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Sailor Spotlight



Sailor Spotlight
Josh Spitz

These days, there's always something going on in Donovan Gymnasium. One day it's a basketball game. The next, a wrestling meet. No matter the day, Hen Hud athletes are always excelling inside that gym.

If it's basketball, you'll find Maria Scalf, most likely beyond the 3-point arc.

Scalf started playing basketball at around eight years old in a town league and has been in love with the game ever since.

"At first I began playing just to try it out, and because I knew my dad was big into basketball," Scalf said. "I never thought I would stick with it when I was little, I was a pretty clumsy and uncoordinated kid."

Well, it stuck. Scalf, known for her lights out shooting, is a consistent starter for the Sailors. Early in her career in blue and white, she paid close attention to her teammates as she began to learn the ropes. But, there was one player who she kept her eye on at all times.

Indian Point, to Close or Not to Close



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Gregory Fuchek

As many of us have heard, the State of New York and Entergy have made a deal to close our friendly neighborhood nuclear power plant, Indian Point. The deal, which was signed on January 9th, lacked detail and description and thus has left far more questions than answers. In the years going forward—the deal calls for the plant to be closed by 2021—our area will be greatly affected by the plant, and its potential shutdown will certainly carry many consequences, some positive and others negative.

Indian Point, which began operating in the 70's, has seen both of its two main reactors—Unit 2 and Unit 3—shut down on many occasions for repairs, but shutting them down permanently will have a huge effect on the area. First and foremost, the plant provides one-third of our school's annual budget, as Superintendent Joseph Hochreiter has iterated since news of the deal came out. If Entergy were to close, the district would have two simple choices and one major decision to make; to either raise taxes or cut many of our existing programs and workers. For our community, a tax increase could totally shift demographics and greatly decrease the number of families who can afford to live here. The other option, cutting programs and positions, would limit the number of courses and talented teachers and administrators the school could have at

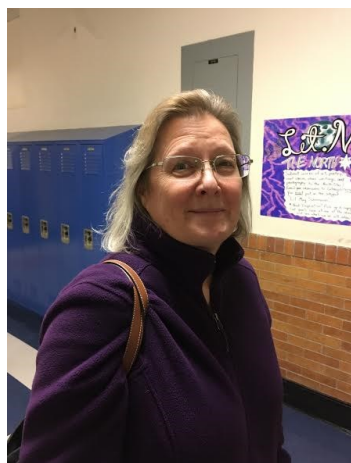
"I definitely model my game after a Hen Hud alumni, Amy Glashoff," Scalf said. "I was lucky enough to be able to play my freshman and sophomore year with her, and I remember watching her shot closely, hoping that one day mine would be half as good."

Now, young Sailors look at Scalf with hopes of replicating *her* shot one day.

At shooting guard, Scalf is averaging 12.5 points per game this season, which leads the 10-3 Sailors. As one of their top scoring options, Scalf's mind is on one thing and one thing only come tip off.

"One great thing about this sport is you play a 32 minute game and that's all that matters in that time. Not a single thought goes through my head in a good game that's not related to basketball," she said. "You have 32 minutes to leave everything on that court, win or lose, there's an immense satisfaction that comes from knowing that

Marvelous Mrs. Stock



By: Maggie Bernstein and Maddie Lentino
(Magdie Lernstein)

Over the past school year, the library has made a number of changes, but one very important person has stayed as a constant comfort to students: Mrs. Stock. Some know her as the woman who sits at the sign-in when you go into the library during a free period, but to many she is so much more than that. She's a trusted individual, and often cited as the "best person in the building". Luckily, we got to know a little bit more about what makes Mrs. Stock, *THE* Mrs. Stock, one fateful day in the library, and uncovered how she is able to make the library such a magical place.

M&M: So, what would you say is your responsibility in the library everyday?

Mrs. Stock: Well, I'm the person in charge... I'm a teacher aid and I open and turn everything on, and I sign out the chromebooks.

M&M: Sounds good, so if you had to choose what would you say is your favorite period in the library?

Mrs. Stock: Oh, I don't know, well later in the day it gets a little crazy. I like it when the kids are here, and we're having fun.

M&M: We like the fun too. A little bit of a different question now, what would you say was your favorite music when you were our age?

Matt's New Equipment



Photo by Jackie Raguso

By Jackie Raguso

It is no question that Mattsters, one of the district's most anticipated disc golf tournaments, has been an enormous success for the past two years. The fundraiser was born when our very own Mr. Bradley Fredman opted to give Peer Leaders a chance to learn the necessary steps to run a fundraiser in order to utilize such skills in the future. Little did he know just how popular it would become. Teams of disc golfers sign up and play on a disc golf course designed by the Peer Leaders set up throughout the high school and Frank G. Lindsey Elementary School grounds. Participants have to pay a small entrance fee, while others are free to make donations or sponsor their very own hole.

The question of what they intended on raising the money for was almost a given when Mr. Fredman remembered how much Matthew Marrieco, a student suffering from muscular dystrophy, wanted a dog. Muscular dystrophy is a genetic disorder that weakens the muscles that help the body move over a gradual period of time. Those who have muscular dystrophy can lose the ability to perform activities we do without giving a second thought, like sitting up or standing. The First Annual Mattsters Disc Golf Tournament went better than expected, raising

enough money to give Matt a dog, along with the necessary training and food for his loyal companion.

Mattsters's second year was focused on providing Matt with an "EasyStand Evolve Stander". This stander is beneficial to the user in numerous ways such as increasing circulation, yielding cardiovascular benefits, building endurance, helping range of motion, preventing muscle contractions, maintaining bone strength, and more. Considering the triumph from the previous year, it was no surprise the disc golf tournament, yet again, raised enough money to buy stand an EasyStander. Since he has had his new stander, Matt has gained "a profound feeling of independence and is always smiling when he's in [the stander]". It's just amazing to be able to look at him at the same eye level", according to Mr. Fredman. Coming up on it's third year, it is evident the Mattsters Disc Golf Tournament will be prosperous yet again. Because, if we're being truthful, who doesn't love some disc golf?



Photo by Jackie Raguso

Hen Hud Students Attend Gov. Andrew Cuomo's State of the State Speeches at SUNY Purchase

By: Maddie Lentino

This January, Governor Andrew Cuomo took a step away from tradition when delivering his State of the State address by travelling to different regions in New York rather than giving it in Albany. On the 10th, Governor Cuomo delivered his Mid-Hudson address at SUNY Purchase, and focused on the economic and social progress he intended to make while in office.



Cuomo established that the minimum wage would be raised to \$15 an hour as well as paid family leave, stating that "Most of the people working at fast-food restaurants are not kids, they are older people raising families." He touched upon the idea that change is difficult because people prefer control over anything, and losing that is frightening.

Two major points Cuomo brought up was the desire to spend \$2 billion in order to rebuild water infrastructure, as well as \$200 million to create an Empire State Trail. The trail would have 750 miles of finished pathways across the state, linking 40 segments of historic parks and nature trails, and connect the Erie Canalway and the Hudson River Valley Greenway, and then connect to the route 9 bike path.

Cutting taxes and making SUNY schools' tuition free for families who make less than \$125,000 were also points he touched upon, along with the proposed togetherness of local governments, communities, labor,

and businesses to create a plan to cut costs and share services. The plan the groups come up with would be presented to voters on a referendum, and if not approved the local governments would have to continue coming up with ideas until the plan is approved.

A topic Cuomo did not cover, however, is perhaps one of the most controversial: the closing of Indian Point nuclear power plant. Cuomo stated that New York State and Entergy, the plant's operator, have come to an agreement to shut the plant down by April of 2021. This announcement caused a great deal dissent between those who think the plant does more good than harm, and those who are paranoid the plant will cause nuclear poisoning should it remain open. Despite the heavily discussed issue, Cuomo did not even mention it, and exited the stage before he could take any questions.

Photo by Maddie Lentino. Peter Maselli, Trevor Dowling, Dan Maloney, Jess Gerhardt, Maddie Lentino, Greg Fuchek, Danielle Guida, Melanie Porras, Nick Cunningham, Jackie Raguso, Brad Fredman

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Mrs. Stock: Well I liked the Beatles, I was into more sing-songy songs. Oh, I was very out there. I always have music in my head. I like "Gangster's Paradise"... I listen to all kinds of music, show tunes, rap...

M&M: Rap?

Mrs. Stock: Yes! I keep asking everyone to give me names [of rappers]!

M&M: We'll definitely tell people that. Time to get down to business - how has it felt working under the two different librarians?

Mrs. Stock: Well, it was great with Nina [Levine] once I got to know her. I was always honest with her, and learned a lot from her.

M&M: What traits would you like to see in a new librarian?

Mrs. Stock: Someone who's strong and intelligent. I don't like putting down the rules so much because I just want to be friends with everyone. Someone who enjoys working with young adults and loves books. It would be nice if we could decorate the library too, to make it a more enjoyable one.

M&M: What's your philosophy on life?

Mrs. Stock: To love everyone. To work together. We're all human beings. We shouldn't judge others, I shouldn't judge others because I'm just a person. The one thing that doesn't change is who you are. No matter how old you get, you still stay who you are.

M&M: That's really great! Is there any-

thing else you want to share about yourself?

Mrs. Stock: My sons. I have two of them, one's 32 and the other is 35. The younger one has two kids and lives in Mahopac, and the older is living in California. They're really great boys.

M&M: Aw, that's so sweet! Those are all our questions, but thank you so much for

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What FBLA's Up To

Maggie Bernstein

The Hen Hud FBLA chapter has been busy in the last few weeks, and has some important upcoming events as well. On January 28th, District 3S held a social at Dave and Buster's in Pelham. Attending schools included Hendrick Hudson, Mamaroneck, Lakeland and Mount Vernon. One of the upcoming events is on February 9th, the Hen Hud chapter will travel to Lakeland High School for the Spring District Meeting. Here, students will complete in preliminary rounds of competition to gear up for the State Leadership Conference. In addition, there will be workshops and speakers to get the district pumped for States in April. Hen Hud is currently busy planning the events they will complete in at the April Conference. The past few years of FBLA have been very successful at States, with seven students



attending Nationals last year. Those students were Notre Dame student Catherine Barra, Bentley volleyball player Emily Barthelmes, Maggie Bernstein, Derek Gonda, Buuhac Nguyen, Omar Saleh, and Nina Tagliabue. We're looking forward to many more successes at our upcoming competitions.



Photo by Maggie Bernstein

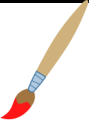
Buuhac Nguyen, Nina Tagliabue, Omar Saleh, Derek Gonda, Catherine Barra, Maggie Bernstein, Emily Barthelmes



Photo by Maggie Bernstein

Derek Gonda, Harley Sternberg, Omar Saleh, Alicia Niebrzydowski, Nina Tagliabue, Maggie Bernstein, Emily Barthelmes, Buuhac Nguyen, Deepa Mistry, Catherine Barra, Mrs. Jandrasits

Date Book: Be Seen and Be Supportive

Date	Event	Sponsor
February 1	Yearbooks on Sale! \$80	Yearbook
February 7	Valentine's Day Individual Chocolate Cake Sale \$4 each PRE ORDER Preferred	HOSA 
February 10	Holiday Card & Bake sale for the Memory Project (students making portraits for orphans in 3rd world countries) students can buy handmade V-day cards & baked goods for \$1 all proceeds will go towards the Memory Project	Art Honor Society 
February 14	Hot Chocolate Sale \$2/ Cup in the Cafeteria	Habitat for Humanity 
February 28	SAAD Annual Volleyball Tournament Starting at 2:15 pm	SAAD 
March 10 	St. Patrick's Day Irish Soda Bread Sale Pre Order \$6	HOSA
March 17	***Also St. Patrick's Day Bake Sale in the Cafe items \$1 each https://ny01813707.schoolwires.net/Page/8285	HOSA 

The Battle of the Pizzerias



By: Brett Mager

Here in Montrose, there has always been the “go to” pizza place – Avellino’s, formerly known as Two Brothers. Avellino’s has always been the hot spot after school when craving delicious pizza. However, there will soon be some competition in town. Nonna’s, with a location in the Beach Shopping Center, has leased space right near the school, which will introduce new, and tough competition for Avellino’s.

Nonna’s reputation is causing a huge amount of excitement for its opening. This may not be good for Avellino’s, as the soon to open pizza place may steal some thunder. Already there are plenty of places to eat around the school, including the Montrose Deli, Dunkin Donuts, and the Westchester Diner. This addition to the mix just might push all of them out of the student circle.

However, Avellino’s could ultimately beat the competition and use this struggle to show how good their food really is. The buildup of Nonna’s being as amazing as it already is in “the Beach” could serve as a problem for them. If they aren’t good right off the bat, people

may steer clear automatically and stick with Avellino’s.

Either way, both pizza joints are great pillars of our town and community as a whole. Avellino’s has functioned as an enjoyable lunch and dinner place with good food for all. Nonna’s will, no doubt, also become a good place to get pizza and hang out with friends after school, despite the competition with its rival.

Nonetheless, competition between two restaurants can be overwhelming as well as fateful. One restaurant could lose its place in the town. With this said, both are and will be great assets to the community, along with being a major part of students’ lives as well. Hopefully, people will go to both locations and get the delicious pizza they serve (and deserve!). Take my word for it – both Avellino’s and Nonna’s are great places to eat.



This Weather is Snow Joke

By Jackie Raguso

It is no question that this season’s winter has been as bipolar as your temperamental next door neighbor. The temperatures have ranged everywhere from below freezing to high fifties. We’ve seen some snowfall and A LOT of rain. However, leading meteorologists are predicting a change in this pattern. According to AccuWeather Long-Range Forecaster Paul Pastelok, “The Northeast is going to see more than just a few, maybe several, [snowstorms] in the course of the season.” Although this winter will, on average, have higher temperatures, increasing by 3-5 degrees compared to the past, we have already seen some heavy snowstorms, only on weekends of course. There will be a larger amount of snowfall beginning at the end of January, which will continue throughout February. Snow days will no longer be an urban legend, but a reality. So log into your Netflix account and grab some hot chocolate, because winter has finally arrived.

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The Magic Foot



Photo by Melody Munitz
Emily Fareed, Melody Munitz

At the end of it all, the foot proved as vital as the larynx.

Deciding to go against the trend of producing only one musical a year, the Hendrick Hudson Drama Club performed *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*, based on the book by Rachel Sheinkin, on the Friday and Saturday of MLK Day weekend.

"It was definitely very different from any other show I have been in, but certainly no less a fun experience," said Tom Maloney, who played the father of Olive Ostrovsky. "I really just had no clue what to expect."

Maloney did not stand alone, as nobody had any idea of what was to come. "Spelling Bee", a relatively unknown show amongst only casual theatre fans, starkly contrasts other musicals performed or soon to be in production at Hendrick Hudson; its characters and their hijinks alike have yet to attain household recognition like those of *Beauty and the Beast* and *West Side Story*.

However, a lack of familiarity did not mean, to any extent, a lack of entertainment. From the moment the show started, the audience knew that they were in for something special. For starters, it was rather difficult to even tell that the show was beginning. Brianna Marangiello took center stage and addressed the crowd, seemingly doing nothing more than speaking to all in attendance. Soon after, it would be made



quite obvious that she was in character as Rona Lisa Peretti, breaking the fourth wall, a rarity in musical theatre.

The endearingly excellent oddities would only continue from here. Kristen Bartolomeo, in character as the vice principal and judge of the bee, consistently sought relief from her anxiety by going to her plethora of pill bottles.

Those who played the competitors in the spelling bee, given the nature of the show's particularly small cast, were able to shine. Hayden Gelman, playing Logainne Schwartz and grubenierre, took things like her unique situation at home and a speech impediment and made them unforgettable. Amelia Bisaccia, as Marcy Park, taught everyone a lesson about childhood responsibilities and expectations, defying what she indirectly makes out to be the values forced upon her by her parents, with great stage presence. Max Borchardt, portraying perennial favorite Chip Tolentino, perfectly delivered a wide range of crude humor in a way that left the audience laughing hysterically. As Olive Ostrovsky, Melody Munitz once again displayed her professionalism on stage, excellently selling the disappointment that all children experience in failing to see their parents at their momentous events. Grace O'Malley played the wildly quirky Leaf Coneybear and captured the character's mannerisms and eccentricities to near perfection.

And then there was William Barfée. From the moment he took the stage, everybody could see that Sydney Fray was absolutely perfect for this role. Going on to defy expectations and come out on top at the end of the bee, Barfée, or Bar-Fray, used the power of his "magic foot" to carry him to victory.

It was certainly exciting to see members of the Hen Hud community pulled up from the audience to participate as spellers in the bee. The Friday night show saw the crowd shocked and delighted to find that Jackie Raguso, Jill Attinelly, Mr. Lupien, and Mr. Fredman were called up as the four remaining contestants.

A fabulous production, *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* certainly made a name for itself at Hendrick Hudson thanks in large part to that unforgettable, fabulously flopping foot.





Pasta Dinner-

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5:00-7:30

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Sailor Pride

By Danielle Smith

"G-E-T U-P, GET UP OFF YOUR SEATS! G-E-T U-P, AND JAM TO THE SAILORS' BEAT!" Students and parents in the Sarah F. Donovan gymnasium were definitely up off their seats back on November 22, cheering varsity basketball. The past few years, the athletic department has organized Blue and White Madness, energizing the community in support of the Sailors' basketball and cheerleading teams. The varsity cheerleaders showed their Sailor pride throughout the entire day. Senior cheerleaders sold t-shirts, designed specifically for Blue and White Madness, during school. The team welcomed elementary school children as they arrived for a clinic. The varsity athletes taught the little girls popular cheers, and even showed them how to stunt.

When the time finally arrived, the varsity cheerleaders walked into the gymnasium holding hands with the future members of the team. They even put on a performance with them.

Sam Aaronson, a three year varsity cheerleader, absolutely loved having the opportunity to interact with younger children and teaching them how to show their Sailor spirit. She said, "Getting to cheer out and cheer with the 'future Hen Hud Cheerleaders' made me so happy as I watched the littles jam to the sailor beat". After watching the cheerleaders kick off, both the boys and girls varsity basketball teams were introduced alongside students from the Furnace Woods Student Counsel program.

A member of the varsity girls basketball team, Taylor Prokopiak expressed, "It was a great experience interacting with the kids from the elementary schools and showing them what they have to look forward to when they move up to the high school." Next, Mr. Bruno, Emcee for the night, selected students from the crowd to participate in relay races and a half-court shot competition.

Once the participants returned to the stands, the girls basketball team presented a gift to their coach, Ken Sherman, for ten years of dedication to the program. Following this touching mo-

ment, the girls played a scrimmage against each other. With the sound of the buzzer, the boys stepped onto the court, also scrimmaging against other members of their team.

Austin Fraser, a junior on the boys basketball team, exclaimed, "To be a part of this team is something else. The atmosphere in the gym was amazing and the crowd was unreal."

The fun didn't stop there. Raffle tickets were drawn, and those chosen were able to pie members of the basketball and cheerleading teams in the face. When leaving the gymnasium at the end of the night, everyone had bright smiles on their faces; Blue and White Madness truly showed how unique and special Sailor spirit is.



Women's March on Washington



Photo by Anchor Staff

By: Sam Aaronson

Over 500,000 Americans rallied and marched for the protection and acknowledgment of women's right. This was in Washington D.C. alone. Spanning the country, and the world, people came together to march. New York City. Chicago. London. Paris. Melbourne. On January 21st, the cause and the enthusiasm stretched to every continent on the globe, even Antarctica.



Photo by Anchor Staff

The final global headcount hovered above 3 million people. A number which included many from the Hen Hud Community, both current students and alumni. Hendrick Hudson faculty member has remarked, "[It was] such a feeling of solidarity. Thousands of people were there so that for a part of it we didn't even get a chance to march. We were just in place." He/She was overwhelmed by the songs and the signs made so that when everyone was standing in the streets it was very clearly that everyone was together for a common cause.

"We felt like we were getting something done."

2016 graduate Gracie Aaronson marched alongside 250,000 people in Chicago, IL. For Aaronson, the march proved that "there are so many people out there who

are willing to fight for what is right."

Shared by Aaronson, but felt by many, "seeing so many people join together for such an amazing cause as women's rights and freedoms was extremely empowering [and] made my own worries feel validated and heard."

Maddie Lentino, Hen Hud senior, was fortunate enough to travel to Washington D.C. for the march. Lentino's experience of "being surrounded by all different types of people from different backgrounds and of different ages to that magnitude is something that [she doesn't] think [she'll] ever be able to experience again."

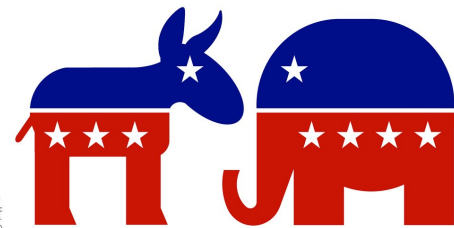
In the center of it all, "to stand among all different types of people - men, women, and children, who believed they had a reason to fight for not only women's rights but everyone's, was a genuinely humbling experience," says Lentino.

Aaron Feldman, cousin to a district family, participated in Washington D.C. as well. He was one of the many males that participated in recognition of female's right to rights. Aaron posted his support on instagram with a post captioned, "Saturday's might be for the boys, but this one is for women."

For Aaron, the march made him think "As happy as I was, being a white male I was a little sad. I felt that there shouldn't even have to be any march. The march was for basic rights for people, which shouldn't have to be advocated for, but a given."

And these three individuals were young adults, yet their impact is astronomical. In the recent weeks, many teachers in the building and many advocates worldwide have presented a call to action. If you want change, if you want rights, if you want to preserve your way of life, become involved, advocate for yourself, speak up for yourself, and use your voice. You are powerful.

Signs were made and chants



were shouted. All efforts made to show our new President, Donald J. Trump, that America will not back down from providing equal and fair opportunities for women, and for all people. First day on the job, and this is what you get; all the organized marches prove that America is strong, democracy is strong, and the spirit of unity and equality is strong.

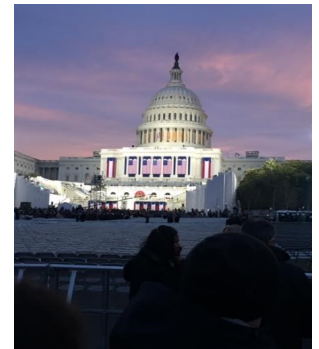
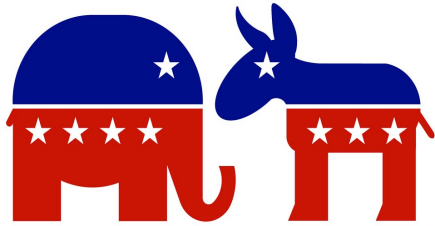
Maddie, Aaron, Maddie and Gracie

As our former President Barak Obama said, "Yes we can. Yes we did. Yes we can."

Photos by Anchor Staff



The Inauguration of President Donald J. Trump



Gregory Fucheck

Every four years, on the 20th of January, we the people of the United States of America gather to inaugurate our president. This year, a cold, drizzly day on Capitol Hill darkened the skies over Donald Trump's swearing in ceremony. The day seemed symbolic of the 45th president's year; dark skies accenting the grim state of present day America, die hard supporters turning out for the man they hope will make America great again, and a few after the fact statements that were false to everybody but the Don. So let's recap America!

The dawning of the Trump's term in office began with a church service Friday morning...and some tweeting. Donald and his wife, first lady Melania Trump, then met the Obamas for tea at the White House before riding



together to the ceremony. At Capitol Hill, Trump was met by the other three living former presidents--this excludes George H.W. Bush who was unfortunately in the hospital-- Jimmy Carter, Bill Clinton and George W. Bush. Before swearing in the president elect, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court Clarence Thomas swore in Trump's running ma-

te, former governor of Indiana Mike Pence. Soon after, around noon, Chief Justice John Roberts swore Trump in himself, as the former host of the celebrity apprentice took the oath office uttering the famous line that he would do his best to "preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of United States, so help me God".

From here, came Trump's much anticipated inaugural address. Whether you were a fan of Obama or not, his eloquence when giving speeches was something to be admired and surely would be tough for Trump to match. Knowing this, and remembering the what seems like infinite number of rally speeches Trump gave this year, the Don stuck to much of what he knew. After thanking his predecessors and Obama specifically, Trump delved into much of the rhetoric that catapulted him to the presidency. Harping on the fact that he was "transferring power to the people" exhilarated his devout supporters who felt so desperately disillusioned with all the "all talk-no action" politicians of Washington. So familiarly, Trump again painted a picture of a broken America, citing corrupt politicians, bad trade deals and a lack of action in government as the reason so many Americans were struggling. Trump reiterated how the "forgotten people" of America would no longer be left behind, and instead his government will be listening. And here, around the halfway point of the address, Trump delivered the line that has undoubtedly characterized his policies, ideas and vision for America.

"From this day forward, it's going to be only America first, America first"

Almost immediately, shock-

waves were sent around the world, finally and completely announcing that Donald Trump is here, and he is the highest executive of the United States of America for the next four years. To some, this represented all they hated about Trump. The racism, bigotry and xenophobia. And for those who voted for him, it's the battle cry for a movement.



Photos by Anchor Staff

Chief's Entertainment Expertise: Oscar Predictions

by Daniel Maloney

Another year, another set of fabulous films. Having rang in the new year, it is time once again to acknowledge those whose work has succeeded in wowing audiences around the world on the biggest stage of them all.



Directors, writers, actors, actresses, and producers have all worked tirelessly to see their careers and legacies rise to the rank of the few. After committing countless hours and expending a great deal of energy to perfecting their craft, the following will likely hear a hal-

lowed phrase precede their names: And the Oscar goes to...

Best Original Screenplay

Manchester by the Sea written by Kenneth Lonergan

From the moment this movie begins, its writing shines. Of course, the cinematography can be pinpointed as a prime reason for the film's seemingly simple beauty, but it would frankly go to waste if Lonergan had not exercised his absolute brilliance. What seemed to be particularly uncomplicated actions and dialogue on

screen were a result of Lonergan paying incredibly close attention to the detail of his screenplay to make it all feel as natural as possible. Damien Chazelle deserves all the credit in the world for his work on *La La Land*, but the writing done for *Manchester by the Sea* is simply too well done to ignore.

Best Director

Damien Chazelle, *La La Land*

Having written and directed *La La Land*, Chazelle is inarguably one of the largest contributors to the movie's success. Given the nature of the film, it would be nearly impossible for some of its scenes to be put to the big screen without proper direction. That being said, Chazelle surely exceeded expectations. With stunning camera work at the forefront of this movie's beautiful musical sequences, the direction of the film elevated it from fantastic to almost flawless. Some may argue in favor of Barry Jenkins' work on *Moonlight* or for Arrival's Denis Villeneuve, but Chazelle cannot be denied this year.

Best Actor in a Lead Role

Casey Affleck, *Manchester by the Sea*

Many will likely look back upon 2016-17 as a particularly disappointing year for the more well known of the Affleck brothers, Ben. Sure, he may have made a pretty penny on films like *Batman v Su-*

perman: Dawn of Justice and Suicide Squad, but critics and fans alike will likely voice their opinions of these movies with great disdain. Casey, on the other hand, took to this much smaller project, and will never regret taking the lesser paycheck. Portraying Lee Chandler to absolute perfection, Affleck solidified his legacy as something much more than "just Ben's brother". Ripping at the heartstrings of audiences around the world, Affleck cannot and will not have his work go without notice.

Best Actress in a Lead Role

Emma Stone, *La La Land*

Having started her career acting in a variety of comedic films, Stone has proven to everybody that she has been able to grow as an actress. Starting as early as *Birdman*, her acting chops have clearly matured, and arguably hit their masterful peak in *La La Land*. Working alongside Ryan Gosling in a wonderfully paired one-two punch, Stone plays Mia with unbelievable versatility, conveying gleeful happiness to painful sadness, all while singing and dancing in a way that nobody has ever seen her do before. Amy Adams puts on a fantastic performance in *Arrival*, but she cannot dethrone Stone this year.

Best Picture

La La Land

Watching this film, some may think that they are watching an Oscar winner for Best Picture from the golden age of Hollywood musicals -- given they were unaware of the identities of its stars. However, this movie is no blast from the past; it merely appears to be. The musical numbers on screen in *La La Land* remind audiences of some of the classics from the mid-20th century, a refreshing change in mainstream media, as compared to the seemingly countless attempts for one film to outdo the CGI of another. *Moonlight* and *Manchester by the Sea* are certainly contenders that deserve their fair share of recognition, but *La La Land* is incredibly well made in every way and will almost positively be taking home the biggest prize of them all.

Silence is a Quiet Hit by Cameron Ogilvie



Martin Scorsese called his new film, *Silence*, his passion project. He has spent the better part of the last 25 years directing this film, and the thought and effort he put into it certainly shines through.

The film follows two Jesuit priests, portrayed by Andrew Garfield and Adam Driver, as they travel throughout Japan during the 17th century. Their goal is to find their former mentor, portrayed by Liam Neeson, who was forced to renounce the Catholic Church at the will of a cruel tormentor. The priests must travel through a country where their lives and beliefs are constantly put to the test by a culture and government unwilling to accept their religion and God.

This beautiful film uses dynamic cinematography to not only show the setting, but also to elevate the film from just a movie into a cinematic epic. The acting is also magnificent. There are great performances from Liam Neeson, Adam Driver and Andrew Garfield but at times they seem over-directed, which is uncommon for a Scorsese film. Along with this over-

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Greetings High School Geniuses!

It seems like light years have passed since I last wrote. The futurist acknowledges that we are in an era of seeming uncertainty and would like to ease your fears.

Having only recently experienced the thrill of the road, the futurist is concerned that self driving cars might take that thrill away from me. Did you know that robotic cars will follow rules...very strictly? And that if they follow the rules of the road too strictly it might actually make the road less pleasant to drive on?



I kid you not, burgeoning drivers of Hendrick Hudson High School might just be able to tether their car to Hen Hud's roof! A sophisticated reporter from Forbes Magazine, Federico Guerini witnessed "Juraj Vaculik and Stefan Klein, of Slovakian company *AeroMobil* unveil[ing] at the *Pioneers Festival* in Vienna what they call "the most advanced flying car". Able to drive 430 miles (692 Km) on a tank of petrol, it has a stylish design, with foldable wings.



According to the founders, it has what it takes to become an integral part of the regular road traffic" and wrote about it in his article "Are Flying Cars the Future of Transportation" there

Emma Gormley

are two hopeful flying cars, called the TerraFugia and AeroMobile that are set for release in 2017! The FAA has already set up clearance for these cars, calling them "light sport aircraft".

Imagine the potential in a flying car! The futurist assumes Millennials will become expert flyers and bets that initial training videos will be available through Xbox or Playstation.

And to wear in your flying car? Your future of perfectly fitted clothing is nearing quickly as companies such as Like A Glove are selling leggings that will con-

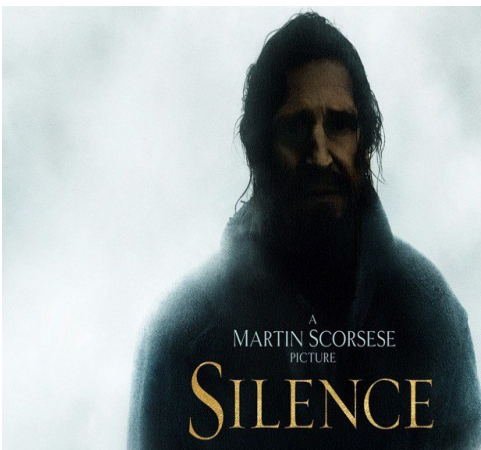
nect with your SmartPhone and measure the perfect fitting jeans for you! For less than \$100 a pair, these leggings can measure you for the perfect fit and then match your measurements with existing jeans for sale! Surely clothes that adjust "on the fly" cannot be too far from possible.

The Like A Glove Leggings are far more



affordable than Blogthinkbig.com the flying car, which is estimated to start in the 6 figures, but the futurist will be on the lookout for just what our students lives will be like in the next 4+ years, and she is hoping for holograms in place of desks.

Until next time,
The Futurist.



direction comes some over-production. The film is long, unwieldy and hard to follow and because of that there are times where it collapses under its own weight. For example, its pacing; the film is very slow and with a run time of 161 minutes, it leaves many restless by the end.

These are minor problems when compared to the overall film, which is a

spectacular experience. It is a religious film but in no way is it pious, as there are scenes of decapitated heads rolling down beaches and intense moments of sadness, anger and pain. This isn't a story of faith in a kind and accepting world, it is a story of faith in a broken world, unaccepting of a man's beliefs. The lack of media on this film is disappointing. It is one of the best films in 2016, but nobody seems to be talking about it. It tanked in its opening weekend

and with a budget of \$46 million, it seems unlikely that this film will make profit, which means studios will be reluctant to take on great stories like this. If you like a good story and want to support films like *Silence*, then go see it in theaters -- you won't regret it.



Invincible?

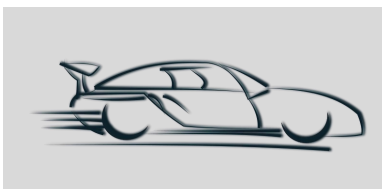
By Michael Cudahy

Every high school student dreams of the day they have the ability to have their own car and drive to school during their senior year. As a current senior who does exactly that, I must tell you that -- although you receive an enormous amount of freedom with having a car -- you simultaneously receive much more responsibility and maturity. Once you receive your license for the first time and are able to drive alone in the car you feel invincible; however, that can not be farther from the truth. As a young driver you feel that you are the best driver you know and, as you drive by accidents, you tell yourself, "that can never happen to me." I used to think this way until just a couple of weeks ago, when I got into my first automobile accident, where I was injured, damaged three cars, and totaled my own. I had been driving for almost two whole years without a single accident, but it is only a matter of time, because nobody is perfect no matter how much you believe you are. Although you may not get in as bad of an accident as me, I can promise you when I say it will occur to you eventually. My advice is to

be aware at all times when driving and especially when we do not have perfect weather. We have speed limits and other laws for a reason and they are to prevent you from being seriously injured in an accident. Since my accident I have started to drive once again, but I have changed dramatically in the way I drive.

Whenever I go into a car (even if I am not driving) I feel every bump and see all the cars around, as they are slowly swaying from side to side. For those who are just beginning to drive by themselves and feel they have a new sense of freedom: I urge you to take it slow and steady and have an open mind when it comes to driving. The students who are going to attend Drivers Ed should pay attention when they talk about safety and how to drive in certain weather conditions. I know it can seem boring and seem irrelevant, but that information can be the difference between life and death.

Have fun with your freedom, but just remember to be safe and aware at all times.



Election Backlash

Matt Luis

Mere minutes after Donald Trump defeated Hillary Clinton for the Presidential Election on November 8th, protests began breaking out throughout cities big and small all over the country. Mr. Trump will now be the 45th President of the United States, with Clinton-supporting Americans protesting the election results and subsequent winner.

Protests spanned the country, in Democratic states from California all the way to New York. Chants of "Not my president!" have taken the country by storm, with people either refusing to accept the result, or refusing to accept their future President.

Locally, Trump Tower in Manhattan has been under extra security and surveillance since days before the election.

Protesters have been relentless, as their marching on Trump's residence has not slowed in recent weeks. In other places, such as Hillary Clinton's hometown of



On the brighter side, maybe the election chaos will inspire teachers to ease up on homework!

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I'm a drawing in search of a caption.
Write a caption for me and submit to Ms. Puttre by February 17th!

Chicago, protests on the Trump International Hotel have gone viral, with riot police being called in to help minimize the violence.

A common area of the country where protests and disorder have become popular is throughout college campuses. The election results have created too much discontent among the students of our country. In California schools, like Los Angeles, Berkeley, Irvine, and Davis, students have taken to swarming their campuses full of hate and shouting with rage. At Columbia University, there were reports of professors cancelling and postponing midterm exams due to concern for their students.

A backlash of this magnitude is unprecedented in a Presidential election.

Although there have been numerous incidents in past elections, to see a country so divided, over a change in leadership such as this, has never been seen. This can essentially be attributed to the candidates' contradictory personalities and style of leadership. Their repeated clashing during debates and interviews has created a psychological divide within the country, causing neighbors and friends alike to argue about the general election or their preferred candidate. Looking at these factors, it is no surprise that such infamous up-
roars have appeared throughout the states. Considering that such physical and emotional pain has never been as heated as this Presidential election, it is safe to assume that the next four years, at least, will be no doubt tumultuous for this once united country. I'm sure most citizens would agree with me.



The world spins on
The earth coughs up
Pain and beauty
While the papers are due
And the tests are taken
I snap memories of
This history

Born at a time of change
I am hurled forward to make
Beauty out of memories
Hope out of confusion
And always, grades out of progress

Is there no message
To pause and ponder
To squint at the sun
And smile this season away
As it used to be?

Let the schoolwork gather
Dust while I embrace the
Dawning summer of my life
Before I darken it again
With the spinning world

Of fretful and anxious adults
With pure intentions and
Misguided goals

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Hendrick Hudson High School Varsity Sports Stats

Boys Basketball

Season Record: 7-10

Girls Basketball

Season/League Record: 10-4
Key stat: Freshman Caitlin Weimar is averaging a double-double so far this season.

Wrestling

Season/League Record:
Key stat: Senior captains Thomas Calandro, Jake Anstett, and Peter Maselli all picked up wins on Senior Night vs. Mamaroneck.

Bowling

Season/League Record:
Key stat: Junior Shaquan Nadal has led the boys team this year while senior Deepa Mistry has scored the most points for the girls.

Track & Field

Key Stat: The girls team won the league meet and the boys placed 2nd at The Armory on 1/22.

stats as of 1/27/17

Winter

College Football Playoff: Time for a change? Josh Spitz

When you think college football, you think Alabama.

Not anymore.

On Monday, January 9 2017, Alabama was de-throned by the Clemson Tigers, 35-31, in a fine display of college football.

After two below par semifinal games, where we saw Alabama beat Washington and Clemson destroy Ohio State, college football fans were starving for a competitive championship game.

In a rematch of the 2016 championship game, fans were rewarded for sticking it out through those two lousy games with one of the best games in recent memory.

But, did the college football playoff committee get it right? Should these four teams be competing for the championship, or were there others who could have brought more competition to the first two games?

The first couple of teams that come to mind as teams who were questionably left out of the playoff are Big Ten schools, Penn State and Michigan. Penn State, who finished the regular season 10-2 and won the Big Ten Championship Game, had a great case to be in the top 4. After starting the season just 2-2, the Nittany Lions rattled off nine straight wins, including a 24-21 victory over 3 seed Ohio State.

Penn State lost to Pittsburgh, though, thus knocking them out of the picture early on in the season. Their other loss was a blowout at the hands of the Michigan Wolverines, who



COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF

also had made a serious case to play in the playoff. Standing at 10-1 with a game against Ohio State to effectively make the playoffs, Michigan fell in double overtime, thus eliminating their hope to bring a national championship to Ann Arbor.

But how can you give a spot to a team based on their 3 point, double overtime win? It also must be taken into account that Ohio State was playing on their home turf, and Michigan did not get much help from the referees. Basically, what I'm saying here, is that it is not fair to judge teams solely on their record.

In a "what have you done for me lately" format, teams that are arguably better than the top 4 can be left out due to late-season losses. But, early losses can also effectively eliminate a team as well.

USC came into this season as a top contender for the national championship, but a 52-6 loss to Alabama basically ended their season before it started.

The college football playoff committee has to step back and look at the big picture, the whole season, and then make their picks for the playoff games. It's easy to say now that we witnessed two dreadful games this year, but it's time for some competitive football on the world's greatest stage.

Final AP Top 25 Rankings

1. Clemson
2. Alabama
3. USC
4. Washington
5. Oklahoma
6. Ohio State
7. Penn State
8. Florida State
9. Wisconsin
10. Michigan
11. Oklahoma State
12. Stanford
13. LSU
14. Florida
15. Western Michigan
16. Virginia Tech
17. Colorado
18. West Virginia
19. South Florida
20. Miami (FL)
21. Louisville
22. Tennessee
23. Utah
24. Auburn
25. San Diego State

College Football's Top...

Offense: Texas Tech (564.5 yards per game)

Defense: Michigan (261.8 yards per game)

Quarterback: Patrick Mahomes II, Texas Tech (5052 passing yards)

Running Back: Donnel Pumphrey, San Diego State (2133 rushing yards)

Wide Receiver: Trent Taylor, Louisiana Tech (1803 receiving yards)

Super Bowl LI

By Madison Highbloom

Though history may have repeated itself once again, history was also made. The title of "Super Bowl 51 Champions" now belongs to the New England Patriots, who earned their 5th Lombardi Trophy in franchise history on February 5. In what seemed to be a boring game after the Falcons dominated the field and led the game 28-9 up until the 4th quarter, the Patriots found a way to make it one of the best Super Bowl's of all time.

Falcons Quarterback Matt Ryan was outstanding all game long as he had a 144.1 passer rating as well as 2 touchdowns and over 200 passing yards. His offense controlled the field and were able to make exquisite plays allowing them to send a message to all those who began to "sleep" on such a well put together team. Not to mention, the Falcon's defense which shined 2 weeks before against the Green Bay Packers, came back even stronger and looked hungry for whatever Tom Brady was serving. The defense tallied 5 sacks leading to a total of 44 yards lost and also caught an interception which was then ran back for a touchdown by Robert Alford.

In the 4th quarter the Patriots returned to their normal selves after scoring a field goal to make the score 28-12, then a touchdown which tightened the score to 28-20, after their defense forced a fumble and recovered it on the Falcon's 25 yard line.

New England's defense continued to make stops, causing Atlanta to punt it away twice, giving Brady more opportunities to make something happen, which he did. The score was then tied 28-28 after a successful 2 point conversion attempt sending the Super Bowl into overtime. And yes, you read that correctly. For the first time in NFL history, the Super Bowl was sent into overtime in a shocking turn of events.

The Patriots won the coin toss and elected to receive the ball first in overtime. They moved quickly down the field as they only had the Falcon's tired defense standing in their way from another Lombardi Trophy. After 9 plays and 4 minutes, James White ran the ball into the endzone making the Patriots the Super Bowl 51 Champions. Though the Atlanta Falcons may have lost, they still sent a message and set the stage

for next year. Congratulations to Matt Ryan on being named this year's NFL MVP and congratulations to the New England Patriots on their 25 point comeback leading them to be the 2016-17 NFL Champions.

Fantasy Football: A Season in Review

By Madison Highbloom

As the weeks went by this 2016-17 NFL season, fans all across the nation and world were not only left with excitement from the real NFL games, but also their fantasy games. Players put on quite a show, which led to some serious surprises and competition.

Out of the 32 starting Quarterbacks in the National Football League, there was one who dominated throughout the seventeen weeks of the regular season. Aaron Rodgers of the Green Bay Packers, continued to impress as the season went on despite a calf injury, and the rest of the team's struggles. Rodgers held the number one QB ranking in fantasy with an insane total of 365 points. Rodgers had an outstanding season with 40 passing touchdowns and only 7 interceptions. To add to his performance, Rodgers also ran the ball in for 6 points 4 times during the season. He threw for 4,428 yards and ran for 369 yards. Matt Ryan of the Atlanta Falcons, another notable QB to mention, was just shy of that number 1 spot with 334 total fantasy points and 38 passing touchdowns. Ryan also threw for just under 5,000 yards this season and ran for 117 yards. The other QB who also had an exceptional 2016-17 season is Drew Brees of the New Orleans Saints with a grand total of 323 fantasy points. Brees threw for over 5,000 passing yards and had 37 passing touchdowns as well as 2 rushing touchdowns. Although Brees threw 15 interceptions, it didn't slow him down one bit. -

The running backs continued to get better through Weeks 1-17. David Johnson, of the Arizona Cardinals, did

not fail to disappoint his real or fantasy team this season. Johnson led the pack with 313 total fantasy points this season and 20 total touchdowns, 16 rushing and 4 receiving. He rushed for over 1,000 yards and received for over 800 yards (highest of all RB's). The number two ranked running back this season is no other than Ezekiel Elliott of the Dallas Cowboys. In his rookie season, Elliott rushed for 1,631 yards (most in NFL) and received for 363 yards. Elliott had 15 rushing touchdowns and 1 receiving touchdown earning him 280 fantasy points. He is just one of the reasons the Cowboys had such a dominant season, allowing them to clinch a playoff spot in Week 14.

As for wide receivers, Jordy Nelson of the Green Bay Packers held the number 1 spot in his debut season back from his devastating ACL injury last year during the preseason. Nelson had just over 1,000 yards and ended the season with the most receiving touchdowns with 14. He tied the number 2 ranked receiver Mike Evans (Tampa Bay Bucs) with 200 fantasy points. Evans also had over 1,000 yards and ended his outstanding season with 12 touchdowns. Another notable wide receiver is no other than Antonio Brown of the Pittsburgh Steelers. Brown, like Nelson and Evans, caught for over 1,000 yards earning him his number 3 spot. He had 12 touchdowns which contributed to his 193 fantasy points. These three men did nothing but exceptional things for their teams this season, and left their fans proud.

On the other side of the ball, the defense to be feared all season long belongs to the Minnesota Vikings. They had 7 defensive touchdowns and were ruthless all season long to get the ball back to their offense. This defense lead the fantasy rankings with 157 total points and though it wasn't enough to get them to the playoffs, it set the stage and expectations for their performance next season.

Even though the 2016-17 regular season and fantasy season is over, football fans can still enjoy the Super Bowl 51 on February 5.



continued from page 1 you played with a team that tried their hardest and gave it their all.”

When asked what the greatest advice she’s ever been given, Scalf thought back to a recent memory from this season.

“The best piece of advice I have been given is actually something I heard recently from a captain on my team, Jaelynn,” she said. “Basketball isn’t a sport all about scoring, though that’s a common misconception. There’s so many aspects of the game and you don’t have to score twenty points to consider it a successful one.”

Scalf, whose ultimate achievement would be winning the section at the County Center this year, will still be playing basketball after her time here is done. She will be continuing her basketball career at the College of St. Joseph’s, a small school in Vermont.

Who does she attribute her success to?

“My family plays such a huge role in my success on the court today. Having my mother and father present at every game really shows their commitment to my passion,” Scalf said. “I even have a little mascot/mini-me, my three year old sister Charli who hasn’t missed a game since she was born!”

When Scalf is not playing a game in the gym, it’s most likely occupied by Peter Maselli and the wrestling team.

Maselli, a captain, began wrestling in seventh grade when he realized his basketball dreams would not be reached.

“After my lengthy career of rec basketball I realized it was time to turn the page in my winter athletics story and try something new,” Maselli said. “My dad had wrestled in high school and said it was fun so I was inspired to try it, also my friends said they were interested in it so I went for it. One of the best decisions of my life.”

With the ultimate goal winning states, Maselli gets a lot of satisfaction out of wrestling. Not only does he find great success on the mat, but he also finds happiness and joy,

“Everything about the sport is awesome. The tight connections with fellow wrestlers and teammates, putting your foot on the line, the great summer body you get for the winter,” Maselli said. “But the best has to be that feeling of getting your hand raised after you single handedly, by yourself beat another man, it’s an accomplishment in itself that you did it by yourself, and that’s the great uniqueness of the sport.”

When you’re walking the hallways, you might hear one of the wrestlers complaining about having to cut weight for their match. Although some wrestlers make it sound impossible, Maselli downplays the challenge.

“Cutting weight isn’t as horrible as it sounds, the key is to just eat healthy,” he said. “The only reason we complain so much is

to hopefully draw attention so people get interested enough to come and watch a match.”

Maselli sets his goals by “striving to go 1-0” each day. Although his long-term goals include placing at sectionals, he focuses on one match at a time, hoping that will get him where he wants to be.

In terms of being different from other athletes, Maselli sees a few traits: “Wrestling isn’t like any other sport out there, so it breeds unique athletes. It builds a great quality of toughness and character like no other sport. Plus I have yellow hair, that’s pretty different.”

Maselli, who is 16-7 so far this year, attributes his success to his wrestling family:

“The three wrestling coaches want you and push you to succeed and appreciate the hard work. They have taught me so much about the sport,” he said. “And then my fellow captains Thomas Calandro and Jacob Anstett have been through it all with me and we’ve all helped each other grow in so many ways.”

After he graduates from Hen Hud, Maselli does not know where he will end up. He is still waiting for admissions decisions from colleges, and he plans on studying finance.

So if you’ve got nothing to do on one of these cold winter days, check out Donovan Gymnasium. There, you’ll find standout athletes doing their thing on the mat or on the court.

But, you’ll notice these two athletes in particular. And it’s not just because one of them has yellow hair.



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their disposal, possibly affecting the success of the students. Either option results in a loss for the school and proves how dependent we are as a district on Indian Point. In terms of the broader area, the plant provides 2,000 megawatts of power to Westchester County and New York City every year, that’s one fourth of the region’s total electricity. While governor Cuomo has said that by the end of his next term he would like to have New York running on fifty percent renewable energy, at the moment that percentage seems almost impossible to reach. The possibility of offshore wind turbines or piping in hydroelectricity from Quebec have surfaced as possible options, but would be huge projects in their own right with their own potential drawbacks. The large fishing industry of the Atlantic coast would surely oppose offshore wind turbines, as would beachfront towns that depend on summer revenues. In addition, environmentalist groups and property owners would surely contest yet another pipeline being built in our area. So, at least for the time being, our other energy options seem limited.

As you can see, closing Indian Point poses some real concerns for the people of our area and our district specifically. While closing the plant would remove some of the threat of a major catastrophe like a reactor meltdown or terrorist attack, it would still continue to be an issue as how to dispose of the spent rods would become a question of the utmost importance. However this ends up, you can be sure by 2021 we will have some answers, if you do not mind waiting four or so years.