



Parent Financial Aid Night

By Chris Keylock

Parents of Marist seniors were informed about college financial aid by University of Oregon Assistant Director of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships, Kara Westervelt, last Wednesday in the Marist ARC.

Westervelt discussed the financial aid opportunities for students and parents, pointing out the numerous grants and loans along with their deadlines that students may qualify for. Westervelt also talked about scholarships available using the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

STRONG SPARTAN OF THE WEEK



Juniors Dharma Prime and Katie Kreidler

By Austin McIntire

Because of their synchrony, Marist Theatre has chosen juniors, Dharma Prime and Katie Kreidler to replace previous single backstage manager, 2014 Marist graduate Olivia Deschaine.

Theater director Tony Rust chose Prime and Kreidler because of their past experience backstage with Marist Productions.

"They've been helping for several years, and are always very efficient in their work," Rust said.

Way to be strong spartans you two!

Finally a Finance Class at Marist

By Sam Inouye

A group of Marist seniors signed up to take a highly demanded financial planning class put on through Junior Achievement.

St. Paul mother and Junior Achievement volunteer, Carrie Fortier started off the first of five sessions by giving each student a personal finance checklist. The following sessions will focus on planning and saving for future expenses.

If enough students are still interested in taking the class but didn't sign up for the first session, there will be another class held.

FRESHMAN CONVERSATIONS



Senior Sam Inouye puts together a puzzle with freshman Alex Stopher. Photo by Alicia Meyer

Senior Christian Leadership students bond with freshmen

By Jordan Pickrel

Armed with snacks, board games and smiles, seniors in Christian Leadership Class sat

down around campus with freshmen in religion classes today to talk about school and life during Freshmen Conversations.

The annual event is designed to allow freshmen to connect with seniors and continue their adjustment to Marist.

Marley & Scrooge Opens Tonight!



By Joe Laver

This Friday night, a merry production of Marley and Scrooge will bring Christmas cheer to the Bob Deveraux Theatre through a variety of songs and dance with music from the Marist band and orchestra conducted by Marist music directors Jim Reinking and Alisa Kincade.

The classic Christmas tale tells the story of the transformation of Ebenezer Scrooge, played by ju-



Senior Katelyn Williams, junior Carl Lemhouse and Isiah Tichenor come together for a family hug. Photo by Sam Inouye

Senior John Kerns visits junior Jordan Haggas as the ghost of Jacob Marley. Photo by Sam Inouye

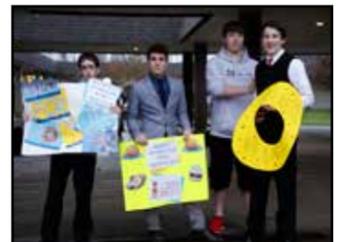
nior Jordan Haggas with the narration and guidance of Jacob Marley played by senior John Kerns. This unique take on the Charles Dickens story adds a musical twist to the traditional classic.

The production will be performed on Dec 5, 6, 11, and the 13, each starting at 7:30p.m. Admission is \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and can either be purchased at the door or online at www.seatyourself.biz/marist



In celebration of the season of Advent, Marist & Catholic Community Services' Advent Angel Project has begun. Each theology class adopts a family to help, email Julie Ferrari (jferrari@marisths.org) if you would like to receive the wish list for your student's family.

Diving for Doughnuts



Members of the water polo team hold signs in front of the school to advertise their team fundraiser. Photo by Sam Inouye

By Chris Keylock

The Marist water polo team sold doughnuts and coffee on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings of this week to raise money for new team caps.

The team raised more than \$400 towards the \$1000 needed for new league required caps.

The team plans on raising the remaining money needed through on campus fundraisers.

"It was a really positive experience, we're really thankful to everyone who bought doughnuts and coffee," said senior water polo player Corey Solari.

Five For The Feast Helps Mission Feed Those In Need

By Michael Baird



MVP moderator Jerry Ragan hands a check to Executive Director of the Eugene Mission, Jack Tripp. Photo courtesy of Jerry Ragan

Five hundred hungry mouths were fed on Thanksgiving Day at the Eugene Mission, and the Marist community helped make that possible through Five for the Feast, now finished with its seventh and strongest year yet.

Started by Marist counselor and campaign moderator Jerry Ragan in 2007, Five for the Feast has raised \$21,522 over the course of its existence. This year, the Marist community raised \$3720, surpassing last

year's total contribution by \$340.

"I was very apprehensive at first," said Ragan, who was concerned while counting up the money last Wednesday that the total would come up much shorter than expected. Then he remembered the money from the faculty fundraiser No-Tie November, and once it was added, the goal was exceeded. Ragan concluded that "this is the best year ever."

When Ragan presented Jack Tripp, Executive Director of the Eugene Mission, with the generous

check, Ragan said "[Tripp] was really excited [and] overjoyed." Tripp later told Ragan in an e-mail that he appreciated "the incredible gift that the students of Marist collected under [his] guidance."

Ragan wants to remind everyone that "Marist did this," not just him, and those who contribute are the ones who really make the campaign so special.