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Story of the Bells

By Tayler Anderson

This year the Marist administration decided to change the tones of the passing and announcement bells in addition to installing many new speakers around campus in response to the accreditation last year.

These new bells have provoked a variety of opinions from Marist students. Some students aren't bothered by the bells while others strongly dislike the new sounds. Senior Sarah Akers described the passing bell as sounding like a flight attendant indicator. She said "It feels like the fasten seat belt sign is going off over and over again."

Other students have said that it's hard to hear the bells in some of their classes and as a result they often are unable to tell if class is starting.

Angels of the Arts

By Karlin Andersen

Angels gathered Tuesday night in the Bob Devereaux Theater to discuss this year's Marist Arts Angels fundraising goals. Theater Director Tony Rust and Strings Instructor Alisa Kincade informed parents of the \$9,500 goal and explained how the donated money would be used.

Music Director Jim Reinking hopes to match last year's total donations of \$14,000. Reinking said a majority of parents attended and many seemed enthusiastic about supporting the arts beyond the minimum monetary \$100 donation.

Donations will be put towards every art class and club at Marist by purchasing new clay, costumes, paint, craft supplies and other materials including a new set of tympani.



Senior Erin Cramsey shows off her axe. Photo by Olivia Deschaine

By Natalia Zreliak and Abbie Almond

What does it take to compete in professional Timber sports? Just ask Senior Erin Cramsey who competes in the sport with her father and her brother. She's been competing for two years, and even took 3rd place in the World Champion Jack and Jill competition with her father! Cool stuff.

THE POWER OF PINK



Sophomore Kara Mathison charges with the ball in the midfield against a North Eugene player. Photo by Toni Cooper

Marist participates in October breast cancer fundraisers



Marist varsity volleyball team gets ready to start their game against Sheldon. Photo by Kylene Medenbach

By Madison Martin and Kylene Medenbach

On Monday, the Varsity girls' volleyball and soccer teams played to raise proceeds for breast cancer research.

The soccer team, who played at home against North Eugene High School, wore pink jerseys and painted themselves with the initials of women in their lives that have struggled with breast cancer. Sophomore Kara Mathison wrote "Mom" on her thigh in honor of her mother's fight against breast cancer. After the game Mathison remarked "It was really cool to be

playing for my mom and everybody who has to go through what she went through." In total, \$100 in donations were collected.

On the same night, the volleyball team played at Sheldon and wore pink shoelaces to show their support for the cause. Sheldon parents and breast cancer survivors hosted a silent auction and a bake sale during the game to raise proceeds for research foundations. Their efforts proved successful. The two schools surpassed their goal of raising \$5,500 by hundreds - pulling in more than \$6,902.

Rust Brings Laughs to Cottage Theatre

By Karlin Andersen and Zac Oldham

Marist theatre director Tony Rust has been moonlighting as the director of Cottage Theatre's production of Spamalot, a play based on the movie Monty Python and the Holy Grail. Fourteen Marist staff members and their spouses attended the opening production this past weekend.

Finance Director Reba McClary enjoyed the evening, saying "I've never seen Monty Python before but [the play] was hilarious."

Rust wanted the production to resemble a Broadway play as much as possible, accomplishing this through choreography and set design.

Studying under Rust, senior Olivia Deschaine is the assistant stage manager. "The first performance went great. One of my favorite jobs was controlling the chords to make Tim fly around" Deschaine said.



Marist Staff members Reba McClary, Julie Ferrari and Walt Fox enjoy the first production of Spamalot. Photo by Toni Cooper

The production runs every weekend through Oct. 27. For ticketing and performance times, check out www.cottagetheatre.org

Freshmen Educated on How to Stay Safe

By Maureen Pappin

Monday through Wednesday this week, the freshman class joined counselors Shari Pimental and Jerry Ragan, as well as students from the Christian Leadership Class, to learn about boundaries relating to sexual abuse.

The event is mandated by

the Portland Archdiocese and is meant to teach students what to do in the event that they feel abused or harassed. Freshmen learned how to reach out for help from a trusted adult or peer, as well as taking to heart the call to protect not only themselves, but also their friends and classmates.

Pimental commented, "This is a really rough subject to talk about, so we bring in students from the Christian Leadership Class in order to give freshmen the opportunity to ask questions from their fellow peers and classmates in a safe environment."

SPARTAN SPORTS with HART, MARTIN AND MEDENBACH

CROSS COUNTRY

10/5: Varsity Boys placed 1st. JV finished second. The Varsity Girls team was led by Anne Yates and Annabelle Geisler. Claire Farrington was the lone JV racer and finished 6th overall.

10/12: The teams will race at the Adidas XC classic in Gervais, Oregon. The race starts at 9 A.M.

FOOTBALL

10/4: Varsity lost 13-14 against Eagle Point.

10/10: Frosh/Soph has a home game against Churchill. The game starts at 6 P.M.

10/11: Varsity plays at Churchill. The game starts at 7 P.M.

BOYS SOCCER

10/8: Varsity beat North Eugene 4-0. JV won 1-0.

GIRLS SOCCER

10/7: Varsity beat North Eugene 4-1. JV won by forfeit.

VOLLEYBALL

10/5: Varsity lost to South 0-3.

10/7: Varsity lost to Sheldon 0-3.

10/9: Varsity beat North Eugene 3-2.

10/12: JV2 has a tournament in Cottage Grove.

WATER POLO

10/5: Varsity lost 15-8 to Ashland.

10/8: Varsity lost to Cottage Grove 4-10.

10/11: Varsity plays at Ashland at 7 P.M.

10/12: Varsity plays Medford at 8 A.M.

Marco Foyot Visits Marist



Pétanque champion Marco Foyot talks to a French class while French teacher Ryan Baker listens. Photo by Katie Tarrant

By Katie Tarrant

Students gathered on the Pétanque court this Thursday to learn from a master of his craft - Jean Marc "Marco" Foyot, 9-time French national pétanque champion.

Foyot visited French teacher Ryan Baker's French II and French IV classes to explain his passion for the sport, converse with the students in French, and respond to inquiries regarding his childhood, his career, and the best food he'd eaten while in America (lobster, as it turns out). Later, the classes rushed out to the Pétanque court to play beside the champion and pick up a few expert tips.

Foyot's visit to Eugene was sponsored by the Federation of Pétanque of the U.S.A., and hosted by the Eugene Pétanque International Club. After school, from 4 PM to 5:30 PM, Foyot gave a demonstration of the sport, played with members of the Eugene club, and gave lessons to the public.