

## Youth From Every Quarter ASM: Clint Smith

‘WE ARE WORTHY OF EXISTING WITHOUT FEAR’

SOPHIA LEE AND ZACH MOYNIHAN

Before performing a series of poems from his new book “Counting Descent,” Clint Smith gave the Andover community an introduction to spoken word poetry etiquette: the audience should to snap, hum affirmatively, or shout ‘Cheesus!’ if they heard something they really liked. From then on, nearly every other line of Smith’s poetry garnered a chorus of snaps and other appreciative noises.

Smith, a writer, teacher, and 2014 National Poetry Slam Champion, was selected as this year’s Youth from Every Quarter All School Meeting speaker. Throughout his presentation, Smith addressed the audience directly and performed poems about what race, citizenship, and his experiences as a black man in America.

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Smith is currently a PhD candidate in Education at Harvard University.



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Kathleen Ty ’19 buys a cookie from Itzelt Reyes ’19 and Jennifer Lu ’19 for their club Just Like Home, raising money for Lazarus House, a homeless shelter, in Boston, Mass.

## A Look Into the Faculty Housing System

ZACH MOYNIHAN

When a faculty member leaves Andover, they leave behind their residence. Remaining faculty members interested in that empty house or apartment can then put in their bids for it, and whether they get it depends solely on how many “points” they have.

Andover operates under a faculty point system that determines things such as housing. The system has been in place for over a decade and has served as the foundation for faculty housing assignments.

Bids for open residences in dorms and houses are granted in accordance to the amount of points a faculty member has accumulated.

In an interview with *The Phillipian*, Patrick Farrell, Dean of Faculty, outlined the system.

“Basically, it’s a way of assigning housing based upon how many points people earn from a variety of factors: their age, number of years they’ve served

in a dormitory, and the number of years they’ve served teaching,” said Farrell.

He continued, “There are two different categories. There’s dorm housing and non-dorm housing. Age only counts in non-dorm housing.”

The older a faculty member is, and the more years they have served — either in dormitories or as teachers — the more points they earn. The more points a faculty member has, the higher their chances are of receiving their desired residence.

When a faculty member retires or a place of residence is otherwise opened up, current faculty bid to move into said residences.

“There’s a two-week period where first of all [faculty] get to go and look at the apartment and see if it is going to actually fit the needs of their family. Then all they have to do is write on a sheet that just basically says these are the units that I am interested in that are up for bid right now, and they are asked to list them in or-

der of priority,” said Farrell.

The system is carried out by the work of the Faculty Housing Committee. Its co-chairs are Scott Hoenig, Instructor in Mathematics, Statistics, and Computer Science, and Catherine Carter, Instructor in Classics. Carter is currently in her third year as co-chair of the committee.

“Our committee’s job is to administer the process set forth in the Faculty Housing Supplement,” said Carter in an email to *The Phillipian*.

“[The Housing Committee] looks at the points that [faculty] have and then assigns the residence to the person with the most points,” said Farrell.

With this system have come various challenges, due to the very nature of the system’s point-based structure. Farrell described how advantages for some faculty members can arise.

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## Students Fly to SDLC Conference

IANNA RAMDHNAY

Six students traveled to Anaheim, Calif., last week to attend the annual Student Diversity Leadership Conference (SDLC) for the fourth year in a row. Keely Aouga ’19 and Sydney Mercado ’19 applied for an Abbot Grant last spring to help fund this three-day event that Andover students first attended 2007.

Organized by the National Association of Independent Schools, the SDLC was started in an effort to unite private schools students through conversations about race, class, gender, and sexuality. Guest speakers including American Civil Rights activists DeRay Mckesson and Kimberle Crenshaw, were also invited to speak about a wide range of topics on identity.

Mercado said, “We talk about a whole slew of social justice topics, so at the beginning of the conference, we had [Crenshaw] come and talk to us for about 45 minutes to an hour about intersectionality because she’s the woman that coined the term.”

Junah Jang ’20, who also attended the conference, said that her favorite speaker was award winning author Ta-Nehisi Coates.

“[Coates] is... a pessimist and cynic when he talks about race... I think that aspect of realism is a counter to what we typically expect of a speaker like Obama [who is] very hopeful,” said Jang.

“Obviously, [Obama’s] super inspirational, but Coates brings this grounding realism to a lot of the issues that were talked about in the conference.”

More than 1,600 students from about 300 schools attended the event. Participants were separated into small sub-groups of 70 students to help facilitate discussion.

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## Is an Online Sign-In System At Andover Feasible?

SOPHIA LEE

In this age of unprecedented world-wide connectivity and convenience located at the tip of our fingers, Andover students have often wondered why an online sign-in system has not yet become a reality. All students except Seniors are required to return to their dorms by 8:00 p.m. on weekdays and initial their names in a “sign-in” book before writing down where they will be studying for the rest of the night.

In April 2008, a pilot program devised to test online sign-in for boarders was designed and implemented by Frank Pinto ’08 with support from Student Council and oversight by Marlys Edward, Dean of Students and Residential Life at the time. After initial excitement, the pilot was stalled due to the system’s inefficiency and lack of administrative support, according to then Stearns residents John Grunbeck ’09 and Chase Potter ’09 as well as School President Malin Adams ’09 in a 2008 interview with *The Phillipian*.

While the administration currently does not have any concrete plans to digitize sign-in for boarders, the topic of digitizing aspects of student life has been in discussion, according to Rajesh Mundra, Assistant Dean of Students and Residential Life and faculty advisor to Student Council.

“We continue to consider the advantages and challenges of online sign-in for boarders. We are moving towards using technology for overnight/weekend excuses, and after that we will look into online sign-in possibilities,” said Mundra in an email to *The Phillipian*.

According to John Wilson, Director of Student Information and Registrar, the administration is considering two vendors to facilitate opportunities for overnight and weekend excuses. The paper forms that par-

ents and students currently fill out will be online starting in the next school year.

“The stage we’re at right now is just prior to pilot, [which would] involve requesting what we would refer to... as a ‘sandbox environment.’ We would ask for the vendor to cordon off an area in their systems... so that we would be able to pretend each of the roles — with the [student and parent] — and we would be the faculty member being notified,” said Wilson.

Wilson continued, “The bio-registry piece is slated to be ready for production for this coming term. We just finished the scoping document; it’s a requirement. It’s the administration saying this is what we’d like to do and technology has just assigned resources to it and is getting estimates and quotations.”

Wilson said that the online systems of overnight and weekend excuses could potentially be adapted to address online sign-in as well.

“The overnight excusing has been something discussed for a while... There are two vendors that we have had on campus on multiple occasions now [for us] to interview them, to survey their product, [and] to imagine... how [they] would integrate with other systems,” said Wilson in an interview with *The Phillipian*.

Techmasters co-head Alex Reichenbach ’18 verified the possibility of online sign-in technology, saying that to build an online domain for such a purpose would be feasible.

“The website would entirely be possible. I agree. One could implement geotagging and all... It makes no difference if there exists a website if the administration refuses to use it... [and] I don’t believe they would endorse an online sign-in,” said Reichenbach in an email to *The Phillipian*.

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## Families Give To Thanksgiving Meal Drive

IANNA RAMDHNAY

As students travelled home for break, many faculty families spent the weekend packing meals to donate to a Thanksgiving meal drive. The Community Engagement Office partnered with local organization Neighbors in Need to bring the event to Andover four years ago.

The event was organized in the hopes of providing a way for everyone to experience Thanksgiving, despite their socioeconomic status.

Emilie Cliquet Hughes, Community Engagement Program Assistant, said, “The person in the office at the time was aware that there was a need especially around Thanksgiving. They realized that if we could do a meal drive for Thanksgiving, you could definitely help a lot of families enjoy a meal together.”

Brian Faulk ’00, Chair of the Chemistry Department, who donated to the drive said, “I think especially with the theme of citizenship this year, it’s something that my family wanted to take part in and we got our kids involved so that was really special.”

The event offered many participants the opportunity to

recognize their privilege. Christine Marshall-Walker, Instructor in Biology, agreed with the idea that the idea of citizenship theme played a role in motivating community members to host the drive by giving many a feeling of responsibility.

Marshall-Walker said, “In particular, for our family, it’s a way of stepping back and considering how much we have — how much extra we have in our lives — and that’s not the case for everyone, so it’s one way to help and around holidays.”

Thayer Zaeder, Instructor in Art, said, “I can speak personally; I think you feel a bit better about enjoying all of the comforts you have when you’ve had a chance to give to someone who is less fortunate than yourself. For me, it’s about trying to acknowledge the difference and opportunities that people have — access to resources and money and jobs — so it’s a way of, in a smaller manner, leveling the playing field.”

Marshall-Walker, Faulk, and Zaeder mentioned the great effect the drive had on their own families as well as on the families on the receiving end of donations.

Marshall-Walker said, “I know that many of the fami-

lies live in Lawrence — not all of them, but many of them are living in Lawrence — and are supporting relatives that live in Puerto Rico. Especially in light of the hurricanes and the devastation down there... [there] were extra mouths to feed this year.”

The meal drive is the only on-campus drive conducted by Neighbors in Need. In order to ensure that families receiving the items have a perfect, traditional Thanksgiving, Linda Zimmerman, Executive Director of Neighbors in Need, provides shopping lists with specific brands and types foods to purchase.

The meal drive is the only on-campus drive conducted by Neighbors in Need, a partner for Non Sibi Weekend and other events focused on hunger awareness. The organization runs 12 food pantries in Lawrence, Haverhill, and Methuen, Mass.

According to Monique Cueto-Potts, Director of Community Engagement, the organization provided 370,000 pounds of food to people in the greater Lawrence area in 2016, amounting to over 500,000 meals distributed to 3,000 different families.



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Meals sit outside of Borden Gym, ready to be delivered.

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### Breaking the Silence

*The Phillipian*, vol. CXL, dissects the celebrity’s role in social justice and activism.

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### Abbot Grant Winners

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Editorial

Breaking the Silence

On October 5, 2017, “The New York Times” published an article that brought three decades worth of sexual assault and harassment accusations against film producer Harvey Weinstein to light. Major Hollywood players such as Cara Delevingne, Angelina Jolie, and Gwyneth Paltrow spoke out about their own experiences of sexual misconduct by Weinstein and other powerful men in the industry, and the count of Weinstein’s accusers eventually rose to 83 women. Other celebrities publicly condemned his actions and supported their peers.

The boom in media attention on the Weinstein case prompted an instant surge of sexual harassment and sexual assault allegations against prominent men in positions of power. One month after “The New York Times” published the results of their investigation on Weinstein, five women accused Emmy-Winning Comedian Louis C.K. of sexual harassment. On the same day, “The Washington Post” reported several sexual misconduct accusations against Roy Moore, the Republican party’s Senate nominee in Alabama. Later that month, television host and journalist Charlie Rose was fired by CBS News, PBS, and Bloomberg after eight employees accused Rose of sexual harassment and unwanted advances.

Other celebrities have offered overwhelming support for these survivors of sexual assault, posting messages of encouragement and allyship on media platforms including Instagram, Twitter, and Facebook, where they manage accounts that collectively have millions of followers. Celebrities have taken charge of the discussion and have steered media attention towards these cases. In doing so, they have created an environment that has empowered other famous women and men to speak out both on their own experiences with sexual assault and harassment and in support of each other.

We commend these celebrities for establishing a dialogue on sexual assault. We must remember, however, that this issue goes back further than Harvey Weinstein and beyond what is publicized by celebrities.

In 2004, 16-year-old Cyntoia Brown was convicted of manslaughter after she was forced into prostitution and killed her attempted rapist. She was tried as an adult and is currently serving life in prison. Her trial took place more than ten years ago, yet the injustice of her situation only started to gain attention after celebrities like Rihanna,

Lady Gaga, and Kim Kardashian spread Brown’s story on social media, spawning the viral hashtag #FreeCyntoiaBrown and highlighting flaws in the American justice system.

The fact that Brown’s story has only gained attention after ten years exposes a powerful theme that rings true in the current deluge of sexual assault accusations: stories without a powerful name attached to them tend to go unheard.

The perceived validity or importance of a survivor’s story should not depend on their celebrity. Although celebrities may have laid the groundwork for a safer, supportive environment for sexual assault survivors, we need to ensure that this environment extends to non-white, non-famous, non-wealthy survivors — and everyone in between — who may not have the social media platforms to widely publicize their situations. In short, regular survivors need to feel comfortable speaking up knowing their story will be justly considered. They need to know that this wave is for them too.

This idea is the most important thing about #MeToo. The simplicity of the social media campaign extends the umbrella of solidarity and empowers those voices that may not have otherwise been heard. Those participating in the still-growing movement represent a wide range of races, ethnicities and socioeconomic backgrounds; the movement provides an atmosphere of support for survivors without name recognition to tell their stories and their own personal justices along with celebrities.

On Wednesday, “TIME Magazine” named their 2017 Person(s) of the Year: the “Silence Breakers” who spoke out against sexual misconduct and sparked the #MeToo campaign. The cover photo features former Uber engineer Susan Fowler, lobbyist Adama Iwu, an anonymous female hospital worker from Texas, and Isabel Pascual, a strawberry picker originally from Mexico, all staring stone-faced at the camera alongside Taylor Swift and actress Ashley Judd. The image is captivating, exuding a fierce defiance rarely seen in print. It makes a powerful statement: empowerment does not begin and end with the stories of the world-famous, and justice truly must be for all.

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Crisis Without Management

ADIN MCAULIFFE

IN THE MIDST OF THE emotionally charged debate between domestic political parties, we are overlooking one of the world’s most pressing issues. Several nations’ current policies and rhetorics on the global refugee crisis have resulted in tens of thousands of deaths. Many nations that pride themselves on maintaining a significant majority of the world’s political influence, including China, Russia, the United States, and the United Kingdom, continue to exacerbate the issue by refusing to accept refugees, forcing them to battle the systems of powerful governments simply to escape their war-torn homes. The time has come for us to relieve them of this burden.

During the summer of 2015, according to the BBC, Europe and the Middle East encountered its highest influx of refugees since the end of the World War II. At the mercy of an authoritative government, religious extremists, terrorist organizations, and hostile neighboring nations unwilling to provide aid, Syrian civilians have little choice but to leave everything behind and attempt to seek asylum in more progressive countries that will welcome them. Amnesty International reports that only five countries provide aid through temporary camps to around 95% of Syrian refugees, while many European and Middle-Eastern countries have instituted new policies to permanently seal off their borders. This situation has left millions of Syrians endangered. At this critical juncture in the refugee crisis, the world should unite to provide these refugees with the basic human necessities

that they so desperately lack. Yet, illogically, this crisis is doing just the opposite: it is driving us apart.

China, Russia, the U.S., and the U.K. have each established a relatively small cap on the number of refugees allowed into the respective countries. In fact, by the end of August of 2016, there were only nine Syrian refugees and 26 asylum seekers in China, according to “Foreign Policy.” Additionally, Human Rights Watch writes, “Russian officials have rejected any responsibility to do more to help refugees, claiming that Russia is doing its part simply by assisting the Syrian government in combating terrorist groups.” Both China and Russia have left Western nations to take responsibility for their own actions and cast blame upon the West for the refugee crisis.

When confronting issues that jeopardize humans’ lives, our world leaders should be able to temporarily set aside their egotistical and obstinate mindsets. As of 2017, England has taken in 18% of its “share” and only plans to admit 20,000 Syrian refugees by 2020, according to “The Independent.” The United States, once prepared to take in over 110,000 refugees, has modified its policies to temporarily ban any war-ridden refugees from seeking asylum in the country and plans to admit under 45,000 in the years to follow, as stated by the Migration Policy Institute. These decreasing numbers will inevitably result in more and more deaths. Arab nations along the Persian Gulf have also neglected their moral duty to provide asylum to Syrian refugees. These countries must do their part; innocent people facing a chaotic crisis

should receive assistance from neighboring countries.

It is difficult for nations and their leaders, on a global scale, to support a unified and compassionate approach to the refugee crisis when most voters have a false sense of patriotism and nationalism. For example, in the U.S., the notion of “putting America first” has prevented various candidates with more flexible views towards the crisis from attaining the support they need to secure political positions, which would give them the platform to enact beneficial policies for refugees.

Various political campaigns around the world are taking a very conservative approach to this dilemma. These candidates tend to attract supporters who fear the economic detriment and increase in crime that refugees pose to sovereign states. In reality, these fears are unfounded. Although the acceptance of refugees will likely require small adjustments within economic structures, William Evans, professor and department chair of Economics at The University of Notre Dame, estimates that refugees still prove beneficial to the economy. Based on multiple studies executed over a 25 year period, Evans suggests that in the United States, refugees will pay significantly more in taxes over time than it costs for the government to relocate and set up special programs for them. In addition, a study by New American Economy examining



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the most dense population of refugees in the United States revealed that “9 out of 10 of the communities including Georgia, Michigan, and Utica actually became considerably safer, both in terms of their levels of violent and property crime.” However, in the U.S. and many other nations, there exists a notion that we must compromise on citizens’ safety in order to accept refugees. In reality, helping refugees and acting in citizens’ best interests are not mutually exclusive, and we must not treat them as a dichotomy.

With right-wing political candidates consistently secur-

ing positions of power, our moral duty to save innocent lives is, sadly, becoming an increasingly farfetched idea. We must work to dismantle the misconception that accepting refugees poses risks for the citizens of asylum countries, and we must do our part to provide them an escape from persecution. Unfortunately, working towards this solution has proven to be very difficult, because the world does not have one refugee problem. It has several.

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# Communication Without Competition

AVA RATCLIFF

I HAVE BEEN BLOGGING for seven years. What I love most about writing online is that my work and the work of others is immediately available to every person in the world. However, with the recent push to repeal net neutrality regulations, I might have to give up my passion.

If you haven't heard this buzzword already, net neutrality is the simple principle that "Internet service providers should or must treat all Internet data as the same regardless of its kind, source, or destination," as defined by Merriam-Webster. As a student who does not earn a steady income, I don't have the money to pay for my own URL, much less pay for my website to load at a competitive speed. Blogging is an activity that I cherish and that I think should be available for every child to learn. Without net neutrality, the world of blogging would have never been accessible to me and many others.

Ajit Pai, chair of the U.S. Federal Communications Commission and former Associate General Counsel at Verizon, wants to strip away your right to internet access with the removal of all net neutrality regulations. He has proposed a vote to take place on December 14 and go along party lines, three Republicans to two Democrats in favor of removal. These five, appointed by President Obama or Trump, are the chairpeople of the Federal Communications Commission.

If net neutrality is repealed, companies would be able to slow down speeds or block websites altogether if the consumer does not pay a fee. Slowing down service speed for websites who cannot pay for high speed internet will harm a broad range of groups — from small businesses and startups to bloggers and students.

As our world becomes more globally connected and online oriented, it is important to teach

students how to navigate and carve out a place of their own in our growing internet. If some are not afforded this opportunity because they cannot pay, we are widening the gap between classes and setting lower-class children at a disadvantage. Low-income college students already earn only two-thirds as much as their high-income counterparts. Repealing net neutrality will make it even harder for low-income students to have an equal playing field when it comes to access to crucial learning material and websites, such as Khan Academy, Wikipedia, "The New York Times," and even Canvas. Simply put, repealing net neutrality regulations is blatantly classist.

The repeal of net neutrality goes against our first amendment rights by jeopardizing every citizen's right to create and consume free, relevant, and truthful information about the world. In fact, in 2014, President Obama named the internet an essential utility, saying, "The Internet has become an essential part of everyday communication and everyday life."

Although it is difficult to determine concrete numbers, some analysts have suggested that internet service providers could divide website access into packages. This would mean consumers would be forced to pay individually for packages of websites. For instance, paying separately for a social media package, music package, streaming package, and a news package. The price would also be up to the discretion of internet service providers.

Conversely, every person has the right to spread ideas and information on an equal platform. An open internet allows citizens to share their opinions without censorship because of income. By censoring or silencing low income voices altogether, we are not maintaining the integrity of our democracy. Pai has argued that just because internet service providers can charge you

for accessing certain websites doesn't mean they will. When he expresses these sentiments, it is important to remember that Pai is a former Verizon employee. He does not have your best interests at heart and never has.

Pai claims his "plan to restore internet freedom would return us to the light-touch, market-based approach under which the internet thrived." The internet, however, would not thrive even if we were to return to this hypothetical time. Instead it would be monopolized by broadband companies such as Comcast, AT&T, and ironically, Pai's former employer, Verizon.

It is also important to realize that some internet providers already incentivize their customers to lean towards certain platforms. For instance, AT&T owns DirectTV. When AT&T users use the service, it doesn't count against their plan's data limits. In a similar vein, Verizon prohibits 4k video standard if its customer is not paying for their most expensive unlimited plan. Both of these are legal loopholes companies jump through with net neutrality. Imagine how much worse things will get if net neutrality is repealed and companies have free rein to do whatever they please when it comes to providing internet access.

It's not over yet. Right now, you can call or email your congressperson, leave a comment on the FCC's website, email Mr. Pai himself, and tell others to do the same. If the FCC repeals net neutrality, we will lose what makes the internet so revolutionary. Without net neutrality, I and many others would not have been able to get our ideas off the ground. Lower-class citizens would have fewer learning opportunities, and the gap between classes will only widen. We cannot lose our right to communicate equally and without restriction.

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# Another Battle For The Net

ANDY ZENG

AFTER SPENDING A long day at Tokyo DisneySea with my family over Thanksgiving, I sank into bed, phone in hand, ready for my daily dose of memes from the "reddit.com" forum "dankmemes." As my finger tapped the Reddit icon, the application opened to reveal link after link from different subreddits with the same address: "https://www.battleforthenet.com."

I vaguely remember hearing about this "battle for the net" back in 2015. The battle that took place two years ago refers to the government's attempt to dismantle net neutrality, and now, the government is trying to do this once again. According to "Fortune," the Federal Communication Commission (FCC) — the branch of U.S. government in charge of radio, TV, and the web — plans to eradicate current regulations and give Internet Service Providers (ISPs) absolute freedom to manipulate internet costs and bandwidth. If their plan is successful, Americans will soon face the repercussions, which may include limited access to information and significantly slower loading speeds on certain websites. We will be vulnerable to any kind of abuse that Verizon, AT&T, Comcast, and other telecom companies have in mind without governmental protection. Sound harrowing? I think so too.

Ajit Pai, chairman of the FCC and ex-Verizon employee, claims that he is, in fact, making a noble effort to end governmental "micromanagement over markets." Pai, in an interview with "NPR," stated that his new plan will "benefit digital consumers and entre-

preneurs alike." However, I am not convinced. I believe that what Pai has plotted clearly violates a fundamental aspect of our modern lifestyle: fair and equal access to the world wide web.

I will first acknowledge the fact that there is a line between greed-driven corporate manipulation and fair management, the differentiating factor being the intention of the company (whether it wants to benefit the people or profit off of them). That said, I firmly believe that the FCC's decision to repeal the Title II order, a bedrock safety perimeter Obama created back in 2015, is an act of the former kind, aimed at making the big telecom corporations even wealthier.

No matter how Pai decides to frame it, the repeal of net neutrality is not at all about eliminating "a tyrannical censorship" over the people's liberty. It would enable corporations to block whatever data traffic they wish, and essentially, control which websites load instantly and which take forever to buffer, throttling healthy competition and opposing views as they see fit. The removal of net neutrality will not make the internet freer; rather, it will only rig the (mostly) fair and even playing field that exists today against blooming start-ups and everyday civilians.

Though the initial response of internet users appeared to be mixed, a recent study conducted by data scientist Jeff Kao revealed that most of the posted comments to FCC's proposal to repeal net neutrality protections on their website were fabricated, and only "800,000 of the 22 million total comments were likely to be original and that 99 percent of them supported [current] net

neutrality" regulations. This only proves that behind his fancy suit and corporate jargon, Pai is willing to play dirty, especially when he knows he has the backing of President Donald Trump. We should keep in mind that although Pai was appointed by Obama — someone whose views do not align with his own — Trump was the one who promoted him to the position of chairman back in January. Furthermore, revocation of Title II was not attempted when Obama was still in the White House; it happened only after Trump took his place. This may imply that the Trump administration in whole is capable of manipulation through shady tactics.

I used to think that liberal Americans were the ones who took things a little too far regarding certain policies, but this incident was an eye opener. I hope it's also one for those who still believe that Trump is going to "Make America Great Again" by yielding even more power to telecom corporations.

Even after sending emails in a desperate attempt to preserve my right to fair internet access, I felt the urge to call my hometown's representatives. Thankfully, my county's supervisors are already in support of net neutrality, but this is not the case for most of the country. I hope that on the morning of December 14, when the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) votes on the plan to repeal the regulations, I will wake up to the same internet we all know and love.

Andy Zeng is a New Lower from Palo Alto, Calif.

# What Your Internet Plan Could Look Like

\* not based on real data

## Basic Internet

To access additional packages, you would need to purchase them, as illustrated in the examples below.

\$30

## Pathfinder



\$5

## Academic



\$10

## News



\$5

## Music



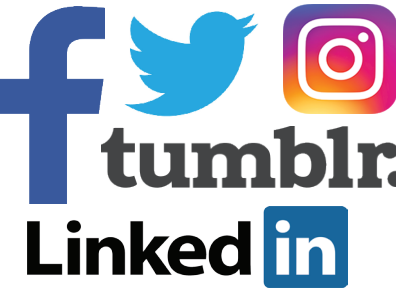
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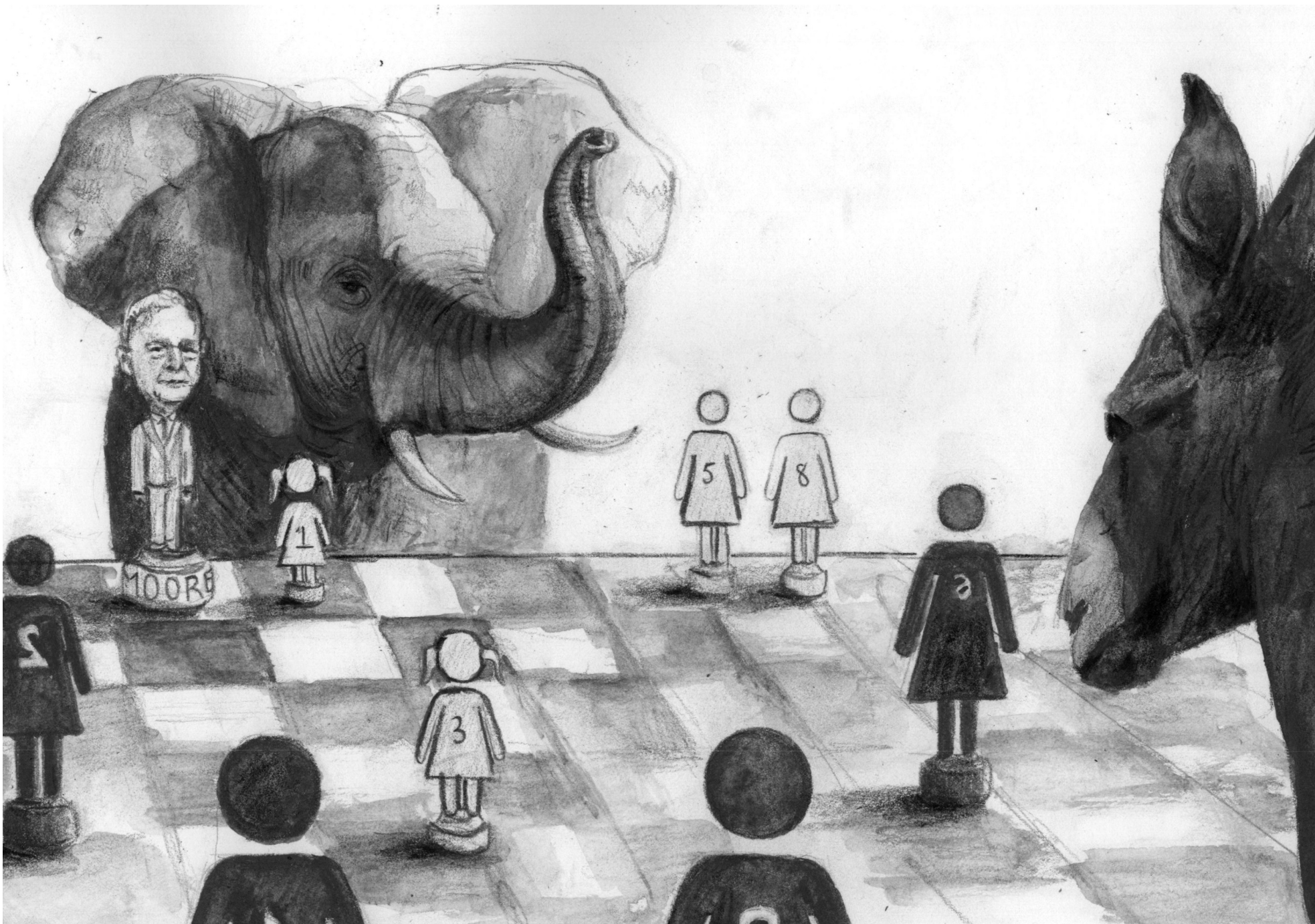
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# Survivors Are Not Your Political Pawns



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MEGAN VAZ

NINE. THAT’S HOW many women in the state of Alabama have alleged that U.S. Senate candidate Roy Moore made inappropriate advances toward them as teenagers and young adults. These advances range from acts of inappropriately flirting to sexual assault. Many women have come forward years later, with stories that seem credible, yet I’m not surprised to detect the heavy stench of victim blaming in the air. Upon discussing the allegations with my old camp friends from Alabama, I was disappointed to hear statements like “Why only come out now?” and “They’re only saying this stuff as a smear campaign.”

These stories are generally deemed believable due to substantial evidence surrounding the cases. A colleague of Moore told “CNN” that Moore’s tendency to date high-school-aged girls was “common knowledge.” One of Moore’s accusers presented a flirtatious high school yearbook note written and signed by Moore, while an-

other accuser showed Christmas cards from Moore she received as a teenager. The stories presented by Moore’s accusers are also consistent with his whereabouts and positions at the time. They’re just too specific — backed by other people associated with the victims and Moore — to be false.

It is disappointing to see that even as evidence-backed as these allegations are, and perhaps even if Moore himself confessed, many supporters of Moore would likely still ignore them. In the world of politics, this pattern is common. Victims of sexual assault often face unwarranted backlash, especially when coming forward to accuse public figures. These vic-

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tims have not come forward specifically to put one political party at a disadvantage; in fact, according to “The Washington Post,” several of Moore’s accusers belong to his party. Victims are coming forward at this time to ensure that their abuser is not placed in positions of power. Yet, we continue to make excuses upon excuses as to why else someone may come forward, overlooking — sometimes intentionally — what is truly happening.

So, the question exists: why can’t we accept allegations against figures we support? This question exhibits itself strongly in the political sphere. Many of my conservative friends would condemn Bill Clinton for rape allegations made against him in the blink of an eye and offer public support for his victims, but they kept their mouths shut or offered flimsy excuses when allegations against President Trump came to light. The truth is, sexual assault is not a partisan issue — we cannot believe survivors only when it is convenient for our agendas. Somehow, we have man-

aged to become so selfish that we warp the trauma faced by others to fit our own motives and narratives. It’s becoming increasingly common.

And it’s disgusting.

“We’ll surely win the race if women keep coming forward,” reads a text another Alabamian friend sent to me regarding the allegations

**We have made this more about power than the stories, pain, and strength of the people who came forward.**

against Moore. At first, I didn’t think much of it. Yeah, it was true: the more survivors came forward, the more leverage Moore’s opponent had in the polls. Then, I began thinking: why did my friend reference the race and not Moore’s victims? It became clear that people are largely using survivors as pawns to advance their own political agendas. This is more a fault of our personal biases than

anything else. When recent sexual harassment allegations against U.S. Senator Al Franken first arose, Democrats in the Senate were hesitant to call for his resignation, despite most Democrats calling for candidate Roy Moore to resign. We have made this more about power than the stories, pain, and strength of the people who came forward.

Roy Moore should not be elected as the next U.S. Senator from Alabama. Not because of his political affiliation, but because of his character and actions. It is our responsibility to take power out of the hands of abusers and hold ourselves accountable to our own biases. At the same time, people on the opposite side of the political spectrum in such situations must stop insensitively milking the stories of survivors for their own personal gain. This is not about the polls or which party holds control. This is about holding all abusers equally accountable, no matter who they are.

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# Bye-Bye Black Friday

AVA LONG



vember into December marks shopping season, and this year, recently released Adobe data shows shoppers’ increasing preference towards online shopping. Cyber Monday and online shopping in general are slowly taking over the market for holiday spendings. In fact, Cyber Monday sales are reported to have increased around 17 percent since last year. Looks like it’s bye-bye, Black Friday.

I never understood why Cyber Monday was so close to

Black Friday. I always thought that one of these days would drive the other to extinction. How many people want to go overboard with their spending on two days that are virtually consecutive? I initially believed that Cyber Monday would fail first, since Black Friday precedes Cyber Monday. I was wrong. The data shows it’s the other way around: less people are going to malls on Black Friday, and more people are choosing to shop online, and I’m not sure this is a bad thing.

I have never viewed Black Friday as a stellar shopping experience. I personally have no problem with Black Friday disappearing because sales will still be available through its more digital counterpart, Cyber Monday. In this day and age, I do not believe that in-store sales are going to drive commerce. Deals are offered everywhere, whether one chooses to shop online or in-store. Additionally, encouraging more online shopping will allow people to shop from a larger inventory. Most companies offer a wider

selection of products on their websites than in their stores, and this comes without the hassle, long lines, and stress. Society has emphasized Black Friday as a day of “out-of-this-world” deals, but Cyber Monday deals are often just as worthy of attention.

I’ve found that Cyber Monday deals are, at many times, similar to those of Black Friday. For example, on Black Friday, I went to a Vineyard Vines store to find that everything was 25 percent off. On Cyber Monday, I saw a Vineyard Vines email saying everything online was 20 percent off, though shipping had to be paid. When shipping costs are included in the total cost, the price will definitely be higher, but, usually, not significantly. I believe that the current problem with Black Friday is that the deals online are too similar to the sales in-store, so there is no point in spending precious time and gas money traversing to stores. Why wait in long lines when I could just wait two days and shop from my couch? If brand name

stores wish to preserve Black Friday, they should endeavor to create dramatically lower in-store costs than customers can find online.

Another reason that Black Friday is becoming dispensable is because there are an increasing number of early-bird shoppers. According to “Criteo,” the average amount of money spent shopping online on Thanksgiving was 180 dollars, essentially starting a “Black Thanksgiving” trend. Meanwhile, the average amount of money spent on e-commerce on Black Friday was only 168 dollars. People are no longer waiting until Black Friday to shop; they begin shopping on Thanksgiving. I predict that the gap between these numbers will continue to become more drastic in upcoming years, with Black Friday sales decreasing to the point where there it is not enough to distinguish the days.

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# 2017-2018 Abbot Grant Recipients

Reporting by Isabel Mikheev and Jungho Chang



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(From Left to Right) Claudia Meng '18, Malcolm Essaid '18, and Diva Harsoor '18.

Claudia Meng '18, Diva Harsoor '18, and Malcolm Essaid '18 received 9,500 dollars to help more students attend collegiate conferences for Model United Nations (MUN). Meng said, "We thought the cost [for the conference] was really restrictive so we're going to use all of the money from the grant to subsidize costs."



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Georgia Ezell '19 (left) and Ria Vieira '19 (right).

Georgia Ezell '19 and Ria Vieira '19 received 1,382 dollars for their photography club "F-STOP Magazine." The two will create a website and a printed photography magazine.

## Abbot Grants

\$14,532 **Greenlight4girls@Andover**  
J. Rossi '20, E. Donchi '18, and L. Brady '18

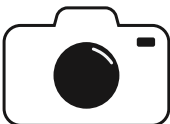
\$1,800 **Arts for Empathy**  
Z. Yin '19



\$2,000 **Class of '18 "Senior Book"**  
K. Wang '18 and R. Kindangen '18

\$9,500 **Model United Nations**  
C. Meng '18, M. Essaid '18, and D. Harsoor '18

\$1,382 **F-STOP Magazine**  
G. Ezell '19 and R. Viera '19



\$3,450 **PA Meal Packaging Event**  
M. Sundaram '19, C. Kukkk '19, and A. Sills '19

\$1,903 **DN@ndover**  
A. Choi '19 and L. Gan '19



\$1,106 **Young Writers' Symposium**  
J. Lee '18 and Y. Yoo '18

\$6,200 **Free Blue History Research Publication Project**  
Y. Lee '19, A. Gonda '18, and C. Gihlstorf '19

\$150 **Andover - Habitat for Humanity affiliation**  
E. Qian '19 and S. Hahn '20

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(From Left to Right) Emma Donchi '18, Lila Brady '18, and Jacqueline Rossi '20.

Emma Donchi '18, Lila Brady '18, and Jacqueline Rossi '20 received 14,532 dollars for their program Greenlight4girls@Andover. The team will bring 60 middle school girls from Frost Middle School and the Carlisle School for a full day of STEM workshops at Andover.



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Sparky Yoo '18 (left) and Jennifer Lee '18 (right).

Jennifer Lee '18 and Sparky Yoo '18 received 1,106 dollars for their Young Writers' Symposium. Student writers from New England will participate in different workshops and feature Kate McQuade, published author and instructor in English, as a mentor and keynote speaker.



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Zoe Yin '19.

Zoe Yin '19 received 1,800 dollars for Arts for Empathy, a one-time exhibition intended to foster a deeper understanding and appreciation for child art. The exhibition will run in the OWHL from January 22 until February 9. Arts for Empathy is provided by the International Child Art Foundation (ICAF).

Rachel Kindangen '18 and Katelyn Wang '18, co-heads of Faces of Andover, received 2000 dollars to create a "Senior Book" for the Class of 2018. The book will feature photographs of seniors and quotes about their Andover experience.



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Rachel Kindangen '18 (left) and Katelyn Wang '18 (right).



S.AGRAWAL/THE PHILLIPIAN  
(From left to right) Eddy Lee '19, Caroline Gihlstorf '19, and Akane Gonda '18.

Akane Gonda '18, Caroline Gihlstorf '19, and Eddy Lee '19 received 6,200 dollars to work on The Blue Frontier History Research Publication Project. The team will publish biannual anthologies that share students' historical interpretations of current events.

Mangai Sundaram '19, Carley Kukkk '19, and Ava Stills '19 received 3,450 dollars for their PA Meal Packaging Event scheduled for April 2018. The team will work with Rise Against Hunger to pack 20,000 meals in an hour and raise 6,000 dollars for thousands of undernourished children and families.



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(From left to right) Ava Stills '19, Mangai Sundaram '19, and Carley Kukkk '19.



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Emily Qian '19 and Senna Hahn '20.

Emily Qian '19 and Senna Hahn '20 received 150 dollars from the Abbot Academy Fund to create an affiliation between Andover and Habitat for Humanity. Qian said, "[Habitat for Humanity] is an organization that helps restore and [build] homes to the homeless."

Angelreana Choi '19 and Lin Gan '19 received 1,903 dollars for their project DN@ndover. The two will provide 14 DNA testing kits for students interested in exploring their ancestry and family background. Choi said their project will provide students a space to reflect on the meaning of citizenship and identity.



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Angelreana Choi '19 (left) and Lin Gan '19.



# Students Create Workshops at SDLC

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Miley Kaufman '19, another participant, said, "You have three days to reflect on who you are as a person... I think that's really special about this space. You're surrounded by people who are very different but also very supportive and loving, and it was just a really great environment."

"Being in sub-groups allowed us to be a lot more intimate with each other, really learn more from each other, and also to be more involved in our shared experience with others," said Josh Thomas '19.

Mercado added, "I think it definitely opens our eyes to a lot of the things that are happening on both our campus and other campuses. Before I went I thought our campus was progressive, but there's a lot of things we could work on. Once I left I noticed how many other campuses were really struggling."

One of the final activities of the event was putting together a workshop for the adults at the conference regarding socioeconomic status on campus. Given the statement, "Andover discusses race enough," the adults were asked agree or disagree. The discussion was a space to share

personal stories and to brainstorm possible solutions if they disagreed. This event framed the ideas students would take from their experiences at the conference and how they would utilize them at their respective schools.

Jang said, "We talked in our workshop specifically about socioeconomic class. We were looking through different ways we can shine lights on people's experiences and facilitate conversations where people can share their personal experiences, which makes things more interesting."

LaShawn Springer, Director of Community and Multicultural Development, traveled with the students to Anaheim to attend the People of Color Conference (POCC), which ran parallel to the SDLC.

Springer said, "It's one of my favorite experiences. Students are in their own sessions all day, so we only see each other for breakfast and then at night for check-in, but it's great to debrief on what they're hearing and learning each day... I'm always humbled by our students and their willingness to lead us in some difficult and important conversations."

*Editor's Note: Keely Aouga '19 is an Associate Commentary Editor for The Phillipian.*

# Intoxicated Driver Arrested On Campus

## STAFF REPORT

A 42-year-old female driver was arrested and charged with operating a vehicle under the influence of alcohol on campus this Wednesday night. According to public records from the Andover Police Department, the arrest happened at 10:43 p.m. after Phillips Academy Public Safety (PAPS) reported a possibly intoxicated driver on campus. No one was harmed, although several parked cars sustained damage after being hit by the driver.

Two students first encountered the driver behind Samuel Phillips Hall, where they noticed poor driving characteristic of someone under the influence. The driver then turned down Great Quad Road and drove past Foxcroft House, Bartlet House, and the Oliver Wendell Holmes Library before attempting to turn onto the footpath in front of Pearson Hall. The students stopped the driver and called PAPS to report the incident, who then contacted the Andover police.

According to Thomas Conlon, Director of Public Safety, the incident was reported to PAPS at approximately 10:15 p.m.

In an interview with *The Phillipian*, Conlon said, "We received a call from a student saying they believed they had an intoxicated driver on campus, so call came into dispatch... The public safety office held the person there, and in the meantime the dispatch called the Andover Police Department. They gave the person a sobriety test, and I believe they arrested her on the spot, and they had her car towed away."



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Four police cars were present on the scene.

# VEX Robotics Club Qualifies For State Championship

## ADRIENNE LI AND HELEN HE

Members of the Andover VEX Robotics Club will be sending a robot to the VEX Robotics State Championships. Andover's team, Parallax, advanced one of their two robots, Robot A, to the final round and won the "Excellence Award" for best overall performance, during their first competition of the season over break. Qualifying for States is the first step toward competing at World Championships, which the team has qualified for twice before and attended once.

"[The] competition went really well. For the first time, there were no mistakes or faulty mechanisms, and I think that was really great because it shows that our program has improved over the three years of its existence. I think that this year, with so many new members and a lot of engagement from everyone on the team, competitions have just run more smoothly," said Jocelyn Shen '18, co-head of the Andover VEX Robotics Club.

Given the number of members who joined the team this year, Parallax decided to enter two robots, Robot A and Robot B, into the competition. While Robot A was mostly built by more experienced members, Robot B gives those new to the club a chance to participate in the building process and experiment with different designs.

"I think that we're improving a lot because, compared to last year when we didn't even have a second robot to bring to the competition, we're really growing and getting better. One of the improvements that we've been trying to make all year is to try and get everyone on the team involved in building and coding. That's a problem we had last year; some people didn't feel like they got the opportunity to show their skills," said Herbie Turner '18, a team member.

The challenge for this year's competition was called "In the Zone," in which teams scored points by programming their robots to stack and move as many

cones as possible into various zones. Each match also had a driver-controlled period, in which the robot was controlled by a person rather than code.

Nathan Wang '19, a team member and the driver for Robot A, said, "I guess you can build a great robot, but if the driver doesn't do well with it, then all the effort kind of goes to waste... I can't fall under pressure because, if I do, then we're done. I'm lucky enough to be naturally good under pressure, [but] my teammates help me a lot... I can't do it without them."

Having participated in this competition for the past two years, Parallax values the opportunity to analyze robots from other teams and to collaborate.

"Competition is a really good way to see what other people are doing, how [the robot] works on the field, [and] especially to just be with other people who are interested in robotics. Alliances [pairings between teams from different schools] can be very fun. Working together with a team you've never met is something really important. It's a skill you have to develop," said Amanda Li '18, a team member.

The VEX Robotics Club gives students the opportunity to com-

pete in robotics competitions throughout the year and is open to anyone, regardless of experience.

"VEX is a smaller scale competition, so it's more accepting of beginners... There's obviously a lot of work in the program, but it's easier for beginners to get involved in that work," said co-head Jeffrey Shen '19.

In preparation for their next competition, the Southern New England Championships, Parallax hopes to improve both of their robots. Currently, the team is focusing specifically on adopting successful techniques from Robot A onto Robot B in order to improve the overall efficiency of the robots.

"For competitive goals, we're hoping to get both of our [robots] to the World Championships. We've gotten one of our [robots] to the World Championships for two years. This year, our goal is to get the second [robot] to Worlds as well. With regards to goals for the program, I'd say we're really looking for new and engaged members who are just happy to be there for robotics," said Jocelyn Shen.

*Editor's Note: Jeffrey Shen '19 is an Associate Digital Editor for The Phillipian.*



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Nathan Wang '19 and CC Song '21 make adjustments to their robot.

# Faculty Housing System Aims To Account for Complications

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"No matter how you construct a system, it is going to eventually favor some faculty over others. If you think about age, age favors older faculty. If you think about teaching experience, teaching experience favors people who start a teaching career earlier," said Farrell.

Another difficulty emerged due to the necessity of providing certain faculty families with dealed units for the health and wellbeing of younger faculty children.

"If someone has a child, according to the state law of Massachusetts, age six or under, they have to live in a properly dealed unit, and that means that we have to give an advantage in the bidding process to those faculty who have children under the age of six... Those are some of the challenges that come up in a system like this," said Calleja.

Despite these complications,

Farrell expressed his belief in the system's success, a structure that has been in place throughout his time at Andover.

"In my opinion, it's been extremely successful, and one of the best measures that I have is faculty who have been at other schools that do not have a formal system like this where the Dean of Faculty is actually the person doing all the housing assignments. Faculty who come from those schools to Andover think the system is so much fairer and better," said Farrell.

Faculty members such as Leon Calleja, Instructor in English, agree with this assessment of the system.

"I think the school and the faculty really try to make it as fair as possible and try to devise a system that allows that. I think it's a reflection of the school trying hard to come up with a solution to a difficult problem," said Calleja.

Looking toward the future, there do not seem to be any imminent plans for the revision of the

faculty point system.

"Right now, there are no future plans to make significant changes. That would be a process that would have to be started up from the faculty actually requesting that we look at the system. At this point, the Housing Committee, I believe, has solicited the faculty and got some input, but there does not seem to be a desire for a huge amount of change in the system," said Farrell.

However, Heidi Wall, Instructor in Mathematics, Statistics, and Computer Science, suggested a possible course of action to improve the system.

"As far as improvements, I think there needs to be an effort to value life experiences, whether they be teaching, graduate school, or work in other industries prior to life at Andover more equitably than they are now. This is important to being able to attract and retain faculty with other experiences outside of Andover," said Wall.

# Andover Launches Fourth Year In Technovation Challenge

## AVA RATCLIFF

Andover is joining the annual Technovation challenge for the fourth year in a row. The competition aims to teach girls entrepreneurship, business, and app design skills. Teams of four will create mobile apps that address a problem in their community. Nicole Gilmore, a Harvard professor and creator of Savannah, a startup that aims to pair personal service providers with consumers, spoke at Andover's launch event last Monday.

"I think girls need more of a role or will take more of a role in leading innovation across various platforms. Technology is just one where there are not enough women and girls who are creating, who are building in that space," said Gilmore in an interview with *The Phillipian*.

She continued, "The opportunity to motivate and inspire very gifted and talented girls to launch innovative ideas charges me. If you do it, if you push through and persevere, join a team, and take that team to the end the reward on the back end is just incredible."

Jocelyn Shen '18 created an app in 2016 called Sorbet, which encouraged productivity and time management. She is returning with high hopes and a new perspective.

"My Upper year I took Computer Science-630 seminars, and those really helped me with becoming a more advanced coder and increasing my computer science knowledge," said Shen.

"I also learned a lot about business pitches through Technovation and MIT Launch... I think that this year the whole process of coding and business plans will be a lot smoother," added Shen.

Miley Kaufman '19, a new competitor, said the launch event inspired her to form a team and dive into the competition.

"There are less girls in the tech industry, and I think competitions like this [encourage and allow for] both male and female voices in the tech industry," said Kaufman.

After the competition, many students have walked away with a newfound passion for app development and coding, with many continuing to study computer science, according to Maria Litvin, Instructor in Mathematics, Statistics, and Computer Science and a faculty mentor of Technovation.

Recently, the Computer Science department created a new formal course on iOS coding to accommo-

date for students' growing interest in app design.

"Several girls reported that they really got a bug to do this — they got paid internships in places, [and] several of them are continuing in computer science. It is documented that those who participate in this program are more likely to take more computer science courses and major in computer science. It just sparks interest," said Litvin.

Although the launch event already took place, Litvin still encourages more girls to join Technovation, regardless of previous experience in coding. She said non-coding roles, including business strategies and graphics, are pivotal to each team's success.

"In one team, you need a programmer, a graphic designer, [and] someone who writes a very serious business plan. You need to do a survey for marketing. It's really like a startup. It is hard work for everybody," she said.



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The Technovation challenge aims to bolster girls' interest in coding.



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# 25 Faculty Attend People of Color Conference

ANNA LANG AND  
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American civil rights activist Kimberlé Crenshaw opened the thirtieth anniversary of the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS) People of Color Conference (PoCC) in Anaheim, Calif. last week with a moving speech on intersectionality, a term she herself both researched and coined.

The PoCC hosted nearly six thousand educators and students from independent schools across the country, including 25 faculty members from Andover. The three-day conference aims to provide an opportunity for networking, leadership, and professional development for people of color and allies of all backgrounds, according to the NAIS website.

“I definitely have never seen so many people of color in one room,” said Lilia Cai-Hurteau, Chair of the Chinese and Japanese Departments.

The conference featured 30 to 50 workshops every hour centered around race, class, ethnicity, and gender. Teachers had the opportunity to connect with affinity groups and attend dozens of expert-led workshops with topics including “Teaching Toni Morrison to Dismantle White Supremacy,” “Beyond Black and White: Using Multiracial and Asian American Voice to Complicate the Racial Binary,” and “ABCs of TRAs (Transracial Adoptees).”

One of the exercises that remained clearest in the mind of Jennifer Quijas, Teaching Fellow in English, was one in which large sheets of paper were taped on the wall. Each

sheet featured a term such as “intersectionality,” “race,” “gender,” “whiteness,” “fluidity,” “spectrum,” and “binary.” Participants were asked to stick a certain colored post-it note next to what they were most familiar with, a second colored Post-it note next to what they were least familiar with, and a third color on someone else’s contribution that especially resonated with them.

The Post-it note that resonated with Quijas the most was one that brought up the issue of not being black enough.

“Although I am not black, and I don’t know what that experience is like, I have a similar struggle with my own identity growing up. [I would ask myself] ‘Am I Mexican enough if I don’t speak Spanish as much as someone else? If I celebrate a Mexican holiday that they don’t, does that make them less Mexican?’ ” said Quijas.

She continued, “During that seminar, I also thought about my own implicit bias or internalized racism. Now that I’m learning more, [I think that] people can express their Mexican identity however they want, similar to the way that someone can express their gender however they choose to, or their sexuality or whatever it may be.”

For Cai-Hurteau, the workshop run by Justine Fonte, a sex educator at the Dalton School New York City, inspired her to create better connections between sex education and social justice. Cai-Hurteau is working towards incorporating what she learned at the conference as a faculty advisor for a Martin Luther King Day workshop on a similar topic.

She said, “That whole #Me-Too thing going on with rape culture and sexual assault connects to social justice and how women are being treated in general... The intersectionality of all that and how women of color are more targets, but they talk about it less. There’s less data.”

Jonathan Sit, Teaching Fellow in Biology, said that the environment at PoCC felt more open than that of Andover.

Sit said, “People there were on the same wavelength — really going in and being like, ‘Ah yes, we can finally talk about this!’ You felt heard, you felt understood... While Andover does pride itself in being more progressive than other independent schools, there still feels like an air of ‘I don’t feel

comfortable bringing this up,’ or ‘I don’t feel safe bringing this up.’ You have to find people who are willing to talk about it. And it’s not everybody.”

After his experience with an affinity group during the conference, Donald Kost, Instructor in Mathematics, Statistics, and Computer Science, plans to create a transracial adoptee affinity group at Andover. Kost said that at Andover, he often felt that there was no space specifically for people like him.

“I’m Asian American but I was raised by white parents. So initially, when I went to the Asian Society, I felt like I didn’t know what was going on. It didn’t fit me... Some of these people that are in the forties and fifties have never heard the term ‘transracially

adopted.’ I think getting that earlier could be really valuable to some students,” said Kost.

Aya Murata, Associate Director in College Counseling and Empathy, Balance, and Inclusion Course Head, has attended the PoCC a total of ten times.

Murata said, “It can be overwhelming, so I think no matter your background or living experiences, coming to the conference can have you question things... The best way to embrace that is with your heart wide open, mind wide open, and no preconceived notions of how you think it will unfold. Expect that the conference will not tie up with a nice pink bow at the end.”



COURTESY OF D.KOST

Six students were selected by the Community and Multicultural Development (CAMD) office to attend the SDLC.

## Clint Smith Challenges American Exceptionalism in Spoken Word ASM

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“Writing has always been the means by which I process who I am in relation to the world and who I am in relation to those around me,” he said.

LaShawn Springer, Director of Andover’s Community and Multicultural Development (CAMD) Office, hopes that Smith’s poems opened students’ eyes to the systemic oppression and privilege that exist within America.

“What I appreciate about Clint is that he’s an educator and is always thinking about the messages that young people are receiving, especially in schools,” she wrote. “Using his own personal stories, he’s shining a light on narratives that are oftentimes left out of the larger American narrative and he is clear that you can’t disentangle the two,” she wrote in an email to *The Phillipian*.

In one of his poems, Smith read, “The only thing that we should give up is the idea that we aren’t worthy of this world. So when we say that black lives matter, it’s not because others don’t. It’s because we must affirm that we are worthy of existing without fear.”

Smith also touched upon

the exceptionalist portrayal of American history and highlighted the need to acknowledge the darker pasts of the nation.

“I’ve been taught how perfect this country is, but no one ever told me about the pages torn out of my textbooks... Oppression doesn’t disappear just because you decide not to teach us that chapter. You only hear one side of the story, and at some point you have to question who the writer is,” he said.

Smith specifically pointed out the racist and segregationist aspects of five United States Presidents, George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, James Madison, James Monroe, and Andrew Jackson.

“We are taught that Thomas Jefferson is the founding father of the United States. He is responsible for the conception of the Declaration of Independence, he is the paradox of our ideals. All of which is true. What’s also true is that he says [in the Notes on the State of Virginia,] ‘Black people are inherently inferior to white people. The slave is incapable of love. The slave is incapable of possessing or sustaining complex emotions,’ ” he said.

“And I think about how that is a version of Jefferson that I

was never taught. Jefferson is, in many ways, some sort of micro causeway for a much larger phenomenon in America’s history where we are so focused on American exceptionalism that we inevitably suppress anything that makes us less exceptional,” Smith said.

Cecelia Vieira ’18, Natalie Ahn ’20, and Anna Lopez ’19 each read original poems about their personal encounters with citizenship to introduce Smith.

Lopez said in an interview with *The Phillipian*, “If we are privileged we don’t really think about how other people might feel because we feel included... [and Clint] put a lot of my thoughts into articulate words.”

Attendee Mekedas Belayne ’18 said, “I think that being a citizen is much more than the document of your immigration or being born here. It’s feeling that this country is something that you want to work for and the goals of this country align with your own in some ways and that you want to see the best for the place that you live in and that you’re acted to better that place.”

## Possibility of Online Sign-In

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Jocelyn Shen ’18 believes that using the chips inside of Blue Cards could be a potential way of tracking initial sign-in.

“[The Blue Card chip] registers into the system, so I think that if we were able to get the permissions to have someone access that data, we’d be able to keep track of names of people going in and out of the dorm. I guess in that sense the only problem would be privacy because people might not want other people to know where they are at all times,” said Shen.

Although showing support for the idea as a whole, Jeffrey Steele ’20, a resident of Carriage House, expressed concern for the technicalities of the process.

“I feel like if they work out some problems, such as knowing where the student [is] and making sure that what they’re writing down is valid, I feel like it could definitely work,” said Steele in an interview with *The Phillipian*.

Chi Igbokwe ’21, a resident of Isham, thinks that creating an on-line space for sign-in and weekend excuses would increase student proclivity to leave campus more often, and bolster productivity.

“It would be so helpful if I didn’t have to leave the library and go all the way back to my dorm just to sign in... It takes time away from homework,” said Igbokwe. “In [Junior] dorms where it’s stricter, I feel like we’re motivated to not do overnights and stuff like

that [because we have to] fill out all these forms... If it was online, then it would make [it] so much easier.”

Erin Vasquez ’19, a prefect in Double Brick, said, “I think [an online overnight and weekend excuse system] would be beneficial because it would allow us to have more time to make plans and communicate with the other person that we want to have an overnight with... Or, if something just came up that wasn’t expected [in] the system and you need an excuse, [the system] would make it a lot easier.”

According to Rhea Chandran ’19, a prefect in Nathan Hale, on-line sign-in would be helpful if implemented for upperclassmen only.

“I think that online sign in would be beneficial especially if it was implemented only for upperclassmen because it puts trust in students. Also, it makes students’ lives easier, keeping the students’ workflow uninterrupted. I think that it helps the [Juniors] create a routine sense of what you’re supposed to be doing during study hours,” said Chandran in an interview with *The Phillipian*.

Some individuals, like Braden Barlow ’21, a resident of Newman House, think that a website or more formal sign-in may not even be necessary.

“I think [changing sign-in would be] a good idea if it’s implemented in an easy enough way for all students. If it was something like texting a house counselor, it would be a lot better than walking all the way back to your dorm, and... students who live far away would probably appreciate [it],” said Barlow in an interview with *The Phillipian*.

According to Unwana Abasi ’13, Instructor in Biology and house counselor in Nathan Hale, the addition of online sign-in would stall in-person interactions and keep students less accountable for their actions.

“One thing that I think is really nice about in-person sign-in is that, tentatively around 8:00 p.m., it kind of forces people to see each other — actually physically see each other. Even though I think that online sign-in would be more convenient, I actually do value... seeing people. Also, just giving people a greater sense of accountability because it’s not necessarily that you just have to remember to click a button on your phone; you have to remember to physically be somewhere,” said Abasi.

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*All I Want for This Non-Denominational Occasion is You-oo-oo-h-baby!*

*Do They Know it's a Religious Occasion Celebrated by Approximately 31.5 Percent of the Population?*

*God, or Gods, or not God Rest Ye Merry Gentlepeople*

Friendly Inter-Departmental Homework Competition Gets Aggressive

WILL LEGGAT

Sykes has been overrun by a sea of students suffering from sleep deprivation and bad breath. While the second is a personal pet peeve, the former is the result of Andover teachers' favorite Christmas tradition: the Annual Homework Challenge.

Originally inspired by Head of School John Palfrey's Sleep Challenge, the Homework Challenge seeks to weed out the weaker ones in each class by assigning ungodly amounts of homework. Har Dass, Teaching Fellow in English, captured the spirit of the competition in a recent interview: "Basically, the goal when we set out was to make the students' lives as miserable as possible. But now — now the competition is starting to affect us teachers, and it's getting out of hand."

The first Homework Challenge was just between Mr. Dass and his colleague, Ms. Annaw Ying, as they steadily increased their homework loads to see whose students cracked first under the pressure. Eventually, students began dropping



Mr. Dass, adorned with his "badges of honor."

out of the school and hallucinating. Rather than tone down their competition, however, this only spurred their competitive spirit.

Soon, chapters of reading per night turned to whole books. Several essays were assigned due the same day, and small addendums to the curriculum turned to projects by the dozen. It was then that other departments caught on, and within a week, students could be seen around campus with backpacks full to the brim with essays assigned mere minutes before and due within minutes after.

While students' days grew darker and darker and their hallucinations

stronger and stronger, many more dropped out. Teachers could be seen around campus grinning from ear to ear, wearing Post-It notes with their total hours of homework like badges of honor.

At press time, Dass, in a move to become the hardest teacher, was seen around campus sabotaging his peers' assignments and handing answer keys to their students. The future of the tradition is in peril after an episode last night where students were caught releasing a feral raccoon into the Head of School's office in an act of protest, but at this point, it seems that there very little will stop the power-crazed faculty.

Humble Beginnings: The Alex Bernhard Story

Alex Bernhard has never deleted an Instagram photo. He has posted a total of 353 times in the five years he's been online. Every single one has aged beautifully. So, every once in a while, we're bringing you a different picture from the @bernhard17 catalog. What emerges from this mosaic, this tapestry, is a story, a life. A beginning.



"To be honest, the Harvard hat was a little presumptive." ~ Alex

Four People Your Mom Invited to Thanksgiving

Her Boyfriend Brad



"Hey what's going on chief?"

Your Distant Cousin



"I have traveled many miles to feast on your sweat meats."

Your Dad's Accountant



"Hey is that the star of the hit show Glee, Josh Sussman?"

Uncle Charlie

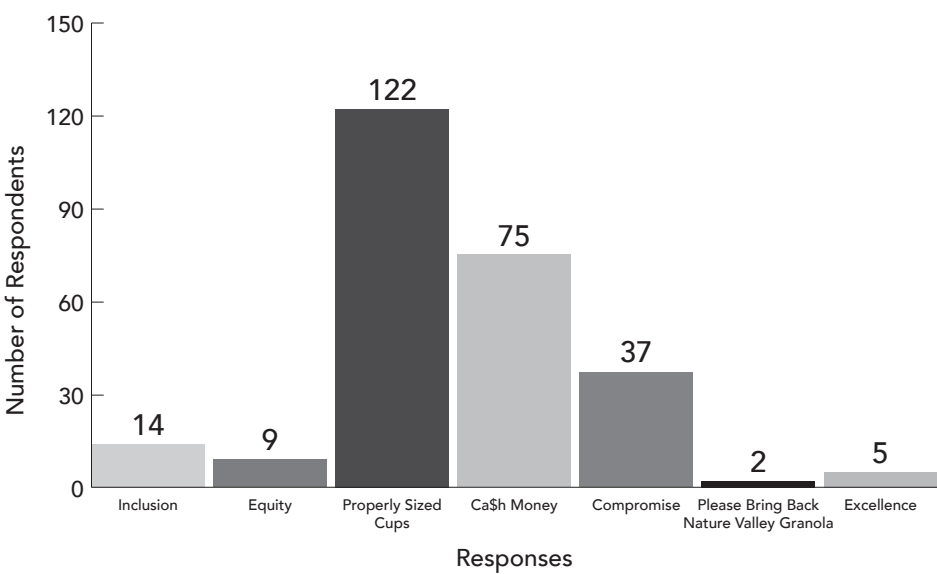


All he does is criticise you for not being good enough at sports even though the theater is what's in your heart and all you want to do is dance and sing but you're starting to realize he'll never understand that.

Empathy & Balance & ????

Over Thanksgiving Break, faculty looking to expand one of the most important school mottos surveyed a range of students to find their opinions on which word should be added to "Empathy and Balance." Students were given the option to choose between "Equity" and "Inclusion" or to come up with another word.

Which Word Should Be Added to Empathy & Balance?



The results show that a majority of respondents believe that "Properly Sized Commons Cups" should be one of our three main values as a student body.

Conspiracy Theory of the Week

Not sure what, but the squirrels in the West Quads are definitely up to something.

THE WEEK'S TOP HEADLINES

- *Introverts Rejoice as Cold Weather Gives Respite from Socializing*
- *Termites Infest Upperclassman Dorm After Senior Brings in Personal Christmas Tree*
- *Students Realize the Error of Their Ways After Attending Lessons and Carols*
- *Canada Goose Jacket in Lost and Found Simultaneously Claimed by Three Lowers*
- *Andover to Allow Students to Buy Seats in Silent*





# The Phillipian SPORTS

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Really? I thought they  
were gonna be good  
this year.

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## Becky Calder '94 Leads Life in Athletics and Navy with Non Sibi Spirit

ANDY KIM

A member of the 12 letter club, Becky Dowling Calder '94 has been an exceptional representative of Andover's athletic program. After being recruited to play Division I basketball for the Naval Academy, Calder pursued a military career and went on to become the first woman to ever graduate from the United States Navy Strike Fighter Tactics Instructor program, better known as Top Gun. Calder has since served as a trailblazer and an inspiration to other women who have enlisted or have considered enlisting in the U.S. Navy.

Despite being inducted into the New England Basketball Hall of Fame, receiving the title of Patriot League Rookie of the Year in her first season playing collegiate basketball, and earning back-to-back MVP titles during the two seasons she was captain of the Naval Academy team, Calder still prizes the moment she earned a championship banner for Andover Basketball.

Calder said, "I remember being a [Junior] and winning a banner. I remember that banner going up, then the next banner. I loved it."

In addition to her multiple championship victories, Calder attributes her love for Andover to her teammates on Andover Girls Basketball, Soccer, and Softball—she captained all three teams during her Senior year.

"I know this will sound cliché but my teammates really became my family at Andover. I was a boarding student from Washington state and Boston was 3,000 miles from where I grew up. Especially in a challenging environment like Andover, you need people around you who will help you navigate through the system. For me those people were my teammates. They helped me survive the four years of cra-

zy at Andover," said Calder.

Andover's influence on Calder, however, extends past its athletic program. Andover's motto Non Sibi played an essential role in her decision to serve her country.

Calder said, "This is cliché again, but Andover truly instilled in me the motto of Non Sibi. I first heard about it in ninth grade. At the time, I didn't even know what it meant for me besides the fact that it was the motto of the school. After being [at Andover] for four years, however, it just became a part of who I was. The motto of Non Sibi translated right over into the Naval Academy and into a life of service in the military. I think it truly gave me that foundation of serving others."

While Andover played an

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influential role in her life, Calder played just as big of a part in the lives of her peers.

Dean of Students and fellow classmate Jennifer Elliott '94 said, "Becky Dowling is one of the all-time best people I have ever known. Becky brought positive energy to every endeavor, and she modeled how to work and play with tremendous determination, skill, and selflessness. It was a gift any time you were able to be with Becky. She was a magnetic member of our community—I felt so lucky to be at [Andover] with her."

Drawing from her own experience, Calder encour-



Calder was a member of Andover Girls Soccer, Basketball, and Softball during her four years at Andover.

ages student athletes of all backgrounds to persevere in their sports regardless of the hindrances they face. Calder continued, "I really

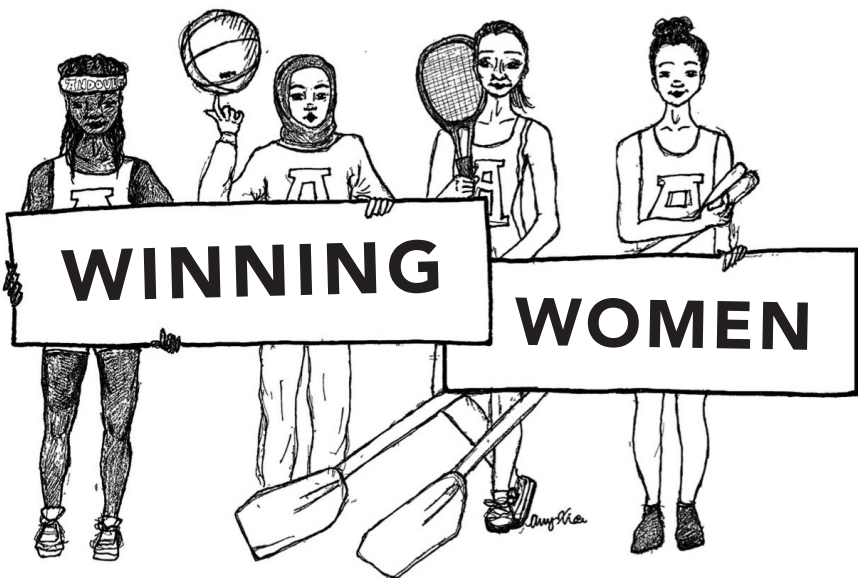
*"The motto of Non Sibi translated right over into the Naval Academy and into a life of service in the military. I think it truly gave me that foundation of serving others."*

wanted to play basketball at Stanford. I didn't even know that I wanted to go to the Naval Academy—all I knew was that I wasn't being recruited by Stanford and that it was a huge disappointment. My mother would remind me of the two

years I cried everyday at Andover and the two years at the Naval Academy when I wanted to quit and go home. I didn't quit though and committing to the Naval Academy turned out to be the best decision of my life. I learned when one door closes, another door opens."

Despite her tremendous impacts in the military, Calder can still attribute some of her successes to Andover and her family.

Calder said, "I never set out to be a pioneer or a trailblazer. I am simply blessed to have the most supportive and most loving family that was able to support me through Andover and the Naval Academy. I think that it was the values that were instilled in me from Andover and my family that has led me to my life right now."



### GIRLS BASKETBALL

## Girls Suffer Two Losses in Opening Games

LINDA BIBEAU

Andover	53
Choate	59
Andover	52
St. Andrew's	63

Hannah McGrath '20 stole the ball from a Choate offender at the top of the three-point line, dribbled the ball to the other end of the court, and scored a layup. Despite McGrath's efforts, Andover Girls Basketball fell 59-53 at home against Choate on Saturday. On Wednesday, despite leading 26-24 at half time, Andover lost 52-63 against St. Andrews. Andover's record now stands at 0-2.

Andover came back from an eighteen-point deficit during the second, just short of a win,

according to Co-Captain Molly Katarincic '18 and Cassidy Musco '19.

"In the game on Saturday we were down by 18 points just after half-time, and we actually cut that down to a two-point [deficit]. It was a really good showing for our first game. I was really impressed with the team's hustle, and they gave 100 percent on both ends of the floor," said Katarincic.

"We hustled and played with a lot of heart. I think it's just going to take time to get used to playing with one another, but after we figure that out, I'm confident that we will become an even stronger team," added Musco.

On offense, the team moved the ball around the court in order to create good scoring opportunities. Defensively, Andover inhibited Choate's drives to the net, limiting its opponents to shots from the outside, according to McGrath.

"Offensively, we worked the

ball around and found the open man on defensive breakdowns, which lead to wide open shots and drives. We shut down their inside drives and had good transitions on defense. We need to improve on our rebounding and bouncing out. A lot of the other team's points were from second chances and putbacks," said McGrath.

On Saturday, Andover was able to build off of the energy from the crowd and the bench as well as adjust its play both offensively and defensively in the second half, according to Musco and Katarincic.

"Early on we noticed that they were a good shooting team, and we had to adjust from there. We had to play stronger help defense, and we had to make sure that they didn't beat us on the transition," said Musco.

"I think that the momentum of the gym was also a really big thing for us. The crowd and the bench was really into

the game, which contributed to the energy on the floor. The players on the floor were able to use that energy in order to create turnovers and scoring opportunities," added Katarincic.

On Wednesday, despite leading 26-24 at half time, Andover lost 63-52 to St. Andrews. After a strong first half, it started off the second half slow, causing the team to fall behind in a close game, according to Katarincic.

"We had a really strong first half and offensive rebounding was really good. We came out a bit stale in the second, but were able to rally for five or six minutes. St. Andrew's ran away with the score, but it was a super strong effort overall. St. Andrew's played a zone defense that was a struggle for us to break, but we plan on practicing that more this week," said Katarincic.

Andover will face Loomis Chaffee at home this Saturday.



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Hannah McGrath '20 starts as a guard for Andover.



BOYSBASKETBALL

Boys Basketball Suffers Pair of Losses

LINDA BIBEAU	
Andover	64
Choate	66
Andover	59
Holderness	72

In the final seconds of Saturday night's nailbiter against Choate, Matteo Whelton '20 knocked down his eighth three-pointer to post a total of 30 points throughout the game. Despite Whelton's efforts, Andover Boys Basketball fell 66-64 to Choate and lost again 72-59 away against Holderness on Wednesday. The team's record now stands at 0-2.

On Saturday, Andover started out the first half strong both offensively and defensively, capitalizing on its scoring opportunities and playing an effective zone defense, which the team looks to continue to improve upon in the games to come, according to Jackson Emus '19 and Hogan Linzy '19. Whelton, Post-Graduate Derrick Herrick '18, and Co-Captain Dallion Johnson '20 led the pack in points scored, posting 30, 17, and 10 point totals, respectively.

"Against Choate, we came out shooting lights out. Matteo made a huge impact on the game and hit some big shots really early to give us some momentum to finish the first half. We also did a good job in our zone defense to start the game, and everyone was contributing with rebounding," said Emus.

Linzy added, "Offensively we looked very good. We shot the ball really well and finished in the lane. Defensively we are still learning each other and how to work together, but once we sort everything out I think we have a chance to be really good."

Despite leading 33-28 at halftime, Andover had trouble keeping out of foul trouble, racking up ten in the second half of the game, and encountered difficulties maintaining a stringent defense, according to Jack Penney '21. The score remained tight throughout, with the teams trading baskets and the lead until the final seconds of the game.

"During the second half, especially our defense, we became lazier on the 50/50 balls and that extra effort seemed as if it wasn't there anymore. At the start of the second half, we came out flat and the other team went on a run to either tie the game or take the lead. We were never able to recover from that run," said Pen-

ney.

After their opener on Saturday, Andover felt more comfortable playing together as a team, and was comfortable adjusting to their opponent's style of play, according to Whelton and Penney.

"As the game went on we started to get more comfortable with each other, since it was our first time playing together in a game. As we move forward in the season, we will just keep getting better which is exciting and something I am looking forward to," said Whelton.

On Wednesday against Holderness, Andover came out strong and took a four-point lead into halftime. Whelton sat the game out while recovering from an ankle injury sustained during practice the previous day, and the team focused heavily on making rebounds, according to Emus. Holderness kept Andover's defense on their toes with a fast passing strategy, although Andover was able to move the ball around the court well, its offense lacked the same intensity in the second half and the team quickly lost the slim lead it had maintained at halftime. Moving forward, Andover hopes to improve on marinating a consistent energy level, according to Emus.

"We came out with a lot of energy in the first half and did

a really good job of moving the ball and rebounding. We were executing our game plan really well until the second half. Coming out of the break we seemed a little slow and lacked that fire and energy that we had in the first half. We can work on... con-

centrating on keeping the energy and intensity up the entire game and doing all of the little things that we work on in practice," said Emus.

Andover will travel to Rivers on Friday and hopes to earn its first win of the season.



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Co-Captain Dallion Johnson '20 was the lead scorer against Holderness with 19 points.

GIRLSSQUASH

Girls Squash Dominates In Doubleheader



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First seed Prianca Patel '19 won her match against Choate 3-0.

Andover	6
Milton	1
Andover	5
Choate	2

Sixth seed Skyler Spaulding '20 faked a drop shot before slamming the ball against the front wall and into the back corner, catching her opponent off guard. Spaulding went on to win her match 3-0, adding a win to Andover Girls Squash's 6-1 victory against Milton. In its second match of Saturday's doubleheader, the team won 5-2 against Choate, bringing its record to 2-0.

Going into its opening weekend, the team was looking to establish a team identity of determination and grit, which it has worked on in its practices, according to Spaulding.

"Every time we come down to the courts, whether for practice or matches, we slap our 'deserve to win' sign. We always want to represent Andover in the best way possible, we want to be a team that when the other teams go back home they remember us as the kind and determined

team we are. We also focus a lot on staying composed during our matches and strive under the pressure," said Spaulding.

In Andover's match against Milton, first seed Prianca Patel '19 suffered the team's only loss in a particularly challenging match against a player she had played often in previous interscholastic tournaments.

Patel said, "My first opponent was very good. I play her often in tournaments outside of school; her individual ranking is two spots above mine. Going in I knew it was going to be a tough match, but my goal was to go out there and play my hardest and do the best I could."

In the second match against Choate, Spaulding commended Avery Westerfield '18, seeded fifth, for her tremendous comeback after losing the first two games before winning in five.

Spaulding said, "She used her skills and great court sense to bounce back and win the next three games. She really rattled her opponent and just proved how persistent our team really is."

"In the Milton match I think I could have done a better job of keeping deep rails tight to the side wall and not going short with drop shots so often. The Choate match was much better for me. I was much more focused, and my teammates, friends, and coaches cheering me on really helped," said Westerfield.

Captain Caroline Yun '18 was impressed with the team's play on Saturday.

Yun said, "Each player was entirely focused on their match when they were on court, and everyone chose their shots thoughtfully and executed them carefully."

The team will travel to Groton on Saturday for a tournament that will not count towards its record but will help the team develop its fitness.

Yun said, "We will have a long day with around three to four matches for each person. We are going to work on starting off our matches strong by looking to volley and for opportunities to hit winners."

BOYSSQUASH

Andover Kicks off Season with Two Wins

GIGI GLOVER	
Andover	4
Tabor	3
Andover	5
Choate	2
Andover	2
Belmont Hill	5

After his Tabor opponent hit a tight drive down the rail, first seed Alex Bernhard '19 reverse-boasted the ball across the court to win the point. Over the weekend, Andover Boys Squash secured a 4-3 victory against Tabor and a 5-2 victory against Choate. On Wednesday, the team lost 5-2 to Belmont Hill. Andover's record now stands at 2-1.

Against Tabor, the team's four wins were secured by the bottom four players on the team. Despite only losing one player from last year, the team has expanded to carry ten players. According to Sean Kim '18, fifth seed, Andover has depth this year; although the team is much larger, the skill level between players on the ladder is very similar.

Kim said, "We have a very deep ladder, with about 5-6 guys that can play at any part of the ladder. That means that when we play other teams, our bottom 4 usually face much easier opponents."

In an email to *The Phillipian*, Captain David Tsai '18, second seed, commended Kim, on his play against Tabor.

Tsai wrote, "All the guys played well, but Sean Kim stood out because he played the deciding match for Andover. He beat the Tabor player in the fourth game and really pulled through for us with some unbelievable play... Sean Kim was the highlight of the match; he won the final match against Tabor and really set the tone for second match against Choate."

Andover came out of the season opener with a 2-0 record, ensuring confidence in the matches to come.

"The matches against Tabor and Choate both went very well for the team. It was the perfect start, as we came out with a 2-0 weekend. We could've done better with more practice and training together as a team, but I couldn't be happier for how we started the season," wrote sixth seed Jack Lee '20, in an email to *The Phillipian*.

Andover faced a challenging opponent in its third match of the season. Historically a strong team, including an 8-0 victory over Andover last

season, Belmont Hill posed a threat to Andover early on.

"This was certainly a winnable match for us. They were the more confident team on the court. We need to start getting in the mindset that upsets do happen, and that at this level of squash, any team can come up with the win. With wins at [third seed] and [seventh seed], we know that this was a winnable match," said Kim.

Tsai said, "We headed to the match with the mindset that we had to leave everything out on the table when we played them. I am beyond excited to play against such high competition in the future, and I know all the guys will play really well."

This season, Andover welcomes Head Coach John Roberts to the team. According to Kim, Coach Roberts has introduced several aspects of play.

Kim said, "Coach Roberts has been giving us a lot of coaching points on match strategy which we are trying hard to implement into our games, such as controlling pace on shots and using the two-wall boasts effectively. Through practices and these games, we are improving on these aspects tremendously."

The team will play Milton next Wednesday.

Editor's Note: Alex Bernhard is an Associate Eighth Page Editor for The Phillipian.

GIRLSHOCKEY

Andover Wins Scrimmage And First Game of the Season

NASH JOHNSON	
Andover	6
Andover High	1
Andover	5
Winchendon	2

Brooke Keough '19 received the puck in the high slot and quickly shot it into the top corner of the net past Andover High School's goalie. Andover beat Andover High 6-1 in the scrimmage on Saturday and took down Winchendon 5-2 on Wednesday to start the season with a 2-0 record. The team hopes to take this season to improve from last year's winning record of 13-9.

In its game against Andover High, the team dominated with hard work and energetic play.

Lilly Feeney '20 said, "The team really pulled together. I think the whole team was very hyped for the start of the season and came out very focused. Everyone hustled throughout the whole game, which is why we dominated as much as we did. Andover High had a strong effort and competed hard, but in the end we were just more talented."

According to Co-Captain

Charlotte Welch '18, the scrimmage was especially useful in showing the team what aspects of their game they needed to improve.

Welch said, "The game was a great indicator of what we need to work on for the rest of the season. We will especially work on our endurance, producing offensive support in the defensive zone, and quickening our transitions to catch the opponent off guard."

In the end, Andover played to its strengths and successfully executed its practice plan, while encouragement from the sidelines played a large role in keeping high energy on the ice.

Kelly McCarthy '19 said, "We did a good job of executing our forecheck in Saturday's game. [Head] Coach [Martha] Fenton [83] explained how she wanted us to pressure the other team in our offensive zone, and I think all of the lines did a great job of putting this strategy into play on Saturday. The encouragement and cheers from the bench also helped sustain our energy throughout."

Later in the week against Winchendon, Andover felt prepared for its first regular season game and was able to overcome its nerves. The scrimmage gave the team a chance to play with its new members before its first

major test of the season.

"The team is very strong this year; our whole bench has a lot of talent and potential to make an impact. Returners are still trying to get used to playing with each other again as well as get used to playing with our new teammates. Our tradition of starting off with Andover High prepared us for our first real game on Wednesday," said Feeney.

Though Andover finished with a convincing 5-2 victory, there remains room to improve, according to Coach Fenton.

"We will need to be more disciplined in our defensive zone and in the neutral zone, and we will need to work a good bit on our power play and penalty kill," said Coach Fenton.

Andover will play Southfield away this Friday.



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Elizabeth Welch '18 is a forward.

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BOYSHOCKEY

Bryce Murphy '18 Encourages Strong Bonds Between Teammates

JULIET GILDEHAUS

After years of playing club hockey in his hometown of Wilmette, Ill., Co-Captain Bryce Murphy '18 stepped onto the ice for the first time playing for his school when he joined Andover Boys Hockey as a new Upper last year.

"I'd never played for a school team before — I'd always played club — so coming [to Andover]



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Bryce Murphy '18 plays defense for Andover.

and playing in front of the fans and the student body has been a big part of why it's been such a fun experience [for me]," said Murphy.

Despite being the first hockey player in his family, Murphy started playing the sport at an early age and has continued to play for a competitive club league throughout his high school career.

Murphy said, "I like the high tempo and the physicality of the

game — there's no set plays like in football, so you kind of just go out there and play."

Despite having been a new addition to Andover last season, Murphy has already made an enormous impact on the team, according to his teammates.

"Bryce is a leader in many ways, but most importantly he is an exceptional teammate who always wants the best for all of us as individuals and as a team," wrote teammate Sawyer Moody '19, in an email to *The Phillipian*.

On the ice, Murphy is a multi-dimensional defenseman whose intensity and knowledge of the game makes him a force to be reckoned with, according to Head Coach Paul Tortorella '80.

"Bryce's game is very physical, but he's also an excellent skater and an excellent passer which makes him a truly multifaceted player," said Tortorella.

"Bryce is a really physical player who always gets [the team] excited with a big hit. I'd also describe him as a solid player since he always knows the right play to make for the team," said Moody.

Murphy also leads his teammates with both strength and maturity, according to Coach Tortorella.

"Bryce's presence really demands the respect of his teammates and that's makes him such a strong captain. He knows what's important both on and off the ice,

and he doesn't sway from it," said Coach Tortorella.

In addition to his technical strength, Murphy's dedication and love for the game makes him an influential example for Andover to follow.

"[Murphy's] teammates definitely look up to him — he's a good listener, he always does the drills full speed, he's always focused, he makes sacrifices for his team, he never backs down — and these are the qualities that all players hope to achieve," said Coach Tortorella.

Murphy is well known by his teammates and Coach Tortorella as an energetic and focused player both on and off the ice.

"Bryce leads both by example and vocals. Like all [the team's] captains, he's very focused on what needs to be done in order to have a positive experience during practice, games, and off the ice as well," said Coach Tortorella.

"[Murphy] inspires us every day to be the best hockey player and teammate we can be by giving us words of wisdom during practice and encouraging us to create strong bonds with each other," said Moody.

Alongside his other co-captains, Murphy aims to create a fun, constructive, and positive atmosphere beyond the ice that will help the team improve its performance in the rink.

Murphy said, "My goal as a

captain this season is to make sure that everybody is getting along, having fun, and just making the most of the time we have together. I think this year especially we got off to a really quick start bonding and getting to know each other — [the] locker room has been really solid. I think that the team chemistry is already starting to show out on the ice and that helps us to improve our game a lot."

Murphy is confident about the new additions to the team and looks forward to a promising season ahead.

Murphy said, "I'm excited to have another shot at the championship. I think last year we had a pretty good run — we made it to the playoffs — but didn't end up having what it takes [to win]. This year, though, I think we have a really good shot."

Moody said, "I think that with Bryce as a captain, this season will be a great one because we can all rally behind him and create a strong team chemistry which will translate into wins for the team."

"If there's one thing I'd want to teach my teammates it'd be to just go out there and have fun — don't get down on yourselves too much because there's always going to be another shift, you're always going to go back out there. Put your head down, put in the work, and it will get you there," said Murphy.

Two-Year Captain Jack Cusack '18 Rebuilds Andover Hockey

ANDREW COHEN

Jack Cusack '18 has been playing hockey competitively for more than ten years, and was elected as Assistant Captain of the Boys Varsity Hockey team his Upper year. Cusack now serves as a Co-Captain of Andover Boys Hockey for the second year in a row, along with Bryce Murphy '18 and Assistant Captain Quinn Doyle '18.

In an email to *The Phillipian*, Head Coach Paul Tortorella '80 wrote, "Jack was named captain after the season his Lower year. I think that says a lot about the trust and faith the coaches and other players have in him. He is a responsible, tough, quick, and crafty player."

Cusack said, "I started playing hockey as soon as I could walk. My dad influenced me and coached me along the way my whole career in hockey so that's kind of where I started."

After a successful youth hockey career, Cusack brought his talent to Andover.

Cusack said, "Hockey brought me to Andover [when] I was recruited by our old coach, Coach Boylan. It really just gave me a great opportunity to get a great education as well as be able to play hockey."

According to Christian Powers '19, Cusack has been a very influential player ever since he became a part of the team.

Christian Powers '19 said, "[Cusack] is a great captain. He

is very unselfish and does whatever he can do to help the team win every shift. He makes sure we are always focused and are ready to go, both mentally and physically, to perform at our best every game."

Cusack makes sure to mentor and set a good example for the younger players on the team in order to help them improve, according to Joe Moffitt '20.

Moffitt said, "From the time I came to [Andover] my [Junior] year and the start of my Lower year, Jack has been a great captain. He's an amazing mentor; he communicates to other teammates on the bench after a shift in regard to what they should have done or he humbly claims responsibility for a bad pass or play. He's the hardest working player out there. He's probably our best player we have on the forecheck because he never stops moving his legs and never gives the opposing team an easy breakout. He's always happy off the ice, and he's friendly to everyone on the team."

Sawyer Moody '19 added, "[Cusack] has done so much to help our team so far. He does the little things such as pack the bus all the way to the huge things for the team like scoring big goals in clutch times. Jack will help the team this year with his hard work ethic and his funny personality."

In his first couple of years with the team, Cusack was essential to the rebuilding process

for the team, according to Coach Tortorella.

"We've been on a little bit of a rebuild the last couple of years, but last year was a good start, making it to the large school playoffs, and we're just hoping to go all the way to the Elite 8 this year and get some hardware," said Cusack.

Coach Tortorella said, "He's a major reason for the resurgence of Andover Hockey and as a coach I couldn't be more honored than to be working closely with [him] these two years. He leads leaders."

According to Moody, Cusack is an experienced leader on and off the ice due to his vast experience.

Moody said, "Jack is a really good leader because he always provides a positive energy on and off the ice. He is an extremely friendly guy and that helps build a great team atmosphere. He has been our captain for two years, so he is best fit to lead us because he knows everyone so well and is always eager to learn more about all of us."

This season, Cusack has already led the team to win three out of four games, and he has already determined a goal for the season.

"We're hoping to make it to the Elite 8, which are the top eight teams in the 68-team league, and we're going to try and win the championship," said Cusack.



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Co-Captain Jack Cusack '18 is a forward for Andover.

Quinn Doyle '18 Leads with a Team-Oriented Mindset

ANDREW COHEN

Gliding across the ice in Andover Boys Hockey's first game of the season, Co-Captain Quinn Doyle '18 dodged his defender to the outside and connected a



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Quinn Doyle '18 plays forward for Andover.

pass to Kevin Ouellette '18 who wristed the puck into the back of the net for a goal. Doyle not only brings several years of experience to the team, but also a selflessness that serves the team, according to teammate Sawyer Moody '19.

Moody said, "Doyle always puts the team before himself. That's just how he is as a guy."

Originally from Rochester, N.Y., Doyle grew up playing hockey alongside his four older brothers. Doyle was originally drawn to the sport because the energy and pace suited him as a child. In addition to his brothers, Doyle's father also played hockey. Doyle cites him as one of his main inspirations for picking up the sport.

Doyle said, "[My father's] hockey career [inspires] me to try to go as far I can. He played college [hockey] at Rochester Institute of Technology and ended up playing in the [professional league] for a couple of years."

According to his teammates, Doyle skates, shoots, stick handles, and maneuvers with experienced dexterity.

Sawyer Moody '19 said, "[Doyle] is a very skilled player. He has the ability to not only dangle around players but he can also skate really fast. He has a really good shot which can beat goalies no matter if there's a screen in front of the net or not, and he is also a really good defensive player."

"He probably has the best hands on the team; he's really good at stickhandling. He has a great shot, and he has really good vision," said teammate Joe Moffitt '20. "He can beat someone when he wants to, and he knows where to pass."

According to Head Coach

Paul Tortorella '80, Doyle embodies an ideal work ethic, leaving everything on the ice during both practices and matchups.

Coach Tortorella said, "On the ice, he brings the team together by making sacrifices, either physically or to get the puck up to another person. He's always hustling and playing all the different parts of the game: physical, mental, skill, passing, shooting, checking."

With his technical ability and diligence, Doyle inspires his teammates by setting a high standard of excellence and encouraging them to follow his example.

Carter Giampietro '19 said, "He's always making sure the boys are following him. He's always the hardest working guy out there. He makes sure never to take a shift off. All of the guys feed off of his energy."

Coach Tortorella said, "He is a quiet leader, and he makes a lot of sacrifices for the team and for the game. He is a complete player. He works hard on and off the ice and is always positive. He is always a positive force no matter what and a very focused person. All that combined makes him an excellent leader and someone to look up to."

Moffitt said, "His confidence as a player is really inspiring. He's shown me and the whole team what it takes to be an Andover player."

In addition, Doyle helps to create a positive atmosphere on the team, bringing the already

tight-knit team even closer.

Giampietro said, "His strength as a leader is he can always make the boys smile. He's one of the funniest guys I know, and he's super easy to talk to and super approachable, which is a good trait to have as a captain."

"He does a really good job of bringing in new people in because he is a really good speaker and you never really feel uncomfortable around [Doyle] because he's such a nice kid," said Moody. "I think they adapted well because of [Doyle's] confidence and leadership."

Doyle possesses an unrelenting calmness and positivity even in the toughest of situations according to Moody. According to Moffitt, however, Doyle is unafraid to defend what comes first in his mind: his teammates.

Moffitt said, "In our game Saturday there was a scrum in front of the net and he came out of nowhere and he just rammed the guy because he was protecting our goalie and that's a pretty good show of his character. He doesn't want anyone to mess around with his players."

Doyle's leadership and playing skills make him one of the foremost role models on the team.

Moody said, "[Doyle] has taught me to always keep my head up and to always stay positive no matter what challenges I may face in hockey and on the team by leading by example."



BOYSHOCKEY

Athlete of the Week: Thomas Manty '19 Brings Imagination and Versatility to Varsity Hockey

ELIZA SANDELL

Scoring two of the five goals in the home opener for Andover Boys Hockey against Choate, forward Thomas Manty '19 has proven himself to be a strong addition to the team as a new Upper.

Head Coach Paul Tortorella '80 wrote in an email to *The Phillipian*, "We ask all the boys to be versatile. That's what it is about. Thomas plays whatever role is needed at the time. His athleticism, and most importantly his imagination, is what gives him an edge over the opponent and contributes to the team's successes."

Manty's passion for hockey, creative plays, and strong offensive impact has earned him the title of *The Phillipian's* Athlete of the Week.

How did you get introduced to playing ice hockey?

I got into [the sport] because my dad played semi-professional in Italy and played at Boston University. I kind of just grew up around him and him taking me to games. That's basically how it started. I learned to skate at Phillips Academy skating school when I was 2, then grew up playing for the Middlesex Islanders organization out of North Andover, Mass. with current teammate Christian Powers #13. When high school came, I decided to attend Central Catholic High School, which has had a top ten team in Massachusetts for the last decade.

How was the transition to the Andover team this year?

Academics was a big jump coming from my old school, Central Catholic, and then hockey is a smooth transition. Different pace, a lot faster, but I think I have made the adjustment pretty well.

What is a highlight from your time playing hockey?

Last year, I scored the overtime goal in the semi-finals of the Super 8 hockey tournament (which features the top eight teams in the state) to help send my team to the Super 8 finals at the Boston Garden where we lost 2-1 in overtime to Arlington High School.



COURTESY OF THOMAS MANTY  
Thomas Manty '19 has been playing hockey since the age of two.

How would you describe the team here and what is unique about how you play?

We have a really good bond. We spent basically the whole fall together. We'd work out together and hang around together. We started the chemistry early off in the year and everyone was welcoming and that was the start of it and [has] led into practices. We always have upbeat practices and everyone is always trying to make each other better which leads into the games where we are doing pretty well.

Do you have any pre-game rituals?

I have a couple rituals. I usually get a special stretch after we do our own dynamic warm up. I do a couple things which one of my trainer taught me. I drink this special sports drink though. Tape my stick a certain way. I put my gear on a certain way.

What goals do you have for the season?

To win us a lead eight. Make it to the lead eight tournaments to start and then if we can make it there win that. If we can't make it there, make it to the large school tournament and if not win that.

What did you think of the team's first game against Choate?

The crowd Friday night was electric, our team fed off of their energy. I never expected that many students to come to an opening game. I look forward to seeing the same fan base at future games as well as on campus. We could not have asked for a better start. We play a home game this Friday against New Hampton School and I would love to see everyone there!

BVH Opens Season with Three Wins



COURTESY OF THOMAS MANTY

Thomas Manty '19 scored the first two goals of the season in Andover's home opener against Choate.

SOPHIA MERAGEAS

Andover	5
Choate	2

Andover	5
Tabor	2

Andover	3
Pomfret	5

Andover	5
Thayer	3

With a 93.5 save percentage in the game against Tabor, Andover Boys Hockey's goalie Charlie Archer '20 was a crucial player in their 5-2 win last Sunday. With the addition of this win, Andover is off to a quick start, playing four games in its first week. While the team also triumphed 5-2 over Choate and narrowly beat Thayer 4-3, Andover fell short 5-3 against Pomfret, establishing its start-of-season record

at 3-1.

Andover prepared to the best of its ability going into its season-opening match-up against Choate, according to Carter Giampietro '19 and Mark Meinecke '19.

Meinecke said, "The team was really focused, but obviously there was a lot of tension going into the first game."

Giampietro added, "[The team was] anxious to get the season started. We knew that it was going to be a big game coming in and it was going to be a battle. We had prepared the best we could with the time we had been given. We were ready to go in and beat Choate."

According to Meinecke, the audience on the other side of the glass was key to Andover's success against Choate.

Meinecke said, "[The] support [from] Andover classmates was an essential part of our win and we hope to see that at future games."

Traveling down to Tabor for the annual Tabor Jamboree, Pomfret upset Andover on Saturday night.

Giampietro said, "That was a game we didn't want to lose. Coming off that big win against Choate, we hoped to carry the momentum against Pomfret."

"[The game] was really back and forth, but both teams went really hard. It was a game that could have gone either way," added Meinecke.

While the loss proved difficult for the team, Andover derived strength from its thirst for a win, capping off the weekend on a victorious note, according to Meinecke.

"The previous loss fueled us to make the extra plays, get those extra inches on the ice, and I think that is what drove us to get that win on Sunday," said Meinecke.

Andover looks improve its winning record in its match-up against New Hampton this coming Friday.

Tortorella '80 Translates NHL Experience Onto Andover Ice

LINDA BIBEAU

A native of Camillus, N.Y., Andover Boys Hockey Head Coach Paul Tortorella '80 picked up hockey at an early age when he joined the youth hockey program in his hometown. He continued his hockey career by playing goalie for his local high school before enrolling at Andover in 1979 as a Post-Graduate. At Andover, he was granted the Smith Award, an award given to the team's most valuable player.

After graduating from Andover in 1980, Coach Tortorella went on to play Division I hockey at Yale University for four years. He was later drafted by the Buffalo Sabres and continued his hockey career in the NHL. Before returning to Andover in 2001, Coach Tortorella also coached at Nichols School in Buffalo, N.Y., where he served as athletic director. Coach Tortorella explains that his extensive background in the game of hockey has allowed

him to cultivate a powerful coaching philosophy.

"The most important thing I want to get across to the kids is that they are playing a game. The game that they are playing is a team game, and you really have to trust and help each other to do well. In order to win the game, you have to work together and you have to be excited about your teammates successes. Everyone makes each other better; you cannot do it alone," said Coach Tortorella.

According to Christian Powers '19, Coach Tortorella has accumulated a wealth of knowledge from his prior coaching and playing experiences that he imparts onto each of his players.

"He played at Yale, so he has a lot of connections and he knows the game really well. I always try to listen to him because he knows a lot. It'll be little things that he'll tell you that really make a difference, like where to put your stick on the power play

or where to be positioned in certain circumstances," said Powers.

Coach Tortorella puts a large emphasis on team play in order to ensure that his team is playing as a single cohesive unit, according to Powers and Carter Giampietro '19.

"The big thing Coach [Tortorella] stresses in the room is that, as a team, we always have to be together. When we are down or something is falling apart, we always come together in the middle of the room or the ice, and we all chant, 'One, two, three, together!' He also [emphasizes] that everyone has to be with each other and act as one group and one program," said Giampietro.

Powers said, "Coach [Tortorella] emphasizes unselfishness and team play a lot. He is always stressing on us to make sure that we are playing with our head up and making the right pass and the right play. He makes sure that we play the game right way and

help the team win as much as we can."

On the bench, Coach Tortorella reminds his players to stay positive, trust one another, and control what they can in all situations.

Giampietro said, "He is very positive especially if we are playing well but are down. He emphasizes that we can always have the best period of our lives. That is a big thing to hear from a coach because we play together, and if we all believe that we can have the best period then it leads to more confidence on the ice."

According to Charlie Archer '20, Coach Tortorella's care for his players extends beyond the ice and into their lives as students on campus.

"He cares so much about our team [and] our success on the ice and in the classroom, but also how we develop as people. He wants everyone on the team to broaden their horizons, try new things, [and] meet new people. He wants us to be well-rounded

people," said Archer.

Giampietro said, "A big thing he has taught us is to manage our lives, and even when something doesn't go right for us, to make sure that we handle it and are responsible. Especially that we are responsible with work and academics and are not using hockey as an excuse to get out of things in the classroom."

Tortorella hopes to have a successful season and is thankful that he is able to coach and spend time with his athletes.

"Our smallest goal would be to make sure that we have really valuable practices, and the biggest goal would be to win the Elite 8. Our speed and our hockey IQ as a team along with the players' dedication to each other is very exciting. My favorite part about coaching, however, is coming home on the bus when the team is singing, and, like all other coaches here, I feel lucky to be working with great kids," said Coach Tortorella.



GIRLSSSWIMMING

Girls Clinch Close Win in Season Opener

SILVIA ALFONSO CIRBIAN

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In the last individual event of the evening, 100-Yard Breaststroke, Yifei Wu '18, Emily Warren '21, and Graeleigh Jones '21 claimed the second, third, and fourth places in times of 1:12.41, 1:13.41, and 1:14.89 minutes, respectively, to clinch Andover's first win of the season.

Andover placed swimmers in the top three in multiple events, showcasing its speed and depth. In the first event of the meet, 200-Yard Medley Relay, the A-Relay team of Co-Captain Emma Donchi '18, Co-Captain Allyson Ty '18, Angelreana Choi '19, and Warren finished in second with a time of 1:54.09 minutes.

The highlight of the first half of the meet was Ty's first place in the 50-Yard Free in a time of 25.47 seconds, which helped Andover tie up the score, 31-31.

In the diving well, Reese Pelletier '20 dove for an event win,

with 239.85 points. Claire Davis '20 and Ora Cullen '19 finished third and fourth place, respectively, pushing Andover into the lead.

In the second half of the meet, Macey Mannion '19 and Hailey Wadell '21 claimed the top two spots in the 500-Yard Freestyle, finishing in times of 5:34.54 and 5:36.14 minutes, respectively.

According to Co-Captain Jess Gearan '18, the biggest challenge was the limited practice time before the meet as new swimmers needed to adjust to the dynamic. However, Gearan said, "Our times were fast and will only improve with more practice time."

Ty wrote in an email to *The Phillipian*, "Being able to swim as we did despite our short training period really shows how much potential we have as a team, and I am so excited to see how this season goes."

According to Donchi, Andover had great team spirit and supported one another throughout the meet. "The support and encouragement shown at the meet was awesome," said Donchi.

Gearan said, "There was definitely a positive, encouraging atmosphere on the deck. Everyone



Co-Captain Emma Donchi '18 finished second in the 200-Yard IM against Choate.

put in their best effort and supported one another through a lot of cheering."

Andover is already looking ahead to further competitions and are prepared to work to improve its aerobic base and fixing details

in its starts.

Donchi said, "In the coming weeks we plan to build our endurance during practice as well as work on our start technique."

"I cannot wait to watch us improve as the season progresses.

The team has amazing energy thus far and I am excited to see where this season takes us," added Donchi.

Andover will travel to Loomis Chaffee next Saturday for its first away meet.

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BOYSSWIMMING

Boys Sweep Podium in Three Events

ABBY RYAN

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Choate	81

Captain Nick Isenhower '18 and the top Choate swimmer were neck and neck as they headed into the second half of the 100-Yard Free-

style sprint when Isenhower executed a stronger turn and out-touched his opponent in the last second. This victory contributed to Andover's 102-81 win over Choate in its first meet of the season.

According to Head Coach David Fox, after the 100-Yard Backstroke, Andover and Choate agreed to swim the last two events — 100-Yard Breaststroke and 400-Yard Freestyle

Relay — as non-scoring exhibition events because of Andover's dominant performance up to that point in the meet. The score preceding the 100-Yard Breaststroke and 400-Yard Freestyle Relay was 102-56.

"I was very excited since this was my first meet here at Andover, but at the same time I was nervous as well. I had never swum the 500[-Yard]

Freestyle before, so I was a little uneasy, but I asked Anthony [Minickiello '20] for some tips, and I had a rough idea of how to swim it. I also think that the team is very supportive and has great chemistry with each other, which made the meet very fruitful and also a fun experience," said Marcus Lee '21.

Newcomers on the team played an important role in the victory. Zack Peng '21, the only male diver on the varsity team, placed second on Saturday.

Peng said, "I wanted to give everyone a good first impression and establish that I could contribute and do well throughout the swim and dive season. Throughout several years of competitive diving, I have never felt more comfortable during the period of time before competition because of the friendly support from all my teammates... I am honored to have the opportunity to spend this season with this wonderful team, and I really look forward to what we can accomplish in the next couple of weeks."

Despite only having had a few full practices together this season, the team excelled as a unit, sweeping the top three spots in the 200-Yard Freestyle, 100-Yard Butterfly, and 100-Yard Breaststroke,

and placed first in every event except the 50-Yard Freestyle.

"In preparation for the meet, we've just been practicing. Obviously, we all just got back to campus after break, so we had to put in a lot of work individually at home these past two weeks. At Andover, we've been conditioning and getting back into swim shape. More training is ultimately what we need to improve. We just need to stay focused and get into the swing of things," said Isenhower.

Peng said, "I think in general, as a team, we do not lack in much. The support and optimism we share will really help us to improve all together both physically and mentally for the upcoming meets. I believe that we can really get those extra points and reach the higher scores just by paying attention to small details and imperfections in our dives [and swims]."

Isenhower said, "I'm looking forward to seeing what we can do this season, coming off of a very successful one last year. There's a lot of energy and talent in this team that I look forward to seeing over the next few months."

The team will travel to Loomis Chaffee on Saturday with hopes to continue improving times and dives and to secure another win.



Co-Captain Nick Isenhower '18 holds the Upper record in the 100-Yard Freestyle

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WRESTLING

Andover Suffers Narrow Loss to St. Paul's, Defeats Choate

LINDA BIBEAU

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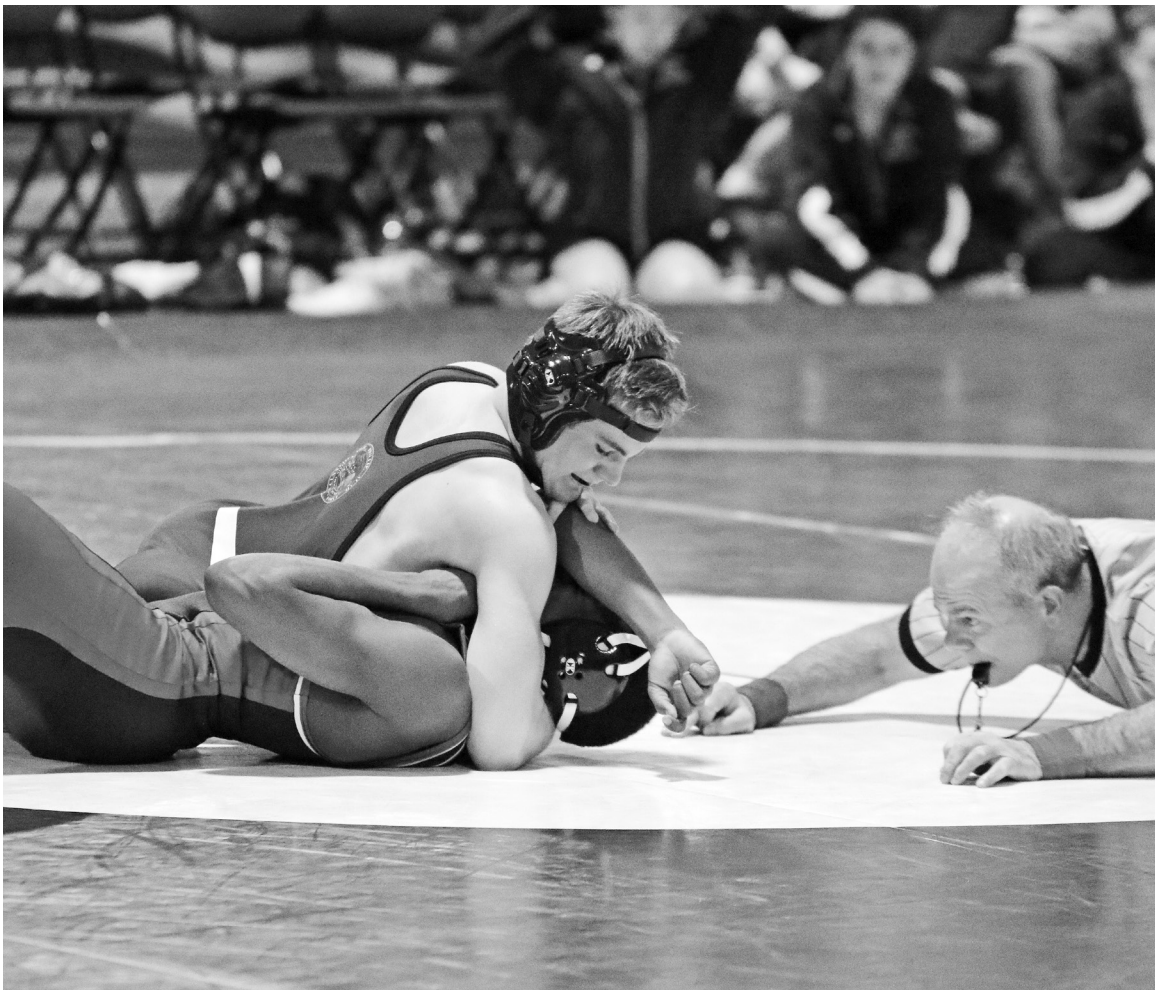
In the final seconds of his match, Adam Cohen '18 blasted in on a takedown to lead eight points and secure a bonus point for Andover. Cohen went on to defeat his opponent, and his efforts propelled Andover to a 43-36 victory over Choate at home on Saturday. On Wednesday, Andover lost a close match to St. Paul's 36-39 at home. The team's record now stands at 1-1.

Eamon Garrity-Rokous '20 said, "Adam Cohen had a fantastic performance when it came to getting takedown and performing well on his feet, as well as consistently going after his opponent, even when he was still up by a significant margin near the end of the match."

Cohen's takedown was crucial to Andover's success on Saturday and served as a lesson for the rest of the team, according to Co-Captain Pierce Bausano '18.

"It was an important teaching moment for a lot of new wrestlers who got to see the situational awareness of a wrestler knowing that, even though he already had a comfortable lead, scoring that extra takedown would give the team a better chance of winning the meet," said Bausano.

Garrity-Rokous wrestled



Eamon Garrity-Rokous '20 won his match against St. Paul's by two points after moving up a weight class.

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a strong match on Saturday, defeating his opponent in the last few seconds to win 7-5 and helping to secure the win for the team, according to Marisol Nugent '20.

"Eamon was also able to win his match by two points

in the last seven seconds after bumping up a weight class. He wrestled really solid and showed a lot of heart. The overall score reflected that we had some tough matches but we also had some kids who stepped up to the plate

and pulled through with some big wins when the team needed it," said Nugent.

In addition, Jack O'Neil '19 and Nick Masri '19 contributed to the win on Saturday with crucial pins on the mat. Cole DeMuelemeester '18 also

wrestled a strong exhibition match and was able to secure a pin in under a minute. Collectively, the team fought hard, adjusting to its opponents in order to come away on top in crucial matches, according to O'Neil.

"One thing the team really excelled at during this meet was wrestling hard. Everyone who stepped out on the mat stayed focused and tough during their match, and it really paid off for the team as a whole. Adjusting during the matches was actually one of the team's strong suits during this meet. Everyone was able to change up their style a bit and hit moves that they usually don't in order to score points for the team," said O'Neil.

Despite falling to St. Paul's on Wednesday, Andover still saw strong performances from several members of the team. Co-Captain Pablo Sanchez '19 secured a 12-2 victory against his opponent, and Bausano was able to secure a quick pin in order to keep the team in the meet.

Moving forward, Andover hopes to improve offensively as well as technically, according to Bausano.

"I think we needed to be more more confident in our offense, take more shots — something I struggle with myself — and improve on a whole list of other technical things, but coming off less than four days of practice as a full team, I am proud of how we wrestled," said Bausano.

Andover will face off in the Andover Duals at home on Saturday.

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Look of the Week:

Anaïs Shen '20 Thrifts Around the World for Comfort and Flair



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Anaïs Shen '20 focuses on finding ways to achieve both style and comfort.

**KATHERINE WANG**

Donning a white and blue striped sweater and loose dark blue corduroy pants, Anaïs Shen '20 pairs the simple yet dynamic look with a ring in the shape of a snake. Though unsuspecting at first glance, the outfit draws from various places around the world such as art museums in Virginia, local thrift stores, and shops in Asia.

"[Shen]'s style is so unique because she has pieces from so many places, whether they are from different countries, cities, or stores. Also, her outfits are always aesthetically pleasing because of the color coordination and choice of accessories — rings, necklaces, [and] jackets. I especially love her overalls, sweaters, and jeans," said Alice Keller '20, one of Shen's friends, in an email to *The Phillipian*.

Pulling items from thrift stores worldwide allows Shen to piece together outfits with interesting styles that have since been removed from stores today, for a cheaper price. According to Shen, the evolution in fashion has allowed her to find some unique pieces in thrift stores that name brands can't provide.

"I wear certain things that are not [pieces] everyone wears; people will ask me where I got stuff from and usually it's not a name brand, like I probably bought them when I was traveling," said Shen.

In addition to her love for thrift shopping, Shen finds much of her inspiration from famous fashion icons on social media, especially those in the music industry. Taking after one of her biggest sources of inspiration, rapper Tyler the



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**According to Anaïs Shen '20, she takes fashion inspiration from rapper Tyler the Creator.**

Creator, Shen likes to pair one bold, main piece and color coordinate the rest of the outfit.

"The rapper, Tyler the Creator, has a brand [and] the way he dresses is very bold, so I've definitely gotten some inspiration from there and I incorporate bright colors like yellow and red like he does. [He] has made a very big fan base and he probably goes under the category streetwear. But music is a big part of my life and he is one of my favorite artists so that probably influences my style," said Shen.

Shen prefers loose fitting pants such as corduroys and cut-off jeans to optimize comfort and style, which she believes can be mutually achieved. In her opinion, less restricting pants catch more attention because they take up more space. Straying away from skinny jeans and tight pants while keeping classy has allowed Shen to stand out on campus.

"I like to be very comfy and I think that you can have a

super basic, plain top. When pants are flowy and flare-y, that's what catches people's eyes and I think what you're wearing on top doesn't matter as long as your pants have cool patterns," said Shen.

"[Shen] dresses like she has plans to go to a small café in Paris everyday, it's super classy and nonrestrictive and it also goes really well with her features," said Jillianne Zhang '20, one of Shen's friends, in an email to *The Phillipian*.

Through her fashion, Shen strives to branch out from mainstream trends and encourages others to find their own style like she did herself.

"Stray away from everyday trends... It'll always look really cool if you branch out and buy something that no one else would have and everyone else will definitely want know where you got it and it'll bring out curiosity and inspire others to try new things as well," said Shen.

Winter Coffeehouse Features Pop Songs and Personal Favorites

**SOPHIA LEE**

As Paige Busse '19 played a harmonious chord on the piano, Adaeze Izuegbunam '20 sang her first note of Panic! at the Disco's song "Impossible Year." Low-pitched and strong, the sound resonated calm through the room.

"I would consider my voice very low for a female... That first note was quite ambitious of me, but I tried. I'd made the mistake of not really knowing where my voice was and singing a lot of songs that are too high. With this song, it starts a lot lower, and it builds," said Izuegbunam.

Busse and Izuegbunam's performance was one of ten acts at this year's Winter Coffeehouse, which took place last Saturday at 8:30 p.m. It drew a large crowd that completely filled the Theatre Classroom in George Washington Hall.

According to Grace

Rademacher '18, Winter Coffeehouse was something that she needed to do during her time at Andover and decided to showcase her singing and guitar skills with the song "Bloom" by the Paper Kites. During her performance, Rademacher softly strung her guitar and sang in quiet, melodic tones that captivated the audience.

"It's one of my favorite songs in the world... it was one of the first songs I learned how to play on the guitar. I really love it... [Performing at Winter Coffeehouse has] been on my bucket list for a while, so... I was like, bucket list time. I gotta do it," said Rademacher.

Sofia Garcia '21 leaned against a black box supporting a keyboard, singing "Stay" by Rihanna. Garcia, like Izuegbunam, chose the song to fit her vocal range.

"I really like this song for my voice part, but also, it holds a special place in my



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**Colin McNamara-Bordewick '21 sang and played guitar to "Skinny Love" by Bon Iver for his first performance at a Coffeehouse.**

heart... I don't know what I was doing [on stage]. It kind of feels like a fever dream; I'm not going to lie," said Garcia.

Having already performed during the fall's Coffeehouse, Summer Seward '21 felt a little more comfortable during her performance of "All I Want For Christmas is You" by Mariah Carey. While she was singing she encouraged audience members to join in and sing with her. Lively harmonies and accompanying melodies sung by the crowd wove in and around the space, joined by Seward's clear, confident tone.

"It was just fun Christmas spirit. I feel like people enjoyed it, and that's the goal in performing: having people enjoy what you do and have fun and sing along with you and hear your voice," said Seward. "[All I Want For Christmas is You] is the best Christmas song — I think — of all time. There's nothing really better. It's iconic; it's legendary."

According to Brooklyn Wirt '21, an audience member, the number of Juniors who performed stood out to her.

"It was really great to see the people who were there because there [were] a lot of... [Juniors] who were reaching out and performing and being awesome at what they were doing," said Wirt.

For Colin McNamara-Bordewick '21, his Saturday performance of "Skinny Love" by Bon Iver was his first Coffeehouse. According to

McNamara-Bordewick, his nerves were eased by the audience's support.

"I was pretty nervous. I was shaking a little bit, but it felt pretty good. The crowd was really nice," said McNamara-Bordewick.



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Paige Busse '19 and Adaeze Izuegbunam '20 performed "Impossible Year" by Panic! at the Disco.



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### 'Catapult: Stories'

by Emily Fridlund

Book Review by Mudmee Sereeyothin and Best Chantanapongvanij

#### Synopsis

'Catapult: Stories' is a collection of short stories chronicling the relationships between people. Fridlund's stories introduce readers to many worlds such as a man and his judgmental baby granddaughter as well as a couple who go to multiple graduation parties, mistake a dog for a bear, and learn life lessons along the way.



#### Review



Fridlund takes the lives of ordinary people and makes them seem extraordinary, leaving the reader in wonder. You'll find yourself grappling with themes such as loss of innocence and adulthood in stories about teenagers trying to build time machines.

#### Verdict

You'll catapult through the stories, wanting to know more. 9/10

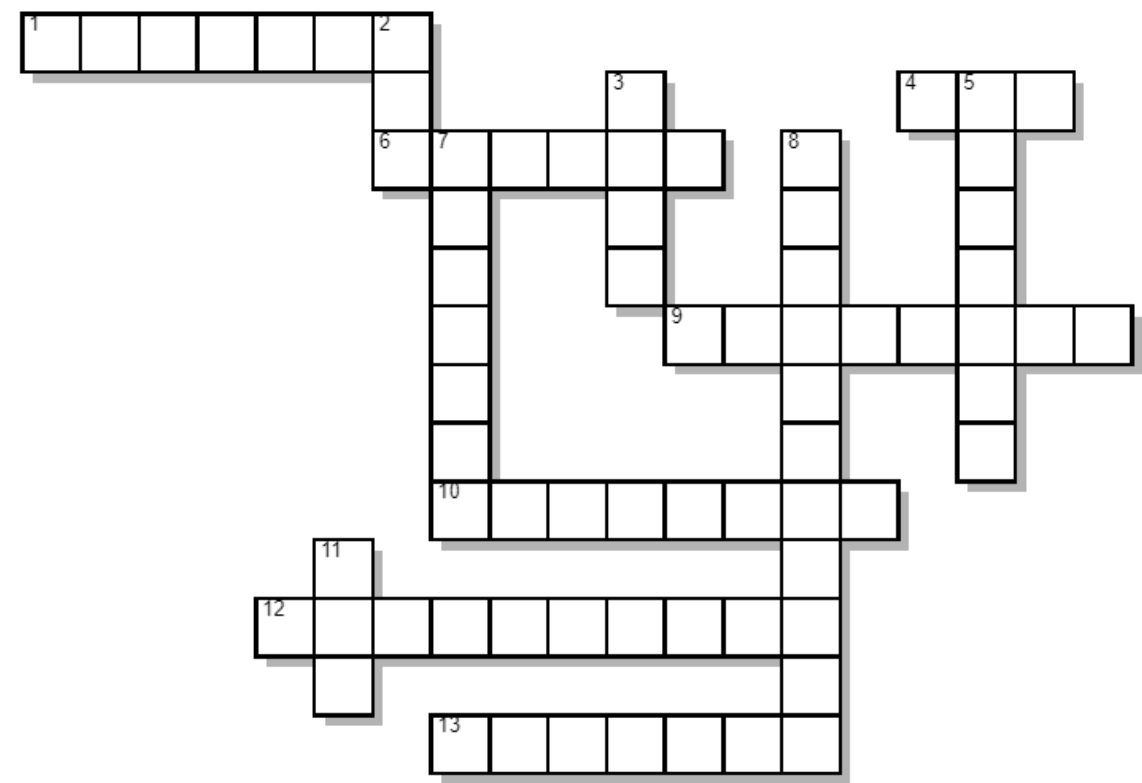


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Crossword Puzzle



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- Down
1. Snowshoeing Instructor

4. Home of the Ball Drop

6. Light Snow

9. Culture from which "Auld Lang Syne" Originated

10. December 21

12. Red Holiday Flower

13. Ten Lords a-
2. Buddy's Holiday Movie

3. Snow Shoveling Sports Team

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Michelangelo Neff '19 Finds Community in Tap Dance


LINDSEY CHAN

An "over-the-top" in tap dance involves sticking your leg out and jumping up to quickly beat the other behind it, an illusion where your leg appears unmoving. Dancing to "Yeah 3x" by Chris Brown, Michelangelo Neff '19 pulled out an "over-the-top" in Footnotes' performance at this year's Grasshopper amid a series of smaller taps and flicks. According to Neff, he was excited to use the special jump.

"These are the type of things that you like to put in your dances frequently, but you only want to put maybe one or two such moves in a dance because if you have a special move, you want them to be kind of sparse," said Neff.

Neff's parents first involved him in dance by enrolling him in an all-boys tap program at a dance studio when he was in first grade. In third grade, he expanded beyond tap into hip hop and ballet. According to Neff, he stuck with it for the joy of improvement.

"[Dancing] is like any skill



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where advancing and progressing is very satisfying. In tap dance, [when you] get a new step or a more complicated move, it's just a very fulfilling feeling that is almost addicting in a way. You just want to keep on going, keep on getting better," said Neff.

Before coming to Andover, Neff participated in regional and national dance competitions in places like Mohegan Sun and Risa, Germany. According to Neff, competitions limited his interaction with the audience. Neff now takes the opportunity to engage with his audience more frequently at Andover.

"I really like the community aspect [of dance at Andover]. [When] I did a lot of competition dancing, [it] was in front of strangers. Here, all my friends and peers come and see these shows [and] see me perform. I think there's another level of confidence you need in order to perform in front of people you know. I've gotten over that, and am able to [let] my friends see what I can do. [I still] hope to become more confident in myself," Neff said.

According to Neff, dancing allows him to form strong relationships, such as with Jackson Diodati '20. Diodati and Neff have been tap dancing at the same studio since Neff was in the fourth grade.

"Since we have started [tap dancing], Michelangelo has definitely focused on making the overall performance entertaining [and] fun. Instead of focusing on specifically technique, or specifically expression, he focuses on a combination of the two. Over time, he has improved on his technique in the process of improving his expression," said Diodati.

Neff is appreciative of the dance community at Andover and has been a part of Footnotes since his Junior year and Hypnotiq since his Lower year.

"There are so many dance programs on campus. It's just a good way to move and be a part of something. In a [dance] group, you can blend into everyone and become one unit. Back when I competed, I did a few tap solos, which were a lot of fun. Those were very stressful though, because you know everyone is looking at you," he said.

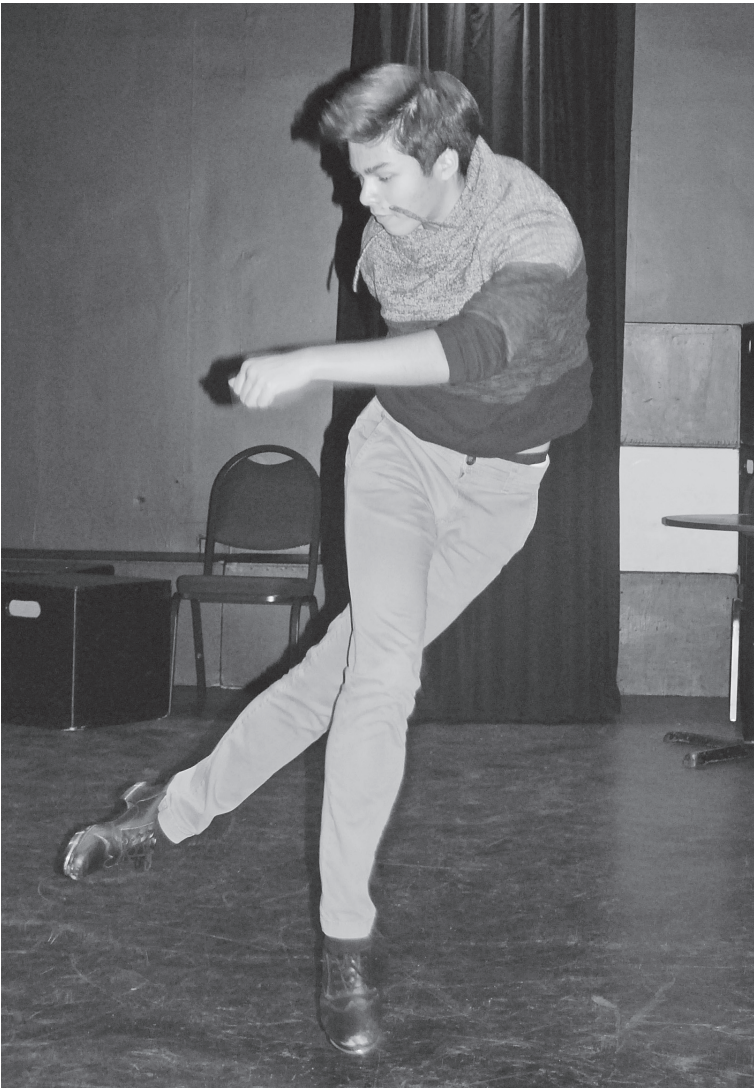
According to Neff, dance does not pertain to just technique — expression is just as important.

"[I hope] to really be able to perform more with my facial expressions. In dance, there's a big emphasis on your face and being able to perform with that, but that's something that I need to work on. Technique can only take you so far; there's a whole other level of performing and being engaging," said Neff.

Although Neff does not intend to pursue dancing professionally, it still plays a critical part in his life, specifically tap dancing.

"I just like how nuanced and particular [tap dancing] is. There are really complicated rhythms that you try to make, and you have to be very clear. I enjoy the technical aspect and nailing down stuff like that. The whole fun part is being able to move to the music," said Neff.

According to Michelangelo Neff '19, he has embraced group performances since coming to Andover, joining the Footnotes and Hypnotiq clubs.



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Michelangelo Neff '19 has performed in Risa, Germany twice at the IDO World Tap Dance Championship; once in fourth grade and again in the eighth grade.

For more about Michelangelo Neff '19, check out:

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Donald Kost Develops Identity and Explores Relationships Through Photography

KAITLIN LIM

Venturing through Seoul, South Korea, Donald Kost, Instructor in Mathematics, Statistics, and Computer Science, waited until the sun illuminated the streets at the right angle to capture the perfect photo of Gangnam, an upscale district. Warm tones of oranges and reds shroud the right half of the image while cold hues of greens and blues cloak the left. According to Kost, this separation of colors in the photo represents clashing aspects of his identity.

“I thought to create this composition because of my relationship to Korea. I’m trans-racially adopted. I feel, on the one hand, very warm towards Korea. I feel like I am accepted by way of my looks and in a different way than I was growing up in a white suburb. But then, at the same time, I feel very cold because I don’t speak the language. It feels empty and almost lonely because I can’t talk to anybody even though I feel a lot more comfortable,” said Kost.

Since starting just over a year ago, Kost has developed his skills in photography as a way for him to learn about his



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**Kost receives inspiration from exploring new places and comparative literature.**



COURTESY OF DONALD KOST

According to Donald Kost, this photo, taken in Seoul, South Korea, represents his identity as a trans-racially adopted child.

identity. Taking photos and curating a collection on his Instagram account has helped him explore more aspects of his life and think more deeply about the way he sees himself and the world around him.

“One of the things I noticed about photography is that I now walk around the world looking at things differently. I think it makes me more appreciative of things around me and more mindful. Taking a good picture of a good person isn’t about whether or not objectively this person is a model or something. It’s about being able to talk to them and have a conversation and using your camera,” said Kost.

Kost’s photos also allow him to interact with his

erary professor Edward Said. According to Kost, reading comparative literature has helped him think about his life and photography in relation to what he reads.

“[Said is] a Palestinian intellectual who was an exile and moved to the United States and wrote a lot of really important books about helping people who are silenced or people who are oppressed. He also wrote a lot about art. I think, when I take pictures, I didn’t think that I would be applying comparative literature at all, but I end up thinking about it a lot in terms of what I’m portraying,” said Kost.

According to Kost, he has not been able to pursue photography as much as he wants

to due to his busy schedule. Still, he plans to explore more aspects of photography by getting to know different parts of campus, such as the Cochran Bird Sanctuary or the Case Memorial Cage, where he could experiment with the geometry of the beams and windows.

“I don’t have a concept of this place yet. I haven’t felt the need to take any pictures... because most of the time, when I take pictures, I would just walk around and see things that I thought were nice — just take the time to actually look at things closely — and that’s something that most people here aren’t doing because they’re so caught up in the pace of life here. And so am I,” said Kost.



BuenoMalo’s tacos, pictured above, look simple but pack a strong flavor with roasted marinated beef.

KAITLIN LIM

Nestled in Andover Square across from Mr. Gelato’s stands a new restaurant: BuenoMalo. Owned by business partners Michael Reidy and Franco Lozano III, the restaurant aims to serve Southern California-inspired Mexican cuisine, bringing a Southern Californian vibe to downtown Andover.

“The vibe that we’re bringing is that, even in the dead of winter, people are going to feel a little taste of warmth from Southern California... A restaurant has a bunch of different things: you have to have good food and good customer service and a cool atmosphere. I think a lot of places in New England in general miss that, especially in the suburbs, so that’s what we’re trying to bring. We’re trying to bring the city vibe into the suburbs,” said co-owner Lozano.

BuenoMalo offers Mexican street food with an emphasis on authenticity. Lozano, drawing inspiration from his grandmother’s cooking and his childhood in Los Angeles, ensures that everything on his menu is as authentic as can be.

“I’m originally from Los Angeles. My family is Mexican, and I definitely grew up with Mexican cooking. The influence was really my grandmother, as far as the food is concerned. She’s been cooking for all her life. The take on her food, it’s very simple. Mexican food, in its simplest form, is meant to be eaten street-style,” said Lozano.

The restaurant features a large range of dishes that vary between lunch and dinner. One of the most popular dishes are the tacos, which have soft tortillas and roasted marinated beef as the base with additional toppings, such as salsa, cilantro, and onions.

“Tacos have simple ingredients, but bold flavors... We will have available cheese and lettuce and sour cream and all those toppings, but those aren’t how they come on the menu. That’s not how authentic Mexican food is,” said Lozano.

One of the most unique aspects of the food served at BuenoMalo are the dishes’ simplicity and strong flavors, as noted by Clio Polanco-Cercado ’20, who ordered the tacos.

“I thought that [the tacos were] really good. I didn’t expect too much from the food because it looked so simple, but there were a lot of flavors. But it [also] wasn’t too much seasoning. I appreciated that,” said Polanco-Cercado.

Along with this emphasis on authenticity, Lozano and Reidy also aim to make BuenoMalo a versatile restaurant, running it as a fast-paced lunch restaurant during the day and a slow, sit-down restaurant at night.

“During the day, people want lunch — students, young professionals, businessmen and women — they want fast-paced lunch takeout, like UBurger or La Rosa’s. But we saw that there was also an opportunity for a date night type restaurant where mom and dad want to come out and have a cocktail at night. So we decided that [Andover] was the perfect town for this idea with essentially two restaurants in one,” said Lozano.

BuenoMalo adds to their city

vibe by including artwork on their walls, inspired by many restaurants in Los Angeles. One of the most notable pieces include a large pair of colorful wings that guests often use a backdrop in photos.

“We had a great artist from Brooklyn come down and do a wall. It’s a painting on the wall that’s going to be one of those paintings where people can take a picture in front of it and post it to social media. It’s super cool and it’s something we’ve seen [done] in LA,” said Lozano.

With the establishment of BuenoMalo, Lozano and Reidy hope to help make Andover more renowned and exciting.

“There’s a huge opportunity in the future for Andover to have a lot of restaurants downtown, to have more foot traffic, to have more shopping come in, so I think we’re just starting to see that transition downtown. I think that’s awesome. The more restaurants there are, the more businesses there are to bring people downtown, the more exciting it becomes,” said Lozano.

BuenoMalo is located at 93 Main Street, Andover, Mass. Lunch hours are from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. from Monday to Saturday, and dinner hours are from 5:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. from Monday to Thursday and 5:00 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays.



BuenoMalo hopes to warm Andover with bold flavors and authentic cuisine.



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