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FROM SOPHOMORE TO SENIOR,
ONE STUDENT WAS RANDOMLY
CHOSEN TO TELL THEIR STORY

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“SHE HAD A TON OF WEIRD SOCKS BECAUSE THAT WAS ONE THING THAT SHE REALLY LOVED, AND SHE GAVE ALL OF THEM TO ME AND MY COUSINS. SO I HAVE SOME SOCKS THAT WERE HERS.

-ALLY ANDREASEN '18



ALLY ANDREASEN HAS A LOVE FOR SOCKS.

“I think I have a legitimate addiction to buying socks,” Andreasen ‘18 said.

Amongst her 52 pairs of socks she has a variety of patterned and festive socks. Not just short, boring white socks, but tall, funky, colorful ones.

“I have ones that say ‘dang it all to heck’ and I feel like that just describes me as a person,” she said. “They’re all floral and girly looking and it just says that on the side of them and I really just appreciate that.”

Throughout the years a collection of these fun socks has accumulated, her main source being gifts. Every birthday, Christmas exchange, or other gift giving occasion, Andreasen receives funky socks. Although she is not quite sure where this fascination with socks came from, she is quite certain that it will continue throughout her life.

“Not just socks in general, because I have the athletic socks,” she said. “But then like socks that have like weird patterns.”

All of her socks are kept close to her at all times. She has a cloth cube that is kept beneath her bed that contains her brightly colored foot attire.

Her favorite place to purchase socks is either the dollar section at Target or the occasional sales at Dillards. Her mother also bought her a pair from a store down in Nashville, Tennessee. The shop strictly sold socks and it was a hunt to find the perfect match

of socks for Andreasen’s personality.

“We choose the ones that look the funniest and that would fit her personality,” Andreasen’s sister, Anna Andreasen ‘24, said.

Other than Andreasen’s sister and mom, her friends are also aware of her collection.

“During marching band on Senior Night she puts on funky socks with her black shoes and then when she’s marching you can see them underneath the overalls,” Sophie VanZee ‘19 said.

VanZee had known about Andreasen’s love for socks but was shocked when she heard the total number.

Even Andreasen is surprised how many pairs of socks she has.

“Someone asked me the other day, they were texting me and I’m like ‘oh my gosh I’m scared to check,” Andreasen said.

Although she tries to find sales, Andreasen has spent approximately \$150 on socks.

The start of her obsession originated with her great grandmother, who gifted Andreasen and her cousins her socks before she passed. Andreasen collected a few pairs that she still has and treasures. Her favorite quality is the old look they have with frilly tops and pastel colors.

Through the influence that comes with being a big sister, Andreasen has influenced her sister to have an interest in socks as well.

“I get some for Christmas and some from my grandparents, so I probably have about 5 to 10 pairs,” Anna Andreasen said. “I like them because I like the way that Ally wears them so I want them.”