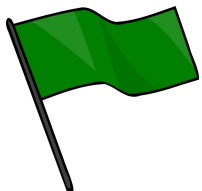




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Happy December, MASC!



We had a commendable start to the race at the President's Dinner and Officer Shop! Next stop... Unified Bocce!

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Picture from president's dinner.

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A Message from Aby Haile

Happy December, MASC!

As we embrace the festive spirit of the holiday season, I extend a warm welcome to each of you in this issue of our organization's newsletter.

This month is not only a time for twinkling lights and cozy sweaters, but also a time of reflection and gratitude. I am grateful for the opportunity to lead such a vibrant and diverse student body, and I am excited about the potential that lies ahead of us in the coming year.

As we wrap up this year, let's celebrate the achievements, big and small, that have made MASC a community we are proud to be part of. The MASC executive board is here to ensure that this holiday season and the approaching new year are filled with warmth, positivity, and a sense of belonging for every one of you.

Throughout December and the coming winter months, we have some special festivities and initiatives planned to add a sprinkle of joy to your days. Whether it's bocce, the SOMA dance, or our Hyannis Conference at the end of the season, the MASC executive board is dedicated to making this new season memorable for everyone.

May this December be a time of unity, reflection, and joy for all of us. Here's to a season of giving, gratitude, and making lasting memories.

Wishing you all the warmth and happiness this holiday season,

Abyssinia Haile

President of the Massachusetts Association of Student Councils



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NEMASC

The NEMASC Fall Conference was held on November 15th at the North Andover High School. The conference started at 9 and ended at 1, where students spent the day in workshops and had the opportunity to listen to an amazing keynote speaker.

Rob Surette, the keynote speaker, known for his amazing speed painting, and his work at corporations such as Disney, left everyone with a lot to think about as he carried out his show.

WMASC

Since the school year has begun, the WMASC board was able to successfully able to meet and plan our annual fall conference. We were able to host our regional conference this year on Nov. 14 at Longmeadow High School. We were thrilled to have over 250 delegates and advisors join us for some amazing workshops, as well as a motivational speech from our keynote speaker, Tony Pina. But looking forward m, the board and I are beginning to plan for our winter roundtable. In which we hope to see just as a great of a turn out as our fall conference.



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CDMASC

- Fall Conference was held at Tantasqua Regional High School on November 16th
- Over 400 people were in attendance
- Delegates participated in round tables and 2 workshops
- CD will be hosting a Winter Day of Service at Grafton High School on January 7th from 12pm-3pm
- We ask for people to donate hygiene products
- Delegates will be making cards/friendship bracelets for hospitalized kids as well as blankets for Project Linus (materials will be provided)

SEMASC

We recently had our 2023 Fall Conference at Walpole High School on October 27th, where we held over 550 delegates from across the region and brought our 4th Dana Farber Charity project to life, donating over 65 sweatshirts to patients undergoing chemotherapy and other cancer treatments. We are now currently working with Carver High School to plan our Winter Conference on February 7th, 2024. We are asking each council to bring 2 Gift Baskets to be able to donate to the Dana Farber Cancer Center Chemotherapy Chairs. Our region is continuing to lead, grow and inspire and we look forward on seeing everyone again soon!



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Nominations, Awards, and Candidacy Links

- [Candidacy Form](#)
Due Wednesday, December 20, 2023
- [Administrator of the Year](#)
Due Friday, January 19, 2024
- [Henry Sullivan Advisor of the Year Award](#)
Due Friday, January 19, 2024
- [Top Ten Project Awards](#)
Due Friday, January 19, 2024
- [Unsung Hero Awards](#)
Due Friday, January 19, 2024
- [James Rokas Award](#)
Due Friday, January 19, 2024
- [Council of Excellence Awards](#)
Must be postmarked by February 2, 2024

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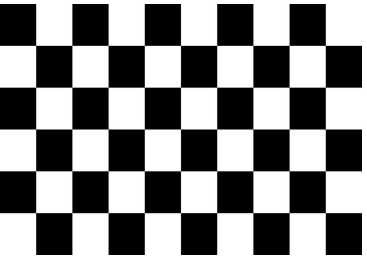


MA Special Olympics

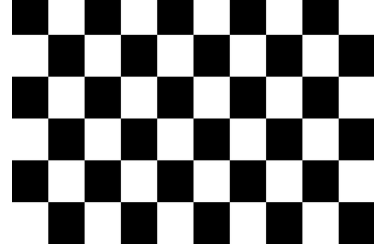
- **Unified Bocce**
 - Friday, January 26, 2024; 4PM to 7PM
Oakmont Regional High School
 - Saturday, January 27, 2024; 9AM to 1PM
Middleboro High School
 - Sunday, January 28, 2024; 9AM to 1PM
North Reading High School
- **Special Olympics Dance**
 - February 3, 2024 4-6PM
MA Special Olympics Headquarters
- **MASC Polar Plunge**
 - March 6, 2024
Hyannis, MA

For more information about the Massachusetts Special Olympics, check out their website at <https://www.specialolympicsma.org>

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Saturday, January 27, 2024

Sunday, January 28, 2024

- **Special Olympics Dance**

February 3, 2024

- **MASC Annual Conference**

March 6, 2024-March 8, 2024

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns or would like something to be considered to be included in the newsletter, do not hesitate to reach out to Mike at michaelomalley@duxbury.k12.ma.us.

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