



## I AM THANKFUL FOR...



- “My education” - Jack McGaughey ‘09
- “A welcoming community where I can be myself and make more friends” - Joe Laver ‘11
- “Ms. Cooper’s photography class” - Willie Johnson ‘11
- “My talents and gifts” - Marissa Gibson ‘10
- “All of the girls on the basketball team who I consider my sisters” - Sara Lange ‘11
- “My Beats Pro” - Eden Anderson ‘10
- “Jaden Santos” - Bradley Rochon ‘12
- “My family and everything they’ve done for me in my life” - Madison Diehl ‘11
- “My family, Mr. Gilchrist, Mr. Nelson, and Mrs. Boyd” - Brittan Silver ‘09
- “My life” - Taron Holaday ‘12
- “Music and family” - Hannah Beeler ‘11
- “Simply the fact that I know when I’m having a hard time, there are people who love me” - Shelby Gill ‘11
- “My education” Maddi O’Bannon ‘10
- “My cat Cougar and chocolate” - Elizabeth Locke ‘12
- “Red flannels and lifted trucks” - Spencer David ‘12
- “For my sister” - Soren Andersen ‘09
- “A good salmon season and a great deer hunting season” - Adam Houser ‘12
- “Food and dogs” - Sam Harwood ‘12
- “My car” - Lars Sundahl ‘11
- “My teachers and coaches” - Spencer Nelson ‘10
- “My family, the sun and (rain), friends, and fluffy clouds” - Allie Thompson ‘11
- “The opportunity to learn under the authority of Mr. Jon Nuxoll” - Michael Baird ‘11
- “Family and friends” - Tyler Fechtel ‘11
- “Friends, family, and the opportunity to learn at an amazing school with great people” - Bri Stowell ‘11
- “Doctor Who” - Avery May ‘10
- “The ability to play sports and be healthy” - Anna Houser ‘10
- “The gift of a shelter over my head and go to Marist” - Maya Peterson ‘10
- “My cats” - Isabella Hardt ‘10
- “The gifts and blessings of Marist” - Principal Jay Conroy
- “No school days” - Kayla Backer ‘11
- “My grandchildren and my life” - Substitute Teacher Mrs. Kehoe
- “Sports” - Sam Landry ‘09
- “The education that Marist provides for me and for my mom who chose to bring me here” - Mextli Palacios ‘11
- “Books” - Madi Potter ‘09
- “That I do not live within the gamma radiation zone of any pulsars” - Peter Young ‘12
- “My friends and being able to have a Thanksgiving meal with those I love” - Molly McCabe ‘10
- “For all of my really supportive friends” - Alayna Newman ‘10

**HAVE A RELAXING  
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FROM THE 2013-14  
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## Hakuna Matata at the Fall Girls Encounter



Snuggled up, juniors Anne Yates and Brit Brann sit together and share a laugh this past weekend at the Fall Girls Encounter. Photo by Toni Cooper

By Abbie Almond

This past Saturday, 32 girls along with senior and staff leaders gathered in the beautiful St. Benedict’s Lodge for the Fall Junior Girls Encounter.

As the river rapids roared and the crackling fire warmed the brisk fall air, the junior girls created new friendships and developed new perspectives. Throughout the weekend the girls reflected on a quote from the Lion King - and the theme of the retreat - “He lives in you.”

The girls enjoyed hiking through the woods and along the river, creating goofy skits, and searching for shooting stars. New chaplains, Father Daniel OP and Father Francis OP, helped celebrate the retreat Mass, and shared a story about the periodical sun.

“I really enjoyed opening up in small groups, talking about God and getting to know each other better. I know we are going to stay friends,” said junior Mextli Palacios.

## A Passionate Dance in West Albany

By Karlin Andersen

Clad in black and red dresses with dramatic make-up, the six member Marist Passion Dance Team competed at West Albany High School last weekend.

Dancing to “A Little Party Never Killed Nobody” by Fergie, the team placed fourth in the jazz category. The team also competed in the lyrical competition. Their next competition is in January.