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Hey there! Welcome to Pritzker, but more importantly, welcome to the Lewis Society!!

Megan: I am from the Bay Area, California (specifically Fremont, where everyone's family friend seems to live). I went to college at UCLA and spent a gap year in DC/Maryland before moving to Chicago to start at Pritzker. Some of my involvements at Pritzker include Bridgeport Free Clinic, Sustainable Pritzker, the Peds Interest Group, and GPHAP.

Randy: I am an MSTP student from Massachusetts. I went to school at Worcester Polytech and spent two gap years living and working in Boston! While at Pritzker, I have enjoyed getting to know Chicago/Hyde Park and running along the lake!

Your society at Pritzker is like your Avatar tribe. You will share orientation groups, sibling groups, anatomy lab bays, career advisors, socials, and more. Though the Lewis Society may be new in name, we have an illustrious history of fun and success. We've had bonfires with s'mores, numerous other counts of free food, and true to the Water Tribe spirit, spearheaded polar plunges at the Point. Our anatomy lab bay was definitely the best (#BayBBestBay), and we won Field Day in 2019 (2020 is irrelevant).

All this to say: you will interact with your Lewis family in so many ways throughout your time at Pritzker, and they are sure to become a group of peers you can turn to at any point throughout the year. Our Lewis society family has contributed to some of our best experiences here at Pritzker, and we hope the same for you. Can't wait to meet you all :)

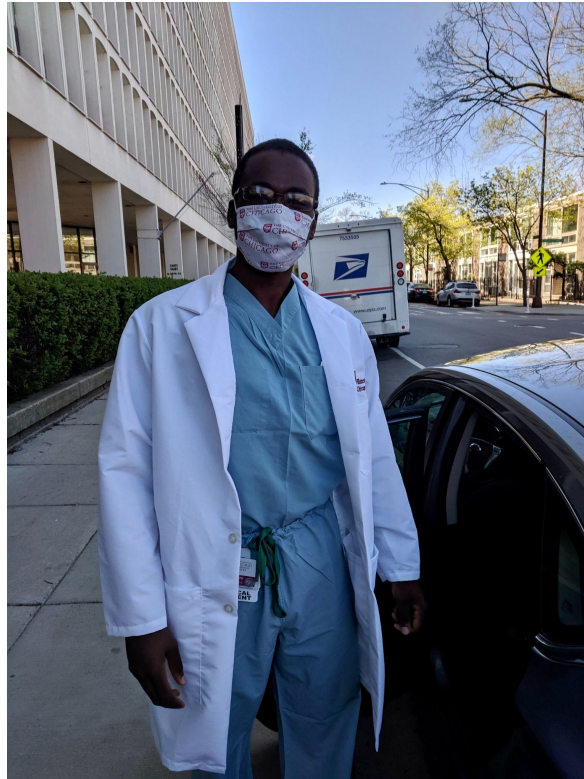
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Ibraheem Hamzat



Hello Rowlenes, Rowletes, and Rowley-ites (one of the good things about Rowley is our various nicknames),

My name is Ibraheem Hamzat and I am the Rowley MS1 society leader! I was born in Lagos, Nigeria, and was raised right here in Chicago. I went to the University of Nebraska-Lincoln for undergrad where I majored in microbiology and graduated about a year ago now.

Pritzker was my dream school and I am so happy to welcome you into the best medical school and best society ;). Rowley was a huge factor in setting me up for success during my first year. Many of my close friends are in Rowley and we often play tennis, have dinner, and commiserate over classes together. While at Pritzker, I've been able to get involved with SNMA, volunteer at the Bridgeport Free Clinic, co-lead a vaccine outreach initiative, co-lead the Pritzker Chess interest group (we won a national medical school chess tournament earlier this year!), and meet plenty of cool folks.

Rowley truly is such a wonderful and steady presence for all. Your society will be a built in mechanism that allows you to engage with students at all levels, it really is a prime opportunity to gain not only friendship but also mentorship. We can not wait to meet you all! If you ever want to go on a walk or catch the sunrise then I'm your guy! Be blessed!

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Kevin Lazenby and Henry Liedl



What's up, new Coggies!

We're Henry and Kevin, and we're your MS1 Coggleshall leaders!

Henry: My name is Henry, some people call me by my last name, Liedl ("Lee-duhl"). I'm from Pequot Lakes, Minnesota, population 2,000. I went to Carleton College for undergrad. Hit me up if you want to chat about Minnesota, rural life, sports, D3 football or if you think you can out chug me - I may be old but don't get too cocky. Most people really are just friends with me though so they can snag my wife's delicious cooking/baking. So I guess if you like eating food, you can also be friends with me.

Kevin: I grew up in Opelika, Alabama (think Pawnee, Indiana, but in the South), and I went to Vanderbilt University for undergrad, where I majored in biomedical engineering. At Pritzker, I've gotten involved with the Washington Park Clinic, HPREP, and Pritzker Christian Fellowship. When the weather is nice, I like to run and bike on the Lakefront Trail. And finally, I just got engaged in March!

Welcome to the envy of all, the *exclusive* Lowell T. Coggleshall society! You may have heard of us referred to as the Gryffindor of Pritzker. Our namesake Dr. Coggleshall was a leading authority on malaria. He conducted studies on the disease and even discovered a new strain, *Plasmodium lophurae*. In 1947 he was designated Dean of Biological Sciences at the University of Chicago. Our recent additions to the Coggleshall's legacy include winning the highly competitive *Annual Pritzker GI Bowl* and the crown jewel, *All School Trivia*, but we try not to brag as it makes the other societies quite jealous.

We're so excited to have you join the Coggie family! Please reach out to us if there's anything we can help you with, and we can't wait to meet all of you!

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Dearest Huggies,

On behalf of all of the Huggins society members, welcome to Pritzker!! I'm Murrie, a fun-loving rising M2 from Dayton, OH. Like you, I chose Pritzker for a number of spectacular, altruistic reasons. We are also similar in that we are part of Pritzker's premier, non-Greek, co-ed society: the Charles B. Huggins Society (copyright pending).

Pritzker has a dark secret. Every year, right after filling the class, the admissions committee and Pritzker administration begin deliberations to put together one "Super Society." There's an Orientation contract somewhere forbidding us from explicitly saying which society that may be, but Huggins may or may not be the reigning Field Month champion. What is done is done. While others may believe that "society divisions are arbitrary," know in your heart of hearts that you are among the Chosen. Be kind to them. Hugg it out and be awesome ☺

As you pack your bags and enjoy the summer before your formal medical education begins, know that the warm fuzzies you felt for Pritzker between attending your interview day to hitting "Commit to Enroll" are as present here as they have ever been. Never forget that you have the honor to learn the art of healing amongst the most intelligent and caring people. Your class is spectacular. You will have the pleasure of meeting the nicest person you've ever met on day 1, and then you'll meet someone even nicer the next day. You will bike along the lakeshore with friends after assisting your dream attending in our hospitals and clinics. You will be supported more than you've ever been before, and you'll question how you've stumbled upon one of the best decisions of your life. I am so excited to meet you all as soon as you find your way to our little home on the lake. Please reach out to me with questions if you have any in the meantime.

Warm Huggs,
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