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Visiting committee reviews BrynMawr

by Clea Benson
Editor

An evaluation team from the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools' Commission on Higher Education visited Bryn Mawr this week, observing all areas of campus life in an attempt to assess the College's strengths and weaknesses. A report on the team's findings will be issued later in the year.

At the end of their visit, members of the visiting committee gave a summary of their impressions, commenting specifically on the value of the College's sense of tradition, its enthusiasm and dedication, and its resources. They also noted problematic issues, such as financial equilibrium, diversity, and cooperation with Haverford. They stressed, however, that their role is not to suggest policy but to help the College recognize its own problems.

The Committee felt that the Cambridge Association financial equilibrium study was valid, and deemed appropriate Bryn Mawr's response to that study. "The current state of the College in terms of finances is much better and

more firmly placed than it was ten years ago or even three years ago," said University of Rochester President Dennis O'Brien, who chaired the Committee.

In the Committee's opinion, a more powerful public statement about the College's long range plans would be an appropriate next step.

When evaluating the community's concern with diversity, Committee members found that "Bryn Mawr is one of the most diverse campuses that we have ever visited," O'Brien said.

"The [different ethnic, racial, and other minority] communities must obviously talk to one another and that is a valuable as it is rare," he said. The Committee felt that continued commitment to concrete action on diversity issues is important.

While the evaluators cited some logistical problems with Bryn Mawr's relationship with Haverford, they also felt that cooperation between the two colleges is mutually beneficial.

In general, members of the Committee had the impression that "Bryn Mawr is indeed a very valuable and very unique institution," O'Brien said.

Racism forum held

by Maia Saj
Staff writer

During a forum held last Sunday, members of the Bryn Mawr faculty and administration gathered with students to consolidate plans for community action against racism. Four groups separated for further discussion and planning following the introductory statements, which were made by students angry at the lack of progress during the last few weeks.

Bryn Mawr Senior Denise Tuggle, facilitator of the Minority Coalition said, "White people need to work together. The Minority Coalition is not going to lead people by the hand. The Minority Coalition has been working all along and people cannot expect to just fit in to this work."

Bryn Mawr Junior Mary Kopczyński stated during the meeting of the group on student interactions that "Stating that we're not going to tolerate this is not enough, the suppression of anger is contributing to the undercurrents on campus."

Seniors Sia Nowrojee and Lorrie Kim read a statement written by Junior Elizabeth Friedman and Sophomore Joanna Ho. The statement expressed a need for support from the community for victims of harassment, and the pornographic note and photographs received anonymously by Freedman and Ho were displayed to the audience for comment.

The education group requested support for the publication of all the harassment incidents that have occurred during

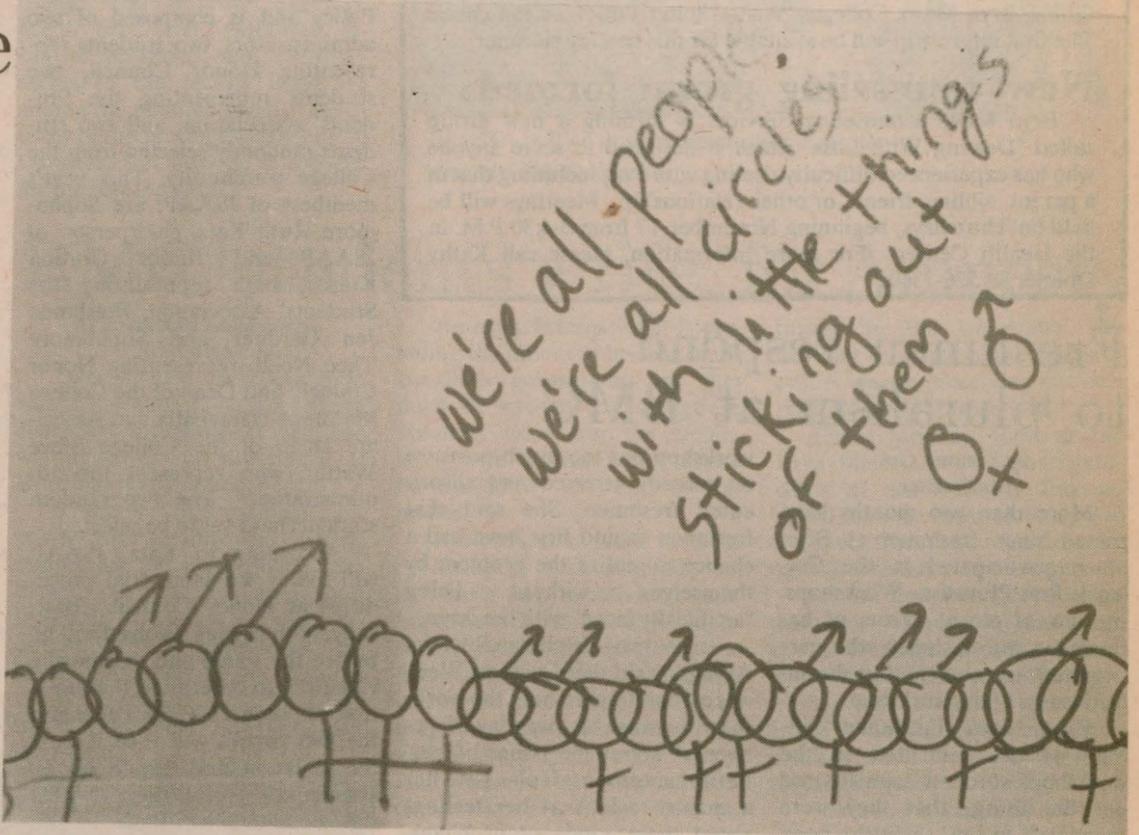
the last five years. Students said that these events are sometimes covered up, leaving the community unaware.

The group which discussed curriculum concluded that the methods of attaining diversity in this area are hard to define. "We started this year with a firm commitment to diversifying the curriculum. The Curriculum Committee has been proposing what we think a truly diverse curriculum would look like. We do not see a diversity requirement as a possibility for the near future," said Senior Beth Posner, student representative for the Curriculum Committee. Dean of the Undergraduate College Michelle Myers pointed out that the Diversity Requirement failed by only six faculty votes.

Senior Shalini Kulasingam said that faculty members who are teaching classes with non-western orientations next semester are not necessarily specialists in these areas and thus they might not do the subjects justice. Professor of Economics Robert Du Boff responded, "The Faculty as an institution is an extraordinarily conservative institution everywhere... you are asking them to devalue their own intellectual capital in a viciously competitive job market."

Some students were confused about the process by which Bryn Mawr appoints its faculty. Judith Shapiro, Academic Deputy to the President, outlined the procedure for the members of the group. Appointment searches begin with advertisements, letters, inquiries through network ties and minor

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This is a sample of the graffiti that appeared in the bathrooms of Thomas, Taylor, and the Library.
Photo by Daniel Filene.

Forum discusses sexism

by Jim Eichner
Editor-in-Chief

At last Sunday's "Sexism Forum," about 150 students discussed methods of starting and maintaining dialogue about sexism, pointed out the importance of men getting involved in fighting sexism, attempted to distill a definition of sexism, debated the merits of attaching blame to all males for the actions of individuals, and decided that they would be better served by discussing the issue of sexism than by debating the merits of the letter that had prompted the forum. The letter, which was sent to all Haverford males and was signed by 23 male students, accused the recipients of complicity in the sexism that occurs on campus.

In opening the forum, Junior Ted Freeman described the origin of the letter, the presentation of which many students found offensive. The letter accused the men in the community of "going to a party and trying to Fuck the first thing you see," being "politically correct until the bitches leave the room," and interrupting women in attempt to feel more powerful. Furthermore, the letter stated that every semester a woman at Haverford reports a rape and "if you aren't doing it and you're buddies aren't doing it than who is?"

Freeman stated that initially 5 men got together to express their concerns about sexism. The five decided to draft a letter to describe their own sexism and to confront other members of the community about sexism. The group then sent the letter to 25 to 30 men, and asked them to sign the letter.

Responding to the criticism that he and the other signers of the letter had received about their methods, Freeman acknowledged, "in hindsight, yes we fucked up with the letter." Senior

Leon Sachs, who also signed the letter and was one of the original five men, agreed with Freeman, stating "I guess there are better ways to get people's attention."

Seniors Rob Chang and Barry Weinberger both attempted to steer conversation toward the method in which the letter was presented. But Senior Sam Falk, and other students, thought it was, in Falk's words, "a bad idea." He added that this was a unique opportunity for the community to come together to discuss sexism, and that it should not be wasted discussing the method in which the letter was presented.

The discussion moved to the subject of responsibility for acts of sexism. Junior Alex Solky asked, "Why should I as a man take blame for others' serious actions? To blame us as a group is ludicrous." But Senior Lane Savadove disagreed, saying, "what's the point of saying I'm one of the good guys?" He stated that all men contribute to the climate of sexism by refusing to stand up their friends when they make sexist remarks.

Haverford Senior Theresa Tensuan asked the audience to think of sexism as a continuum at which a sexist joke is on one end and rape is on the other. "All the actions that lead up to an atrocity can not be divorced from the atrocity," she said.

Sophomore Michael Jordan questioned why it took a letter written by men to spark such a gathering. Bryn Mawr Senior Linda Friedrich said that she thought it was important for men to discuss these issues, because "women discuss these things all of the time." Haverford Senior Jenny Rees agreed, saying that it was a unique opportunity for men to talk about "their own shit." She added that she thought it was a big step for the male community to write such a letter and begin to

deal with these issues.

In response to these statements, men began to discuss their reaction to the letter and their feelings of defensiveness, and asked the women in the audience to provide them with a definition of sexism. Junior Martin Anderson asked, "How do I know if I am sexist?" He asked the women who know him let him know if he is being sexist. He also talked about his frustration when women write him off because they think something he said was sexist.

Sophomore Chris Mohr echoed Anderson's feelings, asking, "What is sexism?" Students then argued over definitions. The idea that sexism means not treating women and men the same was disregarded, because it denied the differences in genders and defined normal in terms of "maleness," which many in the audience found sexist.

This discussion led to the longest and most heated discussion of the night: how dialogue about sexism could be effectively carried out. Sophomore Noah Leavitt and Senior Jeff Taggart discussed their feelings of defensiveness when confronted about sexism. Leavitt added that he sometimes feels that his views are not considered because he is a white male.

Haverford Senior Diane Castelbuono talked about her frustration over the fact that men feel defensive when she talks to them about sexism. She discussed her own frustration when people tell her to "fuck off" or worse, simply say she is right as a way to end dialogue. Castelbuono said that she hopes men will argue with her because it would promote dialogue.

Taking issue with the letter, Haverford Senior Katya Anderson argued that it is important that women are respectful while

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***** In Brief *****

Memorial fund established

The Ariadne Solter fund has been established in memory of Ariadne L. Solter, Class of 1991, from gifts by her family and friends. The income is to be awarded annually to a Bryn Mawr or Haverford undergraduate in support of work during summer vacation on a development project in a third world country. Any member of the community wishing to contribute to this fund may send a check made out to Bryn Mawr College, to the Resources Office, Bryn Mawr College. Write "Solter Fund" on the check. The first internship will be available for this coming summer.

New counseling group formed

Bryn Mawr Counseling Services is forming a new group called "Dealing With Loss" which is designed to serve anyone who has experienced difficulty dealing with loss, including that of a parent, sibling, friend, or other relationship. Meetings will be held on Thursdays, beginning November 17 from 3-4:30 P.M. in the Health Center. For more information, please call Kathy Donner, at 526-7360.

Freshmen respond to pluralism at BMC

by Simona Goi
Staff writer

More than two months have passed since freshmen at Bryn Mawr participated in the College's first Pluralism Workshops. In view of recent events of harassment, the freshmen who participated are questioning the effectiveness of the workshop.

Bryn Mawr Freshman Jennifer Hirons said that in the workshops students soon figured out the things that they were "supposed to say" to fit the open minded, prejudice-free model. She said that the environment was rather hostile to anyone who tried to present different ideas.

Freshmen Dyanthe McDougal and Sarah Jaffe agreed that the workshop effectively silenced some student's voices. Jaffe said it created "false agreement" among the students in the workshop and masked the real problems.

The atmosphere, which she defined as "too peaceful," may be due to the workshop's timing. Freshman Michelle Magee, though satisfied by the workshop's initiative, said that the workshop would have been more effective had it taken place later in the year.

Sophomore Vivian Day strongly agreed, saying that the

workshop put too much pressure on already stressed and disoriented freshmen. She said that freshmen should first have had a chance to realize the problem by themselves, without being "artificially faced" with the issue.

In contrast, freshman Suyatha Ayyagari said that Customs Week was a good time to hold the workshop because it was an "eye-opener" about the issues of pluralism on campus. It also gave her a chance to look at her feelings about these kinds of problems, which she added can be "scary".

Ayyagari said that the workshop was a good opportunity to get to know people. However, Magee said not knowing the other people in the workshop limited the discussion to a superficial level.

According to Freshman Sonia Han, the letter received by the Hispanic student proves that the workshop's message didn't get through to everybody. Han said that she recognized that the workshop and its organizers were motivated by good intentions, but the current backlash proves the workshop was unsuccessful.

Han said the problems could be solved more effectively if non-minorities took part in groups like the International Student
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Racism forum held

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ity alumni. The second step of the process includes visits by the candidates and evaluations drawn up by members of the Appointments Committee. This committee consists of department faculty, students, administration and a Haverford representative.

Shapiro said that faculty searches are always posted in Canaday and should appear in the college newspapers to increase student participation. This could also be achieved through greater involvement in department affairs by Major Representatives. These are students who volunteer, or are selected to represent other students majoring in the department. These representatives currently do not have any stated responsibilities, other than holding a yearly tea. It was suggested that the major representative system be revised to provide for greater student input within departments.

Professor of Political Science Steven Salkever suggested that new guidelines be written for searches to ensure that minorities are adequately considered. Salkever said, "In the past searches have been stopped and deferred if members of the Ap-

pointments Committee did not think the search was being conducted properly."

The faculty present said that economically Bryn Mawr is not in the best position to attract quality minority faculty. These minority professors are in high demand across the country since they are a very small pool, especially in some fields. Professor of French Michel Guggenheim proposed, "maybe it is a mission for Bryn Mawr to encourage (minority) students to go into education."

The student interactions group concluded that pluralism workshops should be mandatory. Classes should be cancelled and people from outside the community be brought in to speak. This group will meet again November 20 in the Campus Center.

Two meetings will be held on November 17 in the Campus Center. The first at 6:15 is a committee to publicize anonymous harassment incidents. The second is at 9:00.

The education group will hold a meeting in Rhoads living room on November 21 to discuss publishing a pamphlet of past harassment incidents, and to plan peer-education groups.

JSAAP prepares for the future

by David Maue
Staff writer

The members of Haverford's newly formed Joint Student Administration Alcohol Policy Panel (JSAAP) are confident about the manner in which the panel is working.

JSAAP is a product of the recently ratified Bi-College Alcohol Policy and is composed of two administrators, two students representing Honor Council, two students representing the Students' Association, and two students randomly selected from the College community. This year's members of JSAAP are Sophomore Ruth Katz, chairperson of JSAAP and Junior Gordon Krauss, both representing the Students' Association; Freshmen Jen Gardner and Sophomore Theo Noell, representing Honor Council; and Dean of the College Matthews Hamabatta and Associate Dean of the College Steve Watter, who represent the administration. The two random students have yet to be selected.

According to Katz, JSAAP will follow the same trial procedures as Honor Council. Basically, both parties involved will go before the Panel and discuss the violation, to determine if a violation has occurred. The Panel and the two parties will then discuss the violation and decide on an appropriate resolution. Katz stated that since there is no precedence for JSAAP the Honor Council's procedures seem to be the most effective manner of running a trial.

Katz does, however foresee JSAAP developing its own procedures, "I think we're going to start off with Honor Council Procedures and then develop our

own from there. We are not going to limit ourselves to those [Honor Council's] procedures, but we are going to take them as a starting base. After trials are completed, JSAAP will distribute abstracts to the College community similar to those distributed by Honor Council. The JSAAP abstracts will be released quicker than those of Honor Council so that the students can begin thinking about and understanding the workings of the new Alcohol Policy as soon as possible.

Jennifer Gardner, a member of both JSAAP and the Honor Council feels that the JSAAP trials will be held in a more relaxed atmosphere. She stated, "Everyone in the trial will work together to solve the problem. They [the trials] will be more like a meeting, an open casual atmosphere."

JSAAP's members hope to develop into an educative body to aid in student's understanding of the Policy. Associate Dean Steve Watter stated that JSAAP's "desire is not to be a punitive body. Our purpose is to see that the Policy is adhered to, but we want to educate people about responsible use of alcohol."

Katz echoed Watter's feeling and added that although the Panel "was created to deal with strictly procedural violations," another fundamental goal is to "help the community adapt to the Alcohol Policy and to accept it [the Alcohol Policy] like [they accept] the Honor Code."

Gardner, the only freshman member of the Panel feels that the Alcohol Policy is ambiguous in many areas and that students are going to have to rely on their basic judgment. Katz, however, feels it is now time to "move away

form the procedural aspects of it. We've been concerned with the wording of it [the Policy] and now we have to move towards the spirit of it [the Policy]."

Gardner added that she feels it is extremely important that "we all [the College community] work together to see that students at Haverford can still enjoy themselves."

Watter, who considers himself an optimist by nature, feels that the Policy "can work here [at Haverford College] and other colleges will look hard at Haverford because if it [the new Alcohol Policy] doesn't work at Haverford College, then it probably can't work anywhere." Both Katz and Watter feel that the other colleges will look upon the new Policy in the same way they look at the rest of Haverford's policies and decisions: with interest and curiosity. Katz does, however, feel that some colleges may look upon the new Policy with "cynicism and skepticism since we [the student body] give it [the policy] whatever power it has."

Katz added, "I think it [JSAAP] is a great honor that has been given to us by the college and administrators. I don't want it to be the boundaries within which we must live. I want it to move on to the ways in which we live." The members of JSAAP stress the fact that all students must work together to make the policy work. Gardner states that the members of JSAAP have no more experience with the policy than any other students. Katz adds that, "We [the members of JSAAP] don't hold any answers to the Alcohol Policy. What's important is that we [the students of Haverford College] work with it and that we work together."

Investment interest dwindles at BMC

by Sara Rubin
Staff writer

Historically, Bryn Mawr students have been interested in Bryn Mawr's investment policy. However, interest sharply declined after May 31, 1987, when the College officially divested from "direct investments" in South African businesses, according to Assistant Treasurer Suzanne Spain. Student interaction with the Committee of Investment Responsibility, which monitors the endowment, "has recently been nonexistent," Spain said.

The Committee of Investment Responsibility is comprised of trustees, students, and administrators who monitor the investments made by the portfolio managers. One manager deals with growth stocks which involve quick trades. The other guards stocks in established corporations and does carry on as much trading.

Profits from the "established" stocks balance those of the growth stocks, which yield no immediate return and are more risky, according to Comptroller Martha Wiemkin. But when the growth stocks become more stable after about a decade, "the return is usually very hefty," she said.

57.4% of Bryn Mawr's holdings are in non-cash and cash equities, while 27.8% are in bonds and notes, and 7.72% are in real estate and loans for faculty.

In addition to monitoring the portfolio list, the Committee watches mergers and acquisitions to prevent investment in South African Corporations which have merged with other corporations

in which the College does hold stock.

The College is also a member of the Investment Responsibility Research Center in Washington, D.C., a non-partisan group which monitors corporate responsibility by publishing studies on firms involved with nuclear power, de-

ense, South Africa, and other such controversial areas.

While the heated arguments over divestment have ended, Spain believes that more student input and activity on investment issues would be beneficial to both students and administrators.
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Handicap access discussed

by Lisa Sufirin
Staff writer

At the November 9th meeting of the recently-formed Bryn Mawr Committee on Handicapped Accessibility, issues were discussed in an effort to ascertain how the campus can be made more accessible to handicapped persons. According to Committee Head and Junior Beth Michener, the administration has done some "big things," but the "little things" still need to be taken care of.

In assessing what provisions are currently available to handicapped students, the Committee noted that Bryn Mawr has designed its new buildings, such as the Campus Center and the Computer Center, with handicapped access in mind. The recent addition of ramps in Thomas and Goodhart indicates the College's commitment to improving access.

However, the Committee also delineated areas which need attention. Signs designating handicapped accessibility are needed and getting such signs put in place was a key issue discussed, as was making maps of which

buildings are currently accessible. Parking lot access was also discussed. It was pointed out that those spaces which are designated for handicapped parking need to be larger and on level ground to allow enough room for wheelchair lifts.

It was also decided that problems with specific buildings need to be addressed. A significant problem in terms of elevator access was pointed out. For example, Taylor does not have an elevator, making it completely inaccessible. Cartref is similarly unequipped.

Besides access in buildings for study and administration, the Committee also addressed access in structures meant for housing and social purposes. There is currently one designated handicapped room in Merion. Although other dorms are accessible, the Committee felt that all dorms should be accessible and that specific rooms which can be occupied by handicapped students should be publicized. For social purposes, the importance of making at least the first floors of buildings accessible was dis-

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New Skeeters managers announced

by Michael Goldman
Staff writer

For four years, Skeeters Pizza has worked its way into the hearts and stomachs of millions of Haverford and Bryn Mawr Students. Working out of Leeds basement at Haverford, the student run pizza delivery service has been synonymous with the word pizza on campus, not to mention evoking thoughts of food, cheap, and good.

But now as the managing backbone of the business face retirement, the Skeeters tradition is being passed on to three new managers. Beginning next semester the company will be run by Junior Matt Gardner, Sophomore Wendy Longwood, and Freshman Jacobo Ortiz-Blanas.

According to Senior Natalie Butler, one of the four current Skeeters manager and a four year Skeeters veteran, it all began about four years ago. 1988 graduate Dave Bloom had a dream. Despite most onlookers' belief that a student run pizza delivery was an impossible undertaking, Bloom made it his personal obsession to start and fund Skeeters.

Students Council (SC) approved the project and to the surprise of skeptics everywhere, contributed about \$10,000 to the

project. Despite the additional money raised and invested by both Bloom and his parents, Skeeters struggled, making no profit in its first three years of existence. The company spent these three years paying back debts, improving techniques and showing the wary Haverford community that it was, indeed, a serious venture.

SC bought out the business in the fall of 1987, and reimbursed Bloom within the first month. Seniors Butler, Jeff Taggart, Betsy Morgan, and Jon Holbert took over as managers. As their final service to the Skeeters Tradition they hope to provide sit down service, a project that, unless it is soon passed by the Haverford administration, might be handed over to the newly appointed managers, according to Butler.

The three new managers have varied histories with Skeeters Pizza. Gardner was appointed Personnel manager and feels comfortable with the workings of the business, because of his three years of employment. Gardner admired the work of the old managers in putting Skeeters "on the map," but knows there are always improvements to be made. The manager of supplies will be Longwood, who has worked for Skeeters since "day one" at

Haverford. Rounding up the new appointees is Ortiz-Blanas. Although he has never worked for Skeeters, Ortiz-Blanas is being looked to for not only his work as Accounting manger but also for his fresh input into the business.

Many ideas are being considered by the new management to change and improve Skeeters. Menu expansion, employee incentive programs, and improvements to the facility itself are among the possible plans. Consistency of the product, according to Gardner, will also be a concern for the coming year.



Skeeters will be in good hands next semester.
Photo by Wendy Hamilton

BMC students write for Amnesty

By Elizabeth Lounsbury
Staff writer

Over the next few weeks, Bryn Mawr students representing Amnesty International will be writing letters on the behalf of Brazilian political prisoners.

Amnesty International reported that wealthy landowners, supported by state police, are driving peasants from their land in Brazil. The farmers, their families, and their supporters, including members of the Catholic clergy, are being killed and tortured if they refuse to relinquish their land.

Amnesty International is providing the letters to be sent to the Brazilian government, as they must be written in Portuguese. Amnesty asks that the letters, along with English cover letters, be mailed by the end of this month.

Junior Andrea Lutz, member of Amnesty, acknowledged that one letter only succeeds in causing the sender to feel good. However, if everyone participates and that one letter combines with others, it can make a difference in the long run. Lutz read letters at the first meeting from released prisoners of conscience who had written to Amnesty upon their release, thanking the group for its efforts.

"Basically," Junior Claudia Carson, Amnesty coordinator and Amnesty contact, said, "it is important to be a member [of Amnesty] simply because it [being taken a political prisoner] could happen to you or someone else that you know."

Last year, while Carson was studying in England at Sussex University, another visiting student returned to his home country for a vacation. He was taken prisoner there and never re-

turned to the university. "By working to preserve the rights of others, we are preserving our own rights as well," Carson said.

Every Monday night at the Bryn Mawr student center, students of the Amnesty International chapter meet in room 210 to discuss these, and other human rights abuses all over the world.

For the first time in two years there is an Amnesty International group on campus with more than ten members. Last year, although money was allocated for the group in Student Governing Association funds, no one emerged to lead the group.

"We are very pleased that so many students are interested in the group this year," Carson commented. At least 20 people have attended the meetings each week. The group's size has prompted the election of officers to help run the group this year.

The first few meetings of Amnesty International oriented new members to the group to insure that they understood the purpose of the organization.

Carson, Junior Grace Cannon, who is in charge of public relations for the group, and Lutz

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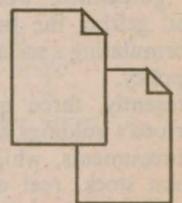
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Group of eleven sophomores save the Snowball

by Nicole Lewis
Staff writer

After weeks of searching for a team to organize Haverford College's only formal dance, the Snowball, the Haverford Students Council (SC) Appointments Committee selected a team of eleven sophomore women.

Senior Robyn Gilman, co-President of the SC Appointments Committee commented, "We felt that they had some good ideas and were very organized. I think it's going to be one of the better Snowballs seniors have ever seen." According to Gilman, the Appointments Committee had plenty of applications to choose from, even if they all arrived later than anticipated.

The committee chosen to organize the Snowball consists of Sophomores Robin Albertson, Kate Davenport, Jennifer Deal, Kathy Fleischer, Emilie Heck, Bonnie Hemenway, Laura Hernon, Julie Min, Kerry Sorvino, Jenny Stefan and Stacy Traub.

In past years, the Snowball has had only four chairpeople. However, Hemenway said, "We all have different commitments. We also have a whole lot of different opinions. It could be confusing but we'll have a lot of good ideas."

Deal added, "Besides, we only have four weeks—with eleven people, we can get it done. We all have such fun together." The tentative date for the Snowball is December 16.

Many of the chairpeople have had previous experience in organizing large functions, such as the Snowball. But there were additional aspects that led to their selection as chairpeople. Min commented, "We went in with a real positive attitude. And we were enthusiastic about it. Being such

a large group must've been a plus."

Heck added, "We didn't want to have the apathy of other groups—as a group we really work well together. We felt that we could do a good job."

The theme of this year's Snowball is Prohibition '88. According to the chairpeople, the decorations will be in an Art Deco style using the colors Gold, Black and Pink. They are breaking down the organization into several categories: decorations, music, food, budgeting, set-up, clean-up, casino and specialties. To generate interest on the day of the Snowball, the chairpeople are planning to decorate most of the campus including the Barclay and Haverford Park Apartment (HPA) trails leading towards the Dining Center.

In past years, entertainment has been provided by a campus band, the Homewreckers. However, this group of students graduated last spring. Heck said, "I think it will be a plus to have a new and different band." Min added, "We're planning on having alternative music in addition to the live band."

One more variable that is being added to this winter's Snowball is the presence of faculty. Fleischer said, "We are planning on having faculty involvement as opposed to just a student-run thing." Stefan added, "We want faculty to help deal at the tables in the casino."

As the theme indicates, Snowball '88 will be the first non-alcoholic formal of its kind. According to the chairpeople, it will not limit the turnout. Min reasoned, "Smaller parties will be emphasized more beforehand." Traub agreed, "We are setting up a different environment." Heck



These are the eleven Haverford sophomores who saved the Snowball.

Photo by Wendy Hamilton

commented, "Alcohol was not a big deal there, anyway." Fleischer added, "It may be a plus."

The Snowball chairpeople hold Wednesday dinner meetings at 6:30 for all those who are interested in talking about their ideas for the Snowball. They encourage all members of the community to give their input. There will also be a suggestion box labeled "Snowball" in the mailroom where people can drop in ideas 24 hours a day.

The bi-College community is enthusiastically anticipating the Snowball. Freshman Cheryl Sternman commented, "I'm disappointed that there is only one

Freshman Jessica Eisenhaure, who organized her senior prom single-handedly, noted, "It takes so much time and effort to get something like that going. As long as enough people are willing to make that commitment, the end result should be great." Bryn Mawr Sophomore Brooke Stengel commented, "[At last year's Snowball] The band was good, there was lots of dancing and I had fun with my date. So rarely on these campuses do you have the opportunity to see people wearing anything but sweat-fall formal—I hope that the fact that there will be no alcohol provided will not affect the turnout.

Also, it will be a riot to see everyone, especially the men in my customs group, dressed up."

Ticket sales will begin on November 29 in the Dining Center. Tickets can be placed on student accounts.

"We are psyched," commented Heck. "We want to do it and we want to do it right." Hemenway said, "The feeling when it's over is going to be great. If we can show the college community that we can have a successful non-alcoholic party under the new Alcohol Policy, then it will have been worthwhile."

Student inaction puzzles CISR

by Ruth Henson
Staff writer

In the past, student input impacted greatly upon Haverford College's investment policies, but students are no longer taking advantage of the opportunities to influence investment policy, according to Vice President for Finance and the Administration, and Treasurer Richard Wynn.

Since student concern a few years ago resulted in the College's present policy that it does not invest in companies invested in South Africa, the Committee on Investment and Social Responsibilities [CISR] has not heard much from students.

CISR is comprised of twelve members. Four of these positions are open to students, but presently only two positions have been filled. The remaining positions are filled by faculty, administration, and alumni representatives.

CISR's function is to set up and review Haverford's investment guidelines, which center around getting the best returns and formulating a socially responsible policy.

Presently, three quarters of Haverford's holdings are in equity investments, which include common stock, real estate, and venture capital interested in smaller, emerging companies. The remaining quarter of Haverford's investments are in fixed-income securities which include bonds and short-term investments.

Haverford does not invest in companies involved in South Africa, companies who derive at

least fifty percent of their revenue from defense contractors, or companies in conflict with the various other social concerns that the members of CISR have.

Each spring, the committee votes on stockholder issues, which are either social or management issues, and forms resolutions. Social concerns are usually brought to the stockholders' attention by churches or other groups supporting action or improvement on these issues.

Jonathan Schwartz, a Haverford junior and one of the student representatives to CISR, sees his position as "a critical role to voicing student concerns on important issues of investment policies."

Schwartz said that "the student body takes on an 'issue of the year' mentality," however.

Student Representative to CISR and Sophomore Christopher McLane said that the students' role on this committee was in line with the College's Quaker tradition. In his opinion, the committee "gives [students] a truly active voice." McLane feels that even though the committee "is open to the public, there is not much credible interest."

Presently, CISR is considering redefining or taking a bolder stand on the College's defense investment policy. While Schwartz feels the committee's "options would be [severely] limited" if Haverford stopped investment in companies who derive any revenue from defense contractors at all. McLane feels it would be more in the Quaker tradition to "take a more active stand."

Some companies that Haverford will not invest in include General Dynamics, McDonnell-Douglas, Boeing, and Lockheed. CISR is also considering policies concerning investments in companies involved with gambling or the production or distribution of alcohol and tobacco.

CISR has been discussing to bring national and international concerns to the attention of the student body. Wynn went on to say that "students have as much influence as any [other member of the committee]."

Haverford students have differing opinions about their role in investment decisions.

"I don't think the students understand the way the committee's policies work. However, it's not the committee's job to publicly announce their policies. It's up to the students to inquire into them and decide whether they support them or not," said Haverford Sophomore Randy Kravis.

Sophomore Ken Bonenberger feels that "the social costs of Haverford's investment policies might affect Haverford but won't affect me as an individual."

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Thurs., Dec. 1: **Letter writing advocacy to Congressmen**
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Bush win considered

by Chris Zamkotowicz
Staff writer

Last week, the majority of Americans voted to continue the policies of the last four years by electing George Bush President. Although the popular vote was close, 54 to 46 percent, the electoral vote was a landslide, with Bush receiving 80 percent of the states.

"The Dukakis campaign was basically an example of almost everything one should not do in a campaign," said Marc Ross, Bryn Mawr Professor of Political Science. "His ads weren't very good at all; he projected as somewhat cold in personality; his organization was ineffective; but most importantly, he failed to come across as a desirable alternative to Bush -- at least not desirable enough to vote for."

Ross cited the insipid tone of the Dukakis campaign as being a major factor in his loss. "It may be because he thought that a bolder campaign would be too risky and would work against him, it may be because he thought Massachusetts was America, it may be because he didn't accurately assess the ways in which the public was concerned about various problems, but one thing is clear: his campaign was very vague and ineffective. Neither he nor Bush really carried out a really decisive campaign; neither one really addressed some of the crucial issues."

Ross went on to discuss how the Bush presidency will affect America. "It remains to be seen what Bush will turn his first attentions to upon becoming President," said Ross.

"He may start off with some assertive maneuvers in foreign policy. I don't think he's going to be able to do much about the economy right now; he's pretty much boxed himself in with his promise of no tax raise," Ross added.

According to Bryn Mawr Professor of Economics Richard Du Boff, "To specifically plan not to raise taxes is to close the door

on an obvious solution to the deficit." He added, "The other major solution is to cut government spending, but the only sector which is currently getting particularly extensive funding is defense. And Bush isn't going to cut that."

While Du Boff stated that raising taxes in is the most plausible form of aid for the federal budget, he also observed that raising taxes at this point in the business cycle is likely to cause a recession. "Basically, we're at an impasse," he said.

Both professors agree that some form of "revenue enhancement" will be instituted during Bush's presidency, whether or not he explicitly labels them taxes.

"The theories behind Bush's cutting of taxes to increase economic productivity growth are basically reflective of the ideas that Bush himself once called 'voodoo economics' when they were discussed by Reagan eight years ago," Du Boff pointed out.

Ross and Du Boff share the prediction that the economic climate of the near future will result primarily from Reagan's past policies, and that perhaps not all of the effects will be beneficial. They also feel that some repercussions from the past four years may be experienced during Bush's presidency.

Regardless of Bush's plans, the actual policies of the next four years depend to some extent on the cooperation of the other two branches of government. The Democratic-oriented Congress could well be an obstacle; however, the Supreme Court will probably present little hindrance to Bush in its decisions. Ross notes that "the way things look, we will probably end up with a Supreme Court appointed entirely by Nixon, Reagan, and Bush. The effects of this will last well into the 21st century."

Whether beneficial, detrimental, or both, the effects of Bush's presidency are also likely to have lasting significance. "I'm sure that Bush will run again in 1992," Ross concludes. "Who will run against him, and who will win, remains to be seen."

History of BMC diversity recalled

by Karen Akerlof
Editor

In 1982 and 1983, committees were formed to address and report on issues of diversity. At that time, recommendations were made to aid in the diversification of the College, proposals which closely resemble the demands of last semesters Racism/Classism Petition and the goals of the Pluralism Workshops.

Three major reports were presented on issues of diversity to the Bryn Mawr administration from 1981 to 1983. These were the Committee to Review the Curriculum Report to the Faculty (1981), The Minority Affairs Task Force Report (1982), and the Joint Bryn Mawr College/Haverford College Diversity Review Committee Report (1983).

The Minority Affairs Task Force, which included President Mary Patterson McPherson, the previous Director of Minority Affairs, Nancy Woodruff, Director of Admissions Elizabeth Vermey, students and members of the faculty and administration introduced its final report with a quote from the Interactions Patterns Subcommittee Report.

The introduction stated "...we

are struck, not so much by overt racism and prejudice directed at various minorities on campus, although these do occur, but more by ways in which life at Bryn Mawr is divided into separate minority and majority worlds with little communication and trust between them."

The spring 1988 petition demanded fairer staff policies, increased representation of minorities throughout the Bryn Mawr community, education on race and class issues, increased support and recognition of minority organizations and greater community participation in workshops dealing with "issues of privilege."

The 1982 Task Report suggested that the College "develop an Affirmative Action plan including minority staffing goals" before 1983 and called for an affirmative action plan for the faculty. Though the committee said that for financial reasons such a faculty plan could never be implemented, it was suggested in order that the administration be forced to articulate "institutional policy on the issue of faculty diversification."

The report further said that new positions in the faculty

should "be targeted for intensive campaigns to recruit and hire minority scholars to fill them." Similarly, minority recruitment was designated as an area in which resources should be bolstered to aid in the campaign in that sphere.

On education, the 1982 report discussed diversity in the curriculum and in extracurricular activities, calling for money to be allotted for the visits of speakers and cultural groups with diverse approaches, workshops during Customs Week for freshmen, the development of "residential-cultural" centers such as Perry House, and that five new courses be added every three years with "minority and third world content."

The third report in 1983, compacted by two professors and a dean from, respectively, UCLA, Hampshire and Smith Colleges noted one year later that, "To date... the Report of Bryn Mawr's Task Force has not given rise to any further steps to institutionalize diversity as an explicit part of the Bryn Mawr curriculum." The Task Force was not given powers of implementation. Its recommendations could have been only acted upon by "appropriate College bodies," as is stated in the introduction.

Cambodian conditions discussed

by Brad Mayer
Staff writer

On Tuesday, November 15, Sylvia Sukop, from the organization Oxfam America, spoke at Collection about "The Political and Natural Causes of Hunger." Having recently returned from Southeast Asia, Sukop used slides to present a first-hand view of the horrifying conditions in Cambodia.

Sukop began by giving a brief history of Cambodia to illustrate how present conditions arose. In the 1960's, she explained, North Vietnamese troops, fighting against the United States and South Korea, established camps in Eastern Cambodia. In an attempt to destroy these strongholds, the United States dropped more than half a million tons of bombs on the country. These attacks killed between 500,000 to one million people and destroyed farms and draft ani-

mals. In 1970, Cambodia fell under the rule of a highly pro-United States prime minister. In 1975, the opposition party, the Khmer Rouge, gained control and the rule of Pol Pot began. Violently attacking the ideas and products of Western Civilization, the Khmer Rouge terrified the country by destroying farms, schools, hospitals, and organizing slave labor and torture camps. Between 700,00 and 1.2 million people died due to the hunger, illness, slave labor, or executions brought about by the Khmer Rouge. In 1979, Vietnam invaded Cambodia and forced Pol Pot out of power.

From 1979 to 1981, the world helped the less fortunate in Cambodia. Large amounts of money, food and supplies were sent to Cambodia until 1982, when the international view of Cambodia changed dramatically.

After the worst was over, the United Nations, the United States, and most other nations refused to recognize Cambodia as an area for aid, development, and trade. The reasons given for this sudden change was that the Vietnamese were still occupying Cambodia and that Cambodia had not done enough to helping to resolve the issue of finding information on persons Missing In Action.

It is with that information that Sukop stated, "The people of Cambodia are being punished for something they did not do. Sukop later described Oxfam America and the various projects it has been involved in that area of the world. Oxfam America, founded in 1970, is an international organization with six other branches throughout the world. The Oxford Committee for Famine Relief, founded in (continued on page 6)

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Melchior considers her experiences living at Haverford

It was 6:30 P.M., and I was sitting in the hall of Radnor, slumped against the wall, recovering from the third day of pre-season double practices. After aching and sweating through two and a half hours of soccer drills, sprints, push-ups, and scrimmages, I was in no mood to do or think about anything. So I was hanging out with a few friends who had also returned early to school for pre-season camp when...

"Seanna, where are you living this year?"

"I'm living at Haverford, in Comfort."

"Ohhhh, are you in the Bryn Mawr suite on the fourth floor?"

"Yup. That's where I'm living."

"I'm sorry."

It appeared that my friend was laughing at me. Perhaps, in his infinite senior wisdom, he knew something that I didn't. "Why are you sorry?"

Have you heard anything about the guys living on your floor?"

"A little bit. I hear they're not real great with male-female relations. Why? Do you know them?"

"Well, yeah. They're a little crazy. One of them once chased some girl out of his dorm carrying a golf club. They like to have water fights and peanut butter fights. But don't worry, they don't like girls. They're nice guys though, really."

"Peanut butter?"

So began my year abroad—well, my year across the street anyway. When four of my friends and I decided to live at Haverford, we thought it would be a nice opportunity to get to know some new people and to get a better feel for what Haverford is like. No one was prepared for ten months of wet hall walls or bathroom countertops smeared with "Skippy," care of the fun-loving boys next door. So, needless to say, we were all a bit apprehensive after forming a character sketch of our new neighbors from bits and pieces of information.

As is usually the case with hearsay, the descriptions were somewhat exaggerated. These guys were crazy, but no more so than we were. Well, maybe a little more, but they turned out to be fine neighbors and, for the most part, a lot of fun. I think they found us to be slightly amusing; within the first week we were told that we

were "more entertaining than watching television."

One thing I became quickly aware of, however, beginning on my own floor, is the power of stereotyping within the bi-College community. There are, of course, the familiar stereotypes of Bryn Mawr witches and grinds, and of short Haverford men whose realm of interest extends no further than the Chemistry lab. Such caricatures, I'm sure, find their roots in earlier decades of bi-College cooperation. However, it became apparent to me as the weeks passed that more subtle and more dangerous stereotypes existed.

As freshmen, my friends and I had been considered by our dorm-mates to be "very bi-College." We took classes at Haverford, studied in the library there, and generally attended bi-College parties on the weekends. We were very enamored of what we thought were harmonious relations between the two schools, academically and socially.

There were, of course, classmates of ours who weren't "into the bi-College scene." In other words, people who didn't particularly care for large parties or who felt no strong inclination to spend great amounts of their free time at Haverford. However, it seemed to me that even these people took advantage of course offerings and had some friends who were Fords.

The same was true of the Haverford students that I knew. Sure, some of them told "Bryn Mawr jokes" and occasionally made obnoxious comments, but most had many friends who were Mawrters and spent at least some time at Bryn Mawr. Some of these Fords even lived at Bryn Mawr. Besides, all the jokes were just in fun, right?

Unfortunately, as I learned upon my return to school and through my adventures at Haverford, that wasn't always true. All of the sudden I was meeting Haverford men who hadn't set foot on the Bryn Mawr campus since Customs Week during their freshman year; Fords who were actually afraid of Bryn Mawr women. As it turned out, our neighbors had been as worried about living with us as we had been about living with them.

I met as many Mawrters who avoided Haverford at all costs and who viewed

Haverford's student body as nothing more than a group of superficial, middle-class brats. The hostility and contempt that I sensed from some of my classmates when I told them I was living at Haverford shocked me. It seemed to be the attitude of some that I had betrayed a kind of loyalty to Bryn Mawr by choosing to live on Haverford's campus.

At the same time, I was friends with many people from both schools and continued to enjoy bi-College cooperation. I was very confused by the strain which this liaison had created for some. When I asked my roommates how they felt, they expressed similar concerns. I was very frustrated and even a little angry. I was disappointed with people who had fallen prey to generalizations that I felt had no merit.

But then there were stories of unpleasant interaction between Fords and Mawrters that began to explain the tension. One Ford told me that when he arrived at Haverford freshman year, his first encounter with a Bryn Mawr woman

Seanna Melchior

was during the limo ride from the airport. When he tried to hold the door open for her, she had screamed at him. I would imagine that this was a rather intimidating introduction to Bryn Mawr. He had not intended the gesture to be one of male domination, he was just being polite and would have held the door open for anyone, male or female.

Similarly, having overheard comments at parties made by some Fords concerning Bryn Mawr, I could understand to some extent the hostility that several of my classmates felt towards Haverford.

However, it seemed to me that the condemnation of a whole school based on the actions of only a few was not only ridiculous, but unfair. Especially when there were so many terrific people at both schools as well as a vast amount of resources to be taken advantage of through bi-College participation.

I spent much of the first semester battling these, for the most part, inaccurate and generally unkind stereotypes. I had set out on a virtual crusade to reconcile all differences between Bryn Mawrters and Haverfordians. But when I stopped to look at my own experience I found it to be void of most of the hostility that I had thought was all around me. In fact, I realized that I had obsessed the issue to a point where it had become much larger in my mind than it actually was.

I will admit that I had been privy on occasion to a raucous laugh at the expense of my fine school but I never took these jokes very personally because it often seemed as if they were directed at no

one, only at some incorrect image of what Bryn Mawr was supposed to be like. And many times these jokes were just in fun; as countless others have said before, it is important to be able to laugh at ourselves.

Through participation in various activities I met many new people. Rainy afternoons practicing with the Women's Rugby Club and late nights in the News newsroom, both bi-College organizations, brought me in close contact with many Haverford students. Needless to say, simply being around campus sparked several new friendships. In my dorm, in the Dining Center, in the library (a surprisingly social place), in my classes, getting to know new people was inevitable. As I began to reevaluate the situation I realized that I was very pleased with my place in the bi-College community.

I know that there are people at both schools with interests so at odds that they will never be compatible. That's life, you don't like everyone, you don't agree with everyone. And on the whole I would say that relations between Bryn Mawr and Haverford are very good and cooperation is high. However, I find it unfortunate, and somewhat disturbing, that some students are unable to experience bi-College life because of negative impressions of the other school perpetuated by stereotypes.

Fortunately, many students aren't victim to these stereotypes and enjoy the benefits of belonging to two college communities. The bi-College residence exchange which allows students to live on either campus does, I believe, help to keep cooperation high by dispelling for many the false images that exist.

I think bi-College cooperation has been and continues to be a dynamic aspect of attending either Bryn Mawr or Haverford; I hope that relations will only continue to improve. I for one enjoyed the year I spent at Haverford and, in spite of the negative attitudes of some, I plan to remain a bi-college activist.

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1942, funds self help projects and disaster relief in the Third World. Today, in Cambodia, Oxfam has helped to set up irrigation systems so that rain and flood waters can be controlled in order to produce two crops, instead of the usual one crop, of rice per year. Oxfam continues to provide assistance in developing more productive harnesses for the buffalo, growing and interbreeding new varieties of rice farmers can grow, and establishing fishery programs in hope of increasing catches.

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Hodos and Crutchfield perform

The Haverford Department of Music presents a student recital by mezzo-soprano Susan Crutchfield and pianist Tamar Hodos tonight at 8 P.M. in Marshall Auditorium, Roberts Hall.

Student-Faculty recital occurs

The Chamber Music Society at Bryn Mawr continues its season of recitals with a student-faculty concert on Sunday, November 20 at 3 P.M. in Goodhart Music Room. The program features the Mozart oboe quartet with Professor Karen Greif of the Biology Department as the soloist. The program also includes music by Handel, Milhaud and Thompson. A reception will follow.

Bryn Mawr hosts lecture

The Bryn Mawr College Graduate School of Social Work and Social Research presents the Anita D. Lichtenstein Memorial Lecture by Irene Levin, M.S.S., assistant professor, Graduate School of Social Work, University of Trondheim and associate, Center for Women's Research, University of Oslo. Levin will talk about "My Family," Changing Definitions and Changing Perceptions. The lecture will be held on Tuesday, November 22 at 8 P.M. in Thomas Hall, Room 110.

OdaDaa to perform at Swat

At 2 P.M. tomorrow, the traditional African ensemble OdaDaa will offer a master class in African drumming and dance. At 8 P.M. they will give a performance of their native songs and dances with authentic costumes and instruments. Call 328-8233 for information.

Academy musicians return

The Performing Arts Series at Bryn Mawr presents the Academy Chamber Players for the second year in a free bonus concert on Wednesday, November 30 at 8 P.M. in Thomas Great Hall. Two major works will be played: Mozart's Viola Quintet in E flat major and Brahms' string sextet in G Major. Combining artistic excellence with social concern, the Academy Chamber Players, who comprise some of the area's finest musicians, have an outstanding record of community service, and their free admission concerts at local colleges, schools, and retirement homes have been enthusiastically received. "The interpretation was nothing short of stunning," says the local press. Come for an evening of wonderful music!

The Pajama Game opens

The Pajama Game, sponsored by Broadway South, will open Thursday, December 1 at 8:30 P.M. in Goodhart Auditorium, Bryn Mawr. The classic 50's Broadway show includes such famous songs as "Hernandez Hideaway." Under the direction of Theresa Gordon and musical direction of John Maclay, the play includes a cast of 25 and a full orchestra of 25. There will be performances Friday and Saturday, December 2-3, at 8 P.M. Admission is free with bi-College ID, \$3 for others.

Poetry reading hosted

Kimmika Williams, a well-respected Philadelphia poet, will perform her works at the Community Education Center in Philadelphia tonight at 8 P.M. Kimmika has been praised as "an effective writer and a dynamic actress" and as "one of the most intense poets in the city." She will also present three upcoming and outstanding poets in the Philadelphia area: Jaoline Blais, Joseph Johnson, and Anka Uhra. Tickets are \$3 for students. Call 387-1911 for more information.

Theater memorabilia displayed

Bryn Mawr Drama Professor Robert Butman has put together an eclectic collection of theater memorabilia based on the characters of caricaturist Ronald Searle, including engravings, photographs, paper ephemera, and sculpture. The collection is on display in Haverford's Comfort Gallery through Sunday, December 4.

From Morn to Midnight opens

by Nancy Yoo
Staff writer

Under the direction of Bryn Mawr Professor Mark Lord, the Bryn Mawr/Haverford Theater Program has produced an interesting and provocative adaptation of George Kaiser's expressionist play, "From Morn To Midnight."

The play opens with a bank teller mechanically doing his work. This man is subsequently 'brought to life' by a mysterious and exiting woman who is not aware of her having any part in this miracle.

The teller has stolen sixty thousand dollars for the woman, and is at a loss in the face of her rejection. He leaves his home, where he finds the same mechanical and routine atmosphere stifling, and he sets off on an Everyman-type journey. He spends the day on a soul-searching journey from his bourgeois existence into a world of utter decadence.

After having experienced and been disappointed by the superficiality amusing life of excitement at bicycle races and in brothels,

the teller thinks that he has found his salvation in a church. He suffers another brutal awakening, however, and the play comes ends with an ironic twist.

The use of masks, designed by Los Angeles based mask maker and make-up designer Rebecca Kravetz, was particularly intriguingly and well-done. Throughout the whole play, at least one of the actors' faces is hidden by a grotesque mask. It is not until the last scene that every character unmasks him or herself as they each tell of how they found their souls.

The set, created by resident designer Carmen T. Slider, makes great use of a parachute, a bicycle, a shopping cart, and a see-through screen. The close proximity of the audience to the actors is an advantage for the audience and does not seem to affect the acting, which is quite good. Haverford Senior Lane Savadove provides a solid if not always convincing portrait of the bank teller. German music, played between scenes, enhances the atmosphere

of the play. The most ingenious part of the play, however, is the changing of the sets. Costumes were designed by Chelsea Harri-man from People's Light Theater.

George Kaiser, perhaps the most prolific of the German expressionist playwrights, wrote "From Morn To Midnight" in 1912; it was popular enough to receive over ten major productions in Germany in ensuing years and was soon translated into several languages. Despite this success, Kaiser was in constant financial trouble and developed the bad habit of pawning the furniture and art from his rented homes. This practice eventually led to time in prison. In 1938, Kaiser fled Germany to Switzerland, where he lived until his death in 1945.

On the whole, the play presents a rather gloomy and depressing view of life, people, and society. But the moments of comic relief were really hysterical. Although it is a bit confusing in its many symbolisms, "From Morn To Midnight" is a well-recommended study break.



Don't worry, there's still time to see "From Morn To Midnight," tonight and tomorrow night at 7:30 P.M. in Goodhart Auditorium, Bryn Mawr. Admission is free with bi-College I.D.



What's energetic, personal, daring, and purposeful, and is going to be here this weekend? The answer is Crowsfeet Dance Collective, five women whose work reflects and challenges a wide variety of social themes as seen from a women's perspective.

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The New York Times called Crowsfeet "A joyous get-down of a dance session." This is guaranteed to be a powerful, enjoyable performance. Crowsfeet will be in Marshall Auditorium of Roberts Auditorium at 8 P.M. tomorrow night. The performance is sponsored by COLOR, Bryn Mawr and Haverford's Office of Minority Affairs, The Bryn Mawr Women's Center, and Perry House, among others. Admission is \$1 with ID.

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Talk, don't draw

During a semester in which Bryn Mawr is attempting to confront its prejudices and increase its diversity, anonymous messages of hatred for various minority groups are surfacing. Slipped under doors and scrawled on bathroom walls, these messages reflect a violence which tears at the College's tradition of mutual respect.

In a justifiably angry response to these attacks, notes demanding support of the victims have been slipped under doors and affirmative inscriptions have been emblazoned on the walls next to the bigoted graffiti.

While these responses convey the essential message that Bryn Mawr cannot condone such displays of prejudice, it is disturbing that communication of this message is being done anonymously, under doors and on bathroom walls. It is important that individuals in this community feel they can identify

themselves when standing up for their beliefs or arguing an issue. It is also important that those beliefs are expressed in a place where they can be shared with the whole community.

Perhaps a permanent, centrally-located comment board which is open to everyone and to all subjects is needed. Hopefully the board would be full of discussions of substantive issues, and free of the nasty insults and one-liners traded on the Haverford comment board. While it is idealistic to think that those who aim to hurt with unexpected attacks could be induced to use such a forum, people wishing to share their views would have a place to connect. In this way, debates could be played out within the system of values outlined by the Honor Code and supportive voices could be unified.

We must refuse to wage this war of words on the turf of the misguided few.

A mass exodus?

In a disturbing trend, Customs persons throughout the bi-College community report that many of their freshmen are considering transferring. These are not freshmen who are homesick or feel that the bi-College college social life is a bust. Instead freshmen throughout the bi-College community are thinking of leaving because either they are tired of being yelled at and attacked by members of the community or they have the impression that everyone in the community hates one another.

From the moment they arrived on campus, they have been called racist, sexist or classist. Besides the backlash against pluralism, freshmen have refused to take part in community forums. There was a notable absence of freshmen at Monday's "sexism forum." Freshmen have seemed hesitant if not

totally unwilling to plunge into these heated debates.

This is not to suggest that freshman should not be made aware of these important issues, but upperclassmen should be more sensitive in the ways they raise these issues. Freshmen have only seen the Honor Code and the principles of community respect used in only the most bitter of ways. The recent forums can easily be threatening or intimidating to those not used to the often brutally candid exchange of ideas between members of the community.

Confrontation and introspection are important, but we must not alienate the freshman. We are laying the seeds for an apathetic class at both colleges, a class that will have a cynical view of the Code, if any of them stick around and become sophomores.

News states letters policy

The *News* acknowledges its responsibility to provide a bi-College forum. Therefore, the *News* will print any letter related to an article appearing in our paper or addressing any facet of our coverage. We reserve the right to ask that letters of more than three type-written pages be edited.

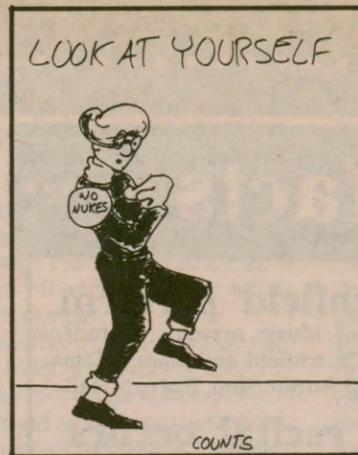
To further provide a community forum, we will publish short opinion pieces reflecting the views of members of the commu-

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We will also publish a limited amount of community service notices. The *News* reserves the right

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All submissions to the *News* must be in the *News*' mailbox by Tuesday at 5 p.m. for publication in that week's paper. We ask that all submissions be on 5 1/4 inch floppy disks that can be used on an IBM compatible computer. All submissions not on computer disk must be arranged with the Editor-in-Chief and there is no guarantee that they will be printed.



Group removes graffiti

To the Community:

We the undersigned, joined together to paint these rest rooms because we are interested in restoring the dignities of people within the College. We believe these anonymous and often cruel statements are inconsistent with the spirit of the Honor Code and with the basic values of an educational institution.

Our action is not meant to silence affirmations of lesbian and gay, racial, ethnic, and religious identities or to stifle outrage at the homophobia, racism, and antisemitism that has been expressed on these walls. To this end we have preserved the graffiti through photographs which, along with space for comment, are displayed in the Campus Center.

We ask you to join us in our commitment to keeping Bryn Mawr a community which respects its various members and behaves with courtesy toward everyone, in public and in private situations.

We invite anyone who wishes

to join us in an open discussion at the Assembly meeting of the student Self-Government Association on Sunday, November 20, 1988 at 7 P.M. in Campus Center 105.

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Action lacked by the "politically correct"



To The Community:

Personally I believe that one is not merely defined by their words but more so by their actions. Therefore I have a serious problem with the "Politically Correct" attitude in our community. I understand that because we are at a highly academic institution we are constantly thinking. But sometimes too much so. I know I do. So much so that I've had insomnia for most of the semester. Many of us spend way too much time intellectualizing and not doing anything. Thus, I am bothered by the term when it is used in this community because I think it is offensive to people who are not only socially conscience but active as well.

I am also bothered because the term PC appears to imply that anyone who thinks differently is wrong. How can one be wrong for having opinions that are shaped by differing life experiences? And furthermore, does it really make sense that an intellectually PC person can place value judgements on others for their opinions if in fact they too are doing nothing to further equality?

I simply don't understand how so many students who choose to consider themselves PC can look down on others who do not intellectually share their political ideals. What gives one the right to look down on others who don't think as one does if you too are in fact doing nothing to further the cause of equality? Talk basically does nothing. Yes, one can educate others but the ignorance in this community remains because there is no consistent action to further the cause of

"Politically Correct" ideals.

Since most of this PC attitude is from intellectualizing also fail to understand why one cannot be respectful of others who do not intellectually represent PC ideals. Especially because of the fact that talk is not harmful. To be respectful of other people's opinions does not mean that one has to hold that person's opinion in high esteem but that one does understand that in a so-called Democratic society everyone has a right to their beliefs. It is as though one thinks equality can simply be achieved through the minds (more so than actions) of a few people who think alike.

The world, America and thus this community supposedly consist of people who represent a kaleidoscope of races, classes, cultures, religions, sexual orientations...and consequently they are shaped by these classifiers. It as though one does not recognize that in 1988 these classifiers shape our life experiences and consequently our opinions as well when one is disrespectful of others' opinions. I think this is true of the PC attitude in this community. This was especially highlighted to me a few weeks ago while I was watching the film "Witness to Apartheid". In one part of the film the filmmaker asks various white South Africans if they had ever been to a township. All responded that they had not. One man added that he'd never been invited to a township so there was actually no reason that he'd be there. Everyone in the audience laughed. I was confused because I don't under-

stand what was funny. Now, please correct me if I'm wrong but I don't believe that most of the people in the audience had ever been to West Oakland, Harlem, the South Side of Chicago, the South Bronx... In 1988 it is not very often that most Americans visit other communities than their own (which are usually defined by race, class or ethnicity) unless we are invited or go to school or work outside of our community... Therefore I don't understand why anyone in the audience would laugh at this man as if Americans are removed from this type of situation as well.

What purpose does it serve to intellectualize about being PC without actions that correspond since one's ideas alone do not make a difference? Therefore it seems to me that people waste lots of energy intellectualizing about being PC when they could be constructive by using some of this time putting ideas into action. Since we are living in the latter part of the twentieth century where labels define people it is important for us to recognize and appreciate our differences with other human beings. And if we are truly interested in furthering equality let's not just intellectualize. Let's also not forget that strength is in numbers thus through Broad-Based Movements, which represent the kaleidoscope of differences amongst human beings, we can truly achieve liberty, justice and equality for ALL people.

Ipeleng Kgositsile BMC '91

ASAP can help

To The Community:

It is time to make the sojourn home for the holidays. For many students this time is laced with excitement. The thought of being with family stirs up feelings of warmth and familiarity. This is all on a backdrop of anticipation of the delight and surprise our families will experience when they see our new found maturity. We are returning laden with new thoughts, ideas, and customs we are only too willing to share. And this is part of a homecoming.

Yet, for some students the thought of going home is shaded with more ambivalence. If home has been a source of conflict, for one reason or another, one might feel hesitant about returning there for the holidays. Some students experience the fear that going home will drag them back to participating in behaviors they have been working on changing. This can be frightening and the temptation in this situation is often to stay away from family. Others might wish to avoid the discomfort when returning from a growth experience only to find that everyone that he or she has left behind has remained unchanged. Even worse than that, the "pilgrim" may be expected to resume his or her old place as if no changes are of any permanent nature.

Separation and growth are normal parts of the maturing process. It can be painful, yet, in healthy families changes are made to accommodate the emergence of the new adult. In less healthy families roles have been so rigidly assigned that no adaption or adjustments seem possible. For students returning to this situation, it can be very dispiriting.

If you are interested in getting support and ideas for making the holidays work for you, A.S.A.P. is sponsoring a small workshop entitled "Going Home to a Chemically Dependent Family is No Vacation." The problem need not be chemical dependency in order for you to attend and get something from the evening. If your goal is take care of yourself then come take advantage of this opportunity to get some concrete ideas.

Robert Chapman from La Salle will facilitate the discussion at Haverford College, Monday, December 1, from 8:00-8:45 pm in the Smith Room of the Dining Center, and at Bryn Mawr College, Monday, December 1, from 9:00-10:45 in the Peer Education room in Erdman.

ASAP

Got no money
I'm flat broke...
Wish I had a relative
About to croak.

Can't afford to do my laundry
'Cause I ain't got a job
Guys don't call me "Hot Mamma" anymore
Now it's "Whatta Slob!"

My phone's been disconnected
My car's been repossessed
Although I can't do anything else
As a pauper, I'm a real success.

My bank account is overdrawn
Visa and Master Card deny me.
What's a way to make money --and fast
That's not illegal or slimy?

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Surprise, surprise; how time flies
My senior year has half gone by.
So here I sit, course guide in hand,
My second semester I carefully plan.

It's hard to believe that a graduate I'll be
In the few short months ahead of me.
Yet this realization I've resolved to digest
So I contemplate a semester that will be the best!

Pensively,
Docherty

Language viewed

To The Community:

I was grateful to receive a copy of the letter written by Linda Friedrich, president of SGA, along with the glossary of terms developed by Jean Wu. I share Ms. Friedrich's desire for "constructive dialogue," and in that spirit suggest that her own letter, which expresses "the hope that the glossary will begin to provide a common vocabulary for addressing racism at Bryn Mawr," provides a place to start. It seems to me that the appropriate term here, and elsewhere in her letter, is "prejudice" rather than "racism." The glossary emphasizes the distinction, defining "racism" as "racial prejudice with institutional power, used to the advantage of one race and the disadvantage of others. The critical differentiation between racism and prejudice is the institutional power to enforce prejudices in a systematic and far-reaching way."

The deplorable incident of the anonymous note sent to a Hispanic student was an example of prejudice rather than racism, in spite of the fact that the writer implied that he or she was speaking for the institution. The institution of Bryn Mawr must of course seek with all means at its disposal to eradicate prejudice in the community, and it must continue to scrutinize its own use of power; but it darkens counsel to imply or assume that incidents like the one of October 30 are evidence of institutional racism.

I am assuming that my disagreement with Ms. Friedrich is semantic; if she did, however, mean to use the term "racism" rather than "prejudice," my agreement is substantive.

Sincerely yours,
Sandra M. Berwind
Associate Professor of English

Remembrance considered

To The Community:

Last week marked the 50th anniversary of Kristallnacht, two days and one night of state sponsored destruction of Jewish persons and Jewish culture--the beginning of the "final solution." Up until recently, the Holocaust has affected me, but never personally. This past summer, while looking through our well researched family tree for the first time, my cousin pointed out branches of our relatives that I have never met. "Where are they all living now?" I inquired. "They're not. Lost to Hitler," my cousin sadly informed me. About half of my grandmother's siblings were murdered--my aunts, my uncles, and lots of cousins. And many people tell me that my family got off easy. When a human being is murdered, it takes great insensitivity to ignore or forget this. Especially when your relatives were murdered. But as the years move on, and you become accustomed to much greater comfort and safety as diaspora Jews, it becomes much easier to forget. Most Jews in America today are not aware of what Kristallnacht means. And it is really not their fault, considering that the forces of assimilation are so strong in diaspora life that we are no longer aware of these forces. Some Jewish students here in the bi-College community were very aware of Kristallnacht and they arranged a moving memorial program last Wednesday. A major point in their program was not to forget the tragedies of the Holocaust that was largely initiated 50 years ago. I hope to demonstrate in this letter that we need to do much more than just remembering--even remembering with genuine tears.

Yellow stars of David were distributed on both campuses that morning. Jews were forced by the Nazis to wear them as a quick means of identification. That means that Jews were forced to be recognized as Jews, by themselves and by others. Not only the young women learning Torah in Jewish seminaries had to wear them, but the retired Jewish university professor who was a bonafied atheist. Old Rabbis with long beards and young Jews that had recently converted to Christianity, Buddhism, or just plain existentialism. We are extremely comfortable here in the bi-College community to have the choice of whether to don the stars or not to. And we don't even have to be Jewish! I am not condemning a non-Jew

who chose to wear the yellow star. I hold great respect for them for attempting to feel our loss and for crying out at the injustice perpetrated on fellow human beings. But Jewish persons must ask themselves a deeper question when they "take off their stars" until next time. Indeed the star is only an external signal. At best, it can represent some deep emotional feelings felt at this time of remembrance. At worst, it can become a politically correct move stripped of its real significance to Jews this day.

Two big questions Jews must ask themselves today are 1) What are the Nazis and other known persecutors of Jews trying to destroy? and 2) Is the Holocaust still alive today? May I suggest that the goal of killing Jews is not just for sport; it is our unique Jewish culture and theology which anti-Semites try to eradicate. To destroy a nation is to destroy a world--a universe of ideas, traditions and distinct personalities. Most importantly, it is to destroy a people relating to G-d. Now the answer to the second question simply follows. Look around. Don't theorize--look! Do you see a Jewish nation relating to G-d as they have for the vast majority of their 3301 year history from the giving of the Torah on Mount Sinai? To help clarify the situation, allow me to point out that about only 100 years ago, Jews on a large scale abandoned the Torah observant lifestyle they carried with them for over 3000 years. And it wasn't by choice. "If you don't come to work on Saturday, don't bother showing up on Monday," our grandparents and great-grandparents were told by their non-Jewish and already assimilated Jewish employers. They were lucky if they kept up half the observance our recent ancestors kept. And as the generations continued, Jewish identity and observance dwindled. Today, more than half the Jews of America are not affiliated with any sect--be it "reform or orthodox." The rates of intermarriage are equally astronomical. Perhaps another interesting question to ask is "will there be any Jews left in another 50 years?" I must sadly conclude the Holocaust is alive and well in America.

Don't just remember Kristallnacht--let it inspire you to counter the Holocaust going on in America today. It is never too late to find out what the Nazis were trying

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Bi-College classism addressed

To the Community:

I am writing in response to Diane Mechling's letter to the Bryn Mawr/Haverford News, 11/11/88. I applaud Mechling for speaking out and vocalizing feelings that I have shared, yet kept to myself for too long. I too am from a "not so privileged background", and I share Mechling's disgust and anger at the classism of Bryn Mawr and Haverford.

Certainly we are all privileged by our very presence at Bryn Mawr and Haverford Colleges; that is, privileged by the choices an elite education gives us. However, within our college communities, we are not all equally privileged. Not only do we bring widely disparate backgrounds, experiences and resources to college with us; when we get to college, Bryn Mawr and Haverford reflect the hegemonic realities of the society at large. Students from different economic backgrounds are disproportionately represented (largely, but not only due to the outrageous cost of an elite or "good" education), and students from lower, lower-middle, or working-class backgrounds who do make it to Bryn Mawr/Haverford are automatically penalized for the fact that their families are not wealthy enough to pay (these penalties are euphemistically called "work-study" and "Guaranteed Student Loans", among other things).

The reality of American society in general is that people are not terribly class-conscious, especially those who don't have to be; that is, those with class privilege. People want to think that they are "just middle-class". Most people -- especially people who make it to elite institutions -- don't challenge this assumption -- we simply come to college for a good education (so we can get a good job, so we can make money... and perpetuate the hierarchical class structure we've been brought up to accept). Those of us on the lower, "less privileged" end of the spectrum are both co-opted (we want to "be successful", we are ashamed of our backgrounds, we want to give our children "what we never had") and silenced (a friend, whose father earns what I consider an inconceivable salary of \$100,000/year, says to me "but we're both middle-class". I want to tell her that, as a nurse, my mother makes \$16,000 a year which is less than it costs for nine months at Bryn Mawr and my usually-absent father rarely has a job, but maybe I shouldn't talk about it, it's "gauche" to talk about money. Or another example: the professor says to the

class "in this room, I can tell that you're all pretty well-off, from middle-class backgrounds" -- I want to shout, "what's 'well-off'? who's middle-class? how can you tell?")

Ironically, it took nearly a year of elite education for me to question the class structure of American society, to begin to reformulate my definition of success and my future plans of action in society. It has taken me over two years at Bryn Mawr to feel able to publicly speak out against classism, to take seriously, and thus be able to express my anger and frustration to the communities at large. I thank Diane Mechling for addressing the issue of classism, and hope that others will respond.

Gretchen Kreiger BMC '90

Achot needs help

To The Community:

Achot, the Jewish women's group, would like to help organize a December project about religions that are a minority in the U.S., to take place December 7-14 in the main lounge of the campus center. We'd like this project to consist of information displays that different people and groups on campus would put together about their religions: Judaism, Islam, Buddhism, and others. Displays could include photographs; newspaper or magazine articles; drawings; personal accounts of what your religion means to you and experiences you've had that relate to your religion; information about major holidays, beliefs, and rituals of different religions; major historical figures; how different religions view women's roles; music and culture of various religions; and anything else anyone is interested in doing a display on. The project might also include activity or display tables at the campus center, which could be varied from day to day; speakers on related topics, etc.

so please, if you're interested in organizing, contributing to, or helping with a display or activity about religions that are a minority in the United States, look for signs about meetings, or write to Achot at Box C-1705.

Achot, Box C-1705

Spruill defends Honor Board

To The Community:

I would like to respond to Julie Zuraw's letter in last week's News regarding the Forum the Bryn Mawr Honor Board held on 6 November. The purpose of this forum was to foster a dialogue with the community about the role the Honor Code should play in addressing racism on campus. While I appreciate the positive statements made about the forum, I have some concerns about the criticism of the Board's handling of the near-confrontation that took place toward the end of the evening. I would like to point out that several people have approached the Board with similar concerns and I hope that a response to those concerns can also be found here.

The Board had several reasons for asking that the confrontation be continued in a more private setting. First, we stated, at the outset of the forum, a number of "ground rules." One of these being that those of us commenting limit our response to general ideas and concepts rather than carry on personal conversations and attacks. This was done in order to create a constructive atmosphere in which we would feel free to express ourselves, while contributing to the progress of the discussion. We felt that when the confrontation arose, it concerned personal comments aimed at individuals and because of this, was not appropriate to a forum designed to explore a more politic domain. We also felt that it would not have been fair to allow such a public confrontation to take place. We felt that this would have jeopardized the confidentiality and protection, of all those involved, which are critical to a confrontation. We were also concerned that the public forum was not a setting conducive to the reciprocal exchange and understanding that "are" confrontation. Certainly, we did not intend to "silence" the anger expressed or the discussion itself. In fact, we encouraged the conversation to continue.

I was deeply distressed at the suggestions that the Board intended that issues relating to racism remain private and

confidential and that we did not acknowledge the offense to the community done by racist remarks and incidents. I feel that this offense to the community is expressed in a private confrontation as the confrontations are done in the context of the Code and the values held by this community. Also, there is a role for the expression of community values and offenses to them later on in the process of a confrontation as the Code and the Board play a more direct role in the resolution of a situation. Lastly, it worries me that members of our community would use a public forum to "practice" issues being discussed when the privacy and protection of all those involved is at stake.

To close, I hope that the Board has demonstrated its commitment to addressing issues surrounding racism, and other forms of discrimination, harassment, and prejudice in including itself in the public conversation. We welcome any comments and criticism as the Code is only as strong as community involvement and commitment to it.

Jennifer Spruill, BMC '90 representative

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to destroy. Simply stated, the Torah and a deep, fulfilling relationship with G-d are waiting for you. As one fellow Jew put it, "Don't put on a star. Learn an extra verse in the Torah tonight. Become a better person." Colleges have a lot of value in our lives, but they are not Torah experiences. You may have all the right answers, but step back a moment and ask yourself if maybe, just maybe, all the questions are wrong. Seek a genuine Torah experience, and you will know what the Nazis started destroying 50 years ago last week. Please contact me for resources (477-5630 or HC C/M).

Jonathan Rabin HC '89

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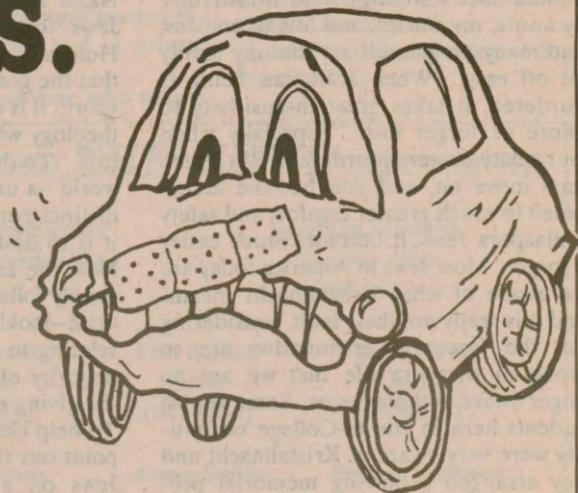
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Hillig's hellish horror happened hence

I had a nightmare a few days ago that I'd like to share with you. It wasn't your stock nightmare, complete with monsters, or creepy crawly things with a zillion eyes and teeth, or evil hooded men with knives in dark alleys running after me with threats of a certain death, or even deans running after me with threats of an extended math requirement. No sir. This nightmare was even worse because I didn't realize it was a nightmare until about halfway through.

You see, I dreamt that I was sitting happily in the Computer Center, procrastinating by sending vax mail to everyone in this community with whom I am even remotely acquainted (not such an unlikely scene, some of these people may say). So what's the problem, you ask? The problem, friends, is that I came to the slow and painful realization that where I was not the beloved Computer Center per say, but was actually HELL. That's right, Hell. Hades. Damnation. ETERNAL Damnation. Fire and brimstone. The devil himself. It must have stemmed from a class discussion about Dante. I dreamt that I, through some strange and wonderful grant, had been allowed to see Hell first hand, but wouldn't have to stay there.

So what does this mean? I have two classes and a discussion group in the Computer Center. I am there every day. I dreamt that I could escape from Hell? FAT CHANCE. I am now unable to walk through those doors without envisioning them slamming behind me and locking FOREVER. I do not deal well with this thought, particularly because it involves terrifying things like computers and technology. Technology is supposed to make our lives easier. Be wary of anything that purports to save you time and effort - not because this is in fact a lie, but because the only reason technology saves you time and effort is by creating such a mess that your original goal is obscured, and by the time you figure out how to avoid explosion, injury, or psychic terror, you don't care anyway.

I have begun to realize that technological progress is contrary to the way I conduct my life. Anything designed to ease stress (ha ha) or simplify tasks for me inevitably backfires. Case in point: I am typing this column on a word processor which just ate more than half of what I

had written because I forgot to save after the first paragraph. In that same vein, there's the endearing little voice in the



Beth Hillig

vax that just LOVES to inform you that it has destroyed your eighteen page letter to a friend simply because you didn't type "return" often enough and have thus exceeded available file space. Do these things think you have the time and energy to recap a personal crisis, particularly after that kind of news, or even that your mind is so clear as to remember to type "return" when, for God's sake, we're talking EMOTION here? There is no room for technical detail in a mind overwhelmed by the anxieties of life. Talk about stifling the creative juices.

So where was I? Oh, technology. If it's not computers, it's something else. Take my answering machine (I will resist the urge here to add "please" to that statement). Tonight, I spent three hours in the library stressing about a presentation for next week and reading intense philosophical treatises. I came home to the ostensibly friendly sight of a little blinking light on my machine. This means, for the technically ignorant, that I had a message. Oh, joy, I thought, someone cared enough to think about me tonight and to call and brighten my evening. So I re-wound the tape, with my spirits already rising. I pushed the "play" button, waiting to hear someone's words

of greeting and friendship]. But NOOOO. What do I hear? A click and a dial tone. Some idiot called, listened to my whole message, waited for the beep, and HUNG UP. My friends, this is not a nice thing to do. If you call someone and change your mind about talking to them, hang up immediately. If you want to listen to their message, at least hang up after the beep is over so they won't know you have hung up on them. If the perpetrator of this vile and virtually unspeakable act is reading my column, DON'T EVER DO THAT AGAIN. My self-esteem can't take it.

These aren't the only wonders of technology which complicate our lives. Let's talk about microwave ovens. Consider the misrepresentation most manufacturers of these things allow. A simple microwave might have three settings: 1 - DEFROST, 2 - COOK:LOW, and 3 - COOK:HIGH. What these actually mean is something like: 1 - MELT, 2 - HARDEN, and 3 - RENDER INEDIBLE. Microwaves either do nothing or destroy your meal. There is very little middle ground. And for those of you who think it's safe to open the microwave door before the little bell goes off: don't send me pictures of your offspring. NOTHING is safe if it does that to your food.

And here's another hot topic: the little people whose voices we hear from pay phones, automated teller machines, or (my personal favorite) cars. The worst thing about these computer synthesized voices, aside from the fact that they sound like they're shouting from the bottom of a copper mine in Chile, is that you can't argue with them. God forbid that something should go wrong and cause one of these voices to malfunction. The woman who asks you to please deposit seven dollars into the pay phone does not understand when you try to tell her that you are simply making a local call and you have only been on the phone for twenty seconds and you already put in your quarter and besides, no one has answered on the other end yet. If you hang up, she will call you back. If you run away, the person who uses the phone after you will have to deposit the money. Can you live with that on your conscience? What about the bank machines? Some of these charming wonders have the audacity to announce your balance audibly, so that all the peo-

ple in line are informed that you have all of three dollars and seventeen cents to your name. This is even worse if you owe twenty dollars to the person behind you. And I'm sorry, but if you're being held at gunpoint in front of one of these things with some deranged criminal type demanding your savings account, the last thing you want to hear is, "Good Evening. Welcome to the automated teller service of Incredibly Annoying Savings and Loan."

The car voices are by far the worst. It's nice to know you've left your keys in the ignition. However, it is only nice to know this if it is in fact the case. One does not enjoy hearing such reminders at three second intervals for a two hundred mile drive when the stupid voice synthesizer gets stuck. But then, cars are blessed with lots of nifty little features which inevitably malfunction. Like the "passive restraint" system. You know - the seatbelts which you can't avoid even if you want to. The ones that are attached to the doors. Permanently. The ones that grab you and lash themselves across your body the minute you start to close the door. The ones that smack short people in the face. The ones that make those posters explaining the Heimlich maneuver obsolete; we're talking first hand demonstration here. Or car stereos. Mine has auto reverse. This means that whenever I insert a cassette, the player will immediately switch to the opposite side. If I try to rectify this, I hear clicking and munching noises which sound as if I have suddenly downshifted into second at forty-five miles an hour and the engine is about to leap out from under the hood. But it's not the engine. It's my cassette being mangled. If you find yourself in this situation, there is only one thing to do. Give up. Do not attempt to remove the cassette from the player, as the thing will most likely eat your hand as well. Better to worry about personal safety than saving a nine dollar investment. Listen to the radio. Better yet, sing to yourself, as long as you're not stopped at a traffic light on a busy street.

Speaking of traffic lights, have you ever tried to discern the function of those little buttons for green lights at corners???

Beth Hillig is a Bryn Mawr Senior who worries about things that talk in the night

Little thinks of the upcoming holiday season

It's the holiday season. Thanksgiving is just around the corner--the corner which is already festooned with a shriner who has jingle bells on his fez and a collection can for the children's burn hospital in his hand. Give generously, folks. Hanukkah and Christmas are fast approaching, and in the Judeo-Christian tradition, these holidays would not be complete without a proud display of fire hazards.

Soon we will be on our way home to friends and loved ones, or if you're Protestant like me, your liked ones. And if you're Protestant like me, you probably have one or two relatives who try to bring you on a pilgrimage at least once while you're home, to make that spiritual journey as long as you've made the more mundane one home. I will probably be asked to confront my Protestant girlhood once again, an experience that sounds innocent and pious, but for me it was not. Hope United Methodist Church was not an awesome presence; to me it was just a comfortable but shabby orange cinder block-built funhouse where I always had to wear a dress.

Sunday school was fun--we were given a piece of candy each week for perfectly reciting from memory a verse from the Bible. We did lots of "crafts", which, as far as I could tell, consisted of coloring pictures of sheep and of boys in sandals. We dared each other to eat the paste while the teacher wasn't paying attention. We did not treat the felt picture board with the stick-on Jesus with proper respect.

Small children were allowed to attend the first half of the regular service, but we

were led out before the sermon began. We stayed long enough to hear the first two songs (always my favorite part, I remember singing them before I could read the hymnal); the Doxology was our signal to trot off to "Junior Church", in which we did more Sunday School "crafts". Usually we would be dragged through a



Ann Little

few halfhearted rounds of *Jesus Loves Me* too, but we had already been through that one in Sunday School. Occasionally, Miss Vergie and Mr. Dick, the married couple who conducted Junior Church, would try to lead us in a Bible lesson. Inordinate amounts of time would be spent trying to "make a good circle". Do you know what a circle looks like? Does this look like a circle?

Of course, we tried to spend as much time as we could loitering around the

drinking fountains and playing hooky in the bathroom. There is an odor that can only be described as smelling like the women's lavatory in a Protestant church basement, a suspicious air suffocating with the odor of the mysterious Easter eggs in tiny plastic baskets that go right in the toilet bowl. The first time I saw one of those I thought the Easter Bunny had left it there as a joke. But it was June already, and there it was, still ingeniously hidden. Who would want it now? I thought. Who indeed.

After the service, the adults had coffee in the gym (which, despite the prominent basketball hoops, was coyly referred to as "Sanctuary Hall") while we children escaped to the basement. Occasionally, what is known as a Potluck Dinner would follow the services instead. Aging Methodist matrons in my church were fond of showing off their newest Jell-o recipes at these events. Did you use Miracle Whip in this, Esther? It's wonderful. Pass the three-bean salad, Marshall. But ordinarily we children had the run of the basement after church, and until I made it to the status of sullen, aloof teenager, I spent a few hours each week exploring its mysteries.

The basement was full of wonders beyond the fat crayons and exotic bottles of mucilage in our Sunday School room cupboards. There was a miniature kitchen--everything kid-sized--hidden off of the room where the choir practiced. It was there that the enormous bottles of grape juice were kept cold for their quarterly appearance at communion. (Remember, we were Methodists, who traditionally don't drink, smoke, dance,

or play cards. Imagine the shock of the older parishioners when the Youth Fellowship wanted to drop the annual Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser and have a Monte Carlo night instead).

To the other side of the choir room there was a fake livingroom, like the set for *The Brady Bunch* complete with a console color TV and armchairs on castors. It was too tempting to resist spinning around in them, and then usually, crashing into the fake-paneled wall. And down the hall was the Youth Fellowship room, quite up-to-the-minute with its beanbag chairs and its air-hockey table (an extravagance bought with the tainted silver from Monte Carlo Night). Only the fastest and the strongest could take possession of the coveted air-hockey table and keep it while the rest of us hoped that one of the glorious victors would throw us a crumb of Christian Charity and hand us the puck.

Ahh...misspent youth. I don't go to church anymore, so I am not often reminded of my Protestant girlhood. (And imagine the surprise of my parents, Ward and June--who won the Potluck Prize in 1976 for a Waldorf Salad--when I told them that I'm minoring in Hebrew). But I'll probably return to Hope United Methodist Church sometime soon and think it a little bit shabbier, a little bit smaller than I remember it.

Just as long as they don't make me sing *Jesus Loves Me* again.

Ann Little is a Bryn Mawr Junior who forget to turn in a column last week, because she was too busy singing

Hudis reveals true facts about Haverford

Well, I got one of those little letters in my mailbox the other day. It said lots of nasty things about me and it also used some pretty bad words like the "F" word and the "B" word. Those are pretty nasty words to read right after a hearty lunch at Chalet D.C., but since my constitution is strong I decided that instead of letting the letter upset me I would write a column about it, either condoning or condemning it. But then I said, "Mark, wait a second. Just hold it right there, bub. If you write a column about that letter, you're gonna have to *take a stand on an issue*, you're gonna have to be *politically incorrect*, and heaven knows you have lots of better things to do than to be politically incorrect, like getting your goldfish out of the microwave." So my friends, in the typical Haverford tradition, I'm going to forget all that unpleasantness ever took place. Phooey, Bleccchh, Plain Ol' Yuck!! Wonder Twin Powers-Activate!! Form of...a happy little school with no problems. Shape of...an empty comment board. There, isn't that better?

Look, I'm gonna be perfectly honest with you. I leave all the serious issues to Ann, Rob and Beth. I write about things that are so inconsequential that Jim Eichner doesn't even proofread my articles. Want proof?

Penis Penis

There you go. No proofreading. Anyway, since this has been such an upsetting week at Haverford, I really feel

it's kind of my job to cheer the community up. I'm not going to write about anything unpleasant or potentially offensive because you all deserve a break from that evil demon Conscience. So kick back, slip the shoes off, mix a drink, trim your nails, clean your room, and for god's sake, call your mother once in a while. What I've got for you this week is something I think you're sure to enjoy. I swear these stories are true. (Apologies to Dave Barry.)

Haverford True Facts
by Mark Hudis

(With no help from Dave Barry except for the lead-in sentence).

TRUE FACT #1
"Evenin' Officer"

This first little story took place about one month ago on a chilly October evening. My good buddy and co-Sensitive Mail editor Jamie Cook and I were laying out our first illustrious issue on this particular night and, as luck would have it, the sixth game of the N.L. playoffs was also on television. (Important note: This is about two weeks after all those security "incidents" down by HPA involving big knives and bad men taking things that weren't theirs). Since we had no television to watch while we laid out the magazine, our buddy Jim said that we could borrow his portable t.v., which we did, and then we headed over to Bryn Mawr to work on Sensitive Mail. But before we departed, my buddy Jim left me with this friendly caveat:

"Bring my t.v. home or I'll rip all your

chest hairs out."

Well, my goodness, it seems like Jim is pretty attached to his t.v!! I therefore made a mental note not to forget it.

As the night succumbed to early morning, two things gave in. The Mets, in six, and my eyes in seven (hours, that is). I packed up all my stuff and headed for the door but not before securing Jim's precious telebaby under my right armpit. Boarding my trusty Oldsmobile, I sped back to Haverford and found a parking space somewhere just outside Camden.

Then I grabbed Jim's t.v. and began wending my way back to Lloyd in a lackadaisical jog. Well, wouldn't you know it, just as I pass the dining center, two Haverford Security guards (I'll call them Stu and Pitt to protect their identities) are meandering up the path between the dining center and Lloyd. Now a proper mental picture is crucial at this juncture.

It's three in the morning, I'm running across campus with a t.v. under my arm, **IN FULL VIEW OF BOTH MEN.**

Now, at this point, I think a quiz is in order. But first let's do a little pretending.



Mark Hudis

Let's pretend, just for a few minutes, that you *have* undergone the rigorous and taxing security training program. Let's pretend, just for a few minutes, that you know how to eat donuts just like a security guard and that you know just how to be wickedly aloof. Let's pretend, just for a few minutes, that you have, indeed, destroyed all but a few stalwart brain cells with Estes Modeling Glue. Okay, taking all that into consideration, we may proceed with the quiz:

Question: It's three in the morning. You and a friend see someone you don't recognize running across campus with a television set under his arm. What should you do?

Answers:

- A. stop him and ask for some I.D.
 - B. continue talking to your buddy and hope your Polident isn't slipping.
- Which would you choose? Exactly. But as you've probably expected, the two security guards chose B. They ambled on their merry way making sure Haverford was well protected from French Cruller thieves.

TRUE FACT #2

"The Dating Game"

I wanted a date. I really wanted a date

and so I picked up the phone and called a friend of mine. I'll call her Glendaphne. While the phone rang, I thought back to two days prior when I had asked Glendaphne out on a tentative date for Sunday evening. She had seemed receptive to the idea and so this particular phone call was more of a "confirmation formality" than anything else. When a female voice greeted me on the other end of the line, I affected the cool and sophisticated air women have come to expect from me.

"Um, Uh,....Um,....Uh,Yeah Um....., Hi? Glenda?"

"Oh, hi," she answered in a tone one usually reserves for someone who has just spilled hot bisque in their lap.

"Um,....Uh...yeah um.....I was just making sure that we were still on for tomorrow night? I mean the movie?"

"Well, Uh, I don't know."
So now I'm thinking, "...don't know"? Whaddaya mean "don't know"? Three days ago you were miss convivialgragarious and now you don't know?!

"Oh, uh, um, uh....did something come up?" I shot back smooth as Clark Gable.

"No, I mean, well, no....Okay I guess I'll go."

"Okay, I guess,....Um, I mean, um...Yeah,....uh...Great! Well, uh, what are you doing tonight?"

"I'm kinda tired and I think I'm just gonna go to bed."

Okay, now I'm not Mr. Social Scene, but I do know that most people don't go to sleep at ten thirty on a Saturday night. Glendaphne was blowing me off.

"Okay then, well, um, uh...I guess I'll see you tomorrow. 'Bye."

"Yeah, okay, 'bye."

That wasn't the entire conversation, but the cool tone was maintained throughout. She spoke to me like I had just bludgeoned her puppy.

But then, something decidedly weird happened. Glendaphne walked into my suite not three minutes later. This was odd for two reasons. One, she had just given me the ice shoulder over the phone and said she was going to sleep and two, she lives in HPA. It's not possible to make it from HPA to Lloyd in three minutes. Well, I just assumed that she had had a change of heart and was groveling for forgiveness. I didn't mention the incident and we had a very pleasant evening.

Guess what the catch is folks! When I called Glendaphne's apartment, her roommate, whose voice has an uncanny similarity to Glenda's, answered the phone. She had no idea who I was and thought I was some weirdo asking her out to a movie. Needless to say, the problem was resolved to our mutual embarrassment.

TRUE FACT #3

"Theresa Made Me"

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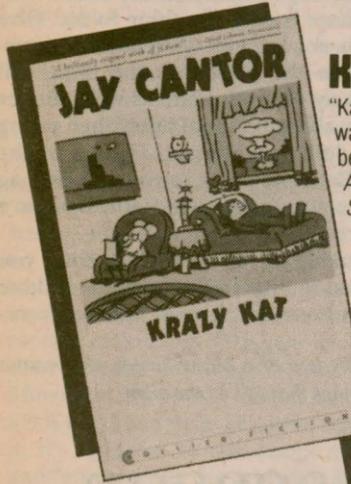
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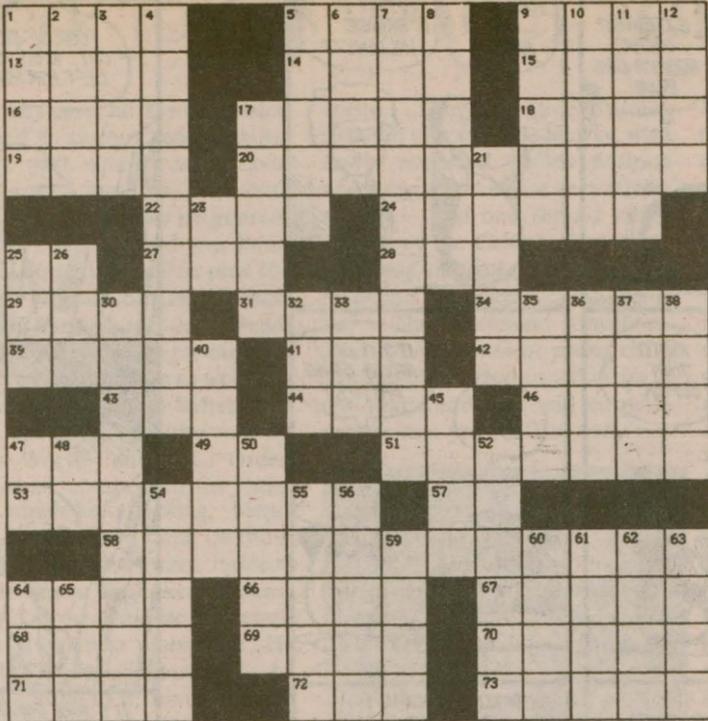
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 17. Excuse
 18. Encounter
 19. Adam's son
 20. Of superior quality?
 22. Spartan king
 24. Trucker's competition
 25. Freudian term
 27. Put the petal to the metal
 28. Explosive
 29. Famous archer
 31. Andy's partner
 34. Put into practice
 39. Look of contempt
 41. My Gal _____
 42. Machine part
 43. National Standards Association; Abbrev.
 44. Sprouted
 46. Nonsensical anagram of lean
 47. It's in the _____
 49. French article
 51. Reduces
 53. Alienate
 57. Medical Suffix
 58. Bald cult member?
 64. Hardwood trees
 66. Spin or whirl
 67. Divinity; Abbrev.
 68. Carol
 69. Baby's first words
 70. Lariat
 71. Askew
 72. Slang greeting
 73. Concluded
- Down
1. Election sponsors
 2. Being to Pierre.
 3. Essential part



4. Flash the hash?
6. Biblical ornaments
7. Snow vehicle
8. Perfect accord
9. Wanderer
10. Greek goddess of peace
11. Belief
12. Women's nickname
17. Space, time and matter to a Jain
21. One who goes out with a per son
23. They bring good things to life
25. _____ a wonderful life
26. Cozy place
30. More stretched out
32. Chinese food ingredient
33. Rowboat propeller
35. Something forbidden
36. A tit for _____
37. Singer Nat
38. "_____ bien"
40. The clerk of the 4077
45. Guitarist for the dead
47. Exist
48. Comparison word
50. Extraordinary
52. Master; Fr.
54. Gathering
55. Beam of light
56. Effusion of fluids into body cavities
59. Part of KKK
60. Tibia
61. Lead
62. Pitch
63. Property owned absolutely
64. Feminine suffix
65. Type of camp found in war; Abbrev.

Forum discusses sexism

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 talking about sexism with men. Haverford Senior Julie Baier echoed this sentiment, saying "temper your anger with kindness."

But Tensuan argued that anger is important when discussing such an emotional issue. Bryn Mawr Junior Laura Munich said that women should be less concerned with making sure that men were not offended, and more concerned with making men face the issues. Freeman agreed, saying that men should "deal" with their feelings of defensiveness.

Sachs believed that the forum was a success because "it got people together to talk about sexism that don't usually talk about sexism." Haverford Junior Debbie Brown agreed, stating "it was good because it will open up

men's eyes to sexism. She also hoped the forum will compel men to confront their friends when they make sexist remarks.

However Emilie Heck felt that too much time was wasted telling personal stories, and labeled it "a typical Haverford forum." She added that although she believes sexism exists, it is not that prevalent at Haverford. At the forum, Heck argued that she felt that other women were trying to make her feel guilty for not being more angry about sexism.

Senior Kyle Danish hopes something positive will arise from the forum. "Forums only exist in the absence of dialogue," he stated. At the forum, he proposed that a second letter discussing more incidents of sexism be circulated to keep dialogue going in the community.

Handicap access cont'd

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 cussed.

The Admissions Office has also expressed awareness of the plight of handicapped prospectives. According to Michener, Assistant Director of Undergraduate Admissions Susan Messina has said that the Admissions Office wants to make a map of places that are handicapped accessible and a list of students with whom handicapped prospectives can stay. The Committee felt that, in addition, the course catalog should say more about accessibility.

Although the Committee felt that much needs to be done, they found that funding is a considerable problem. Michener said that

money for improving handicapped access has been requested from the Pew Grant for pluralism. She added that Dean of the Undergraduate College Michelle Myers has responded with the suggestion that funding, not necessarily from this source, would be available.

Having a student representative to the 504 Committee, which deals with this issue, was suggested as another way to increase student involvement in making changes. Michener pointed out that even though it is not possible for a lot of money to go towards improvements at once, it is important that a continued effort towards improving conditions be made.

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Misconstrued jokes aside, the Lakers will win

Greetings. Hmm, I always seem to find myself hard-pressed for a good salutation to my column. It seems trivial, but somehow I feel as if the opening word(s) sets the tone for what's to follow. "Greetings" just does not cut the mustard, but then again, what does? "Hi" is cutesy, "Hello" sounds goofy, "Hey there" insinuates hitting on someone, "Yo Home-Slices" is a little too casual, and my usual "Hello again everyone" is about as lame as can be. If there are any kind souls out there who have any deep insights into this major problem, your services would be much appreciated.

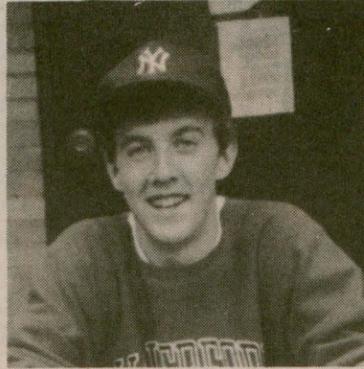
They always say that a good joke never needs explanation; what I need to know is what about a bad one? For judging from the response I've received from my ill-fated attempt at humor in my column of two weeks ago, explanation is necessary. When I "picked" the Lakers to beat the Celtics in the NBA championships this year, I was merely trying to demonstrate the ease / lack o' knowledge which entails making NBA picks, and thus used the two teams with the largest name recognition. Little did I know that everyone in the world would think that my picks were serious, careful selections and feel the need to tell me how awful they were. "The Celtics? They're over the hill." "The Lakers, again? Come on, get real" Well, my apologies for trying to make a subtle joke; I'll stick to my usual "sitcom" quality humor in the future.

In any case, all the discussion has led to serious consideration on my part, and in turn, compelled me to bless you with real, live, 100%, absolutely no guarantee, NBA picks. And you know what? I'm still going to pick the Lakers. No one can match their starting five, pound for pound. Sure Kareem is old, and can't rebound or play defense as well, but even at that, he's still better than most centers. Besides which, James Worthy and A.C. Green more than compensate in those areas which he is lacking. Magic and Bryon Scott are without question the best guard tandem. But the key to the Lakers winning three in a row could be the acquisition of Orlando Woolridge. He is a legitimate all-star when he puts his mind to it. I know people talk of his attitude and the drug problems, but playing with the Lakers may cure all that. People also talk about how hard it is to repeat. But the Lakers have already got the monkey off their back, winning #3 will not be as hard.

That's not to say that the Lakers will have it easy. There is no longer such a gap between the top teams and the good teams in the NBA. In the Western Conference, I see Utah, Seattle and Portland all with championship potential. Dallas, Denver and Houston are also good squads, but shouldn't pose too much of a threat. Come crunch time, however, I just can't see anyone beating the Lakers.

As for the Eastern Conference, Detroit has to be the fa-

vorite. They are strong, quick and don't let up. The Hawks, with newly acquired Moses Malone and Reggie Theus are very strong as well. And one should never count out the Celtics. But come the finals, none of these teams will be facing the Lakers. Who will it be? The Cleveland Cavaliers. They are an excellent young club, who have matured together for a few years, and they will surprise people this year. They may not



Rich Thomas On Sports

win their division, but the Cavs will come on strong in the playoffs to knock off Detroit, after which they'll go on to lose (happily) to the Lakers in 6.

What are you scoffing about? You didn't expect me to pick only the favorites - that's no fun. One of these times, I'll be right and you can say you read it here first. Speaking of bold predictions, let's

move on to college hoops. My SI preview has yet to arrive, but I managed to lay my hands on a copy and so at least I can pretend to know something about the upcoming season. The usual teams are there - Duke, Georgetown, North Carolina, Louisville. What a monopoly the top schools have on basketball players. Anyways, I still have no real clue who to pick. I'm a St. John's man, but they're looking hopeless. How about the Oklahoma Sooners? They run and gun, they're brash and loud, they point fingers in peoples faces: my kind of team.

What else? I guess I could talk about my IBB (Grey Whales in Distress) team's battle with the likes of Symonds, Eichner and Schwartz, but it would probably be cut. ("Really Rich, we didn't have space.") Suffice to say, we won. (By 2, in overtime, buddy!-ED.)

My weekly Heisman trophy rankings:

This week	Player	School	Last week
1	Rodney Peete	USC	1
2	Barry Sanders	Okla. St.	3
3	Troy Aikman	UCLA	2

I finally had the privilege of seeing him, and forgave the cliché, but "Peete is sweete." Sanders is rolling up the yardage and tds, but I'm always dubious of the runners at those big eight schools. I mean give me the ball 50 times a game with lineman who go 6'6",

450, and I'll get you a few yards. Aikman continues to look unimpressive, but if he has a super game in his showdown with Peete this weekend, he might walk away with it.

Speaking of big linemen, there has been much discussion of late of banning steroids in the NFL. Bravo. Drugs have no place in sports. And anybody who read the story in SI a few weeks ago would have to agree that steroids are an addicting and troublesome drug.

As long as I'm on the soap box, this year more than ever demonstrates the need for a playoff system in college football. Arkansas could quite possibly finish undefeated and not even make the top five. That's not right. If they are in fact weak, let it be proven. The top sixteen teams, as chosen by the writers and coaches, would play in a single-elimination tournament. As for the bowls, they can remain. There will be a drawing, and each of the playoff games will be a bowl. The bidding for the teams by the bowls has become very slimy of late; the playoff system would entail a certain amount of money for each game. One more rule, all bowls must be one word, a la Rose, Orange. None of this "Juicy, delicious, Sunkist Orange Fiesta Bowl" baloney.

One final note: if the Yankees trade Don Mattingly, I will personally see to it that George Steinbrenner's eyebrows are plucked. One by one. With log tongs.

Bryn Mawr swimmers start season slowly

by Jana Ernakovich
Staff writer

The Bryn Mawr Swimming and Diving team suffered its first two losses of the season this week to a strong division I Lehigh University team and to the equally formidable Trenton State College. However, first year coach Barbara Bolich felt good about the meets and the individual times that her swimmers turned in.

On Wednesday, Bryn Mawr hosted Lehigh and fell 105-174. Bolich noted that one of the bright spots for Bryn Mawr were the divers. Freshman Ingrid Johnson placed third for Bryn Mawr, competing in both the 1-meter and the optional 3-meter events. "Ingrid [Johnson] did wonderfully," Bolich stated. After coming directly after soccer season to diving, Johnson stated, "I've been out of practice for a while. It's just starting to come back, and it feels really good."

As for the swimmers, Bolich feels pleased with the effort that they turned out. Expecting Lehigh to be very tough, Bolich stated that she took the opportunity to play around with the lineup. Her approach was to use the meet as a learning experience for the swimmers. "We worked out strategies to play with the swims. We wanted to try something different. We didn't put in our strongest line up because we didn't expect that it would be a close meet. But we accomplished something. They did learn some lessons today."

Co-captain Junior Emily Moore agreed that the meet was a success. "Because it's the first meet, you don't really know what your shooting for. What we

wanted to do was to keep our form and speed up, and we did. And staying calm in the first meet is important." Moore lauded the efforts of her teammates, stating, "Everyone was willing to do her part. [Sophomore] Natalie [May] swam two events that weren't her specialty, and she came out smiling."

May showed "fantastic sportsmanship," according to Senior co-captain Andrea Johnson. Johnson, who is sporting a shoulder injury, was unable to swim her long distance events (the 500 and 1000 yard races), so May swam in her place. However, Johnson did swim the shorter distances, and recorded a personal best time of 28.23 in the 50yd. freestyle.

Bolich noted that many of the swimmers recorded personal or seasonal improvements in their times. (Year) Julie Smith dropped 8 seconds from the 200 yd. breaststroke time that she recorded during the Haverford scrimmage at the Lehigh meet, and sophomore Monica Shah is swimming faster than she was last year at this time, after coming from soccer practice only a few weeks ago.

Speaking of the loss, Bolich states, "No one enjoys getting beaten, but we kept it in perspective. The team has a more aggressive attitude. As far as I'm concerned, the meet was a success. And we're only going to get faster." On Monday, Bryn Mawr hosted its second meet of the season against a stronger Trenton State team, losing by a wide margin. Diving proved to be the strong point for Bryn Mawr once again, as Johnson took first place in the 1-meter

competition. Following with a strong second place finish was Freshman Katherine Brown. Freshman Mia Norlin finished fourth. Brown also took second place in the compulsory second round event on the 1-meter board.

A few Bryn Mawr swimmers placed very well in the meet, including Shah, who placed 2nd in the 100yd freestyle and 3rd in both the 100yd butterfly and 100yd backstroke. Johnson placed 2nd in the 50yd freestyle and the 500yd freestyle events, and May placed 3rd in the 200yd backstroke. The medley relay team consisting of Shaw, Sophomore Amy Mahan, sophomore Melissa Pantel, and Johnson, placed 3rd.

Bryn Mawr is preparing for it's first away meet on the 29th, when the team will travel to Glasboro. Bolich is confident that it will be a much closer meet in



Bryn Mawr swimmers hit the water. Photo by Gwen Stewart

terms of team score, feeling that her team is improving every day, and, in spite of the two losses,

states, "We're still on track as a team."

Freshmen respond to pluralism at Bryn Mawr

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Association (ISA), the Asian Student Association (ASA), and the Hispanic Student Association (HSA).

Many students said that the workshop needed greater depth and more active participation to stimulate students to express and accept different opinions, beyond the pre-established ideas of what is "good or bad" to say.

Students suggested discussion about the letter be held over a

longer period of time. Students would then have time to decide how they felt about issues such as racism, classism, and sexual orientation. Extending the workshop would also allow the participants to become better acquainted. Thus they might be more willing to share and discuss different points of view.

Otherwise, as Jaffe said, "the fact that we were there and that we all agreed meant that we did not need to be there."

Amnesty continued

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also showed an animated, short feature film created by Amnesty International. It outlined and explained a human rights document which Amnesty hopes will be adopted by every country in the world.

This document, sometimes known as "the passport to human rights" consists of 33 statements. They include; the prohibition of torture and execution and fair and prompt trial for those under arrest regardless of race, sex or religion. It also urges that non-violent policies be applied to prisoners.

Sports

New B-ball coaches seek improvement

by Howard Fendrich
Staff writer

David Hooks has been named to head the Haverford Men's Basketball Team, while Sue Stahl will take over the Woman's program.

With an emphasis on creating true student-athletes and a highly competitive team, Hooks forseees making great strides in the near future. Hooks, who was hired to replace Rob Jackson says that he is "trying to keep everything upbeat and focused on the future" with his young team, which includes five freshmen.

This upbeat method is working, according to Freshman Dave Nelson. "Coach Hooks has the attitude that he expects to win, and the confidence that we will win. He doesn't coach to lose by five points instead of 40 points, he coaches to win."

Although there may not be immediate improvement in the team's won-loss record, Hooks hopes that the players' skills and confidence will improve. "We're in the crawl-to-walk stage, the stage of individual improvement right now, not victories. But I think we can get there [to a competitive playing level]," Hooks said.

"I can promise you one thing," he declared. "The games will be closer and more exciting. One of our goals here is staying in the game at least into the last five minutes."

In order to be more competitive this season, Hooks, who also was hired to coach Men's Lacrosse, has shifted the Fords into a game plan calling for a transition offense and a full-court-press defense. These tactics proved fruitful in the team's opening pre-season scrimmage against Brandywine, which the

BMC X-C ends season

by Jana Ernakovich
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Last Saturday, the Bryn Mawr Cross Country team finished its season at the Regional meet held in Allentown, finishing 14th in a field of 20 teams.

Junior Kim DaSilva crossed the line first for Bryn Mawr, placing 18th out of a the approximately 150 runners. She was followed by Freshman Nancy Bell, who finished 22nd. Disappointed that the team didn't do as well as they had hoped, Bell stated that she felt that the whole team was off. "You have some good days and some bad days, and I guess it wasn't a good day."

Nevertheless, the runners on the team are satisfied with the way the season progressed. Senior Lauren Baier stated, "The

Fords won by an estimated 60 points.

Hooks hopes to help his players get used to the idea of being student-athletes. "A student-athlete can be both an excellent student and an excellent athlete," he said. "People in general are limited only by what they limit themselves to. I think that our major objective is [for the team members] to realize that within them lies a great athlete."

Immediately prior to joining the Haverford Athletic Department, Hooks served as an assistant coach in both basketball and lacrosse at Guildford College, his alma mater.

Stahl's previous basketball coaching came at Ursinus, her alma mater. In her final two years at that school, Stahl said, she led the team to the MAC playoffs. During her time at Ursinus, she also served as an assistant lacrosse coach, a position she currently holds at Temple University.

Reflecting on the Fords' showing in 1987-88, Stahl commented, "We're just going to try and turn it around and get some wins on the board.... It's a challenge for the girls as well as myself to improve on last year... but everything takes time. We know one thing, and that is that we won't quit."

The coach is emphasizing learning and advancing as players, rather than only accumulating victories. "I want to coach and teach and they will work hard... it's their team," she said.

Stahl acknowledged that she still is "not really that familiar" with all her players, and that it will take time for a starting lineup to materialize. Until then, and for much of the season, perhaps, "everyone will get playing time," she said.

season was a lot of fun. A lot of people improved a lot. Personally, I found this season very satisfying. I enjoyed running with the team and thought that we did well, especially in the PAIAW meet." Bell agreed, saying "I think we did really well. It almost ended too fast."

With the 1988 season over, Bell is looking forward to next season. Because 5 of the 6 runners on the team will be returning, she feels that they will have a strong contingent next fall. She hopes, however, that the team will expand in numbers. "We're going to have to get a lot more runners, because people do get sick or injured. With only 6 runners, you can't afford to miss practice or a meet," she explained.

SKEETERS' PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Tamara Lave

Any fear of a *Sports Illustrated*-like jinx was dispelled over the past weekend at Allentown College as Junior Tamara Lave captured the Eastern Regional Championships. Her winning time of 18:43 was the third best in meet history, and insured her a trip to Nationals for the second year in a row.. As the first consecutive Skeeters' Player of the Week recipient, we felt Tamara deserved more than just the ordinary pizza. So with this free pie, Skeeters', home of the greatest pizza in the world, will toss in 3 extra toppings of your choice. Congrats Tamara and good luck in St. Louis (Nationals).



New basketball head coaches Sue Stahl and David Hooks prepare for successful seasons.

Photos by Jen Schweitzer

Lave wins Regionals

by Mark Dauenhauer
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Haverford Junior Tamara Lave ran away with the NCAA East Regional Cross-Country Championship at Allentown College, last Saturday. The victory earned Lave the opportunity to compete tomorrow at the NCAA National Championship meet and the chance to earn All-American honors.

Lave finished the 3.1 mile course in 18:43, which was the third fastest time ever for the regional meet. She finished far ahead of the second and third place runners. Coach James Caldwell said, "She has established herself as a dominant runner at this level."

It would be tough to argue

with that. On her way to the championship, Lave beat 138 other runners in a field which included the best Division III runners from Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland. By virtue of winning the meet, Lave advances to the national championship meet in St. Louis. The top 4 runners from the regional meet were invited to Nationals. The first 25 finishers at Nationals make All-American.

Racing with the best is nothing new for Lave. In the past two year she has won several meets and has made two previous trips to Nationals. But, as Caldwell points out, Lave keeps improving. "Last year she finished second at regionals in 19:05 so she took off 22 seconds this year," he said.

Due to this improvement, Caldwell is enthusiastic about Lave's chances at Nationals. According to Caldwell, Lave finished thirtieth at Nationals last year, just 5 places and about 4 seconds shy of making All-American. This year, Caldwell thinks she has a good chance at making All-American. He said, "She is right where we wanted her to be at this time. She should do fine on Saturday."

Haverford did not run a full team at regionals due to injuries. Jackie Veal and Leanne Yanabu were the other Ford runners who competed. Veal finished 82nd in 21:33 and Yanabu finished 114th in 23:14. There were 27 teams competing in the race.

Scoreboard

HC Wrestling (0-2)

Rutgers-Camden- 39

HC- 16

Elizabethtown- 33

HC- 19

Senior Captain Emory Morrison swept his matches, including a pin against E-town.

BMC Swimming (0-2)

BMC I. to Div. I Lehigh

BMC I. to Trenton St.

Bonenberger, Leighninger named All-Mideast at X-C

by Howard Fendrich
Staff writer

Sophomore Ken Bonenberger and Freshman Matt Leighninger captured all-Mideast individual honors at Saturday's Regional Qualifying meet for the NCAA Division III Cross Country championships. The Men's team placed fifth out of 29 schools, but missed the two-team cutoff for the National Championships.

By finishing among the first 25 (out of approximately 200) runners at the meet, Bonenberger (11th place) and Leighninger (22nd) placed on the all-region squad.

Although the Fords did not secure a berth in the title meet,

coach Tom Donnelly was pleased with the performance turned in by his team. "I thought we had a great season given the fact that we were so young and had almost no championship experience," he said.

Donnelly explained that he had envisioned this as a possible rebuilding year because although the team had finished first in Regionals last season and won the MAC crown the past three campaigns, it was missing All-American Seamus McElligot. However, led by Bonenberger, the Fords managed to finish second in the league.

"It takes awhile to develop confidence on a college level,"

Donnelly said. "It will take a little time to mature and be champs again.... I'd like to get back to that level next year and I think we can."

"It's been our pattern to work hard. We're not saying 'it's too bad we didn't win the MAC's.' That's over, so we are looking to the future and improvement next year."

Bonenberger was the leader of the team on the track and off, according to Donnelly. "He finished first for us in every single race and didn't run a bad race all year. He has a good chance to make All-American if he continues to work hard."