College announces plans to renovate Sonnenschein Gallery

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This semester, the College announced plans to renovate the Sonnenschein Gallery, located inside the Durand Art Institute following the acceptance of a generous gift from John Liebes. The renovation is expected to provide appropriate storage facilities for the approximate 1,200 pieces in the College’s Permanent Art Collection, which includes prints, drawings, sculptures, and more. The renovation also aims to provide more students with more accessibility to these pieces. The Sonnenschein renovation was made possible by a $60,000 donation from the widow of Gail Liebes, ’53, a supporter of the arts. Eli Robb, Chair of the Department of Art and Art History, originally brought his concern over the inadequate storage of the College’s sizable art collection to the Office of Development and Alumni Relations at the beginning of 2013. The Art and Art History Department worked with The Office of Alumni Relations in order to find a suitable potential donor to suit the department’s needs. Rich Bartolozzi, Senior Development Professional, worked to make the renovations possible through the retrieval of outside funding, eventually finding a potential donor who was willing to support the arts with his gift. On the process of finalizing the gift, Bartolozzi said, “I first learned of this project in January 2013. However, once the right donor was identified, —a process of aligning our needs with a potential donor’s charitable interests—the gift was finalized in about a month.”

Plans to renovate the Gallery include the construction of a lounge space dedicated to providing students with access to the College’s collection in order to study the pieces. Rebecca Goldberg, Director of the Gallery for more than 23 years, is ecstatic over the impact that the project will have on students, commenting, “The most exciting aspect of the project is to create a study center so that students can use the collection—this includes students in the disciplines of Art and Art History, of course, but also could include students in SOAN, Religion, History, Politics, and English.” Goldberg mentions that Professor Robb played a large role not only in seeking funding, but also in drafting the layout of the new space. “Being a sculptor and installation artist, he possesses construction skills that I don’t have and has a wonderful sense of how things should work and could work more efficiently,” Goldberg said of Professor Eli Robb. The drafting of the space also included Goldberg, the carpentry team and a representative of Bradford Systems (providers of shelving units for the new gallery space).

With plans for improving the Sonnenschein Gallery on the horizon, Lake Forest students and faculty are thanking John Liebes for his generous donation to the College. The College is expecting a visitor from the Sonnenschein Gallery on the horizon, Lake Forest students and faculty are thanking John Liebes for his generous donation to the College. The College is expecting to begin construction on the Sonnenschein Gallery during the summer and to have finished by the start of the Fall 2014 semester.

The Career Advancement Center to host Get Hired event

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The Career Advancement Center’s second annual Get Hired event is expected to attract more students and allow more alumni and recruiters from nearly every field to attend. Taking place on February 20th in Calvin Durand Hall, Lake Forest alum along with other recruiters and employers will be looking for those students interested in gaining internships for the summer and jobs post-graduation. 2013 was the first year the Career Center put on this spring recruitment event and was met with great success — over 100 students attended and were able to connect with employers of their choosing. Unlike Speed Networking of last semester, Get Hired is meant to feel like a more traditional career fair. With the help of a number of alumni, there will be less networking and more direct help in the search for coveted internships. As Dee Dee Dolan, Assistant Director of the Career Advancement Center, said, “Alumni are a vital to the success of the Get Hired event. Last year, we had several alumni attend and, in turn, hire current Foresters. Our alumni are wonderful and so willing to help out students!”

The impetus in starting an annual event like this was to allow students the opportunity, regardless of major and interests, to connect with experts in their specific field and gain an upper hand before graduation.

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SPARK programming board replaces e.Team

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Beginning anew this semester with another name and different executive members, Lake Forest College’s programming board SPARK (formerly known as e.Team) will continue to be the “programming organization on campus dedicated to showing fun events to students”, as promised on their My Involvement page. When asked about the changes, Faculty/Staff Advisor Pat Doggett explained that “there were a number of policies and procedures that hindered e.Team”, so now, “with structural changes and support from Student Government”, SPARK should be set to pick up where e.Team left off.

Doggett doesn’t view the outcome as e.Team’s failure, but as SPARK’s opportunity for improvement. “I would argue [e.Team] didn’t fail. In fact, I would argue the complete opposite,” he said. “If it wasn’t for the foundation that e.Team laid, it wouldn’t have been possible to evolve into SPARK, a much more comprehensive organization than e.Team ever had the ability to be.”

Under Doggett’s supervision, those in charge of SPARK are Vanessa Bautista, ’16, President; Kelley Nugent, ’15, Vice President of Programming; Dylan Sperry, ’15, Vice President of Marketing and Communications; Gerard Israel, ’16, Vice President of Finance; and Samu Ngwenya, ’17, Traditions Coordinator. As the incoming executive officers are welcomed, the outgoing ones are recognized for their accomplishments.

“The executive board was always striving to improve the organization and the entertainment options available to our students,” Doggett said. “I commend the last e.Team executive board for having the courage to make the necessary changes to propel them forward.”

Since our first week back from winter break, SPARK has provided free mechanical bull rides as advertisement for their Mohr at Midnight Barn Dance. Their intention at the Forester Fair was to introduce themselves to the student body as the new e.Team, while encouraging students to sign up to be volunteers for upcoming events, or to submit suggestions for future weekend entertainment. The programming board also hosted their Friday Late Nite activities in the Skybox-karaoke night, and a movie night featuring the original version of Pulp Fiction. Winterfest and the Red Light, Green Light ACP are next on the agenda.

“You will see some very innovative programming options coming to campus,” said Doggett. “I am excited about a programming board that can reinvent itself as new people take the reins and as campus needs continue to evolve.”

Plugging into what’s happening on campus: “Like” Lake Forest College SPARK on Facebook, follow @LFC_SPARK on Twitter, and/or follow lakeforestcollegespark on Instagram.

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Winor Mable ’15 rides a mechanical bull at a SPARK programming board event.

Text a tip- A new and anonymous way to get help

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As college students, we are very familiar with the stressful and anxious thoughts that often cloud our minds. Balancing a social life with good academic performances can be overwhelming. We all know that we should and can seek help, but it is difficult to reach out to another person and tell them about your concerns, your problems, or about your personal life.

With this in mind, the Community Wellness Task Force for Lake Forest and Lake Bluff has developed an anonymous texting system to provide immediate mental assistance to anyone in need. Director of the Health and Wellness Center and Assistant Dean of Students, Dr. Jennifer Fast, is on the Community Wellness Task Force and helped develop this new texting system. This texting system is modeled after similar systems used by other counties, which have seen successful results. Dr. Fast believes that this system will “encourage young people to reach out” and get the help they need it. The texting system is aimed at the community’s middle schools, high schools, and Lake Forest College.

So how does this system work? How are the text conversations kept anonymous? To begin the conversation, text the phrase “847HELP” to 274637. Your own number will not be shown on the other end; instead, you will receive a unique ID, which will route your message to the counselor on call. The counselors on call are all licensed/certified mental health professionals from the Child, Adolescent, and Family Recovery Center in Lake Bluff. These messages are routed through a cloning server in Canada. Therefore, the guaranteed anonymity should make the experience a comfortable one. Students should note that in the case of a severe emergency or criminal activity, emergency responders will be notified.

At first glance the anonymity and the effort put into reaching out to students who need help by this program seems like a fantastic initiative. However, some students may not necessarily remember to use it in a time of crisis. Other students voiced their concerns about the new system. Rebecca Howell believes that it is “a good idea to have an anonymous system so that people won’t worry about their friends getting mad, but [she] worries that people might make a joke about it because it’s so easy to text.” She also expresses support for the system, bringing up the point that the system will help suicide prevention. However, she thinks that going to Public Safety is the best course of action. Another student, Sintayehu Regassa, would recommend the system to a friend “if they need it, but would rather recommend them to talk to a friend or family member as opposed to a stranger.” Both Howell and Regassa would first direct their friends in need of help to an actual person, but agree that the texting system will be very useful in its own right.

Dr. Fast assured students that the system would be highly advertised throughout campus. Posters with QR codes for easy access to the Text-A-Tip system are being posted in popular areas, such as in the cafeteria, the library, and the student center. Dr. Fast highlighted the fact that all of the resident assistants, faculty, and staff are familiar with the system and can refer students to use it. She is hoping to continue promoting the system by giving each student a keychain to hang on their backpack or giving stickers in new students’ orientation folders. Doing this will remind students to use the system when in need. As one of the community members who created the program, Dr. Fast hopes that the “anonymous nature” of texting, as opposed to calling, will benefit the health and wellness of our community.

Dr. Fast said that the “stigma of having a health concern has gone down significantly.” Students have, and should, become more willing to access counseling. 15-20% of the Lake Forest College student body use our school’s counseling center and 70-80% of the student body use the health center. However, there are still a number of students who are under the impression that they need to deal with their problems by themselves. The Health and Wellness Center is trying to address this issue by becoming more visible on campus and working with the faculty and staff.

The only way to conquer your problems is to address them. Lake Forest College’s excellent staff of counselors and nurses dedicates their careers to help you achieve a better balance of physical, mental, and emotional health. Whether you stop by the Health and Wellness Center to see a counselor or use the Text-A-Tip anonymously, what is important is that you are taking responsibility for yourself and seeking the help you need.

As a final reminder, please keep in mind that there is always a counselor on call available through Counseling Services. To speak with this counselor, call Public Safety and they will connect you to the counselor on call.
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The timeline leading to yet another verdict

The nightmare continues for American student Amanda Knox accused of killing her roommate in 2007.

BELIEBERS LOSE THEIR IDOL ONE ARREST AT A TIME

Of late, Justin Bieber has been plastered all over the news. From driving under the influence to assault, Canadian-born Bieber has had quite a rough month. On January 23rd, the singer was arrested in Miami on charges of driving under the influence, resisting assault, and drag racing.

His urine sample showed that he had marijuana in his system, as well as Xanax, an anti-anxiety medication. Six days later, Bieber flew into Toronto because he is facing assault charges brought on by his limousine driver. His antics this month have aggravated U.S. citizens all over the country and a petition has been created.

The petition, posted on petitions.whitehouse.gov, explains that the U.S. is being wrongfully represented by Bieber, and stipulates that Justin Bieber should be "deported and his green card revoked." As of 4:27 PM on January 30th there were 206,406 signatures! That is more than double the amount required for the Obama administration to produce a formal response to the petition.

The nation is waiting with baited breath for the administration to respond to the petition, and what their final decision will be. However, it is not up to the administration if he should leave or not, and it is not that simple to just send him away. Let's examine the facts and steps.

Justin Bieber actually does not have a green card; he more specifically has an O-1B Visa, which is a type of visa reserved for individuals with "an extraordinary ability in the arts or extraordinary achievement in motion picture or television industry." This kind of visa is very rare, and can potentially be a double-edged sword.

The only way for Bieber to stay in the US legally is if he continues to make music, movies, and continues to be a superstar. If he retires, as he is quoted last month, he is eligible to be deported. And, deportation is a long and arduous process.

The immigrant-in-question first faces removal proceedings where he is given a date to appear before an immigration judge, why he has been ordered, and if and how he has broke the law, among other terms. If the immigrant is not eligible for relief from removal, a date is set when he must leave the country. I asked a few college classmates if Bieber should be deported or not, if he will be, why, and here are my results.

Taylor Jones '15 said that Bieber should be deported but he probably will not because he makes too much money for American industries to deport him. In other words, he is too valuable to lose.

Rachel Hussar '16 disagreed with Jones and said he should not be deported.

But she too thought he will not be deported because he is too much of an American icon. Too many Americans look up to him and respect him to deport him. Danny Lopez '16 agreed with Jones that he should be deported, but he said that he will not actually end up deported because of his high status.

Vaughn Richardson '16 brought a significant point across pointing out that deporting Bieber could actually be the reverse of what petitioners would like. She said that even if he is in a different country he will still be Justin Bieber-making music and the news on a daily basis. There is no such thing as bad publicity - even bad publicity is still publicity. She, along with the others, agreed that he will not be deported.

In the coming weeks, will we see Bieber get what is coming to him, but for now, he will still reside in his $6 million Calabasas home, on top of the world.

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Many students at colleges and universities worldwide spend a semester studying abroad. However, very few end up in situations even remotely like Amanda Knox.

The ordeal began on Nov. 2, 2007 when Meredith Kercher, a 21-year-old British student studying abroad in Italy, was found dead in her apartment. Kercher shared the apartment with Knox, as well as two Italian roommates.

Four days later, Knox and her Italian boyfriend Raffaele Sollecito were arrested for allegedly murdering Kercher. Approximately a month after Knox and Sollecito’s arrest, Rudy Hermann Guede was extradited from Germany. He was then put in jail for his alleged connection with the murder of Kercher. On Oct. 28, 2008, Knox and Sollecito were indicted for murder and sexual assault charges in relation to the death of Kercher. Guede’s trial was fast tracked and he was sentenced to 30 years in prison, but this sentence was shortened to 16 years on appeal.

On Jan. 16, 2009 Knox and Sollecito’s trial began. Approximately half way through the trial Knox testified about the day leading up to the murder of Kercher, including that she had not seen her since the day before. She also alleged prison abuse, including being hit in the head during interrogation. The trial lasted until Dec. 4, when Knox received a 26 year prison sentence and Sollecito received a 25 year sentence.

On Nov. 24, 2010 the appeals trial for Knox and Sollecito began. On June 29, 2011, a key event happened in the trial. The DNA evidence used in the prosecution of Knox and Sollecito was deemed unreliable by an independent report requested by Italy’s appeals court. After arguments were wrapped up, on Oct. 3, 2011, Knox and Sollecito were ordered to be released from jail immediately after an appeals court overturned their murder convictions.

Knox returned to America the next day to her hometown of Seattle where she was warmly welcomed. On March 26, 2013, the highest criminal court in Italy ordered a retrial for Knox and Sollecito after reversing an appeals court’s reversal of their convictions. Knox stated in interviews with various reporters, including CNN, that it was “painful” to hear of the ruling. “No matter what happens, my family and I will face this continuing legal battle as we always have, confident in truth and with our heads held high in the face of wrongful accusations and unreasonable adversity,” she stated.

Finally, on Jan. 30, 2014 an Italian court reconvicted Knox and Sollecito for the 2007 stabbing death of Kercher. Knox, who was in Seattle when the court verdict was reached, was sentenced to 28 1/2 years, although the verdict is expected to be appealed. In an interview, Knox has stated that she “will become a fugitive” before returning to jail in Italy.

According to legal experts who spoke to CBS news as well as many other news sources about this issue, there is a chance that Knox will not be extradited.
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Staff Editorial: Jobs and internships
The Career Advancement center: one of the most productive offices on campus
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In just a few months, the class of 2014 will walk across the stage at graduation and that will be the end of their career here at Lake Forest College. While the scare of unemployment and living in our parents basements until we’re 40 is decreasing, the anxiety of finding a job or getting into graduate school is weighing on students minds not only at Lake Forest College but nationwide.
The career advancement center works very hard to ensure that students get help finding internships and jobs. The Get Hired event, which is coming up February 20th, is one of their many programs they host each year. There were prep sessions held to get students prepared for this event. If you are an underclassmen, and trying to build a resume, there are also internship information sessions February 17th-19th. Between the proximity to Chicago, and strong support from our alumni community, there are some very good internships available to help prepare students for life after graduation.

A great program offered by The College to prepare students for life after graduation is the In The Loop Program. This is a semester long program where our students can take courses at our campus or Roosevelt and Columbia University downtown.
Recent data that was put out said that 90% of 2012 Lake Forest College graduates have jobs or are enrolled in graduate school, that’s an A+ guys, pretty awesome. Students are employed at a wide range of companies, Teach for America, Citi Group and Coyote Logistics are a couple of examples.
Grinnell College, another ACM school recently put out a report saying 48.5% of their students are currently employed and 20.2% are in graduate school, for a total of 68.7% of students employed or in graduate school. Source: http://cdn.nerdwallet.com/education/reports/Grinnell_2012_All.pdf
Look out for all the great events coming up this month!

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Concerns are frequently voiced on other campuses that such career fairs only cater to a limited group of students – particularly those focused on marketing and business. Majors such as environmental studies and music are not always given the opportunity to speak one on one with a professional in their field. Get Hired is an effort to change the status quo – to allow students an intimate setting not found outside atmospheres such as Lake Forest College where the alumni relations is strong and the Career Center is dedicated to the future success of its students.
Rhiannon Miller ’14 attended Get Hired last year and enjoyed “the opportunity to meet with company representatives and learn more about available internships. In particular, I was able to meet face to face with an alumni employed with a company that had an internship to which I was applying.” Students will meet employers such as Rolling Stone, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, and Boy Scouts of America while also covering fields from science to nonprofit to finance.
The layout of this event will change slightly. Last year, similar employers in same fields were grouped together in hopes that interested students could easily find someone to talk with. It proved to cause a little more confusion than necessary and now each student will be given a map of employers in efforts to streamline the process.
Attendees will also be occupying the Pierson rooms and the Senior 25 lounge in addition to Calvin Durand Hall for easier access. Students are required to submit their resume to the Career Center and attend a prep session to be fully prepared to talk to potential employers.

Part of Internship Week, Get Hired is a night dedicated to and solely focused on the success of Lake Forest students beyond the classroom. Dolan said, “My favorite part of Get Hired is when I have students telling me about the internships they found through the event and how excited they were to connect with professionals. It can be overwhelming to walk up and introduce yourself to a potential employer, but this is a great opportunity for students to test out their skills.”

Q&A: What are you doing for Valentine’s Day?

Izzy Ayngorn ’17
“Seeing the movie ‘Endless Love’"
Evan Ausich ’14
“Hanging out with my friends and wishing them a happy Valentines Day”
Tara Airola ’17
“Staying in with my friends and watching movies”
Cam Marchese ’17
“I have no idea”
Jamie Williams ’16
“I don’t have any plans yet”

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The Wolf of Wall Street

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The Wolf of Wall Street

Belfort ends up amassing a small fortune. He teams up with his salesman neighbor Donnie Azoff (Jonah Hill) and several of Belfort’s childhood friends to open up the firm Stratton Oakmont. The firm becomes very powerful and prestigious and attracts some of the best stockbrokers due to its reputation, despite it being a pump-and-dump scheme.

Once Belfort becomes rich he starts to obtain all the perks: trophy wife Naomi (Margot Robbie), a mansion, a Ferrari, a yacht, and all the drugs he wants. Essentially his life and career is put on the line when ambitious and incorruptible FBI agent Patrick Denham (Kyle Chandler) begins investigating Belfort and his firm. Things get even worse as Belfort’s life begins to come apart from his illegal activities, excessive drug use, infldelities, and outrageous.

The performances by the entire cast are phenomenal. Everyone does an amazing jobs with their roles they are given. DiCaprio has never been better. He plays Belfort as an aggressive and narcissistic sleaze ball who has no sympathy for the lives he is ruining with his useless stocks, but he has the charm and charisma that make you somehow like him. Jonah Hill is also good as his right hand man who introduces Belfort to his favorite drug: Quaaludes. Hill is manic and hilarious throughout the movie and even is able to demonstrate his sadness and fear at when his life’s work is threatened. Even prestigious directors do great jobs: Spike Jonze as Dwayne, Rob Reiner as Belfort’s hot headed father Max, and Jon Favreau as financial advisor Manny Riskin. While Favreau and McConaughey are fantastic in their roles, they are little more than cameos which suggest they had a sizeable amount of their screen time edited out (the film’s release date was pushed back because producers refused to have the movie clocking in at over four hours).

Written by Terence Winter (writer of the Soprano’s and creator of Boardwalk Empire) who gives us an extraordinary inside look at stockbrokers and their crazed lifestyle. The three hour running time seems actually too short and I wish it was longer because it goes by so quickly. The film is another great feat from DiCaprio and Scorsese, yet another breakthrough performance for DiCaprio and a character who is somewhat naieve of the world and its customs.

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Hollander Review

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Benjamin Hollander was the first literary speaker to come to Lake Forest College this year to read and discuss his current novel In the House Un-American. House Un-American, is a book that Hollander describes as a “groping weirdness.” Many may not particularly like the book. The first time it is read, very few will understand it at all. The book is a composition of ideas, notions, and words. It is difficult to follow, so if you’re expecting a simple narrative story I highly recommend something else. House UnAmerican references different aspects of American literature and comments on the collective identity of America through a character who is somewhat naive of the world and its customs.

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Student Profile- Lisa Ledvora ‘16 discusses leadership skills

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Although she is not even halfway through her collegiate career, Lake Forest College sophomore Lisa Ledvora has quickly established herself as an elite student and leader on campus. Ledvora recently added, “Secretary of Student Government,” to her already impressive list of accomplishments.

When asked to name all her extracurricular activities in addition to being LFC Student Government Secretary, Ledvora swiftly named every activity she’s involved in on campus without missing a beat. “I am on the handball team which I just started that this year. I am also a health and wellness peer educator, residence assistant in McClure, I work and the Sociology and Anthropology department as a research assistant and I am a student ambassador.

Ledvora has been a leader on campus from the very beginning of her college career. Her most significant source of leadership has been rooted in student government. Ledvora’s road to being one of four executive board members of LFC Student Government was a quiet and modest one. “So, I’ve been on student government since my freshman year. I was Lois Hall Senator and then this year I live in McClure so I was McClure Hall senator first semester, then no one ran for secretary in our elections in December, so the exec board appointed people to be, or asked people if they wanted to be secretary and then we sent in our interest and our resumes and all that and they chose me as secretary,” stated the Darien, Illinois native.

With strong leadership credentials and dedication to student government, it seems peculiar that Ledvora opted out of running for an executive board position. Yet, Ledvora stated that she declined the opportunity to run in the elections due to her plans of studying abroad junior year to Beijing.

Although Ledvora is dismayed about not being able to serve out her full term as secretary, she is relishing the opportunity to study abroad. “I actually plan on studying abroad twice next year. Beijing in the fall, maybe the Loop in the spring. I have’nt decided on that and then Border Studies in the spring/summer. I am an IR major who has never left the country so that is my main reason for wanting to study abroad. Border studies was a pretty obvious choice given my Spanish-language background.

Beijing was a little bit harder of a decision because I know it’s going to be completely new and exciting and ridiculously challenging given that I don’t speak Mandarin. But it’s something I want to challenge myself to do because Asian studies is the focus of my IR major and I want to do something in the future with US-Asia relations as a career path,” said Ledvora.

Just weeks ago, Ledvora would have not even imagined being in the position she is today as Secretary of Student Government. “After not being on the ballot for the executive board elections, student government ultimately voted on two candidates to fill the vacant position. However the spot soon became vacant again after the appointed student did not feel prepared to assume the immense responsibilities of being secretary. Eventually, Ledvora decided to attempt filling the vacant secretary position.

“Katherine [Bently] told me while I was tabling for another organization and I was happy about it, but it was kinda like, ‘Now what do I do about it?’ because it was like a Wednesday and I knew Senate was the next day and I was like okay, ‘What do I have to do about tomorrow?’ So I was a little flustered, but happy I guess at the same time,” Ledvora explained.

Despite minimal time to shift into her executive board position in the college’s student government, Ledvora credits her previous leadership experience for being able to make a smooth transition.

Since assuming the secretary position, Ledvora hasn’t felt too surprised despite her lack of experience in matters regarding the executive board of LFC Student Government. “I mean I have never been to a student government exec board meeting before, but it just ran like any other meeting,” she stated.

In addition to having faith in fellow members of the executive board, Secretary Ledvora is confident in her abilities and remains ambitious when it comes to her objectives. “I know how to keep student government organized and to revise the formatting for office hours, and I know we have to be working on that in the past, but we’re presenting a new organization of it today which should be good and then I would like to figure out ways to encourage more or promote better communication between student government and the Lake Forest College community to make it so that everyone knows what’s going on all the time and not just senators,” she stated.

Despite her limited time as secretary, Ledvora seems content with her role in student government. “I guess I’m glad to be on exec board. I felt like I was a pretty integral part of student government as a senator. I was on the clubs and organizations committee and we did a lot of work together and I got a lot of experience regarding to keeping up with community and the clubs and organizations on campus. But on exec I am doing less communicating with clubs and organizations and doing more communicating within student government and my responsibilities involve more organization within our group so that if student government is organized from the inside we can help other groups organize on the outside. And I keep minutes [of the student government meetings] and send lots of e-mails and keep track of attendance and everything that senators do,” confessed Ledvora with sangfroid.

Ledvora has reflected on her experiences with LFC Student Government and is grateful for the opportunities it has provided her and its implications for her professional future. “I guess being on student government has helped me develop a few skills that can be helpful in my future career. Obviously organization is a skill that any professional or leader on a college campus would need and student government has helped me become more organized. Going into student government I was a pretty organized, self-proficient person, but I have gotten better at that. I guess my communication skills are improving. I don’t know if they were ever super bad or anything, but I guess figuring out how to best communicate with people in a way that they’ll understand what you’re saying and doing what their supposed to is an important skill as a leader in student government or just as a senator in general given that you communicate with leaders of other organizations as well.”

Hello from abroad!
Brooke Perkins ‘15 is studying in Prague this semester

We had less than 24 hours in London, and were pretty exhausted by the time we had arrived. Unfortunately, due to our flight delay we missed our group tour. However, we still managed to catch Big Ben, Covent Gardens and that embarrassing Broncos loss. After getting about 3 hours sleep we were up at 3 A.M. the next morning for our flight to Prague! Two hours later we arrived in Prague at our dormitory in Prague 6, which is about ten minutes away from Prague 1 which is the town center. The public transportation center here is extremely well developed and simple to navigate!

Food is quite inexpensive here, not to mention beer is cheaper than water (about $1.50). For dinner I had chicken schnitzel which is a pretty traditional dish. It was served with a side that was some type of potato salad, and a small cup of pickled cucumber! For dessert we had cheesecake which was delicious!

The people seem to be quiet and reserved. When traveling in large groups of Americans it is especially evident how loud we are! The people here speak so quietly it sounds like they are whispering!
So close, we were so close. Just a little more to the left or to the right and South Korea could have been the team entered into the group of death; however, as luck would have it, it was team U.S.A.

Wait. What? What is this group of death, and is it going to affect us? Yes and no. Aside from all the Olympic talk, there is another global competition that’s happening in. That’s right. I’m talking about the World Cup in Brazil happening this June! Now, back to the group of death. Remember the last World Cup in beautiful South Africa? No? Well, we made it to the quarterfinals—a run that shocked the world—but, sadly, lost out to Ghana.

But luckily, chance has given us a rare opportunity for redemption! Hallelujah! But life looked down at us and laughed, laughed at the fact that we thought for once, it gave us a break and let us take the easy road to success, fame, and vengeance.

No, instead, life placed two giant sinkholes between team U.S.A. and crowning glory, and those two sinkholes would be European soccer powerhouses, Germany and Portugal. Surprisingly, it doesn’t stop there. Team U.S.A. also has one of the worst traveling schedules, which requires them to travel approximately 9,000 miles between the three games. Let that sink in for a while.

So, shall we recap? We are up against the second and fifth best soccer teams in the world and our rivals who managed to beat us the last two meetings. On top of that perfect pile of wonderful goodness, the men will travel enough miles to drive from Illinois to California about three times.

It’s heartbreaking, possibly more heartbreaking than not winning the Stanley Cup. Not just because it only comes once in four years, but because as far as the United States has come so far, we are still viewed as the weaker competition next to our European counterparts. Our team is good; in fact it’s great. I do really hope that by some luck Landon Donovan, Clint Dempsey, Michael Bradley, and Tim Howard (among the few) will win out of this group and move on, but I will definitely be bracing myself for a bittersweet first round exit.

Chris Gard’14 was award the Peter Taylord Award for the 2013-2014 men’s hockey season.

Chris Gard was selected by his teammates who agreed with Gard’s talent and leadership award him with this honor. Chris’s older brother, Joel Gard, won the Peter Taylor award two years ago, and was present to hand the award to his younger brother.

Peter Taylor, a Lake Forest College alumni, started his hockey career with the Winter Club Bantam Team where his team won the Illinois State Champion and played at the famous Lake Placid in New York.

When he arrived here at Lake Forest College, after a year at Boston University, he broke the college record and became their leading scorer with a total of 130 points. His success led him to the 1973 Western Division All-American team.

The Ry McCarthy award for the most exemplifying athlete in women’s hockey was announced on February 8, 2014.

Twitter time: Superbowl in Chicago?

After the success of the first Super Bowl in an outdoor stadium, Chicago Mayor, Rahm Emanuel, is making a case to bring the Super Bowl to Soldier Field.

Karen Nelson @dixonres
Tell Roger Goodall, please don’t take Rahm Emanuel’s phone call...No one wants the Super Bowl in Chicago in February, except Rahm

Sophia Spyridis @Sophia_Spyridis
As much as I would kill for the Super Bowl to be in chicago it’ll never happen because Soldier field is actually an awful stadium #toosmall

Biz @NYJ_NDN
Super Bowl in chicago in early Feb? And you thought weather reporting was overkill in NY/ NJ? -30 is worse than 50. Trust me.

Dennis M. Cox II @rookiedmc
I live about 75 minutes north of Chicago in WI, we had another 4 inches of snow two nights before Super Bowl. Wouldn’t work.

Want your voice heard? Follow us on Twitter at @LFCStentor for the next question, and to get your voice heard on Twitter time!
Sochi 2014: who will take gold? Russians or Rebels?
As the world waits and anticipates both winning gold and the threat of attacks, has striking large events become the new trend of terrorism?

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The 2014 Olympics at Sochi have begun, and the air is filled with excitement coupled with fear of an impending terrorist attack. The suicide bomb attacks in Russia this past December proved that the Russian government doesn’t have the security measures to prevent attacks like this from happening. The extremists are taking advantage of this.

How did Russia tip the favor in their direction? Is this the future of terrorism?
In 2007, Russian President, Vladimir Putin, wooed the Olympic Committee in his favor by offering $12 billion in construction projects, which actually cost double the initial estimate of $50 billion. However, Putin’s containment plan was starting to fail.

Putin thought he had contained the revolts that have been surrounding the country since 2009, including the Chechen, the home country of Boston bombers, Dzhokhar and Tamerlan Tsarnaev. This was done by granting Chechen leader, Ramzan Kadyrov, a bribe of money and power. But Putin failed to acknowledge the chaos building up around Russia, especially in Dagestan, and the Russian people are suffering the consequences.

Russia was and still is plagued with attacks from Islamic extremists led by Doku Umarov, who is determined to create an Islamic state. Umarov has a predetermined plan to start a holy war in its cause. His actions, including train and suicide bombings, were responsible for over 100 deaths and countless of injuries. Now athletes and spectators alike are facing these same dangers.

The Russian government is constantly reassuring participating countries that they have implemented security zones around Sochi that include intensive security checks, security cameras, and a “ring of steel.” “An unprecedented secure zone, which is 60 miles long and 25 miles wide, will mean near near-total surveillance of residents, visitors and athletes. Drones will be deployed in the skies, speedboats will patrol the coast and sonar will reportedly be used to detect submarines,” states Jason Sickles at Yahoo! News.

But is this enough? In a city with over 400,000 people, it is impossible to thoroughly check every single person. Human error is often forgotten as a threat in it of itself, as governments are relying too heavily on technology. “In my opinion, it’s not a matter of whether there will be some incident, it’s just a matter of how bad it’s going to be...unless the Russians can take down the leadership and a significant number of that group or his followers before the Olympics, I think they’re in for some major problems,” states Bill Rathburn, a veteran security consultant.

Many people have speculated that an attack during the Olympic Games will break out into a war, and whether or not Russian will plan to retaliate.

“I doubt the Russians would launch major military strikes against the rebels during the Games. Instead, already tight security in and around Sochi would become tighter. Moreover, the most likely targets for attacks are outside the Sochi area, places that are not as well guarded—so called “soft targets” similar to those that occurred some weeks ago (e.g., train station in Volgograd). A military campaign would likely follow the Games, in the spring,” stated Professor Marquardt in the International Relations department at Lake Forest College.

Sochi isn’t the first or the last Olympic Games where terrorists threaten to plan an attack. Terrorism and the Olympics Games have a long history together, which started in the 1972 Olympic Games in Munich. A Palestinian terrorist group killed eleven athletes and coaches. These terrorist threats are chances where a small group of attackers seize an opportunity to capture the attention of the world and spread fear of their notoriety. They want our attention, and they have it. They even have us checking our toothpaste and cosmetic containers for possible explosive devices.

So, is this the future of terrorism? Possibly. Such worry free days are certainly past us, and eventually the threat will become a normal subject in our everyday lives. “The terrorist threat against the U.S. is generally hyped and has been so since 9/11. Having said that, however, the US has little choice but to assume that is only a matter of time before another significant terrorist attack somewhere in the U.S…” The U.S. is not about to dramatically change its policies in the Middle East and in Central Asia (Afghanistan), so we should assume that groups like al Qaeda and its affiliates, as well as radicalized Americans, are taking steps to launch a terrorist attack in the American homeland” said Marquardt when asked about the future of terrorism.