

DESPITE HEALTH RISKS, JUNK FOOD STILL POPULAR AMONG STUDENTS

By SONG KIM

When the Commons menu includes French fries, trays pile up quickly and ketchup containers empty almost instantly. Andover students are free to choose what they eat, and most yield to the sweet temptations of junk food.

Despite the school's continuous effort to promote healthy eating habits, Ryley Room, vending machines in George Washington Hall, and dormitories still offer a spectrum of unwholesome snacks.

"Junk food is certainly a problem among the students. Healthy nutritious food is very accessible on campus, but some do not get them as much as others do," said Nutritionist Agatha Kip.

As many studies have shown, healthy eating provides more stamina, focus, and better scores on standardized tests for students.

Excessive consumption of junk food can result in obesity, cardiovascular disease, marked decline in concentration levels, and reduction in athletic ability.

Junk food gives those who consume it quick bursts of energy that do not last through a long game or workout.

Ms. Kip said, "Junk foods give lackluster energy. I see kids who say that they are tired and do not feel much energized, and it's partly due to all the fries, pizza, and candies that they eat. Although it depends on your physical conditions, food does matter in how you perform in school. I encourage kids to find healthier options, plenty of which are offered in Commons."

As demand remains strong, it is clear that students still consider innutritious snack foods such as

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New York Times Bestselling Author Chang-rae Lee Reads Unpublished Work



Courtesy of Aya Murata

Chang-rae Lee talks to students about his newest book.

By KEVIN ZHAI

When he was a teenager, famed author Chang-rae Lee wanted to attend Phillips Academy, but he was forced to attend Phillips Exeter after Andover rejected his application.

Last Friday Mr. Lee returned to Andover to read an excerpt from his current work and answer questions from students.

Mr. Lee has written three books: *Native Speaker* (1995), *A Gesture Life* (1999), and *Aloft* (2004), each receiving critical acclaim.

The work Mr. Lee read to the Andover community was about the sexually charged relationship between an old man and his much younger nurse.

Though Mr. Lee's writing was spartan, his wry humor shone through, provoking chuckles from the crowd.

During the question-and-answer session, Mr. Lee gave Emily Cokorinos '08 advice on how to develop fictional characters.



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Britney van Valkenburg '08 splashes face-first into the mud-covered Quad as students make the best of a rainy week.

Phillips Academy Observes Yom Kippur for Sixth Year; Jewish Students Welcomed at Synagogues

By ALEXA REID

Phillips Academy gave the entire student body a Thursday free of classes in honor of the Jewish holiday Yom Kippur.

Phillips Academy discontinued school and activities on Yom Kippur six years ago.

Yom Kippur is a complete Sabbath; therefore observing Jews cannot do any work that day.

Jewish Chaplain Neil Kominsky said, "It is immensely helpful to Jewish students at Andover. Before the school made the decision to forgo classes, it was a very difficult decision for students, especially new students, to let go of their academic obligations for a day in honor of their religious ones."

He continued, "It is a time when you interrupt daily life to really focus on your spiritual life."

About 80 current Andover students are Jewish, representing 10 to 11 percent of the student body.

Most Jewish students spent the day in Synagogue for prayers and services.

Most of the Jewish population consider Yom Kippur the most important holiday of the Jewish Year.

Yom Kippur takes place on the tenth day of Tishrei, the seventh month of the Jewish year. This year it fell on Thursday, October 13.

"Traditionally, Yom Kippur is the single most important, solemn occasion in the Jewish calendar. It is the day of reflection and atonement and an occasion for examining your beliefs," said Rabbi Kominsky.

Yom Kippur means "Day of Atonement" in Hebrew. It is the final chance for Jews to atone for sins they committed in the previous year, before God records these acts in his "book."

If the sinner does not demonstrate repentance by the end of Yom Kippur, God's judgment is sealed.

Yom Kippur, however, is only a day to atone for sins between an individual and God, such as slandering, breaking rules, or misconduct. Sins against another person must be atoned for before Yom Kippur. In these cases, the sinner has to seek reconciliation directly with the offended person.

Yom Kippur includes a 25-hour fast beginning at sunset the night before and continuing until after nightfall. Jews are not supposed to eat or drink anything, including water.

Other lesser-known requirements of the holiday include special bathing and anointing rituals, as well as the wearing of specified clothing.

To insure safety, Rabbis agree that pregnant women and children under nine years old may forego these practices. Others with health concerns may engage in the holiday but are also permitted to break their fast.

Other important Jewish Holidays include Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year, which occurs on the first and second days of Tishrei.

Like the American New Year, Rosh Hashanah is a time to reflect on the past year and make resolutions for the upcoming year.

Like Yom Kippur, Rosh Hashanah is a day of fasting and Sabbath.

Another well-known Jewish holiday is the Pesach, or Passover. Passover celebrates the Exodus of the children of Israel from Egypt after generations of slavery.

The Jewish people spread lamb's blood over their doors so that God would "pass over" them. Following the plague of death, they could escape.

The most famous Jewish holiday of all is Chanukah, or Hanukkah, the "festival of lights." It commemorates the miracle of the oil that burned for eight days when it only should have lasted one. This is why eight candles are lit on the Menorah, one added on each day of this holiday.

Despite Waning Public Interest, Hurricane Fundraising Remains Strong on Campus with Penny Wars, Panels

By HALEY JOY FOWLKES

Though time has passed since Hurricane Katrina damaged the Southern Gulf Coast of Mississippi and Louisiana, and general public interest in the tragedy has waned, Phillips Academy is still enthusiastically raising money.

Dean of Students Marlys Edwards and Director of Student Activities Cindy Efinger have continued to encourage donations from both students and faculty to the Phillips Academy Hurricane Relief Initiative. Ms. Edwards and Ms. Efinger have organized a variety of fundraisers, including ones based on incentives such as the Pizza Prize dance in the Ryley Room last weekend.

In addition to the administration, many clubs have created fundraisers to raise money specifically for the relief effort.

This past Tuesday, OXFAM finished its "penny war" – a competition between all grade levels against each other and a combined team of faculty and staff. The winning grade will receive pizza.

The money will go towards OXFAM America, an organization that will



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In New Orleans Jonathan Catoir, 23, takes a break while cleaning his grandmother's house that was hit by Hurricane Katrina last month.

fund shelters and food, along with more long-term goals such as rebuilding homes and relocating families.

"We had a broad goal of five hundred to one thousand dollars [for the penny wars]," said the PA OXFAM President Gregory Pucillo '06. Pucillo estimated that the penny war fundraiser had already raised three hundred dollars on Monday.

Andover's hurricane relief effort, however, is not limited to OXFAM's penny wars. A donation dance earned three hundred ninety-one dollars from the sale of mixed CDs

and donations at the door.

Religious services have also encouraged and received donations.

The Andover Christian Fellowship is holding a sock drive, welcoming new socks of all colors and sizes in labeled boxes around campus. The socks will contain inspiring messages for the families in Louisiana and Mississippi.

Director of Community Service Chad Green and Reverend Michael Ebner are planning to donate a certain percentage of money raised at the OXFAM auction in November to the hurricane.

ONLINE COMMENTS PROVOKE RACIAL TENSIONS AT MILTON

By ALEXA REID

Milton Academy held an All-School Assembly with a staged walk-out on Tuesday in response to racial tensions that resulted from comments made on an Internet forum sponsored by the Young Republicans club.

The controversy erupted after a Milton student posted a New York Times article about Radio Talk Show Host William Bennett, who said on a September 28th show that the crime rate would go down if all black babies were aborted. Bennett went on to say that it would be "an impossible, ridiculous, and morally-reprehensible thing to do." But his comments still elicited a fiery response on the Milton forum.

"There were hundreds of posts in just a few hours late at night," one Milton student told The Phillipian.

Many students found some of these post to be offensive and racially insensitive. Among the comments that students found offensive was a statement implying that blacks should be grateful for slavery because it brought them to America, according to a Milton student who followed the discussion.

The next day, according to The Milton Paper, signs scattered in a campus building read, "fucking kill all whites."

On Tuesday, Milton administrators cancelled some afternoon classes and held an All-School Assembly to address the issue. A panel of students spoke about the incidents and about the importance of racial understanding.

The assembly also included a staged walk-out, in which Milton administrators encouraged any students who identified themselves as members of a minority group to stand up and leave their seats.

Milton Academy, which made headlines last spring after five male students were expelled for receiving oral sex


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-EDITORIAL-

Respecting Religion

Yom Kippur Recognition Shows Commitment to Diversity

Yesterday, classes were cancelled because of the Jewish holiday of Yom Kippur - one of, if not *the* most important day of the Jewish religious calendar.

Yom Kippur is a complete Sabbath: observing Jews cannot do any work, and spend the entire day at the synagogue. It is a day to atone for sins – with prayer and proper atonement, God will forgive misconduct.

Most Jews observe a complete fast from sunset the night before, known as Kol Nidre, until after past dark, though pregnant women, young children, and the seriously ill are prohibited from fasting for safety reasons.

We applaud the administration’s decision to give the entire Andover community a day off from classes on Yom Kippur.

This is only the second year of the last six in which the day was free. In other years, Jewish students, who make up ten to eleven percent of the school, had to choose between their religious obligation and their academic coursework. Many students were concerned about falling behind in their classes to attend services.

According to Jewish Chaplain Rabbi Neil Kominsky, “It is immensely helpful to Jewish students at Andover. Before the school made the decision to forgo classes, it was a very difficult decision for students, especially new students, to let go of their academic obligations for a day in honor of their religious ones.”

Allowing the students to have the day off is guaranteeing a basic religious right, and confirming respect for different religious traditions.

While Milton Academy is struggling to contend with racial tensions, PA has demonstrated a commitment to diversity and acceptance. The school’s administration has shown that it is tolerant of all faiths.

Jewish students will no longer have to make the difficult decision between religion and academics.

With the upcoming schedule change, Andover should take the step of guaranteeing this holiday, which serves as a day of spirituality for Jews and a day of rest for the remainder of the Andover community.

This edorial represents the opinion of the Phillipian editorial board.

Education Breakdown

“I hope he doesn’t expect us to learn anything from this.” said an Andover student a few days ago. It may sound sarcastic, but it has a ring of truth to it that applies to the entire school.

The emphasis placed on grades and accomplishment at this school is meant to inspire students to learn as much as possible in classes. Instead, students are inspired to get high grades and win awards.

Learning and high achieving may seem like similar goals to the untrained eye, but students caught up in averages and Honor Roll often overlook the learning part. On homework, projects, and tests, students can earn good grades by simply spitting back what they’ve been taught. Students do not acquire knowledge, but instead learn the skill of memorizing.

The question ‘will this be on the test?’ resounds in every classroom. It is evidence that students are only searching for what they are required to know. They want to know what they will be graded on and have no interest in actually learning the subject. In the long run, education is about how much information we absorb and take with us in our lives after high school and college. Grades aside, how much do we really learn at school?

After all, a student getting all sixes does not always understand the subject better than a student getting fours. With hard work, anyone can earn top grades. Students who do study for hours and go to conference periods deserve the good grades they get. But, grading should re-

Cora Lewis ’09
TESTIMONIAL

flect a students understanding as much as it should be a measure hard work.

Originally, tests, quizzes, and grades, were meant to evaluate how well a student is learning the material. However, they have become warped, so that grades are now the most important aspect of a class. They have become more important to students than taking the time to absorb what is being taught.

Test scores no longer evaluate a student’s ability to think for himself, but their ability to regurgitate what has been repeated in class. A student might hear what a teacher says and record it meticulously in blue or black pen on loose-leaf paper. They may even be able to reproduce it in their own words on a test – but did they really listen to what the teacher said? Do they know what they are writing?

The real lesson everyone learns at the academy is how to manipulate the system. We learn how to pass classes and get the work done. We are taught how to speak up when participation counts and do extra credit when times are really desperate. Students meet with advisers, learn to show the effort, and calculate what’s required to make Honors.

However, ten years from now, what will Phillips have taught us about biology and music? What will we remember about Hemingway, American History, and trigonometry? What will stick with us beyond midterms and after the final exam? That is the true measure of learning, and this is what Phillips Academy should be striving for.

Letters to the Editor

To The Editor:

To the 800 students who have signed the petition to resurrect the “Burning of the ‘A’” tradition (*Phillipian*, September 30, page 1): Why do you want to bring back an event that both causes flashbacks to a terrible chapter of American race relations, and includes hazing rituals that can cause lasting anxiety?

I wonder if you thought this issue through before you signed the petition. I can only think of my own example: When I first moved to my neighborhood in a suburb of Boston, a woman knocked on my door and nicely but aggressively asked if I would sign a petition to keep a nearby house from being taken over by a group providing housing for mentally challenged people. Without thinking the issue

through, and really thinking more of trying to make friends with my new neighbors than anything else, I dutifully signed. Only after weighing the issue for a while did I realize that I actually didn’t agree with the petition and would have preferred to have the challenged neighbors, as it was as good a place as they could find for such a residence, and all the neighbors would benefit by actually interacting with these people rather than believing stereotypes or rumors.

Too late, though - I couldn’t retract my signature. Since then I’ve forced myself to think long and hard before I sign a petition - and when I do, I really believe in it.

So, I challenge today’s PA students - do you REALLY want to resurrect this tradition? If the goal is to foster school spirit through

a dramatic and exciting display, couldn’t you think of something else? Surely there are creative (and culturally sensitive) minds among the PA community that could dream up something much better. Start a new tradition.

David Parker ’81

The Phillipian welcomes all letters to the Editor. We try to print all letters, but because of space limitations, we recommend brevity and conciseness. We reserve the right to edit all submitted letters to conform with print restraints and proper syntax. We will not publish any anonymous letters. Please submit letters by the Monday of each week to *The Phillipian* mailbox in G.W. or to *The Phillipian* newsroom in the basement of Morse Hall, or send an e-mail to phillipian@andover.edu.

The Wrong Arm of the Law

Prateek Kumar ’07

OPINION

Muslims to get a fair trial. Religious minorities such as Christians, Hindus, and Shiite Muslims face discrimination within sharia courts that are supposed to try all people equally. Basic civil liberties, such as freedom of speech and the

“Allowing sharia law to be recognized in the democratic nations of the world, would leave governments open to accusations of favoring one religion over another.”

right to petition, are also circumscribed by the enforcement of a law that does not allow for dissent. Any statement made criticizing the prophet Muhammad or Islam in general is seen as blasphemy. After Salman Rushdie wrote a series of books condemning the negative aspects of Islam, multiple Islamic clerics issued fatwas, or religious edicts, demanding the assassination of Rushdie in the name of Allah.

Allowing sharia law to be recognized in the democratic nations of the world, would leave governments open

to accusations of favoring one religion over another. This is especially problematic in countries like Canada and India, where all citizens are guaranteed the same rights, regardless of their religion. India, with its significant Muslim minority, has always faced issues regarding Hindu-Muslim relations.

The advance of the radical Hindutva doctrines, calling for a fundamentalist Hindu state in India, have caused widespread concern among people who believe that Muslims in India would be discriminated against in a Hindu state. That is a valid concern, but so would be the concern that the establishment of sharia courts would do nothing more than to discriminate against non-Muslims. the establishment of sharia courts that wo

Imagine if the evangelical movement in the United States were to all suddenly call for the establishment of religious courts that recognized only religious Christian texts. Every sane person in the United States would immediately be up in arms over this attempt to advance one religion at the expense of another. What is so different about Sharia Courts that make them necessary? Canada, India, and nations all over the world have a choice to make here, and we can only hope that they decide against the spread of sharia law.

Club Ed

Danielle Rothman ’07

IN FOCUS

to, our time spent inside classrooms and lecture halls. Our time spent just living, doing things we love, and making mistakes is just as essential to our complete education.

At PA these two concepts of schooling and education meet inside classes, but uniquely, outside the classroom as well, in the form of clubs and student run orga-

“What, then, does our education consist of? We are educated every moment of our lives by the experiences we live through.”

nizations. As the club rally proved, there are an abundance of clubs at PA specializing in everything from music to debate to barbequing. These clubs meet on their own schedules and require varying amounts of time and commitment from

their participants.

These student-run clubs, combining schooling, education and recreation in a matchless and priceless are some of the most valuable tools PA offers its students.

Many of these clubs have academic aspects to them. There are political clubs, literary magazines and health and nutrition groups. Unlike the academics of the classroom though, students choose to partake in clubs based on genuine interest in the topic, and are responsible for educating each other.

The educational aspect of these clubs though is the most beneficial one. Involvement with clubs teaches students about an important real life lesson: people. Students working together to achieve common goals create more teamwork and peer cooperation than exists in classrooms.

Clubs have some type of power structure, and working within it highlights aspects of people’s personalities that remain concealed during the school day. Within this structure we see those who exert as much power as they can possibly grasp, those who are a little flaky, those who want to get things done, those who just want to have a good time, and many more.

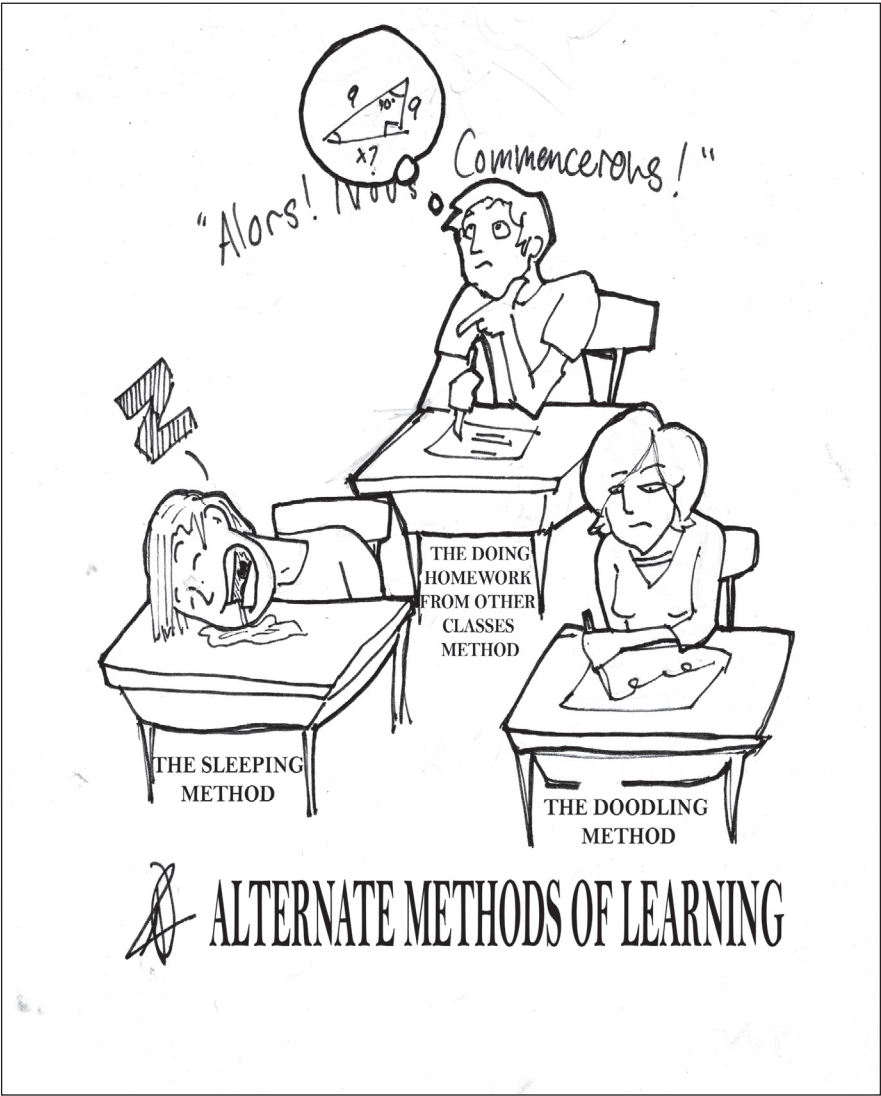
Particular aspects of people are in more competitive clubs during the board application process. While people do sometimes apply for board positions to beef up their college apps, they are sure to learn a lot about themselves and about those around them once having acquired a position.

Some of our classmates will do spectacular things and will achieve success based on their knowledge and personal achievement alone. But, most of us will have to live in the real world where our success depends highly on our ability to forge relationships and work with other people.

Education comes from experience and clubs become the perfect way to experience people.

When Pink Floyd sang the enduring lyric “we don’t need no education” they were undoubtedly referring to schooling. Classes are a beneficial part of the overall learning experience, but what we learn outside the classroom can almost always have a greater impact.

Participating in clubs, sports teams, and other student activities gives students opportunities to combine learning and interaction. When students take it upon themselves to commit to a club or organization, they can learn the lasting lessons of voluntary responsibility and selfless cooperation. The hours we spend in various board and club meetings are some of the most valuable we spend at Phillips Academy.



Victor Kim '06



PHILLIPIAN
COLUMNIST

I've lived in quite a few places—I was born in L.A., went to elementary school in the Jewish suburbs of New Jersey, went to middle school in the heart of Seoul, Korea, then came to the town of Andover, MA, to live on a tiny, insular campus filled with about 1000 “diverse” students.

Having lived in largely homogeneous areas and having been brought up with strong traditional values, I tend to come across as a bit judgmental. However, I respect all people, and the following should be taken as the account of my own experiences and perceptions.

After spending three years at this school, I've found that those Americans who came here to “meet people from around the world” and “expand their horizons” have come to the wrong place.

Most white kids seem to think that every kid named Jiang or Li or Zhang is exotic because he can say “ni hao ma” with a sing-song Chinese accent and eat that crappy Maruchan Ramen (which, by the way, is Japanese) with chopsticks, but he doesn't know that Li or Jiang is from Beverly, Massachusetts, and has lived there all his life. Zhang may seem to be from a far-off land called Peking Garden just because he plays the song “Got Rice.” But the next song on his iTunes playlist is by some musically-worthless punk-rock white band that thinks they're cool just by playing three or four power chords on their electric guitars and screaming emo lyrics that are supposed to sound deep but are really from the back of a cereal box.

The problem is that most Americans are ignorant. I know I am generalizing, and there are always exceptions. But even at such an esteemed educational institution as this, I have seen countless examples of pure, shameless, unadulterated ignorance.

I am a U.S. citizen, but I can at least recognize my lack of knowledge and try to learn as much as I can. From what I've seen and heard in this country, white Americans have never concerned themselves with anyone colored or outside of a ten kilometer radius from their home. Or when they do, they drive eleven kilometers and visit Golden Chopstick for a trip to the Orient. They think everyone from Asia speaks Asian.

For instance, when I tell people that I am from Korea, they seem to think Korea is some province or Buddhist temple in China or Japan. If they are oh-so-enlightened enough to know that it is a separate country, they show off their knowledge of the Far East and ask, “Are you from North or South Korea?” But ask an average American about a place where their country has never fought a war, and you're likely to come up empty.

When a large chunk of the students here are day students and the rest are from New England, there's not that much space left for kids from the rest of the country, let alone true international students. It often feels like Andover only accepts a few token students from abroad each year. And even the international kids are whitewashed, like our hypothetical little Chinese friend above.

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The Great Debate

William Callison '08 is really gradual.
INTELLIGENCE

Throughout the scientific and educational communities, a debate rages on about the idea of intelligent design or the theory of evolution being the truth and whether or not intelligent design should be taught with the same passion as evolution in public schools. We have heard about this debate in the news lately, but what is intelligent design?

Intelligent design is an anti-evolution theory that states that intelligent causes, such as one divine creator, are responsible for the origin of the universe and of life in all its diversity.

While many scientists insist that evolution, although just a theory, is highly probable and should be considered the truth, others strongly believe that there is one divine creator that did build the world and design man. While relatively few in the scientific community support this belief - 95 percent of scientists and 99 percent of earth and life scientists - many in the United States support the idea that the Bible is a literal description of the history of mankind.

As demonstrated in the story published in *The New York Times* this Thursday, many are divided in their beliefs. One example of this battle between science and religion is demonstrated in the tours now roaming the Grand Canyon. “You see any cracks in that?” asked Mr. Vail, a Grand Canyon Tour director. “Instead of bending like that, it should have cracked.”

He said as he pointed at the walls. The material “had to be soft to bend” and was thus not carved by the Colorado River.

While Mr. Vail believes the Canyon was carved by Noah's flood, Eugenie C. Scott, the center director, does not share this opinion. “Look at the weathering, look at the size of the pieces,” he said. “To a standard geologist, to somebody who actually studies geology, this just shouts out at you: This is really old; this

the question, “Do you believe in Evolution?” While 66 percent say, “Yes,” 33 percent say that Evolution is just an incorrect theory, and 45 percent say that God created man and we have changed little over the centuries. “It is amazing that so many can be divided by this topic,” says Schuyler Dickey, a Phillips Academy student.

“But, when you think about it, many people are devout Christians and inherently believe in intelligent design.” This shows many will believe what is said in the Bible over what others say, even when so many findings support evolution.

This battle is also being fought in our schools today.

The question on everyone's mind is whether intelligent design should be included in the curriculum of public schools. The debate still rages as to whether intelligent design should be taught as a theory with the same merit as evolution or should be left to be pondered by the “faithful.”

Two-thirds of those polled by *The New York Times* believe that intelligent design should be taught. Forty-two percent of these respondents were strict creationists and believe “that living things have existed in their present form since the dawn of time.”

The other 48 percent said that humans have evolved over time, and 18 percent said God had a hand in evolution.

The growing rift in what people think shows the rift in the country. According to *The New York Times*, many who claim intelligent design to be as and even more truthful than evolution proudly proclaim their support for President Bush, while those in the evolution party voted either way.

This leaves one to wonder: has politics gone spiritual, or have some matters of God gone political?

Free to Do What I Please

Jessica Cole '08
NEW BLOOD

Doo-doo. We all know the sound; it's the “you've got mail” of Andover. Inevitably your mouse shifts across the screen, pulling up an inbox and boxing down the latest homework problem in one smooth motion.

P.A. students may be experts when it comes to AP Exams, but we also seem to have a knack for something else: namely, procrastination.

I, for one, happen to be one of the ablest multi-taskers I know. Not many people can converse on the phone, peruse the web, and simultaneously study for a French exam, but trust me, it's possible.

The only problem I've discovered lately is the ability of my homework to prolong itself for countless extra hours while I'm checking out the latest additions to addicting-games.com.

Okay, so most of the time I'm not nearly that careless with my time. Yet it seems that what was once an acceptable “study break” almost always morphs into late night dates with a history textbook, and trust me, I'd rather be catching up on my sleep. But where exactly is that line between legitimate pauses and what I like to call “the Black Hole of Distraction”?

We all know that procrastination won't get us very far on our quest for 6.0 averages, but it has been proven that studying in large chunks is more of a hindrance than a help.

Therefore these intermissions help to clear our thoughts, refocus our energy, and, at times, release our frustration. These are all necessary parts of working, and it is unreasonable to expect a teen, or even an adult, to dedicate hour upon hour to a single, unchanging task.

Therefore the issue is not so much

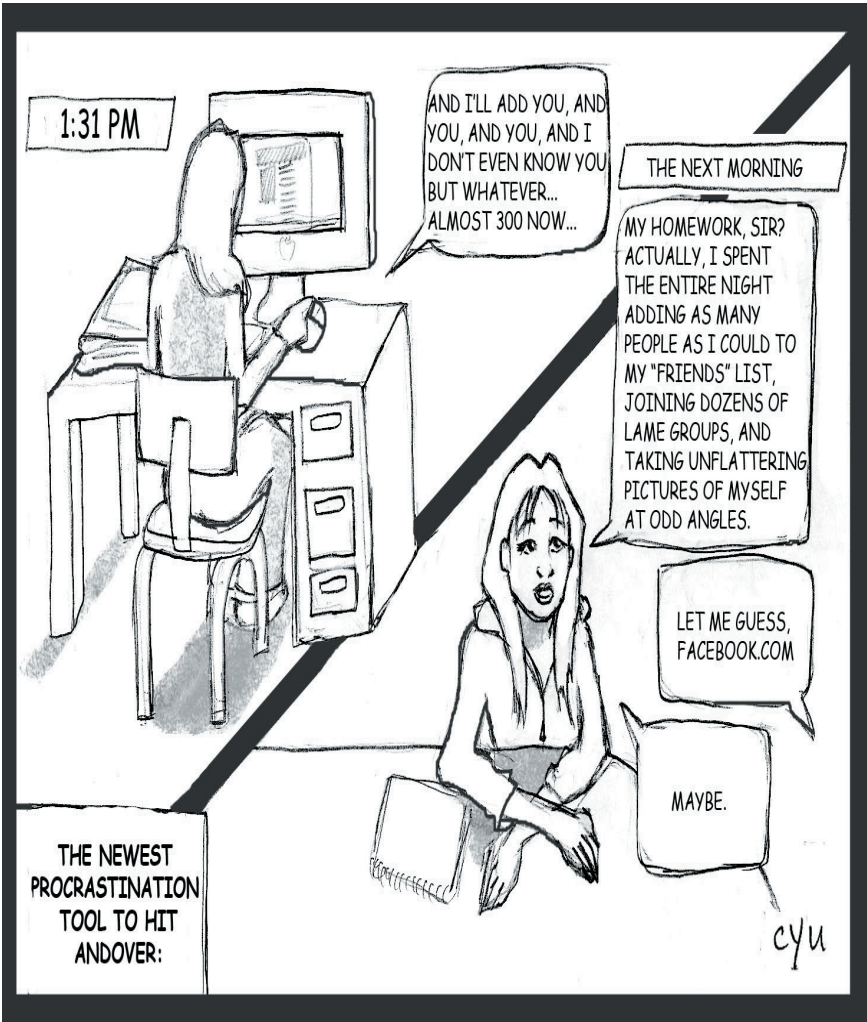
how to avoid breaks as it is how to avoid prolonging them. The most important thing for Andover students is taking responsibility for budgeting your own time – yes, there are most definitely nights here when it takes forever to list the things that need doing, never mind the amount of energy needed to accomplish them, but there are also nights when the workload is relatively manageable, and those should not be the nights when you end up complaining to your roommate at one in the morning about how busy you are and how hard it is to get everything done.

First of all, your roommate most likely was witness to your wandering attention span, and second of all, who's in the mood to hear other people's problems that early in the morning? Only you can be held responsible for your time-management choices, and only you should have to suffer for wrong ones.

There are no right answers or magical solutions when it comes to your clashes with the clock. Here at P.A. we are allowed many freedoms, perhaps the most precious one being the freedom to spend our time as we choose.

If you are so inclined, there are courses and activities galore to infringe upon your daylight moments, and with no mother yelling at you to go to bed early or stay focused while you're at the dorm or the library, your study hours could be just another period in which you can hang out with your friends.

Phillips Academy students need to start taking their choices more seriously – honestly, some say high school is a microcosm for the real world, and procrastination teaches a valuable lesson the hard way; we are responsible for our actions, and in the end we are the only ones with the power to control our activities.



The Birds and the Beaches

Palmer Rampell '06
RUMINATION

“Stop!” When he saw a woman running up to his Jeep, yelling “We have wanderers!” my friend Chip Cunningham's first thought was, “What? Like hobos?” What he anticipated, a five-foot tall vagabond, turned out to be a five-inch long bird. The term “wanderers,” in this scenario referred to baby Piping Plovers, small, toddling birds that happen to be members of an endangered species.

Chip is the suave, popular manager of the Cliffside Beach Club in Nantucket, Massachusetts. As club manager, Chip drives his Jeep along the beach, dragging laterally a four-by-four “log” attached by chains to the back of the vehicle so that he could smooth out the sand for guests. It's reminiscent of ironing a shirt, only on a much larger scale.

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“We have baby plovers on this beach!” screamed the vigilante. “If you scare them to more than 500 feet away from their mothers, they will die.”

Unhappily, good citizen Chip was unable to comb the beach for over a month, waiting for these sacred Plovers to come out of “wandering stage.” Moses wandered the dessert longer, so it seemed.

The Plover issue did not shrink for

our protagonist. Cunningham told me, “I can understand the law when it was passed back in 1986. There were about ten plovers left on the island, but now, they've moved all over.

Beaches have been placed off limits because of them, and it's an even bigger problem on Cape Cod.” It was worthy to note that Cunningham is not a violent or destructive soul. Loved by children of the guests and guests themselves for his

human nature to try to kill these birds.) Their incubation process only a few days from completion, the plover eggs disappeared! Vanished!

Environmental agencies placed ads in the local paper, in an attempt to force the guilty man or dog to come forward, but to no avail. As a result, leash laws were passed and more strictly enforced all around the island. (Dogs may have thought they were man's best friend, but



Jeep rides and unbelievable amicability, Cunningham seems like the type of guy who wouldn't hurt a dust mite, much less a plover.

The following year, Cunningham had still not seen the last of his wandering companions. In May of 2003, piping plovers laid eggs, as is customary, inside human footprints on the beach. (It seems like Mother Nature was using

some people felt a closer relationship with plovers.)

As it was early enough in the plover's mating season for them to “get their groove on” and mate again, about a month later, baby plovers, wanderers, could be seen on Jetties Beach, another Nantucket beach adjacent to Chip's Cliffside.

Laws banned humans from this sea-

shore because of these wanderers. Yet, the Boston Pops had scheduled an annual July 4 concert on Jetties, a concert that had raised one million dollars for the local hospital the year before.

One million dollars rested on the wings of some five-inch birds. Would they leave in time for the concert, or would the safety of these birds jeopardize health care for humans? (Remember the humans?) An environmental agency predicted that the plovers would learn how to fly and leave their wander-

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ing stage the day after the concert. The island trembled with anticipation.

As July 4 dawned over the Nantucket beaches, plovers could be seen soaring a day ahead of schedule. Maybe their body clocks were fast, or maybe this endangered species likes to live dangerously. Regardless, the show went on.

Fortunately, the birds enjoyed survival while man enjoyed his concert, and neither came to a collision. But the situation poses an interesting question. To answer this question is beyond the scope of this article, because an answer could establish the framework of environmental debates ranging from energy emissions to the rain-forest.

We should to what extent should the preservation of the environment, if at all, trump the rights of man? Should the celebration of July 4, the beginning of our democracy, or the benefit to the hospital tilt the scales in the human favor? Or is genetic diversity a categorical necessity for the planet? When is it time to say, “Move over plover?”

Somewhere over the Rainbow

Each year in celebration of National Coming Out Day, rainbow bands adorn the pillars on the steps of Samuel Phillips Hall. In conjunction, Andover's Gay Straight Alliance sponsors events that include a drag dance and movie night, to spread awareness of homosexuality on campus. But how often do PA students discuss what it is like to be gay on campus? I can safely say, not often.

Thus, the original intention of this assignment was to find out the answer to the question, "What is it like to be gay at Andover?" I expected the answer would be complicated. However, I soon realized that there is no one answer.

I began my search at the first logical place: last Monday's GSA meeting.

Some heterosexual students at Andover believe that the GSA is for homosexual students only.

They forget that the acronym stands for Gay *Straight Alliance*. When I arrived I found that a mere three members of the eleven were openly gay.

I asked the group, "What is the common experience among homosexual students at Andover?"

Many GSA members were offended by this question. They responded that there is no one "common experience" for a homosexual student at Andover, just as there is no one common experience for a musician, an athlete, or a minority student.

We moved into discussion about what it is to be gay at Andover. The majority of the group agreed that homophobia ran rampant on campus, an idea that was widely disputed by other heterosexual students I spoke with.

GSA President Alex Wolf '06, said that "closeted homophobia" was prevalent within our community.

Some expressed the opinion that while homophobia is rarely shown outwardly, many members of the community hold homophobic beliefs.

Instructor in Chemistry and Advisor for Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Issues Dr. Paul Cernota added, "I don't think we change many opinions, but we change a lot of behavior."

One student said, "There's not going to be a hate crime, but [homophobia] is still there."

We next discussed the issue of the annual GSA drag dance that took place this past Saturday.

According to Wolf, the dance symbolizes the ambiguity between gender and sexual orientation. However, Wolf also said that he worried beforehand that the dance could deteriorate into a mean-spirited "freak show."

One GSA member worried that the community was not prepared for such a progressive weekend of events. She

Jess White

behind them or even that some people would not attend because the events advocated gay awareness.

Even though Phillips Academy extols its virtue of "youth from every quarter," some GSA members voiced their concern at the small number of openly gay students on campus. Some members even advocated establishing sexual orientation as another criterion in the admissions process.

Some members of Andover's homosexual community believed that the small number of "out" students forced them to be "asexual."

One student remarked, "I think a lot of gay kids don't come out because they have no way to express their sexuality." He believed that the relatively small number of gay students hampered the formation of gay relationships on campus.

Despite these negative experiences, most agreed that the treatment of non-heterosexuals on campus depended upon the individual.

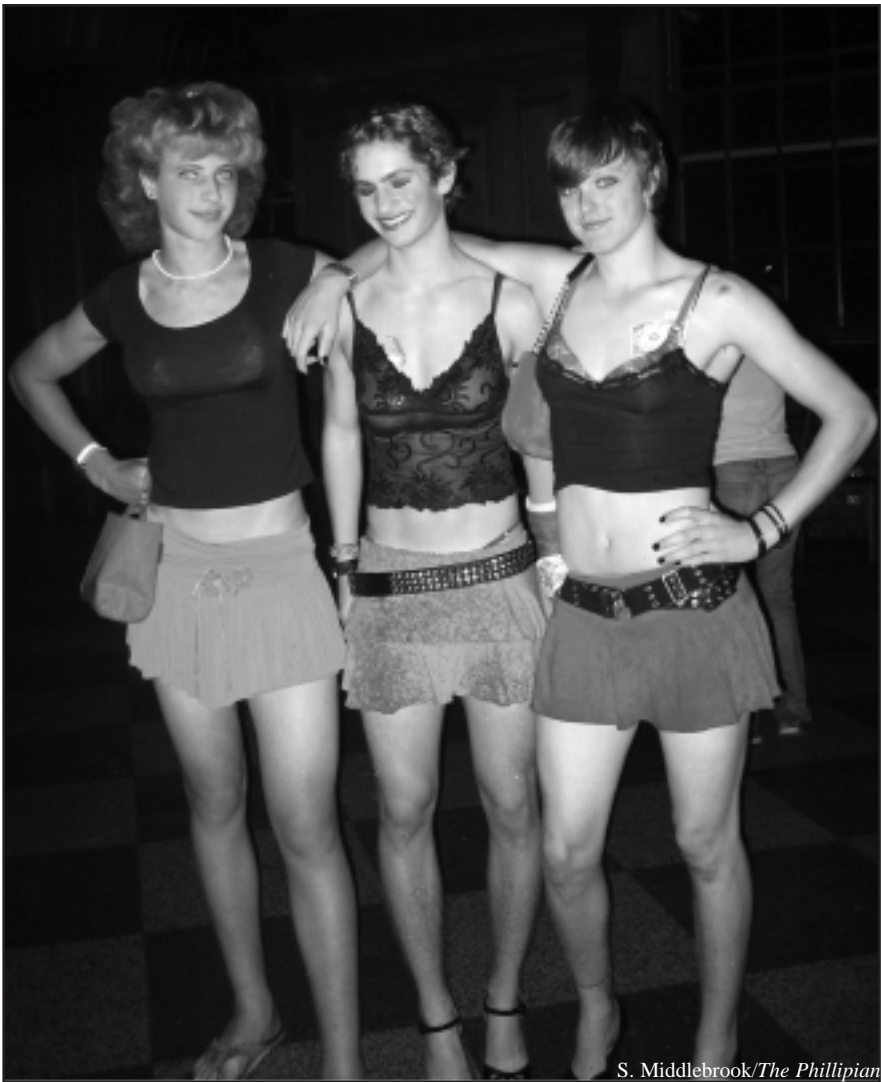
One member said, "It varies from person to person how they perceive you."

Another said, "Being out is different for everyone."

After visiting the GSA meeting, I turned to a much different source, Instructor in Physical Education Karen Kennedy and her partner Linda Sharar, who celebrated the birth of their first child last year.

Ms. Kennedy described the community's response to her daughter's birth, "I don't think that we get treated any differently. The Andover community is celebra-

feared that many would attend the events without understanding the reasoning



Rik Rogers '07, Elliot Wall '07, and Brooks Canaday '07 dressed up in drag at last Saturday's GSA Dance.

tory of birth and all new additions."

Ms. Sharar added, "I haven't seen any outward negativity."

Furthermore, she said, "We try to live our lives as personally as we can. There are people who are positive and we try to surround ourselves with them."

After the mixed feedback, I spoke with some heterosexual students about their perceptions of the treatment of homosexual students on campus. Most believed that the respect given to Andover's gay community was much greater than that given at the majority of

schools in America.

However, on occasion, heterosexual students used the term "gay" as slang, synonymous with "stupid" or "lame."

Members of the GSA did not believe that the use of the term as an invective is ever appropriate. In agreement with many of the GSA members, most of the heterosexuals with whom I spoke recognized that the experience of gays at Andover varied from person to person.

Thus, the question to ask is not, "What is it like to be gay at Andover?"

It is "What is it like to be you?"

The Art of Complexity

Cara Folkman

Don't be afraid to "take on complicated things," is Tanja Softic's advice for any and all aspiring artists at Andover. Anyone who has had a chance to even glance at her work knows that Softic has followed her own advice.

Softic, a native of Sarajevo, Bosnia, gave a presentation last Thursday in Kemper Auditorium. Some early light problems gave way to a spectacular slide show of Softic's work, focusing mainly on her more recent pieces.

The artist kicked off the presentation with a photograph of the National Library in Sarajevo, citing the building as one of her influences. The library burned to the ground in the early 1990s, and a wealth of information and history died with it. After dealing with the surrealism of the tragedy in Sarajevo, Softic admitted to licensing herself to be "a little bit random."

Softic's work may be abstract, but it is accessible, like the artist herself. Softic incorporated lots of symbolism into her work, including hollowed husks, isolated organs, and falling cups. The bowls that often appear in her work actually show a "desperate attempt to contain this life...a stand in for a human person," said Softic.

The artist, who holds degrees in both painting and visual arts, showed artwork with a variety of themes, from war to the fast-track life of Floridians. Softic expressed a love for Japanese paper and a passion for drawing, which she described as "the clearest language out there."

Although Softic breezed through some pieces, on others she took careful time to explain her inspirations and reasons for creating them. One piece titled "In a Morning Light" was about "sitting in your yard, having a cappuccino, while others are at war." Another painting, "History of Love," illustrated that science and art are, in the end, focused on the same goal.

One particularly memorable piece, "State of the World," featured both tiny land mines and an enormous image of a skateboarder, a sport that the artist described as intriguing.

Another artwork, "Persephone," narrows in on the theme that "we all have a dark side."

Softic was both interesting and captivating, glad to explain the motives and meaning behind her work. Although her work is both abstract and at times complicated, it is definitely worth taking a look at. Her show will be on display at the Gelb Gallery through December 2nd.



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Artist Tanja Softic presented her work in Kemper Auditorium last Thursday.

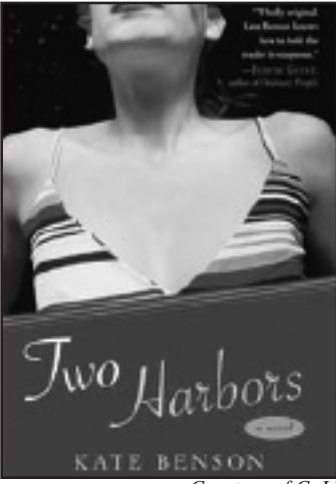
Beyond Bulfinch: Former PA Teaching Fellow Publishes Novel

Chris Li

for Hollywood.

Romance, heartbreak, betrayal, redemption - it is a novel with all of the signs of greatness.

Celebrity status changes the way you look at your teachers. The voice that had once assigned thesis due dates was now one that people would drive miles to hear read. In fact, it is now a voice anyone can pick up and read at any bookstore across the country.



Courtesy of C. Li



Courtesy of C. Li

three of her favorite segments in the novel, giving a taste of the engaging relationships in her story. It was not surprising that the bookstore sold out of *Harbors* immediately afterwards.

While Ms. Benson now teaches at St. Marks, she is still remembered very fondly on campus.

Brooks Canaday '07 recounted, "If I was ever having a bad day, English was something I looked forward too - Ms. Benson was a huge part of that. I'm not just saying this, I totally mean it."

In addition to teaching English, she served as the house counselor of Bancroft Hall. Said Carolyn Williams '06, a boarder in Bancroft last year, "One thing I'll always remember about her is that she always had brownies on Friday nights. It was so cool to watch her work on the book, and now seeing the final product is so great - I'm so proud to know her."

It is clear that Ms. Benson made her mark on campus.

At least, no one in her third period class will hear the "catalyst" the same way again. Ever. We wish her the best success.

MOVIES



Parag Khandelwal

SERENITY

Josh Whedon's *Serenity* is a ridiculous film. That's what makes it work.

Set hundreds of years in the future, Captain Malcolm "Mal" Reynolds (Nathan Fillion) commands a deteriorating ship. *Serenity*, manned by a small group of men and women. These space cowboys, whose expertise involves dealing contraband and other activities of the illegal nature, endure a series of sticky situations in a universe dominated by an evil empire dubbed "The Alliance."

After discovering that they possess something that the all-powerful Alliance will stop at nothing to find, Mal and his gun-slinging comrades attempt to defy the odds only to discover a shocking truth.

Don't make up your mind just yet; it's much more than a cliché science fiction film.

Whedon is no amateur when it comes to creating TV shows and movies for the mass media. His movie experience ranges from *Toy Story* to *Alien: Resurrection*. He ably combines witty dialogue and stylized characters with science-fiction, normally a bland genre.

The plot of *Serenity* unfolds beautifully. The star pupil of the Alliance, River Tam (a master of hand-to-hand combat as well), is mentally unstable for reasons unknown. When he finally breaks out to escape the brutal mental conditioning, the Alliance brings out their most dangerous bounty hunters and assassins to locate this priceless resource.

River Tam and her brother, a doctor, take refuge under Mal, who despises the Alliance more than anything.

Before the Alliance assumes total control, a massive intergalactic civil war ensues. A highly decorated veteran of the war, Mal has a scarring past, which of course allows him to act irrationally. After losing the war, Mal goes on the run, carrying out illegal operations to sustain his junk ship.

After Mal and the others discover the true nature of River Tam's ability, they are constantly on the run to figure out why she is so important and to escape the wrath of the Alliance.

Every time Mal's ship flew over a grassy plain or over some dynamic environment, my eyes went wide. Not only does each blade of grass look real, but the shadow imposed by the ship reflects differently on each plant. It's crazy. It's perhaps some of the most realistic special effects I have ever seen.

All of the actors in *Serenity* were great. Mal (Nathan Fillion) superbly mixed witty remarks with the serious grungy attitude that dominates his character. The majority of the actors in this film were not on the A-list, but to be honest, it was refreshing. For a movie as unique as this, I'm glad there was no Tom Cruise or Will Smith.

Whedon's choices regarding cinematography weren't anything spectacular. Nothing new or snazzy was done with the camera - the movie's shots were very similar to the TV series. The only difference was more special effects.

The writer's decision to not divulge everything about all the characters was intriguing. Despite this purposeful ambiguity, however, the film does introduce each crew member and elaborates on each character as needed.

By the end of the film I found myself wanting to watch the entire TV series on DVD. It's a dirty ploy. Clever though. George Lucas could learn a thing or two about proper character development from Whedon.

I purposefully left a lot of the plot out of the movie in this review. Releasing anymore information about the plot would detract immensely from a movie like this.

Serenity is a pretty straight forward film. Just as there wasn't much of anything to detract from it, there wasn't much of anything that made it spectacular. The plot, acting, cinematography, discography, and premise were all acceptable.

This film, in my opinion, draws a lot of its ideas from movies already made. The concept of River Tam and her presentation parallels Milla Jovovich's Leeloo from *The Fifth Element*. The futuristic technology and appearance seems to be a fusion of *Minority Report* and the *Star Wars* saga. The approach is a lot more balanced - not everyone has laser guns - and also highly stylized.

The action sequences are pretty crazy in this movie as well. Forget George Lucas and his silly shields that everyone has in his movies. In this movie, Mal and his cast go old school by using crates and any other scraps they can for cover. The gun fights keep emulating old American western flicks (which rock) and the martial arts are outstanding.

Bear in mind that this movie is based off a TV-series, so don't expect anything like the *Matrix*, but it's impressive for what it is. It's not common for one to see a girl beat up or kill almost everyone in a bar full of large drunk men.

The most impressive aspects of *Serenity* were its acting, special effects, and action.

However, nothing really stood out, for good or bad. Either way, the action sequences coupled with the obligatory one-liners are entertaining. I would definitely rent this movie, but I'd be hesitant to pay the \$9.25 ticket and \$10.00 taxi fare.

Final Grade: 4+

NEW MUSIC!

by Scott McColl '07

Some confused Spanish students might think that Nada Surf means "surf nothing." Far from it. Nada Surf's sound can be compared with bands such as The Shins and Death Cab for Cutie, as they show in their new album *The Weight is a Gift*.

Since 1995 Nada Surf has been producing the moody rock that creates an atmosphere of tranquil nonchalance. They quickly became well known with their ironically named hit "Popular," but Nada Surf faded off the charts just as quickly.

In 1998 their album *The Proximity Effect* nailed some intimate topics with overall well written music. Although it was an instant hit in Europe, it was overlooked in the US, and Nada Surf was thought past its time. Nada Surf countered this misconception, making a stunning comeback with the hit album *Let Go*.

The Weight is a Gift counters the care-free attitude of their previous album with great success. It presents a softer and more melodic way of thinking while presenting common feelings that we all have at one time or another.

Their most catchy song advises us to "always love," which is probably ecstasy to an optimist. Whether you listen to it as encouragement, or as hope, "Always Love" will not let you down. However, if you can't stand those people, then maybe the next track is for you.

The lyrics "I don't care about you anymore" contrast "Always Love" and are a withdrawal from conformity. The rest of the album seems to trade pop-fun with deep reflection, almost in order. Reflective lyrics such as "All is a game/ you forgot to play" are countered with ones that proclaim, "I'm going to have a party." The entire album progresses in this fashion.

The Weight is a Gift presents a profound aspect of our lives today, as if the writer was watching from behind a glass window. Nada Surf challenges the ideals of our lives with maturity and depth, while still having the feel of a party. Listening to this CD gives you an all-around good feeling and is the perfect background music for relaxation or homework.

Nada Surf:

The Weight is a Gift

Andover Goes Acoustic

“Yay for drums, thank you world!” exclaimed Dan Silva ’08 to cap off his animated and interpretive performance rendition of “A Tribute to the Greatest Song in the World,” the finale of Andover’s first annual Acoustic Fest.

Molly McGraw

Numerous guitarists, singers and other talented musicians created a cozy atmosphere in the usually sweaty and rap-filled Ryley Room last Friday night. Tanner Kaufman ’06 organized the event with the help of Director of Student Activities Cindy Efinger. Eager to showcase the abounding acoustic talent on campus, Kaufman found it easy to bring together this unplugged ensemble. “I knew that there was a lot of hidden acoustic musicians on campus, and I wanted a venue in which to premier that talent and have them play,” he said.

While most concerts on campus involve classical and jazz styles of music, Kaufman’s Fest provided the opportunity for Andover students to showcase a different musical demographic.

He said, “Tons of people who wanted to play spread the word quickly... I spoke to Ms. Efinger who wanted a student-run concert with student artists. She was a great help.”

The venue included performances by Nick Bowen ’06, Pete Smith ’07, Mike Monaco ’06, Dominic DeJoy ’07, James Freeman ’07 and Chris Li ’07.

Music veteran Ben Lasman ’06 gave the crowd a fresh outlook on acoustic composition. His fast paced and skilled strumming patterns were a welcome change of pace during the otherwise relaxed mood of the night.

Another highlight of the evening was the duo of Dan Silva ’08 and Chris Wade ’08 whose stage presence captivat-

ed the crowd’s attention.

“I loved their upbeat and personable attitudes on stage. The way they combined the songs “Collide” [by Howie Day] and “Slide” [by the Goo Goo Dolls] was really cool. It sounded really professional,” said Anna Klenkar ’07. Klenkar was not the only one impressed by their talent, as the whole crowd participated in the singing along with their version of “What I Got,” by Sublime.

“Wonderwall,” performed by Kaufman, Luke Cahill ’06 and Teddy Curran ’08 was a real crowd pleaser. On the drums, Cahill added new depth to the airy Oasis hit. Kaufman’s instrumental ingenuity became evident when he began to play the cello during his performance of a Radiohead song.

Kaufman then collaborated vocally with Amy Prosper ’06 in a boisterous rendition of “Mr. Jones” by the Counting Crows. They sounded a bit off-key, but both were enjoying themselves so much that the crowd did not mind in the least, enjoying the moment.

Prosper was the only girl to perform until Virginia Sweeny ’06 took the stage to perform an impromptu piece that she wrote herself, singing and playing the guitar.

Dawson Gage ’06 took to the stage, accompanied by Peter Kalmakis ’06, to play “Guitar,” by Cake. Gage’s nimble hands strummed his guitar and his breathy southern voice, while a bit hard to hear above the din of Ryley, delighted those in the front row.

The last and also the most popular performance of the night was an animated combination of musical and physical comedy. Cahill brought Instructor in English Craig Thorn, an accomplished drummer, to the stage, to play the



S. Hall/The Phillipian

Ben Lasman ’06 was one of several talented acts to perform at last Friday’s first annual Acoustic Fest in Ryley.

African Drum alongside Kalmakis.

On vocals once again, Silva accompanied the act with “A Tribute to the Greatest Song in the World” by Tenacious D. The song was an excellent compliment to Silva’s comedic actions and the superb rhythmic accompaniment. Thorn’s hidden musical talent surfaced in a comprehensive drum solo during the song’s interlude.

The change of venue in Ryley added a sense of sophistication and diversity to the campus social scene. The brave artists, together with the efforts of Kaufman and the interest of the student body, made for a particularly laid-back and enjoyable Friday night.

“I enjoyed the finale. Watching three students perform a Tenacious D song to the accompaniment of an African drum played by an English teacher capped off an excellent evening,” said Yoni Gruskin ’07.

Several students did not get the chance to perform due to a lack of space on the venue. Also, throughout the night volume was an issue, as the social chatter endemic to Ryley, acoustic nature of the music, and quiet microphones made many acts difficult to hear. Fortunately, Kaufman hopes to have a second Acoustic Fest in the future, in which perhaps he can correct the sound factor. In addition, he is planning a rock-oriented fest, “Rock Fest,” which will take place on October 28th in Ryley. All those interested in performing should contact Kaufman at tkaufman@andover.edu.

THE ALTERNATIVE ELITE

Dave Toropov ’07



Take a good, long look at this man. Longer.

He looks like he should be lead around in a straight jacket, followed by a team of highly respected physicians, and jabbed with a cattle prod in steady, consistent time intervals.

Taking his ridiculous appearance, eccentric personality (as can be seen by a single visit to his more-than-slightly warped website, www.bucketheadland.com), and mysterious behavior, the following pill may be considerably hard to swallow.

Buckethead is one of the most talented and innovative guitarists of at least the past ten years.

Though he has remained essentially an obscure figure throughout his career, those of you that do recognize him may be remembering his short stint with Guns N’ Roses, “peaking” with their forgettable performance at the MTV Video Music Awards.

After one listens to his outstanding 1998 effort, *Colma*, one might wonder how Buckethead ever agreed to play with the now bloated hard rock behemoths at all. There is little distortion to be found throughout the entire hour-long excursion into the abyss, and the album is marked more by intricate, moving melodies and emotion than high-speed, head-banging fury.

I have a lot of respect for the man. God knows, after hearing the mind-boggling, otherworldly picking of “Big Sur Moon” (which should be given markedly more recognition as one of the definitive guitar solos of our time), Buckethead could very well spend the entire album flaunting his unmatched technical ability and shred to his heart’s content.

The fact that he abandons this possibility in favor of the gut wrenching, heart breaking refrains that constitute *Colma*’s thirteen tracks is the mark of a true musician.

There are no vocals to be found on the album. *Colma* revolves instead around the evocative weeping of Buckethead’s acoustic and electric guitars.

Buckethead could not do this without a little help from his friends. The man proudly wearing a KFC bucket is backed by friends Brain, who patrols the drum skins, DJ Disc, a member of the fascinating electronic/Indian/trip-hop supergroup Tabla Beat Science, Bill Laswell, and Teri Untalan, who lends her angelic cello and viola musings to “Wondering” and “Lone Sal Bug.”

The beauty of *Colma* lies within its ability to tap into vastly different territories of human emotion simultaneously. At once, it caresses and depresses you, like a receiving a warm embrace from a dear friend as his last goodbye.

The apex of Buckethead’s passionate playing is found in “Watching the Boats With My Dad.” The track is a deeply moving acoustic lullaby that has the power to bring the listener to tears during each and every listen. The simplicity of the arrangement only adds to the intimacy, as one can

Colma

By Buckethead

Year Released: 1998
Record Label: Cybervox Music

- Tracklisting:
- 1. Whitewash
 - 2. For Mom
 - 3. Ghost
 - 4. Hills Of Eternity
 - 5. Big Sur Moon
 - 6. Machete
 - 7. Wishing Well
 - 8. Lone Sal Bug
 - 9. Sanctum
 - 10. Wondering
 - 11. Watching The Boats With My Dad
 - 12. Ghost / Part 2
 - 13. Colma

For Fans of: Carlos Santana, The Mars Volta
Songs to Sample: Hills Of Eternity, Lone Sal Bug

almost visualize a father and son lying on a beach shore, quietly absorbing the tranquil starlight that illuminates a gathering of sailboats as they rock and sway with the tide.

It is this stirring and poignant atmosphere that permeates through every nook and cranny of *Colma*’s musical landscape that begs the listener to absorb the album in solitude. In fact, a long midnight trek through the nation’s highway system is the perfect avenue to experience Buckethead’s watershed effort.

Most of you are probably wondering by this point who (or what) Buckethead actually is.

Well, Buckethead was born as Brian Carroll in 1969, and started playing guitar as a teenager. According to a popular fan-site (mygnr.tripod.com), Carroll purchased a Michael Myers mask in 1988 after seeing “Halloween 4: The Return Of Michael Myers” and, while eating a bucket of KFC, experienced a revelation.

“I was eating it, and I put the mask on and then the bucket on my head. I went to the mirror. I just said, ‘Buckethead. That’s Buckethead right there.’ It was just one of those things. After that, I wanted to be that thing all the time,” said Carroll in a 1996 interview in *Guitar Player Magazine*.

And so Buckethead was born. He proceeded to experiment in many avenues of music, playing with legends like Bootsy Collins and Les Claypool of Primus, as well as joining bands like Praxis and Giant Robot. He has released many albums, including the delicate Electric Tears and the funky fusion of Population Override.

I have listed Carlos Santana and The Mars Volta as reference points to Buckethead’s sound, but, in all honesty, *Colma* is a completely unique experience.

So, forget the mask and the KFC bucket, and find some way to listen to this incredible album, for *Colma* can boast some of the finest guitar work this side of Clapton. In Buckethead’s case, you truly cannot judge a book by its cover, and once you’re admitted, have no doubt - you will become a lifelong resident of Buckethead Land.



Courtesy of www.bucketheadland.com

Lunch with Chang Rae Lee: Lessons on Identity

In our conformist society, what defines a person’s unique identity? “Your identity is molded by how people identify you, and how you identify yourself,” said critically acclaimed author Chang Rae-Lee.

In Mr. Lee’s three *New York Times* Bestselling novels, *Native Speaker*, *A Gesture Life*, and *Aloft*, he uncovers and reveals the truth of really knowing oneself.

Last Friday, I was fortunate enough to share lunch with Mr. Lee. Six other students and myself enjoyed an informal conversation with the modest and witty author. Dressed in all black, he strode coolly into the Blue Room of Commons. Everyone felt his smiley and easy-going presence. Soon, questions from all students concerning his school, writing, and Asian-American culture arose.

Mr. Lee was born in Korea, but at age three moved to the United States. By the time he entered the public school system on Long Island, he had forgotten most of his original Korean language. Even when his parents spoke to him in Korean, he always replied in English. He absorbed American culture and from then on developed a passion for the English language.

As a teenager, Mr. Lee attended

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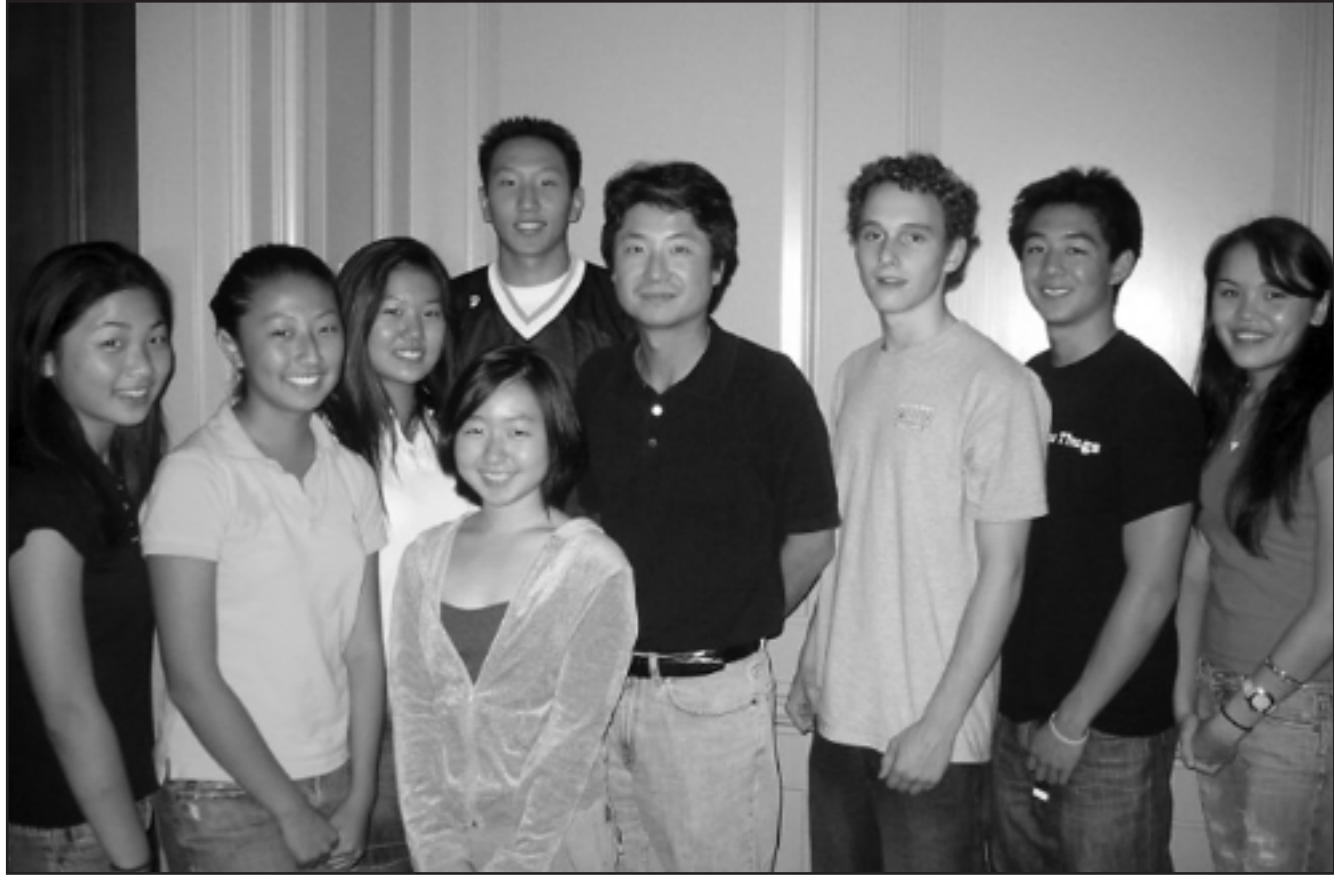
Phillips Exeter Academy after Andover denied him admission. However, he counts his years at Exeter as the most precious of his life.

Before attending Exeter he had always loved to read and considered himself a decent math student. Once at prep school, however, he realized his math skills were not comparable to those of his peers, and so devoted most of his time to literature. Every day he tried to make time to write down his thoughts and observations. His senior year, he was the editor of a poetry magazine.

At Exeter, Mr. Lee experienced total freedom from his parents. With only one phone for a whole hall to share, communication was not easy.

“My parents just let go, and trusted the school, because they believed the school knew best” said Mr. Lee.

Although Mr. Lee’s parents did not pressure him into pursuing a medical career, they did imagine that he would follow a more traditional path than that of the risky world of writing.



Courtesy of A. Murata

Last Friday, *New York Times* bestselling author Chang Rae Lee dined with several students in Commons and discussed his life and works.

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Carl Johnson '66

As the first newscaster on WPAA, Carl Johnson '66 attended Andover for his Upper and Senior years. After going to Wesleyan College, Mr. Johnson began a career in business. He has worked for a variety of companies during the course of his career, including Colgate-Palmolive, Polaroid Corporation, Marketing Corporation of America, and Kraft Foods (where he ran three major divisions). For the past four and a half years, he has been the Senior Vice President for the Campbell Soup Company.

What lessons for life did you take from Andover?

At Andover I learned how to develop and appreciate a high standard of excellence. The experience of being at Andover raised my game.

Apart from an education, what did Andover give you?

I learned an appreciation of diversity of points of view and diversity of cultures. I roomed with a boy from India in my Upper year, which was a great experience. I probably wouldn't have had the opportunity to get to know an Indian person as intimately otherwise.

What did you do after you graduated from Andover?

I went to Columbia, but

I didn't like it so I switched to Wesleyan. I went to the University of Chicago Graduate School of Business directly after college and got my M.B.A. I did several summer jobs including working at Montgomery-Ward, where I actually ran an outlet store because the manager went on summer military duty. It was a great experience for me, having to make pricing and merchandising decisions. I probably shouldn't have been in charge, but it was great. Another summer I was a helper on a Coca-Cola truck delivering and selling products. I had to join the Teamsters Union to do that, which was very interesting. The next summer I worked at Sears Roebuck in the hardware department. My full time job after business school was at Colgate-Palmolive, in brand management. I always had had in interest in marketing and my father was in advertising so I gravitated towards that.

As a successful alumnus, what advice would you give Andover students?

I think that personal relationships are far and away the most important thing. I would encourage everyone to develop deep and lasting friendships. In terms of careers, look for the intersection of three important things: first, what you are really, really good at - what you think

you are better than everyone else in the world at. Second, what you are passionate about. Lastly, look at the economic side - what you can create an appropriate level of wealth at. Find the intersection of these three things and focus on it. Don't stop until you find it, but don't expect to find it right away- it could take as long as a decade.

Which activities did you do at Andover that helped you the most later on in life?

I started rowing at Andover and continued in college. This taught me competitive spirit and the value of teamwork. Additionally, and this is a little known fact, I did the very first newscast on WPAA. This experience helped pique my interest in media, which is a key part of marketing jobs.

What regrets do you have about your time at PA?

I came for the last two years of high school, but I should have come for longer. I also should have done more extracurricular activities. I had been in Japan for three years and the scholastic level at Andover was very different, so I had to become acclimated to the intensity of the work and that restricted my non-academic endeavors. However, the teachers were fantastic and I found the academic experience

outstanding.

When you were in high school, did you know what you wanted to do with your life?

I was pretty sure that I wanted to go into the business world because of my father's influence and in particular wanted to start in brand management at one of the major consumer products companies, after going to business school.

Did you ever think that you would be where you are today in terms of your personal relationships and your career?

I never had a very specific idea of the actual destination. I assumed that I would be married with children, and that I would be happy and have a successful career. I had a high level of confidence. However, there was no clear where or when to my plans.

What would you tell a high school student about achieving his or her goals and dreams?

Define what you are good at - aim high. Stretch yourself and pick goals that are a little out of reach and make you feel uncomfortable. Otherwise your goals are too easy. It is good to have a goal that is unchanging - but how you get there may require changing paths to achieve it.

-Emerson Moore

Brace Fellow Jiramongkolchai Speaks on CHD in Women

By ANDREW CLAY

Coronary Heart Disease is the leading cause of death among women in the United States. Startlingly, many women are not aware of this fact.

On Monday evening, Pawina Jiramongkolchai '06 kicked off this year's Brace Center for Gender Studies Student Fellow Presentations with her report on Coronary Heart Disease (CHD) and its impact on women.

While CHD is the leading cause of death in women, most people think of it as a male disease.

When people think of CHD they immediately picture, in Jiramongkolchai's words, "a middle-age man running to the hospital."

However, CHD is twice as likely to prove fatal to a woman as to a man, largely due to the fact that female CHD sufferers are on average 10-15 years older than male sufferers.

Jiramongkolchai said that physicians "under-treat their women patients," and this is particularly true for CHD. Women's CHD symptoms tend to be less obvious than those manifested in males, and thus doctors often dismiss the onset of CHD as a much less serious malady like indigestion.

High cholesterol is one of the leading causes of CHD. Excess cholesterol builds up plaque in arteries, which then become clogged. This hinders blood from reaching the heart, resulting in a blockage and then a heart attack.

Obesity is another leading cause of CHD. Women whose body-mass indexes are above normal are three times more likely to be diagnosed with CHD than the normal women.

Other risk factors include

smoking, diabetes, and high blood pressure. Several of these conditions increase a women's risk of getting CHD by two or three times.

In addition, there are risk factors exclusive to women. Female hormones like estrogen rid the arteries of cholesterol. However, women become more susceptible to CHD after the onset of menopause because their estrogen levels decrease significantly, increasing their cholesterol levels

Oral contraceptive usage, the most popular method of birth control for women, also increases the risk of CHD. Also, women on the pill who then discontinue their use do not decrease their risk for CHD.

Jiramongkolchai also stressed that women need to be more aware of their risk for CHD. Many women believe that they are immune to CHD and that breast cancer remains the foremost disease to fear. This sense of invincibility to CHD leads women to forego preventative actions against it, such as exercise and better nutrition.

Jiramongkolchai said, "CHD does not have to be the number one killer of women. Education could save lives."

Although there are risk factors specific to women, much of the CHD research done in the past targets white, middle-aged males.

Although there has been some research conducted on women, it was not performed on the most affected age group.

Jiramongkolchai said of CHD research, "It only serves to promote the idea that CHD is a male disease."

Andover Students Choose Healthier Food Options Despite Ryley Snacks

Continued from Page 1, Column 1 sugar-laced sodas and chocolate caramel as necessities.

"I would love it if we can revisit the selection of items in the vending machines, Ryley Room, and even in Commons. But my understanding is that they are there because they are wanted. I would try to get rid of them but the students' voice comes first," said Ms. Kip.

"Junk food is not the best thing for us but we definitely need it. Especially on nights when we have a ton of workload, late night snacks, for me, are stress relievers. Anything sugary and sweet keeps me awake at night," said Lindsay Agostinelli '07.

Over the course of her 26-year career, Ms. Kip has observed a notable shift in students' eating trends toward healthier choices.

"Andover is very lenient in allowing the students to have

choices. Nowadays, [dining services] in boarding schools are moving towards more vegetarian options. I think the students now realize that they do better in their performance when they eat things that are rich and dense in nutrients," said Ms. Kip.

She continued, "Now, many

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Agostinelli said, "My friends back home love to eat McDonald's and take-out food, and not so much homemade food. They think, the fattier the food the better. But I think that PA kids really do make an effort to eat well-balanced meals like tofu and salad."

Apart from the independent nutrition decisions students make every day, PA's mandatory athletic program also helps to reduce the damaging physical effects of junk food on a growing teenager.

Although she trusts the students' selection of food, Ms. Kip still works relentlessly to offer healthier food options on campus. She also acts as an intermediate between students and Aramark, the catering company for both Commons and Ryley.

"If the students don't think that there is something that they want that is available, I am more than happy to find more. If there's feedback that needs to be made, I'll share [it] with [Aramark], and they'll alter the menu, and there have been such changes made from time to time," said Ms. Kip.

Ms. Kip is starting an online nutritional module and establishing an email system on the Commons website. Ms. Kip will receive e-mails directly in order to encourage student feedback on nutrition.

Like Andover, most preparatory schools cater to their students' love of junk food; many run mini-stores or snack bars similar to the Ryley Room.

The Mountain School is the only junk food-free school. Within the rural setting of Vershire, Vermont, students grow their own food as they study and work on an organic farm for the semester.

Library Posts Stop Signs to Enforce Silent Study Policy in Garver Room

By SAM HALL

Students halted to a complete stop this week in reaction to the regulation-size stops signs placed outside the doorways of the Garver Room.

The three signs that read "STOP Entering Silent Study Area" are the library's newest attempt to enforce the Garver Room's new silent study policy.

"We got the signs to serve as a reminder that the Garver Room is a destination rather than a passage," said Director of the Library Elisabeth Tully. "Frankly, we didn't think they would be so large."

The Library paid \$90 for each of the signs, which were made by OPP.

"They were supposed to have been there since the beginning [of school]. Because they were late students may have interpreted them as a criticism of their behavior," said Ms. Tully.

Evidently, the silent study policy has encouraged more students to study in the Garver Room.

Associate Director of Instructional Services Michael Blake said, "The Garver room has become much more crowded because of the policy. The signs make the point."

Some students, however, believe the stop signs to be ineffective.

Scott Morgan '06 said,

"I think the signs encourage kids to misbehave rather than honor them because they are ridiculous. My first reaction was to laugh (at the signs) rather than respect them."

Despite the success of controlling traffic and talking in Garver, loud voices still carry far into the room from the computer lounge.

I think there should be a general shift in the whole library when studying starts, not just Garver."

The silent study policy in Garver was introduced after the Dean of Students Office received complaints from students about the level of noise in the library last year.

At a meeting earlier this year, the Deans' Council and Ms. Tully discussed the possibility of creating silent study spaces in the library.

Ms. Tully said, "The Deans' Council said that making Garver a silent study space was necessary and we couldn't prove that it wasn't, so we decided we needed to give it a shot. They proposed that Garver be really, really enforced as a silent study area."

Ms. Edwards said, "The Deans' Council raised students' concerns and it was the library staff's decision on how to create a silent study space."

The library staff is working with the Student Advisory Committee to conduct a survey of students' opinions on library study in order to help create better study areas on campus.

Ms. Tully said, "Librarians don't want to be the police; we need to keep a positive relationship with the students in order to help them. We want the library to serve the whole community."

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MILTON STRUGGLES TO ADDRESS RACIAL TENSIONS

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from a sophomore girl, is now trying to determine how to best address the present situation.

"We're trying very hard to help students learn how to talk honestly about difficult subjects," academy spokesman Neal Litvack told the Boston Globe.

No students have yet faced any disciplinary consequences for statements made on the forum or on the signs, and it remains unclear whether or not the Milton administration will pursue such actions.

Although members of the Young Republicans requested a 24-hour moratorium on posts to their political forum, they hope that the school will, in the long run, keep the forum open for respectful discussion.

"If you shut down the conference because you don't want to hear what is being said, you are not living up to what this country is," Darlene Anastas, the faculty sponsor of the Young Republicans at Milton, told the Milton Academy student newspaper.

Meanwhile, many students are still struggling to contend with the controversy.

"This is the most intensely emotional incident that has occurred here recently.... We pride ourselves and are known as being a school that fosters diversity. I have never seen so many people outraged," a different Milton student told The Phillipian on a condition of anonymity.

Students of color comprise one-third of the Milton Academy student body.

School administrators are now discussing the possibility of adding material about race and discrimination into a required course for sophomores, but it will be some time before any final decisions are reached.



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Salvo '76 and GE Mobile Solutions Center Stop At Phillips Academy As Part of Cross-Country Tour

By STEVE BLACKMAN

Dr. Joseph J. Salvo '76 will be returning to campus the morning of Friday, October 14 with the GE Mobile Solutions Center, a 53-foot, state-of-the-art trailer demonstrating new shipping technologies.

According to a statement from GE, "The unit is designed not only as a customer and prospect education center, but also as a special events hospitality venue."

In addition to a training and

conference room, the trailer has three large flat panel screens that demonstrate the benefits of VeriWise technology. GE hopes it will convince prospective customers to adopt their new technology.

The Mobile Solutions Center's visit to PA is its latest stop on a tour of more than 50,000 miles.

To support the "Good Stuff: Trucks Bring It" awareness campaign and sell the VeriWise system, the demonstration truck will travel the country for the rest of the year. The trailer will be parked in front of Cochran Chapel from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. for students, faculty, and staff to visit.

Dr. Salvo will talk to students about his career as a scientist and the practical applications of laboratory research. The event is

designed to show students how math and science concepts from the classroom translate into business and commerce.

After graduating from PA, Dr. Salvo attended Harvard University, where he received an A.B. in Biochemistry, and Yale University,

where he earned his Ph.D. and M.Phil. degrees in Molecular Biophysics and Biochemistry.

He is currently the manager of process systems technology at GE's Manufacturing and Business Processes Laboratory in Niskayuna, N.Y.

The trailer demonstrates GE's VeriWise Asset Intelligence system, a sensing technology developed by Dr. Salvo that is changing the global trucking and shipping industries. The system is contained in the

trailer portion of an 18-wheeler, or in a shipping container, to allow companies to track their products via satellite as they are shipped worldwide.

Another benefit of the tracking technology is increased protection from terrorism. One major governmental concern today is the security of cargo containers at ports, on rails, and on highways.

The sensors in the cargo containers equipped with VeriWise tell dispatchers if the doors are opened and notify the shipper of the whereabouts of the container at all times.

VeriWise technology is a revolutionary step forward for the trucking industry. Until now, truck owners had no way of knowing where their cargos were or of any other critical information about the shipment.

According to a statement on the GE website, "VeriWise helps trucking companies better allocate their trailers in the face of a critical national driver shortage."

Author Chang-rae Lee Discusses Recent Best-seller



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Chang-rae Lee signs an autograph for an Andover student.

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writing professionally until later in life.

Mr. Lee started to devote much of his free time to writing during his Junior and Lower years at Exeter.

Though Mr. Lee did not write much in college, he credits his experience there for inspiring him to begin his literary career soon after.

He thought that both the encouragement from his teachers and the freedom of the college experience worked together to stimulate his imagination.

Another student asked Mr.

Lee how his parents reacted to his decision to become a writer.

Mr. Lee said that his parents had supported his interest while he was in school but worried when he quit his job to pursue a writing career.

He added that his parents were still supportive after this decision, though they remained "deeply concerned."

My Khanh Ngo '06 said, "It was really nice to see a successful Asian-American writer since Asian-American parents don't usually support the writing profession."

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-A STATEMENT FROM GE

PA Hurricane Katrina Initiative Continues to Promote Interest and Raise Funds on Campus

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Yet since the hurricane, it has opened an additional school in Houston designated for students displaced by the hurricane.

"We're working not only to raise money for relief in many ways possible but also to educate the community about what happened, how we weren't prepared, and how larger issues of social and economic justice that were already critical were brought to light by these events," said Assistant Director of Community Service Susanna Flug.

Many debates and discussions to raise awareness

about the hurricane and its consequences have taken place in the last few weeks.

These included an All-School Meeting, a student panel discussion about poverty and race, another panel

with remarks about Kanye West's comments towards President Bush, and a student-led discussion about Katrina's

effect on other cities.

The PA Red Cross has also held courses such as CPR and disaster training. This is the same course a normal Red Cross worker is required to complete before going

to New Orleans. In order to participate in these courses, it is necessary to join the PA Red Cross, which meets every other

THOMAS DISCUSSES BATTLE OVER INDIAN ARTIFACTS

By SIMONE HILL

Skeletons are at the center of a bitter battle between scientists and Native American tribes over the possession of the remnants of Native American cultural history.

Last Friday, Curator of Archaeology at the National Museum of Natural History David Hurst Thomas spoke at Phillips Academy about these "skull wars."

Sarah Takvorian '06, who attended the lecture, said, "[Dr. Thomas] talked about how he had these skulls or artifacts just down the hall from him [at the National Museum of Natural History] and he thought 'what right do I have to these?'"

In his lecture, Dr. Thomas focused on the controversy resulting from the recent discovery of Kennewick man, a 9400-year-old skeleton of the Caucasoid race.

The information gained from the study of Kennewick man has the potential to revolutionize current conceptions of Native American history.

As major newspapers and TV networks covered the resulting ownership dispute between scientists and tribes over Kennewick man, the archaeological community began to discuss the ethical conflict between scientific discovery and respect for native cultures.

Dr. Thomas said, "There was a fistfight outside my office over Kennewick man."

Referring to both its historical and ethical impact, Dr. Thomas said of the discovery of Kennewick man, "It changed anthropology and archaeology forever."

However, Dr. Thomas emphasized that such battles over archaeological artifacts were going on long before the discovery of Kennewick man.

Dr. Thomas said that ever since their arrival in America, European settlers have played "finders-keepers" and "the name game" when encountering new peoples and places. Explorers like Christopher Columbus felt that they had a symbolic possession over American Indians and could therefore name tribes and locations without regard to the native cultures.

Dr. Thomas stressed the role of early archaeologists in creating conflicts over Native American artifacts.

Dr. Thomas wrote about these disputes over Native American remains in his book *Skull Wars: Kennewick Man, Archaeology, and the Battle for Native American Identity*, published in 2000.

Dr. Thomas has also served as a board member at the Robert S. Peabody Museum of Archaeology.



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FEATURES WINS THE LOTTERY

BIG BUCKS BONANZA

by Lawrence Dai
FEATURES LAWRENCE

In a way, winning the lottery is like looting the winery. In a more realistic way, the two things are completely unrelated. But for the most part, the two go together like peanut butter and jell-o.

By my definition there are three types of lotteries: the ones you win, the ones you don't win, and the ones that you win wearing a white suit and then you get transported to the island. But for reasons of practicality, I will only discuss the second option. Personally, I have yet to win the Big Bucks Bonanza or the Thunderball or any other lottery with a stupid name, but that doesn't mean I'm not prepared. On the contrary, I am completely ready

for my lottery win and I've even planned a little agenda to put in use when it happens.

I would be so surprised that the one time I use Andres Bobadilla's '06 birthday instead of mine that I would score the jackpot. After a good chuckle, I'm off to lavishly spend my winnings. Now most people would buy a mansion, or a fancy car, or four or five swimsuit models to live in their closet but I'm not like most people. I feed on human blood. I smell of fish sticks. I breed with other species. There's no need to say it, but I will anyways, I am a Features writer.

First of all, I would purchase a spellchecker for John Badman IV. Sheesh. Only an idiot would spell my name "Lawrence" three times in the same email. Good first impression. It hurts to



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Somewhere among the banana peels and the thrown out newspapers is a lost child in Lawrence Dai '09.

think I used to look up to you. You were the entire world to me, and you let me down. I don't think I can ever forgive you...

I would also use my newfound wealth to convert Commons into a strip club. It'd be the hottest strip club on the east coast. But by no means would this be a traditional strip club. It would have cutting edge interior design.. And I forgot to mention, this strip club would have no strippers. It's such a revolutionary idea that I'm surprised no one has thought of it before. Now just a second Lawrence, how in the world is Commons going to be a strip club without strippers? But I'm on top of things, like always. To replace the unnecessary and obscene nudity, we would only serve food with the word strip in it. For example, the loyal Commons workers could pile chicken strips on our plates, and also strips of bacon. I would provide various comic strips for all to read and there would be an hourly bus going to the local strip mall. What else do you really need in life?

I can answer that question, Lawrence. What I would really need is a bidet. You know what I'm talking about. They're those things that look like drinking fountains but if you use it like one you will be laughed at for all of eternity. The bidet makes the world of toilet paper obsolete. And if you don't know what I'm talking about, look it up somewhere. Anyways, I'd get a golden bidet and sit on it all day long. Now that would be the life. Hold on just one second. The Island isn't real! It was all a hoax! Johnny is dead! Excuse me, but I'm off to go save my surprisingly-good-looking friend and overthrow the system!

Martinis and Miles Davis

by Billy Cannon
FEATURES DR. PHIL

I'm sitting on my living room couch. The air is damp with the smell of hot pockets and mansweat. The lights are broken because I smashed the bulbs in a drunken rage the night before. The only light that illuminates the room is the subtle flicker originating from the television. I take a bite and look down at my ketchup stained wife-beater. Life is tough, but I gotta` live it. Suddenly Dr. Phil disappears and a large Ukrainian womAn appears on the tele.

"Tonight's winning numbers are : 7, 37,45896,log 9, and 2/3. Hail the mother country."

I got up from the seat of gluttony and proceeded into the kitchen. The table was a mess: parking tickets and dog food were everywhere. I don't even own a dog. Suddenly something caught my eye. A lottery ticket lay face up. It read: "Ukrainian Funneled Lottery. Your number is 7, 37, 45896, log 9, and 2/3." I couldn't believe it. I walked down to Rodriguez gas station and redeemed my ticket.

So now I have all this money, and no idea what to do with it. Hence, I did the only thing I know how to do: ask other people for their opinions. I received a plethora of responses.

Melissa Chiozzi '06 said I should buy her something.

The young and restless Corbin Tognoni '08 recommended "spending it on fine art."

I was somewhat dissuaded to pursue any of the above, so I decided to sleep on it. That night I had a dream about Robert



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Will Cannon '07 recreates one of the opening numbers from 1994's Academy Award winning film, *Beauty & The Beast*.

Goulet.

So I awoke the next day, determined to find an answer to my problem.

I continued asking around. The first person I ran into was Joe O'Hern '07, who somewhat resembles a mix between Cookie Monster and a grizzly bear. He responded genuinely. "Potatoes and beer are the only things a man needs in life."

Wise, oh so wise. However, it wasn't long before I crossed paths with my partner in crime, Nick Bowen '06.

Nick had just returned from living in Mongolia with a family of wind-battered herders. I eagerly asked him, sensing he

would give the answer I was so desperately seeking.

"Invest in human flesh....." He then swung his auburn hair about and crawled back into his cave.

However the best response came from Dave Toropov '07, who said I should "spend it on emotions."

After long contemplation, I came up with my own solution. In my back yard there is an inflatable pool filled with 1 million dollars. On hot summer days, I go out there to relax with a martini on the rocks while Miles Davis plays in the backyard.

DAY STUDS

by Dave Curtis and Pete Smith
FEATURES BESTEST FRIENDS EVER

We would like to start by pointing out the fact that we (Johnny Cobra and UnGh) both support the lottery.

It is a tax on the poor, and seeing as we hate hobos and UnGh LOVES money, especially money taken from the hands of a starving, deprived free-loader, the lottery is the best invention since the clock on the stove.

However, because we are under 18, entering the lottery is difficult for us. (Maybe not the likes of John Badman IV who has been known to have certain members of the faculty buy him scratch tickets).

Yet, for us mere day students (or as we call ourselves, DAY STUDS), entering the lottery is tough.

Therefore, we were forced to enter the next best thing to the Massachusetts Powerball: the Andover Housing Lottery.

Now I know what you are thinking, "Day Students can't enter the housing lottery..." which you say in a very whiny voice.

Well, whining gets you nowhere in life, and as previously stated, we are day studs and can basically do anything we want, so bite us.

As we were saying, we entered the housing lottery. As we walked into Commons to pick our numbers we immediately walked to the head of the line (Day Studs wait for no

one).

First to pick was UnGh who, as always, picked the last number possible, for he is truly a waste of space who always gets picked last. Johnny was next.

Johnny, unlike UnGh, has enjoyed the finer things in life.

From Dippin' Dots while at the mall to the latest gossip in the halls... well you get the point.

Anyways, long story short, he picked number one after bribing whoever it is who hosts such things (reminder: we are day studs and we don't take sass from anybody).

After drawing number one, our choices were the following:

1. A one room triple in Nathan Hale with some unsuspecting ladies to woo.
2. A one room double in the dumpster behind Fuess, which would make us both "Fuesses."
3. Inside Owen Rameika's '06 mouth.
4. On a pirate ship in the middle of Rabbit Pond.
5. A tree fort in the Sanctuary.
6. Sleeping on the floor of C-Bizkit's stable.
7. Living in the "secret" tunnels between Morse and Sam Phil.

However, we passed up all these fine choices for the penultimate of domiciles, the holiest of holies, the Babsiest of Babsies, the one and only BAB's house. This, however,

posed a few significant issues. First off, housing with BABS would entail being careful crossing Main Street, EVERY SINGLE TIME. [NOTE: while we realize that this may be possibly the most clichéd joke on campus, we feel that, given the circumstances surrounding its introduction, this may be the best possible joke in our artillery at the given time. Pathetic, isn't it?]

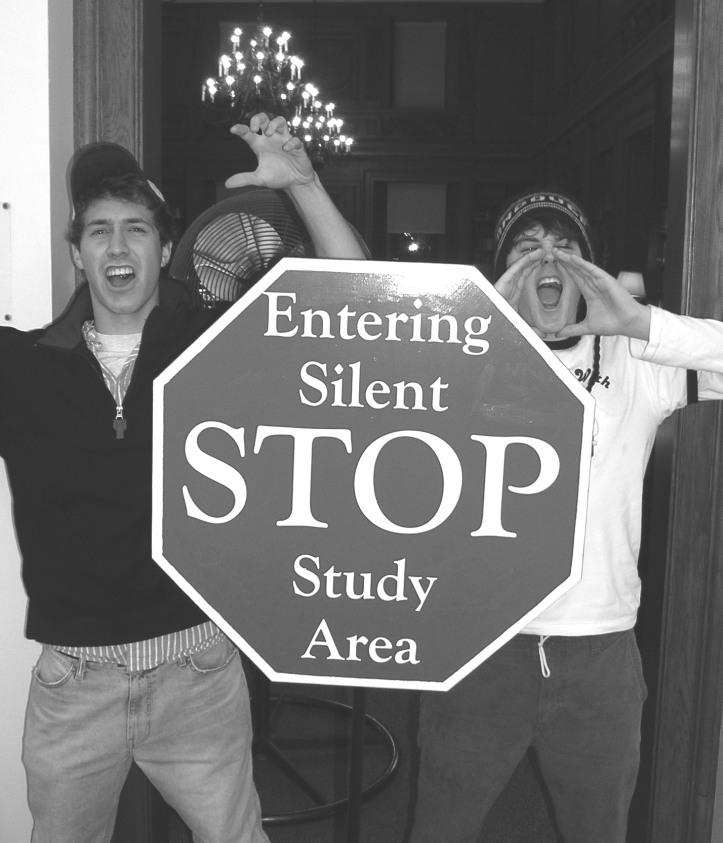
Just kidding, living with Babs would be way lame.

And since Johnny is the man in our relationship he did what any guy would do in that situation.

He totally sniped the top bunk.

Now, excuse us, but the BLC is coming and she said lights out was at eleven.

But we are rebel freshmen, way too cool for lights out, and come to think of it, way too cool for school. Day Studs, over and out.



J. Yi/The Phillipian

This sign was nearly as expensive as the library terrace.

Top Ten

Reasons to Date
Walker Washburn 'o8

10. We're telling you for the last time, Colin Touhey '06 is taken
9. His penetrating gaze offsets his endearing smile
8. He smells of lavender...
7. ...Yet he tastes of cinnamon swirl
6. He can bench at least a flat hundo
5. He owns his own carwash
4. If you throw change at him, he will dance. Oh, will he dance.
3. Owns his own copy of Corky Romano
2. Someday... all of West Quad South will be his...
1. Kiefer Washburn '18

BARTZ! COOTIES

by Steve Bartz
FEATURES BASEJUMPER

I sat in my room, frustrated by a physics problem I just did not get. Flaring with anger, I stopped myself from hurling my keychain - complete with a CVS ExtraCare Card and Foot Locker VIP card. You may be wondering why I keep a Foot Locker card on my keychain. To know the answer, you will have to view the exhibit of Nike Air Force Ones and Air Jordan's crammed in my closet. Calming myself, I thought of happy times this summer. I don't know what that means for you, but the first memory that comes to me is shopping. Where does America shop? Not at Marshall's and RadioShack. America shops at Walmart.

I can not begin to express my love of Walmart. As a resident of Hawaii, I would like to declare that my home state DOES have Walmart. In the heart of Honolulu, lies the flagship Walmart, home to great deals. Because I am a frequent shopper, I am always greeted by a friendly person who is way past the age of retirement. My beautiful green eyes, lightened by lovely lashes, catch sight of a strip of yellow happy face stickers. They would be perfect for my collection full of stickers from the doctor and dentist, which for some reason I have to request now. After convincing the 85 year old man that I was actually seven years old, he gives me a sticker. I am now prepared for the always low prices of Walmart.

I lose my parents, distracted by the 'Thing' gloves from Fantastic Four. Wanting these gloves so badly and not having adequate funds, I do the obvious. No, not steal them. I take the Christmas list I have made for Santa and its special pencil from

my pocket. Thankful that I take this list everywhere, I write the name and SKU down.

Next thing I need is a goblet of the pimp variety. Not seeing an in the house wares aisle, I stalk a worker dressed in a stupid blue smock. Twenty minutes later, the lady turns around and asks me, "Do you need something sir?" Coming out from the center of circular rack of women's dresses, I respond, "Why yes, I need a pimp cup." "I don't think we carry those, sir." Furious I shoot back with, "WHAT DO YOU EVEN SELL HERE?" Instantly, Walmart's secret ninjas fly down from the roof. They take off their black robes and I recognize them as Tinky Winky, Dipsy, La-La, and Po, my dear friends. I cheerfully forget my frustration.

After spending four hours wandering through the video games, TV's, and DVD's, I make

my way to the car audio systems. None of them compare to the one I installed in my mother's pink Toyota Corolla. What a waste of walking energy. Since I am here, I might as well check out the gun section. I glance at all of the guns, none of which rival the two vintage guns attached to my shoulders. They do have a sweet Civil War general cap. I write it down on my list.

I make my way outside worried that I wore out my welcome here after five hours. I spot my parents on a bench outside Mickey D's. There they are, sleeping on the inviting shoulders of Ronald, a close family friend. Awakened by a homeless person cursing them for sleeping in his bed, we leave quickly for home. I grow impatient awaiting the return home to my summer lover, Harry Potter #6.



Courtesy of the Bartz Family
Six year-old Steven Bartz '08 looks eerily like Alfred E. Newman.

by Jon Adler
EATURES BODYBUILDER

As I sat with my former prefect and romance advisor, Dan Taylor, '06, the other day, he gave me some wise advice: Get a girlfriend, and get one soon. What he actually meant, because we all know that getting a girlfriend is not a possibility for me, was to think about the future. Since that time, at least ten minutes before I began writing this, I have thought deeply about what I will make of my days when I am a man (Please note: I was Bar Mitzvahed, there for I am, in fact, a 'man,' but, due to my lack of facial hair and my prepubescent, girlish voice, I felt this explanation was necessary).

Like most students at PA, I am constantly wondering what my job will be when I grow up. I have thought of several jobs that I would love to have, and more importantly, several jobs that I will actually have. For example, I'd like to: Be a bodybuilder. But I'll probably end up being: The guy who oils up the body-builders. So I'd like to take the next few moments of your time to discuss my possible career options.

I don't shower often, and I when I do, I usually don't use soap. This has become a problem for me, and it may be scaring off the women folk. I plan on continuing my sparse hygienic regimen when I'm older, so I think I should have a job that accommodates my body's odors. Being a city sanitation worker would be a great choice. I would get to wear construction boots, and stand on the back of the truck while it's moving...two things my parents never let me do now. And people would never complain about how poorly I smelled because they would assume it was because I was carrying a bag of soiled diapers. (If you were wondering, I presume I smell enough to even



J. YuThe Phillipian
Jonathan Adler '08 takes the same picture every week.

cover the smell of a bag of soiled diapers). I think that being a garbage man would be a fitting career choice. And if you don't believe me about not showering, just ask my friends from Camp Winaukkee...eight weeks of camp, one pair of boxers, no showering. I'll leave you to calculate the number of girlfriends I had that year.

If the sanitation worker career path doesn't work out, I think I could definitely make it as a lifeguard. I don't want to brag, but I look good in a bathing suit, baking under a flaming sun, sunglasses masking my cool blue eyes with my seemingly endless stomach rolls peeling from sun burn. Oh yeah, that's a nice image. I can also swim pretty well, so why not use my good looks and mediocre swimming skills to help people.

Now, most of you, while reading about what I look like

roasting in the sun without a shirt must have thought, "This kid shouldn't be a lifeguard...he should skip the rescuing people and just rely solely on his looks for a career." I couldn't agree more. Being a male model would be a fine career choice. After all, somebody needs to model those 'husky' and 'relaxed' fit jeans they sell. And, pictures of me without clothes could help Americans find the desire to lose weight and get in shape. So basically, my becoming a male model helps everybody out.

Well, whether I become a garbage man, a lifeguard, or a male model, I still won't bathe regularly. I think I should choose the career that fits me best, and that makes me happy. So, when you see me panhandling in your city in twenty years, toss a few quarters into my cup. And if you mention it, I'll dance for small bills.

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Stefanos Adventures

by John Badman
FEATURES WHAT IS NUMBER ONE BUSINESS SCHOOL IN COUNTRY?

Due to certain legal obligations, I will offer more advice for making your classes at Andover a bit more interesting. Enjoy.

Walk into class 15 minutes late, yelling into your cell phone, "sell, sell, sell"! When your teacher reprimands you, ask them if they know what it is like to cut losses on twenty thousand pork belly commodities.

When in your foreign language class, only speak English. When the teacher yells at you in the other language, get really frustrated that they are being so rude as to jumble their words. Walk out of the class enraged.

Only do your homework for first period of the next morning. During first period, do second period's homework, and so on, until the last period.

Feel free to bring stuffed animals to class. Put them in a chair next to you, and introduce them at the beginning. Half-way through class start yelling at them.

Make up random religious holidays, and refuse to work on them. Give your teacher a three week notice, and explain that you cannot talk the whole day. Light ceremonial candles during class.

Always call your teacher by their first name. When they correct you, act like you are offended that you are not at "that level" of understanding yet. If they call you by your first name, quickly correct them.

When you feel like singing,

Rearrange the chairs right before the bell rings, and sit directly in front of somebody. Keep moving your chair until somebody says something.

Send out emails telling everybody not to show up to class the next day, because the teacher is sick. Be the only one to show up, and say that everybody else is down town.

When your teacher calls on you, look at him or her and just smile. Act like you are wearing ear plugs, and you just can't hear them. Actually, just wear ear plugs.

When a peer makes an articulate contribution to the class discussion, mumble under your breathe, "brown-nosing son of..." until somebody calls you out on it.

Whenever you have a lab in Chemistry mix everything you are given. Taste the ingredients. Spill water on yourself, yell, "it's burning my skin," and enjoy an emergency shower. Get naked in the shower. Safety first.

Wear only a robe to class. Talk with a thick English accent.

After every test, report somebody who you thought may have been looking around a little too much. Repeat every test, with the same conviction, until your teacher tells you to knock it off.

Whenever somebody does not do well on a test, laugh. Just laugh.

Make up a sport, and tell your

teacher that you need to leave early because of it. Repeat this everyday until somebody catches on.

Draw provocative and tasteless things on your desk. Ask your teacher at the end of class if you can keep the desk, because you are so fond of your work. When they say no, tell them they need to pay an artist fee every week for showing your work.

Whenever seated in a circle, get up and start playing Duck-Duck-Goose. Always pick your teacher as the goose, and run really fast. Hit a desk hard. Cry.

Wear a Star Wars costume to class. Speak like the character. Might I recommend JarJar Binks?

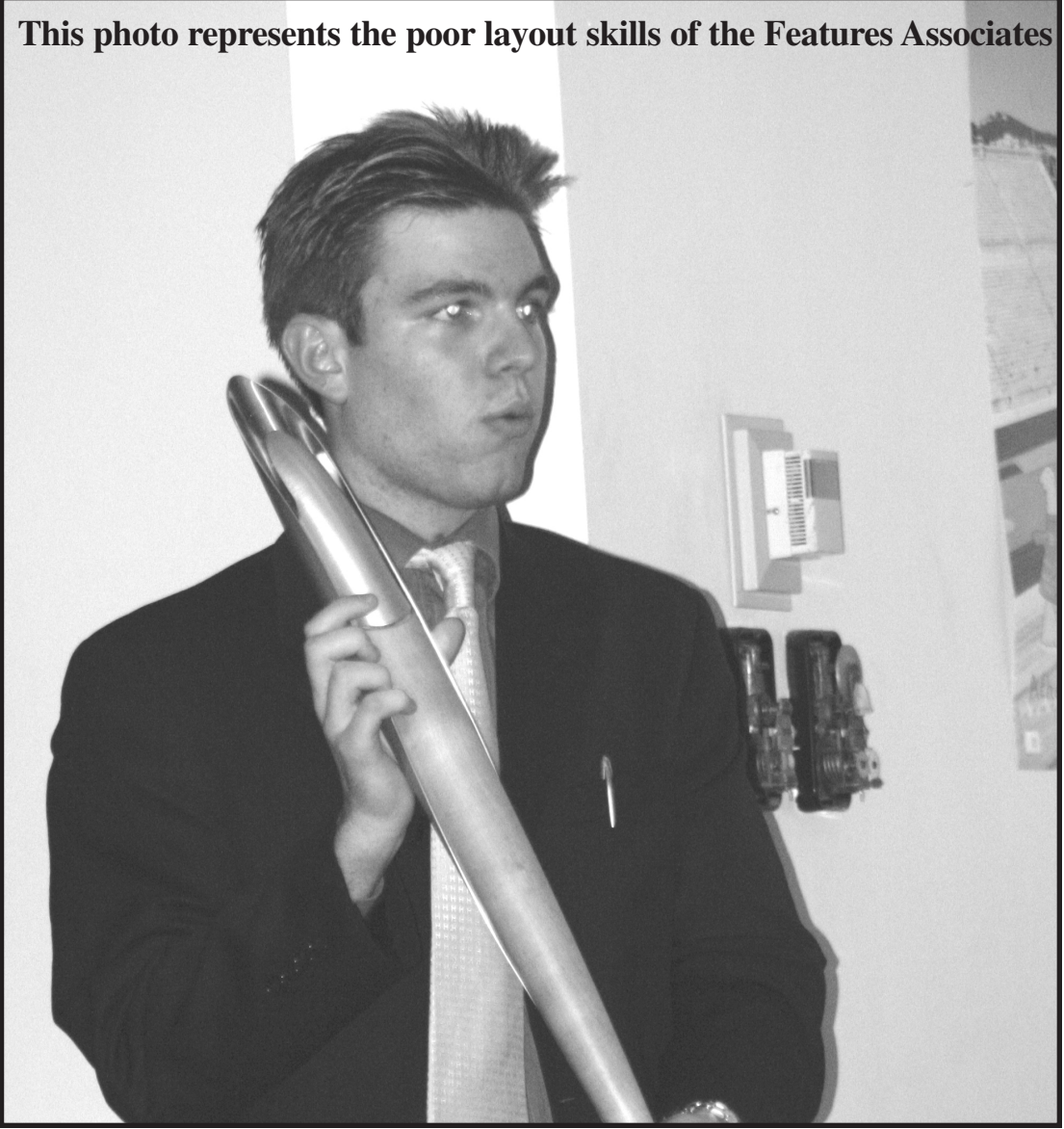
Ever tried to chug a gallon of milk in under an hour? How about half a gallon during a Physics 300 test?



John Badman '06 takes his dogs for a walk.

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We have like a ton of writers.
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Andover Boys XC Beats Choate, Places Five Runners in Top Seven

by Sara Ho
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

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Captain Sean Hamilton '06 led the Varsity Boys Cross Country team to a crushing victory over Choate, racing through the finish line in a time of 16:59. Despite the downpour of rain that significantly slowed Saturday's race, Andover pulled through and won 20- 35.

It was the first dual meet of the season, and as the race began, and athletes splashed across the soaked Great Lawn, Andover and Choate looked evenly matched.

When runners reached the first log cabin hill of the sanctuary, Captain Hamilton jetted ahead, establishing a significant lead from the rest of the pack.

Andover dominated the competition, placing five runners out of the top seven. Ben Bramhall '07 ran a remarkable race, overcoming a rival Choate runner in the last mile and racing to a second place finish overall in a time of 17:15.

Only one Choate runner separated Bramhall from Kentaro Watari '07, who sprinted in with a time of 17:25, capturing an admirable fourth place finish.

Watari said, "We were excited about running in the rain, and our team, both the Varsity and JV, was much stronger and better trained than Choate this weekend."

A rival Choate runner took fifth place, but Dave Wilson '09 and Addison Godine '07 finished close behind.

Wilson and Godine finished in sixth and seventh place, sprinting past a pack of three

winded Choate runners, and finishing at 17:50 and 17:55, respectively. The pair's placement ensured Andover's sizeable win over Choate, who failed to come up with enough to compete against the strong Andover pack.

Although the race was a successful one, the terrible weather conditions made for slower times than usual on the sodden, slippery track.

Said Godine of the race strategy, "Everyone on our side did what they needed to, but no one hit personal record [times] because of the weather. In a race like that, it's about beating the kids on the other team rather than about running really fast times."

It was also a successful day for the Andover JV athletes. Originally, a separate race was planned for the JV athletes, but the rainy weather and delayed start time resulted in a combined Varsity and JV race.

If the JV had been scored, Andover would have completely swept Choate's JV with a perfect score for Andover.

Coming off a prolonged injury, Nick Bowen '05 led Andover's second pack into the finish line with a time of 18:50. Geoff Martin '07 and Dave Heighington '06 finished together at 18:58 and 18:59.

In his debut race of the season, Mike Discenza '09 followed in at 19:00, and Greg Hsu '06 finished in 19:03.

This week, Andover trained through the rainy weather in anticipation of its first away dual meet against Brooks this Saturday.

Though the Brooks course is known to be a hilly one, Andover looks forward to a challenging race against a local rival.



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Andrew Badger '06 struts into the end zone in Saturday's game against Choate. The Andover Varsity Football team crushed Choate with a score of 28-6.

Football Dominates Possession Battle, Beats Choate 28-6, RB Tandem of Fernandez and Houghton Gain 370 Yards

by Chris George
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

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Playing through a freezing rainstorm under the Saturday night lights of Phelps Stadium, Andover defeated a very tough Choate squad 28-6.

M a t t Fernandez '06 rushed for over 200 yards and two touchdowns, and the Andover defense held the Choate offense to just 138 total

yards and six points.

Choate entered the game fresh off a 32-6 win over Exeter the previous week. Choate had a 2-0 record and had outscored its opponents 58-23, and its tailback had run for over 400 yards already on the season. Coach Modeste said "Choate's game has always been ball control. Their goal was to get out to an early lead and have it stay that way, by holding onto the ball using the running game to pound the interior line."

The harsh field conditions, coupled with the steady wind and rain, made for a more rushing-oriented gameplan for both teams.

After both teams traded unsuccessful possessions to start the game, Andover started its second possession pinned on its own six-yard line. The team did not remain there long, as Fernandez rushed to the right side and broke through the Choate defense for a 94-yard touchdown, putting Andover up 6-0 after a missed extra point attempt.

After forcing another Choate punt, Andover answered with a 57-yard touchdown pass from Joey Lokitis '06 to Andrew Badger '06. The two-point conversion was successful, and Andover had an early 14-0 lead.

Choate started the second

quarter by stringing together a long drive that resulted in a 3 yard rushing touchdown that reduced the lead to 14-6 when the extra point attempt sailed wide left. Andover got the ball back and immediately responded with a 70-yard run by Charlie Houghton '06, followed by a 24-yard Fernandez rushing touchdown that put the Blue up 20-6. Choate mounted a drive late in the quarter, but a Houghton interception to end the half stopped this threat.

The third quarter opened with unsuccessful drives until Andover was able to run the ball into Choate territory. On the Choate 44-yard line, Houghton picked up a fumbled snap and ran it past the entire opposing team for a touchdown, giving Andover a 28-6 lead after a two-point conversion. Andover ran out the clock to preserve the victory.

Fernandez finished the day with 213 rushing yards on 11 carries for two touchdowns, while Houghton rushed for 157 yards on 13 carries and a touchdown. Badger led the air attack, catching two passes from Lokitis for 81 yards and a touchdown.

"Our line did a great job on both sides of the ball, and on offense opened up the game for us to break out for some big plays to get the important early lead.

The downfield blocking by Badger and Tom Tassinari '06 also helped us open up the field on the long plays," said Coach Mo.

The defense put in a tremendous collective effort, holding the Choate offense to just 84 yards on the ground, and 54 through the air. Brendan Gallagher '06 led the defense with 12 tackles and two sacks, as did Captain Matt Ward '06, who had 11 total tackles of his own.

"The defense did an awesome job in containing the Choate running game," Coach Mo said. "Gallagher, Captain Ward, and Peter Casey '07 stopped any threats the Choate running game posed, and Tassinari was there to take care of the longer runs."

The early lead was crucial as the weather worsened throughout the game. By the third quarter, establishing any offensive rhythm was impossible. The Andover defense did not allow Choate's offense to even sniff the end zone in the second half.

Andover, looking to avenge last year's 19-7 loss at home, takes on a very skilled Cushing team on Saturday at Cushing. The Penguins have opened its season with a 1-2 record, and are coming off a 27-16 loss at New Hampton last week.



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Ali Zindman '07 prepares to receive a pass in Wednesday's game against Milton. The Andover Girls Varsity Field Hockey team defeated Milton, 3-1.

Field Hockey Offense Overpowers Milton, Undefeated Girls Earn Fifth Victory of Season

by Tori Brophrey
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

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This past Wednesday, the Girls Varsity Field Hockey team defeated Milton Academy, marking its fifth victory so far this season. In the first few minutes, Andover had almost exclusive possession. Even when Milton regained possession, it had a hard time breaking through the midfield barrier, and Andover would once again get control. Taking advantage on this opportunity, Andover's Captain Megan Montecalvo '06 scored after a scuffle around the net.

Milton was far from giving up. Almost immediately following the goal, control of the game switched hands. Milton began to take charge of the game, playing extremely aggressively, but the Andover defense really stepped up to the plate. Led by Captain Jevan Jammal '06 and Alyssa Hill '06, the defense countered the recently awakened Milton offense with intensity.

However, the defense had a weak moment, and seizing this chance, Milton scored its first and only goal of the game. Milton had many other scoring opportunities closely following its goal, but Goalie Ale Moss '07 prevented any more damage, making multiple fantastic saves.

However, the rest of the half was not very strong for either

Milton or Andover. Frantic play from both teams led to multiple penalties and many corners, none of which yielded a goal. The half ended with the score tied at 1-1.

Andover came out after half-time rested and ready to play. The midfield and offense worked together, passing well and forcing the Milton defense to work harder. The Andover offense prevailed as Whitney Annicelli '06, assisted by Lindsey Moramarco '06, scored her first goal of the season early in the second half.

Andover did not let up this pressure. Ali Zindman '07 led the team and displayed her usual hustle and hard work, intimidating Milton. The game became more dangerous as Milton became more anxious, and penalties abounded.

Particularly problematic were Milton's uncontrolled drives, which were illegally high off the ground. At one point, Arielle Filiberti '07 was hit in the shoulder by one of these powerful drives, but she bravely took the hit and continued to play.

Andover did not back down but rather took advantage of Milton's weakness. Milton penalties brought Andover into a situation where they had three corner opportunities in a row, and on the third Megan Shea '07 scored decisively. The Milton goalie barely attempted to stop

the hard shot.

Kristen MacDonald '07 said, "I think that once we scored our last goal we definitely kept up the intensity."

For the last five minutes of the half, Milton barely touched the ball and Andover controlled the game.

Captain Montecalvo led her team to this victory as she not only scored the first goal, but played an exceptionally fierce game throughout.

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Girls XC Sweeps Choate; '09 Runners Lead Race

by Janet Scognamiglio
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

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The torrential downpours and slippery terrain did not prevent the Andover Girls Varsity Cross Country team from sweeping Choate on Saturday. On its home course, Andover prevailed with a perfect score of 15-50, taking the top seven places. Moreover, nineteen runners ran below the twenty-five minute mark, and several competed in their first race of the season.

Lingering fatigue from this past week's workout failed to break the team's stride. Brianna Jordan '09 and Abigail Levene '09 ran exhilarating races. Both finished within just tenths of a second of each other, with Jordan narrowly edging out Levene.

Captain Katie Faulkner '06 finished third with a time of 20:31, followed by Jen Downing '08 with a time of 20:51. Not far behind, Katherine Adams '06 crossed the line with a time of 21:07 and Sara Ho '08 just one second after with 21:08. Rounding out the top seven was Beryl Dewdney '09 with a time of 21:18.

Andover trained through this meet, viewing the race as more of a workout than an all-out competition. Coach Lang's goal is to increase the team's stamina so that they are well prepared for Interschols.

Consequently, the team has been pushing itself to its maximum at every practice. The previous week's practice totaled just under twenty-five miles, and that was with a cancellation from rain.

Because of the intensive training, many runners approached the line fatigued and the times were, as a whole, slower than last week. However,

eleven runners finished the race with seasonal bests, and thirteen girls ran under the twenty-three minute mark.

Sarah Dowd '06, in one of the most impressive performances of the day, dropped two minutes and 45 seconds off her best time to finish eleventh in 21:34.

Despite the unfavorable conditions, a general feeling of excitement and anticipation hovered over the team before the race.

Adams commented, "I thought it was going to be fun because we were like warriors. I mean, the rain's coming down, the course is slippery, and it's basically a survival of the fittest."

Anne Elder '09, who obtained a personal best, agreed, commenting, "I thought it was a lot of fun running in the rain because the coolness of the rain made you feel better as you went."

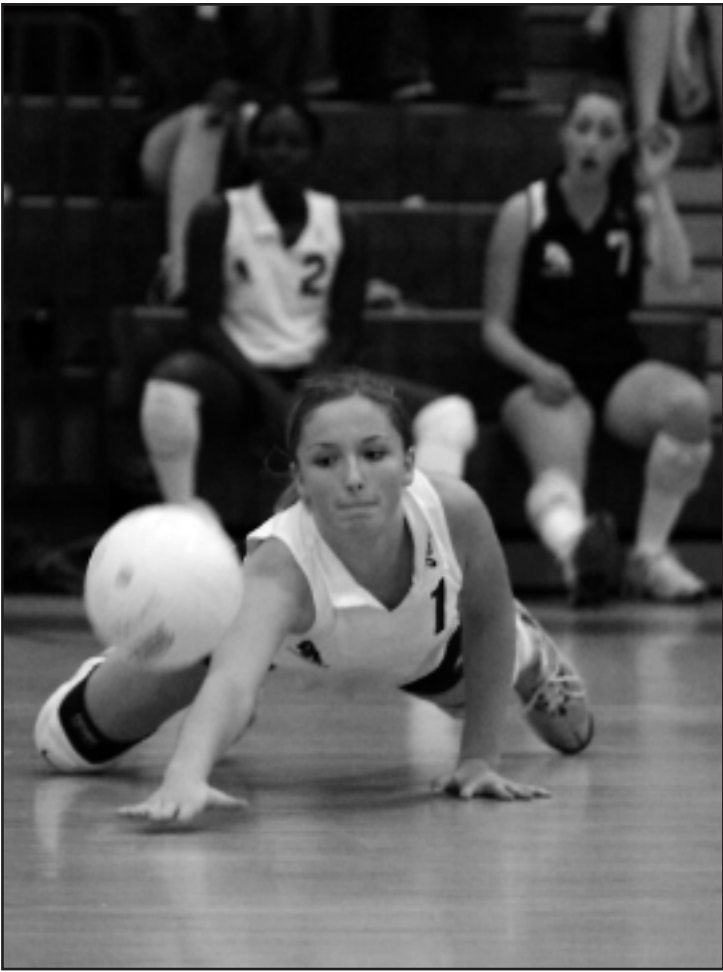
Andover's course is demanding in the best of times, but Saturday's conditions brought the difficulty up to a whole new level. The Great Lawn was swampy and slippery, making footing tough at the start and finish of the race.

The sanctuary proved difficult as well because of puddles that interrupted the flow of course, and the hill leading up to the log cabin was particularly tricky for athletes because of the combination of slippery slopes and rocky terrain.

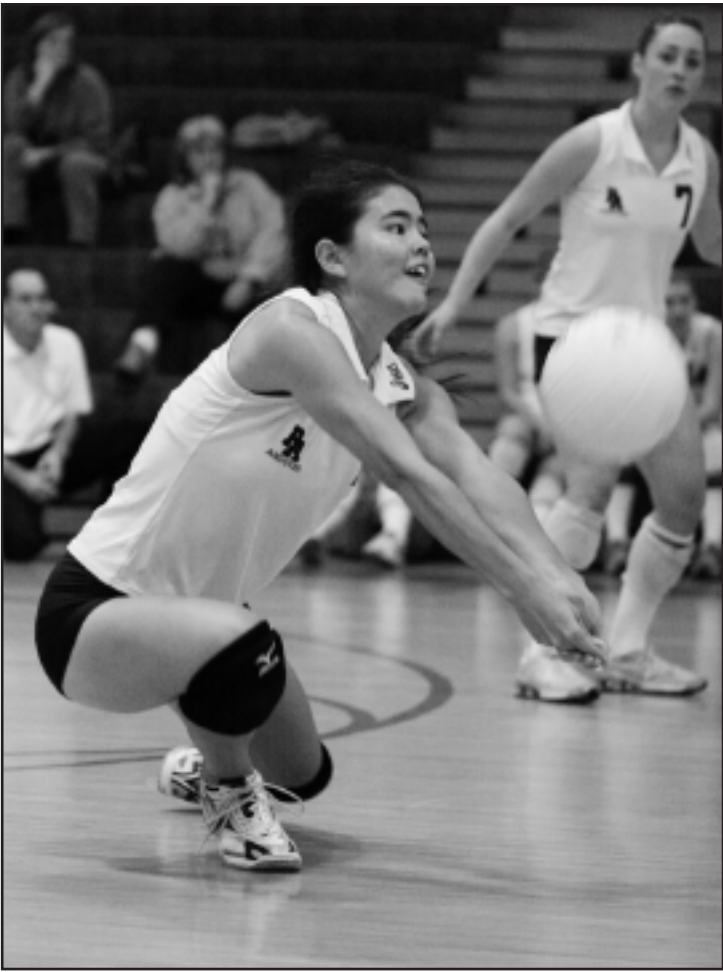
Andover is used to running on its course, but the conditions on Saturday slowed the team down significantly.

Hopefully, some of Andover's runners that have been in the shadows thus far due to injuries will be able to participate in Saturday's race against Brooks.

After last week's shutout, Andover eagerly anticipates this weekend's race at Brooks, where it is prepared to dominate once again.



Cassidy Carpenter '08 and Sarah Thomas '06 attempt to get to hard to reach balls. Andover defeated New Hapton and Choate, but fell to crosstown rival, Andover High.



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Andover Defeats Both League Opponents On Week; Loses 3-2 in Scrimmage Against Andover High

by Sara Ho
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

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In the past week Girls Varsity Volleyball played three matches, two intra-league contests against New Hampton and Choate on Saturday, and one scrimmage against crosstown rival, Andover High on Monday.

Andover came up big when it mattered, defeating New

Hampton 2-0 and defeating Choate 2-1 in a match which saw Caroline Levin '06 go 27 for 27 hitting with 11 kills and 23 for 23 serving with four aces.

Then on Monday, Andover faced off in a scrimmage against Andover High, losing 3-2.

New Hampton, a relatively new team to volleyball, was very athletic and had earlier defeated NMH.

Andover defeated New Hampton without difficulty, 30-14 and 30-20, to move the current season's record to 6-0 including the scrimmage against North Reading.

Sarah Thomas '06 led the team in kills with eight, hit 13 for 16, and served six for eight with three aces. Claire Fox '06 had five kills, hit five for five, and served ten for ten with two aces. Captain Jackie Price '06 matched Fox with five kills while hitting eight for ten and serving eight for eight with three aces.

Cassidy Carpenter '08 led the team in both serves and assists, serving 12 for 13 with four aces and 4 assists. Carpenter also had one stuff block on two for two blocking and one kill. Atima Lui '08 had the most aces with five while serving 12 for 14 with one

stuff and one kill. Levin contributed one stuff while blocking two for two, had two kills in hitting three for five, and was seven for seven serving.

In the exciting match against Choate, Andover fell behind early in the first game and had to play catch-up. Coming back, Andover closed out the first game on seven straight serves from Levin.

The second game was a disaster as Choate led by as many as 13 points at one time partly due to 15 Andover hitting errors. Lindsay Maroney '07 came off the bench and contributed greatly as Andover regained its balance, but Choate still prevailed.

The momentum that Maroney helped initiate carried into the third and deciding game as Andover got out to a 4-1 lead. The score stayed fairly even until Fox's service which gave Andover a 13-6 cushion. Levin then served out the game at 15-7 and Andover won, bringing its record to 7-0, 6-0 in league play.

Levin was on fire against Choate, hitting 27 for 27 with 11 kills, serving 23 for 23 with four aces, and blocking one for one with a stuff.

Thomas also had a great game, serving five for six, block-

ing two for three with one stuff, hitting 26 for 32, and leading the team with 15 kills.

Andover lost for the first time all season on Monday against Andover High. It was only a scrimmage, "but it stings nonetheless," said Coach Clyfe Beckwith.

Andover took the first game 34-32 and then made substitutions in the second game, as did Andover High. Andover High won the second game, 30-27.

Andover went back to its starters for game three but varied their positions, trying out Sarah Thomas at outside hitter, Lindsay Maroney at middle hitter, and Caroline Levin as libero specialist. Again, Andover High prevailed, this time with a score of 30-25.

Andover dominated game four, taking it 30-20. Then in the final game, Andover High got out to a 5-0 lead and went on to win 15-9.

Andover still retains its spot at the top of its league with a 6-0 intra-league record and a 7-1 overall record.

Andover will travel to New Hampton for a rematch next Saturday and then face off against Exeter on Wednesday at home.

Thompson Notches First Goal of Game; Winchendon Responds With Four Scores

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With the game tied at one, Andover fought hard.

Just a minute after Winchendon had leveled the score, Rory McCrae '06 turned a corner kick from Chris Wade '08 into a shot on goal, but Winchendon's goalie made a superb block.

Andover's fortune would not change for the rest of the game, and it continued to spiral downward for the remainder of the first half.

In the forty-third minute, a Winchendon player bent a corner kick sharply toward the goal.

The ball soared over Gardner's head into the net.

The visitors took this 2-1 lead into halftime.

Andover continued to battle valiantly in the second half, but Winchendon matched that intensity and applied heavy pressure on both ends of the field.

In the fiftieth minute, Winchendon extended its lead.

Bringing the ball through a pack of Andover defenders, an opposing player found an opening in the left side of the net and put his team up 3-1.

Contrary to most of Andover's experiences this season, the opponent held the momentum for most of the second half.

Though Andover mounted several offensive charges, none of these drives translated into goals.

This was largely due to the strong play of Winchendon's goal keeper.

Alex Campbell '06 said, "We had some nice shots on goal, but none of them managed to get past the Winchendon keeper."

With four minutes remaining, Alex Clifford '07 dribbled the ball within striking distance, but he missed the shot.

Andover's chances looked grim, and the team was ultimately upset 3-1.

The previous Saturday, Andover played Choate Rosemary Hall at home, but darkness forced the coaches to call off the game fifteen minutes into the second half.

At the point of suspension, Andover was tied 2-2 and felt confident.

Both Captain Mike Spiak '06 and Clifford scored in the effort, but their contributions went for not, as the game was called before the eightieth minute of play, and no official result was recorded.

The Andover Varsity Boys Soccer team looks forward to taking on Harvard JV this Friday at 6PM.

Campbell said "I'm excited to play the Harvard JV because its an opportunity against a non-league opponent to return to the form at which we were playing at the beginning of the season."

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Rosie Raymond-Sidel '08 battles a Governor Dummer defender in Wednesday's game. The Girls Varsity Soccer team tied 2-2 with Governor Dummer.

Andover Girls Soccer Edged Out By Choate, 2-1; Governer Dummer Ties Game with Last Second Goal

by Ali Zindman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

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On Saturday, in the midst of pouring rain that made it hard to maintain possession of the ball, the Girl's Varsity Soccer team lost to Choate 2-1.



Wednesday, Andover played Governor Dummer Academy to a 2-2 tie. While the loss to Choate was unfortunate, the Big Blue was satisfied with its play as they out-hustled and out-played the other team.

Coach Lisa Joel said of the game, "This was the best game that I've seen at PA in recent years. Given the conditions this was impressive team soccer. Choate stole that one, but the game was dramatic and exciting; it was excellent."

Andover knew that they needed to play with 150% to

beat Choate in horrible conditions.

Teamwork was crucial in advancing the ball up the field.

The defense played extremely well together, dominating the field and sending long balls to the offense.

Choate scored in the middle of the first half off of a reversed penalty call, which had originally been Andover's free kick.

The Big Blue answered quickly with a goal by Katherine Lee-Kramer '07 off of a penalty shot.

While Andover continued to battle until the very end, Choate put another goal in sealing the win 2-1.

At the end of the game however, no one on the team could complain. Coach Joel said, "Everyone came to play on Saturday. Because the game was cut fifteen minutes short we just ran out of time. We are an enormously talented team both individually and collectively, and once we come out of this close tie, close loss rut, we will be incredibly good."

On Wednesday, Andover let in a late GDA goal to allow the other team to tie the game at 2-2.

The game began with each

team battling for possession of the ball, and very early on GDA scored the first goal of the game.

The Big Blue was persistent, answering with a goal of their own by Captain Ali Holliday '06.

At halftime the score was 1-1, and Andover knew that it could win if it really hustled.

The Big Blue possessed the ball the entire second half, making some remarkable plays.

There were many through balls sent and a lot of one-two touch passes.

Melissa Macdonald said, "This game was good because we implemented a lot of the skills we have been perfecting in practice."

Andover proved it had the stamina to really finish when Jenna Castellot '08 launched a ball in from the side with an assist by Kara Hollis '07.

Hollis had a great game at defense, giving Andover the spark it needed to push even harder.

Even with a lead of 2-1 the Andover girls did not give up, they played until almost the end.

However, with fifteen seconds left to play GDA sent a ball across the eighteen and put in

the back of the net.

The game ended with a final score of 2-2.

This tie was disappointing considering how hard each individual and the team worked.

Coach Joel said, "Those last fifteen seconds were an unlucky end to a great game. However, we did have a great second half with much better touches on the ball. It was unfortunate though, because we played well enough to win. But, this shows us that anything can happen during a game and that we must persist for all ninety minutes. That said, we did do a lot of things right and it is time to turn games to wins."

ABHISHEK SRIPAD The Grace Period Is Over: A New Era for Red Sox Nation

It's over for Red Sox Nation. The grace period and hangover that was the 2005 season is officially over. The year after finally came, and ended when the South Side boys of Chicago dominated the defending champion Red Sox, sweeping them in three games.

The miraculous comeback that all of Red Sox Nation waited for never came, leaving fans with questions of how and why this happened? Who is responsible for the underachievement of the defending champs? An entire off-season lies ahead, in which these questions will be answered, and the problems of the '05 squad remedied.

The Boys playing in Fenway Park in 2006 will be very different from those of the past few seasons.

Let's appreciate what the self-proclaimed "Idiot's" gave us over the last three years; a world series title, three playoff births, and unforgettable memories.

In all likelihood Kevin Millar, one of the many outspoken personalities on the Red Sox, will not be back next season.

After a season in which he hit only 9 home runs, batted in 50 runs, and lost his starting job to a 37 year old who is in the twilight of his career, it doesn't look like the Red Sox will make a big push for the free agent.

If Millar does not come back, he will leave an unprecedented legacy off the field. He made the 2003 season synonymous with "Cowboy Up". He was the Rally Karaoke Guy. He was the cheerleader. His loud mouth and team spirit made his mark as a Red Sox over the last few years.

Bill Mueller. A class act, a class player. This is one player Sox fans don't want to see go. His contract is up, and young talent from the Red Sox is pushing Mueller out of his role. His night against Texas in the 2003 season in which

he hit two grand slams-one from each side of the plate-and another home run for good measure-was a game for the record books. He was the stopper at third base, playing gold glove caliber defense for over two and a half years for the Sox.

Johnny Damon came to Boston as a clean-cut, goody-two shoes outfielder. If he leaves, he will leave a jungle man, sporting a legitimate beard as well as foot-long hair. He collided with Damien Jackson in the 2003 ALDS, but still came back to play in the ALCS. Damon hit the "go-ahead" grand slam in Game seven of the 2004 ALCS. He hit in 29 straight games last season. Johnny Damon is the man.

Lastly and most memorably, the man himself-Manny Ramirez. On the red Sox team website, Theo Epstein has said "I think Manny is obviously a huge part of this club. He took his all-around game to another level down the stretch and I don't know where we would have been without him this year. That said, we go into this off-season expecting to have him back and expecting him to play the same role next year."

But this was the same GM who almost traded Manny at the trading deadline for Aubrey Huff and Mike Cameron. If somehow a team handles Manny's massive contract; he'll leave a legacy of "Manny-Being-Manny", a run-producing machine, and World Series MVP.

Over the last three years, Red Sox fans have seen something special; a group of guys transformed Boston baseball from the "25 guys, 25 cabs" mentality to a unit of Idiots, that won the first world series in 86 years as well as provided three postseason births.

Appreciate it, you probably won't ever see anything like it again.

Boys Soccer Delivered First Loss; PA Defense Surrenders Four Goals

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The cold front that passed through Andover Wednesday provided fit-

ting conditions for the Andover Boys Varsity Soccer game, as the visiting Winchendon School put Andover's four-game winning streak on ice.

T. J. Thompson '06 supplied Andover's lone goal of the afternoon, but it was not enough to overcome the fierce opposition.

Andover went down 3-1 in its first loss of the season.

Andover was favored coming into the contest, boasting a 4-0-1 record, and things initially played out accordingly.

Andover got off to a quick start and struck first.

In the seventeenth minute, Thompson chased the ball down on the left side of the field, almost passing the goalpost.

With a quick maneuver, he sliced the ball with his left foot and drove it past the goalie, giving Andover a 1-0 lead.

Both teams played aggressively.

In the twenty-fifth minute, the referee issued Winchendon a yellow card, and ten minutes later gave one to Andover.

Perhaps Andover was thrown off by Winchendon's unabashed play.

Though the home team held on to its lead for most of the first half, ball possession was distributed evenly between the two schools and Andover certainly did not display its usual dominance.

The tides took a dramatic turn in the thirty-sixth minute.

Winchendon's offense brought the ball in close to the goal, and several of its players battled with Andover defensemen.

Suddenly, a member of the Winchendon team booted the ball out of the chaos toward John Gardner '08 in goal.

He made an excellent save, but the ball bounced right back to the shooter.

He recovered and sent a line drive past the now helpless Andover goal keeper.



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Ryan Ferguson '07 holds possession against Choate on Saturday. The Boys Varsity Water Polo team suffered a convincing defeat, 15-4.

Waterpolo Trowned by Choate, 12-3; Defense Improves Against Worcester

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After suffering a tragic loss on Saturday against Choate, 12-3, the Boys Varsity Water Polo team soundly defeated Worcester, 15-4.

Against Choate, Andover started off quickly with Andover playing very aggressively and shooting often. Andrew Faulkner '07 scored the first goal, which was answered by a Choate player who bombed a shot in from the perimeter.

Captain Jamie Neuwirth '06 got in front of his defender and snuck a shot in. Andover's defense did particularly well, making a few sneaky steals.

After another slew of blocked and missed shots, the game completely turned around and took the confident Andover players by surprise. Choate bombarded Andover with a quick succession of goals, taking advantage of man downs. Although Andover

took more shots than Choate, Andover was not as successful because it did not vary its shot placement.

Coach David Fox said, "Going into halftime with a six to one advantage in shots on goal yet slightly behind in the score, we, understandably, became increasingly frustrated while Choate became increasingly excited."

Although both goalies Billy Draper '07 and Andrew Glasrud '06 made many spectacular saves, they could not stop the Choate onslaught. After Choate scored seven unanswered goals to bring the score to 2-8, Andover lost focus and morale.

"All we needed to do was tweak our shot placement; instead we became frantic and forgot just about everything we know," Coach Fox commented afterwards on the 3-12 loss.

The game against Worcester started hard and fast with Andover pounding down on Worcester's defenses. In the first quarter, Andover quickly took advantage of the man down situation as Captain Neuwirth drew away the defender to give Scott McColl '07 a wide-open shot.

Soon afterwards, McColl broke away, scoring a quick goal with his defender trailing in his wake. Captain Neuwirth then stole the ball and sped down the pool to skip his shot in. Next, Ryan Ferguson '07 hustled over, skipped the ball right pass the Worcester goalie. After Andover scored another goal, Worcester managed to score from the perimeter to make the score 5-1.

Goalie William Faulkner '09 made a few impressive saves and Worcester often lost the ball without being able to shoot within the shot clock.

The second quarter started with Howie Kalter '07 throwing a slow shot that drifted past the goalie and Captain Neuwirth backhanding another goal in. Jeff Cutts '06 added one to the score after getting a shot in from the perimeter.

On the third quarter, Andover lost focus and had a few defensive lapses.

After Worcester scored three quick unanswered goals, Andover regained control. Andover scored seven unanswered goals to put Worcester away, 15-4.

Pumi Maqubela '06 chests the ball under pressure from a Winchendon Defender. Andover took its first lost, 3-1.

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