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## **Our Lady of Paris Engulfed by Flames**

Dawlat Hamad

Notre Dame Cathedral is located in Paris. The name, Notre Dame de Paris, translates to “Our Lady of Paris.” The cathedral is also considered to World Heritage Site, and is protected by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). What took 200 years to build burned within a day. On April 15, Notre Dame went up in flames, believed to have been caused by the restoration that the cathedral was undergoing. The fire lasted for fifteen hours, taking around 500 firefighters to put the fire out. The firefighters were able to save the façade, towers, walls, buttresses, pipe organ, and stained glass windows. Luckily many statues had been previously taken out for cleaning. So far, it looks like the structure of the Notre Dame Cathedral was not severely damaged. The reason why the cathedral fire spread quickly is do to the old wood roof, which has completely burned. However many billionaires such as Bernard Arnault, whose family owns the luxury conglomerate LVMH, Patrick Poynné, the CEO of a French energy company, and many more have donated money towards the reconstruction of Paris’s most visited landmark.

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## Choir Happenings

Amal Khalil

In April our phenomenal Fordson choirs participated in the district choral festival, a competition held at Clarenceville High School. All of the 7 choirs at Fordson High School attended the event and placed highly. Their success allowed them to showcase traditional Arabic music and instruments, representing a different culture to the many schools at the festival. The advanced choir placed high enough to qualify for the State Choral Festival. Congratulations on all their hard work!

Our choir is working hard on breaking down barriers and promoting Arab culture in many places including Chelsea High School. They are continuing their year long culture collaboration. Fordson and Chelsea spent a beautiful day at The Arab American Museum in Dearborn, then headed to down to Greektown for lunch and roamed Campus Martius! To end the wonderful day, they rehearsed for their concert that next day with the Arab American Orchestra and were honored to be joined by members of the Edsel Ford Choir.

Keep up the good work!



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## Auto Shop Pedal Car show

BatoulYousif

In 2006, the Student Day organization started to help support automotive educational programs at schools. They achieved this by exposing students to the industry through speakers, corporate support and event participation. Again this year, Fordson's Auto Shop class was invited to modify and display a pedal car at the 67th Detroit Autorama. Out of 10 schools in Southeastern Michigan, our car took 3rd!

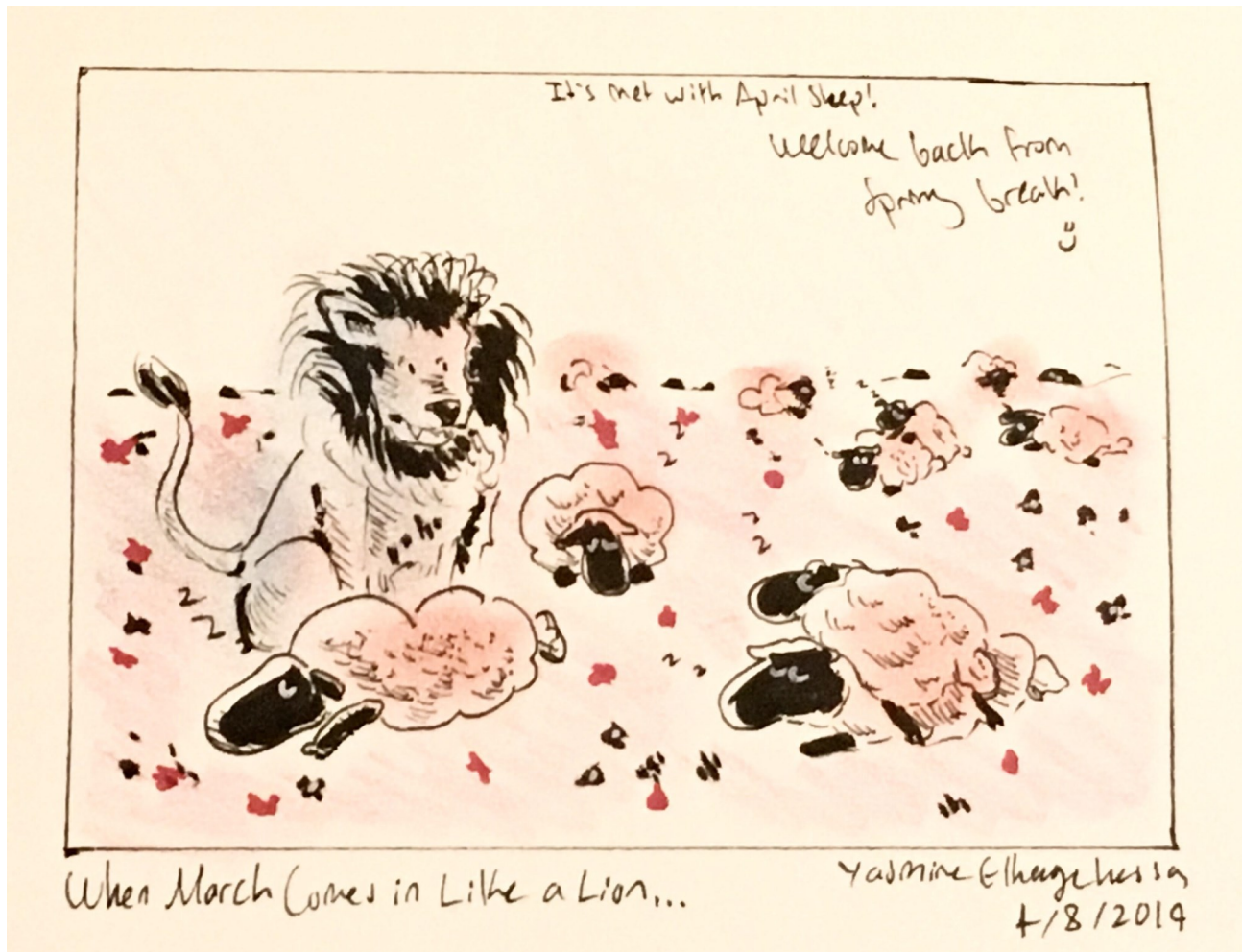




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## Spring Sports Update

Happy Spring! This season's offerings include Baseball, Softball, Girls Soccer, Girls Tennis, Track, and Boys Golf. The switch to the KLAA League has seen a rough start for most of the spring sports. Boys Golf gets underway on April 30 with league play, and we hope that their season goes well.



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## Key Club Conference Awards

The Key club members attended the Michigan District Student Leadership Conference in Kalamazoo over spring break and made Fordson and the city of Dearborn proud. Mr. Odey Dabaja took Ms. Zriek's place this year at SLC. The following are the awards that Club from the state:

KEY

Early Bird Award

Increased membership award

Digital Poster Award

Vice President Award- Ibrahim Qasem

Webmaster Award- Lena Elkoussy

Talent show-2nd place Ibrahim Aldhaibani

100% secretary reports- Ibrahim Aldhaibani

Most passionate club in D12



## UNICEF Water Walk By Alex Elamine

Around the world many children and parents brave terrain, fatigue, and many miles daily in order to retrieve water for their families. Fordson's UNICEF club organized and took part of the National UNICEF Water Walk Awareness Activities. It took place on March 22nd at 4:00 pm; students braved the cold, walking laps around the Fordson track holding 2 gallons of water while dealing with obstacles like hula hoops to pass through. Thanks to the hard work and support of Coach Carter, Jaime Nack, and 12th grader club president Sana Zandi, this event made possible the experience of daily hardships others around the world have gathering water: allowing them to raise awareness for this issue and get others to be vocal.



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## *SPRING BUCKET LIST* Batoul Yousif

- Fly a kite
- Plant a herb garden
- Bake a pie
- Take a bike ride
- Spring clean the closet
- Make a flower arrangement
- Bird watch
- Have a picnic
- Check out a yard sale
- Do some yoga outside
- Take a hike
- Pet a bunny
- Hang up a windchime
- Skip stones in a pond or lake



## *MOVIES COMING SPRING 2019*

- Pet Sematary (April 5)
- Shazam! (April 5)
- Teen Spirit (April 5)
- Hellboy (April 12)
- Her Smell (April 12)
- The Curse of La Llorona (April 19)
- Avengers: Endgame (April 26)
- Long Shot (May 3)
- Pokémon: Detective Pikachu (May 10)
- John Wick: Chapter 3 – Parabellum (May 17)
- Aladdin (May 24)
- Booksmart (May 24)
- Brightburn (May 24)