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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Extending an invitation is a purposeful and powerful act; receiving it gives us a feeling of welcome and inclusion. We have permission to accept the invitation or not, allowing us to practice the gift of free will.

At Marist, there are many ways that we invite members of our community to engage in and support our mission and vision—whether being present on campus to help with an activity or participating in a meeting, investing in our students, or praying for our school.

An alumni parent recently made a comment that left an impression on me: “You have created a place at Marist where God chooses to dwell.”

From the name of our school to the visuals on campus; from the presence of a chapel and a chaplain to the events that are just part of who we are and what we do — like starting the day with prayer or offering Mass and retreats regularly — we are making a bold statement: Marist is a place of invitation.

Marist is blessed to have the permission to invite God’s presence on campus and to invite students and staff to grow in knowledge and relationship with Him. The ability to see or feel God’s presence may vary for each of us from day to day but the fact that we welcome Him demonstrates to all our openness to the presence of God.

Despite our human imperfections and failures, God accepts our invitation and I am grateful. Not only does this make our school unique, it reminds us that while our work here is important, it’s merely a part of God’s magnificent plan for each of us. His presence helps guide us and clarifies our mission and purpose.

God does not force Himself upon us, but like us, He must surely rejoice when He is invited. And we can be confident that when invited, He will accept. It is then up to us to accept His response and reciprocal invitation to follow Him. What a beautiful gift!

I am grateful for and to each of you for the role you play in helping us create “a place at Marist where God chooses to dwell.”

We Are One.



Photo by Chris Miller



Suzanne Graf

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ON THE COVER:

A photo illustration by Chris Miller of the kaleidoscope of faces, gifts and perspectives that make up the Class of 2019.

A MULTI- FACETED LOOK

AT THE CLASS OF 2019



For principal Stacey Baker, this was a particularly memorable commencement ceremony. As she addressed the graduating seniors at their commencement on June 8, she shared her special relationship to this exceptional class and celebrated their remarkable and varied accomplishments.

I would like to take a moment to share a few highlights and thoughts about the Class of 2019.

During my reflection over the past few weeks about all of you graduating — and even more so over the last few days — I realized that our journey together began when you were 8th graders.

Between placement tests, middle school visits and interviews, I started to get to know the Class of 2019 before you entered the hallways as freshmen.

You are officially the last class that I admitted to Marist in my previous role as Assistant Principal.

Together, we started the 2015-2016 school year as “newbies” since you were the new freshmen and I was the new principal.

So, I think this means that today we are both coming to the end our senior year ... except that you will move on to new adventure and write a new chapter in your story. And me? I will be a super senior.

In all seriousness, we, the Marist staff, are proud of your accomplishments.

You are Christ-centered young men and women. You have served the least, the last, and the lost in Lane County and beyond. In the area of service:

- 48% of you served more than the required 50 hours of service.
- 14 of you completed over 100 hours and four of you completed over 150 hours.
- One of you served 225 hours of



Photo by Dempsey O'Leary '20

“Theologically inspired,” Katherine Thayer '19 poses with Principal Stacey Baker.

Christian Service, the most ever recorded in school history.

- Many of you are Christian leaders, retreat leaders and rectors.
- Many of you are baby-savers.
- Two of you were instrumental in the launch of the first Genesis Summer Reading Academy, a program that helps McKinney-Vento students in kindergarten through 4th grade meet reading benchmarks.
- One of you, who was not exactly looking forward to your Christian Service Experience hours, was so inspired by it, that not only did you make bunk beds so that children wouldn't have to sleep on the floor, you became a member of the Sleep in Heavenly Peace organization whose motto is “No child sleeps on the ground in our town.”
- One of you will spend next year doing retreat ministry.
- Two of you will serve in the military. Thank you for your service to our country.



- And all of you have performed countless random acts of kindness for other students and staff.

The mission of the Marist Brothers is "To Make Jesus Known and Loved." You have made Jesus known and loved.

You strive for academic excellence and among you are:

- Three National Merit Commended Scholars
- Two National Merit Finalists
- 29 recipients of the Presidential Award for Academic Excellence
- 11 winners of the Presidential Award for Academic Achievement
- An Academic All-American in swimming
- A Future First Citizen nominee
- A Sullivan Leadership Award Finalist
- A National Hispanic Recognition Scholar

And where are you all going? To 43 different colleges and universities spread out across 14 states, three countries and two continents. Impressive.

You have a diverse set of gifts that you have shared with our school community through your leadership and involvement:

- You have dominated the Homecoming class dance competition the last two years.
- One of you knows how to drive a combine.

- One of you, along with other Rock Band alumni, is starting a band.
- One of you started the Coloring Club — a welcoming and relaxing place for students to gather and color, listen to music and eat cookies.
- A few of you are Speech and Debate state contenders.
- Two of you are equestrians.



Lochlan Vaughan '19 reads his Christian Service Experience reflection at the Baccalaureate Mass.

- Many of you have had leading roles in theatre productions. In fact, Mr. Rust was told numerous times by both staff and parents alike how amazing the spring musical *Into the Woods* was, which he attributes to the leadership of a large and amazing group of seniors.
- And at least one of you is always "theologically inspired."

In the athletic arena, the Class of 2019 has been a part of five OSAA team State Championships during their time at Marist:

- 2017 Softball
- 2018 Girls Basketball
- 2018 Girls Cross Country
- 2018 Boys Cross Country
- 2019 Girls Tennis

Among you sit:

- Our first ever individual cross country state champion
- Our first ever 1500 meter state track and field champion
- A two-time Gatorade State Softball Player of the Year for Oregon
- And multiple conference Players of the Year

In just the 2018-19 school year, members of this class contributed to ten league or district championships in athletics and also helped Marist win the 2018-19 Oregon Athletic Coaches Association All-Sports Award for achievement in athletics.

Pretty impressive. You are a group of unique individuals created in God's image who bring our mission to life.

So, now what?

I recently attended a Marist Youth Mission Conference sponsored by the Office of Marist Life and Mission. Part of this conference focused on how to be "Marist:" how do we live the Marist charism and, more importantly, how do we be "Marist" when we leave a Marist school?



Today, I challenge you to be “Marist” in your future communities by:

- Being faith-filled disciples of Christ
- Being agents of justice and service
- Celebrating and welcoming everyone as members of one family created by God
- Living simply, morally and with integrity
- Being servant leaders and sharing your gifts and talents

These qualities are known as the “Marks of a Marist Student” — marks that you have already embraced and brought to life in our Marist community. My prayer for you is that you will go forth from Marist and be “Marist” to all whom you encounter.

As my “senior” year as a principal draws to a close, I could not imagine a better class to have shared the last four years with. You are a class whom I have asked for input, thoughts and feedback.

You are a class who wants to make Marist a better place for those who come after you, a class who wants to leave a positive, lasting mark on our community. And for this, we thank you.

On behalf of all who are present here today, we are so proud of you and your accomplishments.

SENIOR STATS

130 Advanced Placement tests taken

20% earned a GPA above a 4.0 (weighted)

44% participated in sports

11 have a parent that is a Marist alum

2 have parents that are both Marist alumni

9 plan to study biology, biochemistry, bioengineering, biomedical engineering, or biotechnology

2 are National Merit Finalists

3 are National Merit Commended Scholars

7 will become collegiate student athletes

2 have run ultramarathons

2 are individual state champions

5 state championships won as teams



Chris Allender '19 flips for his diploma.

Photo by Dempsey O'Leary '20

Parents of the Class of 2019, thank you. It has truly been an honor and privilege for the Marist staff to teach, mentor and care for these young people. This class is an excellent example of how impactful the partnership between parents and school can be. You are the primary educators of your children, but when we work together, the outcome is simply amazing.

Thank you for entrusting your children to our care. You have provided them with a solid foundation and strong guidance, which have served them well throughout their high school journey. Your love, support and direction are what have made them emerge as the ambitious and inclusive graduating class of Marist that they are. ☕



The Noll family celebrates with Christian Noll '19, their last son to graduate.

A TRIBUTE



Bri Johnson '19 pays tribute to her late grandfather, Bernie Conklin '69 on her graduation cap. Conklin's football number was 75.

TOP: Lydia Nelson '19 and Saba Samy '19 show off their hard-earned diplomas. **MIDDLE:** Kelly Schombert '19 goes through the traditional staff hug-line at the conclusion of the graduation ceremony. **BOTTOM:** The last senior to be called to receive his diploma, Grayson Ferrell '19, commemorates the moment on stage with Assistant Principal of Academics Andy Oldham.



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Photo by Lauren Barry '20

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Photo by Tom Cooper



Photo by Damiana O'Leary '20

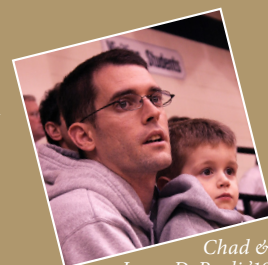


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TOP: Taking one last dip in the Marist fountain, Celine Cauthorn '19, Courtney Weixelman '19 and Rachel Spence '19 celebrate with a splash. **MIDDLE:** Brody LaFavor-Cary processes with his class around the courtyard before entering the gym to graduate. **BOTTOM:** Skylar Coy '19 lifts Sam Barker '19 up in celebration after receiving their diplomas.

A FAMILY AFFAIR

By Jason DePaoli '19



Chad & Jason DePaoli '19 circa 2005.

As every single person here knows, Marist is not JUST a school. Marist is a foundation for community, a place thousands of students have called home over the last 50+ years of attendance. I learned at a very young age that the word “catholic” means universal, but what I like to say is that Marist is universal, and what I mean by this is that there is no “right person” to be a Marist student.

I have grown up running these halls as a child from basketball games, to All Catholic Schools Masses, to just about every excuse for my Dad to bring me. Never in a million years would I have thought that this place would be the best constant to ever happen to me and to also happen for many others. Marist has a place for everyone and like any journey, every single person will take different lessons and experiences with them.

Marist Catholic High School in Eugene, Oregon, *our* Marist Catholic High School, is not an accident. Ground did not accidentally break here just over 50 years ago. Teachers did not stumble into classrooms. It was no coincidence that parents believed in our mission so much that they sent their children to Marist, and then those students sent their children to Marist and then those students sent their children to Marist. Marist is a family affair and one that has continued on for generations and will continue for many more to come, simply because of those original beliefs and missions. ☦

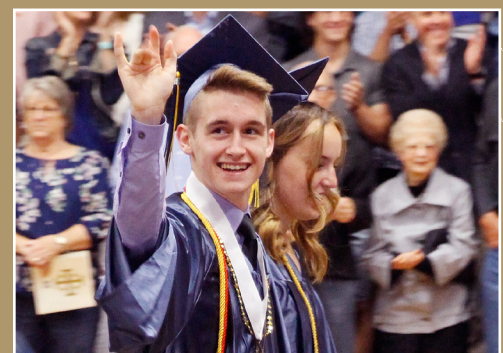


Photo by Alex Doolittle '20

Jason DePaoli '19 waves to his family as the Class of 2019 enters the gym.



THE CLASS OF 2019

Rainy Day Adkins
 Lucas Antony Albertini
 Maria Fernanda Alcazar
 Christopher William Allender
 Caleb Henry Andreasen
 Jane Eileen Barker
 Samuel David Barker
 Sarah Lynn Barker
 Liesl Marie Benda
 Kirah Linae Bernard
 Bridgette Catherine Blansett
 Chase Vernon Bond
 Athena Laru Bons
 Isabelle Mary Claire Briggs
 Benedict Marcel Britt
 Theresa Marie Britt
 Christopher Walch Brooke
 William Jonathon Bullock
 Ariel Lynn Carlson
 Maegan Claire Cary
 Celine Marie Cauthorn
 Jacob Daniel Charbonneau
 Wonje David Choi
 Nicholas Jude Clark
 Matthias Allen Collins
 Claire Riley Coughran
 Skylar Arthur Coy

Luke Warren Cummings
 Jonathan Chase Cutsforth
 Chad Thomas Davis
 Jason Charles DePaoli
 Everett Dennis Dowdy
 Miranda Nichole Downer
 Katharine Grace Dreiling
 Adrianna Grace Dryden
 Andrew Michael Dryden
 Katherine Naomi Dunn
 Britney Madison Duvall
 Connor Stewart Eklund
 Grayson Fredrick Ferrell
 Gabrielle Marie Ficek
 Madison Lee Ficek
 Brandon Martin Foster
 Lily Mabel Fraser
 Sydney Lydia Frey
 Gabriel Sterling Garboden
 Joel Garcia-Cervantes Jr.
 Kailey Hannah Garrett
 Daniella Rae Giansante
 Tyler Matthew Goss
 Mia Rain Graves
 Cooper Jacob Greene
 Andrew Emidio Guzman
 Grace Lillian Haga

Joseph D'Angelo Hardt
 Sarah Josephine Hayes
 Gina Victoria Hernandez
 Ava Catherine Hummel
 Jacob James Husk
 Andrew Robert Hyslop
 Trinity Marie Kabiling Iglesias
 Marcus Kyle Irwin
 Brooklyn Indira Jensen
 Brianna Ranae Johnson
 Sydney Mallynn Johnson
 Cole Thomas Jones
 Ivan Leonid Kaurov
 Chenyi (Kevin) Ke
 Haylee Elaine Jean Kempf
 Aaron Will Kielm
 Sean Jaemin Kim
 Payton Noel Kirkpatrick
 Emma So Hee Koester
 Emmalee Rose Kockeler
 Timothy Benedict Leng Kong
 Brody Robert LaFavor-Cary
 Logan Mikkel LaFavor-Cary
 Chloe Ahyoung Lee
 Seongmin Lee
 Celia Marie Lemhouse
 Mia Shu Lindsay

Tess Bo-Lin Louie
 Megan Hana McCluskey
 Lindy Elizabeth McCool
 Hannah Katherine McLaughlin
 Jacob Nicholas McWhirter
 Luis Alfonso Mendez
 Katherine Ann Mersino
 Christina Ashley Meyers
 Rebecca Ella June Mikel
 Nain Andres Miranda Duarte
 David Mora Flores
 Lydia Rose Nelson
 Nicholas Alexander Nepute
 Christian Francis Noll
 Megan Elizabeth Nowag
 Piper Kate O'Hara
 Phoebe Inez Peterman
 Joey Maxwell Peterson
 Garrett Allen Phelps
 Keegan Levi Pond IV
 Delaney Mae Pratt
 Madison Marie Primrose
 Taylor Rae Proden
 Dacian Jerome Rapolla
 Mary Elizabeth Jamieson Rear
 Ryan Charles Reed
 Daniel Diedrich Riechers

Saba Samy
 Jessica Erin Sargent
 Kelly Marie Schombert
 Leanna Faith Shaw
 Trent William Sherman
 Danielle McKay Shojai
 Emilie Cheyenne Simmons
 Katherine Giselle Sincuir-Alvarez
 Emma Anuhea Skaggs
 Rachel Gene Spence
 Jaden Christopher Spencer
 Maggie Kathleen Stephenson
 Tyler James Stormo
 Katherine Hannah Thayer
 Nithya Gayathri Vaikuntam
 Lochlan Lee Vaughan
 Iain Stuart MacKay Waddell
 Courtney Danielle Weixelman
 Sara Ann Weyant
 Jacob Lewis White
 Madeline Marie White
 Maxwell Douglas Whittaker
 McKenna Renee Williams
 Madison Delicana Wisniewski
 Sydney Lynne Wright
 Junhao (Robbie) Xu




Where Are They Headed?

The Class of 2019 will venture to 43 colleges or universities in 14 states and three countries next fall.

Pacific Lutheran University - 1
Saint Martin's University - 1
Seattle University - 4
University of Washington - 2
Western Washington University - 1

Central Oregon Community College - 1
George Fox University - 2
Lane Community College - 22
Linfield College - 2
Linn-Benton Community College - 1
Northwest Christian University - 3
Oregon Institute of Technology - 2
Oregon State University - 20
Oregon State University Cascades - 1
University of Portland - 4
University of Oregon - 20
University of Oregon, Clark Honors College - 4
Western Oregon University - 2

Azusa Pacific University - 1
California Baptist University - 3
College of Siskiyous - 1
John Paul the Great Catholic University - 1
Pepperdine University - 1
Santa Clara University - 1
University of California, Los Angeles - 3
University of Southern California - 1

 University of British Columbia, Canada - 2
 University of Twente, The Netherlands - 1
 United States Navy - 1

Montana State University - 1

University of Utah - 1

Colorado College - 1
University of Denver - 1
University of Northern Colorado - 1

Crown College - 1

Calvin College - 1

University of Notre Dame - 1

Emerson College - 1

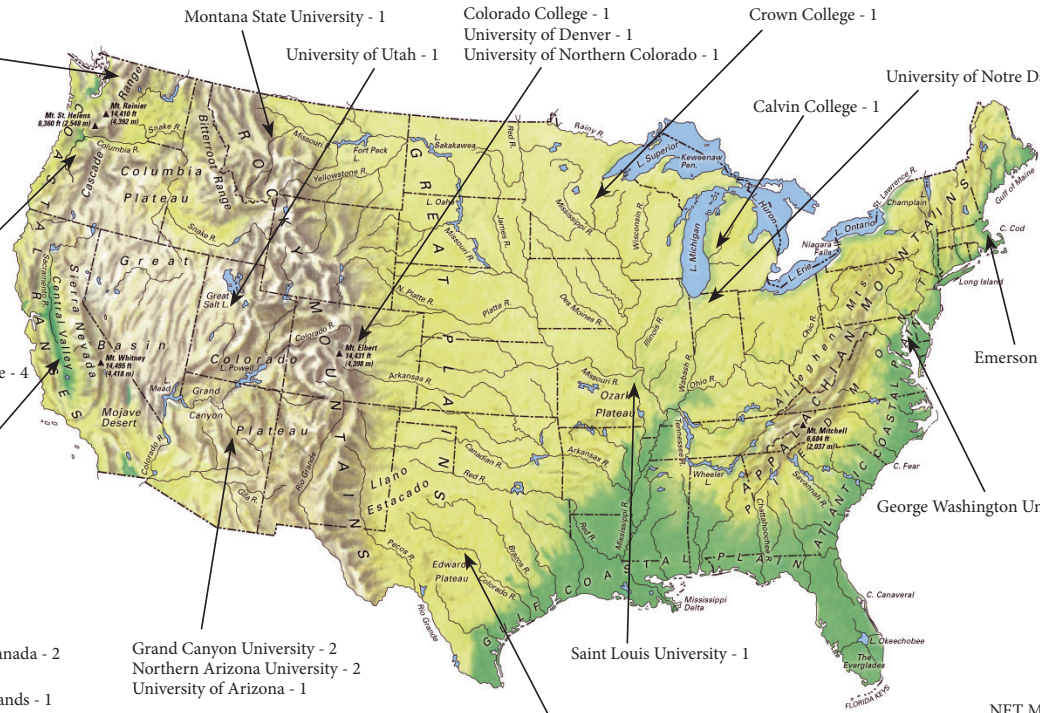
George Washington University - 1

Grand Canyon University - 2
Northern Arizona University - 2
University of Arizona - 1

Saint Louis University - 1

Texas Christian University - 1

NET Ministry - 1
Gap Year - 3
Undecided - 2



AWARDS & HONORS

Valedictorian Medalist Mary Elizabeth Jamieson Rear
Salutatorian Medalist..... Tess Bo-Lin Louie
Most Reverend Francis P. Leipzig Award
For School Involvement Tess Bo-Lin Louie
Monsignor Edmund Murnane Award
For Christian Development..... Katherine Hannah Thayer
Gloria Schrieber Award
For Excellence in Girls Athletics..... Ariel Lynn Carlson
Thomas Kerns Award
For Excellence in Boys Athletics Maxwell Douglas Whittaker

2019 MARIST SCHOLARS (4.0 or higher weighted GPA)

Rainy Day Adkins	Ivan Leonid Kaurov	Mary Elizabeth Jamieson Rear
Maria Fernanda Alcazar	Aaron Will Kiern	Saba Samy
Christopher William Allender	Timothy Benedict Leng Kong	Kelly Marie Schombert
Liesl Marie Benda	Chloe Ahyoung Lee	Trent William Sherman
Maegan Claire Cary	Celia Marie Lemhouse	Jaden Christopher Spencer
Jacob Daniel Charbonneau	Mia Shu Lindsay	Iain Stuart MacKay Waddell
Nicholas Jude Clark	Tess Bo-Lin Louie	Sara Ann Weyant
Adrianna Grace Dryden	Hannah Katherine McLaughlin	Madeline Marie White
Britney Madison Duvall	Katherine Ann Mersino	Madison Delicana Wisniewski
Gabrielle Marie Ficek	Nain Andres Miranda Duarte	Sydney Lynne Wright
Brandon Martin Foster	Keegan Levi Pond	

Photo by Tom Cooper



Salutatorian Tess Louie '19 and valedictorian Mary Beth Rear '19.

TENNIS, EVERYONE?

BY REBECCA LARSON

The Championships: 48th Annual Marist Auction is a Grand Slam Event

You start with love. A tennis match, like most other sporting events, begins with neither side having any points. The score is 0–0. In tennis, “love-love.”

Tennis originated in France and some think the term “love” is a derivative of the French word for egg (l’oeuf) which is shaped like a zero. Giving further credibility to the idea is that the slang term for nothing in English is “goose egg.”

Perhaps.

But no less an authority than the Oxford English Dictionary thinks that the term might “be rooted in the colloquial phrase ‘for love,’ meaning ‘without stakes being wagered,’” — that tennis players continue to play even when they have nothing at stake, just for the love of the game.

Whatever the etymology, tennis starts with love and so did the 48th Annual Marist Auction — love for Marist. You might say it also started with zero, because every auction begins anew — the vision of the chairs coupled with the hard work of legions of volunteers to reach a lofty monetary goal in support of our students.

Tennis is a sport often viewed as a solo effort, but this event was a team approach from the beginning. Just as the Marist girls tennis team took the State Championship this year thanks to their cumulative efforts, there was no one star of The Championships, but rather a constellation that sparked enthusiasm and fun for Marist’s biggest fundraiser and community event of the year.

Bob & Michelle (Portz) Cross ’87, current parents, enlisted the help of past parents Byron & Andrea Penn and current

parents Kyle & Kate Hudson (who will be here for the foreseeable future), to put together a team of returning veterans and new volunteers that seamlessly welcomed, fêted and wowed the nearly 500 guests.

From the auction welcome “written” in tennis balls on the Centre Court fence through the neatly trimmed boxwood hedges, to the crisp green, white and navy palette carried throughout the venue, the tennis theme pleased the guests, many of whom wore their “Wimbledon whites.” Several guests smilingly commented on the comfort of wearing tennis shoes and a few even channeled André Agassi in the days before he went bald.

Teams of students sold Pick of the Auction necklaces, raffle tickets for a new car and encouraged guests to play Heads or Tails and participate in the Dessert Dash. A separate team of students led by parents Jenny Morehouse and Kevin Peterson served up Pimm’s Cup-inspired salads to guests, followed by melt-in-your-mouth chateaubriand and delicately crisped halibut, made by the talents of alums

Billy McCallum ’80, Cathy (Buller) O’Brien ’77, Nicole McCallum ’11 and their crew.

Volunteer teams had been hard at work weeks prior to the event, procuring, cataloging and displaying an eclectic mix of silent and super silent items as well as offerings in the live bidding orchestrated by returning auctioneer Sid Voorhees and his able team, including John ’79 & Julie (Free) Stacy ’80.

A grand slam event, The Championships was one for the record books, breaking through the \$500,000 goal — and it all began with love. 🎾





Auction Chairs Byron & Andrea Penn, Bob & Michelle (Portz) Cross '87 and Kate & Kyle Hudson.



A message in tennis balls announces the upcoming event.



Brother Dan Grogan, Chris Duyck '74 and Tammy Lockwood catch up during the silent auction.



Principal Stacey Baker and President Suzanne Graf acknowledge guests.

Photo by Tami Cooper



Parent volunteers rally before the action begins for the evening.

Photo by Lydia Nelson '19



Lee & Kathryn Daniel embrace the theme.

Photo by Jaden Spencer '19



Brittany Waters, Julie Grimes '12 and Ashley Elder '08 team up for fun!

Photo by Ella Coulombe '20



Tracie (McKay) Shojai '83 and Jennifer (Stewart) Solomon '83 — two smiling classmates.

Photo by Daniella Giansante '19



James Cross '20 is ready for action.

Photo by Daniella Giansante '19



Mixed doubles contenders Andy & Donna Moore socialize at the silent auction.

Photo by Lydia Nelson '19



Alumni parent Steve Killgore gets in on the bidding.

Photo by Jaden Spencer '19



Denise Fitzpatrick and Amy McCarthy enjoy the evening.

Photo by Jaden Spencer '19



Jack Pennington '09, Todd Waters and Molly Elder share a laugh at the silent auction.

Photo by Ella Codombe '20



Alumni parent Robert Weeks leads the charge during the Dessert Dash.

Photo by Tami Cooper



Final Heads or Tails action include the eventual winner Christine (Fugit) Holmberg '93 on the right.

Photo by Lydia Nelson '19



Sid Vorhees welcomes new Event Manager Katie Underwood.

Photo by Lydia Nelson '19



The girls softball team sell car raffle tickets.

Photo by Lydia Nelson '19



One of many groups to enjoy the photo booth.

Photo by Daniella Giansante '19



Current parent Lisa Korth enjoys the silent auction.

Photo by Tami Cooper



Brendan O'Donnell '96 makes his dessert selection.

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It was 1986 and Michelle Portz was a junior at Marist. A brand new red Ford Mustang convertible was being raffled as part of the 15th Annual Marist Auction. Competitive and entrepreneurial by nature, Michelle decided she would sell the most tickets and win a prize (which she did, even though she can't remember what she won).



Michelle (Portz) Cross '87 in the 1987 yearbook.

Tickets then were \$5 each, and, in the course of her sales endeavors, she asked Joe Gonyea II to buy a ticket. As Michelle tells it, before purchasing a sizable number of tickets, he made a request of her: I always want you to remember, going forward, to give back to Marist.

She remembered.

Fast forward to Spring 2019. That seed, planted all those years ago, bloomed. Michelle (Portz) Cross '87 co-chaired the 48th Annual Marist Auction. Recalling how successful that first car raffle was, she brought it back, challenging Marist students to rise to the occasion and sell \$100 tickets (and she sold quite a few herself), in turn helping Marist net over \$40,000. The winner of the 2019

Mercedes-Benz A220W was Rose Philes, grandmother of Marist freshman Natasha Cutler, who had sold her the winning ticket. Rose chose Jupiter Red for the color of her new car.

Two red cars; two auctions; two, among many supporters; one promise fulfilled. 🍀



Michelle (Portz) Cross '87 picks the winner of the raffle with the top-selling student, Amy Blanchard '20.



Car raffle winner Rose Philes and her granddaughter, Natasha Cutler '22 pose with the new car!



School Board President Dr. Tim Welch raises his bid card high at the live auction.



Even André Agassi would be flattered by the impressive imitation by John Murphy, Jr. '99.



Auction co-chair Kyle Hudson monitors the Dessert Dash action of Heather (Hoffman) Campion '99 and Steve Wildish from high on the umpire's chair.



A team of young alumni and friends including (front left to right) Darren Nelson '14, Heather Handy, Hannah Hughes '14, Ellie Cross '17, Justin Lau, Maegan Anderson '14, Carter Reynolds and (back left to right) Kashi Hall '14, Lilly Storment '14, Alexis Cross '14, Madison Martin '14 and Zach Whitsel '14 enjoy the night's festivities.

EVERY GIFT CREATES A STORY



Consider including Marist in your will. A planned gift is a meaningful way to impact future generations and leave a **legacy** — one that will touch the lives of countless students and spark their unique Marist story.

Planned gifts ensure that Marist will be well-supported into the future. **Invest in Marist** with a **planned gift** and join Marist's **Legacy Society**. To join, call us today.



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Final Winter Sports Report



▲ The 2019 girls basketball team finishes second at the state championship in March.

Since the last issue of the Marist Magazine was printed, three winter teams have completed their seasons. The Marist girls took home the second place trophy in the OSAA 4A Girls Basketball State Championship tournament at Forest Grove High School. After lots of exciting play and multiple lead changes, they lost 48-51 to the Baker Bulldogs. The Spartans, the 2018 5A state champions, entered the tournament ranked ninth. "A lot of us didn't even think we were going to make it to the state tournament this year, then we were in the championship game, and it was like, wow, this is insane," senior Madison Ficek said. Ficek was named Player of the Game after

scoring 15 of her 17 points in the second half and nine of Marist's final 11 points. "I was just proud of the team, and how far we'd come. Second place is still second place out of the whole state," she said.

The boys played in the OSAA 4A Boys Basketball State Championship tournament and finished sixth after losing 65-77 to the North Marion Huskies in the consolation finals. They lost to top-ranked Banks in the quarterfinals and defeated Marshfield 49-41 in the consolation semifinals.

Mt. Bachelor hosted the combined boys and girls OSSA Championships in March, where the Marist ski team finished 5th place overall.

Live Unashamed, Be Courageous

In March, Marist Campus Ministry hosted international Catholic speaker Chika Anyanwu for an evening presentation "Live Unashamed, Be Courageous." Anyanwu used a major life experience — hearing God's voice — to illustrate to the audience that, no matter how old we are, we should always respond to God's call when we hear Him speak to us, even if we think that it might make us feel uncomfortable. Her presentation was followed by Eucharistic adoration and music by the worship band Road to Emmaus. Seniors Sydney Frey, Kailey Garrett, Cole Jones and Rachel Spence organized the event with the help

of Director of Campus Ministry and Formation Dr. Rick Martin, President Suzanne Graf, and Marist Chaplain Fr. Theodore Lange and the support of the Catholicity Committee.



▲ Chika Anyanwu engages the audience during her presentation.

Chess Team Strategy Pays Off



▲ Justin May '22, Iain Waddell '19 and Ethan Avila '20 ponder their next moves while at a tournament in February.

The Marist Chess Team of five students took second place in the 4A-and-under division at the Oregon High School Chess Team Association state tournament in late February. Sophomore Justin May won the 4A-and-under best third-board award for his individual performance at the tournament.

New Track Blessing

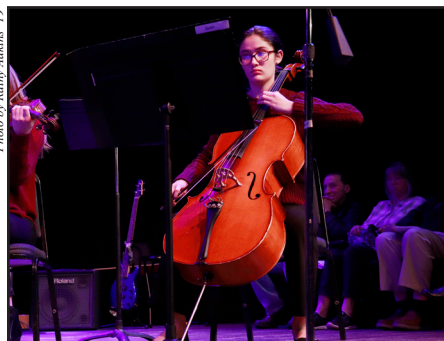


▲ Athletic Director Kevin Cave hands out commemorative batons while Principal Stacey Baker announces the team representatives.

On April 6, a dedication ceremony was held to celebrate and bless Marist's new track, prior to the start of the running events at the Marist Track Classic. The ceremony began on a rain-drenched Saturday with sophomore Elizabeth Grieve's inspiring rendition of the national anthem. President Suzanne Graf welcomed the crowd with words of thanks to all who helped make the new track possible. "We are here today at this state-of-the-art facility thanks to the patience, vision and dedication of a generous group of people who care deeply about Marist, our students and the future of our fine school," Graf said. Marist Principal Stacey Baker then

wished all the athletes “good luck” and noted that athletics is an important aspect and key pillar in our mission and integral in learning about teamwork, sportsmanship, discipline and leadership. To complete the ceremony, retired chaplain Fr. David Cullings blessed the track and commemorative relay batons — one for each of the ten schools at the meet. Following the ceremony, co-head coach Chase Wells commented that it was a culmination of three years of hard work and it was great having his team together at a home meet again. Prior to the ceremony, a brunch was held in the ARC to thank the parents, past athletes and community members whose contributions helped make the new track a reality.

Musician Wins District



▲ Cellist Sarah Rosier '21 performs at a Marist Christmas Concert this year.

Sophomore Sarah Rosier won the South Willamette Valley OMEA Solo Competition on Feb. 23 at Lane Community College. Her impactful performance of Saint Saëns' Cello Concerto earned her a trip to the 2019 OSAA State Solo Competition in April.

Model United Nations

Marist's Model UN team of 19 students, led by history teacher Jon Nuxoll, participated in the annual Model United Nations Conference, held at the University of Oregon and Northwest Christian University in April. Schools from across Oregon and Idaho met at the conference to discuss and propose solutions to global issues from the standpoint of different countries they represented. Each student chose a specific issue — such as human rights or global security — and wrote



▲ Marist's Model UN team in action at the U of O.

a position paper from the perspective of their representative country. While there, they acted as delegates to pass resolutions to address these issues.

Taking on special roles, seniors Keegan Pond and Everett Dowdy were General Assembly members and voted on what resolutions to veto or pass; senior Nick Clark served on the International Court of Justice and heard disputes between countries; and senior Tess Louie served on the Security Council that dealt with threats to peace.

Mr. and Ms. Spartans



▲ The 2019 Mr. and Ms. Spartan winners react as their names are announced.

The Mr. and Ms. Spartan Pageant made history this April. Not only was 2019 the 25th year of raising money for the babies, it was also the first year the pageant was held as a competition between teams of three and the first year there was a tie! Fr. David Jaspers '95, the very first Mr. Spartan, crowned the two winning teams of seniors: Cole Jones, Christina Meyers and Lydia Nelson and the team of Jason DePaoli, Maggie Stephenson and Sara Weyant. But in the end, the real winners were the babies, as the event raised over \$60,000 for Children's Miracle Network and the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at Sacred Heart Riverbend. The total raised over the last 25 Mr. and Ms. Spartan events is a

staggering \$750,000. The emcees for the evening were 2014 Mr. Spartan contestant Darren Nelson and Jamie (Ferrari) McIntyre '13, who has two children who spent multiple days in the NICU. Contestants from past years teamed up for an enjoyable dance as a part of the night's entertainment. The Barker family was this year's CMN Miracle Family. They spoke about the importance of the NICU in the survival of their triplets—two of whom, Jane and Sarah Barker, were senior coordinators for this year's program. In the four-month span leading up to the pageant, the Mr. and Ms. Spartan teams organized multiple fundraisers including a letter writing campaign, donation jars, Bunco for the Babies and a Barn Dance for the Babies.

Spartans Return to Rome



▲ History teacher Tripp Nelson plays the part of a Roman emperor with students while in Rome.

Nearly 40 Spartan students and their family members went on a nine-day spring break “Discover Italy” tour of Venice, Florence, Assisi, Pompeii and Rome to see beautiful sights, discover the amazing art and architecture, learn about the history and try as much delicious Italian food and gelato as possible. The trip was led by theology teacher David Haggard, history teacher Tripp Nelson, English teacher Becky Boyd and art teacher Erica Gingerich. The educational itinerary included the Venetian canals and St. Mark's Cathedral, the Duomo, the Vatican museums, the Sistine Chapel and culminated with Mass at St. Peter's Basilica.

Into the Woods a Hit

Photo by Tami Cooper



▲ On the closing weekend of the play, Brandon Foster '19, Kat Sincuir-Alvarez '19, Ethan Swartz '20, Kelly Schombert '19 and Liv Carlin '20 perform the final act.

For those who ventured *Into the Woods*, the spring musical was funny, engaging, enjoyable and another example of perfect casting by director Tony Rust. The cast was comprised of many seniors, including Brandon Foster who played the Baker and has participated in every Marist theatre production since his freshman year. Newcomer to the theatre world, senior Madison Wisnewski, made a stellar debut performance as Cinderella's stepmother. Other notable performances included senior Keegan Pond and freshman Stefan Schroffner's hilarious rendition of "Agony"; junior Liv Carlin and senior Kelly Schombert's lovely vocals in "A Very Nice Prince"; senior Celia Lemhouse's hilarious Scottish accent; and freshman Elli Clark's adorable performance as the Cow. The breaking of the fourth wall by the Narrator, senior Katherine Thayer, ensured there was never a dull moment in the show.

State Speech and Debate

This April, a team of seven senior Spartans brought home a 5th place team trophy from the OSAA 4A/3A/2A/1A State Speech and Debate Championships. Senior Danielle Shojai competed in three events: After Dinner Speaking, Impromptu Speaking and Parliamentary Debate. Shojai made it to the semifinal round in Impromptu Speaking and, paired with senior Chase

Bond, finished 5th in Parliamentary Debate. Senior Lindy McCool competed in Original Oratory and Impromptu Speaking, making the final round of Impromptu Speaking, placing 3rd overall and becoming Oregon's 4th highest point earner in this event over her four-year career. Also competing were seniors Hannah McLaughlin in Informative Speaking and Duo Interpretation, Phoebe Peterman in Duo Interpretation and the team of Iain Waddell and Will Kiern in Policy Debate. Shojai and Bond both received four-year awards from OSAA for being state competitors all four years of high school, which Speech and Debate coach Steve Barth notes is "very rare." Shojai also broke two school records: one for the most points earned in a year—a record previously set by her



▲ Senior Speech and Debate competitors Lindy McCool '19, Danielle Shojai '19 and Chase Bond '19 and coach Steve Barth celebrate the team's 5th place state trophy.

sister Madeleine Shojai '17 in 2017—and one for most points accumulated over four years as a Marist Speech and Debate competitor. Danielle is also the first student in Marist history to have reached the Outstanding Distinction Degree in the National Speech and Debate Association.

A Close Encounter of the Snowy Kind

Photo by Tami Cooper



▲ The Winter Women's Encounter (part 1) throws snowballs before their early departure on Sunday due to the snow.

The Winter Women's Encounter came to an unexpected end in late February due to the freak snow storm that hit Oregon south of Corvallis. The snow began falling Saturday evening at St. Benedict's and just kept on falling. Many even joked about how fun it would be to get snowed in — until Sunday afternoon when trees began falling, a branch crashed onto the back deck of the lodge and the power lines were down due to the weight of the snow. By 5 p.m., the adult leaders thought they would be going home early on a school bus, but when that bus got stuck, they planned to remain at the lodge for the night; they had a fireplace and food, but no running

water or electricity. Thanks to Chris Fudge, Marist Network Administrator — and a commander in the Specialty Vehicles Group (SVG) of Lane County Search and Rescue — many other Search and Rescue volunteers, and a few parents, everyone was evacuated safely, most not getting back to Eugene until 6 a.m. Many of the girls and leaders returned to St. Benedict's in March to complete the retreat (the first ever Encounter 2.0) and to the delight of all didn't seem to miss a beat. The second part included an even more tightly-knit community, having already bonded over the "trauma" of that first Encounter.

A Real-Life Connection to the Holocaust

Photo by Danielle Shojat '19



▲ Clarice Wilsey speaks to the sophomore class about letters she found that were written by her father in World War II. He was a physician who treated Holocaust survivors.

On April 29, the 74th anniversary of the liberation of Dachau, guest speaker and retired University of Oregon teacher and administrator, Clarice Wilsey provided a real-life connection to the Holocaust for the sophomore class in the Bob Devereaux Theatre. Following the deaths of her parents, Clarice found over 300 letters that her father, the late Captain David B. Wilsey M.D., had written to her mother Emily about his experiences on the front lines in Germany and France during WWII. Dr. Wilsey was one of 27 American physicians who entered the Dachau Concentration Camp in 1944 to treat the 30,000 survivors who were diseased, tortured and malnourished. Becky Boyd, English teacher and coordinator of the event, said that the presentation — arranged to complement the sophomore English classes' Holocaust unit — was interesting and made her want to read the letters herself. As a part of the unit, the sophomores also read the novel *Night* about author Elie Wiesel's survival in Auschwitz and watched *Schindler's List*, a Steven Spielberg film which tells the story of Oskar Schindler, an unlikely humanitarian who helped save the lives of 1,200 Jews in WWII. Clarice recently retired from the University of Oregon and is now on the Speaker's Bureau for the Oregon Jewish Museum and Holocaust Center for Education.

Senior Wins Kiwanis Award

Photo by Tami Cooper



▲ Theresa Britt '19 is the winner of a Kiwanis Youth Recognition award.

Senior Theresa Britt was presented with a \$500 award at the annual Kiwanis Youth Recognition Banquet this spring in recognition of her community service. One senior from each area high school is chosen for their service and consistent contributions to their school and community, that might otherwise have gone unrecognized. Each recipient chosen is also a good student who is seen as a future leader. Theresa was nominated by the Marist staff for always looking out for others — whether in the classroom or hallway — and for volunteering with at-risk youth, helping with the Genesis Summer Reading Academy, participating with Marist's community water testing program and working as a Eugene Teen Court officer.

Marist Youth Mission Conference

Photo courtesy of Stacey Baker



▲ Santanna James '20, Aidan Fitzpatrick '20, Laina Chavez '21, Henry Schramm '21 and Principal Stacey Baker attend a Marist youth conference this spring.

Recently, four students — Laina Chavez, Aidan Fitzpatrick, Santanna James and Henry Schramm — accompanied Principal Stacey Baker

to the Marist Brothers' annual Marist Youth Mission Conference at the Marist Brothers Center in Esopus, New York. The memorable trip was made possible thanks to two significant donations. The students will share their unique and powerful experiences with the student body throughout the upcoming school year.

Spring Sports Wrap Up

Two team state titles and two individual titles were captured this spring! Both the girls tennis team and the boys golf team brought home state championship trophies. Sophomore Nick Watts was the 4A state medalist in golf and senior Gabe Garboden was state champion in the 1500m at the 4A OSAA State Track and Field Championships.

Photo by Richard Proulx



▲ The 2019 4A golf state champions, Marist Spartans.

The boys golf team's state title was this time in the 4A division. The team finished first by 32 strokes. Following Watts' first place 145, one-over par finish at state was junior Arnav Ready, who finished second with 153. Sophomore Alec Vendetti and junior Jared Charbonneau followed up with 162 and 167 respectively and freshman Ben Proulx was the fifth player for Marist with 182.

The girls tennis team won state with a remarkable team performance, using the power of numbers to score 18 points, 5 points ahead of Catlin Gabel. Senior Nithya Vaikuntam and freshman Kira Weigel were second in women's doubles while sophomores Ellie Christian and Ellie Gonyea took third. Senior Chloe Lee captured second in singles after a couple of marathon matches while sophomores Ava Eklund and Whitney Korth made it to the consolation finals match in doubles. The boys team also did well, bringing home a third place trophy. Sophomore Jackson Whitaker finished third in singles and senior

Photo by Josh Christian '15



▲ The girls and boys tennis teams celebrate their first and third place trophies at the OSAA 4A State Championship in Corvallis on May 17-18.

Andrew Hyslop won the consolation final match.

Both the boys and girls track teams were ninth at state with numerous top three performances and some stellar PR's. Along with his first place finish in the 1500m, Garboden finished fourth in the 800m just behind teammate junior Jack Crowell, who finished second with a very fast time of 1:55.26. For the girls, junior McKenna Priske finished third in both the 1500m and the 3000m and the girls 4 x 400m relay was also third. Priske set a new school record in the 3000m earlier in the season with a time

of 10:15.41.

Softball lost 3-6 in a state quarterfinal match up with league rival Junction City after a 24-4 season record filled with exceptional performances at bat, from the mound and in the field. The baseball team, under new head coach Noah Breslaw, was 13-11 this year, losing six of those games by just a single run.

Both boys and girls lacrosse teams were very young but played with heart. The boys lacrosse team was 5-11 but capped off their season with a thrilling win over Roseburg while the girls finished 6-7.

Players of the Year

Photo by Jaden Spencer '19



▲ Ariel Carlson '19

Senior softball player Ariel Carlson was named the 2019 Gatorade State Player of the Year for the second year in a row. She also earned the Sky-Em League Pitcher of the Year award and is now tied for second in the national high school record for career home runs after hitting 72 home runs over her four years at Marist—20 of which happened this season. Carlson was also named the Oregon Sports Awards Prep Softball Player of the Year. She and junior Abby Doerr, the 2019 Sky-Em Player of the Year, were both finalists for the award. Doerr was the 2018 winner.

Photo by Toni Cooper



▲ At Mt. Hood Community College this May, senior Gabe Garboden captures the 4A state title in his final 1500m as a Spartan with a time of 4:05.64.

Delta Rotary Scholarships

Photo courtesy of Suzanne Graf



▲ President Suzanne Graf with the winners of this year's Delta Rotary Scholarships.

This June, four seniors — Maegan Cary, Mia Graves, Sydney Johnson and Celia Lemhouse — were presented with four-year renewable scholarships from the Delta Rotary Foundation to help fund their college costs. Through their application and interview process, each winner demonstrated an impressive balance of school involvement, volunteering, community service, employment and academics.

REUNIONS

Class of 1959

The Class of 1959 will celebrate their 60th reunion on Friday, Aug. 9 from 5-7 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall and Saturday, Aug. 10 at Roaring Rapids Pizza from noon to 3 p.m. For more information, contact Currin Cooley '59 at 541-490-0235 (cooleycurrin@gmail.com).



▲ *The Class of 1959 reunion committee.*

Class of 1961

The Class of 1961 is planning a reunion for Saturday, Aug. 17 at the home of Ed '61 & Sue Kingzett in West Linn, Oregon. For more information, contact Pat (Hubert) Klenke '61 at 541-485-6782.

Class of 1964

Join the Class of 1964 for their 55th reunion! The weekend begins on Friday, Aug. 9 with a dinner at the home of Jim Hoffman and continues Saturday evening at Hop Valley in Eugene. For more information contact Jim Hoffman '64 at 541-556-6738 (jhoffnd@gmail.com).

Class of 1967

The annual reunion of the class of 1967 will be held Saturday, Aug. 24 at the Harbert residence. For more information, contact Joe Harbert '67 (harbert5708@comcast.net).

Class of 1969

Join the Class of 1969 for their 50th reunion on Friday, July 26 from 6-8 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall and Saturday, July 27 from 5-8 p.m. at Roaring Rapids Pizza. For more information, contact Casey McCormick '69 (caseyjanet@aol.com).

Class of 1979

The Class of 1979 has a full weekend planned for their 40th reunion. Events begin with a social Friday, July 26 in the Marist courtyard from 5:30-8 p.m. Light food will be provided; no host beer/wine bar. Saturday, July 27 at Civic Winery for social and dinner, 5-9 p.m. Sunday, July 28 the weekend will conclude with 10 a.m. Mass in the Marist Chapel with Fr. David Cullings. For more information, contact the planning committee (marist40th@gmail.com).

Class of 1989

The Class of 1989 is brewing up a "murderous weekend" July 19-21. Hop Valley Brewing will be hosting the kick-off event, Friday, July 19 at 8 p.m. which is open to all alumni, teachers, staff and friends. On Saturday, July 20, the class will take part in a Murder Mystery Dinner at Marist. On Sunday morning, they will participate in a campus service project at Marist. Classmates are encouraged to contact Danielle Coughran '89 (dmcoughran@gmail.com) or Roxanne (Frye) Holtz '89 (roxanne-holtz@cox.net) for specific event details.

Class of 1999

Join the Class of 1999 for a weekend of fun! There will be a meet and greet on Friday, Aug. 16 from 6:30-10 p.m. at The Brew Shed and a picnic on Saturday, Aug. 17 from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Marist. For more information, contact the planning committee (marist1999@gmail.com).

Class of 2009

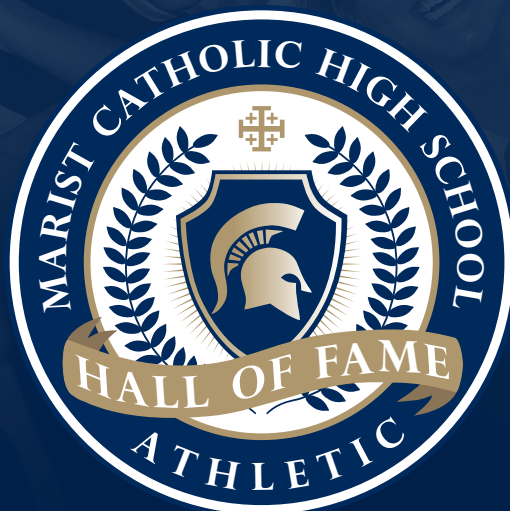
The Class of 2009 is having a Potluck Picnic on Saturday, June 22 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at University Park. For more information, contact Kelsey Lambe '09 (kelseylambe@gmail.com).

Attention Alumni

Send us your news, accomplishments, births, marriages and updates so we can celebrate with you in the Class Notes section of upcoming issues!

Submit information and photos to alumni@marisths.org.





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13 Mass of the Holy Spirit

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18 Inaugural Athletic Hall
of Fame Celebration

18 Homecoming Game

26-28 Men's Fall Encounter

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1, 2, 8, 9 Marist Theatre's Fall Play