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Once On This Island is a Smash!

By: Brianna Propis

The weekend of March 15th, 16th, and 17th saw the stage of St. Mary's High School's *Gus* transform into the French Antilles archipelago in the Caribbean Sea, in which the peasants and rich persons ("Grand Hommes," if you will) feuded over unsettled matters that began many years before our main characters told their story.

Peasant Ti Moune, played by Mackenzie Kwilos, fell in love with Grand Homme Daniel, played by Alex Denz, while nursing him back to health after he was in a near-fatal car accident. The classic tale about star-crossed lovers ensued, though *Once On This Island* puts a unique twist on the well-known storyline through its numerous plot-twists, poignant ending, and a huge (human) heart.

Through the help and occasional hinder of the gods— Papa Ge played by Jeffrey Rosner, Erzulie played by Christina Federico, Asaka played by Shala Wright, and Agwe played by Marten Linnan— Ti Moune took audiences on a Caribbean adventure while she herself endured a journey of self-discovery and realization. The story can easily leave audience members with a somber heart, damp eyes, songs stuck in their head, and overall



concepts to ponder. How far would you go for someone you love?

Countless hours spent rehearsing after school and on weekends certainly paid off once the curtains opened and the cast and crew presented their interpretation of the musical. Although the rehearsals undoubtedly had their ups and downs, Miss Ruhland's and Mr. Kaminski's constant support and dedication (along with the hard work exerted into every last detail by the

students) ultimately pulled it together.

Thank you to everyone who supported the musical from its first rehearsal to its last performance, and thank you to those who attended any or all of the shows! There's truly no match for the excitement during St. Mary's musical season!

(Above) The entire cast takes part in the closing number of *Once On This Island*, including Little Ti Moune, played by three different young actresses: Mrs. Roberson's daughters, Bailey and Sammy and Mrs. Drabik's daughter, Alana.

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Letter from the Editor

Dear Readers,

Spring Break has finally arrived! The long-awaited two-week hiatus from staying up late to cram for tests and waking up during the wee hours of the morning is officially among us. Although AP and Regents exams are lingering around the corner (is it too soon to bring those up?), it's important to remember the importance of allowing ourselves to take both a physical and mental vacation. It seems as if every time we're able to take a deep breath and relax, there's a responsibility or reminder hanging over our heads.

I'm sure we can all agree upon the fact that these 16 days are much needed and well-deserved. Whether you're spending this break sunbathing on a beach in Florida or scrolling through Instagram and Twitter feeds on your couch, may we all live in the moment and enjoy the times we have off for all they're worth.

I hope you enjoy the April edition of *The Marian Gazette*, and I hope you all have a blessed Easter on Sunday!

"Life moves pretty fast. If you don't stop and look around once in a while, you could miss it."

-Ferris Bueller

Sincerely yours,
Brianna Propis

Calling all writers!

Do you like to write? Are you passionate about St. Mary's? Do you have a particular interest you'd like to share with an audience?

If you answered yes to any of the above, then come join us at *The Marian Gazette*! We are currently looking for student writers for all of our news sections. If you are interested, please contact Student Editor Brianna Propis, Mrs. Roberson, or Miss Kawa.

School News

Pi Day is About More Than Just Math

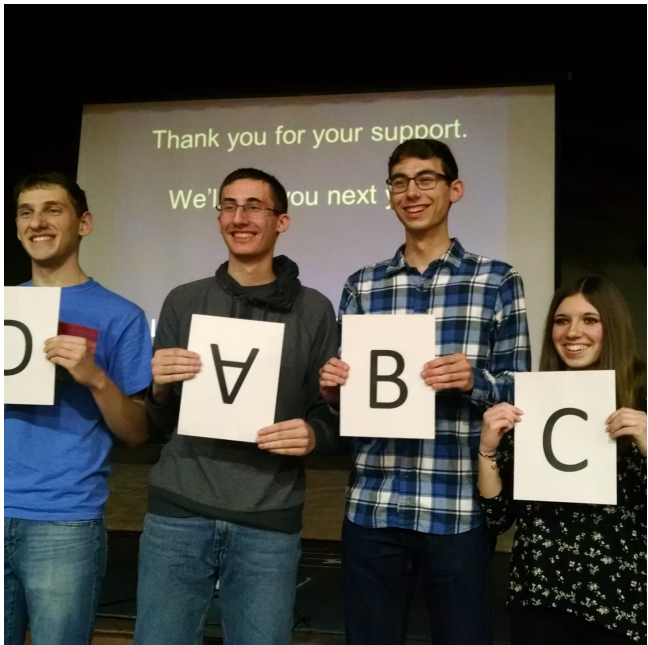
St. Mary's celebrated Pi Day on March 14th (3.14), but not just in math classrooms.

Led by Ms. Schaffstall in the math department, students were asked to bring in store-bought pies to donate to local Lancaster food pantries. When all was said and done, St. Mary's donated over 500 pies! That number is a whole lot more than 3.14!



A look at some of the pies donated by St. Mary's students and families for Pi Day on March 14th.

St. Mary's NHS Team Wins Annual Trivia Night



Members of St. Mary's National Honor Society competed as a team in the Lancaster Youth Bureau's annual trivia night held at St. Mary's High School. Facing off against four other student teams from the Lancaster-Depew area, seniors Jake Was, Ryan Tytka, Zack Laistner, and Chelsea Okon (from left to right in the photo) took home the top spot.

The night consisted of six rounds of ten questions per round, featuring categories ranging from history and arts and literature to

science, entertainment, and sports.

St. Mary's also fielded a student team featuring members of Student Senate and a faculty team that also competed in the event, and both put in very impressive showings.

School News

St. Mary's Sends Contingency to Diocesan Youth Convention for First Time

Earlier this month, St. Mary's took a group of students to the Diocesan Youth Convention in Downtown Buffalo, held at the Adam's Mark hotel.

From the Catholic Diocese of Buffalo website: "The convention is a weekend conference for high school youth and their adult chaperones. The weekend includes liturgy, reconciliation, keynote speakers, breakout sessions, award presentations & dance. It is a powerful experience combining faith, fellowship, and fun."

Take a look at some of our students pictured here along with group leader, Deacon Robb Ciezki and other conventioners.



Important 2018-19 Calendar Announcements

The administration has begun the process of laying out the calendar for the 2018-19 school year.

As more details are filled in the closer we get to the end of this current school year, St. Mary's

wanted to make families aware of the larger breaks to appropriately plan for vacations, trips, etc.

An email was sent out earlier this month detailing the dates, but please see below for a rundown of Christmas, February, and Easter breaks.

As stated in the email, both a February and Easter break will be offered next year because Easter is quite late and other scheduling tweaks made this scenario possible.

Christmas Break: December 21, 2018 - January 1, 2019

February Break: February 18, 2019 - February 22, 2019

Easter Break: April 15, 2019 - April 26, 2019

Faculty Spotlight

Staff Q & A with Mr. Junik

Last month's "Guess the Teacher" featured a few facts about Mr. Junik so here's a more in-depth interview with one of SMH's finest:

Q: When did you start working at St. Mary's and what has been your fondest memory?

A: "I started at St. Mary's in 2002. My fondest memory is winning the State Championship in Women's Basketball in 2010. I love those girls and loved that team!"

Q: Who is your personal hero and why?

A: "My Father... His personality and demeanor are what I try to emulate every day!"

Q: What/who inspired you to become a teacher?

A: "I had a history teacher at Maryvale named Mr. Heffern. He brought history to life for me, and I thought it was magic!"

Q: Knowing all that you do now, if you could give your high school students any words of wisdom, what would you say?

A: "Make choices based on what is going to make YOU happy! Listen to others' opinions and advice but understand that this is your life and you get to own it!"

Q: Any piece of advice for students struggling to decide on a college university or major?

A: "Make sure your decision leads to the outcome you desire."

Q: What do you miss about actually teaching in a classroom?

A: "I miss the daily interaction with students. Watching them struggle with something and then finally 'get it' is a remarkable feeling!"

Q: Anything else you'd like to share with *The Marian Gazette* readers?

A: "Everyone's path in life is different. Don't be afraid of that! Instead, find your inner passion and do everything in your power to make that happen."

Mr. Fay's Corner

A Blessed and Happy Easter to all the St. Mary's families. During the five weeks of April, the Catholic community will celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus. The gospel readings will recount the Resurrection itself, Thomas' doubt (perhaps our own) to be answered by Jesus' appearance to the apostles, and Jesus' link to the Father in the "I am the Good Shepherd & I am the Vine" statements (recall "I AM" is God's name as told to Moses). April becomes a time to celebrate spring, the dawn of new life on earth, and the opportunity to share in the "new life of salvation." It is a time when "hope springs eternal."



Is it a coincidence that Easter Sunday and April Fools' Day occur together? Probably not! It is foolish to reject the mystery of Easter and the opportunity to experience the "Living Christ" sacramentally. It is foolish not to accept the forgiveness of sins and the chance for everlasting peace. It is foolish not to celebrate our faith, hope, and love as members of Christ's body.

Easter (Resurrection Sunday) reminds us to rise above our sinfulness and our guilt, and to live the "new life" given to us by Jesus. Benedicat vos omnipotens Deus. twf+

Guess the Teacher

Each month, *The Marian Gazette* will feature a different person in our "Guess the Teacher" section. If you think you know who this month's teacher is, submit your guess to Student Editor Brianna Propis at 19bpropis@student.smhlancers.org. *Limit one guess per student and the first to submit the correct answer wins. The winner will receive a Tim Horton's gift card!*

- I married into Irish royalty. My husband's great-grandfather was king of the Blasket Islands because he was the only one that could read.
- I once hula hooped for two hours straight, but sadly fell short of the world record.
- I am a member of St. Mary's English Department
- I played the clarinet for 10 years.
- I've been to over 100 concerts in my lifetime. I've seen Dave Matthews Band in concert 12 times.

Sports

Postseason Accolades Roll in for Men's Hockey

After winning the Federation Championship this season, the men's hockey team isn't quite done picking up the hardware.

Juniors Kyle Karoleski and Brendan Krawczyk and senior Lucas Prince, along with Head Coach Mark Dantonio, participated in the Bowman Cup, a very prestigious game for the best high school hockey players in Western New York.

The *Bee Newspapers* named their All-Bee Hockey Team, with 18 players on 3 teams. St. Mary's was very well represented, with goalie Kyle Karoleski on the First Team, forward Brendan Krawczyk named to the Second Team, and defenseman Sam Dantonio named to the Honorable Mention Team. A special shout out to Coach Dantonio on being named the Bee's Coach of the Year in Western New York! Well deserved!

We can't wait for next season!



Spring Sports Information on the Web

Looking to support your favorite spring sports teams in action? Head to smhlancers.org to find the schedules for all upcoming games, and get the latest on who the Lancers will take on, where, and when!

Go Lancers!



Sports

Coach Woj's Legacy Will Live On for Years to Come

For years, Richard Wojciechowski, or "Coach Woj" as he was known, ruled the halls of St. Mary's. He was a fixture at all sporting events and in an accounting classroom. Coach passed away March 2, 2018. He was truly a Lancer legend, so let's take a look back at the truly remarkable life he lived:

Legendary Western New York sports figure and pioneer of St. Mary's High School, Richard (Dick) Wojciechowski (Woj) passed away after a long battle with cancer on March 2, 2018. He was 90 years old.

Born on October 8, 1927, Woj lived in the world of sports, playing football, baseball, and basketball at Depew high school for legendary coach, Emmett Dawson. He was often called "The Horse" because he led his teams in many statistical categories and worked as hard as anyone on the field. Woj then moved onto Niagara University with a football scholarship and was drafted by the Green Bay Packers in 1951. While in college, he received his Bachelor's degree in business.

After college, Woj served in the Korean War, and it was within this time frame that he met his wife, Lillian. The two shared 46 years of marriage before Lillian's passing in 1998 and had three children together – Phyllis, Pat, and Rick – all graduates of St. Mary's High School in Lancaster.

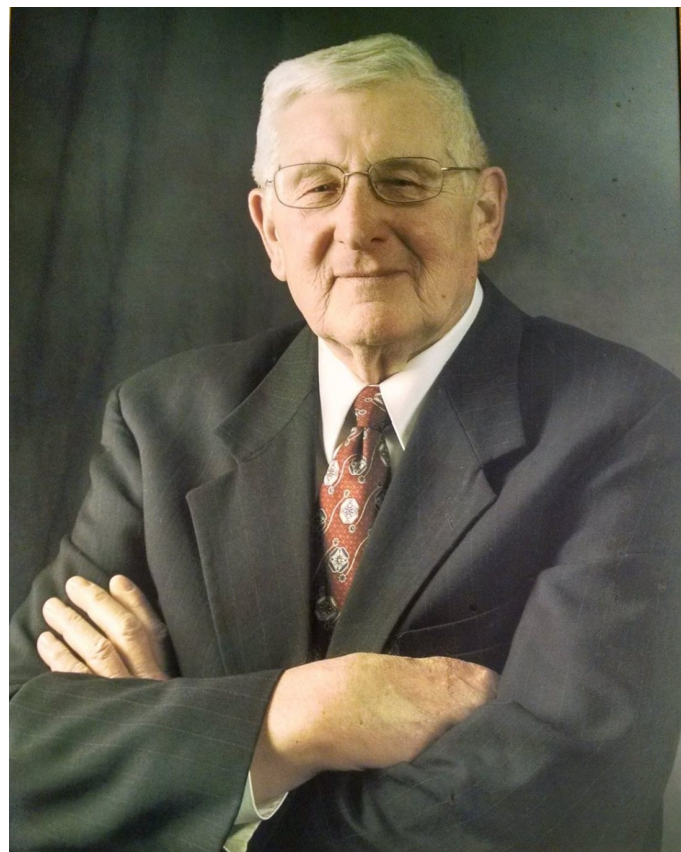
Woj, himself, spent over five decades of his life in service to St. Mary's. He was hired in the Fall of 1954 to teach and coach at the school. He coached football from 1956-1978, resurrecting a dormant program and leading the team to league titles in 1960 and 1963. Woj also coached basketball from 1954-1986 and baseball from 1955-1992, bringing home baseball championships in 1970,

1980-82, 1991-92. Woj was also the St. Mary's Athletic Director for 35 years, through 1999 and was instrumental in developing the St. Mary's outdoor athletic complex as well as the state-of-the-art Athletic Center that opened in 2004. After his "retirement," Woj remained a fixture in the St. Mary's hallways, serving as Financial Director of the school and assisting in the Development Office and with alumni relations.

"He was truly a great man. This is not only a loss for St. Mary's, but all of Western New York," said Kevin Kelleher, Head of School at St. Mary's. Kelleher was also a student of Woj's at St. Mary's and later worked with him at the school. "All of us are together in our sadness, mourning, and honoring his life. We are all Lancers, and he was the most profound Lancer of all."

Aside from the legacy he left at St. Mary's, Woj was also a fixture in the landscape of Western New York sports. He was the president of the Monsignor Martin High School Athletic Association for nearly 30 years (1981-2008) and was a founding board member of the WNY Coaches Association. In fact, each year, the Monsignor Martin's Defensive MVP is named in his honor.

The legacy of a man like Dick Wojciechowski is one that lives on years after his death. He is remembered as a man having a warm sense of strength and an aura of both fairness and discipline. He was a giant within the Lancaster-Depew community and Western New York at large, and his guiding hand in the athletics arena will continue to prevail.



The Arts

Java Jive to be Held April 20th

Do you have an original poem you'd like to share? Is there a cover or original song you'd love to perform in front of an audience? If so, St. Mary's is hosting the perfect event for you!

The second annual *Java Jive* will take place on Friday, April 20th at 7:00 p.m.! You're able to read your own poetry, perform a song, or simply watch some of St. Mary's talented students from an audience's perspective.

Tickets are \$5 each, and they're available for purchase from Mrs. Roberson. See her if you're also interested in signing up to perform.

As once written by Walt Whitman in *Song of Myself*, "I sound my barbaric yawp over the roofs of the world."

Take this opportunity to uniquely express yourself and sound your own "barbaric yawp" by taking part in the declaration of poetic prose or musical symphony, whether you're onstage or cheering on your friends.

We hope to see you there!



Evening of Fine Arts Set for April 26th

The last, major event for the Arts Department will take place Thursday, April 26, 2018. Evening of Fine Arts puts the best of the best on display, including students' remarkable artwork—paintings, ceramics, drawings, photography, and other media.

Aside from an art gallery, students will also perform dance pieces, sing songs, and play various instruments for the audience.

Doors will open for the art gallery viewing at 6:00 p.m., while the performances

will begin at 7:00 p.m.

A couple members of St. Mary's performing arts past will also be honored, with an induction ceremony into the St. Mary's Performing Arts Hall of Fame that evening.

Awards for current student performers honoring their body of work throughout the year will also be presented during the evening by arts chairperson, Ms. Ruhland.

Alumni News & Updates

Adam Page '10 Brings Home the Gold

It's a three-peat! Congratulations are in order for the USA Paralympic Sled Hockey Team, who brought home gold for the third straight Paralympics. St. Mary's Class of 2010 alumnus, Adam Page, has been a member of the team in each of the past three gold medal-winning Paralympics.

This year, Team USA defeated Canada in overtime to bring home the gold.

In 2010, Adam was a senior at St. Mary's and participated in his first Paralympics while attending school. He brought home his first gold medal to St. Mary's, which was an amazing experience for our students. Adam plans to be involved with the Niagara Cup-champion St. Mary's men's hockey team upon his return, so it should be a wonderful Lancer homecoming once again!



Photo courtesy of USA Hockey

Jordan Hokaj '08 Brings Down the House

Class of 2008 alumna Jordan Hokaj performed at Buffalo Iron Works earlier this month, alongside Buffalo-native Edalo at "Edalo - A Rock Autism Event" sponsored by Rock Autism, Senu Music, and Buffalo Iron Works.

Jordan is featured on two songs on Edalo's latest album, California Rush - available now!



Alumni Updates

Know any alumni who have moved, had a baby, celebrated an engagement, just got a promotion, or experienced another exciting life event?

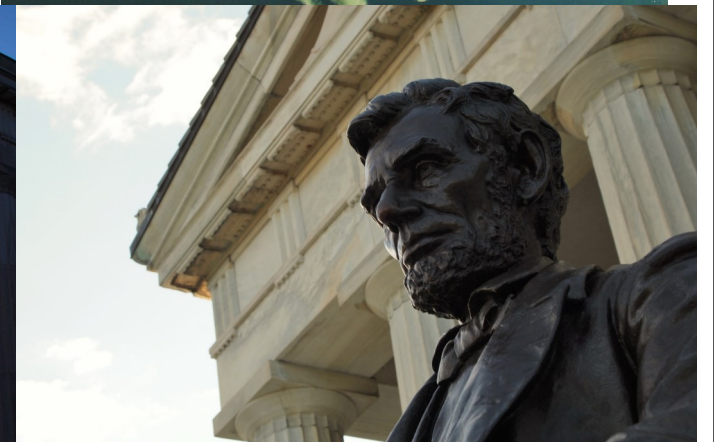
Let us know at smhlancers.org or by contacting Dean of Advancement & Alumni Relations Amanda Rebeck at arebeck@smhlancer.org or 716-683-4824 ext. 237.

Student Beat

Buffalo—Up Close & Personal

Junior Alyssa LaMartina is back to present her gorgeous photography of different landmarks she has shot in and around Buffalo and also to discuss the history associated with these pictures.

This month, Alyssa takes us to Delaware Park to find some beautiful, hidden gems.



By: Alyssa LaMartina

Frederick Olmsted is a renowned architect who has designed several incredible historical landscapes and buildings throughout Buffalo. Some of these include the beautifully crafted Richardson Olmsted Complex, Parkside Neighborhood, and Forest Lawn Cemetery. However, possibly the most acclaimed and utilized architectural accomplishments of his are the several parks designed and created in Buffalo. An especially well-known area is Delaware Park. The journey began when Frederick Olmstead arrived in Buffalo in 1868. The plan was to try and find a suitable location for a main park, however, Olmstead proposed a plan of his own: to build six parks throughout Buffalo that were connected by a series of avenues called parkways. It was completely contrary to the original plan and left the committee shocked. However, it was ultimately accepted after lots of persuasion on Olmstead's behalf. After several laborious years of work, the park system *Continued on p. F2*

Student Beat

Happy Easter!



“Then the angel said to the women in reply,
‘Do not be afraid!
I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified.
He is not here, for He has been raised just as He said.’”
~ Matthew 28 : 1-10

Scajaquada Changes Delaware Park Forever

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was finally complete. Huge trees with fanning leaves stretched across the parkways and provided an inclusive feel.

In 1901, the Pan American Exposition was held in Buffalo, introducing Olmstead to a broad variety of architectural ideas. He was inspired to build several modernized buildings and structures throughout the park system.

Several years later, increasing demands for transportation in and throughout the city enacted a sudden plan for a sunken highway that was put into place by the local government. The beloved avenues that connected each park were broken as well as the residents’ hearts. In 1960, the Scajaquada Expressway was built straight through the middle of Delaware Park. Although this development saddened those who once treasured the parkways, the parks continued to be popular in the

community. Delaware Park is still beloved by Buffalonians today and plays an important role in our local history.

My photographs are of Hoyt Lake where Abraham Lincoln watches over from the back stairs of the History Museum. Also pictured is the adjacent stone pedestrian bridge. Built in 1887, it is the only remaining structure from the original Olmstead plan for the park.

If you haven’t been to Delaware Park yet, you should visit soon!

Student Beat

Lancers Speak Their Truths

In light of the school shooting in Parkland, FL and the nationwide walk-out that followed, Mrs. Powers asked some of her religion classes to journal about their thoughts relating to these topics. A few were chosen to be reproduced in part here to get a feel for the many different feelings students are going through regarding a very complex topic.

“I don’t think it’s right that several people took to social media to blame the President right away (school shootings have happened with other Presidents in office as well), rather than allowing the friends and families of victims to grieve and honoring the lives that were lost. That being said, I like how our school made the walk-out more about honoring the lives of the victims than about politics...

I think that the best way to create change is to have a bipartisan solution. *If Democrats and Republicans were able to effectively communicate with each other and understand each other’s points of view, I think that then progress could be made...*

I think we also need a bigger focus on the mental health of **people** because ultimately, it’s the people who are doing the killing, not the guns. Drunk drivers kill people on a daily basis, but never does anyone blame the car...”

- Caitlin Bish ’19

“I do feel that most shooters are loners/bullied kids and that is sad because any one person who is nice to them can completely change their thought process. I try to be nice to everyone, not just for that reason, but I just don’t think that it’s fair to be mean for no reason to someone who is different...

I think the walk-out is a good and bad idea. I truly think it doesn’t do much, but something like a prayer service is better because it unites us all in prayer and doesn’t involve anything political that could cause any arguments. *I do get that everyone has their own beliefs and opinions, and I respect that...*”

- Anonymous

“*How many lives need to be lost before Congress can agree on some level of gun control?* It is absurd that an AR-15 can be purchased by an 18 year-old or for that matter, anyone outside the military... It was young people protesting the war in Vietnam, it was young people protesting for civil rights, and now young people protesting for sensible gun control. These young people will be tomorrow’s grown ups...”

- Anonymous

“I feel as though our country has a lot to accomplish in the days, weeks, even years to come. *I think that our country is in desperate need of kindness.* Kindness in the sense of respect, tolerance, and just simple courtesy. There are many ways to go about spreading change in the world today, but in the end, people are our biggest asset in constructing change in the hearts of Americans and even worldwide...”

- Nick Pronobis ’19

“I have grown up on a farm, with a rifle in my hand and pressed to my shoulder since I was five years old...

I am a strong supporter of the Second Amendment. 30-40 years ago, every pick-up truck in the high school parking lots had a shotgun in the back window gun racks, so boys could hunt after school. *The issue in society isn’t the gun, it’s the person.* Yes, no one needs an AR-15. Yes, no one needs a fully automatic weapon. But it is our right to be able to own one. Taking guns away will only hurt the ones who follow the laws because those that don’t will not turn in their weapons and will continue to hurt the innocent, who if guns are taken away, will be left defenseless.”

- Anonymous

“This is not something that should be happening over and over again, with not enough being done to prevent future attacks. Sure prayer is something we can do to help console the victims and the families involved, but just prayer can’t solve this problem. *We need to go and take further action...* Even now, after many shootings have occurred, a lot of adults aren’t taking kids seriously. There are a lot of adults who believe teens aren’t mature enough to be fighting for change, but they didn’t grow up experiencing this fear that many high schoolers have nowadays... It’s frustrating to see adults that discredit teen arguments on this subject and call it stepping out of line because we shouldn’t be silenced on something that affects us.”

- Julia Hartloff ’19

“I am someone who wants to talk about this. My family never wants to talk about anything unless it’s directly affecting them. ‘A bunch of kids got shot? Well, it wasn’t you, so no one cares.’ It infuriates me. When Charlottesville was happening, *I wanted to do something. I wanted to help so bad...*”

- Anonymous

7 Reasons You Should Watch... *10 Things I Hate About You*

Junior Nicole Gorney is back to give her take on what makes *10 Things I Hate About You* more than just a cult classic.

By: *Nicole Gorny*

1. Role Models

Not every role model is a superhero, powerful warrior, or a “chosen one”—sometimes they’re just regular people. The characters in this film consist of Kat Stratford (an antisocial senior who despises pleasing others), Patrick Verona (a “bad boy” who’s paid to date Kat), Bianca Stratford (Kat’s bubbly and popular younger sister), and Cameron James (the new kid who has a crush on Bianca). Each character has their own story and personality, which allows them to uniquely contribute something special to the storyline.

Kat and Bianca’s overprotective father doesn’t want Bianca to date, so he proposes the idea that if Kat decides to date someone, then so can Bianca. Since Kat doesn’t like to live up to other people’s expectations and finds high school boys to be grotesque, Mr. Stratford believes it’s the best way to ensure Bianca stays single and under his control. When Bianca tells Cameron (who learned French to become her tutor) she can’t go out with him because of her father’s new rule, he enlists the help of conceited senior, Joey. Joey’s interested in Bianca as well, so he decides to help out because he’s led to believe he’d be the one taking out Bianca, when in actuality Cameron would. The worthy suitor they find to attempt to take out Kat is Patrick Verona, since Kat won’t find his mysterious and dark qualities frightening— she might even find them alluring.

The majority of the characters transform through a story arc. Kat, though already a strong character, learns many crucial lessons that are up to each individual audience member’s interpretation. Some might feel as if Kat simply

learned to love, or possibly that she learned she doesn’t always have to be harsh and do the opposite of what everyone wants. Patrick gained compassion for Kat, Bianca grew to be less shallow, and so forth.

2. Heath Ledger

The late actor, who prematurely passed away on January 22, 2009, took on the role of Patrick Verona in *10 Things I Hate About You* as his first leading role in a film. After gaining success in this role, he starred in many other successful films, including *Brokeback Mountain* and *The Dark Knight* — both gained him additional critical acclaim. He received multiple awards, most notably his posthumous Oscar for his role as the Joker in *The Dark Knight*. When witnessing his talent early on in his career through this film, it’s evident as to what an amazing actor he truly was. *10 Things* certainly serves as a time capsule for one of his best performances.

3. The Crazy Parent

On a lighter note, something that keeps the film truly memorable is Bianca and Kat Stratford’s father, played by Larry Miller. (Who one might know from *The Princess Diaries* as Mia’s hairdresser.) Stratford’s parenting style consists of always making decisions for his children and wanting to micromanage every aspect of their lives. Though he doesn’t have much screen time as some of the other characters, he always seems to leave an impact on the audience (whether it’s through a memorable quote or making them laugh). Mr. Stratford sets the plot in motion after Bianca expresses her desire to date, and he is opposed to the idea until he comes up with a solution. The only way for Bianca to date is if Kat does too. This leads to a chain reaction of events that results in the eventual resolution of the plot. Another hilarious moment Miller’s character creates is when he forces Bianca to wear a plush pregnancy belly to a party as a way to warn her about the dangers of having “too much fun” while she’s out.

4. Good Lessons in Disguise

When one of the characters has a personality trait that’s seemingly viewed as a disadvantage, I challenge any viewer to try and remember what it was. Cameron’s devotion to Bianca serves as an example—some could argue that Bianca is merely a self-absorbed person and will eventually fall for Cameron after realizing how great he is, which is true, However, normally a character like Cameron wouldn’t address it, and would rather have faith in the person they’re going for. But when he addresses the fact that Bianca played him as a fool, she admits that she was, at first, indeed playing him. Numerous other examples of possible character disadvantages having some form of uncommon attribute to it are scattered throughout the plot.

5. Iconic Scenes

Many of the most memorable scenes throughout this film involve one of Patrick’s antics—our sweetheart disguised as a rebel. When he asked Kat to prom, he serenaded her with “Can’t Take My Eyes Off Of You” in front of everyone on the field during Kat’s soccer practice, has a marching band come out, and was eventually chased down by the school’s security and dragged to detention. This scene is definitely one of *10 Things*’ most well-known moments, and can still make any teenage girl swoon. (Hey, it’s prom season, maybe some boys should take some notes on how to do it from Patrick Verona.) This scene actually leads to another where Kat decides to cleverly break Patrick out of detention... you’ll just have to watch it for yourself! Her relationship with Patrick really starts to blossom after they both publicly embarrassed themselves for each other.

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Dear Daisy

The Marian Gazette is pleased to introduce a new section in which an anonymous student will give a take on issues relevant to St. Mary’s students.

Take it away, “Daisy...”

Hey Lancers,

My name is “Daisy,” and I’m going to have my own column every month called “Dear Daisy.” It will be an anonymous advice column from an anonymous student.

High school is difficult. It’s where you meet lifelong friends, but you may lose some too, drama, grades, relationships, the list goes on and on. We all need as much support as we can get because high school may be some of the most fun years of your life, but it may also be some of the hardest years of your life. That is why I am here, to try to help all of you as much as possible.

I will not be revealing my real name because I believe people may not feel comfortable listening to someone they are not close with discuss personal topics. I will cover a wide variety of things because there is always someone who is going through the same thing. If someone sees that someone else has similar struggles, there is a sense of comfort in not being alone in these things.

I hope you all enjoy the column and know that there will always be someone there for you. You are not alone.

I will also include an inspirational quote at the end of every column relating to the topic I chose to write about for that month. For this month, I figured I would choose one that lends itself to the mission of this column: “Challenges are what makes life interesting and overcoming them is what makes life meaningful.” - Joshua J. Marine

Sincerely,

Daisy

The Quotes Make the Movie

6. Kat Stratford

Now, I may have already talked about the film’s characters before, but, hear me out. Kat Stratford is one of the best (if not the overall best) characters in this movie. She’s not your typical female protagonist in a coming-of-age movie. Kat speaks her mind, isn’t afraid to be aggressive, and doesn’t care what people think of her. She learned her lessons early on, which taught her that just because everyone else is doing something, doesn’t mean she has to as well. This is an important lesson for anyone, not just young girls. Although she already possesses quality traits, she still undergoes character development. Throughout the film and partially thanks to Patrick, she learns that it’s okay to be aware of the fact that you don’t have to be completely different to be yourself; it’s okay to enjoy things that other

people enjoy, and it’s okay to simultaneously hate and love certain things.

7. Quotes

Like any good film, there will be some lines that stick with certain people long after the credits roll. *10 Things* is stacked with memorable lines that range from inspirational to downright hilarious. Personally, my favorite quote is spoken after Mr. Stratford asks Kat if she made anyone cry that day, to which she replies, “Sadly, no, but it’s only 4:30.” The film’s inspirational quotes aren’t delivered in cheesy or stereotypical manner. Rather, audiences have to pay attention in order to catch them, which is the overall beauty of this movie. It’s like a scavenger hunt — look for them!



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Upcoming Events



ST. MARY'S HIGH SCHOOL
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UPCOMING EVENTS

April 13th: Father-Daughter Dance
7:00 p.m.

April 20th: Java Jive
7:00 p.m.

April 23rd: Fashion Show
Doors open at 5:00 p.m.

April 26th: Evening of Fine Arts
Gallery– 6:00 p.m. / Performance– 7:00 p.m.

Tickets on sale NOW in the Main Office!
\$35/ticket

Tickets on sale NOW with Mrs. Roberson!
\$5/ticket

Tickets on sale NOW in the Main Office!
\$45/ticket

Just come and enjoy!

Event Spotlight!

Father Daughter Dance

Friday, April 13th

St. Mary's High School

7:00pm – 10:00pm

\$35 each

Includes food, drinks, entertainment and photo booth!

For more information or to reserve your tickets, please contact:

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Looking forward to seeing you!

School Calendars - April 2018



April 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Easter Sunday	2 NO SCHOOL Easter Recess	3 NO SCHOOL Easter Recess	4 NO SCHOOL Easter Recess	5 NO SCHOOL Easter Recess	6 NO SCHOOL Easter Recess Registration deadline for 5/5 SAT	7
8	9 Classes Resume	10	11 Class Meetings & Easter Liturgy Ext. Homeroom & PM Liturgy Sched	12	13 Father-Daughter Dance 7pm	14 ACT Exam Tropical Dreamin' MS Fundraiser
15	16	17	18 Fac/Staff Meeting 2:30pm	19	20 Java Jive 7pm	21 HSPT Practice Entrance Exam 8-11am
22	23 Fashion Show Doors Open at 5pm	24	25	26 Fine Arts Night -Gallery 6pm -Performance 7pm	27	28
29	30					



ST. MARY'S HIGH SCHOOL

APRIL 2018

Menu is subject to change.



Personal Touch Food Service

Chef Manager:

Ryan Covelli

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
HAPPY EASTER				
9 ITALIAN SAUSAGE HOAGIE w/PEPPERS & ONIONS Tomato & Mozzarella Salad V Macaroni Salad V	10 TACO TUESDAY! TACO IN A BAG Cajun Corn Salad V Cilantro Lime Rice V/WG	11 BAKED PENNE MARINARA w/CHICKEN or STRAWBERRY CHICKEN SALAD Side Salad V Lemon & Garlic Vegetables V	12 National Grilled Cheese Sandwich Day! GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICH V Tomato Soup V Broccoli Salad V	13 BBQ PULLED PORK SANDWICH or BREADED PORK CHOP Coleslaw V Cinnamon Baked Apple V
16 National BLT Sandwich Month! BLT SANDWICH Potato Chips V Tomato & Cucumber Salad V	17 TACO TUESDAY! MEXICAN FIESTA RICE BOWL w/CHICKEN Mexican Style Corn V Nachos Chips V/WG	18 BUTTER & GARLIC TORTELLINI w/GARLIC BREAD V Caesar Salad Italian Baked Vegetables V	19 Build Your Own BURGER BAR Assorted Toppings French Fries V Peach Cobbler V	20 OPEN FACED TURKEY SANDWICH Mashed Potatoes V Cranberry Sauce V
23 MEATBALL BOMBERS or CALIFORNIA CHICKEN SALAD Steak Fries V Balsamic Roasted Vegetables V	24 TACO TUESDAY! TACO SALAD Fiesta Rice V/WG Tropical Fruit Cup V	25 STUFFED SHELLS IN RED SAUCE w/BREADSTICK V Garlic Green Beans V Parmesan Peas V	26 Build Your Own CHICKEN SOUVLAKI SALAD Assorted Toppings Pita Bread V/WG Greek Roasted Potatoes V	27 NO SCHOOL
30 SWEET & SOUR CHICKEN OVER RICE w/ or MANDARIN CHICKEN SALAD Roasted Cauliflower V Mandarin Oranges V	Alyssa's Better Choice Healthy Entrees			
Legend WG = Whole Grain V = Vegetarian* *Allowing milk and egg products				Healthy-licious

SERVED DAILY:	
Entrees	\$ 3.50
Salad - Large V	\$ 3.25
Salad - Small V	\$ 2.15
Fresh made Soup	\$ 1.30
Cold Sub, Wrap	\$ 3.50
Milk 1/2 pint	\$.75
Juice Cup	\$.60
Bottle Water	\$ 1.00
Pizza, all varieties	\$ 2.75
BREAKFAST A LA CARTE	
Breakfast Combo	\$ 3.50
Breakfast Sandwich	\$ 3.30
Breakfast Burrito	\$ 3.25
Bagel with Butter	\$ 1.25
Cream Cheese	\$.60
Hash Brown Sticks	\$ 1.15
French Toast Sticks (5)	\$ 1.95
Greek Yogurt	\$ 1.75
Fresh Fruit Cup	\$ 1.95
Cereal with Milk	\$ 1.40
LUNCH A LA CARTE	
Fresh Baked Cookie	\$.55 or 2/\$1.00
Nachos	\$ 1.75
Bag of Chips	\$ 1.25
Hot Pretzel	\$ 1.35
Fresh Fruit	\$ 1.25
Vegetable of the Day	\$ 1.15

Complete Lunch Includes:

1 Entrée
(Hot Entrée, Pizza Slice, Sub or Wrap)
Choice of Side
Milk or Bottled Water
\$4.30

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