



SciMUNC XVII

CRISIS COMMITTEE

The Carlisle Killer

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Letter from the Dais

Dear Delegates,

Welcome! My name is Ava Lehmann and I will be serving as one of your co-chairs for the Carlisle Killer committee. I am super excited to meet you all and help drive the debate of our topic. I am a senior and in my fourth year as part of SCIMUNC, and this my first time chairing a committee. Outside of MUN, I am Captain of the Varsity Softball team and a big STEM nerd, hoping to study Physics or Math in college. Some of my hobbies include baking, playing the ukulele, and finding good bites to eat in the city. This committee will definitely keep you on your toes, and I am looking forward to seeing what creative ideas you guys come up with. Please email me with any questions at aval35@nycstudents.net.

My name is Stanley Wong and I am your other co-chair. I am also a senior and this is my third year as part of the SCIMUNC team, and I'm super excited to chair my first committee. Outside committee, I help lead DECA, Podcast Club, and the Asian American Association. In college I hope to study Science, Technology, and International Affairs, which MUN has helped me build a strong foundation for. I can't wait to work with you all, and if you have any questions or concerns do not hesitate to reach out at stanleyw9@nycstudents.net.

Best,
Ava Lehmann and Stanley Wong

Committee Description

This is an advanced crisis committee, where previous crisis experience is highly recommended. Our committee will follow the death of the “beloved” grandmother of the Carlisle family, Mary Carlisle. At the start of the conference, each delegate will receive a file containing information and their secret. Every person will have a different secret: one will be the murderer, some will have personal information that they may want to cover up, others will have details of the night of the murder, and some will know other delegate’s secrets which they may use strategically. With exciting plot twists and riveting crisis updates, the main purpose of this committee is to work together and uncover the murderer; or if you’re the murderer, to remain hidden. Feel free to bring school appropriate props, come in character, and have fun!

Background Information

In September of 1829, Walter Carlisle immigrated from his home country of Scotland to the United States and established a local bank. Soon, Walter found success and grew his business into a chain of local banks in New York. In July of 1861, Walter partnered with John Piers Morgan and many other major banking figures to propel his chain of banks into a major enterprise. Today, that bank still stands and is known famously as Carlisle Investment Banking. This company has been passed down generation after generation into the 21st century. The bank has since grown into a multi-billion-dollar enterprise, dominating the banking industry.

Today, the Carlisle family famously stands as the richest family in New York. Mary Carlisle has made history by becoming the first woman to inherit Carlisle Investment Banking, breaking Walter Carlisle's strict rule that only the eldest son can inherit the business. Despite much backlash, Mary plans on enforcing this rule and ensuring that she is the last woman to inherit the enterprise. Walter had proposed many rules on the Carlisle family to preserve its reputation. Anyone that married into the

family, regardless of sex, had to adopt the family name. Additionally, all the family members must live on the Carlisle estate in Southampton, NY, where the committee takes place. The Carlisle estate has been the center of much controversy, with its massive size and multiple homes often being criticized.

Morning of the Murder

On Thursday, October 17th, Mary Carlisle was found dead. Every Thursday morning, Mary wakes up early to watch the sunrise from the family's private beach down the road. Per usual routine, her chauffeur arrived at 6:00 AM to pick Mary up. He waited patiently for 30 minutes before growing concerned and going to check on her. He knocked on the door and the head chef opened, as he had been preparing breakfast for Mary's return from the beach. Surprised to hear that Mary had not yet left the house, the head chef walked upstairs with the chauffeur in search of her. To both of their horrors, they found her lifeless body lying in her bed. Frantically, the chauffeur rushed Mary to the hospital, yet it was far too late. The head chef stayed back to alert the family members of the tragedy. Both report that there was no sign of any blood, bruises or

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any visible trauma on Mary's body, nor any part of her room out of place.

To avoid public attention, the Carlises agreed to issue a lockdown of the estate until they can get to the bottom of Mary's death. Though there was much confusion, one thing was clear to all the Carlises: Mary was murdered, and someone in the estate was a murderer. As they await the autopsy, the family lives each day in fear and paranoia.

Dan Carlisle (50)

Dan is the eldest son of the family, and therefore is expected to take over the family business. However, Dan has different plans and wishes to be a writer in NYC. As a very social person, Dan enjoys visiting NYC on the weekends, and his favorite drink is the Iced Brown Sugar Oatmilk Shaken Espresso from Starbucks.

Amanda Carlisle (48)

As a business-driven woman with her own successful company selling dog toys, she wants to inherit the business in place of Dan. Yet, Amanda is denied this role because she is a woman and deemed unfit.

John Carlisle (50)

John is married to Amanda and a stay-at-home father, who does his best to assist Amanda in her entrepreneurial journey. He loves to barbecue, tell "dad jokes", watch baseball (go Yankees!), and he listens to a lot of Billy Joel. He hopes one day he and Amanda can take over and run the business side by side.

Cindy Carlisle (22)

A wildly popular A-List actress, she's starred in countless movies and shows since she was a little kid. She has made history as being one of the highest paid child actresses and the most followed person on Instagram. However, she has found trouble finding roles in the recent months.

Neville Carlisle (18)

Neville has always had a passion for chess and shocked the world when he managed to become a chess grandmaster at the age of 11. Neville has competed and won against prominent chess figures like Magnus Carlsen. He has recently been admitted to Harvard and plans to study finance.

Felix Carlisle (12)

At 12 years old, Felix is still only 4'3 with an extremely high-pitched voice. Felix desperately wishes for his growth spurt to come. In the meantime, Felix enjoys bowling and enjoys solving puzzles.

Luther Carlisle (45)

Luther is widely respected as a caring and kind family guy. Out of all of his

siblings, Luther is most invested in the family bank and works as a top executive of the business. Luther enjoys playing golf, is a coffee snob and considers himself a foodie.

Rebecca Carlisle (47)

Although Rebecca is married to Luther, she originally comes from a middle-class family. Because of this, Mary has publicly disapproved of this relationship and believes Rebecca is only in it for the money. Despite this, Rebecca truly loves Luther and respects Mary. She enjoys listening to country music and her favorite season is fall.

Alaina Carlisle (19)

Alaina is married to her childhood sweetheart Sawyer. She desperately wishes she could have lived a normal life and lived out of the public eye. She hopes to start a family with Sawyer soon but has been acting distant recently.

Sawyer Carlisle (19)

The husband and childhood sweetheart of Alaina. Sawyer was a star lacrosse player in high school and turned down many D1 offers to stay in New York with Alaina. He is extremely excited to

become a father soon, but is troubled by the recent discomfort in his relationship with her.

Jeremy Carlisle (18)

Jeremy is extremely introverted and has not left the family estate in three years. He stays home all day playing video games like League of Legends and refuses to interact with other family members. Mary has often tried to get Jeremy to socialize and leave the house, but has continuously failed.

Thomas Carlisle (41)

Thomas is known as the beloved youngest child. He was the star quarterback at USC when they won the national championship, and he continues to gloat about it to this day. He works alongside Luther in the family business as a top executive.

Nicole Carlisle (46)

Nicole is known as a recluse, and an unexpected wife to someone so social and liked. Nicole owns three cats, likes knitting, and enjoys listening to Taylor Swift.

Lilly Carlisle (18)

The oldest of the triplets. Lily is known as a troublemaker and is known for always scheming something. Her parents take it as an act of rebellion from the strict rules of the Carlises.

Milly Carlisle (18)

The second oldest of the triplets. She is a renowned artist, with many of her pieces highlighted in art galleries around the world. Her art, however, is unusually dark and typically depicts gruesome scenes.

Billy Carlisle (18)

The youngest of the three triplets. He is a talented swimmer and has qualified for the Olympics with his impressive speed. He is projected to break many world records but would rather focus on working for the family. Billy enjoys fishing in his free time.

Nurse (M)

Hired 8 months ago as a personal nurse to Mary. His job was to treat her back pain, administer her medications as needed and as a nurse for other family members if needed.

Maid (F)

Has been with the Carlisle family for over 30+ years. She knows every inch of the house and has helped raise many of the Carlisle kids. She is a trusted worker and basically considered a part of the family.

Maid #2 (F)

Was hired 2 years ago to assist the maid as she struggled to keep up with her old age. She has always been fascinated by the Carlisle family and loves gossiping and knowing the family drama.

Chauffeur (M)

The chauffeur has been with the family for 20 years. He is ex-military and was originally hired by the family for his security expertise. He lives in his own house on the estate, far from the main house.

Head Chef (M)

Once the chef and owner of a world renowned three-Michelin-star restaurant, the Head Chef gave it all up in order to work for the Carlisle family. The family has allegedly paid the chef a considerable amount of

money in order to be available all hours of the day.

Assistant Chef (M)

The assistant chef used to work under the Head Chef at his previous restaurant and was adamant on coming to work at the Carlisle estate as well. He oversees preparing most of the ingredients and is quite social with much of the family members.

Secretary (F)

Secretary and personal assistant to Mary. She was hired because of her cold and calculated demeanor and had a no-nonsense attitude that appealed to Mary. She has been working for Mary for 10 years and knows the most about Mary.

Babysitter (F)

Was first hired 20+ years ago when Cindy was born. Since then, the Babysitter has stayed with the family to help raise the rest of the kids. She now spends most of her time babysitting Neville and is excited at the prospect of a new kid from Sawyer and Alaina.

Private Investigator (F)

A famous private investigator that was brought in two hours after the discovery of Mary's death. She is to assist the family in uncovering the murderer and is not allowed to leave until she does so.

Family Tree

