Art Miller retires after four decades at Lake Forest College

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Hidden in the basement of the Donnelly & Lee Library is one of the secret gems of Lake Forest College. Buitied in the back of the Special Collections Reading Room, amid a sea of periodicals and historical articles, is where Arthur Miller resides. He sits at a small, humble desk and shuffles as he mentions that he is “the only staff member at Lake Forest College, whose office doubles as a fire lane.” A short exchange with Arthur makes clear that he is a gold mine filled with a quirky, never-before-seen glimpse of Lake Forest College.

Miller has been at Lake Forest College since 1972 with the majority of his time spent in the library as an archivist and on Special Collections. For over four decades he has witnessed the growth and changes of the College first hand.

When he first began 41 years ago, the library, there was a total of one typewriter, one electronic reader, and one vacuum cleaner. Miller’s main focus was to increase the depth of the library’s periodicals and computerized references database system. He brained with pride when discussing this because as a result of his hard work and dedication, Lake Forest College was one of the first colleges of its type to build in-depth reference databases and share articles with other libraries.

Expanding reference collections across all departments is something that Miller identified as an important goal for the library and the College during his time here. From 1991 to 1996 there was no publishing done by the College’s professor, however he adds the advent of the reference collections and periodicals has allowed them to publish books and articles like never before. As the years progressed, the College got computers, and the online system evolved.

When asked to reflect on his greatest accomplishment in his career at Lake Forest College, Miller cannot pinpoint one in particular. He notes that he is extremely proud of the continuity he has had with his work in periodical build-up.

Arthur also worked on writing a book about Lake Forest College’s history. His eyes light up as he reflects on the years of his work and research of the College’s history, and he adds thoughtfully and lightheartedly that “telling the story makes me happy.”

It is easy for current students to be under the impression that Lake Forest College has always been what it is today, and it is hard to imagine things being any different.

Through his extensive research and experience, Miller is able to recount when the library used to be Reid Hall, and how after World War II, when many men came back from the war, they lived by Halas Hall in army barracks that eventually turned into married housing.

He can recall when South Campus was an all-boys prep school, and when the quad first introduced co-ed dorms that changed the culture of how young people interact. Miller has been present through many years and has seen the growth of the College into the institution that it is presently, something that few others can say.

Miller’s soon-to-be retirement is not holding him back too much, as he plans to continue to write and complete research. He and his wife Mrs. Miller, a former Lake Forest College staff member, will still live a short distance from Farrell Field. Undeniably, Arthur Miller has had an incredible impact on Lake Forest College through all his work over the years, and the scholastic growth he has promoted has prompted success for students and professors alike.

College tightens grip on negative tailgating behavior

A new policy aims to combat heavy drinking while maintaining the enjoyable Forester tradition

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Every year, Homecoming brings an array of exciting activities and it has become a tradition on campus. Tailgating during the football game is one of the most popular events at Lake Forest College. Students, alumni, parents and staff come together for an afternoon of reconnecting, enjoying yummy food, and gearing up for the sports contests that come our Homecoming weekend.

Recently, new policies were instated to facilitate safer drinking among the student body. Last year, there were many cases of excessive drinking, hospital visits, vandalism and sexual misconduct. These new regulations were created in order to keep tailgating and the activities, but rather the changes are an effort to eliminate tailgating activities, but rather the changes are an effort to eliminate tailgating events, and the scholastic growth he has promoted has prompted success for students and professors alike.

Students express mixed feelings about the change. “I think that it’s a great, safe alternative to the chaos that happened last year. However, I’m worried that it might take away from culture of Homecoming.” Thomas Beilke ’14 said. “It will be interesting to see how many people participate, and how it affects the overall Homecoming experience.”

New this year within the student lot is musical entertainment and a beer garden tent. Soft drinks, beer, wine, and food will be available for purchase at this tent. Flex dollars, cash or credit card will be accepted.

Due to this new policy, students will be unable to bring any outside drinks, which is one of the most controversial aspects of the new policy. “Nobody wants to have ambiances on call and I don’t want to see that quiet freshman girl in my class passed out on the quad,” Katherine Volchek ’14 said. “That said, the new rules will not stop underage drinking but rather help the school lessen its responsibility on that stuff that goes down. Treating us like kindergartners in a play pen will not stop us from having fun, but, hey, it might stop us from spending all our flex before Homecoming.”

Outside grills are allowed in the student lot only. This lot is designated the Fan Fest area. Fire bottled water will be provided. Aramark will also be providing grilled food items for sale. Please check the posted signs in the Fan Fest area regarding grill use and disposal of hot coals if you are bringing your own grill. Picnic tables can be reserved for student organizations. For groups interested in reserving a table, it is $25 and payment and reservation materials can be picked up and submitted to the Gates Center.

Please also note that in order to participate in the table reservation, you must also be a part of the parade.
Boomer’s Medallion Hunt and Red and Black Run: new Homecoming traditions

In order to involve even more students during Homecoming week, the Athletic Department launched Boomer’s Medallion Hunt.

H
omecoming Week is just about the most exciting week on any college campus. Lake Forest College is no different and the Student Affairs Weekend was kicked off by Boomer’s Medallion Hunt and the Red and Black Run. Boomer’s medallion hunt is open to all current Lake Forest College students and a prize will be awarded if any one finds the medallion by noon on Saturday, Oct. 5.

The event, coordinated by Forester Fitness, has students utilizing clues from Forester Fitness social networking pages in pursuit of finding the ultimate prize.

Freshman Dominick E. Scafidi is one of many students hoping that they will capture one of the coveted prizes – Homecoming Week can offer.

“I’m excited for this weekend’s [Homecoming] events. Searching for the medallion will surely be a great way to get this school together,” Scafidi said.

Along with Boomer’s Medallion Hunt, Forester students also participated in the Red and Black Fun Run. The event took place on Tuesday, Oct. 1 starting at 4:30 p.m. The event was open to all students at Lake Forest College at the event, as Thielen points out.

“Our hope is that students show up to run the 5K and help set the tone for Homecoming Week by providing an activity that many people on campus can get involved in last year, more than 100 students and staff participated. It is a fun run, so whether you walk, run, or choose to complete the race as a relay is up to you. Everyone is welcome!” Thielen said.

Thielen also added, “The Red and Black run helps set the tone for Homecoming Week by providing an activity that many people on campus can get involved in last year, more than 100 students and staff participated. It is a fun run, so whether you walk, run, or choose to complete the race as a relay is up to you. Everyone is welcome!”

Thielen sees great importance and purpose to the Homecoming week events.

“The purpose is to provide a spurted event for the Lake Forest College community, including students, faculty and staff to kick-off homecoming week,” said Thielen. However the event had great significance this year as the Intramural Sports program collaborated with the campus’s Active Minds organization.

“The Red and Black run is a 5K fun run hosted by the Intramural Sports program. This year, we are also collaborating with Active Minds, a group whose goal is to raise awareness for mental health, to help them market their ‘Stomp Out Stigma’ campaign which will appear on campus the week of Oct. 7,” Thielen said.

Prizes for winners are to be awarded to the fastest individual runners and most spirited teams at halftime of the Homecoming Men’s soccer game against Ripon, while the first 100 runners to sign up for the run received a Forester flag.

“Without a doubt that there is something for everyone during Homecoming Week at Lake Forest College.”

The week will unite a student body with school spirit, crowned a Homecoming King and Queen, and produce champions in the Red and Black Run and Boomer’s Medallion Hunt.

Who’s excited for Homecoming?

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Homecoming at any school is an exciting time for students to show their school spirit. Memories are made and each student solidifies their unique and individual bond with their school.

At Lake Forest, Homecoming is one of the most highly anticipated events of the year. Homecoming 2013 is just around the corner and students are just dying with excitement.

“I’m excited,” says Molly Gottfried ‘16, “I think the Homecoming pep rally is great because it brings each and every student group together, it unifies everyone.”

The pep rally, in particular, causes a great deal of laughter; it is one of the highlights.

“Pop rallies are always the best, last year was so funny,” agrees Aasha Kham, ‘14.

The football game played on Homecoming Weekend is another riveting opponent that Lake Forest knows quite well.

“I can’t wait to play Carroll when they study, athletes when they compete, and Lake Forest when Homecoming arrives.

“How exciting is it to see your college when everyone comes together and I can’t wait to see how homecoming does this,” says Elmar Chalmers ‘17.

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Lake Forest enrollment reaches historic high

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Students walking onto the campus of Lake Forest College this year are sharing the school with more people than ever before.

The College reached a record enrollment of just over 500 new students for the 2013-2014 school year. Out of the 500 new students, 400 were first-year students, and about 100 were transfers from other places of higher education.

This new boom in population is a big change of pace for a school that was smaller than 900 students just 20 years ago. Many staff members at the College have seen the transition first-hand, such as Vice President of Admissions Bill Motzer.

“When I arrived at the College in 1992, there were just under 900 students,” he said.

The growth in new students has not been just first-year students, but has also featured an influx in transfer students. During an interview with the Director of Transfer Students, Melissa Naughton, she explained just why the College has become so attractive to transfer students.

Naughton said: “These transfer students come to Lake Forest because they want a smaller institution where they will be able to know their professors. Some of our transfers come from bigger state schools like Michigan State, U of I [University of Illinois], and Iowa State and they still insist that Lake Forest College has something more to offer them. This group of transfers is especially diverse, with students coming in from eight states and six different countries.”

The College’s population is booming, and there are more transfer students flooding in than ever before, but Lake Forest College is not alone in this experience.

The United States is coming out of a great recession, the biggest economic downturn since the Great Depression, which is contributing to this nationwide trend. Most people might think that during hard economic times less people go to College, but it is actually the exact opposite. According to a recent article in the New York Times, people flock to Colleges during hard times to gain new skills, obtain a new degree, and get an overall further education in a time of economic uncertainty.

Data from the U.S. Census Bureau shows that College enrollment peaked in 2011 after 21 years of growth with very sharp growth in the early 2000s and during the recession. Now that the economy is beginning to improve, can Lake Forest College keep growing, and how will the College’s growth really that significant?

Simply put, the answer is yes, but this is a very slowly going process in the field of higher education. Schools’ prestige and name value is now more important than ever before because of an overall tight job market for college grads. Because of this, transfer students from community colleges and lower institutions are going to be a huge source of enrollment growth in the coming years. At Lake Forest College, this growth is already apparent as Naughton said; “half of our transfer students come from community colleges in the area.”

This growth must complement the College’s reputation as a school that brings in students from all across the country and around the world. If the school wants to grow, it must maintain its title as being “Chicago’s national liberal arts college.”

The College’s five-year plan calls for the College to top out at 1,700 students by 2017. This growth in population will come with a massive investment in academics across the board.

So, when looking at this historic feat, it is important to examine why it happened and how Lake Forest College can make it happen again. Either way, it looks as if the future of Lake Forest College is going to be one that is bigger, more diverse, and more modern.
Friday, October 4

Taste of Chicago Lunch Middle Campus. Stuart Commons, Hart Dining Hall  
Dining services highlights the various foods popular in Chicago. Early Bird Special $9.00, $12.00 after September 1st, Children K-12: $7.00

11:00 am – 11:55 am  
Campus Walking Tour Middle Campus, Mohr Student Center, Jim Kenney ’59 Lounge Alumni and parents are welcome to join this student Ambassador-led walking tour of campus.

3:30 pm – 5:00 pm  
Women’s Tennis vs. Knox South Campus

4:00 pm – 5:30 pm  
Moore Hall Ribbon Cutting South Campus, Moore Hall, Lobby  
Celebrate the opening on the new Moore Hall residence hall on South Campus with a brief ribbon cutting and reception.

4:45 pm – 7:15 pm  
Red and Black Dinner Middle Campus, Stuart Commons, Gus and Margie Hart Dining Hall  
Join Forester friends and family and celebrate your pride at this colorful dinner designed to make you keep going back for more. $9.25

5:00 pm – 7:30 pm  
Art & Art History Reunion and Gallery Opening  
North Campus, Durand Art Institute, Sonnenschein Gallery  
Alumni Spotlight Exhibition of photographs, paintings and drawings by distinguished alumni Edward West ’71 and Colin Thomson ’71 includes a Celebration honoring Emeritus Professor Franz Schulze, announcing the inaugural recipient of The Professor Franz Schulze Honorary Scholarship.

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm  
Floating Building North Campus, Durand Art Institute DriveWay, North Side of the Calvin Durand Hall  
Start the big day off with your Forester friends and add finishing touches to floats for the Homecoming Parade. Don’t forget to grab breakfast in the Gus and Margie Hart Dining Hall from 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

10:00 am – 11:00 am  
Athletic Hall of Fame Induction & Affinity Reunion Ceremony  
Middle Campus, Stuart Commons – Calvin Durand Hall  
Honor the Hall of Fame Class of 2013: Doug Bowman 91, David Fee 99, Casey Urrichler 03, Robyn Slater 00

11:00 am – 2:00 pm  
F.A.N. Club Lounge South Campus, Sports and Recreation Center, Lobby  
F.A.N. Club Members join us for lunch on Saturday.

11:30 am – 12:00 pm  
Homecoming Parade North Campus, Viewing along Sheldon Rd., North Campus – south on Sheldon, west on Maplewood, south on Washington Show off your Forester pride in style as you decorate floats with the We Are Red and Black’ theme. Parade will start at Sheldon and Deerpath, proceed south on Sheldon to Maplewood, and west on Maplewood to Halas Hall.  
Winning floats will be announced at tailgating at the conclusion of the band performance prior to the football game.

11:45 am – 1:30 pm  
Forester Fare Family Picnic Lunch Middle Campus, Stuart Commons, Hart Dining Hall  
Jim Kenney’s Famous Fried Chicken is on the bill of fare, as well as other picnic classics. Students, alumni, faculty, and staff are all welcome at this Homecoming picnic tradition. Early Bird Special $9.00, $12.00 after September 1st, Children K-12: $7.00

12:00 pm – 4:00 pm  
Forester Family Carnival Middle Campus, Middle Campus Quad  
Frolicking fun for Foresters of all ages, the carnival includes a petting zoo, games, inflatables, and more.

12:00 pm – 2:00 pm  
Volleyball vs. Monmouth South Campus, Sports and Recreation Center, Vansty Gym  
Join us to cheer on the Foresters! Gates open at 12:00pm. Tickets $5.00 – $10.00 – Introductions of the 2013 Athletic Hall of Fame inductees. Let’s applaud them!  
2013 Homecoming King, Queen and Court! Congratulate royally!

2:30 pm – 3:25 pm  
Lake Forest Architectural Tour 3 Middle Campus, Mohr Student Center  
Mr. Jim Kenney ’59 Lounge College architect and Lake Forest historian Art Miller leads this annual tour of Lake Forest. Space is limited, and reservations are required. Early Bird Special – $7.00 per person, After September 1st – $10.00 per person

4:30 pm – 7:30 pm  
Forester Celebration Craft Beers and Wine Tasting Middle Campus, Stuart Commons, Calvin Durand Hall  
Kick your heels up and finish the evening with your fellow Foresters at the Calvin Durand Hall for small plates paired with tastes from local breweries. In addition, wine and a full bar will be available. The Alumni Board Awards will be presented to John Nelson ’63, Hankke Alumni Teacher Award; Frederick Keehbl ’53, Outstanding Alumni Leadership Award; Marsha Anderson, Distinguished Service Citation. All alumni and parents are welcome to join this event: closed to students. Class Reunion Gifts will be presented. STAFF: All hands on deck Early Bird Special $25, After September 1st – $30.00

8:00 pm – 2:00 am  
Mohr at Midnight: Homecoming South Campus, Sports and Recreation Center, Turf Field  
This is a late night program as part of our Mohr at Midnight programming series.
Imani's Corner: From The Loop

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Hello Foresters!

I hope you all are having a fabulous Homecoming week! For those who don't know me, I'm Imani Watson '15, Communication major and an African American Studies minor and last year's Opinions section editor for The Stentor. I will be studying off campus for this entire academic year. I'm currently "In the Loop" this semester and next stop, London and Florence in the spring!

So far, I truly enjoy my semester off campus. I love attending Lake Forest College, but it's refreshing to get a taste of college life outside of the "Lake Forest bubble." This semester, I am taking two classes at Columbia and a two-credit Communication internship at my old high school's Fine Arts department. Having an internship and taking classes can be exhausting at times, but I'm surviving and I love what I do!

Living downtown is fabulous! The Loop is spacious, clean, and neighborly. Everyday I run into someone "loopers" live) is spacious, clean, and neighborly. Everyday I run into someone

I'm particularly worried because, as I mentioned, I'm going abroad next semester and I have a passport application that is still being processed. If the government shuts down, my passport will be put on pause, adding more time than usual to the regular passport processing time (which negatively affects my travel plans). Not only will passport applications be affected, but so will small business, as well as city and state workers.

With all that being said, let's hope the government gets their "Act" together so we can resume a nation. It is their job, after all!

In closing, I hope you all enjoy this week's Homecoming festivities! Us Foresters won't let a government shut down ruin our Homecoming 2013 fun!

Speaking of being "broke," am I the only one a little worried about the government shutting down?! If you don't know what's going on with the government currently, here's how CNN basically breaks it down: "Congress' job is to pass spending bills that fund the government but right now, they're at a standstill.

The drama is that Republican and Democrat lawmakers cannot come to an agreement about whether amendments to the Affordable Care Act should be made or not, which is causing the spending bill (due 11:59 P.M. on September 30, 2013) the end of the fiscal year) to sit stagnant.

Why should you care? Well, the government shut down could cause many inconveniences for everyday citizens and most functions of the government would slow down tremendously, if not stop altogether.

In particular I'm worried about my Homecoming trip to England, which I had planned for a year and a half. If the government shutdown affects my travel plans I'm particularly worried that I won't be able to go. It's a dream of mine to travel to England, and haven't had the opportunity this year.

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The Lords of Salem

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I have the worst horror movies. They either revolve around a murderess on the loose killing horrid teens or feature cheap, poorly shot "found-footage" (Paranormal Activity, The Devil Inside) shot mainly in the name of budget savings rather than atmospheric affect. That being said, I thought it would be refreshing to see the new Rob Zombie film, "The Lords of Salem," since it is an original horror story that has very little violence compared to modern horror films and focuses more on mood to keep the scares plentiful. Boy, do I really regret seeing this movie. How this film was even green-lit by a studio will forever be a mystery to me.

What little story this movie has concerns a radio DJ named Heidi (Sheri Moon Zombie) who mysteriously receives a record from an unseen band called "The Lords of Salem." Over time, she begins to see visions of the Salem witch trials from 1692 recur. Heidi also lives in a shabby apartment owned by a strange landlord named Lacy ( Judy Greer) and her occult sisters Margaret (Meg Foster) and Megan (Patricia Quinn) who seem to have a deep interest in Heidi. Over time, Heidi sees more graphic visions of the witches and contacts witch expert Francis Matthias (Bruce Davidson) to help her understand why she is having visions. The visions are driving her crazy and she has wants to understand why.

I could tell you more, but that would give away what little story this film has. Many plot points are introduced, having little or nothing to do with the plot, and then disappear, never to be mentioned again. One example is when Heidi plays the tape over the air and a selected amount of residents seem to recognize and become fascinated by the tune. It seems that they are connected secretly to witches, but the plot is abandoned and the viewer never sees them again! Other points like this are also introduced that have no meaning in the context of the story and are never explained. Instead, the audience is left to make up their mind on something they know nothing about when they couldn't care less.

The acting by Sheri Moon Zombie is not great, either and it is obvious she was only cast because her husband, Rob Zombie the writer/director of the film, wanted an actress he knew he could trust. All she has to do is look good and do a few nude scenes. The one interesting performance in the film is by actor Bruce Davidson, who plays the witch expert. Davidson takes a thankless role and injects humor and intelligence into it. Sadly he is a minor, supporting cast member that is given too little screen time.

Rob Zombie started off his writing and directing career with the dreadful "House of 1,000 Corpses" and seemed to find his footing in his sequel "The Devils Rejects", but this movie is absolutely the bottom of the barrel. The movie makes no sense, the audience is unable to identify with any characters since none of them are developed, what little story is given is unenlightening and confusing, and when it ends the audience is left scratching their heads and clenching their fists. Save yourself some money and just think of a scary story in your head, it's more exciting, entertaining, smart, scary, and might actually make sense. Whatever thought this was a good movie needs to honestly get their head examined, because there is something seriously wrong with them.

Final Grade: F

Lake Forest College: Crime Log

Date Reported: 9/24/2013
Location STUDENT CNTR
COMMONS
Offense CONDUCT / RULE VIOLATION
Incident IMPROPER USE OF ID

Date Reported: 9/28/2013
Location NOLLEN HALL
Offense INJ/SICK PERSON - EMERGENCY MED TRANSPORT
Incident INTOXICATED SUBJECT

Date Reported: 9/27/2013
Location MIDDLE CAMPUS
Offense LARCENY / THEFT OF FENSE
Incident THEFT OF AN UNSECURED BICYCLE
Disposition CLOSED PENDING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Date Reported: 9/29/2013
Location STUDENT CNTR-COMMONS
Offense LIQUOR LAW VIOLATION - ARREST/ PD ADMIN
Incident UNDERAGE POSSESSION & CONSUMPTION
Disposition CLEARED W/ARREST/ PD ADMIN

You can check the campus crime log on the Lake Forest College website. Public Safety can always be reached at (847) 735-5555.
Fall/Winter 2013 Makeup Trends

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It’s true—no makeup does, in fact, expire. If you still have a product after a year or two, you should probably stop using it and toss it out. On the bright side, each season brings new makeup trends to the shelves at our beauty and makeup stores, giving us all a chance to make additions to our present collections during any season. This fall, a number of looks were re-popularized and freshened up with new applications and trending color combinations.

We recommend:
- Skin79 BB Cream (“Super Plus”): $30.00 from www.skin79northamerica.com
- NYX Cosmetics Eyeshadow (“Hot Orange”): $2.99 from ULTA

The Burgundy Lip

Also making an appearance from the nineties this season is the burgundy lip. This lip color, bold and dark, is best worn on a natural looking face. We recommend:

- NARS Pure Matte Lipstick (“Amber satin”): $26.00 from www.NARScosmetics.com

Glitter and Glam

Some makeup artists at Fall/Winter 2013 shows went bold but conventional with glitter. Incorporating glitter into your every-day make-ups only truly requires a little thing called ‘subtlety’. Chanel Fall/Winter 2013 did it well—combining a thin line of eyeliner with a neutral glitter all over the lid. If you’re looking for something more party-oriented and less chic and understated, take a page out of Thakoon’s book. At Thakoon Fall/Winter 2013, contrasting shades of glitter were placed strategically on the lid and along the crease and lower-lid to create a fun, creative and show-stopping look. His blue and gold eyes were of particular note at show time.

We recommend:
- MAKE UP FOR EVER Glitter: $15.00 at www.sephora.com
- STILA Magnificent Metals Foil Finish Eye Shadow: $12.00 from www.sephora.com

Hostage, Trite and Underdeveloped

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Every once in a while, I see a film knowing that it will not be great. Usually they tend to be action or horror films that allow me to simply turn my brain-off and enjoy the cinematic experience being offered—some films are simply good entertainment. Rarely is a movie terrible enough to take me aback. I did not have high expectations for “Hostage”, but it is just too badly done. I realize that it is a stupid action film, so that isn’t the reason why I’m grading it so badly. I am grading it poorly because from top to bottom, the movie is executed terribly.

The movie begins with SWAT hostage negotiator, Jeff Talley, (Bruce Willis) who is calmly talking to a very high-strung father who has taken his wife and son hostage after he discovers their partner’s infidelity. Talley is a well-respected hostage negotiator, but he looks haggard, with long greying hair and a full-grown beard to match. He ends up failing to prevent the deaths of the hostages and entries.

One year later he is bald and clean-shaven (what Willis normally looks like) while working as a police chief in a peaceful town of Ventura County, California. He is still emotionally scarred from the failed hostage negotiation and his failing relationship with his wife Jane (Serena Scott Thomas) and daughter Amanda (Wentworth Miller, the real-life husband of Demi Moore) along with constant bickering, which is not helping matters.

Later in the day, two brothers Dennis (Jonathan Tucker) and Kevin (Marshall Allman) Kelly go on a joy-ride with a sociopath named Mars (Ben Foster). They follow a rich family home to their isolated and enormous house to rob them. Little do they know that the father Walter Smith (Kevin Pollack) is a wealthy accountant who is laundering money for a deadly crime syndicate. Once they break into the house, things fall apart as they knock the father, Walter, out and take his two kids hostage. Mars kills a police officer who is due to the family due to their silent alarm going off. Talley ends up forced to take control of the situation and retrieve an encrypted disk for the syndicate that kidnapped the family. He also realizes that he may be able to redeem himself and get the hostages out safely with this second chance.

One of the most interesting character portrayals is done before and still does well. The portrays a terrifying and sad character from Ben Foster, who plays Mars. He portrays a terrifying and sad character believably. I would advise against seeing this film, as you’ve definitely already seen movies better than it and this one would be a waste of money. Hostage mostly feels like it takes the audience hostage for their time and money.

Final Grade: C-

Boys and Die Hard 2 & 4, should have concentrated more on the crime syndication as the novel the movie is based on did. The crime syndicate is the most interesting component of the plot, yet the audience is given far too little information about it. It really feels as if the writer is teasing the viewer about an interesting subplot that he is refusing to get into.

The movie also feels rushed, as if it were done too quickly. The audience is given no chance to get nicely and I feel as if some sort of quick rewrite was done to satisfy the mainstream audience. But by the end the viewer has already seen so many inane stunts and poorly-developed characters that you really don’t care one way or the other. The acting is average, even though this is a role that Willis has done before and still does well. The most interesting character portrayal is done by Ben Foster, who plays Mars. He portrays a terrifying and sad character unbelievably. I would advise against seeing this film, as you’ve definitely already seen movies better than it and this one would be a waste of money. Hostage mostly feels like it takes the audience hostage for their time and money.
Politics

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As the inevitiable implementation of Obamacare, The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, is implemented starting October 1st, as with any hot button issue in America both Republicans and Democrats seem to be at higher odds than ever. Perhaps this division was most heightened when Republican Senator of Texas, Ted Cruz, went on a 21-hour speech in a stand against funding this new healthcare system last Tuesday. As he stated in the beginning of his speech, “I intend to speak in support of defunding Obamacare until I no longer able to stand.”

Although his speech was largely symbolic in trying to delay a vote on the funding of Obamacare, some key points were made that reflect the opinions of many Americans concerned about the new healthcare overhaul.

This speech had the look and sound of a traditional filibuster used by senators to block legislation, except that in this case it did not.

After his incredibly long speech, the Senate still voted as planned to cut off debate and proceed to a consideration of a bill passed by the House that would keep the government open past Sept. 30. Ted Cruz ignored a firestorm from the media and even members of his own party during and after his speech. John McCain was an outspoken critic on a particular part of his speech in which the Senator had suggested that those who oppose his tough tactics were akin to “appeasers” before World War II. In response McCain stated, “I do not begrudge Sen Cruz or any other senator who wants to come to talk as long as they want, but I do disagree strongly to allege that there are people today who are any more isolationist who prior to the war who didn’t stand up and oppose the atrocities that were taking place in Europe.”

As the freshmen Senator may have gained some enemies, there is no doubt that his speech allowed him to become a figure of interest. As the Washington Post comments, “Cruz’s talkflagged revealed that there was substance behind the rhetoric that he represents to the Republican base.”

He spent the vast majority of the 21 hours he held the floor discussing in length the problems with Obamacare. With rumors spreading about his potential 2016 Presidential run, this gives him some backing to his anti-Affordable Care Act comments as opposed to others who may make divisive comments with no support for them. And it further underlines how the media portrays him as a lone Republican on a quest to shutdown the government, throughout his speech. Many members of the Senate lend him support and engage him in conversation.

Ted Cruz spoke on the Senate floor to guide the eyes of our nation on the side that they are on. Whether or not Cruz has his eye on 2016, he you to give him one thing: a guy who became a senator less than nine months ago has the whole media and political class talking about him.

In response McCain stated, “I do not know that the Senate will ever get to talk about this issue if they every go to get elected in the near future.” 63% of the Latinos today are siding with the Democratic Party, which are particularly high numbers for the Republican Party to catch up.

Republicans are more skeptical about easier immigration laws to get passed and they have a reason to be. If we were to add it to the list of illegal aliens to become citizens then the United States could run into the problem of over population someday. Not to mention that being a citizen of the United States will loose it value because anyone will be able to become its citizen.

However if the Republicans do not choose to listen to the Latino population and choose to do what is necessary, it will be a very high chance that a Republican candidate for the presidency in 2016 will not win for the next 20 years. It just shows that Latinos will not vote for the Republican Party with the up most respect and they will have to do something to be heard. Whether or not Cruz has his eye on 2016, you have to give him one thing: a guy who became a senator less than nine months ago has the whole media and political class talking about him.

Senators for Equality

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Latino’s are quickly rising in numbers in the United States and they know it. Political parties know that they have to be able to capture and address issues that currently affect the Latino community in order to secure the 2016 presidential election. I feel that Latinos have been unanswerwed and postponed for a while and because of this they should force officials to come to a decision.

On Monday September 30th many Latinos rallied in Washington DC because they want politicians to start paying attention to what they want. Immigration laws have been something that politicians have been ignoring for a very long time and it is time for a change.

In fact, 54% of Latinos have stated that they will not vote for a candidate that opposes immigration reform that will make it easier for immigrants to become citizens. Politicians from both side need to address this issue if they every hope to get elected in the near future. 63% of the Latinos today are siding with the Democratic Party, which are particularly high numbers for the Republican Party to catch up.

Latinos strive for change

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In every aspect of contemporary American life equality has been the center of attention. From our own political scene to our out of control capitalist economy equality has been a hot button issue in America, and driving people together and engaging them apart. It’s not like equality is a new idea, it’s something that has been here it is apparent that there are some stark differences in certain parts of this campus.

The campus is divided. It is evident that many Latinos have had the opportunity to be educated, and most importantly I am attending a school that has a large portion of Latino students.

I have seen inequality first hand in the ghettos of Washington D.C. and Chicago, all have seen the difference in the quality of life of someone who has had the opportunity to be educated and someone who did not, and I know in my heart that this divide cannot stand.

I was just recently elected to be a Student senator and chairman of the Grounds and Development committee, when I asked the voters “why did you vote for me?” they said that I pushed for equality, you want to make things better for all of us and just give us fair promises”. This personal push for equality is because for all of the things I’ve seen in my life and when I have been. I understand that no matter how much pressure you may believe it is fact that we all start off somewhere different in this society.

My name is Dominic Scalfi and I know that this position as a student senator is not one where I can fix the problems of 21st century inequality, but I do know that the voters can and I can start. I need to prove to the voters and my self that there is still good in politics, still a force that wants to make better for the many not the few.

I do know that I can use this position to push for equality on this campus, in the few short weeks I have been here I have seen a lot of the diversity in the campus, in the few short weeks I have been here I have seen a lot of the diversity in the campus. I do know that hundreds of dollars for flowers outside of Moore Hall are not necessary when there are sidewalks in diversity halls that are lagging behind the luxuries of others.

This push for campus wide equality will not be easy and the changes will not happen overnight but it can be done. It is only the dreams that people are willing to work the hardest on that eventually become reality.

In the coming issues I will continue to display how we can make this campuses quality of life equal for more students and also keep you the reader updated on any progress I or my fellow senators have made. Now it is time to finish up this work and make our campus a better place, and make a plan that will make this equality a reality. One thing is for sure, as the first male senator in the history of Lois Hall, I think this mission for equality has already begun.
Choosing a college to go to is a stressful decision. There are so many options and so many different possibilities, how do you make a choice? What makes one place stand out more than the others?
If you stopped a student at here on campus and asked them that question, they would be able to give you plenty of reasons. Also, a number of those reasons would most likely connect back to The Forester Five.
Lake Forest College believes that what goes on outside of the classroom is as important to a student’s growth as inside. The Forester Five is what is behind those co-curricular activities, and they help shape the community here at Lake Forest College.

According to Rob Flot, the Dean of Students at Lake Forest, “We believe in engaging the strengths of our diverse learning community to create a transformational experience for our students both inside and outside the classroom.” Here is an explanation of what the Forester Five foundations are, and how Lake Forest students experience them.

The first foundation is “Think with Purpose.” Here at Lake Forest, we encourage students to think for themselves so they can truly reap the full benefits of their education. Our campus dedicates itself to nurturing that process and to the growth of each and every student.

The second foundation is “Engage in Community.” Lake Forest encourages each student to be engaged and active with their community and to be responsible and respectful of each other, their environment and themselves.

The third foundation is “Embrace Diversity.” With so many students from all around the world here on campus, the college strives to celebrate and encourage cultural diversity and development. Students will become comfortable and excited to learn about and approach different cultures with respect and will learn to become effective members of a global community.

The Fourth foundation is “Achieve your Goals” The College provides an environment that allows students to define their values and goals. Faculty and staff act as a support system as they learn and develop skills that allow them to determine what it means to them to personally succeed.

The last foundation is “Lead the Way”. At Lake Forest College, we support individuality and celebrate personal growth. As students develop leadership skills and find their passion, our students will grow into well rounded and trustworthy leaders.

The Forester Five not only focuses on the student as an individual, but it helps the college succeed as a whole. “The Forester Five is designed to provide a congruent, intentional, and systematic co-curricular learning experience” explains Dean Flot. He also says that “many other colleges and universities don’t have a coherent structure through which to provide this co-curricular education” and “it can be ‘a hit or miss’ regarding whether or not students get the most out of their co-curricular experience.
The Forester Five sets Lake Forest apart from other institutions as a school that truly values its students and its principles.

For more information, students and faculty should go on lakeforest.edu and read more in depth about the Forester Five.

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**Alpha Phi hosts sixth annual Mud Olympics**

On Sunday, Sept. 29 at 1 p.m. Alpha Phi hosted their sixth annual Mud Olympics behind Rosemary House. Fourteen teams of six people participated this year. All proceeds from the event were donated to The Alpha Phi Foundation.

Photos Courtesy of Heather Hanson '14
Six degrees of perfection

Women’s tennis team maintains flawless season after win against Carroll University

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The sport of tennis, like many others, operates on a simple endless loop. A score of 40-40 primes a game of points and serves, a rally, and a score of 40-15. Simplicity is the name of the game of tennis which makes it the most enjoyable. The Lakeshore women’s tennis team has been following that same simple formula, and the result is a blistering 3-0 record. The women’s tennis team has played back to back conference games against Carroll and DePauw University and finished as the conference champions and league triumphs in both matchups. The win against Carroll was the women’s exact 15th straight win, a series of games that started back in 2009 and is the current longest winning streak in the nation. The streak, Lake Forest College is hoping that golf will bring home another conference championship. This shouldn’t be a daunting feat for anyone hoping to join the golf team.

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Golf is back at Lake Forest College! Well, golf has always been here, but students who are avid golfers will have the chance to be on the varsity team as the College has decided to add a women’s and men’s golf team as the 18th and 19th varsity sport in the curriculum starting in the 2014-2015 school year.

Club golf has been an integral part of the college since its establishment. While the true reason behind bringing back the golf team is unknown, it can be assumed that the splitting of men’s and women’s club golf set the tone for the recreation of the team.

The last time competitive golf was played at Lake Forest was in 1986. Looking back at the Lake Forest sports history, the college has successfully conquered the college has successfully conquered back at the Lake Forest sports history, was played competitively at Lake Forest, was decided to add a women’s golf team as the varsity golf. The women’s golf team, it represents their lakefront student, will have their next dual match on Friday, October 4th against Knox College at 3:30 p.m.

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Lake Forest’s women’s tennis team has maintained a flawless season after win against Carroll University last weekend.

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Outside hitter Erin Sully of Minnesota prepares to hit a serve against Ripon in a conference game on Friday, Sept. 27. Sully had six kills in the match.

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Lake Forest College women’s volleyball kicked off their season in winning fashion, but as of late they have been dealing with some of the hardest competitors on their schedule.

Two days after falling to University of Chicago, one of the nation’s top ranked teams, the Foresters faced a stiff test in hosting Ripon in their first conference game of the season.

The pressure the women’s volleyball team was facing was evident and Ripon cruised to a 25-10, 25-9, 25-14 win.

However a game played by uncharacteristic mistakes from the Foresters resulted in a Red Hawks triumph at 2-1.

The Foresters answered back with an impressive run and closed the match with a 25-13, 25-21, 25-17 victory.

Despite their losses, the Foresters showed some great play from its players including Brittany Advani ’17 who had 13 kills and in 23 attack attempts had just two errors. Erin Sully ’16 had 12 kills, Sully’s fellow teammate Kaelyn Ladas ’16 had 11, while Tiffsie Rice ’16 assists.

The Foresters have their next home game on Friday, October 4th when they host Knox, another conference rival, at 7 p.m.