Friday December 30 Day 5 By: Mesaiya Bettis and Carly Slusser Northern Lights 16-1

Yesterday we ended our day at the tournament, and we got first place. The MVP player was selected from our team, and it was Ava Ball.

The next day we woke up early and got a good breakfast that included croissants, yogurt, fruit, bacon, pancakes, eggs, ham, cheese, water, and juice. We then finished packing our luggage and got on a bus for about an hour, and on the way we ate some European candies and Stroop waffles.

We then arrived at our hotel and got our luggage in our rooms for a couple minutes. We packed our gloves and hats and headed to the bus station. There we got our train ticket and headed to Central Station.

We visited Dam square and walked around as a group and saw some sights and then we separated into groups of 3 and saw some things on our own and went shopping. We got some clothes, some souvenirs. Then we went and got a hotdog, that was made from 100% chicken. It tasted different for sure, but it was nice to try something new.

It was cold outside and sprinkling. We met back at the Dam square at 3:20 and headed from there to the Anne Frank house.

Once we got inside the building, we had to take off all our stuff and stay silent through the whole thing. We went through with a voice box thing around our neck that you would scan on a scanner, and it would talk to you. As you go through the house you see different memories throughout, and you see where they hid, and things that had in the house when they were hiding for 2 years.

They had some old journals and recipes, as well as real counters, and we got to explore the secret area where they hid. It was such a unique experience but also sad because it really hits you that the Holocaust was real and that actually happened to people and hearing about one of the 6 million people's stories is just heartbreaking to see what they went through and how so many of them were so young.

After about an hour of being in the Anne Frank house we went to a pancake place and most of us got Nutella and banana pancakes. They were very filling but super good. After that, we walked back to the train, that took some time, but then we lost Kay and we had to find her which didn't take too long. We rode the train back and there was a spider on the train, and everybody was freaking out about it. Clearly nobody is exactly a fan of spiders. Andy got sick of everybody complaining and he got his gloves out to kill the spider.

We got back from the train ride and walked back to the hotel and everybody else who didn't get their rooms before the shopping got their rooms after we got back. Now we are all just chilling on our phones and are turning them in in 5 minutes at 9. Goodnight.