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NEWS briefs

Blood Drive Success

By Livia Kokkino

On Friday, March 3, Marist held a blood drive in the Activity Center with Lane Blood Center. 43 units of blood were collected from 61 students. Once it is separated, and componentized, one unit of donated blood can save three lives. That means that the 43 donated units can benefit over 126 patients. Thank you Marist!

Welcome to New York!

By Jack McGaughey

Seniors Bryn Garland and Jack McGaughey will be singing with their a cappella groups, Synergy and Some Cool Guys, on Sunday, March 19 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Eugene.

The two groups are affiliated with the Oregon Children's Choir, and will be hosting a concert and a silent auction as fundraisers for their trip to New York, where Synergy will be competing in the International Championship of High School A Cappella finals. The concert is free but donations are welcome.

Local artists like Evynne Hollens, Anna Gilbert, and the University of Oregon's a cappella groups will perform alongside the high school groups.



Senior Hockey Player Goes to Nationals

By Ian Skaggs

Last week, senior Jack Geisler, a member of the Eugene Generals competed in the USP3 Division Championships in Boston, a part of the US Premier Hockey League, after winning the Pacific division playoff.

In the preliminary round the Generals were in a pool with the eventual Champions, the Florida Jr. Blades. The Generals just missed the cut after a "tough game with the Blades," Geisler said, where the team gave up four goals in the last 8 minutes of the final period.

The Generals finished fifth with a record of 1-2, capping a great season for the Generals and Geisler.

MUSICIANS LEAVE WINTER BEHIND



Senior Jack Lund smiles while performing in the rock band concert Thursday night. Photo by Toni Cooper

Marist music program closes winter season with concerts

By Jack Benda and Jack McGaughey

Marist music program's end of Winter concerts took place on Wednesday and Thursday night in the Bob Devereaux Theatre.

Wednesday night's program included the strings, jazz, and choir ensembles. The strings ensemble kicked off the night with an arrangement of Telemann's "Sonata in A," and an arrangement of Tchaikovsky's "Marche Slave" and finished with a crowd favorite, Georges Bizet's Carmen Suites, a prominent musical theme in popular culture.

Jazz band followed with Glenn Miller's "In The Mood" and Pee Wee Ellis' "The Chicken." The band switched instruments with each other and played two arrangements of "Scooby Doo, Where Are You" and "Legend of the Alhambra." The band concluded their set with the powerful "Moscow, 1941" by Brian Balmages.

Marist's vocal group, Reflections, opened their set with the classic "Fly Me To The Moon." "One Small Voice" followed, fea-



Marist choir performs along with guests singers Abby and Hannah Gardner. Photo by Amanda Allender '18

turing a duet by Marist Athletic Director Rick Gardner's daughters, Hannah and Abby. The choir concluded the show with "The Water is Wide" and solos from sophomore Brandon Foster and juniors Erin Caracol and Regan Humble were featured on "O, Happy Day."

On Thursday night, Marist's rock band, who named themselves "Loveall" after junior band member William Loveall, took the stage and wowed the audience with a fun night of contemporary music. Senior Alex Steele opened the show with an ethereal keyboard introduction to the band's

cover of "Uninvited," and Foster brought the heat with his drumset groove on Jimi Hendrix's "Fire."

Highlights from the night included sophomores Ashton Oxenreider and Keegan Pond's rap on the mixtape version of "My Shot" from Hamilton, and senior Jack McGaughey's vocals on Elton John's "Your Song" and Van Halen's "Panama" which he performed with senior Jack Lund.

The band closed the night with electric covers of "Kid Charlemagne" by Steely Dan, and "Born To Run" by Bruce Springsteen.

On to State for Speech and Debate

All eleven Marist team members qualify for state in April

By Liesl Benda

The Speech and Debate team competed at Marist last weekend in the District Meet. Teams that competed in districts include South Eugene, Oak Hill, Willamette, Siuslaw, Marist, Junction City, Springfield, and Thurston.

"This is by far our biggest state team and most diverse, with students qualifying in debate, speaking, and acting events," coach Steve Barth said. For the first time, every member of the team qualified for State.

The competitors who qualified include sophomores Chase Bond, Claire Coughran, Lindy McCool, Hannah McLaughlin, Phoebe Peterman, Danielle Shojai, and Katherine Thayer, along with seniors Angela Agnew, Maya Dotson, Madeleine Shojai and Emily Jewett. Maya Dotson and Madeleine Shojai managed to come out of the competition undefeated, making them district champions!

"I feel accomplished," Madeleine said. "I love



Seniors Maya Dotson and Madeleine Shojai prepare for their public forum debate at districts. Photo by Toni Cooper

competing in general."

All 11 team members will represent Marist in a total of eight events at the state competition, held Thursday, April 20 through Saturday, April 22 at Western Oregon University.

Sports UPDATES

BOYS TENNIS

Varsity lost 0-8 to South Eugene on Thursday.

BASEBALL

Varsity won 7-6 at Mountain View on Tuesday. JV lost.

SOFTBALL

On Tuesday, varsity beat Silverton 13-2.

BOYS LACROSSE

Varsity beat Sprague 9-8 on Monday. JV won.

On Thursday, varsity lost 8-10 to Wilson in a close game.

GIRLS LACROSSE

On Monday, Marist lost 7-16 at Corvallis.

Freshmen Learn About the Resurrection



Guest speaker Carl Olson speaks to David Haggard's freshman theology class. Photo by Molly Holmberg '17

By Nick Nepute

This past Tuesday, guest speaker Carl Olson talked to David Haggard's 6th and 7th period freshman Theology classes about Jesus. More specifically, Olson went in depth about Jesus' Resurrection; a topic in which he recently wrote a book about, titled "Did Jesus Really Rise from the Dead?"

Olson grew up in a Protestant household and later converted to Catholicism and is knowledgeable on the theologies of both. In addition to Olson's book on the Resurrection, he has written several others on various theological topics and has worked with Bishop Robert Barron, a staple of Haggard's theology classes. Olson talk added depth to the topic that the freshman are currently studying in theology.

Schooling Us on School



Freshman Counselor Shari Pimental, University of Oregon sociology professor Elaine Reagle, and history teacher Jon Nuxoll (not pictured) speak to students interested in the career of education at the Brown Bag Lunch on Thursday. Photo by Madi Potter '17