



## FEATURED ARTWORK

INTERVIEW BY LAUREN DRAKE  
ARTICLE BY MAY KOHLER

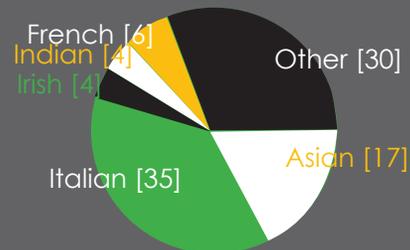
**Artist:** Jarren Hutcherson  
**Title:** "Color Wheel Project"  
**Medium:** Colored Pencils

Jarren Hutcherson illustrated this piece because "Nobody else chose an animal, so I thought it would be cool if I did one." He found pictures of iguanas on the internet which he used as his model. For him, art is very enjoyable. Another medium he likes working with is clay; he especially likes making sculptures.

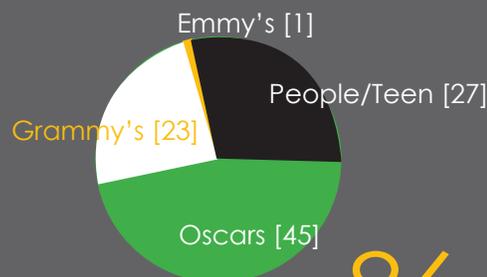
## POLL

BY RACHEL COMANDE

WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE KIND OF CULTURAL FOOD?



WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE AWARD SHOW?



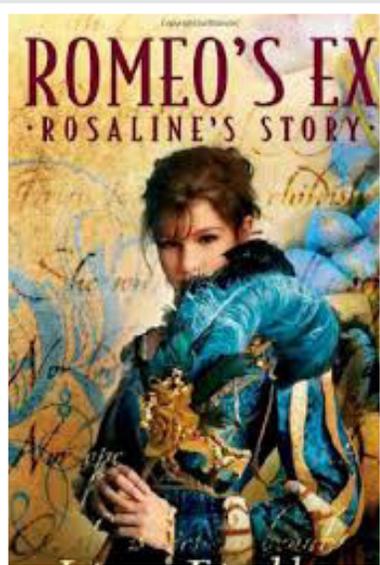
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RESPONSES

## ATTENTION ARTISTS & WRITERS

We would love to feature your comic, drawing, photo or creative writing piece. Please send it to [newspaper@saintcats.org](mailto:newspaper@saintcats.org) for consideration.

## BOOK REVIEW

BY REAGAN MCKEOWN



**Title:** *Romeo's Ex: Rosaline's Story*

**Author:** Lisa Fielder

**Suggested For:** Those looking for a challenge

**Summary:** Take a closer look inside the classic story, *Romeo and Juliet*, from the eyes of a different person. Rosaline is Juliet's cousin and will do anything to be the local healer. While attending a ball, Rosaline meets a charming young man named Benvolio. Will this budding romance turn into something more, and could it get in the way of Rosaline's future? Where Romeo's poetry failed, could Benvolio's sincerity steal Rosaline's heart? Find out in *Romeo's Ex: Rosaline's Story*.

**Rating (RM):** 4.7/5 **Lexile:** 910 **Genre:** Historical Fiction

“THE AUTHOR OF THIS BOOK DOES A WONDERFUL JOB RETELLING THE TRAGIC LOVE STORY OF ROMEO AND JULIET FROM A DIFFERENT POINT OF VIEW.”

-Lauren Chiappetta



# SPORTS

 BY BELLA DOMANICO

The MS Cheer and Poms (choms) teams are working hard this season. Their practices consist of both cheer and poms and go from 2:30 to 5:00. Currently, the teams are working on their competition dances. For those of you that don't know, there are two cheer/pom squads. One squad is made up of 6th graders, and the other is a combined squad of 7th and 8th graders. The 7/8th grade squad is excited for their upcoming competition on March 21. "I'm a cheerleader from bow to toe!" remarks Cynthia Vargas. Taylor Borzych says to "Keep your head high, keep your confidence higher, and keep your bow highest." Wise words to keep in mind. On that note, wish the "choms" girls good luck on their upcoming competitions.



Andy,  
What exactly is "maturity?"

Sincerely,  
Definitions Count

Dear Definitions Count,

The dictionary's definition of maturity is the state, fact, or period of being mature—that doesn't really give us much information on what "maturity" means. From my experience in life, maturity means when someone is responsible enough to know what's right and doesn't always go with whatever his or her peers think. For illustration: if someone was telling nasty rumors about someone else, the mature person would not take part in the rumor spreading.

Good luck,  
*Andy*

Please Put your anonymous questions in the advice box in the office for a chance for your question to appear in an issue of Wings.

## ANDY ADVICE: WE HAVE SOME TIPS AND TRICKS FOR THE ROAD AHEAD SO LISTEN UP!

Learning to be mature can be a tough thing. In most cases, being mature means to be respectful, insightful, and charitable. Lots of teachers want their students to be more mature; if you listen to their classroom rules, many of their rules define what maturity means. For people who are struggling with becoming mature and acting their age, please keep in mind that the older a person acts, the more respect that person receives. If someone acts like a five-year-old, that's exactly how they're going to be treated. If a person acts mature like an adult, that person will probably be treated and referenced to, like an adult. There's a quote out there that I don't know the author of, but it says, "teenagers are expected to act like an adult, but are treated like a kid." My dad says that this is a perfect example—adults expect teenagers to act like adults, but too many teenagers crack inappropriate jokes, purposely rebel against rules, and gossip unnecessarily about their classmates. I believe that some people act younger than they are because they want to fit in, or at least feel some sort of "placement" among their peers.

## FUN FACTS

 BY LAUREN CHIAPPETTA

In Irish folklore, there are only male leprechauns--sorry females.

# FLASHBACK

BY SAMANTHA DE GUIRE

During the week of February 9-13, we celebrated Winter Formal week. On Monday, we went all out with wacky and mismatched clothing. Tuesday rolled around and we calmed down a bit and twinned with our friends or family members. The 7th and 8th graders went outside to play in the snowy coldness. On Wednesday, we had a pajama day! The Middle School Dodgeball Teams also went head to head in a dodgeball battle. In the end, there was the 6th and 7th grades against the 8th grade with a new rule: no blocking. Thursday was #throwbackthursday and everyone dressed from the past--60's, 70's, 80's, and 90's. We also saw the Seniors play the Juniors and the Staff/Faculty of St. Cat's. On Friday, we wrapped up the week with spirit wear and jeans. Wow, lots of activities right?



# UPCOMING EVENTS

BY EMMA SCOTT

**THURSDAY, MARCH 12TH -  
SATURDAY, MARCH 14TH**

- SPRING MUSICAL:  
CINDERELLA 7 P.M.

**SUNDAY, MARCH 15TH**

- SPRING MUSICAL:  
CINDERELLA 2 P.M.
- SOFTBALL OPEN GYM

**MONDAY, MARCH 16TH**

- NO SCHOOL

**TUESDAY, MARCH 17TH**

- ST. PATRICK'S DAY

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18TH**

- ALL SCHOOL LITURGY

**SATURDAY, MARCH 21ST**

- MIDDLE SCHOOL CHEER AND  
POMS COMPETITION

**FRIDAY, MARCH 27TH**

- NO SCHOOL

**SATURDAY, MARCH 28TH**

- FORENSICS STATE
- BLACK AND WHITE BALL

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1ST**

- APRIL FOOL'S DAY

**THURSDAY, APRIL 2ND**

- ALL SCHOOL STATIONS OF THE  
CROSS

**FRIDAY, APRIL 3RD**

- GOOD FRIDAY
- START OF EASTER BREAK

**SUNDAY, APRIL 6TH**

- EASTER

**MONDAY, APRIL 13TH**

- SCHOOL RESUMES

**HAVE  
A GOOD  
EASTER!**

# HISTORY HYPE

BY REAGAN  
MCKEOWN

The life of St. Patrick is very interesting and many people don't know about it. Make sure to share these facts with everyone on St. Patrick's Day, coming up on March 17.

St. Patrick was born in England in the year 385 A.D. His parents were related to royalty. When he turned 16 years old, he was kidnapped by pirates who took him to Ireland, where he was sold as a slave. After 6 years of herding sheep, he, and some other slaves, escaped. St. Patrick was given the idea of how to escape in a dream from God. He and the other slaves took a boat to England and then walked about 200 miles until he found his family. He saw his enslavement as a test from God and converted to Christianity.

Once returning home, St. Patrick decided to go to France to become a priest. After entering priesthood, St. Patrick was sent by Pope Celestine to return to Ireland to convert many pagans to Christianity.

St. Patrick died in the year 461 A.D., and although he was never officially declared a Pope, he is on the list of Saints. St. Patrick was also named a Saint in Heaven by many churches. We can learn a lot about devotion and faith to God by looking to St. Patrick.

"St. Patrick." Bio. A&E Television Networks, 2015. Web. 25 Feb. 2015.



# MRS. THERESA

## DIXON INTERVIEW BY RACHEL COMANDE



ON TUESDAY MARCH 3, I HAD THE GREAT PRIVILEGE TO INTERVIEW MRS. THERESA DIXON. MRS. DIXON IS ONE OF THE MIDDLE SCHOOL ENGLISH TEACHERS HERE AT ST. CATHERINE'S. SHE WOULD DESCRIBE HERSELF AS SMART, PASSIONATE, AND SCATTERED. HER FAVORITE SUBJECT IN SCHOOL WAS ENGLISH, BECAUSE SHE ENJOYED THE READING AND WRITING ASPECT OF IT. MRS. DIXON ALSO ENJOYED SOCIAL STUDIES, BECAUSE IT WAS FILLED WITH STORIES.

WHEN IT CAME TO HER FAVORITE COLOR, YELLOW FILLS THAT POSITION FOR TWO REASONS: YOU CAN'T BE UPSET AROUND THE COLOR YELLOW, AND IT LOOKS HORRIFIC ON HER SISTERS. "I MADE THEM WEAR IT TO MY WEDDING...WHICH MADE ME LOOK REALLY GOOD." SHE LOVES WATCHING CHRISTMAS THEMED MOVIES: "I'M A SUCKER FOR THE CHRISTMAS MOVIES," BUT HER FAVORITE MOVIE IS *WHEN HARRY MET SALLY*. "THE MOVIE ITSELF IS REALLY FUN, BUT MY FAVORITE PART OF IT IS WHEN ALL THE OLD PEOPLE SIT NEXT TO EACH OTHER AND TELL THEIR STORY OF HOW THEY MET THEIR HUSBAND." THE MOVIE REMINDS HER OF HOW SHE MET HER HUSBAND, TIM. SHE ALSO ENJOYS THE COMEDY, *SPIES LIKE US*.

IF MRS. DIXON COULD BE AN ANIMAL FOR A DAY, SHE WOULD BE AN ELEPHANT BECAUSE THEY ARE GENTLE BUT INTIMIDATING. SHE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHAT IT MIGHT FEEL LIKE "TO BE BIGGER THAN EVERYONE ELSE." WHEN IT COMES TO HER TASTE IN MUSIC, MRS. DIXON ENJOYS COUNTRY MUSIC. "IT'S NOT SOMETHING I TELL EVERYBODY BECAUSE THEY MAKE FUN OF ME FOR IT." "MAKES ME WANT TO TAKE A BACKROAD" BY RODNEY ATKINS IS HER FAVORITE SONG.

OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL, MRS. DIXON ENJOYS READING, WRITING TWO BLOGS (ALTHOUGH SHE'S ONLY KEEPING UP WITH ONE OF THEM), AND COLLECTING ITEMS FROM FLEA MARKETS. HER FAVORITE SHOW IS *DOWNTON ABBEY*, AND HER FAVORITE SPORTS ARE RUNNING OR BIKING BECAUSE SHE CAN DO THEM FOR A REALLY LONG TIME. "I LOVE THAT FEELING OF JUST BEING ABLE TO GO FOREVER."

THE BEST THING THAT ANYONE HAS EVER DONE FOR HER WAS WHEN HER PARENTS ADOPTED HER. SHE KNOWS THAT SO MANY GOOD THINGS STEMMED FROM HER PARENTS MAKING THAT DECISION; SHE GREW UP IN A REALLY GOOD FAMILY AND WAS IN THE RIGHT PLACE WHEN SHE MET HER HUSBAND--JUST TO NAME A FEW. THE BIRTH OF ALL OF HER KIDS AND HER WEDDING ARE HAPPY MEMORIES, BUT HER HAPPIEST MEMORY IS WHEN SHE CAME HOME WITH HER YOUNGEST DAUGHTER, GRACE, BECAUSE SHE HAD AN OVERWHELMING FEELING THAT EVERYONE IN HER FAMILY WAS THERE.

MRS. DIXON RELISHES WORKING AT ST. CATHERINE'S. SHE LOVES THE "COMMUNITY OF LEARNERS," BEING ABLE TO PRAY AT SCHOOL, AND BEING WHERE HER KIDS ARE. THE HARDEST THING ABOUT HER JOB IS MEETING THE NEEDS OF ALL HER STUDENTS, WHILE THE MOST PLEASANT THING ABOUT HER JOB IS BEING ABLE TO HANG OUT WITH MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS. HER DREAM JOB WOULD BE TO TEACH TEACHERS, BUT SHE WOULD NEED A DOCTORATE TO BE ABLE TO DO THAT.

AS FOR THE LEGACY MRS. DIXON WANTS TO LEAVE, SHE WANTS STUDENTS TO BE GOOD READERS, AND ALSO, SHE WANTS STUDENTS TO SEE THEMSELVES AS READERS AND WRITERS AND TO KNOW THAT THEY MATTER.

\*WINGS WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND A SINCERE THANK YOU TO MRS. DIXON FOR BEING INTERVIEWED.\*

“ I'M A SUCKER FOR THE CHRISTMAS MOVIES. ”

- Mrs. Theresa Dixon

### NEWSPAPER STAFF

- May Kohler
- Rachel Comande
- Reagan McKeown
- Bella Domanico
- Lauren Chiappetta
- Sam De Guire
- Lauren Drake
- Emma Scott

ADVISER Mrs. Aguila

### QUOTES TO KEEP IN MIND TODAY

BY REAGAN MCKEOWN, SAMANTHA DE GUIRE, AND MAY KOHLER

- "If you want a guarantee, buy a toaster." - Clint Eastwood
- "The trick is growing up without growing old." - Casy Stengel
- "It always seems impossible until it is done." - Nelson Mandela
- "Joy is the simplest form of gratitude." - Karl Barth
- "Time is nature's way of keeping everything from happening at once." - Woody Allen
- "Never interrupt someone doing what you said couldn't be done." - Amelia Earhart