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Goodbye Yellow Ravine Lodge

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The Experiences of International Students at Lake Forest College

By Christina Strunck ’21
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Students of Lake Forest College like to form peer groups. But these groups make it hard for international students to be fully integrated, despite the College having many international students.

During this academic year, Lake Forest College is home to 154 international students, most coming from China, Canada, and Mexico. “Next year’s class will experience an increase of 23 percent in international students,” said Darren Drabek, director of international admissions. Drabek travels around the world to meet students and families of future international students.

While the number of international students is expected to increase at the College, the number of new enrollments of international students in the United States is decreasing. The Institute of International Education recognizes a decrease of approximately 10,000 new students between 2014 and 2018 in its last "open doors survey," which was taken before the election of President Donald Trump.

Now, Drabek recognizes more students and families having concerns, especially about visa issues. To help them, he starts the visa application process earlier than before and he talks to the families of potential students. "Our student body is more reflective of diversity and it is more important to us," he said.

The Office of Intercultural Relations, for example, organizes events where students cook for others and discuss their background. They also organized GlobalFest and collaborated with other international organizations on campus in the fall semester.

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Career Closet Opens, No Student Leaves Empty-Handed

By Monica Hauschild '22
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With the February 1, 2019 Grand Opening of Lake Forest College's Career Closet, not only are students able to find professional style, gently-used clothing for job interviews, LinkedIn headshots, and other professional occasions for free, they are also able to make new friends.

The Career Closet is open on Fridays from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Roberts Hall, Room 100 or by making an appointment through the College’s Career Advancement Center. Hannah Frei, Assistant Director of Career Advancement for Entrepreneurship and Innovation, recently commented to Stentor staff that she “noticed during the College’s Speed Networking event on October 4, 2018, many students did not have professional attire nor a simple way of obtaining it.” She said she thought having a place like the Career Closet would be beneficial to these students. “I used to work at the University of Florida, and they had one there,” she said.

Explaining that after her search into what other colleges with similar resources offered their students by way of career clothing options, she decided that Lake Forest College should follow suit. Frei contacted faculty and staff last September requesting donations of clothes that could be used in business or professional settings, providing the Career Closet with a very large inventory of clothes. Frei said that once the clothes were received, they were checked over and when found in good condition and appropriate in a professional setting, they were steamed if needed.

“Since its Grand Opening, the Career Closet has seen a surprisingly good turnout of students,” according to Frei. “Around 15 students came by for the grand opening, she said, and there has been a steady influx of students coming in during the Closet’s hours.”

Students who are currently enrolled at College, have made an appointment with the Career Advancement Center, and have an upcoming professional event can access the Career Closet. Melissa Ramirez ‘20 met these requirements and took the opportunity to take advantage of the Career Closet. “I went to the Career Closet in hopes of finding a nice blazer. I ended up finding two nice blazers that fit. I even found a sweater from H&M and winter coat that would probably be very expensive in stores,” she explained in a recent interview with Stentor staff. “The normal working hours for the Closet conflicted with my schedule, but I made an appointment with Frei so I could look for clothes during my off-hours,” Ramirez said, adding, “The Career Closet is organized by sizes and the types of clothes, with a rack full of blazers, blouses, coats, dress pants, and even some business shoes.”

Students are allowed to take up to four garments per school year and can also have professional headshots taken for their LinkedIn profile while they are there. “Students do not have to shop the Career Closet in order to get headshots, they can come to our office as well,” Frei added. “The Career Closet has had a steady flow of students. Frei stated, I do not know of one person who has (left) without taking some clothes home with them.”

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For Kgotla “Kothe” Mnopi ’20 from Botswana, this is not enough. President of Umoja, Mnopi thinks that the College’s efforts in strengthening diversity have decreased. Mnopi noted that the Office of Intercultural Relations, for example, cannot be reached by individuals in wheelchairs due to its location on the second floor of Rosemary House.

“In my eyes, a college that cares would change that,” Mnopi said. “However, I know that the College cannot spend money on everything. But it can prioritize.”

Alalra Singh ‘21, a student from India, thinks that the College does everything possible to integrate people.

Still, she finds it hard to make real friends with Americans, just like Mnopi. Jill Huang ‘22 from Taiwan, or Elsa Bellaud ‘22 and Victoire Oriol ‘22 from France.

“I feel like at Lake Forest College, Americans tend to stay together, and international students tend to stay together,” said Oriol, an ISEP exchange student. But all but one international student interviewed said they have more international than American friends. For Oriol, one possible reason is that Americans know that she will be leaving soon. Bellaud, who also came with ISEP, thinks that internationals stick together because they better understand each other’s feelings.

Huang, a first-year, tries to learn about the culture, “but the barrier exists. Sometimes I just cannot get it. I try to engage, but it’s hard.” Ashley Sinclair, director of global engagement at Lake Forest College, also recognizes this barrier. “In the U.S., we show outward friendliness, but the next step—of actually coming over—is sometimes where we stop ourselves.”

It also depends on personality. This separation does not mean that friendship between internationals and Americans do not exist. All interviewees said that they feel integrated, and Trump becoming president did not change that. His politics raise concerns—especially the students from France, although they are white and come from a Western country. Now that they are here, they recognize the environment of Trump’s administration, “but that does not affect the campus,” Bellaud said.

That may be one reason why so many international students attend Lake Forest College, and more are coming despite the trend of the declining number of international students coming to the United States to attend college.

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Greek Life Spotlight: Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority

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Kappa Alpha Theta is an international sorority that was founded in 1870. According to President Emily Norris ’21, “Kappa Alpha Theta was the very first Greek life organization for women that was founded so that women could feel safe and empowered by each other.” This sorority was founded by Bettie Locke Hamilton, Alice Allen Brant, Bettie Tipton Lindsay, and Hannah Fitch Shaw at DePauw University. These women were the “very first women to attend this college in East Chicago,” Norris said. The Lake Forest CollegeEta Nu chapter of the Kappa Alpha Theta sorority was founded in 2004 and currently has 30 members.

According to Norris, Kappa Alpha Theta was founded on values that are referred to as the “four points of kite,” which are intellectual curiosity, leadership potential, commitment to service, and personal excellence. This chapter has “leading women on campus” who are brought together by the commitment are still role models who inspire me.”

One of the values of Kappa Alpha Theta is intellectual curiosity, which focuses on scholarship. According to Chief Financial Officer Hajar Habbal ’20, “Thetas have study halls in the library every day, and you will always see a Theta in the library every single day no matter what time it is.” A proactive member, Kaitlyn Daniel ’20, said “joining Theta has pushed me to do well in my academics.” Other members such as Lake Forest Panhellenic President Carly Griffith ’20 have echoed this statement. “Theta has a very popular and competitive scholarship, looking at which member hosts the most study halls and who has the highest GPA to ensure that members reach their highest academic potential,” Griffith said.

In addition to scholarship, this sorority places an emphasis on leadership finance, and operations. “Each leadership position is very important to how the sorority functions,” Norris said. According to Griffith, as a part of the executive board you “learn the effective skills needed to become a great leader.”

Kappa Alpha Theta emphasizes philanthropy by hosting two significant philanthropy events: KAT at Bat and Serve It Up for CASA. According to Norris, these events “raise money for Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), which provides support for children in the foster care system.” Thetas also hold lemonade stands throughout the academic year connected to Alex’s Lemonade Stand “to raise money for pediatric cancer research...which is something close to their hearts,” Norris said.

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The Shining Happy People at LFC Winter Gala

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In long dresses and formal suits, around 600 students attended the traditional winter dance. “I had a lot of fun, I met some new people and I had my friends with me, so that was a good time,” Grace Michel ’21 said, first-year at the College. Just like others, she dressed up for the winter Gala to “raise money for pediatric cancer research...which is something close to their hearts,” Norris said.

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Reevaluating Life & Language After Aurora Shooting

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Five lives were lost on Friday, February 15, when a man being let go from his job opened fire at the Henry Pratt Co. in Aurora. Among those brutally and unnecessarily killed was Trevor Wehner of Sheridan, Illinois. He was a student at Northern Illinois University and a human resources intern at the manufacturing plant. He was twenty-one years old and set to graduate in May with a degree in human resource management.

Out of curiosity, I decided to look up Facebook profile. Having lived and studied so close to my own home—and Lake Forest—I wondered if any of my friends had known him. I discovered we had no mutual friends, but I was able to swipe through his pictures and gather just a snippet of the intimate life the young man shared with his friends, family, and loved ones. Wehner and his girlfriend would have celebrated their four-year anniversary in September.

Then, I read the heartbreaking Facebook posts by the wife of Josh Pinkard, the plant’s manager. Somehow within those final moments of his life, he found the ability to text his wife, Terra, “I love you.” In the comments, Terra explains how unbearable it was to have to explain to their children that Josh had been killed.

Unfortunately, history is too often marked by these tragic events, like the Aurora shooting. This particular tragedy occurred just an hour-and-a-half away from the college; for some, it might have occurred in their hometown. In fact, some of us might know the victims of the shooting, either directly or through others. Regardless, any time lives are senselessly lost, it is personal.

As I reflected on this tragedy and the lives of these people I had never met—lives cut too short—I began to think, too, about how we talk about death in today’s society. The same night of the shooting someone posted on their Facebook page, while talking about a paper they had to write for school, that they wanted to die. In saying that, they weren’t being literal, the sentence was a shortcut to expressing overwrought, frustrated emotions festering inside them.

This wasn’t my first encounter with such casual language surrounding death—we’ve all either seen the same or a similar expression used by someone we know or have even said it ourselves. I will admit that I sometimes make the inappropriate and inconsiderate mistake of talking about my life so thoughtlessly. Yet, after having just contemplated the fact Trevor Wehner, twenty-one and about to graduate, just like myself, had his future unjustly torn from him, the ignorance of someone joking about wanting to throw their life away over something seemingly so miniscule turned my stomach. We millennials, social media addicts, stressed college students—which ever label you prefer—have grown used to using self-deprecating and death-centered language to describe our circumstances, often with gross incorrectness. When even the most mildly inconvenient befalls us, we say we want to die. We don’t mean it literally, but there is something inexplicably offensive about making light of such a serious matter: life and death. As we remember the lives lost in the Aurora shooting—Clayton Parks, Trevor Whener, Russell Heyer, Victoria Janacek, and Josh Pinkard—I hope, too, we can reflect on the weight of our own words, and how we can relate to one another with greater consideration.

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The Republic’s Last Stand: Trump’s Executive Order

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On Monday, February 18, 16 states filed a lawsuit to stop President Trump’s funding of a border wall without congressional approval. This lawsuit is one of the president declaring a national emergency over wall funds. Even if the courts successfully block Trump’s “emergency,” Trump has given precedent to potential future presidents for using this move to solve their own “real emergencies” while in office. With such liberal usage of national emergencies, the entire concept of the American Republic threatens to teeter over the edge. This particular emergency might be stopped, but what example has been set for Trump’s successors?

Many conservatives initially said Democrats would embrace the concept of exercising the National Emergencies Act (NEA), though they specifically disapprove of Trump’s usage. They would, of course, prefer to use such precedents to accomplish their own partisan goals. Senator Warren (D-MA) quickly proved this theory to be true when she tweeted on February 14th: “Gun violence is an emergency. Climate change is an emergency. Our country’s opioid epidemic is an emergency. Donald Trump’s ridiculous wall is not an emergency.” She still believes in this overreach of executive power, just not that Trump’s issues are real emergencies.

Warren’s ‘emergencies’ are problems, but we have bigger problems in the U.S. than her partisan issues and, even then, those are still not emergencies. Emergencies do not require long term plans: climate change cannot be solved overnight—it will take decades of sustained, worldwide efforts. The U.S. alone cannot solve that problem. In 2016, according to the Center for Disease Control (CDC), there were 38,480 traffic deaths and 38,689 firearm deaths. Gun violence does not make the list as one of the Top 10 causes of death in the U.S.; suicide, diabetes, influenza, and cancer are all listed. Yet, none of them are national emergencies, because they are not easy fixes. They require years if not decades of research, planning and action.

Let’s not be so naive that we think we can solve problems like climate change, gun violence or an opioid crisis with the snap of the finger. Emergencies are sudden and catastrophic events that require immediate action. Even many of the current ‘emergencies’ under the NEA are not real emergencies. Since 1978, 88 National Emergencies have been declared and 30 of those are still in effect today. The first “national emergency” under the act was in 1979, “Blocking Iran Government Property,” which was most recently extended last November. It is hard to imagine this really is an emergency if it has been going on for 40 years. We are still in a state of emergency from 9/11 under the NEA. This is clearly false: no event has occurred since 9/11 mirroring that magnitude. Bin Laden has been dead for over 7 years, and Al-Qaeda offshoot has since grown into a bigger threat. It is no longer a state of emergency—yes, we need policy to deal with terrorist threats, but that does not translate to a state of emergency.

Originally, I thought the best part of Trump’s presidency would be its ability to convince Democrats to limit the power of the president. Unfortunately, it seems that Democrats, like Senator Warren, instead wish to use the ever-expanding powers of the presidency for their own personal gain and leave the door open to a future of authoritarianism. Even worse is the fact that some Republicans are embracing Trump’s powers grabbing, like Senator Graham (R-SC). Only a few have stood up to Trump like they did to Obama. Rep. Amash (R-MI) called out both Trump and Graham for using and supporting emergency powers to fund the wall. By and large, both parties have seemed to support broad executive actions when a member of their own party is in power. Whether that was Obama’s executive orders on immigration or Trump’s executive orders on the same matter, their own parties for the most part followed without question. It is concerning that the American Republic seems to concentrate more and more power in the executive, betraying the separation of powers the nation is built on. People seem to detest that when they are out of power, but as soon as “their guy” gets in office they seem to have no qualms about their leaders’ vast power. In the words of Former Congressman Joe Walsh “What makes me the saddest is that I always thought most Americans feared & detested a King.” It seems every presidency we get closer to having one.

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MTV’s ‘MTV Spring Break’ first debuted as a raunchy, provocative showcase of twenty-somethings participating in wet t-shirt contests and drinking games. Perhaps originally it seemed like a good idea, filming young adults acting stupid and intoxicated on a beach in the otherwise boring Daytona Beach, Florida. MTV’s coverage of spring break has become equally famous as it has infamous, and perhaps it could explain the interesting concentration of sexual offenders residing in Eastern Florida— that and Disney World. According to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, over 3,500 registered sex offenders live in the two counties in which these attractions are located. (For comparison, in Lake County, IL, there are approximately 400.) Either way, MTV’s coverage of Spring Break has attracted people to beaches in Florida and the Caribbean for years. In fact, those who appeared in the first episode when they were twenty somethings, are in their mid-fifties. Yep, that’s right. The first episode aired in 1986. So, those teenagers who drunkenly flashed cameras are now probably the favorite drunk aunt of the family, or that family friend who is suspiciously fond of puka shell necklaces.

In its hey day, the late Notorious B.I.G. and the Spice Girls preformed. By the early 2000s, it was Paris Hilton and Destiny’s Child, (who appeared in matching denim-based beach outfits, NSYNC inspired hair and cargo shorts. But today, ratings have dropped, now that the Music Television station is now dedicated to reruns of reality shows, and now that children no longer need access to cable to see music videos, there’s been little viewership. According to inside sources at MTV, their two largest demographics are pre-teens too involved in Jersey Shore culture, and people who are interested in drinking games.

The footage to Hollister, maybe they’re selling the footage to Hollister, for those big ‘T’Vs they have there.”

I’ve seen things you can’t imagine...

**The Real Depressing Truth About Lake Forest College Spring Break**

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I always imagine blue skies and sandy beaches when people refer to tropical spring break. People post plenty of swimsuit pictures and a plethora of parties on their Instagram feed. Especially in Lake Forest, spring is a time where beautiful slush litters the ground. I always eagerly wait for the flood of blurry Snapchat videos and the shared screen of celebration to fill my room. The duck face is definitely on-trend for this season, as it apparently has been since 2010. And don’t get me started on the neon glow of fake tans— I mean, I see it during spring break more than I see the rays of UV radiation.

I’m not sure if the word “break” is something well known to anyone at Lake Forest College, other than as half of the word “breakdown.” For those of us who don’t know, the word is used to describe a period of rest. It sounds too good to be true, almost as if it were a whimsical daydream. I mean, who wouldn’t want to be trapped in a car with too many people, finish seven days of homework in one night, and get dragged to family dinners where everyone argues politics? Or better yet, sitting alone in the Student Center, rapidly finishing six essays.

One week is really the perfect amount of time to replenish people of one semester’s worth of stress. Enough time to forget about crippling student debt and worries about majors and minors. Personally, I’m very excited to have a week-long existential crisis about the direction of life, free will, and the concept of death. Spring break is meant to give us all something rarely found in college life— something called “free time.” I so rarely found that when one opportunity presents itself, we set unrealistic expectations for ourselves. Every year, I create a checklist: do all my homework on the first day, eat three, well-balanced meals, and run three miles everyday, while simultaneously drinking enough water, and sleeping exactly eight hours per night. But of course, the minute classes let out, I’m always tempted to crawl into my bed and turn my brain off for a while. I think that “Spring Break” is a misnomer for instant meals and guilty indulgence into procrastination, laziness, and other vices, while maintaining the social media image of someone who is having the time of their life, like fully-actualized human beings. But we all know for a fact that things are not all that great. Most of us will probably be lounging around in our sweats, sleeping much more than we should, and pigging out on junk food.

The expectations of spring break are so astronomically high, that some of us are missing that Polar Vortex. At least then no one expected us to do anything more than nap and order Uber Eats.

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Studio Ghibli Does It Again

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Do you like movies from Studio Ghibli? Looking for something to lounge to and play endless hours in awe of colorful and beautiful gameplay with a consistently engaging story? Then Ni no Kuni II: Revenant Kingdom may just be the game just for you.

Published by NAMCO BANDAI Entertainment and developed by Level-5, Ni no Kuni II is by far one of the most satisfying games that I have played within the last year. It was released for the PlayStation 4 and PC on March 25, 2018, and since has made many fall in love with its contents. One particular thing that worked for the game was that players don’t necessarily have to have played its predecessor, Ni no Kuni: Wrath of the White Witch, to fully enjoy/understand its story as it takes place generations before the storyline in this second installment. The story is centered on two characters. The first being Evan Pettiwisker Tildrum, a grimmalkin (half-boy/half-cat) heir to the throne of Ding Dong Dell Kingdom. He is soon usurped by a coup with the mouse-people in his kingdom. He is accompanied by Roland, the president of a country similar to the United States. He is magically transported to Evan’s world after a missile hitting the city he presumably lives in, becoming inexplicably much younger in the process. His experience running a country and dealing with the affairs of the state make him an ideal advisor for the young Evan. Your goal is to create a new kingdom, one that is ruled not by war, but by peace. Along your journey, you are joined by many other wacky and memorable characters to help you fight your way through the bureaucracy and villainy throughout the land. My only criticism of the plot is that at times, it felt as though the story was going a bit too fast and connections to certain characters felt a little bland. After playing for just one hour, I did not want to stop playing. Sure, the game mechanics of the hack-and-slash JRPG genre are not new, but that is something that I didn’t focus on. I found myself constantly being distracted by the level of detail in the environment, enemies, and even the characters themselves. Everything in this game is so beautiful and practically glows. The cutscenes run so smoothly throughout gameplay that on multiple occasions I forgot I was playing a game. The music by far contains some of the best game orchestral soundtracks I have ever heard in my life; ranging from romantic, atonal, minimalistic, and even traditional Chinese techniques, most of which you can find in the main menu them. Overall, I give this game 4.5 out of 5 stars. Despite having cheesy moments in the game, the stunning visuals, adorable design, and impactful score make up for everything allowing the player to experience this heartwarming story to its absolute fullest!

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Preview of the Lake Forest College Literary Festival

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The Literary Festival has been a part of the English Department for 15 years and has only continued to improve. Last year, INK., an English-focused club on campus, concluded the event with their second open mic night, which was a great success and helped raise significant donations for Bernice’s Book Bank, a local non-profit.

This year, the theme of the event is “Dialogues” and will feature seven events spread out over five days. There will be several readings, performances, and movie screenings. Please see the schedule of events for times and locations or ask any member of the English department for more information. Questions about the open mic can be directed to the president of INK., Adrian Perez’20.

Though you may not recognize the names of the featured artists of the Literary Festival, it is still recommended that you attend at least one event. There is something so fascinating about hearing live readings of text that will captivate you, and who knows, it might even inspire you to participate in the open mic night at the end of the event! If any of these events sound interesting to you, you should definitely check out the Literary Festival this year!

Friday, March 22nd
7 pm: Screening of The Commitments, based on the novel by Roddy Doyle. McCormick Auditorium, Lilian Science Center.

Monday, March 25th
4 pm: Reading by poet Elmen Lauren. Lilian Science Center 044 (own level).
7 pm: Reading by fiction writer Roddy Doyle. McCormick Auditorium, Lilian Science Center.

Tuesday, March 26th
4 pm: Reading by emerging fiction writer J.D. Scott. Pioneer Whitehead Residence, Meyer Auditorium, Hatchshus Hall.
7:30 pm: Performance by comedian and essayist Somerville Iffy. Artis Residency. The Chapel.

Wednesday, March 27th
7 pm: Reading by poet Sandra Simonds. Meyer Auditorium, Hatchshus Hall.

Friday, March 29th
7 pm: Reading and open mic sponsored by the members of INK., the Department of English’s literary club. The Chapel.

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The Foresters had a successful tournament at the Midwest Conference Championship Meet at Grinnell College with the women placing third and the men placing second.

The competition began with the women’s freestyle. Ani Karagianis ’20 was the only Forester who competed in this event and placed third with a time of 1:53.97.

In the men’s race, the Foresters dominated as they placed in three and four of the top five finishers. Max Rowland ’21 won the 500-freestyle as well as the 100-M and placed in third. Jeffrey Nefel ’21 finished fifth with a time of 4:35.06. Alec Pittman ’22 won the 1000-freestyle in 3:01.49, just ahead of Aaron Helms ’21 by 28 seconds. The top three swimmers now rank second, third, and fourth in Forester history.

The Forester men also had two other athletes who placed in the top five in the 200-breaststroke. Sebastian Wagner ’22 was fourth with a time of 2:14.36 and Ryan Casaday ’21 in fifth with a time of 2:14.46.

On the men’s side for the A-final 200-backstroke was Frederick Weichmann ’19, who finished off his career with a time of 1:57.08, placing in third. Nathan Lam ’21 was sixth with a time of 1:59.37. On the women’s side, Fallon Longfield ’21 placed in second with a time of 2:01.43. Susan Guo ’22 placed in second in the 100-freestyle with a time of 53.32 seconds. She placed fourth in the program’s all-time rankings in that event. Rachel Trevillain ’20 broke her school record for the 200-butterfly with a time of 2:04.65.

In addition, the Foresters had two divers shine in the competition. Lizzi Johns ’20 and Heath Ogawa ’19 won Most Outstanding Divers of the Year honors. Johns won the 1-meter competition and placed third for the 3-meter event. Ogawa won both events for the third year in a row.

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Women’s Basketball
Lake Forest College men’s basketball team made school history as they won the 2019 Midwest Conference Tournament by beating St. Norbert College 68-64.

Throughout the game, there was no clear leading team. Early in the first half, the Foresters were up until St. Norbert’s had an 11-1 run, putting them on top. In the second half, leads were exchanged by both teams. With 12:49 left on the clock, the Foresters had a 47-42 lead. St. Norbert came back by scoring 11 unanswered points. With only six minutes remaining, the Foresters responded with 11 points and led with a score of 56-53. With 6:57 minutes remaining, the Foresters maintained their lead with a score of 62-60.

Forester forward Danny Sotos ’19 scored a three-pointer for the team to throw by Jordan Moran ’19 to put the Foresters ahead. St. Norbert then tied the game at a score of 64 with 2:48 to play. Moran made a layup shot for the Foresters, which then paved the way for victory as the Knights were unable to come back. Guard Sean Eapinosa ’21 finished off the game with a pair of free throws contributing to the Foresters’ victory.

Eapinosa and Sotos, both MWC-all-academic honorees, had a game-high 19 points and 10 rebounds. Forward Molly Schoelein ’21 had two blocked shots, finishing the season with 44 blocks. It was the final game for seniors Moran and Hannah O’Dwy ’20.

Burton earned All-Midwest Conference First-Team accolades and teammate Hiland earned All-Midwest Conference Second-Team recognition.

Indoor Track
Yanid Guajardo ’21 won the title in the 3,000-meter race at the Midwest Conference Indoor Meet as well as finishing in second place in the mile and 500-meter. Guajardo contributed 26 of the 95 points for the Foresters with 46 points and was the only runner at the meet to place in the top two in three events. Guajardo broke both of the records for the Foresters, finishing the 500 in 1:28.48 and the 3,000 in 10:43.99.

Guajardo also led the Forester 4x400 relay team that finished in seventh place with a time of 4:44.48. The Foresters contested another 4x400 relay with Ellen Szokat ’21 and Audrey Paglia ’21 teamed with Estefania Ramirez ’20 and Jacqueline Chapman ’20. This relay team placed in seventh place as well as breaking their schoolrecord time of 4:00.27 as one second. Emily Stauffer ’21 also competed in the 3,000-meter finishing in second place after Guajardo with a time of 10:49.24.

On the men’s side, two Foresters placed in 3,000 events. Jorge Villanueva ’19 finished fourth in the 3,000-meter with a time of 8:22.52 and Philip Wilson ’20 placed in fifth with a time of 8:17.84. Both runners had their best career times in this race.

The Foresters also competed in the 4x400 relay led by Sam Barton ’30 and David Carrillo ’19 followed by first-years Matthew Norcross ’22 and Christian Reyes ’22. This relay team finished in eighth place with a time of 3:44.14.

Overall, the Foresters women tied for seventh place out of 10 teams and the team finished in ninth place. Last year, both teams placed tenth.

Handball
The Foresters had a successful weekend where Riley Frisbie ’20 and Anthony Sullivan ’21 were the top players who assisted the Foresters success in the Roundball Association National Collegiate Championships.

Frisbie won both of her matches giving her a spot in the Women’s Open Singles Division. She was defeated in the Open 96-quarterfinals. Sullivan advanced to the Open Singles division, but lost in the round of 16. Dev in Peters ’20 won two tournament titles in the AA division, but lost in the final of the 96-quarterfinals. Sullivan advanced to the Open Singles Division, but lost in the round of 16. Championship Czarapata ’20 was defeated in the semifinals while also remaining, cutting the score down to 8-7. The Foresters led at the second intermission.

During the third period, Rudd had two assists and one of them fed to Underseher’s score at 12:22. Rudd led the team with a score of 7,000, which was assisted by Davis. Rudd then set up a goal for Kent Underseher ’20 at 12:15. Rudd is just one point shy of making program history as she now has 13 points in her career.

Goaltender Jacque Rogers ’20 had 22 saves as well as her seventh shutout of the season and nineteenth of her career. The Foresters will face College of St. Scholastica in the NCHA Shatt’s Cup semifinal Friday night, which will be held at Adrian College.

Men’s Hockey
The Foresters battled hard against the Adrian College Bulldogs, ranked tenth in the nation, but fell short to a 5-4 loss in the semifinals of the Northern Collegiate Hockey Association Harris Cup Playoffs.

Forward Cody Guidorzi ’19 scored the Foresters only goal at 7:40 which was assisted by forward Austin Askey ’20. This goal cut the score down to 1-1.

The Bulldogs had three goals in the opening period and outscored the Foresters 21-6. In the second period, Adrian College scored again at 9:42. The Bulldogs scored again at the empty net, closing out the game. In the final period, the Foresters led with shots on goal 9-8.

Swim and Dive
The Foresters had a successful tournament at the Midwest Conference Championship Meet at Grinnell College with the women placing third and the men placing second.

The competition began with the women’s freestyle. Ani Karagianis ’20 was the only Forester who competed in this event and placed third with a time of 1:53.97.

In the men’s race, the Foresters dominated as they placed in three and four of the top five finishers. Max Rowland ’21 won the 500-freestyle as well as the 100-M and placed in third. Jeffrey Nefel ’21 finished fifth with a time of 4:35.06. Alec Pittman ’22 won the 1000-freestyle in 3:01.49, just ahead of Aaron Helms ’21 by 28 seconds. The top three swimmers now rank second, third, and fourth in Forester history.

The Forester men also had two other athletes who placed in the top five in the 200-breaststroke. Sebastian Wagner ’22 was fourth with a time of 2:14.36 and Ryan Casaday ’21 in fifth with a time of 2:14.46.

On the men’s side for the A-final 200-backstroke was Frederick Weichmann ’19, who finished off his career with a time of 1:57.08, placing in third. Nathan Lam ’21 was sixth with a time of 1:59.37. On the women’s side, Fallon Longfield ’21 placed in second with a time of 2:01.43. Susan Guo ’22 placed in second in the 100-freestyle with a time of 53.32 seconds. She placed fourth in the program’s all-time rankings in that event. Rachel Trevillain ’20 broke her school record for the 200-butterfly with a time of 2:04.65.

In addition, the Foresters had two divers shine in the competition. Lizzi Johns ’20 and Heath Ogawa ’19 won Most Outstanding Divers of the Year honors. Johns won the 1-meter competition and placed third for the 3-meter event. Ogawa won both events for the third year in a row.

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Extremely Low Temperatures Impact Athletic Schedules

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With the exceedingly low temperatures, there was a lot of speculation that the College would end up cancelling classes and potentially impacting the athletics schedules. “I’ve been at Lake Forest for over 30 years and this was something that I have never seen before,” said Athletic Director Jackie Statts.

In the span of one week, according to weather.com, the highest temperature reached was 11 degrees and the lowest temperature was -21 degrees. Those temperatures do not factor in the wind chill, which got up to around 20 miles per hour to some days.

While the College held classes on Tuesday, January 29, Dean of Students Andrea Conner sent an all-campus email that stated the College would close on Wednesday, January 30. The projected high temperature for that day was -11 with the low at -21 degrees.

When it comes to talking about the extreme cold temperatures from an athletics standpoint, the Foresters compete in the Midwest Conference, which plays conference basketball games on Wednesdays and Saturdays. With classes cancelled on Wednesday, January 30, at the College and several other schools in the conference, there needed to be a decision made about what to do regarding the games that were scheduled to take place.

Fortunately, the schools already had a game plan. “We were ahead of it. We knew it was coming. We were talking with bus companies on Monday about whether or not it would be safe to travel on the buses Wednesday,” Statts said. “Tuesday morning, the league held a conference call with all the athletic directors and the decision was made to move all the games to that Thursday. Instead of people playing on different days, it made things clean and simple to play all of them on Thursday.”

With classes cancelled, the league ruled that no teams could have official practice on Wednesday. The Lake Forest men’s and women’s basketball teams were scheduled to play at Ripon on Wednesday, January 30, but instead played on Thursday, January 31.

Ken Davis, head coach of the men’s basketball team, was fully aware that there was a good chance that the Foresters would not be competing in their conference matchup that Wednesday. “We started to kind of find out Monday that it was going to be the case,” Davis said. “They (the athletic directors) made a decision that on that Wednesday that no one could practice, even though some schools did not have a policy about it. The league tried to not allow maybe an unfair advantage.”

With the cancellation, Davis said, “It was definitely a little different, but I kind of just took a step back in my mind and said that I can’t control this so Wednesday I just let our guys be and follow the intent of the rule. I really didn’t think that much about it. The biggest influence about the whole situation was that we had to play on Saturday, so it was a very quick turnaround from playing Thursday night and then playing Saturday. So, Friday we really didn’t do nearly as much as we normally would have. All in all, it wasn’t that big of a deal.”

The postponement of the game did not affect how the Foresters played either as the men’s basketball team defeated Ripon 76-64, which made it their third straight win. Forward Danny Sotos ’18 had a team high 22 points and credited the team’s victory with Lake Forest taking the weather implications and cancellations into their own hands. “With what essentially amounted to a day off, it would have been easy for the team to lose focus, as I’m sure some teams did, but luckily our guys knew how important this game was and we independently chose to go to the gym and get some extra work in without any coaches,” Sotos said.

“The women’s basketball team fell 64-53 to Ripon. I think from a mental standpoint it was hard for our kids and that extra practice day was not as effective on Thursday morning,” Tamlyn Tills, head women’s basketball coach, said. “To me, honestly, I think it was a non-factor. However, it may have affected the players’ mental preparation for a game day because they had to wait an extra day to play.”

Both the men and women were back on the court just two days later, hosting Beloit College. Despite the fatigue from playing just two days before, both teams came out with winning results.

“Two days after that, on Tuesday, February 5, both teams were back in action on the road in Appleton, Wisconsin, where both Forester teams won over Lawrence University,” Davis said. “That was hard,” Tills said. “We actually had a really slow start against them, but we did pick it up in the second half. We definitely had weaker legs, but so did everyone else in the league.”

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YOUR MONTHLY CROSSWORD

Across
1. Nile biters
2. Icy
3. A school of fish
4. Word before “friends” or “funds”
5. Bridge to Paradise, in Islam
6. Word before “tour or bono”
7. Novelist Roald
8. Ancient king of Troy
9. Nile biters
10. Putting headgear on a horse
11. She, at the Seine
12. Small dogs
13. URL component
14. What a bag makes
15. Swiss watch company
16. Catalonian city
17. Pakistani tongue
18. Wartime friend
19. Snug as a bug in
20. Out of shape acronym
21. Exotic ox
22. Full of spice
23. Superlative suffix
24. Permit
25. Marquis in “Hamilton”
26. Agreement to a French royal
27. Permission
28. Palindromic name
29. Equestrian
30. Tilted
31. Bit
32. Tiny minnows
33. Touchdown point
34. Go-fast gas
35. Superlative suffix
36. Bridge to Paradise, in Islam
37. Exotic ox
38. Dislike
39. Word before “tour or bono”
40. Storage locker aft of a boat’s cockpit
41. Vaticum or Commentary of the Dying, e.g.
42. Wyatt of Westerns
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44. A stud’s place?
45. Fetched
46. 500-Tiller
47. Word before “tour or bono”
48. Word before “tour or bono”
49. Not closed
50. Bikini, e.g.
51. Father in Yiddish
52. Positive
53. Father in Yiddish
54. Spam medium
55. For or while, e.g.
56. Word after sun or before moon
57. Ancient king of Troy
58. Track, GM’s limited slip differential
59. “Famous” cookies
60. “I could ___ horse!”
61. Novelist Roald

Down
1. A school of fish
2. Word before “tour or bono”
3. Icy
4. Word before “friends” or “funds”
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6. Bridge to Paradise, in Islam
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