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Nuclear negotiator to deliver lecture

Christopher Hill '74 to discuss nuclear deal upon return from Beijing

by Anna Karass
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Members of the Bowdoin community will be among the first to hear from America's lead negotiator at the six-party negotiations in Beijing


Hill recently finished negotiating a deal with the North Korean government.

The talk will take place at 12:30 p.m. in Kresge Auditorium. The event is open to students, faculty, and staff only.

Hill's visit to Bowdoin comes just three days after reaching a deal with the North Korean delegation. According to Tuesday's New York Times, the pact requires the North Korean government to disable its nuclear reactors and reprocessing facilities.

In addition, the agreement stipulates that North Korea give international inspectors access to its nuclear

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Students give Mainers advice to get to college

Project examines high school graduation, college enrollment gap

by Will Jacob
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Although the Maine Department of Education boasts that the state has an 87.4 percent high school graduation rate, one of the highest in the country, the Mitchell Institute reports that only 50 percent of high school graduates in 2002 enrolled in post-secondary education. This week, nine Bowdoin students presented results from statewide high school focus groups exploring the gap between college intentions and enrollment.

As part of a comprehensive study by the Mitchell Institute on barriers to post-secondary education in

BSG CONSTITUTION

iii) The names of the nominees are submitted for approval by the Student Government. Approval of nominated members and alternates is by majority vote of the Student Government. The Current

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Student members are selected by the existing Judicial Board. The Student Government president may observe the interview process and report to Student Government on the newly selected members. The



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The J-Board convenes in a meeting Monday. BSG is questioning the merits of the J-Board selection process.

Constitutional conflict Pointing to constitution, BSG seeks J-Board oversight

by Steve Kolowich
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Earlier this month, Dean of Student Affairs Tim Foster, Assistant Dean of Student Affairs Laura Lee, and the leadership of Bowdoin Student Government (BSG) sat down to discuss the issue of BSG oversight in the process by which Judicial Board (J-Board) members are selected. Though the deans and the BSG officers failed to see eye-to-eye on some of the finer points, everyone in the room agreed on one thing: A little change might go a long way.

"In that meeting, all five of us said the process could be better, long term," said BSG President DeRay Mckesson '07.

To that end, Foster proposed the formation of a committee that would re-evaluate the J-Board selection process with a focus on increasing the role of the student government. The committee would comprise two non-J-Board students, the J-Board chair and vice chair, a faculty J-Board member, and Lee, who oversees the J-Board.

The group discussed a number of ideas, including a public vetting system, where the names of the J-

Board nominees would be released to the public and members of the community could approach the deans with any concerns before the students officially become members of the board, Mckesson said.

Foster said that the committee will make plans to convene as soon as BSG nominates its representatives.

In the meantime, comments by members of the student government at their most recent meeting and an op-ed piece concerning J-Board transparency submitted to the Orient

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Trustees approve tenure for seven

Harvard's new president, Drew Gilpin Faust, will receive honorary doctorate

by Beth Kowitt
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The Board of Trustees approved seven faculty members for tenure at its February meeting over the weekend.

Pamela Fletcher in the art department, Guillermo Herrera in economics, John Lichten in biology and environmental science, Stephen Majercik in computer science, Samuel Putnam in psychology, Jennifer Taback in mathematics, and Birgit Tautz in German were all promoted from assistant professors to associate professors with tenure.

The board also conferred honorary degrees for May's commencement: for the doctor of humane letters, Geoffrey Canada '74, Stanley Druckenmiller '75, and the newly appointed president of Harvard University, Drew Gilpin Faust; for the doctor of law, former Governor of Maine Angus King; and for the doctor of music, head of the Curtis Institute of Music Roberto Diaz.

In an e-mail to the Orient, Secretary of the College Richard Mersereau said that the Trustees' honors committee "looks for a diverse

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Reed, Burnett to become college houses

by Gemma Leghorn
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When three years of construction and renovation on first-year dorms comes to an end this spring, one might expect that the shifting and shuffling of college house affiliations might finally be complete.

Not quite.

After the renovations on Winthrop and Maine halls are completed, two upper-class residences will be added to the College House System: Boody-Reed House and Burnett House.

This decision, however, was not without debate.

"We've been having discussions about whether we'd want to keep six college houses [and] have double affiliations," said Alex Lamb, '07, president of the Inter-House Council (IHC).

However, it was decided that double affiliations would be too complicated, especially during the orientation events that involve first



Tommy Wilcox, The Bowdoin Orient

Reed House may become a quiet house to alleviate demand for chem-free housing.

years interacting with and visiting the college houses. Lamb cited orientation as one of the system's most important interactions with first years.

Burnett and Reed were two of

very few options for new college houses. The other houses under consideration, such as Smith House, were far too small.

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