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Facilitator

WE ARE HUFF-IN-PUFF

While I cannot tell you what a hufflepuff is, I can tell you what it means to be a hufflepuff. I felt pride.

It was a moment of truth. I had first heard of the sorting ceremony when I was first interested in attending Chestnut Hill College. I was drawn to Chestnut Hill because of theivy and the atmosphere. Chestnut Hill was beautiful, and I was drawn to it.

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Ravenclaw, Ravenclaw

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Muggles WITH WANDS

Attention Witches and Wizards! It has recently come to the attention of the Ministry of Magic that wands have been getting their hands on authentic wands!

Ever since the death of Ollivander and subsequent raiding of his shop, wands have been making their way not only out of the magical world but into the hands of muggles. It seems a place known as ‘Universal Studios’ has bought a large stock of wands from one of these vile betayers of the magical world and has since been selling them in their amusement park.

As we all know, the story of Mr. Harry Potter was leaked into the Muggle world, and as they believe it is fiction, this studio has created a ‘theme park’ in honor of his adventures. While it is a crude recreation of our world, an inherent danger is present as long as REAL wands are being sold to the general public.

These wands are not choosing their masters and are being bought willy-nilly by muggles based solely on their appearance. As any good witch or wizard knows, this puts these wands in the terrible position of never truly being used to their potential.

Currently the Ministry is working closely with Muggle expert, Arthur Weasley, to devise a way to infiltrate this Muggle conspiracy and liberate these wands from their most unfortunate fate. If anyone has any information regarding these matters please contact the Ministry at once. Send Owls to Miles Higley of the Wand Atrocity nullifying Department.

CHC Quidditch

PROFILEs: MEGAN WELCH, RAVENCLAW ’16
IMAGES: SHELBY EMLEY, GRYFFINDOR ’16

NICK CARBONNO, ’15 • HOUSE: GRYFFINDOR • POSITIONS: GOALIE, WHY, QUIDDITCH?
MAJOR: ART HISTORY

CLASSIFIED

Need an of age witch or wizard to supervise four young children on a weekly basis. Three have magical skills already apparent, but one is still too young. Passing scores from standardized exams are preferred. Letters of reference are highly recommended but not necessary. Willing to discuss pay rate.
Player Profiles

Laura Trzaska, '16 • House: Gryffindor • Hometown: Willow Grove, PA • Major: International Business, Language, and Culture • Position: Beater • Why Quidditch?: “It’s the most unique sport I’ve ever seen, and my friends at other schools have never seen anything like it before.” • Fun Fact: “It’s ironic that I play Quidditch because if I could have a superpower it would actually be flying.”

Bradon Rotondo, '16 • House: Slytherin • hometown: Colon, NJ • Major: History, Secondary Education • Position: Keeper • Why Quidditch?: “I wanted to try something new and I love the Harry Potter books.” • Fun Fact: “My favorite House is Ravenclaw because Flitwick, the Head of Ravenclaw in the books, is the coolest professor ever.”

Aaron Simpson, '15 • House: Gryffindor • Major: Sociology • Position: Chaser • Fun fact: “I’ve been in a wind ensemble for 10 years.” • Why Quidditch?: “I played every other sport and I figured I’d be good at it.”

Got an inquisitive mind? Have an artistic eye? Unafraid of challenging others for details? Think you have what it takes to join the paper? Currently hiring for athletic and special interest stories. Send your résumé by owl with samples of your work.

I f you know a thing about wand lore, you know that wands can be conquered from person to person. A little owl has told me that the greatest wizards have had their wands taken from them. Despite the reassurance that this has “happened to the best of us,” rumor has it even Merlin himself, it did not soften the blow of having my wand snatched from my fingers. Many would agree that your wand is like an extension of yourself. I would have rather lost my left or right ear to a sepersection spell than my wand. It pains me more than I can bear. But no more! By all the magic in this world, I swear I will get it back. My old wand was heavy, rigid, stiff and as stubborn as I am. With a phoenix feather core and measuring 12 1/2 inches long, it was tremendously quick and amazingly accurate. It felt perfect in my hand. Despite my best efforts, I can manage my replacement wand the same way. It is too sleek, slightly more ornate, with a dragon heartstring core and measuring slightly larger than the last. Now let me clarify one thing while I miss my old wand dearly and with all my heart, I do not want it back for its magical properties, I want it back as revenge. I plan to master this confounded new wand and grow with it. The saying goes, “the wand is only as good as the witch (or wizard).” Since I am one of the best, this wand must work for me. You can bet your bottom gallon I will get my old wand back, strictly for my own peace of mind. But I know in my heart I will master this new wand, and when I do... Watch out Westly Mandoske! We Shall Duel.
THE HISTORY OF CHC QUIDDITCH

Chesnut Hill College

Quidditch began in the fall of 2008 under the auspices of fun and love of Harry Potter. Under the early direction of Kim Cooney and Krista Bailey-Murphy, Quidditch on the Hill flourished.

CHC’s first outing of the Quidditch sport, World Cup III, was hosted at the acknowledged birthplace of Muggle Quidditch, Middlebury College of Vermont in November 2009. The Griffins performed well at this tournament in November and left Vermont with a sense of pride for their sport, placing fifth overall. Later that month, an awards ceremony was held for the team to recognize their performance and view the documentary of the World Cup made by Kate Sprandio ’10.

The First Philadelphia Brotherly Love Cup was held in the fall of 2010, hosting a grand total of 7 teams. Largely an intramural event, Chestnut Hill College fielded four teams named after the Hogwarts houses (Gryffindor, Hufflepuff, Ravenclaw and Slytherin).

The Villanova University Augustinian Aurors took the Love Cup home that year.

At World Cup IV, the International Quidditch Association (IQA), now the leading organizer of Quidditch, moved the tournament from Vermont to New York City. At Dewitt Clinton Park on the lower West Side, 57 teams made an appearance. The Griffins played valiantly but couldn’t quite take home the gold.

The History of CHC Quidditch

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Key:
1. Phila Brotherly Love Cup - Chestnut Hill College
2. Straw Maze Diagon Alley - Woodmere Art Museum
3. Commitment Ceremony - Norwood Fontbonne Academy
4. Hoghead Tavern - Taverns on the Hill
5. The Lego Cauldron - McNally’s Tavern
6. Quality Quidditch Supplies - Chestnut Hill Stores
7. Gold ‘N Galloons - Cosimo’s Pizza
9. Goldrags Wizard Wear - Soi Elysium
10. The Wizard Sticks - Threadtail
11. Evelyn Oni’s Emporium - The Hill Café
12. Weasley’s Wizard Wheezes - O’Doodles Toy Store
13. Valley Green Guitars Bank - Valley Green Bank
14. Big Bean Shop - Top of the Hill Market
15. Face Painter - Wells Fargo Bank
16. Scribbles & BLOTS - The Paperia
17. Animal Carol Readings - The Bone Appetite
18. The Magical Menagerie - The Bone Appetite
19. Greenhouse at Hogwarts - Robertson’s Flowers
20. Pigotts Cauldron Shop - Klein’s Hardware
21. The Sorcerers Shack - Manege
22. The Granger & Tattiness - Artisans on the Avenue
23. The Daily Prophet - Chestnut Hill Local
24. Hermione’s Bag - Inigo Scoby
25. Tugwood’s Beauty Potions - Demoon Spa
27. Hagrid’s Hut (Parrot of Fine Foods) - Weavers Way
28. Cartography - Iron Hill Brewery
29. The Great Hall - Iron Hill Brewery
30. Grendalred Place - Delphine Galle
31. Honey DuKes Sweetshop - Zen’ smo
32. Professor Shout - PA Horticultural Society
33. The Phoenix Feather - E.L. Quetza
34. Quidditch Alley - Quidditch Lane Gallery
35. Hogtrotter’s Expresso - Roller’s Expresso
36. Ollivander’s - Fred’s Pizza
37. The Three Broomsticks - Campbell’s Place
38. Hogwarts Grill - Chestnut Hill & Sentinel Cape
39. Sorting Hat Demonstration - The Chestnut Hill Hotel Market
40. Diagon Alley - The Chestnut Hill Hotel Market
41. The Burrow - Chestnut 7
42. Defense Against the Dark Arts - Buckley Park
43. Home to Quidditch 101 - McGonagall’s Green Screen
44. The Port Key - Roller’s at the Flying Fish
45. Flourish & Blotts Bookshop - Brewer Street Bread Co.
46. Fortune Teller - Garden Gate Antiques Garden
47. Fizzing Whizzbees - Cafe
48. Harry Potter Headquaters - Eleven Whizbang Revisited
49. Prending Lane Bakery - Baker Street Bread Co.
50. Face Painter - Hon Nor Alley
51. Nobby - Nor Nor Design
52. The Owlery - Modern Bird Designs
53. The Quill Shop - Menard’s
54. Airbrush Tattoo - The Legacy Office Center
55. Madam Puddifoot’s Tea Shop - Night Kitchen Bakery
56. Spinster’s End - Tangled Web

THE HERITAGE OF CHC QUIDDITCH

Brotherly Love Cup was held in the October 2011. This Tournament was the first to feature collaboration between the Quidditch Board, the College and the town of Chestnut Hill. That year, the Brotherly Love Cup and Harry Potter Weekend made a splash on the Philadelphia scene. Attracting over 1,500 spectators to the campus alone and likely just as many in town. This event was seen as a major success to all involved. With 13 teams competing, four of them Chestnut Hill intramural teams, the action was quick and intense. Ultimately, CHC Slytherin House was victorious, taking the Love Cup home.

At World Cup V, hosted this year at Randall’s Island in New York City, the Chestnut Hill Griffins competed in a much larger event; incorporating now more than 60 teams, two competitive divisions, and a high school tournament. Teams from 24 states and from as far away as Vaasa, Finland came to make their mark on Quidditch.

All of this existed in the midst of a carnival of entertainment, Harry Potter-related fun, and an impromptu Canadavus vs. United States dodgeball game. Ultimately, the Griffins were knocked out on Day 2 and returned home placing 41 of 60 ranked teams after Day 1 pool play. Later that evening, Middlebury Quidditch, behind by 30 narrowly defeated University of Florida Quidditch with a single Quaffle goal and a successful snatch near-simultaneously.

Quidditch has become a mainstay at Chestnut Hill College and now moving into our Third Annual Philadelphia Brotherly Love Cup, we hope to create even more fond memories with this sport of champions. Quidditch has left its mark on the history of CHC, having inspired its own Quidditch board, an ad campaign run by the schools agency 160/90 and numerous other Harry Potter themed events. For this and many years to come Quidditch will continue to be a piece of the school and its student body.

WESTLY MANDOSKE
RAVENCLAW’13
Q: Could you tell us a little about your upbringing, and your father, Xenophilius Lovegood, publisher of The Quibbler?

A: Well, sometimes things were a little difficult as I didn't have a mother. She died when I was nine. She really enjoyed trying new, experimental spells. One of them, unfortunately, went horribly wrong; it was awful. Dad always did his best though. He would take me on a lot of adventures to look for creatures he knew existed. We spent a lot of time trying to find the Crumple-Horned Snorkack. I really believed everything he told me back then. As I got older, I realized he wasn't always right and I accepted that the Crumple-Horned Snorkack doesn't exist. And you wanted to know about The Quibbler? Well, it's much more trustworthy than the Daily Prophet. Since Dad was the editor, I knew everything must be true unlike those lies told by Rita Skeeter. The Quibbler always offered full support to Harry Potter.

Q: Where do you plan your next adventure?

A: Rolf and I are currently planning a trip to Scotland to look for the Blood-Sucking Bugbear. My first year at Hogwarts, Hagrid mentioned thinking that they had killed two roosters. It actually turned out to be Ginny Weasley; she's such a kind girl. I'm very glad she and Harry Potter got married; they had such a lovely wedding.

Q: Do you believe that there are many undiscovered magical creatures in the world?

A: Of course there are many undiscovered magical creatures. Not all creatures are meant to be discovered or they just don't want to be found. We'll never know all the creatures in the world.

Q: Does the presence of Muggles make it more difficult to care for these creatures?

A: Not at all. Muggles only see what they want to see. Also, there is a lot of space all over the world where magical creatures can be kept safely away from the Muggle population. I don't think we'll ever really have a problem with Muggles.

Q: Would you like to share anything about your personal life with The Griffin?

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Q: Could you tell us a little about your trip to Central Europe last year?

A: It's a brilliant having one of your life's dreams realized. My husband, Rolf, and I were out on one of our expeditions. We were taking three weeks to look for the Moon Frog, actually. Someone flew to the moon and brought a bag of them back as proof but they escaped him when he landed. Unfortunately, we didn't find any Moon Frogs but it was wonderful to finally see some Nargles. The little creatures are extremely mischievous. In fact, that's how I was eventually able to find them. While we were camping on our expedition, we noticed things would just go missing at odd times and they would show up in the strangest places. One night, all of our shoes were missing and we found them three days later tied together sitting on a tree stump. I began to suspect Nargles to be the culprits when I noticed there was a fairly large amount of mischief in the area. Nargles are known to instigate mischief. After noticing this, I put a tracking charm on some of my items in hopes they would steal them. When Dad did, all we had to do was follow the spell. Rolf and I were so happy. Having long been thought to be extinct, this was a wonderful discovery.

Q: Do you believe that Nargles last year in Central Europe?

A: It's amazing. I've been long been thought to be extinct, especially by the Muggle population. However, I do consider them to be very good in some cases. My friends and it was not right for him to give them up like that.

Q: What compelled you to go into the field of Magizoology?

A: My husband, Rolf, and I are both naturalists. We have two sons named Lorcan and Lysander. We were taking three of our expeditions, and we were able to find Nargles last year in Central Europe, which was so sure they existed. He knew existed. We spent a lot of time trying to find the Crumple-Horned Snorkack. I really believed everyone he told me back then. As I got older, I realized he wasn't always right and I accepted that the Crumple-Horned Snorkack doesn't exist. And you wanted to know about The Quibbler? Well, it's much more trustworthy than the Daily Prophet. Since Dad was the editor, I knew everything must be true unlike those lies told by Rita Skeeter. The Quibbler always offered full support to Harry Potter.

Q: What do you plan your next adventure?

A: Rolf and I are currently planning a trip to Scotland to look for the Blood-Sucking Bugbear. My first year at Hogwarts, Hagrid mentioned thinking that they had killed two roosters. It actually turned out to be Ginny Weasley; she's such a kind girl. I'm very glad she and Harry Potter got married; they had such a lovely wedding.

Q: What do you believe that Nargles are?

A: Of course there are many undiscovered magical creatures. Not all creatures are meant to be discovered or they just don't want to be found. We'll never know all the creatures in the world.

Q: Does the presence of Muggles make it more difficult to care for these creatures?

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**GLIMPSE OF DESTINY**

**ARIES:** Saturn has finally left Aries’ house of couples, after an almost three-year stay. It’s as if a barrier has disappeared, as if clouds have scattered away. Wizards and Witches looking for that special someone should stay away from charms and spend this month pursuing their creative sides, dabbling in some old-fashioned work. There will be a relaunch of intellectual activities, contacts with the cultural, scientific, university and editing environments, the possibility of travelling, of being informed, of sharing your knowledge of the magical ways. Good health is also on the horizon.

**TAURUS:** Be careful this month! There will be tempting sentimental opportunities, and you may find it difficult to say “no,” so make sure to set up protective charms against infatuation spells. Your professional life will be a little more relaxed, the universe has decided to cut you a break after some hard times. Be careful not to move too much gold from Gringotts, success may go to your head. If you are a student you may want to look into healing spells, as this month will go up, the mood for fun will grow as life will seem more beautiful. Your morale will go up, the mood for fun will grow as life will seem more beautiful. Your morale will stay until 2015. A rather big interval which will highlight obstacles. This would be the perfect time to do those extra credit projects you may desperately need.

**GEMINI:** There are high chances that you will have the opportunity for a relationship. If you’re a logical and hard-to-impress person, be open to a spicer and livelier sentimental life. Maybe there’s some special witch or wizard who you should give a second thought too. Saturn will enter your house of work on the fifth of October, where it will stay until 2015. A rather big interval which will highlight responsibilities, effort, patience, and the capacity to overcome obstacles. This would be the perfect time to do those extra credit transfiguration projects you may desperately need.

**CANCER:** Saturn, the ruler of your house of couples, will enter Cancer’s house of love, where it will stay until 2015! Love and marriage will gather attention, energy, worries. Things will be taken very seriously, approaches will be more strategic, and the availability for compromises will severely go down. It may be best to pass up that underwater wedding and plan something a bit more traditional. Financially, this will be a profitable month, but stress is waiting in the wind. Make sure to keep plenty of lavender on hand to calm yourself down.

**LEO:** For Leo’s in solid relationships, October will open a longer period of focus on the family, accommodation, properties, so get ready to stock up on magic proof baby supplies. Financially, October will be relaxed, scattered with small advantages, bonuses or gifts, as well as a higher appetite for expenses. You’ll overflow with vitality, optimism and mood for action, it may be the best time to try out for your house’s Quidditch team!

**VIRGO:** Venus, the planet of love and harmony, will be exactly in Virgo making life seem more beautiful. Your morale will go up, the mood for fun will grow as if someone casted Engorgio on your attitude. With Jupiter in your house of career, the gates will open to you. Among Jupiter’s “specialties” are mainly grand initiatives, those connected to trips and foreign countries. This may be the best time to visit the Muggle world and see how the other side lives.

**LIBRA:** This October you’re into adventure, passion, adrenaline. You might take a trip for sentimental reasons and have all sorts of initiatives, one braver than the next one, maybe even risky, just be careful your ambitions don’t land you in Azkaban. Mars will lend you an additional vigor, persuading and a degree of intellectual affinity. The financial sphere will become very challenging in October 2012. Most of the energy and initiative will go towards it and the stimuli to real action will start from here. Keep your Remembrall on hand, with things moving so quickly it will be easy to forget the details.

**SCORPIO:** In October, the practical sense will prevail. With Mercury in Scorpio and the ruler of your house of couples, Venus, in Virgo and with the ruler of your house of passion, Jupiter, in Gemini, the mind will take control and the development will depend on communication and a degree of intellectual affinity. The financial sphere will become very challenging in October 2012.

**SAGITTARIUS:** In October 2012 you can have an unforgettable love story, but you can become careless, with very serious consequences. Love may be the greatest power in the universe, but it can put young witches and wizards in grave danger. This month you’ll set precise goals and you’ll go for them without delay. You’re not afraid to fight and to compete, on the contrary, challenges stimulate you, motivate you, it may be time to start training for the Tri-Wizard tournament.

**CAPRICORN:** Love can be a way of exploring some new mental frontiers. In October 2012, sentimental trips or long-distance relationships could be another way of expressing the need to broaden the horizon through love or by the side of the person you love. For those witches or wizards living with Muggle families during breaks, try to keep in close contact with your love interest in the wizarding world. An owl every now and again goes a long way.

**PISCES:** October 2012 will be a good period to start a relationship, to re-launch it or even to give it another try if it has stopped and you think it’s worth it. You’ll greatly need to stand out and be yourself. You can accomplish a lot of things, because Mars will give you power and efficiency, but there’s also a risk of turbulence. Pay attention to the relationships with authorities and superiors! Trying to snag that internship with your Animagi professor might be a great idea. Since your health will be in flux all month, try to keep plenty of different potions on hand to keep yourself steady.

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**WEEKEND EVENTS**

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**SATURDAY**

Commencement Ceremony
NorwoodFontbonne Academy
4:30 p.m.

Ghost Tour*
Chesnut Hill Hotel
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Leaves on the Half Hour

**SUNDAY**

Quidditch 101
Chesnut Hill College Sugarloaf Campus
11 a.m. - Noon

Halloween Costume Parade
O’Doodle’s Toy Store
1 - 2 p.m.

Trick or Treating for Children
In Germantown Ave. Stores
2 - 4 p.m.

Orc, Ogres, and an Organist
(Free Halloween Concert)
St. Martin’s in the Fields Church
4 p.m.

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**COMPLIMENTARY TRANSPORTATION:**

Knight Bus
Trolley Transport
Saturday
11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Route: Germantown Ave. from Mermaid Lane to Rect. Ave.

Platform 9 3/4 Shuttle
Friday: 7 a.m. till 2:30 a.m.
Saturday: 10 a.m. to 2:30 a.m.
Sunday: 10 a.m. to Midnight
Route: Chestnut Hill College in the College’s Sugarloaf Campus to Chesnut Hill Neasland

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