Theater department presents *Little Women*

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Lake Forest College’s theatre department is putting on *Little Women* the Musical in the Allan Carr Theatre in Hixon Hall. The show opened on Thursday, March 27, with more productions scheduled for April 3, 4 and 5 at 7:30 p.m.

Based on the Civil War era classic novel by Louisa May Alcott, the musical showcases some of the talent of Lake Forest College and the local community.

Brittany Eude '15 is among the students working hard to put together the production. She has two roles for this [musical]. My secondary role is working with the set and helping build a set. My primary role is stage manager,” said Eude, a theatre major from New York.

The cast includes Barbara Anderson as Aunt March and Mrs. Kirk; Stephen Bromfield ‘14 as Laurie Laurence; Debra Criche Mell as Marmee March; Mariana Green ’14 as Meg March; Shelby Horniston ’17 as Amy March; Samantha Kaser ’15 as Jo March; Ayden Lopez ’15 as Mr. John Brooke; Hannah Speck ’15 as Beth March; and Alex Steele ’15 as Professor Bhaer.

The show is directed by Shifra Werch and produced by Associate Professor and Chair of Theater Richard Pettengill and Professor and Chair of Music Don Meyer.

Other musical staff include Lecturer in Theater Dennis Mae on set and lighting design; Joanna Becker on costume design; Senior Lecturer in Music Kathleen van de Graaff as the vocal coach; Assistant Professor of Music Scott Edgar as the music director/conductor; Rebecca Howell ’17 as stage manager; Kaser, who is doubling as actress and as production manager; and Nora Logue ’14 as the graphic designer.

The process for choosing the musical began last fall.

"In the fall semester there was a preliminary round of auditions that determined who was actually going to audition," Eude said. "If we had a larger number of women, we knew we couldn't do an all-male cast show. It helped us give a focal point of what we were able to do as a musical."

The show runs from Thursday, March 27 to Saturday, March 29, and then reopens April 3 and runs through its closing on Saturday, April 5.

Tickets are free for Lake Forest College students, staff, and faculty and $3 for other students, alumni, and senior citizens. Tickets for non-affiliated adults are $7. For reservations email theatre@lakeforest.edu.

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After nearly a yearlong process, Alpha Tau Omega has finally arrived on the Lake Forest College campus. Since March 15, two representatives from the fraternity’s national office, Austin Bivins and RJ Taylor, have been meeting with anyone and everyone from the College community to spread the word about ATO and to learn what Lake Forest College is all about.

Program Director for the Gates Center for Leadership Growth and Greek Life Advisor, Liz Snider, believes that the addition of another fraternity to the College will help respond to the growing interest in fraternity membership by the men on campus. “We’ve recently seen an increased level of interest in fraternity membership by our students, displayed both in the number of men who are joining the groups currently recognized by the College and by the number of men who have expressed interest in the experience and inquired about bringing additional groups to campus,” Snider said. “Given this interest, growth of the community was something that seemed like a natural next step.”

Snider explained that after recognizing the need for another fraternity, the College notified a pool of fraternity organizations that the College was interested in expanding the Greek community. From there, organizations that were interested submitted written presentations with information about their organization.

After reviewing the submitted information, the expansion committee invited two organizations, Alpha Tau Omega and Delta Sigma Phi to visit the College and offer in-person presentations.

In the end, the expansion committee decided that Alpha Tau Omega was the correct fit for the student body.

According to Snider, Alpha Tau Omega, known as ATO for short, was selected for a number of reasons.

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College highlights new All Access brand on campus

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In an effort to bring forth Lake Forest College’s brand and reputation in the world of higher education, the College’s Office of Communications and Marketing has spent the past year developing what is now known as, “All Access.”

Associate Vice President for Communications and Marketing Liz Libby spearheaded the campaign since it’s initial stages with the help of a website development company known as White Whale Web Services.

According to the All Access Brand Book, the idea of the All Access campaign was born after nearly 1,200 members of the college community offered their opinions of the college in an online survey. When reviewing the responses of those surveyed, it was found that a large majority used words such as “access” and “edge” when describing their experience at Lake Forest.

According to Libby, after reviewing these results, they began playing around with phrases incorporating the two terms. Eventually, they landed on the phrase All Access, and the brand was born.

Since arriving on campus this semester with banners and newly painted walls. The College unveiled its All Access brand throughout campus earlier this semester with banners and newly painted walls.

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“ATO is an organization with a strong national brand that offers significant leadership development experience to members across the country,” Snider said. “[The College] is confident that future ATOs at Lake Forest will benefit from the same meaningful opportunities.”

After ATO was notified that they had been selected as the fraternity to join Lake Forest Greek Life, their headquarters had to decide if the College was a place where they could see their fraternity thriving. After visiting the campus and learning about what it meant to be a Forester the fraternity’s officials were confident that the College was just where ATO belonged.

When [ATO] came to campus it became very obvious to us that the College had very similar values to that of ATO,” Taylor said. “We specifically identified with the values expressed in the Forester Five. The values identified in the Forester Five are very similar to the values that ATO men use to guide them in life. Based on this, we believe there are students on the Lake Forest campus that live by the values that are important to ATO that have just not chosen to get involved in Greek life yet.”

Since arriving on campus, Bivins and Taylor have been hard at work to complete the next step in ATO’s expansion process: finding those men. For Bivins and Taylor, this process is all about building relationships while helping to support the Greek community as a whole.

“Fraternity is built upon building positive relationships,” Taylor said. “We’re not here to recruit every man on campus. We want to get to know the men here and what their values are. If they’re interested in taking part in an opportunity with us and see how powerful a fraternity could really be, that’s when they’ll take the next step to join. We want to be total supporters for the Greek community as a whole. If we meet with a man who decides that maybe joining ATO isn’t for him, that’s OK. There will absolutely be men who we’ll meet with that may feel like ATO is not the opportunity for them, and if they meet with us and have a more positive view of what Greek life could be that’s a win for the Greek community. We encourage them to reach out to the other fraternities.”

Bivins and Taylor believe that by building a relationship with the men they meet with they will be able to better determine if they are men that would be good for ATO. According to Bivins and Taylor, they are looking to bring together a group of like-minded, well-rounded men who want to better themselves and live by the values that are important to ATO.

“We’re looking for men who are academically minded, leaders inside and outside of the classroom and are good people even when no one is watching,” Bivins said. “All three of these characteristics are not things you can learn just by talking to someone once. And on the flip side, men cannot make an educated decision to join ATO without getting to know us. That is why we highly stress the importance of just sitting down and talking to someone, it’s amazing what you can learn when you take a second to really just sit down and ask someone what they’re all about.”

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President Stephen D. Schutt informed the College community about the change via email earlier this month.

According to the revisions to Lake Forest College’s weapons policy, a licensee is allowed to have their firearm in their locked vehicle, as Illinois law states. However, the firearm and ammunition must be stored away and concealed from plain view. The firearm must be in the glove department or in a console that is locked.

Licencees can carry their concealed firearm into restaurants that allow you to and whose main source of revenue is not from serving alcohol. And due to the parking lot safe haven provision, you can always store your firearm in your car, even if you decide to park in a parking lot where concealed carrying is prohibited.

This safe haven provision is the reason behind the College’s adjustment to its weapons policy. According to the revisions to Lake Forest College’s weapons policy, a licensee is allowed to have their firearm in their locked vehicle, as Illinois law states. However, the firearm and ammunition must be stored away and concealed from plain view. The firearm must be in the glove department or in a console that is locked.

The Illinois Firearm Concealed Carry Act, which became law in July 2013. This revision simply added on a section regarding firearms in Lake Forest College’s parking lots; the rest of the weapons policy remained the same as it was before.

The Illinois Firearm Concealed Carry Act is now allowing licensed gun owners to carry handguns on them, as long as the handgun is concealed (open carrying is strictly prohibited).

In order to obtain the $150 concealed carry permit, one must be at least 21 years old, have a valid Firearm Owner’s Identification card, have a clean record, and must have completed at least 16 hours of Concealed Carry firearms training that is provided by an Illinois State Policy approved instructor. The permit is valid for five years.

As with many laws, there is a long list of regulations and prohibitions regarding the Concealed Carry Act. If you have a concealed carry permit, there are a limited amount of places where you can carry your firearm with you. The law prohibits a licensee from carrying his or her firearm into any sort of public or private school environment, government buildings, hospitals, businesses whose main source of revenue is alcohol, any modes of public transportation that is paid for with public funds, and many areas that often attract a sizable amount of people (such as amusement parks, museums, zoos, airports, etc).

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The sole reason for carrying the firearm is only to store it in your trunk or retrieve it from your trunk.

If you must do that, you must make sure that the firearm is unloaded and you may only carry it around the “immediate area surrounding the vehicle.” Weapons and firearms are not permitted on any other part of Lake Forest College’s campus.

The main rule regarding the safe haven provision is that firearms are always allowed inside vehicles, which are considered “safe zones,” as long as the firearm is out of sight, locked up, and unloaded.

Can a private business choose to prohibit concealed firearms? Private businesses are allowed to prohibit their customers from carrying concealed firearms on their private property. They can do so by posting a sign to inform the public. Lake Forest College has similar signs posted around entrances to the campus. These signs even state “Private Property, No Trespassing.” Because Illinois law allows private businesses to have their own say regarding concealed carry firearms, colleges and universities may set their own rules as well.

Rick Cohen, the director of Lake Forest College’s Public Safety Department, reaffirmed the College’s commitment to ensuring students, faculty, and staff’s safety interests are always of high priority. Firearms in a locked vehicle in the College’s parking lot must always be unloaded.

Since Illinois law requires permits to own a firearm, Public Safety does not need students, faculty, and staff to register their firearms with the College. Visitors to the College will be informed of the College’s rules on concealed carry firearms when they drive through one of the entrances and see the sign prohibiting gun possession. It is ultimately one’s own responsibility to know where they can carry a concealed gun or not since one does need to take 16 hours worth of classes before obtaining the permit.

As of March 2014, the number of concealed-carry permits in Illinois is at 13,500. The Illinois State Police is expecting 300,000 to 400,000 applications for a permit within this first year of the new law.

Illinois is the last state in the United States to allow its state residents and citizens to carry concealed firearms. The concealed-carry law was only enacted after a federal court order forced Illinois state legislators to pass a bill that would allow this practice.

If you have any questions about Lake Forest College’s new weapons policy, you should contact the Director of Public Safety Rick Cohen, Dean of Students Rob Flot, or the President of the College, Stephen Schutt.
Why students on South should get to pay less to park

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In the name of equality, I firmly believe that students with parking permits who live on South Campus should not have to pay the full amount for the yearly parking permits. For the 2013-2014 school year, parking permits were $200 for every student—no exception. But what does that get you? For Middle and North campus residents, it gets you a cushy year of guaranteed parking close to your dorm room. But if you live on South Campus, every weekend is filled with students frantically running to their cars in the mornings only to find Public Safety giving them a hefty $50 ticket with no sympathy.

Since the start of the school year, we have received 32 emails instructing us to move our cars parked on South to anywhere but South, except the streets of Lake Forest, of course. As of press time, we hardworking students have endured 24 weeks of school, which amounts to almost 1.5 times a week that South campus residents were not allowed to park on the campus they paid to park on.

My solution? Those affected students should pay a proportional rate, which amounts to around $150. It may not sound like a big difference, but for us college students who may work for less than minimum wage, every dollar really does count. That $50 can buy us a textbook that we probably won’t use in class or it can pay for 25 cups of coffee.

That being said, will something like this ever happen? Probably not. Institutions like the College are always finding ways to make money, and changing to proportionate billing does not help this cause.

But if we already pay different prices for housing on campus, why can’t we pay different prices for different kinds of parking?

Lollapalooza 2014: A split line-up for a younger Lolla

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As the annual pilgrimage of music fans on Chicago’s Grant Park approaches, festival-goers would like to know what to expect for 2014’s Lollapalooza. The 10th anniversary of the festival is this year, and a lot of hype has been built up around a supposedly legendary lineup.

As a Lolla attendee in 2013, I was particularly disappointed to learn about the expected musical showing for 2014 when the list was released on March 25. After months of rumors swirling around about a Daft Punk appearance in the park and other big names like Jay-Z and Justin Timberlake being thrown out here and there, the headliners that Lolla fans have received are not what was expected—but, it is still relatively strong.

This year the festival has dug up many previous headlines like Outkast, the Arctic Monkeys, Eminem, and the Kings of Leon to lead in that genre playing sets. But if we already pay different prices for housing on campus, why can’t we pay different prices for different kinds of parking?

Regardless of the answer to that question, Lollapalooza will celebrate its 10th anniversary in Chicago Aug. 1-3 with a new crowd reigning in 10 more years of Lolla history.

Q&A: If you could bring any guest speaker to Lake Forest College who would it be?

1. Sanni Lindroos ’17 (Turku, Finland)
  Sociology & Anthropology and Theatre Major with Studio Art minor
  “Peter-Jackson because he made something that everyone that was impossible possible.”

2. Tanner Dane Bednar ’17 (Elgin, Illinois)
  International Relations Major
  “Beyonce because she gives powerful and moving political speeches.”

3. Stephanie Folger-Garate ’17 (Stamford, Connecticut)
  French Major
  “Kevin Spacey.”

4. Sam Herrmann ’15 (Middlebury, Vermont)
  Environmental Science and Politics Major
  “Bill Gates because he can talk about both business and humanitarianism.”

5. Alketa Lutoli ’17 (Pristina, Kosovo)
  Chemistry Major
  “Angelina Jolie because she is a big humanitarian and has seen many places around the world.”

6. Kyle Blatt ’17 (Mount Prospect, Illinois)
  Finance Major
  “Kevin O’Leary because he is really successful in finance and business.”
We need to talk about your selfie

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A selfie is no longer a selfie.

As the infamous Academy Awards selfie illustrates, where the term used to only (and I use that word with obvious caution) apply to the multitude of photos of yourself, taken by yourself, in various locales with much the same face, it can now include numerous people, so long as one of the people depicted in the photo is taking it.

As far as I can tell, this is not due to some communal identity crisis. So why have we clung so vigorously to this term, to the point of officially adding it to the dictionary, even when it really no longer applies?

While we mock and decry the selfie, especially those taken in bathrooms, we have an undeniably unceasing attachment to it. Sure, there is something to be said for the beauty in the acceptance of a trend among such a wide variety of cultures, ages and classes, although I am certain that a cursory glance at my newsfeed will rid me of this appreciation.

Aside from the annoyance we feel toward those individuals who incessantly post photos of themselves experiencing every second of the sacred, profane, mundane and obscene, is there something wrong with our attachment to this trend? Dare I say, dangerous?

There have been several reports that a British teen, Danny Bowman, attempted to commit suicide after becoming addicted to taking pictures of himself. The teen reported dropping out of school to spend countless hours attempting the perfect selfie. He has since gone into treatment for Body Dysmorphic Disorder and Obsessive Compulsive Disorder.

The headlines “Selfie Suicide” and “Suicidal Selfie” appear to be the sort of news stories that require an addition of “no laughing matter” and an acknowledgment that it will inevitably be treated by most as a laughing matter. However, as extreme as Mr. Bowman’s case may appear, it is truly not a laughing matter. It isn’t difficult to observe how the insatiable hunt for “likes,” and ultimately approval of one’s appearance, can exacerbate the symptoms of illnesses such as OCD and BDD.

What about those who are not predisposed to such mental illnesses; is the practice equally dangerous to everyone involved? There is no definitive answer to that question, although many able people have attempted to reach one.

For some, the selfie does not represent the vanity and selfishness so readily associated with our generation. They view the selfie as a visual diary of sorts, one aspect of the technological evolution of our interactions, and a positive one. I would argue, however, that this view of the selfie applies more directly to the variant of selfies shared through Snapchat, a photo messaging application through which you can send your friends photos and short video. Snapchats are integral parts of a new form of communication, a personal one, in which your friends can view, in increasingly provocative posing and dressing in their photographic self-depiction.

Without question, the selfie is here to stay. The trend does not have to, however, represent an obsession with appearance and self-gratification, or the moral decay of our society, although duck lips most certainly do. There are meritorious qualities to be found in the sharing of self-taken photographs. When the photos are part of a dialogue between friends, or self-empowerment, they are certainly “like-able,” but when the experience becomes exploitative and detrimental to the self-esteem of the photographer, it might be time to switch the focus of the camera phone. You can always Instagram photos of your dog.

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Disorder and Obsessive Compulsive Disorder.

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When President Obama appeared on “Between Two Ferns” with comedian Zach Galifianakis, he reminded millennials of his desperate attempt to attract young people to sign up for the Affordable Care Act.

As the deadline looms (but is continually pushed back) the President has appeared all over the country touting the advantages of Obamacare while dramatically changing the role of the presidency and its relationship with American citizens. He has attempted to reach young and healthy people through any possible means by the March 31 deadline.

The administration has yet to reach its sign-up goal, and the balance between young and older Americans is not on track to create a financially sound system.

But I’m not here to relay to you the dry, boring details of Obamacare and the politics of it. What I’m interested in, and what I think people should start to see, is how the Obama administration is using its power to engage younger Americans and bring back the energy of the 2008 election.

The administration is finding that Americans in their early 20s are much less gullible than perceived. With all the information in the world provided to them, they are less and less convinced by the rhetoric of one man.

Younger Americans are not a group to be played with; they want the same job security and help in tough times that all other Americans are looking for too. As we all know too well, the fear of not finding a job after graduation is growing, and higher education is not always a means to become more successful than our parents.

We are seeing a Washington that is broken, deep in partisan conflict, but whose salaries remain the same and continue to rise. Obama promised us transparency, openness, and a willingness to change politics. But what has this gotten us?

He pushed the Affordable Care Act through Congress and the freedom millennials continually strive for is being halted by the individual mandate many will be subjected to.

Wanting the same support and energy he got in 2008, he has consistently appeared on fun entertainment shows to further his agenda. This strikes many Americans as a pathetic and last-ditch attempt at piecing together the broken shambles of the new healthcare law.

He is trying to be “cool,” and in doing so hoping young people grab onto this — because what else do millennials care about? The President — one of the most powerful leaders in the world — appeared on a show to pitch healthcare to the demographic most desired by producers, legislators, and presidents. These young people rule over the success and failure of the Affordable Care Act because if the young and therefore healthy people don’t buy insurance to offset costs for the elderly and sick, the plan will collapse.

While #betweentwofern and #obama were trending on Twitter, there was little to no mention of actual events in the world concerning Russia, Ukraine, Syria, North Korea, Iran, etc. Healthcare is incredibly important, but taking hours out of his taxpayer-funded day to talk to Ellen Degeneres and the star of The Hangover is perhaps not an appropriate venue for the president.

By aligning himself with pop culture, he becomes a president whose actions portray him as shallow, only focused on media savvy millennials when he needs them.
Men’s tennis victorious

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In their first competitive weekend since competing in a week-long spring break tournament in Hilton Head, South Carolina, the Lake Forest College men’s tennis team traveled to Jacksonville, Illinois to take on the host, Illinois College and Webster University. In doing so, the Foresters posted 9-0 and 7-2 victories over Illinois College and Webster University respectively.

The Foresters began their victorious Saturday against Illinois College by sweeping all three doubles matches. In singles play, Dragan Trivanovic ’17 was the first player of the court after defeating his Illinois College opponent 6-0, 6-0. Jerry Wang ’14 moved up from his usual spot of No. 6 singles to play No. 5 and clinched Lake Forest a victory with an impressive 6-1, 6-0 rout. The last match to finish saw Ellis Lora-Arceo ’17 emerged victorious in the closest contested match of the day 6-2, 6-1. Of the six singles matches played, the Foresters were 12-0 in sets which included seven 6-0 wins.

Later on in the day, the Foresters went on to play Webster University. Despite the convincing 7-2 score, Lake Forest had to fight for their victory. In doubles, the top two matches went the distance, which included John Snider ’16 and Trivanovic’s 9-7 doubles victory. The Foresters went on to win all three doubles matches to take an early 3-0 lead. Wang returned to his usual No. 6 spot to post a 6-1, 6-1 victory. Despite being up 5-0, the Foresters struggled in three of the four remaining singles matches. Trivanovic stopped his resilient opponent from taking it to a third set to earn a 6-3, 7-6 (5) victory to expand the Forester lead to 7-0. Anthony Warren ’15 and Lora-Arceo put up a good fight; however, both went down in three tough sets.

Lake Forest will take on St. Norbert on Saturday, April 5, taking on St. Norbert in a conference game.

Among those who earned their NCAA B-Cuts but did not place first were Emile Siroit ’16 in the 200 Butterfly (1:53.70), Korth in the 400 IM (4:06.59), and Freedburg in the 200 IM (1:53.48).

The final score was Lake Forest College: 944 and Grinnell College: 893.

The breakdown of the numbers are: 16 victories, 6 pool records, 10 school records, 6 meet records, 11 conference records, 11 NCAA “B-cuts” (including three qualifying scores in diving), and 48 new or improved entries in teams’ top five lists.

Freedberg, who is the first Forester to qualify for the meet in fourteen years, will be the only male swimmer for Lake Forest College to compete at the NCAA National Meet.

All-American diver Christina Pekar ’15, who will be making her second appearance at the meet, will join him.

The meet will take place in Indianapolis, Indiana from March 19 to March 22.

Lake Forest hosts Special Olympics Aquatics

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Volleyball player Torie Pasiewicz ’15 hands out awards to participants of the Special Olympics Area 13 Aquatics event on Saturday, March 22, to which Lake Forest College played host. More than 100 volunteers came out to help in the Sports and Recreation Center. Volunteers helped escort participants as well as give them awards and cheer them on.

Photo by Scott Sanford ’14
Men’s swimming and diving team breaks record

On Feb. 16, the Lake Forest College men’s swimming and diving team won the Midwest Conference Championship, breaking Grinnell College’s 12-year winning streak.

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The team’s record-breaking performance included winning all five individual events of the day. The 400 Medley Relay, composed of Punnett, Kris Korth '16, Freedberg '16, and Nickell '16, won their race with a time of 3:25.17, setting a new school record.

After the first day of competition, the Foresters were in first place with 267 points, which was the first time in twelve years that Grinnell College was not in the lead.

On Saturday, Freedberg earned the Foresters their first win in the 400 IM. His time of 4:01.06 was an NCAA Nationals B-Cut and broke all four records, including the conference, meet, school, and pool records.

Punnett also won his two individual events of the day. In the 100 Butterfly, his time of 49.97 was a NCAA A-Cut, which broke all four records.

He won his 100 Backstroke with a time of 51.51. Korth was victorious in the 100 Breaststroke, which was a B-Cut and also broke all four records.

The team concluded the second day still in first place with a score of 625. Grinnell wasn’t far along in second place with a score of 597.

On the final day of the conference, Lake Forest College was able to extend their lead during the last few events.

The first gold medal was awarded to Wenner who earned another NCAA B-Cut and broke all four records in the 100 Freestyle with a time of 47.18.

Korth also earned his second NCAA B-Cut and broke all four records with a time of 2:06.57 in the 200 Breaststroke. Punnett followed suite with his other teammates with a B-Cut and all four broken records in the 200 Butterfly with a time of 1:53.02.

Sports Column

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The National Labor Relations Boards shocked the world of college sports on Wednesday, March 26, when they ruled that Northwestern University Football players, who are on a scholarship, are considered employees of the University.

This decision implies that should students at Northwestern decide to unionize, they have the full eligibility to hold an election. The NLRB regional director Peter Sun Ohr cited the players’ time commitment to their sport and the fact that their scholarships were tied directly to their performance on the field as reasons for granting them union union right,” stated Brian Bennett from ESPN.com.

While it may seem like Kain Colter has won his fight against the NCAA and Northwestern University, Colter and CAPA shouldn’t pop the champagne bottles just yet. Ohr’s ruling has yet to clear up many issues concerning injury compensation, division of salary to players, and unionization of public universities.

Northwestern was quick to appeal the case and intends to take this matter to Washington where it could end up on the desks of the Supreme Court.

In an official statement, Vice President for University Relations, Alan Cubbage stated the disappointment of the outcome, “Northwestern considers its students who participate in NCAA Division I sports, including those who receive athletic scholarships, to be students, first and foremost. We believe that participation in athletic events in part of the overall educational experience for those students, not a separate activity.

“Notwithstanding today’s decision, the SEC does not believe that full time students participating in intercollegiate athletics are employees of the universities they attend” stated SEC commissioner, Michael Slive, per ESPN.com.

Northwestern isn’t the only one complaining about this decision, many others, including The Big Ten Network, the SEC and of course the NCAA, both agree with Northwestern’s view on students being separate from athletes.

Ohr’s decision rides away the stigma of being a “student-athlete,” a term that many disgruntled athletes apparently dislike. So, as employees of the university and not students, this opens up a new door that comes with waves of even bigger problems that Colton and CAPA might not have thought of; one of those being potential lockouts.

If Northwestern football players do hold a vote to unionize, they would have to draw up collective bargaining agreements, or CBA, which we have all learned through recent years, can only bring disagreements from players and owners (in this case the university) and eventually a lockout.

Whether the appeal will make it to the Supreme Court is unknown, but during this historic moment in college sports, every decision is crucial because it sets precedence for any future related cases that comes up.