

FORDS SOCCER

COACH'S CORNER

As I sit back and reflect on the season, I have a hard time grasping the fact that the 2007 season is in the books. It seems like yesterday when there were 24 bright eyed faces sitting in the conference room for our first official team meeting having no idea what to expect from the season. The team handled the transition of a new head coach better than I would have ever anticipated. They welcomed me in, didn't resist (or at least that much:), dealt with new ideas, expectations, formations, styles and were able to handle my odd (yet I think funny) humor.

The progress this team has made since the beginning of the season has been tremendous. To start the season with a preseason ranking of 7th in the conference and then to finish the regular season ranked 4th is quite an accomplishment. Not to mention, no team that finished above of us in the conference had beaten us during the regular season. I do believe that our hard non-conference schedule paid off in the long run, getting us prepared for our hard centennial conference schedule.

Although disappointed that we did not reach the semifinals of our conference tournament, I look at our loss only as motivation for next season. Let the off season training begin....

-Coach

"Visualize both victory and defeat, so that the outcome of victory becomes the goal and the fear of defeat is its driving force."

Is it August yet?

CONFERENCE HONORS

Second Team All Centennial Conference

Lindsay Festa (Jr. NY)

Honorable Mention All Centennial Conference

Hana Rosen (Sr. CA)

Rachael Pardini (Jr. NY)

Team MVP

*Lindsay Festa (Jr. NY)

Team MIP

*Katey Scionti (Fr. MA)

*nominated by teammates

Even though the season is over, our team is still on the move...here are what some of the players are up to...

Molly Graepel (Soph. NY)- Running Winter Track

Allison Frank (Sr. NJ)- Playing Softball

Kristin Sockett (Fr. NY)- Playing Lacrosse

Kayleigh Herrick Reynolds (Fr. MD)-
Playing Lacrosse

Jamie DeNizio (Fr. NJ)- Playing Lacrosse

Annie Turner (Jr. NY)- Will be studying abroad in Paris

Rachael Pardini (Jr. NY)-Will be studying abroad in Greece

Lauren Kibbe (Jr. NC)- Will be studying abroad in Greece

Southey Saul (Jr. MA)- Will be studying abroad in Italy

2007 Seniors

“Kicking our butt since 2003”

Allison “Franky” Frank, Sarah Morris, Ryan “Ryro” Hedrick, Hana Rosen, Katie Garrett



To the Seniors...Words of Wisdom from the wise (aka Coach)....

1. Surround yourself with good people (that's what I did and it worked out pretty well)
2. Enjoy and make the most of your remaining time at Haverford...a semester goes by quickly, don't sweat the small stuff.
3. When you are in the real world and need a personal day remember there is always room for an extra person at practice...
4. Find a job that makes you happy...(again, that's what I did and it makes for a happy life)
5. If you're going to do something... “it doesn't have to be perfect, it's just has to be right” (write that one down)
6. If you ever get down, remember that there is a teammate that would love a phone call to pick you back up.
7. As much as you hated those 6:30 practices...at least it was good preparation for the future.
8. Relate what you've learned from playing soccer... “when in doubt pass the ball to the person in the same color jersey as you.” Example: if you need help, don't be afraid to ask for it.
9. When taking a studying break from your thesis, remember there is no bad time for a pick up soccer game.
10. Whenever you try to re-live your glory days, remember that there is written evidence in my office that says you were a successful collegiate athlete.

What have our players learned from Haverford Soccer

“I can't imagine my life at Haverford without my soccer team. I have learned so much about what it means to truly be a team player. The degree of closeness that comes from being part of this team is remarkable and has made my four years at Haverford very special. On and off the field my teammates are my support system and best friends. I think the fact that we don't have one star player that carries the team says a lot about the dynamic of the Haverford Women's Soccer Team. Everyone contributes and is important to the success of the program. SAVOR EVERY MOMENT.”

-Sarah Morris (Sr. DC)

“I've learned that hard work really does pay off. I've never seen myself improve so much in such a short amount of time before this season.” -Katey Scionti (Fr. MA)

“I've learned not to run into people on my own team in the middle of a game☺” -Maura Schiefer