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in the Pioneer Valley

# The Window

SUMMER 2007

Seasonal Newsletter of The Hartsbrook School

Dear Hartsbrook families  
and friends,

I hope that you are all enjoying the summer. Things are very quiet here at Hartsbrook right now. There are no happy children's voices, no bleating goats or sheep, no crowing roosters, no singing, no music, etc, etc.... This is the time when we on the administrative side of things are getting lots of work done – but I can tell you the silence takes some getting used to!

With a new look, we are delighted to bring you the first summertime issue of *The Window*. So much happens at the end of the school year that we are unable to include everything in the final spring issue, so this is an opportunity to revisit some of those events via photos – enjoy!

This summer *Window* does not include advertising, but we will continue to have paid advertisements in the fall. Please contact me for more information on advertising rates and policies. Also if you are receiving the *Window* by regular mail and would prefer to receive it by email – we would be happy to add you to our email list.

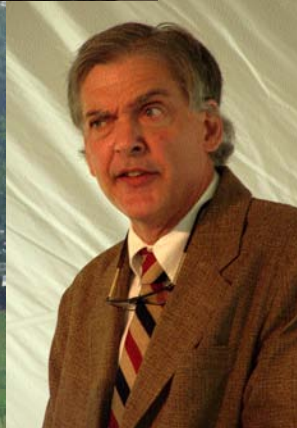
Happy summer to all,

Jacqui DeFelice,  
Enrollment Director

## Field Day Festivities



# *High School Graduation*



*Final Assemblies*



- HARTSBROOK ALUMNI -

## *Where Are They Going?*

The Hartsbrook High School Class of 2007

STUDENT	PLANS
Abuza, Rebecca	College of the Atlantic
Campe, Gaea	Bennington College
Douglas, Marisa	Rhode Island School of Design
Heron-Duranti, Anastasia	UMass/Amherst
Herrick, Sayre	Earlham College
Perico, Kiara Ana	Boston University
Yerlig, Saras	College of the Atlantic
Zacek, Melanie	Greenfield Community College



Hartsbrook Alumni, ES Class of 2003, who attended high schools other than Hartsbrook High.

STUDENT	HIGH SCHOOL	PLANS
Allison, James	ARHS	Williams College
Bright-Dumm, Irene	ARHS	NYU-School of Individualized Study
Broucek, Jeremy	White Oak	Culinary Institute of America
Fega, Stephen	ARHS	Eckerd College
Fradet, Terrence	Wilbraham-Monson Acad.	Savannah College of Art and Design
Haffey, Eric	ARHS	Greenfield Community College
Hooks Davis, Owen	Northampton	George Washington University, School of Media and Public Affairs
Jones, Annaliese	Belchertown	University of Rhode Island
Lawrence, Lily	Homeschooled	Smith College
Littell, Olivia	PVPA	Ithaca College
Loring, Louisa	Proctor Academy/(Andover)	Colorado College
Marsh, Colin	PVPA	Bennington College
Morgan, Kelly	Stoneleigh Burnham School	Wesleyan University
Mugnaini, Maya	Returned to England in 2005	Kingston University in London
Mullins, Emma	Stoneleigh Burnham School	Fashion Institute of Technology, NYC
Raper, Neill	PVPA	Undecided
Sinicrope, Amber	ARHS	Mt. Holyoke College

*We were unable to contact: Colin de la Barre, Alexandra Ekstein-Kon, Shanti Sponder & Elenora Stiebel*

The Hartsbrook ES Class of 2007



Jordan DeFelice, Katie Murphy, Paige Montague, Schuyler Evans, Alena Douglas, Colten McCormick, Julian Poplawski, Kyle Pratt, Gabriel Rollinson, Paul Voisin, Casay Heineman and Stephen Zacek will attend Hartsbrook High School.

Rose Benjamin and Charlotte Lellman will attend Northampton High School. Marissa Hashizume, Olivia Holcomb, Helen Murphy, Ellie Prather will attend Amherst Regional High School. Emily Lefebvre and Charlie Milliken will attend Northfield Mount Hermon School. Joey Shaw will attend Belchertown High School and Dylan Merrill will attend Frontier Regional High School.



**ALUMNI ANNOUNCEMENT:** Patrick Link (class of '99) will premiere his play 'Does the Body Good' at the New York International Fringe Festival, August 13-August 25th at the Connelly Theater in NYC!

## *New Athletic Field Underway*



As part of the school's recent expansion - a new Elementary School and septic system - the former athletic field needed to be relocated. Thanks to donations to the Silver Anniversary Auction's 'Fund in Need', the generosity of the Eighth Grade Class of 2007, and a handful of generous donors, the field is already taking

shape, and will be ready for play by next Spring at the latest. Many thanks to Roberto Trostli, Don Cameron, Ed Smith, Sean LePouttre and the many parents and student volunteers who have supported this project.

The placement of the athletic field, which takes into consideration the master plan for future buildings, required the relocation of the chestnut grove and the lovely stone bench gifted by the class of '93. A favorite shady spot for students and families, the grove is being relocated to the knoll which rises up on the south border of the school, affording views of the campus on one side and the pastures and rolling fields on the other.



CHESTNUT GROVE AND STONE BENCH

## *Hartsbrook Peace Pole*

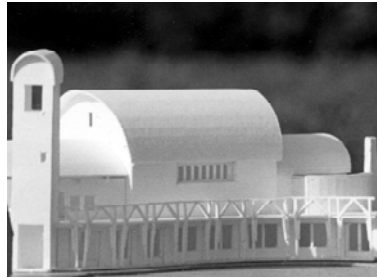
In 2003 Christianna Abel (ES '94) spoke to Mr. Ilson's eighth grade class about The Peace Pole Project, and the class decided that they would like to give the school a Peace Pole as their class gift. This year, as those students are now graduating from High Schools through out the valley, the Peace Pole was installed on the Hartsbrook campus, by Piening Hall.



The Peace Pole Project was started in Japan in 1955 by Masahisa Goi and The World Peace Prayer Society, a non-profit, non-denominational organization. Handcrafted, Peace Poles display the message

"May Peace Prevail on Earth" on each of its four or six sides in several languages.

On the Hartsbrook pole, the inscription is in eight languages, 2 on each side of the pole. The languages are Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Hebrew, Japanese, Russian, and Spanish. Many thanks to the Elementary School Class of 2003 for this meaningful gift!



## *A Bell Tower for Piening Hall*

When Piening Hall, the signature building of The Hartsbrook School, was designed in 1988, plans included a bell tower to be built at the southwest corner of the building. Unfortunately, construction of the bell tower was delayed due to lack of funding.

Now, a generous anonymous patron of our school has offered to complete that original vision by funding construction of the bell tower. This donor has been very generous over the years in helping the school meet financial goals. His generosity continues with this gift designated for the completion of the bell tower.

Bells have a special significance at Hartsbrook and in Waldorf education. They mark the rhythm of the day and call into the surroundings for us to take note or to be present. The construction of a bell tower with high quality, melodious bells has always been part of the vision for our campus.

The Faculty Conference and Board of Trustees are delighted to accept this exceptionally generous gift on behalf of our community. We look forward to celebrating the bell's first ringing with you!

### *AT THE RINGING OF THE BELLS*

To wonder at beauty,  
To stand over truth,  
Look up to the noble,  
Decide for the good:  
Leads us on our journey  
To goals for our life,  
To right in our doing,  
To peace in our feeling,  
To light in our thought,  
And teaches us trust  
In the guidance of God  
In all that there is:  
In the world-wide All,  
In the soul's deep soil.

-Written by Rudolf Steiner  
-Translated by Arvis MacKaye Ege

### **HARTSBROOK FINE ART EXHIBITION**



September 2007 at the New Gallery, Cooley Dickinson Hospital • All invited to a reception on Thursday, September 6 from 4:30-6:30pm



## *Eighth Grade Chewonki Trip*

In May, after a whirlwind of rehearsals and performances of *Twelfth Night*, the Eighth Grade headed to the woods of Maine! The class spent a week at the Chewonki Foundation in Wiskaset, Maine. The days were filled with myriad activities, including river canoeing, lessons on sea mammals, puffin watching, and hiking and tide-pooling on Monhegan Island. The nights were star-filled and grew warmer with each passing day. Some nights, the students slept under the open sky. Each Eighth Grader had a tent to share and call home for the week, with the salt-water sound within sight. Meals over an open fire kept the students satisfied – even when lobster was the main course! The skies stayed clear for the entire week, and the days were warm and sunny. After a week full of adventures, the best part of all was that the students were with each other, creating new memories with their beloved friends.

## *Sixth Grade Montreal Trip*

City parks, an archeological exhibit, a fancy French restaurant, singing at Notre Dame cathedral, old town market sweets and shopping, creatures at the Biodome, an Olympic pool, and for the finale... Cirque du Soleil - such an amazing circus. And that was just one day! Each day was packed with adventures! I was constantly impressed by the 6th graders's grasp of the French language. They also have wonderful accents, thanks to Madame Corbiere's diligent work. We are very grateful for all she did!



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