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HANOVER HIGH SCHOOL

Swim Team Undefeated

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Hanover Swimming is undefeated so far and is heading into the championship season very strong. So far the team has met against eight other schools at four different meets continuously beating them in multiple events. At the most recent meet on last Friday Hanover won 14 out of the 22 events and had swimmers in the top three in every event. Four team records were set on Friday: Katie Amen in the 100 Breaststroke with a time of 1:12.77, Kristian Hansen in the 200 Freestyle with a time of 1:52.26, Atticus Kangas in the 100 Backstroke with a time of 1:02.37, and a relay record was set by Kristian Hansen, Atticus Kangas, Brendan Forauer, and Connor Barr in the 400 Freestyle relay. Kristian Hansen also set a pool record at Colby Sawyer College with his 200 Freestyle. The team has two normal meets left, Friday the 30th and Wednesday February 4th. Then the team will be participating in New Hampshire Division II championships on February 14th. With over 20 swimmers qualified for states Hanover will have their largest swimming representation since the start of the team.



Top: Hanover Swim Team
Above: Mere Mackall and Elisabeth Brechbuhl after the 500 Free Style
Right: Owen Wohlforth swimming Butterfly
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How do you Define Cheating?

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In its meeting last Wednesday, Council began discussing changes to the school's Academic Integrity Policy. These changes would alter the policy to remove mandatory reporting of the incident to colleges if the student in question decided to go through Restorative Justice. As the discussion progressed, it became clear that the term "cheating" was not clearly defined. The Broadside decided to ask students of every grade how they would define cheating. Based on the results of our survey, it seems that most everyone has a different definition of cheating and that

nobody knows the exact definition in the student handbook. Many students believe that cheating can only happen on tests or exams and that cheating on homework does not count as cheating. However, the Student handbook defines cheating, as "any activity in which a student deliberately misrepresents his or her actual academic achievement."

I sat down with Mr. Smith last week to discuss cheating at HHS and his thoughts on the motion are currently being discussed in Council. He believes that the proposed motion and subsequent

discussion is very important. He says that cheating is a blunt term and can come in different shades of gray; it is not black and white. Mr. Smith also believes that the new motion with Restorative Justice will allow for learning opportunities for violators of the Academic Integrity Policy.

The discussion about the proposed Academic Integrity Revisions will continue in Council this week on Wednesday. Given that this affects the whole school, I strongly urge everyone to participate in the discussion.

Uncovering The Laramie Project

Hollis Westling

For the past few years, the winter show at Hanover High has been a comedy. Last year we had *The Government Inspector*, a comedy about a moocher who is mistaken as a government inspector by villagers in Russia. The townspeople flock to him and smother him in money and favors and only discover that he is just a regular man after he has run off with all the mayor's money, his daughter, and his wife. The year before that, the Footlighters performed *The Dining Room*. This is the first year since 2011 that the winter play hasn't been a comedy. This year, the play is probably the farthest from comedy that we can get: *The Laramie Project*.

The Laramie Project is a documentary-style play about the murder of Matthew Shepard in Laramie, Wyoming in 1998. The play consists of hundreds of interviews from the actual townspeople of Laramie, Wyoming. Through these interviews, we witness the reactions to Matthew Shepard's death from multiple points of view. The characters range from the killers themselves to the mother of the cop who responded to the call. I was able to sit down with one of the actors in *The Laramie Project*, Lulu Fairclough-Stewart and hear her thoughts on the show.

Lulu plays a variety of roles, her main one being Marge Murray, the mother of the officer who



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responded to the call of Matthew Shepard's beating. Marge is a woman who is "kind of set in her way on how she views the world, and she's a hard woman, but also kind of soft" Lulu says. Lulu also plays a judge, a friend of one of the murderers, and a woman who attended the funeral of Matthew Shepard. When the Footlighters first announced that they were doing *The Laramie Project*, parents asked if there would be counselors to help the actors through the process due to the play's intensity. At first, Lulu asked, "Why would we need that? It's not that big of a deal!" However, after reading the play and getting more in touch with her characters, she said "What's getting to me now is that it started with me thinking about how to act like this person, but then I realized that these are real people and

everything that we're saying was said and everything our characters are thinking was thought".

While some actors are nervous for the play, Lulu isn't that jittery. She says "The play itself is very arty and simple and the script isn't a comedy so there's no way we could fall flat. I'm assuming that some audience members may laugh because it gets uncomfortable at times." Lulu has been in a lot of comedies in her high school acting career and is looking forward to something a little more serious, she adds, "I think that this play will make people think instead of react."

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