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## **Students Peform** In Yearly Merrill **Prize Assembly** By BELLA ALVAREZ and ROSE HOROWITCH

Senior Raul Galvan smashed a chair Senior Raul Galvan smashed a chair on the Assembly Hall stage at the end of his duologue on the nature of a pho-tocopy machine. His dramatic finish prompted enthusiastic applause. Later performances took a more somber tone. Seniors Zoe Marshall and Sanjana Rana recod in force of the auditors and told stood in front of the audience and told the story of an overachieving high school girl, who reflected on the college pro-cess, saying, "I can't get rejected if I'm not breathing." The assembly finished on a more comedic note, with uppers Billy O'Handley and Ian Johnson sharing a coming-of-age story that left the audi-ence in uproarious laughter. Exonians performed spoken pieces

Exonians performed spoken pieces during assembly on Friday in the hopes of winning the Merrill Speaking Com-petition, Exeter's oldest oratory com-petition, For 120 years, students have performed short monologues and duo-logues in the hopes of winning a small monetary reward, with teachers acting as judges of the event. Performers had a wide range of readines to choose from as judges of the event. Performers had a wide range of readings to choose from, as the Merrill Speaking Competition has only one requirement. "The guidelines we were given were mostly time-related (monologues had to be 2-3 minutes, where the second (monoiogues nad to be 2-3 minutes, while duologues had to be 5-6 minutes), but there were not really any limitations on subject material, lower and duologue participant Anna Clark explained. While some students chose comedic pieces, others read meaningful poems or politi-

others read meaningful poems or politi-cal monologues. Clark, who performed alongside upper Daisy Tichenor and senior Raul Galvan, read a transcript from a real de-position. Entitled "Verbatim: What Is A Photocopier," the piece centers around an absurd but real conversation between an absurd but real conversation between a lawyer and a defendant arguing about what a photocopier truly is. "We chose to <u>MERRILL, A2</u>



# PEA Appoints New Director of Student Well-Being

## By SUAN LEE and JOHANNA MARTINEZ

Staff Writers Christina Palmer was hired earlier this week as the new Director of Student Wellbeing, a position currently held by Jane Stapleton and Tina Sciocchetti. Both Stapleton and Sciocchetti were hired at the beginning of this school year to undertake these responsibilities temporarily whilst the Academy conducted a national search for someone professionally trained to permanently take on the role.

According to the official job de-scription, the Director of Student Well-being is responsible for assessing and managing the Academy's health and sexual assault student education prosexual assault student education pro-grams, as well as supervising school policies and procedures for reporting, investigation protocol and community training. "Supporting students who are already in some form of a health crisis." is pretty much a full-time job. I couldn't really dive into the proactive piece be-cause I was so busy doing the reactive piece. This concept resonated with a lot

of people, including Principal Macfar-lane, and they recognized that we need somebody here who can really do that," Dean of Student Health and Wellness William Coole said

William Coole said. The search spanned over five months and was a collaborative process between many community members and an official search committee, con-sisting of Academic Affairs Karen humer Diverse for a chick and the search members. Lassey, Director of Counseling and Psy-Lassey, Director of Counseling and Psy-chological Services Jeanne Stern and General Counsel Holly Barcroft. After the vast group of applicants had been narrowed down to three final candi-dates based on their written applications, résumés and phone conferences, each candidate visited the campus to tour the school, observe classes and take part in multiple interviews with both faculty and students. "[The Director of Student Wellbeing is] going to be

working towards providing education to the community and handling issues that come forward. We want to make sure the person we offer the job to can connect with the kids in a practical

According to the E-book, "Grill manag-According to the E-book, "Grill manag-ers are responsible for the entire operation of the grill, including maintaining accurate financial records. Grill franchises are not to be sold or 'bequeathed." The E-book also states that the Dean's Office should be notistates that the Decams Office should be noti-fied each year a dorm grill is in operation and that dorm grills should not sell hot foods—a rule that many violate. The advisor's handbook further elabo-rates, stipulating that "Grills may not be

operated at any time except during those designated operating hours [determined by the dorm faculty]." The handbook says dorm grills are meant to be a service to the com-munity and should share some of the profit if it "seems appropriate." Dean of Students Melissa Mischke

added to this, saying, "It's supposed to be a service to the dormitory not for somebody's profit so there should be some sort of rent that has to be paid back to the dorm," she that has to be paid back to the dorm, site said. "There are a couple of things: you're, first of all, feeding hungry teenagers, it's part of the social of the evening and if the dorm grill is successful, they can either help the dorm purchase something or give to the dorm computing." dorm community." Dean of Residential Life AJ Cosgrove

Dean of Residential Life AJ Coogrov agreed with Mischke. "Wy understanding from most dormitory heads is that dorm grills are a positive addition to dorm com-munities," he said. "Many dormitory grills give back to the dorm community by contributing to a dorm function or by hosting a cookout. In addition, they bring the dorm community together during the 10–10:30 period of time." Senior Sara Michaels, former Amen

grill manager, was unaware of the reporting procedures outlined by the E-book. Nev ertheless, she believed her operation had caused no harm. "It wasn't super fancy-we only had a few snacks in our inventory. I wasn't intentionally breaking any rules" she said. However, her experience turned sour DORM GRILL, A2 positive way," Dean of Students Melissa

Mischke said. Upper Alyssa Kuwana, one of fif-teen students who were chosen to meet with the candidates, elaborated on the importance of having students involved in the search. "I think it's really important that the students got to interview the candidates as well because the can-didate is going to interact a lot with the students. If the students don't approve of him or her, then it's going to be hard of him or her, then it's going to be hard for the students to create a connection with them," she said. Coole expressed similar sentiments. "Everything we've done, particularly in the realm of the sexual misconduct issues, has been to partner with students. I really don't like it when people make decisions in iso-lation. I'm very happy that we've taken that track to make sure that we had voices from everybody. It's been a very broad, inclusive process," he said. Palmer has served as the Director

of Guidance and Clinical Services in the Brookline, MA public school sys STUDENT WELLBEING A2

# **Exeter Teachers** Discuss Work, **Family Balance**

# By PAUL JAMES and SAMANTHA WEIL

Math Instructor Panama Geer wakes up at 5 AM on Monday mornings to the cries of her eighteen-month and three-year-old daughters sounding through the halls of her faculty residence in Dunbar Hall. She brews a cup of coffee and looks over her grading of a student's quiz. A struggling student knocks on her apartment door at 7:30 AM, seeking help reviewing solutions before class. After helping her pupil, Geer steps away for a few moments to shoo her kids off to school before rushing to her classroom for an 8 AM math class, the first of four classes she will teach that day. She looks pensive as her students struggle through complicated math concepts, but the benchtmark in the area of the students are students and the start of the benchtmark and the students are students are students and the start of the benchtmark and the students are students are students and the start of the benchtmark and the start of the star she brightens whenever someone makes a she brightens whenever someone makes a breakthrough. She has an advisee meeting during lunch, followed by quick conversa-tions with fellow colleagues and committee members. Next, she teaches Drama Sports. At the end of the school day, Geer picks up her children from daycare before making dinner for the family. On her duty nights in Dunbar, students from her classes pile onto the couches in the lounge outside her apartment, furiously correcting a recent test. For hours, she jumps between answer ing calculus questions, checking in Dunbar residents and putting her kids to bed before

finally retiring past 11 PM for the night. 217 faculty members live across the Exeter campus. Their roles span from athletic coach to math instructor, art teacher FACULTY, A2

# **Dormitory Grill Operations** Across Campus Investigated

# By DON ASSAMONGKOL and ALAN XIE Staff Writers

manager returns with a pile of boxes full of pies. Common courtesy takes a back seat as dorm mates vie for slices. The preps are left on the outskirts as the upperclassmen take their share. The grill manager smiles as the profits add up on his spreadsheet. Dormitory grills are a staple in most dorms, serving as businesses from which students can purchase snacks and hot foods such as pizza. Most dorm grills are run by a small group of students from their per-sonal rooms, though some are run through dedicated official dorm facilities such as dorm basements. Such a business comes Students hang out in Soule Hall's Dorm Students hang out in Soule Hall's Dorm Grill room a few minutes after check-in. Some huddle around the TV sipping soda and watching the latest Celtic's playoff game, while others browse through the snacks in the dorm grill pantry. Chips, ramen and sweets are abundant, but granola bars have been sold out for a week. The dorm grill managers keep watch over their customers, joiting down a record of each transaction. As the normal delivery time nears, more students crowd into the small room

more students crowd into the small room more students crowd into the small room and barrage the grill manager with the same question: "Where's the pizza?" Some have been waiting for hours in the corner, chowing through snacks as they socialize. The grill manager struggles to quell the dis-content as he waits for the phone call from Feast Dow Biomain Amounted bate the call. Front Row Pizzeria. Moments later, the grill

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dorm basements. Such a business comes

with regulations, as outlined in the E-book.

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and in many cases, *the Exonan* found that a large portion of dorm grills have had or continue to have problems following such rules. Despite these problems, dorm grills

mostly play a positive role in the dorm lives

of grill managers and students.

Spoken word artist Ashlee Haze performed last Saturday night, B1. SPORTS

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Welcome back to campus, Classes of '87, '92 '97, '02!

#### New Director of Faculty Reflect on Merits of Busy Exeter Schedule Continued from TEACHERS A1 Student Well-Being Chosen Continued from STUDENT WELLBEING, A1

tem since 2013. She has also worked part time at Phillips Academy for three years and is familiar with the residen-tial environment and private school setting. "The committee and others who ting. The committee and others who met Christina were impressed both by her passion for students and by her cre-dentials, which include expertise in the areas of social and emotional learning. I am especially delighted to see how well am especially delighted to see now well her experience and expertise matches what we are looking for in this posi-tion," Principal Lisa MacFarlane said. Palmer will assume her role on July 1. Many students and faculty believe she is capable of establishing a safer

she is capable of establishing a safer and more inclusive school environment at the Academy. "I hope this position will continue to bring awareness to sex-ual violence and give people a way to voice their experiences to someone they know will listen and will help," lower Adrian Venzon said.

Adrian Venzon said. Coole hopes that Palmer will help to make the organization and handling of all sexual assault cases more efficient and thorough. "[She] will be the go-to person for all matters of sexual miscon person for all matters of sexual miscon-duct, whether it's reporting or manag-ing. Reports of sexual misconduct come to us in a variety of ways. Now we have a singular person to bring all this stuff to. Whether you're a dean, teacher, a the dear sector and the sector of the secto student, a counselor-we know this is the person to call," he said.

to student advisor, dorm head to dance instructor. While teaching multiple classes a day, faculty are obliged not just to instruct, but also to take part in numerous other activities, such as dorm duty, advising and committees.

Exeter's faculty are compensated for their hard work in a number of ways. The school covers the full cost of tuition for faculty children who attend Exeter and pays the equivalent of a day student's tuition for faculty children who wish to attend other schools. "I don't take it for granted oner second, how good the lifestyle is, and how much we have at our disposal," Geer said. "It's a huge benefit for families. While rais-Its a huge benefit for families. While rais-ing a family is really challenging, there are also amazing benefits that the school tries to put in to help." Faculty members also have access to campus athletic facilities and receive mortgage subsidies. These benefits do however come along with a heat of ad do, however, come along with a host of additional duties.

Many teachers advise clubs on campus, coach sports, live in student dorms and serve on various committees. Without fac-ulty fulfilling these duties, of course, many opportunities for students would not exist I think that anyone who took a job here, that was made abundantly clear when they applied that it's not just a teaching job, that we all knew what we were getting into," Geer said. "Classically, there's the model of the triple threat. The triple threat is teaching, athletics and dorm."

Faculty members who have decided to raise families on campus are even busier. "I love the community, and I love having other faculty kids kicking around and a campus full of students," Math Instructor Gwynneth

Coogan said. "I value the diverse student Coogan said. I value the diverse student body, and what a good example that is for my kids. The downside to living on campus, is only those times you have to be the mean parent in public." Parental duties are often put on public display because of the nature of a boarding school campus. Geer agreed, saying, "There are times where you have to discipline your kids, and you have to do it in front of the people that you work with, and your students. Which isn't the case in most jobs. It's not that you can't separate it, it's just that it's much more intertwined than in other places"

History Instructor Kent McConnell, who has worked here for nine years, also commented on the unique challenges of raising kids at Exeter. "While PEA is a wonraising kids at Exeter. While PEA is a won-derful place to raise young children given their exposure to the students, faculty and opportunities on campus, there is ultimately a price to be paid when it comes to nor-malized family patterns," he said. "Finding time to be 'a family' is much more difficult as emerged to teaching at a chosen where as opposed to teaching at a school where

as opposed to teaching at a school where your home life is separate from work, both physically and mentally," McConnell said. Many other faculty could relate to Mc-Connell's perspective. Biology Instructor Richard Aaronian felt that sometimes he was pulled between his students and his children. "I raised two boys here, and it was great," he said. "There was a flipside to that too, because at bedtime you hear a knock on your door when you're trying to put your kids to bed. I always would ask the students, would it wait, and I could tell if it really couldn't. So I tried not to let it take me away from my family, but it did sometimes." In addition to advising a number of

clubs, serving on committees and coaching two terms of introductory fitness, McCon-

nell also finds time to conduct academic neil also finds time to conduct academic research. "Research, whatever type it is in my field, feeds my knowledge base that only makes me a more knowledgeable and effective teacher in the classroom," he said. "Too much of the time these entities are talked about here as discrete topics when in actuality they can be quite complimentary. He added that writing his own papers and books helps him understand some of the struggles his students face. McConnell also reflected on the "triple

threat" mentality, saying that the Academy makes the responsibilities that come with being a teacher here clear during the ap-plication process. "But in my opinion this 'threat' never seems to go away as it moves from an issue of job security to an issue of sanity and lifestyle," he said. Despite these challenges, McConnell described what drew him to Exeter, saying, "I came to Exeter because I was impressed by its graduates (many of whom I encountered in graduate school), the pedagogy of the school, current students and its location ... I love the cold and snow!

In spite of the Academy's demands on faculty members' time, all teachers are united by the experience of educating Exeter students. Aaronian, Exeter's cur rent longest tenure faculty member-he has taught at Exeter for 47 years—believes that teaching and bonding with a small group of passionate students is worth every sacrifice. "It doesn't mean there hasn't been some times of stress, and wondering how I'm going to get everything done, but there aren't too many teachers who have 12 to 14 really good kids in class," he said. "And you get to face that every day. We all work really hard, and students do as well... this is a wonderful place to be?

### Profits of Dorm Grill Reviewed

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when an unnamed thief stole all of Michaels earnings. "I couldn't believe that somebody from my dorm, or anybody for that matter, took all my hard earned cash. I couldn't break even because of that," she said. "Maybe then would have been a good time to have made the dorm grill 'official' so events like this were accounted for." Mischke felt similarly, saying that lead-

ers in the dorms such as faculty or proctors should be involved in such cases. "The managers of dorm grill take on their own respon sibility so it's important that if something is not correct or there is a misunderstanding, adults are involved, even if it's a mediation between two warring factions," Mischke said "If product or money is taken or a misun-derstanding on how much money is owed, an adult should be involved, particularly the dorm head."

Lower Soule Hall grill manager Andrev Loevinger has had complete autonomy in running his grill. He has not had to report to the faculty, though they are aware of the gril's existence. "Having the freedom to run it completely by myself has been, in my opinion, the best method because it's like taking on the responsibilities of an actual business," he said. "I've gone to Walgreens every other week, I've sacrificed my work time and I've responsibly kept tabs on ev-eryone and made sure that I have a secure lock system. I've been dutifully rewarded for my hard work." To date, Loevinger has made my hard work. To date, Loevinger has made \$3000 in total revenue, approximately \$1500 of which was profit. Referencing his nightly pizza sales, which explicitly violate the E-book, Loevinger said, "I don't understand why you wouldn't like it. I provide a service and have even contributed back to the dorm have billioned and means on way." End/d110 and have even contributed back to the dorm by subsidizing dorm gear costs." Evald Hall ran a dorm grill last year using a tab system. According to Jon Lee, the former grill man-ager there, many people accumulated large amounts of debt. "Bartkovich and proctors" disallowed tabs," he said. "They didn't like people owing people money so they duft the people and the state of the state of the state of the state ich denied the existence of a dorm grill. "We have not had dorm grill during my time in Ewald," he said in an email to The Exonian Wentworth Hall's dorm grill, however,

works differently from those in other dorms Instead of a single grill, there are two sepa rate businesses: one sells drinks and snacks while the other sells pizza. The former is run by seniors Liam Oakley and Bennett Levy "Wentworth Dorm Grill is a for-profit busi ness that sells assorted snacks and drinks at night in the basement," Oakley said. "We stock the place with about \$800

worth of food and drink to start the year," Levy explained. "This is the buy-in amount for us both to split. When people come to us they order what they want and we enter it into a spreadsheet that holds all the names and tab amounts." When asked about competition, Oakley commented, "We co-exis fairly peacefully. People tend to grab a slice

and then come to us for a drink or candybar." The Wentworth dorm grill contradicts the E-book in that it "bequeaths" its fran-chises. Oakley explained that the Wentworth dorm grill was a tradition of sorts. "Dorm grill's interior used to be decorated by de cades worth of past wentworth brothers'

[...] sayings and drawings," he said. Ever year the two "proprietors" of dorm grill pass down the role to two or three upcoming seniors. "This role was bestowed upon Ben-nett and me. Wentworth dorm grill is a sacred dorm tradition and is highly respected within the community. It is a privilege, not a right.

Mischke, who also serves as a Went worth dorm faculty, admitted that she herself was uncertain if dorm grills were following the outlined by the E-book. "I'm not sure if this is happening with dorms; we've had this conversation with dorm heads," she said. However, she is optimistic that the Exonians will run them in good spirit. "I'm hoping dorm grills don't run on such a profit, that there are inexpensive choices that everyone can have," she said. "I just want there to be

good practices and care around doing it." Cosgrove, another Wentworth dorm faculty, had also not heard of these issues. "Dormitory heads have talked about dormitory grills and ultimately are responsible for eing them if they choose to allow them overseeing them if they choose to allow them in their dorm, he said. "The rules that are in place have worked well, so I have no inten-tion of policy changes around dorm grills." The deans' hopes have been realized in many cases, as most dorm grills work to

contribute positively to the community. Like Loevinger, lower Bancroft Grill manager Chandler Jean-Jacques shares some of her profits with the dorm. "Twenty percent o the profit will go towards the dorm. I don't communicate that often with dorm faculty. I only go to them to unlock the closet," she said. Moreover, Jean-Jacques has not expe-rienced any theft which she credits to her reverse tab and low pricing system. The Webster Hall Grill works very simi-

larly to the one in Bancroft, Webster Dorm larly to the one in Bancroft. Webster Dorm Head Giorgio Secondi takes 25 percent of the profits, though these funds go towards the dorm. "Other than that it's pretty much up to us," senior and Webster Hall co-grill manager Marichi Gupta said. "We make the pricing plan and what items to include in our

dorm grill and other things like that." Senior Graham Rutledge, who runs the pizza grill in Wentworth with senior Joonho Jo also said they give back to the dorm. "Both of us are contributing a sizeable amount of our profits back to the dorm for events," he said. Overall, they have donated about \$200

Upper and Cilley grill manager Taylo Walshe also gives back. The Cilley grill has payed for Cilley's Super Bowl party. "I don't think the faculty need to be that involved because part of the responsibilities of the managers is to make things run smoothly," he said. "When [our customers] get really high tabs we do constantly warn them but obviously people have to wait until the end of the term so that their parents pay it off

when they pick them up." Secondi also felt that dorm grill opera-tions should mostly be determined by those who run the business. "The dorm always comes first, dorm grill is here to serve the dorm and so if there is a dorm event going on or something like that they need to be closed," said Secondi. "It's their responsibility to start the funding, to collect debt and to make sure everything runs smoothly. I think it's part of the learning, part of learning how to run a business"

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perform that piece because we thought it perform that piece because we though it was hilarious, and [Galvan and Tichenor] were both really familiar with it," Clark said. "The characters in it are really fun to play as tension builds throughout the scene." Clark felt that Exonians received her work well. "I think the audience re-acted positively to every performance, and everyone was respectful of the shift from a dramatic tone to a comedic tone throughout the course of the perfor

througnout the course of the perfor-mances, so it was a very rewarding crowd to perform in front of," she said. Uppers Ian Johnson and Billy O'Handley also delivered a comedic performance. The two prepared a duo-horno and accent from the plan Brich ogue—an excerpt from the play Brigh-ton Beach Memoirs by Neil Simon meant

to highlight the comical experience of sexual maturity—after receiving the sug-gestion from theater faculty member Sarah Ream. "The speech was mostly trying to speak on childhood innocence ing to speak on childhood innocence," O'Handley said. He was thrilled to see the audience's appreciation for the piece. "When you're rehearsing it on your own, it's hard to understand how the audience will react," he said. "It gots oe nergized and it made the whole experience very

fun and exhilarating." Upper Ratana Chheng, on the other hand, saw the competition as a platform to speak on a serious issue about which she is passionate. "I participated in the competition because I want to promote competition because I want to promote awareness about my Cambodia, my homeland and the regime that complete-ly destroyed the country that used to be the Singapore of Asia," she said. Chleng performed a part of U Sam Oeur's poem "Sacred Yows" in the hopes of educat-ing audience members on the cruelty of the regime. "The author is a survivor of the horrific regime responsible for the mass genocide of 21 percent of the pop-ulation—mostly the educated and the ulation-mostly the educated and the wealthy," Chheng explained. "This piece is very meaningful to me. I feel like that it does a great job of summarizing what the

regime did to my home country." In the midst of both serious and comedic pieces, lower Gwyneth Crosscomedic pieces, lower Gwyneth Cross-man was the only orator to perform self-written work, despite such speeches be-ing discouraged. Crossman performed "Self Portrait II," a poem about her own artistic inspiration. Originally, Crossman wrote the piece as an assignment for her Drama Sports class, Blackbox Produc-tion. "Then I started to get into it, and it became less about 'Oh, I have to do this,' and more about, 'I want to do this, be-

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cause its putting a little bit of the way 1 think out there for people to empathize with," she said. She spoke about how she did not choose what to write, but rather felt a sense of urgency to put on paper what went through her mind. Crossman described the experience of going up onstage as exhilarating, saying, "Same as with any theater performance: I love the feeling of being up on stage, looking out at an audience, and giving them something as amazing as I can.' As well as performing for the audi

ence, Crossman presented a written copy of her work to the three monologue judg-es: English Instructors William Perdomo, Wei-Ling Woo and Lionel Hearon. The duologue judges were Modern Languag-es Instructor Pedro Perez and English Instructors Courtney Marshall and Kelly

Marshall enjoyed the variety of performances. As a first-year teacher, she seized the opportunity to judge the competition. "I think [the competition] shows the power of oratory," she said. "At a school centered around discussion with lots of standout conversationalists, I love that individuals get to stand in front of their peers and raise their voices about a variety of topics."

To increase the number of students who could present their work, Marshall and her fellow judges discussed the possibility of adding a third category to next year's competition. "Maybe there will be spaces for a trialogue or some sort of

group category," Marshall said. As Hearon was in charge of judging the monologues, he looked not only for well-spoken pieces, but for active ones "[Monologues] should also have some-"[Monologues] should also have some-thing arresting in the physical perfor-mance," he said. "Whatever stage pres-ence the actor is able to bring—gesture, movement, body language, etc.—these are also important qualities." Hearon enjoved the theatrical elements of all the a TED Talk," he said. "It's a performance that calls upon all of the tools that theater can muster.

Woo agreed with Hearon, saying "The number one criterion is the delivery or performance of the piece." She agreed to judge this "long-standing and beloved tradition at Exeter" because it has been a custom at Exeter since the first competi tion in 1897, and she thinks that it should continue as long as students want to perform. She said that the competition pro-vides "a chance for us to honor the acting and spoken word talent at this school in an assembly."



# Christine Robson '99 Delivers Assembly on Machine Learning

bson discussed her work at Google last Tueso

By NIKITA THUMMALA and JOHANNA MARTINEZ Staff Writer

Exeter Alumna Christine Robson Weaver '99 spoke at assembly on Tuesday about her re-cent work with Google's Research and Machine Intelligence Group and the powers of Machine Learning. A graduate of MIT and UC Berke ley, Robson started off working as an IBM re searcher and has since had a successful career searcher and nas since had a successful career in STEM. During her talk, Robson explained the distinctions between Artificial Intelligence and her field of expertise, Machine Learning. She described the ways in which Google uses Machine Learning, explaining its application in Google Translate, Google Photos and You-Tube

For some students, Robson's talk made a possible career in technology seem more achievable. "I always saw myself going into the STEM field in the future and pursuing some-thing with algorithms and coding," prep Leah Delacruz said. "But, Ms. Robson's speech made it seem more real, like I can and will really do this?

Robson fell in love with mathematics at an early age and has been pursuing her call-ing since. "My career now is basically just more math, which was always the ultimate goal," she

Robson attended the Academy for a full Robson attended the Academy tor a tuil four years prior to seeking out higher educa-tion. She attributed many of her skills as a female manager in STEM to the lessons she learned about vocalizing her views at the Hark-ness table. "As a manager, especially during larger meetings, I talk a lot and I blame that on Reserve theories." Exeter," she said.

Exeter," she said. The integration of technology and math-ematics is one that appealed to Robson and made her want to be part of the tech field, despite some obstacles she met along the way. She recalled one instance in an advanced math course at MIT when a 92-year-old professor course at MIT when a 92-year-old professor expressed his sexist views on "womens inabil-ity to understand high-level math." As the only woman in the course, Robson went on not only to excel in her math studies, but also to thrive in demanding STEM field occupations.

Even with offers from other companies, Robson knew that she belonged at Google. "I feel like the kinds of things I wanted to accom-plish, I could do at Google," she said. Her tran-

sition into the company was smooth and easy "I had been in IBM research before Google re search and working on my doctorate at Berke-ley so I kind of [have] always been in a research ley so I kind of [have] always been in a research focused environment working with a lot of re-ally smart people," Robson said. With the growth of Machine Learning, Robson has been working on several new proj-ects. One of the more exciting projects she has

taken on is using Machine Learning for mu-sic generation. "We have been making a lot of open source tools and putting them out there and engaging with the music community and the machine learning community," she said "It's not that the music isn't great. The music is great. It's that we can make tools that artists can use and take melodies and go forward with

.. In her presentation, Robson offered ad vice to current Exonians, saying, "I think the most important thing is that you do something most important thing is that you do something that you feel personally excited about? In fact, Robson originally went into pre-med when she arrived at MIT. When she switched into re-search and Machine Learning, she didn't know how important a field it would soon become.

She went on, encouraging students not to limit themselves to one path. "Exeter students not to really do find their passion here so I think that's one of the special things about Exeter," she said. Try and hang onto that. Don't run off to col lege and lose it thinking that you have to do the career that you imagined you would do when you had that College Counseling conversation. Stick with what you are passionate about." Prep Cristal Reyes learned a lot from

Prep Cristal Reyes learned a lot from the assembly and enjoyed Robsoris humor. "I learned a lot," she said. "I never knew anything about the STEM field or coding or anything like that. So it was good when she explained her career in simple terms in a way that every-one could understand. And her jokes made the accombine mean interaction?" assembly more interesting."

Senior Efia Nuako also appreciated the simple way in which Robson explained a com-plex topic. "I liked how she took a lot of tech-nical stuff and put it into laymans terms," she said. Lower Emma Dixon also felt inspired by

Robson's talk, saying "It was nice to see how an alumna could leave Exeter and develop some-thing really cool and come back and share that with us."

# Molly MacKean to Leave Academy After 6 Year Run

By PAUL JAMES and SAMANTHA WEIL

Next fall, Exeter's beloved History Instructor of six years, Molly MacKean, will as-sume the position of Academic Dean at the Drew School in San Francisco. Throughout her time here, she has served as the JV field hockey coach and the Wheelwright Hall dorm head. MacKean has decided to leave Exeter

head. MacKean has decided to leave Exeter and move across the country in pursuit of new endeavors in the coming school year. MacKean described her evolving career interest from the classroom to the administra-tive field. "I've been thinking more and more tive held. "Ive been thinking more and more about the way administrative structures sup-port the work the teachers do in the classroom and I became interested in those kinds of ques-tions" she said. "So, for me, if elt right to begin to think about the way we help kids be their best versions of themselves in a more struc-

MacKean emphasized that she will not be leaving education completely. Rather, she will be influencing a different aspect of it. "I remain

very committed to education as my career," she said. "But, I want to begin to look at education and teaching from a new angle." The Drew School particularly appealed to MacKean because of its openness to new ideas. "They're having a moment right now where they have a new head of school and

where they have a new near to school and they are trying to think very deliberately about how they can change some of the things they do without changing who they are," she said. "Those are really interesting conversations to me, so it seemed like the perfect opportunity to me, so it seemed like the perfect opportunity to engage in the kinds of questions that have been interesting me and to push myself and to keep learning as an educator as well." Upper Grace Khaner has gotten to know MacKean well during her time at Exeter. "I met Ms. MacKean first when she was my field beckers coech karee foll: @ her add "Them IU

hockey coach lower fall," she said, "Then, [I] had her as a teacher for Art and the State lower winter, which was by far my favorite class I've taken at Exeter." Khaner also praised MacKean for her

Khaner also praised MacKean ior ner bubbly personality and amiability. "My favor-ite thing about Ms. MacKean is how fun she is to be around and how caring she is," she said. "She's always smiling and checking in with all of us on the team even outside of the season!"

Lower Gracie Goodwin, another mem-ber of the JV girls field hockey team, echoed Khaner's sentiment, describing how she always Knaner's sentiment, describing now she aways looked forward to "seeing her smile anywhere on campus." Goodwin also described some of her best times with MacKean."My favorite memories with Ms. MacKean would definitely memories with Ms. MacKean would definitely be how it became our ritual to yell, 'Are you pumped?' at each other before every game,' she said. 'I' would run up to her and give her a huge high five. We didn't miss doing it a single game that season and I couldn't imagine that team utifixent be?' team without her."

Lower Adrian Venzon had MacKean as a history teacher for one term and as a chaper-one on a school spring break trip. "My favorite attributes about her are her humor and likable personality," he said. "She makes class super fun.

History Instructor and Girls JV Lacrosse cach Alexa Caldwell said that she was sad to hear of MacKean's impending departure and will miss her strong personality. "She radiates confidence, is quick to offer help or her opin-ion from her experience, and always adds to a group dynamic," Caldwell said. "It is these qualities, in part, that make her such a talented teacher and friend." She went on to explain how MacKean takes intelligent risks which al-lows for an exciting and original curriculum. "She is willing to think creatively, while still grounded in reality. This is a great combina-tion for an educator," Caldwell said.

History Instructor Amy Schwartz, who serves as a dormitory faculty member in Wheelwright Hall, admires MacKean for her ability to bring her vast imagination to class instruction. "She is a workhorse, who uses her instruction. "She is a workhorse, who uses her many talents to find new ways to teach and encourage her students," Schwartz said. "She developed the Art & State course which is our most popular course in the department. We had nothing like it before she created it." Schwart and scores and and MacKamb far.

Schwartz also commended MacKean's fo her role as dorm head of Wheelwright Hall "MacKean is strict, in a good way; she wants to make sure that standards are maintained, people get their sleep, students feel safe, and everyone works to be the best person they can be," she said.

MacKean will be missed by students in Wheelwright Hall, whom she calls her "chickadees." Whether leading dorm meet-ings or dressing up as a golden snitch from Harry Potter on Academy Life Day, MacKean has worked hard to strengthen the dormitory community. Prep, Wheelwright Hall member and JV field hockey team player Helen Xiu particularly remembers getting sick during a difficult practice and feeling supported by her dorm head and coach. Lower Camilla Pellic-cia, another resident of Wheelwright, also has felt supported by MacKean. "She is really good at balancing the right amount of letting me fig-ure stuff out and stepping in when I need help," she said. " If I need help, I'll text her and she'll come down to my room.

MacKean said that she will miss Exeter and its many quirks, including the school's unique lexicon. She hopes to carry the sense of comradeship that is fostered at Exeter with her. "I'm hoping I can take the spirit that really saturates our community here at Exeter and then continue to see how much it can be innovated and adapted to the practical realities of teach-ing and learning at other schools," she said. Though thrilled with the upcoming change in her life, MacKean is somewhat anx-

ious about going forward and having to create a new foundation for herself in San Francisco. a new foundation for nersen in San Francisco. "Tve made an amazing support structure for myself here. Stepping away from them is, of course, going to create some trepidation," she said. "My family is around here, I have amazsaid. "My lamity is around here, I have amaz-ing friends on this campus, and there's an in-credible luxury to be able to call your friends and be able to say 'Hey wanna grab a quick bite? and everyone lives in walking distance from each other. That doesn't exist in most of the neural?" the world?

MacKean feels that she will ultimately be able to find a place for herself on the West Coast. "I am nervous about some of the chang-es coming up in my life. It's a huge move—I'm moving all the way across the country," she said. "But if you just go in feeling excited and communicating what you're excited about and what makes you nervous, I think, then, people are willing to help you and help you settle in and you find yourself landing on your feet."

# Leadership of Exonians Against Sexual Assault Turns Over

By ROSE HOROWITCH and PAUL JAMES Staff Writers

Exonians Against Sexual Assault (EASA) recently turned over its board, appointing cur-rent members to fill the positions of cohead and discussion leader. The new co-heads are uppers Mila DeGuere, Brian Zhao and Daisy uppers Mila DeGuere, Brian Zhao and Dasy Tichenor. Uppers Jamic Cassidy, Jacqui Byrne, Molly Seibel, Tim Han, Conor Shannon and Lara Galigani, and lowers Inumidum Oyebode and Shaan Bhandarkar will serve as the new discussion leaders. These board members will work with faculty and students to help address and prevent sexual assault on campus and cre

ate a safe and supportive community for survi-vors in the coming school year. Senior and outgoing co-head Claire Dauge-Roth founded the club last year in response to the investigations of sexual miscon-duct on campus and The Boston Globe articles that were published. "EASA focused on break-ing the boundary we have with talking about issues of assault on our campus and sex culture in general," she said. Dauge-Roth added that EASA tries to get students to confront issues in the sexual climate, as the club understands it is a student responsibility to change student cul-ture, and that the administration can assist stu-dents, but cannot solve the issues alone. EASAs core message prompted upper and new cohead core message prompted upper and new contead Brian Zhao to seek a board position. Zhao said, "I appreciated EASA's mission following the re-ports of *The Boston Globe* over the summer: To talk about the uncomfortable." Zhao hoped that his voice could be one that broached difficult issues, and therefore he "wanted to contribute to EASA in any way possible." In its first year, the club's impact has been

felt across campus. The club brought an as-sembly speaker, William Hirsch, to Exeter this spring. Members of the club also visited health classes and facilitated discussions between all classes and facilitated discussions between all dorms on campus. In addition, EASA provid-ed dorms with flow charts to clarify the process of reporting a sexual assault. Dauge-Roth said that the club worked with the administration to create these flow-charts because, as she says, "Someone would go into the process [of re-sourcing an account] he of a said. porting an assault] not really knowing what to

porting an assault] not really knowing what to expect and be blindsided." Despite making these strides, a few factors hindered the dubs progress. It took the found-ers more time than expected to get EASA off the ground, and for board members to attend training sessions with Director of Student Well-Being Jane Stapleton. In addition, when the club attempted to implement member meetings, there was a low turnout. In the coming year, EASA hopes to focus

on creating a website with resources for survi vors of sexual assault, as well as making EASA a more visible part of campus. This spring, EASA will confront the challenges of society's narrow view of masculinity. Dauge-Roth says narrow view of masculinity. Dauge-kofts says the club will be making videos in a similar format to BuzzFeed, in which they will ask up-perclassmen boys questions and feature mul-tiple answers. She says that the club will release these videos on social media in order to 'try to improve that aspect of the club and reach out to different pools on campus." Zhao agreed, saying that he hopes this visual initiative will "help EASA remain in people's minds throughout

the year." DeGuere is hopeful for the coming yea "I think EASA is in great hands--we were able to comb through a lot of really thoughtul, qualified applicants who are passionate about our cause. I'm really excited for the future of our club," she said. Dauge-Roth agreed that there was an ac-complished group of applicants, and spoke about the application process and the club's purpose. She said, "We were looking for [peopurpose sue said, we were notking for (peo-ple with) initiative for next year; who was going to to keep the ball rolling, who was going to have energy, enthusiasm, a positive attitude towards how we make Exeter better, because that's mainly the focus of our club."

Senior Gracie Williams spoke of the need Senior Gracie Williams spoke of the need to have only a small number of board mem-bers in order to keep the club running effec-tively. She said, "We want to keep our board large enough to impact the community, but not too large that it would be disorganized. We have encouraged the students that we were not able to offer positions on the board to stay involved with the club next year." The current board is speaking with the new coheads about implementing member meetings for next year, and aims to make the club more community oriented so more students can join EASA.

Williams also talked about the future of EASA and her aim for it to become an inte-gral part of the Exeter campus. "The students that we chose to take over EASA are extremely qualified and motivated. They will propel the club from crisis management to a staple of the Exeter community for years to come," Wil-

Barbara Desmond, an English Instructor and one of the club's advisors, was also hopeful for EASA's new board. "I am excited to work with the new group and interested in hearing their ideas for the future direction of EASA," she said. "My hope is that this rising board will share the passion, commitment and vision of

our current group." Along with bringing commitment and passion to the new board, upper Conor Shan-

non, a newly-elected board member, feels that he brings a unique perspective to the club. Shannon is a varsity athlete, and can therefore provide a first-hand perspective on the stigma he has noticed in which people assume ath-letes are antagonistic. He says, "I think that people are more likely to assume an athlete is sexually aggressive whether or not that's true. Based on my time around the hockey team and my athlete friends I feel that this is an unand my attuete triends i feet that this is an un-informed assumption." Shannon spoke about his hopes to change the stigma around athletes in conversations about sexual assault, saying, "A big buzzword over the past year was locker room talk' and I think having a voice against sexual assault in such an environment could make a difference."

New co-head Daisy Tichenor also aims to make a difference on Exeter's campus. Tichenor said that when she witnessed EASA's work she knew she wanted to be involved in the club She said, "As a member of Exeter's commu nity who wants to make positive change. I felt I could do that through EASA. On a personal level, I have watched many friends go through the aftermath of rape and sexual assault and it's obviously something we need to prevent in the obviously something we need to prevent in the future." Tichenor plans to bring about change by creating more opportunities for interested students to get involved in EASA, by imple-menting weekly discussions on Exeter's sexual climate and by bringing in more speakers. With these ideas and initiatives in place,

EASA is looking towards the coming year as EASA is looking towards the coming year as filled with opportunities to change campus culture. Dauge-Roth says that she is "excited" to see what the new board will accomplish in the coming year, and thinks that in 2017-18 the board will "have more time to focus on community outreach and how to build EASA for the long run."

# OPINIONS

# The View from Blue Exeter/Andover Opinions Page Exchange

In the spirit of Non Sibi, The Exonian and The Phillipian, Exeter and Andover's respective newspapers, collaborated on a two-article editorial feature. The pieces, which discuss the contrasting aspects of Exeter and Andover's housing systems, were written by students from both schools. Andover's version of the feature can be viewed in last week's issue of The Phillipian.

#### Mark Bleckherman '19 Senior Columnis Phillips Exeter Academy

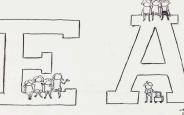
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New teaching methods. More home work. New campus. More classmates. A freshman comes into Exeter with open eyes and a naïve smile. Some ar rive with no understanding of American culture, and others arrive having lived in the United States their whole life. Some enjoy playing soccer, and others enjoy competing in math. Some hail from academically rigorous backgrounds, and others hail from schools with limited op-portunities. But they all share one characteristic: a general confusion, a feeling compounded by large campus size and the overwhelming number of clubs, classes and students. Placing new students into designated dorms serves as an incubator for this confusion and allows for the formation of social cliques and posses. The result is a stratified and disjointed school community where older students feel no connection to younger students.

As a lower at Exeter. I share some of my strongest friendships not only with my peers, but also with uppers and seniors. It was an upperclassman who first brought me to The Exonian's writers meetings. It was a group of upperclassman who showed me around Exeter's town and recommended places to eat. and it was a kind upperclassman who taught me how to write a proper English narrative. It was a senior proctor who gave me a tour of Exeter's campus and helped me unpack my luggage at the beginning of the year. An Exeter dorm gives incoming students the opportunity to discover more about the school. There is only so much that an overwhelmed and anxious prep can tell you, but there is much wisdom that a senior can impart to a 14-year-old.

A freshman dorm creates an environment in which toxic prep posses can flourish. Isolated from the greater school community, preps turn to exclusive cliques and affinity groups that condone rather than alleviate their discomfort. With a diverse dorm community, a prep feels supported not only by his peers, but also by students in other grades. The necessity for posses disappears as preps find guidance and genuine advice from upperclassmen. Preps are no longer con-strained to talking with their classmates or their closest dorm-mates. They are less afraid to approach and sit with an unfamiliar student at dining hall and more likely to attend clubs. By packing freshmen into their separate dorms, we are sending them a clear message: that they are not mature enough to be part of the community, that they should stick to themselves.

All-grade housing does not just help struggling lowerclassmen but also allows for upperclassmen to leave an indelible impact on the community. In addition to assisting preps with their assimilation to



the school's culture, the upperclassmen serve as role models as the lowerclassmen mature over the course of the year New students are not always comfortable taking risks or exploring their interests. Their passions need a lighter that can ignite and hone their curiosity. Living with upperclassmen, freshmen realize that indeed there are members of the community that share their passions and sympathize with their goals and aspirations. Although Exeter and Andover se-lect ambitious and motivated teens, these teens' imaginations cannot be aroused if they do not intermingle with students who are older and, yes, better than them.

Exeter is committed to softening the transition from middle school to Ex-eter. We have pass-fail to allow preps to adjust to the academic atmosphere. We have student listeners that provide preps with emotional support during times of stress. But more importantly, we have an integrated dorm community that creates a sense of continuity from one genera-

#### Keely Aouga '20 Guest Contributor Phillips Andover Academy

When I look back at my freshman year, the thing I miss the most is my dorm. Nathan Hale. Nathan Hale is an all freshman girls' dorm in the cluster Pine Knoll-one of Andover's five small neighborhoods on campus. Hale was home to 41 other amazing girls, including five wonderful upper prefects and four great house counselors We laughed, danced, sang, took out the trash together and loved one another, and I will always be grateful to have lived with girls who were, like me, scared and con-

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fused upon arrival at Andover, but grew excited to attend the school as our freshman year progressed.

It was not until recently, a few months into my lower year, that I realized how much I miss Hale. I am currently in Day Hall, a dorm with girls ranging from lowers to postgraduates. While I love my dorm, I miss the ability to walk through every hall knowing that everyone was experiencing their "firsts" at school whether it be their first 6, Andover history paper or sampling of a new food. Had it not been for the "firsts' we shared together, I would not have made the friends that I have. Being surrounded by people in my grade was very important to me. These were the people with whom I would be spending my high school years. Even though we were not always in the same classes together, living together was a great opportunity to meet more people. All-freshman housing is more beneficial to freshman compared to mixed or all-grade housing.

intimidating to meet new people, especially upperclassmen, and being around people who were new like me was comforting. I re nember my first day entering Nathan Hale. A group of girls in the dorm all met in what would be my neighbor's room. We all sat to gether and introduced ourselves and talked about how excited and nervous we were In that very moment, I knew that I wasn't alone, and over the course of a year, they made me feel at home and ready to leave them to enter the world of mixed-grade housing. As someone who only feels comfortable speaking to a handful of upperclass men, it was relieving for me to come back to a dorm with people in my grade, people who I would have the chance to grow close to over the next four years and who would become part of my Andover family.

I honestly do not think that I would know as many people as I do now, had it not been for all-freshman dorms. Last year I made it my mission to know everyone in my grade by face, and at least their first name. By the end of my freshman year, I was close my goal and I was able to recognize about 80 percent of my grade by name because of my constant exposure to the people in my class. Though that has changed slightly, as I am not surrounded by as many people in my class, it has taught me the value of knowing my class and reaching out. As a lower, I am grateful that I had a year to learn and explore with people experiencing their "firsts." In fact, it has allowed me to shape my lower year differently.

I am no longer new to the way school works, and while I am still experiencing "firsts," this is my time to focus more on what I am interested in and branch out to other grades. I love the people I have met but I especially love the opportunity to get to know the people that will be with me to the very end. To this day, my friends and I still remember and associate people with their dorms freshman year, and I find us all guessing which dorms new students in our grade would've been part of. The dynamics vithin each dorm and the relationships they have formed are parts of our Andover experience that will stick with us forever. While we are now somewhat separated by classes dorms, friend groups and sports, among other things, we are all united through Nathan Hale, Rockwell, French House, Double Brick, Smith House, Isham, Bertha Bailey and America House, the dorms that started it all.

As a new student, it can sometimes be

Letter to the Editor: Exeter's Climate Movement

#### Eben Bein in Biolog

At noon on Saturday, at about 20 feet above sea level, a marching band sporting fish hats played "Under the Sea" sporting isn has payed. Under the sea from "The Little Mermaid" Hundreds waved their signs to the beat, following the players across town and down to the waterfront. Whether intentionally or not, this satellite demonstration for the People's Climate March on Washington, D.C., had proceeded directly into a future flood room. zone

From our perch at 33 feet above sea level, it is difficult to keep climate change in our crosshairs. The craze of daily Exonian life easily obscures our view. Climate Action Day, though important and elegant, is buffeted aside by the tide of other priorities. Thus, three days later, a

grand total of eight Exonians attended the People's Climate March while many of us

Peoples Climate March while many of us were back to the grind. I, too, fall victim to the academic undertow. Even now, I sit at my desk designing flashcards for tomorrow's class about various groups of animals, some of which are to restore the march starter which may not survive the next century's which may not survive the next century's changing environment. How did 1 get so muddled? Since when is it more important to master the distinctions between various animal phyla than it is to preserve them? My students and colleagues did not suffer from the same shortsightedness on Climate Acting Dur. These urean elastic

Climate Action Day. Trees were planted. Climate Action Day, Trees were planted, Invasive species were removed. Solar farm profits were calculated. Excitement, debate, rigorous problem-solving and hope were tangible. And we Exonians—the same ones that, according to my classes estimates, have carbon footprints three times greater than the regional average and ten times

greater than the human average-began paying off our environmental debt. How can we preserve this momentum? of multi-millionaire Brian One Tracy's "Unbreakable Laws" is as follows: you cannot set priorities without also setting posteriorities. To say yes to climate solutions, we must say no to other things. Though many have already fought to make Exeter greener, this initiative will falter on the sidelines unless it is given room at the

the statemes unless it is given room at the top of the priority list. So what are our posteriorities? A lesson on animal diversity? A full 50 tesson on animal diversity: A full 50 minutes of homework? A plane flight to a foreign study program? A full, eight block school day? An electric clothes dryer? A five day school week? Slots in the assembly line-up? Factory-farmed beer? An endowment invested in fossil fuels? A mini-fridge? An obsessively "collegeworthy" transcript?

How exciting to think that, each time we loosen our grip on one thing, we free our hands for this critical work. Perhaps, Climate Action Day workshops could expand into full-blown courses. Perhaps, E-proctoring could become a weekly, dorm-wide project. Environmental clubs could become a regularly scheduled part

could become a regularly scheduled part of the school day. Students, this institution exists to prepare you for the world you will inherit. To fulfill this promise, it must also fight to preserve that world. So, look for and appreciate the Exonians—faculty, edministration; ettff and turdents, who administration, staff and students—who truly champion this issue every day. Join forces with them to push this agenda forward thoughtfully, strategically, and quickly.

With love and gratitude for a world worth saving

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shoulders, privilege that stems from someone else's oppression. We are not better or worse than anyone else. We de-serve equal treatment in our own right as human beings, but we need to refuse to accept the injustice targeted at other

minorities that is a requisite of receiving

this privilege. The protestors outside the courthouse are right: it was a prosecution with a final decision that was affected by

race, but we cannot respond to it with

our own form of racism and wishes of su

white people were too." We should be rallying against racism as a whole—rac-

ism toward Asian Americans, racism to

ward African Americans, racism toward

Mexican Americans included. Injustice

anywhere is still injustice everywhere, and as long as there is no equality for oth-er minorities, there is none for us either. Our feet are standing on a coun-

Our reet are standing on a coun-try that was built on slavery, on the op-pression of minorities. We cannot let the anti-blackness that runs rampant in some of our communities develop any further—there is absolutely nothing that can justify hatred based on the amount of a cheric in expension in the Whenever

of melanin in someone's skin. When we

stand alone like this, we are being selfish by only fighting for our rights, and our power is also diminished. If we stand to-

gether with other people of color, we have a good chance of fighting the plague of

for so long. We are standing loud and making our voices heard in protests. We are defy-ing the stereotype that paints us as sub-

ing the stereotype that paints us as our missive and quiet. That is something to be proud of, but a lot of us are campaign-

quality that has infested this country

## The Importance of Asian Equality



Springs, Texas. He was shot in the back of the head while sitting in a ALL ANDREA car that was leav

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Columnist ing a party. He was unarmed. He was a straight A student and football player. The original police statement stated that the vehicle had moved toward the offi cers, but the statement was later retracted by Police Chief Jonathan Haber

His name is the latest addition to a long, painful history of anti-black police brutality. When reading about Jordan Ed-wards in *The New York Times*, my mind reverted back to the case of Akai Gurley and Peter Liang. The Chinese American community was starkly divided over the case of Peter Liang, a NYPD officer who fired the single shot that killed unarmed Akai Gurley in November 2014.

While Liang's original manslaugh ter conviction was downgraded to only criminally negligent homicide, he still has to serve five years of probation and 800 hours of community service. This has caused a rift in the Chinese American community due to how the outcome of his trial was different to officers of the same crime but instead, were white. Out-side the Brooklyn courthouse, protesters held signs with slogans such as "racist cution' I understand the mindset behind

and rallied against any punishment for him—Asian Americans have always been hailed as the "model minority." We have been conditioned to believe that there are less differences between the white experience in America and the Chinese one than there are between the

white experience and the black one. We white experience and the black one. We are more privileged (although a country founded on ideals of white supremacy, in the end, only benefits white people). We were given this privilege in exchange for the Caucasian declaration of the "model minority," one that they can use as an excuse to say every type of minority can easily succeed in America. That black workers and Latino workers can earn the same amount if they "work harder." It is a lie-one that gives the image of unity but is actually meant to separate

Some people fought against jail time and a guilty verdict for Liang because they thought it would prove that in America, thought it would prove that in America, Chinese Americans are equal to Cauca-sians. That is something they sorely want to believe. Wasn't our country founded on the term "All men are created equal? By comparing Peter Liang's case to Darren Wilson's, Sean William's and Daniel Pantleck's and expecting the same outcome, we think we're receiving the same noticem that whise needs are

the same privilege that white people are. However, this is just an example of the supremacy police officers possess, not Chinese American privilege that matches white supremacy.

Another reason that people oppose Another reason that people oppose a guilty charge is because Liang acciden-tally fired the shot that killed Akai Gur-ley. Peter Liang may have unintention-ally killed Akai Gurley, but that doesn't change the fact that he stood there and texted his union representative while this man—who was a father, a son, a friend—took his last breaths in a stairwell in Brooklyn. His actions speak volumes on how he didn't even have the human ity to help Garley first. Liang was reck-less, and he took the life of an innocent man. Whether it was intentional or un-intentional, he deserves to be punished accordingly. Chinese Americans benefit from

anti-blackness, though not on the same scale as white Americans. However, we shouldn't be happy to have privilege that comes from standing on someone else's

### Russia's Extreme View on Religion

spoke up in defense of Jehovah's Witness out of fear they will be prosecuted next. Last Thursday, the

The Russian government's actions are so far out of line that German Chancellor Angela Merkel made her first trip in two Angela Merket made her first (rhj m two years to visit Vladimir Putin. In response to calls for Russian investigation into the Chechnya campaign, Merkel met with President Putin to achieve a resolution. Russia continues to deny the findings of journalists and NGO's.

The Russian government has no right or grounds to dictate the beliefs of its citizens, no more than it has the right to control any other aspect of daily life. If to control any other aspect of canly life. If Putin were outlawing a large, organized religion over clearly related threats to so-ciety, there would be a second side to this argument. Jehovah's Witness is not in the business of disruption and has too few fol-lowers to pose any threat to the country's ideals on business. It is the the text of the text of the ideals or culture. Not only does the action go against basic communal values, it also contradicts Russia's constitution, thought that seems to carry little weight in the gov-

In addition to being an unjust action. the ban is also impractical. If Russia were truly worried about a threat from groups like Jehovah's Witness, imposing a ban would further serve to alienate the group

Russia continues to prove equally un-sonable in matters outside its borders. It stubbornly props up the murderous Assad regime and turns a blind eve to hu man rights abuses. It has continually been

accused of an agenda to undermine the European Union and incite radical move-ments. In the country itself, the government works towards the opposite goal: less freedom of expression, less human rights and a frankly stupid unwillingness to co-operate with the rest of the international community.

In a recent stroke of luck, h Trump and Putin appear to be on the road Irum pand Putn appear to be on the road to partially mending their rent partner-ship. Trump's airstrikes on a Syrian air base led to a significant downturn in relations between the two leaders. Now it seems the two are willing to work towards a resolu-tion on the Syrian War, demonstrated by a superstrike sector will "The Viewein superstrike recent phone call. The Kremlin released a statement that indicated the possibility of an in-person meeting between the Presi-dents at the G20 summit this July. Angela Merkel's visit took a decidedly different tone, though accomplished little. The in

ternational community and United States in particular, must clarify their stance on Russia moving forward. They must toe the line between cooperation and holding the Kremlin accountable for its history of improper conduct on a multitude of issues that have massive effects on the rest of the world

### Growing Up in a Religiously Divided Home

Jordan Davidson '19

Growing up in a religiously di-vided environment has been a blessing. My mother, raised Protestant her entire life, wanted me to be exposed to her religion from a voung age. My father, an atheist, had no objections to her wishes as long as I was brought up to be open-minded and think for myself. However, the views of my parents differed from those of othmy parents differed from those of oth-ers in my town. In my hometown, the prominent religions were Judaism and Christianity. If your family was Jewish, you went to Temple, and if your fam-ily was Christian, you went to Sunday School. Thanks to my mother, I went to School. Thanks to my mother, I went to St. Paul's Lutheran pre-school, where I St. Pauls Lutheran pre-school, where I got my daily dosage of God. At the age of five, I was ready to enter elementary school as a hardened Christian who loved church and took personal offense when my friends questioned God's existence

When I reached fifth grade, my perspective started to change. School thereof, using the scientific method,

was boring me, I had no homework, and which is the most reliable way of testing hypotheses, no opinion would be viable. Mere faith and scripture is not concrete evidence for God. Yet we can never dissports were not a large part of my life. I did not spend my free time after school playing video games or watching movies, but rather, I filled my hours with astronprove God because no discovery or exmy. After a trip to the observatory with y dad one night, I decided I wanted learn as much as a ten year old could prote tool because no uncovery of ex-periment will outrule the possibility of a symbiotic relationship between science and a higher power.

I would never insist that someone about space. I spent my afternoons and evenings watching documentaries about abandon their faith if the religion they practice aligns with their true beliefs. But I have seen too many cases of people identifying with, or even living by, a re-ligion and God that they only believe in black holes and other planets. After a few months, I came to the realization that we do not need God and religion for our world to exist. Science had all the answers to the history of the universe, none because of their family and community swers to the history of the universe, none of which involved a higher power. From that point until this past year I identified as an atheist. Now, I call myself an agnos-tic, and for good reason. The journey I have had with my views on religion has mead wai it a critical this plane who have because of their family and community. I hold thinking independently at a very high value, as many at Exeter do. And I believe that if you find yourself in the predicament of being raised with a reli-gion you do not completely buy, search-ing for what does resonate with you can be the first two to being rounself. The made me into a critical thinker who has be the first step to being yourself. The likelihood that over 50 percent of the global population believe in two faiths, Christianity at 31.5 percent and Islam at come to the conclusion that I will never be able to call myself a believer or disbe-liever for the rest of my life. Part of my logic for not choosing sides when it comes to God is because 23.2 percent, is slim. Questioning how you have been raised as I did can reap of my 9th grade physics class. If I were great benefits and is a way to teach your self to be a more individualistic person.

The V's Solution

vrote an article a couple weeks ago criticizing the visitations policy proposed by the administration I realize however, that without a counter-proposal one that's both reasonable and productive, my article bears little weight. And I think that's indicative of a larger issue with opinion pieces—theyre far too pessimistic, and they discourage instead of encouraging. pessimistic, and they discourage instead of encouraging. Which, in the end, hardly gets us anywhere. So here's my proposal for a reasonable visitations policy that addresses my previous concerns. I ended my article calling for a completely open, unrestricted visitations policy, but as I've come to realize, that's impossible. And it's impossible not because the administration is will but on provisive metudower understructure of the most solution of the soluti

And its impossible not because the administration is hellbent on making us students unhapply, but because of the concerns of parents. What were dealing with here is so vastly complicated, so nuanced, that no proposal will appease veryone. What were dealing with is a culture more than 200 years old that thinks boys and girls alone in a more one when the theorem for we showed of hicrosoftent room are a threat; a threat of sex, a threat of discomfort room are a threat a threat of sex, a threat of discomotry, even a threat of exploitation. We're dealing with a generation of parents that doesn't know or care about gender equality or sexuality because they know their child. A parent's goals are singular. They care about the prevention of unsafe behavior for their child. And for the verwhelming majority of students and parents, that is boys when the prevention of uncertain and partners, that is the prevention of uncertaintic da access between girls and boys. So how do we create a policy that suits the parents' needs, the administration's needs and the students' needs? We have to realize one key thing. The parents of a 13 year old think differently than the parents of a 19 a to year old. That's why seniors have a later check-in time and preps have an earlier one. That's why we trust our seniors more than our preps. Why should the visitations policy be any different?

policy be any different? We need a gradient of visitations policies that match the trust and responsibility we grant each of our students. We need a policy that prepares our upper classmen for the freedom of a college campus. And since everyone is yelling change, change, change, and no one is proposing an actual policy, here's mine:

In the case of dormitory visitations. students ar visitations, students are encouraged to use common spaces for socializing and working with friends and classmates. Designated common

spaces may be used for spaces may be used for dormitory visitations between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and check-in for all students. There are many reasons that students may want a room visitation for

want a room visitation for privacy. Some of these include visiting with friends, completing academic work, getting extra help, working together on club activities and watching movies. Students in intimate relationships may also want room visitations to build and maintain a healthy relationship. Student to off and maintain a nearly relationship. Student rooms may be used for visitations during the specific hours designated below. Faculty always maintain the right to inquire into or stop a room visitation. In the case of room visitations, all students may get

we grant each of our students.

room visitations during the times which correspond to room visitations during the times which correspond to their year. Preps can have visitations Sunday through Friday from 7:00 pm. until check-in, and Saturdays from 8:00 pm. until check-in, with permission from faculty on duty. During fall term, preps may only request visitations with other preps. Starting winter term, preps may be granted visitations with students from other grades. For lowers, visitation hours are the regardless of grade, in their room. For uppers, visitation hours are extended, and from 12:30 p.m. to check-in, they can have people in their room without faculty permission. Seniors are granted the greatest amount of freedom; from 7:00 a.m. until check-in, they can have

freedom; from 7:00 a.m. until check-n, they can have visitors in their room without faculty permission. With these changes, though, come responsibilities. If students from different grades get room visitations, they must adhere to the rules of the younger student. Room visitations for non-PEA students are not allowed without permission from the PEA students are not anowed without permission from the Dean of Students Office. And any time a visitor who does not reside in the dormitory is present in a student's room, the door shall remain open and the lights should be on. The wellbeing of our student body is our primary concern. For this reason, our expectation is that students will follow this reason, our expectation is that students will follow the visitation policy. Unauthorized visiting to student rooms must be reported by faculty members and will result in disciplinary action. However, if a student is concerned about personal safety or feels uncomfortable about the decision or their choice to violate this rule, the student should immediately leave the room and is encouraged to seek out an adult. A student leaving ar illegal visitation under such circumstances will not face disciplinary consequences.

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Russian Supreme Court ruled that the Christian denomination Jehovah's Witnesses will henceforth be classi-fied as an extremist OUTSIDE organization. The reli-

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clared illegitimate. Although the group has no record of hostility towards Russian authorities and practices non-violence, a representative of Russia's Ministry of Justice maintained that they had shown "signs of extremist activity that represent a threat to citizens, social order and the security of society." Human Rights Watch countered that assertion by classify-ing the recent ruling as a "serious breach of Russia's obligations to respect and protect religious freedom."

This is the same government that protected dictators like Assad, denied prosecution and torture of gay men in Chechnya and incited violence in Ukraine. The Russian constitution allows for freedom of religion, but additional laws make that right virtually impossible. They deny certain groups legal status and ban their religious literature. Even Russian Catholics

ernment's decision.

and push it towards extremist action There is clearly a separate motive behind Putin's latest endeavor, one that doesn't re-flect the will or well-being of his citizens. ing for the wrong cause. Fighting against racism and white supremacy benefits everyone. Fighting for Peter Liang only serves to further perpetuate the disgust-ing ideologies of anti-blackness, white We need a gradient of visitations policies that match the supremacy, and the immune to any con from their actions. , and the idea that police are trust and responsibility

Aiden Roberts '18

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## Assault Case at Andover Leads to Five Million Dollar Lawsuit

### By ZAC FENG and MADISON KANG Staff Writers Exeter's peer school Phillips Academy

Andover (PA) has recently uncovered multiple

cases of sexual assault. On April 21, attorney, former New Hamp-shire state representative and Phillips Academy alumna '85 Marie Sapienza filed a federal law suit alleging that in 1982. Alexander Theroux then an English instructor and writer-in-resi dence at Andover, sexually abused her. Accord-ing to court filings, Theroux groped her breasts and buttocks. Theroux denied the allegations, but has since been banned from the Andover campus.

Sapienza's lawsuit stipulates a legal due of Superizas iawsin supurates a legal due of 5 million dollars for "mental distress and emo-tional injuries" from her assault, which have led to "suicidal ideation, depression, sadness, anger, anxiety, sleep problems and panic attacks."

anxiety, seep problems and panic attacks. During her upper year, Sapienza wrote a letter addressing sexual misconduct at Andou-ver and submitted it for inclusion in the school's newspaper, *The Phillipian*. However, here letter was declined and the then-Headmaster Donald McNemar dismissed her case because Theroux had ceased working for the Academy by the time she had come forward with her ex

Theroux is one of five former Phillips Academy teachers who has been accused o sexually abusing students during the 1970s or the 1980s. Last August, Headmaster John Palthe 1900s, Last August, readmaster join rai-frey sent a public letter to update the Andover community on the school's retainment of the Sanghavi Law Office law firm to conduct an independent investigation of historical sexual abuse. The letter also described the school's

aude: The letter also described the schools newest preventive and reformatory efforts. Over the course of the past year, inde-pendent investigators from Sanghavi Law Of-

fice have examined allegations brought to light by students and alumni, uncovering multiple violations. The investigators concluded that H. Schuyler Royce engaged in multiple incidents of sexual misconduct toward a student in the

ou sexual misconduct loward a student in the 1980s, while serving as a faculty member at Andover. Royce passed away in 1991. Similarly. Sanghavi Law Office found that Stephen Wicks also engaged in sexual miscon-duct toward a student in the 1980s, while he concernise at backens in sexual misconwas working at Andover. In accordance with school policy. Wicks has been barred from the Andover campus and events and he has been stripped of his emeritus status. Andover has also been linked to the wide-spread media coverage of sexual misconduct

at Choate Rosemary Hall. According to a New at Choate Kosemary Hall. According to a New York Times article published last week, two women have accused Frederic Lyman, who taught at both Choate and Andover, of engag-ing in inappropriate behavior towards them while he was a teaching fellow at Andover dur-ing the 1072 20 neodpain/user and engine turbes ing the 1978-79 academic year and again when he taught at Andover's summer session in 1979.

One of the women had attended the sum mer session in 1980. She claimed that Lyman gave her alcohol, held her hand and walked with his arm around her. She said that at one point, he tried to kiss her. During a group camping trip, she remembered waking up in the middle of the night to him kissing her and ing her arms. In the past, teachers accused of sexual as-

sault were permitted to continue teaching at other schools, free of penalty, School admin istrators allowed the accused to resign quietly and join another school, a process known as "passing the trash." Lyman was one such case. After leaving

Andover, he moved to Choate Rosemary Hall, where he was dismissed due to claims of sexual misconduct in 1982 and he then proceeded to teach at a school in Colorado. In fact, Lyman left Choate with a letter of recommendation. Choate's Dean of Faculty. Charles Twichell, who has since died, wrote the letter, in which he described Lyman's "easy familiarity with students."

As for the Andover community, Palfrey expressed his condolences for all those affected and encouraged victims to speak up about their abuse. "We remain committed to a full examination of our past," he wrote. "As always, please come forward if there is information you feel compelled to share."

Andover prep Skylar Xu appreciated the school's transparency. 'Andover does a good job informing students about the disclosure of the incident," she said. "I don't think Andover is trying to cover up in any way because Mr. Pal-frey sent copies of news articles in an email so students are all informed."

This year, Andover also implemented preventive and reformatory efforts in response to the sexual misconduct cases. In the fall, Palfrey and PA's Dean of Students Jenny Elliot spoke and PAS Dean of students femily Enfor spoke an all-school meeting about consent, the w and community expectations. The school roduced a short video outlining the school's "affirmative consent" policy and required ninth graders to participate in programs focused on developing healthy relationships. Andover's disciplinary heating relationships. Findore's disciplinary handbook The Blue Book has also been updated to specify definitions of sexual misconduct.

Xu recalled the thorough sex education she and her prep peers received this year. "There have been many efforts contributed towards educating students about sexual consent. We have received multiple talks from groups of different people," she said. "Based on their position and area of expertise, I would say we

peer perspectives. Faculty and staff really try their best to educate students and keep them

Palfrey said that since PA has not encourt tered any present-day allegations of sexual misconduct, the school has likely fostered a healthier culture over the years. "While we have heard a great deal through this process about the culture of the school in the 1970s and 1980s, we have heard few reports of any kind from the period before or since that time," he wrote. "We hope that this concentration of reports during a particular period of time means that these is a particular period of time means that these is-sues have become less acute in recent years, but we take nothing for granted." Andover upper Makenna Marshall disagreed, saying that she has not seen any

change in the students' sex culture, which she described as "hookup-based." However, she noted that Andover teachers have become more conscious and deliberate in discussing sex with their younger students. "Sex has been more stigmatized by faculty than students from what I've seen," she said, "They make small comments about thinking that students are too

young." In the midst of Exeter's own sexual mis conduct investigations, upper and co-head of Exonians Against Sexual Assault Mila DeGuere believes that sexual violence is, at its core, a re sult of societal conventions, rather than detri-mental dynamics specific to Exeter and that an equitable response to teacher-student sexual misconduct requires open promulgation of such incidents.

"I think it's important that these [cases] are publicized to emphasize that this doesn't hap-pen just at Exeter and is truly a widespread, cul-tural issue," DeGuere said. "High schools across the nation have to have a strict plan of action in the event of a sexual assault or misconduct

After a recent reevaluation, however, nson said that the deficit is only project

to be 1.5 million dollars. "Those projections are a combination of art and science, as they

are based on assumptions that may not prove

to be true by the end of any given fiscal year,

Hanson said. "Between lower than expected le-gal and related fees, as well as outcomes on [a] certain settlement and some budgeted positions remaining vacant, our deficit will be lower than

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rustees also approved of a futtion in-crease of 4.3%, according to Hanson, which is a futition hike that is not unprecedented. "Tuition increases across our group of peer schools over

the past 15 years has ranged from 0% - 7%. PEA

the past 1 s years has ranged from 0% - 7%. PEA will still be the lowest priced institution in our group of peer schools," he said. Hanson also said that the school's fiscal year goes from July 1 to June 30 and that when the Trustees reconvene in May, they will likely vote to increase the school's budget from 99 mil-ion dollaw to ensure the school's budget from 99 mil-ion dollaw to ensure the school's budget from 99 mil-

lion dollars to somewhere over 100 million dol-

lars because of professional positions like the Director of Community, Equity and Diversity and the Director of Student Well-Being, costof-living increases and student program needs. The Dean of Students office took on the

role of creating an Academy Life Task Force to

"examine student experience" in January. The task force began meeting in April and is led by Dean of Students Melissa Mischke and Dean of

ways to develop initiatives and changes for the

Since then, the task force is searching for

Residential Life Arthur Cosgrove.

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Dormitories Choose Proctor Teams for '17-'18 School Year

# By SUAN LEE and SARAH RYU Staff Writers

Dorm proctor decisions were recently finalized for the 2017-2018 school year. With just under a month of spring term remaining, the new proctors, consisting of both rising uppers and seniors, have begun to work with the old proctor teams and dorm faculty to familiarize themselves with their new responsibilities. Proctors serve as both student leaders

and peers for their dorm mates and are vital to the promotion of a healthy dorm atmosphere. History Instructor and Webster Dorm Head Giorgio Secondi defined the role of proctors: "Proctors are expected to be role models in the dorm—to put the wellbeing of their doom-mates first, reach out to new kids, communicate mates nrst, reach out to new kdds, communicate regularly with faculty and help enforce school and dorm rules," he said. "I always emphasize with candidates that the proctorship is not about power but rather about service?

Proctor selections were conducted after an approximately week long application pro-cess, the intensity of which varies from dorm to dorm. Most consisted of an application questionnaire, interviews and discussions held by faculty members and the current proctor team. Other dorm residents were also given the opportunity to offer their input, although the final decision was left to the faculty and current proctors. Meanwhile, all proctor candidates were

required to attend sessions led by Dean of Residential Life Arthur Cosgrove, detailing the specific responsibilities and expectations of a dorm proctor. Chair of Health Education and Dorm Head of McConnell Hall Michelle Soucy Dorm Head of McConnell Hall Michelle Soucy mentioned thatthrough attending the sessions, students could get a better idea of the role of a proctor. "Applicants are asked to think about if it's what they really want to do and if they're up for the responsibility" she said.

Soucy stated that there are numerous goals in the selection process, explaining that goals in the selection process, explaining that she focused not only on selecting a number of capable individuals, but also on creating a well-rounded team of proctors who would foster a balanced dorm environment. "I think the most important thing is to have different kinds of people in terms of how people would

# approach things because not everyone will

approach things because not everyone will connect with every proctor," she said. Lower and newly appointed proctor in Soule Hall Adrian Venzon emphasized that a successful group of proctors should be capable of working well with each other. "A good proctor team consists of people who listen to each other and are able to speak up when they feel their opinion isn't being heard. A lot of what happens during Harkness discussions should translate into things like fac-proc [facultyproctor meetings]," he said.

Many students consider the proctor po-sition to be the best way for them to serve a community they care deeply about. Upper and new McConnell proctor Megi Topalli reflected on how her dorm has always been the most important part of her Exeter experience. "I've wanted to be a proctor since I was a prep. I re-ally want to give back to my dorm and support the younger ones who might need guidance or experience," she said. "I'm looking forward to eping an eye on everybody and making sure that the dorm environment is loving, warm and supportive for everybody. I'm also looking forward to organizing dorm events, attending fac-proc and just being seen as an approachable figure in the dorm like a big sister

According to several dorm heads, decisions are never easy to make. "Sometimes it takes four hours or three days just with the deliberation," Soucy said. Secondi agreed, elaborating on the specific challenges he had faced during the most recent proctor selecacco during the most recent process series tions. "This year we had the largest applicant pool we've ever had," he said. "It was also a very strong pool, so we had no choice but to turn down candidates with definite strengths and potential. It's hard to do that, but I always like to remind students that one doesn't need the title of proctor to be a great dorm mate and a positive role model."

However stressful the process may be, senior and proctor of Soule Hall Brian Choi hopes that future proctors make sure to help new students acclimate to Exeter life and create a more comfortable environment for everyone in the dorm. "A good proctor makes sure that his/her dorm mates and peers don't feel intimidated by the upperclassmen proctors, Choi said. "A good proctor should act more like a 'brother/sister' than a 'leader'

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By JOHN BECKERLE d MAI HOANG Staff Writers Phillips Exeter Academy's trustees re-

turned to campus in January for their annual winter meeting to discuss updates on various facets of the Academy's efforts to improve stu-dent life. Student well-being took the forefront of the discussion as the school administration continues their efforts to protect students.

According to Principal Lisa MacFarlane, According to Finitepar Lisa Wateranane, the trustees were updated on the progress of the Youth Health Risk Behavior Study Task Force, a program that works in conjunction with the Prevention Innovations Research Center and Strategic Planning to provide information of the results of the Youth Health Risk Behavior Study. The study included questions which students anonymously answered earlier in the

The Trustees also attended a presentation from expert psychologist Dr. James Hopper to better understand the effects that traumatic ex-

periences have on mental health. Director of the College Counseling Office, Betsy Dolan, informed trustees of early col-lege applicant rates. According to MacFarlane, eighty-two percent of the class of 2017 applied early to a college with the early deferral rate at twenty-seven percent. There was also an in-crease in applications to Ivy League schools and New England Small College Athletic Conference schools.

"With nearly 30 percent of the class with cumulative GPA's at 10.0 or above, the expectations are higher than ever to be admitted to an Ivy or a New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) institution," MacFarlane wrote in an email to faculty on the events of the trustee meeting. Dolan also added that she will inform the trustees of the early decision results later this month.

Chief of Planning and Facilities, Roger Wakeman, updated the trustees on the progress of the construction projects on the south side of campus. These projects include the David and Stacey Goel Center for Theater and Dance and the new field house and parking garage—which are still on track to finish in about a year from now. Wakeman will also give the trustees an update of approved plans for the upcoming year in May, as well.

Chief Financial Officer David Hanson reported on the 2017 fiscal year for the school. Hanson initially informed the Trustees that the school projected a four million dollar deficit for the year, largely due to crisis costs from the school's sexual misconduct cases

our cultural literacy," she said. AS OLAS AQUERIA Gluten Free ther than flour tortill Play Hard, Eat Well mouth Ave, Exeter 603-418-890 www.lasolastacos.com Sunday through Tuesday 11AM to 8PM dnesday through Saturday 11AM to 9PM 603-418-8901 0 Portsmouth Aver Exeter, NH 03833

ways to develop initiatives and changes for the upcoming 2018-19 school year. "The goal is to look at the experiences of our boarding [and] day students; this encompasses looking at our teaching and experiencing what our commu-nity values—this includes decency, civility, resilience, empathy, compassion and inclusion Mischke said The task force plans to pilot programs t The task force plans to pilot programs to change dormitory structures, affiliate day stu-dents with dorms and change the program-ming of dormitories and advising. "Were try-ing to look at the biggest picture of the school, not just dormitories, not just day students but what's really going on outside of the classroom and how can we foster the things we value in this community? Mischke said. Morion into next ware. Mischke as it Moving into next year, Mischke said that the Academy Life Task Force wants to improve the whole of academy life."We're hoping to be able to support a diverse community, looking at our similarities and differences, focusing on in



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# Donald Trump Declares Nuclear War on North Korea, Says "Voices in Head"Told Him to Do it

#### By BILLY O'HANDLEY

This Tuesday, the Presi-dent of the United States Donald dent of the United States Donald Trump declared the first strictly nuclear war on North Korea after increasing pressure from his clos-est advisor: the voices in his head. "They're never been more sure of anything since I started hearing them back in 2003," said the 45th President. "They insisted that peo-ple would love and respect me if I showed those commies who's their boss. So now we're gonna nuke the crap out of them."

Addressing American con-cerns that the world would end if he went through his plan, Trump said "Look, there's a madman out there in Korea who's threatening

my ego. We need to do whatever we can to stop him from damaging I. f all human life is the price wa have to pay to keep my great ego intact, then J guess we just need to bite the bullet and pay it." Even though we're all going to discome Trump supporters have to some Trump supporters have

nave to pay to keep my great ego intract, then J guess we just need to bite the builtet and pay it." Even though we're all going to discome of his critics are agains the move, although they test watting to see how it turns out. DOOMSDAY HAS TOOMSDAY HAS COME HER YOUR FAMILY AND GO YOUR FAMILY AND GO YOUR FAMILY AND GO YOUR STAND AND STA-ability to admit he is wrong: "No TIONSI" said one pundit who originally was against the move, but was swayed by Mr. Turmp's ut was swayed by Mr. Turmp's UN RFACMURATION STA-originally was against the move, but was swayed by Mr. Turmp's UN RFACMURATION STA-scape, the world will be forever TURE IS APPROACHING? WASH YOURSELF OF YOUR SINS, AND Will be kept together.

# An Extremely Spicy Meme for Somewhat Math-Challenged Teens

By EMILY GREEN Taking Stats and Discrete Next Yea



### BUT YOU'RE STRUGGLING WITH PRECALC

# Donald Trump Assigns Jared Kushner Role of Being President

# By EMILY GREEN

Jared Kushner, loving husband of Ivanka Tramp and popular jock the logical next step, he decided to you hated in high school, received a major promotion this week. Be-york-looking fellow Jared Kush-and protection of the case, but now it's of-ficial "kushner a solidly mediocre important roles in the Tramp ad-business man with a knack for affairs and vying for peace in the Middle East, President Tramp ad-business the transpective function of the case of the solid affairs and vying for peace in the Middle East, President Tramp ad-built is excited for the change. Middle East, President Tramp ad-will still hold the title of president technically, but I will assume all at evitre roles within the presi-dent.

## Actual, Real Life News Headlines from This Week That Were Actually, Really in the Real World News

By EMILY GREEN and BILLY O'HANDLEY

Steven Bannon's Whiteboard To-Do List Exposed on Twitter by Rabbi (Credit: NBC News)

The Eagles Sue an Actual Hotel California (Credit: The Wall Street Journal) Grain Traders Have a Problem: Too Much Grain (Credit: The Wall Street Journal)

China Urges All Sides in North Korea Standoff to 'Stop Irritating' One Another (Credit: Reuters) Philippine President Rodrigo Duterte Says He Would Eat a Ter-rorist's Liver (Credit: CNN)

9 Questions About North Ko-rea You Were Too Embarrassed to Cows (Credit: CNN) Ask (Credit: Vox)

A Chicken That Grows Slower and Tastes Better (Credit: The New York Times)

Trump: Why Could the Civil War Not Have 'Been Worked Out?' (Credit: CNN)

# Quote(s) of the Week

"I saw the THICCest bumblebee today." -Emily Green, '18

"Thin but curvaceous is just a fancy way of saying slim thice." -Billy O'Handley, '18

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Tips for Dorm Tea Season By EMILY GREEN 1. Tattoo seersucker all over your body

Top Ten Fashion

2. Wear salmon pants. Made of actual salmon.

3. Bowties are a must. If you don't know how to tie a bowtie, just wear one of those shoelace choker necklaces.

4. Wear sunglasses at all hours.

5. Shower in chamomile to set the tea mood.

6. Match with your date so people can't tell you apart. You'll have the element of surprise on your side.

7. Just go naked.

8. Wear a vest over a vest to keep your intestines toasty.

9. Wear a Hawaiian shirt with a blazer and Chub bies shorts so people don't forget how entitled you

10. Don't go to tea.

turizing purposes.

# Spring Term Health Tips to Keep You Glowing

By EMILY GREEN and BILLY O'HANDLEY 1. Smear peanut butter all over your face for mois-

2. Drown your suffering in lettuce

3. Sleep for a healthy 8 hours every week. 4. If you eat a salad on the side of your double bacon cheeseburger, the burger doesn't count

5. Frisbee your way to getting swole

6. Be too busy to eat meals. This is known as the 333 diet.

7. Put up a hammock high in a tree so nobody can

8. Swim in the Exeter river and use the lampreys for circulation

9. Use a prep for lumbar support.

10. Run away with the faculty dogs and live in dog

11. Make a panini maker out of spare parts; end the suffering

12. Use the salt in your tears to season your food. It's natural, GMO free and free range.

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#### Dalai Lama and the China-India Conflict

#### Mai Hoang '19 Guest Contri

■ enzin Gyatso, the fourteenth Da lai Lama, the head monk of the Gelug Tibetan tradition, recently made a four-day detour to Tawang, Arunachal, as part of his preaching trip to Northeastern India. An official guest of the local government, he was invited to give several speeches regarding secuto give several speeches regarding secu-lar ethics and the principles of nonvio-lence. At least one thousand people trav-elled to Tawang just to catch a glimpse of him, and many faithful Buddhists flocked into monasteries with prayer flags in anticipation of his arrival. Pic tures of the preparations spread across mainstream media in India and China. On the surface, the four-day visit of a Tibetan monk to a tiny mountain town

in India is nothing extraordinary, with

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little consequence to anyone but the deyout villagers and the monk himself. Yet this recent trip has caused a political stir which sent shockwaves across Asia and deeply strained China-India relations in the last month, with Chinese offi-

cials commenting that the Indian gov ernment's decision to let it happen had "damaged ties with China." All through-out his trip, the Dalai Lama was closely followed by a band of Indo-Tibetan Border police, anxious to prevent possible attacks. It was not until he had safely returned to his abode in Dharamsala that everyone could breathe a temporary sigh of relief.

There are two distinct stories that combined to form the political signifi-cance of this visit. First, the Dalai Lama's destination, Tawang, though fully administered by the Indian Arunachal Pradesh (state), is in fact part of disputed territory on the Sino-India border. The international community unanimously agrees that Arunachal Pradesh belongs agrees that Arunachal Pradesh belongs to India after the withdrawal of Chinese troops in the 1962 Sino-India war; how-ever, China still stakes its claim to the region, dubbed "Southern Tibet" by the CPC. The presence of any important fig-CPC. The presence of any important fig-ures in Arunachal have not been taken lightly by Beijing, as was seen when the U.S. Ambassador to India, Richard Ver-ma, visited the area in 2016. From their perspective, all such visits, however apo-litical, serves to further buttress Indian

litical, serves to further buttress indian claims to Arunachal and threaten Bei-jing's territorial rights. To further complicate matters, Tenzin Gyatso is not just any religious leader. As the successor of a long line of tulkus, the Lama is believed to be the reincarnation of Avalokiteśvara himself, one of the twenty-five bodhisattvas who had attained buddhahood. The large Ti-

betan Buddhist demographics in coun tries such as Mongolia, Siberia, Russia, India and even China worship him as a semi-deified figure, and a Harris Inter-active survey in 2012 concluded that he was even more well-known and influential throughout the world than Vatican's Pope Benedict. Aside from his religious influence however, Gyatso is also the face of the Tibetan diaspora movement to rally support for Tibetan indepen-

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dence from China. In fact, the Lama considers himself a refugee, having fled his homeland to avoid persecution by the Chinese government after the Riots of 1957, when Tibetans fought against the CPC's "Seventeen Point Agreement for the Liberation of Tibet" (liberation being interpreted as communist deliver-ance from the ills of religious statehood, a.k.a subjugation to the CPC). In 1989, Gyatso received the Nobel Peace Prize for his advocacy of nonviolent resistance in Tibet, which further consolidated his role as both a model practitioner of the Buddha's peace philosophy and an adamant spokesman for human rights in a

mant spokesman for numan rights in a militarized region. China, of course, does not agree. It has, from time to time, branded Gyat-

CEO of the Animals in Asia founda

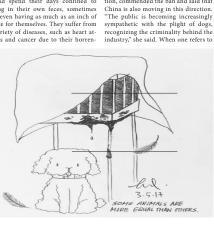
tion, commended the ban and said that

# The Hierarchy of Animal Rights

#### Shivani Tripathi '19

t was recently announced that Taiwan will be the first country in Asia to ban the consumption and production of dog and cat meat. According to The Guardian, an updated version of the of the Animal Protection Act will impose a fine of 6,500 Euros on any-one who consumes dog and cat meat. It will also imprison and fine those who are involved in the slaughter of these animals. The ban has been praised by animals. The ban has been praised by animal rights activists groups, such as The Human Society of the United States and PETA. Although it has been commended by animal rights activists,

commended by animal rights activists, the ban is hypocritical and promotes a sinister hierarchy amongst animals. The ban is being implemented un-der the pretense of preventing animal cruelty. However, it disregards the 56 billion other animals being slaughbillion other animals being staugn-tered on extremely higher scale. Farm animals make up about 97 percent of animal death across the world. They are subjected to horrible, never ending abuse from when they're born to when they're killed. For example, broiler divides a search with the life do the chickens are constantly supplied with growth hormones so they can grow as big and as quickly as possible in order to meet the public's demand. Chickens' feet give away and break because they can't sustain their own weight. Furthermore, they are enclosed with hundreds of other chickens in small, dark and unhygienic barns. These chickens spend spend their days confined to living in their own feces, sometimes not even having as much as an inch of space for themselves. They suffer from a variety of diseases, such as heart at-tacks and cancer due to their horren-



dous living conditions. Chicken abuse which happens globally, has received little media coverage and outrage in comparison to the plight of dogs and cats in Asia. According to CNN, the ban in Tai

wan sends a strong message to South Korea and China. Jill Robinson, the

animal cruelty in China, the first thing that usually pops up is usually the an-nual Yulin festival. It's a festival where ten thousand dogs are killed, cooked and sold. The festival has been a target of outrage, with animal rights activ ists and celebrities calling out its barbaric practices. However, the torture

so as a "deceptive actor," a "betrayer of the Buddhist religion," and his follow-ers people who "don't know right from wrong." To mitigate secession calls in Tibet, the CPC has recently focused on building more dams, factories and mega infrastructure in the region, which would allegedly "alleviate the locals from poverty and agricultural depen-dency." Yet, aside from the fact that most recent developments only benefit Chi nese immigrants rather than Tibetan na tives. Chinese intervention in Tibet can

twes, Chinese intervention in Thet can never be justified, as the aforementioned Seventeen Point agreement was signed under duress, rendering it null and void. Since then, the CPC has marginalized Since then, the CPC has marginalized Tibetan language and culture by making Mandarin the only widely used language in the education system. Peaceful monks protesting against cultural genocide in Lhasa are frequently rounded up and heaton by nolice forces in block chome.

beaten by police forces in bloody clamp downs that result in nearly a hundred death Although India has frequently ex-

pressed support for the Lama's nonvio-lent calls for more autonomy in Tibet, it needs to step up its game in the face of threats from the CPC. Similarly, the international community needs to real-ize that simply praising Gyatso for his efforts does not change anything. Until human rights violations are stopped and Tibetans are returned the independence that is rightfully theirs, the Dalai Lama and the Tibetan Government in ex-ile will not stop fighting. His followers should lend a helping hand.

that dogs endure can't compare in the slightest to what's inflicted upon farm animals. What's different about this animals. What's different about this festival and driving past a local slaugh-terhouse is that dog and cat lives are viewed as superior to other animals. This brings us back to the concept of an animal hierarchy. "The enormous benefits that dogs bring to society and the comfort they give to the families they belong to," Robinson said. In oth-er words, another strong implication of humans ranking animals and placing certain lives over others.

In reality, who are we to deter-mine which animals deserve to live and which animals don't? Are we sup-posed measure how much an animal's life is worth based on how much they Ite is worth based on how much they contribute to society? Regardless of the way we choose, is it morally correct to determine an independent organisms' right to live based off of how much we benefit? Whichever way humanity has chosen to expirate this warned average chosen to navigate this warped system, it's clear which animals that we've cho-

ris clear which annuals that we ve cho-sen to benefit out of the confusion. Taiwan's ban was intended to coun-ter animal cruelty. In reality, is a hypo-critical establishment which condemns the deaths of certain animals while the ignoring, and in a way condoning, the horrific abuse endured by farm ani-mals on a significantly larger scale. If the aim is to end animal, not only dog abuse, then the first constructive step would be to counter the socially con structed hierarchy which plagues bil-

## The Right Approach to Political Correctness

#### Bianca Beck '19

Political correctness is a big sensitive around the issue, but they shouldn't. The sensitivity most likely stems from people being tired of correcting others in their ignorance, or from being personally offended by what someone has said or by feeling attacked by people when they say something politically incorrect. However, if we want to not have to tiptoe around subjects in fear of being politically incorrect and attacked because of that, then one there should be a change in the way one corrects another when they say something politically incorrect.

say something politically incorrect. Usually, when someone says something politically incorrect, it's not because they want to hurt or offend someone; they say it out of pure ignorance. Therefore, in the case of correcting someone who said comething incorrect on churd hear something ignorant, one should keep this in mind, and approach them while remembering this fact. Don't get upset and attack them, because people will get defensive and not want to learn that what they did or said was wrong. Yes, it can get annoying when you have to keep correcting someone on the same topic; it's quite easy to get impatient. I don't know how many times I have told different people that it is wrong to call someone a "grammar Nazi," I'm all too familiar with that wash of dread when I hear someone say something rude or insensitive, and even worse, when that

comment has to do with me. However, despite being tired of having to repeatedly correct people, one should remember that change happens one person at a time. If you approach a person in just the right way as to make them understand that what they said them understand that what they said was wrong, then they won't say it, and perhaps go on to correct others if they make the same comment. However, the way to approach someone in order to elicit this type of response is always hard, especially when that person says consthing of frequent to use

hard, especially when that person says something offensive to you. For example, many people have called me a "grammar Nazi" on multiple ocasions. As a person who is somewhat familiar with history, and leas or a Common sitisman this offenda also as a German citizen, this offends me. Therefore, my immediate reaction is to make them realize just how wrong it is, by saying something along the lines of, "You can't say that. What you're saying is wrong, and it's offensive to me as a German and it hurts me." However, with me saying that, the person would immediately feel attacked and therefore

get defensive, and not realize for themselves that what they said was wrong, but rather think that they just can't sav it around me.

Therefore, in order to make them truly realize that what they're saying is wrong, whenever I hear someone call me a "grammar Nazi," I always first ask them to repeat what they said. They say it again, usually a bit hesitantly. Then I always ask in a nonchalant way, "Do

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you know what a Nazi is?" Then they really start to falter. Usually, as they're stuttering their way through an answer, I say, "The Nazis were a disgusting group of people, and being compared to one is completely hurtful and offensive. one is completely hurtful and offensive, even though I know you didn't mean to offend anyone. Just please don't say that. In that way, they'd realize that what they said was wrong, and will be inclined not to do so again. I didn't attack them in any way to make them feel defensive, but I did shut them

from this article, let it be that if you re going to correct someone politically incorrect, then while doing so remember these three things. First, remember that even though you may be tired of having to correct people, be patient and kind, because the presence environ competing because the person saying something politically incorrect most likely didn't mean to offend anyone. Second, when telling someone they are politically incorrect, do so in a way that instead of making the person defensive, make

of making the person defensive, make sure they fundamentally understand why what they said was wrong. In this way, they won't say it again, and perhaps even correct others in the future. And finally, remember that small changes cause larger changes. Therefore, if you do manage to make someone realize that what they said was wrong, then you can take comfort in the knowledge that you changed one person to be more politically correct. We are currently living in a world where there is a lot of hate—to—too much where there is a lot of hate-too much hate—and therefore in taking ways to educate people in a way that spreads love makes the world a better place. So, by changing one person's mind by making them more politically correct, you are making the world a better and more loving place.

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lions of farm animals globally.

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# Ashlee Haze Poetry Set

By HILLARY DAVIS and SHIVANI TRIPATHI Staff Writers

Highly acclaimed spoken word artist Ashlee Haze performed in the Assembly Hall Ashiee Haze performed in the Assembly Hail on Saturday, Apr. 29. Haze anazed the audi-ence with her skillful delivery of original slam poetry touching on race, womanhood and social images portrayed in the media. Haze began writing at the early age of ten, "vriting down my thoughts to just get it out of ome whom? doe aid force than about the out of one whom? doe aid force than about the out of the whom? doe aid force than about the out of the whom? doe aid force than about the out of the whom? doe aid force than about the out of the whom? doe aid force than about the out of the whom? doe aid force that about the out of the whom? doe aid force that about the out of the whom? does aid force that about the out of th

it out of my body," she said. Since then, she has participated in multiple competitions and events, earning the nickname, "Big 30" for her frequent perfect scores. Some of her many ac-complishments include being a 2-time Women of the World Poetry Slam Finalist, a four-time member of Java Monkey Slam Team

and being featured in a documentary about the lives of Atlanta's Spoken Word Artists. Associate Director of Student Activities Kelly McGahie contacted Haze when she saw her performance in Baltimore a few months earlier. "When I saw her in Baltimore, from earner. When I saw her in balannore, from what I could see, everybody was very en-gaged," she said. McGahie attributed Haze's compelling stage presence to the content she presented. "It's important to be represented, and to see representation up on stage, and I think people saw that tonight." Upper Dolapo Adedokun echoed her sentiment, saying, "I would even say it was less of an event, and more of a conversation. She was incredibly friendly and welcoming, asking us questions, ofting up abrease to anote the merge."

trendly and we'coming, asking us questions, giving us phrases to repeat, and more." Haze's performance of her powerful po-ems sparked discussions of serious political and social issues. Racial injustice was one of the most prominent topics of her poems. She worth her feat poem shout the provide "The wrote her first poem about the movie "The Help," directed by Tate Taylor, which tells stories about black female housekeepers in the 1960s. In the poem, she offered a potent description of the ongoing racial segregation happening at the time, and said that she related to the movie because "these women looked like [the] women who raised me." She exessed her gratitude for the inspiration they we her and the sacrifice they made. "I am oud to be the daughter of freedom marchers, of Mississippi maids, Birmingham mar-tyrs," she said, "On Mar. 6, 2012, I graduated from Georgia State University, and it was a testament to the women before me who cleaned houses so I wouldn't have to. Who served cof-fee quietly so I could become a poet." Sexism was another important theme of

her poems. She recited an original piece that her poems. She recited an original piece that responded to the misogynisitic words of a rap-per she had once loved who had said women could not be president. Senior Bella Edo said that Haze's poems portrayed her "own experi-ence with her family history, as well as [the] media, while seamlessly intertwining woman hood and gender." Haze also discussed body positivity and

how to accept one's own identity. She shared that someone once told her that her face was pretty, implying that the rest of her body was pretty implying that the rest of her body was not. Since then, she has grown stronger as a plus size woman of color by fighting the ste-reotypical images of beauty communicated by the media and the words of others. "She did a beautiful job of showing what her experience has been as a plus-size woman of color and that made all of her pieces incredibly moving Edo said.

Haze's words earned several murmurs and snaps in appreciation from the small yet eager audience. "I had a connection to the performer because she was a woman of color who is familiar with southern culture," lower Chandler Jean-Jacques said. "The speaker was successful because of her humor and ability to relate with so many different people." Although the themes Haze spoke about were

quite serious, Edo commended her ability to "keep the poem lighthearted at times and continuously engaging." Despite the fact that many who went were deeply touched by Haze's work, they were surprised and saddened by the lack of extendence Addedhum seid." Bits channes the attendance. Adedokun said, "It's a shame to attendance. Adedokun said, "It's a shame to see such a great artist not get the audience she deserved." Nevertheless, the inspiration Haze left to her listeners was profound. Jean-Jacques considered all the poems that Haze presented "deverly crafted." Edo agreed and said that Haze was able to touch on serious topics which people don't necessarily always talk about. The students felt that Haze's po-etry, which relayed important messages to the audience, should have received a greater audience.

Regardless of the turnout, Haze suc cessfully shared her passion for poetry and art with the audience, allowing them to hear important messages in an unusual and creative way. For Haze, her art is special because it conveys her social values and makes an impact on those who witness. "Sometimes when you're at work and you're out on the front lines, and you need a safe space to create and to listen to those who create, it's definitely a healing mechanism," she said.

# ALBUM REVIEW: TEENS OF $\star \overset{DENIAL}{\star} \star \star \star \star$

#### By CHARLES SMITH

There's something alluring about the songs in Car Seat Headrest's *Teens of De-nial.* From an instrumental standpoint, the album isn't exactly experimental, but the songs are often winding and the front man Will Toledo, has enough of an indie-chic voice that when I first turned my pop-cen tric friend onto the album, I fully expected him to laugh. Yet, after I got him to listen to the album, he admitted that it had a special sound. The more I listen to it, the more I'm

convinced that this album is the anthem of a generation—not necessarily my genera-tion, but for any contemporary adolescent looking for a perfect musical facsimile of themselves. It's gritty and punk; it's methemserves. It's gritty and punk; it's me-thodical and introspective; it's melancholic and life-affirming. It often runs through all these emotions in a single line. At one point Toledo describes his inability to express his emotions, carried by the sound of meaning horns and a beat that is almost frustrat ingly on-the-verge-of-but-never-will erupt, when he finally lets loose and belts "I give up" until his voice runs rough. In the album, Toledo distills teenage

life into two sides: Drugs and Angst. Sex, which should be the third of the triumvi rate, is almost completely left out except for its reference in "Unforgiving Girl (She's Not An)." Which is weird, because Will To-ledo is gay, so this nod to heterosexuality almost comes off as satirical. The opening track, "Fill in the Blank" serves as a perfect "I'm so sick of (fill in the blank)," and there he sums up the general theme behind the whole album. As the band plays down the track list, their concerns shift from the extremely general to the spine-chillingly spe cific

No better is this seen than on the two No better is tims seen than on the time most drug-concerned songs on the album, "Destroyed By Hippie Powers" and "Drugs with Friends." These follow each other in succession. In "Destroyed," Will sings that "I am freaking out in my mind/in a house

that isn't mine," whereas in "Drugs with that isn't mine, whereas in Drugs with Friends<sup>\*</sup> he invites us deeply into the spe-cific events of a bad trip, moping that "Last Friday I took acid and mushrooms/I did not transcend, I felt like a walking piece of shit/in a stupid-looking jacket".

Teenage angst is usually derided, and rightfully so: it's a temporary feeling brought on by acne, by soaring hormones brought on by ache, by soaring normones, by the sense that the gilt of childhood is chipping away. Toledo no doubt realizes this quick and strangely violent shift with lines such as "What happened to that chub-by little kid who smiled so much and loved The Beach Boys?/What happened is I killed that fucker and I took his name and I got new glasses", but this doesn't keep him from treating his topic—cliché and overdone as it is - with an extreme respect and attention to detail.

to detail. Until listening to this album, I really didn't get the appeal of hearing a song that felt like it was describing you. But on Teens of Denial, a lot of my teenage life, in all its awkwardness and stupidity, is crooned about in the same syntax with which your own tired seventeen-year-old mind might think about it. Will Toledo is 25, but this doesn't detract from the aching honesty of his lyrics. It achieves relatability with out pandering, emotion without sappiness and embraces self-deprecation without the and embraces sen-deprecation without the customary sloppy songwriting. The songs are fun. Sonically, the band draws a lot from alt-rock standards like Slint and The Strokes, and drummer Andrew Katz's beat

is outstanding. Toledo could ditch this gig and take up poetry, because his words cut so closely. To his fans, though, that day would be a sad one, because without his lyrics the band's songs just wouldn't be as badass. There's a songs just wouldn't be as badass. Interes a moment in "Drugs with Friends" when To-ledo is being interrogated by his dad and Je-sus, who both whine to him "Who are you't to go agains the word of our father? Who are you?" Toledo stops holding back his anger, and responds, screaming "The scum of the Earth!" I saw a shiver go down my friend's spine when he heard that.

# MOVIE REVIEW: "PATERSON" $\star \star \star \star \star$

By ALAN WU Staff Writer

The hero of Jim Jarmusch's latest film "Pa terson" is named Paterson. He lives in Paterson, New Jersey with his wife Laura. Paterson wakes up early, kisses his wife, has breakfast, leaves the house carrying his tin lunch box and heads to work as a bus driver. His bus is always No. 23, with the word "Paterson" displayed on the front. He stops for lunch at the Great Falls, his favorite spot, and eats the same sandwich he always eats. At the end of the day, he returns home and east, At the end of the day, he returns none and east dinner with his wife. Paterson repeats this routine every day and for almost two hours, the audience witnesses Paterson live his predictable life, with only slight variations from day to day. There are no major conflicts and no plot twists.

There are no major conflicts and no plot twists. The film ends virtually the same as it began. The films simplicity and lack of tradi-tional narrative may strike some as excruciat-ingly boring, perhaps even insulting. However, if you reduce "Paterson" to its plot points, then you have missed more than half of the film's you have missed more than half of the film's beauty. Despite the film being so grounded in the mechanisms of daily life, magic still bleeds through the edges of its details. In a day and age of endless sensory overload, the mere existence of a film like "Paterson" is a miracle. Followers of Jarmusch's previous work know that he is a man of minimalism and contemplation. His films are never rushed or hurried, always eschewing clear plot progression in favor of fostering mood and character development in approximate real time. "Paterson" is a film meant to be watched with undivided attention, as its power manifests

of course, there is more to Paterson than his daily routine. There has to be, especially since he is portrayed with incredible nuance by since he is portrayed with incredible nuance by Adam Driver in what is perhaps his finest per-formance to date. At first glance, Paterson's long face, full of anxiety and initent, seems to suggest that he may be a serial killer or a child abductor. However, the humanity in Jarmusch's direction and Dhinab amontholic norformance instead and Driver's empathetic performance instead paint Paterson as a man of intense privacy. He paint rates on as a main of interior privacy. The is soft-spoken and mild-mannered, not out of fear or apathy, but out of sincere kindness. Why must he be so intensely private if his lifestyle suggests nothing less than a midlife crisis? Well, it's because he writes poetry. In fact, his poetry defines him as much as, if not more than, the bus he sits in almost every day. His poems lack

rhyme schemes and often consist of musings or rityme schemes and otten consist of musings on occurrences and observations of everyday life. Sitting at his wheel before departing or hunched over a sandwich during a lunch break, Paterson writes painstakingly in his notebook, conjuring images of his home. He uses the random con

versations he hears on his bus as inspiration and the Great Falls to focus his thoughts. Paterson also reads his poems aloud in voice-overs, word after careful word, as if every voice-overs, word after careful word, as I every line is slowly being squeezed out of him. Shost of Paterson writing and the images he describes are overlaid with his handwritten poems, every visual element blending and mixing together. Frederick Elmes' cinematography is undeni-ably gorgeous, turning the concrete blandness of Date lement incomention monitor incomention of New Jersey into something quietly romantic and Affonso Gonçalves' editing i quely forhandı, veering off into gimmickry. You can see what Jarmusch is up to with these shots. He is mak-ing the effort, an effort that is rarely exerted, to dramatize the process of poetic composition in aramanze the process of poetic composition in a a visceral and engaging way. Is Jarmusch com-pletely successful? Quite frankly, I don't even know what successful looks like, as it has never been fully achieved. The great David Fincher struggled with this himself on his 2010 mag-num opus "The Social Network, where he had to turn coding and website building into some thing as tense as a crime thriller. Considering that even talented directors like Fincher struggle with portraying the ineffable creative process, Jarmusch's accomplishment with "Paterson" is no small feat.

I've always associated great films more with poetry than novels. To me, Jarmusch's choice of poetry as a tool for Patersons characterization is particularly apt. Much like Paterson's poetry, the film steers clear of any grand plot or structhe him steers clear of any grand plot or struc-ture and subtly nudges viewers to pick up on the minutiae, to weigh each piece of dialogue with value and understand the world through Pater-son's keenly observant eyes. We as an audience become poetic magpies, picking up snippets of commencion and dominare of compation to build conversation and shavings of sensation to build our own nests of lyrical diction. Not a moment is wasted. Because of Driver's exceptional ability to convey the act of thinking, the audience gains a beautiful perspective with which to experience the world. Paterson lives the plainest of lives, and yet he still finds those invaluable sparks of inspiration. The film teaches us that ultimately life is worth living, if only for those sparks.

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#### By MAI HOANG and SUAN LEE Staff Writer:

After thirteen years with the Academy, faculty member Eimer Page is well respected by colleagues and students alike for her excellent work as an English instructor and the Director of Global Initiatives. Whether she's teaching seniors about her favorite Cormac McCarthy novels or chaperoning students on a trip to China, Page carries a sense of on a trip to China, Page carries a sense of contagious optimism with her that is a delight to all those around her. Page hails from Northern Ireland, where

she grew up during the 1960s' civil war. "My childhood was really different from the ience of most students here," she said her childhood to visit her relatives living her childhood to visit her relatives living in Palo Alto and permanently moved here in 2004 after her husband was hired as an orchestra conductor in Boston. In the process of choosing her own career path, Page made the well-being of her newborn

son her utmost priority. Though initially wary of the boarding school environment, she was convinced that Exeter was the job she had been looking for when she caught sight of other faculty children playing on the school lawns during her revisit of the campus. "I made the choice to come to Exeter because it seemed a choice to come to Exeter because it seemed a place where my family could be really happy," she said. Page was further impressed by the Academy's English department and realized that she wanted to "teach with those teachers [...] in that way?

For Page, teaching "in that way" not only means opening up the Harkness discussion



for all students to voice their opinions, but also consistently broadening her inter ests also consistently broadening her interests and repertoire. "I don't want to feel like I'm stagnant," Page said, emphasizing her love for introducing new materials to which students had not previously been exposed. Fellow English Instructor Ellen Wolff described Page as a colleague who is "deeply thoughful, incredibly hardworking, diplomatic [and] generous" and makes "a positive impact in the classroom, in the department, in the dorm [and] on the many committees on which she's served.

Page's love for trying new things is reflected, too, in her passion for travelling. "I don't see it as just a nice thing to do," Page said. "I feel like it's something that is actually transformative for people, and that's why it gets me so excited to help students who haven't had much of an opportunity to travel." She sees the additional responsibilities of being the

Courtesy of Communication Department Director of Global Initiatives not as a burden, Director of Giobai Imitatives not as a burden, but as a cherished opportunity to provide new experiences for her students and instill in them an awareness and appreciation for other cultures besides their own. As the Director of Global Initiatives, Page

oversees Exeter's vacation travel offerings, term abroad programs and other off-campus initiatives. Page has occasionally been a chaperone on some of the off-campus trips herself, the most recent having been a trip to China this past spring break. Upper Grace Khaner, one of the trip's participants, commended Page for her ability to stay "calm and collected," even in unexpected situations, like the 24-hour delay of their returning flight caused by a heavy snowstorm in Boston.

Despite having to coordinate the logistics of several postponed trips, Page boosted the rogstars of several postponed trips, Page boosted the spirit of the team by taking students to a restaurant in Beijing for a final dinner. "She was really good with all the little things you wouldn't think about," Khaner said. History Instructor Leah Merrill echoed these sentiments. "Eimer is a problem solver. No matter the circumstance she quickly works to put forth a solution in a way where everyone is better off. She is calm and calming." Page considers it a privilege that she is

often able to participate in the trips herself. often able to participate in the trips herselt. "One of the strongest memories I will carry with me as long as I have memory is being in Varanasi on the Ganges at night," Page said, reminiscing about her experience in India two years ago. "Two of our students who were in the crew program were rowing a beat towards the formed meres uith burging who were in the crew program were rowing a boat towards the funceral pyres with burning marigolds and the Ganges all around us. It was just incredible," she said. When she is not traveling with students or her own family, Page enjoys singing and listening to classical music, "Music has always hear according the the difference on the students.

listening to classical music. Music has aways been something that's defined me," said Page, who recently joined the Early Music Group, a collaboration between students and faculty members. She also loves cooking, art, calligraphy, gardening and "anything that involves creating."

Though she misses the landscape and her family members who live in Ireland, Page believes she made the right decision by coming to live in Exeter. "I love the colors of fall, I love the Christmas of winter, I love how lush and green it gets here in the summer. she said, discussing her appreciation for the New England weather. She also enjoys teaching "committed, motivated" students and getting to know them both in and outside the classroom

"I feel like even though I moved from Ireland to America, I've found a sense of home here," Page said.

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HOROSCOPES

# By LAUREN LEATHAM and ALEXANDRA VAN DIJKUM

Aries: This is a great week for you, Aries! With the sun still in your sign, you will become closer with your acquaintances. Just be sure not to overwhelm yourself too much socially,

not to overwhelm yourselt too much socially, though; take a break and enjoy some you-time! Taurus: Blame your emotions on the plan-ets this week, Taurus, Mars is still in your sign. You still might feel prone to overreact, but its okay. Take this time to tell your loved ones how you feel. You might be surprised at how good the truth soun

Gemini: This is the week to crack open sign this week, it is a great time to focus on your academic pursuits. It might even be helpful to set up some short term goals to help you. Don't worry, though, your hard work will pay off later on in the week

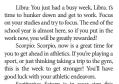
Cancer: Break out the pen and paper, Cancer. This week is your time to engage your creative side. With Neptune in your sign for the whole month, you might feel the need to sketch

in a notebook, or write a personal narrative just for fun. See where your craft takes you! Leo: This is your week to get organized, Leo! With Jupiter in your sign for the week, you might feel a bit chaotic. Focus on the little things to regain balance in your life, Leo. Try ning your room or organizing your school

folders. Virgo: This is the week of May flowers, Virgo. If you feel like life didn't really go your way in April, be prepared to see a shift. Be pa-tient because good things are coming your way soon

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Sagittarius: Saturn is in your sign this week, Sagitarius. Keep your eye out for a po-tential love interest. You never know where you might find one. Along with love, you might also find yourself especially excelling in academics this week. Here's to a good week, Sagittarius!

tarius! Capricorn: Your friendships will be tested this week, Capricorn, but don't let it throw you off. If you stay level-headed and remember who you can trust, you'll get through this week unscathed. You may even learn some important lessons.

Aquarius: Hang out with some friends this weekend, Aquarius. Make sure to spend time with those who care about you, but don't forget about your studies. This will be a very pivotal week for you.

Pisces: Take a break and relax this weekend, Pisces! Sit out on the quad or go explor-ing; this is the week for you to relax. The hard work is over for a little while, so take advantage of that, and enjoy the sun! You'll have to start focusing again later, but now is the time for

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#### the Masion Margiela 'Artisanal' collection, was embroidered with satin ribbon. Another highlight of the night was Serena Williams's The countdown until summer has be-gun, and there are less than 30 days until break. Last Friday was upper dinner, and we saw some good-looking warm-weather out-

Hello Trendsetters,

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fits Bridgette Han '18 wowed us in her ab stract floral-patterned blue dress with light blue paint strokes. We loved the simple cut and high waist of the dress, especially when and nigh waist of the dress, especially when paired with chic light pink heels. We were also impressed by **Erica Hogan '18** in a silk, sleeveless light blue shift dress, decorated with flower designs. A pair of low heeled strapped sandals completed the outfit, **Jacqui** Byrne '18 rocked a classy hot pink dress with a flared skirt and black pumps, and Athena a nation shift and black pumps, and Antria Stenor '18 was caught in an elegant dark red halter-necked dress with a cream white roses design. Simple suede blush-colored high heels complemented her bold outfit. Lastly Lili Hernandez '19 rocked a stunning off the-shoulder navy blue dress with pink and fuchsia flowers. Great job, uppers! Exonians also showed off their casual style throughout campus this week. **Amelia** 

Lee '19 sported a black leather jacket with Lee '19 sported a black leather jacket with white floral designs stitched along the arms and shoulder. We loved **Emmy Goyette '19** in a checkered gray shawl on top of a simple black dress. **Reina Matsumoto '19** fitted a casual red-and-blue striped white sweater with check dawing income with classic denim jeans. This week, on May 2nd, Met Gala took

place at the Anna Wintour Costume Center in New York. As the fashion magazine Vogue describes, Met Gala is known as fashion's biggest night out of the year. Met Gala is also described as 'the party of the year,' as vari ous celebrities and fashion icons gather to see who can gain the most limelight. One of the most eye-catching new styles was singer Katy Perry's red dress. Designed by John Gal-

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migringin to the migrate was serena viniamiss sheer emeral-d-green dress by Versace, cou-pled with a stunning pair of pendant dia-mond and emeral earnings. The gala also hosts the Costume Institute's annual fashion exhibition. This year, they hosted Comme des Garcons designer Rei Kawakubo's chi-bition entitled "Rei Kawakubo'/Comme des Garcons Arte fab. In Bertonz". Comme Garcons: Art of the In-Between," Comme des Garçons, at popular Japanese Colline des Garçons, a popular Japanese label, is French for "Like the Boys," and is known for its creative fashions involving layers of ruf-fles. What an exciting fashion week! Stay stylish, Exeter! Sherry & Michael



# Phenomenal Phillip

SeniorSpotlight

# By ISABELLA AHMAD Staff Writer

As the Editor-in-Chief of the 138th board of The Exonian, an avid journalist, a leader and proctor in Cilley Hall, senior Phil-ip Kuhn is a well-known figure on campus. Throughout his time at Exeter, he has taken on the role of mentor, whether it be while grappling tough editorial decisions in The

Exonian office or working with other writers at Journalism for Human Rights meetings. Over his four years at Exeter, Kuhn has been a proud member of Cilley Hall. He remembers how the seniors in his dorm during members how the seniors in his dorm during his prep year made him feel like a part of a tight-knit group of Cilley boys. "They were the kindest kids," Kuhn said. "They put a lot of time into taking care of us. They let us play video games in their rooms, they would chill with us Saturday nights after check in, then tense newed all the time to holh with they were around all the time to help with they were around all the time to help with homework." Now, as a proctor himself, he has tried to provide the same sense of com-munity for new students in the dorm. "Phil was the first proctor that said hello to me when I arrived at Cilley," prep Milo Walshe said. "He introduced me to a lot of people in Cilley and got me involved with various clubs on campus." Kuhn is the quintessential proctor—a

close friend who doesn't hesitate to give advice or lay down the law when necessary. "Phil is someone you can always go to to talk about anything. He is like a big brother while still making sure you aren't making bad decisions," lower Kojo Aduhene said.

Jay Lee '15 also took note of Kuhn's Jay Lee '15 also took note of Kuhns natural ability to connect with younger stu-dents. "He was one of the most influential lowers in Cilley my senior year, making sure the preps were doing well and helping them out? Lee said. "Tve also heard from various kids in the dorm that he has been a great meeter this user, considerable loading by

kids in the dorm that he has been a great proctor this year, consistently leading by example, and I'm not surprised at all." Kuhn strives to be the most influential proctor he can be through "really getting to knów each person from simple actions." Whether he's sitting with fellow residents of Cilley Hall at the dining halls or traveling around the dorm after check-in creating conversation, Kuhn has always been a caring and positive presence in the dorm. "I try to be fun and uplifting in the dorm because I know it's a really stresful school," Kuhn said know it's a really stressful school," Kuhn said.

Kuhn continues his role as proctor out kunn commes nis role as proctor out-side of his dorm as well, never failing to greet his peers on the paths. "You can catch him on a really bad day, and he'll still try his best to treat you well," said Kevin Zhen '16. "When treat you well; said Kevin Zhen '16. 'When he says hi to you, he's not just being nice, he's trying to make the community a bet-ter place.' Prep Milo Walshe echoed Zhen's sentiments, describing Kuhn as someone who "will always stop to chat or say hello". According to English Instructor Mercedes Control to the chall of the sentimentary of the sentimentary of the sentimentary model of the sentimentary of the sentimentary of the sentimentary of the sentimentary model of the sentimentary of the sentimentary of the sentimentary of the sentimentary sentimentary of the sentimentary of Carbonell, Kuhn's sincere and deliberate involvement with other people is what makes him so successful in his academic endeavors. "One of Philip's greatest gifts as a student of



literature is his awareness of the fragility and strength of the human condition," she said.

Carbonell added that Kuhn "was a graceful presence in eleventh grade English, one who presides at the Harkness table with a genuine intrigue in what his peers may be a genume intrigue in what its peers may be thinking, with a respect for all voices.<sup>6</sup> Lower Justin Psaris agreed with her, reflecting that this character trait of Kuln's is evident in and around their dorm as well. "Phil is always open to discussion, he is respectful, and will here between the track that here are "here the always listen to what you have to say," he said. Kuhn's passion for words arose in

middle school, when his interests were piqued by writing. "That was what I was good at and what I enjoyed more than my other classes," he said. Alum Robert Con-ner attributes much of Kuhn's success to his ner attributes much of Kuhn's success to his possession of "a rare gift for communication and story-telling," before going on to add that the skill "combines perfectly with the warmth of [Kuhn's] personality." Carbonell elaborated on Kuhn's gift with the pen, prais-ing cancillubia can mean to be untility. ing especially his openness in his writing. She disclosed that Kuhn writes about "what he disclosed that Kuhn writes about "what he wrestles with: privilege; masculinity; white-ness." She went on to add that "each piece Philip wrote felt like a work of Art, one in which the spirit of the artist was infused in the creation," she said. "He has discovered a poetic intellect that comes through in his

writing." Given his deep fascination with words and storytelling, it was only natural that and storytening, it was only natural that Kuhn found success in the school news-paper. Alum and former managing editor of *Ihe Exonian* Jay Lee was the one who introduced Kuhn to *The Exonian*. "He took me to one of the meetings and after that I was pretty hooked," said Kuhn. "I'm big into the idea of *The Evolution* being any and relative the idea of The Exonian being a marketplace the idea of *Ihe Exonian* being a marketplace of ideas or a forum where people can come together, their ideas conflicting, but joining in dialogue. I think it's a really powerful thing, where you can see a lot of different ideas being curated into one place, into a since thet reaches to subscore aped it". piece that speaks to whoever reads it?

Kuhn's appreciation for journalism runs deeper still; he credits a lot of who he is to the newspaper. Before coming to Exeter, Kuhn was a timid middle schooler, and he accredits

his now personable and forthcoming person ality to the interviews he conducted as a staff writer. "Through all those conversation that's really what I felt got me integrated into the exeter community," he said. Kuhn's peers greatly admire the work he did for *The Exonian* as editor-in-chief. "I

watched as he worked tirelessly throughout his time at Exeter, and without-a-doubt, knew that he would be an outstanding Editor-in-Chief, even when he was just a news reporter as a lower," reflected alum Robert Conner. Jay Lee agreed on Kuhn's success as Editor-in-Chief. "During his

success as Editor-in-Chief. "During his time as Editor-in-Chief, there was a lot of substantial news that broke on campus, and despite being relatively new to the job, he handled everything well," he said. "We had a crazy year," said Kuhn. The first big story concerning sexual misconduct on the Exeter campus broke just as Kuhn's board was taking over the paper. Difficult de-cisions regarding what to print fell ultimately on Kuhn's shoulders. "It was really heavy stuff to be dealing with." The said. Throughout the on kunns snouuers. It was really neavy sturt to be dealing with, he said. Throughout the time, Kuhn demonstrated swift leadership and excellent problem-solving skills as he determined the impact of each controversial piece up for publishing. Philips's passion for writing and newspaper also expanded beyond *The Exonian* news office. As former co-head of the Journalism for Human Rights club, he led the group each week to discuss and research relevant issues around the globe and publish the finished stories online

"I still remember the first day I brought Philip to his first writers' meeting," said Lee. "He signed up for an article with me. Typically, I wouldn't assign too much work to a first-time writer, but he was constantly asking if there was anything more he could asking if there was anything more he could do." His persverance and diligence when writing articles gained him the respect of many, faculty and students alike. "That work could easily be considered worth three classes. How Philip stepped up and into that role while writing beautiful papers in English and unation worth work officence in all of the and working with such diligence in all of his classes is a mystery to me," Carbonell said. "His stamina is golden."

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# Staff of Exeter Pop-up Art Exhibition

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encourage people to go on," said Asibey-Bonsu. The exhibit overflowed with deep and unexpected stories like these. Through these personal anecdotes and photographs, Exonians were exposed to the humbling reality that each person in the showcase at the exhibit leads a rich life away from campus and their jobs. Asibey-Bonsu expressed his hope that this knowl-edge will encourage his fellow Exonians to fully recognize the humanity of Exeter's staff: 'Thope that the next time they see someone tending to the grounds or clean-ing a building, they think, 'Well you're ac-tually also a person, so 'Hi, how are you doing?"

ing a building, they think, 'Well you're ac-tually also a person, so 'Hi, how are you doing?" Many Econians who visited the pop-up exhibit felt that their perspective shifted in some way. Prep Genesis Reyes explained, "I feel more connected to the community, and appreciate everyone in it more, espe-cially the staff, who do so much that often goes overlooked." The fact that this exhibit was a student initiative also inspired many. "The fact that a student came up with this idea is amazing." upper Eesha Shah said. "If Perry can remember to acknowledge our staff and their stories, why can't the rest of us?" Hopefully, after this exhibit, the next time you buy a chocolate croissant at Grill, or see someone cleaning the bathroom in your dorm as you race to class, you won't forget to say 'thanks."



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# Girls Crew Suffers a Tough Loss To Kent

Strong Opponents Give Exeter a Wake-up Call



Staff Write

This past Saturday, girls' varsity crew competed against Kent and St. Paul's in a double header at Turkey Pond, Concord, New Hampshire. Boat 1 finished last, while Boat 3 came in first place and Boats

while Boat 3 came in first place and Boats 2 and 4 finishedsecond. Senior Nora Epler commended Kent for its all-around strength and St. Paul's first boat for its incredible speed. "St. Paul's dominated the G1 race," she said.

Alex Rothstein shared similar seminerts. Alex Rothstein shared similar seminents. "The races had a very wide range of results as both teams were really good," she said, "Kent has always been a very big competition of ours, but St. Paul's was extremely fast this year, so they were intense competition." intense competition." Rothstein believes that with more

Rothstein believes that with more practice, Exeter will have a chance to beat other teams at future races. "I think that we will work on finding where everybody works best in the boat; she said. On an individual level, Rothstein hopes to stroke

harder and find strength in her legs. Epler also wants to improve on every aspect of her strokes. "Personally, I need aspect of her strokes. "Personally, I need to add speed rather than weigh the boat down," Epler explained. She hopes that the team will work cohesively to push themselves forward, and work on its endurance. "We are working on getting in better shape so that we can sustain

in better shape so that we can sustain our initial speed throughout the race," Epler said. Senior Zoe Marshall felt that she could've gotten further if she'd pushed her oar further into the water. "I need

to work on burying my blade," Marshall to work on burying my blace, Marshall said, elaborating on what she wished to improve in the future. "Too often I find my oar half out of the water and I miss the power I could have had otherwise." Mar-shall hopes to push her team to success by helping them get proce" force power" and helping them get more "raw power" and speed on the water.

With a focus on future regattas, girls' With a locus on future regattas, girls' varsity crew will look forward to a re-match against its opponents. Big Red will face St. Paul's once more later on in the season, and all three teams will compete at NEIRAs.

# Girls' Tennis Plays Well Despite 0-9 Loss

Team Still Proud of Its Mental Toughness and Resilience

## By SARAH RYU

The girls' varsity A tennis team suf-Free at ough loss against the undefeated Andover on Saturday, with a score of 0-9. Big Red has not been able to claim a vic-tory over them for the past few years, due to Andover's rigorous tennis program.

After successfully winning their matches against Middlesex School on Apr. 5, the girls gained confidence head-ing into the start of their regular season. The team expected Andover to be the strongest team it would play all season

strongest team it would play ail season and prepared thoroughly leading up to the game. Lower Elizabeth Yang, who played number five, noted the strength of the players on the rival team. "Saturday's

players on the rival team. "Saturdays matches were tough, especially since An-dower's top players are very experienced and have high quality strokes," she said. Even though the team did not win, upper Gabby Gabel, who played as Ex-eter's number one, was proud of the girls on the team and how they all handled themselves. One of the strengths she already sees in the team this season is the mental game of each of the players. "We never give up and I feel that we have great strategy when it comes to playing matches," she said. "We staved true to matches," she said. "We stayed true to our core strengths and battled it out until the end. We are each able to stay calm in tough points and be resilient." Gabel added that there was great dy-namic within the doubles teams. "I think

our coach did a great job at pairing us up with partners who we play the best with. We are a group of tough girls who want to win," she said.

to win," she said. Looking back at the matches, the girls now have a better idea on which ar-eas to improve on. Gabel hoped the team will to continue to improve its match play and the way it construct its points. "Conand the way it construct its points. Con-sistency is always our biggest priority and we also hope to focus a lot more on our volleys, as they are a big part of our game in doubles play," she said. Yang agreed, noting the need for improvement on shot consistency. "The team discussed afterwards how most of us

have set ourselves up well within points, but we just are missing consistent execu-tion," she said.

Afterwards, the team recognized how well each of the players carried themselves on the court. Exeter players displayed good sportsmanship. "We all keep our composure and stay respectful despite how opposing teams may act,"

despite now opposing teams may act, Yang said. The girls look ahead to their last match of the season against Andover, hoping to pull out with more wins. With more practice and games, the girls will be prepared to face against Andover and get their revenge. "Andover better watch with for k1/A. We/bh out for scores comed out for E/A... We'll be out for some smurf blood!" Gabel said. Exeter hopes to pick up two wins

this week and gets its season back on track. The girls play Milton and Choate this Saturday





By ASHLEY LIN

Six boats, fifty four girls, one team and two amazing captains: leading the Exeter girls' crew team are seniors and co-captains Maya Blake and Honor Clements. Like many rowers at Exeter, the two picked up the sport in high school but through the hard sport in high school but through the hard work and diligence that they both embody, rose to Captains, who, with their differences, form the perfect pair.

Together, Blake and Clements form Together, Blake and Clements form a dynamic duo to bring the team success. Their passion for rowing is infectious to everyone in the Boathouse, and their lead-ership is a crucial ingredient for the team's dominance over other schools. Both Blake and Clemente heur particul in Eventor more and Clements have rowed in Exeter's most elite boats for most of their time on the team. As a result, both girls have won an many races. Despite their speed in the boat, many of the team agreed that this year's team captains are friends to all. Senior and teammate Alex Rothstein corroborated this fact and said, "Maya and Honor just have very compatible personalities. Together they help to make the team really focused, but they also always know when it's the right time to laugh. They both definitely bring intensity to the team which I think we really need? Both girls know how to win, but also

how to make rowing enjoyable. Although 5 AM practices, the pressure to PR on 2k erg tests, and running hills are grueling for every member of the team, Blake and Cleevery member of the team, Blake and Cle-ments are somehow able to put a smile on everyone's faces. Senior Kat Dumoulin, their friend and current teammate, acknowledged the girls' friendliness. "It great to have them as our leaders, because they keep us moti-vated and happy at the same time," she said. Both relia "michals descates are when

Both girls' amicable character are what Both girls' amicable character are what enables them to serve as both strong leaders and friends to the rest of the team. "Maya's personality is hilarious. Whenever I am around her I'm never not laughing," Roth-stein said of Blake. "However, I know I can always go to her whenever I need help with something in the boathouse whether it's technicals in the boat, or tips on my stroke." Rothstein continued to comment on

the support Clements has given her over the last four years. "Honor is such a bub-



bly person. She is honestly one of the most kind and genuine people I have ever met." Clements, because of her kindness and willingness to help others, is always able to organize her team. "She is very grounded in the boathouse so when everything seems chaotic, she's a great person to help calm the storm," Rothstein said.

Clements and Blake both started their Clements and Blake both started their crew careers during their first year in high school. For Clements, the sport had been running in her family through her older brothers, who rowed in high school. Cle-ments entered Exeter as a new lower, so she came to the school with some rowing experience under her belt. "I thought that the sport seemed inter-esting, so I gave it a shot," Clements recalled.

When Clements started started her rowing been rowing on Big Red's crew team, the at Exeter in her lower spring, she quickly sport has made a great impact on the two

climbed the ranks of the boathouse and be-

Climbed the rains of the doalnouse and de-came a force to be reckoned with on the ergs. On the other hand, Blake began row-ing at the encouragement of one of the crew team. At first, she was nervous about the sport as it was known to require a lot of endurance. Blake played on the varsity bas-headed it was the varies to which accordiant ketball team in the winter, which required ketball team in the winter, which required a completely different set of skills. But with her motivated and hardworking personality, Blake fell in love with intensity of it all. "By the end of the first practice I was hooked," Blake said. Joining the crew team turned out to be one of Blake's best choices while at Exeter because she developed a passion

he sport. Through the multiple years they have

captains. They have both endured tough practices, experienced the joy of winning races, and now lead the team.

races, and now lead the team. For Clements, the sport has taught her how to do her best in all situations, apply-ing it to many aspects in her life. "Like any endurance sport, a huge part of rowing is mental. So to succeed, you have to be able to continue long after your body tells you to stop. Rowing has taught me how to push my limits, both physically and mentally, which has been incredibly empowering," Clements said. The kind words of their teammates

is a strong testament to the leadership of Blake and Clements. Both co-captains look forward to leading their team to victory at NEIRAs three weeks from now. In the meantime, the team has three more races, starting with Hanover this Saturday.

# **Baseball Picks Up Two Wins Versus Deerfield**

After a 5-2 Win, the Team's Offense Exploded for 16 Runs



An Exeter batter swings at a fastball.

#### By JOHN BECKERLE Staff Writer

Big Red baseball won both games of its doubleheader against Deerfield of its doubleheader against Deerrield Academy last Saturday. With scores of 5-2 and 16-5, the boys added two wins to their season record, which currently stands at eight wins and one loss. In the first game, Exeter got on the scoreboard first in the fourth inning.

scoreooard first in the fourth inning. Senior and co-captain Harrison Money hit a single, stole second second base and advanced to third base on a wild throw, finally scoring on a sacrifice fly from post-graduate Nick Hall. Lower Alex Swett scored the second run of the fourth inning.

The first game was a thrilling, head-

to-head match, the score remaining at a narrow 2-1 for the fifth and sixth in-ning. However, Exeter edged out its op-ponents, scoring three more runs in the ponents, scoring three more runs in the seventh inning, with the help of strong hits by prep Cade Thompson and seniors Nick Moore and co-captain Collin Sha-piro, to extend the team's lead to 5-2. Deerfield scored the first run of the second game, but Big Red players were quick to respond, and the boys scored cirteene were anothene receive in miner

quick to respond, and the successive innings. "The big inning was the fourth inning," said Assistant Coach Tim Mitropolous, remembering Exeter's seven runs off of only five hits. Head Coach Dana Barbin agreed, calling the second game an "of-fensive explosion."

Exeter's pitching was unparalleled

by their opponent. Moore continued to by their opponent. Moore continued to be a force on the mound. "Moore pulled through with his pitches," said lower Ethan Tanguay.

Furthermore, postgraduate pitcher Henri Pratt recovered from his month-Henri Pratt recovered from his month-long arm injury and returned to the sport last weekend with immediate potency on the baseball field. "This was Henri's first game back from his injury," said upper Hans Fotta. "He did very well end he new a hear heave thet not us of on and he was a key player that got us off on a really good start to our second game." In addition to strong throwing, Ex-eter had impressive hits and plays in the

field. The team's top batters for the day were Swett, upper Sam Stone, seniors Hall, Money, Moore and Greg Shapiro. Fotta credited the boys' success on

the field to their unwavering vigor and the field to their unwavering vigor and support for one another. "Team spirit is always good and energy levels are high when we're hitting well. We had a lot of fun in the dugout," he said. "Practices have been going well and we're getting ready for our next game." After its game this Wednesday, May 3., the team has another double header against Andover. This will be the first of two matchups against Andover this month, so the Exeter players are hoping

of two matchups against Andover this month, so the Exeter players are hoping to play well in both games this Saturday and win E/a three weeks later. Andover's team is also skilled. Its baseball program is ten-time Central New England Prep champions, and has only lost two games this season, so the upcoming game is sure to be a thrilling match.

Rachel Luo/The Exonia



ior Charlie Dubiel admires the ball fly towards the pin

#### By DON ASSAMONGKOI Staff Writer

Last Saturday, the Exeter golf team competed in the prestigious annual An-dover Invitational hosted by the New-port Country Club. The event is of the highest caliber, attracting eight strong teams in the New England league, and so only the top five players from the whole team-Brian Choi, Charlie Dubiel, Wil-liam Huang, Harry Saunders and Stella Woo-competed. Exeter went in having won the Invitational consecutively in the won the invitational consecutively in the previous two years, producing a score of 298 last year and the individual win-ners both times. Former Exonian Daulet Tuleybayev won with a remarkable 70 in 2015, while Steven Dillisio '16 and current construct densing Chedit, Dabid Long captain and senior Charlie Dubiel shared medalist honors at 72. However, the team medalist honors at 72. However, the team think the rest of the team feels the same tournament showed the great potential way about their play," he said. Dubiel still our team has this season, but also that

win this time around. The team finished at a respectable third place at a respect-able 310, just 4 strokes behind the win-

able 310, Just 4 strokes behind the win-ning teams Loomis Chaffee and Taft who finished at 306. The team is disappointed, but looks forward to improving its game. Newport faces the Atlantic Ocean, so strong winds gusted throughout the day. Dubiel believed this was a factor the anxieting face the two are affect. that certainly affected the team's performance. "Not only does this challenge the player when hitting full shots, but wind this strong affects the way the ball rolls on the putting greens as well," he said. However, he still takes responsibility for his own play and is ultimately looking to

"I hit the ball really well from tee to green, but ultimately left four or five easy shots out there on the greens, and I

played solidly, finishing second of the 40

participants. Prep William Huang shared Dubiel's Prep William Huang Shared Dubleis sentiment. "I feel like all of us didn't play the best at the Andover Invitational. I played poorly with a 7-over par 79, leav-ing a lot of opportunities on the field," he said. "All of us understand what we need to work on individually. If we can figure out what went wrong with each of our rounds and fix the problem, our scores will ultimately be lowered." However, Huang pointed out that the

team is still in good shape, despite its performance. "I think that the key is that we played poorly and still finished [in third] place. This gives us confidence that we don't have to play our best to win. We just can't make any large errors," he said. Upper Harry Saunders agreed, saying, "This

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On Saturday, the girls' varsity water polo team faced Loomis Chaffee for the second time this season. Big Red defeated Loomis once again by a final score of 9-4, helped by a home-turf advantage. With this win, Exeter has improved its season record to four wins

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Despite ending with a similar mai score as the first game against Loomis, he game played out differently. Unlike last time, Exeter approached the game more aggressively. At the halfway point in the game, Big Red led the game with a score of 7-2. This margin was far greater than the slim 5-4 from its previous

far greater than the slim 5-4 from its previous game. Many players attributed this shift to a change in attitude. Senior and co-captain Emily LaRovere explained that the game started out well because the team played more confidently and was able to "get into the rhythm quicker

that potential will not be realized if we

don't get our short putts in line." Senior and co-captain Brian Choi senior and co-captain Brian Choi was also displeased with his perfor-mance. "I collapsed and shot seven over. I'm not really sure what happened, since there aren't any glaring weaknesses in my game but I just couldn't pull off a string of good shots, resulting in a poor, incon-sistent performance," he said. However, he remains resolute to leading the team as a captain. "As long as I can keep my head down and focus on the next shot, I'm sure that I can stay near even par and contribute to my team even more

Nevertheless, Dubiel commended the team's performance."I was happy with how everyone stuck with it," he said. "We certainly didn't lose because of a lack of effort. I think it's important to put this behind us for the moment, and focus on the rest of the season."

# Girls' Water Polo Crushes Loomis Again

and four losses.



Lower Issy Wise gets up for a shot.

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ning of the season. Ferhangil explained that the team is becoming more aware and proactive especially in games. "Communication was particularly good, and everyone was moving and trying to get open for the ball," she said. "I think that we have definitely grown more comfortable with each other and with the game." Gove also praised the team's improved offense, which allowed the team to "hit the ground running in the first quarter." From previous games, the team recognized areas it has improved upon, such as passing. Accord-ing to LaRovere, the team has strengthened its passing skills through practice. "We have been working on shooting and passing a lot," she added.

she added. Despite the triumphant win against Loo-mis, the players recognized areas they can de-velop further. Ferhangil explained that the team can work on taking more shots when it has the menotion with the state interaction of the state of the sta opportunity. "There are times when players get hesitant with the ball and are afraid to shoot,"

hesitant with the ball and are afraid to shoot," she said. Gove echoed Ferhangil's sentiments and also emphasized the importance of having a stronger defense to support the goalie. This coming Saturday, Big Red will be facing both Deerfield and Greenwich at Ex-eter's home pool. The team will be looking for redemption against Deerfield after narrowly losing to them earlier in the season. The water polo team also hopes to topple Greenwich, a historically strong group. These coming games will be crucial in deciding whether Exeter will compete in the Liquid 4 Tournament at the end of the season

Liquid 4 Tournament at the end of the season With support from members of the Exeter community, Big Red hopes to put on a great show this weekend.

and was able to get into the mytim quicker than the first game". Lower Samanha Gowe agreed with LaRovere, adding that the team "played strong the entire way through." Many different players shined throughout the game. Gove applauded upper Savannah Roth for scoring her first gal of the season. Roth scored within the last minute of the fourth quarter, making it the very last goal of the game. LaRovere also commended lower Ela Ferhangil for a dominant performance as goalie, even though it was her first time playing the posi-tion. Along with lower Elizabeth Madamidola, the two players have found success in replacing

# the two prayers have found success in replacing the previously vacant position of goalie. Members of the team acknowledged the improvements they have made since the begin-



The girls' crew team rowed against both Kent and St. Paul's at Carperter -

last week's race. Read more on B4.