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# Wrestling on the Rise

**SPARTAN**  
Sports

Reported by Zach Silva



Freshman Connor Hoag gets ready to take on an opponent at Sheldon. Photo by Taylor Marsh

## Often overlooked, Marist's wrestling program continues to turn heads

By Taylor Locke

This team may be small, but don't sell them short. The eight members of the Marist Wrestling team do whatever they can to avoid Coach Dino Deschaine's "stare down of disappointment." They take pride in what they do, and their hard work is starting to turn into wins.

A team that started out with only

three athletes before the football season ended has expanded into a group of eight sophomores and freshman.

Last weekend they participated in a tournament in Siuslaw with around twelve total teams in attendance. Freshman Connor Hoag led the team in the 136\* weight class finishing seventh place. He collected four wins

in his five total matches, the max that one can participate in a single tournament, while fellow freshmen William Stearns and Trevor Konrady each grabbed a win also.

The team has a meet this Monday at South Eugene, where they hope to build on their momentum with another solid performance from the team.

## No snow day for students :'(

By McKenzie O'Leary

You know what I have always wondered? How is the weatherperson constantly wrong?

Monday night you watch the six o'clock news, and leap for joy at

the image of snow over Eugene. The weatherperson says that we are expecting at least four inches and it looks like school is going to be cancelled.

After completing a ritual snow

dance, you go to bed wearing one sock and with a spoon under your pillow. Once you are asleep, your dreams are filled with snowball fights and sledding down your driveway.

Then you wake up. The house is silent as you wait for the phone to ring, bringing the news of no school.

You stumble to the widow, open the shades and... nothing. No snow, not even a frost, just gray clouds and rain.

You get ready for school, looking at the clock thinking, "I could be sleeping."

You get to school with disappointment hanging in the air and everyone loathing the weatherman for his inaccurate predictions.



The Marist courtyard on a gray, wet, and snowless Tuesday morning. Photo by Jenna Laver

## Some final tips from the seniors

Last week, groups from Christian Leadership Class went around freshman religion classes and gave some tips for taking finals.

**HERE ARE SOME HANDY TIPS FOR EVERYONE:**

- Manage your time: Don't ONLY study the night before; Set up a study schedule for each class.
- Don't get too over-whelmed: Take breaks every hour with snack and exercise.
- Study in a place that doesn't have distractions: Avoid your phone, the internet and T.V.
- Get a good night's sleep before the day of tests.
- Eat a good breakfast with lots of protein.
- Arrive to your final before the first bell.

### BOYS BASKETBALL

Saturday varsity defeated Marshfield at home 52-41 and were led by senior Paxton Miller's 11 points and 10 rebounds. Tuesday they travelled to Willamette where they defeated the Wolverines 56-52. The Spartans squeezed out a victory and were led by senior Nate Krause who led the team with 16 points. JV and the freshmen teams both lost. Thursday Marist won at home against the Thurston Colts 52-46. Senior Willy Malos led the way with 14 points. JV won while the freshman team lost.

### GIRLS BASKETBALL

Saturday the Spartans went on the road where they crushed Marshfield 69-43 and were led by senior Sami Pitts 6 three pointers. Pitts lead the team with 20 points. Tuesday they lost at home 39-56 to Willamette while Hanna Mack had a team high 14 points. Tonight the teams play at Thurston.

### SWIMMING

Last Friday Marist raced at Echo Hollow against Churchill and Willamette. Freshmen Angela Sampson won the 100 backstroke. On the boy's side junior Alex Seaver won the 200 free and the 100 fly.

### WRESTLING

Last Saturday the team travelled to Florence where they competed against 12 teams. The Spartans had a tough going but freshmen Connor Hoag led the team.

## Check It Out



**F**reshman John Kerns is a rising author and actor on the Marist campus. So far, Kerns has acted in "Phormia" early this year, and is currently in the ensemble in Godspell. Kerns is also an aspiring author currently writing three books combining a range of topics. If everything goes as planned, Kerns hopes to be done with the books in three years.

### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"If we got nothing with a 90 percent chance of snow, who knows what we'll get with 60 percent? Possibly locusts."  
--English teacher Andy Oldham

## GODSPELL SUCCESS

By Jake Gram

The Marist Theatre Program presented two performances of the play Godspell this past weekend in front of a packed Bob Devereaux Theatre. The play was a success in its opening weekend, as both showings were well-attended.

If you missed out on the play last weekend, the play will be performed three more times, on Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday at 2:30 p.m. Tickets can be reserved ahead of time on the Marist website.

The cast of Godspell sings during one of last weekend's performances. Photo by Toni Cooper



Left: Senior Michael Busse sings as Jesus in Godspell. Photo by Samantha Bock

Above: Juniors Jamie Ferrari and Jenna Laver sing at the feet of senior Michael Busse. Photo by Trish Laver