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## SPORTS *Update*

### FOOTBALL

Varsity won 42-14 in their home season opener against Corvallis last Friday night. Logan Silver completed 20 of 26 passes for 264 yards. They play Ashland at home tonight at 7pm. JV won at Churchill 20-13 in their first game. They play North Eugene next Thursday.

### GIRLS SOCCER

Varsity lost 0-1 to Grants Pass in their season opener on Thursday and JV tied 3-3. Both play North Eugene at home on Tuesday.

### BOYS SOCCER

Varsity beat Marshfield 4-0 Wednesday at home. Evan Cooney scored 3 goals in the win.

### VOLLEYBALL

Varsity lost 2-3 at South Eugene Tuesday night in very close games. JV lost 0-2 and the freshmen won 2-1. Thursday night varsity beat Springfield at home in 3 straight games. The JV and freshmen teams both lost 1-2.

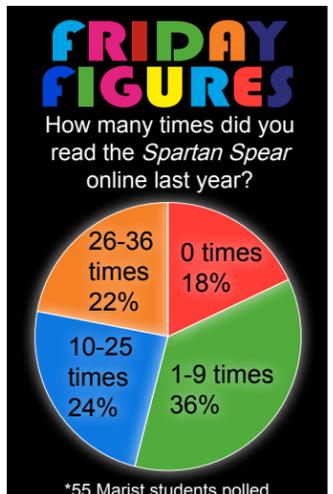
## Staff Retreat

By Riley Kulm

With a new emphasis on L-sallian spirituality, the Marist staff embarked on their annual retreat to St. Benedict's Lodge on the McKenzie River a week before students arrived at school.

Enjoying the beauty of the river setting, the Marist staff focused on a theme centered on the Gift of Grace. "The staff worked on recognizing the gifts of each other, and the gifts of Marist as a whole," said Mrs. Ferrari, Marist's religion teacher and a leader on the retreat.

The staff cherishes the chance to come together before the school year. "The retreat was a blessing to all of us and an inspiring way to begin our year as one with Christ," said theology teacher Teri Dibos.



# WELCOME BACK



Theology teacher Heidi Susec teaches the freshmen on one of the first days of school. Photo By Logan Silver

## Marist kicks off a new school year with the addition of a great freshman class.

By Ray Ferarri

Wednesday September 8—the first day of school: dreaded for some, long-awaited for others, the beginning of a new athletic era, the end of another short summer.

Most students know what to expect out of a high school year: fun times with friends, long nights of homework, over-dramatized situations, competing for Marist sports teams, and everything in between. But for the Class of 2014, this is just the beginning of a four-year experience of growth, faith, and fun that will last a lifetime.

Last Tuesday, the freshmen were welcomed into Marist with a day-long orientation to get a head start with their classmates and a feel for the campus. The favorite aspect of the day for freshman Danica Sheperd was "playing all the great games while getting to know [her] classmates."

Orientation was a success as the new students are excited to begin their high school career. The school "did a really good job getting everyone comfortable with each other before school started," said freshman Ben Schepergerdes.



Senior leaders, Sydni Whitley and Kyle Hubbard lead their freshman group to the AC for their next activity. Photo By Trish Laver.



Freshman Chelsea Robert fills out a counseling form on freshman orientation day. Photo By Trish Laver.

## First Impressions

### Rootbeer Social starts things on the right note



A group of incoming freshmen untangle their arms in an ice-breaker game during the Rootbeer Social in August. Photo By Toni Cooper

By Morgan Silver

Eighty-five freshmen, about 70 percent, gathered in the Marist courtyard in mid-August to 'meet and greet' for the first time as Marist High School students. The Class of 2014 spent two hours socializing, drinking root beer floats, and playing icebreakers in an evening sponsored by the Marist student body officers.

"They stuck us in groups with strangers and it turned out to be really fun," said Amanda Perkins.

## Wait... WHAT?!

By Brië Gundesperper



When not teaching science at Marist, June Miller works in the Transfusion Department at Sacred Heart Hospital. Wait... What?!? Yes, you heard me right, our own Mrs. Miller has been working with blood professionally for six years! "It's kind of exciting to work in the Emergency Room," says Miller.



Photo By Audrey Hart

## Karen Hamblen

Karen Hamblen is the new math teacher. Hamblen has taught both middle school and high school in the 4J school district for three years. Last year, Hamblen taught math at South Eugene High School.



Photo By Audrey Hart

## Melinda Boettcher

Melinda Boettcher is the new Spanish teacher who comes to us from Pasadena, California. She worked at John Muir High School teaching Chemistry for two years. She received a degree in Spanish when she studied at the University of Oregon.



Photo By Audrey Hart

## Mary Kay Manwill

Mary Kay Manwill is the new assistant to the development director. She will be helping with the Marist foundation, fundraisers, events and grant writing. Manwill is the mother of students Meghan '11 and Sarah '14.