



Answering God's call to serve the Church

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editor-in-chief

Marist has many brothers, deacons and priests who assist inside the school. Each has his own vocation which he follows on a daily basis.

Not many people are aware of the vocations. Not only this, but people do not know what it means to have a vocation.

Marist High School educates its students in an atmosphere where they are encouraged to lead a faithful life in school and out of school. This life might be pursuing a life as a brother, sister, deacon or priest.

Few people know about the differences between the requirements of each vocation. Each vocation is similar but each one has its own rules. For example, there are two different types of priests—ordered priests and diocesan priests.

Father Tom Hurley, who regularly says Mass at Marist, is a diocesan priest. He is in charge of his own parish downtown at Old St. Patrick's Church. A diocesan priest's vow of obedience is to the Cardinal.

Father Bill O'Donnell, who concelebrated the first all-school Mass, is a priest in the Precious Blood order. This order is a Society of Apostolic Life composed of secular priests and brothers who live in a community.

Upon entering the priesthood, both ordered and diocesan priests take a vow of celibacy and a vow of obedience to their Cardinal and the Pope.

Both types of priests also take a vow of poverty. Ordered priests are not allowed to own property. Diocesan priests may own their own property, but are not allowed to spoil themselves with technology or other indulgences to the point where they are distracted from their vow to God and the priesthood.

Deacons are similar to diocesan priests, however they are allowed to marry and have children. If they are married before joining the Church, they can still be married and can still have children.

Unlike priests, deacons have to be formally employed in order to support themselves and their families, so they do not take a vow of poverty.

Chicago has the highest number of deacons of any archdiocese in the nation. At Marist, Deacon Andy Neu serves as chaplain and Deacon Jim Renwick teaches theology. Like priests, their vow of obedience is to the Cardinal and the Pope.

"I believe I was called," Neu said. "I felt a strong urge that I should get off the bench and get involved."

As far as young men and women who are contemplating a vocation in religious life, Neu advises that "if you are called, you can't ignore it" and "to be able to help others is to help yourself."



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Father Tom Hurley, a 1984 graduate of Marist, celebrates Mass in the Red and White gym.

Brothers are similar to ordered priests because they live in communities along with other brothers and priests. Marist, for instance, has its own brothers' home on the west side of the building.

Brothers are not allowed to own their own property; their necessities are provided

through the community in which they live. A brother's vow of obedience is towards the one chosen to lead his order. The holder of this office is known as the Provincial and is elected by the members of his order.

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New year brings changes to Marist campus

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Sentinel

With the new school year comes additions to our school, including new science classrooms and security doors.

The science department has created two new classrooms, 218 and 220. This leaves the upstairs science labs open for 16 more class periods throughout the day, and will help the science program at Marist to expand.

Science teacher Mr. Dennis Wallery said that the new classrooms, "are fantastic."

Wallery added that having these labs free for 8 mods a day has opened up a lot of opportunity for more classroom activities.

On the security side of campus life, new doors have been added right outside the bookstore, separating the gym wing from the classroom wings. The doors will be closed and locked every day at 4:00 pm. to keep people out of the classroom wings during sporting events and after school hours.

Some students, mainly those participating in sports, are annoyed by the doors. After 4 p.m., student athletes are unable to cut through the school if they park in the west parking lot.

The object of the doors is to keep the students and the school property safe.

Marist President Brother Patrick MacNamara said, "Any students may have the doors unlocked for them by a coach if they need to get back into the school."

Students in Mr. Vicker's biology class are among those who are enjoying the new classrooms in the science department this year.

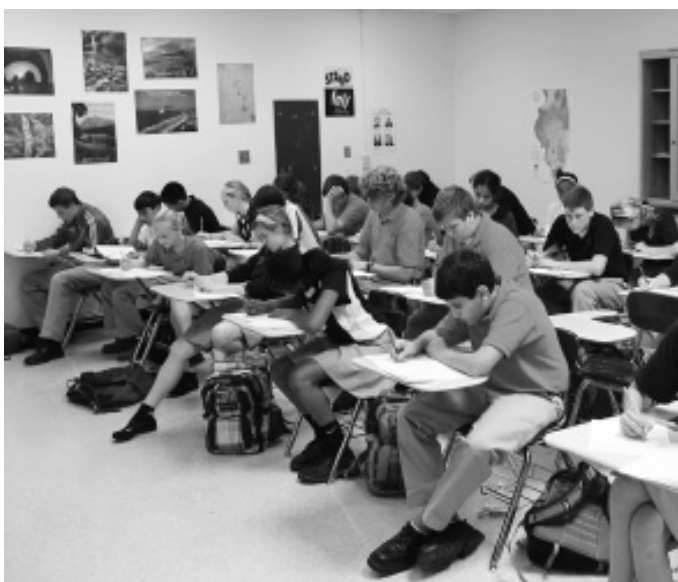


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2012 National Merit Scholars

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Last October, juniors in high schools took the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT), a nationwide standardized test issued by the U.S. College Board. These tests determine college readiness and eligibility for national scholarships.

Out of the approximate 1.5 million high school students who tested, Lucy Enright and Chris Shroba scored in the top 1 percentile for the entire country. Because of their outstanding performances on the PSAT, both Lucy and Chris have been named the National Merit Scholars.

Fall play proves poisonous

Ryan McManus
Sentinel

What happens when you mix a night of love, laughter, family values and murder?

The resulting mixture forms a critically acclaimed production known as *Arsenic and Old Lace*, currently in rehearsal by the Marist Theater Guild for its Nov. 8 opening.

“We go into rehearsal every day hoping to get better,” said cast member Ellen Lynch. “We want to put on a performance the Marist community can be proud of.”

The plot of *Arsenic and Old Lace* revolves around Mortimer Brewster, a man known for publishing a newspaper column that regularly and strongly argues against the institution marriage.

The play begins with, of all things, a wedding between Brewster and Elaine Harper. On the way to their honeymoon, the newlyweds make a quick stop at the home of his elderly aunts.

Soon after arriving, Brewster discovers his aunts have been poisoning lonely old men and burying them in the cellar.

Brewster is then thrust into a situation where he must protect his aunts, but also convince them that what they are doing is wrong.

The cast includes seniors Maggie Oberst, Ellen Lynch, Natalie Russo, Mark Wirtz and Brittany Kapjon, juniors Matt Hasenfang and Chole Walsh, sophomores Meghan Cronin, Fiona Clair, Brian Canchola and freshmen Ben Barry, Maddie Tucker, Solomon Davis, and Nathan Garreau.

The show is directed by Mrs. Erin Vail and Mrs. Erin Kelly. Performances are Thurs., Nov. 8, Fri., Nov. 9 and Sat., Nov. 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the RedHawk Theatre. Tickets will be sold in advance and at the door, \$5 for students, \$8 for adults.

“I am excited to be in this play,” Hasenfang said. “I know it is going to be hard work, but we are shooting for the stars.”



photo by Zack Simon

Actors Mark Wirtz, Megan Cronin and Ellen Lynch rehearse for *Arsenic and Old Lace*, this year’s fall production. The show opens in the RedHawk Theater on Thurs., Nov. 8.



photo by Morgan Weidman

Students gather for fellowship in Campus Ministry during their lunch mod. Campus ministers hope that new rules will motivate freshmen and sophomores to participate in this popular aspect of student life.

Campus cares

Kate Stapleton
Sentinel

New rules in Campus Ministry this year are in place in hopes of making it a more welcoming place for all Marist students.

In years past, mostly seniors visited campus because few students at other year levels knew what or where campus was.

That has all changed.

All grade levels are able to go into campus on certain days. Seniors are not allowed to go into Campus Ministry on Mondays and Tuesdays. Also, all students need passes to be able to get into campus.

Campus is a place where students can go for help with something, especially if they just need someone to talk to.

It is a place where students can go before or after school to relax.

Students can also go there during their lunch periods to eat.

“I believe the new campus rules are a great way to get underclassmen involved in the ministry department,” said Campus Minister Mr. (Coach) Jeremy Nash.

“The new rules allow the underclassmen to get the same experience the upperclassmen receive,” Nash said.

Campus means different things to different people. In addition to being a place of relaxation, it also can be a place where students can go to join activities that are going on in the school.

“Campus Ministry means my general happiness,” said senior Mariclare Touhy.

According to Campus Minister Adam Wouk, “Campus is a place where students get the opportunity to live out what it means to be a Marist student.”

Ms. Colleen Pochlyly, Mr. Wouk, and Coach Nash are all located in campus and Student Activities Director Ms. Arvesen has a connecting office. These faculty members welcome students from all grades into their office with open arms.

Students are very important to the campus ministers. They want to help all students to live up to their highest potential.

December midterms make Christmas merrier...for most

Kevin O’Shea
Sentinel

For many years, Marist’s midterm exams were scheduled in January, right after Christmas break ended.

This year, the administration has scheduled midterm exams before Christmas break during the week of Dec. 17.

Academic Dean for Upperclassmen Mrs. Kelly Mulcahy cited Marist’s student-centered philosophy as the primary reason for the change.

“Administratively, every year we review the academic calendar and discuss possible changes,” Mulcahy said.

“In terms of scheduling semester exams, the discussion included the department chairs and has been a topic of discussion every couple of years. All decisions we make involving the academic calendar are driven by what is in our students’ best interests academically.”

Mulcahy went on to say that a benefit of the change would be that students get to come back from Christmas break ready for a new start.

“The stress of exams and completing homework will be taken off the students, and they get to enjoy the Christmas break with family,” Mulcahy said.

Administrators and faculty members alike shared a concern that students were not spending adequate time over Christmas break in preparation for the exams, and that this lack of preparation was reflected in poor exam scores.

The hope is that with exams taking place before the holidays, academic momentum will not be interrupted and student scores will improve.

Mulcahy does note the impact the change will have on instruction and the time-management skills of students.

“As this is the first year in a long time that semester exams will be held before Christmas break, the pacing of a first semester course may need to be adjusted,”

“Students will need to be prepared to manage their time to allow for completion of end of semester papers and projects, studying for exams, and participating in all of their non-academic activities and sports during this hectic time of year.”

**--Mrs. Kelly Mulcahy
Academic Dean for
Upperclassmen**

Mulcahy said. “However, teachers are constantly adjusting their plans in order to meet the needs of their students from one class to the next, one semester to the next.”

“On the student side, I think that between Thanksgiving and Christmas, students will need to be prepared to manage their time to allow for completion of end of semester papers and projects, studying for exams, and participating in all of their non-academic activities and sports during this hectic time of year,” Mulcahy said.

While many favored this change, support was not unanimous.

“I think midterms should be kept after break,” said senior AP student Chris Shroba. “Without Christmas break to study, there will be less free time to devote to preparing for exams. Christmas break will be better, but the time before Christmas will be more stressful than break would have been if exams had been kept the same.”

“I think after Marist tries this new policy out for a year, they’ll realize it was a mistake and change it back,” Shroba said.

Homecoming Week 2012 features something for everyone

Emma Carruth
Kaitlin Kenny
Sentinel

With homecoming week starting on Monday, students may be scrambling to put together last minute details—maybe even finding a date—but Student Council has everything under control.

As usual, the week leading up to the homecoming game against Notre Dame will include dress-down days. These include team spirit Monday, track suit Tuesday, dressing down by class – senior superheroes vs. freshmen villains and sophomore cowboys vs. junior Indians on Wednesday, and thrift store Thursday.

Friday is RedHawk Rowdy Day and the rally is sure to be full of surprises and embarrassingly dressed seniors.

As usual lunch mods will be filled with music, Fisher-Price basketball hoops and prizes.

The fun continues after school each day.

The biggest event is the varsity football game and fireworks display on Friday night. All students need to show



photo by Morgan Weidman

up for the game so that the student section can look like a terrifying, loud mass of red and white.

On Monday night, after the varsity boys' soccer team plays St. Ignatius at 4:30 p.m., the team will battle the Marist faculty at 7:00 p.m. Trivia night will be held in the cafeteria at 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday features a roller skating party in Tinley Park. A bus will leave Marist at 6:15 p.m. and return at 9:45 p.m. Skate rental is \$2.50.

Ferris Beuller's Day Off will be shown at school on Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the courtyard between the math and science wings.

Thursday is the Powderpuff football game at 7 p.m. at Red and White Stadium.

The homecoming "Ghost in the Raveyard" dance will be held on Saturday from 7-10:30 p.m. in the main gym.

This year, there are certainly enough events for every student to enjoy. Let's make Homecoming 2012 a success.

VOCATIONS—from pg. 1

Academic Dean for Underclassmen Brother Hank Hammer heard his calling while studying to be a teacher at Marist College in Poughkeepsie, New York.

"I saw that the brothers were a contemporary people and I felt it would be a good fit for me," Hammer said.

He encourages young people to "investigate and get to know someone in religious life so you can get a first hand sense of what it's all about."

There are currently no sisters who teach at Marist, perhaps indicating the great need for young women to consider joining the Society of Mary, which was created after the founding of the Marist Brothers.

There are many other orders that girls could consider pursuing, such as the Franciscan Sisters, who run the retreat house where the Kairos retreats are held.

Senior Adam Gonzalez is part of the Quigley Scholars Program, along with 15 other high school boys from the Chicagoland area. They regularly attend classes at St. Joseph College Seminary to learn more about the priesthood and spend time with seminarians.

Gonzalez said, "It is not so much that I want to be a priest as it is a feeling that I should be a priest. And it didn't happen in one moment—it happened over time."

"Attending the Quigley program gives me a great feeling of fellowship and it is a big help as I discern my vocation in life," Gonzalez said. "Also, through the generosity of donors, I am able to receive a \$2,500 scholarship to Marist."

Pursuing religious life would be a great way to follow in the footsteps of St. Marcellin, but there are many other vocations Marist students should consider.

Deacon Andy Neu said, "I find anything that serves the people—Catholic school teachers, police officers, and firefighters—to be a vocation."

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Sophomore Joseph Powell (l) and junior Robert Lewis (r) recently attained the rank of Eagle Scout after completing projects to help their communities and the environment.

Eagles land in RedHawks' nest

Shannon Allen
Sentinel

Junior Robert Lewis and sophomore Joseph Powell attained the rank of Eagle Scout from the Boy Scouts of America organization and were named RedHawks of the Week on Sept. 17.

Eagle Scout is the highest rank attainable in scouting and is achieved, in part, by the completion of an approved service project.

Lewis is a member of Troop 618 in Oak Lawn and has been in scouting for 9 years. For his Eagle Scout project, Lewis partnered with the Oak Lawn Park District to develop his idea for laying mulch at area playgrounds to make them safer for children.

Lewis convinced the Park District to purchase 240 cubic yards of mulch for use in 3 playground areas within 2 different parks. Over 40 volunteers turned out to help Lewis spread the mulch.

After high school, Lewis hopes to attain the rank of assistant scoutmaster.

"Scoutmasters must provide a good leadership example to the younger scouts," Lewis said.

Joseph Powell, a member of scouting since first grade, is currently a member of Troop 13 in Bridgeview. For his project, Powell spent a year trying to get an organization to support his idea to set up nesting habitats in the Girl Scout Camp at Camp Palos.

The Girl Scouts themselves finally came through with the raw materials, allowing Powell and his volunteers to build a series of 8-foot habitat towers, filling each tower with animal nesting materials.

"I felt really great helping the environment," Powell said. "It's not every day you get to work on a project that big"

After high school, Powell hopes to work as a forest ranger and remain active in scouting wherever he works.

"Helping another scout would be amazing," he said. "It would be so rewarding to pass knowledge to a scout who wants to become an Eagle."

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2012 Olympics do not place with fans

The 2012 London Summer Olympics have come and gone, with the United States winning the most gold medals and the greatest number of combined medals.

Obviously, Americans are extremely excited about their big wins this summer. However, the excitement has been curbed by a significant amount of criticism towards NBC and the U.S. government.

NBC was harshly criticized during the Olympics for using tape delays on their major events. NBC sometimes aired morning events in the late evening. Especially with today's access to scores through the Internet, through athletes' tweets and posts on social media, keeping the results a secret is next to impossible.

The network's excuse is that the more popular events happen too early in the morning to get good ratings. It would be better if they aired the event live, especially in the age of DVRs, and replayed them later in the evening.

Another criticism of NBC was over their choices of events to air on different channels.

An example was the handling of the women's soccer games. Instead of playing the games on the more accessible NBC, they made the puzzling decision to place the final two games on NBC Sports. These games still had relatively high ratings, but not nearly the ratings they could have gained by playing the game on NBC.

Instead, NBC thought it was more appropriate to play equestrian on their parent network, which resulted in poorer ratings.

In order to maximize ratings, NBC should review the ratings from previous Olympic events, and assign them each to a network based on their popularity.

Perhaps the most widely publicized criticism of the events is the athletes' treatments upon their return.

Picture someone training for an event-devoting their whole life to just one event,

one moment to define their legacy. They end up winning the gold and they are on top of the world, but then picture that they have to come home and pay upwards of \$8,000 in taxes on their medals.

Most of these athletes do not have a high profile athletic career and relish every dollar they earn during the Olympics.

These athletes represented our country, showing the utmost patriotism for the USA. The government is delivering the ultimate insult by demanding that the athletes pay this tax.

It would be like making Barack Obama pay an extra tax for winning the presidency.

There is no proper reason given for this tax, so just leave the athletes alone. Allow them to enjoy their victory without the worry of any money they would potentially have to pay.

While the actual events themselves were as entertaining and inspiring as any of the Games to date, the circumstances surrounding them were extremely poor.

Don't get zapped by social media outlets

Social networks such as Facebook and Twitter play a big role in society today.

Each of these networks has expanded to millions of users and is used to do various things. There are many positive and negative sides of this.

These networks are primarily used for a number of things such as personal use, entertainment, business networking, connecting with customers, and marketing.

Facebook and Twitter have been taking over the lives of teenagers. Students are on these websites all day and all night, on their phones and at their computers. This interferes with their studies and some Facebook/Twitter profiles can actually interfere with their futures.

Today, high school students all around the world upload pictures to their profile that feature alcohol. Many colleges and universities examine the Facebook accounts of those who apply to their school. This could cost their chances of getting accepted into their dream school.

What a lot of people do not realize is that what they are saying is not private.

Parents, advisors, coaches and teachers can all see what is being posted. This can cause many issues between school officials and students.

This personal use is where positives and negatives can both come into effect. These can be places where you can catch up with friends, get the "hottest gossip," and just see what people are up to, but this can also be a place where disagreements can come in contact with each other.

Many times there will be "Facebook fights" that blow out of proportion.

Another thing that can occur is rivalry teams "smack talking" to each other before a big game or event.

An issue like this emerged right before the Marist vs. Rita football game. Players on the Rita team were tweeting that they were going to win. The Marist coach told the RedHawks not to let the other team get to them, not to post anything inappropriate

on the web, and to focus on their own team and the contest ahead.

Not coincidentally, the RedHawks won, 35-25.

To avoid getting "zapped" when using social media outlets like Facebook or Twitter, students either have to delete their accounts or be more careful and appropriate on the Internet.

It is not worth being "cool," posting drinking pictures and drinking tweets, when you cannot get into the college of your choice or land the job that you want.

Just as Facebook and Twitter may serve many positive purposes, it can also lead one down a dark path. People just need to figure out which path they are going to take because, whether they know it or not, one post can affect the rest of their life.



Mayhem in the Marist parking lot

After school, the Marist parking lot is not only inconvenient, but also dangerous. Between student drivers trying to leave in a hurry, parents picking up their children, and students walking through it, the parking lot is just a huge mess.

Something needs to be done about this hazardous hassle.

There are dozens of cars trying to leave the parking lot and only two exits. This leads to congestion and cars driving bumper-to-bumper.

Mixing that with new teen drivers does not make for a good combination as it increases the risk of accidents.

Backing out of a parking space is nearly impossible. Most students are in such a hurry that they do not let anyone go ahead of them.

This leaves people fighting for a spot in line to get out of the chaotic mess Marist calls a parking lot.

The best solution is for students to be courteous, smart, and alert drivers.

It is almost like a game of chicken to see who gets to back out of their spot first, with a risk of someone hitting another car or a student walking by. Students are constantly walking past cars trying to leave. With the drivers paying so much attention to other cars, it can be hard for them to notice these students walking by.

One way to help fix this problem is to have a longer green light for cars leaving the east lot. This will help more cars leave faster so there will be less congestion in the parking lot.

Another solution is to have faculty members stop cars and direct people backing out of their parking spaces. This could really help prevent a lot of accidents from happening.

The best solution is for students to be courteous, smart and alert drivers. That is the best way to turn this chaotic free-for-all into a safe, functioning parking lot.

Good sportsmanship does not apply to players only

Following the RedHawk football victory over the Brother Rice Crusaders, some contemplate the wisdom of continuing this south side rivalry.

This showdown, which originated in 1975, has only grown and is now a guaranteed sell out. The rivalry is so strong that over 5,000 spectators were in attendance at the August 31 event.

With a crowd that large there are always risks.

Supporters of the event note the revenue generated for both schools. Marist and Brother Rice benefit financially from ticket sales, concession stands and t-shirt sales. In addition, spirited crowds are able to cheer for neighborhood players. Players are able to compete against grammar school friends. The Clash on Pulaski Road has led to great nail-biting games.

Opponents of the “Clash” feel that the event does not reflect well on either school. They point to the fact that spirited fans for the past two years have both stormed the opponents’ fields at the end of the game. Such reckless behavior threatens the safety of the spectators at the event. Taunting cheers do not reflect good sportsmanship.

Let us remember that the bottom line is that we are in attendance to support our players. A game is defined as a contest between players according to rules and decided by skills, strength, and luck. As an example, we should look to the captains who shake hands at the beginning of the game. Players work hard all pre-season leading up to this game. They deserve our utmost respect.

We should let the game be about the players and not the fans.

--Katie Salmon, ‘14

letters to the editor

When it comes to shoes, let us choose

If I could change one thing about Marist it would be the rules pertaining to shoes. There are three or four different types of school shoes each year that both boys and girls can choose from. I disagree with this rule for several reasons.

Certain shoes appeal to certain people more than they would to others. Every person has his or her most comfortable pair of shoes, and this varies widely from student to student.

I believe that students should have the right to choose the most comfortable shoe of their choice. Also, I find the school’s choices to be redundant and virtually useless because the odds I will wear these shoes on any other occasion are slim to none.

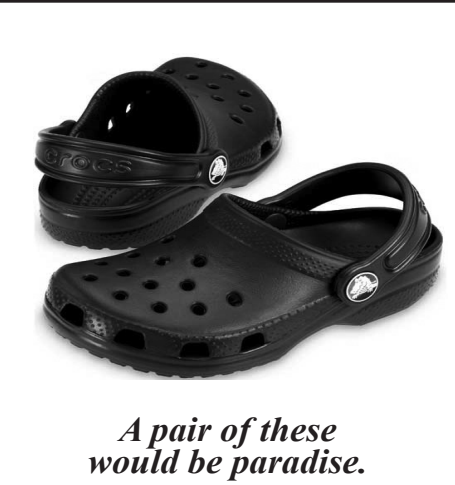
The privilege to choose your shoes should be a free for all. Ground rules, such as all shoes being black, could help to keep uniformity throughout the school allowing each student to express personal style and have the luxury of a comfortable pair of shoes.

While hated by most (for reasons unbeknownst to me), I find Crocs to be comfortable, versatile, and stylish. If I were allowed to choose a shoe to wear to school, I would choose black Crocs every day of the week.

If regulations were put in place and students were allowed to choose what shoe works best for them, it would make the students happier while also giving teachers a hand in having to write less detentions.

--Mariclare Touhy, ‘13

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Less homework benefits teachers, too.

Both teachers and students complain about either the lack of homework being done or getting too much homework.

Although teachers do have every right to pummel the students with as much homework as they think necessary, most teachers don’t realize that the students simply cannot do all of it.

More and more students feel stressed, period. Teenagers increasingly feel like the world is on their shoulders and getting heavier.

Before teachers blow their tops over students who forget their books, maybe a warning is a better reminder, unless it occurs over and over again.

Students do not forget on purpose, or to get the teacher mad. Sometimes the students just simply forget. Teachers forget too-to grade tests, to give out homework, and other things as well.

Just because students spend half their time in school, does not mean we spend the other half doing homework. Most students at Marist are in some sort of extracurricular activities. Sports and clubs alike take time from a student’s day, including time to do homework.

Most teachers do have a policy where a certain amount of homework is to be done in a certain amount of time, but do students really need to spend an hour for almost every subject? There are hectic days for everyone, days where homework is the last thing most teenagers think about.

Students simply do not have time management skills, and most people can relate to that.

So please cut us some slack.


--Jessica Molina, ‘14

Live strong, die strong

On Aug. 24, Lance Armstrong was stripped of his seven Tour de France and his Olympic medals after the United States Anti-Doping Agency got witnesses to testify that Armstrong was using prohibited substances in competition.

On Sept. 6, Neil Armstrong, the first man to walk on the moon, died.

Both of these men have had a great impact on many lives. Lance Armstrong beat cancer, touching the hearts of many. Neil Armstrong being the first man to walk on the moon was a huge deal to many people.



Neil Armstrong

Neil Armstrong had the privilege to die a good, accomplished person. Many people are very proud of him, and he will continue to be a hero to many.



The news about Lance Armstrong also saddened many. It shows that making bad decisions can undo all of a person’s accomplishments, and change people’s view of someone.

Trying to take the easy way out is never the answer. People need to take responsibility for their mistakes, and work honestly for everything they want to succeed in.

Neil Armstrong worked hard for his accomplishments. He never cheated his way through, which makes him a person to look up to.

Both Armstrongs have done amazing things in our lifetime that will be told for generations. The difference between the two of these men is that one will stay a hero, and the other will be known for his mistakes.

--Rachel Blake, ‘13

Respect the ‘R’ word

Teenagers often say things they don’t mean to be taken literally. One of the most common phrases is “That’s so retarded”.

The R word is so commonly used these days that people don’t even realize when they say it. It will just slip out of their mouths like word vomit, which happens to even the best of us occasionally.

Students with special needs siblings can often feel hurt when the R word is used disrespectfully.

“I feel like they have no respect for my sister,” said Megan Sullivan. “It’s hard to explain, but my heart drops to my stomach.”

Imagine how much better lives would be for families of people who have special needs if everyone respected the word.

“I think a lot less feelings will be hurt,” said freshman Matt Kettering, who has a sibling with special needs. “My mom takes extreme offense to the term and I know siblings of special needs children’s lives would be a lot easier. You don’t like to be the kid who tells people how to talk, but at the same time you know it’s the right thing to do.”

No one is asking people to eliminate the word retarded, just respect it.

--Megan Karas, ‘15

Prom date Prom dateless

Marist should allow students to go stag to homecoming or prom.

Many students are missing out on these experiences because of the pressure to have a date.

Some girls aren’t asked and some guys don’t have the courage to do the asking.

Some of my friends have never attended a Marist dance because they were not asked.

Many students would be more comfortable going to a dance with their friends instead of being pressured to be with their date all night.

Some parents would also agree that a date may be too much pressure for someone between the ages of 15-18 because of the ideas it may put into some teenagers heads as well as it’s inappropriateness for someone of that age to have a date.

I believe students should circulate a petition and ask the administration to change the date rule for homecoming and prom.

Don’t get me wrong. Having a date is great for those who want one, but some of us would like to go to the dances with our friends.

--Victoria Bryja, ‘13

Marist students on a mission

Morgan Weidman
Sentinel

For several years, students have been given the opportunity to go on mission trips sponsored by Campus Ministry. The trips are a way to get students to help out around the world and discover the struggles that some people live with every day.

In the past, students have travelled to Costa Rica, Jamaica, Mexico City, New Orleans, Mississippi, Kentucky and Georgia to do jobs for hurricane relief, work on recycling program development, and build homes, schools and orphanages.

“It’s an opportunity for students to put their compassion into action.”

**--Mr. Adam Wouk
Campus Minister**

This year, students will have the opportunity to participate on trips to New Orleans, New York and Guatemala.

On average, 30 students attend a mission trip. The cost can be expensive, averaging \$600 for domestic and up to \$1,200 for international, but many feel it is well worth it.

Past students have asked their friends and families for financial help, and even asked their parishes to support them through special collections.

“It’s an opportunity for students to put their compassion into action and to understand the obstacles people face,” said Campus Minister Mr. Adam Wouk.

For many, the trips are life-changing events that significantly impact their worldviews.

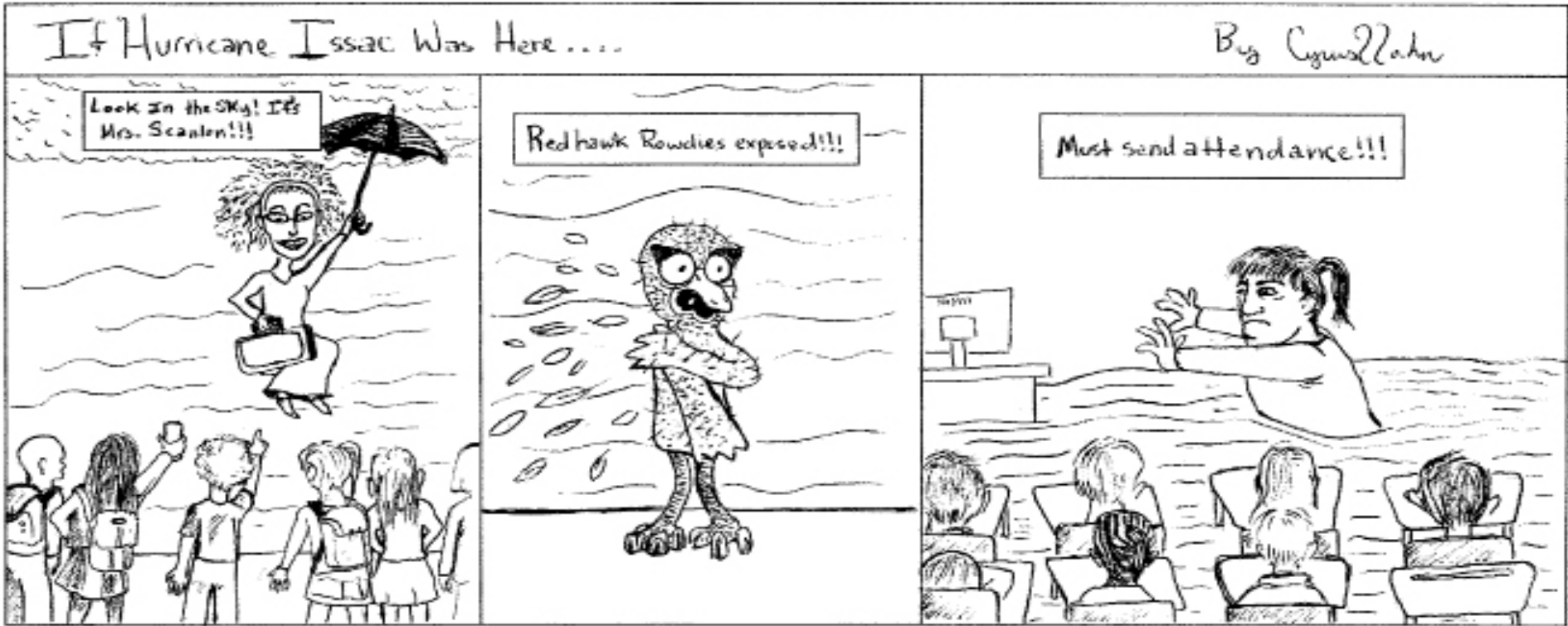
Senior Jim O’Malley called the experience “eye-opening and life-changing.”

Information about upcoming mission trips will be given through morning announcements and during lunch mods.



photo by Clare Keffer

Last year, Marist students helped rebuild a Louisiana church destroyed by Hurricane Katrina.



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MARIST HIGH SCHOOL
Saturday, December 1, 2012
VIP Party 6:00 - 7:30 PM
Main Event 7:00 - 11:30 PM
MUST PURCHASE VIP ADMISSION TO ATTEND VIP PARTY
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Christmas at MARIST

Come sing and dance the night away!

The Marist Band will be playing in the main gym from 7:00 - 8:00 PM.

Jazzy Blues Duo
Jimmy Johnson & Leo Charles will be playing in the cafeteria from 9:00 - 11:30 PM.

Special Guests
The Connexion Band will be playing all night in the main gym.



VIP ADMISSION
\$175 Admission Includes:

- Two tickets to attend our exclusive VIP party held from 6:00 - 7:30 PM in the ARC
- One entry in the Christmas at Marist Raffle
- Admission to the main event
- Open bar (beer & wine) and food
- Exclusive performance by Br. Richard Grenier on the conga drums!

GENERAL ADMISSION
\$50 (by November 30th) or \$60 (at the door)

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- Open bar (beer & wine) and food

EARLY BIRD TICKET SALES

Back to School Night
Tuesday, Sept. 4, 2012

Family Mass
Sunday, Sept. 30, 2012

Trivia Night
Saturday, Oct. 20, 2012

EARLY BIRD DRAWING

Purchase your tickets at a designated "early bird" ticket sale date and be entered to win \$500! Drawing will take place on the night of Christmas at Marist. Winner need not be present.

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TO PURCHASE TICKETS

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Girls running toward history

Jenna Doherty
Sentinel

The girls’ cross country team’s biggest accomplishment to date has been beating their rival Benet High School at the ESCC pre-conference meet on Sept. 19, something the team had been unable to do in the 10 years since the program started.

At the ESCC conference, senior captain Maggie O’Laughlin led the team with a fourth place finish. Julie Yaeger, Moira McDermott, Catherine Viz and Maddy Kelly continued the streak to help the RedHawks beat Benet by a total of three points.

Senior captain Jenna Borza said, “It was amazing to know that after four years of hard work we accomplished something that has never been done in the history of Marist girls’cross country.”

On Sept. 1, the RedHawks jump started their season at the Lyons Invitational. The team was led by Maggie O’Loughlin as she placed first. Ann Marie Leonard and Julie Yaeger also finished in the top ten of the meet.

At the Reavis Invitational on Sept. 8, the team won second place for both the varsity and frosh-soph teams.

Leading the varsity team were Maggie O’Laughlin, who placed first, and Julie Yaeger, who placed second. Moira McDermott and Catherine Viz also helped the team by placing sixth and 12th.

On Sept. 15 at the Peoria-Notre Dame Cross-Country Invitational, the running RedHawks competed against 70 different schools and finished the day by placing 18th overall. Maggie O’Loughlin led the team with a 19th place finish, with support from runners Julie Yaeger, Moria McDermott, Catherine Viz and Maddie Kelly adding to the team’s strong finish.

Last weekend, the team competed in the Tinley Park Invitational and came in first place. Individually, Maggie O’Laughlin came in first while Julie Yaeger placed second.

Looking ahead to the rest of the season, Maggie O’Laughlin said, “We want what every team wants-to get down state. If we keep working hard, this year will be the year we finally do it.”

The girls will head out to compete in the Wheaton North Falcon Cross Country Classic tomorrow, Sept. 29, at 8:30 a.m.



photo by Coach Pat Quinn

Maggie O’Laughlin leads the pack at the Tinley Park Invitational on Sept. 22. O’Laughlin came in 1st overall and the RedHawks took 1st place as a team.

Girls’ golf season winds down

Caitlyn Falsey
Katie Morgan
Sentinel

Led by senior captains Catherine Dillon and Madeline Jendra, the girls’ varsity golf team won their first invitational of the season at Midlothian Country Club, beating six other teams with a score of 406.

The team also placed third in the Mount Assisi Invitational at Cog Hill. “The ladies’ hard work and dedication has really shown during matches,” said head coach Mr. Pat Hogan.

The team faced and beat rival Mother McAuley three times, with the third victory the lowest team score by 16 strokes.

On Sept. 19, battling heavy winds up to 40 mph, the team lost a tight match to both Carmel and Nazareth.

Today, the team plays in the ESCC Conference Championship at Willowbrook Golf Course.

The team will compete in the IHSA Class 2A regional meet on Wed, Oct. 3.

Girls’ tennis teams court success

Taylor Novak
Cara Dillon
Sentinel

The JV and varsity girls’ tennis teams have both had a relatively steady start to the 2012 season, with a fair amount of wins and well-played games.

On Aug. 23, the JV opened their season with a tie against Chicago Christian. Winning at singles was Geneva Allen. Winning at doubles were the teams of Clare Gilligan and Meghan Ward, Kristy Durkin and Taylor Pace, and Mary Kate McIntyre and Anna Thomas.

The JV then went on to defeat Joliet Catholic on Sept. 18, with Diana Flores winning at singles, and the teams of Clare Gilligan and Meghan Ward, Anna Thomas and Lucie Tolan, and Mary Kate McIntyre and Mary Cunningham winning at doubles.

The next day, Sept. 19, JV won their third-straight match and defeated Lincoln-Way Central with a close 4-3 score.

The varsity team has improved noticeably since last season. On Sept. 9, the varsity team had successful matches

and defeated Eisenhower 5-0, Shepard 5-0, and Mother McAuley 4-1.

“This year the team has worked extra hard to have a strong season. We have improved so much and have really learned how to work together as a team,” said senior Maureen Gardner.

Sept. 18 brought another profitable day, with a 3-2 win over Joliet Catholic. Winning for Marist were Becky Temple, Clare Callahan and Paige Kenny, Beth Richardson and Terri Lantz, Laura Wiencek and Krista DiBennardi, Madison Martinez and Nora Smith.

Varsity also played extremely well against Morgan Park Academy on Sept. 24. Each player on the team won her match.

The girls played Mother McAuley on Wed., Sept. 26, which was also senior night. Results for the match were not available at press time.

In anticipation of the match, senior Madison Martinez said, “Beating [McAuley] will just add to our already ongoing celebration. In all seriousness though, I think the majority of us should win our matches.”

Hauser leads cross country team

Kevin Maloney
Sentinel

Running behind captain Kyle Hauser, the boys’ cross country team began its season on Sept. 1 at the Lyons Township meet, finishing in fourth place with Hauser coming in second.

The team picked up the pace at Reavis High School on Sept. 8, placing third with a first place finish by Hauser and an eighth place finish by junior Kyle Haberkorn.

“I think we can have a really successful rest of the season,” Hauser said “All of the hard work has been put in, all we have to do now is show it.”

On Saturday, the team placed third at the Tinley Park Invitational. Hauser won his third race of the year with a time of 15:48. Sophomore Mike Conrad and freshmen Kyle O’Farrell and Cameron Blakey ran well and set new personal records.

The team will travel to Lockport on Saturday to race at Dellwood Park, the state’s most challenging course.

Strong record, large egos

Emma Carruth
Kaitlin Kenny
Sentinel

After their 8-0 conference win against Notre Dame on Sept. 22, the 22 young men that make up this year’s RedHawks soccer team are eager to see what the rest of the season brings.

The team’s current record is 10-4-2, with important wins over Providence and Joliet Catholic Academy.

“This season is looking so good because of our team’s abilities,” said senior midfielder Tim Carroll. “We’re able to perform as a whole and that’s important.” Over the weekend of Sept. 1, the RedHawks placed third overall with a 1-0 win over St. Joseph in the Windy City Ram Classic at Toyota Park.

“It was a great opportunity to play at Toyota Park with so many people there,” senior Billy Miller said. “I’ve been working so hard in the off-season and it paid off being able to show such a big crowd my skills.”

After hosting St. Ignatius at 4:30 p.m. on Oct. 1, the team will face their teachers at the student vs. faculty homecoming game.

Senior Mike Collevy said, “I’m a beast so my team should just give me the ball and get out of my way when we play the faculty.”

Tim Carroll countered, “Mike obviously meant that I’m a beast. Whoever comes to the game Monday will see that I’m clearly the star of the whole team.”

Their teammates report that they have yet to see proof of those statements. That game, along with the rest of their season, proves to be one to watch!



photo by Katelyn Peters

The varsity soccer team huddles during their season opener at Toyota Park. The RedHawks placed 3rd overall and stood 10-4-2 at press time.

varsity football

RedHawks on a roll

Ryan McManus
Sentinel

The record books will show that the varsity football team started the season with a streak unparalleled in recent Marist history. The team currently stands at 5-0, with a 3-0 record in conference.

The season started with very high expectations for the RedHawks, as they were ranked the number one Chicagoland team by the *Southtown-Star*. High rankings followed in other local newspapers.

“The rankings are cool and everything, but we want our play on the field to speak for itself,” said senior wide receiver Luke Spencer.

The team had its first opportunity to prove themselves against St. Rita at Soldier Field on Aug. 25. They came out with a big win 35-25.

“It was an awesome feeling knowing we played on the same field as all the Bears greats,” said senior linebacker Mike Layer.

In week two, Marist played an emotional game against another local rival Brother Rice in the annual “Battle of Pulaski Road,” defeating the Crusaders 49-35. Weeks two through five brought hard-fought wins against conference opponents Nazareth (27-24), St. Patrick (45-21), and against University of Southern California commit running back Ty Isaac and Joliet Catholic in a late drive touchdown by Ian Woodworth to Bryan Polak 27-24.

The team is led by quarterback Ian Woodworth, defensive end Shannon Smith, and wide receiver Bryan Polak. Key contributions also come from Big Ten recruited junior wide receiver Nic Weishar and junior running back Peter Andreotti.

The team prides itself on being a hard-working team and playing every down like they are in a playoff game.

“We just go out and work hard in practice. We want to get better and better every time we put on those pads,” said senior linebacker captain Danny Sullivan.

The RedHawks travel to Mundelein to play Carmel tonight at 7 p.m.



photo by Zack Simon

The varsity football team celebrates its comeback win last weekend against Joliet Catholic. The team travels to Mundelein tonight to face Carmel Catholic at 7:30 p.m.



photo by Caitlin Falsey

The varsity volleyball team gathers on the court before the McAuley game on 9/11.

McAuley win ‘just one match’

Kate Stapleton
Shannon Allen
Sentinel

On Sept. 11, the varsity girls’ volleyball team faced archrival Mother McAuley, but unlike last year, this time the RedHawks were on the receiving end.

Before the game, Brother Rich led the packed Red and White gymnasium in a prayer for the people who died on that horrible day 11 years ago.

The first game was close throughout, but Marist fell short with a final score of 25-20. The second game ended in a second McAuley victory, 25-16.

“I think that we had a lot of unforced errors (serving out of bounds or hitting the net with the ball) and we didn’t control our side of the net,” said right side hitter Elyse Panick.

Head coach Mrs. Natalie Holder agreed.

“We did not play like the team we normally are in the gym,” Holder said. “We gave 27 unforced errors. We hit out. We served into the net. But our entire season is not based on that one match.”

Going into this week, the team stood 13-3. The team has beaten McAuley and Hinsdale South since losing to those teams, and looked forward to a rematch with Benet. Results from this week’s meets with Providence and Benet were not available at press time.

The team participates in the ASICS Challenge Tournament at McAuley this weekend, starting at 5 p.m. tonight and resuming tomorrow morning at 9 a.m.

2012 IHSA State Softball Championship

Softball team makes history

Jimmy Smith
Zack Cody
Sentinel

After a rough 0-2 start and losing many star players from the previous year, it looked to be a long, hard season for the 2012 varsity softball team.

Taking each game one day at the time, the team quickly saw themselves sitting in the 4A state championship game vs. Bartlett High School.

The RedHawks were on a roll going into this game, having won their last 12 games. Their winning momentum led to a 5-0 victory over Bartlett, giving Marist its first state championship in softball.

The team overcame early season adversity under the guidance of head coach Mrs. Denise Bromberek.

Bromberek was also named Illinois High School coach of the year, an honor she shared with her team.

“This award is a reflection of the team’s hard work throughout the season,” Bromberek said. “All 14 girls contributed to this season and to this win.”

Support from Brother Rich Greiner also contributed to the team’s success. Br. Rich attended every game wearing his trademark white hat and gave pep talks to the players.

“I would speak to the team about what it takes to win, what sacrifices needed to be made, integrity and compassion for the sport,” Br. Rich said.

When the team received their state championship rings at the August pep rally, Br. Rich received a ring as well.

“I was humbled and honored that Coach Bromberek and the team would think of me,” he said.



photo courtesy of the Lantern

The 2012 state champion RedHawk volleyball team and Coach Bromberek were celebrated at the all-school pep rally in the Red and White gym on Aug. 31.