Logos II

The word of Harpeth Hall

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Souby ditches test days

by Elizabeth Kraft

This year Harpeth Hall has adopted a new test-day policy in which tests may be given on any day of the week.

Last year, teachers could give tests only on assigned test days. For example, math tests could only be given on Mondays.

The new policy further states that no student must take more than two tests per day, but this policy does not include papers. A paper may be dueon the day of two scheduled tests.

During the last week of the quarter, the old test day schedule applies, so that no student will have two eight-weeks tests on the same day.

Mrs. Susan Baughman said that there were three reasons for the change. First, the new policy allows teachers to teach at their own paces without having to rush through sections or waste valuable class time. Secondly, in college it is likely a student will have two tests on one day, and Harpeth Hall is a college-preparatory school. Lastly, some members of the faculty felt that the old policy promoted poor study habits, in that students frequently delayed studying for a subject until the night before the test.

Mrs. Baughman also pointed out that "most schools do no not have test days." The faculty voted on the idea and Mr. Tad Wert said that while "the vote was not unanimous, there was a majority."

The faculty assures the students that they will be flexible when conflicts arise. Senior Elena Langfitt asserts, "I think test days are not a very good idea. In college there are no test days, and you need to be prepared for the way college works. When there are no test days, it helps you budget your time much better."

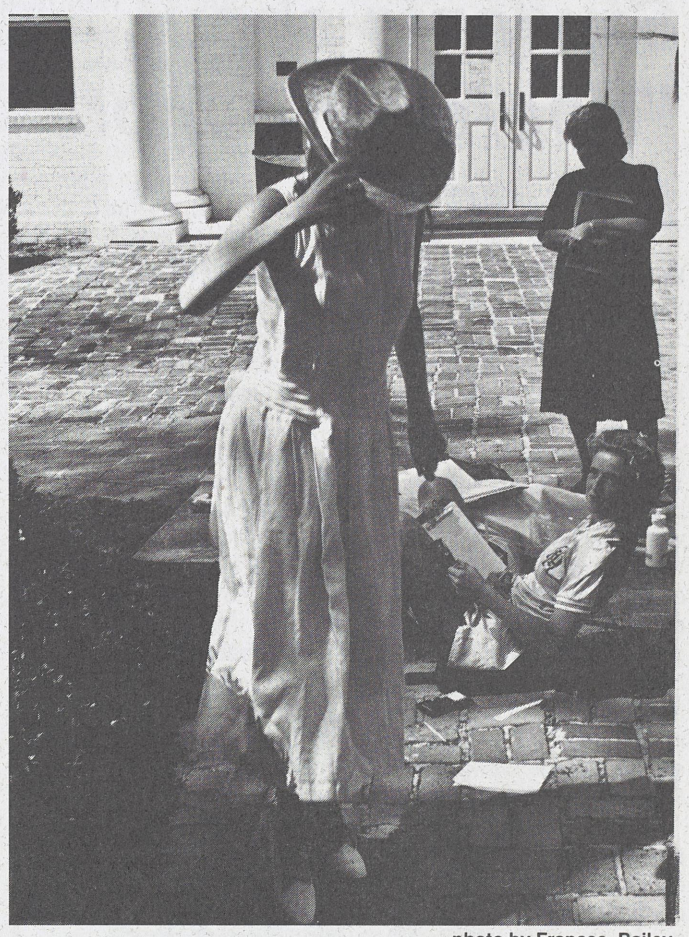


photo by Frances Bailey

Cynthia Price tips her cowboy hat to Senior Recognition Day.



photo by Laura Matter

Members of the JCL at the Latin Convention in Denton relax in toga attire.

Give us pride, right to decide

by Kim Wang

The Harpeth Hall administration has slackened the absentee policy to allow students more opportunity to make decisions for themselves regarding absence from school.

Last year, students who missed school without the school's approval receivedwith automatic zeros and detentions. Many students felt they had to lie to avoid these penalties, especially when parents approved of an absence and the school did not.

Mrs. Susan Baughman said she changed last year's policy because she felt that too much of the responsibility for absences rested with her. "I was in a difficult posit ion to judge the importance and validity of reasons." The old absentee policy stated that students who missed school with acknowledgement but without approval had to make up all work before she left or on the day she returned. The student would also receive a detention for each day or partial day missed.

The new policy states, "If one day or part of a day is

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JCL parties in togas

by Emily Davis

"Forsanet haec olim meminiss iuvabit" (Perhaps someday it will be pleasing to remember these things) . This was the theme of the 1990 National Junior Classical League Convention at the University of North Texas in Denton, Texas.

The journey began this summer when 11 Harpeth Hall students, a HH graduate, a USN Latin student and Mrs. Joyce Ward

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Opinions

Students shout, "Hooray! No more test days!"

by Julia Harrison and Sally Westlake

We are writing to explain why we approve of the end of the test-day policy.

First, Harpeth Hall is a college-preparatory school. What is the use of being pampered with test days when colleges do not have them? We may not be in college yet, but this does not mean we should not be prepared. Would it not be better to learn to deal with the added stress and work of having more than one test on a particular day now, rather than later?

Even with test days, students who took two courses in the same subject often had two tests on one day and they survived.

Also, having test days did not necessarily prevent teachers from giving major quizzes on the days of another teacher's test day. These quizzes can require just as much studying on tests.

Also, with test days, students would often have tests almost every day of a week. Without test days, this probably will not happen. Teachers are able to progress at different rates; therefore, not all tests will fall on the same day.

It is also beneficial not to have test days because taking tests over recently completed material is easier than waiting another week for the right test day. Taking a test over material covered three or more days ago is difficult because often the student gets the new and old material confused. Without test days the information on the test will be fresh in the student's mind, and she may not need to study as long.

Students should give this new policy a chance. It may prove to be less troublesome in the long run than the old test-day policy.

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Students have...

No rest days without test days

by Melissa Bledsoe and Allyson Bourke

We would like to protest the eradication of the former Harpeth Hall test-day policy because we believe that a predictable schedule of test days benefits students and teachers alike.

Harpeth Hall is a college-preparatory school, not a college. Unlike the college student who attends only two to three classes a day, the average HH student remains on campus from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. HH girls simply do not have enough hours in the day to complete homework and study for more than one test. The prospect of having a Calculus test, an American History test, and an English theme due on the same day is mind-boggling.

Furthermore, we feel that if HH wants us to take on the responsibility of college students, we want college-student privileges. Maybe Souby should just allow us to eat lunch off campus every day and attend classes only when we need the extra help!

Thirdly, we find it unrealistic to expect teachers to juggle every student's schedules with their own. For example, if six girls have more than two tests on one day, the teacher will have to arrange a time with each individual student to make up the test. We know that teachers do not have time to waste in that manner. Dr. Arthur Echerd is trying to coordinate his tests with Ms. Derah Myer's art history tests so they do not fall on the same day. What is the point of doing away with test days if teachers are trying to adhere to the former policy?

We found it feasible last year for most teachers to budget sections and chapters around their assigned test days. Are the teachers who complained lacking in time-management skills?

We feel that if Souby is insistant on the abolition of the test-day policy, a compromise could alleviate the stress on both students and faculty. Perhaps a limit of one test per day could replace the current policy. Teachers could test when they finished the covered material, and students would *have time to read.*

Juniors, seniors locked upstairs

by Sarah Davis and Thalia Acosta

Like all of the other classes, theJunior class began the school year with registration where they received their schedule cards which included each girl's assigned locker number.

In the past, the Junior class has had the privilege of having easy access to their lockers on the bottom floor. However, second-floor lockers were assigned to the juniors this year. Annoyed with the unexpected change, the Junior class complained to Mrs. Susan Baughman who originated the idea. Mrs. Baughman decided to assign lockers on the top floor to the juniors and the seniors, hoping to put an end to the noise and confusion in the English hall and stairwell. Regretting her unpopular decision, Baughman then granted each Junior an additional locker on the ground floor, but encouraged the class to use its second-floor lockers. We believe that more noise and confusion is created by having freshmen, sophomores, and juniors on the ground floor than existed last year with only freshmen and sophomores on the second floor.

NOTE: At a Student/ Faculty meeting in September, students complained about the locker situation and Baughman announced her plans to relocate the junior and senior lockers to downstairs Wallace Wing next year.

Honor Council promotes respect

by Kathy Falk

"The shortest and surest way to live with honor in the world, is to be in reality what we would appear to be; and if we observe, we shall find that all human virtues increase and strengthen themselves by the practice and experience of them."

-Socrates

This quotation holds truth within itself, and I feel that it is the foundation of thehonor and integrity that the Honor Council represents in the Harpeth Hall community. This year the Honor Council's goal is to cultivate within each and every student at HH a personal integrity that not only others will respect, but one that each girl will value and admire in herself. Integrity is not a forced characteristic, nor is it something that we gain overnight. Rather, integrity is built over a lifetime - it involves the "practice and experience" of those same virtues. If we wish to exist in a society where mutual trust and respect play an important role, we must first learn to trust ourselves. Only in this way will we " live with honor in the world."

Last year on the college trip, I was amazed at the number of schools which had established honor codes. One school in particular had such an effective system that students were able to leave their belongings around campus and return later in the day to find them untouched. I was impressed with this, realizing that the effectiveness of the system was due to the mature level of respect that the students have for one another. Just think about how much better the atmosphere at HH would be if we could leave our purses somewhere without worrying about someone stealing our money. We must all work together to acheive this goal; the Honor Council exists to support each student at HH, but in return, we need students to endorse that same support to us. Without the student body's support, we have nothing to protect. I encourage each girl to act as her own Honor Council--to uphold the true values of honor and to set an example that others will follow. Concerned students should remember that the we is a group of peers here to serve the students, and we can be depended upon to keep all concerns confidential.

Harpeth Hall's fourtieth leaders meet to confer

by Sarah Anderson

The 1990-1991 Leadership Conference, held August 17-18 under the organization of Mrs. Emily Fuller, differed from those in previous years.

On Friday, August 17 at 8:00 a.m., the student leaders of Harpeth Hall and many accompanying teachers, ready for two fun-filled days, loaded the bus, bound for Eva, Tennessee.

One of the welcome changes was the move from Land Between the Lakes (home of "peel - yourself - off - in - the - morning-mattresses") to Lakeshore Assembly in Eva. Other changes included a decrease in the number of people who attended the conference, and this year's conference offered a choice between seminars, based on a first come, first serve basis. Also, the conferees spent only one night at the conference instead of two.

The conference began with a rousing game of "Howdy," organized by Mrs. Liza Lentz, followed by small group sessions. These sessions, led by faculty members, were held four times during the weekend. Junior Frances Bailey aptly stated, "It was a lot better than last year." Seminar included "Games People Play," where different group roles were explored, and "So Much To Do, So Little Time," a stress management program.

Other activities included organization and club meetings and a seminar on public speaking in which Molly Crook stunned the group with her outstanding proficiency in announcement-making.

During free time, people swam, canoed, played ping-pong or pool, or curled up with their favorite summer-reading books. On Friday night, there was a raging bonfire, complete with s'mores.

Junior Charlotte Avant concluded the conference by identifying the characteristics that make up a leader and distributing the Leadership 1990 T-shirts that she designed. The conference was a great beginning to what will be, of course, the best year ever!



photo by Mrs. Liza Lentz

Ms. Laura Huff and Ms. Sebes discuss qualities of a good leader with a group of girls.

Latin Convention...

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boarded the HH bus and drove to Denton.

Fourteen hundred Latin Convention participants from all over the nation crammed into one auditorium and spent most of their time taking tests on topics such as mythology, Roman life, and Latin vocabulary.

Every day the Tennessee delegates attended a general assembly under the leadership of NJCL president, Scott Mitchell, and attended state fellowship at night. Evening activities also included dances and plays such as "The Braggart Soldier."

Although there were only 88 delegates from Tennessee, Tennesseans showed their spirit and won fifth in the state spirit contest.

The last day's theme was "A Day in Old Rome" and one could see a whole campus of JCL members wearing togas and eating Roman food while being serenaded by an accordian player.

Long-lasting friendships and unforgettable moments were shared at the convention. Junior Mary Evelyn Brooks commented, "I have never met so many interesting people in all of my life. I think it is a worthwhile experience because you can see that people can study and have fun at the same time."

News

Absentee Policy...

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missed, all work must be made up on the day of return. If more than one day is missed, all work must be made up within the second day of return." Teachers are not responsible for helping students make up work, and students may stay after school if necesary to complete missed work. Girls do not have to make up missed labs, but they are responsible for the material covered in them. The new policy is also more specific about which absences fall under "extraordinary occasions" and can be excused.

Junior Anitha Anandaiah said, "The absentee policy is definetely improved but it still could be better. If a student is gone for a long time, two days is not enough time to make up all the work. If the teachers do not care when students make up work, why should the administration?" Junior Naomi Lamor disagrees: "I think the policy is great because it makes people take responsibility for their actions. It should not be too lenient because many students do not make up their work at all."

The new absentee policy still includes many of last year's policy's rules and guidelines. For example, if a student is sick, the teachers are still required to help her make up what she missed, but she has more time to make up missed work. Also, absences taken without the knowledge of a student's parents are still unexcused and serious infractions of the rules.

Mrs. Baughman hopes "to teach students to be accountable and responsible." She believes "the new rules will teach this more so than the ones in the past."



photo by Mary Davie

Features

Junior visits France and crosses fallen Wall

by Karissa Schecter

This summer I traveled with my family to France and Germany.

We flew to Paris and stayed in a small hotel by the Seine River. Gorgeous cathedrals with stained-glass windows covering the walls, museums too large to even begin to explore, and majestic monuments depicting heros of the past filled our days and nights. We learned how to eat in Parisian cafes and how to cross the street without getting run over. We spent a day at Versailles and were lucky enough to see the finish of the Tour de France.

After a week, we left Paris with aching feet and drove to Reims. There we visited the famous Reims Cathedral where the French kings were crowned and a huge Piper-Heidsieck champagne cellar.

The next day we drove over the border into Germany. We stopped, first, in Heidelberg to see the celebrated Heidelberger Schloss and then in the genuinely medieval town of Rothenberg ob der Jauber. Both were filled with narrow cobble- stone streets, slanted old houses, and window boxes full of bright flowers. Finally we reached my grandparents' house in Braunschweig where we stayed for the next three weeks.

From Braunschweig, we drove to Berlin. The two days that we spent there were the most exciting ones of the entire trip. Crossing the former border between eastern and western Germany was an experience in itself. All the guard towers stood abandoned, looming like ghost towns. We spent the first day in Petershagen, the small suburb where my mother was born.

The next day we went to see what was left of the famous Berlin Wall. The last time I had been there was many years ago, but I remembered that wall. I remember looking over it and seeing a bleak mine field and dark buildings with barred windows in the distance. But on this day, I stepped through the holes in that same wall. I walked along the path where the guards had once paced with their watch dogs, and I stood where others once would have died to stand.

Later we drove back to peaceful Braunschweig, past the abandoned "Checkpoint Charlie," past the small East German cars driving easily back and forth over a fading border, and I thought, "So this is what freedom is."

Harpeth Hall student samples international culture

By Melissa Bledsoe

Chinese cuisine, belly-dance instruction, and a Russian play were only a few of the culture-awareness activities of the 1990 Governor's School for International Studies.

This summer I spent four weeks at Memphis State University taking such classes as Russian and Soviet Economics/ Politics.

However, this program extended far beyond the parameters of academic classes. We sampled dishes from various countries ranging from Iraq to Argentina. Guest speakers from Washington discussed issues involving the possibility of a united Europe, the Middle East, and the Soviet reforms.

The schedule also included a wide range of spare-time activities. Model United Nations, a trip to the mall, and an excursion to a Russian cafe were among the favorites.

The Heifer Project, which we had a chance to visit, revealed an innovative new approach to conquering hunger. Livestock was raised and sent to an impoverished African country with a suitable environment.

The program combined every facet of international customs and relations into one month I will never forget.

On Wilderness Ventures, girl sleeps in snow and lives

by Kelley Bourke

This summer from July 1 to August 16, I took a total of six showers, hiked over 140 miles with a 45 pound backpack, and gained an incredible appreciation for soap and detergent. These were some of the less difficult aspects of a program called Wilderness Ventures.

The trip started in Jackson Hole, Wyoming in the Grand Tetons, and continued throughout the Spanish Peaks, the North Cascades, Olympic Beach in Washington, the Deschutes River and the Three Sisters Wilderness in Oregon.

I was in a group of 30 teenagers and six counselors from all over the world. During the six weeks, we switched back and forth between the backcountry and the frontcountry. Frontcountry is civilization. We stayed in campsites and "prepped" ourselves for the next backcountry trip. Frontcountry was an opportunity to do our laundry, take showers, receive mail, and grocery shop for food for the next week. Every two or three days, we would enter the backcountry and hike for five to six days. In the backcountry, we only carried equiptment to warm us, waterproof us, or feed us.

We learned how to tie bear ropes to protect our food from predators, how to purify our water for safe drinking, and how to exist in the wilderness while making little or no impact on the environment.

In the backcountry, common ailments included altitude sickness, intestinal spasms due to eating uncooked meat, heat sickness during the day, hypothermia at night, and blisters on the feet.

The highlight of the trip was climbing Mount Ranier in Washington. The snow-capped peak stands at 14,410 feet. We woke up at 11:30 p.m. to climb the last 4000 feet by the glow of headlamps. Climbing during the day would be dangerous because the sun could melt the snow and we could have been buried by avalanches.

One of our favorite forms of entertainment this summer was glissading, skiing down a snowy mountain in our hiking boots!

Besides requiring endurance and skill, Wilderness Ventures required openness within the group, a positive attitude, and willingness to put the group's needs above one's own.



photo by Kelley Bourke

Thiswilderness venturer is climbing up a slope after glissading, the art of sliding down a snow-covered mountain hiking boots.

Baby Austin blesses Lisa Archer's household

by Sherrelyn Anderson

Cute and soft, he is the new addition to the Archer family. John Austin was born to Mrs. Lisa Ancher on May 26, 1990. He weighed eight pounds, and two ounces.

Austin was born nine days after the due date because Mrs. Ancher had to administer and grade all of her exams before she allowed doctors to induce labor.

In his "free time," Austin enjoys watching "Sesame Street," and even hops his mother cheer the Honeybears on in their volleyball games.

Archer is ecstatic about her little boy. Her only complaint is that "he still does not sleep through the night."

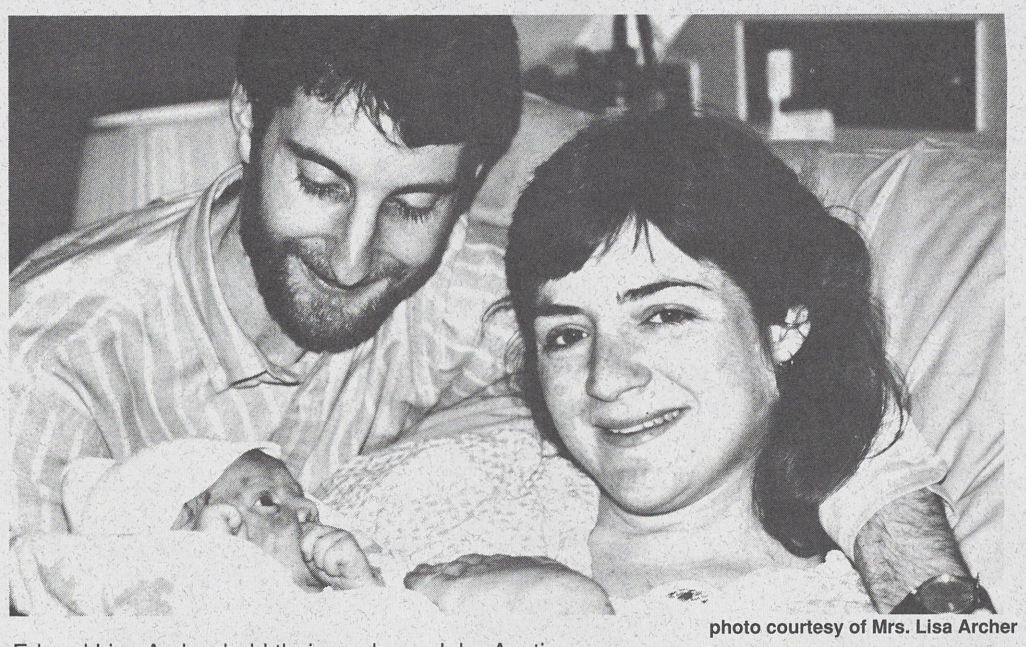


photo courtesy of Mrs. Lisa Archer

Ed and Lisa Archer hold their newborn, John Austin.

Harpeth Hall welcomes...

Wert's binomial baby, Anna Claire

By Lee Ann Campbell

Baby Anna Claire Wert is becoming more like her father every day.

Weighing in at seven pounds and one ounce, she was born on April 16, 1990 at Vanderbilt hospital to Mr. Tad and Ann Wert.

According to Mr. Wert, the five-month old enjoys a number of different activities. A cultured baby, her taste in music leans toward classical, with her preference being Mozart.

Her parents do not allow her to watch television, so it is not surprising that she has turned to boots. Anna Claire enjoys being read to, although the science-fiction novelsher father prefers are probably not counted among her favorites.

Anna Claire is a welcome addition to the Wert family. Wert commented, "Having a baby puts a whole new perspective on life. It has completely changed my life for the better."

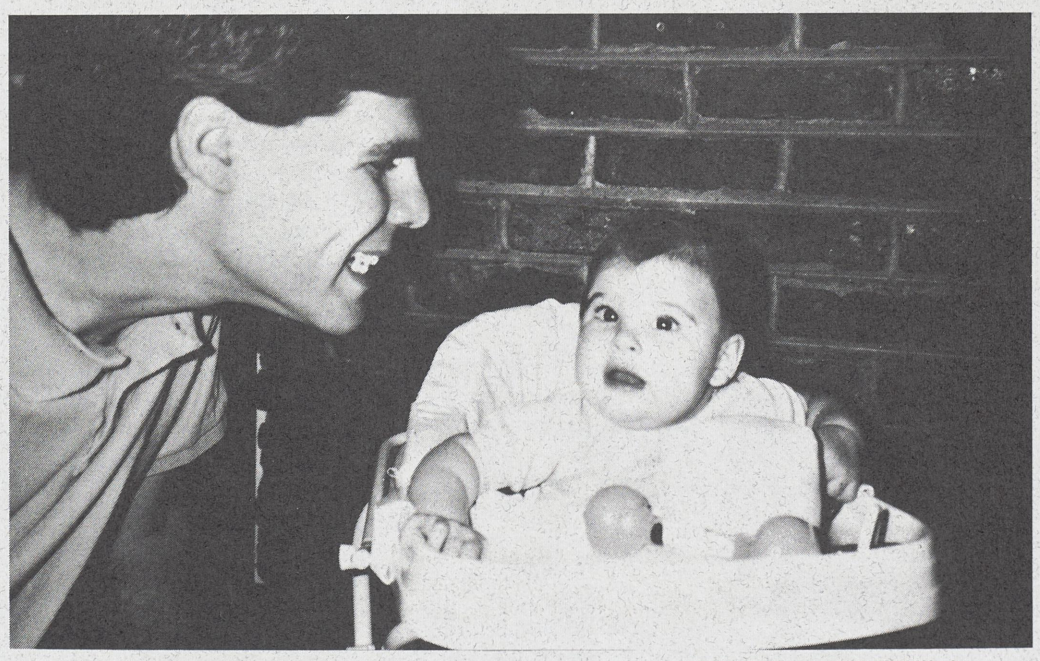


photo courtesy of Mr. Tad Wert

Mr. Wert attempts to provoke a smile from Anna Claire, but she scorns his request.

Features

Freshman gives first impressions of Harpeth Hall

by Stacie Dandrea

Here it came, the much awaited day when 67 people walked across the brick pathways to the stark white building that loomed ahead. This day was August 27, and it was the first day of our freshman year. Thoughts winded around in all of our heads as to what we should expect from this school, which looked so cold and solemn through the trees.

But , as the doors opened laughter drifted down the hallways and familiar faces came into view. People who we had just met at the freshman/ junior picnic were talking excitingly to one another.

A shrill bell rang and we hurried to first period tense again. However as the day progressed the school began to feel more comfortable.

Since then, the white building does not "loom" anymore, but stands gracefully. Freshman have made new friends, and they have found Harpeth Hall to be less scary than they had imagined!

1989 Summer Reading Poll Results

	% read	% did not read
Freshman	73%	27%
Sophomore	75%	25%
Junior	25%	75%
Senior	42%	58%
Student Boby	54%	46%

1990 Summer Reading Poll Results

	% read	% did not read
Freshman	95%	5%
Sophomore	72%	28%
Junior	54%	46%
Senior	39%	61%
Student Body	66%	34%

Sixty-six percent of students read their summer reading

by Nikki Polk

This year, more Harpeth Hall students read their summer-reading books than did last year.

This increase could be attributed to a new plan that English teachers implemented after the horrible results of last year's poll. This summer, students were allowed to choose one or more of the books they read from a reading list. They then wrote a book report on each of their selections.

Most students favored having a choice in what they read. Helene Dettwiller, a

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Features

New laws help environment

by Alison Brooks

The Tennessee Environmental Council reports that the Tennessee General Assembly has passed legislation to solve pressing environmental issues:

***Tennessee Hazardous Waste Reduction Act of 1990 :*

This law sets a goal of reducing the aggregate level of hazardous waste generated within Tennessee by 25 percent by June 30, 1995. It requires that hazardous waste-reduction plans be prepared by companies that generate hazardous waste.

***Underground Storage Tanks:*

This law imposes a new tax, called an environmental assurance fee, of .4 cents per gallon on petroleum products imported into Tennessee, payable monthly. The money will be available to help clean up leaking underground storage tanks.

***Landfills:*

This law forbids the issuance of a permit for a solid, or hazardous-waste landfill within two miles of a Class II, or small, scenic river.

***Wildflowers:*

This law directs the Department of Transportation to institute a wildflower preservation and propagation project with emphasis on the wild iris, the state flower.

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Hooper joins the staff

by Allyson Bourke

Mr. Philip Hooper, Harpeth Hall's new and energetic college advisor, is enthusiastic about helping this year's college-bound seniors and has high hopes for HH's future advisory programs.

Mr. Hooper, the second youngest in a family of eight, was born and reared in Little Rock, Arkansas. He attended Hendrix College, a small liberal arts school that Hooper affectionately calls "the intellectual Mecca of Arkansas."

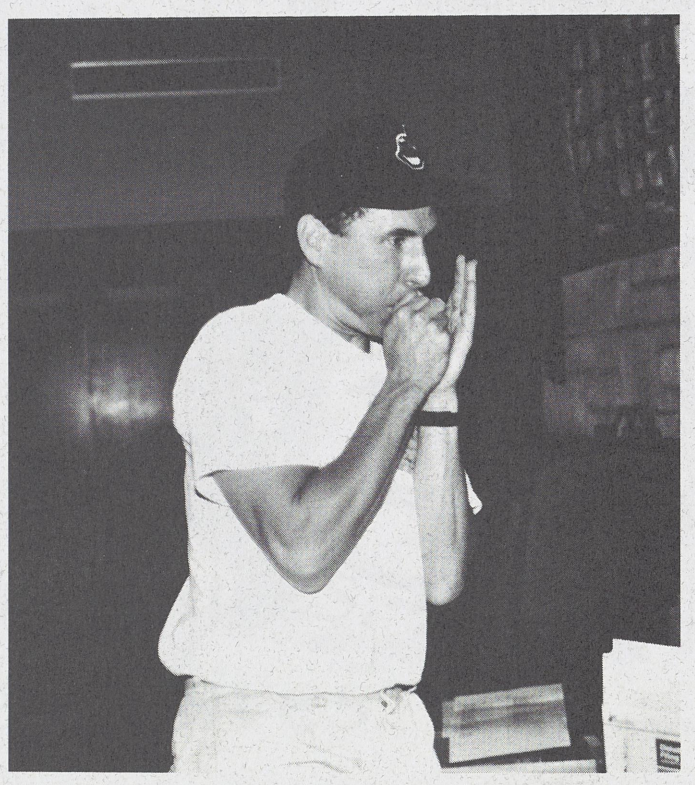


photo courtesy of Liza Lentz

Mr. Phil Hooper, a man of many talents, proudly demonstrates his musical capabilities at the Leadership Conference.

After majoring in psychology, Hooper worked as a live-in counselor at an intensive treatment facility for emotionally disturbed teenagers. Hooper beleives this job was a valuable but very taxing learniung experience.

When Hendrix College asked Hooper to work in the Admissions office, he was thrilled to return to the campus of his Alma Mater. Hooper worked at Hendrix for three years and then served as Dean of Admissions at Rhodes College for four years.

Hooper explains that he became interested in college advising at the high school level because while at Rhodes, he "enjoyed the contact with high school students and the visits to the high schools the most." He felt that working in a high schoolwas"a natural" for him.

When Suzanne was accepted into Vanderbilt's graduate school, Hooper applied to HH. He was familiar with HH's reputation and said that at Rhodes "when a Harpeth Hall name came up, there was always a sense that we were dealing with a well-prepared student."

Hooper's aspirations for HH are apparent already. Now busily assisting seniors in the search for the right college, Hooper realizes that there is little he can do except "damage maintenance" because the seniors are already on the right track. Hooper hopes to get underclassman involved in college admissions process at an earlier age, perhaps by introducing the SAT earlier in their high school career. Hooper has also organized a college resource room and urges students to take advantage of the information there.

Hooper enjoys soccer, basketball, softball, and round the world ping pong. He likes Nashville, but "hopes and prays that Nashville will get a major league ball club."

JCL Tours "Italy"

by Saran Davis and Joelle Herr

On June 13, 1990, seven girls from Harpeth Hall, eight students from University School, and one girl from Texas left for an exciting 15-day tour of Italy. The chaperones for this trip were Mrs. Joyce Ward and Mrs. Phoeboe Drews, fluent Latin teachers familiar with the ways and customs of the Italians.



photo courtesy of Amanda Haslam

Latin students pose with a paper-mache pig in Italy.

On the way from Milan to Venice they shopped at Verona, the romantic city where Romeo declared his love to balcony-bound Juliet.

One day was spent in Venice, where some students occupied their time shopping and riding gondolas, while others watched skilled artisians handcraft Venetian glass and danced the night away at discos.

In Florence, the students visited such magnificient places as the Duomo, the Baptistry of Florence, the Santa Croce, and the Accademia where Michelangelo's "David" stands.

From Florence, they journeyed to Assisi, the religious town where St.

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Italy trip ...

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Francis resided and built his own church.

Next, the American tourists went to Pompeii to examine the city's ruins, caused by the eruption of Vesuvius in 79 A.D. Everyone found a way to cool off from the heat of Pompeii in the pool at the hotel in Sorrento.

The following day, they boarded a ferry to Capri to shop and gaze in wonder at the landscape of the island.

The studentss finished their trek across Italy in the cultural city of Rome where they spent six days. Students viewed such wonders as the Roman Forum, the Vatican and Vatican museums, the Ville de' este in Tivoli (little Rome), the Circus Maximus, Appian Way, Cloaca Maximus, and the catacombs. On their last night in Rome, the students experienced a rowdy parade following an Italian victory in the World Cup.

On the plane ride home, a three-hour delay gave them time to remember the delectable cuisine, reminisce about Italy, and say goodbye to new friends. Junior Amanda Haslam said, "We all really loved Italy, but there were cultural differences to adjust to and their milk tastes

Freshman class retreats to Camp Cedarcrest

by Sara Johnson

On Friday, September 14, the Freshman class departed for Camp Cedarcrest in Lyles, Tennessee for the annual Freshman Retreat.

On Friday, the girls participated in traditional "get-to-know-you" games and concluded the evening by watching "The Little Mermaid."

On Saturday, the freshmen had a session with members of the Junior class who discussed the various aspects of high school life.

Then the freshmen elected their class officers, including Holly Whetsell as President.

Also present at the retreat were Seniors Lillian Roe, Kathy Falk, Angie Emery, and Emily Haynes to discuss the Student Council and the Honor Council.

Freshman class sponsor, Mrs. Liza Lentz feels that this was a successful retreat because "they are a really great class. They really hang in there together."

Freshman Kassy Harris explained, "It was really fun because I became better friends with everyone."

Environment ....

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*** Recycling:*

This law prohibits anyone from selling plastic bottles or containers after July 1, 1991, unless the container is apprpriately labeled with a number from one to seven. Each number, as specified by law, represents a different type of plastic. Use of these numbers will better promote recycling of plastic containers.

***Biodegradable balloons:*

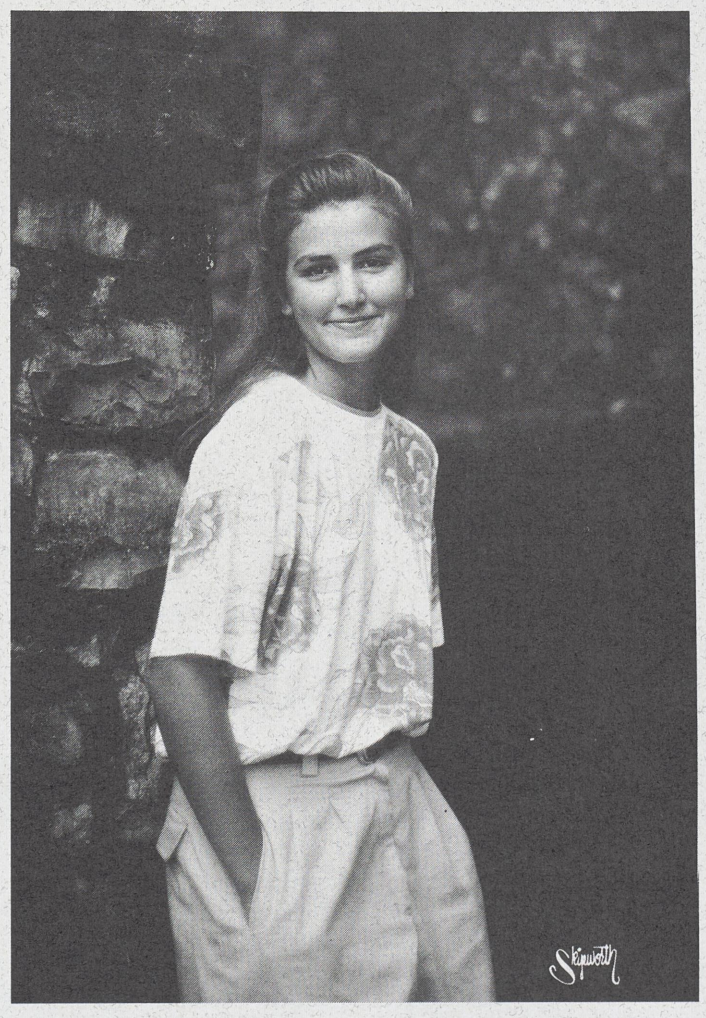
This law prohibits the release of more than 25 balloon which are not biodegradable and are filled with helium or otter substances which cause them to float.

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sophomore said, "I think it is better that we get to change what book to read because you could read a book you were really interested in instead of what was required." Likewise, English teachers were pleased with students' increased enthusiasm for summer reading. Teacher Ms. Margaret Renkl commented, "It is nice to begin the school year without students so angry that they are ready to string you up from the nearest tree."



Miss Jessie Zellars, daughter of Mr. Dan Zellars and Mrs. Marta Louise Zellars

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Sports

Team runs miles with smiles

by Annie Parsons

The Harpeth Hall Cross Country team has a very exciting season ahead. With more runners than in recent years, the coaches anticipate new strength in both the Varsity and the Junior Varsity teams.

The team includes freshmen Lindsey Orcutt and Kate Terry; sophomores Tricia Bryan, Emily Compton, Jennifer Owen, Ashley Richter, Sarah Scarborough, Mary Britton Thompson; and juniors Beth Amond, Jennifer Farringer, Annie Parsons, and Lisa Tanley. The team is coached by Mrs. Susan Russ and Dr. Heath Jones, with the assistance of Maria Morrisey.

Team members hope that training through the hot summer will pay off in the important meets to come. Veteran team member Lisa Tanley said, " we have been training hard so we should have a successful seaon and a lot of fun."

This season the Harpeth Hall team has already competed in the Tennessee Classic and A. F. Bridges Invitational Meets. The Cross Country team placed fourth in the Tennessee Classic, tying its rival Brentwood Academy. The runners came back with a vengeance, however, the next weekend in the A. F. Bridges Invitational Meet to beat Brentwood Academy and to place second in the meet overall. The team's hard work and dedication will definitely, as in past years, lead to a successful season.

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Teamwork leads Harpeth Hall Honeybears to victory

by Shannon Simpson

"Caritas," the Greek word meaning "to you I give my love and support," is the maxim the Harpeth Hall Varsity Volleyball team has adopted, and you can bet it shows when they are out there playing!

With the Senior leadership of Anna Gray "the Rock" Anderson and Mary Price "the Roof" Russell, the team is obviously going to have an incredible season. Junior Missy McKeand said, "With the leadership of the two seniors and the fact that the juniors have played together for three years, we are really united. It shows when we play!"

The team now has a 7-2 record; they will be up against revivals Brentwood Academy and USN soon in the district tournament.

The team will be going to Mobile, Alabama the weekend of October 12 and the district tournament is the following weekend. HH will be going into the district tournament in either second or third place. Junior Shelley Carmichael said, "We have had some close losses during the season , but we will hopefully get some breaks during the tournament. Our team has potential to go to state."



photo by Mary Price Russell

The Harpeth Hall Varsity soccer team huddles to discuss game strategy.

Soccer team kicks off new season

by Alison Brooks

The month of August for most Harpeth Hall students is a period of panicked vacationing as they realize that the beginning of the school year is drawing frightfully close. However, one group of girls could not stand to be away from the HH ranch for more than two months. The Harpeth Hall Varsity Soccer team returned in the beginning of August to kick off this fall's soccer season.

In 100-degree heat these dedicated soccer buffs endured Brazilian runs and numerous other conditioning creations of Ms. Katherine Wieczerza. Water breaks became holy periods of each practice. For some members, these breaks were too few and far between, and they resorted to searching for water droplets on blades of grass.

The team posted a pre-season victory against Hendersonville and also squared off against Regional rivals Overton and Father Ryan in a round-robin scrimmage session. The season opener was a victory against Hillsboro but only by the score 3-0. The Bears then discovered the magical powers of Scrunt, the team mascot, a size two soccerball, and massacred their next opponents, the Hilltoppers, 7-0. The third game of the season was not a strong one for the the Bears as the Hutchinson team from Memphis defeated them 2-0.

September proved to be a difficult month for the team as they lost to the nationally ranked Franklin team and the brutish Germantown team. With strength and spirit the team quickly rebounded and tied both Craigmont of Memphis and Regional rival Father Ryan. As the young team blends and grows, future opponents BGA, Hendersonville, and GPS must be at their best to beat the Honeybears.

Seniors Alison Brooks, Jane Campbell, Megan Daniell, Emily Haynes, Kelly Ann Inman, Helena Lamb, Kelly Lowen, Lillian Roe, Lissa Smith, and Holly Tackett will lead the team this season. Sophomores Mary Brooke Akers, Anne Bartholomew, Ki Daniels, Heather Hodde, Judith Howell, Lydia Lara, Amy Lowen, Noni Nielsen, and Kate Sherrard; and freshmen Lissa Ezell, Carrie Kline, Carrie LaBrec, and Kathryn Ozier are the young talented players who give the team a depth unequaled in the midstate.

With the best offensive line in the state and a solid defense as well, the Bears will surely make a strong run for state title.