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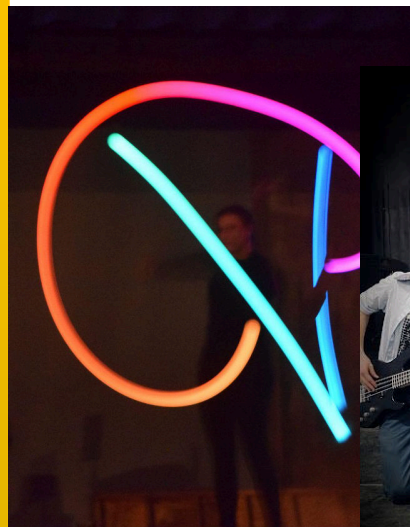


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Talent Show

by Colette Kramer

On Wednesday, March 20th, Seton students performed in and watched our first talent show. Organized by Mr. Heisler and hosted by Amelia Webb and Oscar Barahona, this was an amazing event. Christina Witter, a student in the audience, said, "It was really fun to watch". In all, 21 students performed, astonishing the audience with their impressive, and in some cases, unexpected acts. Claire O'Connor, who stunned the spectators with her impressive ballet alongside pianist Haley Quejada's accompaniment said, "It was a blast! We were all supporting each other and having a great time! Mr. Heisler did a nice job making sure everything went smoothly, and that made the show a lot less stressful. Haley and I loved the opportunity to perform together and show the school what we could do, so overall it was a fantastic experience." The performances were well executed and well received by the attending students and faculty members. Adding to the competition and fun, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes were awarded \$100, \$60, and \$40 respectively. Seven seniors and four faculty members judged the acts, and the competition was fierce. After much deliberation, the judges finally awarded first place to Madelyn Zadnik and the duet of Orla Haggerty and Bella Chau. Second prize went to Gabriel Hambleton, Walter Saffian, and Ryan Baughman for their musical performance. Third place was presented to Claire O'Connor and Haley Quejada. When asked whether the talent show was to become an annual event, Mr. Heisler answered, "As of now, we are hoping to make it an annual event. The joy and cheer it brought the student body was exactly what we were hoping for...a reminder that Lent is a joyful season of penance, NOT a miserable one!" Hopefully this fun and enjoyable event continues to bring joy to the Seton community for years.



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The Week of Preparation

by Teresa Curran

Holy Week is one of the most sacred times of the liturgical year. Though it is celebrated by Catholics everywhere, many don't know the significance of the days preceding Easter.

Palm Sunday, the first day of Holy Week, reminds us of the day that Jesus came to Jerusalem, welcomed by the laying down of palms at his feet. Because of this, Catholics hold palms on Palm Sunday. This is a reminder that those who praised Jesus as the "Son of David" put Him to death less than a week later.

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday are days of preparing for the Triduum. Many people begin their spring cleaning on these days as both a physical and symbolic way of cleaning for Our Lord. Wednesday is given the name "Spy Wednesday" because tradition says that Judas betrayed Jesus on this day for 30 pieces of silver.

Holy Thursday, the first day of the Triduum, reminds us of the day of Jesus' agony at the Last Supper. The Last Supper was when Jesus instituted the Eucharist, and is therefore an important moment in the Catholic faith. Jesus also began the priesthood on the night before his death. After Mass on Holy Thursday, the Eucharist is moved from the tabernacle and the cloths on the altar are removed for the solemn Good Friday liturgy.

Good Friday services are usually held at 3:00, traditionally the time that Jesus died. Good Friday is the day of Jesus' Passion, death, and burial. The Stations of the Cross are usually said on this day as a meditation on Our Lord's death.

Holy Saturday is a day of waiting, and many people remember the Apostles and Mary, who hid in sorrow after our Lord's death. Easter Sunday is the victorious end to Holy Week, and is celebrated by Mass and family gatherings.

We pray that Holy Week will be a time of great preparation so that we are ready for the Lord when he rises again.



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Starting a Vocational Journey

by Luke Griffin

On March 14th, the male students of Seton gathered in the gymnasium for their annual retreat. This year Seton hosted Fr. Ricardo Pineda. The retreat was a religious getaway for the boys to jumpstart their path on their vocations, and help protect against the sins against chastity. Included in this retreat were talks, singing, holy hour, a lunch break, prayer walks, and mass.

The retreat started off with taking roles and announcements. Then the priest, Fr. Ricardo Pineda, was introduced. Father started with a bang. He got the boys singing songs about their faith and the "Fathers of Mercy", and had them clapping along to the beat. Father gave a talk on the group he was with, "The Fathers of Mercy", and how they're traveling priests that give talks to warn young men about the evils of pornography (call [502-909-2138](tel:502-909-2138) if you're struggling and need help). He then gave a talk on chastity and put into perspective pornography, saying that it is abusing women, and leads to murder. He also mentioned how fornication is using the other person selfishly for your own pleasure.

Next was a Holy Hour, where the boys were free to pray or go to Confession. The line for confession was so long that students such as seventh-grader Nathaniel Smith and freshman Joe Witter "had to wait almost 2 hours to receive the sacrament." After Holy Hour was the most popular period of the day, lunch, the Seton boys ate in the lunchroom, Faustina, or outside in the beautiful weather. After they ate, the boys either played sports behind the school or prayed in the Seton chapel. The following segment was prayer walks. The boys separated into grades and walked around the Seton Campus while praying the rosary. The classes then went back to the gym where Father gave a short talk and sang a funny song, a parody of the "Greatest Showman" about the mass, and the Eucharist is the greatest show of all, before starting the final station, mass. When mass was over, everyone was dismissed and sent home.

It was an interesting day for the Seton boys, with many mixed opinions on how the retreat went. Seventh grader Daniel Kohlhaas summed it up saying, "I almost fell asleep, but the singing was funny." Father Ricardo Pineda stated that the boys were "welcoming," and described the crowd as, "pretty receptive." The Seton Boy's Retreat was a good way for the boys to realize what it means to be a man, to prepare them for the world outside of Seton, and to hopefully bring them closer to God.



Seton School at VEX States

by Gabriel Marm

Every year in Doswell, Virginia, the Virginia VEX Robotics State Championship is held. Since its start in 2014, Virginia States has risen to become one of the largest and most well-run VRC (Vex Robotics Competition) events in the world. Seton School has traditionally had a very strong VEX club, with six State Champion titles in 10 years, and this year, five of our eight teams qualified for States. On March 1st and 2nd, these competitive teams were ready to work their hardest for the highest goal: The World Championship.



To qualify for Worlds is not an easy task. You must be in the top 10% of all teams in Virginia, and then place well in the States Tournament. However, States this year was plagued with an issue that ruined many good teams' chances to qualify for Worlds. It was a fairly complicated and sporadic issue, mainly caused by improperly set up field controllers. These field controllers are responsible for keeping all 4 robots (playing in a 2v2 match) connected to the playing field, and should keep the game running smoothly. However,

these incorrectly set up field controllers caused many teams to randomly disconnect from the fields and render their robot useless for most of the match. If one robot is disconnected for even part of a match, the team will lose much more easily. There were many teams who lost their chance for a Worlds spot because of this issue. It was challenging for many teams to persevere through the tournament, knowing that achieving a Worlds spot was quickly becoming impossible.

It was even more frustrating for teams when they were told by the event managers that the malfunction was "A you problem." But connection issues for 25% of all participating teams at States cannot possibly be individual problems. In the end, all of Seton's teams and their competitors performed to the best of their ability, despite the issues. This alone is something to be proud of.



A Day of Faith

by Christina Curran

Each school year Seton hosts a retreat for its students. This year the girls' retreat was held on Friday, March 15. Fr. Ricardo led the students, 7th through 12th grade girls, on the retreat, which went from 8:15 to 3:00. Father Ricardo was born into a Catholic family, and he began to hear a call to the priesthood at the early age of six. Through high school and into college, Fr. Ricardo continued his discernment more seriously. During his second year of college at the University of Notre Dame he firmly decided that the priesthood would make him most happy, because he understood that it was God's will for him. Fr. Ricardo graduated in May of 2008 and joined the Fathers of Mercy in July of the same year. In 2013, Fr. Ricardo graduated from Holy Apostles College and Seminary, and he was ordained a priest in 2013.



The day of retreat began with Fr. Ricardo Pineda's introduction and his talk on vocations to all the students. He included many original songs that explained his points of teaching. The students all took a short break during which they were offered confession in the Seton chapel. The girls were then broken up into junior high students and high school students. The junior high girls then were given a talk on God's gifts for us, while the high school girls were given a talk on chastity. After this, Eucharistic Adoration was given for an hour while Fr. Vander Woude and Fr Ricardo heard more confessions. The retreat then broke for lunch, a time for the girls to spend time with each other after prayer. After lunch, each class was led by a chaperone on a walk around the Seton campus while saying a rosary. The retreat ended with a talk on the value and importance of the mass, followed by mass. The retreat was a beautiful way for the students to take a break from academics and focus on their relationships with Christ. When asked what the best part of the retreat was, sophomores Mary Catherine and Rose agreed that Fr. Ricardo's singing was their favorite, Nora Blanchette said that the rosary was her favorite part, and Mary Claire Osilka said that, "Adoration was really nice because the monstrance isn't always exposed in the chapel."



Remember the Sues

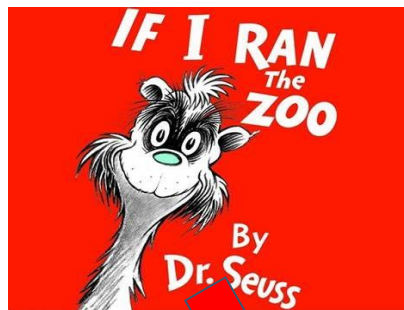
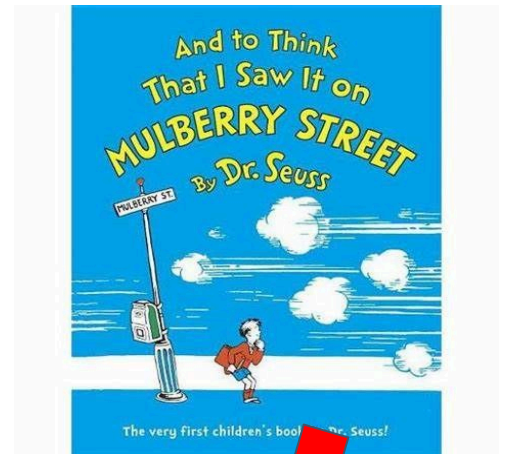
by Luke Griffin

[Dr. Theodore Seuss Geisel](#), better known by his pen name Dr. Seuss, is a popular children's book author. He is known for his clever rhyming, strange worlds, and fantastical characters. He wrote more than 60 books and has 8 original movies; plus, 13 movie reruns. Some of his classic books include: "Green Eggs in Ham", "On Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish", "Fox in Socks", "Cat in the Hat", "How the Grinch Stole Christmas", "The Lorax", "Horton Hears a Who", and several more.

Dr. Seuss was born in Springfield, Massachusetts on March 2, 1904. His first book, "A, B, C, Book of Creatures" was published in 1931. He and his first wife, Helen Marion Palmer, could never have children, and this is likely the reason why he wrote so many books for children. Dr. Seuss was famous for saying, "you make them, I'll amuse them." He remarried, after Helen died, to Audrey Dimond in 1968, and adopted Audrey's two daughters.

Even though Dr. Seuss has many comical and beloved characters, a few have sparked controversy with how they have portrayed certain races. Several of Dr. Seuss' books have now ceased printing due to "racist imagery." Six books, in total, are no longer being published because they portray "unfair stereotypes." These six books are "If I Ran the Zoo", "And to Think That I Saw It on Mulberry Street", "McElligot's Pool", "Oh Beyond Zebra!", "Scrambled Eggs Super!", and "The Cat's Quizzer".

Theodore is also well known for the quote, "A person's a person, no matter how small," which comes from his book, "Horton Hears a Who." Some pro-life enthusiasts have taken this quote as a rallying point to save unborn children. This makes good sense since the quote puts into perspective the evils of abortion. The funny thing is, that Dr. Seuss was a radical liberal and probably would have supported abortion. It is ironic that a quote from his book is being used against a thing he most likely would have supported.



Easter Recipes

by Teresa Curran

Many households have desserts that they make at Easter time as a tradition. Trying new recipes is always a fun way to spend the time off from school, and a fun activity for the whole family. This bunny cake is something that can be made quickly and easily, with great results! Try this recipe and dessert will be a favorite.

<https://www.thepioneerwoman.com/food-cooking/recipes/a42920630/bunny-cake-recipe>



As an alternative, this bunny cake recipe uses homemade carrot cake, and creates a more impressive display. Though a little more difficult, the end result is worth it.

<https://www.delish.com/cooking/recipe-ideas/a43045361/bunny-cake-recipe/>



These Lemon- Blueberry Blondies bring out the flavor of spring. With a delicious lemon drizzle, these bars will be a hit at a party or family gathering.

<https://www.delish.com/cooking/recipe-ideas/a42959161/lemon-blueberry-blondies-recipe/>

Hot Cross Buns are traditionally eaten at Easter time, and can be eaten at any time of day. This recipe is a classic way to celebrate the end of Lent.

<https://www.delish.com/cooking/recipe-ideas/recipes/a52182/hot-cross-buns-recipe/>



These coconut macaroons are perfect for a sugary snack. It would be a great treat for Easter brunch, and they are gluten free.

<https://www.delish.com/cooking/recipe-ideas/recipes/a52234/ultimate-macaroon-s-recipe/>



These recipes are great options for large gatherings or small family parties, and this time in the kitchen can be a great way to spend time together as a family. Whichever recipe you choose to make, Easter will be a sugary success!

St. Patty's Day Parade

by Monica Smith

The St. Patrick's Day Parade is held every year in Old Town, Manassa Virginia. This is to celebrate the wonderful Saint Patrick on his feast day. Saint Patrick was an Irish bishop in Ireland who professed the Catholic faith. The parade had multiple Irish dance companies and Irish marching bands. The bands played bagpipes and fun traditional music.

People were dressed up in different costumes depending on what they were advertising. Many families and friends use this opportunity to get out of the house and do something fun with the whole family. Most years, the weather is chilly. This year in particular, it was cold and rainy. Although the weather was disappointing, this did not stop hundreds of people from watching and/or participating in the parade.

It was very well attended, with people lining the streets to see as the parade passed by. This showed the true patriotism and support of the Irish! The Saint Patrick's Day Parade is held every year and was on the 9th of March this year. The parade is always a fun experience, so get ready for next year!

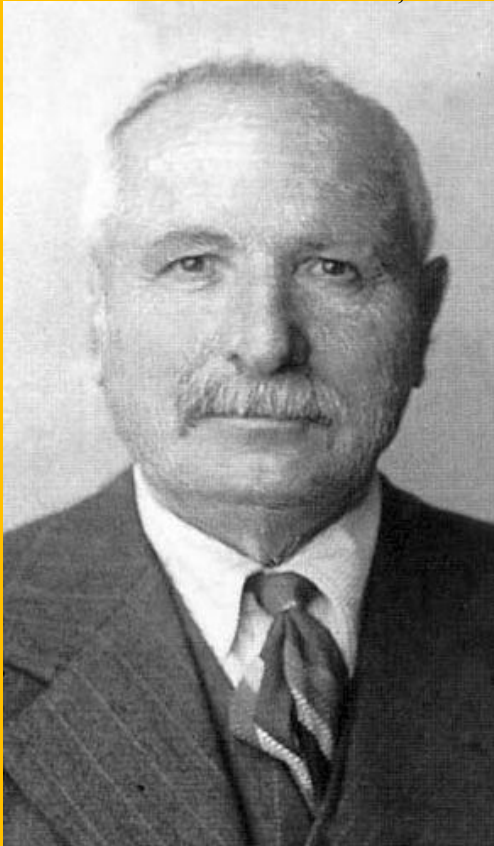


Obscure March Saints

by Christina Curran

There are many well-known saints whose feast days are in March, such as Saint Patrick and Saint Joseph. However, there are many other inspiring saints who are also honored in March. It is always important to learn about the little-known lives of those who have witnessed to the faith.

Blessed Giuseppina Catanea, whose feast day is celebrated on March 14, is a beautiful example of a modern saint who lived a simple life for God. Giuseppina was born into an Italian noble family on February 18, 1894. From an early age, she was known for being a pious girl with a strong devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Holy Eucharist. She was diagnosed with a heart disease, known as angina pectoris, and she later suffered from tuberculosis which confined her to a wheelchair. Even with these hardships, Giuseppina joined the Carmelite order against her family's wishes in 1918. She was miraculously cured of her ailments after receiving multiple visions of St Francis Xavier. Her sudden healing brought many curious people who wanted to meet Giuseppina. She later started a house of Discalced Carmelites with the permission of Pope Pius XI, where she took the name Sr. Maria Giuseppina of Jesus Crucified. In her later life, she wrote a spiritual journal and an autobiography, as directed by her spiritual director. She died on March 14, 1848 in Naples, Italy.



Saint Artemide Zatti was born on October 12, 1890, in Northern Italy. He was one of three sons of Albino Vecchi and Luigi Zatti. Due to the family's poverty, Artemide had to drop out of school at the age of nine and began working to help his family. His family later moved to Buenos Aires for work where he began to work at a tile factory, and he was able to attend school, which was run by Salesians. Due to their influence, he entered the seminary of the Salesians at the age of 20. While caring for a sick man, Artemide contracted tuberculosis and was sent to the hospital with little chance of survival. He prayed to Our Lady, Help of Christians, and promised to dedicate his life to caring for the sick if he were healed. Artemide was miraculously healed, and he began working in the San Jose pharmacy soon after. He later was put in charge of the hospital, where he spent much of his time caring for the patients there, The hospital was later named after him. Saint Artemide died on March 15, 1951, in Argentina. His feast is celebrated on March 15.

Blessed Giuseppina Catanea and Saint Artemide Zatti are just two examples of the many obscure Catholic saints. Through their example, many people can learn the value of suffering and may be encouraged to strive for higher levels of holiness. Blessed Giuseppina Catanea and Saint Artemide

Zatti, pray for us.

Marvelous March Saints

by Emily Coreas

In the fifth century, a missionary named Patrick traveled to Ireland to spread Catholicism. With the help of God, he achieved his goal very so effectively, that he became the patron saint in Ireland. As a boy, Patrick was kidnapped and taken to Ireland as a slave. He converted to Christianity during his six-year captivity in Ireland, but eventually escaped. After making his getaway, he returned to Ireland as a missionary to spread the word of Catholicism. He mixed Christian sacrament with pagan beliefs in his teachings to explain God in a way the Irish could understand. He was a revered figure in both the Catholic and Christian faiths, and especially in Ireland. He passed away in 461 AD, and later became known as Saint Patrick. On March 17, Saint Patrick's feast day, he is celebrated globally every year.

On March 19th, is the feast day of another highly revered saint, Saint Joseph. This day celebrates St. Joseph, Jesus' earthly foster father and the husband of the Virgin Mary. Joseph was a humble man. He was a carpenter and taught Jesus the skills of carpentry. Joseph was an amazing father figure for Jesus. There's a reason God trusted Joseph to care for His son on earth. It was Joseph's job to protect Jesus and the Blessed Virgin, and to love Jesus as his son. He is the Patron of fathers, workers, the unborn, and the Universal Church.



“Saint Joseph, patron of the universal Church, watch over the Church as carefully as you watched over Jesus, help protect it and guide it as you did with your adopted son. Amen”



Stations and Soup Supper

by Colette Kramer

For years, Seton has hosted Stations followed by a soup supper on a Friday in Lent. Various members of the Seton community turned out on March 8th for this annual gathering. The stations themselves, led by Deacon Brian Majewski from All Saints, were a beautiful and inspiring devotion. The reverent atmosphere was uplifting to all who attended as students, teachers, and families participated in the Stations of the Cross. Directly following Stations, everyone participated in a soup supper in Faustina. Over twenty different pots of soup were shared, along with bread, fruit and salad. When asked which soup was her favorite, Mrs. Carroll responded that she enjoyed “Mrs. Halisky’s butternut squash soup” most. Sophomores, Monica Smith and Pilar Prevoznik, liked the tortellini soup and the lobster bisque, while Mr. Maher preferred the potato soup. Many students enjoy Stations every year and love coming with their families. Several teachers attended this event including Mr. Pennefather, Mrs. Carroll, Mr. Westhoff, Mr. and Mrs. Vander Woude, and Mr. Maher. After everyone had eaten, families lingered in Faustina and the gym, talking and having fun. Stations of the Cross is a traditional devotion which helps us to meditate on Christ’s passion. Seton’s yearly Stations and soup supper is an exceptional way to prepare our minds and souls for the Triduum, in addition to being an enjoyable experience for all involved.



Spring Cleaning Tips

by Emily Coreas

Deep cleaning is a good thing to do when spring rolls around. Of course everyone generally cleans all year round, but here are some areas of a home that are usually forgotten.

Baseboards are at the bottom of a house and are supposed to protect the walls from damage. This area often has a lot of dust buildup. It is overlooked and needs to be cleaned. This is how baseboards could be cleaned:

- Wipe the dust with a vacuum or a cloth.
- Use a mixture of warm water and dish soap and dip a sponge into the mixture and scrub the baseboards.

Walls of a house are forgotten as well sometimes. It is nice to freshen up a room with this cleaning tip:

- Dust the wall to remove any dust particles or cobwebs.
- Use soap and water mixture on a cloth and wash the wall.
- Dry the wall carefully with a cloth

Window Screens are a good place to deep clean. There can be a buildup of dust, cobwebs, and pollen. This is a good area to get cleaned for the spring:

- Remove the screen and vacuum it or dust it.
- To clean the screens fully, a mixture of soap and water and wipe the screens clean.
- Then dry the screens

Cleaning the ceiling fan is a good thing to do for fresh and dust free air.

- Cleaning the fan with a cloth helps with the dust



The Annunciation

by Allison Quispe

The Annunciation is a very important event in Catholic tradition. It is the moment when the archangel Gabriel visited the Virgin Mary to announce that she would conceive and give birth to Jesus, the Son of God. This encounter is very significant, as demonstrated in the Gospel of Luke, when it proclaims the Annunciation to be the Incarnation of God. Gabriel's message to Mary was extraordinary and filled with divine purpose. Mary responded with humility and acceptance, expressing her willingness to be a part of God's plan. Her response, "Let it be done to me according to your word," displays her faith and obedience to God's will.

The Annunciation continues to be celebrated by Catholics worldwide, as a moment of awe and wonder, and celebrating Mary's obedience to God and her trust in His plan. It serves as an inspiration for believers to trust in God's guidance and to be willing ministers of His Love in the world. And although we are not obligated to go to mass on this feast day, we should go as an action of love towards God and His Blessed Mother!



Movie Review: The Patriot

by Gabe Marm

Disclaimer: This review contains spoilers. The Patriot is rated R for violence, so younger audiences should watch it through filters such as PluggedIn or VidAngel.

Today we will discuss the award-winning classic starring Mel Gibson, The Patriot. The story is set in 1776 in South Carolina, where a father of seven and French and Indian War veteran Benjamin Martin is trying to avoid the war at all costs. His wife is dead, and he claimed that he needed to be a father to his children. His mindset rapidly changes when the brutal British Col. Tavington captures his eldest son, kills the next oldest and burns his house to the ground. He rescued his oldest son and killed off an entire platoon of the British. He then brings his 5 younger children to stay with his sister-in-law, while he leads a division of British-fighting renegades.

Positive Elements:

Throughout the film, Ben remains steadfast in his Christian faith, praying for forgiveness and protection in battle. The American soldiers display courage and selflessness throughout the movie, often risking their lives to protect their brothers.

Negative Elements:

Some of the men who fight with Ben fight to avenge their families and friends who were killed by the British. There are scenes of gratuitous violence, including men getting shot, mutilated and blown up. There is also a scene where the cruel Col. Tavington burns a church with the wives and children of the American Soldiers inside. The gory battle scenes are meant to show the cruelty and brutality of war, and that it is by no means glorious.

In conclusion, The Patriot is well worth watching. The movie is ranked with other timeless classics like Braveheart and Gladiator. The movie is coupled beautifully with a compelling John Williams score, which makes the movie all the more entertaining.



Spring Outfits

by: Monica Smith

How many times have you looked in your closet at the beginning of a new season and thought, "I need something to wear." Spring is here, and you might need some new ideas for a modest yet adorable spring outfit. Firstly: pants paired with a cute top. Pants are a cute way to start off the spring season. The weather isn't perfect and can get chilly, so shorts might not be in yet. Pants are a good alternative to be more comfy and warmer until the weather gets nicer.



Second: dresses are a cute way to get dressed up for special occasions but still be in the right season. Long dresses or knee length can be very flattering in the spring season. Floral patterns and designs are very popular this time of year, especially with flowers blooming in this season.



Third: skirts are similar to dresses. The floral patterns and designs are also very flattering. Skirts that go down to mid-calf are very popular and easy to find. Flowy skirts are fun to wear, and modest.



It is always fun to get new outfits for the different seasons, but can be hard to find modest and flattering clothes. Below are some websites and stores to check out. Browsing on pinterest is a great way to find cute clothing and new inspiration for the spring season.

Websites and stores to look at are: Old Navy, Amazon, TJMAXX, Kohls



ONE LAST SEASON

by: Allison Quispe



This year Seton girls spring sports teams are featuring: Varsity, JV and Junior High Soccer and Softball.

VARSITY SOFTBALL

This year's coaches for Varsity are Coach Lalli and Coach Gross. So far they have played two games, one against Oakrest School on March 19 with a big win of 30-3 and a sad loss against Fredericksburg Christian School on March 21 with a score of 3-14. We have many seniors on the team this year including Josseline Avila, Bella Clune, Addison Cobos, Amelia Geary, Jo Hartung, Elizabeth Martello, Elisabeth Reese, Julia Starrs, Cate Waldron, and Cat Witter.



VARSITY SOCCER

The varsity team's coaches are Coach Burgess, and Coach Duran. The team has played 5 games so far, one against Meridian High School on March 15, another one at Trinity Meadow View on March 19, another on March 21 against Fredericksburg Christian, one more at Trinity Christian on March 26, and the most recent one against Oakcrest School on April 9 all five of these games have been losses. Although these girls have had a rough start in the beginning, we pray that they have a better season in the end. The seniors who are playing this year are Julia Atkinson, Mary Curran, Catherine DeWolf, and Lily Vander Woude.



SPORTS COLUMN

JV SOFTBALL

Mr. Gross coaches the JV Softball team, and so far they have had one game so far. On April 18th was their first home game of the season against Fredericksburg Christian School and the score was 6-15.



JV SOCCER

The JV soccer coaches this season are Coach Heisler, Coach Russo, and Coach Quispe. The JV team started off with a great win of 4-2 against King Abdullah Academy on March 25, and had a follow up game on March 26 against Trinity Meadow View with a close score of 0-1, and their most recent game against Oakcrest that had an upsetting loss of 0-5.

JH SOCCER

The JH soccer coaches are Coach Gomez and Coach Grinder. So far the Junior High team has had 3 games, one against Fredericksburg Christian School on March 21, with an awesome score of 4-2, another against Trinity Christian on March 26 with a close game of 1-2, and their most recent one on April 9 against Highland HS with a beautiful win of 5-1.



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SERVIN' UP SPRING SPORTS

by: Victor Henry



VARSIITY TENNIS

Seton's Tennis team has expanded the eight-man roster to a twelve-man this year, allowing for more players to represent their school. This was a good addition, because the team lost no seniors this year, so all eight players from last year continue to play on the team. Some notable players include the #1 seed James Rowzie, and Philip, Luke, Michael, and Nick VanderWoude, who all exchange the rest of the top five seeds week to week. At the time of this writing, the team is 2-3. A challenge this team will have is the unavailability of their home court for official matches. Due to issues with the net and pavement on the court, the Seton Tennis team will most likely have to play the rest of their season on foreign courts. We will have to wait and see how Coach Rowzie and assistant Joe Rowzie handle this issue, and handle the team for the rest of the season.

CATCHING THE SPIRIT

by: Victor Henry



JV AND VARSITY BASEBALL

The Junior Varsity and Varsity baseball teams this year are very similar in almost all aspects. Both teams are coached by Steve Clune, and the rosters are almost identical. The only difference of rosters are two 8th graders on JV, and 3 seniors on Varsity. The JV team stands undefeated for now at 1-0, while Varsity stands at 1-2. The boys have to play twice as many games and practices because of the team overlap, which shows true commitment. The star pitchers for these teams are sophomores Robbie Gasser and James Knight. I hope to see these Baseball teams succeed in the near future, and for the hard work of these players to pay off.

JUNIOR HIGH BASEBALL

The Junior High team, coached by Coach Kevin Clune, has had a rocky start to the season. At the time of this writing, they are 0-1, with a loss to Fredericksburg Christian by 13 runs. The team's starting pitchers are Rafe Clune and Joe Witter. Coach Clune must learn to work with the abundance of rookies on the team in order to start winning.

White Christmas Cover Art Contest

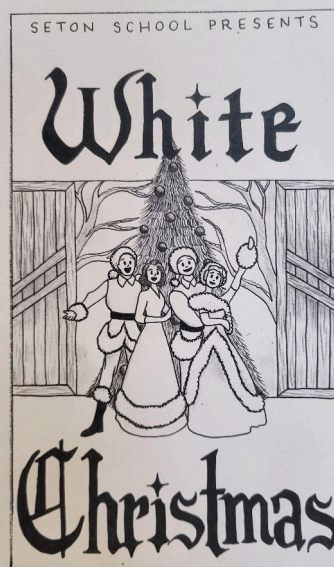
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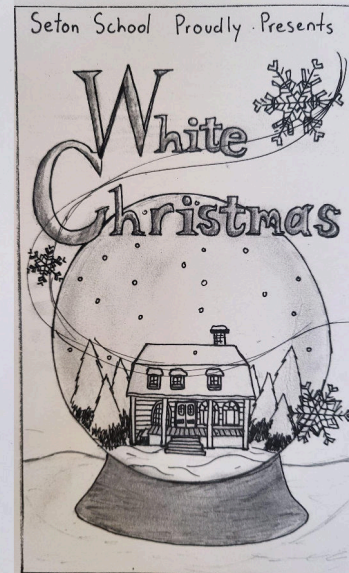
1st Prize - Anna Allen



2nd Prize - Anneliese Orr



3rd - Haley Fifield



3rd - Lily Griffin



Honorable Mention - Christina Wither



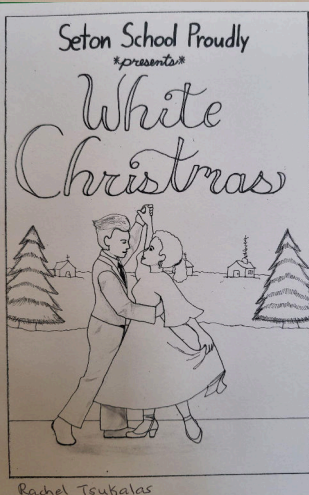
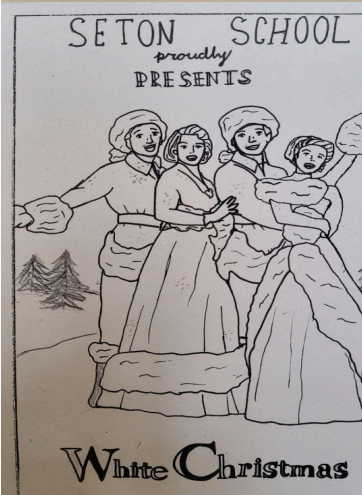
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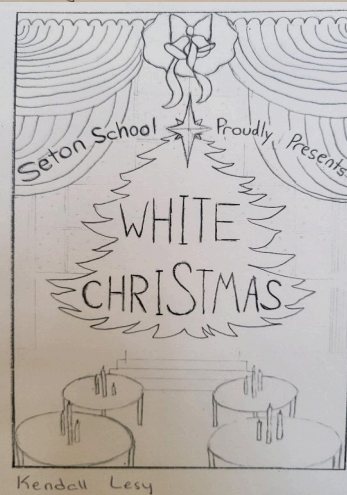
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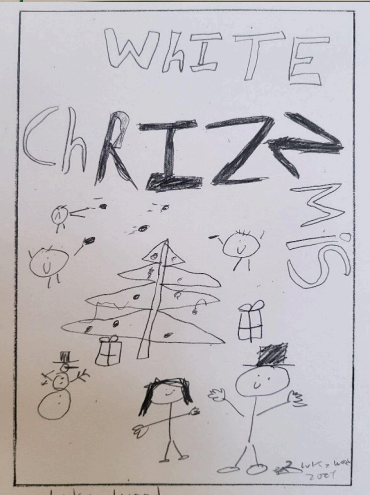
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