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The Washington Monument

By: Sylvester

On October 23rd, 2018 students in 8th grade from LMS that went on the D.C. school-sponsored trip got to see the Washington Monument in all of its glory. The students were very excited to see this monument, and all had their cameras out, ready to take pictures. The Washington Monument was built to

commemorate George Washington, George was the commander-in-chief of the Continental Army and the first President of the United States. Construction for the monument started in 1848 but it was built in two phases, one through 1848 and 1854 and the second phase was through 1876 and 1884 which is over a twenty-year break until it was finished. The Washington Monument was officially dedicated on February 21, 1885, and stands 555 feet off the ground. Its walls are 15 feet thick at its base and $1 \frac{1}{2}$ feet thick at the top. As the students gathered around the base of the monument with their cameras, they realized they were looking at history itself.

Boys Basketball Tryouts

By: Egghead

The 8th-grade basketball tryouts are beginning from 2:30 to 5 at Louisville Middle School in hopes that the boys will be back to back league champions. The boys work their hardest and are very focused while trying to impress the coach. The coach seemed to stress hard work and being persistent. The coach had the players written down on a small piece of notebook paper, separated into two teams- shirts and skins. He made the teams even so that it would be a competitive game. Players were on the floor half the time, fighting for the ball very aggressively. Scratches and bruises were appearing on many of the players.

Next, the players practiced their shot with many shooting drills, keeping track of how many shots they made. However many they missed, is how many laps they would have to run. The coach definitely looking for diligent leaders.

The exhausted players brought it in and got a call to end the practice saying, "Hard work on three... One! Two! Three! Hard work!". The dedication and hard work has begun.

<u>The Battle of Gettysburg</u>

By: Beaky Buzzard

October 25, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania students from LMS learned about the Battle of Gettysburg because they wished to understand the war, as some kids have stated. The one presenting the info to the kids spoke of many subjects; such as when he spoke of the eminence that gave a great view over the beautiful, green field that the

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Battle of Gettysburg took place in and a grand vantage to the people who controlled the hill. Or even when he spoke of how the cannon worked, they put the cannonball into the cannon, and light a fuse that makes the cannonball go flying. The war itself was an important battle to be sure, although 1,000s have died, the benefits after the war were more than worth it.

<u>The Bookfair</u>

By: Tasmanian Devil

It's that time of year again, it's November 2018 the students of LMS are gathering money for the book fair to get books they are interested in. The book fair will take place at the start of November from 5th all the way to November 9th.

The pupils got the book fair orders about a week or two ago and had time to establish what books they were interested in and the books they didn't prefer. There is a new Diary of a Wimpy Kid coming out and that was always treasured by the kids. Also, at the bookfair, there are mountains upon mountains of Minecraft books so you Minecraft lovers are in luck. You better have your pockets deep for all these new books that are coming your way.

Passball in D.C. By: Petunia Pig

On Wednesday, October 24, 2018, kids went to the Recreation Center to play games and relax. Many of the kids played basketball or went swimming at the pool, however, some kids had an intense session of Passball.

Passball is a game of getting a ball from one side of a room to another between two teams, however, you can't walk the ball across. The teams must throw the ball across the room. "Passball is da best," said a participant, G.

G. was only one of many participants who competed in this intense game. Southside got the ball first and made it halfway through the crowded area before they got intercepted by Ethan. He quickly tossed the ball towards the end, but Jared failed to catch it. The first cracks of the game were showing.

Northside quickly got a point after that, but Southside caught up in the next round. Later A. said," I don't want to do this anymore," and left the game, running towards different crowds of people.

Southside was now down one player gaining and North side was gaining the upper hand. The game was on very thin ice due to tension building in. They were still persevering though. They made a throw that was caught three quarters towards North side's wall. This made them travel a lot further than they should've. The game still went on. was still in the lead. They had more players so they could pass the ball more easily across the field. Many of the players in Southside were left feeling like the game was unfair. They seemed to play like that as well. They were passing the ball more sluggishly and didn't seem to care. The game never seemed to have a definite winner since there was an unbalance in numbers. "Looks like we have no winner," said E.

The group of kids went to sit by a wall and mess on their phones. Even if they weren't getting exercise, it was a better pass than staying on unfair teams.

<u>Academic Challenge</u> By: Elmer Fudd

The Academic Challenge season will officially begin Wednesday, November 7th, 2018 as the team will have their first practice of the year. This will help them prepare for the upcoming season. Students from all grades 6-8 were welcome to sign up for Academic Challenge. There will be some old and new faces. But no matter new or old, the members of the team hope to replicate the success the team had last year. Although numbers seem to have decreased from last year, there are still a good amount of members. These members all have two things in common, they are all buzzing with excitement and want the season to start.

Prank Calls

By: Marvin the Martian

It was a quiet Wednesday night in the hotel at Washington, D.C. when four girls, K., R., C., and M., decided to make some prank calls to other Louisville hotel rooms for entertainment. They first called a room containing R's friend. She answered and asked to speak to her, and then she was on the phone for a few minutes. They didn't make any prank calls. Yet.

Earlier that day, C. had given a group of boys their room number so that they could call the girls later on. This had turned out to be a bad idea. A few minutes after R. hung up, they started watching tv and making hot chocolate. Then their phone rang.

M. answered it, and surprise, surprise, it was the boys. They answered in a high pitched voice. They screamed into the hotel phone and then hung up. The girls tried to call back, but instead accidentally called an actual guest staying in the hotel. They apologized. The girls called the boys, and the right number this time. This pattern went on for a while, that was until the girls called one last time and they answered in a whisper. It turns out that Mr. Nolan had yelled at them for making calls. The girls hung up and then realized they would soon get in trouble, too. Just as they foreseen. Mr. Aliancic knocked on their hotel door. C. answered

"Hey, I need you guys to stop making phone calls. How many did you make? And don't lie because that will make this process a lot harder," he said.

They responded that they made other calls, but only one to an actual guest. They added that they had apologized. Then they quickly went to bed and unplugged the phone so that they couldn't get into the dilemma again, acting as though nothing had happened.