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Marian High School – Tamaqua, PA 18252

**March 2015** 

# **Happy Easter!**

# **Living Stations**

By Britney Zeigler

The sophomore speech class preformed the living stations on Friday March 27, 2015. Marian does this every year to portray what Jesus went through for us to be saved. It also shows those who don't know of the suffering of Jesus so they can understand that He gave his life for us. Brandon Mohammad portrayed Jesus and Sophie Damian portrayed Mary. A good job was done by all and a big Thank You to Mrs. Gazo and her speech class for working so hard to bring the Stations of the Cross alive for us.





#### **Upcoming events -**

April 2 – Holy Thursday

April 3 – Good Friday

April 5 - Easter

April 7 – Report Cards

April 9 – College Fair April 24-26 – Senior Play

Did I read that sign right?

In a Safari Park – Elephants Please stay in your car.



# "A person's a person, no matter how small."

by Tyler Hutta



"I am Sam. Sam I am." "That Sam I Am That Sam I am, I do not like that Sam I Am." Everyone knows these words and especially if you are a fan of Dr. Seuss. But who isn't? Theodor Seuss Geisel was an American writer and cartoonist. He was most widely known for his children's books, which he wrote and illustrated under the pseudonym Dr. Seuss.

We celebrate this great man's birthday every year on March 2 by celebrating read Across America Day. Across the country, thousands of schools, libraries, and community centers participate by bringing together kids, teens, and books. This is the largest reading event in the United States. Dr. Seuss changed the landscape of children's books with his controlled-vocabulary tales of antic cats (The Cat in the Hat), colorful meals (Green Eggs and *Ham*), and dozens of other zany tales. So Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss and thank you for the greatest children's stories ever.



# **History of Marian 50 Years** In multiple articles we will look at the history of this school and

some of the highlights throughout the year.

Part 7: Having covered the nuns and priests who were first here at Marian, this article will tell you about the lay teachers who were here.

Mr. Edward Farrell - World History, European History, Assistant coach to Football, Basketball and Baseball

Mr. Peter Forlin- English I-III, Music

Mr. Hugh Gallagher -National Problems, Physical Science, Head Coach of Football, Basketball and Baseball

Mr. James Kroculick – Physical Science, Physical Education, Coach of Baseball and golf

Mr. John Malarkey - American History, European History, Assistant Coach of Football, Baseball and coach of Basketball

Mr. Joseph Nardone – National Problems, General Business, Physical Education, Coach of Jayvee football and Girl's Baskeball.

Mr. Joseph Holkovic – Latin I-II, Card Drive and bowling

**RIP Leonard Nimoy** By: Sarah Bauer Leonard Nimoy, best known as Spock, passed away on February 27, 2015 at the age of 83. Although he is best known as Spock, he was also a world-renowned photographer and director. His last Tweet was "A life is like a garden. Perfect moments can be had, but not preserved, except in memory. LLAP [Live Long And Prosper]" The Jewish actor based the Vulcan salute and greeting on a traditional Jewish greeting. He is survived by his wife, Susan Bay, and his two children from his first marriage to Sandi Zober: Adam and Julie. Nimoy's career in show business spanned more than six decades and included stints as a stage actor, television guest star, series regular and movie veteran. He also directed a handful of films, including the box-office hit "Three Men and a Baby" in 1987. But his lasting claim to fame remains Spock, a native of the planet Vulcan whose pointed ears, unemotional manner and frequently uttered "fascinating" endeared him to millions (including our Librarian).



#### Eat Healthy by Alanah Hall

We always hear complaints about having to eat healthy. Everyone wants burgers and fries, forget the salads and vegetables. Because of this, we celebrate National Nutrition Month,s a month to educate people, old and young on how important it is to make healthy food choices. The theme for 2015 is "Bite into A Healthy Lifestyle". This should encourage people to change their habits that may not have been that good. Also it gives people the ambition to fit physical activity into their daily schedule. Making smart choices helps to prevent chronic disease and promote the overall health of a person. All of the information shared during National Nutrition Month, helps to maintain a healthy weight, and overall wellness.

#### **Spring Ahead**

by Rosario Cracchiolo

Day light savings started March 8<sup>th</sup>, which means our clocks moved forward one hour. The bummer part is we lost an hour of sleep that night, but on the plus side, the days stay lighter longer. Benjamin Franklin gets the credit for coming up with Daylight Saving Time, according to Fred Espenak of NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center. "The basic idea is to make the best use of daylight hours by shifting the clock forward in the spring and backward in the fall." The funny part about DST is that not every state follows it. States can opt out by passing a law. Day light savings ends November 1<sup>st</sup>. Enjoy the sunshine while you can.

# Marian Swimmers are Winners

We may be small but we are mighty. This is especially true of our Marian Swim team. How can we have a swim team with no pool you ask? Simple, some students who complete in swimming competitions decided to swim for Marian. Talk about school spirit! Our three swimmers are: Katie Kurzinsky, Tim Dando and Angelia Krupko. At the Schuylkill League Swimming Championships they brought in 5 gold medals. At the PIAA Class AA Swimming Championships at Bucknell University Katie, came in 12th in the 100 backstroke and Tim represented Marian in the 500-yard freestyle. Congratulations to all for a wonderful season. Keep up the good work!



#### Retro Article

This is an article that was found in the March 1965 issue of MARIANEWS.

#### Cinema Prevues

"Fantastic, stirring, delightful, reminiscent...." All of these words have been used to describe "My Fair Lady," one of the biggest musicals ever to hit the motion picture screen. Audrey Hepburn plays the part of down-trodden but beautiful Eliza Doolittle; Rex Harrison is at his best as Professor Henry Higgins, the role which won him a nomination for the Academy award as best actor.

Perhaps the most characteristic element of the movie is the musical score. The audience's interest is held by famous songs such as, *I Could Have Danced All Night, On the Street Where You Live,* and *I've Grown Accustomed to Her Face.* 

These songs, together with superb acting ability, colorful costumes and scenery blend together to provide us with a charming and entertaining musical.

"Mary Poppins," a Walt Disney production, is one of the lightest and merriest musicals of our day.

Fantasy is employed throughout the film, from beginning to end. Mary (Julie Andrews) floats into the home with the aid of her magic umbrella. The children's governess has just quit, and Mary secures employment as the new governess. She brings happiness and gaiety to a once sad and worldly minded family. The manner in which she does this is wonderful to see. After performing her duty, and seeing that there is nothing left for her to do, she floats away into the sky, never to be seen again.

"The Sound of Music" - This movie is adapted from the popular Broadway play and features a lively and stirring combination of songs, an extremely interesting story, and a talented and delightful cast. Maria (Julie Andrews), a postulant who is dissatisfied with her life, leaves the abbey life and secures a position as governess for the seven children of Captain Von Trapp (Christopher Plummer). The captain, a widower and Austrian naval officer, runs his home with definite military prescision. He begins courting a baroness and meanwhile, Maria captures the hearts of the seven children with her lilting personality, wit and many songs. Eventually, the captain falls in love with her, too. Upon returning from their honeymoon, they find their country in the hands of the Nazis. The climax of the story is the entire Von Trapp family's ingenious escape from Austria at the Salzburg Music Festival.

"The Greatest Story Ever Told" – This movie filmed in the American southwest, is a sweeping epic of the familiar and moving events of the New Testament. It dramatizes the life of Jesus of Nazareth and unfolds episodes with dignity and drama. Max von Sydow, a Swedish actor with a great amount of talent, displays this talent in his portrayal of Jesus Christ. The large supporting cast includes many big names such as Charlton Heston, Sidney Poitier, Can Heflin, Carol Baker and others. A variety of scenes and characters provide entertainment as we move with Christ on his journey of Redemption.

#### **Irony of Snow in Spring**

By Alexi Zukas

Are you sick and tired of snow? Are you worried about cleaning your car in the morning? Do you love to walk in the freezing cold weather? WHY AM I ASKING YOU THESE QUESTIONS?! Well, on the spring equinox, we had a snowstorm of 1-6 inches. A lot of people were angry with it, and the snow is sickening to look at now. When I look at it, I think of, "God, I wish it was summer... It is too cold to breathe and think straight!" Some freaks out there actually like it, but winter is over. Spring is all about the flowers and the trees and the rabbits and what not, not snow, icicles, and slipping. Hopefully this summer will be a nice one, unlike last year where it was 90+ every day in July. Personally, I just want it to be 80 every day, that is the perfect temperature for me.







Hosted by Miss. Martini and the Marian Catholic Players, you will see your religion unfold in a night of fun, faith and fantasy. Only for the dates of April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> and the 25<sup>th</sup>, you can have a chance to see your Marian students leap, dance and sing for your amusement!

Come see the shows! Only for 3 days, can you get the show of a lifetime!

By Chase Shustack

#### Marian Shows Off It's Talent

By Ethan Antalosky











The Marian Catholic talent show was held on March 16, 2015 (postponed from Catholic Schools Week because of snow) and was made up of six fantastic acts. First was the wonderful Molly Carnish who sang "Jar of Hearts" with the help of Mr. Paul. Next was Sarah Bauer who read her short story called "The Blinking Star." Third we had the lovely Amanda Champion accompanied by Faith Befano. While Faith played piano, Amanda sang "Not About Angels".

Fourth we had the talented Claudia Stroia and Michael Ecker who sang a song from the play they were in called "If That's What It Is". If you didn't see the play, you missed out big time! Next we had Monica Baranko who performed "This Love". The last act of the show we had Seth Harkins (guitar & vocals), Taylor Horvat (bass), Ben Ferko (piano & harmonica) and Frank Blozusky (drums). They sang "Piano Man" and got the whole school hyped!

If I had to say so myself, the talent show was a pretty big success. The 3rd place winner was Monica. Seth, Taylor, Ben and Frank came in second and Claudia and Michael came in first!



"Dear Abby,

If I've never asked a boy out, and have only ever been asked out, what should I do? $^{\sim}$  Anonymous

Dear Anonymous,

First of all, I hope this guy has a pretty good idea that you're interested in him and there's a good chance your feelings are reciprocated. I'm not a mind reader, and I don't expect you to be either but pay attention to whether or not he enjoys talking to you or if he seems to be around you a lot. These may also be signs of friendship, but this also means he doesn't hate you. Do not ask a guy out if your best form of communication is through a wave while passing each other in the halls. Most people don't like to be surprised with unexpected dating proposals, at least I don't. If you haven't yet, talk to him more often, get his number and text him, or attend any sporting events he may be playing in or chess tournaments if he's into that. Don't go crazy, no need to be a stalker, but leave a bread crumb trail of your charms and if he's not falling for the bait then just move on.

Now that the build-up is done, you have to plan how and when to ask him out. First, think of what you want to do, maybe go to the movies, bowling, or mini golfing and you can include others if you want but make sure they also have a date; no one wants to be a third wheel.

Secondly, pick a good time to ask him out. For example, ask him out nonchalantly while talking to him in the halls or at lunch, but not when a group of your friends are gawking at you both. Although I think asking him in person is preferable, you can also text him. Whatever you do don't go out of your way and make a scene.

If he says yes, then hurray for you! If he says no, remember you can still be friends even if you need a while to recover. You can also have an "escape plan" by saying you need to talk to a teacher or be somewhere in a hurry if you're rejected. Whatever you do have fun and if you don't get a date in the end, you'll at least have a funny story to tell in the future.

Love Abby

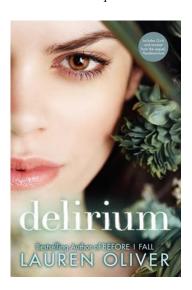
#### A Great Day for the Irish

By Alex Valusek Every year on March 17, the Irish and the Irish-at-heart across the globe observe St. Patrick's Day. What began as a religious feast day for the patron saint of Ireland has become an international festival celebrating Irish culture with parades, dancing, special foods and a whole lot of green. L Fhile Pdraig or the Day of the Festival of Patrick was the original name of the holiday, on that day you can either have a great time with the company you have and participate in the activities or hope that you don't run into a drunk guy driving the opposite way. There are limitless possibilities of what could happen on this day but in any case I hope you had a fun and safe holiday.

#### Book Review – Delirium

By: Molly Carnish

Are you looking for an exciting dystopian romance novel? Then look no further and read *Delirium* by Lauren Oliver! In an alternate world where love is considered a disease called *amor deliria nervosa*, otherwise known as "The deliria," this story follows a teenage girl named Lena Haloway. For years, Lena believed the government's teaching of the deliria, and looked forward to her surgical cure for the disease (required for all citizens 18 years and older). However, all of this changed 95 days before her surgery, when she meets a boy named Alex, who teaches her that maybe love isn't dangerous after all. How will she do when the day of surgery arrives? You'll have to read this book to find out. And if you like this book, check out the other two books in this thrilling trilogy: *Pandemonium* and *Requiem*. You will not be disappointed!



### Tamaqua Public Library Book Discussion Group

Selection for Monday, April 27, 2015 at 6 p.m.



#### From Booklist

\*Starred Review\* A teenage girl goes missing and is later found to have drowned in a nearby lake, and suddenly a once tightknit family unravels in unexpected ways. As the daughter of a college professor And his stay-at-home wife in a

small Ohio town in the 1970s, Lydia Lee is already unwittingly part of the greater societal changes going on all around her. But Lydia suffers from pressure that has nothing to do with tuning out and turning on. Her father is an American born of firstgeneration Chinese immigrants, and his ethnicity, and hers, make them conspicuous in any setting. Her mother is white, and their interracial marriage raises eyebrows and some intrusive charges of miscegenation. More troubling, however, is her mother's frustration at having given up medical school for motherhood, and how she blindly and selfishly insists that Lydia follow her road not taken. The cracks in Lydia's perfect-daughter foundation grow slowly but erupt suddenly and tragically, and her death threatens to destroy her parents and deeply scar her siblings. Tantalizingly thrilling, Ng's emotionally complex debut novel captures the tension between cultures and generations with the deft touch of a seasoned writer. Ng will be one to watch. -- Carol Haggas

## A Long Way from Africa Chapter 2 (This will be a continuing serial by Sarah Bauer)

The city was quiet. No motors, no sirens, no talking. Just the shuffling of feet. I led the herd in as much of a straight line as I could. The skyscrapers made me feel cramped, even though I had plenty of room to move. The cars stood still. Sometimes the cars were full of the walking dead, and they would bang on the windows trying to get at us. My heart pounded. My trunk swayed as I searched for signs of the walking dead. The smell of death crept closer, but I could see nothing.

As I passed by a dark alley, a shadow moved. A deadwalker jumped out of the darkness and latched onto my side. I felt it trying to bite me, but human jaws are no match for elephant hide. I stomped and bucked, making more noise and attracting more deadwalkers. Still the annoying thing clung on. I swung my head, goring deadwalkers with my tusks. Lily leaned against me, trumpeting an alarm. I rumbled, a sound only elephants can hear, to tell her to not make noise. Swarms of deadwalkers surrounded us. We assumed the defensive position, standing in a circle with our tusks out and Lily in the middle. Deadwalkers ran between my legs, and I crushed them with my feet. The stench of death was overwhelming.

I felt arms and legs clawing at my side, climbing onto my back. I threw them off to the side. My neck ached from swinging, and bodies piled up around us. Eventually, there were a few stragglers left. Not enough to worry about. I stepped over the bodies and led the way out of the city. I could see a bridge in the distance, and across that bridge, small buildings. No skyscrapers. I headed for the distant bridge as the sun beat down my back.

#### TO BE CONTINUED NEXT MONTH

# History of Women: Teaching America one day at a time. By Kayla Knepper

Have you been keeping up with the latest debate on American Money? They want to take Andrew Jackson off the \$20 bill. Some people want Ronald Reagan on there but many are seeing this as the chance to make things right for half of the world's population – put a woman on it. March is Women's History Month! So this month we should look back and remember all the women that have made this nation great! This includes the social reformists Dorothea Dix and Jane Addams, The people who have fought for equal rights like Eleanor Roosevelt and Rosa Parks. And Ladies let's not forget those who got us our right to vote such as the dynamic duo of Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Carrie Chapman Catt, Lucy Burns, and of course Alice Paul. Any one of these ladies would make a wonderful portrait on the \$20 bill. Let's hope our government of MEN gets this one right. Want to learn more about these amazing women? Go to the library! There are so many books to read on them! Plus reading is fun.





More info on Women on money debate – go vote for your favorite at <a href="http://www.womenon20s.org/">http://www.womenon20s.org/</a>

# Marian Music Box

(a little bit of Irish for St. Patrick's)

The same Old Shillelagh.....The nuns used to swing at students

A Nation Once Again ......The Marian

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McNamara's Band....or is that Mr.

Brimmer

Four Green Fields ......Football, Baseball,
Softball ...oops one short
The Minstrel Boy.....Seth the Piano Man
Lady of Knock.....Mary Our Irish Patron
The Town I Loved so Well.....Hometown PA





#### The Gift of Life

By Francis DeFebo III

On March 26, the school recently had its annual blood drive. I, along with other students and teachers, attended this blood drive and donated blood. When you first walk in to the gym, they go and ask very simple questions so that way they can approve if you can donate blood. Once you are approved, they take you to a chair where they will prep you to give blood. When you get into the chair, they give you some food and drinks like popcorn and soda to stabilize your sugar amount as you give blood. Once you are ready, the will go ahead and begin the procedure. They will take their needle and insert it into the underside of your arm. Don't fret, it doesn't hurt that bad. Getting stung by a bee is worse even. Soon after, the blood will flow through the tube. The process takes about ten to fifteen minutes. Once they extracted a pint of your blood, you are done. You will then be sent to the mini cafeteria where they have set up food and drinks for you to have while you wait to recover your strength. After about fifteen minutes, they will let you go and you can wear a sticker to show your heroic deed. So when the next time comes, join up for the blood drive. And for you who have needle phobia, you can fight your fears and save a person that is fighting for their life.