

# COUGAR NEWS

CARDINAL MOONEY  
CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD 2024

Maria Paliotta, Volunteer Coordinator for Tidewell Hospice  
Kyla Logan, Mooney Freshman Volunteer  
Jeanny Dean reporter for Brightside Tampa News 10



“Let your unfailing love surround us,  
Lord, for our hope is in you alone.”

Psalm 33:22

*Cougars*  
**Giving Back**

# IMPORTANT INFO



## Upcoming Dates

### IMPORTANT DATES

- March 15, Friday  
Teacher Diocesan InService  
Students: No School
- March 28-April 7th  
Easter Break
- Monday, April 8th  
School Resumes



### Important Semester Deadlines

- Late work deadline is (first 9 weeks) March 8
- Senior Late work deadline (second 9 weeks) May 8
- Underclassmen Late work deadline (second 9 weeks) May 17



### Re-Enroll Now

**by February 29th**

To secure your student's spot, please re-enroll by February 29th. On March 1st, transfer applications will be considered for any available openings. It is essential to complete the re-enrollment process to ensure your student's continued enrollment and their selected courses scheduled.

Contact Debbie Butor at [dbutor@cmhs-sarasota.org](mailto:dbutor@cmhs-sarasota.org) if you have any questions.

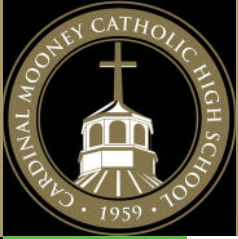


## Alumni News for the Now & Then Alumni Magazine

### We Would Love to Hear from You!

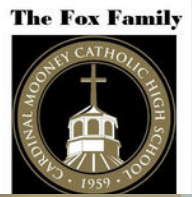
Are you the parent of a recent Mooney graduate? Are you an alumni with news? Do you know a former Cougar who is doing some cool stuff? We are looking for interesting updates that we can share with our Mooney Alumni in the Now & Then communication. Whether it is about an interesting career, an important milestone or major accomplishment, we want to know about it! Please send your stories, news updates and photos to Caroline Melby in the Advancement office.





# GALA

*Time*



## 2024 Gatsby Gala

Benefitting Cardinal Mooney Catholic High School  
Live and Silent Auction ♦ Dinner ♦ After Party

Don Your bowties and beads as we  
step back in time!



Best Dressed Contest - 1920s inspired cocktail attire encouraged

Tickets are Selling Quickly

click  
here!

Michael's On East  
1212 S. East Avenue, Sarasota  
Saturday March 9, 2024  
6:00pm  
Tickets \$200 per person

Sisters of Notre Dame  
Distinguished Individual Award  
Recipient: Kelly Howard

MICHAEL'S  
ON EAST





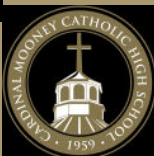


# ACADEMIC SERVICES

## Congratulations!



**Lauren Bürd- Valedictorian**



**Tyler Ruben- Salutatorian**



### Calling all Seniors



Scholarship Opportunities through the Diocese of Venice deadline approaching! Apply online at: [www.ccfdioceseofvenice.org/scholarships](http://www.ccfdioceseofvenice.org/scholarships)



### NHS HOMEWORK HELPERS

Any student looking for assistance with homework or prepping for a quiz or test? We offer National Honor Society Homework Help Monday – Thursday in room G105. This free service begins at 2:40 and ends at 3:10. No appointment necessary. For any information please contact Mr. Scheuer at [sscheuer@cmhs-sarasota.org](mailto:sscheuer@cmhs-sarasota.org)



**MONDAY, MARCH 4TH 12:45-1:45**



**Over 50 College and University  
representatives will be on Campus  
to meet with our Juniors.**





# FAITH & SERVICE



## Friday Morning Mass

Join us for **Daily Mass each Friday in Lent** beginning today Friday, Feb. 23rd at 7:15 AM in our chapel. Enjoy this extra opportunity to celebrate the Eucharist during the Lenten season. All are welcome to attend including students, parents and teachers. We hope to see you there.



## Eucharistic Conference

**March 16, 2024**



**Steven Ray, Keynote Speaker**

English and Spanish Sessions!

Bishop Verot High School  
5598 Sunrise Drive  
Fort Myers, Florida

QR Code to register!

For more information contact:  
Jim Gontis, 941-486-4754  
gontis@dioceseofvenice.org



[dioceseofvenice.org/  
eucharistic-conference-2024](https://dioceseofvenice.org/eucharistic-conference-2024)



**Bishop Frank J. Dewane**

## Cardinal Mooney Rice Bowl Collection:



Catholic Charity Rice Bowls will be distributed to all students this week during Theology Class. Please consider this opportunity as part of your family Alms Giving.

Each Lent, Catholic and non-Catholic families across the country unite to put their faith into action through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Through CRS Rice Bowl, families learn about how our sisters and brothers across the globe and our diocese overcome hardships like hunger and climate change, and how through Lenten alms, we have the power to make the world a better place for all.

# FAITH & SERVICE



## Cougar Gives Back

Kyla Logan was interviewed on Wednesday for an upcoming news story for the 'Beautiful People' segment on 'Brightside', Tampa News 10. Kyla creates beautiful, handmade 'Legacy books' to give to patients who are in Hospice care. These books allow families to collect special memories from their loved ones who are nearing the end of life. Kyla creates the books at night as a way to relax and give back to the community outside of her busy schedule which includes, the Mooney track team and Honors classes. We will be sure to highlight the news story when it is aired in the next few weeks on Tampa News 10.

## Diaper Drive



Collections will take place starting Wednesday, February 14th  
ANY SIZE DIAPER  
OR WIPES, PULL-UPS  
until Tuesday, March 26th

Contact Mr. Scheuer

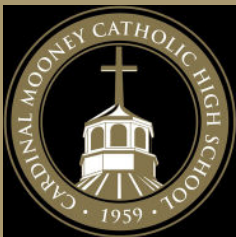
SARASOTA  
MEMORIAL  
HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

## Community Service

LOOKING FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES TO COMPLETE YOUR CARDINAL MOONEY GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS?

The All School Module found on Canvas has a routinely updated community service link. Opportunities current and yearlong are all posted at this link. Verification forms our school requirement letter are also posted for easy access. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Scheuer at [sscheuer@cmhs-sarasota.org](mailto:sscheuer@cmhs-sarasota.org)





# GALA

## We Welcome You to Create your own Silent Auction Basket!

- Kitchen equipment, baking essentials
- Backyard bonfire: fire pit with s'mores kit.
- Cookout: BBQ grill with accessories.
- Fun in the sun: Beach chairs and tent, towels, water bottle, sunscreen, flip-flops.
- Tailgating: Cooler filled with snacks and team gear



## Freshmen

The Freshmen class basket theme is "Lucky Duck"  
Any denomination of scratch off lottery tickets  
or cash to buy them



## Sophomore



The Sophomore class basket theme- "That's Entertainment!" a sports package (ie. Lightning, Rays, Bucs, Orioles), movie tickets, restaurant gift cards, tours & sightseeing, arts & culture, hotel stays, escape room vouchers, etc. are great!

Amazon link of suggested contributions which will be delivered directly to Mooney:

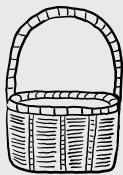
<https://a.co/OjeHmdN>



## Junior



The Junior class basket theme this year is "Travel & Adventure" Any donations such as, gas cards, day trip experiences, hotel stays, boating excursions, water sports, adventure backpack/outdoor gear, Yeti coolers, portable phone chargers, wireless headphones, Camping, hiking, road trip essentials, etc. are great! You may also use the following Amazon link of suggested contributions which will be delivered directly to Mooney: <https://a.co/iYTKdMM>



## Senior



The Senior class basket theme this year is "College Dorm Essentials" Any donation suggestions: smart book, back pack, gift cards, air purifier, office and desk supplies, organization supplies, shower caddy, flip flops, bath towels, alarm clock, lamp, electronic wireless charger station, bedding, etc. are great! You may also use the following Amazon link of suggested contributions which will be delivered directly to Mooney: <https://a.co/c2Twc00>



# STUDENT LIFE

## MR. Mooney 2024

### THE CONTESTANTS:

JOHNNY ANTONUCCI  
JACK CALLAHAN  
CHRISTIAN DIGIOIA  
GEORGE LEIBOLD  
HARRY MELBY  
TALAN MURPHY

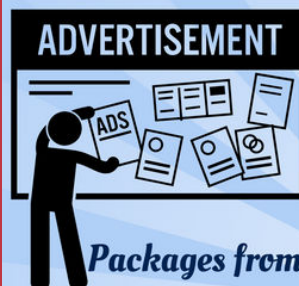
DREW ROBERTS  
JAMES ROWAN  
JOEY SEIFERT  
SANTINO TRINA  
LORENZO WALLS  
VINCENT WREN

WATCH THESE 12 SENIORS  
SHOW OFF THEIR CREATIVITY,  
STYLE, AND TALENT TO  
COMPETE FOR THE TITLE ON  
**APRIL 26TH**



### Trying to expand your business?

The CMHS Theatre Department is selling  
ad space in their program for their  
upcoming production of MAMMA MIA!



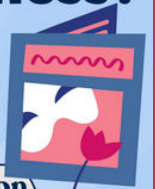
want your business information  
to reach hundreds of people?

want to give your favorite  
performer a shout out?

contact Miss Watkins by 2/23  
for more information :)

[rwatkins@cmhs-sarasota.org](mailto:rwatkins@cmhs-sarasota.org)

Packages from \$25





Sports blurbs written by student: Darling Bergstrom

# ATHLETICS

## TO THE FLORIDA HIGH SCHOOL STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS



Shelly DiLorenzo

Valentina Borchert

Zoe Kirby

**Girls Basketball:** The girls basketball team is marching on in the state tournament. They beat Tampa Prep on Monday 72-66 which leads them to the regional final against Tampa Catholic (2/22). Freshmen Madi Mignery is currently leading the team in rebounds, averaging 10.3 rebounds a game.

**Girls Lacrosse:** The girls lacrosse team has two home games next week- Monday against Venice and Wednesday against St Stephen's. Senior Morgan Costallos leads the team with 6 goals on the season, and Senior Ally Frank leads the team with 20 ground balls so far.

**Girls Weightlifting:** The girls weightlifting had a successful trip at States with Zoe Kirby placing 4th in the State.

**Boys Lacrosse:** The boys lacrosse team beat Steinbrenner last week at home. They lost a close game to Plant Tuesday night 11-10. They face Viera away tonight (2/23) as they try to start a winning streak. Junior Logan Alexander is starting the season off strong with a 70% faceoff win percentage.

**Baseball:** The Cougars kicked off their season with a home win against Bradenton Christian on Tuesday 10-2. They play at home tonight (2/23) against IMG, as well as at Lakewood Ranch on Tuesday (2/27).

**Softball:** The softball team lost to Braden River on Tuesday, but they have their first home game next Thursday (2/29) against FCA.

**Tennis:** Tennis team had week 3 match yesterday against Sarasota High School

**Beach Volleyball:** Beach season officially starts Monday 2/26. Majority of roster returns. 2023 season team was ranked #9 in the State by Max Preps with a 12-2 record.

**Track and Field:** First Meet of the Season is today with results being announced in next week's Cougar News Bobcat Relays 2024-at North Port High School -3:30 Field Events, 5:30 Running Events



# COUGARS

**Feb 26- Mar 1**

## **Monday**

Beach Volleyball vs. Bradenton Christian: HOME, 4:15pm

JV Girls Lacrosse vs. Venice: HOME, 5pm

Varsity Girls Lacrosse vs. Venice: HOME, 7pm

## **Tuesday**

Beach Volleyball vs. Lakewood Ranch: HOME, 7pm

Varsity Boys Lacrosse vs. Newsome: HOME 6pm

Boys and Girls Tennis vs. Lakewood Ranch: AWAY, 3pm

JV Boys Baseball vs. Braden River: HOME, 4pm

Varsity Baseball vs. Lakewood Ranch: AWAY, 7pm

## **Wednesday**

Varsity Girls Lacrosse vs. St Stephens: HOME, 6pm

Girls Varsity Basketball Game TBD

## **Thursday**

Softball vs. Family Christian Academy: HOME, 4pm

Beach Volleyball vs. Venice, HOME, 4pm

## **Friday**

JV Baseball vs. Lemon Bay: AWAY, 4pm

Boys Lacrosse vs. Lakewood Ranch: HOME, 6pm

Varsity Baseball vs. Lemon Bay: AWAY. 7pm

For more Athletic Updates,  
highlights & try-out info  
follow:  
[mooney\\_athletics](#)  
on Instagram



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Ticket page!



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and gymnasium through CMHS Athletics' YouTube channel.  
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