



MARIST  
HIGH SCHOOL  
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# THE SPARTANS SPEAR

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### SPARTAN Statistics

#### BASEBALL

The varsity team traveled to Redmond on Monday and won 9-2. JV lost 1-11. Varsity plays a double header at home tomorrow against North Medford.

#### GIRLS LACROSSE

Varsity and JV both played their first game on Wednesday against West Salem. Varsity won 10-8; JV won 7-4.

#### BOYS LACROSSE

Tuesday, Varsity had their season opener at Mountain View. They won 18-6. Thursday, JV played West Albany, losing 0-3. Today, Varsity will face McNary.

#### SOFTBALL

Thursday, Varsity won 2-1 at West Albany.

#### GIRLS TENNIS

Tuesday, Varsity and JV lost in their season opener against the 6A defending champions, Jesuit High School. Thursday, they won 7-1 against Willamette.

#### TRACK&FIELD

Wednesday, the track and field had a successful exhibition at South Eugene. Due to the rain, several events were cancelled.

## Lenten Masses Begin

By Ray Ferrari

Today, Marist's annual tradition of Friday morning Lenten Masses started up again with Fr. Dave reflecting on the alleged "unfairness of the Lord."

This weekly event is a great opportunity for students and staff to come together in celebration of the Lenten season. Friday morning Masses are optional so students can choose between a late-in or taking part in this special and spiritual activity.

Because Lenten Masses are not mandatory, the experience is more active than other Masses as the only people in attendance really want to be there.

"It was more fun than most school Masses because it was a smaller group and a closer environment," said first time attendee freshman Jonah Saraceno.

## TO SEE OR NOT TO SEE



Prince Hamlet, played by senior Lauren Taylor, duels Laretes, played by senior Tate McCurdy, in the final act of Marist's Theater's production of Hamlet. Photo By Lexy Wheeler

### Marist's production of Shakespeare's Hamlet is a success, continuing with two understudies stepping up this weekend

By Michael Busse

Marist Theater's depiction of Shakespeare's masterpiece, Hamlet, continues this Friday and Saturday at 7:30 after a well-received opening weekend. Senior Lauren Taylor stars as the title character, supported by an able and well-rehearsed cast.

With less than two months of preparation, the theater department has put together another fantastic production. The show features exhilarating swordfights, special effects,

and an appearance by 2009 Marist graduate Harrison Givens as the ghost of Hamlet's father. This weekend's shows will feature two understudies as new cast



Queen Gertrude, played by Senior Alexis Landers, and King Claudius, played by junior Zach Meeks, comfort the insane Ophelia, played by senior Trish Laver. Photo By Toni Cooper

members, with senior Micah Stratton playing Laertes and senior Ali Thoreson playing Gertrude.

The story follows young and paranoid Prince Hamlet as he struggles with the murder of his father. Though this classic tale of betrayal and revenge is a one of Shakespeare's greatest tragedies, the show has humorous moments as well.

"The swordfight was the coolest thing I've ever seen," says junior McKenzie Tritt, who attended the show last weekend. "It was easy to understand, and it completely exceeded my expectations."



Junior Kendra Greenwell and senior Savannah Johnson belt out some Queen ballads at Thursday's concert. Photo by Trish Laver

## Musical Marist

By Ray Ferrari

This week, the Marist community was treated with melody and harmony as the school's music groups all performed their "end of winter" routines in the theatre.

Wednesday night, the Marist choir, string ensemble, and jazz/concert band all performed a number of pieces ranging from 40's big band tunes to cool Latin

jazz from the 60s.

Thursday night, the theatre was rocked a little louder as Marist's rock band, Malicious Mango, performed with tributes to Billy Joel, Queen, the Red Hot Chili Peppers, Styx, and Stevie Wonder.

"I was surprised at how musically talented so many of the students here are," said freshman Rowdy Huston.

## Singin' for the Babies



The Mr. Spartan contestants sing their favorite tunes at Karaoke night! Photo By Carlee Stiltner

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Students, parents, and staff showed up to eat pizza and sing up a storm Wednesday night to help the Mr. Spartan team raise money for the babies at Track Town Pizza on Franklin Blvd. They sang songs from Lady Gaga's Telephone, to Brooks and Dunn's Boot Scootin' Boogie. The money raised will go to Children's Miracle Network.

## Earthquake Hits Close to Home

By Jeanine Guitierrez

Last Friday, northeast Japan was devastated by a massive earthquake and tsunami.

Japanese teacher, Miyoko Nakajima King, who is from Japan and still has family there, heard the news early that morning and immediately called her parents, who live in Nagano. After a half an hour of waiting, King was finally able to get through to them to hear they were just fine even though the phone connection was bad.

For King, the hardest part has been reading articles about the difficulties survivors are going through. There is so much that people are without, like food and water. Because a cold wave is hitting northern Japan, there is fear that the flu might spread to everybody. She appreciates all the prayers that have been made for those who are suffering.

She asks for anyone who is able to donate to please go to the American Red Cross website for a minimum donation of \$10:

[www.american.redcross.org/](http://www.american.redcross.org/)



Photo By Toni Cooper

## Irish Echo Brings in the Bucks

By Tressa Parra

Last Friday night's Irish Echo show was a big hit, bringing the crowd to their feet dancing while raising lots of money for Project Starfish.

The band that formed 30 years ago put on shows for charity events.

With the cost of dinner, admission, and over \$800 dollars in hat donations, the show successfully raised \$4000.



Photo By Jon Nuxoll

## Checkmate at State

By Katie Meyers

Last Friday, Marist's Chess Team packed their bags and their brains and headed to Sherwood, Oregon for the weekend to compete in the 5A State Chess Meet.

Seniors Blaine-Patrick Werner and Gerald Rouleau along with sophomores Simon Olson and J.D. Rivas tackled the boards and took 4th place in 5A. Due to a lacrosse injury, senior member Alex Clarke was unable to attend. Being short a player, former Marist student Scott Svetal who now attends Churchill High School, was allowed to join forces with the Marist team.