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Sickness strikes Marist

By Peter Hu

Last week Marist had an average of fifty students sick every day. Compared with the average number of ten people sick on a normal day, that's a big curve.

About the ill students, Tammy May said, "They were really sick. They were sick for a couple days." However, those sick students are getting better and coming back to school.

May also mentioned that students work "really hard; even if they are sick, they still come to school because they don't want to miss their class time."

Physical therapists speak



Physical therapist Judy Fusek discusses her profession with students at a brown bag lunch. Photo by Jackson Bedbury '13

By Harry Zhou

On Thursday Marist welcomed the 4J school district physical therapist and Marist parent Judy Fusek and Eugene Physical Therapy head therapist and head sports therapist for the Olympic Trials Jeff Giulietti to speak about their profession at the Brown Bag Lunch. The two shared stories of how they stepped into the world of physical therapy and the responsibilities a physical therapist have on their shoulders.

To summarize the great speech that Fusek and Giulietti gave the students, it is a profession with many job opportunities and flexibility but high requirements; it is a rewarding to meet and care for people every day; and it is a profession in which one should not only keep others healthy but also himself or herself to be the role model.

Lenten Masses begin



Students celebrate Lenten Mass in the cafeteria Friday morning. Photo by Toni Cooper

By Zach Silva

This morning students and staff gathered in the cafeteria for the first Lenten Mass of the season.

"Mass is different when everyone wants to be there," said first time Lenten Mass goer Ryan Helbling. "There is a definite sense of community."

Lenten Mass is offered each Friday during Lent.

LETTING TALENTS SHOW



Junior Shoshanna Hwang wows the crowd with her piano, guitar, ukulele, and singing skills en route to a Talent Show victory. Photo by Brennick Thompson '14

Spartans sing, dance and play at annual talent show

By Jordan Pickrel

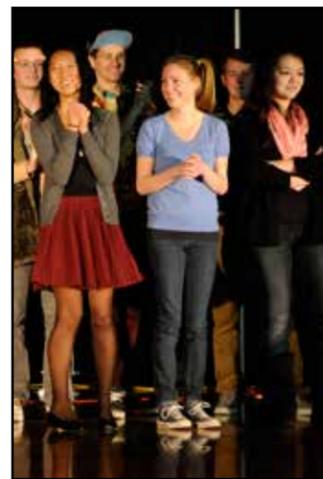
Marist students, staff and parents gathered in the gym Wednesday for the Marist Talent Show. This annual event showcased talents of the Marist student body in 14 fantastic acts varying from dances to original raps.

First place went to junior Shoshanna Hwang for her ukulele-accompanied "Goldilocks." Addie Curran placed second for her piano-accompanied mash up of Ed Sheeran's "A Team" and "Holding Out for a Hero" by Ella Mae Bowen. Senior Vanessa Weber took third place for her rendition of Evanescence's "Understanding," with her piano accompaniment.

A panel composed of teachers Ryan Baker, Jeanette Herro, Jon Nuxoll, Matthew Oppe, Jericho Schwab and Lex Schmidt judged performances based on various characteristics including overall effect, execution and content.

"I was astonished by how much talent Marist has," Herro (also known as ω -chainz) said. "I was also impressed by how much courage [the students] had."

Eight Mr. Spartan contestants concluded the event with a preview of their dance for the Mr. Spartan Pageant that will take place on April 13. The routine was choreographed by junior Lexi Cross and senior Madeline Balderston.



Junior Shoshanna Hwang celebrates with runner-up sophomore Addie Curran and third place finisher senior Vanessa Weber. Photo by Megan Braud '13

Seaver repeats double state victories

By Emily Boyd

Last weekend, six members of the Marist swim team traveled to Mt. Hood Community College in Gresham to compete against fellow qualifiers at the OSAA State Championships. On Fri., Alex Seaver advanced to finals in the 200 and 500 yard freestyle.

After falling behind Carlos Hunnicutt of Springfield High School at districts and in those prelims, Seaver came back and won both of his events on Sat. with times of 1:41.43 in the 200 yard freestyle and 4:37.04 in the 500 yard freestyle. Seaver also won these events last year.



Senior Alex Seaver enjoys one of two state victories atop the podium. Photo by Jenna Laver '13

"The races were a lot closer this year," he said, "In a way it was more satisfying."

No other Marist swimmers made finals, but five additional swimmers competed in Friday's prelims. Sophomore Corey Solari swam the 200 yard IM and the 100 yard breaststroke, sophomore Angela Sampson swam the 100 yard backstroke and the 100 yard butterfly and freshman Katie Seaver swam in the 500 yard freestyle. Sampson, Katie, sophomore Emily Boyd and freshman Marissa Gibson made up the girls 400 freestyle relay team.

Spanish Oscars: students organize an afternoon of speeches and laughter

By Jackson Bedbury

During seventh period yesterday, the foreign language classes gathered for "Los Premios Oscar."

The annual event is a replication of the Oscars, and is conducted entirely in Spanish. The Spanish students vote in class prior to the event in order to decide winners of the various categories—which are the same as the official Oscars—and if a student wins his category he is required to give a speech.

This format means that even if a student does not have a large role in the event, he is required to prepare an acceptance speech.

Senior Logan McGann—a fluent Spanish-speaker—emceed the event as Mario Lopez and told a plethora of jokes which were laughed at "almost exclusively" by Señora Cullen, junior Brennick Thompson said.

Junior Sean Dorsey, who played the role of Ricky Bobby, said he tied not to take himself too seriously and "just had fun with it."

Senior Logan McGann entertains the crowd at the Oscars Thursday. Photo by Brennick Thompson '14



SPARTAN SPORTS with CHRIS KEYLOCK

BOYS BASKETBALL

Varsity lost to the Springfield Millers 37-42. Springfield had a 31-18 scoring run in the second half to defeat the Spartans. Senior Josh Harper led Marist with 11 points. JV lost and Freshman won.

Tonight varsity will battle it out with the Willamette Wolverines at 7:00 with JV/F at 5:30.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Varsity lost a close game of 44-47 at Thurston last Friday night. Marist was led by senior Dani Krier with 15 points.

On Tuesday varsity lost to Springfield in the Holy dome 43-67. Juniors Martha Gehrig and Grace Harrison had 17 combined points. JV was victorious against the Millers.

Thursday, Varsity lost to Willamette on senior night. Marist was led by Krier, Gehrig, Harrison and senior Delanee Martin all with 10 points. On a brighter note, JV brought home a victory last night against the Wolverines.

Olympic conditioning

By Patrick Wagner

On Tuesday and Thursday this week Marist student-athletes were treated to a special guest for conditioning. Soccer Coach José da Silva's childhood friend, José Barbosa, was in town for a visit and he shared his zesty enthusiasm with both soccer, lacrosse and track athletes who were trying to get in shape for their respective sports.

Coach Barbosa currently lives in San Diego where he coaches high school athletes as well as some Olympic hopefuls.

Of note, Barbosa is a 4-time Olympian having competed in four straight Olympic Games from 1984 to 1996 and finished with a silver medal in the 1991 World Championships. His hour-long session included some of his philosophies of life including recognizing the importance of rhythm for our survival and that "10 cents" of work now will add up to \$100 later down the road.