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LA Announces 2022 Valedictorian & Co-Salutatorians



Valedictorian Maddy Russ '22

By Mitchell Straus '24

The Lincoln Academy Class of 2022 has one valedictorian and two co-salutatorians. Maddy Russ is the valedictorian and both Sonny Cumming and



Co-Salutatorian Sonny Cumming '22

Ben Schwink are salutatorians. At the end of the second trimester of senior year, all seniors who have attended Lincoln for at least five trimesters have their GPA calculated. Whoever



Co-Salutatorian Ben Schwink '22

has the highest accumulated GPA from all four years at Lincoln is the Valedictorian, and the student with the second highest accumulated GPA is

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Class of '22 Elects Class Marshals



Class Marshal Addie Brinkler '22

By Ada Tholen '23

Every year, the senior class elects two students to lead them in the graduation ceremony as their class marshals. The main responsibility of the class



Class Marshal Will Sherrill '22

marshals is to lead the rest of the seniors during graduation and be in the front of most of the graduation pictures. This year, the seniors elected Addie

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LA Hosts First Annual Peter J. Benner '92 Job Fair



Seniors networked with local businesses in the gym at the Peter J. Benner '92 Job Fair on May 18.

By Maia Hall '24

On Wednesday, May 18, LA hosted the first annual Peter J. Benner '15 Job Fair in the gymnasium. Some of the 19 participating businesses included the CLC YMCA, Reny's, Bangor Savings Bank, Back Cove Yachts, and Rising Tide. They showed up to spread the word about how to prepare for and apply for work at their business.

Bangor Savings Bank said they are looking for motivated team members. Responsibilities include cashiers and customer service workers. Training will be incorporated into the job as well as a possible internship and management training opportunities. Their goal is to help make their organization as welcoming as possible and prevent fraud.

Back Cove Yachts is looking

for hard-working individuals. Students interested will have hands-on experience in a variety of responsibilities that include engineering as well as working with wood and fiberglass. Training and supplies will be provided.

Rising Tide Co-Op, located across from Yellowfront Grocery in Damariscotta, is looking for a motivated team member. Responsibilities include stocking shelves, handling money, and greeting customers. The CLC YMCA is the biggest employer of current LA Students and is hiring for many different positions. Some of their open positions include THRIVE at the Y child care, after school programs, summer camp, and youth programs. Students who apply for this job will be eligible for a \$200 a

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LA Hosts Sold-Out Prom "Secret Garden" Theme Decor Transforms Dining Commons and Courtyard



Day and residential students pose for a photo before prom on May 21. Missy Abbott Photo.

By Audrey Hufnagel '24 and Dylan Burmeister '25

On Saturday, May 21, Lincoln Academy held its first prom since before the pandemic. The

event was sold out, with about 200 tickets sold.

Prom took place at school in the Dining Commons and the courtyard so that the venue

could include both an indoor and outdoor component. This offered a chance for prom goers to get some fresh air and cool off between dancing sessions. The prom committee decorated and lit the courtyard and dining commons in a Secret Garden theme. Decorations included lights wrapped around trees and pillars, and tea lights on the tables.

The prom committee included juniors Abigail St. Cyr, Izzy Peterson, Abigail Holladay, Ava White, Bella Herring, Gabby Vincentson, Connor McFarland and Michaela LaCrosse. It is LA tradition for

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Community Meeting a Moving Target Amid Covid Concerns

Dylan Burmeister '25

Community meeting has looked like many different things in the past few weeks: from everyone in the gym to everyone on the field.

On April 29, students of all grades converged in the gym for the first whole-school community meeting in two years. For freshmen and sophomores, it was the first time they had ever experienced community meeting with the entire student body, as

community meetings have been held virtually or with half the school at a time due to COVID-19.

The community meeting included performances by the Concert Band, String Orchestra, and Wind Ensemble, a presentation by the Robotics Team, and the usual daily announcements, which were delivered by the new student body president Bella Herring '23.

Before the meeting, freshman

Tessa McNamara said she was "excited because it's something new that hasn't been done yet this year." "I was a little nervous and a little claustrophobic at first, but once it started it ran smoothly," added Kaydence Raymond '25. "I think it was really cool because no one has done it in so long, as even the sophomores haven't done community meeting with everyone yet. It was a cool experience," she said.

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Opinions & Letters

A Pessimist's Perspective of Advanced Placement Exams

By Will Sherrill '22

Advanced Placement (AP) exams have long been offered at Lincoln Academy. This year's exams began on May 2nd and continued through May 13th. These tests are a frequently debated topic among AP students. It seems to me that many students view the exam as an expensive bookend to an already difficult year. I wholeheartedly agree with this point of view. For students who take multiple APs, the exams will cost hundreds of dollars, with this year's tests costing \$96 each. As a student who has now taken eight of these exams, I can safely say that some, not all, of them were a needless expenditure of time and money. I believe that students at Lincoln Academy should have the option to take the exam based on their perceived level of preparedness. Students who do not feel adequately prepared for the test, or simply do not want

to take the exam, should not be forced to do so.

AP courses are a natural continuation of the honors track at Lincoln Academy. Currently, if an AP student fails to take the exam, the AP designation will be removed from their transcript. This should not be the status quo. Students who optionally take challenging courses should not be punished for failing to take an exam; the result of which may not benefit them at all. The APs have the potential to earn students college credit and save them money in the process. However, a student may just be taking an AP to challenge themselves academically and therefore have no use for the exam. Why then, are students forced to waste time and money for trying to push themselves academically?

Will Sherrill '22 is a member of the Talon staff and has sat through over 24 hours of AP exams in his academic career.

AP

Why So Early?

By Lila Neptune-Benner '25

Lots of kids who go to school do not appreciate the early start time of their academic learning. In 2014 the American Academy of Pediatrics issued a policy statement that high schools and middle schools should start no earlier than 8:30 a.m. But the majority of Maine schools start in the 7 o'clock hour. Here at Lincoln Academy, school starts at 8 a.m. This article is about why LA should start school later.

Here's my idea. What if school started an hour later and it went the same time as before it was just pushed back an hour into the day? It would go from 9 a.m. to 3:40 p.m. considering the time we start and end school this year. This could still give students plenty of time for homework after school. This would help in a lot of ways, not just getting more sleep. This could even help the teachers.

Before this year, I was homeschooled. I could turn in assignments when I was finished and not when my teacher made me. I could wake up later in the day and actually be ready to learn. I go to bed at the same time this year as I did last. The difference is the time of day I wake up. Last year I woke up between 8-8:30 a.m. but this year I get up around

6-6:30 a.m. In the morning when class starts I am not ready to learn and honestly just want to go home.

A later starting time would help so many things that are wrong with young adults. Yes, it gives students more time to sleep, but it will also decrease the amount of sleepy, unfocused, and unwilling students in classes. Sleep has a huge impact on adolescent health. Later school start times promote academic success, and if more students get more sleep they will be less likely to depend on things like caffeine or other stimulants.

This would also help adults get more sleep. Sixty to seventy percent of teenagers and about 70 million adults today have sleeping problems that were most likely caused by not sleeping enough when they were teenagers. Not sleeping enough when you are young can cause psychological, educational, and physical drawbacks.

Another big reason to have school start later is that it will reduce tardies and absences. Some students like myself have a hard time waking up in the morning, so if we had a later start time it would give us more time to wake up and not be late to class. A 2016 study looked at eight high schools that delayed

their school times from 7:20 a.m. to 8:35 and 8:55 a.m. They found a significant decrease in truancy and tardiness, with one of the schools citing a 66% decrease in tardiness. So with school starting at a later time of day students will be less likely to skip class to sleep and they will be learning more than they would have having skipped.

If school was honestly about kids learning and not just about pushing them through the system, you would focus on their physical, mental, emotional, and social health. More than 75% of students who are currently enrolled in school hate it because of the early start time. Starting school later could help increase the amount of smart, capable adults in our society.

Lila Neptune-Benner '25 is a member of the Talon staff and despises the sound of her morning alarm.



News Source Stereotypes: What your news source says about you

By Alton Coolidge '22

Local News: You like to be clued in and have easy small talk. You also like to claim that you read the news, but let's be honest, this isn't news: this is gossip. You check the cover for people and places you know and then flip to the back to see who's been charged or arrested recently.

Daily Mail: This is entry level news, one column is for news and one column is for international drama and Kardashians in swimsuits. This is for gossip who take themselves too seriously or have friends outside of town. There is the aforementioned news column, but if you're reading the Daily Mail you lack the attention span to truly pay attention to what

is going on unless you have someone you want to impress. What you're really looking for is celebrity news and insubstantial eye catchers. Again, excellent small talk starters, but not real news. This is social media in a button down.

Standard newspapers: Wow, a standing round of applause for the adults in the room; look at you with your broad sheets and distinguished mutterings. But why do you really sit there reading your newspaper, do you really care what is happening in the Dow Jones? Are you really that interested in the government's every breath? If you are that's impressive, almost commendable almost, but you're not are you? Chances are if you're reading this you can't even vote, you don't care. You like the distinction, the sounds of crinkly paper and the perceived importance. The only use that paper is actually getting is as a fire starter and that's ok, but don't pretend it's not.

Economist: This is one I read regularly. Personally I would recommend this magazine to everyone who can get their hands on it, in particular if you can do so without paying the full price, which is notably high. That being said you have to be slightly insufferable to read this magazine. Accompanying the high price tag, even if you

don't pay it, is a sense of elitism and entitlement from reading this magazine. You think you're better than everyone else: you're not. Chances are you're a bit of a bore and have a bit too much time on your hands. But lucky for you, you can use what you learn from your reading to try and convince people otherwise. Overall this is a quality news source, but you are a bit of a nerd for reading it.

CNN and FOX: Yeah ... the chances are if you read or watch either of these news sources you have a stronger opinion of them than I do and you're probably scowling at the fact that these two are grouped together. The fact of the matter is you're wrong a lot more often than you think you are, but that doesn't matter because even if you knew you were you still wouldn't budge. You also struggle to have calm reasoned conversations with anyone belonging to a different ideology than yourself ... you should work on this.

This is satire, these are stereotypes exaggerated for effect, but if you find them offensive that would be almost the funniest part, making you the joke.

Alton Coolidge is about to graduate with the class of 2022. He will be reading the Economist next year at the Olin College of Engineering in Massachusetts.

Correction: The April 14 edition of *The Talon* mistakenly identified Mira Hartman '25 as the author of the piece "Three vs. Four Lunches." That article was actually written by Mya Bessey '24.

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the salutatorian. In some cases, such as this year, two students have the same GPA. In that case two students are selected for the position.

This year Sonny and Ben are tied for the second highest GPA in the senior class and share the salutatorian title. The Valedictorian and both salutatorians will give speeches at graduation, which this year takes place on June 3 at 4 pm.

Maddy Russ, this year's valedictorian, is very honored to have the title, but she says she values the work that she

has produced and all that she has learned more than the achievement.

Co-Salutatorian Sonny Cumming echoes this idea by saying that the moments she is most proud of came from during her time as a student, "not when I was given this title or told I had one of the highest GPAs in the class."

Co-Salutatorian Ben Schwink said "it's nice to see the culmination of my efforts come to something. I have been sick a lot this year, and the fact that I still made it here

is surprising. I'm glad that my teachers and my mother have put up with me after all I have put them through."

Maddy will attend Williams College in Massachusetts next year and study biology. Sonny plans to travel to Scotland to study English at St. Andrews University. Ben will study mechanical engineering at UConn.

Mitchell Straus is a sophomore who joined the Talon staff during third trimester.

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Brinkler and Will Sherrill to represent their class.

Will said that fortunately "there's very little actual marching. As long as I don't fall for three hundred feet, I will be okay." On a more serious note, Will said that "it's nice to be recognized by the class" and that he is looking forward to graduation.

Addie added "it's definitely an honor. My dad was Class Marshal when he attended LA (he graduated in '92) so he offered me his baton to practice with. It's a really fun connection back to him. Will and I have worked closely together as

Class President and Student Body President, so it's nice to be walking with him. We started the year as leaders of this class, and now we can end the year literally leading the class to graduation."

While the graduation gowns cover most of a graduate's wardrobe,

shoes are definitely visible during graduation, and the marshals' overall visibility makes the choice of footwear important.

Will Sherrill plans to wear brown dress shoes. "They may kill my feet, but I figure they



Addie Brinkler's signature lobster crocs.

will look okay in the pictures." And for sock choice? "I think I will go argyle."

LA Robotics Returns from World Championships



From May 4-8, the Lincoln Academy robotics team traveled to Dallas, Texas, and competed in the VEX Worlds Competition. The team competed in the Design division and won 5 of their 10 matches, ranking 47th. Photo from left: Henry Maddox '23, Izzy Petersen '23, CJ Colomb '25, Grady Burns '23, Owen Dyer '22, Joseph Levesque '25, Connor Parson '24, Jake Shaw '22, Austin Levesque '22, Ryan Sullivan '22, Ryan Naylor '22, Jackson Ross '24, Ms. Levesque

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As expected by anyone who knows her, Addie's graduation footwear will be her signature lobster crocs. "It's the whole reason I chose a white gown, so it would match my crocs. I may have to retire them after graduation, though, because

the treads are completely gone." Never fear, Addie assures fans that she purchased sparkly crocs for prom. "Maybe after prom I will start wearing those as my regular shoes."

"After graduation the future is wide open, and so are my choices for crocs," she said.

Ada Tholen is a junior member of the Talon Staff.

Abigayle Reed '23: New Member of the National Technical Honor Society



Junior Abigayle Reed will be inducted into the National Technical Honor Society on June 2, 2022.

By Forest Holbrook '22

Abby Reed '23 is the only student at LA who will be inducted into the National Technical Honor Society at Bath Regional Career and Technical School. Similar to the National Honor Society, the program honors students who have high grades in their classes, and are dependable, motivated, and committed. Students who are invited to the National Technical Honor Society continuously produce high-quality work and work well with others in their program.

Abby's teacher, Jillian Sawyer, says that "Abby has been a joy to have in Cosmetology. She shows

up early, excited to learn, and ready to gain experience and skills. Abby is tenacious and takes initiative. She is a born leader!"

When asked why Abby is a deserving student of the honor, NTHS advisor, Wayne Dorr, affirmed that Abby "has the determination to succeed - even when there are difficult times, she does not give up and take easy roads. She has the courage to be a leader. Even sometimes when others choose the wrong path, she's willing to model strength."

Abby is extremely excited to be inducted into the program. During an interview, Abby said that "I am extremely honored to be accepted into NTHS. I have worked very hard this year in order to receive this honor. I have really enjoyed learning about haircutting and being able to practice my skills on my family and friends outside of class."

The NTHS induction ceremony will take place on June 2nd at 9:00 AM at the Bath Regional Career and Technical Center. Parents of those inducted, as well as faculty, are invited to attend.

Forest Holbrook is a senior at LA and a member of the Talon Staff.

Interview with Bella Herring '23 LA's new Student Body President

By Mira Hartmann '25

Bella Herring is Lincoln Academy's new student body president! I sat down with Bella to discuss some of her priorities as the new student body president and get to know her a little bit better. Some of Bella's answers have been paraphrased for length and clarity.

Why did you decide to run?

"I decided to run because I have an intense interest in helping people on a large scale and I thought student council would be a good way to do that."

What are your goals as the new SBP?

"[I want] to make LA a fair and safe place for every student here [and] make the student voice the voice of Lincoln."

I asked her about a few topics that have been controversial for Student Council and the whole student body this year:

Dress code?

Bella started by acknowledging how controversial the dress code is, and she expressed concerns for how much is up to perspective in the current dress code. She is hoping to gather more student opinions and then sit down with administrators to discuss a dress code that would feel

comfortable for everyone.

School-wide celebrations (Homecoming, Winter Carnival)?

Bella is very excited to start planning school wide events and restoring them to what they once were before COVID shut down big celebrations. She hopes to hear opinions from the student body when it comes to the planning of events like homecoming. She also is excited to incorporate dances into school wide events. Bella wants these celebrations to be engaging and fun, and she hopes they can help unite the Lincoln Academy community as a whole. She also has plans to add some sort of spring event... perhaps a Spring Fling?

Lunch Periods?

"[There are] definitely split opinions. I would love to get to a place where we can have open campus lunches."

Lastly, I got to know Bella as a person:

Extracurricular activities?

Bella participates on the field hockey team as a captain and the lacrosse team normally (but not this year), and as a member of Sigma Sigma Chi, Student Voice, and Big Brothers/Big Sisters. She also volunteers at the humane society (Bella finds it hard not to take all of the



Bella Herring '23 is LA's 2022-23 Student Body President.

animals home).

Before Lincoln?

Bella used to live in Seattle, Washington! She moved to Maine before 7th grade and spent two years at Damariscotta Montessori School before coming to Lincoln Academy.

Fun Facts?

Bella is carrying on the tradition of being a crocheting Student Body President. She, like many of the rest of us, struggled to think of other fun facts.

Mira Hartmann '25 is a member of the Talon staff and a freshman representative on Student Council.

March 2022 Students of the Month



The March, 2022 Students of the Month are senior Katie Sanborn, junior Ralph Zoorob, sophomore Mica Houghton, and freshman Emma Castonia.

By Ada Tholen '23 and Katie Sanborn '22

Emma Castonia is a freshman. She is part of Sources of Strength and is a member of the performing arts program with roles in Oklahoma and Silk Cove. Her favorite class is Honors Biology because she enjoys conducting experiments. Outside of school Emma likes to listen to music. Teachers admire the way that she contributes to class and say that “just having her present adds to the class atmosphere and good will.”

Mica Houghton is a sophomore. Mica is a member of the Lincoln Academy track team and the math team. He also participates in Model UN and Climate Action Club.

Outside of school Mica enjoys spending his time doing “stuff,” and “thinking about what to do next.” He is described as being an “exceptional student,” and a “kind and helpful” member of the LA community.

Ralph Zoorob is a junior. Ralph is a member of the soccer and tennis teams. He is an active member of the LA Ambassadors program and was recently inducted into the National Honor Society. Outside of school, Ralph enjoys having a good time with his friends and helping anyone who needs it. He is described as being an “exuberant” friend and a “valued member” of the community.

Katie Sanborn is a senior.

She is a dedicated member of the Talon as well as the cribbage and reading clubs. Her favorite subject area is science and teachers admire that she is a high achiever who does very well, even in a variety of Honors and AP classes. They also say that she is “a great person” who is “always kind to everyone.” Outside of school she enjoys baking and playing with her dog as well as working in CTL’s aftercare program.

Ada Tholen '23 and Katie Sanborn '22 are members of the Talon staff.

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juniors to organize the prom, including picking a theme, decorating, and selling tickets.

Library Assistant Nick Menice was this year’s DJ. “I had a good time. It was nice to see everyone dressed up and having fun and jamming to my awesome tunes,” he said.

“I think Nick felt the energy of the room pretty well and selected a lot of upbeat songs,”

said Mitchell Straus ‘24. “The dorm students brought a lot of energy. The decorations were cool, and it was pretty at night,” Straus added.

Class Crowns were presented at prom. Seniors Brendan Stone and Agatha Marini were crowned prom King and Queen and juniors Jake Masters and Bella Herring were crowned Prince and Princess. The class

crowns are voted on by students.

Audrey Hufnagel '24 and Dylan Burmeister '25 serve on the Talon editorial board.

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month stipend. Starting pay is \$12.75 an hour.

“The goal of the job fair was to connect local businesses with LA students, and we succeeded,” said Development Associate Heather D’Ippolito, who helped organize the event. “At least six students that we know of got jobs on the spot, and many others made connections that will help them in the future.”

If you haven’t done so already, check out the LA job board for additional job information. There are some pretty interesting ones on there. Good luck!

Maia Hall is a member of the Talon staff who is interested in the students of Lincoln Academy.



Development Associate Ms. D’Ippolito with seniors Addie Brinkler and Dakota Gregory at the Peter J. Benner Job Fair in the gym.

2022 Yearbook Update

By Cecil Rittall '25

Here’s what everyone has been waiting for: when the 2022 yearbook will arrive. The 2022 Lincolnian, as the yearbook is traditionally titled, was created by a class of 16 LA students from all four classes at LA. It went to print in early April, and will arrive from the printer very soon.

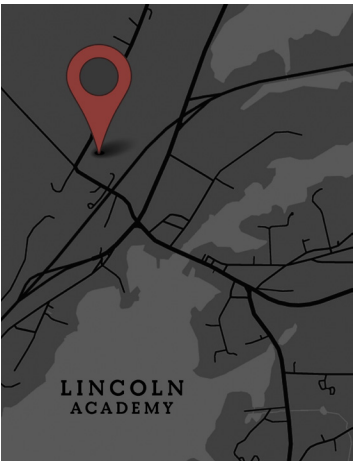
The yearbook will arrive in late May, and then be distributed in early June. The 2022 yearbook already has around 100 pre-orders, not including the books reserved for seniors! One thing to remember is that the yearbook does sell

out some years, and that might happen this year.

Seniors will get the yearbook as part of their senior package which includes their cap and gown. Grades 9 through 11 can purchase one for \$50. Seniors will get their books first at their senior picnic on June 1.

On June 2nd, anyone who has pre-ordered will pick up their books from the Booster concession stand in the gym lobby. You will also be able to buy one from the Same location. Get one before they’re gone!

Cecil Rittall '25 is a writer for the Talon.



The 2022 Lincolnian Yearbook cover.

Important Spring Dates:

Friday, May 27: Eagle Awards Assembly during Community Meeting

Sunday, May 29: National Put a Pillow on Your Fridge Day

Monday, May 30: Memorial Day - Band is marching in the parade. No school.

Tuesday, May 31: Senior Tea - 3 p.m. in the Dining Commons

Wednesday, June 1: Senior Picnic and Marching Practice - Track field - 11AM

Wednesday, June 1: Class Night - 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 2: Senior Baccalaureate March - Main Street to LA - 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 2: Baccalaureate Ceremony - 7 p.m.

Friday, June 3: Class of 2022 Graduation - 4 p.m.

Thursday, June 9: End of Third Trimester and Last Day of School

Friday, June 10: National Ballpoint Pen Day

Bath Tech News *by Abigayle Reed '23*

Culinary Arts at BRCTC

The Culinary Arts program at Bath Regional Career and Technical Center is a two-year college preparatory program offered to juniors and seniors.

The class is fast-paced, academically challenging and prepares students to be successful in a job or in a culinary school after high-school.

The program teaches American Culinary Federation

Standards and offers students the opportunity to earn a ServSafe certification. Students will also learn technical and employability skills for a career and life management.

"I enjoyed the assignment where we had to take a recipe and make it our own recipe. It was fun because we got to actually think about ways to make it our own and not copy the recipe," said Megan Foster,

a junior in the culinary arts program.

Culinary II provides students with the opportunity to improve their skills and knowledge. The second year course includes reading and writing-related assignments as part of the coursework.

The Culinary Arts program provides students with hands-on experience in catering, serving, cooking and baking.



Megan Foster '23' frosting her cake for a project in Culinary Arts class.

Engineering & Architectural Design

The Engineering & Architectural Design program at Bath Regional Career and Technical Center is a two-year program offered to juniors and seniors.

The objective of this course is to provide students with the background needed to excel in a two or four year engineering or architecture program. This introductory class explores structural engineering and architecture through the use of physical modeling, 3D solid modeling/3D printing, and digital building information modeling.

Students learn design programs such as Autocad, Sketchup, Revit, and Rhino and the program offers equipment to support modeling such as 3D printers, laser cutter, and various power/hand tools to support prototype construction. Students are also trained in the use of 3D modeling design software, the documentation and communication of problem solutions, statics and strength of materials, materials testing and an introduction to dynamics/kinematics.

Students work on real-world projects and develop real-world solutions to problems. They utilize multiple hand and shop tools, along with a mini-CNC mill & lathe and



Junior Alex Nichols working on a computer design project for Architectural Design.

a 3D printer. Projects that students will be involved in will include: balsa-wood tower and bridge design and testing; paper airplane design, modeling

and testing; water rockets; Estes rockets; mouse-trap cars; Lego Mindstorm robots; small composite projects; and wind, water and solar projects.



Brenden Beckim '23' putting a custom made design onto a t-shirt.

Graphic Design at BRCTC

The Graphic Design program at Bath Regional Career and Technical Center is a two-year college preparatory program offered to juniors and seniors.

This program prepares students to design and produce a variety of print publications, while exploring techniques and employing Adobe industry standards.

The program also offers an introduction to digital imaging, photo manipulation, and computer based art using Adobe Photoshop. Students explore different avenues of visual communication, self expression and creative problem solving.

Students learn graphic design

principles, techniques, and software as they experience career opportunities available to them through live work opportunities such as logo designs, advertising, and t-shirt designs.

"I joined graphic design because it is the class I needed to learn to do animation like 2D or 3D, so I could learn how to make my dreams be seen and come true. My favorite part is putting your designs on clothing mostly shirts, but you could also make stickers as well which is fun," said Thomas White, a junior in graphic design.



Cooper Stevens '23 designing a digital image as part of the BRCTC Graphic Design program.

Spring Sports

Track & Field

Track & Field has been successful so far this season, with many athletes qualifying for either the KVAC championships on May 27 or the Class B State Championships on June 4. To qualify for postseason competitions, an athlete must achieve a certain mark or distance, depending on their event.

This year's throwing team is also the best in several years, with strong throwers in discus, javelin, and shotput. The girls' team placed 5th and the boys' team placed 3rd at the Waterville Invitational, the largest meet the team has participated in so far.

"We've had a lot of people qualify for states so far, which has been really great," said Audrey Hufnagel '24. "It's been

great to actually have a real season this year after not having one last year due to Covid-19," she added. There was no season in 2020 and only limited meets in 2021.

Coach Jonathan Going, who works mostly with sprinters, jumpers and hurdlers, said that "it's great to watch our athletes compete in every event [at meets]."

"This is the most well-rounded team we've had in years," said coach Garrett Martin. "Competitively it will be interesting to see who can step it up a notch in postseason competition. The other exciting thing is that we've got a lot of new talent, so the future is bright," he added.



Erica Johnson '22 soars over a hurdle on the Camden Hills Region High School home track.

Girls Tennis

The girls tennis team is having a fantastic season and remains undefeated heading towards post-season play. London Hunter '25 said "the team is nice! We are all so positive and communicate very well. I think that our team has come so far, and we have all made so many friends. It feels like a family. We are undefeated so far; [as well as] number 1 in the region."

Olivia Nixon '23 and Laura Mueller '24 have alternated in the first and second singles spot, and both have had excellent

records. Izzy Petersen '23 has played in the third singles spot. Olive Siegel '25, London Hunter '25, Laura Duschek '23, and Clare Colburn '23 usually play doubles.

Noa Burchesky '25, Harper Lilly '25, and Olivia Crooker '25 play exhibition, which is like a scrimmage that doesn't add or detract from a team's final score.

The team is looking forward to their post-season play, which begins next week and promises some of the most challenging competition they have seen all season.



Laura Mueller '24 (left) and Izzy Petersen '23 (right) dominate the court.



Varsity Softball Eagles gather on the field during their 6-3 win over Camden.

Varsity Softball

So far the 2022 varsity softball team has had an excellent record, with only three losses to Gardiner, Leavitt, and Medomak.

Senior first base player Olivia Stiles said "The chemistry that we have is far better than any other team I have played on, and we are getting better at lifting people up when they make a mistake rather than blaming them, and that has helped us succeed, and that environment is less stressful. We have had a lot of great plays by many different players rather than any one superstar."

Bracket play starts at the beginning of June, and the team is hoping to win their bracket and make it to States.

JV Softball

JV softball has had a good season so far, including having to "mercy" two teams after scoring so many runs that the game was called. One of the season highlights was a 16-10 victory over Medomak, on May 13, which was impressive "because we lost to them the first time," said sophomore Ally Poole. "Our last game against Wiscasset/Boothbay included a really good double play. Bronwen caught the ball and then threw to first for a second out."

The team has a "wicked good infield squad" this year, according to several players. "We communicate well and we are always supporting teammates," said Bronwen Coffin '25. "Two of our strengths are communication and encouragement."

Eleanor Baldwin '25 added, "we cooperate very well."



Abe Guilford '25 gazes out into the field, watching his discus fly.



Mia Northrup '22 at bat.

Sailing Team

The Lincoln Academy Sailing team had a successful spring season, competing in predominantly team racing events across New England. Highlights include a fifth place finish at the O'Day Qualifier in Bristol, Rhode Island and a first time qualification for the Terk Trophy hosted at Connecticut College, which also resulted in a fifth place finish.

As the season comes to a close, the weekends are busy, with two teams set to attend both the Maine State Team Racing Championship and the qualifier for the Herreshoff Trophy which is the girls New England Championship. Wish us luck!



LA sailors swept the competition at the girls New England Qualifier Regatta.

Spring Sports

Boys Tennis

Boys tennis team is having a fantastic season so far. After remaining undefeated for six straight matches, the boys lost their first match to Camden. Camden has the strongest tennis team in class B, and their number one player is ranked among the top three highschoolers in the state of Maine. So far, Lincoln Academy has nine wins and two losses.

Rath Schoenthal '24 plays first singles, Casey Duncan '24 plays second, and Jack Duncan '23 plays third. The two doubles teams are rotated around, depending on who the team is facing. Coach Mike

Blake states that "I want to be able to give out as many varsity letters as possible at the end of the season. I'm hoping to get everyone on the team to play a varsity match at some point."

When asked how the boys' season is going so far, Rath says "I think the season is going really well. All of our singles and doubles teams are doing great, considering that for some of them, it is their first season ever playing tennis." The future of the team is looking bright, because they will be losing only two seniors: Forest Holbrook and Marcus Russano.



Marcus Russano '22 on the court.

JV Baseball

JV Baseball has had many close games this season, but their win-loss record is even as of May 19.

"We have a pretty solid team, and I think we have a shot at making the playoffs this year. We are all feeling good about the upcoming games," said Gabe Hanley '25. Hanley added that the team needs to work on

"taking our time and not rushing our throws."

The JV baseball team has three good pitchers, which has helped the team perform well. The team is mostly composed of freshmen and sophomores. Several of the players are also swing players for the varsity team.



AJ Giberson '25 pitches at a home game.

Varsity Baseball



Riley Delisle '22 at bat against Belfast.

The varsity baseball team has started to find their swing in the past few weeks. Yesterday, the boys took a demanding win against Belfast, which featured the first ever home run at John Bower Field. Senior catcher Nick Prior hit a three-run home-run to deep left center field.

Prior said after the game that he was happy with the "team effort" and that everyone "played their role."

Prior and senior pitcher Riley Delisle plan on attending the Senior Legion baseball league this summer to further improve their skills for their respective college ball clubs next spring.

Girls Lacrosse

Girls' lacrosse has had a great season, having only lost 2 games so far. It is a young team, with a quarter of the starting lineup being new players. As of May 19, the team was ranked 6th in Class C, based on heel points.

One of the season highlights was a sudden death victory over Mt. Blue, a game they won 9-8. The winning goal in that game was scored by Marley LeBel in a penalty shot. Another highlight was a win in the final minute, with the tie breaking goal scored by Mariam DeLisle '25. The current high scorer on the team is Marley LeBel '23, with Dakota Gregory '22 as a close second. One sign of the team's improvement since last year is their record against Camden: last year Camden beat LA 17-1, and this year LA beat Camden 7-6.

Sophomore Celia Brinkler highlighted that there has been some goalie turnover based on absences and illness, and that senior Addie Brinkler, who plays goalie in field hockey but not generally in lacrosse, "has stepped up to be our

goalie when other goalies were unavailable to play" In one game, Addie had 19 saves.

Players are looking forward to the girls lacrosse clinic that will take place this summer at LA, coached by the NCAA Champion Boston College lacrosse coach. "There are no youth lacrosse programs in

Maine, so this summer's clinic is a wonderful opportunity for new players to learn some skills before they get to high school," said Addie Brinkler '22.

Their post-season goal is to make it past the first round of the Southern Maine Class C tournament.



Marley LeBel '23 cradles the ball as she edges out an opposing defender.

Boys Lacrosse

The boys lacrosse team's season started off a little rocky, but it picked up fast. The squad faced off against high-performing opponents early on in the season. "It was nice when we won three games in a row," commented Nestor Powers '25, who plays attack for the team.

The team's goals for the remainder of the season are to keep getting better, working hard, and winning more games. Morale is high during this time of the season.

"We're all constantly improving, and we've exceeded our own expectations for the season," said Gavin Albert '24.

When asked about star players on the team, Nestor responded with excitement: "oh, Gavin Albert for sure! He's insane!"



Boys lacrosse players compete for a ground ball at a home game.

Club News

What is Sources of Strength?

By Mitchell Strauss '24 Lilly Rosa '25

Lincoln Academy Sources of Strength is “a group trying to spread awareness on mental health and training individuals to help lead the community” said Alison Roberts '25. The program was started in the spring of 2022 and currently has roughly 30 members from grades 9 through 12.

An Instagram account has been made to spread awareness about the group, and to share important dates, such as the trip that LA students took to watch Dear Evan Hansen at the Lincoln Theater on May 18th.

Currently, Sources of Strength is using Tuesdays FLB's as well as any time needed outside of school to complete projects to spread awareness about the group and their message. These projects include: slideshow presentations for community meeting, a song, and various pieces of art made by group members.

Mitchell Straus '24 and Lilly Rosa '25 are on the Talon staff.



Students and staff members who are part of Sources of Strength pose with the Sources of Strength flag.

Y-Teen Leaders



Y-Teen Leaders with CLC YMCA staff and members of the THRIVE program.

By Abby Reed '23

On Wednesday May 11th, three Lincoln Academy members of Y-Teen Leaders mentored fifth grade step up kids from the THRIVE program by helping fill plant pots to be used to prepare for this year's PumpkinFest.

Y-Teen Leaders is a Central

Lincoln County YMCA service learning program for teens learning to engage in their community. On March 25th the Y-Teen Leaders hosted a sticker shock at Main Street Grocery.

Abby Reed is a junior in the Cosmetology program at BRCTC and a member of the Talon staff.

Got Club News?

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GSTA Throws Safe-Space Soiree

By Zoe Mills '23

On May 19, the GSTA Club held a safe-space party for LGBTQ+ students and allies, though faculty were allowed to attend. Faculty advisor Ms. Bennett and club members had spent around three weeks prior to the event planning. Snacks, beverages, and pizza were served in the library.

On Ms. Phelps' side of the room, attendees shimmied and boogied while playing Just Dance. Two students gave

Tarot readings to others upon request. Party goers could have their faces painted, too; by the end of the afternoon, Mr. Abbott had a black and white LA eagle painted on his head. When asked to comment, Mr. Abbott said “it was all in good fun to decorate the glistening dome with some Eagle Pride!”

Remarkably enough, this party had not an ounce of drama. There were around 20 attendees in total, all of which seemed to have enjoyed themselves pretty

well. Decorations were set up to improve the atmosphere. Friends were made, fun was had, and satisfaction was met.

Ms. Bennett encourages everyone to “look forward to more frequent events next year. We are hoping to organize a meetup at the Pride Parade later in June.” Stay tuned for more GSTA info @lincolnacademygsta on Instagram.

Submitted by Zoe Mills '23.

Sigma Sigma Chi Says Thank You to Health Care Workers

By Abby Reed '23

On Tuesday, April 12, eight members of Lincoln Academy's service sorority, Sigma Sigma Chi, went to the Miles Campus of LincolnHealth to hang up thank you posters and say thank you to local health care workers and employees for their hard work and dedication all the time, especially through these two very tough years during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Sigma Sigma Chi hung these posters in various departments, including day surgery and the maternity ward.

“I wanted to thank the health care workers for giving

their all, even when times are tough,” said Gabby Vincentsen '23, a member of Sigma Sigma Chi.

Sigma Sigma Chi is a service sorority who does many acts of community service around the Lincoln Academy campus and around Lincoln County. Sigma Sigma Chi recently hosted a clothing drive and all donations go directly to People to People, a local nonprofit organization that makes clothing available to anyone who needs it, free of charge.

Abby Reed is a junior in the Cosmetology program at BRCTC and a member of the Talon staff.



Members of Sigma Sigma Chi. Back row from left: Ava White '23, advisor Carole Brinkler, Sage Kosky '22. Front row from left: Abigail St. Cyr '23, Abigayle Reed '23, Gabby Vincentson '23, Sadie Hancock '23, Addie Brinkler '22, & Alexa Peck '22.

LA Staff Profile

Mia Love: Long-Term Choir Substitute



By Kaydence Raymond '25
What is your job at Lincoln Academy?

I am a long term music sub for Emily Anderson.

What college did you attend? What did you major in? What year did you graduate?

I went to the University of Southern Maine, and majored in Music Education. I just graduated December of 2021. I actually got in touch with Mrs. Anderson during my internship while I was still in college, and the transition of becoming a teacher was really smooth.

Where did you grow up?

I grew up in Standish, Maine.

Who is your favorite fictional character?

I really like Peter Rabbit from the Peter Rabbit childrens books.

What is one thing that you like about Lincoln so far?

I really like that for Lincoln being in such a small location that there's so much diversity, and that compared to other schools Lincoln seems to be more welcoming and inclusive overall.

What is your favorite thing to do outside of school?

I really like taking my dogs places, like hiking and camping and going to the beach.

What made you want to become a teacher?

I had an amazing high school choir director, and some of my favorite experiences in music, and also in life, came from being a high school student and all the opportunity that was given through things like Districts, All-State, and all of the festivals that are held ended up being really important to me as a young person. I felt like I really wanted to give young people that opportunity in music that was so important to me and do what my teacher did for me.

What is one thing you are looking forward to this school

year?

I'm looking forward to our concert. But I'm also looking forward to the period after the concert because since I've gotten here we've had high energy towards the concert solely, so I'm excited to work on other projects or music that we haven't had time for in preparation for the concert.

What do you think your spirit animal is?

Probably a bird because I think I'd love to fly if I could, and I really like singing.

What is one of your pet peeves as a teacher?

When students don't have the same vibe in class as I do, especially when I have everything planned out for class down to the minute.

Is there anything else that we have not talked about that

you would like to add to the article?

I think that pretty much wraps it up.

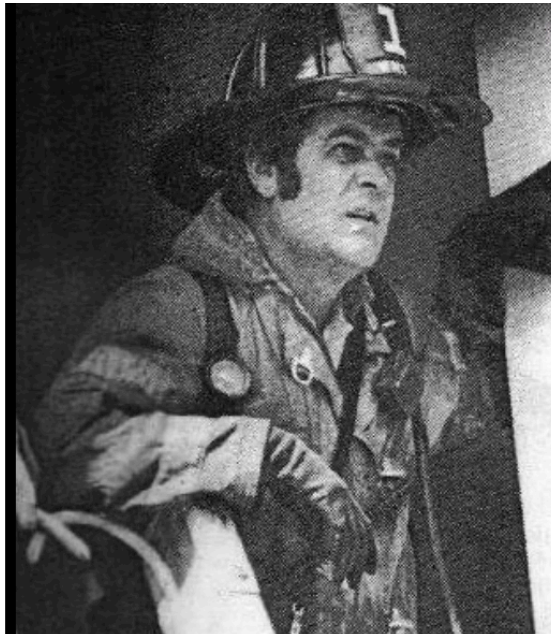
Who were you as a student in school?

I think I was a last minute put-together type. For me, it was really easy to throw something at the wall and it stuck. I wasn't the hardest working student, but I made it work out for me. In school I didn't like reading or writing because I was told to do it, but once I was focused on studying something I actually enjoyed in college, it became more personal and accountable for myself.

Kaydence Raymond is a member of the Talon staff and '25 enjoys having Ms. Love as a teacher in concert choir.

Student Family Memoirs

Nicholas Lucas



Nicholas Lucas, grandfather of Renner Lucas, served as a firefighter and fire captain.

By Renner Lucas '25

My grandfather, Nicholas Lucas was born on February 13th, 1947, in Chaplin, Connecticut. He was a firefighter and fire captain of the Willimantic Fire Department over the span of 37 years. Starting sometime in 1968 or 1969 he had been enlisted in the military and had finished Fire school, EMT training, and finally fire job training when he was initially hired.

When asked what influenced him to take on the career, his reply was "I can't answer that question. Most firefighters can't."

It was difficult to maintain a family with a firefighting career. Because of the urgent dilemmas and long hours he had to miss many birthdays, Christmases, and funerals.

While he was offered the position, Nick decided he didn't want to become Fire Chief, a

promotion from his current position, Fire Captain. This is because it would have taken him away from actual on-site fire fighting and, instead, involved more paperwork. He felt that it would alienate him from the rest of the firefighting crew. "We wouldn't be like brothers and sisters if I were chief. I never wanted to be."

My grandfather has reiterated this point many times, further showing the dedication he had to the firefighters.

On February 20th, 1987, tragedy struck in the town of Willimantic. What was said to be his most stressful day. Five children passed away in a house fire. Because they could not save the children, the event left Nick with PTSD.

Through the thick and thin, my grandfather prevailed through his firefighting career. On October 21, 2006 he retired from the fire department

permanently. Though he cannot participate in jobs anymore, he is still a very active member of the fire department community, and visits the firehouse frequently.

After his retirement, he stayed busy by picking up and delivering ambulances that have been repaired. He now resides in Willimantic, Connecticut. In a closing statement, Lucas had this to say about it all. "I would do it all over again. I miss the firefighters but I don't miss the politics." These same characteristics can still be seen in my grandfather today. His kindness and thoughtfulness is still relevant in his personality, whether it be helping with fixing or installing something for someone, offering to drive long distances for people, or just being a friendly person all around.

Written by Renner Lucas '25 for Ms. Sims' English class, Excerpted for publication in the Talon by Cecil Rittall '25.

Ms. Sims' English 1 classes worked on family interviews and memoir writing about their grandparents as part of their English curriculum. Ms. Sims encouraged students to print excerpts from their essays in The Talon so they could reach a wider audience.

Gordon Frizell

By Isaiah Bradford '25

My Grandfather, Gordon Frizzell, was born and raised in the small fishing village of Boothbay Harbor, Maine. His father owned the only automobile business in town, Frizzell Chevrolet. His mother stayed home and took care of him, his brother and his sister. He had many jobs as a teen and young man, such as EMT, fireman (25 years!), bus driver, basketball coach, caddie at a golf course, lobsterman, and he owned a bed & breakfast. Grumps didn't do well in high school. his freshman year was rough. He failed some classes like freshman English and Algebra. He went to college at Central Maine Technical Institute. He attended college for two years to study automotive technology because his father and grandfather owned their own car dealerships.

The most dangerous thing he's ever done was when he was 45 years old, when he sprayed an approximately two-foot in diameter hornet's nest point blank with insect killer,

and the only reason he did it was because my grandmother, Janice Frizzell, told him not to. He found out the hard way that he probably should be more careful when dealing with a hornet's nest. Also my grandma was laughing at him the whole time he got stung because he didn't listen to her.

I asked him what was one moment in his life he regretted, and his response was that "he had nothing in mind," we adore that he has completed everything he has wanted to. One thing he didn't get to accomplish is that he wanted to take his dad fishing in Alaska; however, sadly his father passed away in 2006, two months before I was born. My grandfather Gordon was a hard worker when he was younger and a very independent man. He does things his own way, led a full, rewarding life, and when asked, he will tell you he has no regrets.

Written by Isaiah Bradford '25 for Ms. Sims' English Class. Excerpted by Cecil Rittall '25, a member of the Talon Staff.

Performing Arts

Jazz Night & Dessert Auction



Jazz Big Band playing in the Dining Commons at the 2022 Jazz Night and Dessert Auction.

By Liam Card '23

On Thursday, April 14 the Lincoln Academy Jazz Bands held their first Jazz Night Dessert Auction since the spring of 2019.

A multitude of desserts were donated by families of Jazz Band members as well as community members. The profit made from the sale of the desserts went to the 2023 New York City trip fund.

During the event, the audience was required to wear masks along with the players. The Jazz Big Band played

five songs including "Cubano Chant," "Another Step Toward the Blues," and "Night and Day".

Harrison Pierpan, a junior at LA, said that it was the "best live performance I'd ever seen."

After a 10-minute intermission, the Five O'Clock Jazz Ensemble continued the night with "Moon Dreams," "Unsquare Dance," and the fast-paced, house-rocking, body moving, "Blue Skies."

Director Liz Matta said that she initially got the idea from the late Anthony Marro,

a Morse High School band director. She knew immediately that "this would be a super fun event here at Lincoln Academy."

Matta hopes to continue the Jazz Night Dessert Auction for the coming years, and is very grateful for all of the donations from the community.

Liam Card '23 is a member of the Talon staff and got a stomach ache after eating too many leftover desserts from the auction.

LA Musicians Attend All-State Festival



LA musicians who attended the All State Music Festival. From left: Kayla Cruz '23 (choir), Sage Kosky '22 (orchestra), Sophia Scott '25 (choir), Matthew Long '24 (choir), Wyatt Stone '23 (band), Connor McFarland '23 (choir), Iris Pope '23 (choir), Ava Nery '23 (band), Cooper Swartzentruber '23 (band). Not pictured: Harrison Pierpan '23 (choir).

By: Iris Pope '23

This year, the Maine Music Educators Association held its Band, Orchestra, and Choir All State Festival for student musicians throughout the state from May 19-21. To audition, students submitted numerous videos of scales as well as required pieces. Musicians were then selected by a panel of judges. Lincoln students accepted into the All State Choir were Iris Pope '23, Connor McFarland '23, Logan Heath '22, Kayla Cruz '24, Matthew Long '23, Ava Nery '23, Harrison Pierpan '23, and Sophia Scott '25. Sage Kosky '22 was accepted into the All State Orchestra, and Wyatt Stone '23 and Cooper Swartzentruber '23 were selected for the All State Band. Upon being accepted, students were given recordings and sheet music to practice in advance for pieces they would work on and perform during the festival.

Hundreds of accepted students attended the festival which was held at the University of Maine Orono. On Thursday, students were greeted at UMO and shown their rooms in the dorms before heading to their separate rehearsal rooms. The schedules for each group were rigorous, with a collective 7-9 hours of rehearsal each day.

One valuable aspect of auditioning for and attending All States is the opportunity students have to work with renowned conductors from across the country. Conductors included Dr. Jeffery Redding for

the SATB choir, Dr. Elizabeth Parker for the SSAA choir, Allan McMurray for band, and Ann Danis for orchestra. The ability for young musicians to work with professionals in the music industry is not only inspiring but highly rewarding.

While each day consisted of many rehearsals, students were able to enjoy the lavish offerings of the Hilltop Cafeteria at the University for all meals, complete with an ever-present frozen yogurt machine and stir fry bar. Additionally, activities after dinner on Thursday and Friday night rewarded students for their hard work during the day. Jazz performances on Thursday from the Maine Coast Guard and the University of Southern Maine's Osher School of Music were met with standing ovations from the young musicians.

On Saturday, May 21, each group performed in the Collins Center for the Arts with over 1,400 seats filled with adoring family members and friends. Choir members were able to see musicians rehearse in the morning before the orchestra and band concert at 11:00am, and choir students rehearsed throughout the day in preparation for their performances at 3:00pm. After two years of virtual All States, students were grateful to return to the normal functioning of this exciting festival.

Iris Pope '23 is a member of the Talon Staff and is upset she does not have a frozen yogurt machine in her house.

Choirs Perform at St. Patrick's Church



Concert Choir and Lincolnaires singing at the spring concert.

By Iris Pope '23

On Saturday, May 14th, the Lincoln Academy Concert Choir and Lincolnaires had their spring choral concert. In March of 2022, Mia Love filled the shoes of choral teacher Emily Anderson when Anderson left on maternity leave. A recent graduate from University of Southern Maine, Mia Love skillfully helped both choirs polish their songs for the spring performance.

The concert was held at St. Patrick's Church on Academy Hill. Each group performed about seven pieces, with two combined pieces as a finale. Despite the high temperatures

on Saturday, dozens of family members and friends showed their support by attending the event. Graduating seniors Sage Kosky, Callie Stapp, and Logan Heath were honored with solos in "Loch Lomond", "Dulamon", and "Baba Yetu".

"I think both choirs sang the best they had in a long time, even in the crazy heat", remarked Lincolnaires member junior Harrison Pierpan. With standing ovations, dissonant sea shanties, and high humidity, the concert was nothing short of a success.

Iris Pope '23 is a member of the Talon staff and Lincolnaires.



Above: The LA Combined Choirs closed the spring choir concert.
Below, left: Imij Armstead '25 translating Concert Choir lyrics into American Sign Language.



All-National sax player Cooper Swartzentruber '23 plays a solo.

Performing & Visual Arts

Spring Band Concert



The LA Wind Ensemble at the Spring Band Concert.

By Audrey Hufnagel '24

On Sunday, May 1st, the Lincoln Academy band and orchestra hosted their annual spring concert. The concert took place at the Baptist Church in Damariscotta and there was good turnout. The Lincoln Academy string orchestra played first. This is a relatively new group that meets once a week after school. The concert band, which is made up of students who are in their first

year with the band program, played second and the wind ensemble played last with a total of seven pieces.

This was the most normal band concert since the beginning of the pandemic. Last year, the band was able to perform in the spring, but had to be outside on the track field. In the winter, the band was able to perform inside, but had to do two concerts so that the audience could be safely spaced apart. This was the first

time in the pandemic that the band was able to play inside with a full audience. "It was a lot of fun and it went a lot better than in the winter, especially since it was one concert instead of the two separate ones," said Lilly Rosa '25 who plays violin in orchestra.

This was the last concert for the seniors, and they were honored at the concert. They also presented flowers to Ms. Matta. "Band concerts have



Senior Marina McManus (upright bass) smiles brightly during the Spring Band concert at Damariscotta Baptist Church.

always been a little chaotic, but never fail to be a good time. The spring concert was extra special for me and the other seniors this year, since it is one of our last times playing all together. I will definitely remember the band concerts fondly when I'm gone,"

said Reed Gulden '22 who plays saxophone in wind ensemble.

Audrey Hufnagel '24 is a member of the Wind Ensemble and writes for the Talon.

Lincoln Academy Art Show Opens at Coastal Rivers



Juniors Elle Stevens and Eden Butler with their ceramics pieces at the LA Student Art Show.



Artists and guests at the LA Student Art Show at the Denny Conservation and Education Center.

By Dylan Burmeister '25 and Mya Bessey '24

The in-person Lincoln Academy Art Show has been on hold since before COVID-19, but it returned this year in a new location. The last art show was in 2019 and took place at the River Arts studio. This year, students displayed their artwork at the new Coastal Rivers Conservation Trust building next to Round Top.

The art show's opening reception was held on Wednesday, May 4 from 5-7 p.m. The building was open to the public between Thursday, May 5 and Wednesday, May 18 during Coastal River's business

hours of 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Thursday and from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Friday. Student artwork from Ceramics, Drawing I & II, Painting I & II, Digital Photography, Jewelry and Metalsmithing, Art Fundamentals, and Advanced Screen Printing were featured in the show. Students taking Introduction to DET built, sanded, and painted pedestals to display the three-dimensional work.

Visual Arts and DET teacher Ms. Mess said that she believes "showing your work in a professional gallery space [and] taking it out of the classroom shows students the value of

their work, (which) is a really amazing opportunity."

The Visual Arts teachers spent a long time going back and forth trying to decide if there could be a show and where it could be. The former location, the River Arts Gallery, had moved to a smaller location that wouldn't be able to accommodate all of the art that would be displayed.

"I keep an eye out for some outstanding pieces from my classes in earlier trimesters, and I talk to students from previous trimesters about showing their work," Ms. Mess said.

"The community response was overwhelmingly positive, and it was such a joy to return

to celebrating student artwork in this way," said art teacher Nina Sylvia.

Freshman Olivia Crooker, who had several pieces of jewelry in the show, said that she thinks "it's a good opportunity for people to express themselves with their art and [to be able to] have it shown to other people in the community."

Forest Holbrook, a senior enrolled in Ceramics I, said it was good to finally be able to display his art in a public space. "I had been going to the Lincoln art show since middle school and looked forward to a day that I could show something off," he

said. "It was nice after a couple years of COVID restrictions to finally have so many people coming together for a student exhibition."

Holbrook also participated in setting up for the show on Monday, when students arranged pedestals and their artwork.

"It was chaotic, and I didn't have the right sized pedestal at first, but it all worked out in the end," Holbrook said.

Mya Bessey '24 and Dylan Burmeister '25 both had art in this year's exhibition and are members of the Talon staff.

Academic News

2022 Junior Book Awards

Every year Lincoln Academy presents book awards to members of the junior class. This long standing tradition recognizes academic excellence, community service, and intellectual curiosity. Here are the 2022 Junior Book Awards and their recipients.

The Brandeis University Book Award is given to an exceptional high school junior in the top 15 percent of the class who demonstrates a commitment to civic engagement, community service, political activism, social justice, or volunteer work. This year's recipient is Izzy Petersen.

The Dartmouth College Book Award is given to a student in the top 10% of the junior class who has made a significant extracurricular contribution to their school, and is respected by their peers and faculty. This year, the Dartmouth College Book Award is given to Olivia Nixon.

The Bowdoin College Book Award recognizes a high school junior who has demonstrated extraordinary service to the common good and an unusual passion for inquiry, discovery, and innovative thinking. This year's recipient is Iris Pope.

The Yale University Book Award recognizes outstanding high school juniors for their character, leadership,



Recipients of the 2022 Junior Book Awards at LA are: Olivia Nixon, Abigail Holladay, Bella Herring, Michaela Lacrosse, Liam Card, Aowyn Burbank, Izzy Petersen, Mara Abbott, and Margaret Kastelein. Not pictured: Iris Pope and sophomore Jillian Chadwick.

scholarship, and intellectual promise. The Yale University Book Award is given to Margaret Kastelein.

The Williams College Book Award is given to a junior who has demonstrated intellectual leadership and has made a significant contribution to the extracurricular life of the school. This year the recipient is Liam Card.

The Smith College Book Award recognizes a young woman in the top tenth of her class who exemplifies the academic achievement, leadership qualities, and concern for others that characterize the thousands of women who have graduated from Smith College. This year's recipient is Aowyn Burbank.

The College of the Atlantic Book Award is given to a student

who is an adventurous junior who is invested in creating positive change in the world, and is engaged in their learning and their community. This year, the College of the Atlantic Book Award is given to Bella Herring.

The St. Thomas University Book Award is given to a student in the junior class who has demonstrated leadership and strength in all academic areas, and especially strong writing

skills. This year's recipient is Mara Abbott.

The Suffolk University Book Award goes to a member of the junior class who exemplifies a commitment to their education and school community. This year, the Suffolk University Book Award is given to Michaela Lacrosse.

The Ruth Ives Humanitarian Award recognizes a junior who has exemplified the spirit of Ruth Ives in volunteering and helping their community. This year's recipient of the Ruth Ives Humanitarian Award has volunteered at the Bristol Library, is a Prom Committee member, a committed member of the Unified Basketball team, among other things. This year, the Ruth Ives Humanitarian Award is awarded to Abby Holladay.

The Isabelle Manahan Courage in Kindness Award is given in honor and memory of Isabelle Manahan '21 who died in a car accident at the end of her freshman year at LA. This award has been established here at Lincoln for a member of the sophomore class. This award recognizes a student who has demonstrated a spirit similar to Isabelle's courage, kindness, sense of self, and attitude toward others. This year the recipient of Isabelle's "Courage in Kindness Award" is Jillian Chadwick.



Michaela Lacrosse '23 is the recipient of the Suffolk University Book Award. Presented by School Counselor Ms. Lamar (left) and Director of Career and Academic Counseling Ms. Gleason (right).



Izzy Petersen '23 is the recipient of the Brandeis University Book Award.



Liam Card '23 is the recipient of the Williams College Book Award.



Aowyn Burbank '23 is the recipient of the Smith College Book Award.



Answers to Talon Trivia

(from page 14)

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| 1. DET Classes | 6. Zoorob |
| 2. Addie Brinkler & Will Sherrill | 7. Standish, Maine |
| 3. Barfield | 8. Gordon |
| 4. Brandeis University | 9. Cooper Swartzentruber |
| 5. AJ Giberson '25 | 10. Dallas, Texas |

Community Meeting *continued from p. 1*

Reed Gulden '22 said "it's a nice blast from the past. I missed seeing all the classes together and feeling like the school is one big family again."

When Lincoln County moved back into the red designation for Covid, meaning that there was a heightened number of cases, community meeting had to be moved outside so everyone could participate.

During the week of May 16, Lincoln County moved back into the yellow designation, which means that all students can be in the gym at one time. On Friday, May 20, community meeting was held outside at the pavilion.

Dylan Burmeister is a freshman who serves on the Talon Editorial Board.



Students gathered on the Stanley Waltz Track Field for outdoor Community Meeting on May 20.

Academic News

Underclass Academic Awards

Some departments presented Academic Awards to students in grades 9-11 on Friday, May 13 during a Community Meeting at the Pavilion. Senior academic awards will be presented on Class Night.

English Awards



Mr. Manohan, Margaret Castaline '23, Iris Pope '23, Kendra Gladu '24, Audrey Hufnagel '24, Noa Burchesky '25, Maeve Tholen '25

Science Awards



Sebastian Chesboro '23, Henry Maddox '23, Maia Hall '24, Mica Houghton '24, Sophie Yates-Paul '25, Bronwen Coffin '25

World Language: Spanish



Mrs. Bass, Iris Pope '23, Audrey Hufnagel '24, Dylan Burmeister '25, Kellan Adickes '25, Ms. Hanley, Ms. Rodermel

Ceramics Awards



Mr. Mess, Clare Colburn '23, Iris Pope '23, Lucy White '24, Celia Brinkler '24, Mya Bessey '24

DET Awards



Angela Serantes Casado '22, Eric Richmond '24, Brike Hallee '24, Lola Friant '24, Mr. Wynne, Micheala Lacrosse '23, Tyler Blanc '25.

Senior Visual Arts Awards



Maria Zertuche Monroy '23, Noa Burchesky '25, Emily Boone '24, Bella Hanna '22, Marguerita Fairfield '22, Conrad Kortemitter '22, Gabby Hagar '22, Gabe Manning '22, Reed Gulden '22

Design & Metalsmithing



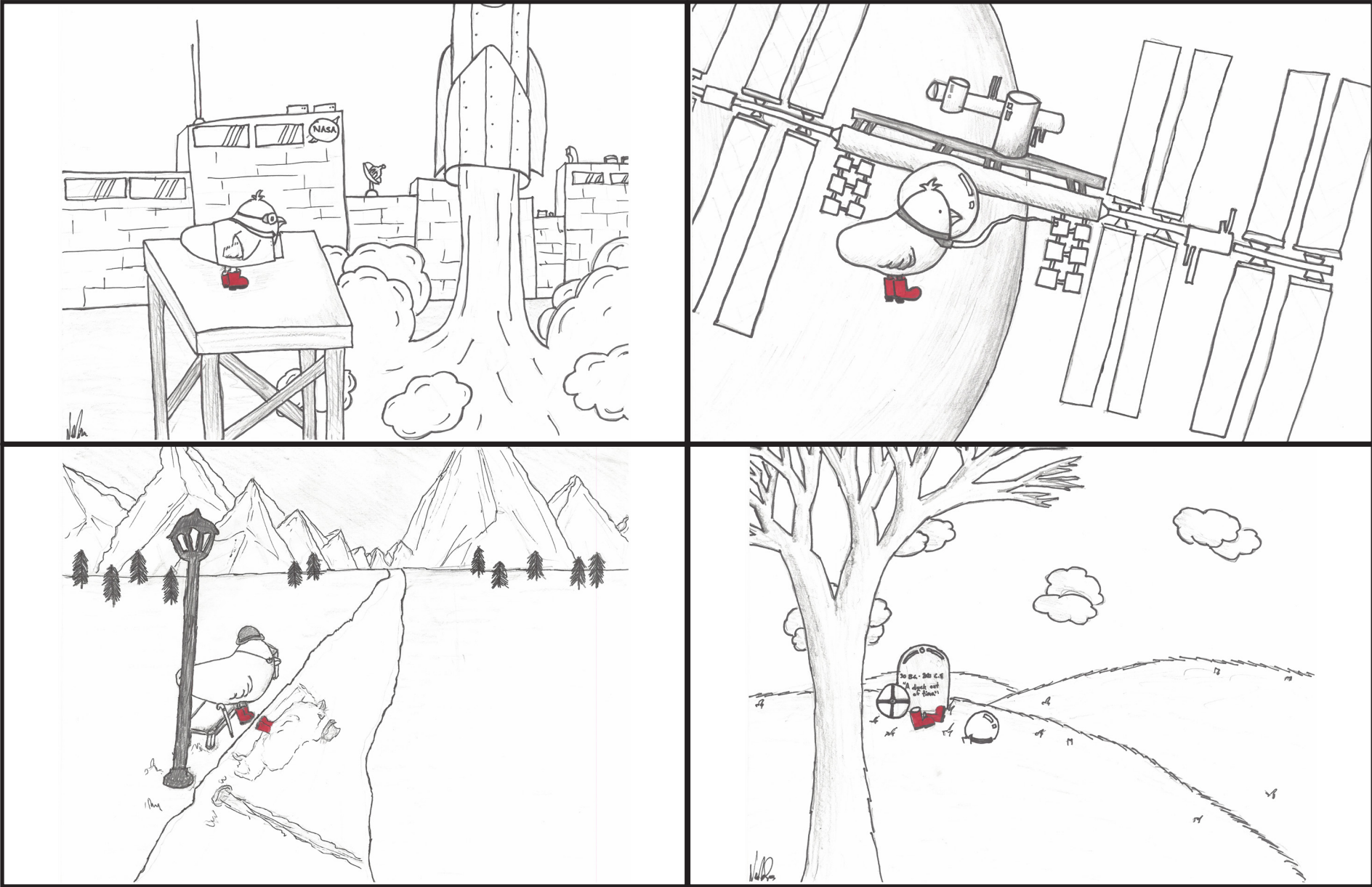
Ms. Mess, Olivia Nixon '23, Gary Tibbetts '24, Ava Nery '23, Alex Gutierrez '23, Ella Wells '24, Mitchell Straus '24, Nick Russ '24, Olivia Crooker '25, Lila Drewes '25

French Awards



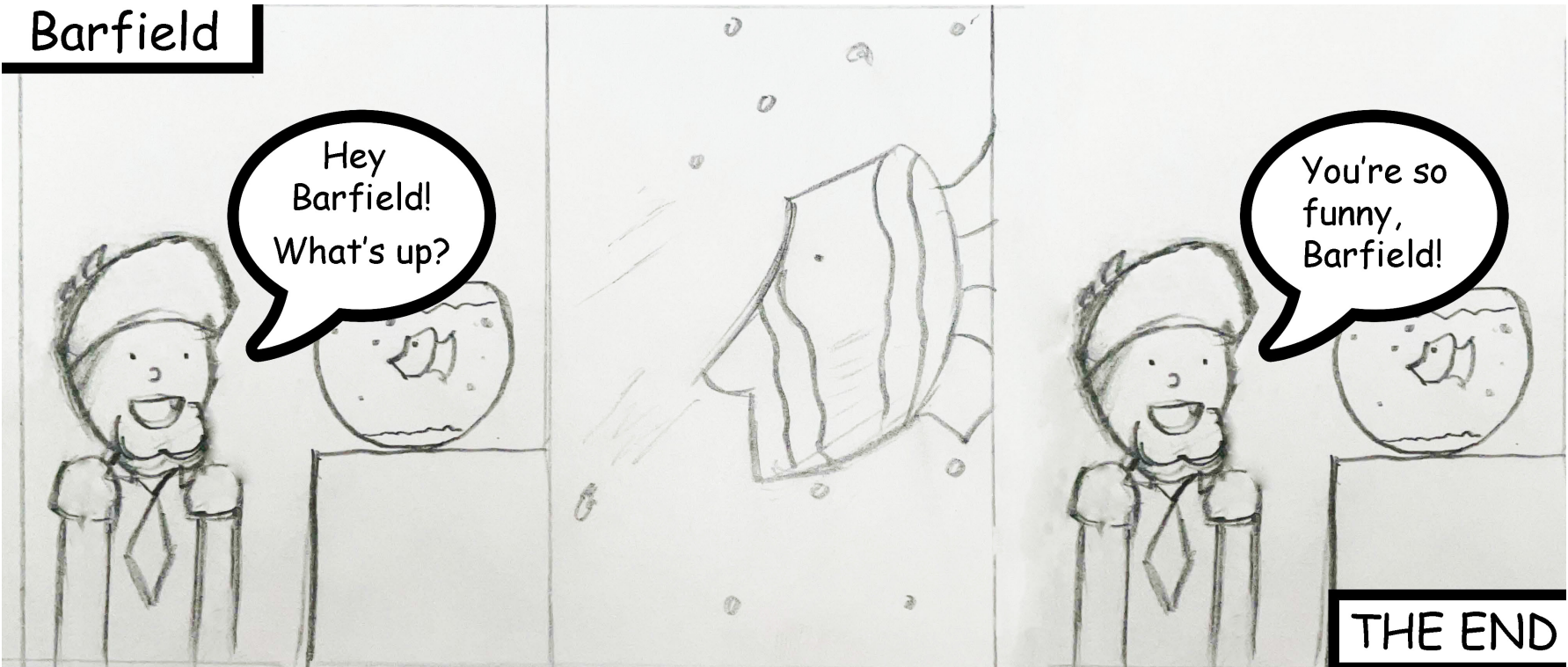
Ms. Welch, Dana Lee '24, Dylan Lord '24, Leah Gemeinhardt '25, Alison Roberts '25, Ava Nery '23

Cartoons: Ducks by Nick Russ '24



Drawings by Nick Russ '24, who is inspired by the Dorothy Sayers quote: "How fleeting are all human passions compared with the massive continuity of ducks."

Barfield by Callen Caswell '23



How well did you read *The Talon*? Trivia from this month's issue:

1. Who built the Art Show pedestals?

2. Who are the two Class of 2022 Senior Class Marshals?
3. What is the name of the character in Callen Caswell's comic?

4. What was the first college named during the junior book awards?
5. Who is pictured pitching on the mound?

6. Ralph _____ is the junior student of the month.
7. Where did Ms. Love grow up?

8. Isaiah's grandfather's name is _____ Frizzell.
9. Who is taking over VOTM next year for Dom Civittolo?

10. Where were the 2022 Robotics World Championships held?

Vehicles of the Month

Featured Car: *Cooper Swartzentruber's 2014 Volvo s60*



Future Vehicle of the Month Editor Cooper Swartzentruber '23 poses with his winning car under the moonlight.

For the final vehicle of the month, we decided to pick one single winner. We were too lazy, and too scared of walking around the parking lot to choose more than one. After serious deliberation, and definitely no bribery, the decided winner is Cooper Swartzentruber. Cooper drives a 2014 white Volvo s60, aptly named; "The turbo'd Cooper grocery getter." Employees at Hannaford confirmed that Cooper is often spotted purchasing frozen breakfast sandwiches at 9:00 p.m. He in fact, does not thaw them first.

Typically, the juniors are seen as the hazards in the student

parking lot; however, Cooper was actually the one being backed into (names not given). Whenever someone mentions his car, Cooper typically likes to point out the fact his car has a turbo. This is true, however the only thing that changes is the amount of time it takes Cooper to get to Hannaford and back.

As this is the last edition of Vehicle of the Month, someone has to take it over in the following year. Cooper has ever so graciously offered to fill that spot (surprise!). In doing so, it is his remuneration for being nominated as the winner. This is non-negotiable.

Got a Favorite Car or Truck?

Watch for a monthly survey in your LA email at the start of the new school year.

*Edited by Dominic Civittolo '22 & Alton Coolidge '22 for now.
Soon to be edited by Cooper Swartzentruber '23.*



Reflections from the Student Lot

By Dominic Civittolo '22

After exploring the parking lot for the past couple of months, searching for new victims for the newspaper, I've come to several terrifying conclusions. Firstly, high school boys value their cars far more than they do school.

Most of society holds those that drive Beamers or Audis in high regard, however, here at Lincoln Academy, we do things a bit differently. Whoever has the most blustering vehicle and the least amount of traction on their tires is evidently at the top of the social pyramid. It may come as a surprise, but tires are actually intended to last more than a week. We have plenty of personal experience here with sudden loss of tires, however, the exit of the LA parking lot is more hazardous for tires than anyone might expect. Alongside this, contrary to popular belief, straight-piping your car does not make it faster.

The second key takeaway from the months of scouring the parking lot is that the vast

majority of the student body lacks common road decency and the ability to park between two lines.

Thus, I would like to offer a proposal. Alongside the driver's ed courses offered here at Lincoln Academy, a mandatory road etiquette class should be implemented. It's unfathomable that one could feel less safe driving here than in Boston, yet LA students manage to accomplish that task impeccably. This is proven by the multiple students that get pulled over every day. The class should feature the basic principles of parking between two lines. While this may be quite a tricky task, we believe several mandatory lessons could vastly improve parking skills.

When Dominic Civittolo drives his 2015 Honda Civic to Orono in August he will leave a big hole on the staff of the Talon. In exchange for his victory in vehicle of the month, Cooper Swartzentruber is being required to carry on vehicle of the month next year. This is non-optional.

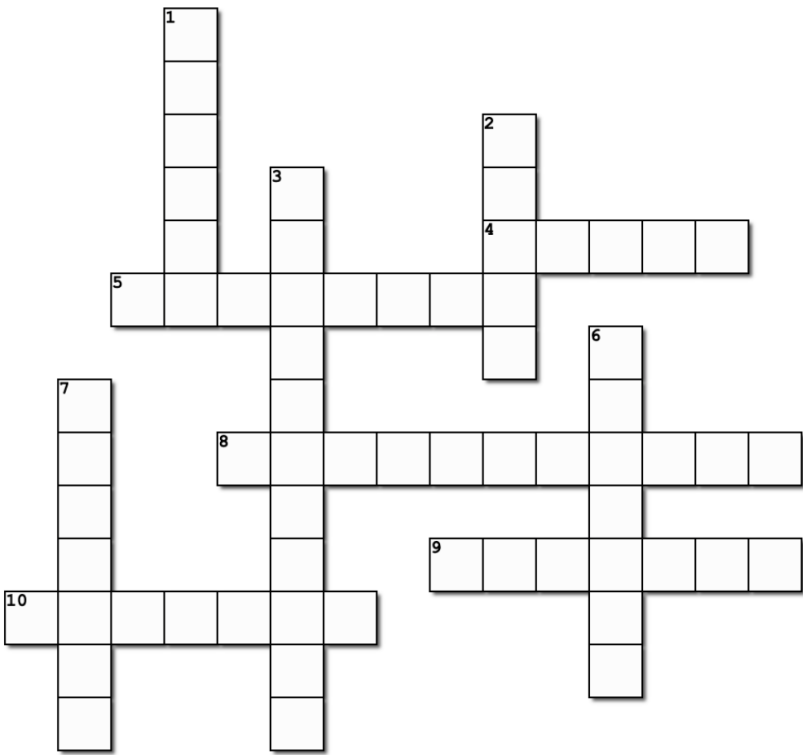


Dominic Civittolo '22 with his 2015 Honda Civic as he says a sad goodbye to the Vehicles of the Month column, inspired by the sole remaining 2001 edition of the original Talon, and brought to new heights by Dominic himself. He was inspired to take a deep dive into automotive journalism by his loyalty to the Civic, which makes 450 to the wheel, and definitely has VTEC.

Puzzles

May Crossword

Complete the crossword using the clues provided. If a single answer consists of multiple words, do not include spaces when fitting the answer into the crossword. If an answer contains a number, spell it out. Have fun!



Crossword created by Zoe Nolan '23.

- Across**
4. On May 14, 1804, Lewis and _____ began their trip up the Missouri river.
5. George Washington was born in this state.
8. Annual celebration of Mexico's victory over France at the battle of Puebla, 1862.
9. In 1914, President _____ Wilson signed a proclamation designating Mother's Day a national holiday.
10. The capital of the Canadian province of Nova Scotia.
- Down**
1. The zodiac signs Taurus and _____ occur during the month of May.
2. George _____, creator of the Star Wars franchise and Indiana Jones franchise.
3. English social reformer, statistician, and the founder of modern nursing, Florence _____.
6. The ninth month of the Islamic calendar, observed as a month of fasting, prayer, and community.
7. The birthstone of May.

May Sudoku

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Sudoku created by Izzy Petersen '23.

Overheard... at Lincoln Academy

Got a quote to submit to the Talon?

Email talon@lincolnacademy.org or drop it in *The Talon* box at the front desk. Please include the names of both speaker and submitter.

Talon quotes collected and curated by Nathalie Paulino '23

- "I love using the science budget for chocolate." – Mr. Buchwalder
- "I learned about menopause from *That 70's Show*" – Izzy Petersen '23
- "You look like a funky alien duck!" – Mr. Cannon
- "I forgot people have teeth." – Margaret Kastelein '23
- "You seem like the type of person to think the world is flat." – Gabby Vincentsen '23
- Ms. Mooney: "If John has one newton of gold on Earth and one on the moon, where is he richer?" Will Farrell '22: "Earth! Because of inflation!"
- "Ah. The sweet sound of disaster." – Ada Tholen '23
- "The thing about every senior class is that they're like people with Massachusetts license plates. Everyone is ready for them to leave and they never do." – Mr. Going
- "Don't fix the clock! It's a metaphor!" – Mr. Smalley
- "Do I give off the vibe of an elegant goose chaser?" – Anonymous
- "It's a good day to be a bird." – Mr. O'Mahoney (on a windy day)
- Mr. Cannon: "There's a seizure model!" Mr. Smalley: "Really? Let's do it."
- "I've been playing volleyball. I'm kind of a beast at it, I must admit." -Josh Berryman '22

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