



2022 Washington D.C. Trip



Day 1

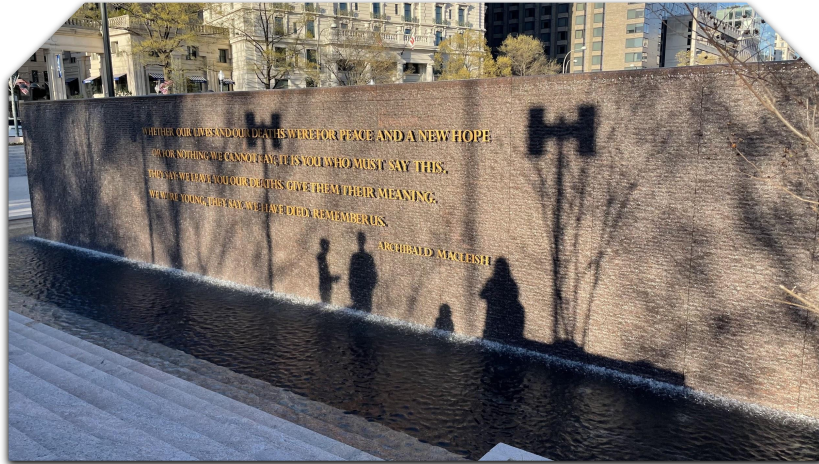


This was a very fun day. I accidentally left my Iphone in my dad's car, which was very important on the trip. It was needed to text my parents, but Ms. Simms did me a huge favor. She sent them texts and pictures every single day. This was also the day we took the airplane to DCA, which is called Reagan Airport.

Day 1



We took about 5 hours to arrive to DCA, which took forever. It was worth it because I saw the White House on the first day. On the first day, I also saw the National Treasury of the United States, this was cool. For dinner on the first day, we ate at Hard Rock Cafe. I had a Legendary Burger, which was delicious. We also stopped at a convenience store called Wawa. I got nothing special besides a jug of spring water. Overall, the first day was really cool.





Day 2

Waking up in a hotel was weird. The hotel we stayed in was the Hilton Garden Inn. The hotel was really nice and provided us with breakfast every single day we were there. After a nice cup of oj we took the metro to the National Zoo. I have only been to a proper zoo when I was 3 years old. Going to one now was very exciting for me. I also suggest setting an alarm for when you wake up so you are not late for your tour.



Day 2

This was the day when my feet started hurting. I suggest bring new comfortable shoes to walk with or else you might need a wheelchair the next day. After the National Zoo, we grabbed lunch and headed towards the Smithsonian Nature Museum. The Smithsonian was so huge. Each exhibit had so much information and we have enough time to read everything single letter. So make sure you go the exhibit you really want. After that, we went to the National Archives. I was so tired and I spent my last bit of energy going to see the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence. This was the day I learned that caffeine was essential.





Day 3

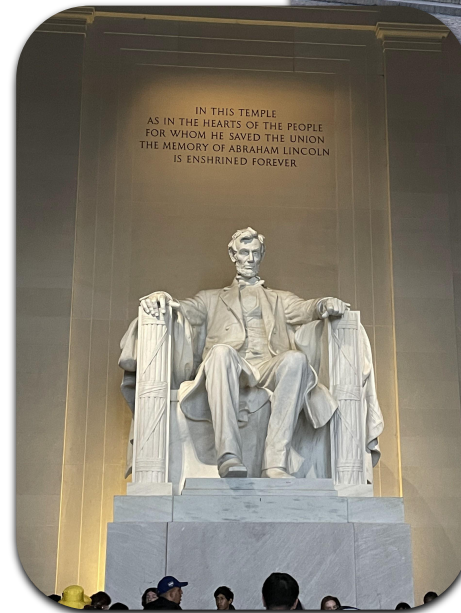
This was the day I made myself in the morning a good cup of black coffee. Today, we went to the best place in D.C, Arlington Cemetery. We had a lovely tour guide, his name was Mike Epstein. He was a very knowledgeable man with great storytelling abilities. At Arlington we got to see the changing of the guard, which was a serious event. The event was in pure silence, letting the audience hear every step the Honor Guard took. Events in D.C are very formal and strict and you have to remember to be on your best behavior.



Day 3

We got to meet again with Mike. Before we did that, we headed towards the Library Congress. This was so cool because the Library of Congress contained every book published. After this, we headed towards the hotel for a quick rest.

After dinner, we meet during the evening at Lincoln's Memorial with . It is impressive how each memorial is designed. The architecture is huge and well detailed. The bad thing was I had to use the restroom, I waited a good hour before I could use the restroom. Once I finished using the restroom we got to see Lincoln's statue. Some rumors said that on the back of his head, you could see the face of John Wilkes Booth. By this day I am pretty sure everyone's feet and legs were burning.





Day 4

Day 4 is where I got to use to living in D.C. This day we went to Mount Vernon, to visit Washington's estate. Mount Vernon was not so pleasant because of yellow jackets. These yellow jackets were not so passive as they liked to follow me, Jacob, and Tyler for some reason. On our trip to Mount Vernon, we got to see the inside of Washington's estate and see the beautiful Potomac River. Washington's estate was huge and had different facilities to meet his needs during his time.



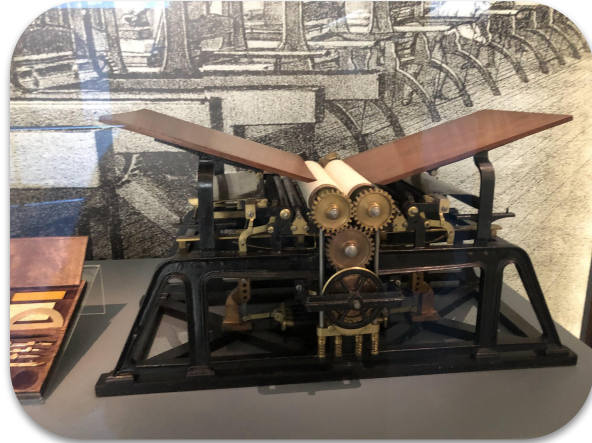


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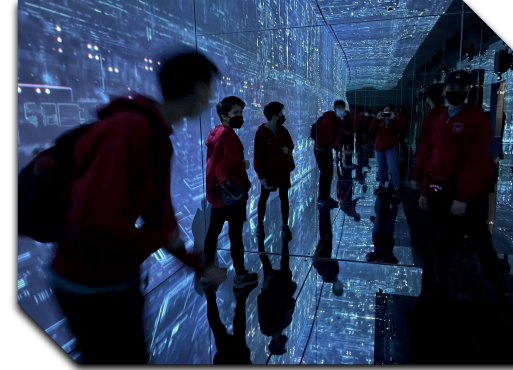
Day 4 was hectic. Once finishing touring Mount Vernon was grabbed lunch and headed towards the African American History Museum. This museum with filled inspirational people. After this museum, we toured the Smithsonian history museum. This museum was pretty cool as they made each exhibit have tons of artifacts.



Smithsonian

Day 5

This was the best day out of D.C. In my opinion the best museum in D.C is the International Spy Museum. In this museum you got to be a spy with missions that had to complete. These missions were designed to test your abilities such as memory, speed, and logical thinking. After the spy museum, we headed back towards Union Square for lunch.



Day 5

After the spy museum, we headed towards the capitol. The route to the capital was very cool, having to take a underground tunnel it. After the capitol hill, we headed towards the Jefferson Memorial. The Jefferson Memorial was the only place we experience rain in D.C. Finally at the day we had dinner at a Irish pub with Ms. Foy. She was an old member of the arborland community that retired in D.C.



Reflection

Overall we learned many things from this trip. First thing is making sure to bring all the essentials needs my a big trip. Second is to check the weather, having bad weather just ruins the experience. Third make sure you always stay with the group. Following these rules will give the you a trip of the lifetime.