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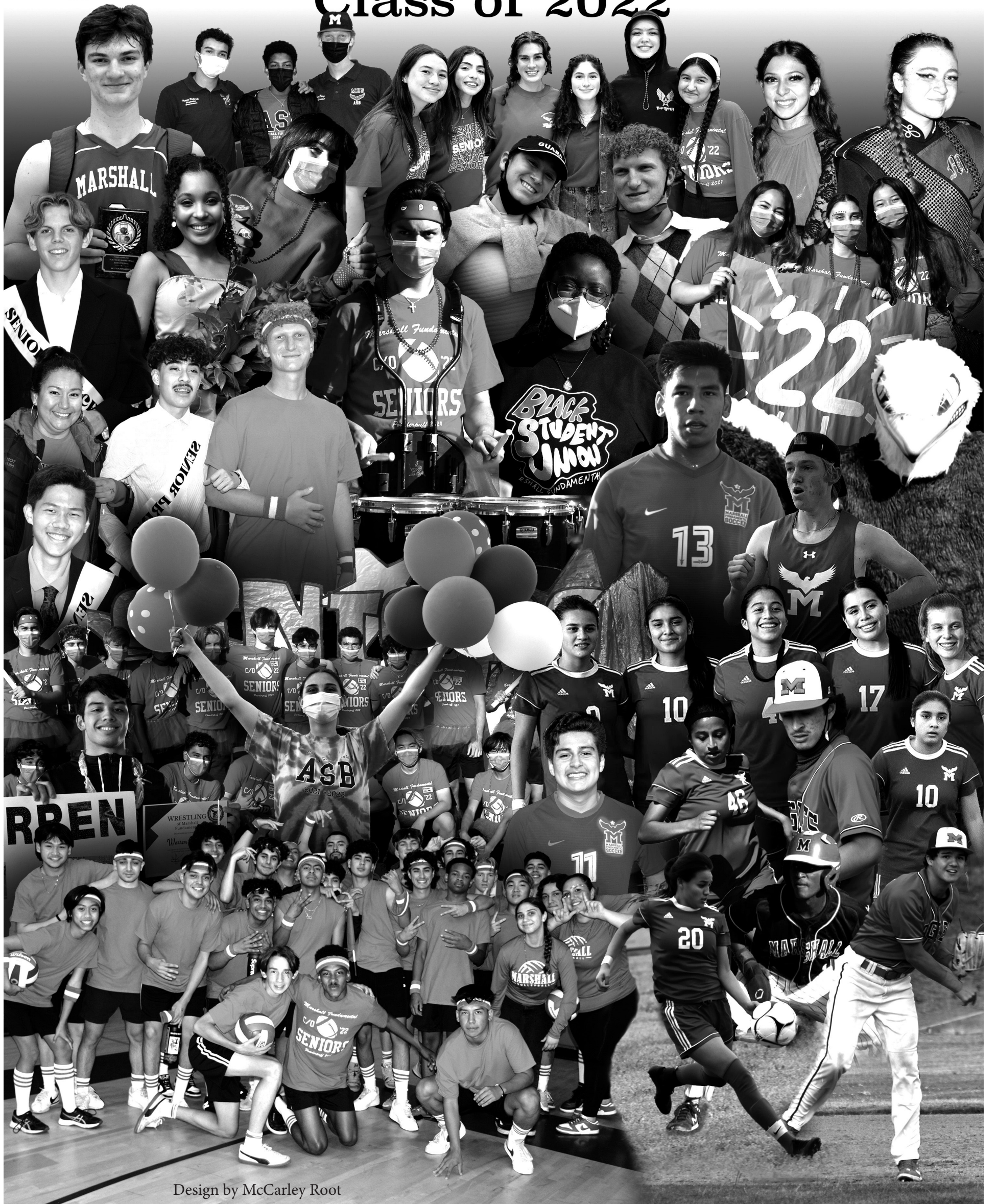
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Senior Edition

Class of 2022



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Class of 2022 to Graduate at Civic Center

After two years of COVID, students welcome back commencement ceremony at the Pasadena Civic Auditorium with friends and family

By: Jimena Zamorano Velazquez

With graduation inching closer, the class of 2022 are getting ready to walk on stage to get their high school diplomas. This is the first year since quarantine that Marshall Fundamental has held its usual graduation ceremony.

It all starts at the Pasadena Civic Center, where all of Marshall's recent graduations have been held. This year it will be held at the same place on June 1st at 2 pm, with the seniors having to get there several hours earlier than the spectators.

Each senior will be provided with eight extra tickets and will be able to buy extra tickets if needed on May 27th. However, it is recommended to ask a friend if they have extra tickets first.

It is expected that students and guests should dress up in formal attire. Seniors who bought their cap and gown are also given the opportunity to design and decorate their own cap, which is a new tradition at Marshall Fundamental.

Before graduation, students are required to pay off any school debt that they may have in order to graduate. They are also required to write thank you notes to two Marshall staff members in order to receive their tickets.

For many graduates, graduation marks the end of a chapter, but it also means the start of a new one. So with their final goodbye, Marshall staff and students wish the Class of 2022 the best as they embark on a new journey.

Seniors Full of Spirit in Last Pep Rally



Photos by: Elise Rojas

Seniors prepare for the Powderpuff II Volleyball Match at a pep rally inside the gymnasium after having held previous pep rallies outdoors

Each Grade Level Receives End of Year Celebration

Seniors attend Grad Nite, Juniors at Magic Mountain, Sophomores at Universal Studios, Freshmen at Marshall's Staycation, 8th graders to Knott's Berry Farm, and 6th and 7th graders had picnics in the park

By: Casey Fuhr

As the school year comes to an end, the class of 2022 looks forward to their senior events. One of the senior events, Grad Nite took place on May 13th.

Grad nite is where the senior class goes to California Adventure in Disneyland for the entire day and night.

With the new incorporation of Avengers Campus at California Adventure, seniors were ecstatic this year because of the new area being opened.

The seniors were met with rides and entertainment throughout the entire day and night.

There was a water show, a music concert, and of course the many rides and attractions that Disneyland has to offer.

They arrived at around 10 am and left at around 4 in the

morning, leaving a total of around 18 hours spent outside. Other high schools were present at the amusement park, but it did not bring down the event for anyone.

Seniors who attended the event were glad that they did "This was truly something special to the entire senior class, and it will be something that I will never forget," senior Helen Hu said.

Throughout the year, a majority of seniors were looking forward to this event, and it definitely lived up to the expectations of many.

Multiple concerts were being held in different areas all including different types of music.

There was even a mosh pit in one area full of people enjoying themselves.

"The mosh pit was where I spent most of my time. It was the highlight of my night," senior Alex Neuenburg said.

With the vast variety of rides, the majority of people loved the Incredicoaster, because of the high speed and intensity of the ride as well as the food options, the seniors were constantly met with things to do and never got bored of being there.

In addition to the seniors attending Grad Nite, the juniors got to go to Magic Mountain, the sophomores went to Universal Studios, the freshmen had a staycation at Marshall with a taco truck, games, and a movie.

Even Middle School students got their own year-end festivities with the promoting 8th graders going to Knott's Berry Farm, and the 7th and 6th graders having picnics at local parks.

The year-end activities were new to Marshall as principal Lori Touloumian wanted to celebrate all students after two long years of COVID interruptions and quarantines.



Photo courtesy of Knarik Ajaryan

Seniors take in their final moments at Grad Nite at Disney's California Adventure



Photos by Zem Bashan & Dylan Todd

*Left: Sophomore Olivia Hargrove enjoyed herself at the Secret Life of Pets attraction at Universal Studios
Top: Annika Heinsen, Julia Doctorian, and Janelle Walker taking a break with the Jelly Belly at Six Flags Magic Mountain.*

MFSS Introduces Instagram Contest for Promposals

Multiple promposals on campus have students stopping to smell the roses as school launches a contest for free prom tickets

By: Madeline Garcia & Ana Mendoza

As the end of the school year is coming, schools all across the country are holding events for their graduating class, prom being one of them.

Prom is the last school dance students will participate in before graduating from high school, an American rite of passage.

Promposing (proposing) has become a tradition. This year there have been some fantastic promposals from some exceptional seniors.

Mario Miranda-Jimenez proposed to Nayri Bozoglanian in the North Quad during a nutrition period leading up to prom.

Rose petals were on the ground to spell out "Prom?". In his hands was a bouquet of pink and white roses that he was ready to give to Bozoglanian.

While planning the promposal, he ran into an obstacle two days before and almost canceled it, but he said, "Something just motivated me to go for it and I did and the result was great," Miranda-Jimenez said.

After school in the North Quad, Russell Alejandro proposed to ASB President Ceci Grane. Inspired by "Saturday Night Fever," it took a team to put together.

They met in October of last year and have been close ever since. According to Alejandro, the biggest obstacle when planning the promposal was the flowers, what type of flowers, and how to get them.

Luckily, he found them and she said yes.

Jorge Omana proposed to Melanie Casares whom he

has known since the 10th grade. Omana stated that the promposal was originally going to take place at Casares's house but was then convinced by her friends that it would have been a bad idea.

During the two-week process that it took to make the promposal, Omana claims to have had the most difficulty in finding the right flowers for the event and had some trouble figuring out where to hide the supplies for the day.

This year, the school has launched a contest on Instagram that awards free prom tickets to the students whose promposal generates the most likes/views on the social media platform.

Marvin Cano's promposal to Sophia Avila in the gymnasium was determined the winner.

This year's prom will be held indoors at the Castaways restaurant in Burbank on Friday, May 27.



Photo by: Ana Mendoza

Top: Senior Russell Alejandro asks Cecilia Grane to prom.

Senior Develops Roblox Game

Abdelsattar uses Roblox to create popular models for Dino Simulator at Unhatched Games

By Simon Ho

When we see game designers, we might think of big shot companies like Nintendo, Ubisoft, or Electronic Arts.

Marshall Fundamental, of course, has a few of their own game designers in secret, but there is one particularly unique game designer by the name of Emir Abdelsattar who has made a name for himself. Abdelsattar, a co-owner for a group called Unhatched Games, has developed a game from Roblox and is positioned as the model designer for the majority of the game Dino Simulator's various dinosaurs.

Roblox, at its core, is a game where people can build their own games for the community to play with a growing number of games each month. Each game is unique and some are more popular than others, designed by various, talented developers and individuals.

The players have to browse the home page to search for what games that spark their interest. The most popular genres are tycoons, survival, builders, first-person shooters, and role-playing games.

Abdelsattar started designing games at the age of 6 when he first got his hands on Roblox. He usually takes around 3 days to make a rough model with another 4 to 5 days to finish up and give the model a skeleton and animations.

He kept on making his own models and progressively has gotten better to where he attracted the attention of Chicken Engineer commonly known as Shawn Lee and the co-founder of Unhatched Games.



Emir Abdelsattar

Lee was the first to contact Abdelsattar and ask for permission to use his models for their games. Soon, he was invited to work alongside many of the 40 others in the group in 2015.

Although he wasn't entirely comfortable with working with others, he soon got used to the work environment and founded a comfortable group of talented people of different ages.

Unhatched Games' currently most popular game is Dino Simulator, which stands at 253 million visitors and 10,000 concurrent players playing the game.

What the game is about is that the player takes control of a small dinosaur in which the player has to grow their dinosaur bigger in order to survive.

They have missions in hunting and growing themselves to survive against other dinosaurs and players until they reach the top of the food chain.

They have been improving and updating the game for their player base for around seven years. Now they are focusing most of their attention on another game called Dinosaur Arcade.

Dinosaur Arcade may not be as popular as Dinosaur Simulator, but it is considered their successor to their current most popular game.

As of now Abdelsattar still now works with his friends and continues to create models for Unhatched Games. Oftentimes, he is seen sketching inspirations and early models for his friends to use.

Abdelsattar doesn't work for the money, he works for the ambition and future of Unhatched Games.

He certainly seems to have a bright future ahead of him in the field of game development.

Students Return to Indoor Dances with 'Iced Out'

After two long years of COVID restrictions, students got down at the Brandview Ballroom in Glendale for an indoor Winter Formal

By: Diego Hernandez-Fuentes

On Mar. 31, Marshall Fundamental hosted its first indoor winter formal since COVID started.

The doors of the Brandview Ballroom began opening at 7 pm and people started rushing in. There was food, music, and much more. Needless to say this year's Winter Formal dance was filled with lights, fun, and laughter and there is no doubt that this year's Winter Formal was one to remember.

Although the beginning of the dance was a little awkward because not many people were dancing, as time passed more people started really getting into it and singing along to the music.

After asking Donovan Umaguina a freshman at Marshall Fundamental school about his overall thoughts on how this year's Winter Formal dance was, he was thoroughly impressed.

"It was an amazing dance and I had lots of fun. Something special about the dance was that it was Mr. Lee's (human geography teacher) birthday and people honored it," Umaguina said.

This year's theme was "Iced Out" and it perfectly matched the weather that day. The weather was chilly with a slight drizzle. Despite not being able to escape from extreme temperatures, almost freezing conditions outside the students were still able to make the best of it and get down.

Spring Spirit Week



Zephen Peter - junior

PJ Day



Amina Malone, Sadie Walkup, & Skye Slattery - juniors

Country V.S Country Club



Joshua Ezieme - junior

Class Color Day



Kaitlyn Marlor - senior

Dress Like a Teacher Day

Drama's 'Matilda' Sparkles In-Person

For the first time since the COVID-19 outbreak, drama produces a live production of children's classic

By: Caydon Liu

On May 19, the Marshall Fundamental drama production performed its very own rendition of Roald Dahl's "Matilda."

Directed by Alison Garfinkel and choreographed with the help of Jonathan Gould and Darcy Naganuma, the play combined elements of dance, acting, and singing. The show was slated to run for three consecutive nights in the auditorium.

Garfinkel, Marshall's theatre arts teacher, directed her first-ever, in-person play here at Marshall Fundamental with "Matilda," previously directing plays during the virtual school year online.

"It's a joy to be back at Marshall and to be with everyone here in person. I'm so excited to show people how hard we have been working," Garfinkel said.

The cast contained many talented Marshall students, with much of the cast needing to play multiple roles, having to switch in and out of costumes multiple times. Head of costumes for "Matilda," Grey Beilfuss commented on the costumes, "We had cast members that were both ensemble and had solo roles, so when they were off the stage we had to quickly switch costumes that pertained to each scene," Beilfuss said.

Tickets were ten dollars pre-sale and fifteen dollars at the door, with concessions offered before and after the play, as well as during intermission.

Family and friends of the cast and crew came out to support, as well as Marshall Fundamental Principal Lori Touloumian coming out to support as well.

Cast member Kaleb Del Villar had this to say about his fellow cast members,

"Working with different people has been really fun, and working super hard for this play has really paid off," cast member Kaleb Del Villar said.



Photo by: Hannah Sakai

Juniors *Ida Hartel* and *Asher Hammer* have a dispute as *Matilda* lead, seventh grader *Mercy Ryness* looks on.



Photos by
Dylan Todd

Left: Ensemble
led by senior
Annais Scott
Bottom: freshman
Olivia Barrios

Gould Directs Spring Concert

Multiple choir levels and soloists perform on an enchanting night of beautiful voices

By Dylan Todd

The 2022 Spring Choir Concert happened recently under the watchful eye of director Jonathan Gould. The night culminated in twenty-one songs in total performed by five choirs and six soloists.

Every single performance was exceptionally performed, but the soloists all hit it out of the park.

Sixth grader Khloe Chicas' gripping performance of the Paul Anka classic, "Put Your Head on My Shoulder" and senior Warren Koslow's electric performance of the song "Lemon" were two of the solo performances that truly stood out.

Chicas was on stage for the first time during her first year at Marshall Fundamental. This was also the first indoor performance by the choir this year.

Koslow, who hails from Tokyo, Japan, sang a solo in fluent Japanese.

Also worth noting was freshman Olivia Barrios' performance of the song "Stupid With Love," which stood out as a rare comedic song among the usually more drawn out and lengthy choral pieces.

With the choirs there were several notable performances.

Treble Choir's rendition of Abba's pop hit "Dancing Queen" and



the Chamber Choir's intense take on the song "Keep Your Lamps!" were two of the standouts of the night.

The two choirs took very different approaches to their songs, with Treble Choir choosing to change the vibe of the original song and give a more relaxed feel.

Meanwhile, Chamber Choir stayed true to the roots of their song and sang it with the intensity that was originally intended.

The sixth period middle school choir gave their rendition of the now infamous song "Never Gonna Give You Up," also known as "The Rick Roll".

For 5 years, Gould has dedicated his life to making Marshall's choir stand out. He directed through an entire pandemic as students were singing online.

Orchestra, Band Delight During Spring Concert

Under the direction of Heather King, musicians perform for final performance of the year

By: Helen Hu &
Donovan Umaguing

The Spring Concert is held annually near the end of the school year. The classes that are included in the concert are Band, Choir, and Orchestra.

It is a special occasion where parents gather to watch their children perform and see how they have developed their skills, and for the students to show off their musical talents.

Like every year, the Marshall Fundamental Orchestra would put on a Spring Concert for all the parents. There would be four different groups that would come up to perform, the Beginning Orchestra, Intermediate, Advanced, and Chamber Orchestra. Each group performed around three pieces that they practiced after the Winter Concert.

Overall, the concert was a success with proud parents and thrilled students. It was a great experience as Christian Lim, a junior in Chamber Orchestra, described the performance as "A bittersweet concert since it was our final one, but I am still happy to be able to play one last time with my friends who are graduating."

As it was orchestra teacher Heather King's first Spring Concert at Marshall, she did an amazing job conducting the orchestra. She really liked having the Chamber Orchestra perform first so her other orchestra could be influenced by them and continue to pursue orchestra as an elective.

"It was a lot of fun. It was actually one of my favorite concerts that I have done almost ever. I think because having it indoors for the first time since we've been back was really special and I just felt like my orchestras did really, really well," said King.



Photo by Helen Hu

Orchestra director *Heather King* congratulates her students.



Powderpuff Volleyball

Photos and Story By Mariella Farias

On March 30, the juniors battled the seniors in a hectic game of volleyball where they were ultimately defeated. The class of 2022 took the first set with a score of 25 to 15. Juniors were not going to allow them to remain in the spotlight any longer though because shortly after that the class of 2023 made a comeback with a win in the second set holding a score of 25 to 16.

It was best out of five sets, and the seniors won 3 games to 1. Brandon Baires, a senior and Grace Oropeza, an 11th grader both participated as referees in the match. Joshua Ezieme, also an 11th grader participated in the game as a receiver, middle blocker and hitter. There were practices that were held beforehand to prepare them as most students who played during the game had never even touched a volleyball before in their life.

"I have always loved volleyball before, but having it as a powderpuff game made me love it even more. It was a fun learning experience thanks to Journey Blueford, Lauren Sandoval and Rory Lorenz," commented Ezieme.

Celebrating the seniors' victory, Sam Karp flaunted the championship trophy in the gym with a parade of 12th graders and spirited cheers who flooded the court.



Speed Racer

By: Juan Villegas

Senior Logan Davis is not just Marshall Fundamental's fastest runner. He is the fastest runner in the entire city of Pasadena. His times prove it.

Marshall Fundamental's track star, senior Logan Davis has been on the Mission Valley League first team since freshman year and has had an incredible high school track career. Davis was born on September 8, 2004.

Growing up Davis was raised by a single mother, Christal Parker. She taught him how to be responsible and polite. She taught him how to respect others and be respected by others. But most importantly, she taught him how to be a good person.

"My mom is my biggest supporter. She gets me to my practices, goes to all my meets, and even flies me to meets across the country," Davis said.

Davis is currently involved in the CIF Track and Field Individual Finals in short distance events. He has run both at the school and on his club team, and he has been featured as one of Southern California's elite sprinters.

Believe it or not, Davis' first sport was not track, it was actually soccer.

"Soccer was my first sport, but track has always been my favorite," he said.

Davis was a member of the Marshall CIF Championship boys soccer team his freshman year.

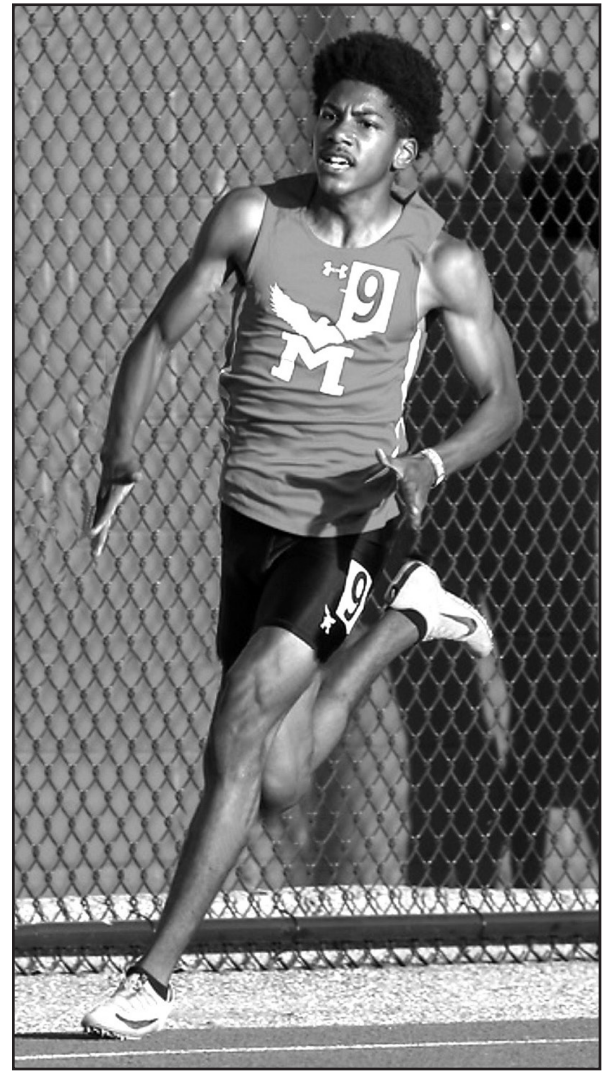
Davis has run competitive track almost his whole life, and has run all sprinting events, specializing in the 400m dash. He has recently broken his previous 400m record of 48 seconds by .3 seconds, making his new personal best at 47.7 seconds.

Davis has received offers from UCSB, CSUN, UCR, LBSU, UCI, and CPP, but has chosen to run D1 track and field for CSUN.

"I'm very excited to run D1 track and field, as it's honestly been my dream since I started," he said.

Davis' future goals are to hopefully one day run in the Olympics, and represent his hometown.

"My future goal is to make it to the 2028 LA Olympics where I can run in my hometown and in front of all the people who have supported me and got me to where I am now," Davis said.



Senior Logan Davis has committed to run at CSUN. He is currently running in the CIF State Championships.

Track and Field Competes at Regionals

Outstanding individual and group personal records set at CIF-SS Division III Regionals by sprinters

By: Caydon Liu

The Marshall Fundamental track and field team had another great season. With the talent that Marshall holds, it is not surprising that the team continued to dominate league matches as well as making it to CIF.

Coached by Karume Jumal, the team had proper morals and habits instilled in them. Punctuality and responsibility at practice is something that Jumal preached throughout the year.

With the proper training, the track and field team was able to put these habits into play against their oppo-

nents, while beating them by wide margins.

The team contains many talented athletes, senior Logan Davis (Track), junior Joshua Ezieme (Track), and sophomore Hagop Marmarian (Field).

"You know, it feels great to have done well. I have been training for years and years and to see it come to fruition feels amazing," Marmarian, who specializes in shot put, said.

With Davis graduating, there is now some pressure put onto his underclassmen, and it seems like he is passing the torch down to Ezieme. Ezieme runs the 200, 400, and the 4x4 relay.

Despite battling injuries throughout the season, Ezieme was still able to establish personal records in back to back meets, qualifying for CIF at the end of the season.

"It feels amazing, having a back and forth injury that kind of derailed the beginning of my season, and coming back feels really good," Ezieme said.

"Next year I look forward to leading the program and attempting to break some of Logan's school records," Ezieme said with a smile.

"Being a senior next year, I'll work hard and bring the team together."



Photo courtesy of Logan Davis

Junior Jaylin Morgan and senior Logan Davis at the Wildcat Relays Invitational in Monrovia High School

Photos by
Nashay Taylor



*Right: Eagles infielder Maddie Stukel rounds up a groundball
Below: Senior pitcher Rosie Agdaian delivers a fast pitch against Arroyo*



Softball Earns Moral Victories

Despite winless season, softball gains invaluable experience and growth

By: Ava Burke & Katherine Ward

Marshall Fundamental's Lady Eagles softball team is number one in dedication.

Although it was a rough season for the Lady Eagles, the bonds that were formed during their season is a much greater success than any game victory.

Going into the season there were no expectations other than having fun and trying their hardest, which these girls definitely did.

As their coach and mentor Mike Lundy would say "What I love about these girls is their work ethic and how much they get along with everybody on the team," he said.

Lundy has been coaching Girls Softball since 2019-2022. Each year, the girls on the team have formed long lasting friendships and will continue to for the years to come. Lundy's

happy-go-lucky spirit and encouraging coaching makes the girls feel driven to succeed. However, Lundy is not alone in helping the girls achieve personal success.

Devette Johnson, known for her Graphic Design class, has taken her creativity to the softball field. She is a fierce, fun, encouraging leader for the girls to look up to while they battle on the softball field. She is their personal cheerleader as well taking amazing action shots of the games with her camera.

The team can also attribute their personal victories to their team captains Rosie Agdaian, Rory Lorenz, and Maddie Stukel.

They made sure to always set up fun team bonding activities, such as bowling.

Along with team bonding the captains tried to inspire their team with pep talks and offering any help

if needed. One of the Junior players on the team, Maria Segura, said, "We did a lot of team bonding to make sure our team's cohesiveness translated on the field. Although we ended up having some losses, I think the spirit of our team's friendship really helped keep us determined and hopeful."

It is obvious that the girls on the Marshall Fundamental Softball team are more than friends, they are family. Through endless days of dedication, hard work, and determination bonds that go beyond grade level, and friend groups were formed.

"This is my first year in softball. I didn't expect to be in softball, but it's the best decision that I've ever made. I've never ever played softball or watched it. Everyone on the team was really helpful in teaching me and I have met some of my best friends through softball," junior Lori Astourian said.



TOP GUN

By: Rory Lorenz

Senior Travis Delgado is the current captain of the varsity baseball team at Marshall Fundamental. He is a senior and has been on the varsity team all four years.

Travis has played baseball since he was 3 years old. He hasn't missed a year, and spent many weekends at practices, games and tournaments.

Delgado is the pitcher for the Marshall team and sometimes plays third base. His varsity totals for earned run average in pitching is 2.03 according to Max Preps. Delgado's batting average is .304 for all of high school.

Throughout his senior year, Delgado made three home runs, two of them were in one game.

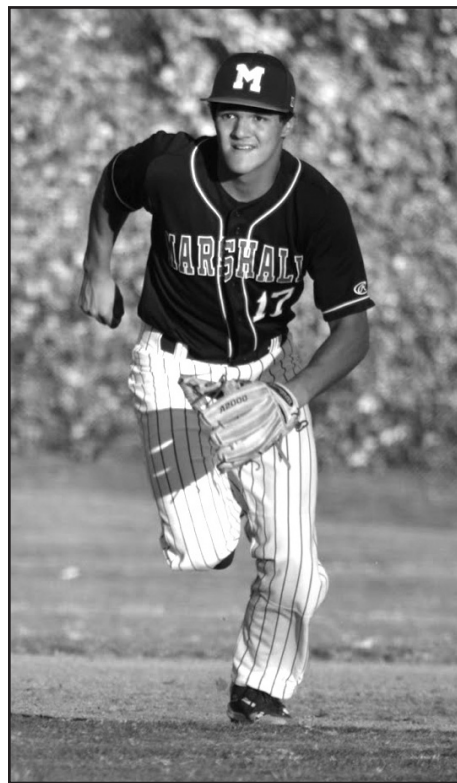
The team made it all the way to CIF, but lost at their first CIF game to Malibu High.

They placed first in the Mission Valley League with a 10-2 record. The team's overall record for the 2022 season was 18 to 5.

Delgado was the league MVP for the last two years. He was also a major contributor to the Eagles run to the CIF Finals during his freshman year.

In the winter, Delgado also played on the Marshall Varsity Basketball team for his senior year. The team placed second in the Mission Valley League with a 8 to 4 record. Their overall record was 16 to 10.

Delgado plans to attend the University of Wisconsin, Madison to further his education. He was selected as a winner of the Posse Scholarship. He hopes to continue playing on the club baseball team at Wisconsin, Madison, since they do not have a formal baseball team.



Senior Travis Delgado won the Mission Valley League MVP two straight years

Baseball Ousted by Malibu

Eagles graduate six seniors who were pivotal in CIF playoff runs, program hopes to stay competitive

By Alex Neuenburg

Despite being league champions, Eagles lose to Malibu High, 3-0, in CIF first round.

"A key to the team's success were pitchers stepping up and having good outings allowing for the offense to have several opportunities to stay in the game, new players filling in the roles of the vacated one's left by past players, and the bond that the team had that made us players close," four-year varsity senior Devan Kelly said.

Marshall's roster this year included six seniors: Sam Karp, Jacob Hernandez, Travis Delgado, Gabe Mabee, Devan Kelly, and Jack Lorenz, five of whom have been part of the varsity team for all four years.

These players impacted the Eagles' CIF finals appearance in 2019. This group has transformed Marshall's baseball program into a serious threat in the section.

"I remember when Marshall struggled playing against most teams in our league, but now we are a well-coached, competent team," Kelly said.

An example of their impact would be that as freshman, these seniors were playing in division seven, and now have a solid lock as a division five team.

Now with the upcoming loss of this 2022 class of players, Marshall will again have to reinvent themselves.

"The future of Marshall Baseball is looking bright. The players and success of the past has allowed Marshall to gain a winning reputation and obtain more young talent," senior Jacob Hernandez said.

McPeak Brings Swim Experience

Newly formed swim and dive team continue to build under former collegiate coach

By Rory Lorenz

Despite the small number of players and lack of an on-campus pool, the swim and dive team has come a great distance.

The team is currently in division four. The division is based on how many swimmers are on the team. The more players, the higher the division, in this case, Marshall has a few swimmers and one diver, leaving them with only a varsity team.

Marshall has two swim captains, Yasmine Alameddine, a senior, and Evan Alameddine, a freshman. The two are siblings who also practice for the swim club of Pasadena. Yasmine has swum for 14 years.

Yasmine has placed first in every event she swam this year. Those events include the 200 yard individual medley, 100 yard breaststroke, and 50 yard freestyle. Other events that swimmers compete in are the 50 yard freestyle, 100 yard freestyle, 100 yard backstroke, and relays in-

cluding 400 yard freestyle, 200 yard freestyle, and 200 yard medley.

The team is split almost in half between people who have swam on a team before, and people who are learning for the first time this year. The team is also divided pretty evenly among the grades, with the most consisting of juniors.

"New players got to learn from the best," Manon Labarsouque, a senior swimmer, states.

Charles McPeak is the coach of the team. When he was still competing, he qualified for US Masters Swimming Nationals. Later in his career, he coached at Auburn. According to the team, he is very positive and will be happy with you as long as you put in your best effort.

"Always show good sportsmanship," is the advice Labarsouque and Yasmine gave over and over again for new swimmers.

They said that the coach values that trait very much.

"It's fun and an exciting sport to try, even if you're new. It's just a very

supportive atmosphere," says Labarsouque when asked how she would get new students to try out. Because they currently only have a varsity team, new athletes are encouraged to try out.

COVID impacted the swim team as it did every group activity, but not nearly as much as others. The team continued to practice throughout online school.

The team was smaller, but they still made it work. They only had two meets which were at Muir, but continued practice almost every weekday. They had it at the Glendale Community College, which students admitted to enjoying because it was a nice activity after online classes.

The dive team consists of only one athlete, Luca Fassi. The junior practices mainly with his club team, but competes for Marshall.

He placed third in the entire state for Marshall. He plans to continue his education at Princeton, while continuing on the dive team at the school.

Eagles' Boys Tennis Finish Third in League

Boys Tennis finish third in Mission Valley League and qualify for CIF, hope to build upon this year's success as many players will return for next year's team

By Hrant Aslanyan

The Boys Tennis team had an up and down year. However, all of the players have shown their skill and prowess in singles/doubles matches or even both.

The season was off to a great start with Marshall initially having a win/loss record of 3-1 and at the end of the season a record of 6-4. Marshall has throughout the season played against difficult opponents in the league matches such as Arroyo, Rosemead, and El Monte, but they were still able to reach the playoffs.

"This year, we had a winning season. We ended up with a 6 and 4 record in the regular season, which put us in 3rd place in our league. This qualified us for CIF, so that's considered having a successful season," coach Eddie Williams said.

That's not to say that Williams doesn't see room for improvement.

"Now, I think our season, we could have done even better. Next year, we're shooting for first place in the league, and we just have to get some pieces in place in order to make that happen with some of our players," Williams said.

The boys squad will return junior standout Mondrian Syafaat who is a nationally-ranked USTA player.

Op-ed: Farewell, Marshall Family



Sam Karp

When I first came to Marshall I was extremely intimidated by the sheer size of the student population, and the fact that there were both middle and high school students on campus.

It took me a while to really get comfortable with this new life, though I had only expected it to last three years; my original plan was to attend Marshall for middle school and then go to PHS for high school. However, I ended up having a wonderful experience at Marshall as a middle schooler, and my plans changed.

I figured that most of my friends were here, I was familiar with the campus and staff, and I truly felt comfortable. Choosing to stay at Marshall was one of the best decisions I have ever made. Marshall has given me opportunities and experiences that I couldn't have found anywhere else. I was given the opportunity to meet hundreds of members of our student population, campus staff, and school community.

Our teaching staff persevered through so much, our administration constantly cared for our safety and well being, and our ASB did everything in their power to keep everybody sane and their spirits high through challenging times.

One of my greatest and proudest takeaways from my time at Marshall was my role as Pep Commissioner for my junior and senior years. I used that platform to share my positive and caring views. Because of this role, I have been able to help give my classmates a year that they'll hopefully remember for many years to come.

I know a lot of people at Marshall, but because of my recent work in ASB, I have been able to truly meet and get to know more people individually this year than my other 6 years combined. Marshall has given me a class that I truly consider family, a faculty and staff that I give my trust and gratitude to, and experiences that I cherish every day.

To show my appreciation to my class and school, thanking them for everything they have given to me, I decided to squeeze every last drop of care and passion I have into my senior year. From the pep rallies and powder puff events, to the Friday lunch activities and music, all of my work has been aimed towards showing the love and appreciation that I have for my classmates and school.

Through its numerous options in sports, classes and clubs, Marshall has allowed me to find who I am, and to get to know people that represent vastly different demographics and backgrounds. I haven't always viewed Marshall as such a beautiful place, of course. I have had many days (and sometimes weeks) at a time when I wanted to be anywhere else. But now that I have to leave, I can't stop wishing for a little more time.

Marshall has become a part of my identity, a place where I feel loved and appreciated by so many of the wonderful people here. Our class has won CIF championships, fought to keep our school from closing, started new school traditions, bettered the Pasadena community, and has proven over and over that we are the best in PUSD. It breaks my heart to leave, but Marshall has given all of us the resources to build these bright futures, and our time has come to move on. I will miss Marshall, and will always have amazing memories and a great appreciation, because I owe so much of what I have to this place.

Make Summer Homework Optional

Where at Marshall Eagle Eye News have come together in solidarity and we unanimously agree that summer homework should be optional at Marshall.

The purpose of summer break is for students not to have to go to school and to get a mental break from schoolwork. By assigning students work it contradicts these ideas.

The awareness surrounding the mental health of students has increased over the past few years, which is why it is so important to make sure kids can enjoy their summer and eliminate the stress of summer homework.

Other reasons compiled by our Eagle Eye staff include the following: the content that is assigned usually ends up never getting used and the vocabulary words are not useful as well. In addition, there is an inconsistency among teachers of who enforces the submission of summer assignments, or at the very least, prioritizes the significance of said work.

It is tough for students to spend so much time completing the assignments when the assignments do not matter or end up being forgotten. The hypocrisy is that teachers don't have to work over the summer, but students technically do via summer homework.

More specifically, summer homework is unfair

to students that go on vacations with family, who then have to miss spending time with family, seeing a place, or creating new memories because of time spent on summer homework.

It is understandable that teachers want kids to complete homework and read over the summer to keep the students' skills fresh. This makes more sense for students who don't have any plans for summer. Those students may have more free time. Therefore, it is easier to do the assignments. However, it unfairly punishes those who travel or work over the summer.

Moreover, only AP/Honors classes require summer work. This further divides the achievement gap between the AP/Honors and on-level classes at Marshall. If keeping summer work is a priority, all classes should require it.

Our proposal as a staff is that teachers should make summer homework optional. If students choose to do the work, it would result in extra credit upon completion. This rewards the students who choose to do work over the summer, while not punishing those who need a break or have other responsibilities during the summer.

This should be the requirement for all classes, not just the AP/Honors courses. This will make the learning environment more equitable for all.

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