

## Bake sale competition

Jordan Pickrel

Marist under and upperclassmen teamed up against each other for a delectable competition this week in the Project Starfish Bake Sale. Freshmen and sophomores were pitted against juniors and seniors to decide which group could raise the most funds for Project Starfish by donating baked goods to the sale.

Upperclassmen were defeated by underclassmen in the battle, losing by a difference of \$201. Upperclassmen raised \$35 during their sale last Wednesday, while underclassmen raised \$236 during theirs this Wednesday. Combined, both sales pushed Project Starfish \$271 closer to its ultimate goal of \$10,500 for this year.

A staff bake sale is also planned for next Wednesday's Founder's Day Mass to benefit Project Starfish.

These events are just a few of many Marist-sponsored events that help raise funds for the project which helps fund St. Vincent de Paul's Connections Transitional Housing Program. This program provides two years of affordable housing to homeless and low income families with the goal of transitioning them to permanent housing.

## Speech at State

By Emily Boyd

Last weekend, Marist's Speech and Debate team travelled to Western Oregon University to compete in the State competition.

The team was made up of sophomores Heather Clarke, Jacob Kiefer, and Abby Pandina and freshman Jessica Lynch. Clarke and Pandina competed in Expository Speaking. Pandina also participated in Dramatic Interpretation. Lynch chose her own topic and spoke for Original Oratory, and Kiefer competed in Student Congress.

## Service Recognized

By Hayley Olson

Wednesday, April 24 senior Jenna Laver was awarded \$500 by the Emerald Empire Kiwanis. The award was in recognition for Laver's commitment to service both here at Marist and also in the surrounding community.

A handful of students from schools in the area received the award in a congratulatory ceremony Wednesday night.

"I was, honestly, very honored," Laver said, "And it was really humbling to see all of the students from the other schools receiving this award and seeing what they've done."

## MEETINGS, PEP RALLY END WITH A POP



(Clockwise from left) Junior Shoshanna Hwang campaigns for student council. Senior Simon Olson psychs himself up for the towel race. Junior Lexi Cross shows off her shaving-cream-colored hands after the balloon shaving race. Senior Sean Champoux attacks the freshmen's balloon during the assembly. Photos by Tanner Lloyd '14, Kylene Medenbach '14, Toni Cooper, Toni Cooper

### Student elections and spring sports assembly prove eventful

By Harry Zhou and Peter Hu

New people boosted Marist when future student council leaders were elected and a rally for spring sports activities was operated Wednesday.

Each class attended separate meetings. Seniors listened carefully to the tips shared for getting ready for the upcoming university or college; each of the other three classes chose its representatives after short but honest speeches.

The freshmen elected Madison Bryant, Ryan Helbling, Ariana Buchanan, Devon Daniel, and Colin Kirk to serve as next year's class council.

Sean Kimball, Jacob Hubbard, Karson Silver, Natalie Weymouth, and Jacob Kiefer will bring excitement to the sophomore class council next year.

The juniors elected Emily Hollander, Shoshanna Hwang, Sean Dorsey, Madeline Landry, and Gavin Doremus to be representatives next year.

Following the meetings, all students gathered to honor the Spartans and athletes of the month, and to engage in friendly competition.

Athletic Director Sharee Waldron excitingly announced Marist as the top school in the state with

the highest percentage rate of activity occupation; Marist Softball, Speech and Debate, Girls Golf, and Band are the top teams for all classification with the highest GPAs; Marist Track and Field, Boys Tennis, and Choir have the top GPAs for the 5A schools in Oregon

This year's "balloon shaving" race ended with a tie with all the balloons attacked by senior Sean Champoux and junior Tanner Lloyd.

The rally concluded with a cheer and applause for the excellent work Marist students have done.

## Last weekend to see Pippin

By Emily Boyd

Marist Theatre concludes its voyage to the Middle Ages this Saturday with the last performance of its spring production, Pippin. The play follows its main character, Pippin, through his journey to find happiness in his life.

The show starts at 7:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and stars senior Jack Lemhouse as Pippin, sophomore Nikki Mirhosseyni as Catherine and junior Jeff Carr as Charlemagne. Theatre Director Tony Rust is also in the play, and it is his first time acting since overcoming his battle with cancer.

Tickets are \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for students. During intermission, the Pippin cast will be collecting donations for Project Starfish.



Junior Nikki Mirhosseyni and senior Jack Lemhouse perform as the leads in Pippin. There are two final performances this weekend. Photo by Karlin Anderson '14

## Chemistry, physics, biology visit nuclear reactor at Reed College

By Hayley Olson

Friday April 19, sixteen of Marist's AP Chemistry, AP Physics and AP Biology students visited the nuclear reactor at Reed College in Portland. The trip included a tour of the facilities as well as a student-run lab testing the half-life of radioactive Vanadium-52.

"We got to get really close to the reactor... which is something not everyone gets to do," junior AP Physics student Harry Zhou said.

The nuclear reactor at Reed is the only undergraduate operated reactor in the United States. It's roughly the size of a washing machine and resides

under 25 feet of water.

Radioactive Uranium-235 power rods supply fuel for the reactor through a process called nuclear fission, which has the potential to produce massive amounts of heat, but the reactor at Reed runs at such a low output of heat that even naturally convecting air is enough to cool it down.

The trip allows students to have a hands-on experience with nuclear chemistry and physics.

"We can't do that lab in this setting," science teacher Ryan Moser said, "One of our department goals is to have everyone see a college lab before they graduate."

## SPARTAN SPORTS

with CHRIS KEYLOCK

### BASEBALL

Varsity lost to Thurston at home 17-5 on Monday. Senior Grant Jamieson was 1-for-4 with a homerun. Wednesday Marist beat Springfield 5-1 anchored by pitcher junior Cameron Jack's complete game with eight strikeouts. At 5:00 p.m. tonight JV baseball plays the Sheldon freshman team at Sheldon

### BOYS GOLF

On Tuesday boys JV golf placed 2nd out of five at the Diamond Woods Tournament.

### GIRLS GOLF

Varsity took fourth at a tournament at Tokatee Monday.

### BOYS LACROSSE

Varsity lost in sudden death overtime to Churchill 7-8 on Friday. Freshman Brock Neubauer led the Spartans with 4 goals. Tuesday varsity fell to league leaders Roseburg 6-7. Senior Chris Damewood led the Spartans with 2 goals. JV lost 3-6.

### GIRLS LACROSSE

The team squashed Corvallis 14-7 at home on Tuesday. Senior Brooke Gemmell scored five goals and had an assist. Yesterday varsity defeated West Albany 12-2. Juniors Madeleine Landry and Angela Fuchs each had 3 goals.

### SOFTBALL

Varsity lost to the Thurston 0-19 on Monday. Senior Courtney Rustik was 2-for-2. Wednesday they beat Springfield.

### GIRLS TENNIS

The team defeated Thurston Tuesday 7-1. Marist swept three singles matches with straight set victories by doubles team consisting of seniors Lauren Sibole and Madeline Balderston, along with junior Madison Penn. Today the girls traveled to Marshfield to take on the Pirates and North Bend.

### TRACK AND FIELD

On Wednesday the squad faced South Eugene and Churchill. Senior Kaelen Byrum placed first in long jump with 21'6.75" and high jump at 6'6" to help the Spartans place first in the meet. On the girls side sophomore Anne Yates won the 800m and the girls took third at the meet. Tomorrow varsity will be in Gresham competing at the 49th Centennial Invitational.

## Foreign Language



Marist students enjoy their experience at University of Oregon's Foreign Language & International Studies day on Friday. 81 students and the language teachers attended the event. Photo courtesy Clara Lee '15