

REVELATIONS OF A SUPERMOON

Stefano A. Leitner, Class of 2019

Many times we've met,
Now
Ever so close.
The seasons have passed,
Now
Winter approaches.
With first site I'm awed,
Like butterflies just hatched.
The times before,
Why ever look back?
And as a young man, I've traveled,
I've seen you before.
What is your purpose today?
My heart believes it's more
Than just a time for attention.
My arms stretch out for your affection.
The answer is in your reflection:
Rays of hope shine through the darkness of night.
Without a word you teach
The secrets of life:
Yet the soul, it weeps.
Discomfort despised.
Love thyself.
But how?
Attempts pile on, seasons pass by.
The mystery you keep
Forever guessing.
Is this the right path? A curse
Or a blessing?
Acceptance the theme of each chapter written.
The truth so simple,
As experience strengthens my vision.
Forgive thyself and allow them to be forgiven.
This visit, so close, I will always remember.
The day I let go,
On that cold November.

FAILURE

Ludonir Sebastiany, Class of 2018

Nothing's different, everything remains the same.
Nothing sustains, gone from whence it came.
Only shame, just
myself to blame.
No glory, no dame, no success, no fame.
It rains; hard work trickles down the drain.
Feelings of disdain
spill & stain
thirsting to
become, but
never became.

Although born in Miami, Ludonir Sebastiany grew up in Bradenton, Florida, where he was an International Baccalaureate Program student and participated in the German American Partnership Program (GAPP), an exchange program sponsored by the German Foreign Office and the US Department of State. While attending college at Florida State University, Sebastiany was a weekend warrior and member of the FSU Seminole football team, playing the cornerback position under the legendary head coach Bobby Bowden. Astonishingly, after discovering an insatiable appetite for entrepreneurship during his first year of medical school, Sebastiany hopes to start his own business, LOY (Less on You), a dry cleaning and laundry service that promotes physical activity.