Tuesday January 1 New Year's Day Day 7 –Innsbruck By: Rachel Wieber & Payton Willman Northern Lights 16-2

Greetings loved ones let us take you on this journey of our day,

We started off our day by eating breakfast which consisted of cake and Nutella. We then took a quick power nap before we left to explore downtown Innsbruck. We took a short train ride into the city center. Shortly thereafter we were released to go exploring and shopping. As we walked, we took many pictures and spent quality time with one another. It was up to us to find somewhere to eat lunch. Many of us chose the Italian route because several of the other restaurants were closed due to New Years.

A popular place many of us went to take pictures and enjoy the view was located on a bridge that overlooks a river, and looked up to the mountains. We rallied together at 2:00 pm to decide how much longer we would stay in the city center. We ended up staying four more hours which meant more time to go eat at the candy and chocolate shops. As the night was dying down and we were getting ready to meet up for dinner, a couple of us went into McDonalds and enjoyed their free bathrooms, Wi-Fi, and comfy couches to sleep on. Others decided to climb up a huge winding spiral staircase to the top of a clock tower which overlooked the city and the mountains surrounding. As you might be able to tell our day was filled with beautiful sightseeing. Lindsey came up with the idea to do a scavenger hunt...two teams participated.

After everything we went to dinner at an authentic Austrian restaurant where we experienced the taste of Wiener schnitzel, while others went with fries and chicken strips. As the day winded down everyone looked dead. We walked sleepily to our train and piled in. Arriving at our hotel having to go to the bathroom really bad, Curt decided to make one more quick stop. We walked a block to an old church painted with a mural of colors and appreciated the view for a couple quick seconds before turning around. Finishing our day, we went to bed at 9:00 pm getting some much needed sleep.

We appreciate the people who have gotten to this point and have read the whole thing. Love,

Payton and Rachel