Hello, Hello, Hello, my fellow flying pigs!

I’m Georgia Grace, your current Cook Commons Senator (& that girl with the two first names). It seems like just two months ago that I was campaigning for this exact position (oh wait, that’s because I was).

As a student, SGA senator, Tour Guide, Student Activities Office employee, & Crew Team member, I have an interconnected & collaborative perspective of all-things-Midd. In the short time that I’ve been a member of SGA, I’ve sponsored a bill regarding sexual respect & affirmative consent, as well as worked on several of my platform issues:

1. **SGA disconnect from Student Body**
   There’s always talk about “bridging the gap.” Considering only 100 people voted in the last Cook Commons election, I agree.
   
   What have I done about it?
   · attended all of my office hours & the new SGA Coffee and (lack of) Cookies Hours
   · kept Cook Commons in the loop by way of color-coordinated emails
   · collaborated with the Elections Council Chair Nick Warren to ensure that voting will be even more accessible to students in upcoming elections by not taking place on weekend nights, & by way of public polling places

   If re-elected:
   · I will increase student attendance at SGA meetings by leaving aside time for public concerns and questions
   · Increase activity at GO/WETHEMIDDKIDS

2. **Remember that casual reference to an increase in tuition that was embedded within a bottom paragraph of an email sent out over a break? Me neither.**
   · As a proponent of a Comprehensive Fee Committee, I have advocated for greater administration transparency & the inclusion of student input in administrative decisions
3. **AAL distribution requirement**
   · No more waiting until there’s a “convenient time” to change this. There is never a “convenient time” to push for equality & diversity recognition.
   · The student Cultural Requirements petition on We The MiddKids currently has 808 votes, & I’d like to meet the demands next year.

4. **Divestment**
   · No more ignoring SNG’s divestment efforts.
   · Let’s pass a resolution supporting divestment from the top 200 publically traded fossil fuels companies (as other universities nationwide have)

5. **Printers (& grub?)**
   · Top Cook complaints tie between lack of late-night food options, & printing hassles. 
     So, I will:
     - work with the SGA president to explore a “10 o’clock Proc”
     - push for more printers - in Ross dining & large dorms

Anything else? Let me know at gedwards@middlebury.edu. THANK YOU! #flyingpigsfolyfe
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With a love of both play and toil, my chapter at Middlebury thus far has been, in short, a diverse one. From varsity to intramural, from a capella to the open mic, from Feb-hood to a failed Ski-Patrol Exam, from Saturday nights spent studying to a citation or two from Officer Paul, from studio art to neuroscience to geography, I have run a respectably wide gambit of pass-times around campus, and have experienced the wide range of opinions of the members therein about the goings on around the school. I am in a position to bring these opinions to the SGA table, to defend them, and to effectively enhance the dialogue between the student government, the students, and the faculty. Valuable opinions, novel ideas, come not only from mid day forums, from afternoon question and answer sessions; but also from late night conversations in an overcrowded Atwater suite, from relaxed locker room or field side chats, from rehearsals run late, from lively chairlift rides at the Snow Bowl, or from an impromptu Ross lunches with strangers. At a school that values the opinions of all, the opinions of all should be heard. Middlebury is teeming with the answers, the problem solving solutions; she just needs the right ears to listen.