



ALUMNI E-NEWS

Students Four Years
Brothers & Sisters for Life

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MARIST HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI NEWSLETTER



Alumni,

This month we spotlight two in-school experiences. Our students tackle broken hearts as Anatomy classes observe open heart surgery in the Little Theater, and Alumna Jeanne Reilly '11 inspires our students with a talk on overcoming grief. Also, we check in on two West Coast alumni pursuing their passions in the fields of technology and winemaking. We hear some inspiring advice from a former Daniel Murphy Scholar! Future RedHawks shadow dates are listed for 6th and 7th graders. Please come and check our production of Beauty and the Beast. We recently lost two alumnus and a legendary former faculty member. Please keep their families in your prayers.

Mary, our Good Mother: Pray for us. St Marcellin Champagnat: Pray for us. And let us remember to: PRAY FOR EACH OTHER.

Please update us!! Luzzo.jen@marist.net

May there always be work for your hands to do. May your purse always hold a coin or two. May the sun always shine upon your window pane. May a rainbow be certain to follow each rain. May the hand of a friend always be near to you and May God fill your heart with gladness to cheer you.

Happy St Patrick's Day! 

Sincerely,

Marist High School Alumni Office

ALUMNI UPDATES



Senior In-School Field Trip with Jeanne Reilly '11

After reading the book "When Bad Things Happen To Good People" by Harold Kushner, Marist High School Seniors listened to an inspiring talk from Marist Alumna Jeanne Reilly '11 about overcoming loss and grief. Thank you for bravely sharing your story, Jeanne.

Wren Hop Winery

A family winery run by partners James McDonough '83 in Sonoma and his father James McDonough Sr. in Chicago. "Some families play Monopoly, this family would rather debate rootstock and French barrel selection." James McDonough and his spouse Jennifer bought a 10-acre Russian River Valley property in 2008 and released their first wines in the following vintage. McDonough had been introduced to wines by his father, and he furthered his interest in wine while working for an ad agency in San Francisco, one of whose clients was Robert Mondavi Winery. The 6-acre vineyard was named Wren Hop after the resident birds. It is organically farmed and sits in Goldridge soil. Grapes are also purchased from other Sonoma County and Sta. Rita Hills vineyards. Congrats to Jim and his wife! Thanks to Mark Lingen '82 for sharing this cool news! (He said Jim's wine is fantastic- so order up or plan a visit!)



Rob Yopez '95



Rob graduated Marist High School in 1995 and University of Illinois in 1999 with a BS in Electrical Engineering. He interned at Motorola, Microsoft and Walt Disney Animation Studios. With over 24 years employment at Apple in software engineering and management, Rob is passionate about creating cutting-edge I/O and sensor software technologies that enhance the user experience and performance of Apple devices. As the Senior Director of I/O and Sensor Software at Apple, he leads a worldwide organization that develops software solutions for technologies such as USB-C, Always On Display, Face ID, Touch ID, Night Shift, and True Tone. Rob has nineteen patents to his credit! Whoa!!! Rob!--You make Marist proud.

Morgan Payne, 2017

The Daniel Murphy Scholarship Programs Spotlited Morgan Payne recently on Linked In!

The mission of the Daniel Murphy Scholarship Fund is to unlock educational opportunities for talented Chicago-area students facing financial need. DMSF partners with Scholars, families and schools through high school and beyond by providing scholarships, academic programs and personal support so that each Scholar can reach their potential.

Morgan is a Marist High School graduate from the Marist Class of 2017. Morgan then went on to study advertising and communications at UIUC and is currently a Client Success Manager.

💙 What was DMSF's impact on you?

💛 The DMSF scholarship changed my entire life. It changed the way I think, the goals I have for myself and the impact I want to have in the world. Before DMSF, I knew I was driven and bound to be something great in the world - but life after the scholarship just truly shows you how blessed you are. The networking opportunities, mentoring programs and so much more.

💙 For you, what does it mean to be a Murphy Scholar?

💛 To be a Murphy Scholar means everything. It means using your personal and professional goals and turning it into your reality.

💙 What advice do you have for current Murphy Scholars?

💛 What are you contemplating?! JOIN THE SUMMER CADDIE PROGRAM AND LET YOUR FRIENDS KNOW!

then & now



Morgan P.

Murphy Alum, Class of 2017

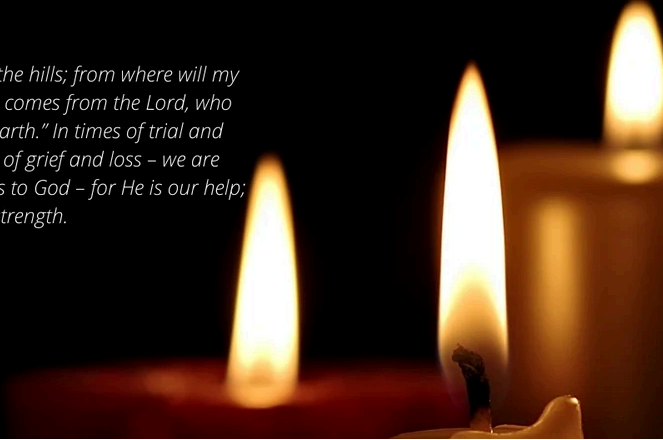




IN LOVING MEMORY

Rocco Carioto '78
Mark Giancarlo '03
Thomas Seputis, 44 years dedicated faculty

"I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where will my help come? My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth." In times of trial and challenge – in times of grief and loss – we are called to lift our eyes to God – for He is our help; our hope, and our strength.
Psalm 121

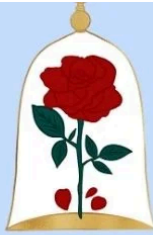


CURRENT SCHOOL NEWS



Live From the Heart

The anatomy academic and honors students had an up close and personal experience in the operating room. This week, they attended "Live from the Heart" which is an interactive experience where they watched a live bypass surgery take place. Students also learned about the various medical professionals present in the operating room during the procedure and had a discussion about those different professions.



THE MARIST THEATER GUILD
PRESENTS
DISNEY'S

Beauty & The Beast

MARCH 21, 22, 23 @ 7:30PM
MARCH 23 MATINEE 1:30PM

Performances at Morgan Park Academy
Tickets on sale in March in the ARC or at the door
\$10 for students; \$20 for adults
Saturday matinee pricing:
\$5 students/\$20 for adults



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March 22
April 12
April 26

Spring Shadow Days: 6th & 7th Graders

Do you know a future RedHawk?

At Marist High School, we believe experiencing our students, teachers, and campus is the best way to get to know us. On a shadow day, students will tour the school, attend classes with a freshman or sophomore, and enjoy lunch. It's an interactive day that truly gives prospective students insight into life at Marist.

Learn more

KEEP IN TOUCH

Have you moved? Do you have a new job? Did you get married? Is there a new addition to your family? Let us know! We want to hear your news!

Class notes may be used in [The Point Magazine](#), which is published twice a year. They may also be used on Marist's social media, including [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

Update us



60th Anniversary
MARIST

7th Annual
**CHAMPAGNAT
DAY**

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CHAMPAGNAT DAY

Join us as we celebrate our **7th annual Champagnat Day** on **Wednesday, April 18**. The 24-hour giving event commemorates the canonization of St. Marcellin Champagnat, the founder of the Marist Brothers, and celebrates those who live out the Marist mission — our students, faculty/staff, parents, alumni, and friends. A proud tradition and staple within our Marist community is the value

of service and the importance of giving back. Marist has been blessed with the support and sacrifices from our own families and from the many members of the Marist community, to which we are forever grateful.

[Learn more](#)

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