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CAN YOU HEAR THE PEOPLE SING?

(ANSWER: YES, WE CAN)

On Saturday night, December 3, 2016, an all-school email was sent with a petition calling for a direct vote to elect the Student Council president and vice presidents in future years. The petition sparked discussion and inspired student participation in the open StuCo meeting on Tuesday, December 6. From these discussions, the Log observes an underlying disconnect between the representative body and constituents, as well as a desire to bridge that gap. In light of the strong opinions surrounding the petition, the Log hopes to report on viewpoints present in this issue and to provide recommendations on communication for future discourse.

(Editors' Note: We strongly encourage all readers to reference the reporting done on the petition and Council debate before reading the editorial on page 6. Please read "Students Call for Direct StuCo Presidential Election" on our website, thelclg.org.)

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*written for them by their best Logger friends

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SOUTH KOREA POLITICAL UNREST

Rosie Park '18 | Staff Writer

On December 19, 2012, the 18th South Korean Presidential Election was held under the first-past-the-post system, a system of direct plurality voting as opposed to the electoral college system used in the United States. This hotly contested election led to the narrow victory of Park Geun-hye of Saenuri Party over Moon Jae-in of the Democratic United Party.

According to the Korea Times, Park won with 51.6% of the 30.7 million total votes, compared to Moon's 48%. The results served as a referendum on each of the candidate's background; a vast generational rift is clearly evident in the distribution of votes between the two candidates with Park receiving overwhelming support from those in their 40s and beyond and Moon garnering most of her votes from those in their 20s and 30s.

Park Geun-hye is the daughter of former Korean President Park Chung-hee, an autocratic ruler who seized power in a military coup 51 years ago. During his 18 years of presidency, Park Chung-hee sought to modernize the rural South Korean economy and brought in a period of rapid economic growth through the New Community Movement (Saemaul Undong). Older citizens' memories of this success clearly played a role in their decision as they almost entirely wound up supporting his daughter Park in hopes of her doing the same and leading Korea out of its stagnant economy at that time.

Amidst the cheering crowd at her inauguration, which marks the first time South Korea has had a female president, Park announced, "I believe the nation's passion to overcome crisis and revive the economy has brought this victory. I will not forget your trust in me." The next five years have revealed not only the complete falsehood in that claim, but also the fact that these may not even be the words of the president herself.

The political scandal plaguing South Korea revolves around the tight friendship between Park Geun-hye and Choi Soon-sil. President Park's heavy reliance on the political advice of Choi, an individual with no political background or ranking, for small to significant issues rest at the epicenter of this scandal.

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THE I-TERM?

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It can probably be agreed upon by many that at Loomis we miss out on a lot of interesting activities because of our very busy schedules. **BUT WAIT! The I-term might be a solution.**

So what is an I-term? An I-term is a period of time when students would have the opportunity to diverge from their normal academic schedule in order to pursue other interests. These "other interests" could include studying abroad, music intensives, science projects, independent studies, internships, and elective courses. According to Mr. Trenchard, associate head of school, if the I-term were to be implemented, it would either take place between fall and winter break or sometime at the end of the year. So far the I-term sounds like the perfect opportunity for the students to explore their interests. So why has it yet to be implemented along with the new schedule?

Personally, I could see several reasons that would prompt this delay. To start, an I-term could be quite disruptive to our normal classes. As a student who is currently taking AP French, I have to cover so much material that taking away two or three weeks from such a rapid course seems nearly impossible. I am sure other advanced and AP classes would likely struggle with this issue. Another potential issue is that no school of our size has ever done an I-term.

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SOUTH KOREA'S SCANDAL

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In the eyes of the people who elected her, she has not only neglected the trust they bestowed upon her, but also betrayed the people and her duty as the president by giving someone as inexperienced as Choi powerful, behind-the-scenes control of the nation.

Of course there were numerous word and suspicion regarding the president's actions but the South Korean government denied any accusations, dismissing them as unfounded and absurd claims. However, there are mountains of evidence that actually lend support to these accusations. For instance, the establishment of Mir and K-Sports foundations took only a single day to get approval for their establishment from the Ministry of Culture, Sports, and Tourism (when it would usually take about a month). Further, the two foundations asked Korea-based multinational corporations like Samsung, Hyundai, and SK to fund the new foundations and were able to raise about 80 billion won (\$70 million) in just two months. Word was also leaked that Choi's private company, the Blue K, had been using phony business transactions to steal funds and funnel them to Choi's ghost companies in Germany. The government still refused to take action concerning these allegations.

The scandal finally broke on October 27, when the Korean cable TV network JTBC received a single tip that wound up blowing the lid off the whole affair. Choi, who had business in Germany, had ordered someone to discard a box full of supplies. A JTBC reporter located it, dug through it, and found a crucial computer tablet. The device happened to be the very evidence needed to prove the wrongdoing of Park and Choi; it contained drafts of Park's presidential speeches with edits marked in red by Choi along with chat messages that revealed Choi's influence on Park's decisions.

TRUMP'S CABINET

AP Photo / Evan Vucci



Since November eighth, many people from around the world have been left wondering where and how the Trump administration will lead the United States. The unknowable ramifications of the election of the nation's first billionaire president will reach many parts of the country and the world.

The first indicator of the direction in which Trump will steer the country is his cabinet picks. So far, Trump has cobbled together a cabinet consisting of veteran legislators, Washington outsiders, ex-generals, and fellow millionaires and billionaires that is sure to back his plans for drastic reform.

Some of Trump's boldest promises have been that he will defeat ISIS, replace Obamacare, and create jobs in infrastructure. His appointees for the Secretaries of Defense, Transportation, and Health and Human Services have reflected his intention to fulfill these promises.

James Mattis, the possible Secretary of Defense, is a widely respected and experienced four-star general and military thinker. He has denounced Obama's "pivot to Asia" and supports Trump's determination to refocus American efforts onto the Middle East, labeling Iran "the single most enduring threat to stability and peace in the Middle East." However, regardless of Mattis's credentials, he will need a waiver from congress to be appointed Defense Secretary. Federal law states that a secretary of defense must be out of uniform for at least seven years to ensure civilian control

Further search revealed that Choi, who has no official government position, had illegal access to confidential documents and information for the president. When Choi returned to Seoul two days later, she was detained by police. On November 20, she was formally indicted on a number of charges, including extortion and abuse of power.

The revelation of the scandal jeopardized the position of President Park as well. Since she cannot be detained and jailed as punishment until her term is over, numerous citizens have attempted to take matters into their own hands. Sporadic protests eventually developed into huge candlelight rallies that take place every Saturday at the Gwanghwamun Plaza. The most recently rally actually comprised about 1.6 million people.

Few Loomis students who went back to Korea over Thanksgiving break attended this rally. However, those who did have their own opinions concerning the whole matter. Jason Lee '19 remarked that despite the huge crowds involved, he was surprised and proud to observe that "there was no violence involved." He remarked that the whole affair has actually made him more interested in politics and that "I learned why I had to be concerned about politics as a Korean citizen." Log editor Jeewon Shin '17 also attended the rally and was touched when she saw people helping clean up the city so that the city janitors did not have extra work, saying, "I think that this goes to show how considerate and polite people were even in midst of dispute and anger." She further claimed that "As a Korean, [I felt like] it was an obligation to help fill the amount of people there so that the government can finally open their eyes and see so many people [taking a stand]." Finally, Dylan Koo '19 showed a strong opinion on this topic as he feels the "government betrayed the citizens' trust." After participating in the rally as well, he claimed to have been very surprised by the "peaceful nature of the rally of the people's words and actions, unprecedented in previous rallies in Korea." Moreover, he deemed the candlelight rally an "amazing feat that illustrates the power in the citizens' voices."

The political scandal in Korea and the citizens' reactions can perhaps be directly tied to the quote Dr. Culbert shared: "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty." All three students who attended the rally reflected on the inspiration the movement has stirred within them. Indeed, had the citizens been more vigilant during the presidential election in 2012 and had there been more efforts to question the government earlier in Park's term, perhaps this incident may not have had such a large impact as it does now. However, one fact is clear: Korean citizens are actively reacting to the government's failure to protect and work for the people and the country. Millions are gathering weekly to conduct peaceful protests. These actions highlight not only the advanced mindset the society has cultivated over the years, but also the necessity of awareness and interest in both domestic and international affairs order to create a world in which people can voice opinions freely, correct each other, and cooperate with one another to overcome hardships.

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of the armed forces.

Next to defeating ISIS, Trump's promise to create jobs in infrastructure was a crucial part of his campaign. Elaine Chao, Labor Secretary under George W. Bush, will oversee the creation of these jobs. In a promising statement, Senate Minority leader Chuck Schumer declared, "Senate Democrats have said that if President-elect Trump is serious about a major infrastructure bill... we are ready to work with his administration." As a candidate who campaigned as someone who can bring jobs to Americans, Trump needs a capable Transportation Secretary to help fulfill his promise.

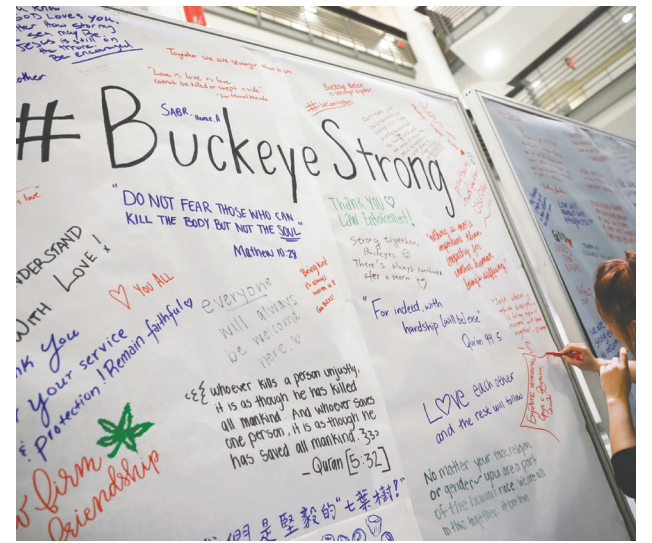
Trump demonstrated his dedication to abolishing The Affordable Care Act (Obamacare), when he appointed Georgia Representative Tom Price as secretary of health and human services. The ex-orthopedic surgeon has criticized Obamacare for increasing the size of the federal government. Following with Trump's anti-establishment attitude, Price explained, "The problem that I have with Obamacare is that its premise is that Washington knows best." As Health and Human Services Secretary, Price will oversee funding for Medicare and Medicaid, programs he promised to shrink, the FDA, the Center for disease control and prevention, and the national institutes of health.

A second national legislator appointed to a position on Trump's cabinet is Alabama Senator Jeff Sessions, one of Trump's most controversial selections. Ronald Reagan nominated Sessions to be a federal judge in the 1980s; however, he was denied the position due to racist remarks, Matt Apuzzo explained in The New York Times. Apuzzo also writes that Sessions has denounced the American Civil Liberties Union and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People as "un-American" and as organizations that "force civil rights down the throats of the people." Sessions' appointment has inspired questions about whether the Trump administration is truly dedicated to serving all Americans or if it will normalize things like racism, Islamophobia, and hate speech.

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OHIO STATE SHOOTING

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AP Photo / John Minchillo

On Monday November 28th, 18-year-old Abdul Razak Ali Artan brutally attacked students at Ohio State's Columbus campus. Driving alone into campus, Artan began his assault by crashing a car into a group of pedestrians on a busy campus sidewalk. Immediately following the collision, Artan stepped out of the car and proceeded to slash at those closest to him with a recently purchased butcher knife. Although no victims were killed, the event left 11 students, faculty, and staff hospitalized. Minutes after the attack began, Police Officer Alan Horujko stopped the attack by shooting and killing Artan.

Artan, a student who had just recently transferred to Ohio State University, had immigrated to the US with his family years ago had become a legal resident.

"I never expected any kind of behavior like that from him," His neighbor, Louann Carnahan, stated. "I'm still beside myself that he was even capable of the acts that he did." Both family and friends are in shock at the horrifying events that have taken place.

With a young man committing a crime so far from his day to day personality, officials are actively searching for possible motives which may have incited his odd behavior. Many of those closest to Artan stated that they observed no major changes in his behavior in the days before the event. As of now, the only evidence which suggests a reasoning for this deliberate attack are a couple statements made by Artan himself on Facebook and an interview for his school newspaper.

"I wanted to pray in the open, but I was scared with everything going on in the media," Artan said about his religion in a segment of his school newspaper. On Facebook, a few moments prior to the attack, Artan wrote "By Allah, we will not let you sleep unless you give peace to the Muslims. You will not celebrate or enjoy any holiday."

Even with such racially-centered statements as well as the fact that ISIS has claimed responsibility for the event, it is still unsure whether or not there is a terrorist connection. Although there is no clear or direct link connecting the attack with ISIS, the co-founder of the Search for International Terrorist Entities Intelligence Group Rita Katz has tweeted that "Though no confirmed motive, use of vehicle & knife in #OhioState attack is consistent with recent attack instructions issued by #ISIS."

In the midst of such a terrible event, it seems that president elect Donald Trump still refuses to let go of his anti-Muslim and anti-immigration beliefs.

Tweeting that "ISIS is taking credit for the terrible stabbing attack at Ohio State University by a Somali refugee who should not have been in our country," Mr. Trump shows that he is holding true to the anti-immigration beliefs which were so central to his campaign. Instead of attempting to placate racial tensions, many of which were stated by Artan himself in the segment of his school newspaper, Mr. Trump has decided to attribute the attack to the fact that Artan was a refugee and an immigrant. It is very probable that Mr. Trump will follow through with his proposal to ban refugees from the country.

Despite the fact that such a proposal seems to be a reasonable response to the circumstances, it simply may not be the right way to go. As the immigration situation stands now, it is tough enough for a Somali to escape the dangers of their country and receive a visa to re-unite with family members in the US.

As stated by writer Will Oremus, "Many ... escaped the armed conflict in Somalia only to face new obstacles in the US ... poverty, alienation, and a wholly justified sense of persecution." This sense of persecution clearly manifests itself within many of Artan's comments that preceded his rampage.

All in all, this was a crime committed by a single individual and should not be viewed as representing an entire race or religion. Just because one individual made an immoral decision, there is no reason to accuse or blame all Somalis or all immigrants for the horrors of one event.

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THE ISLAND

AFTER THE ELECTION

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Weeks after the night of November 8th, the responses to this election have been in some cases loud and honest, in some cases brilliant and thoughtful, and in some cases silent and passive. The days immediately following the election witnessed protests throughout the country and protests throughout social media. Celebrities posted teary videos, and screams filled college campuses. Our nation responded to what had become, to this nation, a world turned upside down. Here at Loomis, on the island, the responses were equally diverse. Many felt vindicated, others defeated. Many expressed themselves passionately, others passively. Many teachers have devoted entire periods to the subject, others have banished political speech from the classroom. Regardless of party or candidate affiliation, the constant controversy of both the campaign season and of the results of the election shoved even the most private or non-political community members into the rippling waters of political discussion. As a community, we held multiple forums to aid students and faculty who have struggled with the emotions that arose after election-day. We have supported one another and have offered one another a safe place to express any and all emotions. Like millions of people across the United States, many at Loomis have experienced feelings of heartbreak on account of this election. Conversely, many have expressed joy, relief, or redemption. Heard both in our community and in our nation, this election has inspired a sense of hopelessness and bitterness in all of us at Loomis, in supporters of all candidates.

This hopelessness that I refer to takes two forms. First, we at Loomis often feel as though our voices do not matter. We inhabit a campus that is, in many ways, removed from reality and therefore believe that our voices have no effect in the real world. Secondly, we also fall into a mentality in which we feel political discussion only serves to incite conflict and further entrench us into our own positions. Expression and discussion are the most powerful tools at our disposal. I think that the most dangerous and foolish thing we can do as a nation in this moment is to fall into a comfortable bitterness where we separate ourselves from the most important discussion of this time. As dedicated members of our school, as dedicated members of this nation, we must remain hopeful.

Loomis provides us with a safe place to engage in both expression and discussion. We must now use it. When students rise up and express themselves with strong words and strong

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actions, we should all applaud, regardless of how we feel or whom we support. When voices, especially young voices, emerge and make themselves heard, it is always something beautiful.

As a welcoming and inclusive institution, we must talk and engage with one another. We have to talk about the reasons why we feel like we do. Many of us feel that this election has simply fractured our nation and made unity a thing of the past. Politics often do divide our community. When the two main candidates in a presidential election are as controversial as these two are, division becomes inevitable. Now is the time to begin to add more depth to our discussion. We need to separate ourselves from candidate, from party and truthfully discuss the issues our nation faces. If we can move away from the mindset of political supporter towards the mindset of being our own original minds, we can talk to one another without such animosity and disdain.

This election has hurt many of us and will continue to be painful for a long time. At the Javits Center in New York on the night of November 8th, confetti cannons were positioned throughout the auditorium. Of a green, opaque shade, the confetti would resemble the shards of the glass ceiling she intended to shatter. By about 3 a.m., the content of the cannons were then emptied and sealed into boxes to be opened another day. At the site that would have been the venue for her victory speech, her supporters filed out like despondent fans who just endured a brutal loss at their home stadium. As another victory speech was concurrently being given two miles away at a hotel in Midtown, the Javits stage was slowly disassembled. Pictures of young women leaving the Javits center in tears represent the most potent heartbreak of the night. Among feelings of panic, anger, and shock, what perhaps hurt the most, what perhaps delivered the most desolating impact was the fact that the glass ceiling only got higher.

Despite heartbreak, we must begin to move past the emotions as we speak about politics at Loomis. Nothing inhibits our progress more than when people suggest that discussion and expression are pointless. It is now time to get beneath the surface, to go beneath candidate vs. candidate. We as a community and as a nation are so much stronger and smarter. As a school, we can find hope in so many different ways and from so many different sources. The first place we should look is to one another.

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THE LCLOG ASKfm!

WHAT IS THIS?

A platform where Loomers can ask Loggers Loomis-related questions and get answers!

WHERE CAN I ASK MY QUESTION?

ASKfm is on the Log's Facebook page.

SAMPLE QUESTION:

Q: How much sleep does an average Logger get on layout weekend?

A: It depends on when the ghost of Palmer start to make noises in the basement. Anh Nguyen's latest record is 3 a.m., so she gets 5 hours of sleep on average.

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PEER COUNSELORS: WHAT DO THEY DO?

Beatrice Dang '19 | Staff Writer

The pungent scent of smoke from the grill wafts through the air from across the lawn, clinging to our Class of 2019 t-shirts. Upperclassmen swim in a sea of freshmen, hands held high in hopes of attracting the attention of their counselees. Groups of students cluster awkwardly on Longman's front yard, seating themselves on the cool grass of late summer evening. Name games are played, highs and lows are shared. After a class photo, we chase after our Peer Counselors, embarking on our first Loomis Chaffee scavenger hunt.

Many Loomis students who arrived as freshmen can likely recount a similar experience, one of several events they would attend with their Peer Counselors. But whether it be meeting with their counselees or working behind the scenes, what does the job of a Peer Counselor really entail? Every Peer Counselor is responsible for a group of freshmen, a typical group consists of two Peer Counselors and around 8-10 freshmen. Peer Counselors organize multiple events for the freshmen, including the class barbeque, ropes course challenge and the dodgeball tournament. All these activities help freshmen meet new people as well as form a bond with an upperclassman who they can trust and talk to. Peer Counselors don't solely organize these activities for fun. It also allows them to reach out to underclassmen in a casual and easygoing setting. Often, incoming freshmen don't only struggle to navigate campus, but they can also struggle to navigate their transition into Loomis. Having the help and advice of an upperclassman can mitigate these difficulties. These Peer Counselors serve as both advisers and leaders. Senior and Peer Counselor Jenna Ryu said, "I think our most important job is to set an example for the freshmen by demonstrating the kinds of [qualities] a Loomis student should possess."

Not only do Peer Counselors work with the freshmen

class, but they are also leaders within the greater Loomis community. Throughout the year, the Peer Counseling Network holds several meetings to discuss varying issues and incidents on and off campus. Many of the topics chosen are relevant to life on the island, though they might not always be spoken about openly on campus. Their most recent discussion was on sensitivity, respect and political correctness, in which the Peer Counselors split into smaller groups to create a more intimate and individualized atmosphere. Past meetings have focused on issues like stress, peer pressure and diversity. By holding these meetings, the Peer Counseling Network has encouraged the open dialogue of relevant topics in a safe environment with the inclusion of the entire community. "We give everyone a voice," Jenna said, "And we talk about a lot of controversial topics." The Peer Counseling Network continues to be an important advocate for pushing boundaries and opening minds.

So, if in any way this article still hasn't inspired you to become a Peer Counselor, then it might not be for you. But if you want to be a leader in the community and you like helping underclassmen, here are some requirements: you must be an incoming junior or senior and you must attend at least one of the open meetings. You also have to fill out an application, which will ask questions such as why you want to become a Peer Counselor, and what kinds of things you would want to do. Currently there are about 17 Peer Counselors who attend weekly meetings, and who must also attend open discussions and several freshman class events. Becoming a Peer Counselor is a meaningful leadership experience, and is a great opportunity to get involved in the community and meet a range of students.

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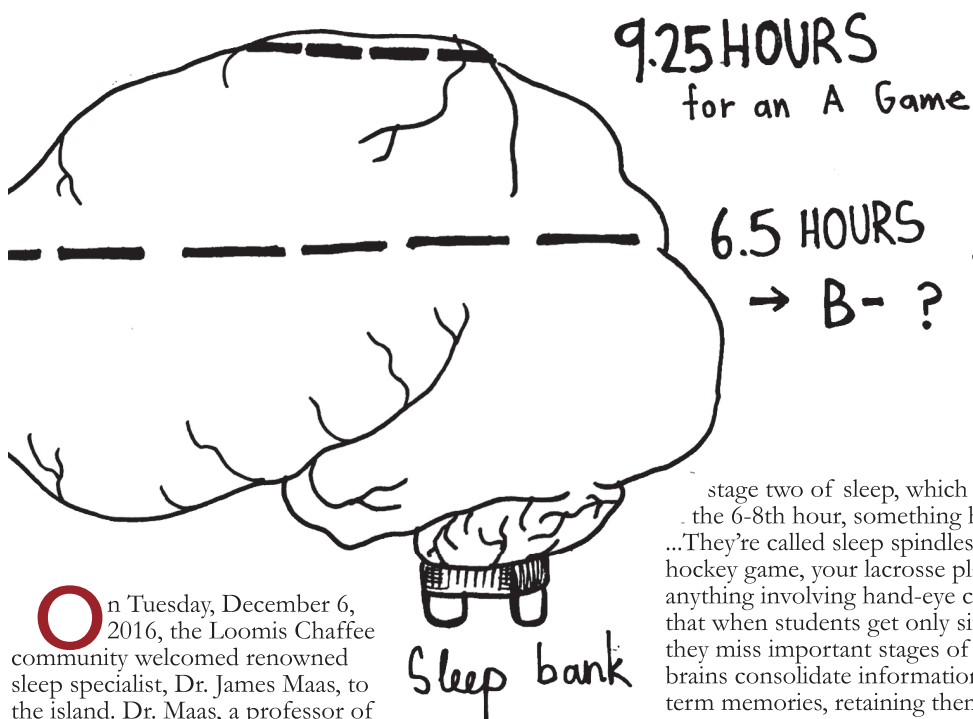
Peer Counsellor Jenna Ryu '17



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TO SLEEP OR NOT TO SLEEP: SLEEP MYTHS BUSTED

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On Tuesday, December 6, 2016, the Loomis Chaffee community welcomed renowned sleep specialist, Dr. James Maas, to the island. Dr. Maas, a professor of psychology at Cornell University, opened the all-school convocation by conducting a poll of the audience to determine the approximate number of hours of sleep individuals get each night. By a show of hands, the students revealed that the majority get approximately seven hours of sleep per night. "Most high school and college students are severely sleep deprived, walking zombies," Maas joked. "Ninety-five percent of you don't meet the recommended 9.25 hours of sleep every night." He proceeded to show the audience several photographs and videos of celebrities and politicians who fell asleep on the job. The audience watched as a child dozed off behind President George W. Bush, and as Bill Clinton fell asleep at a Martin Luther King, Jr. Service. "Seventy-five percent of people experience sleep problems at least twice a week," he explained. "Difficulty falling asleep. Waking up in the middle of the night. Waking up early, or a combination of the three. All of this causes daytime sleep inertia, which causes grogginess and a lack of mental clarity all day long."

Dr. Maas spoke at length about how teens fall short of daily sleep requirements and lack quality sleep. He noted that while the average high school or college student sleeps approximately six to seven hours a night, they miss out on the most important stages of sleep that occur toward the end of the sleep cycle. For example, Dr. Maas noted that,

stage two of sleep, which is dominant in the 6-8th hour, something happens. ...They're called sleep spindles, and they are the key to your hockey game, your lacrosse playing, your piano playing, anything involving hand-eye coordination." He added that when students get only six or seven hours of sleep, they miss important stages of R.E.M. sleep, wherein our brains consolidate information previously saved as short term memories, retaining them as long term memories. "You wake up after six and a half or seven hours," noted Dr. Maas, "and you've missed that last, longest period of R.E.M. sleep. That is detrimental to your present and your future success." He stressed that missing this important period can cause one to experience several short-term symptoms, including lethargy, irritability, sickness, and the inability to process and recollect information with clarity. Dr. Maas further professed that there are several long term effects of sleep deprivation, including cancer, premature Alzheimer's disease, diabetes, and premature death.

The most relevant connection for high school students made during the convocation was between sleep and academic and athletic performance. He detailed the case of a young girl named Sarah Hughes, who aspired to be an Olympic figure skater, but found herself unable to progress and compete with skaters her age. With Dr. Maas' guidance, Hughes reconfigured her figure skating schedule to allow for more sleep. Hughes gradually improved her ability until she was a strong enough athlete to participate in the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City, where she earned a gold medal.

Dr. Maas also shared his experience advocating for the reconfiguration of school schedules to maximize rest and, in turn, improve students' academic performance. With Dr. Maas' sleep research taken into account, Deerfield

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Academy altered its daily schedule, mandating that classes have a later 9:00 AM start time. The new schedule awarded the students an extra hour of sleep - a change that had a drastic impact on the academic performance of the student body. "They have been keeping track of grade point average since the founding of Deerfield in 1798," said Dr. Maas. "We saw the greatest improvement in GPA in the first semester we did this experiment than in the history of Deerfield Academy." He noted that schools all over the world are following suit.

While we are told that sleep is important and can lead to improved performance in many areas, it is clear that for many Loomis Chaffee students, getting the recommended amount of sleep is easier said than done. Dr. Maas suggested that there are some simple things that each student can do to maximize the length and quality of their rest. He noted that by prioritizing and not giving in to distractions, work can be completed more efficiently and the amount of time remaining for sleep will be greater. This would enable the brain to fully process the material covered during the school day. This sounds like a great idea in theory. However, Loomis students carry a significant workload on top of multiple extracurricular demands. It leads one to question whether or not it is possible, even with tremendous organization and intense focus, to complete hours of homework and still have time to sleep the number of hours that Dr. Maas has prescribed for growing teens. The convocation showed Loomis Chaffee students that they must find a balance between the amount of time spent on work to achieve academic success with time spent sleeping to ensure personal health. Are there enough hours in the day for both?

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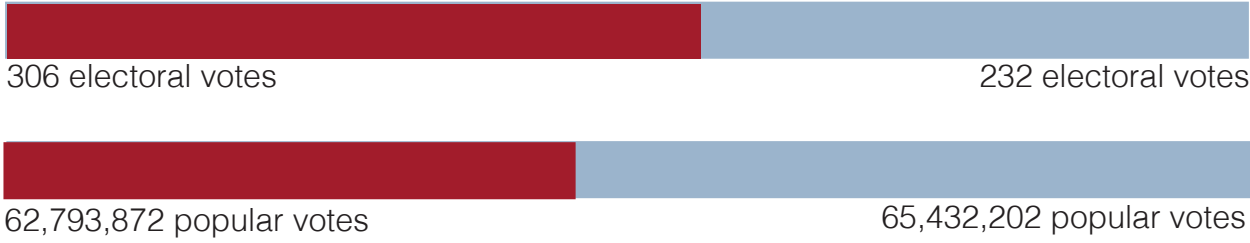
DEMOCRACY OR NOT ?

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2016 ELECTION RESULT

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For the second time in five elections, a result in which a candidate lost the popular vote yet won the presidency has voters questioning, criticizing, and outright condemning the Electoral College. Any thorough analysis of the Electoral College not only justifies such reactions from the American people, but also unveils various rather shocking biases inherent in this age-old system.

Established by the Founding Fathers in the Constitution, the original purpose of the Electoral College was to limit the power of the American people to elect their presidents; elites at the time believed that disaster would be inevitable if the fate of the entire country were left entirely to common, uneducated, and poor men. Thus, they introduced the idea of electors – after residents of each state voted, these electors (the senators and representatives of each state) would be the individuals who actually cast ballots. In this way, any idiotic and self-destructive decisions by the American people could be corrected by the elites who cast ballots on their behalf, acting almost as parents. Nowadays, it is expected and understood that these electors will vote in accordance with the results of their state, and they almost always do, but nothing in the Constitution guarantees this. Every now and then a few “rogue” or “faithless” electors cast their ballot against the will of the people they represent, but this is a small discrepancy unlikely to ever sway an election. Although unfair, it is the least of the Electoral College’s problems.

Perhaps its most profound injustice is the unequal representation it gives to states and the people within them. Because no state can have fewer than three electors (two senators plus at least one member of the House of Representatives), an inherent bias towards states with smaller populations exists. Why is this so important? Because states with smaller populations, in other words more

rural states, are much more inclined to vote Republican. This is why every presidential candidate that has lost the general election despite winning the popular vote has been a Democrat. Every US president that has benefitted from the lack of a necessity to win the popular vote has been Republican. This bias in effect often requires Democrats to not only win the popular vote, but also win it by a large margin, to win the Electoral College.

For example, North Dakota, with a population under 1 million, has 3 electors, while California, with a population of 38.8 million, has 55. This means that for every 252,309 residents in North Dakota, there is one electoral vote. On the other hand, Californians only get one electoral vote per 711,723 residents. If the ratio (in this specific case) were fair, California would have 154 electoral votes, almost three times as much influence as it currently has. California is, of course, a very liberal state, while North Dakota, a sparsely populated one, almost always votes Republican. Similarly, New York, another democratic state, receives one electoral vote per 681,034 inhabitants, while Wyoming has one per 195,369. While some Republican states also suffer from such underrepresentation, such as Oklahoma, which receives 1 electoral vote per 554,000 residents, Republican states overwhelmingly benefit from this imbalance.

How can we call a system in which a resident of one state has more of a voice than a resident of another democratic? These are not negligible differences; the average Alaskan, for example, has almost three times more power in electing the president of the US than a Pennsylvanian does. The unfortunate reality is that, while fundamentally undemocratic, these profound inequalities are unlikely to be fixed or adjusted any time soon.

HEAD OF SCHOOL



SPEAKS AFTER WEEKS OF DISCOURSE

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On Friday, December 2nd, Head of School Dr. Sheila Culbert held a convocation in place of class meetings to address two major topics of conversation at Loomis in the past few weeks. One of these topics was the presidential election- a touchy subject for some- which Dr. Culbert handled gracefully and respectfully. She addressed concerns of international parents about the safety of their children and assured us that Loomis is a community that will continue to foster a safe environment for all. Noting that while we have supporters of both Trump and Clinton at this school, she declared that Loomis Chaffee is not a political school. We never have been, since the days of the founder’s mission, but we rather encourage discussion, debate, and healthy discourse across the political divide.

The other topic of discussion was the renaming of Mason Hall, thanks to StuCo’s hard work introducing the topic as well as other students, such as Pin Kanjanachusak '18 for her article in the Log. In the end, Dr. Culbert and the Board of Trustees worked to reach a consensus rather than a divide, concluding that the arguments to change were more compelling than the arguments to remain the same. She strove to make the students realize that while “changing the name does not change history,” it does affect how we see ourselves as a community. While we are well aware that many feel that changing a name changes the tradition and the history of the dorm, the Board of Trustees noted that having a building named after a man who led a massacre isn’t just politically incorrect; it’s crossing boundaries of respect and tolerance.

Dr. Culbert’s wise words were needed after weeks of discourse, oftentimes emotional and hard-fought. Both of these issues, highly debated with fervor among this community, have given this school a healthy dose of reality. Whether a student tries to stay neutral or expresses their beliefs ardently, it’s impossible not to hear about it. In result, it’s important to keep our minds open and listen respectfully to all. As Dr. Culbert reminded us, “We must be active citizens and join the conversation.”

THE “I” TERM

Liam Scott '18 | Staff Writer

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Although smaller schools like Miss Porter’s do actually implement an effective I-term during January, it’s hard to evaluate efficiency once the same term is implemented to our system, considering our school is so much bigger in size. According to Mr. Trenchard, a problem that stems from us being a larger school is that we need to “make sure all students and teachers are involved and engaged, but in reality it is quite an undertaking to make sure both groups are engaged and participating.” We could offer endless opportunities for students to engage in, but we need the all the students to be passionate enough to flourish during and make the best out of such an intense couple of weeks. He also mentioned that an I-term “is by definition disruptive, and we need to make sure the benefits outweigh the disruption; we are not far enough along to make that statement.”

There is no doubt that an I-term would be very disruptive, but having one- at least trying one- definitely seems worthwhile to me. Despite the fact that the I-term poses a lot of challenges, I think that an I-term would be a fabulous opportunity for students to immerse themselves in an activity that would be otherwise impossible to students. An I-term would be such a unique experience that we would have the ability to partake in. Few schools give their students the possibility to do something so out of the ordinary. An I-term would be a time to experience something completely foreign to you that you really would be unable to discover during the normal school year. So many different enriching opportunities would be available to us, and I feel that being able to go out of our comfort zone into something new and different would definitely outweigh the ultimate disruption. Many students agree that this sort of program would benefit everyone. The prospect of an I-term is just another example of the special and unique things available to us because we go to Loomis. Few private schools have it, and I find it unlikely that any public schools could have it either.

SLEEPING ON THE WATCH?

HOW SHOULD WE VIEW DR. MAAS’S PAST?

Nate Blumenthal '17 | Staff Writer



Over the course of the past six years, Dr. James Maas has been welcomed onto the Loomis Chaffee campus to speak to the student body on two separate occasions. The first time Dr. Maas spoke to the school, the administration was compelled enough by his words to push back Loomis’s morning start time in an attempt to provide students with a few extra winks. The second time Dr. Maas spoke to the school, the administration and students were shocked to discover that the former Cornell University professor was once accused of sexual harassment.

In 1994, four women who had worked in various capacities under Dr. Maas accused the popular professor of engaging in inappropriate hugs and kisses, as well as making sexually suggestive comments. On December 9th of 1994, a Cornell ethics committee made recommendations to the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences that for five years Dr. Maas not be allowed to hire students as a nanny or babysitter, having any female students as advisees, travel with just one undergraduate student, or give gifts to students that cost more than \$15. The committee, however, did not recommend that Dr. Maas be dismissed from his position at the University. Cornell’s statement explained that Dr. Maas was not found “to have engaged in the physically abusive behaviors often associated with the term ‘sexual harassment,’” but it also reiterated that “any conduct that constitutes sexual harassment is an affront to the entire Cornell community and will not be tolerated.” Professor David Lyons, the man in charge of holding all hearings on Dr. Maas’ case, is quoted in a New York Times article saying, “Sexual harassment has been established beyond a reasonable doubt.” Professor Lyons recommended that Dr. Maas be removed from his position

at Cornell University.

It must be stated that many people on Cornell’s campus came out in support of the Professor, including 34 students that wrote and signed an open letter which acted as a testament to Maas’ integrity and character. And according to a Baltimore Sun article published in 1996, the inappropriate behavior that Dr. Maas has been accused of was merely “hugs and occasional social kisses, most often in front of class or family.”

To this day, it remains unclear if Dr. Maas violated any state or federal laws with his behavior. Nonetheless, the student body and administration must ask whether or not they feel ethical in welcoming a man with such a checkered past onto the Island.

Mrs. Forrester, who is part of the team that brings convocation speakers to Loomis, said during an interview that she was “entirely unaware” of the accusations brought against Dr. Maas when she and her colleagues hired him to speak at last Tuesday’s convocation.

Speakers, as prominent individuals with much to say, should indeed be held to a high moral standard. Despite the roiling conversation surrounding the professor that has been stirred up in many classrooms since he spoke last week, Mr. Maas has never been convicted of any crime and was not even removed from his position at Cornell. However, there are some, like Professor Lyons, who believe that Dr. Maas should never have been allowed back onto Cornell’s campus. Nonetheless, Dr. Maas’ talk was educational and fit perfectly with the 2016-17 school theme, “Mind over Matter.” Head of School Sheila Culbert acknowledged the ambiguity surrounding the allegations and Cornell’s statement on the issue. “We asked him to talk because he is an expert on sleep,” she explained. “When he came about five years ago students responded so well to his message that he seemed to be a good fit for this year’s theme,” Dr. Culbert said.

Does Dr. Maas have a checkered past? Absolutely. But if he can continue to teach at a university as prestigious and respected as Cornell, then he should absolutely be welcomed back to the Island.

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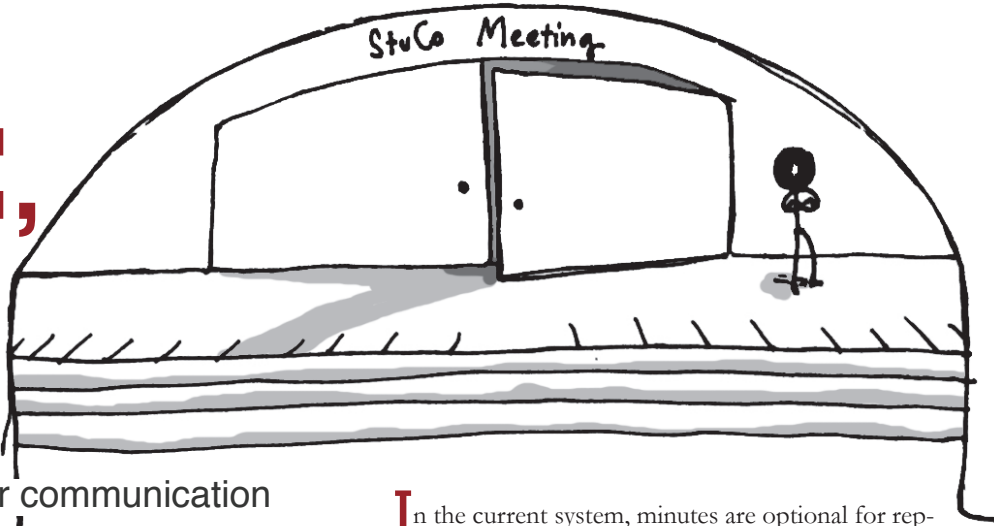
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EDITORIAL: CALL ME, MAYBE ?



The call for better communication

Though the zeal of the discussion in the public StuCo meeting last Tuesday centered around the petition put forth by several students, it also demonstrated a call for representatives to take greater responsibility in informing constituents of voting issues and ongoing progress every week.

"During my first year here, I believe I went through the entire year not even knowing how the president was chosen," explained Billy Dreyer '17, one of the sponsors of the petition. "I came back next year, and there would be a president that was chosen, but the process was not very transparent."

Junior Boarding Girls' representative Amaiya Parker '18 believes that the discussion raised an important issue of communication. "This discussion and the public outburst reflect something, and I hope that it would let them talk to us more. I hope there will be more communication from both ways," she said. "When we do send out emails — I have personally reached out to some people face to face — we get few responses. [The Council] does so much for the student body, and [students] don't even see it."

Next steps

The Log believes that the discontent from both perspectives — the student body and the student council — could subside with more effective methods of communication. In order for StuCo to fulfill its duties, it must successfully represent well-informed constituents.

In the 2016-17 academic year, StuCo endorsed a new policy by selecting a council member, Chris Jang '19, to write up a short recap of every meeting and posting them to the Daily Bulletin. This practice was put into effect in addition to optional minutes by individual representatives.

The Daily Bulletin updates may have been more efficient in informing the larger student body of some proposal highlights, but they were not entirely effective in bringing representatives together with their constituents. We encourage both the student council and the student body to take that extra step to reach out to each other.

The Log recommends a push towards fuller participation by 1) mandating weekly minutes and 2) opening additional platforms accessible to students.

In the current system, minutes are optional for representatives to send out. According to Section 12 of the Student Council Bylaws, "The presiding officer may, from time to time, ask Representatives to make statements or reports to their respective classes concerning the business of the Council. Representatives may also make additional reports to their classes at other times." The ambiguity of the language allows interpretation by the senior officers to decide what is feasible for representatives to do and what is not. Depending on how frequent "time to time" is, representatives may send their minutes once a week, once a term, or not at all. Ensuring that all students receive detailed minutes every week is a simple solution that can be implemented and enforced in the short run.

Other than minutes, StuCo could also engineer new ways to maximize student input. Some potential ideas include hosting town hall meetings for students to come and talk with officers, broadcasting videos, and posting interviews about new initiatives online. These methods that have already been implemented at The Lawrenceville School. According to Yiannis Vandriss, Lawrenceville's student council president, weekly all-school assemblies have been the most successful, because students are "forced to listen" to new updates and become informed. However, one challenge was getting attendance for the town hall meetings. Similarly, Mpilo Norris, a student council representative at Choate Rosemary Hall, stated that his school's most successful communication platform was the representatives' monthly dining hall meetings, in which they met with each grade. LC StuCo's plans to host an all-school meeting in January are a step in the right direction, and we hope that StuCo can consider these new options as they design a more effective communication platform.

At the end of the day...

Responsibility is shared equally by students. As much as it is important for representatives to inform the students, students should be just as active. These actions include, but are not limited to, reading the updates, coming to and participating in the open StuCo meetings (Tuesday nights, 7 pm in Founder's Lounge), voicing opinions to their representatives, and giving thoughtful feedback on issues that are debated in the Council.

With collaboration from both sides, we believe that students can better connect with the Council and enjoy governance under a truly representative entity.



Graphic courtesy of Anh Nguyen '17

WHO'S TOP DOG?

THE LOG'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL PREVIEW

Sam Goldfarb '18 | Sports Editor



AP Photo / Julie Jacobson

This time of year may be the most enjoyable period for sports fans across the country. With NFL teams entering the crucial final stretches of their respective schedules, the NBA season in full swing, and the Premier League promising an extremely entertaining title race, avid viewers will not experience boredom when they turn on their televisions.

However, despite the appeal of these aforementioned professional leagues, collegiate athletics have also captured the attention of many sports fans, notably College Basketball. The 2016-17 season tipped off less than a month ago, and followers of the sport have already been treated to many intriguing early-season matchups. As non-conference play begins to wind down, I have decided to predict the Final Four teams, along with a National Champion.

The Duke Blue Devils, led by coach Mike Krzyzewski, should be viewed as a favorite to reach Phoenix. With a mixture of talented recruits and experienced veterans on the roster, Coach K's unit should be extremely dangerous this season. The Blue Devils may be banged up at the moment, with five-star freshmen Harry Giles (Forward), Jayson Tatum (Guard/Forward), and Marques Bolden (Center) all missing the team's first eight games and junior superstar Grayson Allen (Guard) playing through a toe problem, but when the team reaches full strength, they could be the best (and deepest) unit in America. Despite his current ailment, Allen, an Academic All-American, has still managed to average 15.9 points per game, including a game-high 24 in a home win over Michigan State. Meanwhile, sophomore guard Luke Kennard has evolved into a

consistent scoring threat this season, and do-it-all freshman Frank Jackson has brought a much-needed source of energy to a currently depleted roster. Duke has earned most of its 9-1 record without its three star freshmen, with its only loss coming in buzzer-beating fashion against a top-ten Kansas team. If and when the Blue Devils are completely healthy, expect them to tear through opponents on the way to a 17th Final Four appearance.

The Kentucky Wildcats also should also punch their tickets to the Final Four. Coach John Calipari always manages to build excellent recruiting classes, and this year's group of freshmen is nothing short of spectacular. Point Guard De'Aaron Fox has been a superb floor general for the Wildcats, averaging 15.1 points per game and 7.4 assists per game. Shooting Guard Malik Monk has dominated the competition thus far, putting up 19.3 points per contest while shooting an impressive 48.1% from the field. The addition of Bam Adebayo has strengthened Kentucky's frontcourt, with the 6'10", 260-pound forward able to dominate most opponents in the post. John Calipari's unit also possesses a few important returners. Guard Isaiah Briscoe is the most notable returning player, with the 6'3" sophomore overcoming last season's shooting slump and hitting 7.3% more of his field goal attempts. Kentucky may have a young roster, but the amount of future NBA talent in Lexington should enable the Wildcats to contend for a National Championship. As long as Kentucky avoids a poor shooting game against a respectable NCAA Tournament opponent, expect the Wildcats to book their tickets to Phoenix.

Coach Jay Wright's Villanova Wildcats should be the third of four teams to play a game (or two) in April. The defending national champions return a large portion of last season's roster, including buzzer-beating hero Kris Jenkins and Preseason National Player of the Year candidate Josh Hart. Jenkins and Hart have both gotten off to very strong starts, averaging 14.2 and 17.6 points per game, respectively. Hart was crucial to the Wildcats' title success last season, and the senior's decision to return to school has significantly strengthened the possibility of a Villanova repeat. The 6'6" guard scores in a relatively consistent manner, locates open shooters, performs well on the glass, and guards the opposing team's best player in nearly every game. Meanwhile, Jenkins, a forward, is a tremendous three-point shooter, with the senior currently nailing 43.3% of his attempts from beyond the arc. The senior has appeared extremely confident this season, recording a double-digit points tally in every game apart from one. Villanova also possesses a talented big man in senior Darryl Reynolds. The 6'9", 240 pound forward does not take many shots, but is efficient from the field, hitting 21 of his 30 attempts. In a game against Purdue last month, Reynolds posted 12 points on 5-6 shooting and played an important role in the Wildcats' 79-76 win. Reynolds also is the team's second-highest rebounder, averaging 6 per contest. Villanova will be battle tested by the time March rolls around (the Wildcats play Creighton, Butler, and Xavier twice, in addition to a late January matchup with Virginia), and provided that they rebound well against taller teams,

fans should expect to see Jay Wright's team make a deep tournament run.

The final team that will reach the National Semifinal is North Carolina. Coach Roy Williams returns almost all of his players from last year's run to the title game, and has added multiple key freshmen to the UNC roster. Despite the losses of Brice Johnson and Marcus Paige to the NBA, the Tar Heel faithful should not fret. If anything, this year's team is the deeper than last season's juggernaut. Joel Berry II, Justin Jackson, Isaiah Hicks, and Kennedy Meeks all return to campus, and these four make up potentially the best veteran tandem in the nation. Berry, a guard, has always been a very good shooter; however, the junior from Apopka, Florida has evolved into an all-around point guard, increasing his per game rebound and assist data despite averaging 4.5 less minutes per contest this season. Meanwhile, Jackson, who typically plays the small forward position, leads the team in scoring with an impressive 16.4 points per game. The junior has increased his field goal and three-point percentage by significant margins and has become a key player for a North Carolina squad without the services of junior forward Theo Pinson. The Tar Heels also welcome some new freshmen players; the most notable are 6'10" forward Tony Bradley and guard Seventh Woods. Bradley is projected to be a first-round pick in this summer's NBA Draft, but is currently logging a modest 17.0 minutes per game. Woods, who is an extremely talented player, is spending even less time on the court, with 12.2 minutes per game. The fact that these two fantastic freshmen are sitting on the bench for more than half of most games highlights the incredible amount of skill on this Tar Heel roster, and due to the fact that Roy Williams should be able to rely on his bench during the tournament, expect Carolina to make its second consecutive Final Four appearance.

All four of these teams possess loaded rosters with incredible amounts of talent and skill, along with phenomenal coaching staffs. However, only one team can take home the National Championship trophy, and I believe that the Duke Blue Devils will cut down the nets this April. For starters, the Blue Devils have an advantage that no other program can match: Coaching. Mike Krzyzewski is by far the best active coach, and he may be the best ever at his profession. Under Coach K, Duke has reached the Final Four 12 times and won 5 National Championships. The last three times the Blue Devils have made the title game, they have brought banners home with them. If Duke reaches Phoenix, it will have an experienced coach on the sideline, ready to handle any adversity. The Blue Devils also have, in my opinion, the best blend of young talent and veterans on their roster. Duke brought the second-ranked recruiting class to campus this year, and Kentucky, the team with the best group, does not have as many impactful veterans as the Blue Devils. Duke will rely on its unparalleled combination of depth, experience, and talent once they reach the NCAA Tournament, allowing Coach K's squad to add a sixth National Championship to the Cameron Indoor Stadium trophy case.

(Please Note that all statistics were found online at espn.go.com.)

GIRLS SOCCER: JOURNEY TO THE TOP

Christina Stone '20 | Contributor

Our girls varsity soccer team has always been in the top portion of our league, but after being eliminated in the quarterfinals the previous year, nobody predicted that we would win New England's the next year. This was an incredible journey, and here is the story of our season.

From our very first games, our team enjoyed many successes. Our forwards each had numerous goals and assists, as they wove through our opposing defenses, unwinding shot after shot. In the midfield, we outsmarted our competitors through our possession and movement. Additionally, our defensive unit brought our team's physicality and composure to another level, continuously stopping the opponent's attack, keeping the ball in our possession, and giving our offensive players chances to score goals. We were all anchored by our two gritty keepers who constantly delivered a strong presence. Teammates off the field were continuously cheering for those on the field, as Coaches O'Brien and Murphy developed our team's tactical game as well as our possession and game maintenance. Our team was a fine-tuned machine, with every piece an important and functioning part in creating our success.

Finally, after a regular season score of 14-1-2, our team advanced to the quarter finals. We deflated Buckingham Browne & Nichols with our positive spirit, cohesive unit, and never-ending pressure.

In the semifinals against Choate, a tense first half of 0-0 left everyone on the edges of their seats. When we came out in the second half, scoring an early goal to win the game 1-0, there was no doubt who would win the game. We defeated Choate too, with our ball movement and constant shots on net.

The New England Championship, a hard-fought battle against Worcester Academy, was definitely the highlight



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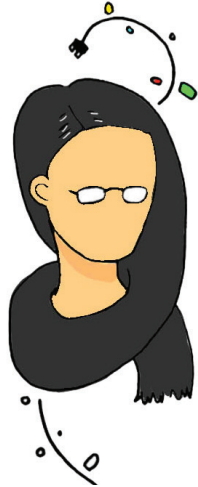
of our season. Everyone was in their best shape, laser-focused on completing the journey we began in the early days of September. Worcester went up 1-0 in the first half, only igniting the flame that we used to burn down their momentum. We tied up the game within minutes, leaving the first half a 1-1 tie. Worcester could not handle our constant shots on net, leading to two back-to-back Pelican goals and allowing the Loomis Chaffee girls varsity soccer team to win the 2016 NEPSAC Championship Game by a score of 3-1.

Winning the NEPSAC Championship my freshman

year? Definitely unexpected.

The victory of 2016 was a memorable moment for everyone involved in LC Athletics, but especially for our girls varsity soccer team. This outstanding group played with grace and model sportsmanship behavior, never yielding to any opponent faced this season. I'm extremely lucky to have gotten to know everyone in this amazing group of girls, and can't wait to embark on the adventures of next fall! The NEPSAC Championship was a special moment, and LCGVS of 2016 was a special group who deserved that moment.

WHAT'S IN THE GIFT BAG THIS YEAR ?



MS. HSIEH

A copy of the Yale Daily News (jk already had that)
Smiles of approval from Dr. Culbert
A carillon
A female tortoise named Claire



GLORIA

Crazy texting speed (so that she can juggle 100+ clubs at the same time)
Extra 10 hours in a day
A time machine to go back to see a Heifetz concert



JAMIE

A new phone number (jk already has that)
Private jet to not be late for when there's rain and traffic
Quarter-zips for Log gear



JAMES

Fatter ergos
No driving curfew so he can stay in the Log room

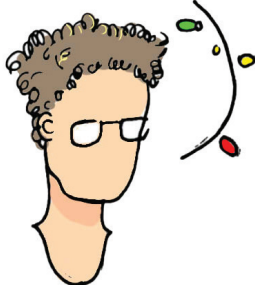
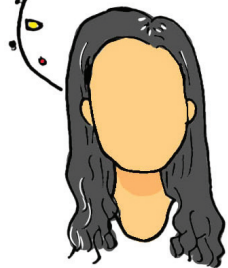


ANH

COFFEE COFFEE COFFEE x 100000
(or maybe the answer is 9.25 hours of sleep)
Froyo
Insomnia Cookies x 100000
40+ dedicated (workaholic) graphic editors
Shampoo
A hemet (this is not a typo)

Professional viewership tracker 1.0
All the gavels

LILY

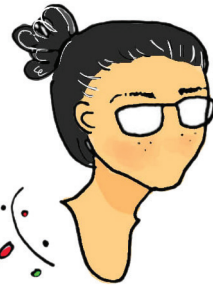


ALEX G.

A sock - to be a free elf
More time to visit the Log room
A can of peas and a basket of tomatoes
A better Canadian accent, eh?

Melatonin (comes in pill form)
Wax strip
Insomnia cookie

KHANH

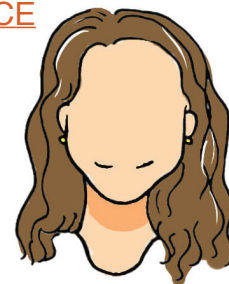


RACHEL

Professional bubble soccer career
Elevator up to 3rd floor of Palmer

Michael's grades
Melatonin for SATs

GRACE



A room-cleaning robot
Yeezys

ALLEN



MILTON

A pot of emerging grass seedlings (to watch grass grow in the Log room rather than in the Meadows)
Unlimited buffet from Taste of India
Life insurance money (for his tortoise, Rock, in case it outlives Milton)
The Old Farmer's Almanac



AKASH

Four Tom Brady posters
Possession of the aux cord
A win in fantasy football

Single game scoring record in club soccer
His personal cameraman
UNC or UConn championship in college basketball
Athleticism
Arsenal to get Messi
A Valentine's Day card from Rex Ryan

SAM G.

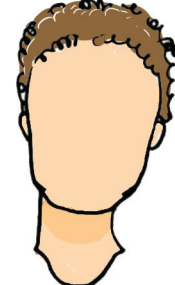


LAUREN

A salad
Spinach seeds for the garden
A dinner with Alexander Hamilton
A visit from Joe

Otto Laakso
A signed album from Muse

ROBERT



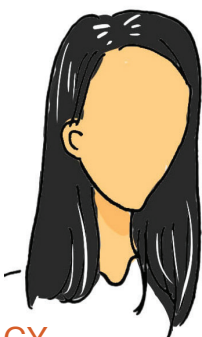
JEEWON

More articles about llamas
Becoming Mulan
A biggish dog, not excessively so, but definitely not small and rat-like
A roommate who likes dogs and doesn't talk to herself



Hannah Montana that's all.

CATHY



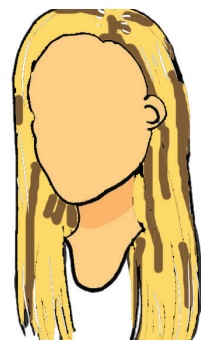
TRACY

A separate room as a closet in the dorm
A separate room as a painting room
A separate mirror table for makeup



BEN BEN

Nice selfie lighting
The wintergreen to not smell
Striped sweater and a flannel
Kylie Jenner lip kit
Kim Kardashian

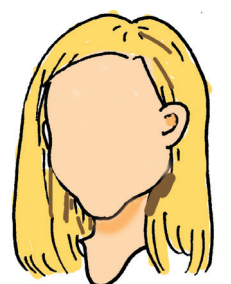
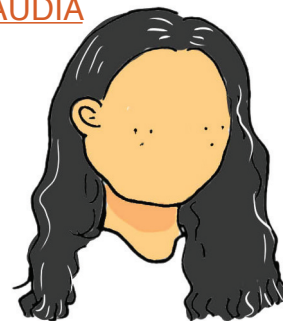


CHARLOTTE

Three-day pass away from Loomis (jk we all need this)
Expensive foundation

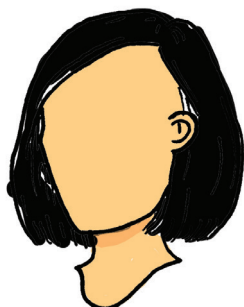
A laptop that has a functioning cooler and doesn't explode
A cinnamon roll, to remind her how perfect she is <3
A fish tank filter for easy breezy beautiful fish

CLAUDIA



JULIA

No curfew
A driver's license
Teleporting ability so she can get from place to place ASAP



ANNIE

Her own hotel so she can start managing ;)
Unrestricted Log budget