

VPAA search update

By Jenna Morris
Campus News Editor

Although you may be familiar with the overflow of VPAA emails, do you know what the VPAA really does? First off, the VPAA, formally known as the Vice President of Academic Affairs, is a member of the president's cabinet. There are 5 other vice presidents who are all a part of this cabinet, including: Vice President for University Advancement, the Vice President for Student Affairs, the Vice President for Information Services, Vice President for Enrollment Management, and the Vice President for Business Affairs.

According to current VPAA, V.K. Unni, "academic issues are the most important," and therefore the position of VPAA is of upmost importance at any university. The department of Academic Affairs is the largest on campus, consisting of 86 staff members. This department has an annual budget of 40 million dollars, most of which is spent on professors' salaries. Other things the budget is spent on include technology, managing offices and classrooms, and general day to day operations. The VPAA has a huge impact on our campus, and the selection process of the new VPAA is something all Bryant students should take an interest in.

The main job of the VPAA is to plan both the undergraduate and graduate education curriculum. The VPAA is in charge of "maintaining and improving the university's ability to attract students who will do a good job," says Unni. He hopes the new VPAA will think about taking our university to the next level. "I want to make sure our name is heard," he says.

The VPAA also must recruit and retain outstanding faculty, increase the quality of the university, and strengthen certain academic areas. Some examples of their work include adding new programs to the curriculum, such as majors, and other programs, in-

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The British are coming!

By Jeffrey Steacie
Contributing Writer

Do you love a British accent? Well if you do then you do not want to miss this event. On the evening of Thursday, April 8th, a group of students from the Cambridge Union will come to Bryant to debate with Bryant Students on the topic of technology and whether it helps or hurts society.

For those of you who may be wondering who these students are, the Cambridge Union Society is one of the oldest debating institutions in the world, being founded in 1815. They have developed a worldwide reputation as a noted symbol of free speech and open debate. The debaters' tour every spring around American colleges and we are very fortunate enough to have them visiting the Bryant campus April 8-9th.

The debate will be held in the Bello Grand Hall at 7pm. This event is sponsored by the Bryant chapter of Omicron Delta Kappa (ODK), a National Leadership Honor Society. All are welcomed to this fun and entertaining event. The debate will follow an international setup, meaning that the two teams will each be made up of two Bryant students and two Cambridge Union Students. The 4 Bryant Debaters are Nicholas Kraver,



Pictured (L-R): Kelsey Roy, Nick Kraver, Tom Peligrini, and Drew Green. The four students will will debate against the Cambridge Debaters on Thursday, April 8th (Amanda Dunn)

Emiliano Omeri, Thomas Pagliarini, and Kelsey Roy. Two moderators, Andrew Green and Jessica Komoroski, will be hosting the event.

The following day, the Debaters will be on campus engaging in several different events. The goal of bringing the Cambridge Debaters to campus is three-fold. First, ODK would like to sponsor this event annually to make the campus more aware of our organization. Secondly, we feel that this debate will

help increase our global awareness by hosting an international debating society and enlighten the Bryant community to a topic that affects each and everyone one of us daily. Third, it provides the Bryant Community with an event by bringing a world-renowned and award winning debate team to our school.

We hope that all who attend will be enlightened about the topic of technology and its impact on society, both

positive and negative.

Tickets will be available for free in the Center for Student Involvement. The Debates will be held on the evening of Thursday, April 8th, at 7:00pm in the Bello Grand Hall.

For more information, feel free to visit their website at: <http://www.cus.org>. If you have any questions, please contact us at omicron-deltakappa@organizations.bryant.edu

Issues in Biological Science course spends spring break in Florida

By Alicia Kennedy and Andrew Snell
Contributing Writers

While many students spent their spring breaks on the beach working on their tans, the Issues in Biological Science course went to Florida for different reasons.

The course received a grant from NASA Rhode Island to organize an educational research trip that was related to their specific course curriculum. The grant covered the cost of the trip for all students who major or minor in a science and the remaining students received funding from the Special Initiatives Committee to attend the trip. "We owe many thanks to the Special Initiatives Committee for recognizing this trip as a great opportunity. Without their support

we would not have been able to participate in such a unique experience," says Alicia Kennedy '12, one of the four students who received funding from the committee. The group included 20 students and faculty, including Professors Hong Yang and Qin Leng, who planned quite the itinerary for the group.

The trip began on Monday, March 8th with a six hour visit to the Kennedy Space Center Visitor Complex in Cocoa, Florida. It was a great opportunity to visit the center, as most of the group had not been there. The Kennedy Space Center is a very large compound with over one hundred acres of land, most of which is a wildlife refuge. Throughout the course of the day the group saw alligators, armadillos, eagles, and the torn up land alongside the road which was the work of wild pigs.

The Visitor Complex is the main area for guests to learn about space and NASA's past programs. The Visitor Complex includes the Rocket Garden, a collection of smaller rockets that have been launched into space in the past. Also in the complex is the Early Space Exploration Building. This is a museum that traces space exploration across the history of the United States. Most of the items on display are replicas or made to a smaller scale, but are still very interesting to see up close. There was also a full size replica of an orbiter on display for guests to walk through. The real fun, however, came when the group visited the Shuttle Launch Simulation Facility. "This was by far the most exciting part of our visit. I was able to experience what

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Senate elects executive board for 2010-2011 year



The Bryant University Student Senate recently elected its new executive board for the 2010-2011 school year. They are (L-R): Aaron Fortin, Treasurer; Kristin Lede, President; Jodi Ricci, Secretary; and Josh Grolman, Vice President. (Amanda Dunn)

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Delta Zeta Pink Goes Green event

By Julie Kent
Staff Writer

The Delta Zeta Sorority is launching the Pink Goes Green Program and Bryant University's chapter will be holding an event in the upcoming weeks. The national mission for every Delta Zeta chapter is to create a new and innovative philanthropy project. The goal for all of the chapters' projects is to encourage all of the members to execute a community-service based project that will not only aid in enhancing the en-

vironment, but will educate those who attend on how to continue to improve our world in a "green" way. The women of Delta Zeta have realized that being environmentally conscious is not a trend, rather a growing concern where society can start to practice a lifestyle that betters the Earth. Michelle Smith, Delta Zeta National President summed up the environmental drive of Delta Zetas when she said, "Pink Goes Green simply connects that awareness with their leadership skills to promote environmen-

tally conscious programs and campaigns on their campuses and in their community." Here on Bryant's campus Delta Zeta members Tara Calnan and Samantha Wickman will be leading and implementing the Pink Goes Green event for their chapter. These two students have put together an event that encompasses the goal and mission that Delta Zeta as a whole has set for their members. Tara and Samantha have put together a park clean up that will be taking

place at Deerfield Park in Smithfield. The event will be held on Sunday, April 11th starting at 12pm, rain or shine. If the weather permits the chapter will also be hosting a picnic for all of those who participate. Trash bags and gloves will be provided as well. Students, faculty, and the surrounding community are welcome and encouraged to come. It is events such as these that will eventually add

up and lead to making a large scale impact on our planet. For anyone who is interested or would like further details you can contact the Pink Goes Green co-chairwomen either Tara Calnan at Tcalnan@bryant.edu or Samantha Wickman at Swickman@bryant.edu. Lastly, if you would like additional information from Delta Zeta national initiative please feel free to go to www.dzpink-goesgreen.org.



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cluding Sophomore International Experience and FFL, both instituted during V.K. Unni's tenure.

The two finalists for the VPAA position are Dr. José-Marie Griffiths and Hugh D. Sherman.

Dr. José-Marie Griffiths has spent the past 30 years working in various academic fields, including jobs as an administrator, a researcher and a faculty member. She received her Bachelor of Science with honors from University College London. Griffiths has already worked at numerous universities, including: University College, London; Queen's University, Belfast; University of California - Berkeley; Catholic University; University of Tennessee Knoxville; the

University of Michigan; University of Pittsburgh, and is currently working at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She was a tenured full professor at four of these universities.

Dr. Hugh D. Sherman is currently the dean of the College of Business at Ohio University. Over the past three years he has worked hard to improve the university, and as a result the College of Business at Ohio University is one of the top 50 undergraduate business schools according to Business Week. For the past ten years he has worked along with the director of the Voinovich School at the Ohio University. Together they founded Ohio University's largest outreach and inter-disciplinary program. It has an annual budget of \$7 million and a staff of 70 as well as 100 student workers.

The VPAA is the head of the largest

department on campus, however the VPAA could not do all the hard work they do without a team of dedicated faculty and staff. "It's not only myself, I have a good team to work with... it's a happy family of scholars," says Unni. The VPAA has some big shoes to fill, seeing as Unni has implemented many changes that have helped greatly advance the university over the past 13 years. "I'm so passionate about this university and my divisions and the kinds of things we do here." Unni is very hopeful that whoever is selected to be the VPAA will have a great university to work at, and a great team to support him or her.

Dr. Unni is finalist in Eastern Kentucky University's current Provost/VPAA search.

Bryant welcomes political honor society

By Brigit Clancy
Variety Editor

A new chapter of the national Political Science honor society, Pi Sigma Alpha (P.S.A.), is being established at Bryant.

John Dietrich, associate professor of Political Science and a member of P.S.A., stated that many of the disciplines on campus have honor societies, therefore political science should have one as well.

P.S.A. was founded in 1920 at the University of Texas. The organization expanded dramatically over the next eighty years. Today, there are over 650 chapters throughout the nation.

The purpose of P.S.A., according to the society's website, is to bring together students and faculty interested in the study of government and politics. Each chapter of the society sponsors programs and events that focus on political science. P.S.A. honors students that have shown dedication and excellence in Political Science.

To be eligible for P.S.A., a student must have completed four Political Science classes; have a G.P.A. of 3.3 or higher in Political Science classes; and have an overall G.P.A. of 3.3 or higher.

Dietrich stated that about a dozen students have expressed interest in joining P.S.A. and other students said they would be interested once they have completed the required amount of courses.

Dietrich commented, "The school has already been reviewed by the national society and found to meet the criteria, so hopefully, we can get the student names in and the group established in a few weeks."

He is hopeful that the national Political Science honor society will become an established piece of the Bryant community and will grow "in size and activities in the future," he said.

"Honor societies recognize the hard work and achievements of students," Dietrich said. "They also can encourage younger students to aim high and can make people outside the discipline more aware of the successful students and program we have."

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real astronauts are put through prior to, during, and after liftoff," recalls Andrew Snell. The last stop in the Visitor Complex is the astronaut memorial, a touching tribute to those who have sacrificed their lives in the name of space exploration.

The most unique aspect of the Kennedy Space Center are the bus tours offered to visitors. Since the compound is so large, the center offers a tour with three stops. The first stop is the Observation Gantry. Here, guests can get a 360° view of the compound, including major sites such as the Launch Pad, Crawlerway, and the Vehicle Assembly Building. The views from the top of the gantry are absolutely breathtaking.

The second stop is the Apollo/Saturn V Center. This location included a theater which depicts the first moon landing. The room is complete with authentic furniture from the original facility. The last stop is the International Space Station. It is in this building that visitors can watch as orbiters are being constructed.

The next day, Tuesday, March 9th began with a drive the University of Florida located in Gainesville. The first stop was to the former Florida Natural History Museum building which is now being used as a research and storage facility for plant and animal fossils. The group was guided through the building by Dr. Hongshang Wang, a museum curator and researcher at the university.

During the visit, Dr. Wang led the group through a room with a collection of over 300,000 fossils, including some of the oldest known flowering plant specimens. Dr. Wang explained the

processes involved in collecting, identifying, labeling, storing, and preserving these fossils. The amount of time and attention that is put into preserving and categorizing these fossils is truly impressive.

As Hilary Lux noted "I viewed the whole subject of paleobotany as a mildly interesting puzzle, but no more. It wasn't until we were standing in the Collections Room at the University of Florida, looking at samples personally collected by Dr. Hongshan Wang and his colleagues that I began to understand the lure of such work."

Following the tour led by Dr. Wang, the group traveled to the new Florida Natural History Museum. The museum hosted a number of exhibits including the Hall of Florida Fossils and the South Florida People and Environments exhibit. But the most impressive and unique was the Butterfly Rainforest.

The rainforest is about 6,400 square feet and is a screened, outdoor enclosure. There are hundreds of subtropical and tropical plants growing inside along with the hundreds of butterfly species. Guests are able to walk through the facility and see the butterflies up close. In addition, there is also a laboratory outside of the rainforest where scientists rear new butterflies and help rehabilitate those that are injured.

Alongside the laboratory is the Wall of Wings, which features over 13,000 butterfly specimens. It was truly impressive. As Katrin Gorham remarked, "It was interesting to learn that the photographs of the butterflies that were high-magnifications were actually taken using NASA's photographic equipment, so that all the tiny details of the samples could be seen – these samples and full-color photos



The group learning from Professor David Dilcher in Dilcher's Woods. (Alicia Kennedy)

were truly gorgeous."

The final day of the trip featured the unique and once in a lifetime opportunity to be guided through a plot of land known as "Dilcher's Woods." Professor David Dilcher is a newly retired, world renowned, professor of biology at the University of Florida who is known for dedicating his life's work to discovering the origin of flowering plants. In the late 1990's Professor Dilcher purchased a little over 70 acres of land in Gainesville, Florida for his personal use and research. On Thursday, March 10th the group received a private tour through the woods by Professor Dilcher himself.

This is a once in a lifetime opportunity, especially since he has just retired and will be moving back to Indiana in the coming months. During the tour Professor Dilcher pointed out the wide variety

of plants and trees that grow in the warm temperate climate of Florida. He also provided each of the group members with a handful of seeds to distribute during the hike. The highlight of the walk was "Dilcher's Swamp."

In the swamp there are a number of bald cypress trees. These trees are special because they closely resemble the metasequoia tree that grows in China. Professor Dilcher pointed out several examples of plants that grow in East Asia and the United States, indicating that at one time, the continents were all connected. "Professor Dilcher's tour was the most vivid lecture, it went beyond textbooks to encourage student learning," says Zheng Xiang Wang.

The last day of the trip ended with a visit to the Kanapaha Botanical Gardens. Although the gardens were

not in full bloom during the trip, there was still plenty to see. Most impressive was the bamboo garden, which is the largest in the state of Florida. The magnolia trees were in full bloom, and were absolutely remarkable. The koi fish pond was another popular site, and many of the group members enjoyed feeding the fish.

Overall the trip was a remarkable experience, and provided students with an educational, interactive, and unique way to spend spring break. As Dongni Wan stated, "seeing is believing." This experience was an incredible opportunity to learn about issues in biological science from world-renowned scientists while extending learning beyond the classroom.

Bryant Held Hostage 2010

By Fira Zainal
Staff Writer

From April 9th to April 10th, WJMF 88.7 will be holding their 7th annual telethon fundraiser, Bryant Held Hostage. As with years past, Bryant Held Hostage chooses one not-for-profit organization to raise money for, and this year it is no different. WJMF 88.7 is proud to announce that 2010's charity that will benefit from the fundraiser is none other than the Rhode Island Community Food Bank in Providence.

The telethon is an event in which 4 DJ's are "held hostage" at the WJMF radio station in the Koffler building for 36 hours straight. WJMF 88.7 will be raising money for the Rhode Island Food Bank, collecting canned goods and raffling prizes. Prizes in the past have included signed sports memorabilia, gift cards/certificates, sports event tickets, music event tickets, movie tickets, and much more.

The event will also see the DJ's interviewing students, faculty and staff. Anyone interested in being on air are also encouraged to drop by the station for a chat!

Past charities that were chosen over the years have ranged from the Meeting Street School to the Amos House, both of which are based in Providence. At last years' Bryant Held Hostage, WJMF 88.7 raised over \$900 to do-

nate to the Meeting Street School in Providence. The Meeting Street School has been the recipient of the benefits of Bryant Held Hostage for the past 4 years.

"We chose to work with the Rhode Island Community Food Bank this year because of the current economic situation," says Events Director Kaleigh Durkin '10. She continues, "We wanted to connect with an organization that was close to home that we feel will benefit from our efforts directly."

Among the many things that the Rhode Island Community Food Bank does is solicit, store and distribute surplus food and grocery products to qualified member agency programs that provides food to the hungry within the state.

When asked what her expectations were for this year's Bryant Held Hostage event, Kaleigh says, "We feel that this will be the most successful Bryant Held Hostage event that Bryant University has ever seen and we're very excited to be able to work with the Rhode Island Community Food Bank."

To make any donations call WJMF Friday morning from 10am to Saturday night at 10pm (401) 232-6150. If you have any questions about the WJMF 88.7 telethon, please be sure to contact Kaleigh Durkin at kdurkin@bryant.edu

Bryant in Action for Haiti raises money with lock-in

By Brittany Eager
Staff Writer

On Friday March 26th, Bryant in Action for Haiti organized a Lock-In involving more than 200 students and raising over \$1,000. The event included: Twister, karaoke, DDR, Volleyball, 3 on 3 basketball, Velocity Dance team performance, and several raffles with gift cards to businesses in the area.

"I am thrilled with the campus and community involvement surrounding the Lock-In fundraiser", Bailey Richards, a student leader in the organization states. "Everyone from student organizations, sports clubs, faculty, dining services, and local businesses helped to ensure the success of our event. It is wonderful that a variety of people were willing to help raise money for a country in such dire need of help."

Bryant in Action for Haiti is an impressive student organization led by Bailey Richards '10, Chris Brida '12, Johnny Wells '10, and Nickie Archambault '10 that helps to organize all of the funds raised at Bryant University for relief efforts in Haiti. There are over twenty members of the organization and faculty

advisors: John Lindsay, Toby Simon, and Shontay Delalue King that are part of the effort of not only raising funds, but of keeping events on campus organized in the most effective way to raise funds.

At the end of the year, the money raised throughout the year will be donated to two different organizations. One of the recipients of the funds is the Albert Schweitzer Hospital, a Haitian hospital not directly hit by the earthquake, but undoubtedly affected and in need of funds.

Having raised almost \$6,000 so far, Bryant in Action for Haiti is in talks with President Machtley to possibly match their final earnings, doubling donations from Bryant to Haiti relief efforts. This would allow for an even greater impact from the Bryant Community in an already remarkable effort to help the people of Haiti.

Bryant in Action for Haiti hopes to hold a raffle day in the Rotunda with some of the prizes that remain from the Lock-In. For more information on future events, how to help, or contact information for any of the members visit the Bryant homepage.

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SIFE Credit Craze: Playing it safe by saving



(MCT Campus)

By Chris Wallace
Contributing Writer

The U.S. savings rate today is extraordinarily low, especially relative to other countries. However you can buck that trend by starting to save more. Savings are what fuel capital investment, not only

for businesses, but for individuals as well. Saving your money today will ensure financial stability for tomorrow. Just putting off that new car or gadget you have always wanted can do you a world of good in the future, with the power of compound interest on your side. With the uncertainty in today's economic en-

vironment, saving money offers protection against unfavorable economic circumstances, such as high unemployment and slow economic growth. If it turns out you don't need the money you have saved right after college, you will have been rewarded for your prudent financial planning with compound interest in a savings account. When interest is compounded, interest is earned on interest accumulated, not just the original principle deposited in the account, so the sooner you start saving, the more you will earn.

Continuing to save your money after college will pay off to an even higher degree. Putting your money in a savings account might only yield a nominal interest rate, but there are many other ways to save and earn a decent return on your money while doing it. With the record amount of bank failures in the country today, it is prudent to first find a safe bank before trusting your wealth with them.

Although deposits are ensured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), it could take quite a long time before you get your money back should the bank go out of business. Once you have found a safe bank, you could look into a certificate of deposit (CD), where you lend

your money to the bank for a specified period of time, such as 6 months, 1 year, 5 years or even 10 years, at a specified interest rate.

Another way to save is through buying government debt. This comes in the form of long term bonds, treasury notes, and short term t-bills. All of these are relatively low-risk, but t-bills carry almost no risk at all. The downside to t-bills is that their interest rates are currently close to zero.

During the Financial Crisis of 2008 t-bill rates went negative, meaning there was such a large demand on the part of investors for safe assets that they were paying the government to hold on to their money, rather than earning a return.

T-bills are short term with maturities of 4, 13, or 26 weeks, while treasury notes have the next longest maturity, with 2,3,5,7, and 10 year treasury notes available. Treasury notes earn a fixed rate of interest and it is payable every six months until maturity. The form of government debt with the longest maturity is 30-year Treasury Bonds. They are only issued with a maturity of 30 years and, because they are considered the most risky form of government debt, they usually pay the highest interest rate. Just like T-notes,

interest is payable every six months until maturity.

Another great thing about this method of saving is that it is as easy as buying a stock. If you open an account with a stock broker such as Scottrade, you can do the necessary research and purchase bonds directly from a broker (most likely available through their website), much the same way you would stock in a company.

If you want to take on more risk, the stock market is another way to save money and is accessible to anyone who has money (if you are under 18 a parent must be a custodian of the account). Stocks are the most risky form of investment and it is possible to lose all the money you decide to invest in a company. If you do decide to invest in the stock market, it is imperative to research the company first.

The reward for higher risk is a potentially much higher rate of return, plus dividends, which are earnings payouts from a company to its investors. Starting to save now might not be the most desirable way to use your money, but it is likely you will look back in the future and be glad you did. Then, because of the interest you earned, you will be able to buy that new gadget you have always wanted, and then some.

Toyota and Starbucks: How could the great fall so fast?

By Keith Murray
Faculty Contributor

Many were surprised by the stumble of Toyota in February, manifest by, for the company at least, a most unusual vehicle recall for defective parts and design. Similarly, in 2009, Starbucks underwent a most unexpected

down-sizing, calling into question how sustainable the successful, long-term trajectory of the firm might actually be; since then the firm has had to impose layoffs, sell-off properties, and cut overhead—all to stay alive.

The answer is in what they each decided to do at the expense of core values. So the

obvious question is: What explains the downfall of two business giants in the face of such impressive track records? One man thinks he has the answer—and what he says makes perfect sense.

University of Virginia's Darden School Professor, Ed Hess, says the problems that the car manufacturer and the coffee company shared in common was the failure to plan—and then manage—smart growth. Indeed, they focused on misguided, mismanaged growth at the expense of key, core principles that made the company excellent in the first place.

I've been paying attention to his new book, *Smart growth: building an enduring business by managing the risks of growth* (Columbia Business School Publishing) and what he proposes seems to explain the mystery shared by so many business observers: how could the apparent corporate fortune of firms of such attainment, size, and success fall so fast. Here's what he'd say....

The need to question first strategic principles! First, what to some are accepted truisms, for him are dominant strategic myths: All growth is good, bigger is better, and businesses either grow or die, none of which he says is true. Instead he argues that all growth creates risk and needs to be carefully managed; indeed, he proposes that growth is good only if properly managed. One way to do this is through a growth-risk audit that assesses how the

contemplated corporate growth may stress its people, processes, and culture.

Hess proposes that what happened to Toyota was that it decided to go for growth instead of protecting and cultivating the corporate values it held for so long—and to which it rightfully could attribute its marketplace success, from being the most dependable auto manufacturer to being the biggest. This decision resulted in Toyota abandoning what made it successful in the first place, all

central mission of providing a good product [coffee and service] in a distinctive setting, attended to by service personnel that was distinctive. In the process, Starbucks expanded at a topsy-turvy rate that to locales that cannibalized the clientele of pre-existing properties, a decline in many instances in service—all of which caught up with Starbucks when the economic downturn hit.

Companies are a lot like people in this way. So, what do a threatened car company and a cut-down coffee company—both once the focus of countless case studies in success—have in common? Hess would argue that they both failed to adequately plan, prioritize, and then pace their growth in the

pursuit of corporate performance other than the core values that made them successful in the first place. They overlooked the need to keep in check the controls and cultural processes that made them great in the first place. In effect, companies, like people, can engage in only so much change at a rapid rate, without running the risk of losing their corporate souls—what made them prized to begin with.

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'Indeed, they focused on misguided, mismanaged growth at the expense of key, core principles that made the company excellent in the first place.'

to pursue what seemed like a promising opportunity to grow.

Here's what happened at Toyota and Starbucks. Early in the low 2000s, Toyota, in effect, began the process of striving to be first in auto sales, leading to big problems as a result of a large magnitude of change exacerbated by speed. In doing so, the firm had to build a lot of plants, hire and train a lot of people, and sub-contract a lot of parts, all leading to what turned out to produce subtle-but-critical problems for the firm.

Starbucks, similarly, struck out on a mission to grow at an unprecedented rate—and in some ways which now seem so obvious—in a way that was incongruent with their

Problems grow

Toyota has recalled more than 8.5 million vehicles in recent months because of growing complaints about safety issues

<p>'06 Sept. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) opens investigation on reports of "surging" in Camrys; closes investigation a year later</p> <p>'07 March Toyota receives reports about accelerator pedal glitch in Tundra truck</p> <p>Sept. Toyota recalls some Lexus and Camry models to secure floor mat that could trap gas pedal, cause acceleration</p>	<p>'10 Jan. 21 Toyota recalls 2.3 million vehicles to correct separate problems that could cause gas pedal to stick</p> <p>Jan. 26 Toyota suspends sales; halts production of eight models due to gas pedal recall; the next day, adds 1.1 million to floor mat recall</p> <p>Feb. 1 Toyota says it had developed fix for sticking gas pedal; begins shipping part to dealers</p> <p>Feb. 3 NHTSA says it has received more than 100 complaints about brake problems in Prius hybrids</p> <p>Feb. 4 Toyota says gas pedal recall could cost \$2 billion; total recall is 8.1 million; says Prius problem is software glitch; NHTSA opens Prius probe</p> <p>Feb. 5 Toyota CEO makes first public appearance to apologize for recall problems</p> <p>Feb. 9 437,000 Priuses recalled for brake problems; NHTSA says it has received complaints about steering problems in Corollas</p> <p>Feb. 22 Federal prosecutors open criminal investigation into Toyota's safety problems</p> <p>Feb. 23 Congress begins hearings on Toyota recalls</p>
<p>'08 Jan. NHTSA investigates unintended acceleration in Toyota Tacoma pickups; probe closed in Aug. after no defect found</p> <p>'09 Aug. 28 Off-duty Calif. Highway Patrol officer, family killed after gas pedal in Lexus is caught under floor mat</p> <p>Sept. 29 Toyota issues recall for 8.8 million vehicles due to risk of gas pedal becoming caught under floor mat</p> <p>Nov. 4 NHTSA accuses Toyota of providing owners with "inaccurate and misleading information" about floor mat recall</p> <p>Nov. 25 Toyota recalls at least 4 million vehicles to reconfigure gas pedals</p>	

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Priority registration for athletes

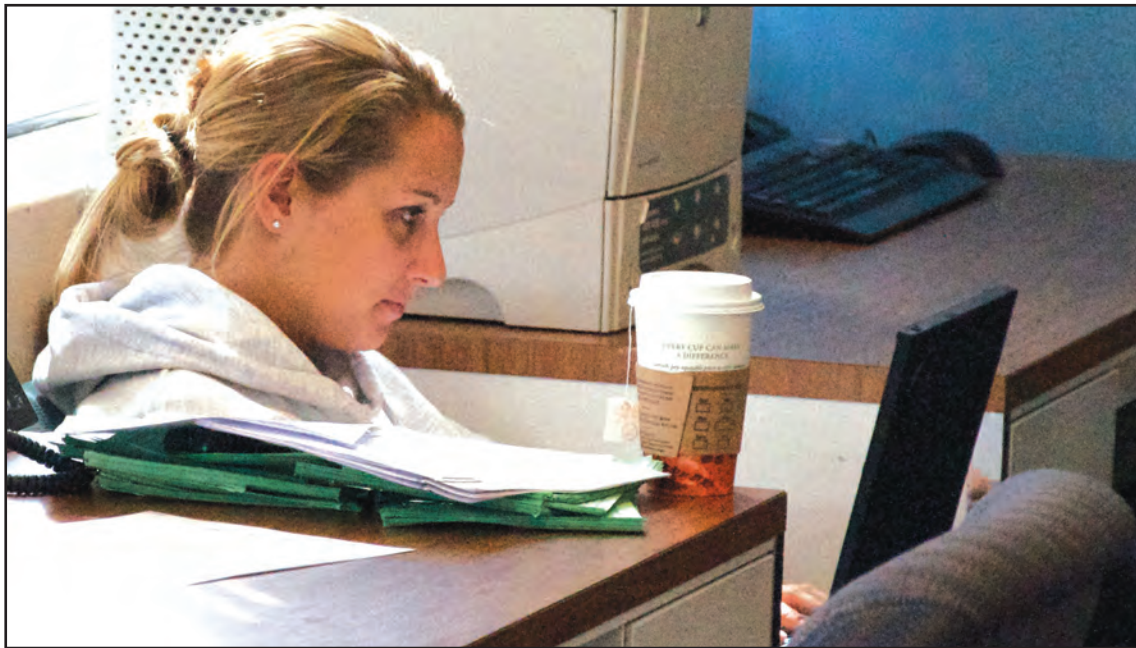
By: David Nelligan
Staff Writer

Student Senate has recently passed a request from the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) to have priority registration for student athletes participating in varsity sports at Bryant. Currently priority registration is only for honor students that meet the assigned requirements, but under the new ruling would include student athletes. With the increased schedule demanded by a division one athlete, a movement made by the school, athletes are having more problems creating their schedules each semester. Headed by Cristian Balestrieri '11, the group recently gave a presentation to Student Senate outlining the reasons why athletes deserve to be able to register early for classes.

Among the main reasons for their concerns were the time commitments athletes are required to put in each week for their respective sport. Each athlete must put in twenty hours per week in practice and competition time. However, this does not include travel time and only estimates three hours per competition, which is not always the case regarding some sports such as track and field.

Students are also required to put in eight hours of study hall each week in addition to their daily classes. They also have no control of their practice schedules. There are eighteen different sports teams on campus that need to use the facilities which include the weight room, athletic trainer, gym, and outdoor fields.

With so many scheduling conflicts practice times are often scheduled during class periods limiting the time slots student athletes are allowed



(Luke Bornheimer)

to choose from when registering. They are also concerned with the amount of time athletes must spend traveling for games. Currently Bryant has the longest distances to travel in the North East Conference (NEC) and due to budget demands must travel by bus instead of flying, causing athletes to miss classes.

The only help student-athletes are currently receiving are classes offered in the morning, but are often canceled because they do not fill the required spots because of the undesirability to other students without afternoon conflicts. If an athlete were to register for one of those classes they would be forced to drop and have difficulty rearranging their calculated schedule. This causes many students to only carry twelve credits a semester and need to take a summer or winter session course to keep on track for their degree. A survey done by SAAC found that 34% of student athletes have had to take a summer or win-

ter course due to scheduling conflicts. With the new priority registration students have a greater opportunity to be enrolled for the full fifteen credits per semester.

Students are also having difficulty in the later years of their degree when fewer classes for their specific majors are being offered. This in turn makes athletes select a time that will make them miss class due to traveling for their sport. The survey also found that nearly 25% of athletes miss 0-3 classes a semester, 30% miss 4-5 classes, 26% miss 6-8 classes, 6% miss 9-10 classes, and 13% miss 11 or more classes a semester.

The school does have a policy that allows students to give their professors notes excusing them from class for sports related purposes, but the policy also states that professors are not required to adhere to the note's request. Professors that do not follow the sports excused absence then follow their own attendance policy which can have a

penalty for missing as little as two class periods.

The way the new system that was requested would work is to have the honor students register first, then the senior athletes, junior athletes, sophomore athletes, freshmen athletes, and then all other students on campus register. It also takes into account only those athletes that are in season. Sports that are not in season would not be allowed the privilege of priority registration. The new system would also only reserve about five seats per class for all student athletes registering giving the entire student body equal opportunity at being enrolled for the classes of their choosing.

Even though Student Senate has passed the request there is still a long process that must ensue before the final decision is put into place. Susan McLacken, the Registrar for Bryant, is looking very closely at the issue. She feels the current system is "fair and runs very well; we need to make sure there are no nega-

tive effects, especially for the general population."

She, as well as the administration, is looking to see if the change is going to really help the student athletes on campus from an academic standpoint and how the general population feels about the issue. Ms. McLacken and the administration are very concerned about the general population's reaction to athletes looking as if they are getting special privileges. They are also going to talk to other schools that have priority registration for athletes, which are only about 50% of the schools in the conference, discuss the situation at an upcoming Banner conference, and are in talks with the academic advisors who oversee the athletes, which make up only 1/7th or roughly five hundred students on campus.

Ms. McLacken also plans to check on the feasibility of the shift which would require Bryant to hire another staff member to monitor the Banner registration each semester. With the current system each honor student is placed manually, and it would be necessary to follow the same procedure for the athletes causing more work for the administration during registration times.

The change has not been given a time table yet, but Cristian Balestrieri says it needs to happen by the 2011-2012 season when the switch to division one will be complete. This means students can compete on a national level causing the teams to travel longer distances and be away from school more times during the year. However, the conflict between the athletics and academic departments will forever be an on-going battle and might put the decision on hold for quite some time.

Bryant splits series with Monmouth in NEC opener



John Michael Ryan allowed one hit through four innings of relief Sunday in a 7-6 win over Monmouth for the junior's first save of the year. (BryantBulldogs.com)

By: Andrew Somen
Staff Writer

The Bryant baseball team split two games apiece at Monmouth this past weekend in the beginning of their NEC schedule. After dropping two heartbreaking games by one run each, Bryant (5-13, 2-2 NEC) rallied to take the next two in convincing fashion.

The story of the weekend was the play of freshman left-fielder/designated hitter Kevin Brown (Northborough, Mass.) Brown became the second Bulldog this season to earn NEC rookie of the week. Two weeks prior, freshman pitcher Peter Kelich (Jackson, N.J.) gave the baseball team its first NEC award in school history after pitching eight solid innings of baseball and surrendering one earned run

while striking out five.

Kevin Brown has impressed teammates in his first season as a Bulldog while leading the team in RBI's (13), extra base hits (10), runs scored (13), and slugging percentage (.535). In addition, he shares the lead with junior Tim Norton (Barnstable, Mass.) in homeruns (3).

Brown, hitting leadoff this past weekend against Monmouth, went 7-15 sporting a .467 batting average and hit two homeruns. In each of his first eight games as a member of the Bulldogs, Brown recorded at least one hit. He is doing his best to fill the hole that graduating senior Pat McKenna left behind last season. McKenna led the team in runs scored, homeruns, and walks in 2009 and many wondered how Bryant would replace his bat.

Through the first part of the season, Kevin Brown has seemed to answer the bell and step up to the plate.

Last season, the Bryant baseball squad finished their first season competing in division I athletics with a strong 32-22 record. The squad ranked fifth in New England and knocked off powerhouse Northeast teams such as Boston College and Boston University. Expectations are expected to be considerably higher than last year as Bryant completes its first full season playing a Division I schedule.

Bryant travels to Fairfield and Hartford in the upcoming days while they look to turn their season around and live up to the hype last season's team left.

For a Full Sports Schedule Check Out
BryantBulldogs.com

Questions for Tiger

By David Niles
Staff Writer

Tiger finally “allowed” reporters to interview him last week, when he conducted two 5-minute interviews with ESPN and the Golf Channel. I think the interviewers did an admirable job given the strict time constraints, as they tried to cram in as many questions as they could. What made things more difficult was that whenever a tough question came up about the car wreck or his marriage, Tiger fell back on his “that is a private matter between me and my wife” answer. I still think there are a few questions that went unasked.

1. If you could be guaranteed that quitting golf forever would save your marriage, would you do it?
- If Tiger were to answer yes, his wife could hold that over him or blackmail him with that answer for the rest of their marriage.
2. If you were so willing to repeatedly cheat on your wife, who you say you love more than anyone, then why should we believe you haven't cheated the game of golf?
- Tiger has said he hasn't used performance enhancing drugs because of his love and respect for the game.
3. What cell phone service do

- you find most reliable?
4. How much money have you offered your wife to stay with you?
 - He couldn't answer “that is a private matter between my wife and I” or else it would sound as if he did offer her money.
 5. How many pills had you taken the night of the accident?
 - Couldn't say that is a private matter either.
 6. If you are being honest with us now, why do you need a PR firm to strategize your interviews and initial statement?

If you are really being honest, I don't see the need in having a coach to tell you what questions you will be asked and pre-plan formulated responses.

7. You say you became entitled and that you have changed. Then how do you explain making all the rules for your initial public statement (hand-picked the media members and the place, did not allow any questions), and your interviews (5 minute limit, his location, his time and must be aired at a certain time)?
- Everyone else (famous athletes that is) who has been “busted” for their transgressions, whether it be infidelity or steroid use, has held a press conference. They made



Despite Tiger Woods allowing reporters to finally interview him on both the Golf Channel and ESPN, there are still many questions left unanswered. (MCT Campus)

a statement and then they had to answer questions. They did not hand pick who could attend, limit the number of media members, or have ridiculous time restrictions. They had to face what they did head on and apologize.

8. Finally, you have been critical of the media for hurting your family by violating their privacy, why didn't you care about hurting your family with your “transgressions”. Do you not think your actions hurt them more than the

media's? If you didn't care enough about them and they are your own family, then why should the media care?

I would love to see him answer that. Frankly, I would just love to see his reaction. Tiger has become so accustomed to people worshipping the ground he walks on and constantly getting his way, having someone call him out directly would be new territory.

Tiger has said the words “I am sorry” and “I apologize”,

but does he really regret his actions? More likely, he is sorry he got caught. He is sorry he was exposed. Having said all this I wouldn't be a bit surprised if he comes back as good as ever. He wants to show the world he is still the greatest, stick it to the sponsors who dropped him, win fans back, and use all his doubters as motivation. He should be well rested for his rounds without having all those late nights too.

O'Keefe named Rhode Island Co-Player of the Year



One of the most exciting players to watch on the hardwood, Kelsey O'Keefe (Left) has recorded the seven highest scoring games in the NEC over the past two seasons. (Bryant-Bulldogs)

Courtesy of
bryantbulldogs.com

For the second year in a row senior Kelsey O'Keefe (Warren, Mass.) has been named Rhode Island's Division I Co-Player of the Year, as voted on by Rhode Island Media. The announcement was made Monday afternoon at the final Cox Media Luncheon of the 2009-10 season.

At the conclusion of the 2009-10 season, the Massachusetts native made Bryant women's basketball history when she earned the first-ever Northeast Conference post-season accolade, as she capped her record-breaking career with a First Team All-Northeast Conference honor.

Now, O'Keefe can add a second Rhode Island Co-Player of the year honor to her mantel. The 6-foot-1 forward shares the award with Providence College's Chelsea Marandola.

O'Keefe and Head Coach Mary Burke, whom the award is named after, wrapped-up a memorable 2009-10 season as they guided the Bulldogs to a sixth-place finish in their first campaign with a full NEC schedule. Bryant, ineligible for postseason play due to NCAA DI transition rules, was 13-16 overall and recorded a 10-8 mark in conference play. Led by O'Keefe, the Black and Gold won 10 of its last 16 games and defeated teams such as Monmouth, Quinnipiac, Yale, Central

Connecticut and Saint Francis (PA) during the stretch.

O'Keefe finished the year ranked fifth in the conference in scoring, averaging 15.6 points per game (ppg). In conference games she averaged 16.9 ppg, good enough for third in the league.

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This year, O'Keefe recorded the three highest, including a career-high 34 against Quinnipiac and 33 against both Monmouth and Robert Morris. The senior forward had three of the five 30-point outings in the league this season and registered four double-doubles. She also paced the Bulldogs with eight 20-point performances.

Possibly the most impressive statistic of all, O'Keefe led the conference in free throw shooting, finishing the year at 87 percent.

The All-Decade player led her team in nearly every statistical category: points (15.6 pg), rebounds (6.3 pg), field

goal percentage (44.8), field goals made (147) and 3-point field goals made (45).

According to Coach Burke, “Kelsey O'Keefe will go down as arguably the best player in program history.” She closes out an amazing four years ranked third in points scored with 1,797 and fourth in rebounds with 838.

O'Keefe will leave Bryant with her name scattered throughout the record book.

She finishes second in field goals made in a career (648), second in 3-point field goals made in a career (162) and first in threes made in a game (8). Her career field goal percentage (45.2) is good enough for fourth all time and her career free throw percentage (79.3) is second best in program history. Finally, O'Keefe finishes tied for fifth in games played (116) and third in minutes with 3,342.

It is safe to say that Kelsey O'Keefe is fully deserving of Rhode Island's Co-Player of the Year honor.

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Top Dogs

Dierdre Doyle
Year: Freshman
Sport: Track
Continued her outstanding year winning the 1500 meter with a 4:40.09 giving her her first win in the outdoor season.

Kevin Brown
Year: Freshman
Sport: Baseball
Brown was named NEC Rookie of the Week after going 7-15, sporting a .467 batting average and hitting two homeruns.



Despite a late comeback, Bryant could not keep up with No. 17 Stony Brook. (MCT Campus)

Bulldogs lose close one 8-7 to bottom ranked Stony Brook

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After falling just one goal shy of forcing overtime against No. 17/17 Stony Brook Saturday afternoon, a pair of Bryant University men's lacrosse players in sophomore goalie Jameson Love (Darien, Conn.) and rookie Peter McMahon (Wilton, Conn.) earned Northeast Conference weekly accolades for their stellar performances in the 8-7 affair.

Earning his second league honor, Love held the nation's second-ranked offense – one that averaged 15.33 goals per game entering Saturday's contest – to just eight tallies, making 11 stops against one of the nation's top attacks to earn NEC Defensive Player of the Week.

Love stood up to 26 shots from the No. 17 Seawolves, who had two of the nation's top-5 point getters and the nation's leader in goals per game. Love held Stony Brook to just a single goal in the

final quarter, allowing the Bulldogs to score four goals in the final four minutes of the contest and nearly force overtime. The sophomore also caused a turnover and picked up a ground ball in the contest.

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McMahon earns the first Rookie of the Week accolade of his career for his three-point outing against the nationally ranked Seawolves, scoring a goal and assisting on Bryant's final two tallies –

both coming in the last 1:30 of the contest – to get the Bulldogs within one score of forcing overtime Saturday afternoon.

McMahon's goal with 9:45 to play in the third came unassisted, but it was his two helpers – assists on the tallies that completed Bryant's four-goal run in the final four minutes of the game to bring the score to 8-7— that were the highlight of the rookie's stellar performance.

McMahon fired five shots on the day, two of them on goal with the first one scoring and the second ricocheting off the post with 56 seconds left to play. He picked up a trio of ground balls on the day and was one of two Bulldogs to post a multi-point performance. McMahon is currently fourth on the team in scoring with 12 points and leads all rookies in both points scored and total goals (6).

The Bulldogs return to the field on April 3 when they travel to nearby Providence College for a 2 p.m. matchup.

Want to attend a lacrosse game? Here are some coming up:

Saturday, April 3rd
at Providence 2:00 PM

Tuesday, April 6th
at Brown 7:00 PM

Saturday, April 10th
at Robert Morris 1:00 PM

Saturday Aptil 17th
at Sacred Heart 2:00 PM

Top 10 things...

By Jackie Ammirato
Assistant Sports Editor

...to look forward to in the 2010 MLB season

10. Opening Day

The 2009 World Series Champion Yankees take on the Red Sox on Sunday night, April 5th to kick off the 2010 MLB season.

9. April 12th

After playing twenty-eight seasons in the Metrodome, the Minnesota Twins will open up Target Field against the Red Sox. The stadium cost \$390 million to build and seats 39,504.

8. Alex Rodriguez

Rodriguez needs just seventeen homeruns to join the 600 homerun club. Rodriguez stands to collect thirty homeruns and one hundred RBIs for the fourteenth straight season.

7. 2,500 hits club

This season could see two new members join the 2,500 hits club. The Tigers' Johnny Damon needs just seventy-five hits and the Atlanta Braves' Chipper Jones needs ninety-four.

6. Jenry Mejia

Mejia is one of the New York Mets' top prospects. This twenty-one year old right handed pitcher is from the Dominican Republic and has been in the Mets' farm system for the past two years. If he can stay healthy and learn to control his command, he could make some noise in the NL East.

5. John Lackey

Back in December, Lackey signed a five-year, \$82.5 million deal with the Red Sox. Provided he can stay injury free, Lackey should benefit from the Red Sox's deep lineup and bullpen, and could make a run at his career high nineteen wins.

4. Trevor Hoffman

The Milwaukee Brewers' Hoffman starts off the 2010 season with 591 career saves. If Hoffman can collect nine saves in the course of the season, he will become the first member of the 600 saves club.

3. Jason Bay

In the offseason, Bay signed a four year \$66 million deal with the New York Mets. Bay is a three time All-Star Selection including 2009, a season in which he also received the Silver Slugger Award. Bay should bring stability to the Mets outfield and some much needed power to the batting order.

2. Roy Halladay

In one of the biggest moves of the offseason, Halladay was involved in a multi-team trade that sent him to the 2009 NL Champion Philadelphia Phillies. Halladay is a six time All-Star Selection and has had two hundred strikeouts in each of the last two seasons. He is 148-76 in his ten-year career with a career ERA of 3.43.

1. Seattle Mariners

The Mariners lost 101 games in 2008. However in 2009, they were the league's most improved team, winning 85 times. The Mariners now have two top-notch pitchers in Cliff Lee and Felix Hernandez. The Mariners also added Milton Bradley who should help their offense especially if Ken Griffey Jr. and Ichiro Suzuki can stay healthy. With manager Don Wakamatsu entering just his second major league season, the Mariners could make moves in the AL West this season.

Bryant On Tap

Friday, April 2nd:

Baseball, HOME vs. Hartford, 3:30 pm

Saturday, April 3rd:

Women's Lacrosse, HOME vs. Wagner, 1:00 pm

Baseball, at Hartford, 1:00 pm

Men's Lacrosse, at Providence, 2:00 pm

Softball, at Quinnipiac, 2:00 pm

Track and Field, HOME, Bryant Invitational

Tuesday, April 6th:

Baseball, at Hartford, 3:30 pm

Softball, HOME vs. Connecticut, 4:00 pm

Women's Lacrosse, HOME vs. Brown, 7:00 pm

Men's Lacrosse, at Brown, 7:00 pm

Wednesday, April 7th:

Baseball, at Boston College, 3:30 pm

Thursday, April 8th:

Women's Tennis, HOME vs. Fairfield, 2:00 pm

Men's Tennis, at Brandeis, 3:00 pm

Softball, at Rhode Island, 4:00 pm

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Jonathan Ronzio, *Dunedin, New Zealand*

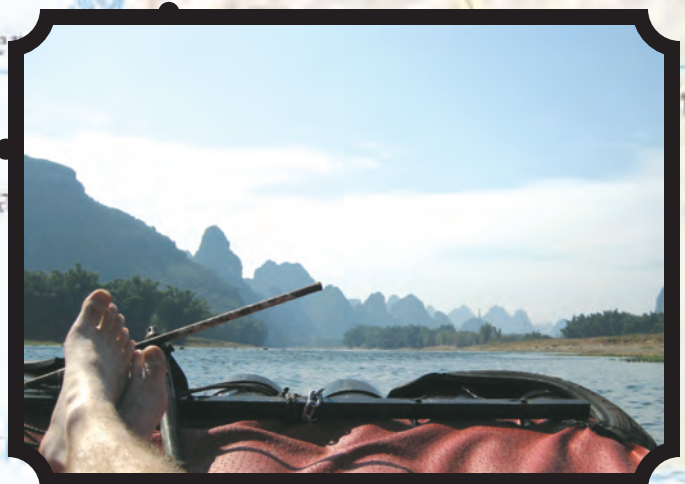


Bridget McNulty, *Sevilla, Spain*



Jonathan Ronzio, *Wanaka, New Zealand*

Semi-Finalists



Christopher Beels, *Guilin, Guangxi Province, China*



Alexandra Pearson, *Stirling, Scotland*



Aaron Daigle, *Mae Sot, Thailand*



Andrew Lazouras, *Phi Phi Islands, Thailand*



Alicia Brenna, *Morocco*



Kerri Moriarty, *Prauge, Czech Republic*

Health care reform in just over 1,000 words



By Drew Green
Opinion Editor

After taking a few weeks to discuss a few issues I had with topics directly related to the Bryant Community, I want to address a more inclusive topic: the new health care bill. I recognize that a single column devoted to a 2,700 page bill seems ludicrous, but I will do my best to address a few of the key points and spell out a few remaining issues surrounding this bill.

First off, I would like to acknowledge the college of Arts and Sciences which put on a forum on the health care bill and what it means. Some of the information seen here stems from a few of the points made by our dear professors; namely professors Mirmirani, Trunzo, Lacey, and Holtzman. This particular discussion is one of a series that has been, and will continue to be, put on by the College of Arts and Sciences on a variety of topics. So I advise you to look for these discussions in the future, and attend, as I can now personally speak to their quality after attending one. But now onto healthcare...

After slightly more than a year of struggle and compromise the bill was passed with the most aggressive changes taking effect in 2014. Perhaps compromise is too kind a term to use when referencing the political environment that surrounded the lead-up to the passage of this bill. However

painfully, a bill was passed and now, despite shallow Republican calls to repeal it, we need to prepare for the changes that will occur as a result of it.

The result of this bill is, by my own account, a step forward, but not nearly a complete healing of a health care system that is far from superior to other countries. Now I understand that there are those who would argue the statement that the United States does not have the best healthcare in the world. I would agree that we have the best health care in terms of helping those that need it. However, and this is the reason we needed this bill to begin with, compared to other countries the United States does not have the best system or prevention of health care issues in the world. That is painfully obvious by health care's high percentage of GDP – around 20% and growing. So yes, the health care itself may be good, but change to the system is necessary.

The big question is whether this bill does provide that change. From a standpoint of how many more people will be insured that is a qualified *yes* as essentially everyone will be required to purchase healthcare coverage starting in 2014 or pay yearly penalties. Economically, the Congressional Budget Office has estimated savings of around \$140 billion in the next ten years and savings of over \$1 billion over a twenty year period from increased efficiencies.

The uninsured are those who will profit most from this bill as they will become insured. Even those who cannot afford to buy insurance will be able to buy insurance through various subsidies. Those who are high-risk

(read, people with pre-existing conditions) will be able to get subsidized health care coverage through high-risk pooling plans. In addition to these is the ability for very low-income families to be covered under Medicaid.

The next largest groups of beneficiaries are students and children. Children will now be able to stay on their parents' coverage until the age of 26 – a number that is lower in most states. There are currently some technicalities involved in this for those graduating soon. So I would check to see when your state stops you from being covered under your parents' plan as this portion of the bill does not get initiated for six months and that may leave you in insurance limbo. Besides this, there is the general provision that children can no longer be excluded from having insurance coverage because of a pre-existing condition they developed when they were young.

More importantly than anything else, this bill does not force anyone with healthcare to change their plan unless they want to. Although in no form of the healthcare bill was this existent, it is still necessary to point out that if you have a healthcare plan you like, you can keep it. An interesting question is whether you can actually like a healthcare plan or just live with it? I guess that is up to you to decide.

There are of course issues within these broad brush strokes of this bill's effect. On one side, this bill does not create any further competition to lower prices for the healthcare insurance companies. And more importantly they stand to greatly profit from this bill once everyone is required to buy an insurance policy. Only



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increased competition could realistically help purchasers by driving down the price of premiums to actually make the insurance more affordable for individuals who typically cannot purchase insurance to begin with. However, there is still time until this provision of the bill is initiated so competition could be increased through different means, but the likelihood of that seems slim.

On the other side of the argument is the notion healthcare is a privilege and not a right. Not to mention the usual aversion that rich people have of paying taxes for those less fortunate – or to put it as they might, those who have not worked as hard as they have. These generally fall under the same meritocracy perspective that you get what you worked for and it is yours to do with as you please. Obviously giving healthcare coverage to those who could not afford it before and taxing

those who could afford it covers both issues of privilege and taxation. But the higher taxation increases do not start until 2018 and qualify only for households above \$250,000 annual income. So for my fellow college students, I hope you all get there by then, but realize that if you do, you will have an added responsibility now. So if it is that big a deal to you, try and earn \$249,999 as a family instead.

Again, I know that this is a broad brush stroke of what is in this bill and hopefully you get a chance to look around on the web – and even in the bill itself if you have some free time – to get an idea about its implications beyond these general topics. A good starting point is located on the New York Times website under an interactive feature called "How the Health Care Overhaul Could Affect You."

Letter to the Editor

To The Editor:

Drew Green's March 26 opinion piece, "Special Initiatives hurts student involvement," commendably begs important questions about the effectiveness of the fledgling Student Involvement Fee, the \$300-per-year charge tacked on to all undergraduate tuition statements in an effort to incentivize student involvement on campus. The author points out some flaws of the new fee, especially the counterintuitive situation facing most student organizations on campus: the recent introduction of the new fee strangely corresponding with radical budget cuts for virtually every student group.

As an Executive Board member of several small clubs, I understand this criticism all too well. But I can't help but respectfully insist that Green's analysis was a little shallow and did not completely or accurately sum up the issues at stake.

Above all, I'm critical of Green's interpretation of the phrase "student involvement". While I understand that student organizations have historically been the bedrock of involvement at Bryant, I can't agree, as Green suggests in his passionate advocacy for student organization budgets, that they are the only or even the most effective tools available for increasing students' participation in on-campus recreational activities, community dialogue, service learning, co-curricular events, and the multitude of other things I believe fall under the umbrella of "student involvement".

Green's examples of the failures of the Student Involvement Fee as it is has been implemented revolve around the Special Initiatives Committee (SIC), a group of students who hear requests from individuals and organizations for one-time events or programs that will benefit the

Bryant community. Green wonders why the same sorts of programs can't just be funded by the existing organizations on campus, which would get a much bigger piece of the \$300-per-student pie if the SIC didn't exist.

But I'd like to emphasize the obvious difference between organizational budgets and the SIC: the fact that individual students or groups of students unaffiliated with any existing organizations can write a proposal that has a legitimate chance of being approved and implemented.

To me, this difference is the critical reason the SIC deserves its funding. While there are many diverse organizations at Bryant, it would be naïve to believe that every single interest a student could possibly have will be addressed by the existing groups. And while Green might suggest that more funding for new groups would solve this problem, it just doesn't make sense to

fund a student organization comprised of one individual or just a few people. In this way, the SIC offers a valuable outlet for students interested in increasing their involvement at Bryant, but whose interests might not coincide with those of many other students; the SIC provides a means of gaining funding that might otherwise be unavailable for certain events or programs that could potentially enhance student life.

I have personal experience with this as the President of Amnesty International on campus. The Community Service Trip to Peru that is currently being sponsored by Amnesty was originally funded by the SIC. While it could have been difficult to get funds from Student Senate for such a crazy, untried scheme, the SIC offered a means to test the waters for the project for the first year, and the success of the trip the

first time around made the continuation of the project through Ways and Means' reserve account much more doable.

So while I understand Green's frustration about shrinking organizational budgets, and would be the first in line to protest more arbitrary bureaucracy at Bryant (as I imagine he would), I have to disagree with the assertion that the SIC offers little value to the Bryant student community. It does absolutely suck that those in charge of events next year will have fewer resources to work with, but I believe the SIC will prove to be a valuable institution for Bryant students in the years to come.

Sincerely,

Katie Gorham

For another Letter to the Editor see page 13

The Opinion pages of The Archway feature the opinions of the identified columnists and writers, which are not necessarily those of the newspaper or Bryant University.

Battle of the sexes

DEAR KD,
I don't know what to do. I'm dating someone of a different religious denomination. I don't want to get close to him, because what if we got married? Can I actually marry someone of a different religion? Do you think it's possible to have a balance between the two? I don't know what to do?!!?

Are you there, God? It's me, Kaleigh



By Kaleigh Durkin
PR Manager

This week's question is a very touchy subject, and I in no way want to offend anyone. I don't consider myself to be a religious guru of any kind, and when I answer this question, I want to reiterate that I am speaking only for myself.

I was raised in a Roman Catholic household. We celebrate every holiday, including the season of lent, Palm Sunday, Ash Wednesday, Christmas, Easter, etc. I was brought up with God being a name that was often used in reference to things going wrong, having faith, when someone passes away, and when I needed to find strength during hard times. I consider myself to be a very religious person, and while I don't believe EVERYTHING the Catholic church praises (I am VERY pro-gay marriage..ask anyone who knows me), I do consider myself to have a very strong connection with God.

So as you can see, it posed

quite a struggle for me when having to answer this week's question, and I looked at my own situation and how I would feel if I were put in this predicament. While I don't have to worry about this right now, as my boyfriend and I are of the same religious beliefs, it is very likely that someone you meet and begin to develop feelings for will have a different religious background from you, if they have one at all.

There are a lot of things to consider when dealing with the potential of being with someone for the rest of your life, aside from religion, but religion adds an entirely new dimension into the equation. It starts with how you celebrate your marriage. Will the word "God" even be mentioned in your ceremony? Can you and your spouse even GET married in a church or a place of worship? Will it be non-denominational? Will a priest or reverend do it or will you seek out a justice of the peace; And what about when you have children?

How will you raise your children? Will they know religion? Will they be forced to choose when they reach the legal age? It's so much to take into consideration when dealing with such a sticky subject, and while many people are quite capable of collaborating and finding a balance, I feel that for me PERSONALLY, there are too many traditional

things that I want in my wedding and in my children's lives that I have grown up with, that to live without them would simply seem as though I was defying my religion.

Again, I know people around the world can make it work, and I want to remind you that I am in NO WAY against other religions, and that I am very accepting and respectful of the hundreds of religions that are represented around the world, but to me, who has grown up with a very vivid idea of what religion is, and after having it in my life daily, it seems to me to be a situation that I don't know that I could face, but who knows?

For now, the person I love shares the same religious background as I have grown to know, but I commend those of you who have made it work and have become better people because of your widespread acceptance and willingness to accommodate religious practices into your own.

Whatever you may worship, whatever your beliefs, the only thing I ask of you, is to make sure you find love. When you're in love, everything else falls neatly into place, and with enough love, nothing can't be accomplished or worked through, including something as controversial as your religion.

I would, but my God says no



By David Nelligan
Staff Writer

I have to start off by admitting that I do not know a lot about religion. I believe in God, but do not practice religion. However, because this is America and I am free to give my opinion about whatever I want, that is exactly what I am going to do in this article. Regarding religion in relationships, I say leave it at the door.

Let's start by looking at what different religions say about marriage. Christians believe that marriage is a gift from God that they consider a sacrament or sacred institution. Judaism says that marriage is a contractual command by God where a man and woman come together to form a relationship in which God is directly involved. Islam sees the man needing to provide the finances while the woman raises the children, but also

practice polygamy, with the very specific rule of only having up to four wives at any one time. Apparently having anymore is just a greedy and absurd thing to ask for in their religion, but four is acceptable.

They also say the man and the woman have complete freedom to choose their partner in life. They have free will to accept or deny someone's hand in courtship. This came as a surprise to me as they allow freedom for marriage, but do not seem to allow many other freedoms in life, but that is for a political debate and not my own.

Hinduism sees marriage as a sacred duty with social and religious obligations. The marriage also extends beyond life into other spiritual worlds where the two would help each-other progress in the afterlife. These are just some of the religious views of marriage around the world, but it basically boils down to a man and woman coming together under God's watchful eye.

Now we get to my opinion about bringing religion into a relationship. It does not matter what religion you practice, or are against for that matter, there is no reason to force your own religious views on someone else or deny yourself happiness from being with someone just because of reli-

gious views. For the life of me I have no idea why people need to convince others to join their beliefs.

I do not see why I can't believe one thing, someone else can believe another, and we just leave it at that and accept the fact that we have different opinions. One argument might be that they truly believe their religion is correct and they are trying to save me. Then I have to ask why do they need to save me? If they are right and get into heaven and then I am wrong and end up in hell, why does that bother them?

Relationships are a place for two people to be happy together, not religious together. If one person is a Christian and the other is Jewish or a Muslim and an Atheist (who probably push their views on people more than anyone else in the world and need to stop), or whatever the combination is, leave religion out of the conversation because it is only going to cause problems between the two people.

If religion is that important to you in a relationship then that is great, find someone with your beliefs, but do not force others into your religion. Accept people for who they are, not who you want them to be or "need" them to be to fit into your relationship.

Profit & Loss

Formerly Observations. Equally as Funny.
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In Case You Missed It. It Rained
This may be Rhode Island, but it can only rain so much before it gets oppressive. It actually rained so much earlier this week that only the top of the fountain in the pond was above water! That is about 10 inches of rain in two days!



Women's Herstory Month
Congrats to those women who won awards at this week's dinner and to the Women's Center for putting on a great month of events.

E-mail Profits and Losses to agreen1@bryant.edu.

Bryant Said What!?

Compiled by Bryant Students

"Okay. Honestly boobs are nice, but that is just wrong. What do you do? You can't even fit your mouth around the nipple! Nipple, haha."

"Oh God! They used Comic Sans!?"

"He wants something in him right now. That has been pulled."

"I took a lot last week."

"I feel like I should put a quarter in the thing and then put my hand in you."

"It would take a lot of stretching."

"I have, like, the devil's eyes."

"I have never seen your mouth that wide."

"Your facial hair is as orange as the sweet potato fries you just ate. Oh, by the way, I love you."

"I love my speedo."

"It isn't the seventeen hundreds anymore. You can't just ride around on your horse and do stuff."

"Why do you put diamonds on your ass?"

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I got ‘Punk’d’ but not by Ashton Kutcher



By Michael Cohen
Staff Writer

For the longest time, I have struggled to suppress my hatred for the Bryant Bookstore. Now, I must vent and relinquish this boiling source of angst. The origins of my loathing date back to my freshman year. Naively, I decided to purchase the books I needed for my first semester at the Bryant Bookstore. Little did I know, I could have saved a heap of money through buying these books from Amazon.com or Half.com.

Surely there is some convenience associated with buying your books from the school bookstore, but other than that, there is absolutely no reason why you should buy your books here. I understand everyone needs to make their profit, but come on, it isn't right to rip students off as they do. With tuition and the costs associated with attending college skyrocketing, you figure you could at least get your books for a reasonable price.

Recently, I was in need of a new toothbrush. For convenience sake, I figured I'd venture to the Bryant Bookstore. I carelessly picked one out, fig-

uring a toothbrush is a toothbrush, that the costs are generally very similar. I wasn't aware that I was about to drop nearly 5 bucks on a measly mechanical toothbrush. You can probably get a 5 pack for \$5 at BJ's— or you could maybe even get a state of the art electronic one, thus I was outraged. I feel as if most people can relate to my disbelief; \$5 for a lousy toothbrush is excessive. It is probably a good thing that the Archway does not tolerate profanity. Otherwise, this article would consist mainly of a spate of vulgarity, in my quest to adequately illuminate the overcoming sense of incredulity that struck me.

Nevertheless, there is an underlying point to this article. Obviously try and stay away from the school bookstore, unless you want to go broke buying a toothbrush. But also, the college textbook industry is in need of change. The typical student spends roughly \$900 a year on textbooks. Since professors decide which books they will use to teach students, students often have no choice but to pay soaring prices for the latest editions of textbooks.

However, professors are not necessarily those who should be blamed. Many publishing companies do not offer professors pricing information for textbooks. Accordingly, a study was conducted in which 77% of surveyed professors indicated that they were unaware of the price of the textbooks they agreed to use.

Professors do not buy the

textbooks they use to teach their classes; they are sent the textbooks for free. Ultimately, professors are the ones who make publishing companies money through agreeing to use particular textbooks, so naturally they should not bear any cost.

Since professors are seldom notified of the cost of textbooks, publishers tend to overprice books, which students are forced to pay for. I often wonder, what differentiates the most recent edition from the previous edition? Did the field of study drastically change in 3 years or so? It depends on the academic discipline, but for most areas of study, probably not. Do many publishers simply create a more aesthetically pleasing cover and fix their minor spelling and grammatical errors?

Fortunately, Congress passed the Higher Education Opportunity Act in 2008. This law will, among other things, impose greater transparency in the college textbook industry. Through requiring publishers to disclose pricing information, submit copyright dates of the three previous editions, and detail the revisions of new editions to faculty, students will hopefully be freed from the clutches of the textbook industry's injustice.

By July 2010, colleges and universities will be required during course registration to provide students with the prices of textbooks for each class. As a result, students will be able to estimate the cost of books prior to their en-



(MCT Campus)

rollment in college courses. If effective, this law could change the textbook industry.

It is also important to know that if you are selling your books back to the Bryant Bookstore or to someone like Belltower Books, you are getting a raw deal. Rarely can one recoup the reasonable value of a book by selling it to either the Bryant Bookstore or Belltower. While Belltower asserts that they give students more money for books than the Bryant Bookstore, don't be fooled by their claim. If you are a habitual customer of Belltower, realize now that you are not getting a good deal.

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I am writing in response to the "Special Initiatives Hurts Student Involvement" published in the opinion section of the March 26, 2010 Archway. Let me preface by saying everyone deserves to have an opinion, but before you write about it you should check your facts. An opinion is much greater substantiated with facts to back up your thoughts. I apologize for the length of this letter but there are some things that need to be cleared up.

I will begin with the first notion that the Student Involvement Fee (SIF) has failed as a means of better funding organizations. Prior to the institution of the SIF, clubs and organizations were funded through the office of student affairs. The exact number to allot for distribution of clubs and organizations was decided in the school's annual budget allocations. The number was based on the decisions of administration, and the money was by no means "student funds." Also, this money had to come from somewhere, also known as tuition, so just because you did not see a "student involvement fee" on your tuition bill, it was still incorporated into tuition; much like the laptops.

The institution of the SIF as a delineated fee on your tuition statement took a few years of research and presentations of our findings to administration. The outcome was an overall benefit to the student body. For the first time at Bryant, students had money that the administration could not take away. So would you rather pay tuition with a hidden fee for student involvement and not be guaranteed the money, or would you rather pay a fee and know the money is going into a pool for students? To any administrator this could be scary, which is why the SIF was built with checks and balances. This prevented any student or group of students from wasting student funds (i.e. building a floating Wendy's in the Bryant Pond).

With the institution of the fee, the monies available for student involvement moved to almost one million dollars. This allowed the flexibility to create the Special Initiatives Committee (SIC) and the Student Arts and Speaker Series (SASS). This also raised the amount of money available for clubs and organizations. Which brings us to the budget hearing issue.

Every year, clubs go through budget hearings with the Ways and Means Committee, a Senate committee. Every year, clubs go into Budget hearings asking for increases, some justified, some not. Ways and Means, comprised of an even mix of Student Body elected Senate members and Student President elected student body members, (yes, student

presidents have a say in who gets elected to review budgets and requests for additional funding; this was built into the SIF for fairness) analyzes each budget and makes the proper adjustments. The committee's cuts do have a thought process; they will cut some food in a club's budget to allow for that same club to run an additional event. If every club was allowed the hundreds and thousands they ask for t-shirts, there would not be enough funding for the smaller clubs "that are having difficult times putting on events".

The idea behind the committee's cuts are to provide clubs the opportunity to have more events and try out new ideas, while getting rid of events that have not been successful and reducing excessive food costs (which everyone usually has left over at the end of the event). The committee has allowed clubs the opportunity to try new things, and collaborate with other clubs. Last year most clubs received some sort of increase in their budget. The amount given to new clubs was also raised to \$500.

Of course you cannot please everyone, and people will always complain, but that is life. Clubs will try to push the limits anyway, and it is the committee's job to see through that. Some of the same clubs that complain about budget cuts are also the same clubs rushing to spend their excess budget/fundraising money in April so it does not get "taken back".

SIC was another great addition. It allowed students to apply for funding for special one-time projects. If SIC did not exist, a group of students would not have the chance to travel to Peru to volunteer in a women's shelter. It is a fair argument to say SIC should not have funded recycling containers. However, the school did not have that as a main priority. The committee allowed the students, who have been asking for the receptacles for a while, to "put their money where their mouth is" and purchase the containers. Also, we would have paid for these containers anyway through tuition. This does fall under student involvement, as it is a student initiative. Clubs have also received funding from SIC (i.e. Velocity). This event was so successful, that it was included in their yearly budget. May I also add, any student can apply to be on SIC, not just senators or "super involved" people.

Last but not least is SASS. This gave students the opportunity to bring speakers they wanted to campus. It fell along the same lines as the President's Cultural Series, just aimed at the student audience. SASS has been a great addition and in its first year, brought great speakers and entertainment to campus. The committee needs to remember its audience is the student body, not the faculty. I am glad we could agree on the success of SASS, but I am really not surprised you would think this is a successful

aspect of the fee, because if my good friend and housemate was chair of the committee, I would say it was great too.

As an alum and former senator, this opinion article was an outrage. The SIF gives students the ability to get involved and help "let their voice be heard". If you see an issue with the system that should give you more of an incentive to get involved, learn more about it, and try to fix it. I hope I could clear up some of the confusion.

Sincerely,
Normand Duquette '09

Letter to the Editor

In last week's Archway, there was an article in the opinion section that caught my attention. The article "Special Initiatives Hurts Student Involvement" strikes a personal note with me as my team and I have recently had one of the "Special Initiatives" passed by the committee in Fall 2009.

I co-authored the request for the \$40,000 grant for more recycling bins on campus and have been seeing the process through its most trying stages this Spring. I want to point out to Mr. Green that this is in fact a STUDENT initiative. The team of 40 students who make up the Green Team of Bryant SIFE are the ones working so diligently to see this process through.

We have seen an outcry from the student body that something needs to be done! Hence, we are working to plan educational awareness events in the Rotunda and we are going Door to Door educating students as the bins arrive in April.

This initiative was meant to spur a positive reaction from the campus as a whole. Recycling is something that this campus needs to improve upon in general. This partnership between students and administrators is what is making that possible. I understand where the author is coming from saying that perhaps administration should be footing the bill – but if they weren't going to do it, is it something that shouldn't happen at all? The small contribution from each student can provide something that will enrich campus life for everyone!

And to Mr.Green I say – the money is there for the students to use. We are cutting back on budgets – so I had to go elsewhere to get my organizations goals accomplished. If you wanted to propose something, the committee would hear you out. What have YOU done for the Bryant community lately?

Lauren Ann Jensen
SIFE Project Manager: Green Team

Bulldog flicks: She's Out of My League



Jay Baruchel and Alice Eve star in this comedy.
(MCT Campus)

By Coburn Childs
Staff Writer

A dorky and awkward young guy can't believe his luck when a drop-dead gorgeous blonde falls for him completely out of the blue, and for no apparent reason. Sound like the makings of a great comedy? Ehh, maybe... but what could have been a sweet and funny tale of mismatched love (think *Shallow Hal*) is turned into nothing more than a not-so-sweet sweet but often funny tale that has many gut-busting moments but is really pretty shallow and overall forgettable.

Nerdy guy Kirk (*Tropic Thunder* and *Knocked Up*'s Jay Baruchel) works airline security with his buddies and pines over ex-girlfriend Marnie, when a little twist of fate puts the beautiful Molly (Alice Eve) in his life – and she could just be there for good. According to Kirk's loser friends, Molly is a "hard 10" while poor Kirk is only a "5." Everybody knows

that you can never jump more than two points on the hotness factor scale. So how has Kirk landed the girl who's totally out of his league?

The premise for *She's Out of My League* is perfect material to make a fresh romantic comedy that is palatable for the male audience. Indeed, it is a "guy movie," but that can mostly be credited to the raunchy humor that the script revels in. Unfortunately, the finished product is nothing more than a handful of clichés strung together with nothing really useful to say – not about inner-beauty, not about gaining confidence in life, and not even about commitment. From these types of comedies, we've come to expect a sweet story mixed in with over-the-top humor: think Judd Apatow's *40-Year-Old Virgin* or *Knocked Up*. That isn't the case here, as we simply get virtually no plot development and just a series of admittedly hysterical moments that really don't add much to the plot of the film.

Because I don't want to seem too critical of this movie, I will mention some of the positives. In fact, there are a number of gags the script uses that do give us much more entertainment value than the movie probably deserves. From snappy one-liners to a few uncomfortable situations Kirk finds himself in (with Molly around), there are plenty of moments to keep the audience in stitches. I will also admit that many lines will stick in your head as infinitely quotable.

However, many of the jokes get old after a while, and I kept finding myself saying "didn't that just happen?" during the movie's many coarse moments. Yeah, it's funny the way Kirk's brothers and parents act around Molly, but by the third time they are all together, we're already pretty sick of hearing the same jokes they have already used just a few scenes ago. While I'm not necessarily saying that the way they act is implausible, I do just wish that it wasn't all the same stuff we see again and again.

The whole film reeks of unoriginality.

The writers certainly do the job of filling the movie with an overwhelming amount of quips and sight gags, but there is still not much meat to the movie. The characters are never developed – in fact, we are not given any reason to root for Kirk and Molly throughout the first 2/3 of the film other than this: she's hot and he's not, 'nuff said.

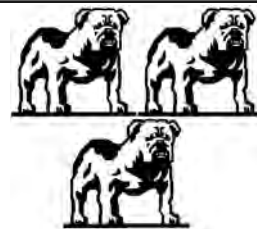
The audience simply needs to like Molly because of her thin frame and gorgeous looks. Speaking of thin frame, that's all the story is – a barely-there plot that is beefed up by goofy moments that often make you laugh but occasionally miss. Indeed, it's frustrating that we are just thrown into the story without getting much of a sense of who anybody is or why we should care. The writers basically just demand that we go along with the premise they've crafted.

Although there are many weak elements of the film, I will admit there was something about it that made it enjoyable – or at least laughable – for at least one viewing. Maybe it was the hysterically awkward dynamic of Kirk's large family. It could have also been the jokes that I have already found myself repeating (much to my own chagrin). Or maybe it was just the fact that I personally wanted to root for an underdog like Kirk to end up happy – never minding that the premise is shallow, basically telling us that the hotter the girl is, the happier you will be. If you want some laughs, then watch it once, and then be done.

You may even find it funnier upon a second viewing – after all, you're already seeing much of the same thing in the first viewing.

I give *She's Out of My League* 3 out of 5 Bulldogs.

This movie earned
3 out of 5 bulldogs



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Pulled pork to die for

A review of United BBQ

By Michael Adams
Assistant Editor-in-Chief

When a place is rated one of the top ten best bbq joints in the northeast, you know it warrants a visit. After all, nobody denies an eatery when best and bbq are in the same sentence.

One of my housemates randomly found United while scrolling through Google looking for a place to eat with his girlfriend, when he stumbled upon United BBQ, quickly yelling across the hallway at me to get my shoes on, grab my keys, and go. While we were incredibly excited that bbq was alive and well in Providence, we needed a bit more planning, so we went at 3:00 pm last Saturday. It's a great time when no one is there, and most places are at their lull for the day.

After using my smart phone to get us un-lost (you know, men don't like to ask—or print—directions), we arrived at the front door of United, a small house-looking building that stood alone—complete with a neon lit “ribs” sign on the exterior. We pulled right in (unlike anything on Federal Hill or in the heart of Providence, this place had parking, although there were a number of people that randomly walked in from all directions) and stretched our legs from being cramped in the back seat.

The interior looked newly renovated, complete with two high-tables with three bar stools and counter seating for 8 more—a total of 14 seats, but a lot of customers while we were there ordered take out. The menu is on a very large menu board that is kind of hard to read, but there are menus to take away at the counter should you need them.

The menu had everything from your classic southern sides, to ribs, pork, brisket, mac & cheese, and plenty of vegan and vegetarian options for you PETA loving folks. I played it simple and got a pulled pork sandwich with a small side of onion rings—the total came to 7

dollars and change with bottled water. For what I got, it was beyond worth it.

The ordering was efficient and the staff was very friendly—I received my order in about eight minutes. I opened up my clamshell to find a heaping amount of the most tender pork, to the point where you cannot grasp it with your hands or half of the sandwich will fall out, a side of fresh coleslaw, and onion rings—complete with a much needed wet-nap.

Two house-made bbq sauces graced each table: mild and spicy. I tried the mild and quickly went for the spicy to finish devouring my sandwich. It was the perfect amount of kick and a great bbq sauce that, hopefully, I

will be able to find in bottled form some day. I literally slathered it on, with a smile on my face the entire time.

After dashing through my sandwich in record time, I moved on to the coleslaw. I'm pretty sure it was freshly prepared—very light and refreshing, not soaked and heavy like many coleslaws. You could taste the crunch of the cabbage—perfect!

Let's get to talking about the best onion rings ever. I am pretty sure my search for the perfect onion ring can now end. The perfect onion ring is made at United BBQ. It tasted like it was twice-fried and had the crunchiest texture, with the sweetness of the onion coming right after. And, I loved the bbq sauce so much that, of course, I started dipping my onion rings right in it to make them taste even more out of this world.

Overall, like last week, we've got a great cheap eats place with incredible BBQ, much deserving of the top ten awards mentioned earlier. I can't forget to mention that college students get 20% off on Wednesdays and they do catering with free delivery. Townhouse block party anyone?

United BBQ is located at 146 Ives Street in Providence. They are open daily 11am-Midnight.

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Time runs out for Fox's 24, but a film version beckons

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Jack Bauer has cheated death a few dozen times, but he couldn't avoid cancellation. After putting the tireless Counter Terrorist Unit agent to work for eight extra-long days, Fox Entertainment President Kevin Reilly has ordered that Jack stand down at season's end.

Although everyone on set reacted to the news emotionally, no one is perhaps sadder than the man who brought Jack Bauer to life.

"It's very sad. The only thing tempering this from being all-out heartbreak is the fact that we have this sense of accomplishment," Kiefer Sutherland said. "That's the only thing holding people up. Because for me and all these people who've been with us since the beginning, it's a very special thing, and it's very sad to see it end."

The termination notice comes in the middle of Day 8, which critics have panned and the audience has largely shunned. The most recent episode of the show, March 22, drew 8.7 million viewers down 34 percent from Season 7's average of 13.3 million. While the ratings have cooled, the cost of producing "24" has continued to increase.

"Everyone concurs that we want the show to end as close to peak form as possible," executive producer Howard Gordon said. "If they said tomorrow that you have a ninth season, it's not something we'd be up for because we realize Jack's story in the real-time format has been told. Jack is a wonderful character who can live past the '24' real-time franchise."

Indeed, Jack may not be retiring just yet. Sutherland, also an executive producer on the series, is eager to get started on a "24" movie, and 20th Century Fox has hired a writer, Billy Ray

("State of Play"), who pitched his own version of a bad day for Bauer in Europe.

At its peak, "24" helped transform Fox into a ratings powerhouse in the early 2000s. Alongside shows such as "American Idol" and "House," it vaulted the network into the No. 1 spot among the coveted 18-to-49-year-old demographic.

"I know the end will be a very difficult day, and I would love to have avoided it," said Sutherland. "It's hard. I broke it down the other day: I've worked on '24' more than half of my professional career."

"We've made 196 hours of TV ... close to 100 movies. That's a very successful career in itself. I think Gene Hackman and my father (Donald Sutherland) are the only two people who've made more stuff than that. So it would be silly for me to pretend the end of this would not have a huge impact on my life." The clock stops ticking May 24.

Word Vomit

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And We Do This, Why?

Following a never ending axis,
around and around one goes.

The future in which we aspire to obtain,
the outcome one never knows.

Regardless of how we feel,
we continue onward with great will.

Striving for more than we feel we deserve,
for a void in our hearts we must fill.

Ups and downs, cyclical in nature,
on the tight rope of ambiguity we walk.

No matter what has come to be,
one foot forward on one long sidewalk.

Success subdues our needs,
without malice it leads us astray.

We move from desire to live at all,
to an insatiable state ending in dismay.

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"The time the library closes."
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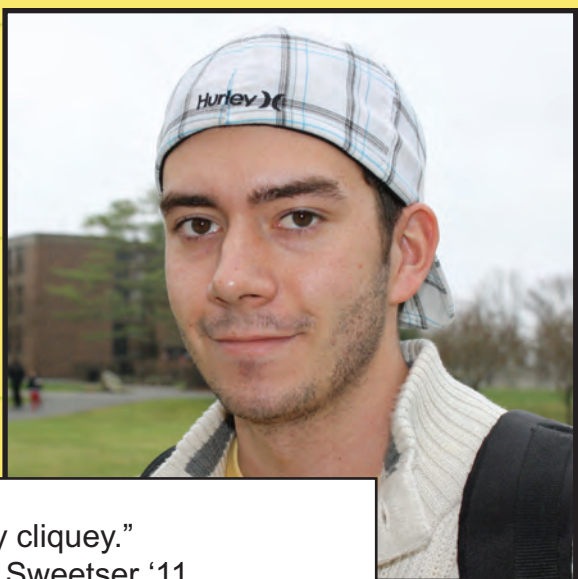
"Flying Geese!"
-Alphonse Asare '11



"Guys that go to Salmo after the Gym in a cut-off shirt"
-Aaron Fortin '11



"The times the cafe in the library is open."
-Mike Amato '10



"Very cliquey."
-Alex Sweetser '11



"How early Salmo closes."
-Dan Conley '12



"The person that has been egging the halls."
-Kate Rokos '12