cans, and peace activism. Of particular note are collections which provide insight into the lives of succeeding generations of individual families over two centuries. One such collection, the Cope-Dove Family Papers, was the first group to be made available on the Library's website. The collection includes 16 boxes of letters primarily of the Cope and Dove families of Germantown, Pa., their marriage certificates, photograms, account books, and other materials that date from 1732 to 1911. In addition to the basic textual finding aid, scanned images of several letters from this collection were added, including the 1821 letter from Quaker minister Stephen Grellet to Daniel B. Smith, who would become Haverford's first principal. Other collection images that can now be found on the Online Finding Aid Project web pages include the drawings of fish made by naturalist Edward Drinker Cope, the combination pen and knife of H. J. Jones, and the typewritten commencement speech that Haverford President Isaac Sharpless used In his address to the class of 1911.

Since the beginning of the project, approximately 30 finding aids and their images have been added to the web, with more being added continuously. The finding aids on the web showcase the diversity of Haverford's collections and serve as valuable research tools for scholars. We are beginning to reap the rewards of our efforts on the Online Finding Aid Project. Researchers have begun corresponding with us through electronic mail, describing their own projects and needs and telling us how the new information has benefited their work. Anyone wishing to embark on this endeavor and who can find our home page, adorned by peaceful silhouettes of 19th-century Quakers, on the World Wide Web at http://www.haverford.edu/library/finding_aids.html.

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Webpan can also be used in conjunction with the Library's subscription to the Web version of the Encyclopaedia Brittanica. If you are looking for library materials about Jane Austen, the Webpan search displaying your search results will offer you the choice of linking to Britannica articles in which she is mentioned. Another Webpan feature is the ability to search other Web-based databases such as Journal Indexes and Library catalogs using software that looks and acts like Tripod. This means that for many Web resources, you will not have to open a new window every time you want to search a new database.

Libraries and their catalogs have changed remarkably over the last 150 years to accommodate rapidly growing collections and the variety of uses made of them. Small nineteenth-century college libraries that served only a few scholars with books in only a few subjects would operate with hand-written catalogs in linear or accession order and could arrange their books on shelves using a house-prov system. Today, the sheer number and variety of materials needed for a student paper requires more complex systems of cataloging, shelving, and searching for materials not held locally. Just as the book folders in libraries have always connected readers with other times and places, today's electronic library catalogs help users...
The Library is pleased to announce the appointments of three new staff members. Two of the appointments were made in the Technical Services Department and one in the Science Libraries.

Michael Persike continues his long association with the Library with his new appointment to the position of Technical Services Assistant. Upon his graduation from Haverford College in 1988, Mike worked first as an Assignment Assistant and then as Cataloging Assistant in Magill Library until 1993, when he left to work on his MLS at Syracuse University. While in Syracuse, Mike continued to work on a TRI College database clean-up project, and when he returned to the Philadelphia area, he continued work on this project as well as a grant-funded Quaker subject heading project. He was able to fill in as a temporary cataloging assistant during the long-term illness of a staff member. We are pleased to have Mike Persike back on the permanent staff in Technical Services.

Marilyn Dobkins started as Technical Services Assistant in January during the same week she started the MS Library Science program at Drexel University. Marilyn embarked on this new career with a MEd in Elementary Education from the University of Arizona and several years of experience in education, both in the classroom and in administration.

Anna Heyser started work in June of 1996 as the Science Library Assistant. She comes to Haverford after working as a Library assistant for two years at Penn State University, Great Valley Campus. Anna has a Bachelor’s degree in Medical Technology and has worked in biological research. Anna replaces Cliff Hickey, who is now teaching English in Seoul, Korea.

The Library also mourns the loss of one staff member. Iggem Evans, Technical Services Assistant in Magill Library since September 1991, died of cancer on November 17, 1996. In her five years of dedicated service to the library, Iggem’s personal manner and spirited outlook made a lasting impression on all who knew her. Because of her love of literature and poetry, a memorial book fund for Magill Library has been established in her name.
FUTURE LIBRARY ASSOCIATES PROGRAMS

All programs are free to members and their guests and are followed by tea in Merrill Library. All programs begin at 11:30 a.m.

October 5, 1992

John Hartnell, Associate Professor of English and Comparative Literature at the University of Pennsylvania, will speak on "Wuthering Heights and The Geography of Armitage." 

November 23, 1992

Colin Thibison (Haverford Class of 1982), will give a talk entitled "Notes from the Writer's Trade."