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SPECIAL EDITION: DONOR REPORT

FROM THE PRESIDENT

s we celebrate 50 years of Marist, we look forward to what lies ahead. Eleanor Roosevelt once said, "The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams." Dream a little bit with me as we look to the future of our students locally and around the globe.

Marist graduates may help mine the moon, discover better ways to battle cancer, devise instruments to harness new energies and tackle problems the likes of which we cannot even imagine right now.



Marist graduates may serve in less dramatic but nonetheless important ways — raising children, mentoring youth and caring for the least, the last and the lost.

Marist graduates will continue to realize our motto We Are One, in all aspects of the arts and sciences, trades and business, living out our calling to be Christ to one another.

What will Marist look like 50 years from now?

Perhaps iPads will be as obsolete as typewriters. And likely, our brand new track will need some attention again. Maybe we'll have a new performing arts center or commons area for lunch or a new counseling center. Perhaps we'll need to break ground again on another building.

I see new programs offered for and by our students and alumni, including an Athletic Hall of Fame that will be introduced as early as next year.

I envision students and families clamoring to be at Marist because they realize that something different, something special, is present here. All of us fortunate enough to have experienced Marist know that it's true. The people, the symbols, the memories — they evoke for us a sense of belonging and the understanding that community lifts us up, supports us and moves us forward.

We remember with love those who have gone before us and pledge to do our best to keep their memory and legacy alive. I know that 50 years from now, I won't be here. But Marist Catholic High School will still be standing as a testament to Catholic education, inspired by St. Marcellin, nurtured by our Marist Brothers, enhanced by the work of the Sisters of the Holy Names, the Dominicans, parish priests and lay leaders and entrusted to the youth who will be our next leaders.

Marist has been built on a solid foundation of faith, hard work, commitment and hope. Our future is in good hands.

Thank you for celebrating 50 years with us. Every single one of us has played a role in making Marist what it is today, a testament to God's good work. My heart is filled with gratitude for your love and commitment to Catholic education. Thank you for being part of our heritage, our present and our hope for the future.

We Are One.

Suzanne Graf

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ON THE COVER:

A centerpiece of roses and hydrangeas designed for the Gala by current parent and chair of decorations Annie Martin.

Homeon Welcome!!! Former Marist Chaplain Father David Cullings greets guests at the Gala with his customary "welcome" sign and a smile. MARIST MAGAZINE

Marist Celebrates 50 Years

By Rebecca Larson

arist's 50th anniversary Gala was more than a splendid celebration: it was a homecoming.

Nearly 300 guests were graced with a sunny, warm October evening and lingered outside the 100 wing by a giant gold 50, visiting and listening to tunes performed by the first high school rock band west of the Mississippi.

Five Marist Brothers returned for the occasion, joining alumni that spanned seven decades. Patricia (Breeden) Furrer was the most senior grad hailing from St. Mary's Class of '46, Jeff '69 & Laura (Bonzer)

Howard '69 represented the first graduating class and Sam Graf '18 and Abby Reid '18 represented Marist's newly minted 50th graduating class.

Teresa Molina-Gomez '18 took a break from her studies at the UO to volunteer as an event photographer. Marist musicians — the aforementioned Marist rock band and members of the Marist Strings — provided the evening's music from Elton John to Johann Sebastian Bach while other students parked cars, checked coats or helped serve.

Cathy (Buller) O'Brien '77, with the help of Abby McCallum '09 and Nicole McCallum '11, served drinks and a delicious buffet dinner. Another branch of the McCallum family, Pat McCallum '77 and Suzanne McCallum '83 enhanced the evening with an original

song, "We Are One," composed by Pat especially for the occasion.

The gym, draped with more than 50 state championship banners, was elegantly transformed by festive decorations and beautifully set tables.

Legacy families — defined as those with two or more generations within Marist's heritage — were well represented, filling seats at twenty of the tables in the room. Honorary chairs Pete '79 & Joan (Meagher) Kerns '79 were joined by both sides of their families including Father John Kerns '77 who offered a blessing before the meal and helped lead the singing with the McCallums.



Top Row: Bishop Ken Steiner, President Suzanne Graf, Honorary Chairs Joan (Meagher) Kerns '79, and Pete Kerns '79. **Bottom Row**: Br. James Halliday FMS, Br. Brice Byczynski FMS, Br. Dan Grogan FMS, Br. Sumner Herrick FMS and Br. Jerry Dowsky FMS.

Former and current staff members reconnected with each other and former students, now friends.

Hugs, laughter and delighted smiles abounded but there were some bittersweet meetings too, and tears, since some people were absent, alive only in

memory, but revered and remembered.

A wonderful video retrospective honored the legacy of Catholic education in Lane County and Marist's 50-year history. Brother Dan Grogan and Brother James Halliday each received standing ovations after their speeches. President Suzanne Graf envisioned Marist's bright future asking the gathering to "dream a little bit" with her about the next 50 years.

After several toasts, including one from surprise guest Bishop Kenneth Steiner, the evening ended with a particularly significant prayer led by Father David Jaspers '95, the "Memorare," St. Marcellin's (founder

> of the Marist Brothers) prayer when he was lost in a snowstorm. The story of his deliverance, known as "The Memorare in the Snow," is a cherished part of the Marist Brothers' tradition.

Marist will undoubtedly establish new traditions in the next 50 years, but the love for the Brothers, the Sisters, for Catholic education and for the entire Marist family will remain unchanged. The words of American physician, poet and sage, Oliver Wendell Holmes, Sr. might well have been written for this anniversary occasion, "Where we love is home,

home that our feet may leave, but not our hearts."

The Gala was a golden, memorable evening celebrated in song and script and in the hearts of all who attended. For 50 years, 50 more to come and even beyond: We Are One. #

The Gala at a Glance-

- 300+ guests
- Alumni from 1946-2018
- 20 Legacy families
- Five Marist Brothers, a bishop, four priests
- 20+ volunteers from the Marist staff
- 40+ student volunteers

See a retrospective video celebrating 50 years in the alumni section on the Marist website.



Br. Sumner Herrick takes a photo of Br. Dan Grogan, Dave Schmidt '74 and Lex (Bonzer) Schmidt '70, Br. James Halliday and past wrestling coach Jack Olson while Ray Paiement '74 looks on



Leo Lyford '72 points to his sister Mary (Lyford) Leary '73 in a photo of the 1970 Homecoming Court.



Alumni and past Marist parents, John Stacy '79 and Julie (Free) Stacy '80, socialize at the entrance to the Gala.



Classmates from the 70s, Annette (Miller) Pershem '75, Mary (Kerns) Newson '73 and Mary (Pitcairn) Nickelson-Hill '73, greet each other.



Chris Holvey '78 catches up with Br. James Halliday and Jerry Brown '49.



Members of the class of 1977 get together for a photo as they arrive at the Gala.



Fr. John Kerns '77 visits with Marie and Steve Lilley '85.

Photographer Teresa Molina-Gomez '18 stops to take a selfie with her former parish priest, Fr. David Jaspers '95.



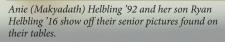
As she arrives at the Gala, Pam Furrer '73 embraces a classmate.

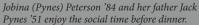


Rita (Schmidt) Proulx '78 and husband Richard Proulx '79 toast to Marist at the end of the evening.



Dean Hummel '78 smiles as Br. Dan Grogan explains the history of Marist.







 $Suzanne\ McCallum\ '83,\ Pat\ McCallum\ '77\ and\ Fr.\ John\ Kerns\ '77\ perform\ Pat's\ original\ composition\ "We\ Are\ One"\ which\ invited\ guests\ to\ sing-a-long\ on\ the\ chorus.$



Lex (Bonzer) Schmidt '70, now retired after 34 years of teaching art at Marist, says hello to past student Rob Easterla '80.

by Teresa Molina-Gor

SCHOOL PROFILE

July 1, 2017 — June 30, 2018



























STAFF PROFILE

Current Academic Year



Staff who are Marist alumni





16

Staff whose children are Marist alumni



81%
Teachers with

advanced degrees

















Seniors Tess Louie and Madison Wisnewski spent their summer teaching at-risk children how to read and served as agents of hope in modeling the Marist charism at the inaugral Genesis Summer Reading Academy.

By Bill Ferrari

t 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, July 25, six-year-old Anna arrived at Marist, jumped off the school bus, and asked with her big, toothless smile, "Is Miss Madison here today?"

We were four weeks into the inaugural Genesis Summer Reading Academy, and Anna began every day with this question while scanning the courtyard for any sign of rising Marist senior Madison Wisnewski. Anna, who tended to wear the same clothes to school every day, knew intuitively that Madison's presence ensured a stable,

happy day of reading, learning and playing.

At the same time, seven-year-old Ben, a child with a history of family abuse, sat on the steps in front of the Marist chapel with his head down and tears welling. "I want Miss Tess." Though Ben had become comfortable with his Genesis teachers, on this day, only rising Marist senior Tess Louie would be able to help Ben navigate his emotions and allow Ben to have a positive learning experience.

The Genesis Summer Reading Academy was a six-week program

that provided reading instruction and intervention to local kindergarten through fourth-grade children identified as McKinney-Vento students in the Bethel, Springfield, and 4J school districts. McKinney-Vento is the federal government designation for students who are homeless or who are living in unstable conditions due to financial circumstances. Statistically, these students are the most academically vulnerable students in our community and an increasing inability to read at grade level is the primary reason why.

The Genesis Summer Reading Academy launched at Marist this July, after nearly two years of establishing partnerships with organizations and institutions like Catholic Community Services of Lane County, the University of Oregon's College of Education, and FOOD for Lane County, as well as securing the necessary funding through various grants and private donations. The reading academy, staffed by five licensed teachers, two teaching interns and a host of Marist student volunteers, provided its

transportation to and from campus each day at no cost to the families.

The initial reading academy vision prioritized the presence of Marist student volunteers as a valuable resource for Genesis students, but this vision also included identifying Marist upperclassmen who might be interested in taking on a sustained leadership role in the formation of the project. Last spring, Madison and Tess accepted that invitation. As second-semester juniors, both Madison and Tess had emerged as models of the Marist mission. Each had established herself as a dynamic, accomplished student, and both had demonstrated an increasing willingness to embrace service as an opportunity to impact social change.

One month prior to the reading academy's launch,
Madison and Tess met with our UO partners to discuss the "love of reading" session that would conclude each academy school day.
An evidence-based reading instruction and intervention curriculum was in place, but everyone wanted the

students to spend the final hour of

each day experiencing the joy of reading for the sake of reading. Madison and Tess, surrounded in a conference room by professors and doctoral students, initiated a brainstorming session that concluded with a unanimous agreement that Madison's and Tess's proposal of weekly units highlighting different storytelling techniques was an ideal approach. "Madison and Tess made an immediate impression on us with their original ideas for the program," says McKenzie Meline of the College of Education. "I was excited by their leadership potential."



Teaching intern Tia Thomas, an education major from the UO, working on letter recognition with the children.



Bill Ferrari at the Genesis Summer Reading Academy.

Madison and Tess left that meeting with a clear understanding of their reading academy roles: they would design and implement a weekly, unit-based curriculum that would allow students to end each day with a fresh, interactive

reading activity. Theirs was a significant responsibility, but a manageable one. Madison and Tess had each other, they had resources, and they would have time each morning to meet and prepare for that last hour.

Are you familiar with the saying, "If you want to make God laugh, tell Him your plans"?

The reading academy began with an assessment that revealed 31 of 37 students failing to read at grade level. And because of the wide range of skill levels, we needed to divide students into more groups than we initially

anticipated for maximum instructional impact. Madison and Tess were asked to become, essentially, student teachers and provide daily instruction for a group of second graders in addition to their original third-hour commitment. A daunting task, to say the least.

Madison and Tess responded to their expanded roles and unfamiliar responsibilities by teaching themselves to become teachers. Making adjustments from day-to-day, sometimes even from hour-to-hour, Madison and Tess lived the Marist charism's power to "help young people recognize their own giftedness and use those gifts to make a difference within our world." The Marist order's charism is defined as a gift of the Holy Spirit and articulated through five distinct values:

A Sense of Family Spirit

At the core of Marist founder Marcellin Champagnat's philosophy of education is his belief that "to educate children, first you must love them equally." Madison and Tess made their interaction with their students authentic by treating them as younger



Tess Louie '19 reads to kids in a tent outside.

siblings, naturally developing community within the Genesis program. Neither Madison nor Tess has any desire to pursue a teaching career, so, rather than trying to force themselves into a false image for their students, Madison and Tess built relationships and established standards. By the conclusion of the academy, each student they worked with demonstrated measurable improved reading skill.

A Love of Work

The Marist Brothers define this piece of the charism as a "generosity of heart and without attention seeking." Madison and Tess found themselves challenged by an unexpected increase of duties, but rather than retreat from such demands, both immersed themselves into the work of managing lesson plans, creating interactive journals and self-portrait handouts, developing

reader's theatre activities and designing slideshows to accompany read-alouds.

Simplicity

With a vision of education that is personal and practical, simplicity is linked to humility and modesty in the charism. "I was so impressed with how invested Madison and Tess were in their students' success," Kyle Reardon of the College of Education said. "When they were struggling with a particular



Madison Wisnewski '19 works one-on-one with a student.

student, they would seek support and guidance from their colleagues." Adds Meline, "Madison and Tess exceeded every expectation we had for them, but they never made the experience about themselves."

Presence

Defined as "setting a good example," Madison and Tess embodied this concept by providing Genesis students with a daily model of what it means to be present to the possibilities of education. Madison and Tess designed one unit that brought several Marist teachers to campus to preview the ways Genesis students might eventually engage in different disciplines. In their unit focused on reading and the environment, Madison and Tess accumulated several tents and allowed students to spend one morning moving from tent to tent reading books about the natural world they had explored with Madison and Tess earlier that week.

In the Way of Mary

Valued as the perfect model of a Marist educator, Mary is ultimately defined through her humble, optimistic faith and her ability to sow hope, especially in the face of suffering. Madison and Tess got on their knees, literally and figuratively, and anchored fragile children whose homes include shelters and vehicles, and whose academic experiences are often precarious and tumultuous. McKinney-Vento students tend to experience chronic absenteeism, but sixyear-old Anna and seven-year-old Ben attended the reading academy every day last summer knowing that Miss Madison and Miss Tess were waiting for them.

For the past year, our community has celebrated the 50-year existence of Marist Catholic High School, and in seniors Madison Wisnewski and Tess Louie, we have two more students who remind us that the ideals and values that define a Marist education transcend ordinary learning and allow us to witness the divine.



Kaitlyn Witschger '15 & Marie (Fraser) Vandecoevering '08.

Thank You Alumni and Student Volunteers!

Marist graduate Marie (Fraser) Vandecoevering '08 served as the Genesis Summer Reading Academy director. Marie, who teaches middle school math at Holy Cross Catholic School in Portland, was asked to take on this role because of her extensive experience working with children who come from challenging circumstances. Marie and her husband Danny accepted the sacrifices of six weeks of commutes and extended time apart from each other because of their shared belief in the program. Marie's expertise and natural leadership provided Genesis students and staff with a structure and guidance enhanced by her uncommon grace and wisdom.

Marist graduate **Kaitlyn Witschger '15** served as a teaching intern for the reading academy. A senior at the University of Denver, Kaitlyn will graduate this spring with degrees in psychology and sociology and plans to pursue a career counseling at-risk children after she completes a graduate degree. Kaitlyn, who launched a program that provided formal academic experiences for local homeless adults in Eugene during her senior year at Marist, worked extensively with some of the most fragile Genesis students, where her gentle heart was instrumental in their success.

Ashley Elder '08 serves on the reading academy's advisory council. The reading academy's six-week program concluded with a field trip to the University of Oregon, where Ashley organized a visit to the law school for Genesis students, reinforcing the Genesis mission that these students can have access to academic opportunities that others take for granted. Ashley is a graduate of the law school and currently works for Evans, Elder, Brown & Seubert.

Over 50 current Marist students volunteered in the reading academy for at least a week each, providing crucial one-on-one reading opportunities for Genesis students. These Marist students energized the reading academy with their enthusiasm and their overwhelming desire to make Genesis children feel valued.

Governance & Leadership

The first Marist Catholic High School Board of Directors was appointed in September 2008 by Archbishop John Vlazny. The 13 member School Board meets every other month, September through June.

The responsibilities of the Board include general direction and oversight of the school in the following areas:

- Strategic planning
- · Advancement of the school
- Financial operations of the school
- Enhancing the school's financial resources
- Ensuring the Catholicity of the school
- Evaluating the performance of the president

voluntarily served Marist on the School Board over the years. Their dedication to advancing the Marist mission is very much appreciated. Their leadership and vision have been vital to our success. #

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Revenues & Expenses

July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018

School Operating Results

This past year at Marist saw a slight decrease in enrollment and an increase in attrition. A large senior class graduated in June 2018 but the total enrollment for the current school year has leveled off with a strong freshman class and new student transfers. This can be attributed to investment in an aggressive comprehensive marketing plan and a new sliding scale tuition model. A long-term financial plan has been developed with the goal of maintaining the financial health of the school and generating an operating reserve.

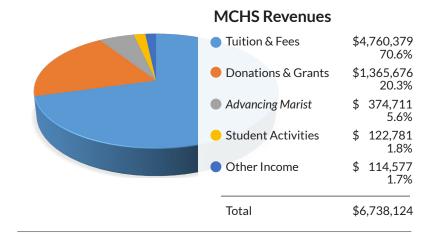
Our focus continues on building strong student support services, creating a positive school culture and developing new student leadership opportunities. Addressing time and capacity challenges for teachers, as identified in the last accreditation process, the school also invested in adopting a new full-time teaching schedule for teachers. In addition, a half-time chaplain joined the Marist staff.

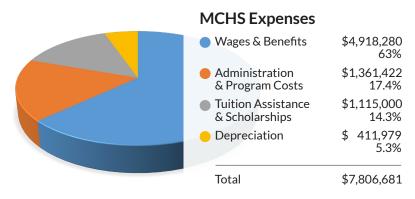
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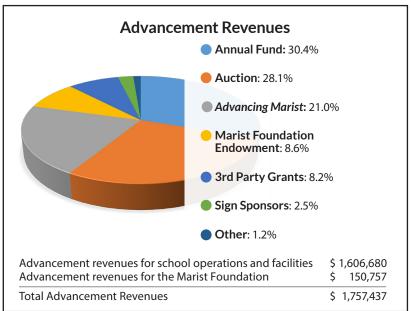
Advancement revenue reached a record level outside of a campaign year, including record auction results. The school's advancement team surpassed revenue goals with an increase in general support of more than 42%. The total raised included a \$130,000 increase in annual fund gifts. There were also substantial increases in grants and gifts restricted for both academic programs and the arts, technology, school lunches, professional development and marketing projects.

Financial accessibility for all continues to be an important focus: \$1,115,000 in tuition assistance and scholarships was granted to 215 students.

Fundraising efforts to replace the school's track and update/upgrade the campus facilities (keyless card entry system and new cameras) as part of the safety and security initiative, has brought in nearly \$800,000 over the last two years.







Independent Review of Financials

An independent review of the school's 2017-18 financial information is currently underway with Moss Adams, LLP. For a copy of the full report, please contact the Marist Finance Office at (541) 485-7879.

Marist Catholic High School Donors

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ow, it's personal. I have believed in and supported the Marist mission since before I came here as the Advancement Director four years ago, but there's nothing like having your freshman son walk in the door on the first day of school.

I've developed a new appreciation for the excellent, committed teaching staff and for you — families, friends, alumni, and businesses — who have contributed to the financial stability of Marist over the past fiscal year.

A variety of efforts, including but not limited to Advancing Marist, Auction, Annual Fund, Arts Angels, GAP (Gracious Assistance from Parents), Sports Sign Sponsorships and Marist Student Directory, continue to support every Marist student.

Your prayers, commitment and generosity are vital to the continued success of our excellent school. Thank you on behalf of all the students who, together, we serve. We Are One.

Rebecca Larson Advancement Director and proud freshman parent

Rebecca Laisen

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The Gospel According to (Sister) John

The world was her classroom

By Rebecca Larson

Names are important.
When a young postulate was asked to list her three top choices for what would become her name as a newly minted nun, she wrote one word:

- 1. John
- 2. John
- 3. John

And thus Peggy Jean Backenstos, granddaughter of Oregon pioneers, lover and student of St. John the Evangelist, became Sister John Maureen Backenstos, SNJM (Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary) fondly known to one and all as Sister John.

Although she had Catholicism in her background, Sister John was not raised Catholic, but converted, having attended St. Mary's Academy in Portland, a school run by the Holy Names sisters. In time, Sister John joined the Holy Names herself and began a 43-year long teaching career in Oregon at Catholic schools in St. Paul, Salem and Medford as well as in Eugene at St. Mary's, St. Francis and the brand-new Marist Catholic High School.

A Sign of the Times

1968, Marist's first year, was a time of transition for Sister John and her fellow nuns. Some nuns still wore the full habit whose 19th century style was supposed to "represent the simple costume of the time: long skirts and bonnets. [Our clothing] just got petrified," explained her

close friend, Sister Marilyn Nunemaker, SNJM. Sister John embraced the new garb, a visible outcome of Vatican II: knee-length navy skirts with a modest blouse and a short veil whose simple white band revealed ... bangs.

Lex (Bonzer) Schmidt '70 was a junior during that opening year and remembers it well.

"It was crazy seeing nun's hair for the first time," Lex recalls.



The differences between Sister John and other teachers were more than a matter of what she chose to wear. At a time when most instruction consisted of students sitting in structured rows listening to "hellfire and damnation" lectures, Sister John radically formed her students' desks into a circle to encourage discussions and introduced journaling, techniques that are now ubiquitous teaching practices. Required reading in her English classes included *The Scarlet Letter* and *Catcher in the Rye*, then considered somewhat contro-

versial at a Catholic high school.

"She was just crashing those barriers, yet she was a nun. You'd come in without being able to relate to nuns—they seemed old and angry— and there was a whole group of younger nuns making the high school experience a lot more enjoyable and relevant," Lex said.

At that time, Lex was 17; Sister John was 47. "To me, she seemed very young. I had never experienced a young, progressive way of teaching. I have no idea where she got it. Looking back, she was way ahead of her time."

Another of Sister John's innovations was a European travel program, first as a class and then as a club. In 1980, she and Lex, who was now a colleague teaching Art at Marist, lead 21 students on a 37-day journey to seven countries.

Lex recalls the difference between travel (and fashion) then and now. 'Sister John had all the money, passports, airline tickets, everything in paper form. She had three different outfits: a polyester light blue pantsuit, a gray skirt and jacket, and a navy pantsuit."

Not much seemed to phase Sister John.

One evening, several of the boys hadn't returned by the time the place they were staying had been buttoned up tight for the night. They were locked out.

Janice (Edwards) Bocci '80 was a student on that particular trip. "They were 18 years old," she recalled. "So they were technically adults."



Perhaps not wanting to disturb the owners of the home or perhaps just wanting to add an exciting chapter to the story, Sister John knotted sheets together and helped haul the boys up through a second story window.

"She was not somebody to pound on the boys," continued Janice. "She let us have freedom. I loved the spirit of life that showed through in her teaching and how she shared herself on the Europe trip."

Not "pounding on the boys" carried over into her teaching as well. Scott Rotter '77, more interested in football than English, remembers confessing to Sister John that there was no way he was going to make it through *David Copperfield*. Sister's solution was to introduce him to Cliffs Notes. "I got a 'B' in her class," Scott recalled. "I think she was just glad I read SOMETHING!"

With Sister John "it wasn't about the grade," said Lex. "It was just about understanding how people write and get value from the literature. She wasn't caught up in ... wasn't obsessed about (it). (She) just cared more about the student than their grades. That made me appreciate her — she wasn't an easy teacher, but she wasn't going to go out of her way to grade you down on the fact that your grammar wasn't perfect."

"What's Going On, John?"

Whether abroad or at home, Sister John was in tune with her students. Father John Kerns '77 remembers a particular religion class in his junior year. Looking out the window at the trees and the river he was overwhelmed with a feeling of gratitude for the beauty of creation, his family and his life. He realized that "everything I treasure is a gift from God. I want to give my life completely to God."

Sister John noticed he wasn't paying attention in class, came over after the bell rang and asked what was

going on. When he told her, he asked what scripture he should read. She suggested reading from 1 Corinthians 13 — the discourse about love.

"Whenever I saw her — at a funeral or some gathering — I'd whisper, 'You were always my favorite,' and she'd say the same thing back to me," recalls Father John. "I have no idea how many people she said that to."

Patmos

Sister John taught at Marist until 1979. After retiring from teaching, she requested time away to write a novel, moving to McKenzie Bridge. It was to be her own Patmos, the island where St. John the Evangelist is reported to have written the Gospel. Sister's novel never was written. Instead, she wrote an indelible story in the lives of the residents of this small town as a pastoral associate at St. Benedict's, catechist, volunteer firefighter (directing traffic), social justice advocate (protesting at the School of the Americas), birth coach, world traveler (Asia and Africa), backpacker ("scripture backpacking"— science while walking, scripture on the breaks), kayaker (founded Lady of the Lakes kayaking club and, in later years, strapped her walker to her kayak and paddled away), spiritual director, hiker (Pacific Crest Trail), St. Vincent de Paul home visitor and founder of the McKenzie Bridge Food Pantry.

And yet, always, a teacher whether subbing in the local school district, instructing religious education, starting a book club (which included appreciation for poetry and the classics) or tutoring a future Spartan.

Sr. John tutored Trevor Hayward '88, whose parents wanted the best education they could get for Trevor and his siblings, all six of whom eventually attended Marist. "She made us move to Eugene," remembers Peggy Hayward, Trevor's mom.

"She was an amazing teacher,"

Trevor recalls of his mentor. "She's as close as you can come to following the example of the Gospel."

A Writer After All

Sister lived 35 full years at St.
Benedict's in McKenzie Bridge. Finally, at 90, it was no longer possible for her to live alone and plans were made to move to a different type of woods, Mary's Woods, the sisters' retirement home at Marylhurst.* During the process of packing for her move, friends found many poems — 127 in all — some of them typed, but many on scraps of paper, notes and even paper napkins. A collection of her poetry, Heart and Soul, was published in 2013, delicately illustrated by Sister Marilyn, who compiled the book.

One copy of the slender volume bears spidery, penciled-in notes — Sister John's commentary, in her own hand, on her own work.

These annotations reveal her close relationship with St. John the Evangelist, whom she called "my buddy" ...

St. John the Evangelist

"You saw the sweetness
of His breast pierced
and caught the flood
of pain that flowed
from Him."
how could you have

... one view of theology ...

My Father

"The one upstairs will call me when He's ready. And I'll come."

... and spare but delightful commentary on her own writing ...

Junkman

"The birds left by dawn,
Is there hope, bereft of
sight, I will remember long?"

This compilation of poetry stretches back to 1941. She was a writer all along.

The Last Chapter

Sister lived five years at Mary's Woods. She recognized people until the end and was beloved by the staff for her wit and perhaps amazed by them as well, since she would sometimes paddle her kayak in the Center's swimming pool.

Barbara (Barclay) Amling '77 was one of Sister's last visitors along with Father John, who stopped by on their way to a meeting. Barbara recalled an encounter, decades before, when Sister John took her aside at Marist and explained how Barbara had achieved excellence in a compare and contrast assignment on Barbara's chosen topic: fairies.

"She gave me my first 'A' ever in English. She was just so encouraging," Barbara said.

Like the good teacher she was, Sister had her lesson plans in order the day Father John and Barbara visited: she had selected passages from scripture for visitors to read aloud as she lay on her deathbed.

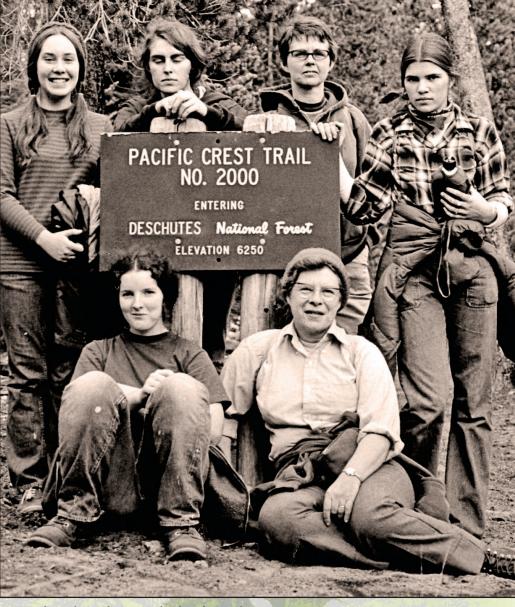
Barbara is a nurse and credits both her experience in ICU and her strong faith for the peace she felt at Sister's bedside. "She's just dying from earth," Barbara explained. "... leaving a place that's known for transformation, uniting with Christ."

Sister died the next day.

John, the Disciple Whom Jesus Loved

The word "love" appears in Sister's favorite gospel 57 times, more than in all the other gospels combined. That same word "love" was heard innumerable times at her Celebration of Life held at St. Benedict's at McKenzie Bridge on June 28, 2018.

"She loved dogs."



Sister John on the Pacific Crest Trail with students in the 1970s.

"She loved the woods and the river." "She loved life."

"She just loved everyone, rich or poor."

"She loved everybody the same." And she was loved in return.

A framed collage — photos of Sister John and a poem — was dedicated after the ceremony and will grace the entrance of St. Benedict's Lodge, a blessing for all the retreatants who enter those walls, including Marist students and staff.

By her very name she will remind them of the power of love and the Evangelist she counted as a personal friend.

St. John, the Evangelist, **Beloved Apostle**

"And now you hold the light, Whose way and truth You live on earth Ah, pray for us." #

"hurst" means "woods" in German.

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Alumni Giving

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Te are grateful to our alumni from St. Mary's, St. Francis and Marist for their collective investment in the students of Marist and for their continued support for our mission of excellence in Catholic education. Alumni are an important part of our rich heritage and we are thankful for their generous hearts. #

St. Mary's High School

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1937		Gertrude (Moran) Christy			
1943		John Gent			
1947		Betty (Morrow) Cohen			
1949		Jerry Brown			
		Dolly (Furrer) Gustafson			
		Katie (Heidenreich) Lytle			
		Robert Schaefers†			
1950		Vangie (Koffler) Andreason			
		John Breeden			
		Bob Grant			

St. Francis High School

St. Francis riigh School				
Jack Pynes				
Fred Banks				
Bill Walsh				
Joann (Oswald) Breeden†				
Pat (Higgins) Proden				
Lewis Malin				
Darlean (Laughlin) Scott				
Ann (Banks) Stein				
Jerry Thenell				
Margaret (Schaefers) Walsh				
Larry Fieland				
Fred Gent				
Joanne (Brown) Hoppe				
Mike Starr - <i>In Memory</i>				
of Dan O'Neil				
Lois (Bofferding) Banks				
Carl Mosen				
Rick Starr†				
Marie (Murray) Weber				
Jane (Grosulak) Liston				
Nick Robertson				
Elaine (Schmidt) Herring - <i>In</i>				
Memory of Dan O'Neil				
Don Klenke				
Patrick O'Neil - In Memory				
of Dan O'Neil				
Tim Wenzl				
Lou Wenzl				
Burrle Elmore†				
Penny (Schreiner) Gross				
Roger Guthrie				
Dennis Palanuk				
Mickey (Helfrich) Durbin				
Mary Ann (Huff) Wilk				
Armond Clemens				

1963 (cont).	Jerry Kersey
	Robert McAllister
	Rosemary (Storms) Montgomery
	Carol (Evonuk) Sullivan
	John Sullivan
	Molly (O'Neil) Wirch -
	In Memory of Dan O'Neil
1964	Tom Gallagher
	Jim Hoffman
	Bill Jones
	Patsy Kerns
1965	Sue (Mersdorf) Hallett
	Philip Jessie
	Arlene (Klocek) Kersey
	Billie Olson
	Catherine (Schaecher) Smith -
	In Memory of Dan O'Neil
1966	Dan Brown
1967	Christine (Evonuk) Ledgerwood
	Gloria (Haniuk) Pritchett
1968	Catherine (Gaughan) Mant
	Mary Seubert
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Marist Catholic High School			
1969	Mark Clemens		
	Terrie (Tremaine) Clemens		
	Luellen (Bringe) Laurinat		
	Dan Sullivan		
1970	Chris (Criqui) Cooper		
	Dan DeAutremont		
	Steve Gaughan		
	Paula (Moser) Leroy		
1971	Lonnie Gieber		
1972	Sandy (Bringe) Murray		
	Tim Sullivan		
1973	Julie (Schreiber) Copley		
	Gerald Freitas		
	Leslie (Blume) Tompkins		
1974	Norm Becker		
	Ray Paiement		
	John D. Teller		
1975	Mark Jaszkowski		
1977	Liz (Gaughan) Edgar		
	Fr. John Kerns		
	Beverly Moser		
	Ben Salm		
40=0	Joe Schreiber		
1978	Mel Damewood		
1050	Kevin Norris		
1979	Ann (Pynes) Damian		
	Donna (Walsh) Dorsey		
	Joan (Meagher) Kerns		
	Pete Kerns		
	Don Lance		
	Richard Milroy, Jr.		
	John Misne		
	Joe Moore		
	Dominic Pynes		

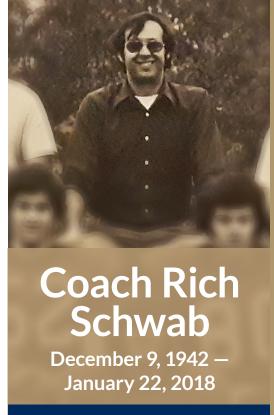
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	Laurie (Moran) Wilde
1980	Anitra (Reaney) Evans
	Kelly (Howard) Hughes
	Cissy (Holvey) Kast
	Kelley (Olsen) Kline
	Billy McCallum
	Peter Murphy
	Dorothy (Chambers) Riechers
	Julie (Free) Stacy
	Dawn (Wilger) Streett
1001	Debbie (Gabaldon) Wright
1981	Anonymous Miles Paraless
	Mike Barclay
	Michael Colgan Cindy (Duyck) Couey
	Diza (Hoglen) Hilles
	Don Jones
	Kirstin (Olson) Kerber
	Susan (Gant) King
	Carrie (Wilson) Link
	Tricia (Lowery) MacKinnon
	Mark Murphy
	Joe Potwora
	Steven Splonskowski
1982	Gregory Deggelman
	Shawn Pynes
	Kevin Stapleton
1983	Richard Atkinson
	Judith Lang
	Tracie (McKay) Shojai
	Jennifer (Stewart) Solomon
1984	Julia (Swadener) Fudge†
	Trudi Glander
	Jon Jones
	Dean Mills
	Michelle (Beck) Ochenkoski
	Mark Taylor
1985	Michelle (Gonyea) Laing
1986	Timothy Campbell
	Marc Carlson
	Chad Ficek
	David Hatfield
	Colleen (Miller) Howley
	Brian Jones
	Janet (Hohman) Motter
	Erica (Whitney) Pifer
1007	Laurie (Clemens) Spellman
1987	Tony Albertini
	Alisa (Jaspers) Caesar
	Michelle (Portz) Cross Kristen (Jones) Ell
1988	Leticia (Konyn) Ficek
1700	Julie (Murray) Fulton
	Shannon (McDonald) Johnson
	Marc Lund
	Leesa (McMahon) Michael
	Marcus Whittaker
1990	Chris Conway

Mari (Pittman) Gibson

1990 (cont).	Leff Kast	2002 (cont)	Shawn Mangun
1770 (cont).	Michael Stokes	2002 (cont).	Meghan McMahon
1991	Amie (Clemens) Angelastro	2003	Tony Baker
1//1	Melissa (Bushman) Cary	2003	Katelyn (O'Hara) Clark
	Sean Cary		Tyler Clark
	John Heideman		Alexandra (Murphy) Hermes
	Kevin Lee		Heidi (Hoffman) Mooney
	Brandi (Reitz) Prunty		Matthew Shepard
1992	Josh Gibeau	2004	John Burns
1772	Ryan Harbert		Devin Driscoll
	Anie (Makyadath) Helbling		Christina Early
1993	Michele (Bartram) Heckel		Samantha (Lance) Snyder
	Kris Jeremiah		David Visser
	Katherine (Murphy) Malouf	2005	Brooke (Stribling) Crow
1994	Jonas Kungys		Bryan Dibos
	Jon Portz		Jessica (May) Dwyer
1995	Robyn (Blair) Emde		Elise Fraser
1996	Jill (Carmichael) Cole		Mike Schor
	Amy (Nelson) Drennan		Peter Zochowski
	Ryan Dwyer	2006	Ashley Blanchfill
	Nick Forrest		Kasey Champion
	Tony James		Nick Dibos
	Norine (Madden) McGrath		Christina Murphy
	Garrett Nehl	2007	Nick Balthrop
	Brendan O'Donnell		Lauren Karcher
1997	Katie Jeremiah-Fisher		David McMahon
	Meredith (Jones) White		Nick Stiltner
	Margaret (Murphy) Wright	2008	Ashley Elder
1998	Kate (Bohrer) Harvey		Emery (Hilles) Heffernan
	Derek Janssen		Andrew Hughes
	Mary Elizabeth Madden		Marie (Fraser)
	Nicole Maribona-Mombell	•	Vandecoevering
	Parker Nehl	2009	Allison Boyce
1000	Matt Snyder		Madeline Gonyea
1999	Cort Brazelton		Madison (Hilles) Smith
	Heather (Hoffman) Campion	2010	Drew Smith
	Mandi (Butler) Craner	2010	Anonymous Staven Hage
	Justin Gartland Mark Giustina		Steven Haga Allie Sibole
		2011	Carson Kiesewetter
	Cory Howard John Murphy	2011	
2001	John Murphy Josh Harbert	2013	Meredith Laing Emily Karcher
2001	Lindsay Johnston	2015	Michael Baird
2002	Amelie (Brazelton) Aust	2013	Abby Crowell
2002	Sarah Baird-Reed		Chris Keylock
	Jennifer Konow	2016	Michael Henderson
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†Deceased



Rich Schwab Memorial Scholarship

ich Schwab taught industrial arts and woodshop and coached football at Marist in the 70's, leading the Spartans to that very first Marist football state championship in 1973.

Efforts are well on their way to endow a memorial scholarship with the Marist Foundation, establishing a lasting tribute to Coach Schwab. Ray Paiement '74 has been working with a Spartan fundraising team — Mike Barclay '81, Tim Campbell '86 and Richard Milroy '79 - to raise the \$25,000 required to endow the scholarship. Our thanks to past Marist football players for their leadership in this project.

If you would like to contribute, please call the Marist Advancement Office at 541-284-7505.

A feature story about Coach Schwab is planned for the spring edition of the Marist Magazine. We welcome your photos, memories and/or stories of Coach Schwab. Please email them to alumni@marisths.org.

Marist Foundation

July 1, 2017 — June 30, 2018

stablished in 1968, the Marist High School Foundation is an independent **4** 501(c)(3) organization governed by a Board of Directors and charged with managing long-term endowments for the benefit of Marist Catholic High School and its students. The Foundation Board currently manages more than \$3.41 million in assets through 56 named funds including two new scholarships, the Gross Family Scholarship and the Fahey Family Scholarship, endowed during the 2017-18 fiscal year.

Establishing a scholarship fund, making a planned gift, donating to an existing fund or designating an unrestricted gift to the Marist Foundation are ways to invest in Catholic education and give a long-term vote of confidence to the Marist mission.

Thanks to the support of the Foundation, Marist provides each scholarship recipient the opportunity for academic excellence, which has a profound impact on the student and on the greater community.

As we celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Marist Foundation, we extend our gratitude to the generous donors who have offered their unfailing support through the years. Our rich history is something in which we can all take pride.

Thank You

The Foundation Board wishes to acknowledge the contributions of outgoing member, Cissy (Holvey) Kast '80, who completed four terms on the Board. Cissy joined the Foundation Board in 2006, serving as the chairperson for the Scholarship Committee for much of that time. She has been a champion for Foundation initiatives, bringing her unique perspective as an alumnus and past parent, providing guidance, wisdom and a true heart for the success of Marist Catholic High School. We are grateful for her service.

2018-19 Foundation Board of Directors









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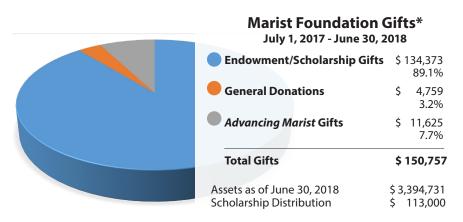
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Endowed Scholarships

July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018

The following pages of this donor report include all of the Endowed Scholarships of the Marist Foundation, the donors who have supported those scholarships during this fiscal year, as well as the Marist students who were selected as recipients of the respective scholarship awards.

On behalf of the students and programs that have been enriched by the generosity and support of our community, thank you. So many of the scholarships have been endowed in honor of inspirational members of the Marist community, by equally generous benefactors. We are sincerely grateful for their witness. We are thankful and appreciative of those who continue to support this significant outreach.

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In memory of Denny Conway
Bob & Jeanne Berg
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Matthew Fahey

Dr. Robert Furrer Memorial Scholarship

Richard '54 & Rose Furrer

Davis Evans '21 John Gibson '21 Sarah Rosier '21 Lydia Skinner '21

Kevin Gallagher Memorial Scholarship

Ed & Mary Lou (Gallagher) Katie Dreiling '19 Childs '72

John Gallagher '62 Sue Gallagher†

Tom '64 & Cheri Gallagher

Joan Heistuman

In Memory of Sue Gallagher

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FALL 2018

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In Memory of Ed Hummel KC Kimble '21

Joseph Bando '79

Dan '66 & Ellen Brown

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Brother Patrick Magee Scholarship

Austin Hubbard '18

Lex Schmidt Arts Endowment

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Marist Brothers Scholarship

Hagan Stephenson '21

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Marist Foundation Memorial Scholarship

Jon & Terri Anderson Chase Bond '19

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Viola Watts '18

Bill Richards Scholarship

Bill & Shirley Richards Caden O'Connell '18

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In Memory of Thomas Shepard Brandon Foster '19

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David '60 & Donna Shepard

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Jack Starr Memorial Scholarship

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Brandon Foster '19 Benjamin Koleno '21

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Brandon Foster '19 Corrie Patton '18

Mark & Doris Storms Scholarship

Matthew Hopkins '20 Teresa Molina-Gomez'18

Bill & Delores Tremaine Memorial Scholarship

Mark '69 & Terrie (Tremaine) Clemens '69

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Troutman Scholarship

Rainy Adkins '19 Torrent Adkins '21 Gabriella Angelastro '20 Miranda Downer '19 Kai Fuii '18 Emmerine Helbling '20 Robin May '18

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The race is finished and the new track is done! Our athletes, coaches, students and staff are very excited. We are truly grateful for the generous support to provide a beautiful, new and useable — facility for our students and the community. We plan to have a ribbon cutting ceremony prior to our first home track and field event this spring, so stay tuned for more information. A huge thank you to the following donors:

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CAMPUS NOTES

National Merit Semifinalists and Commended Scholars





Senior Nick Clark

Senior Iain Waddell

The 2019 National Merit Semifinalists have been announced and two Marist seniors, Nick Clark and Iain Waddell, have been honored with this distinction. They are among 16,000 students nationwide who scored in the top 1% on the PSAT administered to 1.6 million students in the



Commended Scholars seniors Brandon Foster, Lily Fraser and Tess Louie.

fall of 2017. They will find out in February if they have advanced to finalist status.

Seniors Brandon Foster, Lily Fraser and Tess Louie received Letters of Commendation, meaning they are in the top 3.3% of those who took the test. Congratulations to all.

Fall Traditions — New and Old



Students kissing the "M."

Two long-standing traditions in September helped the incoming class of 2022 "get their feet wet" and feel a part of the community: the annual Kissing of the "M" ceremony and the Freshman Lock-In.

Having each new student and staff member participate in a ceremony of introduction is a long-standing tradition, starting in 1968 and evolving into our current tradition of crawling into the fountain for a face full of cold water and a kiss of the yellow-tiled "M."

A new twist to this old tradition has been added. For many years only younger siblings were dressed up in costumes for their plunge into the fountain, but now all freshmen are invited to dress up. It made for a pretty colorful event!

The annual all-night Lock-In retreat in late September left another freshman class exhausted, but happy to know their peers and the upperclassman leaders better.



Students play a rowdy game of Rock, Paper, Scissors at the Lock-In at the end of September.

New Athletic Director



New athletic director Kevin Cave.

Marist has a new athletic director: Kevin Cave. A Central Catholic grad, his life has transitioned from playing baseball at Gonzaga, to coaching, then teaching, becoming a lawyer, more teaching and coaching and now athletic administration.

He graduated from Gonzaga in 2002 with degrees in history, religious studies and sociology. Then, in 2005 he earned a Master of Arts in Teaching at Concordia. A jack-of-all-trades, Cave has taught sociology, history, government and middle school English and has coached baseball, cross country, track, basketball and soccer.

He was a clerk and then a civil defense lawyer for a year and a half before returning to education and coaching.

"I hope that every student that participates in athletics has an enriching experience and finds it a valuable part of their education," Cave said.

Spartan SMART



SMART team member sophomore Matthew Pickerel helps in a classroom.

After four years of iPads and three years of using Schoology as a learner management system, Marist has switched to PowerSchool Learning and is using a group of students, who excel in communication and have an interest in technology, to help with the transition. SMART (Student Mobile Assistance and Research Team) is a group of students, selected by Assistant Principal Andy Oldham, who have stepped into action to help build curriculum for Marist students.

CLASS NOTES

1950s



▲ *Fred Pynes* '56 is the park host at the Astoria Column where he volunteers for the Friends of the Column. The group was recently awarded recognition for their support of the local schools and faculty. Pictured are Fred '56 & Pat (Stapleton) Pynes '57 with the chair of the Astoria School District board.

1970s

Kathy (Davis) Weinhold '71 was honored on May 6, 2018 as she retired from St. Alice Catholic Church. Kathy had served as the parish Administrative Assistant for more than 20 years. She attended St. Alice Elementary School prior to becoming a Spartan.

1990

Meredith (Jones) White '97 was honored as The Register Guard's "Amazing Mom" for July 2018.

2000s



▲ Dyan (Paiement) Sultzer '00 was recently named the Bend-LaPine Schools' Teacher of the Year. Dyan is a 4th grade teacher at Lava Ridge Elementary and has been teaching for 12 years, four with Bend-LaPine School District. She is pictured with her husband Eric Sultzer and their daughter Samantha born on March 14, 2018.



▲ Megan (Martin) Li '03 and Felix Li welcomed baby boy Bennett on August 9, 2018.



▲ Brandt Enright '05 married Andrea Webb on July 14, 2018.

Nick Balthrop '07 was named a 2018 Oregon Rising Star in the Super Lawyers magazine. The designation includes attorneys who have attained a high degree of professional achievement and peer recognition. He has practiced with the law firm of Gaydos, Churnside & Balthrop, PC since 2015.



▲ David McMahon '07 married Lauren Biddle on June 16, 2018 in Powell Butte, Oregon. Members of the bridal party include Logan Clay '06, Matt Breeden '06, Johnny Reiter '06 and Brendan Hart '07.

Todd Waters '07 is the chair of Eugene Young Professionals, a member-based networking and professional development group supported by the Eugene Area Chamber of Commerce. Their goal is to encourage young professionals to get involved, get connected and play a part in helping Eugene realize its full potential.

Alexis Beyerlein '09 is an attorney in Hartford, Connecticut. She recently accepted a prestigious two-year clerkship with federal judge Kari Dooley.



▲ Ali Enright '09 married Wil Coman on August 18 in Wilsonville, Oregon. The bridal party included maid of honor Maddie Gonyea '09 and bridesmaid Bridgette Kimball '09.



▲ Erin Kerns '09 married Caleb Green on July 7, 2018 at Bridal Veil Lake in the beautiful Columbia Gorge. They live in Portland where Erin is an Assistant Product Developer for Nike and Caleb is a Community Outreach Program Coordinator for CareOregon. Erica May '09 was maid of honor and Kaitlyn Damewood '09 and Emelia Gubrud '09 were bridesmaids.

CLASS NOTES

2010s



A Angela Bruni '10 was married to Garrett Sparks on September 8, 2018. Erica Cross '10 was the maid of honor and Megan Robert '10 was a bridesmaid.



▼ Brady Kirkpatrick
'10 was recently
named the pitching
coach at Harvard
University. Brady
pitched collegiately
for three seasons

at the University of Maryland before completing his career at the University of San Diego. Brady graduated from Maryland with a degree in criminology and criminal justice and from San Diego with a master's degree in global business leadership.



▲ Joey Souza '10 married Amanda Meehan on September 8, 2018 in Beaverton, Oregon. The bridal party included Joey's sister Frankie Souza '12, best man Brant Holaday '10, and Jordan Hughes '10.

Ray Ferrari '11 received the Young Professional of the Year Award from the Greater Irvine Chamber of Commerce. Ray is the Director of Sales & Service for the Orange County Soccer Club.



▲ Kevin Haskin '11 married Emma Nelson on August 11, 2018. Christopher Haskin '04 was the best man, Kyle Haskin '06 was a groomsman and Justin Goschie '11 and Matt Devereux '11 ushered.



▲ Katie Kline '11 married Brady Webster on August 25, 2018 at Heiser Farms in Dayton, Oregon. The bridal party included her brother Tucker Kline '10, Joey Souza '10, Audrey Hart '11, Carlee Stiltner '11, Jenna Waldron '11 and Amanda Boyd '11.



A Andrew McIntyre '12 & Jamie (Ferrari) McIntyre '13, along with Amelia and Alistair, welcomed new baby brother Joel William on May 6, 2018.



A Ryan Johnson '13 graduated this June from LCC's Aviation Maintenance Technician School after attending OSU for three years where he majored in mechanical engineering. He is currently working on his Airframe and Powerplant license and works at Helicopter Transport Services in Aurora, Oregon.



▲ Kamerun Smith '13 married Corynn Kopra on July 14, 2018. Kam graduated from Southern Oregon University this June with a degree in health & physical education. In the wedding were best man and brother Dustyn Smith '14, sister Larea Smith '17 and Dante Castille '14.



▲ Lexi Cross '14 (left) was recently named the associate director of development for Oregon's Duck Athletic Fund, overseeing the Women in Flight fundraising program that supports women's athletics. Lexi graduated in June from Oregon with a degree in business administration and was a four-year letter winner in acrobatics and tumbling.

Attention Alumni

Send us news, updates or accomplishments so we can celebrate you in our magazine!

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REUNIONS

Class of 1957 - 61 Years





▲ Deceased classmates of the Class of '57 are remembered with red roses, held by Fred Reiling '57 and Pat (Stapleton) Pynes '57 at their reunion.

▼ The Class of '57 celebrates 61 years at the home of Gino '57 & Norma Barbisan in Éugene.

Class of 1968 - 50 Years



▲ The Class of '68 gathers at Roaring Rapids to celebrate 50 years.

Class of 1978 - 40 Years



▲ The Class of '78 celebrates its 40th reunion with a social at Marist.

A SUMMER OF REUNIONS

Three classes from St. Francis (1957, 1967, 1968) and four Marist classes (1978, 1988, 1998, 2008) celebrated reunions this summer. Each Marist class visited the campus as part of their festivities.

Chris Lyford offered a prayer before the Class of 1978's social, held in the Marist courtyard in July. His words apply to all the classes: "Thank you for your heart of grace to unify us — even if it's only on Facebook, because only by your spirit, We Are One."



▲ Chris Lyford '78 offers a prayer before the Class of 1978's social hour at Marist. He is joined by Jim Lilley '78.

REUNIONS

Class of 1988 - 30 Years





▲ Members of the Class of 1988 enjoy a tour of the new science wing at Marist after touring the whole school with two 2018 graduates, who are also the sons of two 1988 graduates.

◀ The Class of 1988 celebrates their 30th reunion at The Country Inn in Coburg.

Class of 1998 - 20 Years



A The Class of '98 celebrates their 20th reunion on Saturday, July 21 at The Oregon Electric Station. They also got together at Marist on Sunday.

Class of 2008 - 10 Years





▲ Members of the Class of 2008 gather at Marist on a Saturday in August for a game of pick-up basketball joined by Fr. David Cullings.

◀ On Sunday, the Class of 2008 gathers at Marist for a picnic and Mass with Fr. David Cullings.

The Class of '79 will gather to celebrate their 40th reunion in the summer of 2019. If you would like to help plan the festivities, please contact alumni@marisths.org

Plans are underway for the Class of 1999's 20th reunion on a weekend in July or August of 2019. If you'd like to be part of the reunion committee, please contact alumni@marisths.org.

Are you planning a reunion?

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IN MEMORIAM



Dale Cooley '63 passed away on November 27, 2017. He is survived by three brothers *Currin Cooley* '59, Dave Cooley '67 and Tom Cooley '70 and his wife of 33 years, six children, 11 grandchildren and three greatgrandchildren.

Lee Campbell '50 passed away on February 20, 2018. His sister **Dorothy** Ann Campbell '48 preceded him in death. He is survived by *Jane (Campbell)* Fleener '53, a sister.

James C. Irwin and Cherry F. Irwin passed away on February 28, 2018 and March 31, 2018, respectively. They are survived by their son and daughter-inlaw, J.R. & Shelli Irwin and grandsons, Blake Irwin '16 and Marcus Irwin '19.

Mark "Hank" Hanf '80 passed away on April 3, 2018.



▲ Henrietta "Hank" Voorhees passed away on May 31, 2018. She is survived by her loving husband, Sid; son, Casey Voorhees and daughters, Staci (Voorhees) Franklin and Kelli (Voorhees) Steele, six grandsons and two great-grandsons. Sid is the Marist auctioneer and a past member of the Marist Foundation Board. Hank was always by his side as an irreplaceable partner, in the auction world and in life.

Harry Chapman '54 passed away on June 2, 2018.

Margaret "Peggy" Colgan '91 passed away June 28, 2018. She is survived by her brothers Michael Colgan '81 and Daniel Colgan '83.

Charlotte Anne (Schnorenberg) Brosnan '58 passed away July 4, 2018.

Charles "Chuck" Albert Schnorenberg '53 passed away on July 5, 2018. He is survived by his wife, Mary Ann

(Hoffman) Schnorenberg '53, eight children and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Robert "Skip" William Lochner passed away on July 7, 2018. He is survived by his daughter and son-in-law Lisa & Steve Korth and grandchildren Alex Korth '16, Austin Korth '16, Libby Korth '21 and Whitney Korth '21.

Judith Sprouse passed away July 11, 2018. She is survived by her daughter and sonin-law, Tammi and Mike Owen and her grandsons Corey Owen '10 and Austin Owen '14.

James Splonskowski '52 passed away August 2, 2018. He is survived by his wife Donna, son Steven Splonskowski '81, three daughters and seven grandchildren.

Sheri Boeger Caprai passed away August 3, 2018. She is survived by her two children Zachary Caprai '14 and Hannah Caprai '16.

Janice Guthrie '66 passed away on August 14, 2018. She was preceded in death by her father, Henry Guthrie '31 and cousins Ray Evonuk '62 and Gayle (Guthrie) Aldridge '68. She is survived by her brother Robert Guthrie '67 and her cousins Roger Guthrie '61, Ed Evonuk '61, Carol (Evonuk) Sullivan '63, Chris (Evonuk) Ledgerwood '67, Paula (Evonuk) Greif '68, Phil Evonuk '71, Steve Evonuk '71, Marion (Evonuk) Rich '72, Hugh Evonuk and Tom Evonuk and her first cousin once removed Natalie Aldridge '94.

Randy Gale passed away on September 1, 2018. He is survived by his sister and brother-in-law, Suzanne & Matthias Graf and his nephews, Ben Graf '14 and Sam **Graf** '18.

Remembering Loved Ones

If you know of an alumnus, family of an alumnus or friend of Marist who is in need of prayers due to the passing of a loved one, please let us help. Email us at alumni@marisths.org.

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Gloria Schreiber 1932-2018



Gloria Schreiber passed away July 21, 2018. She is survived by her husband Joseph and her children, Julie (Schreiber) Copley '73, Kathie (Schreiber) Burgner '74, Joseph Schreiber '77, Charlene (Schreiber) Parr '79, Colleen (Schreiber) Dixon '79, Michael Schreiber '80 and Suzanne (Schreiber) Hernandez '83. Her grandchildren include: Joe Copley '99, Jolie Burgner '01, Michael Burgner '01, Jake Copley '02, Jessie (Copley) DenOuden '09, Dane Hernandez '11, James Hernandez '11 and IJ Hernandez '13.

Gloria was an Affiliated Member of the Marist Brothers and a long-time volunteer at Marist. She served as a librarian from 1973-1984 and coached or helped with swimming, diving, volleyball and basketball in those early years. In her honor, a senior girl is chosen each June to receive the Gloria Schreiber Award for Excellence in Girls Athletics.

For 44 years Gloria took care of the altar linens for the Marist Chapel. Assistant Campus Minister Julie Ferrari once said, "Gloria is an angel. She is a sweet, grace-filled, faithful servant. Her service is a huge help to the Eucharistic life of Marist. In addition, she has a ready smile and kind heart that graces our campus whenever she is here."



Brother James Halliday, FMS

answers five questions in five minutes

Brother James Halliday, FMS arrived in Eugene in 1972 and stayed until 1986. He taught social studies, served as a guidance counselor, was assistant principal for two years and served as principal for six, and led many Junior Encounters. He currently lives in Lawrence, Massachusetts and continues to work as the Student Activity Director at Central Catholic High School and as the Director of Mission at Camp Marist in New Hampshire during the summer.



What was your family of origin like and why did you decide to become a Marist Brother?

I was born in Rhode Island, the oldest of four. In our extended family we had a good number of relatives who entered religious life or the priesthood. It was common for someone to consider the church. I was interested in education, which was the mission of the Marist Brothers. Also the Marist Brothers were very upfront and friendly when I inquired. I thought that I could try it for a year or two — of course I stayed for life.



What was it like to be 21 and coming out to the West Coast for the first time?

Marist Eugene was my first teaching assignment. I graduated from college at the end of the first semester and I was invited to come out for only a half year to help out. In April I made a commitment to work at a Marist school in Wheeling, West Virginia and told Marist Eugene that I was moving on. I got a call in May that the brothers were leaving the West Virginia school. I humbly went back and asked if I could stay on. Of course I ended up staying for 14 years. Like any other new teacher, I had to learn the ropes... adapting to a rainy climate (I didn't see the river until May) and living in trailers was interesting.



One of the characteristics of the Marist Brothers is having an appreciation for hard work. Teaching is hard enough work, but both you and Brother Dan have referenced other kinds of labor. What was that about?

During my first years at Marist Eugene I coordinated the student work program.

Students were hired to clean the buildings, empty trash and set up for special events. I can't count how many times I cleaned the fountain... drove a school bus... mowed lawns. I also helped shut down the water when the pipes burst in the middle of the winter and emptied classrooms during Christmas break to clean and wax the floors. The Brothers had a bonding with the campus — it was a part of who we were.



What would be your advice to teachers today?

These are challenging times for all of us working with youth, but basically young people are still the same as they always have been. They want to be challenged but they also want to be respected and loved. Don't miss the opportunity — it goes by fast.



In your remarks at the 50th Gala you said it seemed "surreal" to be here again and you talked about "being formed" at Marist. What did you mean by that?

Marist Eugene was a significant part of my life. When I left, and eventually when the Marist Brothers concluded their commitment to the school, I never thought that I would return. I'd sometimes wake up from a dream seeing myself standing in the courtyard listening to

the fountain. When I was actually back in the courtyard and on the campus it was surreal. I lived my young adulthood at Marist Eugene my first 14 years as a brother and educator. Marist Eugene left a lasting fingerprint on my mind and spirit. I'm eternally grateful for that gift.



Br. James Halliday, FMS, at Marist's 50th Gala.

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Fall Play: And Then There Were None

Fall Concert: Rock Band

Fall Concert: Strings, Jazz, Choir

17-19 Fall Women's Encounter

DECEMBER

Feast of Our Lady of

Guadalupe Mass

Christmas Concert

JANUARY

Feast of the Epiphany Mass

12 Marist Preview Day

18-19, 25-26 Winter Play: Much Ado About Nothing

Start of National Catholic

Schools Week

All Catholic Schools Mass

FEBRUARY

Winter Men's Encounter 9-10

Annual Talent Show

23-24 Winter Women's Encounter

MARCH

Ash Wednesday Mass