

Bleach-mania!



Making sure to wash hands to stay healthy is important.. Photo by Gabby Mujica

By Caroline Gonyea

The smell of bleach pervaded the Marist campus this week. Because of its close ties to the O'Hara community that recently experienced an outbreak of Norovirus, Marist has been taking the necessary precautions to prevent the spread of the highly contagious virus.

According to the Centers for Disease Control, Norovirus is commonly mistaken as the stomach flu and often known as food poisoning. The Norovirus is transmitted by sharing food or drink with an infected person or touching contaminated surfaces and then touching your mouth.

Catching the virus can be avoided by keeping hands away from mouths and washing hands with soap for at least 20 seconds before eating. Staff have been emphasizing the importance of washing hands, especially backs of hands, finger nails, thumbs, and in between fingers.

Marist is following the advice given by the Lane County Environmental Health Department and asking students and staff to stay home if they are experiencing symptoms of the virus because it is most contagious during the time of sickness and 72 hours after having symptoms.

On to the Quarters!



The volleyball team celebrates their victory over Central in the first round of the playoffs. Photo by Toni Cooper

By Emily Jewett

The no. 1 ranked volleyball team, who finished their league season undefeated, are now amongst the final eight teams left in the 5A state playoffs.

The Marist Spartans won their first round playoff game against Central 3-0 last Saturday and now advance to the quarterfinals tomorrow at Liberty High School in Hillsboro, where they will meet the no. 8 ranked Bend Lava Bears at 1:15 p.m.

If they win, they move on to the semifinals Friday night at 8:30 p.m. If they lose, they play again Saturday morning at 10:00 a.m. in the consolation bracket.

A SINGIN' GOOD TIME



Juniors Nathaneal Koester and Jake Harwood sing during the sing-off. Photo by Molly Holmberg

Assembly honors fall activities and friendly competition

By Madeline Decker

On Wednesday afternoon, an exciting pep assembly took place to acknowledge participants in fall activities and to have had an uplifting end of the school day for the whole student body.

The assembly ended with a twist; instead of the usual game of dodgeball, a singing competition was held and each grade volunteered two students to participate. The winning class was the juniors, even though multiple students agreed that senior

Henry Rear stole the show. The juniors may have known all the words, but Rear put his heart into the competition.

Student council also took time to recognize several individuals who had gone above and beyond the required amount of volunteer hours.

Special mention was made for the girls soccer and volleyball players whose seasons are still alive as both compete in their state quarterfinal playoffs this weekend.



Senior Henry Rear sings his heart out. Photo by Gloria Wang

Falling into Encounter Season



Junior boys, senior group leaders, and staff moderators pose for a group photo. Photo by Andy Oldham

By Isabella Hardt

They prayed, it rained. They reflected, it was still raining. They took a group photo, but inside; it was raining too hard. But despite the weather, the first fall Encounter of the year was a success for the 22 boys, senior Retreat Team leaders, and staff. Seniors Brendan Gescher and Matthew Penn were co-rectors for the retreat.

The weekend was filled with time for meditation, talks from senior retreat team leaders, and games like two-ball, a variation of pool that everyone can participate in.

"The retreat helped me bond with my friends, but also get a sense of who I actually was," junior Nathaniel Koester said.

Running for Hardware

By Maclain O'Leary

The Marist boys team finished 3rd behind Crater and Summit, two school's much larger than Marist, on Saturday at the OSAA 5A State Championship at Lane Community College.

"They were 3rd in state, but they placed behind two much bigger schools; schools that should be 6A -so placing that high in state was exciting for all of them," head coach Chase

Wells said.

Sophomore Jerik Embleton placed in the top spot for Marist, finishing in 10th place with a time of 16:26. Senior boys Ryan Helbling, Clark Embleton, Luke Littleton and Sam Nelson all placed in the top 24. Senior Sam Scherer and freshman Gabe Garboden placed 37th and 73rd respectively.

Two junior girls, Booy Rogers and Hope Powell, competed as individuals

after placing 3rd and 5th at districts. At state, they finished 24th and 25th respectively.

"After the meet, everyone had that gave it our all feeling. The runners had deep satisfaction, a sort of euphoria. They felt as a team that they did very well. It was very fulfilling for the boys, and our two girls ran extremely well too," assistant coach Pat Wagner said.



The Marist boys Cross Country team runs at the start of the state race. Photo by Toni Cooper

Personas Famosas



Sophomore Tucker Karo presents his Latino celebrity. Photo by Gabby Mujica

By Livia Kokkino

Students in Beth Keech's Spanish classes researched a well-known Latino celebrity and then came to school dressed as that person and presented to their classes in that persona.

"The project is fun to do and gave students the chance to do something with culture. It gave them a break from their regular routines," Keech said.

For extra credit, students had to stay dressed up all day and get signatures from their teachers.

Music is their Forte



Senior David Russo and junior Sunny Childers perform. Photo by Gloria Wang

By Bridgette McAllister

Last Wednesday the Marist Fine Arts Department hosted the annual Fall Music Concert featuring the strings ensemble, jazz band, and choir.

The string ensemble led by Alisa Kincade performed various classical pieces, and featured freshman Mia Graves on the harp in Green sleeves.

The Jazz band played pieces from different eras in jazz, conducted by band teacher Jim Reinking. Finishing off the night the choir sang various Broadway classics, including songs from Chorus Line and the Sound of Music.