



GONE CRABBIN'



MOAP members pose with one of the many catches of the day in Newport. Photo courtesy of Jeff Dreiling

By Jake Gram

On Veterans Day, the Marist Outdoor Adventure Program embarked on their annual crabbing trip to Newport for a day at sea.

Ten students went on the trip organized and led by club moderator Jeff Dreiling. Students took turns pulling in crab pots, measuring crabs, and throwing the crab pots back into the ocean.

The students spent three hours crabbing and caught a total of 72 regulation size crabs. "They were the hardest working group of kids that I have ever taken on the trip," said Dreiling.

NIGHT OF COMMEDIA



Senior Mike Shaw tries to escape the beatings of two of his cast mates determined to make him a "Doctor in Spite of Himself." Photo by Toni Cooper

By Macaela Crowley

This fall Marist Theater presented two hilarious plays, *The Doctor in Spite of Himself* and *Phormia*. Each was perfectly performed and capitalized on the talents of each of its cast members.

Senior Mike Shaw did not disappoint his fans with his raucous, slapstick humor and was well-supported by senior Kat Pinto as his feisty and plotting wife who forced Shaw to reluctantly pose as a physician. *Phormia*, while executed flawlessly by the beautiful and bubbly senior Jessica Perry, was harder to follow but the cast should be applauded for the way in which they brought the old play to a modern day audience and garnered quite a few guffaws.

NEW INDUCTEES



National Honors Society secretary, senior Lauren Haga watches as junior inductee Jenna Laver signs the book for new members Wednesday night at the Induction Ceremony in the gym. Photo by Tyler Beyerlein

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!



Guest speaker Mike Patin urges students not to exclude God

Guest speaker Mike Patin leads the student body in an exercise on perspective last Tuesday in the gymnasium. Photo by Toni Cooper

GOD IS NOWHERE

By Michael Busse

Last Tuesday, Marist experienced the ministry of Mike Patin, a quick-talking southerner with an inspiring message for high school students.

Patin's combination of energetic, auctioneer-paced stories and thought-provoking seriousness were a hit with the student body.

"He connected with us on a deeper level than most speakers," said senior Amy Miller. "Everything he said related to my life somehow."

Patin started and ended the day the in Academic Resource Center, facilitating a leadership workshop for members of Christian Leadership class and retreat team. Between those

two sessions, he spoke at an all-school assembly.

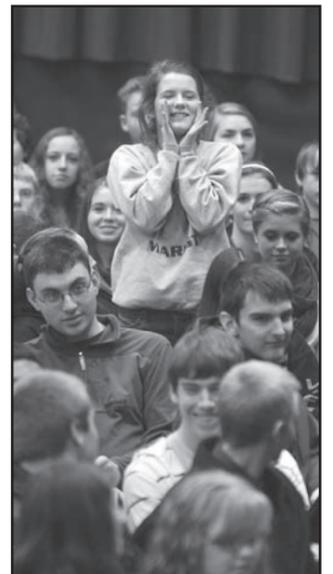
At the assembly, Patin blended an interactive approach. He asked, "What things keep high schoolers from getting into God, faith, church, and religion?" As students offered feedback, Patin explained that God sees the worth in all teenagers, using an analogy of seeing the seeds in an apple core that most people would throw away.

Patin also used an illustration to urge the Marist student body to look at things differently before making conclusions. Three students were asked to quickly read a sign that read "GOD IS NOWHERE." While two read "God is nowhere,"

one saw "God is now here." According to Patin, it's all a matter of perspective.

During the leadership workshop, Patin continued the theme by saying that leading as a Christian gives a different look at things, through the lens of prayer, learning, unity and service. In addition to a discussion of how to help others with the pressures of high school, students participated in constant games and icebreakers.

Patin, who lives in Lafayette, Louisiana, has worked in youth ministry since 1990. He travels all around the country talking to both students and adults about God, faith, and leadership.



Freshman Emily Cox shouts the answer at the Mike Patin assembly. Photo by Toni Cooper

GESKE'S KIDS

A profile on the relationship between Coach Geske and his first class of four years

By Michael Lyford



Senior Greg Park eludes Sandy defenders in last Friday's game. Photo by Toni Cooper

When Coach Frank Geske first came to Marist in the summer of 2008, this year's senior class was a group of wide-eyed freshmen who didn't know what to expect from high school football or their new coach.

"I thought he was very intimidating and when he used sarcasm, I had no idea whether I could take

him seriously or not," said senior Garret Holaday.

Holaday's feelings were understandable to say the least, considering Geske's prestigious career before his time at Marist. Geske holds coaching records at both Franklin and Tigard High Schools for most wins as a head coach. Also, Geske spent valuable time coaching at Portland State

with Darrel "Mouse" Davis, who is considered the father of the run-and-shoot offense, a scheme used by many NFL teams in the early 1990s.

Although Geske seemed to mean purely business upon his arrival at Marist, he soon made it clear that he also had a sense of humor.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Teacher Award

Renee Cool received an "Outstanding Classroom Science Teacher" award on October 14th at the Oregon Science Teachers Association's annual conference in Coos Bay. "It was kind of a surprise," Cool said, citing her research project and grant through Oregon State University as the probable reason for her nomination.

Couches Needed

Marist Student Council is looking to transform the cafeteria stage into a student lounge. To do this, they are looking for lightly used sofas and love-seats. If you are interested in making a donation, please contact Beth Wirth.

Godspell

Marist Theatre has begun preparation for its winter musical, Steven Schwartz's Godspell. The show, based on the Gospel of Matthew, offers an interpretation of Jesus' life with a pop culture twist. The production will open January 12 and run four nights and two Sunday matinees.

First Citizen

Senior Dylan Karr has been selected as Marist's nominee for Future First Citizen of Eugene, a scholarship competition sponsored by the local Chamber of Commerce. After considering the nominees from each local high school the winner will be announced at a ceremony in January.

Sports Signing

Surrounded by their families, two Marist seniors signed letters of intent to play college athletics next year. Hanna Mack signed for Eastern Washington to play basketball, while Brent Pollock signed with University of Utah for golf.

Fielding Medicine

On Thursday, November 9, three members of the local medical community came to Marist during lunch to speak to students interested in medicine. Students heard from a neurosurgeon, a general practitioner, and physician's assistant. Future brown bag lunches, which are set up by the counseling department, will include visits from professionals in engineering and law.



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ONE LESS HOMELESS FAMILY

Looking at the positive affects of last spring's Project Starfish, we see that giving to those in need is a way to express thanks this holiday season

"If you can't feed a hundred people, just feed one."
~ Mother Teresa

By Macaela Crowley

The Smith family simply desired to begin a new life in Eugene. But on their way here, they encountered obstacles that stalled their future. Their car broke down. Short on funds, they had to leave many of their needed belongings behind with the car. And then tragedy struck a third time. The father began to have serious health issues soon after they arrived in Eugene.

Because of limited means the family of four was forced to split up. The parents placed their two children, ages 12 and 15, in a shelter close to the school they had begun to attend. The parents stayed in a hotel room as they attempted to deal with illness, separation and being in a strange place without a place to call home.

Then they were given hope. The Smith family was able to move into a home where they could be together and get back on their feet. They were helped by St. Vincent de Paul's Connections Transitional Housing program, which is the recipient of our annual Lenten Project Starfish donations.

The home gave this family a place they could be together again. The mother found a steady job and the father is still recovering. This is not the only story of how Project Starfish has changed lives. In 2010 alone 27 families were given stability and a safe place to live thanks to the Marist Volunteer

Program and the students who donate to it.

Currently over 3.8 million people in the United States are homeless. During these tough times that number only grows. That number seems cold and distant but becomes much more real when you realize that there are only 3.8 million people living in Oregon.

That is why the Marist Volunteer Program is so crucial, because the population of the homeless in the US should never be equal to the population of a state.

At Marist we are privileged. It is not just because almost every student has a cell phone or at least one clothing item from Abercrombie and Fitch. Nor is it because we are fortunate enough to vacation all over the world, like England, China, and Hawaii.

We are privileged because every night, every student at Marist gets to go home. We all live in different places, not every student can afford an iPhone or a car, but we are all blessed by the school we attend. From the day we kiss the M we have a home at Marist. A school where teachers care about us; we have friends to support us, and our futures seem to be secure.

The Smith family is not just another number, but four real people. They have worries and fears and dreams and goals. Project Starfish gives actual people tangible hope.

Throughout the year, MVP has many projects and there is no excuse not to get involved. If you do not have money to give, give your time. Help out.

Our motto is "We Are One." That applies not only in the Marist community but also to the broader community of our town, our state, and even our world. We are all part of one interconnected body. When one part of the body hurts the entire body feels the pain. When the one part of the body hungers the whole body feels the pangs of hunger.

We cannot escape community. Someday we will all graduate from Marist. Many of us will move away from Eugene. Yet we will still be surrounded by people who we affect and are affected by. Therefore each of us has a responsibility to feed and care for the community in which we live as the rest of the community cares for and feeds us, whether that be with bread that gives life or the Bread of Life.

Project Starfish gives us a chance to serve the community which supports and surrounds us. From January to December we have coat drives and dollar drives and Lenten fundraisers. At this time we can ensure that one less family spends a night in the streets and one more family can spend Thanksgiving in a place they can call home.

Note: Names have been changed for the purpose of this story.

IMMERSED IN SERVICE

Students head to distant and not-so-distant lands to assist those in need

By Katie Holdampf



Junior Chris Damewood shares a dance with a resident from Mount Angel Towers. Photo courtesy of Julie Ferrari

The laughs of children float through the summer air like leaves in the fall. You can hear the splashing of water on one side and the echo of a plastic bat hitting a plastic ball on the other. It is hard work helping these children who are completely dependent on you, but it pays off in the end.

Six Marist students experienced something like this last July by counseling at the annual Muscular Dystrophy Association summer camp. They learned what it takes to care for a child with disabilities, many of whom are in wheelchairs and need help with things that we don't even think twice about.

These camps provide children with neuromuscular diseases with a safe environment to escape from the difficulties of their day-to-day lives.

Volunteers worked one-on-one with campers to care for their needs and helped them participate in activities such as crafts, swimming, sports and a carnival. Senior Jessica Perry was among the Marist students attending the camp as a counselor. "Seeing the kids smile and have fun is so rewarding," she said. "I think you get more out of [immersion trips]."

Last July, some Marist students travelled to many different farms in Woodburn on the Los Embajadores immersion trip to help and learn about how local migrant workers make a living. They helped PCUN, Pinosos y Campesinos Unidos del Noroeste (Northwest Tree planters and Farmworkers United), by aiding the construction of a community center.

They also played with and provided lunches for the children of these families as well as helping out with odd jobs such as cleaning, picking up trash, and picking blueberries.

Senior Jonathan Wildish was one of the students who attended the Los Embajadores

trip led by science teacher Ryan Moser and former theology teacher Teri Dibos. "The experience was eye opening. It was interesting to find out how close migrant families are to everyday life," said Wildish.

Last August, Christian Service Director Julie Ferrari provided 15 incoming juniors with a new service opportunity to serve 15 or their 50 required service hours by taking them to the Father Bernard Youth Center in Mount Angel, which focuses on helping the youth develop as leaders. "I thought it would be a great intro to the service hours," said Ferrari.

Within 48 hours, the juniors completed four service projects including hosting homeless families for a BBQ. Students provided these families with recreation and fun games and watched over their children while the parents relaxed.

These students also helped with a Habitat for Humanity ReStore, which sells donated materials for the construction of homes for the less fortunate.

Students then entertained people from Mt. Angel Towers Retirement with a dance. Junior Jamie Ferrari recalled the surprise of the residents "considering they thought we were a

concert band. But it was still a really fun time."

They also hosted lunch for the Mt. Angel Developmental programs. They provided a picnic and puzzles for the participants.

There are many options for students looking to start or complete their 50 service hours required for graduation. Immersion trips are a great way to fully emerge yourself into your service as well as get a good amount of your hours done.



Senior Celine Whitley holds her camper Douglas at MDA camp which was at Living Waters Camp this summer. Photo by Amy Miller

THE RETURN OF SPEECH AND DEBATE

By Jake Gram

In just a couple of short months, newly hired Steve Barth has made a big splash at Marist. On top of his role as marketing and advancement director, Barth is also coaching the speech and debate team which Marist has not had since 2008.

Coach Barth has big plans for the upcoming season, hoping to take a full team of competitors to the district and state com-

petitions, and to give vision and experience to students interested in speech and debate. Barth competed in speech and debate at both the high school and collegiate level; however, this season will be Barth's first year as a coach.

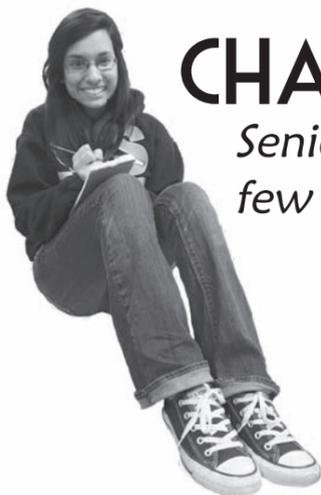
Speech and debate competitions are composed of multiple events, ranging from serious debate to humorous interpretations.

One of the particularly unique events requires competitors to give a five-minute speech through a radio as would a commentator or newscaster.

Tournaments take place throughout the school year, with the state championship taking place this April. The team meets before and after school in the Community Life Center, where they practice for upcoming

events.

Students have cited different reasons for their participation on the team. Sophomore Austen Whitney said that he joined the team, "to critically improve his public speaking and debating skills". The speech and debate Team is scheduled to compete at the Silverton Invitational this upcoming Saturday.



CHATting WITH LEXY

Senior Lexy Wheeler catches up with a few of Marist's international students



ANDREA GARZA TAYLOR:

A sophomore from Mexico, Andrea Garza Taylor was assigned to Eugene and only plans to stay in America for this year. The school structure and schedule here is different than in Mexico, she said. "We don't change classes in Mexico, the teachers change." Having a locker and carrying around books is a new concept for her. Housed by freshman Harley Emery, her favorite American food is chicken tenders and she is a member of the Marist Passion Dance Team.



BEAR SAWASPANICH:

"It's harder to express my opinion there," said senior Bear Sawaspanich about his home country of Thailand. "You cannot question the teacher, just believe what they say," he said. His favorite part of America is the amount of freedom and the First Amendment protection. Attending Sheldon High School last year, he said, "Sheldon is more laid back

but Marist is more reading and education." Sawaspanich hopes to go to college in America and wants to major in physics engineering.



BOHAN SHU:

Grateful that the "school times are shorter" and appreciative of the "different study atmosphere," Bohan Shu is a junior from China. Not even homesick, he plans to stay in America for the rest of high school, and then hopes to go to UCLA for college. Shu's favorite sport is basketball, a good match to his tall height. His favorite American food is steak.



RAY GONG:

"We have a lot of homework in China. We finish school at about 10:30 PM and start at 7:30 AM," said sophomore Ray Gong, grateful for the increase in free time. The hardest part of coming to America for him has been the language. "A teacher told a joke in class and I didn't understand it. Kind of awkward," he said. Gong's favorite part of America is the numerous activities and shorter classes. He enjoys cooking, likes burgers, and plays basketball for fun.



DANIELA PANHONI:

Choosing to come to Eugene because of a recommendation

from a friend, Daniela Panhoni, a senior from São Paulo, Brazil, is surprised by the cold weather because it is so unlike the tropical climate at home. Compared to her school in Brazil, Marist is "a little weird because it's Catholic, but it's fun to learn a new culture," she said. Staying with senior Lauren Haga, Panhoni, a member of the Marist Passion Dance Team, also plays the electric guitar. Her favorite American food is pizza and she hopes to visit Los Angeles someday.

MOSER'S TRIP TO CHINA



Ryan Moser tours Beijing with some Chinese students.

Science teacher Ryan Moser traveled to Beijing, China for 12 days this summer for a teaching exchange, meant to get Chinese students accustomed to an American classroom and teacher. Moser was able to meet six of our exchange students before the school year began. Teaching for ten days and sight-seeing for two, Moser visited Tiananmen Square and the Great Wall of China.

SENIORS SHARE SOME WISDOM



Seniors answer questions from Heidi Susec in her sophomore religion class. Photo by Toni Cooper

By Jake Gram

This past Tuesday members of the Christian Leadership Class volunteered to participate in an open panel in front of sophomores during their religion classes.

The panel of seniors discussed the difficulties and op-

portunities associated with sophomore year at Marist and also provided sophomores with advice along with personal experiences that will help the sophomores know what to expect in the upcoming years.

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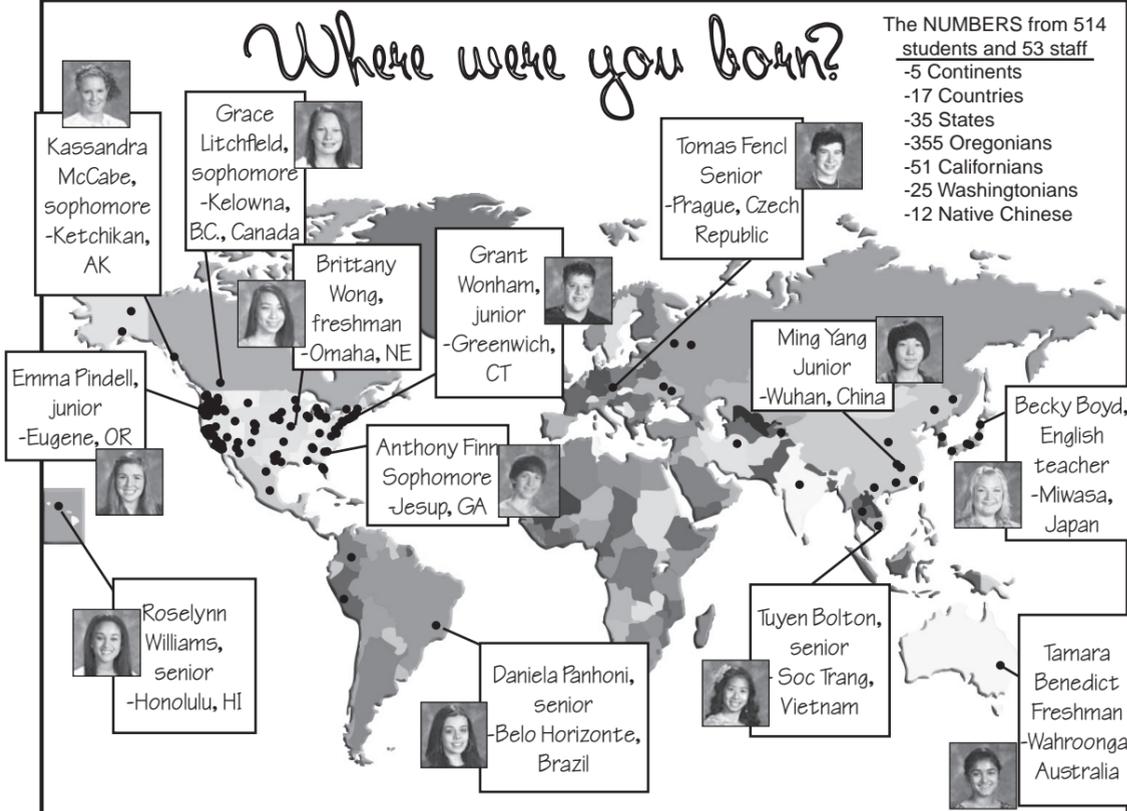
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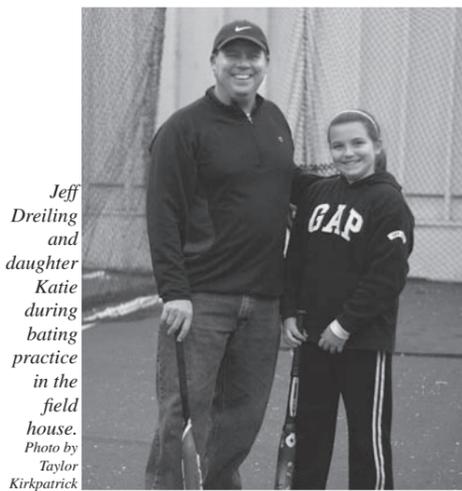
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THE GIFT OF FATHERHOOD

By Zach Silva



Jeff Dreiling and daughter Katie during batting practice in the field house. Photo by Taylor Kirkpatrick

Jeff Dreiling is many things—campus supervisor, head of Marist Outdoor Adventure Program, and JV softball coach. Most importantly, he is a family man.

“Nice throw Katie,” says an excited Jeff Dreiling as he coaches his 11-year-old daughter, Katie, in softball. Dreiling plays an active role in the life of his daughter, just as his father, Elmer Dreiling, was active in his life.

Dreiling started playing hockey in his homemade ice rink when he was just five, in his hometown of Arlington Heights, Illinois, a suburb of Chicago. Each winter, Dreiling and his father excitedly waited for snowfall so they could create their own ice rink. Once it snowed, they worked together stomping down the snow and setting up boards as a perimeter

before pouring water over the area so that the next morning they had their very own ice rink. That is where Dreiling learned to play the game that his father loved. He played all through high school, and woke up at 5:00 AM on Saturdays for practice.

Dreiling’s dad was always supportive of his endeavors. The care and discipline that his father gave him “made him stronger as a man,” said Dreiling and showed him how to be a parent for his daughter Katie.

Elmer Dreiling’s interest in his son’s hockey has resonated in Jeff Dreiling with Katie’s softball. Jeff Dreiling has served as her softball coach for three years. Katie has fueled his passion for softball.

“She is my life,” says Dreiling. He enjoys being on the field with her because it helps them form a closer relationship. Even more than just being there, he loves being a part of her success. Dreiling declares, “The best gift is being a father.”

While Dreiling enjoys being a father, he loves being a husband. He is married to Debra Dreiling. With a twinkle in his eye, he explained how she is an “amazing woman” who expresses constant care, love and support for their family. She is “a great mother for Katie,” and enjoys life to its fullest each day said Dreiling.

“Family has always been important to me,” Dreiling said. His love of fatherhood and how he sees his father as an idol have made him the man he is today.

WOE TO MO’ PRIVILEGES, 5 TH PERIOD MO’ MONEY, MO’ PROBLEMS

By
Ryan
Whalen

It’s a regular Tuesday afternoon. You’re walking from class to class, head nodding to friends as you pass by, thinking about where to go for free 5th lunch. It’s a tough decision considering in the past weeks you have been to the Daily Bagel, Quizno’s, Subway, all the food court spots except for the new Mexican restaurant, and you just can’t decide where to go.

Eventually it is decided that everyone is going to Dickie Jo’s to grab a burger and some fries, and you decide to follow along to hang out with some friends, but more importantly because there was no better place to go. After arriving, the line to order grows at an alarming rate. You jump in too, right before the tidal wave of friends pile behind you.

Shuffling along and reading the board, nothing seems that satisfying. When you step up to the counter you recite your order in a bland and rehearsed tone. The cashier asks the million dollar question: “Would you like fries with that?” After a lackadaisical nod the cashier punches in the totals and says, “That’ll be seven dollars and twenty-five cents.” You fumble around in your pocket for your wallet and flip it open. But to your amazement, there are only two measly dollars. You be-

gin to feel a warm sensation of embarrassment as you check the coin pocket hoping for a five dollar coin, food stamps, anything that would help you to evade the looming humiliation.

Time’s up. You tell the cashier to hold on just a second. You turn to your friends and ask to borrow a few dollars, but one by one they rebuke you saying how they lent you some money just a few days ago and haven’t been paid back. With no alternative you turn back to the cashier and ask if you can cancel your order. The walk back to the table is timid and bashful.

Soon it is time to leave and get back to school before sixth period starts. The drive back is dreary with a few stomach growls filling the void of silence. You park and walk to class, ready for an uneventful and tedious class period.

A moment of terror: you realize that you were planning on using your extra-long lunch to finish your homework assignment and study for the test that you put off for studying for last night.

Oh how cruel free 5th can be! She will take your money, your time, and your grades! But no matter what she does, there is still an undying gratitude for the regular late-in and the ability to depart school for a tasty lunch.

SETTING THE STAGE FOR UNDERSTANDING THE MASS

By Monica Anderson

We dress up, grumble about the absence of a late-in, and file into our class’ seating sections. We dutifully mumble song lyrics, shuffle through communion, and hold hands during the Our Father. At the sign of peace, we come to life as we enthusiastically embrace our peers with slightly more zeal each year.

We experience it at least eight times a school year, but how much thought do we really devote to its meaning? For those who are not Catholic, Mass may seem like an odd ritual, glaringly different from the familiar.

Sophomore Shoshanna Hwang, who went to Madison Middle School and attends First Baptist Church, had not participated in a Catholic Mass prior to her freshman year at Marist.

“It seems very structural and rehearsed,” Hwang said, “At times I was unsure of what to

do.” Her feelings may be shared by others in the non-Catholic community at Marist, but to Father David Cullings, Marist’s chaplain, their recognition of this is a step in the right direction.

“We’ve been doing this for 1,900 years,” Cullings said, referring to the liturgical tradition of the Catholic Church that scripturally dates back to Jesus’ time, “[Mass] is theatrical and it is rehearsed.”

“We are revisiting the story of Jesus’ Death and Resurrection. We are remembering what happened at the Last Supper,” said theology teacher Julie Ferrari.

Regardless of differences in worship, Hwang has been impacted by Marist Masses. “I have gotten the opportunity to experience how Catholics celebrate their faith,” she said. This is a sign of success in Cullings’ goals for leaving

an impression on non-Catholic students.

“I hope [students] see a sense of not only beauty but awe in the way we do things,” said Cullings. He sees the sign of peace as the most telling sign of community and spiritual development. It may be slightly awkward freshman year, but as classes grow and bond together, the sign of peace is easily the highlight for many, Cullings included.

If we take nothing else away but the strong sense of community clearly present in the hastily moved chairs and warm embraces of peace, then we must accept that to some degree, a Marist Mass has impacted us.

This is enough for Cullings. “I hope [students] value the experience of belonging and feel the support the community gives you,” he said, “It makes me think we’re doing something right.”

PRANKS- A LOST ART

By Ryan Whalen

One score and seven years ago a young student attended a retreat at Camp Tapawingo. Looking for a humorous foothold to propel the weekend he went into the bathroom. Unfortunately, the foothold this particular student chose happened to be a urinal, which was only attached to the wall by a metal pipe. The urinal was not able to handle the weight of the student and gave way. The urinal shattered upon impact with the floor. Astonishingly, this student received no disciplinary consequences and only had to pay for

the damages. Eons ago, in another era, otherwise known as the late 70’s, a few students thought it would be funny to drop a 150-pound football dummy onto another student. These students hauled the heavy dummy up the balcony steps in the gym, and then waited for a potential target. A few moments later the unlucky victim walked into the gym, and the pranksters prepared the dummy for its first and only flight. He had only taken a few steps when he was struck-BANG! Falling to the floor, the student landed with a thud, he was out cold. Fearing they had just committed an act of murder, the pranksters ran down the steps, grabbed the dummy and bolted out the door, leaving the unconscious student on the gym floor. The hooligans were never identified.

The Spartan Spear cannot confirm or deny that these pranksters are current Marist staff members and/or parents.

However had either of these situations happened today, Marist Vice-Principal in charge of students, Stacey Baker would have a field day sorting through the various suspensions or expulsions, cost of urinals, and the medical bills that the culprits would be responsible to pay.

Gone are the days of light-hearted hazing, meaningless mischief, and trivial tomfoolery or of administrations ‘looking-the-other-way’. The laughter has all but vanished from the halls of Marist. Students have not lost their creativity or sense of humor, rather the administration has become stricter in order to deter potential law suits and injuries.

Do not fret, students of Marist, the creative and lively nature that was present long ago can

rise again. Whether it is switching a literature class with weightlifting class, or throwing a party during the anniversary of Charles de Gaulle’s death. All it takes is an imaginative joke carried out in good spirit and without any illicit actions to help recapture the enthusiasm of old.

Pranks and humor in general are an integral part of the high school experience. Without them we would mindlessly wander the halls waiting for our next assignment or hunker down in the library studying for our next test. God forbid that is what high school should come to.

The social life of every student would suffer and they would be forced to talk about the poetic devices used in Dante’s Inferno instead of making critical remarks about the French republic and their incompetent leader, Charles de Gaulle. Long live (harmless) pranks!



Things to do before the next issue of the Spartan Spear comes out in February!

1. Be a tourist for a day and visit attractions around Eugene, such as the Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art, Alton Baker Park and Skinner’s Butte.
2. Get together with friends and attempt to set world records like who can eat the most gummy worms in a minute, who can make the biggest bubble.
3. Dress up in a crazy outfit and go to a basketball game.
4. Try to find the best Christmas display around your neighborhood.
5. Attend the premier of Marist’s production of *Godspell* on January 1th.

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IS A HEALTHY NIGHT OF SLEEP POSSIBLE?

By Monica Anderson

Sleep can be as elusive as an A+ in an AP class, yet it is essential to our well-being. Teenagers cherish it, but more often than not, our sleep is inadequate.

In fact, of 110 Marist students surveyed, only seven reported getting nine or more hours of sleep on school nights, the National Sleep Foundation's recommended amount. When examining the average Marist student's schedule, this feat appears to be close to impossible.

Consider a hypothetical student schedule allowing 9.25 hours for sleep. In order to attend first period at 8am, one may

need to go to bed at 9:30pm and wake up at 6:45am.

Since most Marist students are involved in a fall activity, many do not arrive home until after five. Once family dinners, showers, and chores are considered, it can be as late as seven or eight p.m., leaving approximately two hours for homework; 17 minutes for each of seven classes. Any class, especially AP or honors, has the potential of over an hour of work on any given night.

Of course, Marist students pack their schedules with extracurricular activities, multiple sports, and demanding classes. Not to mention commitments in family,

jobs, Church, service, or hobbies.

The Marist mission states a commitment to "academic excellence," but how can a student reach his full academic potential without sufficient sleep? We know that sleep enables us to properly learn and function, yet the majority of Marist students average 6-7 hours of sleep each night. A startling 17% glean less than five.

Yes, students tend to procrastinate with Facebook, video games, or television, but even without these distractions, there is not adequate time for sleep. And doesn't being a teenager entail self-discovery and an evolving social life? In modern times, technology

can be a huge influence in these areas.

Perhaps we, as students, could limit our schedules and carry a more manageable workload; however, extra activities are coveted on college applications, and Marist is a college preparatory school. Our intent to attend college is implied. For many, this is only affordable with scholarships, so the sacrifice of sleep is validated by future expectations.

As good as nine hours of sleep sounds, it is simply thwarted by our time-wasting, over-achieving, socially-evolving selves.

A fall reflection from senior Macaela Crowley

REBORN

Today the world is not perfect. Today the world is cold and changing. THE WORLD IS DYING. The leaves float down to earth as the birds above fly to warmer lands. The flowers fade back into the earth as the frost glitters in the morning chill. The winter will bring a fragile stillness as the world holds its breath, waiting to be reborn. FALL IS A TIME WHERE OLD THINGS PASS AWAY. The memories of summers past are fading into the background. The hallways are once again filling with sound but inside we all die a little bit. Saturdays once again become a symbol of freedom. Sleep is something we all crave. Homework is a word we all fear. Autumn and the beginning of a new year all go hand in hand. WE GO BACK TO A PLACE WHERE WE FALL INTO A ROUTINE THAT IS BOTH SIMILAR AND NEW. Classes are a part of life to get through, grades are what we keep up so that we can have down time, and extracurricular activities are expected. SENIOR YEAR IS DIFFERENT. It is a time where we must learn to let our childhoods pass away as we begin rebirth. We will be challenged and prepared, subjected to so many themes and ideas our heads will spin. This year we will cheer at our last football game, we will perform our last concert in band, we will walk down these halls as students one last time. IT IS A YEAR OF LASTS. Next year we will have to live on our own, feed ourselves, make our own money. Next year we will be adults, college students. WE WILL BE DIFFERENT. As the earth passes into a new year so we also will be reborn. This year is a time to mold ourselves. Why waste who we could become on sports we never really liked and classes that we take only for colleges. This is a year to change. To do what we love if only because we love it. Take art, learn how to play chess, make a friend who is nothing like you. Challenge old ways, learn a new science, climb a mountain. THE WORLD IS SO CLOSE. Why waste this time falling into a routine, being only who we have been all this time? If the earth changes and grows why can't we change and grow too? It is time be reborn and redefined.

HEY TEACHERS! WHAT DO YOU HAVE TO SAY?

by Robin Lilley and McKenzie O'Leary

ANDY OLDHAM
C: If kids are talking when I am, that bugs the heck outta me, and if they're talking in English when they're supposed to be talking in Spanish.

TRIPP NELSON
O: Besides you?! [Robin Lilley]
N: Ben Bollinger because he can only go Up.
C: I can't say that! Whoever happens to be in front of me at the time I guess.

DEBBIE CULLEN
O: People lining up to leave class early.
N: When I ask a question and the answer is clearly written on the board and no one knows.

CAN YOU REALLY TELL IF SOMEONE DIDN'T DO THEIR HOMEWORK?
N: Yeah, they don't make eye contact, or know the answer when I call on them.
O: Yes! Because they will copy the words wrong with O's instead of A's etc. (So students, copy people with good handwriting)

WHAT ARE YOUR TOP 3 FASHION TIPS?
O: 1)Your shoes and belt should match .2)Avoid clashing plaids. 3)Follow 1 and 2.
N: 1)Incorporate bright yellow in every outfit. 2)Wear other schools logos at school. 3)Never wear blue and gold because that doesn't make sense.

WHO'S YOUR FAVORITE STUDENT/TEACHER'S PET?
O: Ben Bollinger because he can only go Up.
C: I can't say that! Whoever happens to be in front of me at the time I guess.

WHAT'S YOUR BIGGEST PET PEEVE IN THE CLASSROOM?
O: People lining up to leave class early.
N: When I ask a question and the answer is clearly written on the board and no one knows.

MAGAZINE COVER-WHAT COVER AND WHY?
N: Men's Health because I am the perfect picture of fitness.

WHO'S YOUR CELEBRITY LOOK-A-LIKE/PERSONALITY?
O: Jim Carey.
N: Robert Redford in the Natural Part II.
C: Someone old, gray, and perky!

FAVORITE LADY GAGA SONG?
C: I hate Poker Face! (and then proceeded to sing it).

BIGGEST REGRET?
O: I had a serious girlfriend in high school and should have played football.
C: I don't have big regrets, I've had a good life

DO YOU REMEMBER ANYTHING FROM HIGH-SCHOOL/WHAT DO YOU REMEMBER MOST?
O: Time spent with friends
C: I was in three different high schools. My year in England I remember the travel and from high school in Indiana I remember the boyfriends, there were so many! Also the musical and choir.

WHAT DO YOU WISH YOU COULD HAVE CHANGED IN HIGH SCHOOL?
O: Things I thought were important that weren't and that I'd have worked harder.
N: I wish I would have taken it more seriously; I kind of cruised through high school.
C: Petty cliques.

TASTY THANKSGIVING TRADITIONS

Collected by Macaela Crowley

Thanksgiving is a great time for delicious dishes and tasty treats. Some Marist teachers have graciously offered to share some of their favorite recipes with the student body.

SWEET POTATO SOUFFLE

From science teacher June Miller

3 cups mashed yams
½ cup butter, softened
2 eggs
1 teaspoon vanilla
Mix all ingredients in order listed and put in soufflé or casserole dish. Sprinkle with topping. Bake uncovered at 350 degrees for about one hour.

TOPPING
1 cup chopped pecans
1 cup light brown sugar
1/3 cup flour
1/3 cup melted butter
Mix all ingredients in order listed. The mixture will be crumbly.

FROZEN CRANBERRY SALAD

From religion teacher Julie Ferrari

1 pound fresh cranberries (chop fine)
1 cup sugar
Mix together & refrigerate. 1 hour
1 large bag mini marshmallows
1 large can crushed pineapple
Add to cranberries & chill for another hour
1 pint whipping cream (whip until fluffy)
Combine all & freeze

drawing by Monica Anderson

FRESH PUMPKIN PIE

From art teacher Lex Schmidt

1 sugar pumpkin
1 recipe pastry for a 9 inch single crust pie
2 eggs
1 cup packed light brown sugar
1 tablespoon all-purpose flour
1/2 teaspoon salt
2 1/2 teaspoons pumpkin pie spice
1 can (12 fluid ounces) evaporated milk

Cut pumpkin in half and remove seeds. Place cut side down on a cookie sheet lined with lightly oiled foil. Bake at 325° for 30 to 40 minutes, or until the flesh is tender when poked with a fork. Cool until just warm. Scrape the pumpkin flesh from the peel. Either mash, or puree in small batches in a blender. Increase oven temperature to 450°.

In a large bowl, slightly beat eggs. Add brown sugar, flour, salt, 2 cups of the pumpkin puree, pumpkin pie spice, and evaporated milk. Stir well after each addition.

Pour mixture into the unbaked pastry shell. Place a strip of foil around the edge of the crust to prevent over browning. (I like to make little pumpkin & leaf cut-outs out of the extra dough, and decorate the top)

Bake 10 minutes at 450°, then reduce the oven temperature to 350°. Bake an additional 40 to 50 minutes, or until a toothpick inserted near the center comes out clean. Remove the strip of foil about 20 minutes before the pie is done so that the edge of the crust will be a light golden brown. Cool pie, and refrigerate overnight for best flavor.

Enjoy with your home made whip cream on top!

Rebekah Marsh

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By The Numbers

6

Varsity girls in the top 10 at Midwestern cross country districts

17

Inches between the tallest boys cross country runner, Anthony Finn, and the shortest, Truett Hanes

40

Average margin of victory during the regular season for the football team

4

Shutouts by senior soccer goalie Tyler Patterson

15

Goals scored by Midwestern co-MVP senior Emma Cooney

230

Regular season kills by senior volleyball star Amanda Robert

3

Number of girls on the co-ed water polo team

180

Pounds each Quidditch goal weighs

Geske: Coach leaves an impact

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"His sense of humor is completely his own. It is very unique and original but nonetheless hilarious. He makes me laugh on a daily basis and everyone at Marist loves his humor," said senior Josh Paiement.

Paiement provided an example of his humor when he told about a prank Geske played in his P.E. class during his first year at Marist. "Taylor O'Connor was preparing to lift up a bench press bar. Coach Geske walked over to her and told her that she was incorrectly using the left-handed bar when she should have been using the right-handed one... she believed him," said Paiement.

As the first class at Marist to play all four

years under Geske, this year's seniors have grown accustomed to Geske's unique combination of coaching experience and humor. Clearly, this combination has worked wonders on the football field considering a 45-4 record has been achieved over the past four years. Also, this group of players has played in two of three possible state championships.

This year's varsity team remains undefeated with a record of 10-0. The seniors hope to leave their legacy by leading a run deep into the playoffs, and possibly playing in the State Championship game on Dec. 3. They play at North Eugene High School this Friday night at 7 p.m. in a quarterfinal game against Wilsonville.



Class of 2012 senior football players. Chris Boyce not pictured. Photo courtesy of Suzy Krier



The 2012 football team as freshmen in the 2008 school year.



Junior Monica Anderson sprints to the finish line during the XC State Meet at LCC. Photo by Emma Pindell

The boys and girls cross country teams race their way to state

By Chris Boyce

The boys and girls cross country teams capped off two very successful seasons at the state meet on November 5th held at Lane Community College.

The girls team finished 3rd led by a 17th place finish by junior Monica Anderson. Summit won the meet as the heavy favorite, coming into the race ranked 7th in the nation. Bend finished just two points ahead of Marist for 2nd

RUN, MARIST, RUN!

place.

The girls had a very successful season driven by juniors Anderson and Molly Bohrer as well as sophomore Emily Hollander. The future looks bright next year for the 2011 Mid-Western League district champions. "We will be fabulous," said Anderson.

The boys finished 12th in state led by junior Zach Silva with a 65th place finish. "It was cold. We

never raced in the rain all year," said Silva.

The boys pulled off an upset in the district meet the week before by placing 2nd to Marshfield, to advance to state.

Silva, the lone junior on the boys varsity team believes the future looks promising for the team, especially with strong seasons from underclassmen Garrett Stollar and Truett Hanes.

MARI'S HELPER

By Chris Boyce

Athletes seeking treatment this fall season may have seen a new face in the trainer's room taping wrists and assessing simple injuries.

Junior Jaclyn Heitzman has been assisting athletic trainer Mari Gibson since August. As the fall season is considered to be the most hectic, the extra help has benefited Gibson immensely.

Lines in the training room can

often get long, resulting in players being late to practice. However, Heitzman has helped ease the stress. She has learned how to tape nagging injuries, as well as performing simple massages.

Jaclyn is interested in pursuing sports medicine as a career so the early practice is very beneficial.

"Last year I mentioned that I was interested in sports medicine, so Gibson asked if I wanted

to help," said Heitzman. She also mentioned how much fun she is having and how well she gets along with Gibson.

Heitzman plays basketball and softball so she only gets to help during the fall sports season. Being able to assist at the football games is one of her favorite parts about being a student aide. She helps bring the supplies down to the field and stands on the sideline.



Junior Jaclyn Heitzman helps pass out water bottles to the varsity football team at last Friday's game against Sandy. Photo by Toni Cooper

Dear Diary,

I don't think that people realize just how hard it is to be a team manager for the football team. Every Friday, out of the kindness of our hearts, Tim Comstock and I stand on the sidelines in the bitter cold making sure that we satisfy the players, coaches, and referees. We fill up water bottles with our numb fingers. We walk through the mud to go get PAT's. We travel through time and space to make sure that Kamerun Smith always has his ball. We try to meet the demands of the referees without finally snapping and telling them that if they want a new ball so badly they can come and get it. Not to mention the fact that those same referees throw worse than the average six year old.

The worst part has got to be the water. I really don't think people understand the physics behind filling up a water bottle. You have to take off the cap, stand in the mud as water pours all over your shoes, pour the water into a bottle with a diameter slightly larger than the average drinking cup, make sure that you don't drop the bottles as they become increasingly heavier, and do all of this before the players get impatient and start throwing stuff.

And don't dare to underestimate the great physical toll that comes with being a football team manager. Sure, the players are out there busting their tails day in and day out, but they don't have to carry around 12 full water bottles for periods of up to two and a half hours. Nor do they have to walk all the way across the field and back with the same bottles multiple times during practice. Then there's the fact that we have to chase all around the field punts from Colton Bowden or kicks from Garret Holaday, who seem to always underestimate how hard they can kick the ball.

It's grueling work, I hope they cut us managers some slack.

xoxoxxxxxx Love you Lockes, Taylor

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SPORTS PHOTO ALBUM



Senior Evan Cooney stretches out for the ball. The boys soccer team finished 7-7-1 after a first round playoff loss to Woodburn. Photo by Paul Duncan

Junior Brooke Gemmell fights for the ball at a home game against Marshfield. The girls soccer team finished their season with a loss at Corvallis in the first round of the playoffs. Photo by Paul Duncan



JV runners Sarah Zebrowski, Madeleine Landry, and Delanee Martin prepare for a race. The varsity girls cross country finished third in state. Photo by Matthew Busse '09

JV runners Sean Champoux, Drew Anderson, Michael Baird, and Jackson Bedbury lead the Marist JV team at the Marist Cross Country Invite. Photo by Matthew Busse '09



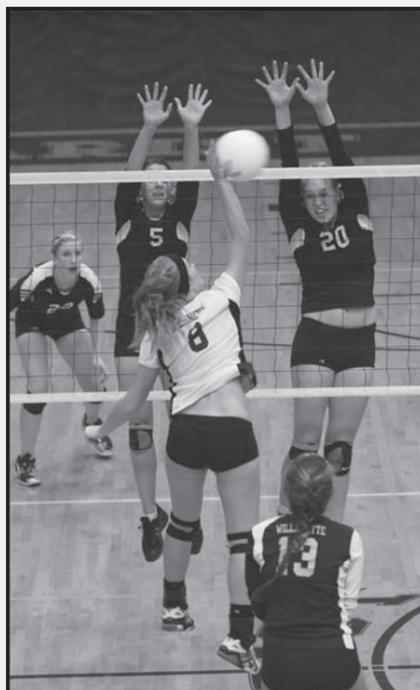
Marist Dance Team performs at a dance showcase at North Eugene. They compete this weekend at West Albany. Photo by Taylor Kirkpatrick



The Marist cheer team provides support for the football team during last Friday's playoff game. Photo by Amy Miller



Varsity football player Austin Baird outruns Willamette defenders. The football team remains undefeated with a 10-0 record. Photo by Emmitt Cummings



Seniors Amanda Robert and Hanna Mack block the attack from Willamette as senior setter Joanie Skoog anticipates the next move. Photo by Toni Cooper

Junior Morgan Silver looks to pass the ball during a water polo game. Silver was one of three girls on the co-ed team, which finished sixth in the Midwestern League. Photo by Colton Hansen '11



SWEEPING AWAY THE COMPETITION

Students hope to make the popular Harry Potter game, Quidditch, an official club at Marist

By Michael Busse



2011 Marist grad Tyler Wagner defends the hoops against sophomore Garrett Siollar with the help from sophomore Brennan Lilley and Michael Huston at Alton Baker Park last summer. Photo by Emma Pindell

For many high school students, summer means sleeping in, spending time with friends in the sun, or going on vacation. But this past summer, one group of Marist students decided to bring to life the game of Quidditch, from the popular Harry Potter series.

You may have seen them dashing around the fields of Alton Baker Park, or even on television, when the Marist Quidditch League was featured on the local news.

Now Marist Quidditch hopes to become a school-sanctioned club, as they seek a staff member to moderate. According to junior Zach Silva, around 25 students have expressed interest. The group, which unofficially began last spring, has even organized a Facebook page, currently with over 120 subscribers.

In the meantime, Quidditch

players have kicked off their winter season. Last weekend, they gathered to watch a web stream of the Quidditch World Cup, hosted in New York City with over 100 teams. Also, the team has played with University of Oregon's Quidditch group, which is led by 2008 Marist graduate Pat Millegan.

In playing Quidditch, members of opposing teams try to score by throwing a volleyball, called the quaffle, through hoops placed on either side of a field. These hoops are guarded by a keeper. The players allowed to score, called chasers, can be stopped if they are hit by a red rubber ball thrown by the other team's "beaters". Additionally, a person with a flag runs around acting as the "snitch." The game ends when the snitch is caught by one team, and whichever team has the most points wins.

"I have been a die-hard Oregon State football fan ever since the 2001 Fiesta Bowl when the Beavers beat Notre Dame 41-9. Oregon State has never been able to match the success that they had that season, and duck fans are always quick to point that out. My newspaper associate Zach Silva still seems to think that the Ducks are the best team out there, and that Chip Kelly is some sort of messiah. While being a Duck fan is probably more desirable, I still believe that in the long run it is better to be a Beaver fan."

-TAYLOR LOCKE

OSU Pros:

- *Not as much trouble with the law
- *Bright future (possibly)
- *Strong finishes
- *Being an average team with a respectable program is better than being a good team with a frowned upon program.
- *Fun to play as the underdog or the spoiler team
- *Jeff Bedbury

OSU Cons:

- *Constantly disappointed by losing
- *Being known as the "little brother" & living in the shadow of the Oregon Ducks
- *Slow starts
- *A lot of injuries
- *Never able to get over the hump of going from an average team to a good team
- *Undersized & young

DISPUTE

"I was raised knowing black and orange were bad colors. When my two oldest sisters went to OSU, I died a little inside. Recently, fellow newspaper colleague Taylor Locke has been trying to convince me that OSU has a half-decent football team that is on the rise. This Beaver believer has been hoodwinked to accept these fallacies while deep down he knows that the Ducks are the superior team."

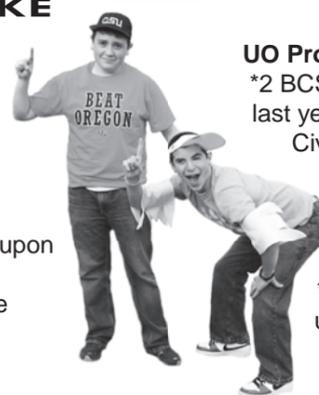
-ZACH SILVA

UO Pros:

- *2 BCS bowl appearances in two last years and winner of 3 straight Civil Wars
- *"Big Brother"
- *Chip Kelly and his high scoring, entertaining, fast-paced offense
- *Ever changing flashy uniforms
- *Autzen Stadium
- *Cliff Harris

UO Cons:

- *Trouble with the law
- *Constantly plagued by injuries
- *Have not been able to win the big game
- *Possible recruiting scandal
- *Known for rude fans
- *Cliff Harris



CIVIL

Students of the Issue

Freshmen



Q: If you could get a tattoo, what would it be?
A: *Jesus on my chest.*
Q: What is your favorite pick-up line?
A: *How much does a polar bear weigh? Enough to break the ice! Hi, I'm Randy!*

Q: If you could get a tattoo, what would it be?
A: *'Promise' on my pinky, so I'd have a pinky promise!*
Q: What is your favorite pick-up line?
A: *Are you from Tennessee? 'Cause you're the only Ten-I-See!*

Randy Patterson

Bri Stowell

Sophomores



Q: If you could get a tattoo, what would it be?
A: *A llama.*
Q: What is your favorite pick-up line?
A: *Are you African? 'Cause A-fricken love you!*

Q: If you could get a tattoo, what would it be?
A: *A hammerhead shark on my chest.*
Q: What is your favorite pick-up line?
A: *I need a Band-Aid because I scraped my knee when I fell for you.*

Hannah Hughes

Garrett Stollar

Juniors



Q: If you could get a tattoo, what would it be?
A: *A dinosaur.*
Q: What is your favorite pick-up line?
A: *I know you're not in a Professor Flitwick class, but you're still charming.*

Q: If you could get a tattoo, what would it be?
A: *"Life ever changing" on my wrist.*
Q: What is your favorite pick-up line?
A: *Let's count shoulders!*

Emmitt Cummings

Michaela Ewing

Seniors



Q: If you could get a tattoo, what would it be?
A: *I don't know, I just wouldn't get something stereotypical.*
Q: What is your favorite pick-up line?
A: *I'm a ginger, I don't need pick-up lines.*

Q: If you could get a tattoo, what would it be?
A: *Taylor O'Connor's face.*
Q: What is your favorite pick-up line?
A: *Heyyyyyyyyyy ;)*

Patrick Caruana

Sami Pitts

Hallway Words

Ever wonder just what language is being spoken by kids these days....

- Awk(adv.)-Awkward
- Obvi/obvz(adv.)- Obviously
- Lollers/lolz/ lull(s)interj.)- lol; laugh out loud
- Presh(adv.)-Precious
- FBO(in.)-Facebook official
- Fab(adv.)-Fabulous
- Abreev(in.)- Abbreviation
- Totes(adv.)- totally
- Dank(adv.)-Awesome
- Btdubs(adv.)-btw; by the way
- Probz(adv.)-probably
- SUPZ(adv.)-super

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Why didn't the turkey eat dessert?
 O O O O O O O O O O

LETTERS TO THE EDITORS



Michael Busse
Michael Lyford
Alyssa Grimaldi

Lyford,
Do you really have "juicy" tattooed on your [derriere]?
- An Anonymous Observer

Dear Anonymous Observer,
Contrary to popular belief, I have no such tattoo, although if I had to get a tattoo there, I would get one that says "Too Phat."
- Lyford

Lyford,
I hate how everyday, when I wake up, and I look at my face in the mirror, its not Chris Boyce's. I really wish I could be Chris Boyce. To be THAT awesome and cool - can you imagine?
- Austin Backer

Austin Backer,
All I can say is that sometimes bad things happen that we can't explain. We should just be thankful to be in the presence of Chris Boyce whenever possible.
-Lyford

Busse,

Did it hurt when you fell from heaven? ;)
-Anonymous

Dear Anonymous,
In short, no. But I would love to discuss it with you over an elegant candle-lit dinner, and perhaps a stroll through the park afterwards. Does Friday work? ♥
-Busse

Editors,
How can I get Tyler Patterson to stop holding my hand in the hallways? It's really getting out of hand.
-Taylor O'Connor

Dear Taylor,
Maybe you shouldn't have held his hand during Spanish class last year.
-Alyssa

Busse,
Why are you the better part of M^2?
-Anonymous

Dear Anonymous,
Michael Busse is busy, but I

am fully capable of answering this question on his behalf, thank you very much. Aside from his stunning good looks, immaculate hair, and chiseled body, he contributes a lot to the newspaper team. However, if you consider the other part of M^2, you will see he is also quite the stud.
-Lyford

Lyford,
I hear you are a history buff. Maybe you wouldn't mind answering some of my questions that are in no way related to AP European History.
-Anonymous person who isn't in AP Euro 1st Period.

Brennan Lilley,
No, I will not do your homework for you.
-Lyford

Alyssa,
Will your mom make me dinner tonight?
-Anonymous

Dear Mooch,
My mom would love to make you dinner. I won't be home tonight though, so you can enjoy a nice dinner with Gino and Anita and my cats, which I know you love.
-Alyssa

Busse,
Can you rearrange the alphabet? If so, you should put U and I together.
- ;)

Dear ;)
Let's talk about it while we walk down a moonlit beach. Are you free on Saturday? ♥
-Busse