

At this Sunday's Quad Day, Andrew Hung '06 "gets lei-d" by a member of Johnson Hall (left). Thompson House resident Sam Cartmell '06 gives Gabe Worgaftik '06 a back massage to raise funds for his dorm.

Kissing Booths, Massages, Mocktails, Pumpkins Abound at Dorm Fundraiser Quad Day 2005

By BRAD COLBERT

Girls raced back to their dorms to change into bikini tops when they saw the Thompson House four offering massages.

Thompson's massage service was just one of the many treats for students that attended Quad Day on Sunday. The residents of the dorms in the West Quad North and West Quad South clusters manned tables around the perimeter of the quad, vending various goods and services to raise money for dorm events throughout the year.

Johnson Hall sold "mocktail" smoothies for less than a dollar at their tropical-themed booth.

The boys of Taylor House blasted romantic ballads from

an iPod at their famous Kissing Booth.

"Business is always good," reported Taylor resident Matt Yeager '06.

At the price of five dollars, Andover Cottage offered customers a seat in an electric massage chair and an improvised serenade from the dorm's inhabitants.

Thompson House's Derek de Svastich '06, Luke Cahill '06, and Nick Bowen '06 gave manual massages to paying customers.

Rockwell House's meatball subs were a big hit, selling out by 1:30 p.m.

The four Juniors of Blanchard House sold cookies baked by their house counselor, Kathryn

Birecki.

"Mrs. Birecki's food is legendary and I would pay a million dollars for it, but I only have to pay 50 cents," raved Jane Henningsen '06.

The Tucker House table featured a chip-passing game called "L-C-R," with the winners receiving t-shirts from Quad Day 2004-05 signed by the residents of Tucker House.

Pemberton Cottage sold a variety of items, including popcorn balls and some "pretty convincing" cups of dirt. They also held a raffle to "win a date with a Pemby girl."

Like Pemberton Cottage, Bancroft Hall sold "cup of mud" desserts.

The residents of Eaton

Cottage refreshed patrons with Italian sodas, while Bishop Hall sold frozen beverages.

Adams Hall sold a variety of plants and hand-decorated pumpkins.

The Academy rented a fleet of inflatable attractions for the event. Among its inflatable novelties Quad Day featured a boxing ring, an obstacle course, an arena for American Gladiator-style jousting fights, a volleyball court, and a game mixing basketball with bungee cords.



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'05 Begins Freshmen Year In Wake of Another Tragedy

By ALEXA REID

The Phillips Academy class of 2005 is a class apart. They began their freshman year at Andover on the morning of September 11, and now they are beginning college in the wake of Hurricane Katrina.

As newly-arrived freshmen at Andover in 2001, the class of 2005 bonded quickly as they were forced to confront the September 11 terrorist attacks, which occurred the very day they began classes at Phillips Academy.

Kate Ireland '05, now a student at Williams College, recalled, "Because we entered new schools in the midst of national disasters, we were a class that turned into ourselves. To a little freshman on September 11, it seemed like the world was falling apart—and who does a freshman, anywhere from 10 to 4000 miles away from his or her family, have to turn to but their classmates? It's not that '05 has the most spirit—it's that we became very close very quickly. Not that we all got along all the time—what family does?—but when the class of 2005 was in trouble or needed help, we turned to each other."

Now the Andover class of 2005 faces a new challenge as they begin college in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina's devastation.

In August, Andrew Heilmann '05 was preparing to start his freshman year at Tulane University in New Orleans.

Recalling his first day at Tulane, Heilmann said, "My parents and I had finally gotten all my bags up to my room on the twelfth floor when a couple of people walked by and told us that there was a change in plans and we would be having an 'emergency' meeting in the theater regarding Hurricane Katrina. The meeting informed us that the evacuations, while not normal, did happen and that the campus would be locked down by 5:00 and we should leave New Orleans as soon as possible. Thinking I would be back in three days tops, as we all seemed to expect, I only took a small carry-on of clothes and my computer,

leaving everything else behind. As we drove towards Dallas on Sunday morning we learned that this storm might be strong enough to destroy everything in its path."

After Hurricane Katrina hit New Orleans, classes at Tulane were postponed indefinitely and Heilmann had no school to attend.

Heilmann is now beginning classes at Elon University in North Carolina.

Hurricane Katrina has also colored the college experiences of Andover's '05 graduates attending schools far from the hurricane's path.

Ireland said of her first days at Williams College, "Williamstown is probably the farthest point possible from New Orleans, both geographically and mentally. However, on my orientation trip, there was a really nice girl from New Orleans. They sent us off into the wilderness to go backpack and bond for a few days before freshman year begins, so while we were all anxiously waiting to get back to campus to take showers and get on with life, Willa was pretty anxiously waiting to see what (if anything) remained of her hometown. That definitely brought it a lot closer to home."

Chris Zegel '05, who has recently begun his freshman year at the University of St. Andrews in Scotland, believes that the class of 2005 is an unusually tight group.

Said Zegel, "I cannot believe how close '05 is staying as a class. We're so well connected, it's ridiculous. I'm used to losing connection with at least some people when I'm away for even a short time, but everyone is still talking and visiting each other. I probably saw close to 20 '05 kids over the summer and into the fall, and even being away in another country, pals are going out of their way to keep in touch. I don't know if it was a direct result of 9/11 or what, but '05 as a class has a bond that I've never seen in a group that size before. It's really an amazing thing."

New Garver Room Library Policy Proves Difficult Adjustment for Students, Staff

By JOSHUA SCHULTZ

A change of policy in the library's Garver Room aims to provide a place for students to study in silence. But the implementation of the new policy has presented a challenge both for students, struggling to adjust to the change, and for the library staff, charged with enforcing the controversial policy.

Until this year, the Garver Room was a location for "quiet study" — students were permitted to talk, but only in whispers. In a student survey taken last spring, however, many students said that they did not like to study in the library because it did not have a place quiet enough for serious studying.

In response to this survey, the Dean of Students Office and the Deans' Council recommended that the library change its Garver Room policy. Students are now required to be completely silent while in the Garver Room.

Librarians and students alike have struggled to adjust to the change.

"For the record, the librarians are unhappy too. We agree with the goal, but it's not at all fun for the librarians to spend half their time asking students to be quiet," said Director of the Library Elisabeth Tully.

Ms. Tully added that she agrees with the goal of creating an environment where students can feel comfortable studying.

"The librarians are trying to meet the needs of all students on campus. Librarians don't enjoy



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New library policy demands silent individual study from students in the Garver Room.

having to constantly tell people to be quiet, but the overall atmosphere of the library should be a place of study. It seems, however, that there are different definitions of what that means," said Michael Blake, the library's Associate Director for Instructional Services.

Some of these conflicting views were voiced in a Monday night meeting between the Student Advisory Committee and the faculty.

"Many of the comments made by the group tonight were things like 'Why can't the basement be silent?' or 'Why can't other academic buildings be silent?'" said Mr. Blake. "These are good questions."

Claire Collyer '06, a member of the committee, said, "Garver Room is not inherently conducive to silent study. You are sitting at a table with five other people, three of whom are sitting right across from you. The room is entirely open so if

somebody moves or stands up, the whole room knows about it. It is on the first floor, which is the noisiest floor of the library. The noise from the computer center flows right into the room, making an even louder disturbance."

The Garver Room was selected for silent study because administrators believed that it was the only area large enough to provide room for silent studying that could also be effectively monitored.

The Student Advisory Committee proposed sending out a survey, similar to the one that was sent out last year, in order to get a better understanding of students' feelings toward the library and the silent study policy in particular. If the results show a majority of students to be against the new policy, the silent study policy might be revised or abandoned.

For now, the policy will remain in effect.

Despite Rise in Military Recruiting, Andover Students Not Targeted

By ALEXA REID

As the casualties in Iraq increase, military recruiters

are finding it more and more difficult to find prospective soldiers, and consequently are turning to more and more aggressive tactics in order to fill their quotas.

Foremost among these is the recruitment of high school students with the encouragement of school authorities.

Military recruiters are not frequently seen on the Phillips Academy campus. Andover allows military recruiters as much access to students as they would permit a college, but it does not grant the Armed Forces any additional privileges.

Andover does not have a specific policy regarding military recruiters. Representatives of the service academies such as Army and Navy and the ROTC programs come to campus through the College Counseling Office to talk to prospective students.

However, since these programs represent schools and not just the armed forces, they recruit the same way that other colleges do.

Director of College Counseling John Anderson said, "We have had no problems with military recruiters...The profile of a PA student does not match well with the profile of the kind of kid the military is going after."

As for the release of information, Phillips Academy does not release its students' information to anybody unless

the student gives specific permission to do so.

This is not the case at all schools.

At McDonough High School in Pomfret, Maryland, military recruiters chaperone school dances, hand out free military mugs, keychains, and pamphlets in the hallways, and call each prospective recruit no fewer than six times.

Last year at McDonough, a public high school in a middle-level income district, 15 out of the 322 students in the 2005 graduating class signed up for boot camp while their classmates prepared to enter college.

In their efforts to convince students to join the Armed Forces, military recruiters influence popular students and coaches to support recruiting and meticulously look through school yearbooks to find personal information about potential recruits.

The Defense Department spends \$2.6 billion a year on recruiting high school graduates to join the ranks.

Military recruiting at high schools has become an issue of national debate across the country after the No Child Left Behind Act was passed in 2002.

A little-known article of the act stipulates that

schools receiving government aid for their programs must make student information in school directories accessible to military recruiters. Schools that do not cooperate with military recruiters lose their federal funding.

Recruiters target specific schools and districts where they believe teenagers are least likely to attend college. These targeted areas are usually lower-middle class communities.

As quoted in the *Boston Globe*, Director of Recruiting Policy at the Office of the Secretary of Defense Kurt Gilroy said that the Armed Forces concentrates recruiting efforts where it is most likely to "maximize return on the recruiting dollar [because] the advertising and marketing research people tell us to go where the low-hanging fruit is. In other words, we fish where the fish are."

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Extinguishing Tradition

One week ago at nightfall, students congregated on the steps of Sam Phillips Hall in celebration of a new year at Andover. The excitement was palpable as shy Juniors and anxious Seniors alike followed the Blue Key Heads about the Great Lawn and down the vista.

Even the most jaded of Andover students couldn’t help but cheer for their cluster with the rabid pride of the moment.

But Andover’s current orientation pep rally is but a shadow of what it once was. Four years ago, the Dean of Students Office brought an end to a long-lived and much-loved tradition – the Burning of the A. With the graduation of the class of 2005, for the first time in memory, there are no students at PA who have experienced first-hand the excitement of this ceremony. We write this week to keep the fire burning—so to speak—for this tradition, that it will not only stay alive in our memories, but also come alight once more for future classes at Andover.

Just as last Friday’s night time jaunt, the Burning of the A ceremony began with the Blue Keys and other Seniors rousing students from their dorms after sign-in. But rather than an ambiguous call to run about aimlessly (not too fast, someone might trip), the new students of past years were called to duty, told that dreaded Exies had invaded our campus and had to be stopped. Spurred on by the new-found zeal of school pride, new students joined with old in a purposeful charge to the Pine Knoll green, where Seniors would stride in victoriously with a captive Exie (or so it seemed) on their shoulders. It later became clear that the Exie business had been a ruse, but before disappointment could set in, Seniors would set fire to an enormous wooden A on the Pine Knoll stage. Confused, out of breath, and thrilled all at once, students were imbued with genuine camaraderie as the A burned down slowly into the night.

As the Burning of the A fades from our collective memory, it’s hard to understand why the school would do away with a beloved tradition. In 2002, the Dean of Students office arbitrarily decided to ban the ceremony. Dean of Students Marlys Edwards told *The Phillipian* that the primary concern was that it evoked images of the Ku Klux Klan burning crosses in the South.

The problem is that these were PA students, not Klansmen, and the A was a symbol of unity and pride, not a tool of bigotry. Superficial similarities between an avowed tradition and cross-burning are not at all sufficient to justify the ending of this ceremony.

The time has come to rekindle the flames for future students. We in the class of 2006 will not be around for such a ceremony, but there is no reason why the A cannot burn again at the start of the next school year. Student Council Representative Yoni Gruskin ’07 has begun a petition to restore this tradition, and already over half the student body has added their support. We encourage every student to add their names to the petition, that we can send a forceful and unanimous message that this tradition be restored.

A Whisper Never Hurt Anyone

In a recent change of policy, the staff of the OWH Library announced that Garver Room would be limited to silent study only.

The loss of Garver Room as a place for quite – but not silent – study is a tremendous loss to the student body. Garver Room was a popular study area precisely because it allowed students a place to study with friends; they could study in relative quite, but if they had a question, they could talk to a classmate at their table.

With the change of policy, students must choose between complete silence – in a basement cubicle or in the Garver Room – and complete chaos – in the Freeman Room or in the lobby.

The cubicles in the basement always seemed sufficient for those students that needed a quite, solitary workspace. During exam week, the basement fills up with students that want just this. But during the rest of the term, the cubicles are usually empty – because most Andover students would rather work in an environment where quite collaboration with peers is permitted.

The old Garver Room was flexible – designed around the needs of students. Quiet collaboration was permitted, but loud disruptions were not. The policy was reasonable, not rigid.

It’s fair to enforce quiet study, but silent study simply doesn’t fit the nature of the room. Garver Room study space is organized around tables. Tabels of five students are not conducive to silence. And the room’s location, adjacent to the lobby and computers, makes complete silence impossible anyway.

The library is a popular place on campus because it combines academic life with social life in a dynamic and student-friendly manner. The change in the Garver Room policy appears to be both unpopular and unnecessary.

This editorial box represents the views of the majority of The Phillipian board.

Time to Get Kim Jong-Il

Danielle Rothman ’07

DIPSET

North Korea sent the world on an emotional and diplomatic rollercoaster this week with a couple of major announcements. After three years of six-party talks, on Monday, North Korea finally agreed to abandon their nuclear weapons program. Advocates of peace and freedom all over the world celebrated and welcomed North Korea’s stabilizing move.

Unfortunately, this piece of news proved to be little more than a false hope. Less than 24 hours later, the North Koreans amended their previous statement, by demanding that the US supply them with light water reactors, used to generate power, and that they be allowed to keep a nuclear program for “peaceful activities.” US State Department spokesman Sean McCormack summed it up when he said “This is obviously not the agreement they signed.” Then, reiterating the uncertainty of the situation, he finished, “We will see what the coming weeks bring.”

The U.S. and Korea agreed to discuss light water reactors (LWRs) at an

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appropriate time. But Kim Jung Il seems to have decided unilaterally that the best time to discuss it was Tuesday. Less than a day after the initial agreement, North Korea announced that, “The U.S. should not even dream of the issue of (North Korea’s) dismantlement of its nuclear deterrent before providing LWRs..”

The new demands have been deemed “unacceptable” by Japanese Foreign Minister Nobutaka Machimura and have been similarly rejected by the United States. It would be wise for South Korea, China, and Russia to take similar actions. Conceding to these new demands would override Monday’s agreement and bring the world community back to square one, dealing with the untrustworthy leadership of Kin Jong Il’s dictatorial regime.

Just over a decade ago the United States conducted bilateral negotiations with North Korea concerning the disarmament of a 5-megawatt graphite reactor and an end to research concerning nuclear weapons. In exchange, the North Koreans were promised oil and light water reactors from the United States. These negotiations became known as the Agreed Framework. But it took only four years for the North Koreans to violate the terms of this agreement by continuing weapons research and launching a missile over Japan. We offered them light water reactors a decade ago, and they blew it. We should not be baited into making a colossal mistake today.

But we also cannot afford to lose any more time at the negotiation table, and can’t play these games of cat-and-mouse. Three years of talks and over a decade of diplomacy have proven yet unfruitful. It’s a sticky diplomatic situation. Bush, overwhelmed by Iraq and Katrina, appears to be softening up a little bit. Under pressure from China, the US did agree to a loosely-worded deal granting a civilian nuclear reactor. These leniencies did little more than to spark a new hope in the North Koreans and lead them to believe they could strong-arm the US.

In his 2002 State of the Union Address, Bush called North Korea a “regime arming with missiles and weapons of mass destruction, while starving its citizens.” We can not justify giving in to such a government and still claim to stand for freedom and democracy in Iraq and elsewhere. While Bush has a lot on his plate right now, nothing should over-

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shadow the importance of North Korea or nuclear proliferation in general. The six party talks are scheduled to resume in November and work out the specifics of the implementation of Monday’s plan. Before then though, the United States must decide what exactly our policy is and coordinate with China, South Korea, and Russia so that there is no confusion about the limits to our concessions.

We have been down this road with North Korea before. We cannot let these negotiations relapse into those of the Clinton-era, when we relegated ourselves as prisoners of North Korean demands. If the North Korean government cannot stand by their word for 24 hours, what good will any agreement be? The United States, China, South Korea, Russia and Japan cannot work alone. The entire international community needs to lend us their unwavering support to ensure the supervised denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula.



Choose Your Battles Wisely

John Gwin ’07

HOLD YOUR FIRE

Rehnquist, Roberts worked in government and the private sector, becoming a Deputy Solicitor General. As Deputy Solicitor General, Roberts argued before the Supreme Court on behalf of the United States Government. Roberts has served as an Appellate Judge on the District of Columbia Circuit Court of Appeals over the past several years

Roberts is exceptionally qualified for the Supreme Court, so much so that the New York Times recently questioned if standards Roberts established could be matched by subsequent nominees. Likewise, Republican Senator Orrin Hatch of Utah exclaimed during the Judiciary Committee hearings, “If the Democrats can’t vote for this Republican, then there is no one they can vote for.”

Democrats should also consider how Roberts’ confirmation would change the court. Like the nation, the Supreme Court has been bitterly split. In a large

“As noted by the media and by members of the Judiciary Committee, Roberts sidestepped many of these questions on the grounds that a nominee should not prejudice a case..”

number of cases, the Court voted 5 – 4, most frequently with Associate Justices Sandra Day O’Connor or Anthony Kennedy casting the deciding vote. By replacing Rehnquist, Roberts would not shift the court to the right.

More important than Rehnquist’s replacement is that for Sandra Day O’Connor. Although generally very

conservative, O’ Connor often cast the deciding vote. If a strict conservative like Roberts had been in her place, a number of decisions could have gone the other way. But since Roberts will be replacing Rehnquist, not O’Connor, his appointment will not significantly alter the ideological makeup of the court.

Bush’s nomination of Roberts also affects the nominations to follow. As previously mentioned, Sandra Day O’Connor’s spot on the Supreme Court remains open, and Bush will need to nominate a successor. Because of O’Connor’s crucial role in deciding major cases, this nomination will likely have a much greater effect on the overall direction of the court.

Democrats should be prepared to offer major opposition on any potential nominee who is a conservative extremist.

If the Democrats allow Roberts to be confirmed, they will have much greater credibility when Bush brings another candidate before the Senate. Hopefully, Senate Democrats will see that confirming John Roberts is their best option.

While some of them might not like his conservatism, they all recognize his intelligence and realize that confirming Roberts is the only way they can possibly win the real battle: the next nomination.

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Scheduling Hell

It is hard for me to relate the hell-ish experience I had to go through this past week, but as Aeneas says to Dido in Virgil's *Aeneid*, "Although my mind shudders to remember and I recoil from my grief, I will begin."

Like everybody else, I was excited to come back to Andover.

I was excited to see all my friends, I was excited to move into my new dorm room, and I was especially excited to start my new classes.

But I soon realized that my schedule was plagued with problems. Not only had I not been given a science, but I found out that the Rel-Phil course I wanted to take had been moved to winter term, so I was placed into a history course that I never knew existed. I decided to give the history course a try, and Dr. Cernota was willing to add a Rel-Phil to my course load since I had been denied both a science and my original Rel-Phil choice.

So I went to class on my first day thinking that my problems had been solved, but oh was I wrong.

I found out that the math class I was in was a little too advanced for me, and my Latin teacher recommended that I take Greek since I am applying to college as a classics major.

With these proposed changes in mind, I filled out add/drop slips, had them signed by the appropriate people, and proceeded to the scheduling office thinking my schedule would be changed in two minutes. Two minutes turned into

Joshua Schultz '06
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three days. On my arrival (this was on Tuesday by the way) I was informed that only people with incomplete schedules could change their schedules right now, and that my add/drop slips would not be tended to for a few days. And so I waited. But a few days later, my schedule was unchanged.

It was not until 10:30pm on a Thursday night that Dr. Cernota e-mailed me and told me he could move me into the math class I wanted to take, but it would have to be at a different period... the same period that my Greek class was to

meet. I haggled with him and he finally agreed to add both the math and Greek course.

I know I am not the only person to go through this type of an experience, and I am sure that my experience seems relatively pleasant compared to some.

The way the scheduling office is currently operating is totally ridiculous and inefficient. But this problem could easily be remedied with a few changes.

First of all, changes should be made on a first-come-first-serve basis. It does not seem fair for the scheduling officer to

decide that a student with an incomplete schedule has a more urgent problem than a student who wants to change classes. Both kids are missing the same amount of class time by not having a correct schedule, thus both problems are equally legitimate, and should be attended to as they come in.

Right now, the scheduling office is way too small to handle all of these problems.

Instead of having one scheduling officer who is a small part of the Dean of Studies Office, a new Scheduling Department should be created with several officers and secretaries.

By doing this, the amount of schedules fixed per day would greatly increase, and the several scheduling officers could collectively achieve this while still doing less work individually.

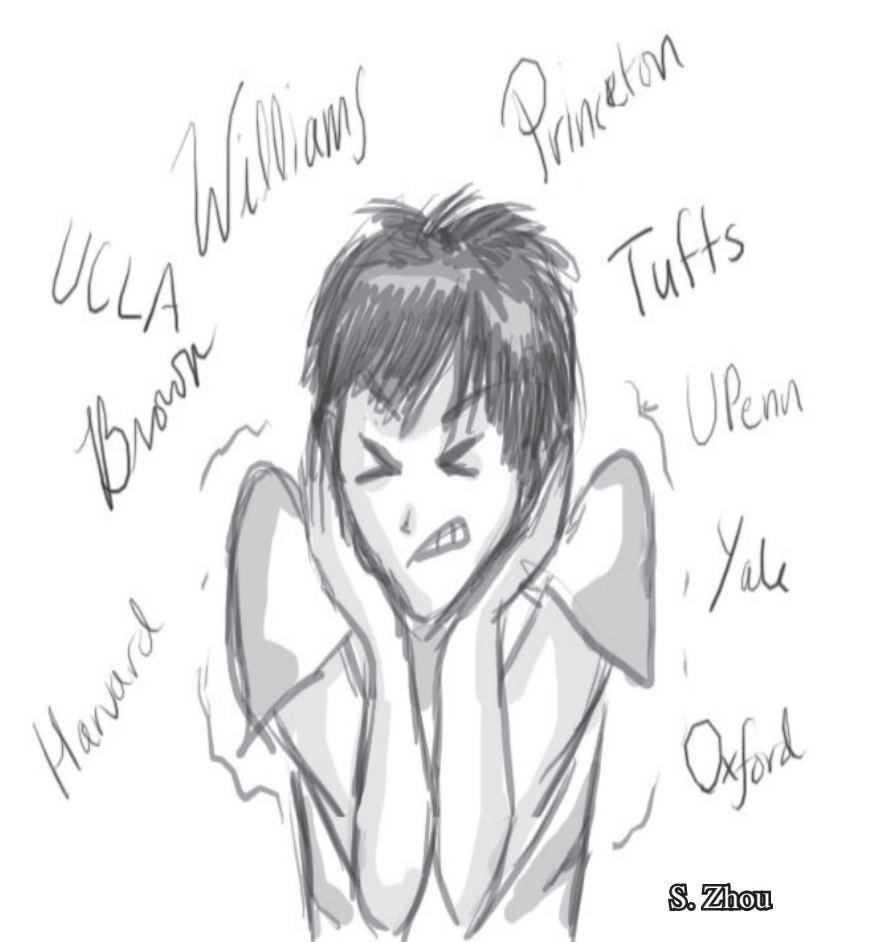
Finally, this whole add/drop slip process should end. Not only is it inefficient, but is a burden to have to run around collecting signatures. Instead, an electrical version of this procedure should be created.

A student could simply fill out a slip on his/her computer, and from there send it to his/her advisor or the correct department, who could then forward to one of the many new scheduling officers in the enlarged Scheduling Department.

It does not matter whether one or all of these changes are actually implemented. What matters is that the scheduling problems get fixed as soon as possible.

“...this whole add/drop slip process has to stop.”

Welcome Back, PA '06



S. Zhou

Printing a Tradition

I enjoy reading most newspapers.

Whenever I travel or visit new places, I make a point of picking up the local publications. This, of course, has little to do with my love of the news. Rather, I enjoy perusing the local columnists to see who has a nose for the news; all the bland, boring, and utterly small town facets of it. Mayoral elections, city zoning, senior citizens dinners at the Lions Club - this is the stuff of real grass roots journalism.

We have one such paper in my town: *The Daily News*, affectionately referred to as "The Daily Snooze." It consists of 12 beautifully-crafted pages teeming with whatever one might want to know about bulb planting in the fall, or school lunch, or the retired locals' views on local politics. Generally relying on cute colloquialisms and unabashedly awful puns, these articles were the endearing stuff of Newburyport daily life.

Everyone one was content with its mediocrity until recently, in some last ditch attempt to add culture to an otherwise beautifully homogenous array of article topics, the Living section appeared without warning. Its debut article was on teenage fashion in Newburyport, Massachusetts.

I am privileged to know one of the models of said article, and also know that she will most likely never live down the fact that she was the centerfold for the *Daily News*' first ever fashion spread. It was painful to read. I had to skim it a few times to get the gist it was far too revolting to read un-fragmented. From what I gleaned, however, Vans sneakers are "tight," the swishy skirt bohemian look is "in," and parents get out your old wardrobes because the 60s have made a triumphant return amongst the Newburyport High School populace.

I normally don't have an issue with things making an attempt to

Lauren Kelleher '07
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tion which are far better left alone. My sister is a carrier for the *Daily News*, and having done her route on occasion, for a heavy stipend, I know for a fact that 90 percent of the people who have this publication delivered either have AARP cards, lots of cats, and/or nicotine stained wallpaper.

Not exactly the sect to whom Newburyport's relatively nonexistent cultural trends appeal, particularly those that are dictated by the miscellaneous teenagers quoted so eloquently in the article. The chic homes on the street if they even get the *Daily News*, also have stoops littered with *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, and *Time*.

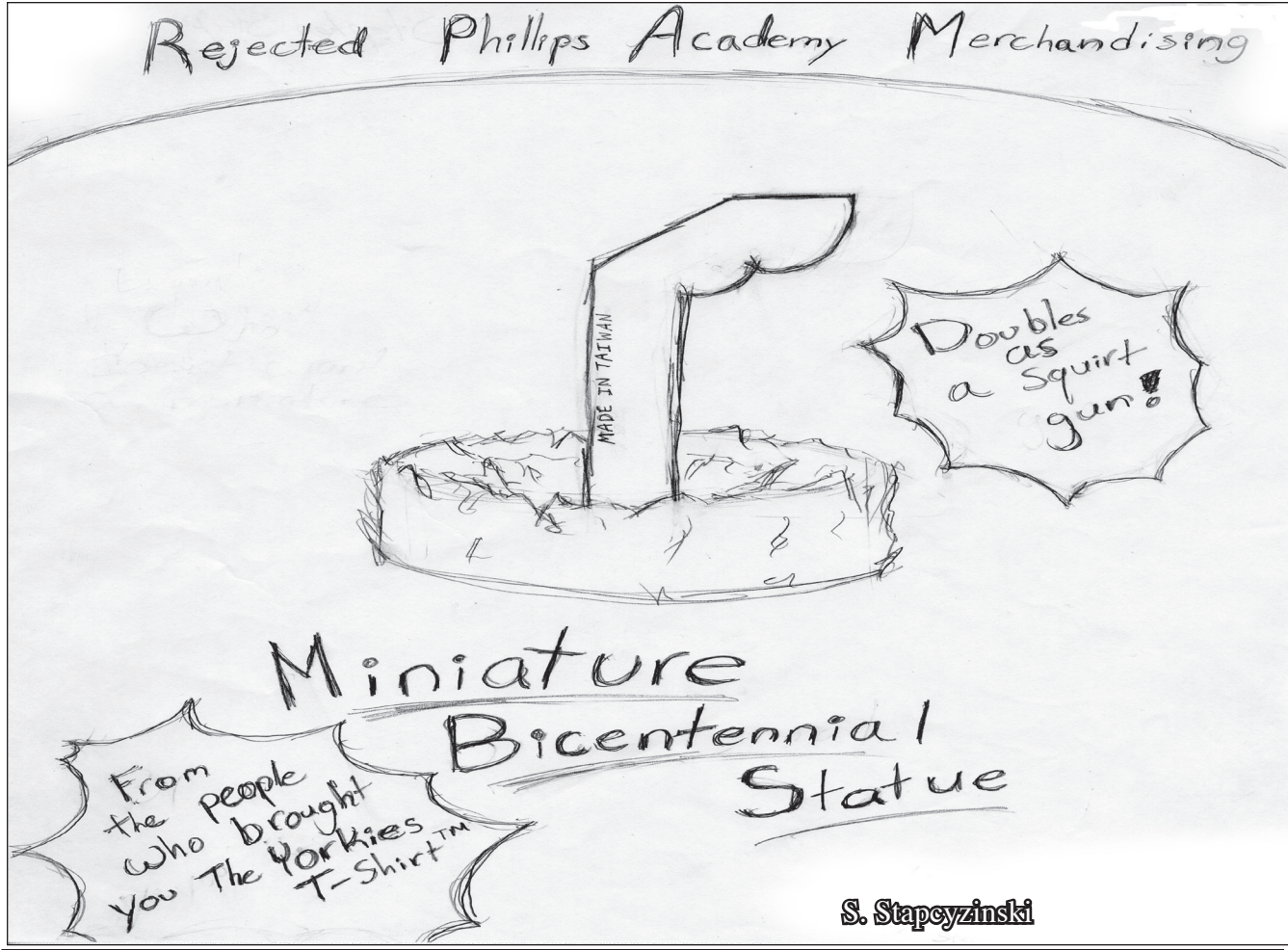
It was even more disheartening to read the "how to revamp the dorm room" the next week, and something about Big and Tall Men the next.

Where was the Theatre in the State Park review? Where were the pieces on small time bands that played middle of the road Irish music every weekend at Rosie O'Shea's pub downtown?

Publications should not strive to fill voids that were never there to begin with.

Leaving well enough alone is not always a bad mantra, so why can't people stand to abide by it. I liked it better then the local papers were complaining about teenage hoodlums, not critiquing their fashion sense.

It made me happy to read about townies and the familiar comforts of home that boarding school has estranged me from. I like the normalcy and convention, and find it highly improbable that, despite the never-ending treadmill to escape banality, we accept some things as such, and maybe even hold them dear.



S. Stapeyzinski

Clique It or Ticket

The start of a new school year brings to Andover Hill a myriad of new faces, and with that, new and different outside perspectives. PA has the tendency to become a bubble without mirrors and we lose objective sight of how outsiders view us.

I asked two new students, after their first week of classes, how they liked PA. I expected to hear about how amazing and difficult classes are, or how large and beautiful the campus is. Instead, I was shocked when these two girls replied that the students on this campus aren't friendly.

Incredulous at first, I had trouble believing that these girls had picked up an accurate impression of the school. I had always considered PA a receptive and welcoming environment. Later that night we went to Ryley Room, the hub of Andover nightlife. It was then that I noticed the Andover bubble had caused me to lose my sense of objectivity.

It didn't take me very much time to realize that these girls had a point. Unfortunately our student body fits too neatly into different packages or stereotypes.

This was evident in Ryley Room, which broke down neatly into small groups of people sitting at tables or standing in tight circles with their friends, oblivious to the outside world. Commons, especially during dinner rush hour, represents the extreme model of the voluntary segregation that takes place on this campus.

Everyone knows about the four different dining halls and their corresponding stereotypes.

We all know who to expect in lower right and who we might see in upper left. Within lower right, my dining hall of choice, tables form night after night as if a seating chart exists. Because every sports team sits together at dinner, one could easily fill out a roster of every PA

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SOCIALITE

sports team just by wandering around Commons.

Throughout campus, small groups of students stand in circles talking. It looks ridiculous. There are multiple circle-conversations taking place right next to each other, with no interaction between them.

Nobody is trying to argue against having close friends.

In fact, that's what makes PA such a special place is that everyone develops a close network of friends with whom they will stay in contact long past graduation. This campus would become a whole lot livelier and friendlier, however, if everyone was more comfortable trying something new, talking to someone different, sitting in a different dining hall, or even a different table.

We should be more chivalrous and make a point of greeting everyone as we walk on the paths.

In an environment like Ryley, people should make an effort to surpass the limits of their circle a couple times to talk to people they usually ignore.

This is especially important at the beginning of the year when there are so many new faces.

At this year's Matriculation Ceremony, Ms. Edwards told new students to live by the famous adage, "You miss 100% percent of the shots you don't take." Returning students would benefit from this wisdom as well.

There are many people outside of everyone's immediate social circle with whom they are sure to share many things in common. During the first week of classes, I met a new Lower and discovered that her dad played several seasons for a professional sports team in my home town. Even though she lives in a different country now, we discovered that we had a lot more in common than we could have imagined.

Turns out that I grew up playing hockey with two of her best friends in Colorado.

“In an environment like Ryley, people should make an effort to surpass the limits of their circle a couple times to talk to people they usually ignore.”

No! We don't have cliques at Andover!

¡No! ¡No tenemos pandillas en Andover!

Non! Nous n'avons aucunes de cliques au Andover!

Nein! Wir haben nicht cliquen im Andover!

αριθ.! δεν έχουμε cliques στο Andover!

нет! мы не имеем клика в Andover!

아니! 우리 Andover를 집단 없어!

いいえ! 私達にAndoverで派閥がない!

不! 在 Andover 我們沒有派系!



THE LIVING ARTS

GUIDE TO DOWNTOWN ANDOVER

FOOD

❖ **The Andover Inn**
978-475-5903
4 Chapel Ave. (Not on the map; across from Kemper Auditorium)
\$20-\$40 per person
Dinner: Monday - Saturday: 5:30 p.m. - 9:45 p.m., Sunday: 5 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
Sunday Brunch: 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
So very convenient, and perfect for Parent's Weekend dinner. Service is slow, the room rather stuffy, but you can get a good steak. The real treasure is Sunday Brunch. For \$34 you get a mind-boggling never-ending buffet: made-to-order omelets, ecstasy-inducing waffles with whipped cream, fresh fruit, rotisserie items, antipasto platters, chocolate mousses and cheesecake... and if you're still hungry, Sunday dinner offers the must-try \$32 Rijsttafel Indonesian feast. The leftovers will last you two days.

5. Bertucci's
978-480-3939
90 Main Street
\$5-\$15 per person
Rolls, Rolls, Rolls. Oh... and pizza. This student favorite always has long lines on weekends, and you will see all of your friends. Pizza is pricey but you'll go anyways. (Personal, disputed Editor's opinion: not enough toppings. I like loaded pizzas).

47. Blue Cow
978-475-6191
7 Barnard Street
Monday - Friday: 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday (November and December): 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
\$5-\$12 per person
Andover central. Gourmet sandwiches with fresh ingredients on tasty breads or wraps; desserts, salads, soups, Clearly Canadian bottled drinks, Figi water...and they NOW DELIVER!!

18. Bruegger's Bagels
978-749-7050
10 Main Street
\$3-\$8 per person
Bagels galore. Bagel sandwiches, soft-wiches, muffins, salads, soups, cookies; Odwalla and Nantucket Nectars too.

22. Bistro Cassis
978-474-8788
16 Post Office Ave.
\$20-\$30 per person
A small quaint French bistro with nice atmosphere; the short menu changes all the time. Can be a little pretentious and not great for huge crowds, but nice for a romantic dinner for two.

31. Depot Pizza
978-475-0055
53 Essex Street
Monday - Sunday: 10 a.m. - 10 p.m.
\$6 - \$10 per person
A sub place down by the train station. Really good Greek pizza. Head across the street for an apr  s-dinner ice cream treat at the Creamery.

36. Domino's
978-474-0066
38 Park Street
\$5 - \$15 per person
You've all seen the commercials. You know what it's about.

2. Dunkin' Donuts
978-475-4943
349 North Main Street
\$2 - \$6 per person
What's a more American breakfast than a donut? Some people say their coffee is better than Starbucks, and a medium Joe (about \$1.29) costs three times less than one at 'Bucks'.

50. Dylan's Bar and Grill
978-470-1717
22 Park Street
\$8-\$14 per person
A family-style restaurant, big portions, not too expensive, also has a bar (not that you can go). Serves bar food, such as salads, burgers, fries, steak, and salmon.

28. Friendly's
978-475-4505
32 North Main Street
\$6 - \$13 per person
Cheap eats and lots of options, but though the food may be burgers and fries, it's not fast: count on waiting forever for your order. Also count on a crying baby in the next booth. Better just get ice cream from the takeout window.

29. Glory
978-475-4811
19 Essex Street
\$30-\$60 per person
The place to hit when your parents are in town. Expensive, but great when you've been running on Commons for too long. Steak, fish, salad, dessert... a little pretentious and sometimes inconsistent; run by a PA grad. Serves a fabulous gourmet jazz brunch on Sundays featuring menu items such as eggs benedict, Brioche French toast, and a changing egg special.

45. Hometown Seafoods
978-475-7426
28 Chestnut Street

\$3 - \$15 per person
Relatively unknown, this hidden treasure is great for lovers of fish and shellfish. Menu items include clam chowder, fried clams, lobster rolls, baked haddock; fresh raw fish is sold as well (although good luck finding a kitchen).

42. King's Subs
978-470-1850
11 Bartlett Street
\$5 - \$10 per person
Subs, pizza, fried items... and an extra helping of grease. Also delivers.

8. Lantern Brunch
978-475-6191
89 Main Street
\$3 - \$10 per person
Sick of Commons "eggs" and limp bacon? Go here for awesome blueberry pancakes, and the key word is CHEAP. A great place to go with friends. Unfortunately, it's closed on Sundays and it's usually packed, so go early to avoid the lines.

32. The Mainline Creamery
978-475-3957
100 School Street
\$2 - \$6 per person
Homemade ice cream in Andover! Not the biggest portions or the greatest selection... but way better than Friendly's and way closer than Richardson's (ask a local about that - it's amazing).

51. Mootone
978-623-8006
15 Railroad Street
Monday - Thursday: 11 a.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Friday - Saturday: 11 a.m. - 10:30 p.m.
Sunday: 12 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
\$8-\$20 per person
An Andover favorite, students love Mootone for their sushi and other Japanese dishes such as the udon noodle stir fry or tempura. Main rival Yama is closer and has better cooked food, but Mootone's has better sushi and delivers.

21. My Brother's Pizza
978-475-9698
12 Post Office Ave
\$5-\$10 per person
This place has been around since our parents were in high school. The best subs in town (the chicken finger sub is a must-try), but the pizza is REALLY greasy. They don't deliver so you'll have to walk, but it's worth the trip.

26. Palmer's
978-470-1606
18 Elm Street
\$10-\$25 per person
Classic American cuisine in a charming atmosphere; the menu has lots of options appealing to a wide array of tastes; not too pricey; good daily specials; great for evenings out with parents or those merely in search of general fine dining. Service can be slow.

35. Peking Garden
978-749-9991
36 Park Street
\$5-\$15 per person
Not the best Chinese food in town - very greasy and mediocre in quality - but it's cheap and they deliver.

27. Perfecto's
978-749-7022
79 Main St.
\$2 - \$8
Kind of a far walk, but really good wraps, also muffins; and famous for French toast bagels.

39. Savour Kitchen
978-749-9071
63 Park Street
\$8 - \$16 per person
(Editors note: this is my favorite secret spot). The Chef graduated from the Culinary Institute of America in New York; all gourmet ingredients. High-end sandwiches, salads, fresh baked bread, pastries, soups. Limited table space; prices do add up.

16. Starbucks
978-475-7752
14 Main Street
\$3 - \$6 per person
Comfy couches, wireless internet, mood music... you won't survive Upper Spring without it.

4. Sweet Mimi's Chocolates
94 Main St. (note: in a new location, right next door to Bertuccis)
978-749-9969
Monday - Saturday: 9:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sunday: 12 p.m. - 4 p.m.
Homemade chocolate... candy... need we say more?

52. Teatone
978-623-8102
17 Railroad Street
\$7 - \$15 per person
The Chinese counterpart to Mootone, located next door. Better quality and less greasy than other local Chinese restaurants, you won't feel like you need gastric bypass surgery after eating their food. Not a sit-down restaurant; mostly take-out and delivery.

3. Ultimate Perk
978-470-1401

96 Main Street
\$3-\$5 per person
A typical coffee shop, but they have sandwiches too, and their muffins are to die for.

17. Vincenzo's
978-475-7711
12 Main Street
\$10 - \$25 per person
A welcome escape from Commons. American-Italian. Don't be intimidated by the fancier digs; good place to go if the line at Bertucci's is too long. Can get pasta for \$12; or if you're in the mood for real meat, try the veal or steak. Surprisingly fresh and well-prepared fish.

40. Yama Japanese
978-749-9777
63 Park Street
Monday- Thursday: 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., 5 p.m. - 9:45 p.m.
Friday: 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., 5 p.m. - 10:45 p.m.
Saturday: 11:30 a.m. - 10:45 p.m.
Sunday: 12 p.m. - 9:45 p.m.
\$10 - \$25 per person
Best Japanese in town, in terms of location, atmosphere, and cooked food. Mootone may have better sushi, though. BIG portions.

CLOTHING

1. The Andover Shop
978-475-2252
127 Main St.
Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday: 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Brands: Vineyard Vines, Lacoste, The Andover Shop, Viyella
Gender: Men, Women
The old-school look that takes you back to Andover's roots. Wool and cashmere, ribbon belts, Andover cuff links, and ties. Expensive.

34. The Andover Thrift Shop
978-475-0957
10 Park St.
Monday-Friday: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
First 3 Saturdays of every month: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Brands: Thrift Store
Gender: Men, Women
Anything and everything for under \$5. If you dig around you can find some good vintage; worth a trip just for the experience.

19. Athlete's Corner
978-474-1800
8 Main St.
Monday - Friday 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Saturday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sunday 12 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Brands: Under Armor, Adidas, Asics, Life Is Good, Sporthil, Reef
Gender: Men, Women
If you're in a pinch and need athletic wear this is your only option downtown. Also a supplier of the ever-popular Reef sandals and Under Armor attire. Be warned though, almost everything is overpriced, so if you have time you might want to go to Blaine.

41. Best Dressed
978-470-1704
63 Park St. (Above Yama's.)
Monday - Wednesday, Friday, Saturday: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Thursday: 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Sunday: 12 noon - 5 p.m.
Brands: Lily Pulitzer, Miss Sixty, Lacoste, Le Tigre
Gender: Women, Girls
Cute shirts, dresses, belts, polos. Prep haven.

13. Daher's
978-470-8121
45 Main St.
Monday - Friday: 9:30 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Saturday: 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: 12 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Brands: Uggs, Ecco, Clarks, Cole Haan, Merrell, Birkenstock, Privo, Minnetonkas
Gender: Men, Women
Shoes that tend to appeal to the older crowd. But if you're looking for Birks or Ugg slippers you can't go wrong.

24. Dresscode
978-470-0300
2 Elm Sq.
Tuesday-Wednesday: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Thursday: 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Friday-Saturday: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Brands: Michael Stars, BCBG, French Connection
Gender: Women
Elegant and fun dresses. The designer brand names and high prices will pay off when you arrive at Sadie looking like the belle of the ball. Frankie B. Denim, and nice suits for the young professional woman. (Or that impending college interview...)

21. Irresistibles
978-470-8260
13 Main St.
Monday - Wednesday, Friday - Saturday 9:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Sunday 12 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Brands: Sigrid Olsen, Eileen Fisher, Isda, Jade, Irresistibles Brand
Gender: Women
The clothes are for your mom, but the ribbon belts are a perfect complement to a polo and the tote bags will accommodate

all of your heavy school books.

48. Izzy's
978-475-0194
25 Barnard St.
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 10 a.m.- 6 p.m.
Thursday: 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Saturday: 10 a.m - 5 p.m.
Brands: Discounted Juicy Couture, Yanuk, Seven Jeans, Blue Cult, Miss Sixty, C&C, and more
Gender: Women
The key is the discount: classy name brands at much cheaper prices. This is the place to find that cute top to wear to Ryley on a Saturday night. The service is great, and Izzy is always willing to give you an honest friend's opinion.

43. Jeans Addiction
978-247-8900
16 Post Office Ave.
Monday, - Wednesday, Saturday: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Thursday: 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Friday: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sundays during November and December
Brands: So Low, Diesel, Notify, Blue Cult, Chip and Pepper, Priorities, Paper Denim and Cloth, AG
Gender: Men, Women
The name says it all. Service can be snobby at times, but there really is no better place in town to get your brand name jeans.

37. The Mercantile
978-475-7940
68 Park St.
Monday-Saturday: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Brands: Consignment Shop
Gender: Women
A huge collection of everything; more funky than Andover Thrift, often cool jewelry and even old VHS tapes.

30. Native Sun
978-470-0800
10 Essex St.
Monday-Friday: 9:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday: 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: 12 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Brands: Citizens of Humanity, Michael Stars, Free People, AG Denim, Cynthia Steffe
Gender: Women
A mix of older crowd and hipster. Look around and you'll find some nice stuff. Check out the belts!

38. Night and Day Lingerie
978-475-0343
63 Park St.
Monday - Wednesday, Friday: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Thursday: 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Saturday: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Brands: Chantelle, Jade, Spanx
Gender: Women
Lacy lingerie. Run out of underwear and don't want to do the laundry? Buy more!

14. Rapids
978-475-6321
39 Main St.
Monday - Wednesday: 10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Thursday: 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Saturday: 10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: 12 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Brands: North Face, Patagonia, Woolrich
Gender: Male, Female
Find your Patagonia and North Face fleeces at Rapids.

NAILS

Editors' note: the area around Main St. encompasses fourteen nail salons (freaky, we know). The following three are the ones we have been to and can speak about.

10. In the Pink
978-475-3833
93 Main St. (Olde Andover Village)
Tuesday - Saturday by appointment
Manicure: \$18 French, \$20 regular
Pedicure: \$24 mini, \$40 full
Combo: specials vary
Nice atmosphere, better for mani than pedi. Also sells jewelry.

25. Raini Nails
978-623-8048
3 Elm Sq.
Monday - Saturday 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Manicure: \$15
Pedicure: \$40
Combo: n/a
It's far away, and not worth the trip. On one occasion my finger bled badly; on another I left with polish on my skin.

53. Tips 'n' Toes:
978-470-2525
63 Park St. (Upstairs from Yama's.)
Monday - Saturday 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Sundays by appointment
Manicure: \$16
Pedicure: \$30
Combo: \$45
The best pedicure I've had! Good price, massage chairs, aromatherapy foot bath, massage, great cleaning and friendly service.

BEAUTY

23. Beauty and Main
978-623-0985
2 Elm Street
Monday - Saturday: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Sunday 12 p.m. - 4 p.m.
Carries perfumes and high-end makeup lines such as Trish McEvoy, NARS, and Laura Mercier. Knowledgeable service, and makes you feel like you're in the city.

44. Sparkle Boston
978-475-2203
28 Chestnut Street
In addition to all sorts of make-up, also sells accessories and jewelry, featuring designers like Kate Spade and Urban Decay.

MISCELLANEOUS

9. The Andover Bookstore
978-475-0143
89 Main St. (If you don't know where it is by now...)
Monday-Friday: 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Saturday: 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sunday: 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Prices we never notice, as we're too busy charging it to the 'rent's account. Publisher's prices, few sales.

46. Andover Cycle Stop
978-749-3191
26 Chestnut St. (Turn right at the corner after CVS; it's on the left.)
Monday - Friday: 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
Saturday: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Reasonable prices, good service, the store pays tax for PA students.

20. Andover Gift Shop
978-470-2445
4 Main St. (Just past Athlete's Corner.)
Monday - Friday: 9 a.m.- 6 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: 12 noon - 5 p.m.
A hippy store filled with overpowering incense and TONS of stuff. Jewelry, posters, magnets, tie dye, body creams, CDs for alternative lifestyles... All price ranges, but a lot of cheap deals.

49. Andover Photo
978-475-1452
27 Barnard St. (Past the Blue Cow and Izzy's.)
Monday - Wednesday: 8:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Tuesday - Thursday: 8:30 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Fancier photos than CVS... photo accessories and such.

15. Bank of America
978-841-4000
21 Main St. (Across from Kabloom.)
Monday - Wednesday: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Thursday: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Friday: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Need money in a pinch downtown? ATM here.

6. Circles of Wisdom
978-474-8010
90 Main St. (Inside the building left of Bertuccis.)
Tuesday-Friday : 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Sunday - Monday: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Open occasionally Saturday nights. Aromatherapy and incense, among other things.

12. CVS Pharmacy
978-475-1022
68 Main St.
24 Hrs, 7 days a week.
Student Mecca. A word of warning: buying 'much needed' supplies here can really drain the wallet.

11. Flowers By Steve
978-474-0708
74 Main St. (Before CVS)
Monday - Friday: 9 a.m - 5 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
More expensive arrangements than Kabloom - the money shows, though.

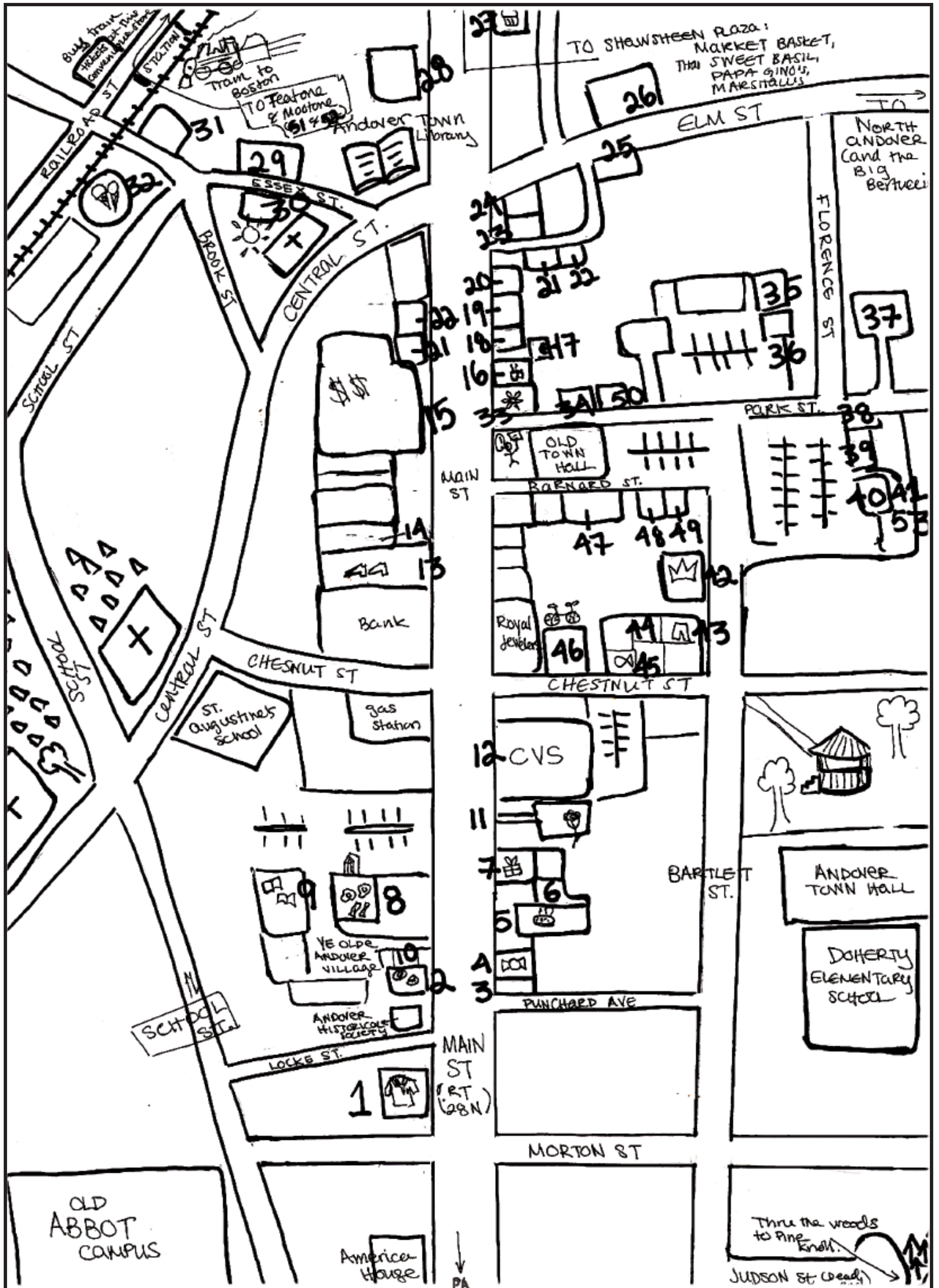
7. Helen Thomas Simply Smashing
978-475-7981
90 Main St. (Left of Bertuccis.)
Monday - Wednesday: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Thursday: 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Friday - Saturday: 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Sunday: 12 noon - 6 p.m.
Fun soaps, candles, lip gloss, baby gifts... good for birthdays. Pricey, but lots of nice "stuff."

33. Kabloom
978-749-0033
16 Main St. (On the corner, right of Starbucks.)
Monday: 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Your typical corporate florist. Good prices though, and the folks there help you shop in any price range that you're looking for.

22. Strawberry Tree
978-474-4714
9 Main St. (Across the street from Starbucks.)
Monday - Friday: 9:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday: 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: 12 noon - 5 p.m.
Crafty stuff - great for themed gifts... plus Hallmark central.

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Living Arts knows that Andover is stressful. It is all too easy to lose perspective while cooped up with your books on the hill. While you may not have time to get down to Boston with sports, homework, and the “hot Ryley scene,” and you may not have a car (or car permission...) *YOU CAN STILL ESCAPE!* Head downtown, and don’t forget your trusty **Living Arts Guide and Map**.



We're still waiting to come see your room!

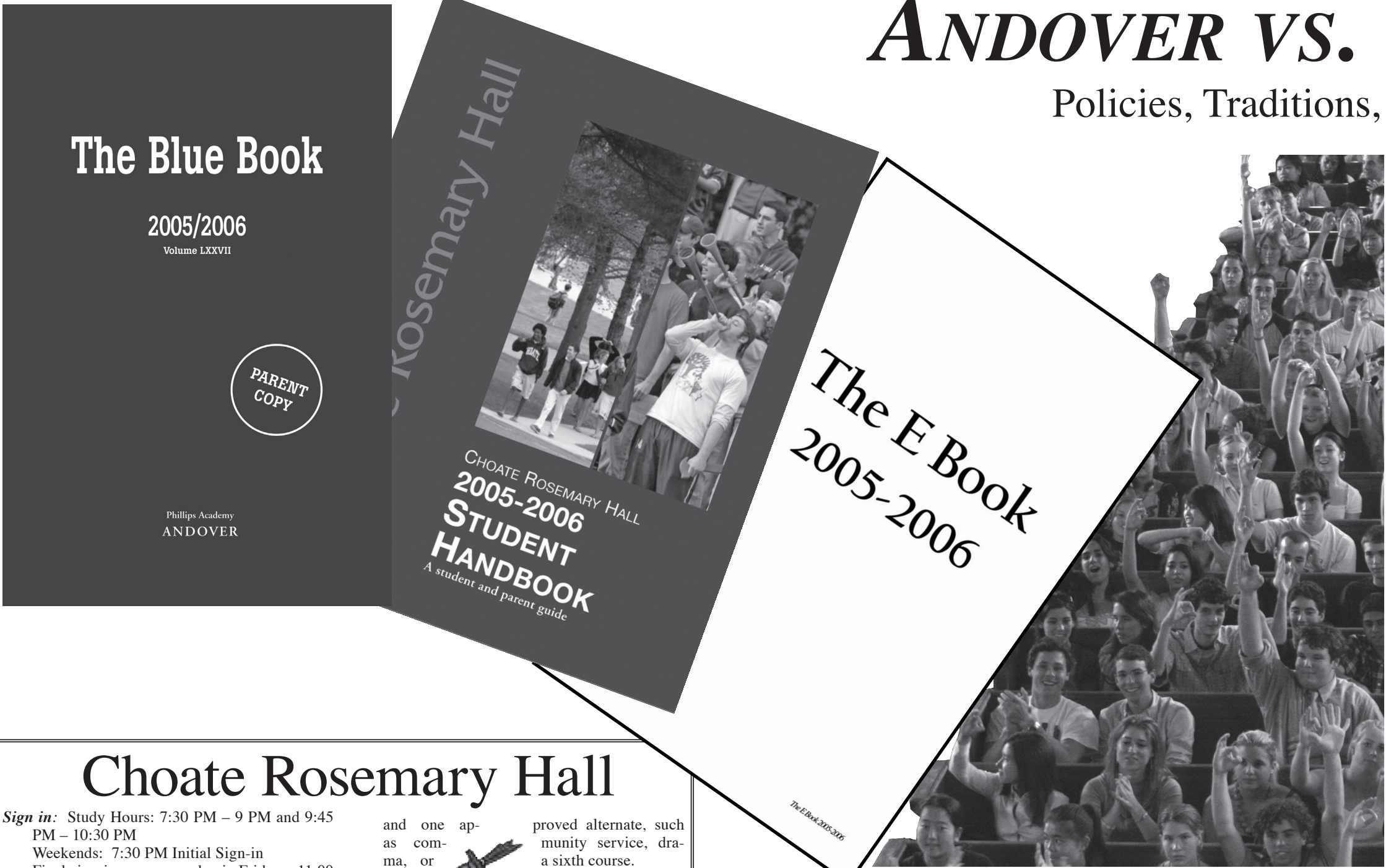
Do you think you have the coolest room on campus?

Enter the **Living Arts Dorm Room Decorating Challenge!**

If you win, not only will Living Arts do a special feature on you and your hot digs, you will also win

FREE Bertucci's Pizza!

To enter: email cwolcott & aho with your name, dorm, and extension
by Friday, September 30th.



Choate Rosemary Hall

Sign in: Study Hours: 7:30 PM – 9 PM and 9:45 PM – 10:30 PM
Weekends: 7:30 PM Initial Sign-in
Final sign-in on non-academic Fridays: 11:00 PM
Final sign-in on Saturdays: 11:30 PM
Visitations/Parietals: 3:05 PM - 7:30 PM with permission from a house counselor.
Juniors, Lower & Uppers: Door open and lights on
Seniors: Door ajar, but only during spring term
Internet/Phones: Phones are shut off during study hours.
Juniors & Lower: 9:45 PM off for the night
Uppers: 11 PM off for the night
Seniors: 11:30 PM off for the night
Cuts: One cut = Sunday restriction
Punishments escalate as the number of cuts rise.
Work Duty: All students must participate in a work duty program.
Library Rules: Though group study is restricted to certain areas of the library, no area is dedicated to complete silence.
Athletic Requirements: All students must take three terms of athletics, or two terms of sports

and one approved alternate, such as community service, drama, or a sixth course.
Dress Code: Boys must wear tucked-in, collared shirts with khakis or corduroys. Girls must wear shirts with either a sleeve or a collar, with skirts, shorts, nice pants, or simply a dress. Sweatshirts and jeans are prohibited for all throughout the school day.

Car Permission: No car permission whatsoever is granted.
Town: The campus is right on the town of Wallingford, so students are free to go into town whenever they wish. In town, there is a coffee shop, a few stores and a couple nice restaurants.
Senior Traditions: On the first day of school there is a senior-faculty dinner. Seniors also receive special privileges during the spring term, such as the right to leave doors ajar in visitations, and later sign-in time.
Vacations: Academic year 2005-2006 runs September 9 – June 4
Thanksgiving break: November 22 – 29
Winter break: December 16 – January 3
Spring break: March 1 – 20

“ The Choate rules are not only very liberal, but they are liberal in punishments if you break them and are liberally abided by. There isn’t much that you can do that will be in serious violation of a rule, except for dealing drugs, which the school takes very very seriously. As a result, not much dealing is done by students on campus, and whatever does occur is kept very much on the DL. I would say that the rule that is most often broken is Co-ed. ”
-Tom Barnett

Loomis Chaffee School

Sign-in: study hours begin at 7:30. There is a study-break between 9:15 and 10:00 when students can visit other dorms and get food. All students must be back in their dorms by 10 pm.
Visitations/Parietals: Visitations in opposite sex dorms are allowed during study-break between 9:15 and 10:00 on weekdays.
Internet/Phone: Internet is available until lights-out hour. However, phone and Internet messenger programs are shut down during study hours from 7:30 PM to 10 PM.
Cuts: Unexcused absences are called deeps. Four deeps = 30 hours of daytime study halls during the week
Six deeps= a “level one” (Two level ones are recorded permanently on student records)
Work Duty
All members of the Loomis community, contribute one to two hours a week to maintain the school.
Cafeteria Food: Loomis’ dining hall serves the food in all-you-can-eat cafeteria style. Twice a week students and faculty get together for “family-style” dinners. From time to time the dining hall staff prepares popular specialties and holiday roasts for festive occasions like Thanksgiving.
Library Rules: Loomis’ library has silence rules, although the library staff members are not very strict about enforcing them. The students are usually very focused and quiet.
Athletic Requirements: A student is required to either play a sport or take a daytime course on fitness and wellness each term. Students can get special exemption from sports, but they must be approved. (e.g. theater, individual sports, senior exemptions) For those who are not very involved in athletics, the school offers daytime programs which range from dance to riflery.
Day Excuses: For overnights and day trips, students are required to fill out a permission slip, which must be signed by a faculty member before they leave. To go downtown, which is within walking distance, students must write their names, destinations and times leaving on a sheet of paper posted in each dorm.
Town: Students go to the town of Windsor to shop at CVS, stop by an ice-cream shop, and do grocery shopping.
Senior Traditions: Seniors all live in a quad with balconies facing inwards towards the center. Tradition demands that only seniors may walk the Senior Path. Each graduating class proceeds along the path to Founders Hall for graduation ceremony every year.
Vacations: In year 2005-2006: September 13 – May 31
Thanksgiving break: November 20 – 29
Winter break: December 16 – January 4
Spring break: March 3 – 22

Deerfield Academy

Sign-in: Freshmen and Sophomores: 8 PM on school nights, 10:30 PM on Fridays, 11 PM on Saturdays
Juniors and Seniors: 10 PM on weeknights, 11 PM on Fridays, Midnight on Saturdays
Visitations/Parietals: Opposite sex visitations are also called parietals at Deerfield. Study parietals for Seniors: 8:15 PM to 9:15 PM
Underclassmen weekend parietals: 10:30 PM on Fridays, 11 PM on Saturdays
Upperclassmen weekend parietals: 11 PM on Fridays, 12 PM on Saturdays
Internet/Phones: Internet shuts down from 2 AM to 5 AM. Phone shuts down during study hours from 8:15 PM to 9:15 PM
Cuts: An unexcused class/seated meal = four accountability points
More than 12 accountability points = Friday restriction from 7:30 PM to 10:30 PM
Work Duty: Students are required to wait tables during sit-down meals and clean dorms, but there is no official work duty program at Deerfield.
Cafeteria Food: During sit-down meals, one faculty member and nine students are assigned to a different table every 3 or 4 weeks.
Library Rules: The library generally has a quiet and suitable atmosphere for studying. Voices must be kept low and group work is confined to group study rooms or two-person carrels. If a student receives up to three warnings a term, he loses library privileges for the rest of that term.
Athletic Requirements: Students must play a sport each term. If not involved in a sport, students are required to do an extra-curricular activity.
Dress Code: In classes, boys must wear a tie, shirts, blazers, slacks, or shorts for bottoms. Girls are now required to wear two visible layers on top, one of which must be a blazer or sweater. Cargo pants and jeans are not allowed in classrooms.
Day Excuses: Students must sign out from their dorm anytime they leave campus. If students are leaving for the weekend, they must write a slip specifying where they are going and when they will return, and submit it to Dean’s Office by Wednesday.
Town: The campus is surrounded by farmlands, and the nearest town is five minutes away. Students take cabs to go see movies at a local theater. There are restaurants in town, but most people eat on campus. The college towns, Amherst and Northampton, are about 20 minutes from campus; they offer a variety of cultural options.
Senior Traditions: There is a Senior skip day before graduation. Seniors perform several pranks throughout the year.

“ I’ve discovered over my three years here that having a day student taking you into town is a lot cheaper and easier than taking a taxi, even if it is against the school rules...If [the deans] catch you, you’ll be D.C.ed and likely suspended, so most kids abide by this rule. I, however, take advantage of the day students who can drive. ”
-Ben Simpkins

Milton Academy

Sign-in: Study hours: 7:30 PM – 10 PM (Juniors and Lower must be at their dorms or have a note giving permission to be somewhere else)
Juniors and Lower: 10:30 on Fridays, 11 PM on Saturdays
Uppers and Seniors: 11 PM on Fridays, 11 PM on Saturdays
May also get “midnights” to see shows in Boston, allowing them to stay out until midnight with a detailed plan.
Sunday: 6 PM
Visitations/Parietals: During a parietal, doors must be kept open with the lights on and a faculty member must approve the visit.
Sundays: Noon to 5 PM on Sundays
Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday: 6:30 PM to 7:15 PM
Wednesday: 3:30 to 5 PM and 6:30 to 7:15
Friday: 3:30 to 5 PM and 7 PM to 10:25 PM
Saturday: Noon to 5 PM and 7 PM to 10:55
Internet Access/ Phone Restrictions: No restriction on internet or phone use except illegal downloading is prohibited.
Cuts: One cut = meeting with the class dean
Two cuts = one hour of detention is assigned
Three cuts = appearance before the Dean’s Committee
If a student cuts more classes, he or she meets with the Academic Discipline Committee, which can hand out anything from restriction to permanent punishment.
Work Duty: Milton no longer has a work program except as punishment.

Library Rules: There is no “silent room”, but quiet is expected throughout the library. iPod use in the library is restricted.
Athletic Requirements: Juniors and Lower must have an interscholastic or intramural sport every term. Uppers and Seniors only have to participate for two terms a year. Each student, no matter when he or she enters, must pass a P.E. class.
Dress Code: Students are expected to dress neatly and appropriately. In addition, guidelines for clothing on special occasions are given. Students dressed inappropriately are sent back to their dorms to change, and will receive cuts if they miss classes.
Car Permission: Any student going in a car must fill out a “Blue Card” explaining his or her plan.
Town: There is easy access to fast food, but not much to do in Milton. However, the school is in walking distance of the T.
Senior Traditions: Baccalaureate is the main senior event. Members of the graduating class put on performances, and each senior invites a faculty member to dinner. Seniors and their parents attend the Senior Picnic. All of the seniors pick a theme and dress up for the first all-school meeting.
Vacations: Academic year 2005-2006 runs September 9 – June 7
Thanksgiving break: November 22 – 29
Winter break: December 15 – January 4
Spring break: March 9 – 28

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OUR PEER SCHOOLS

Discipline, Everyday Life



For prospective students, choosing the boarding school that’s right for them is a daunting task. Even after making their decisions, many students always wonder—*What if I had gone somewhere else?*

Those foreign to the world of boarding schools argue that the schools are homogeneous in every aspect. However, each has its own quirks, traditions, and character.

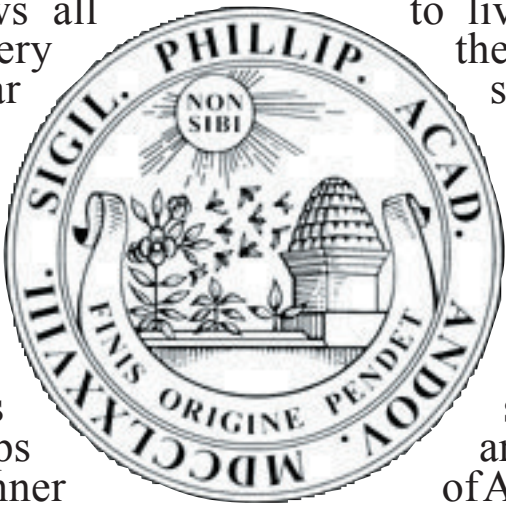
The Groton School allows all Seniors to roam campus every night two hours past the regular sign-in for underclassmen. At the Taft School, there is no P.E. requirement. Milton Academy has a “break” during study hours, when students can visit in other dorms. The St. Paul’s School offers made-to-order omelets in the dining hall. Phillips Exeter has a Senior lobster dinner at the end of every year.

Though these differences may seem trivial, these little rules and customs contribute to the unique

atmosphere of each school. Yet despite the differences between each institution, there are intrinsic similarities. At every school surveyed, the library is both a social gathering center and a place for silent study. All students need to receive car permission and day excuses, and skipping classes always carry consequences.

In this light, prep schools do have much in common. Every idiosyncrasy – even harsh rules - weaves a unique fabric, which manifests itself in the various activities, passions, and desires of the students.

Without the chance to live at each of these boarding schools, however, facts are the only method to determine the general atmosphere of each school. Here are the basics of Andover’s peer schools; perhaps this information will finally prove that Andover is the best school – at least for you.



Phillips Exeter Academy

Sign-in: Check-in every night: 8 PM
Juniors and Lower: 8 PM Sunday-Friday (must study in room)
Uppers: 9 PM Sunday-Friday, can have guests in common room until 9 PM
Seniors: 10 PM Sunday-Friday, can have guests in the common room until 9 PM
Saturdays: Students must be on campus by 10 PM and in their dorms by 11 PM

Visitations/Parietals: The door must be ajar with the light on.
Sunday – Friday: 7 PM – 8 PM
Saturday: 8 PM – 10:45 PM

Internet/Phone: Students who use the phone excessively (over 20 hours per week, or two hours per week between midnight and 6 AM, for two consecutive weeks) are liable for discipline.

Cuts: Four unexcused absences receive two weeks of Disciplinary Restriction. However, if a student sleeps through two consecutive classes, he can petition to have it count as only one cut. Absence on the day before a vacation could result in a D.C.

Cafeteria Food: The food at Exeter has recently expanded to a menu including hot entree buffets, salad bars, sandwich bars, pasta bars, cereal and fresh fruit, as well as omelet and stir-fry “stations”

Athletic Requirement: Students must play a sport

each term, while Seniors and Uppers may slide one term per year unless they participate in an off-campus program. Every student must pass a swim test.

Dress Code: For classes, assemblies, special occasions, and when representing Exeter at other schools, the dress code is required. Boys must wear shirts and ties or turtlenecks. Girls must wear dresses, skirts, or nice slacks with blouses, sweaters, collared shirts or turtlenecks.

Car Permissions: Students can be D.C.’d and may be required to withdraw for leaving Exeter without permission. Students can only leave on certain weekends. For day trips near Exeter the driver must be at least 21 and the student must get permission from a faculty member.
Town: The school campus is located in the middle of the town. There are stores, restaurants and a movie theater within walking distance of campus.

Senior Traditions: There is a Senior lobster dinner at the end of the year, and a Senior-Faculty dinner for which the seniors elect a faculty speaker.

Vacations: 2005-2006 Academic year runs from September 8 – June 8
Thanksgiving break: November 19 – 28
Winter break: December 14 – January 2
Spring break: March 11 – 27



“Dipping is prevalent on campus, with both athletes and non-athletes. Room visitation and car permission rules are also broken frequently. However, no one at Exeter does hard drugs and for the most part, rules are generally respected.”

-An Exeter Student

St. Paul’s School

Sign-in: Freshmen: 9:30 PM
Upperclassmen: 10:30 PM
Weekends: Underclassmen 11PM, Seniors 12

Visitations/Parietals: Visitors are allowed in dorm rooms only during Intervention Hours, or Intervis, from 7:30-9:30 PM on weekdays, and from 7:30-11 PM on Saturdays.

Internet/Phone: The phones are cut off between 11 PM to 6 AM for ingoing calls only.

Cuts: Every unexcused absence results in restriction hours from 8:30 PM to 10 PM. Four lates = a cut
Four cuts = restriction for a week

For more serious offenders, there is On Bounds-Check-in from 7:30 PM onwards, dormmates are not allowed in the room until the next morning, phones are shut off on weeknights, and playing in inter-school games and partaking in school activities are no longer permitted for the week.

Work Duty: Work duty assignments depend on the grade level. For example, Ninth graders work Anniversary weekend. Tenth graders wait Seated Dinner once a week. Returning students have Work Duty once every five weeks.

Cafeteria Food: Breakfast includes the usual cereal, and a made-to-order omelet bar. Semi-formal seated meals Tuesdays and Thursdays where the students eat together at an assigned table with a faculty member. The table

assignments change every three weeks.

Library Rules: Library is where everyone goes if they want to chill with their friends of the opposite sex away from the eyes of an adviser. Before Intervis starts, the library can be quite noisy. Students are not supposed to be too loud, but it never presents a problem.

Dress Codes: Dress code applies on academic days. Boys cannot wear athletic wear (excluding footwear) or head coverings of any type. Girls must not wear very short skirts, or shirts that bare their midriffs.

Day Excuses: When students want to go to town, they must be done with all their classes for the day, and they must write where they are going in a red book in the dorm. If traveling outside Concord/Manchester area, students are required sign out in the Dean’s Office instead of the dorm. Overnight trips require turning in a weekend card by Thursday afternoon.

Town: Although the town is rather far away, students will venture to Main St. to eat dinner, go to CVS, watch a movie, or to shop at Gap. Many choose to stay on campus during weekends, though the school provides bus service to town and Concord Trailways makes traveling to Boston convenient.

Senior Traditions: A night before graduation, seniors say their official goodbye to the school in the chapel. There are occasional senior dinners.

Vacations: Academic year 2005-2006 runs September 12 – June 10
Winter break: December 19 – January 8
Spring break: March 5-26.



Groton School

Sign-in: Study hours (all grade levels) including
Fridays: 8 PM – 9:45 PM
Freshmen: 9:45 PM Sunday – Friday, 11 PM on Saturdays
Lower & Uppers: 10 PM Sunday – Friday, 11 PM on Saturdays
Seniors: Midnight Sunday – Friday, 1 AM on Saturdays
Visitations/Parietals: Monday-Friday from 7:15 PM – 8 PM
Saturday: 8 PM – 10:30 PM

Internet/Phone: The school network is shut off at 11 PM. Phones are not supposed to be used during study hours, but this rule is rarely enforced.

Cuts: Demerit system
One cut= three demerits
Chapel cut = two demerits (demerits also for tardiness, improper dress, etc.)
Six demerits= two hours of work crew (wake up early and do two hours of work duty)

Two work crews = A letter home to parents
Work Duty: Five to ten minutes a day in jobs such as the mailroom, sweeping, or cleaning classrooms
Cafeteria Food: There is mandatory sit down dinner three times a week, with boys in coats and ties and girls in dresses.

Library Rules: Rules ensure quiet, but the library is not completely silent, nor are there silent sessions

Athletic Requirement: Freshmen must participate in athletics all three seasons. Upperclassmen must participate in two team sports, the other option can be a weightroom period. Seniors only need one team sport, but they need another afternoon activity, such as theatre.

Dress Code: Students must be neat and clean, no jeans or t-shirts are allowed. Boys must wear collared shirts, and girls cannot expose midriff.

Car Permission: Boarders can ride in day student’s cars only with specific permission from the deans.

Town: The town of Groton is very small, with only a pizza parlor and grocery store. However, a bus leaves the school ever Saturday for Boston.

Senior Traditions: After checking in, Seniors may go back out for two more hours, to the student center or each other’s rooms. All Seniors are dorm prefects.

Vacations: Academic year 2005-2006 runs from September 12 – June 10
Thanksgiving break: November 22 - 29
Winter break: December 15 – January 4
Spring break from March 7 – 29



Taft School

Sign-in: Study hours: 8 PM – 10 PM
Freshmen & Lower: Must be in dorm or signed in during study hours, 10:15 PM on school nights
Uppers & Seniors: Do not need to sign out during study hours, 10:15 PM on weekends school nights ranges from 10:30 to midnight on weekends.

Visitations/Parietals: No room visits for Juniors and Lower.
Uppers: dinner - 8 PM daily, doors can be closed
Seniors: dinner - 10 PM daily, doors can be closed

Internet/phones: Underclassmen: 11 PM
Internet off, 10:30 PM
phones off. Juniors, Lower: 8 PM – 10 PM
instant messaging off, 10:30 PM
instant messaging off for the night
Uppers: 8 PM – 10 PM
instant messaging off
Seniors: Midnight internet off

Cuts: One cut = one conduct grade (similar to demerit) and a meeting with the Dean of Students, Sunday morning study hall, possible “penalty crew” assignment (see below)

Two cuts= A letter to parents in addition to the consequences described above

Three cuts= Parents meet with Dean of Students in addition to the consequences described above

Work Duty: Work duty only happens as punishment for cutting classes or other minor violations, help out: assisting maintenance staff or serving as soccer linemen for example. Juniors and Lower are assigned to help with sweeping and

dishes in the dining hall.

Cafeteria Food: Two sit-down meals per week with the faculty in the fall and again in the first half of the spring term. All other meals are cafeteria style.

Library Rules: The library is small, and thus closely supervised, and so the environment remains relatively quiet.

Athletic Requirements: All students must have some form of athletics each term. Seniors may slide for one term. There is no P.E. requirement. Students without a competitive sport may sign up for organized workouts or intramurals.

Dress Codes: No jeans, t-shirts, or ripped clothing are allowed. Students may wear shorts in the spring. For girls, midriffs may not be exposed. Facial hair cannot be grown at school.

Car Permission: Students need written permission on file from both sets of parents (drivers’ and passengers’) and they must be specifically named in advance.

Town: Students can walk downtown for Starbucks and shopping from 7 AM until dinnertime.

Senior Traditions: School rules such as sign-in, parietals, internet and meal attendance become more lenient as students get older. Seniors get to leave the twice a week All-School meetings first. They can also be in the student union (a Ryley

equivalent) during study hours.

Vacations: 2005-2006 academic year runs from September 8 – May 29
Thanksgiving break: November 19 – 28
Winter break: December 13 – January 3
Spring break: March 8 – 22



“The honor code is taken very seriously here. Everybody highly respects it and it is undoubtedly the core of our community. In my opinion, the school would be nothing without it.”

-Lee Ziesing

Features Goes to Class

Being A Bad Man

THE 4 ZONE

by John Badman
FEATURES TEACHERS PEST

I have never had an unexcused absense at Phillips Academy. Never. Not once, never ever, not in three years and four days. So you ask, John, why have you never missed a class? Because you never know when the great ones are coming, my fond and loyal reader.

Tips on how to make a boring class fun:

1. When the teacher is talking, mumble what they are saying. Get progressively louder and louder until they comment, then deny saying anything. Right when they start up again, start up yourself, and repeat until sent back to dorm.
2. Always bring food from Commons back to the classroom. The more soup and meat you can get, the better. Slurp the soup during your teacher's monotone drolls, and chomp on the meat. Twenty dollars says they won't comment. They are like bears, more scared of you than you of them.
3. In English, pick a blatantly ridiculous argument and back it up. Use profanity when needed. Pretend to start crying when the teacher disagrees. Throw stuff. Guaranteed your instructor report will read, "John was a model student in class this year, as he added to class discussions and...".
4. Go to class under the influence of something with a cool name. I personally like Commons food.
5. Whenever you have your hand raised, but your teacher calls on somebody else, start talking over that student's voice when they start talking. Not only is it incredibly rude, but people actually do this.
6. Be one of those kids who is always cutting the teacher off mid-sentence because the class has technically ended. Start packing your bag ten minutes before the end, and just stare at the clock.
7. Take off your shirt. It does get hot in math class.
8. Be that person who never has a pencil, asks to borrow one, promises to return it, and then doesn't. Dick.
9. Whenever the teacher asks you to write something on the board, act like it is a real physical exertion, and walk as slowly as you can. Sigh and stumble when

necessary.

10. When you are sick, don't go to Isham. If you are throwing up, just bring the trash can next to your chair and hurl when necessary.

11. Complain about the length of homework even when it was short. Tell the teacher you have better things to do with your time, and that when the OC is on, you don't expect as much work.

12. Act like you are really interested in a topic, ask the teacher about it with as much enthusiasm as possible, and when they start talking, just put your head down on the desk and hum.

13. When your cell phone goes off in class, blaring that Jessica Simpson ring, tell the teacher you need to take the call, and pick up. Carry on any conversations you deem necessary.

14. Always ask a neighbor when you don't understand something. If they ignore you, start yelling in their ears. Throw down if you really have to.

15. When somebody makes a comment you feel is stupid, start laughing and point at them. Pull out: "what an idiot."

16. If the teacher ever corrects a student yell, "put that in your pipe and smoke it," while laughing. Pull out and smoke your own pipe for extra effect.

17. If you feel like class should be over, then it should be.

Get your stuff, get out, and dismiss the class.

18. If in the Gelb Science Center, call the room phone number from your cell phone. When the teacher picks up, ask them to give you a 6, and when they look over at you, wink. I actually pulled this one myself.

19. Whenever writing in chalk, push down as hard as possible, and keep the screeching going. Deny it being your chalk, even when alone at the board.

20. Bring in a camera and take pictures of your teacher while they are speaking. When they ask why you are taking pictures, tell them that Hustler is having a nominate-your-teacher sweepstake.

21. When reading a classic in English, bring in the Sparksnotes book and read it during class. When the teacher asks you what you are doing, say that you just found it on the floor.

22. Take ten minutes trying to sharpen your pencil with the manual sharpener during a major test. Go back to your seat, and just write the test in ink.

23. When a teacher asks for a page number, make one up.

24. During a test, look over to the person next to you, and yell, "No, I will not give you the answer to number 12". Follow by smiling and winking.



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John Badman '06 looks forward to earning the Dan Taylor '06 award for excellence in the field of facial hair.

SAME OLD DREK

by David Curtis
FEATURES STUFFED PACKAGE

So I'm at least pretty sure that Badman and Gabe intend to spend their articles explaining how they never go to class, how they never do their work, how much they like panda bears, and the like. Ergo, rather than bore you with more of the same drek [Editors Note: "Drek"? Not even close Curtis, not even close...], I would like to put it out there right here and now that I do go to class.

More often than not, however, classes are merely a precursor to the endless partying that is the overbearing responsibility of being a Features associate. Granted, classes tend to be dull and disgustingly academic, and they get in the way of my wild parties.

Thus, somewhere in the middle of Lower year, I thought to myself, "David, these classes are cramping your style. How the heck do you plan to get the babes when you're stuck in Chemistry class?" It was at this point that I resolved to make classes fun.

And while that may sound elementary to those of you reading this with 6.0s and plenty of babes, for me it was a major discovery. On the flip side, you're reading Features, so it's probably just as novel to you as it was to me. PWNED. [Editors Note (again): Is the 'P' here a typo or Curtis expressing himself through freeform prose? I am at an absolute loss

here. Commentary doesn't have to deal with this kind of crap.]

Anyways, I quickly began to make my classes more interesting. There was the time when I built a fort out of desks in the back of math class, complete with a pirate flag and a no girls allowed sign, and proceeded to hide there for the entire class. Then there was the time that I attached that very same pirate flag to the second blackboard in Gelb, and pulled down the first blackboard to cover it.

Sure enough, my teacher's

lesson did not go quite as planned; all was going well, up until Blackboard #1 was fully used. Then all hell broke loose: as the Jolly Roger rolled into view, sight of the dreaded skull 'n bones struck terror into the hearts of my classmates. In the resulting mayhem, three midgets and a squirrel were injured. It was hilarious.

Needless to say, I could go on and on, describing to you all of the interesting things I've done to amuse myself during class. By the way, I know what

you're thinking, and that's gross. Moving on, let me reminisce just a little bit longer.

Fast forward to Lower Spring. Babefest 2K5. One day, I decided that it was time to excite my Chem class. So, I brought in a suitcase full of stuffed animals (that I took from my younger brothers, really, they aren't mine, I swear) and spread them out all over Mr. Cardozo's desk. As the bell rang, he walked into class, only to be greeted by seventeen of my - or rather, my brother's - furriest little friends. Naturally, he asked us "Would somebody like to explain this?" to which I frantically replied "OH MY GOD, THEY'VE ESCAPED," ran up to the front of the classroom, and stuffed my downy pals back from whence they'd came - my pants. It is important to note that I'm banned from the Chemistry floor of Gelb.

Hopefully my own various exploits are enough to get you started on your own ways of raising the Fun-O-Meter in your classes. Yet before I go, I would like to mention something semi-relevant which was brought to my attention earlier today.

Along with going to class, I have also once been "taken to school." That is to say, a 6'5" 11-year-old named Johnny Cobra destroyed me at streetball, hitting 10 behind the back half court hook shots in a row. Hold it down, big man... hold it down.

Possible, if only she were real?" Well, I can't really imagine what that would be like, so I don't really know what to tell you there. What I can tell you is that Kim goes to Middleton High School, is on the cheerleading squad, and would be my bride, were it legal or at the very least physically possible.

All compulsive obsessions aside, getting that grade you aiming for is easier than you think it is, unless the class in question is Animal Behavior, in which case no one, anywhere, ever, could think that class is easier than it actually is. My dog doesn't know how to pee like a normal boy dog, hence taking my place as secret shame of the family, and even he managed to get a low 5 in that class. Seriously.

Of course, the problem



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Gabe Worgaftik '06 performs his mailroom with a sense of honor, integrity, and Latin Samba rhythm.

Features Presents...

Top Ten

Reasons to Go to Class

10. Nothing going on in Ryley.
9. The outside chance Justin Lee '06 will wear his Under Armour to class.
8. Watching "Gattaca" in Bio class for entire week.
7. Revenge. Sweet sweet revenge.
6. Because if you keep asking, they're eventually going to teach you how to make a bong out of your TI-83.
5. It's a good place to meet girls. Ok, it's the only place to meet girls. Ok it's the only place you can look at girls.
4. Because your roommate rented out your room during the day to a pack of hobos.
3. Last time you heard teacher say, "Free Cut" they really said "Three cuts".
2. Because your room smells like goat hooves.
1. To learn.

The Beast Master

by Jonathan Adler
FEATURES NUDE BIRDMAN

As my parents and I pulled up to campus in our sweet, sweet metallic grey minivan (A rental, of course. My minivan at home is blue), I peered out the window and watched students walking along the paths, stopping to hug their friends or answering the riddle that allows you to pass by the troll that lives between Pearson and Morse.

“Well, Well,” I said wisely, stroking my thick handlebar mustache, “I guess summer really is over.” I began to look back on the glorious summer I’d had. If I told you that I became an official Canadian Falconry Master, and also found time to tour the French countryside as an acrobat, you’d assume that one of those wild and crazy things isn’t true. Well, you’d be right. I did not tour the French countryside as an acrobat.

For my grandma’s 70th birthday party, our extended family contemplated several ways to celebrate. A big banquet, a family cruise, and a race around the world were all suggested, but she finally chose something that we couldn’t believe we hadn’t already thought of: Falconry. Now, many of you must be wondering what falconry is.

That’s exactly what I was wondering as I sadly unpacked my collection of Hawaiian shirts from my Mickey Mouse backpack that I had planned to bring on our Disney Cruise. I was told that falconry is basically holding a huge, falcon with razor sharp talons on your arm, then sending the falcon off on a hunt in the woods. “Oh, now I see why we’re doing this,” I said. Now you’re thinking, “Where does one go to falcon?” Take a guess, that’s right...Canada. Mounties, Moose, Hockey, and apparently, world class Falconry.

So the whole family loaded up the blue minivan and began the five hour drive from



Any Adler, Take Your Pick/*The Phillipian*
Falcon Master Jonathan Adler ’08 smells awful right now.

Cleveland to Toronto. We spent a day in Canada’s big city, living large, eating Canadian bacon while watching Canadian ESPN. The only difference between their ESPN and America’s is that a grizzly bear wearing a red flannel shirt reveals the answer to the ‘Did You Know?’ trivia question. Don’t get it wrong, because that bear has quite the temper. Seriously, he points to the correct letter choice on his screen with the severed arm of an old co-worker.

So anyway, after a long day of exploring all of the foreign wonders that Toronto had to offer, we went to bed, anxious to begin our falconry the next morning.

I awoke, groggy and for some reason, in a complete Mountie uniform (The horse was in the bed next to me). We hopped back into the car and set off north of Toronto, towards “The Canadian School of Traditional Falconry.” On its web site, it was pictured within the walls of a lovely stone cas-

tle, on the edge of a thick forest.

Well, don’t trust the Internet folks, because the ‘School of Traditional Falconry’ was more or less ‘This Canadian Dude’s Backyard.’

I held a few massive falcons, got pooped on several times (Mostly by falcons) and watched our Canadian Falconer Instructor rip a quail in half and feed it to a falcon. He then smeared quail blood all over his face and screamed, “To the raptor room!” So we decided it was time to leave. We packed up our things, our official Falconer’s certificates in hand, washed the pungent smell of quail blood off of our hands, and drove off.

As we drove back into the U.S, I felt so proud to be an American, especially now that I was one of the elite Americans who held an official Falconer’s certificate. As we passed over the border and into beautiful, and not the slightest bit depressing, Buffalo, NY, the dirty streets and smell of grime wafted in to the car. Man, it’s great to be home.

Clown Suit EXTRAVAGANZA

by Will Cannon
FEATURES MAN SERVANT

It’s 7:55 a.m. Eastern Standard Time. You rush into the PACC with the hope of finding an open computer. To your surprise you spot one in the far corner of the room.

You dart over with the speed of an ADD cheetah and seize the seat. History is first period, and if you don’t print out that essay, you’re going to fail school and scrounge for work until you turn sixty and can live off of a state pension.

Pressure builds. You type in your username, followed by a random 60-digit letter and number password. You hit enter.

When BAM! A little window pops up saying “Could not locate server.” Instantly, your heart becomes colder than Common’s Slush on horse steroids.

Suddenly blood rushes to your face, and with your monitor you impale the small, studious freshman sitting in the seat beside you.

Folks, this has happened to me approximately 17.3 times this year. And each time I’m left with a missed assignment and a body to dispose of (the dumpster in OPP behind Fuess can only hold so much).

OH GOSH MR.CANNON, WHATEVER CAN WE DO TO AVOID THIS FROM HAPPENING TO US? DUH-UH- ERR

Hence, as the campus Oedipus, minus the whole sleeping with your mother and killing your father part, I’ve decided to solve this sphinx’s riddle of constantly missing assignments.

So here’s another facetious, although taboo, feature’s do it yourself lists. BAM!

1) Do not leave for school at 7:50 a.m: yeah I’m lazy, but a certified gangsta like me needs his sleep.

2) Start your homework before the Tonight Show with David Letterman: for some rea-

son his crazy antics and zany, yet truthful, comments on current news get me in the mood for some H-Dubya

3) Do not write for *The Phillipian*: it’s horrible... they whip you..... then poke you with cattle prodders.... then Gabel gets out his clown suit. [EiC Note: Whatever Cannon, whatever...]

4) BEWARD THE IDES OF MARCH: don’t ask questions, just do it!

5) Don’t get really thirsty while typing an English essay and attempt to drink the fluid inside your LCD monitor. I’ve tried this a couple of times and now I make the mating sounds of a male ostrich whenever a movie with Jodie Foster comes on TV.

6) Finally, don’t read anything written by Dahve Kurtis, ’07: frankly you’ll get sick of pirates and ninjas after the first 3 sentences, and will then attempt to commit ritualistic seppuku to purify yourself of

the monstrosity you just witnessed.

So BAM! Looks like I’ve saved another day. You know, everyday, harems of beautiful women come up to me and say: “Oh Will, you conqueror of conquerors, you man of men, how ever do it?”

It’s at that moment when I pop the collar of my leather jacket, light one end of my crooked cigarette, and rev the engine of my Harley Davidson. I then tilt forward my dark sunglasses revealing a raised eyebrow.

“Cause its what I do,” I then hit the kickstand and ride off into the sunset.

Notice how once again I manage to completely digress from what I was originally talking about to something completely unrelated.

I’m sorry to all of my English teachers who have had to read all of my essays. Seriously.



J. Yü*The Phillipian*
Will Cannon ’07 eats some cake, then spits it all over Alexa Reid ’07 (not pictured).

Commons Food: Danger Will Robinson, Danger!

by Phil Meyer
FEATURES ALWAYS HICK-UP-ING

Welcome to Andover. Let me be the first not to use the timeless “new and exciting journey” cliché to describe what will be the quarter of your life.

As I’m sure you are aware, Andover’s “extensive and rigorous curriculum” along with the interaction of a diverse community allows for considerable personal and academic growth. But with so much opportunity comes a lot of responsibility as well as some danger. Yes. Danger. Peril, even.

One threat to your well-being that can be by no means overlooked is food poisoning.

The majority of Commons dishes, although not particular-

ly appetizing, are toxin-free. However there is a spattering (I love that word) of dishes to avoid. Among these are “cheeseburg, yes burg, pie” and anything served in those little casserole dishes. The worst, of course, is cheeseburg casserole, which is both of those. I should also note that curry is a dangerous spice in the wrong hands.

Most Commons food is tolerable, though, and the chicken piccata is exquisite.

Of course, we follow the golden rule: “When in doubt, order out.”

When ordering food, think about what you want. For a lot of food at a decent price, go with the \$55 deal from Dominoes. If you are looking to brag about your meal to the entire dorm, Golden Chopstick

is a good choice.

Depending on the dish, the odor of this Chinese food can cover a large radius. It lingers for as long as it takes to understand the “red dot” scheduling system (Monday classes on Tuesday? I still don’t get it..) Also beware of the tendency for your clothes, bed, curtains, hair, and carpet to smell for, well, ever.

For lunch when pizza is not an option and there is nothing but “uneatables” in the servery, there is always the sandwich cart. You may make the decision to become a regular there. Upperclassmen are impressed with a Junior who can confidently and, of course, successfully ask for and receive. “the usual” sandwich.

Commons desserts, however, are decent for the most part. Mandatory for graduation is memorization and the ability for flawless recitation of the commons dessert schedule. As it is useful during your time at Andover, it will be listed here-after for your reference (lists are fun to read):

- Monday: Cake
- Tuesday: Something fruity
- Wednesday: Ice Cream (get there early)
- Thursday: Cookies-usually chocolate chip (look for the large flat ones, not the small thick ones)
- Friday: Surprise! (whatever’s left)

One more note about Commons; when picking a dining hall choose wisely. This decision will define your life at Andover. My advice would be to avoid upper left, this common faculty haunt is your best bet for an atomic wedgie.



J. Yü*The Phillipian*
Phil Meyer ’08 feeds the photocopier some of his secret sauce, which hardly qualifies either secret or sauce.

FEATURES PERSONAL ADS Andres Emilio Bobadilla ’06 Looking for Latino Lover



Name: Andres Emilio Bobadilla ’06

Nicknames: ’Dres, Bobo, ocasionaly Tito.

But His Parent’s Actually Call Him: Andresito (Little Andres).

Hometown: Santo Domingo, D.R.

Likes: Futbol, Beisbol, anything JV2 unprovoked outbursts, pinatas, cock-fights, the ladies.

Dislikes: Rawness resulting from too much tenderness, small children, half of an entire island.

Will: “Treat You Tender”.

Won’t: Not call you back.

Probably Won’t: Stalk you.

Most Definitely Has Never: Embezzled money from *The Phillipian*.

Looking for: The ladies.

Will settle for: Nothing less, no exceptions.

Preferences in a woman: Must be treatable in an at least somewhat tender fashion.

Must Be: Worse at poker than he is.

How Bad is that at poker: Pretty goddamn awful.

Y Finalmente, Andres Dice: Andres Bobadilla, estudiante del duodécimo grado en Phillips Academy busca mujer Latina, muy amorosa, que sepa y le guste ir de fiesta como una islena. Preferiblemente que sea una muchacha joven, pero se aceptan como hasta la edad de 42. Tambien se necista persona que ayude con el yate. Se quiere una mujer con manos bellas y una espalda fuerte. Dame un beso, mami.

HEY LADIES! ANDRES IS WAITING!



The Andover Football Team played two preseason scrimmages against Deerfield and Cushing, crushing Cushing with a final score of 14-0.

Andover Football Scrimmages Cushing and Deerfield, Tunes Up Offensive Rhythm Before Season Opener

by Will Sherrill
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

New additions and old faces all starred as the Andover Football team held a pre-season scrimmage with Cushing and Deerfield. Although the scrimmage felt more like practice than a real game, Andover played with a ferocious intensity on every play.

Andover first played Cushing and then Deerfield in two separate contests. In each mini-scrimmage, each offense ran ten plays with stoppages after each play for the coaches to help the players, and then they switched teams. After the twenty total plays, the teams played one quarter, simulating a real game.

Against each team, Andover clearly looked superior. In the "quarter" against Cushing, the Andover defense forced three turnovers, winning 14-0. Captain Matt Ward '06 forced

a fumble on Cushing's second play. Matt Fernandez '06 intercepted a deep Cushing throw, and Brendan Gallagher '06 forced another Cushing fumble.

Andover gave up no big plays to Cushing during the entire quarter and gave the offense great field position.

The interior line stuffed up the middle and sacked the Cushing quarterback twice.

Andover's offense took advantage of Cushing's turnovers and drove down the field with precision and ease.

Quarterback Joey Lokitis '06 played very well in his first action of the season, throwing a touchdown pass to wide receiver Andrew Badger '06 and two passes to Jason Soule '06. Running backs Charlie Houghton '06 and Fernandez dominated Cushing's defense with Fernandez scoring on a six yard run.

Against Deerfield, Andover kept some of its starters out of the action, but still controlled the game.

Andover's defense was impen-

etrable against Deerfield. Peter Casey '07, Tom Tassinari '06 and Chris Bramwell '07 each made countless plays to stuff the Deerfield running game.

The younger kids and substitutes also brought the heat, with Chad Hollis '08 and Matt Gaske '08 leading the way. Hollis, in his Andover debut, hit as hard as anyone on the field.

Will Sherrill '07 came in for Lokitis at quarterback and performed well, completing two passes to Badger to set up a five-yard touchdown run by Captain Ward.

The Andover defense played exceptionally. Coach Modeste said, "Defensively, we were very strong and really shined. Everyone attacked the ball, and on every play we had six or seven blue shirts in on the play, gang tackling the opponent. We had great intensity, something we haven't seen in recent years."

The young kids performed especially well and made a huge impression on the coaches. Andover's defensive depth provides the coaches with more

options than they've had in past years.

Offensively, Andover was strong but made small mistakes that, while expected in a scrimmage, will cost the team during the season.

The play at the skill positions was incredible, sometimes making up for a missed block or confused assignment.

Coach Modeste said, "The offense was not in synch on some plays but that's expected in a scrimmage. Refining and perfecting the offense takes longer than preparing the defense to play. We had a few missed assignments, but we also had a lot of good plays on top of those."

Andover heads into its home opener against Loomis Chaffee on Saturday.

Jammal '06 Anchors Defense; Field Hockey Beats GDA, 5-0

by Peter Dignard
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

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Jevan Jammal '06 proved her defensive prowess as she anchored a tough defense that has held its opponents to zero goals on the season. Goaltender Ale Moss '07 was pleased with her defense's play, having to save only a couple shots on net in each of the team's first games. Moss said of Jammal, "Nothing got by her," while Caroline Moore '07 said, "She was a pleasure to watch." Andover's shutout defense was good enough to beat Governor Dummer Academy, but Andover ended its contest with Groton in a tie.

Andover flew through its first scrimmage of the season by blowing out a weak Worcester Academy squad. This scrimmage may have boosted Andover's confidence, but it did not adequately prepare Andover for its next scrimmage and the rest of the regular season.

Andover's last chance to prepare for the regular season came on Saturday with a scrimmage against Groton. Groton typified the high caliber teams that Andover will face during its regular season. This showed on the scoreboard as Andover tied 0-0.

Andover gained control of the ball and moved it into its offensive zone often, but the inability to finish led to a lack of scoring. The defense blocked Groton's offensive attack and only allowed two shots on goaltender Moss.

Lindsay Moramarco '06 distributed the ball well, and created many scoring chances. However, these chances did not translate to any scoring.

One telling feature of Andover that came out of this game was its desire to win. Even though it was a preseason game that had no impact on any standings, almost every player on the team was furious with the tie.

Though Andover was disappointed with its inability to play up to its potential, it did not keep the team from making a giant splash in its first game of the season. Andover devoured a strong Governor Dummer Academy team with the score of 5-0.

Once again, Andover's defense halted any offensive threat from GDA. The ball barely crossed the half-field line and Moss earned a one-save shut out. Jammal's presence in the back-field was key to Andover's success this game.

Unlike the Groton game, Andover took advantage of its scoring opportunities often. Once the first goal was scored, Andover went on a tear. Carolyn Pollard '07 said, "One of the biggest positives of the game was our intensity which lasted from the first goal to the end of the game."

The key plays to Andover's scoring outburst were the corners. Two of Andover's five goals came from corners. Moramarco tipped a ball that Megan Montecalvo '06 blasted from the corner. Ali Zindman '07 also notched her first goal for the regular season.

This season opener showcased Moore's constant effort and smarts. Looking for any way to beat the other team, she was involved in several key plays through out the game.

One aspect of Andover's game that the team needs to improve on is its transitional play.

Though the defense is able to stop the ball before any serious offensive threat from the other team is mounted, Andover is having difficulty transitioning the ball to its forwards.

Andover hopes that this win will supply it with the leverage the team needs to overcome a competitive Loomis team. Loomis will surely bring its A-game after last season's two epic battles. Factors such as playing at home and under the lights may be the key elements in propelling Andover to the sweet taste of victory.



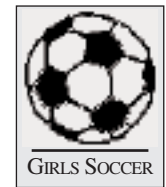
Co-Captain Ali Holliday '06 blasts by a defender. Holliday and teammate Kara Hollis '07 carried Andover's offense in the team's game against Middlesex.

PA Girls Soccer Defense Impregnable; Offense Unable To Break Two Ties

by Ale Zindman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

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In its season opener, the Girls Varsity Soccer team put on a strong showing against the Rivers School.



The game, ending with a final score of 0-0 had its ups and downs. Co-Captain Julie Wadland '06 said, "This game really showed how much potential we have to work with. Demonstrating so much potential this early really reinforces to everyone how good we can be by the end of the season."

Andover got off to a fast start and offensively connected well. Tactically, Andover successfully executed give and goes and took advantage of many 50-50 balls to regain possession.

Also, the newly implemented flat back four zonal defense proved to be highly effective as Rivers was allowed very few corners. By the end of the first half, however, the score did not reflect

Andover's complete domination over the field. Andover hoped to find the net in the second half but to no avail. With the clock winding down, Andover increased its intensity in the final five minutes but despite this effort, it was still unable to capitalize on scoring opportunities.

On Wednesday, Andover played the Middlesex School to a 1-1 tie. Coach Lisa Joel said that the game "was a great eighty minute effort with contributions from every player on the field." During the first half of the game, both teams got off to an aggressive start. Andover's intensity allowed it to put a great deal of pressure on the Middlesex defense, and Andover received many fast breaks. Unfortunately, Andover always came up just short of the net.

Despite some unlucky offsidess calls against the offense, Andover continued to create scoring opportunities in front of the net. Regrettably, with fifteen minutes left in the half, Middlesex received a lucky break due to an own goal by an Andover defender. Andover only increased its intensity after the Middlesex goal and by the end of the first half new Jenna Castellot '08 had scored. Castellot received the ball for a fast break and quickly shot it before the

goalie had time to react. This goal was crucial for Andover, as it allowed Andover to enter the second half on equal footing. Andover began the second half with the intensity and competitive spirit of the first. Offensively Kara Hollis '07 and Co-Captain Ali Holliday '06 continued to pressure the Middlesex team, both working to come up with multiple fast break opportunities and winning 50-50 balls.

Defensively, Andover stepped up to the plate, particularly when goalie Melissa McDonald '06 dove in front of a Middlesex forward to prevent her from shooting. These types of plays by the defense really helped Andover to stay in what proved to be a very close game.

By the end of the game, the score remained 1-1. Coach Lisa Joel said, "I was very happy with the way the girls played today. They played with a lot of heart and enthusiasm." Joel is looking at the season with a very positive outlook.

She said, "One of the things we need to work on is our timing with one another, but that just takes practice and getting used to everyone's playing style. Once this happens we really do have the potential to pose a threat to the other teams both offensively and defensively."

Despite Disparity in MLB Salaries, “Underfunded” Teams Still Competitive

Continued from Page 12, Column 6 solid scouting.

Take for example the Atlanta Braves, although not a low-payroll team, they have been able to put forth another fantastic season with a large number of inexperienced players, a supply of talent only obtained from good scouting.

Also, General Managers of low-budget teams have learned to feed off wealthy teams' tendency to undervalue young talent (Mets trade Scott Kazmir to the Devil Rays, anyone?).

General Managers have discovered ways to be successful regardless of the team's budget for players.

Two of the new breed of

General Managers, J.P. Riccardi (Blue Jays) and Billy Beane (Oakland A's, but we'll call them the Moneyballers) have found success with the sabermetric philosophy.

Mark Shaprio (Indians), Terry Ryan (Twins) and Larry Beinfest (Marlins) have excelled with a more traditional approach.

Only three low-budget teams have had consistent success over the last few years: The Twins, Marlins and Moneyballers.

The three teams have received recognition for outstanding scouting, player development and management.

But this season, the recogni-

tion should be given to many other low-budget teams competing for a division, and/or wild card title.

On September fifth, four of the top five American League teams vying to clinch a playoff spot via the wild card have a payroll lower than \$52.2 million.

The other team, The New York Yankees, will have spent \$208,306,817 by this season's end- nearly \$10 million more than the Indians, Blue Jays, Moneyballers and Twins combined.

In the National League, five teams are competing, and they were separated by a mere 2.5 games as of September 5th.

Of these five teams, two can be considered low-budget or underfunded; the Marlins and Nationals average a payroll of \$54,495,167- almost \$50 million less than another competitor, the New York Mets.

The point of this payroll madness is that baseball is becoming a league of opportunity and parity.

Any team, despite its wealth or lack thereof (besides the Kansas City Royals) has a chance to compete in MLB now.

We praise the National Football League for its quality of "anything can happen any given Sunday", but the 2005 Major League Baseball season has been blessed with parity, something that will continue for years to come because of young talented players, good scouting, and shrewd General Managers.

It's time to give that same praise of the NFL to professional baseball...it has earned it.

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Girls X-C Welcomes Fast '09; All Runners Finish Under 25

by Carly Villareal
PHILLIPPIAN SPORTS ASSOCIATE

The Andover Girls Varsity Cross-Country team ran an impressive time trial this past Saturday.



Coach Lang said, “Everyone who completed the time trial did so in less than 25 minutes, which is a great way to start the season!” Many runners already have extremely competitive times and the team looks strong.

Captain Katie Faulkner '06 was excited about her team's performance on Saturday.

She said, “I was really pleased with the results of the time trial. Coach Lang had us running at a fast but comfortable goal pace, and a lot of runners went a full minute under their expected times. It was really exciting to see that happen so early in the season.”

Coach Lang grouped the runners before the trial and gave each group a specific goal time.

With that in mind, Andover was to run comfortably, while getting used to racing on the home course and with each other.

The point of the time trial was not to go all out, but rather to establish a starting point on which to develop for the rest of the season.

Erika Roddy '07 said, “There wasn't much pressure from the coaches, which was nice. It made it easier for the girls, to not have to worry.”

Roddy, one of last year's top performers, was injured and did not race this weekend, but will be returning shortly.

During the trial, several talented newcomers emerged.

Brianna Jordan '09 was one of the first to finish, along with Captain Faulkner and Jen Downing '08.

Also notable were Abigail Levene '09 and Stephanie Moroney '09. Moroney said, “I liked the course! I felt great running, and I'm really excited for this year.”

Returning varsity runners Faulkner, Downing, Katherine Adams '06, and Chris Sargent '06 all finished well.

Along with many promising returning JV runners, they will form the core of the team that will lead Andover through its season.

Andover's first race is tomorrow, when the top seven will head to the Harrier Classic.

Following that, the Big Blue will host an invitational race expected to draw teams from seven schools.

Coach Lang hopes to have as many runners as possible competing in what will be Andover's first home race.



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Captain Mike Spiak '06 jumps in front of his Brooks opponent. T.J. Thompson '06 scored the tying goal in Andover's first official game of the season against a strong squad from Brooks. The final score was 1-1.

Andover Boys Soccer Overcomes Tentative Play; Tied Game Gives Hope for Successful Season

Continued from Page 12, Column 2 tionally strong Brooks team.

But despite high anticipation, the first half of the game was less than spectacular.

Andover had begun its pre-game preparation in the one spot of shade it could find, readying

itself for ninety minutes of play in the baking September sun.

When the whistle blew, the team was set into motion, but it initially failed to find any rhythm.

Perhaps the team was daunted by the powerful opposition, or maybe it was just going through an early season adjustment period.

But whatever the reason, a conservative Andover team came out of the gates.

“In the first half we played tentatively,” said Coach Bill Scott. “We were trying not to make mistakes.”

Brooks seized on this opportunity, netting the ball high over the right ear of Andover goal keeper John Gardner '08 in the seventeenth minute of play.

Andover seemed to make an offensive push toward the end of the first half, with midfielder Alex Clifford '07 moving the ball down the right side of the field.

Merzudin Ibric '06, a late substitution, known for his speed, had an attempt on goal.

But it deflected off the goalpost, and Andover went into halftime trailing 1-0.

After taking a break from the sun and having some much-needed water on board, Andover took the field in the second half re-energized. Though neither side played particularly smoothly, Andover seemed to be more in control than during the earlier stages.

“We settled down and passed better [in the final forty-five minutes of play],” said Scott.

Though Andover undoubtedly began playing better, success did not come immediately.

But Thompson came through in a timely fashion. In the seventy-fifth minute, he guided the ball into the upper-right corner of the goal.

The Andover bench erupted with joy and Thompson was greeted by congratulatory teammates on the field.

Now back in the contest, Andover kept the pressure on, looking for a win.

Despite fiery, physical play from that point forward, neither team managed to edge the other out.

The game ended in a 1-1 tie.

Captain Hamilton Leads Time-Trial; New Runners Fill Void In Top Seven

by Sara Ho
PHILLIPPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Sean Hamilton '06 looked strong as he led the Andover Boys Cross Country pack to the finish line in Saturday's time trial.



Overall, the time-trial was an awesome success, as new and old runners competed and set the pace for the coming season.

Any premonitions that this was to be a 'developing' season were all but abolished by this first successful race.

Fifteen of the twenty-three athletes ran personal record times, either running the course for the first time or improving upon their records from previous seasons, and the future is looking extremely bright for the upcoming season.

The Andover course is a relatively hilly one, challenging runners with various terrains including grass, concrete, and dirt.

The course's first mile begins with a lap around the Great Lawn, continues behind the Chapel and across the knoll into the Sanctuary.

After running the first two miles, runners are humbled by the infamously steep Heartbreak Hill before exiting the sanctuary and heading back up to the Great Lawn for one last grueling mile.

Cross-country veterans made up four of the top seven finishers, showing a strong front to start of the season.

Captain Hamilton led the team, running a personal record of 16 minutes, 57 seconds, and setting a high bar for the rest of the season.

Not far behind Ben Bramhall '07 crossed the line at his best time yet of 17:12. In sixth place Addison Godine '07 finished

with a strong personal best of 18:32.

On his heels finishing runner Dave Heighington '06, who rounded out the top seven with a strong 18:33.

Athletes new to the team quickly and easily filled the sizeable hole left from graduating.

In his first time on the course, Kentaro Watari '07 finished third with an amazing personal record of 17:34. New junior

Dave Wilson '09 ran a fantastic race, finishing with the older veterans at 18:08 min, a great way to start off his cross country career as a new member of the team.

Behind him was another new runner, Sean Beckett '07, who ran an admirable 18:28 race.

Andover's second seven looks equally promising, with Nate Thomas '08 running a strong 18:47.

Said Thomas of the time-trial. “We have a really excellent Junior squad this year, and a ton of people have improved.”

He continued, “So far we are a better team than last year and we have been training a lot harder.”

Behind Thomas were Alex Hugon '07 and Jeff Martin '07 who both ran personal records, along with newcomer Eli Howe '08 close behind.

Rounding out the second seven were Nick Bowen '06 and Greg Hsu '06, finishing neck and neck at 19:16 and 19:17.

It seems that an extremely bright future lies ahead for this young team, as the top runners look forward to the Canterbury Invitational this coming Saturday.

The team won this big race last year, and is looking to defend their title.

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FIELD HOCKEY VS. LOOMIS, 6:30PM

TOMORROW

FOOTBALL VS. LOOMIS, 2:30PM

BOYS SOCCER VS. LOOMIS, 2:00PM

GIRLS SOCCER VS. LOOMIS, 2:00PM

VOLLEYBALL VS. LOOMIS, 2:00PM

WATERPOLO VS. LOOMIS, 2:00PM

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The fastest growing sport among High School males gets less time on TV than soccer, tennis, or even women's billiards.

Its professional athletes look far more like your creepy Uncle Joe than Terrell Owens, Barry Bonds, or LeBron James.

In fact, America's up and coming youth sport is one in which there are more mathletes than athletes.

If you haven't figured it out already, the answer is bowling. Yes, in a country that breaths slam dunks, big hits, and home runs, bowling has taken over as the fastest growing sport among High School aged boys.

How, or why, or what the hell? As silly as it sounds, bowling really makes sense.

Its physical fitness regimen is up there with community service basics; if you can walk five feet, and pick up a 12-16 pound ball, walk five feet, drop the ball, and walk back, then you can bowl.

And never mind watching your diet; in bowling, you can down an entire McDonald's supersize meal during a match without fear of puking.

While bowling is wonderfully simple, it can be gloriously satisfying as well. Angry about school work, parents, or social life?

What better way to say 'screw you' to the world than to throw a ball as hard as you can and knock down pins?

You can beat the crap out of those pins, with no fear of any kind of retaliation.

In bowling, no one is there to yell at you for not passing, playing time is never a problem, and if you give less than 110%, frankly, no one is going to care.

So there you have it. Bowling is America's fastest growing sport, and why not?

It's good, clean, competitive, fun without the baggage of athleticism, team spirit, effort, or time.

But until you exchange your cleats for those funny clown shoes, remember that bowling is not quite as glorious as it seems; chicks just don't dig the 7-10 split.



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PG Rory MacRae '06 fights off a Brooks player as he steals the ball from his opponent. MacRae scored Andover's only goal against Middlebury College's Junior Varsity team during Saturday's Jamboree.

Thompson '06 Scores Tying Goal Against Brooks;
Andover Boys Soccer Takes Two Wins at Jamboree

by Matt Schubert
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

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T.J. Thompson '06 carried the Phillips Academy Andover Boys Soccer team to a 1-1 come-from-behind tie against Brooks on the road Wednesday in its first official game of the season.

The team had taken a 2-2-0 preseason record into the opener.

The previous Wednesday, Andover tied Nobles tied 2-2 in an exhibition.

Andover was not playing

full strength against Nobles, however, with the game serving as an extended tryout for several players.

This weekend, Andover competed in the "St. Paul's Jamboree," an annual tournament involving several teams from the area.

Andover finished the round robin with two strong wins and one tie.

With each team playing several games in one day at the "Jamboree," coaches adopted an abbreviated format.

Games consisted of twenty-five minute halves, totaling fifty minutes each.

Andover drew 1-1 with Middlebury College's Junior Varsity squad in the team's first match-up.

Rory MacRae '06 scored the

team's lone goal on an assist from Zach Dixon '08.

Against St. Paul's, Thompson scored a late-game goal with help from Captain Mike Spiak '06, lifting Andover to a 1-0 victory.

The team then proceeded to role through its game with

Kimball Union, winning 3-0. McCrae, Chris Wade '08, and Matt Gorski '09 all scored in the effort.

With these successful pre-season results in mind, Andover came into Wednesday excited for a showdown with the tradi-

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PA Boys Waterpolo defeated Loomis with a final score of 8-7. Unfortunately, the boys could not take down rival Exeter, losing 14-4.

Waterpolo Beats Loomis, First Time in Six Years;
PA Taken Down By Superior Exeter Team, 14-4

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| Andover | 15 |
| Hopkins | 0 |
| Andover | 8 |
| Loomis | 7 |
| Exeter | 14 |
| Andover | 4 |

The Andover Boys Waterpolo Team started its season with a



team proved to be one of this year's top teams. However, a loss this Wednesday against perennial powerhouse and rival Exeter may shake the team's confidence.

The tournament at Loomis this past weekend exhibited Andover's potential this year. Having played for less than two weeks without any interscholastic competitions, the team forged a strong defense and a powerful offense. Its first game against Hopkins showed to be no contest. Scoring six goals in the first quarter, Andover was unstoppable. With excellent indi-

vidual coverage on defense and strong goalkeeping from three different keepers, Hopkins was shut out. Goals from Howie Kalter '07, Ryan Ferguson '07 and Scott McColl '07 added an exclamation point to the dominating performance. The 15-0 score represented the game well.

The day's second game, against host Loomis, did not go as easily as the first contest. Andover started out with an early lead, ending the first period 3-1 up. The team entered the fourth period leading, 5-3.

Andover started the final quarter with a goal from Kalter, and it looked as though the game was locked up.

But slowly, as the quarter progressed, fatigue and Loomis's strong home crowd challenged Andover.

Two Loomis goals within the next minute showed that the Pelicans were not conceding. Finally, entering the final minute with only a one-goal lead, Andover showed its dogged mentality. The final score was 8-7 as Andover earned its first victory in six years over Loomis.

The most valuable players of the tournament were the goalkeeping unit and perimeter player Kalter. Billy Draper '07, Andrew Glasrud '06, and William Faulkner

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The Season of the
Impoverished Team

Who Needs A Salary Cap?

The 2005 Major League Baseball Season.

The Season of Steroids. The Season of Derek Lee.

The Season of the Dominating 42-year old Ace. The Season of Manny being Manny (again).

The Season of the Impoverished?

Although weeks of pennant races and the drama within awaits baseball fans across the nation, the legacy of the 2005 MLB season draws to a close.

In a year in which steroids have marred baseball at its highest level, it is difficult to find a redeeming quality about the league.

Cynicism surrounding professional baseball's integrity prevails, but parity among teams of varying economic statures is greater this season than ever before.

This is the Season of the Under-Funded.

Over the past decade, baseball fans' outcry for an official salary cap has strengthened, just as the discrepancy between the rich and relatively poor teams has.

Although the necessity for a salary cap lingers, the seemingly obvious relationship between the money spent on players by a team, and its success no longer applies to Major League Baseball like it once did.

One cause of this change in parity is advancement in scouting.

General Managers are learning to win with less.

A good baseball organization is built on the foundations of

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PA Girls Volleyball Hosts Tournament;
Pulls Out Two Wins Without Captain Price

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On Saturday, the Andover Girls Volleyball team hosted an invitational preseason tournament in order to give coaches an opportunity to make final arrangements to their teams



and to make final cuts.

Andover played a total of four scrimmages. Even without Captain Jackie Price '06, the team won two games, tied one, and lost

one.

After the tournament, Coach Clyfe Beckwith noted that conditioning and concentration are the main aspects of the game that need work. The championship match November 19th would require the team to go best out of five, and will depend greatly upon fitness. Next on his list are proper positioning and anticipation. Beckwith was very please with the skills and teamwork.

So far, the phrase "good team chemistry" has been thrown around a lot, and for good reason; every starter except Post Graduate Caroline Levin '06 received ample playing time for

last year's team, meaning that the Andover girls have a good deal of experience working with each other.

Competition was fierce this year for the final 12 spots on Varsity. Currently, starting in position number one and playing as an outside hitter and the "go-to defensive specialist" if necessary will be Levin.

In starting position number two will be setter Carpenter. Sarah Thomas '06 will start in three as a middle hitter and all-around player. Price will be in position four as outside hitter. In position five will be opposite hitter and backup defensive specialist Atima Lui '08. Finally, in six will be Claire Fox '06 as middle hitter and all-around.

These positions however are not etched in stone quite yet. A possible switch would be Levin to opposite blocker and Lui to outside hitter.

Players who will also see some playing time from what Price deemed "a very strong bench" include Beattie at net, Amberly Tenney '08 as setter, Pia Heilmann '07 and Erica Bakies '08 at outside hitters, Lindsay Maroney '07 and Maddy Jansen '08 as middle hitters. The final four of this list will also likely receive some play in the back row.

Next week the Andover women will face off against Loomis. Coach Beckwith said, "Loomis has traditionally fielded strong teams with a little bit of a lull in recent years because of graduating Seniors. This year I reckon they will field a team with more experience and chemistry and it should be a challenging match for both sides. It will require us to play with few mistakes and smart rather than with brute strength."



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Andover Girls Volleyball hosted a tournament and played four scrimmages.