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THE SPARTAN ENLIGHTENMENT

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Honey, pretty people don’t make choices.”
-Starbucks barista to senior Margaret Quartararo, before handing her the two drinks she was considering

Spirit Centered Men



Junior boys take some quiet time to read Bible passages on the bank of the McKenzie River. Photo by Andy Oldham

27 Junior boys encounter God, themselves, and their community.

By Chris Boyce

Juniors journeyed last weekend to St. Benedict’s Lodge to experience the magic of their Encounter retreat with the help of several seniors and staff members.

St. Benedict’s, set on the peaceful McKenzie River, provided an atmosphere for an unforgettable weekend. Though the events of the weekend are largely kept secret, the juniors came to know each other, themselves and God through talks given by seniors.

Other happenings of the weekend included ice breakers, games and small groups led by seniors and

staff members. The theme for the encounter was Spirit Center, based off the popular ESPN show SportsCenter.

“The small groups were totes my favorite part of the retreat,” said junior Jackson Bedbury. “My group was definitely the best and I was really happy to be able to find myself through their help.”

As usual, Diane Hall rocked the kitchen all weekend. She teamed up with Jeff Dreiling and seniors Ryan Whalen and Dylan Karr to create memorable meals and super snacks.

Moderator Andy Oldham was pleased with the retreat and very



Juniors Tyler Dennis, JJ Hernandez, and Elliot Park act out a skit at the encounter. Photo by Andy Oldham

proud of the seniors for all their efforts in a short preparation time to put on such a great retreat.

Breaking the ICE

Freshmen learn the importance of resisting negative peer pressure

By Lexy Wheeler

Just as chameleons change colors to blend into their surroundings, high school students often alter themselves in the face of peer pressure. On Wednesday, freshmen gathered in the Activ-

ity Center for ICE, or Inner-Class Experience, to hear from seniors about “treating the chameleon syndrome.”

A handful of seniors spearheaded the 80-minute event, while others performed a skit and led the freshmen in



A group of freshmen work together in small groups. Photo By Emitt Cummings

small groups and activities. One activity, called “Michelangelo”, had freshmen create live sculptures to portray concepts like love, trust, anger, and fear.

“It was nice to get reconnected with the freshmen after the Lock-In,” said senior leader McKenzie Tritt. Senior Hannah Vanderville shared about her experience with peer pressure as a freshman, and Father Dave closed the event as keynote speaker.



Freshman Allie Thompson illustrates love with a heart. Photo by Emitt Cummings



Junior Maggie Over smiles with her carved pumpkin. Photo by Paul Duncan

Carving for a Purpose

By McKenzie O’Leary

After school Thursday, students gathered in the cafeteria for an afternoon of fun pumpkin carving in order to raise money for the homeless.

Though students from all classes attended, juniors received one hour of Christian service for their creations. Junior Hailey Winona said, “I’m here to be helpful and I love the feel of the seeds.”

The 69 carved pumpkins will be dropped off Saturday at Kesey Square during the Jack-O-Lantern festival, where sponsors such as Jerry’s, KVAL 13 and Peace Health will donate \$5 for every carved pumpkin.

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The girls cross country team starts their District-winning race at Alton Baker Park on Wednesday. Photo by Josh Reay

CROSS COUNTRY

Wednesday, the teams raced at Alton Baker Park in the Midwestern League District Championship. Both varsity teams qualified for the state meet. The girls placed first, led by junior Monica Anderson’s first place finish. The girls had five runners in the top eight. Senior Michael Busse’s surprise fourth place finish propelled the boy’s team to a second place finish. Junior Drew Boyles defended his crown as JV district champion, leading JV boys to a first place finish. Senior Kanna Scoggin led JV girls to first place.

FOOTBALL

Last Friday varsity pounded Marshfield 56-8. Junior Austin Baird had three touchdowns, one on offense and two on defense. JV won 57-36 at Springfield. This week varsity has a bye.

BOYS SOCCER

Tuesday varsity lost 0-3 against Churchill. JV suffered a 1-3 defeat.

GIRLS SOCCER

Monday varsity lost 0-2 at home against Midwestern League’s top-ranked team Churchill.

VOLLEYBALL

Tuesday varsity, JV and JV2 swept at Springfield. Thursday, senior night, varsity lost 1-3 in at home against Churchill. Amanda Robert led varsity with 11 kills. JV and JV2 both lost.

WATER POLO

Wednesday, in their final game of the regular season, varsity lost 3-10 to North Eugene at Amazon Pool. Tonight they start their conference tournament against North.

College Night

By Taylor Locke

Marist upperclassmen and their parents attended the Oregon University Systems college night in the Academic Resource Center on Monday to learn more about public colleges in the state of Oregon.

Representatives discussed admissions information, financial aid, and scholarship opportunities.

Double Drama Debut

By Macaela Crowley

Tonight Marist Theatre presents its first performance of the year, An Evening of Commedia, including two plays full of humor and jesting.

Moliere’s “The Doctor in Spite of Himself” features seniors Mike Shaw and Kat Pinto as a comical couple. Senior Jessica Perry and junior Braden Bollinger star in “Phormia,” an ancient Roman comedy. The productions run October 28th and 29th and November 4th and 5th. All performances start at 7:30 p.m.



Junior Jaime Ferrari, senior Mike Shaw, and sophomore Brandon Tolles perform in “The Doctor in Spite of Himself,” one of two plays opening on Friday night in the Marist Theatre at 7:30. Photo by Toni Cooper

Avoiding the Sophomore Slump

By Jake Gram

This Monday, the parents of the Marist sophomore class gathered in the school cafeteria to discuss the opportunities and challenges associated with sophomore year. Director of Campus Ministry Rick Martin and a group of seniors from Christian Leadership class led the evening.

The activities at the meeting ranged from small group discussion to an open panel, where the seniors discussed their experiences from sophomore year and answered questions from parents.



A panel of seniors answer questions from parents about life as a sophomore at Marist. Photo by Toni Cooper