IN BRIEF
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The newly merged clubs, one started this semester by freshman Inny Berry, and the other began last semester by then-sophomore Heather Moss, intend to organize Democratic students at Bryn Mawr with a series of political events.

Solutions for parking situation hashed over in SGA

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Going and coming

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Fruity Booty

Nicole Foulke

Star-gazing

Finding a study sanctuary in Bryn Mawr’s Carpenter Library

Emily Moos

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Lakshmi Gandhi with Christine McCluskey
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Sarah Noreika ("Remembrance" p. 17), a junior, first met Steve Raible at HC's campus during her freshman year. Last year she co-hosted from Haverford her WHRC radio show, featuring an eclectic mix of modern music and readings from Cosmopolitan. An art history major with advanced knowledge of Italian, she is currently studying, and doing some travelling, with the program Temple University in Rome. A former Bi-Co Perspectives and also Word editor, she enjoys writing.

MEREDITH LEWIS
Meredith Lewis (the "Calling Shots" column p.16 and "Coming and going, packing and unpacking, returning home from abroad" p.18), a Haverford senior majoring in English, returns to campus this year from a year abroad at Oxford University. She edits, and has had work published, in The Haverford Review, and also writes and illustrates her own children’s narrative poems.

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Bonnie Bissonnette ("Summer's over! Yes!" p. 160), a sophomore history major, is coming off of a summer as a "temp slave" in Rhode Island, where she worked at a torpedo-waste cleanup site and a fabric & yacht interiors factory. She is the dorm representative for her residence, Radnor Hall.

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Haverford’s OMA broadens mission

In an effort to keep the issue of multiculturalism in the forefront, Haverford College’s Office of Multicultural Affairs (OMA) has decided this year to broaden its role as leader of the college’s efforts to realize diversity.

This year the OMA is planning to work “with faculty and administration to recruit and retain students, faculty and administrators of color, and develop varied learning opportunities designed to increase the community’s understanding of and sensitivity to issues related to cultural pluralism,” commented Sunni Green-Tolbert, associate dean of the college and director of multicultural affairs. “We don’t have jurisdiction over hiring faculty, but we do try and bring insight to those bodies that do.”

These efforts are intended to better prepare Haverford students to live in a country that is quickly becoming a cultural melting pot. According to Dean Tolbert, it is important that even white students, who still make up the majority of the student body, see themselves as part of the multiculturalism, not as an entity outside of it. “We want to ask questions about to what extent do majority students see multiculturalism as being of importance to themselves.”

Tolbert agreed: “We want to ask questions about to what extent do majority students see multiculturalism in the forefront, Haverford’s OMA broadens mission.”

Students Speakers Committee talks about budgeting, “big speakers”

One year ago the Students Speakers Committee was formed by founders Nora McGinn (BMC ’02) and Devika Prasad (BMC ’01), and soon afterwards Caitlin Piccarello (BMC ’03) and Amy Peltz (BMC ’02) joined in this group’s commitment to bring distinguished lecturers to campus each semester.

Last semester, the group conducted a student survey asking which of eight prominent figures, including Der Dem Meyers, Patricia Ireland, Noam Chomsky, Angela Davis, Jonathan Kozol and Gloria Steinem — they would want on campus. Students had selected Kurt Vonnegut from a Fall 1999 survey; he was set to come this semester. A week before he signed the contract, however, Vonnegut was involved in an unfortunate accident, as he was seriously injured in a fire that destroyed his house.

Gloria Steinem received the most votes in the survey done last semester. Piccarello, a member of the Committee, said that Steinem was an attractive choice for Bryn Mawr students because “[S]he’s a fellow Seven Sisters alum. She’s dedicated pretty much her entire life to women’s empowerment and to women’s advancement.”

McGinn stressed the fact that “because of the huge success of the event, it’s obvious students want big speakers” each semester. To achieve this would require some “major planning”, she would either add $15 to tuition, or the Committee would work with SGA to relocate the existing funds. The Committee knew that the speech event would be a huge success when they started getting calls from local colleges and universities, such as St. Joseph’s University and the University of Pennsylvania, requesting tickets. The turnout at the speech confirmed their expectations.

Members of the committee picked the title and topic of Steinem’s speech of Sept. 14, and the decision was Steinem to talk about the politics because of the upcoming election and to incorporate college students, given the setting of the talk. Initially, the Office of Public Relations warned that the event turnout was not likely to fill Goodhart entirely, as that had rarely been done. However, 500 reserve tickets sold out well within the four days that they were available to concertgoers.

With a SGA-funded budget of $15,000, the Committee found a group of speakers that accorded its budget. The group’s next challenge consisted of finding speakers who would be available on the same day that Goodhart Hall were available.

Once the plans were finalized, additional budgeting was made available by the Alumni Office, President’s Office, Provost’s Office, Office of Public Relations, and the Office of Student Activities.

Population growth debate unravels into ethical fray of right v. left

A GreenTree-sponsored discussion entitled “The World’s Burgueoning Population” sparked passionate back-and-forth on virtue, religiosity, sexual promiscuity and the standards of the American family last Thursday, Sept. 21. The discussion often veered off of its intended course as Peter H. Kostmayer, the President of Zero Population Growth, who spoke in favor of stabilizing the world’s population, debated with Patrick Fagan, a Senior Fellow at the Heritage Foundation. The two disagreed on nearly every issue, presenting contradicting sets of statistics to prove their cases.

Moderator Kate Sedwick, the assistant director of GreenTree, often interrupted in order to allow both presenters to speak uninterrupted. The discussion was the first in GreenTree’s series, “Global Community Worldview Conversations.”

Fagan repeatedly stressed that contraception is not the way to achieve smaller families. He believes that the only proper way for a couple to control the size of its family is to practice natural family planning. “There are huge consequences to contraceptive practices,” he said dourly, speaking contemptuously of contraception because he believes that it has contributed to the ruin of the American family, and the destruction of the nature of the sexual act. “If we take care of the American family - mother, father, child - we will have a robust family,” he stated, and thus have no need for contraception. Kostmayer pointed out that many experts have discounted Fagan’s suggested contraceptive methods as ineffective birth control. Fagan countered with data that natural family planning had been introduced to couples of all educational and economic backgrounds and showed the same success rate as chemical birth control.

This exchange was just one of many disagreements that the two had throughout the evening.

Fagan strongly believes that birth control should never have been legalized in the United States but believes that it would be “very bad and very imprudent” to now reverse existing law, as it could not be imposed suddenly. Kostmayer believes that if Fagan’s views were ever implemented into law, the country would go into a period of moral decline similar to that of the 70’s and 80’s when the rights of women and minorities were severely restricted.

Peter Kostmayer’s views on population growth took a very different approach. “Stabilizing population,” he said, requires access to education. That applies to the entire world.” He later added that in addition to needing access to family planning and economic opportunity. According to Kostmayer, the United States had the highest level of unplanned pregnancy in the entire world, as well as the highest rate of teenage pregnancy. Only five percent of American children in grades K-12 need access to appropriate sex education, and Kostmayer believes that this is reflected in the birthrate, as well as in the fact that 20 percent of children in the United States are living in poverty.

Taking issue with Kostmayer’s statement that fertility rates are going up, Fagan insisted that the rates are actually declining and that the rise in birth rates can be attributed to immigration, both legal and illegal. According to Fagan, the birthrate among non-immigrants has descended sharply.

Another contentious issue among the speakers and the audience concerned the relationship, if any, between religion, and personal and professional success. Fagan continually stated that people who attend “regular religious worship” lead more fulfilling professional and personal lives. This was contested by several members of the audience who pointed out that attending religious services is in the result of prosperity than the cause of it. Peter Kostmayer disregarded this notion by voicing his belief that work “with faculty and administration to recruit and retain students, faculty and administrative support as well as students.”

The secession ended abruptly, with moderator Kate Sedwick stopping audience questions in mid-sentence. Several audience members were still wanting Fagan to clarify further his position on religion and the American family.

With reporting by Christine McCluskey

Solutions for parking situation

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Maloney reminded the Sunday night group that it is the commuters who are most affected by the situation, since they are forced to circle the lots for hours, and often consequently arrive late to class. Public Safety has tried to ease the situation by adding blue dot spots, intended for com-
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Community about her position. She hopes that anyone, students and staff alike, with ideas or concerns will contact her. She welcomes visitors to her office in Canwyll House, and can also be reached at ext. 7351. One of Bell's long-term goals is to establish fair, consistent policies regarding accessibility. >>Heather MacClintock

Two more prowler incidents reported at BMC

At 10:16 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 21, another prowler sighting on the Bryn Mawr Campus was reported, this time near Rhoads Hall. Two residents of the dorm saw a man wearing a long-sleeved t-shirt and khaki shorts looking into their windows. They immediately called Public Safety, but the man was not found. The students described him as a slender white male in his early 20s, clean-cut with light hair, and approximately 6 feet in height. According to Director of Public Safety John Maloney, this "vaguely fits the description" of the subjects in other recent prowler incidents. Maloney was quick to emphasize, however, that this incident and the others may not be connected. "People do different things at different times," he said.

Beginning on Sept. 12, when a suspicious man was seen outside of Erdman Hall after midnight, four separate incidents have been reported, each at different dorms. The second occurred after midnight on Sept. 14 at Pembroke East, where a man was seen walking suspiciously close to the windows of a ground-floor room.

On Friday, Sept. 15, the third report was filed. According to an email sent to the entire student body, a resident of Pembroke East "observed a male looking at her under the shower door" shortly after 2 p.m. This man was described as white and in his early 20s, with a recently grown beard, wearing a baseball cap, white tee-shirt and brown shorts. When the resident and her hall advisor confronted the man, he claimed he was looking for a student named Rachel. Although several students of that name living on the hall were contacted, none knew the man.

Bryn Mawr is not unaccustomed to the occasional peeper. Maloney re-
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FRIDAY, SEPT. 15
1:55 a.m.
An officer observed two males, between 18 and 21 years of age, attempting to remove the gate arm at the south end of the HCA Trail. Upon the officer's arrival, both males fled north up the trail. The gate was not damaged.

10:36 p.m.
A student reported that a wallet, containing cash, was taken from a desk drawer between Sept. 11 and Sept. 15. The room was open and unlocked most of that time.

10:55 p.m.
The same student in Comfort reported another wallet and money stolen from an open, unlocked room between Sept. 14 and Sept. 15.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 16
1:36 a.m.
Security received a complaint of noise at 22 and 14 HCA: residents lowered their music.

11:11 a.m.
A visitor jogging near the front gate reported a college resident's dog ran over and bit his dog.

10:46 p.m.
A resident at Haverford Village Apartments complained of loud noise coming from the HCA complex. Students at 14 HCA lowered their music.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 17
12:39 a.m.
Haverford Police notified Security of a noise complaint regarding loud music in the HCA complex. Police and Security checked the area with negative results.

3:03 a.m.
Security received a call regarding possible alcohol poisoning involving an alum. The alum was taken to the hospital by ambulance.

MONDAY, SEPT. 18
1 p.m.
Student reported the theft of cash which was left unattended in an unsecured locker on Sept. 14 between 4 p.m. and 6 p.m.

2 p.m.
A student reported the theft of a camera sometime between Sept. 13 and Sept. 16.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 19
4:23 p.m.
A student returned to her unlocked room and found a suspicious male going through her belongings. When asked what he was doing, the male claimed to be looking for a student named Ethan. The suspect is male, Black, 5'8", with wide shoulders but slender build, 20 to 23 years old, dark complexion, with a light beard and mutton chops/fuzzy sideburns. He was wearing a red t-shirt and baggy pants.

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TUESDAY, SEPT. 12
1:02 a.m.
Two residents report leaving the front door of Erdman Hall and seeing a male in dark clothing walking in the bushes near the building. The suspect fled on foot toward the Gateway when the women shouted at him. Safety Alert issued. Extra patrols conducted.

10:35 a.m.
A contractor working on campus came to Public Safety with an eye injury. First aid was given, but the contractor was taken to Bryn Mawr Hospital by a fellow worker for further evaluation.

3:37 p.m.
A tenant at Pen-Y-Bryn reports teenagers loitering by the dumpsters in the early morning. Extra patrols to be given.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 13
8:38 a.m.
Officers responded to Glennemed Estate on a report of a car driving along Morris Avenue that left the roadway and struck and damaged one of the two pillars at the entrance. Lower Merion Police #00-0910908. No apparent injury.

11:10 a.m.
A Transportation driver operating the Swarthmore run reports that while he was exiting the Blue Route on his return to campus, a large cement truck rolled back, striking the college van and damaging the front bumper and fender. Two students were aboard, but there were no injuries. Pennsylvania State Police #K12-1102111.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 14
12:44 a.m.
Two residents of Pembroke East report a male walking along the path between Merton Avenue and Guild Hall weared off the path toward their window. Nearby officers responded within seconds, but the subject was not located.

1:00 p.m.
Responding to complaints from a resident on Millbank Road, three parking tickets were issued to cars belonging to bi-college students.

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WASHINGTON - The Senate on Tuesday approved permanent normal trade status for China, laying the groundwork for a new trade relationship between the United States and China that will promote prosperity in America and free trade in China. In a decisive 83-15 vote, the Senate on Tuesday approved permanent normal trade status for China, laying the framework for a new trade regime under which China is to open its doors to American businesses and investors. The legislation, which Clinton and others have praised as the most positive development in U.S.-China relations since President Nixon’s visit to Beijing in 1972, now goes to the White House for the president’s signature.

The granting of permanent trade status will end the annual review of U.S.-China trade relations that has been a source of contention between the two countries. Approval also sets the stage for China’s entry into the World Trade Organization. With WTO entry early this year or early next year, China is committed to opening its markets and drastically cutting tariffs on American and other imports. But detractors, led by labor, human rights and conservative groups, said it was wrong to sacrifice trade as a policy tool that could help force China to stop proliferating weapons and start improving its human rights record.

The legislation calls for a congressional-executive commission to monitor human rights in China and creates a so-called surge mechanism to help American industries and workers hurt by an increase in Chinese imports.

China welcomed the Senate vote as a boon to economic and political relations with the United States but objected to the creation of a commission to monitor Chinese human rights practices.

Both presidential candidates, Vice President Al Gore and Texas Gov. George W. Bush, support permanent trade status with China.

MILOSEVIC MAY CLING TO POWER

With Slobodan Milosevic trailing in the polls, one of his key lieutenants says the Yugoslav president will remain in office until June even if he loses this weekend’s election. “The current president can stay in power until the middle of next year because the constitution allows him to do so,” Prime Minister Momir Bulatovic said in a late Thursday interview with private Elmag TV in Montenegro.

But a leader of Serbia’s opposition alliance told The Associated Press on Friday the prime minister’s claim was “absolutely scandalous” and that Milosevic’s opponents would not accept such “prevarication with the constitution.”

“This testifies that Milosevic’s regime is utterly frightened,” said Goran Svilanovic of the Serbian Civic Alliance. “It’s inexcusable and we will not accept it, we shall demand a legal implementation of the constitution to protect the elected president.”

Some legal experts also question Bulatovic’s interpretation, since the constitution also requires a new president to be sworn in within 15 days of Sunday’s election. Milosevic, who assumed the presidency in 1989, called for a drawdown from the reserve. Bulatovic’s comment was broadcast shortly before the President called for a drawdown from the reserve. Bulatovic’s comment was broadcast shortly before the President called for a drawdown from the reserve.

Richardson announced the decision — only the second time that oil from the reserve has been used in response to an energy emergency — a day after Vice President Al Gore called for a drawdown from the reserve. Richardson said that home heating oil inventories were 19 percent lower than a year ago nationwide and 65 percent lower in New England, where people rely heavily on oil to heat their homes. Overall, oil stocks have been tight for months despite some increased worldwide production by the OPEC oil cartel.

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Yes, my faithful reader, "Column" is now in its third installment, and surprisingly enough, it has not yet been cancelled. This means that it has already had a longer run than the immortal successful Chevy Chase late night talk show. If you missed out on that extravaganza, don't worry, you are not alone. Anyway, I am mighty tired from all of the research that went into the first two installments of Column. So for this week I am going to let Mike Tyson do the most of the work for me. It is my firm belief that if you added up the number of dumb quotes spouted out by people other than Mike Tyson, the total number would still be less than the same number of Tyson's moronic quotes. Don't feel my faithful followers, we will still have some of the staple features, but Tyson is going to bear the load this week.

Tyson Quotes Part 1: The quotes from part one are all from before his most recent press conference, which took place a few weeks ago. 1) "Whenever I say something behind someone's back, I will say it to their face." Now who says that Tyson doesn't understand the effectiveness of a well-placed paradox? 2) "I never cared about the public. I enjoy doing this. I enjoy hurting people. This is how I make a living. I am in the hurting business. I sometimes do not like myself. I can understand why people do not like me." Don't worry Mike, I will always be in your corner. 3) When asked a question by reporter #1, Mike decides to ignore the question and instead proposes a question of his own to reporter #2 (John): "Hey John, I heard that you farted in someone's face at the party last night. Is that true?" Mike Tyson is in the midst of a press conference with over 200 reporters on hand. 4) Reporter: "Peter McNeely accused you of trying to break his arm; Sanders, who as those of you who read Column last week friend the Bandanna-ed One might be in for a little symbolic retribution this year, a theory espoused by Dante in his masterpiece the Inferno." Ok, let's think about who the average Monday Night Football watcher is for a moment. It's a fat, middle-aged, extremely inebriated man who wouldn't know who Dante was if he came home to the man himself sitting in his trailer eating pork rinds and waxing poetic. However, I imagine that at hearing Miller use the word "espoused" the average viewer would hit the mute button on the remote anyway, so I guess it doesn't really matter.

Tyson Quotes Part 2: Okay, these come from his most recent press conference, and they are definitely some of his better material. Tyson is like a fine wine; his quotes grow more impressive with age. 1) "If he tries to intimidate me again, I'm gonna put a bullet in his skull." I guess that is one method of conflict resolution. 2) "I'm the stupidest person in the history of boxing." Ok, don't say that Mike, you're a really smart guy. You don't give yourself enough credit. 3) "I take Zolof to stop me from killing y'all." Mike, are you aware of the potential side effects of Zolof? You gotta be careful man. 4) "I'm a violent person, almost like an animal." Imagine if he actually was an animal. It would be awful. How would we be able to understand his incredibly moronic quotes if he couldn't talk? 5) Mike: "I haven't seen my kids in months." Reporter: "Why not?" Mike: "None of your f*cking business whiteboy!" Now why did he have to go and bring race into the discussion? It always has to be about race. 6) "I don't know anything about being the heavyweight champion, or being a good, respectable person. I just want them to keep bringing guys on and I'm going to strip them of their health. I bring pain, a lot of pain." I wonder if Iron Mike has ever flirted with the idea of becoming an inspirational speaker? I would certainly follow him anywhere. 7) "I want Evander Holyfield's kids to watch and say "daddy, no, no." I have nothing to say about that one; it can stand on its own. But I am a convicted rapist ... I'm a hellraiser ... I am a semi-good husband." Now if I have said it once I have said it a thousand times: our society needs more semi-good husbands!

Survivor Week 3: Well, this week the outcast was decided by an intense game of "Memory" between Eric Lindros (recovering from his sixth concussion) and Troy Aikman (recovering from his seventh concussion). While neither one made an actual match, the judges decided that because Lindros was closer to making a match than Aikman, Aikman was the one who had to go. Troy Aikman is officially off the island. The remaining island castaways are Eric Lindros, Mike Tyson, Anna Kournikova, Tiger Woods, John Daly, Tonya Harding, Reggie White, Martina Navritilova and Brandi Chastain. Email me at datemail@haverford.edu and tell me who should be kicked off next and why. I'm outta here like Vladimir.

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Haverford freshman leads upset over Hopkins

Milan Mittra  Staff Writer

On a wet and cloudy Saturday afternoon, the Haverford women's soccer team upset Johns Hopkins (5-2), ranked 19th in the country among Division III schools, by a score of 2-0 to gain their first Centennial Conference win of the year. The Fords (3-4-1, 1-1-1) were led by the phenomenal play of freshman forward/midfielder Tania Mucci.

Two minutes later, in the 59th minute, Johns Hopkins' co-captain and defender Rashmi Roy was called for a handball. Haverford senior captain Margaret Neri took the free kick outside of the goal area. The ball bounced off of a Johns Hopkins' defender, but Mucci was there to take control of the loose ball and kick it to the left of a diving O'Malley into the net. Before playing Haverford, O'Malley had allowed only three goals in five games.

Without Mucci's scoring burst, the outcome of the game could have been very different. Johns Hopkins dominated the first half, as the majority of the play was either around midfield or deep in Haverford territory. Three minutes into the game, Hopkins midfielder Annie Calabella clanged a shot off the right post. And midway through the first half, forward Sarah Parola entered the box, but Haverford freshmen goalie Jen Trowbridge made a sprawling save to prevent Hopkins from scoring.

Although Hopkins had control of the ball most of the time, they were unable to get many shots on goal thanks to solid defense by Haverford, especially by freshmen Kendra Metzger and Liz Koster, who consistently cleared the ball out of the goal area.

The Fords' next home game is Wednesday against Ursinus.

BMC soccer player offers mid-season recap

Emily Engler  Guest Writer

Along with all of the Bryn Mawr fall athletes, Head Coach Kate Miller and Assistant Coach Hilary Moses welcomed the Bryn Mawr soccer team back to campus three days earlier than usual this August to get a head start on training for the upcoming season. After a nice, cool summer, it was of course exceptionally hot and humid through the week-and-a-half of pre-season, but the hard conditions made for a more prepared team. After the oppressive tropical weather, the team departed for their first match-ups of the season at the Kim Servedio Memorial Soccer Tournament at Hood College in Frederick, Md., in more pleasant meteorological conditions. After an easy 5-0 win over Hood College in the first round of the tournament, the team had to settle for second place after facing Randolph Macon Woman's College, whose team size had more than doubled since last year's tournament.

As they arrived, the difficulties of the academic year, so too arrived some of the roughest competition of the soccer team's season. Along with strong returning players like senior Liz Brettschneider and sophomores Amy O'Connor and Jen Gapin, lots of new talent came into the team with the extraordinarily large freshman class. The main addition was an experienced goalie, Sarah Caldwell '04, as well as many new starting field players in Shelley Solf '04, Mali Petherbridge '04, Kira Tschum '04 and transfer Claire Goldsmith '03.

The first game of the season was a very tough close match against an extremely physical team from Cabrini, resulting in a 1-0 loss. After two more close losses to Allentown College and Washington College, the team headed to Gettysburg to play the number one team in the conference only to have goalie Sarah Caldwell injured. In the first minutes of the game, while aggressively attacking the ball, Caldwell's shoulder was dislocated and she was rushed to the hospital to have it popped back in. Senior Nelle Bauer stepped up, and the team played extremely well against the regionally ranked team, something not necessarily exhibited by the 9-0 score.

After another close game against Beaver, the team traveled this weekend to Muhlenberg to be the away team at homecoming, which was intensified by the fact that Bryn Mawr's new assistant coach is a former Mule. But the team really played hard against the very strong Owl and came away with a 3-0 defeat amidst all of the fansphere of the Muhlenberg homecoming events.

The team is looking to pick up some more wins this coming week and hopefully get into a new groove. The team is developing well, and playing together as a unit. Caldwell is expected to return to play within the week, and the players are excited about the rest of the season. With two home games this week (Tuesday and Thursday) and one away game against Haverford next Wednesday, the team is getting geared up. We hope to see many cheering faces, especially at the Haverford game.

BMC field hockey steps up

Rachel Johnson  Guest Writer

In its match-up against Gettysburg on Saturday afternoon, the Bryn Mawr field hockey team brought its level of playing up a notch or two. Although losing to the visiting team, 5-0, Bryn Mawr was able to match last year's Centennial Conference champions in skill and determination.

"It was a solid team effort," said captain Brooke Walker. Conditions were not ideal -- a night of rain and the continuous drizzle that lasted through the game left the field muddy and treacherous. Fans dotted the edge of the field, despite the weather, and cheered on the home team, which played its game against Gettysburg to play the number one team in the conference only to have goalie Sarah Caldwell injured. In the first minutes of the game, while aggressively attacking the ball, Caldwell's shoulder was dislocated and she was rushed to the hospital to have it popped back in. Senior Nelle Bauer stepped up, and the team played extremely well against the

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Haverford and Drew fight for possession.

**HC Volleyball**

Haverford 3, Dickinson 0 (15-10, 15-13, 15-4)
Haverford 3, Western Maryland 0 (15-2, 15-13, 15-10)
WESTMINSTER, Md. (Sept. 16) — First-year hitter Jen Constantino had 18 kills on 31 attempts and two lone errors (.516) to lead Haverford past host Western Maryland and into a three-way tie for first-place in the Centennial Conference Saturday.

Constantino added 10 digs and five assists against the defending CC-champions, who had only dropped one game in eight previous meetings with the Fords. Sophomore setter Frank had 23 assists and 11 digs, freshman Jelyn Meyer 10 kills and seven digs, and senior Anne Sankd and fosh Liz Bowen four blocks each in the WMC win.

In the opening match, Frank (18 assists) and Constantino had nine kills apiece as the Fords defeated Dickinson for the second time in two weeks and snapped a four-year Centennial losing streak against the Red Devils (5-3, 0-2).

**Constantino Named CC Player of the Week**

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She also had a double-double (10 kills, 14 digs) Thursday at Division II West Chester and nine kills Saturday vs. Dickinson as the Fords remained unbeaten in Division I.

The Fords had won only one game ever in eight previous meetings with the defending CC-champions WMC before Saturday's stunning win on the Green Terror's home court.

**HC Men's Soccer**

Haverford 4, Eastern I
WESTMINSTER, Md. (Sept. 16) — The Fords (6-1, 1-0) tied Eastern I (2-7-2, 0-1-0) 1-1 Saturday in their opening match,Frank (18 assists) and Constantino had nine kills apiece as the Fords defeated Dickinson for the second time in two weeks and snapped a four-year Centennial losing streak against the Red Devils (5-3, 0-2).

Senior Ellen Knechel got Haverford off to a 1-0 lead on an assist from classmate Sarah Lee six minutes into the game, but Drew equalized five minutes later. With 13 minutes to go in the first half Elena Guarinello '02 scored on an assist from Robin Herlands '01, but Drew responded with a goal and a penalty score to lead at halftime, 3-2. The Rangers made it 4-2 after 16 minutes of the second half, and though the Fords then drew a lot of offense at them, they could score only half the goals they needed, with Lee nailing the back of the cage on a feed from Guarinello with 6:18 remaining.

Fords place fourth at Seven Sisters Tournament
Haverford 5, Smith 1
Swarthmore 4, Haverford 1
Vassar 2, Haverford 1
BRYMMAWR (Sept. 16-17) — Haverford senior Robin Herlands earned all-tournament recognition at the Seven Sisters for scoring two goals against Smith, a game-tying goal against Swarthmore and assisting junior Kristin McKie's game-tying goal Sunday versus Vassar.

Senior Sarah Lee also was named all-tourney and classmate Blythe Coons rallied the defense, which has kept the Fords within a goal in four of five losses this season.

Junior Elena Guarinello had three assists on the weekend, including a pair vs. Smith. Senior Erin Moore made 10, 11 and 13 saves in the respective Sisters games.

**HC Men's Cross Country**

Villanova at Haverford (no team scores)
HAVERFORD (Sept. 15) — Sophomore Kristin Wilson (11:38) finished sixth and senior Samantha Tubman (12:28) 11th in the two-mile race against the Wildcats Friday evening.

**HC Women's Tennis**

Swarthmore Tournament
SWARTHMORE — Haverford junior Joanna Grayrey defeated second seed Samantha Parish of Scranton, 6-3, 6-0, then NYU's Tess Coverman, 3-6, 7-5, 1-0 (6), to advance to the finals of the Flight B doubles.

Grayrey fell to the host's Kristina Pao, 6-2, 6-1, in the B final and also teamed with Ford's first-year Jessica Redlick to win a-7 decision over Erin Michalak/Danielle Schneider of Scranton in Flight A doubles. Redlick won her first-round Flight A singles match, 6-3, 6-4, over NYU's Kate Kooler, while Grayrey's fellow sibling Julia paired with classmate Kathryn Crozier to win, 8-4, over top seeds Colleen Nattrass/Parish of Scranton in Flight B doubles.

**HC Cricket**

Prior CC 149 for 5. Haverford 148 for 4
HAVERFORD — The Varsity XI fell to 0-3-0 on the season as Prior won with one over to spare. Freshman Nihad Rahman scored 32 not out, and senior Micah Drayton scored a career-high 20 runs, not out. Poor bowling all around thwarted the Fords, but Rahman bowled a solid eight overs, giving up 50 runs while sophomore Shawn Alexander bowled nine overs, giving up 40 and taking two wickets.

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at Bryn Mawr say to a question about scheduling problems among athletes?" Neto-Stormes states that she, as well as "everyone in the chemistry department," does everything they can to accommodate sports women. "Women can come back in the morning or the afternoon to finish a lab and can even switch lab days to avoid conflict with a big game," she says.

As for the coaches, Jodie Rodgers '01, a captain of Bryn Mawr's field hockey team, states that they can predict about academic interference. Our coach pushed our practices back to... 4:30 rather than 4 so that students can finish up their classes without having to worry about conflict. However, there still exists the problem of game-class conflicts. The field hockey team, for example, has four games this year scheduled from 2 to 4 p.m., on Wednesdays, of which two are away games.

While professors and coaches are certainly sympathetic to student-athletes, scheduling conflicts, especially due to lab periods and mid-day games, remain.

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**BMC soccer falls to Beaver College, 3-0**

Anna Milanez
Staff Writer

The Bryn Mawr soccer team lost 3-0 to Beaver College in a non-conference game this past Thursday. During the first half, Beaver College dominated the field and scored one goal. Throughout the second half, Bryn Mawr had a stronger offense, yet Beaver College scored two goals nonetheless. Senior Nelle Bauer played goalkeeper in place of Sarah Caldwell, who is expected to be out for the next two weeks with a shoulder injury. Bauer made a series of saves, particularly during the second half when Beaver had many solid shots on goal. The Bryn Mawr defense was lead by seniors Amy O'Connor and Jenny Gapin. Mal Petherbridge '04 led the offense by putting strong pressure on Beaver College's defense. During practice, the Maverettes plan to work on more effective defensive strategies, which they hope will give rise to more offensive opportunities.
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A sojourn in another century: Tranquility at the Japanese House

Abby Mathews
Assistant Arts & Living Editor

In the heart of Fairmount Park, the largest urban green space in the world, is the Japanese House and Garden, a reproduction of a 17th century estate. The house lies on the grounds of the Philadelphia Horticultural Society, which is responsible for maintaining the facility. Originally, the site was home to a Buddhist temple which burned in 1955. Though the 1876 landscaping that accompanied the temple remains largely intact, the sanctuary was not rebuilt. Instead, the area was selected as an ideal location for Shofuso, or "the pine-breeze villa.

Quite large by Japanese standards, the house is representative of the sort of mansion inhabited by a priest or military official in the 17th century. Its graceful simplicity and peaceful surroundings make the house an ideal destination for a weekend getaway. Shofuso is built in a traditional style that is becoming increasingly rare. It is constructed without fastenings other than wooden dowels, and most joints are mortar and tenon. Because of this, the house could be first built in Japan, and then shipped to Philadelphia, where it was fitted together like a puzzle. The building consists entirely of hinoki wood, a dense, slow growing tree in the cypress family, which is remarkable for its insulating properties and its ability to deter termites.

In fact, the house has a number of characteristics that would allow inhabitants to control climate using passive techniques. Doors and windows are all removable to promote air circulation in the summer months, and the roof, which is nearly a foot thick, is an excellent insulator.

The roof is perhaps the most remarkable feature of the construction; it is twenty layers thick: when it was replaced earlier this year, cost approximately $1.5 million, in part because fewer than 100 workers retain knowledge of traditional roofing practices. The estate also contains a bathhouse and a tea house, where tea ceremonies are held upon occasion. This building is remarkable for its simplicity and for being designed as tiny, shiny red mites that you expect to jump off of the puffs and run all over your arms.

The puffs are mildly citrusy, inoffensive and not particularly thought provoking. Initially a bit spongy and dry, they bloom richly in the mouth, yet this is not enough to make you want more. And I definitely don't cast the puffs along the ranks of pirate booty in gold bullion and jewels, and neither would I associate them with the more richly colloquial corporeal booty (also known as bootay or even booty), as that is plainly unperturbing, but I suppose they would be somewhat satisfying if you just have low expectations for life in general.

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I do not mean to imply that you cannot have a deep and enriching relationship with a bag of organic food puffs, but come on — everyone knows that true friendship can't be bought.

Fruity Booty: the only thing plundered is your wallet

Nicole Foulke
Arts & Living Editor

Fruity Booty — upon first picking up the four ounce package you feel kind of perverted, but after flipping it over to scan paragraph after paragraph about organic grains and phytonutrients, that sentiment just turns into "swindled," which somehow doesn't stop you from walking over to the cash register. Bad idea.

The corn and rice puffs themselves are unappetizing, and shaped like overcooked shrimps. More suspicious, though, are the little fruit crystals that dot their surface; they look like tiny, shiny red mites that you expect to jump off of the puffs and run all over your arms.

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Philly's Japanese House and Garden replicates architectural styles of 17th century Japan.

The Japanese House and Garden can be found at the intersection of Montgomery and Belmont. It is accessible either by car or by taking the #36 bus from Center City.

The garden, which the guide called "a viewing garden" - one that is meant to be looked upon like a painting, rather than walked through, comes complete with a well stocked koi pond, a waterfall, and a small island, which represents Japan, symbolically connected to the rest of the world by a small wooden bridge. The garden's forms are influenced by the ethos of duality imported from Zen Buddhism: the water and round shapes of pond lilies (the female) contrast with the more angular shapes of the surrounding rocks and the house.

The Japanese House and Garden replicates architectural styles of 17th century Japan.
Sean Armour - Beer Drinker - Patriot

America's oldest brewery

Welcome back, beer compatriots. This week we will explore a beer brewed right here in Pennsylvania, one that many of you have undoubtedly enjoyed on one occasion or another. Touted as America's Oldest Brewery, Yuengling has been in operation since 1829, and Yuengling Traditional Lager is possibly their best known style. Brewed and bottled in Pottsville, Pennsylvania, Yuengling Lager is an enjoyable beer with a hometown brewery sense.

Upon pouring the beer, the deep amber colored brew flows forth, giving rise to a bubbly cream colored head. An aroma of malt combined with the mild hopping provides lovely bouquet. The first sip is light and refreshing with a slight caramel flavor. The beer, however, lacks that full body, which would truly put Yuengling in a higher class. Instead, Yuengling must remain only a decent beer, with better flavor and aroma than almost all other American macro-brews. It is, though, still very drinkable, due to its lack of body and a light sparkling personality, which ultimately leads to its popularity amongst college students and those who frequent Main Line bars.

High carbonation and average alcohol content are strongholds of American brewing and are thus not too surprising in Yuengling Traditional Lager. For taste, character, and aroma, Yuengling does better than expected and should therefore be commended.

The brewery is very interested in its patrons, and gives tours of the Pottsville facility. They even sponsor one of our own a cappella groups on campus, the Haverford Humtones. Their bottle reflects their simple patriotic nature, with the only logo being a bald eagle perched over a barrel of Yuengling beer. Everyone should recognize the green bottles, tan labels and hard-to-sound-out name.

Yuengling is not as inexpensive as beer made by Anheuser-Busch. However, it shouldn't be break your budget, as it won't be more than a few dollars more a case. It is also available on tap in almost every bar in the area, so it should be easy to find. So try a Yuengling Traditional Lager and check out next week's Bi-Co for another beer, which I'm sure you'll enjoy. Cheers.

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Arts Happenings

Tuesday, 10/24: American Book Award-winning poet Li-Young Lee will read from his work at BMC's Thomas Great Hall, 8 p.m. Free and open to the public.


Through 9/30: Stained glass artist Judith Scaechter's New York is at Snyderman Gallery, at 303 Cherry St. Call (215) 238-9576
Cuban-born performer Alina Troyano (AKA Carmelita Tropicana) presented "Tall Tales of Short People" last Thursday at Haverford.

Stained glass: more than just windows

Abby Mathews  
Assistant Arts & Living Editor

The Bryn Mawr College community is now home to a stained glass club thanks to Rebecca Lessem, (BMC ‘03). Lessem notes a number of creative outlets for glass work; participants may make including pocket mirrors, boxes, and sculptures in addition to the traditional window. She says that the appeal of the craft lies in just this versatility. "I enjoy the physical aspect of glass, that it can be functional, not just decorative."

Lessem was not sure that she would be able to attract enough members to form a club, but despite the specialized nature of the discipline, over 15 students have responded to poster campaign she ran to assess interest. Though it serves only Bryn Mawr students this semester, the stained glass club will probably seek bi-college funding next semester or next year.

Students interested in finding out more about the stained glass club may contact Rebecca Lessem at rlessem@brynmawr.edu.
"In retrospect, I should not have said that 'intelligence' is the unique quality I would bring to diversify campus life."

Keith Feigenson
As a student assistant in the Special Collections Library concentrating in Haverford College photographs, I have had the privilege to witness, through the images with which I work, a fascinating story. 

I have come across cyanotypes of Greek dramatic performance staged by all-male casts out of doors ..., al-bumens of acrobats with hoops and clubs in Ryan Gym ... matte collodions of old football teams, from when Haverford had football teams ... black and whites of Haverford student protests against Vietnam and institutional racism ... color shots of the first female students at Haverford. I have come across photographs of Haverford's World War II military cadets and of training exercises behind the Observatory, of the old Founder's dinner hall and the staff who worked there, of ice skating on the Duck Pond, and of the very first radio station, complete with dark, suited men and plush curtains.

Our Haverford has been a unique development from the obscure Quaker boys' school of 1833 to our tentative position in the year 2000 as a "highly selective" co-ed liberal arts school struggling to maintain its identity in a technologically tracked world. I believe that it is important for students in our community to be aware of the immense accrual of meaning that the name "Haverford" contains. What kind of a school has Haverford been?

Where we are now is the product of all the decisions and students and administrators that have preceded us — but how many of us really know anything about that history? It is for this reason that I shall select each week what I deem an interesting or controversial photograph that marks a phase or crux or key moment of our history. These images are "calling shots" for their ability to elicit from their viewer a response: these are images demanding of interpretation. My comments upon each shall be brief, as I should like readers-viewers to gauge the photographs for themselves. I should welcome any suggestions for topics or themes that you might wish to have published in this space.

Thank you ... and enjoy.

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Moving-In-Day, 1981

An unmistakable image at first glance and a photograph that could belong to many of us ... and an image with immediate resonance to our first years. We have a freshman moving into Gummere with the help of her dad. We see her room, which may not be as "loaded" with technological gear as many rooms are these days, but one that is still familiar to us.

Consider, then, that the year is 1981. Observe that this freshman is a woman. Note the father who wants so much to be of help ... and realize that his paternal anxiety arises from being father to a daughter who is matriculating into only the second co-educational class at Haverford College. At the center of the camera's eye are the Raggedy dolls, a testimony to the student's innocence of her role in changing the face of the College.

"An institution which provides a unique learning experience is in a tenacious position today, if it excludes women or relegates them to some inferior status ... an all-male college simply maintains sexist stereotypes and as little justification or attraction," said then-President of the College Robert Stevens in the spring of 1979.

A somewhat reluctant Board of Managers agreed, and Haverford welcomed its first fully co-educational class in the fall of 1981.

Women were hardly new to the college, however. Besides the largely female support staff of secretaries, nurses and librarians, the Tri-College cooperation between Swarthmore, Haverford and Bryn Mawr Colleges (began in 1940) had already resulted in an active female presence on the campus, even before 1940, several women had received M.A.'s from Haverford's graduate school (which closed in 1937). The Relief and Reconstruction Program of World War II, the Social and Technical Assistance Program of 1951, and the first female professors, who came around 1944, also contributed to a co-ed Haverford community.

It was the "Haverford-six," residential exchange students from women's schools who graduated in 1972, who did not want to leave once they had arrived at the school, who forced the administration to reconsider the school's single-sex status. The Board of Managers reluctantly agreed to grant the "six" Haverford degrees, but only upon the stipulation that there would be no successors. President Wofford of Bryn Mawr applauded this decision, citing that "Haverford's admission of its own women would have tragic consequences for bi-college cooperation."

In light of trying to expand the student body to about 750, however, the Board recognized that to attract more candidates, and to attract the most qualified candidates, that they might have to begin admitting women. In December of 1976, Haverford announced that it would allow female transfer students to enroll and read for a degree. Seventeen women matriculated in 1977, and another 13 in 1978. The student Plenary urged the College to admit women on the same terms as men.

On May 11, 1979, the Board announced a vote in favor of allowing women to enroll ... women from around the campus rang the Founder's bell to signify great change afoot.

I swore I'd never write a column about "Why I'm enamored with Bryn Mawr and the bi-college community," but I swore wrong. Coming into this second year, seeing all the new frosh around, it's all that's been on my mind and lips. Those of us that are upperclass women did stick around for more, but why?

On the windowills of many of the dorm rooms at the Mawr are name plaques that get progressively more patina-tinged as you move down the list. All of these people lived in these rooms, and all of these people experienced this adventure a little differently. Like all resilient things in the world, Bryn Mawr and Haverford work, and our faith in the history of the schools lures us to embark on this mind-trek. I don't believe we are masochistic in wanting to think and discuss, in lieu of participating in the dissection and alcohol-coated bliss that many other institutions offer. We're in it for delayed gratification, but there is also room for daily growth that gives us instant pleasure on a deeper level than constant one-night stands and throne-bugging ever could (not that these experiences aren't fun every now and then at our schools too).

Students from both campuses sat together a week ago Sunday at Haverford Meeting to remember our friend, Steve Raible. A poignant silence was maintained through most of the memorial, with emotional tributes from physics professors, close friends and Steve's climbing partner, Todd. During the silence, I focused on a conversation that a group of us, including Steve, had had earlier in the summer. We were discussing how someone can be a total outsider all through grade school and high school, and then come to Haverford and Bryn Mawr and feel popular and alive. I only know a few Fords, but Steve was definitely one of the craziest and nicest people I've met at either school. The first time we were formally introduced, he was dressed up like a woman at last fall's drag party. You always knew when he showed up at any party, because you'd hear a chorus of "Steve!" Here in this space, this group of two varied college communities, we can support one another and flourish like Steve did.

In the past year, I have made the ramen compa-nies richer, learned approximately twelve ways to pronounce the words "Derrida" and "clitoris," cut up a sheep's brain, fallen madly in love with someone I met at a Lloyd, given my dignity to two sophomore hellers for a week, taken a late-night dip or two in the Cloisters, talked politics with Ph.D.'s, and deep-fried hundreds of your damn chicken tenders. I'm not sure higher ed is quite as weird or intense elsewhere. Driving past parking lots full of women in tight black dresses waiting to be picked up for a frat party or watching men urinate off the balconies of the apartment building on the way to Bryn Mawr Station only reinforces why I matriculated here.

I can be a total geek and still have a fun and worthwhile four years.
Although it has taken me a while, I think that I have finally found the perfect spot to study at Bryn Mawr. In the past three weeks, I’ve tried many locations for my nightly ritual, like a second floor study carrel in Canaday Library and my bed in room, but it was only recently that I stumbled upon a place conducive to multiple forms of mind expansion. Not only is this haven for the hungry brain an inspirational space, but it is also convenient. A stone’s throw from the room in Rock. I have plotted the easiest escape route from my room to this place where I can forget all of the giggles and giddiness of dorm life, as I and many of my friends have found to be necessary when trying to focus on what might say is the real reason people come to college: studying. As soon as I descend the three flights of stairs atop which my room is perched, I sneak stealthily out the back entrance across the side green of Thomas and slip silently into the stillness of Carpenter Library.

Whenever I enter Carpenter, usually after dinner at around six, I feel as though I’ve stepped into a different world. As I enter at what I call the ceiling level, feeling very close to the top of the universe, I walk to the railing of the stairs and peer down at the large wooden tables, as if I’m a bird flying high above the earth, trying to find my landing strip. There is something very surreal about standing there. It’s almost as if I’m floating between sky and earth, here and there, now and then. I am reminded of the stillness of Carpenter Library.

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This spot in Carpenter tends to swallow time, enveloping many of its inhabitants in a deep academic trance. Perhaps it is because I am yet a frosh, or perhaps because I have a hard time focusing on anything at all for a long period of time, the tables at Carpenter, as wonderful a study spot as they are, don’t always cause me to fall into as deep an academic trance as my fellow students. I often become fidgety and while the reading that I do for Politics, or my College Seminar is fascinating, I catch myself, from time to time, gazing up towards the window cut out of the roof to watch the sky. Sometimes if I’m lucky, I’ll catch that awesomely transient moment when darkness hasn’t quite taken over, but the light is rapidly retreating over the edge of the earth. And then come the stars. I stare at them sometimes for what must be minutes, mesmerized by their brightness and in awe of the vastness of the sky which holds them. I sit staring until someone walks past, or a pen falls to the ground, breaking the silence and calling me back to my books. As I begin to read again, a sense of bewilderment overcomes me, as I realize how lost I really feel, and I wonder, “What am I doing here?” I look around at the stacks of books to my left, each author’s whose interest in literature I so admired and adored.

When my studying is done for the night, I pack up my materials and head up the stairs, stopping at each level to look down to my table below. When I finally reach the top and slip onto the cool night air, I look up, this time closer to the sky than I could be down at my table, but still their brightness and distance are comfortably incomprehensible. I head back to my room, ready to rejoin the giddiness and the gaggles.
Going and coming, packing and unpacking, returning home from abroad

Meredith Lewis
Columnist

Reentry poses unique challenges to some Haverford Seniors. Perhaps the biggest challenge to students who study abroad for a full year isn’t the “going away,” it’s the “coming back.” “At first I was frightened to death,” says Anthony Perry on his reaction to returning to Haverford this fall. “Then I realized it was exactly the same as when I left, except that everyone looked different.”

Perry, a Haverford senior, spent his Junior year abroad studying PPE, or Philosophy, Political Science, and Economics at Mansfield College, Oxford University. According to a Haverford statistic, approximately 110 students study abroad each year. For a class of 300, that’s nearly 40%. The majority of students go abroad for one semester, sometimes choosing a term that does not conflict with their sports season. A small percentage, like Perry, however, elect to spend a full year abroad.

Why would a student choose to spend a year abroad? As Mike Colen, who studied Economics at the International Christian University in Tokyo, Japan stated “When thinking about what I wanted from my study abroad experience, language ability and understanding of the culture were at the top of the list. I thought that in order to truly achieve those things a six-month experience would be too short, so I decided that going away for the year would be even, though emotionally difficult, the best thing for me to do.”

David Benner, who also read PPE, but at Pembroke College, Oxford remembered the difficulty of adjusting to college life as a freshman and realized that one semester would not be enough time to fully acclimate to a new country. “I was concerned about the discontinuity I would feel if I were only abroad for one semester,” he remarks.

But studying and living abroad for eight to nine months poses unique challenges for students who have to deal with a much longer separation period from family and friends. Perry says that missing his three year old brother was his greatest difficulty. Besides acute homesickness, living abroad for a year requires students to integrate themselves more fully into the day to day life of their new community. Colen cites “getting a feel for the different surroundings and a feel for what daily life consists of in Japan,” as his biggest challenge. “When the initial thrill of being abroad wore off I found that being away from my loved ones and all together ‘out of the loop’ was really emotionally taxing,” he continues.

There are huge advantages to a longer stay abroad, however. Perry was able to cycle on the Oxford University team, an activity he would not have been eligible for otherwise. Colen participated in a world student forum where students studying Japanese came together to meet and exchange ideas. He was also able to teach English and obtain a paid internship in Japan for the summer following his Junior year. Benner cites “deeper friendships” as an advantage of studying abroad for a year, “simply for the reason that there was more time to get to know people, have more conversations, and see my friends go through all the changes that one goes through inevitably over the course of a year.”

That year spent abroad, that commitment to forging one’s life in another country, allows for a powerful sense of personal accomplishment when one succeeds in “making it” though. The experience can even change your life perspective. As Colen says, “The world is such a diverse place...Being a white American and going to a different country where I was a minority and subject to prejudice led to a lot of self-reflection and soul searching.”

A year can come and go pretty quickly, however, and Haverford students must return to Haverford. Coming back poses the odd challenge of having to reintegrate into a community that one feels one has outgrown. Everything at Haverford is pretty much taken care of for the students, from housing to food to books for classes that are carefully arranged on labeled shelves, ready for purchase.

Life, in essence, is easier here. It can be difficult to give up the freedom that comes with living independently abroad. The feeling of seniors who were last at Haverford as sophomores runs the full gamut between excitement, perplexity, and depression. As Perry remarks, “Moving abroad was a change and coming back is at once both a change and a continuation of something begun 3 years ago. It’s been interesting to see how people react to the return. You start to know where you stand with people when some are amazed to see you and others didn’t notice you were gone.”

Benner, although feeling at first like he was returning to something he had left behind, “like High School,” missed Haverford and feels that this is the place where he belongs. Students who have spent a full year away often return with a new perspective on the Haverford community, academic and otherwise. “Nothing around here changes. We’re still a bunch of left leaning kids with the right foot on the ground,” chides Perry, while Benner is more reflective: “Haverford students have a faith in each other and in the institution that doesn’t exist at Oxford primarily due to the Honor Code. The way Oxford functions, though, demonstrates that we don’t really need a Code to have a sense of community, but it certainly shapes how the community spirit impacts everyday life.”

Colen also has a new perspective on Haverford. “To go from a classroom where teachers lecture and students are silent and afraid to question and challenge things to a Haverford classroom where the students are so bright and have a true desire to learn has really been an astounding thing for me,” he contends. Despite the difficulties involved both with going and with coming back, Perry, Benner, and Colen are all still enthusiastic about their decision to study abroad for a year. “I’m considering graduate school in England,” reports Benner. Would Perry do it again? “Definitely. Without hesitation.” And Colen? “Without a doubt. I think I would approach things differently, but I would take the opportunity to do it again in a heartbeat.”

The full year away from Haverford seems to grant students a new and fresh perspective on their home school, allowing them to see it with a more open mind. The general sentiment is best expressed by Perry in his usual style: “Leave this place! You won’t appreciate Haverford until you’ve gone,” he exclaims.

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Getting out the vote

Members of the bi-co community,

At three years old, I couldn’t possibly understand what I was doing. My father took me by the hand. We walked into a small booth and he closed the curtains. I stood tapping my toes and waiting and waiting ... and waiting while he read and wrote something that I couldn’t see, much less read. Finally, he reached down and picked me up high, telling me to go ahead and pull the lever. As we walked out, he asked me if I knew what we had just done.

“We voted, Rachel, for Mondale and Ferraro.”

I waited in front of the television on election night, crossing my little fingers and hoping that each state would light up in red for Mondale and Ferraro, whatever that was. Funny names. Serious issue.

This year, I will have my first opportunity to go into a voting booth alone and cast a ballot for the president of the United States, among other offices. Many of you face your first presidential election as well. Could there be a better year? Not only is this an actual race, unlike Reagan’s expected landslide win over Mondale during the first election of our lifetimes, but it is a race between two very distinct ideological and program agendas. This race and its outcome will touch each of our lives, for better or worse, in the coming years.

So vote.

Vote because your interests are as important as those of the Social Security generation. Vote because you are the best and brightest of a new generation of adults. Vote because we are not an apathetic generation of slackers, but a generation devoted to activity. How many of you have been willing to stand in a protest of police brutality or child labor exploitation or school violence? Do something infinitely easier. Stand in line at a polling place.

You, as Bryn Mawr and Haverford students, are in a position to make your votes tremendously valuable. Pennsylvania is the largest swing state in the country. Vote here and you will have the opportunity to make your votes all across the country, and some students’ parents do live in other swing states. But the real power of a vote is realized only when it is organized with other votes into a bloc that has its own community of interest and its own demands. As 2,300 student voters in Lower Merion Township, students have a tremendous opportunity to hold elected officials accountable for prioritizing students’ interests. Spread out across the entire country, we lose that power. Students’ concerns will only become important to politicians when there’s an identifiable and organized “student vote” to be captured.

Of course, there’s no reason why anyone has to vote. Students should feel free to continue not participating, but they should do so with the understanding that it means forgoing control over their own lives and selling out their classmates.

Rachel Wright, BMC 2003

For the executive committee of Haverford and Bryn Mawr College Democrats

As Nov. 7 approaches, many students are thinking about the elections. But most are not. In fact, if 1996 is any guide, only one-third of people ages 18 to 24 are registered to vote, and only one-third of those registered will bother to show up at the polls.

Why is it that young people don’t seem to care about politics? Even with Supreme Court seats, state legislatures, voting district lines, Congress and the Presidency up for grabs this year, less than half of eligible Americans will exercise their right to determine who writes our laws. But for less than 11 percent of students to turn out is simply a disgrace.

One possible explanation is that students don’t make the connection between the operations of politics and the workings of their everyday lives. Perhaps too many students don’t reflect enough on the fact that someone or some group of people made a decision that will result in Haverford and Bryn Mawr graduates spending years paying off student loans. Or, for example, that someone will make a decision about the future of legal abortion to the degree which our air, food and water are protected. These matters of policy don’t just happen, like the weather. They are the results of the priorities of policy makers, and those policy makers can be pressured to care about one thing more or less than another.

Perhaps the explanation lies in a deeply socialized attitude among young people that they don’t make decisions, but rather listen to the orders of others. Young people, of course, are raised to do what their parents tell them to do. They go to school where they must rote learning and do what they are told. If they work jobs where, like their adult co-workers, they are absolutely under the command of employers who decide exactly what employees are to do, how they are to do it, and what they will receive in return. And even at a college such as Haverford that purports to have student self-government, everything is still ultimately up to the administrators. When it comes to voting, students just aren’t used to being in a position of power.

The Mail

The search for the elusive student vote

Adam Berg
Guest Editorialist

Arguments about civic responsibility aside, students should vote because it’s simply in their self-interest. If students care about education, healthcare, the environment, and everything else in their lives, they should take advantage of the power of the ballot box. Students don’t generally have the kind of money that politicians listen to, votes are all they’ve got.

Not only should students at Haverford and Bryn Mawr vote, but they should vote in Pennsylvania. For starters, it’s easier than voting where their parents live. Instead of contacting one’s home county board of elections, applying for an absentee ballot, filling out the ballot, hoping it’s completed correctly, sending it in, hoping it doesn’t get lost in the mail, and making sure not to miss deadlines, students can just grab a form from a volunteer on campus, fill it out, and then hop on the vanguard to the polling place on Election Day. And clearly, for these several years at least, school is where students live most of the year.

In terms of the presidential election, Pennsylvania — with 23 electoral college votes — is an important swing state. Whether one is a dedicated Rush Limbaugh listener or an ardent socialist, one’s vote counts here, whereas in many states the electoral college votes are as good as cast.

But most importantly, politicians don’t just listen to just any vote. Sure, they need Haverford and Bryn Mawr’s 2,300 votes all across the country, and some students’ parents do live in other swing states. But the real power of a vote is realized only when it is organized with other votes into a bloc that has its own community of interest and its own demands. As 2,300 student voters in Lower Merion Township, students have a tremendous opportunity to hold elected officials accountable for prioritizing students’ interests. Spread out across the entire country, we lose that power. Students’ concerns will only become important to politicians when there’s an identifiable and organized “student vote” to be captured.

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submit to the bi-co; opinion pieces, academic papers, illustrations, creative writing, profiles, features ... what’s space got to do with it?
"The one good thing about being schizophrenic is that I can successfully double major in both creationism and evolutionary biology."

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