENTS

CLOTHING CLOSET: The Clothing Closet will be open on Tuesdays and Thursdays this year 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. in room 110. Clean and gently used donations accepted. I AM IN NEED OF ELEMENTARY OR SCHOOL-AGE KIDS CLOTHING.

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1. If you earned less than $33,484 and your adjusted income tax assistance, please call Raimona Rowe at 607-745-2114 to sign up. VITA volunteers are preparing taxes in Cortland, McGraw, and Cincinnatus. www.cortlandfreetaxes.org
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JV & VARSITY ATHLETES—SAVE THIS DATE!

44TH ANNUAL INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC AWARDS NIGHT

Friday, June 19th at 6:00 PM-Marathon High School Auditorium

The Athletic Awards Night is an opportunity for all Junior Varsity and Varsity Athletes to receive recognition for their accomplishments during the Fall, Winter and/or Spring Season. Since all Junior Varsity and Varsity Athletes will be recognized with their Junior Varsity and/or Varsity Letter we encourage all Athletes and their Parents to attend this special evening of recognition.

OLYMPIANS—LIFE OF AN ATHLETE

"PURE OLYMPIAN PERFORMANCE"

December 2014
Liam Chilson, “POP” Star of the Month

Team Captain, Liam Chilson stopped at University Hospital after a long day of wrestling to see how his injured teammate was doing. Liam had just been selected as Most Valuable Wrestler of the APW-Pulaski Dual meet Tournament. While visiting his teammate Jake Howard who had just been injured at the tournament, Liam gave his Most Valuable Wrestler Award to Jake. Liam is a leader, a competitor, and most of all a true friend. An excellent example of the benefit of sport in people's lives.

A FUN EVENT FOR RUNNERS & WALKERS

Marathon’s 5K
Run/Walk for the Scholars
June 27th at 9:00 AM

A Fundraising Effort for the Marathon Community Scholarship Foundation.
Applications Available @ www.marathonschools.org

Congratulations
NYSPIHSSA—FALL Varsity Scholar Athlete Teams

Girls Soccer

INDOOR TRACK & FIELD ATHLETES BREAK SCHOOL RECORDS

Daniel Harden—Long Jump—22’0.25”
Daniel Harden—300 Meters—31.17
Kimberly White—55 Hurdles—10.07
Matt Williams—25 lb Weight Throw—39’01”

10 WAYS TO SUPPORT THE WHOLE OLYMPIAN PROGRAM

The "Pure Olympian Performance" Way

1. Go to another team’s game with your own teammates.
2. Make posters to support other teams during big games or for games that you may not be able to attend.
3. Put a good luck statement on the announcements to another team.
4. Have your team dress in the same color or a similar outfit when you go to cheer on another team.
5. Have people’s faces on a popsicle stick and dedicate a specific game to cheer them on.
6. After the game congratulate the team for their win on the announcements. Highlight specific people who make outstanding contributions.
7. Provide a healthy "Pure Performance Snacks" to a team during a big competition.
8. Make up cheers specific to the program you are cheer for that day.
9. Send good luck cards to all the members of a team.
10. Be supportive of each other's successes and defeats.

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POWER BACK DIET FOR ATHLETES

Through the help of the New Hampshire Life of an Athlete Program and the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation the Marathon Life of an Athlete Program—“Pure Olympian Performance” is able to offer the Power Back Diet for Athletes.

The Power Back Diet for athletes simplifies nutritional goals and presents them in a way that is easy to implement, immediately. Proper nutrition improves performance while alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs impeded performance in many ways. Make the right choice when you sign on to be an Olympian Athlete. Send an E-mail today to Mr. Todd James, Athletic Director at jamest@marathonschools.org and request your free PDF Copy of the Power Back Diet.

MARATHON ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

2015 INDUCTION CEREMONY

The Marathon Athletic Hall of Fame will have its induction ceremony on Friday, June 26, 2014. The ceremony, which is open to the public, will take place in the auditorium at approximately 7:00 PM. This year the committee will focus on the year 2004. However, we will accept application prior to 2004.

The purpose of the Hall of Fame is to recognize the accomplishments of the inductees and develop pride in the rich athletic traditions of the district. The inductees shall exemplify Marathon’s commitment to academics, community, and athletic excellence and should foster a deeper understanding and appreciation of the history of Marathon Athletics for current student-athletes and the community at large.

For more information, look at the nomination process at www.marathonschools.org, or contact the main office at the high school 607-849-3251 to receive an application. Applications are due April 15th.