



Debate Wins



The speech and debate team with coach Steve Barth. Photo by Debbie Dotson
By Liesl Benda

Last Saturday, Marist's speech and debate team competed at a tournament held at the University of Oregon.

"It was another great showing by the Marist team", said speech and debate team coach Steve Barth in an email to staff.

Several Marist students placed in the competition. Senior Maya Dotson placed first in public forum debate, second in scripted, and second in impromptu speaking. Senior Madeleine Shojai placed first in impromptu speaking and first in public forum debate. Sophomore Hannah McLaughlin placed first in unscripted, sophomore Phoebe Peterman placed second in radio commentary, sophomore Lindy McCool placed second in unscripted, and sophomore Danielle Shojai placed third in original oratory and impromptu speaking.

The next speech and debate competition is this Saturday in Coos Bay, which will be the first "large scale tournament", Barth said.

Super Students



Sean Tarrant, Lexus Sullivan, Principal Stacy Baker, and Angela Agnew. Photo by Toni Cooper

By Emily Jewett

Congratulations to Marist seniors Angela Agnew, Sean Tarrant, and Lexus Sullivan! Tarrant and Sullivan were recognized as Commended Students and Agnew was recognized as a Semifinalist by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation for their outstanding performances on the PSAT.

Students take the PSAT, or Preliminary Scholarship Aptitude Test, in the fall of junior year.

Commended Students are in the top 3% of students who took the PSAT. Semifinalists are in the top 1% and are eligible to become finalists for the National Merit Scholarship. Agnew will be notified in February if she becomes a finalist.

The PSAT assesses math skills, reading skills, and writing skills, and measures students college readiness and prepares them for the SAT.

LEARNING THE MARIST WAY



Freshmen boys huddle together at the annual, all-night Lock-In. Photo by Toni Cooper

Freshmen get locked in to fun at the Freshman Lock-In

By Livia Kokkino

Prepared for a night full of fun, the class of 2020 arrived on campus late Saturday evening greeted by faculty and senior Christian Leadership Class students for the annual Freshman Lock-In.

In the weeks of preparation leading up to the Lock-In, the student leaders were reminded repeatedly by Director of Campus Ministry, Rick Martin, that

the event is planned to introduce the freshmen to the "Marist way," which includes building community amongst their peers.

The night started with ice-breaker games and small group discussions that were led by seniors. Proclaim, the Marist liturgical choir, led a fun and energetic, Mass celebrated by Fr. Ken Olsen who emphasized the importance of creating new friendships.

A dance followed the Mass, DJ'ed by Marist alum Caleb Coulombe. The freshmen also created music videos in their small groups before enjoying some free time in the early hours of the morning. The Lock-In was concluded with breakfast before the students were picked up by their parents.

"It was a good chance to get to know a lot of my classmates," freshman Anthony Green said.

ALICE Training Safety Precautions Taken Part II to Keep Students Safe

By Cole Vendetti

Students and staff of Marist underwent ALICE training scenarios at the end of the school day on Wednesday in order to inform students what to do in the case of an active shooter on campus.

In preparation for Wednesday's instruction, Assistant Principal of Student Affairs Christi Nicholson led activities for the teachers last Wednesday who were trained by the Eugene Police Department in the spring of last year. The goal is to inform, prepare, and instill confidence in the students and staff.

Students were directed to their sixth period classes where a powerpoint presentation walked them through the active shooter procedures. The atmosphere was "serious, not uncomfortable, but constructive," sophomore Emma Skaggs said. Run, hide, and fight are the key ideas to hold onto in case of such an incident.

Replacing the previous lockdown procedures is the idea of evacuating the premises instead of hiding in rooms like sitting ducks. Also emphasized was staying alert and adapting to the situation through staying calm and quiet if possible.

In one practice scenario the "shooter" was in the administration building and each class had to decide what to do next. Classes can run to designated areas, barricade doors and windows, or try to find a place to hide.

"I think what we learned is logical," sophomore



Students return to classrooms after the evacuation drill during ALICE training. Photo by Toni Cooper

Liesl Benda said. Communication and listening would allow for actions to be made to counter the threat, such as leaving the area, barricading the room and hiding, or fighting the intruder.

These drills and scenarios provided by the ALICE Training Institute hope to provide students and teachers with ways to react to a nonlinear threat while building confidence. "I feel safer because I know that there is a concrete plan in place for the worst possible scenario," senior Jack McGaughey said.

On Friday, all teaching staff discussed in their classes the various doorways, windows, and hiding spots in each room. This included where to exit or hide if the threat gives signals to his location.

Find Your Flair at the Club Faire!



Sophomore Tess Louie and history teacher Jon Nuxoll promote the Model United Nations (or M.U.N.) club. Photo by Madi Potter

By Benny Flores

The annual Club Faire occurred during lunch yesterday in the courtyard and showcased the variety of clubs that students can join. Many clubs have returned from last year and many clubs are new. The returning clubs include Youth Ending Slavery, or YES club,

Sports Updates

CROSS COUNTRY

Last Saturday, the boy spartans placed 4th at the Harrier Classic in Albany and were led by sophomore Gabe Garboden who finished 19th. The girls finished 8th led by freshman Isabella Zachem who placed 11th.

FOOTBALL

Varsity won at North Eugene 21-14 on Friday.

BOYS SOCCER

Last Saturday, varsity won at Eagle Point 4-0. JV1 also won. Varsity won at Thurston 2-0 on Tuesday. JV also won 4-2.

GIRLS SOCCER

Varsity won at Eagle Point 4-0 on Saturday. JV won as well. On Tuesday, varsity won 3-1 against Thurston. JV lost.

VOLLEYBALL

Last Friday, varsity won at Ashland 25-18, 25-12, 25-17. JV won 2-0, and JV 2 won 3-0 against the Grizzlies. On Saturday, JV went 1-3 at the Sheldon volleyball tournament. Varsity won against Churchill 25-21, 25-12, 25-17 on Tuesday. JV also won 2-0.

On Thursday, varsity won at Thurston 25-6, 25-13, 25-12. JV lost 0-2, and JV 2 won 2-1.

WATER POLO

On Tuesday, water polo won at Cottage Grove 6-15.



Junior Cade Ficek scores the first goal during the boys varsity game against Eagle Point, as freshman Joey Braud offers support from behind. Photo by Toni Cooper

Saying YES to Freedom

By Maya Dotson

In order to raise awareness about human trafficking, Marist's Youth Ending Slavery Club held its first monthly vigil last Sunday at Gateway mall in Springfield. "Human trafficking is pervasive along the I-5 corridor and our goal is to resist it in our community," club president senior Emily Jewett said. Several Marist students, staff and other community members attended this month's vigil. Vigils are held on the first Sunday of every month and all are welcome.

Marist for Life, Skiing team, and the Shooting team. There are also many new clubs, such as Models United Nations, or M.U.N, Anime Club, Baking Club, Ping Pong Club, Dungeons and Dragons Club, spART, Mountain Biking Club, and Marist Fútbol Club.