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Sports **UPDATES**

Cross Country

10/25 - Districts at LCC: VBoys - 1st (Evan Villano 2nd, Joey Peterson 3rd, Wiley Watts 4th, Gabe Garboden 6th, Chris Heer 8th, Jack Crowell 9th, Nick Clark 15th), JVBoys - 1st (Tyler Stormo 1st, Billy Christiansen 2nd, Charlie Moore 3rd), VGirls -1st (Mckenna Priske 1st, Jennifer Tsai 8th, Lucy Tsai 9th, Isabella Zachem 12th, Emilie Nelson 13th, Sally Moore 19th, Sara Weyant 23rd), JVGirls - 1st (Rainy Adkins 1st, Caroline Robinson 2nd)

Volleyball

10/23 - Varsity vs Astoria: W3-0

Football

10/19 - Varsity vs Marshfield: L14-21
10/22 - JV at Marshfield: L38-46

Girls Soccer

10/23 - Varsity vs Cottage Grove: L1-3
JV vs Cottage Grove: W7-0
10/25 JV vs Churchill: W6-0

Boys Soccer

10/23 - Varsity at Cottage Grove: L0-1
JV at Cottage Grove: L0-1

Water Polo

10/23 - at North Eugene: L2-12

Petanque

10/25 - at South Eugene: T1-1

DISTRICT CHAMPS!



Junior Bella Zachem celebrates their Sky-Em District win with juniors McKenna Priske and Sally Moore. Priske took 1st place in the varsity girls 5K and currently holds the top time in the 4A state. Photo by Daniella Giansante

In a marvelous 5000m performance on Thursday all four cross country teams dominated the 4A Sky-Em District meet at LCC by running away with district titles. The boys and girls varsity teams will compete in the 4A State meet next Saturday at LCC.

PLAY OPENS!



Senior Kat Sincuir-Alvarez, and freshman Stephen Schreffner act on opening night of the fall play, *And Then There Were None*. Photo by Lizzie Wisely

THIS WEEK WITH...



GOOD MUSIC, GOOD FUN, HOCO IS DONE



Marist students dance the night away to DJ Oldham's poppin' mix.

Students boogie at Saturday's semi-formal Homecoming Dance. The dance ends the festivities, which included Friday's Homecoming football game where Marist had a close loss to Marshfield. Photo by Alexis Dorfler

By Keegan Pond and Danielle Shojai

A week of themes and costumes led to its grand finale — the Homecoming Dance (or the Fall Ball if you're talking to a student council member) which took place last Saturday night in the school's gymnasium where students boogied the night away while assistant principal Andrew Oldham, aka Big 'O Fo Sho, DJ'd.

"I haven't done a Homecoming or Prom in a long time since I became an administrator," Oldham said. The excitement of running the music can have drawbacks. "I did enjoy it, but a dance like Homecoming or Prom, in my world, is stressful."

According to Oldham, "it's a lot of pres-

sure," especially when playing requests. "More often than not, when I play requests nobody dances," and "out of 12 requests, six made the dance floor fall flat."

Oldham says that the pressures of being a DJ at Homecoming come from the expectations that students have. "Nobody wants to be remembered as the DJ that sucked at Homecoming."

"Students are paying... it is an event with expectations... the majority of the student body shows up ... compared to Mr. Spartan which is a fundraiser, or Ugly Sweater dances ... these have few expectations... typically there is good turnout but not the numbers we might see at a Homecoming or Prom," Oldham said.

However, Oldham's concerns were not apparent to many students. "It was older music, which is more genuine and fun and easy to dance to, which is really nice, and I appreciate that," senior Kirrah Bernard said.

Underclassmen also enjoyed Oldham's playlist. "All in all, it was such a great dance and the music was incredible," said freshman Natasha Cutler. "Way better than the other Homecoming I went to."

Despite his concerns, Oldham seems to have earned the approval of the student body, and even though Oldham is hesitant to DJ another Homecoming Dance, Bernard says, "He is my favorite DJ."

ANOTHER ONE IN THE BOOKS

Marist's National Honor Society holds induction ceremony for new members



Junior April Murray signs the Marist NHS book as part of her induction. Photo by Daniella Giansante

By Jaden Spencer

"This society brings the Marist Mission to life," Principal Stacey Baker said during her welcoming words to all National Honors Society members and their families from the stage of this week's NHS Induction Ceremony. NHS is a society that accepts its members based on four criteria: character, scholarship, leadership and service.

"NHS is not just an honor roll; it is a service club that sponsors several projects for the school and community," states the application

sent out by NHS moderator Becky Boyd, Once accepted into NHS, members are required to uphold the criteria of acceptance, and also complete ten additional hours of service to the community.

This year 59 Marist students were inducted into NHS, 46 juniors and 13 seniors. "I believe this is the most students to be inducted in my 20 years here at Marist," Baker said. Inductees were called up to sign the membership book, which has been signed by every single Marist inductee since March

of 1949.

"I think being inducted to National Honors Society is a really great feeling because it helps me realize that all my hard work and dedication to my academics is paying off and I think that it'll be a really good experience for me," newly inducted senior Nithya Vaikuntam said.

Baker concluded her welcoming speech with a challenge for the inductees — to persevere and keep up the hard work that initially earned them membership in the society.

WORDS OF WISDOM

Students gather with classmates at annual class masses

By Liesl Benda

Rather than getting together for one big Mass, Marist separated into classes for Mass on Wednesday afternoon to build community in each grade level.

According to Assistant Campus Minister Julie Ferrari, the theme of the freshman Mass was "embracing your faith, building community and believing in yourself." Before celebrating Mass with Fr. Ken Olsen in the theatre, freshmen got the chance

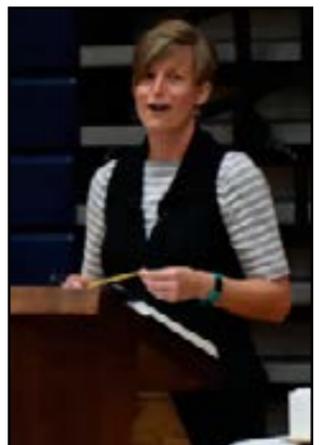
to look back at their Lock-In photos.

"I think the main takeaway was that we are a class together and we will be spending lots of time with each other in the next four years, so it's best to enjoy the time we have," freshman Alya Samy said.

Marist Chaplain Fr. Theo Lange celebrated Mass with the sophomores and juniors in the activity center with the theme of "building relationships with each other and God by following the Marist motto 'We Are One.'"

"I thought the class Mass was a fun experience to see what Marist is like and to grow more in my faith," junior transfer student Andrew Braun said.

After a heartfelt message from freshman English teacher Beth Wirth about taking risks in the last few months of high school, the senior Mass was celebrated in the gym by a new face to the Marist community, Fr. John Arcidiacono, from St. Helens in Junction City.



Beth Wirth gives advice about taking risks to the senior class at the class mass in the gymnasium. Photo by Daniella Giansante