



## Speech and Debate

By Cole Vendetti

The Marist speech and debate team participated in the annual Winterfest Tournament at the University of Oregon on Saturday Dec. 10, which featured fun and nontraditional speech and debate events.

Seniors Madeleine Shojai and Emily Jewett finished second in Dual Impromptu, an acting event based off of a short script. Jewett then placed third in Spar, a fun debate event.

Senior Angela Agnew placed third in Fortune Cookie Impromptu. Sophomore Lindy McCool finished in Today I Learned.

## Amadeus!



Sophomore Ruby Free, junior Jasmine Doremus, freshman Andy Fudge, and history teacher Jon Nuxoll pose at the symphony on Dec. 11. Photo by Liesl Benda

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Several Marist students and history teacher Jon Nuxoll attended a showing of Amadeus Live with the Eugene Symphony at the Hult Center for the Performing Art on Sunday, Dec. 11.

The Eugene Symphony played the soundtrack of the film, depicting the life of Amadeus Mozart, while it was projected on a screen above the orchestra.

"My favorite aspect was definitely the symphony playing with the movie because they matched up perfectly," junior Jasmine Doremus said.

## He Tooke Our Breath Away



Sophomores Celine Cauthorn, Kailey Garrett, and Jaden Spencer listen during the Doug Tooke Retreat. Photo by Amanda Allender

By Liesl Benda

Sophomores met in the Activity Center on Dec. 13 for a day-long retreat led by youth minister Doug Tooke and Marist Retreat Team members.

The retreat began with Tooke telling the students about himself and his family and stories from his childhood. Throughout the day, they watched videos, listened to lectures, had small group discussions, and played many entertaining games.

"My favorite part was The Rock Paper Scissors game with the frog king theme, even though I pretty much stayed 'the weird half-tadpole thing,'" sophomore Theresa Britt said.

# TOO "COOL" FOR SCHOOL



Junior Amanda Allender, senior Ben Thompson, and junior Jackie McQuaid throw snow into the air while on campus today. A storm left several inches of snow on the ground. Photo by Maddy Turner

## Marist misses school due to icy and snowy weather

Snow Days-5, Marist-1 and the result is four days of class time lost so far which means administration is working quickly to come up with a plan to recover lost class time as a result of recent Eugene storms. A final plan will be announced next Monday.

The first school day lost was due to frozen roads on Thursday, Dec. 8. The following week, school was again cancelled on Dec. 15 and 16 due to a spectacular onslaught of

freezing rain and ice which caused Marist to lose power giving students an early Christmas break. Power did not return to Marist until Friday Dec. 16 at 4 p.m.

The second ice storm leveled power lines and damaged transformers along with countless downed and damaged trees, leaving over 19,000 homes without electricity, some for up to a week.

This week, students returned from Christmas Break on Tuesday Jan. 3, a day early, only to awaken on Wednesday morning to roughly four and a half inches of snow. School was cancelled this Wednesday and Thursday Jan. 4 and 5 and a two-hour delay today as the icy roads finally thawed out in today's sunny but cold weather.

The Marist campus sustained an estimated \$5,000 worth of damage during the various ice and snow storms. Former Marist parent and



Chopped wood from trees on campus sits in the snow. Marist lost several trees during the ice and snow storms. Photo by Megan Kimball



A tree broken on Marist campus. The ice storm took down many trees at Marist, but also across the Eugene-Springfield community. Photo by Andy Oldham

husband of Assistant Advancement Director Nancy Kiesewetter, John Kiesewetter plowed the snow in the Marist parking lot as a gift to the Marist community.

Another ice/snow storm is anticipated this weekend which has already postponed the annual Marist Preview Day to Jan. 21 and may affect school next week.

## Giving Holiday Cheer

### Marist donates holiday goods to local families in need

By Ian Skaggs

On the afternoon of Dec. 12, in the midst of the ice storm, fallen trees, and an unlit Marist High School, staff members assisted Catholic Community Services workers in loading the gifts collected by the Advent Angel Project. Christian Service Coordinator Julie Ferrari commented it was unfortunate that students could not help send off the gifts because it is "cool to see it come together," but the overall atmosphere of collection was positive and uplifting.

The week prior to winter break, the Marist theology classes had been collecting gifts for local families in need. The Advent Angel Project is a gift giving program run by Catholic Community Services which works to provide both need and want based gifts for families who are involved with the group.


Despite days of school missed due to the ice storm, many classes had been able to collect the gifts that students had signed up to provide. Additionally, families were able bring gifts directly to the Catholic Community Center in Springfield, so that their gifts would get to the families. Though the weather was less than optimal this year, it was still a "success," Ferrari said.

## Winter Play Starts Friday

Marist Theatre Presents...

### JULIUS CAESAR

A Radio Play



7:30p Jan 13 Jan 14

STUDENTS \$5 GENERAL \$10

Bob Devereaux Theatre

1900 Kingsley Road Eugene, Oregon

7:30p Jan 20 Jan 21

Marist's Theater will open "Julius Caesar: A Radio Play" on Friday, Jan 13th. The play is a rendition of Shakespeare's "Julius Caesar" and will be performed as a radio play. "Instead of acting out the play, the cast will stand in front of microphones and act with their voices," theater director Tony Rust said.

## Sports Updates

### BOYS BASKETBALL

Over Christmas break, varsity won 2 and lost 2 games, including wins against Ridgeview and West Albany. On Tuesday, varsity lost at Silverton 46-50.

JV went 3-1 over the break and also defeated Silverton on Tuesday.

JV2 lost to Silverton on Tuesday but won all four of their games over the break.

### GIRLS BASKETBALL

Varsity went 3-1 over Christmas break. They also lost against Silverton 32-50 on Tuesday.

Jv defeated Wilsonville over the break and also won against Silverton on Tuesday.

JV2 lost 26-42 at Wilsonville over the break.



Sophomore Emma McKenney reaches for the ball during the girls' varsity basketball game against Corvallis at home on Dec. 13. Photo by Jenna Jablonski

## Jingle Bell Rockin'



Seniors Brennan Franssen and Marcus Lydon dance at the Winter Formal on Dec. 10. Photo by Teresa Molina-Gomez

By Emily Jewett

Marist's main gym was filled with Christmas spirit as students, dressed in their best formal attire, jingle bell rocked at the annual Sadie Hawkins dance on Saturday, Dec. 10.

The dance was organized and set up by members of student council and was DJ'ed by Marist alumnus Caleb Coulombe '16.

The dance was held in lieu of the annual informal Ugly Christmas Sweater dance. The dance featured Christmas lights and light up trees as decor, along with a photo booth.

"I had a good time. I thought the music was really good," senior Brayden Riley said.