

Headlight



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Senior Bucket List

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Okay senior, take out a pair of scissors and cut this bucket list out. Tape it to somewhere you can see it. The following is a list of twenty-five things I believe every senior should do before they head off to college.

1. Spend a day at Crocker Park. Fourth of July is best, but also go when it's a gorgeous day and isn't so hectic. Take some pictures and jump off the Crocker Dock.
2. Sing at least one song of karaoke at Terry's Ice Cream on a weekend night, while enjoying a cup of the delicious and famous cookie dough topping. Screw the calories!
3. Drive around town with friends listening to your favorite songs and/or country music. Completely blast your tunes and do like four neck runs. Admire the houses on the neck and really just enjoy the scenery. Live in the moment.
4. Drive to the lighthouse right before the sun goes down and watch the sunset. Bring your phone to take pictures because the views are always stunning. If you want to get more creative, bring take-out or a picnic and enjoy the scenery with a nice meal.
5. Go to Abbot Hall and read about Marblehead's history. It may seem boring, but it's actually quite interesting. You may learn something new.

6. Go to Deveraux Beach on a hot summer day, spend the day, and purchase a lime rickey, any flavor. French fries are also always good. Feed the seagulls, run into the ocean and swing on the swings. Enjoy the little things that made you feel invincible as a child. Have fun.
7. Attend something to do with the Marblehead Festival of Arts from July 3rd through the 6th. Get involved and volunteer if you can. It is such a great experience. Or help another organization such as Magic Hat Thrift Shop. Give back to your community.
8. Go shopping locally. Check out all the random and interesting shops we have in Marblehead. Start from Atlantic Ave. and go all the way down to Washington.
9. Get a coffee or iced tea from Java Sun. Choose one of their comfy chairs and sit in it for at least five minutes. If you don't feel like driving to Bagel World, no worries. They buy Bagel World bagels every morning and they are yours for the taking, two minutes away.
10. Go boating and or fishing anywhere off or in Marblehead or Salem Harbor.
11. Stay in Marblehead for the Fourth of July and watch the fireworks from a boat.
12. Do something that scares you. Go into Salem and get your fortune told, or tell that special someone you care. Spend time with the people you love.
13. Go to Warwick Cinema and watch some films. Go to Palmers and the Crazy Candy Lady as well.

14. Attend an event at the Marblehead Little Theatre. Watch a play, or be in one.
15. Read the Marblehead Reporter and Marblehead Magazine, through and through. I promise, they are interesting.
16. Go to CVS and talk to the awesome guy with the long hair at least once. He is great with coupons and is sure to help you find just what you're looking for, especially when you need help with the photo machines as you print pictures for your college dorm room.
17. Eat dinner at the Imperial Mandarin and sit in the wooden booths in the other section of the restaurant. Notice how oddly proportioned the booths are and enjoy a good priced meal of house-fried rice and pan fried dumplings.
18. Also check out The Three Cod. If you go on Sunday for brunch, get their French toast. And if you go any other day, try their lobster mac and cheese. It's to die for. See some locals and enjoy what Marblehead is all about, community.
19. Take the bus to anywhere in town. Or just sit on it and see where it takes you.
20. Attend a yoga class at the Yoga Loft, or take a new class at the YMCA. Climb that rock wall if you like; it always looks so tempting.
21. Go to Seaside Park in the summer time. Walk through the trails and go straight to the water. Take in the view, for you'll be leaving it soon enough.
22. Walk the causeway and see a million people you know. Get some exercise; it's good for you!

23. Spend \$5 on a pizza from Comellas and share it with friends.
24. Check out some historical destinations. Marblehead is known for its historical preservation. Walk old town, go to Fort Sewall, see the sights. Appreciate the history of someone's past.
25. Go to Brown's Island for the day. Hike the rocks, go on the swing, swim and enjoy yourself.

But lastly, take in Marblehead. Take it in like the breaths you breathe. It will soon be in your rear view mirror. But don't forget about this place. It's where you come from, maybe not where you will always be, but it is your past. Be proud to live in such a beautiful town and don't take it for granted. Take this bucket list or make your own. Have a great rest of the school year and summer, seniors. The best is yet to come.

Announcements

A. Scholarships with later deadlines:

1. Marblehead Festival of the Arts Scholarship: April 9
2. Shubie's Market Scholarship honoring the late Melanie Hatutale, MHS 2011 graduate. For students who want to study in the field of hospitality: May 15
3. David M. Stern Memorial Scholarship for Marblehead Youth Baseball participants: May 15
4. Allie Castner "You Hold My World" Scholarship for students who have demonstrated true humanitarian efforts: May 23

Quincy Market Review

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Although many do not know its exact name, the Quincy Market Colonnade is a well-known, popular destination for all people, especially for the food. With over 35 international food vendors, it is the largest food hall in New England; and there's something for everyone. Located in the heart of downtown Boston, Quincy Market is adjacent to Faneuil Hall, located along the Freedom Trail and within walking distance of... well, just about everywhere! This includes the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston Public Gardens, Fenway Park, TD Banknorth Garden, the North End, the waterfront, Government Center, and the State Houses (both New and Old), among other places. Conveniently, the Green, Blue, and Orange T lines all have stops within one block of the market.

The main attraction – for me, at least – is the fantastic food to be found just inside the Colonnade. Even before entering the building itself, passersby can detect the delicious aromas of all different types of food wafting from the windows and doors. Walking in, one is immediately struck by the incredible variety of foods and specialty vendors crammed along both sides of the walking path. Local restaurants selling every manner of seafood, beans, and Irish food jostle for attention alongside international cuisine, ranging from burritos to baklava and displaying cooking from around the globe. Overwhelmed, you sigh with relief upon hitting the food court in the middle of the hall, where low wooden tables and chairs are crammed full with students, tourists and families. The respite does not last long, however, as you realize that there is another identical half of the building, with similar layout but an entirely different collection of restaurants flaunting their delicious goods. And, of course, the array of mouth-watering desserts is almost irresistible, with display cases stuffed full with chocolate, nuts, ice cream, and pastries to tempt even the most fastidious of eaters.

And that's just the food. In terms of the city of Boston, Quincy Market is a great transitional point for walking around. At night, trees wrapped in twinkling lights line Faneuil Hall marketplace, inviting revelers and event-goers to stop in and grab a bite before heading on their way. No matter what time of day or night, there is always a bustling crowd of people shopping, sight-seeing, and enjoying the breeze from the nearby waterfront; and street performers often line the pathways, displaying a diverse selection of acts and music to accompany the lively atmosphere of this historic city.

We Should be Thankful

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These past few years have certainly been rough ones for MHS. It seems like everything is constantly changing. From the child porn scandal, to the debate over eliminating the science block, to two bomb threats in one day. What hasn't gone down at MHS? Being patient with our school's administration and putting up with seemingly ridiculous rules and schedule changes can be infuriating. During the two evacuations on the day of the threats, I remember being bitterly annoyed at the fact that I was outside in the freezing cold for an hour and a half.

Everyone I talked to was annoyed. This was wasting our time and cutting into peoples' lunches; the rest of the day would now be disrupted. My friends and I complained to each other throughout that first 45 minutes, and then again throughout the second. Why couldn't they just send us home? Or take the threat for what it surely was: a silly, irresponsible joke? The whole thing seemed to be blown entirely out of proportion, and I couldn't help but be angry that my time was being wasted outside in the frigid snow. Then they told us we could only bring plastic, see-through bags to school? And that we weren't allowed to use our phones at all? Everyone was angry. Why wouldn't we be? This year was the first time we were allowed to openly use our

phones when we weren't in class. It was absolutely wonderful; we no longer had to ask our teachers if we could listen to music while we worked independently, and we didn't have to hide our phones while walking down the math wing. Mr. Millington had given us something amazing, and now he was taking it from us. He'd let us have a taste of freedom before ripping it away. Of course we were all angry. But then I remembered something that hasn't happened at MHS: an actual bombing. We've been fortunate enough to have avoided this. Maybe these precautions were a little far-fetched and outrageous, but it shows that we're protected and cared for. I'm not saying we shouldn't be mad, but I do think we should consider all potential results before rushing to accuse our

principal or school administration. Every year we hear about school shootings and think: "Well, that could never happen here. This is Marblehead." But no one ever thought it would happen in Columbine, or Sandy Hook. If you Google "school shootings in the past year," you'll find copious amounts of pages listing school shootings in the U.S. Just because it hasn't happened here doesn't mean it won't, or that it can't. These incidents may take place in schools far away from us, but they do happen. It's important that we keep this in mind and try to gain perspective before condemning our school for over reacting to silly threats. The Yik-Yak threats were likely jokes; maybe someone trying to get out of a test or something. But the way our school's administration rose to the

occasion and called in the fire and police departments proves that they are not taking any chances. The aggravating rules about see-through bags and no phones were instituted to protect us. Is it possible that this whole thing is the result of a joke gone wrong? Yes. Is it reasonable to assume that our school will take no chances when it comes to its students' lives? Also yes. We shouldn't direct our annoyance and aggravation at the MHS administration. We should be grateful to have such dedicated school officials and thankful that nothing bad has happened to us so far.

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