

## Judy Shepard speaks out

By Jenna Morris  
Campus News Editor

Matthew Shepard's mother has a disturbing and tragic story to tell. Matthew Shepard was a young man who was murdered in 1998 as the result of a hate crime at the mere age of 21. Matthew was targeted because he was gay.

Like many his age, Matthew Shepard was a college student. He was a political science major at the University of Wyoming and was a recognized student leader on campus.

Prior to his murder, he had experienced other forms of hate crimes because of his sexuality. On a high school field trip he was beaten and raped which resulted in depression and panic attacks, and later excessive drug use, which worried his friends.

On the night of Matthew's murder he was at a bar spending time with friends, like many other college students do. He met two men, Aaron McKinney and Russell Henderson, who posed as gay men in order to trick him into leaving the bar with them. Matthew was robbed, pistol whipped, tortured, and tied to a fence and left to die. The two men who murdered him left the scene with his sneakers and 20 dollars from his wallet.

On a college campus that experienced a homophobic

hate crime less than a year ago, we all as a community, no matter what our beliefs are, can learn so much from Judy Shepard's story. Although the hate crime at Bryant was minor in comparison to Matthew's murder, the issues in regards to the GLBTQ (gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered, question-

ing) community on campus need to be addressed. "I hope the community learns many things; that a single action can impact not only the people directly involved, but it can impact the entire world for years to come. I also hope it creates awareness for the GLBTQ community and the issues they face every day," says Angela Marchio, a SASS committee member who helped plan this event. Judy Shepard has had a huge impact on the gay rights movement, and is pushing a bill to be passed, entitled the Local Law Enforcement Hate Crimes Prevention Act, better known as the Matthew Shepard Act. The current federal hate crime law, established in 1969, covers crimes motivated by one's actual or perceived race, religion, color, or national origin. The Matthew Shepard Act aims to cover crimes also motivated by actual or perceived, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, or disability.

Judy Shepard, along with her husband Dennis, started the Matthew Shepard foundation, which raises awareness and educates about diversity, social justice, and equality for people who are gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgendered. Judy has spoken to audiences all over the country about the impact of hate speech and violence, and the impor-

tance of understanding diversity in many forms. She recently wrote *The Meaning of Matthew: My Son's Murder in Laramie, and a World Transformed*. In her new book, she describes the days following her son's murder and the response from strangers all over the world, who hosted candle light vigils and rallies. She talks about the trials of his murder and the difficulty

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Judy Shepard will be speaking in Janikies Auditorium on Tuesday, October 6 at 7pm. (MCT Campus)

## Senate welcomes members from the Class of 2013

By Jenny Sali  
Staff Writer

The polls are closed and the votes have been tallied. The Student Senate has six new freshmen rookies to serve as representatives for the Class of 2013. Here's a chance to get to know some of the new Senators.

**Jodi Ricci** — Jodi wanted to become a senator "in order to ensure that there would be great changes made on campus" and wants to "work with my class to improve our campus life and college experience as a whole." She says she knows what being a student leader is all about because in high school she was the FBLA (*Future Business Leaders of America*) state President and class officer. Having been appointed as a part of the facilities management committee, Jodi's goals for the year will be focused on "the improvements that students need in the dining halls, classrooms, dormitories, etc..." Currently she is also involved with the *Velocity Dance Team* and *International Business Association*.

**Alejandro Barbosa-Perez** — As the Co-Chair for the Class of 2013, Alejandro hopes "to be creating a lot of social events for our class to allow us to really connect as a class, a community, and most importantly, friends... [and] by creating lasting bonds through these events, our class will become one of the strongest and be able to truly bring change to

whatever areas we set our minds to, and to achieve any goals we place for ourselves." He initially became interested in the Student Senate because of his history with other leadership bodies. Alejandro served on Class Executive Boards, as well as Student Council, KEY Club, and liaison positions with localized groups of major charitable organizations. Currently he is also part of the *MSU*, the Honors program, *International Business Association*, and the *Bryant Marketing Association*.

**Veronica Wohlschlaeger** — A politics & law major from New Milford, CT, Veronica has been involved in student governments since fifth grade. During her senior year, she was class President, Event Chairman, Student Council Secretary and Editor-In-Chief of her high school's newspaper. She wants to be an approachable representative that her peers trust and can turn to with any issues/questions they may have. Veronica expects that "by openly discussing what the Senate does for Bryant and its organizations, freshmen will be-

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## Public option has pre-existing condition

By Drew Green  
Opinion Editor

With the Senate Finance Committee rejecting two proposals for a public option in their health care bill it seems like the public option needs to be put on life support. The only problem, the public option has a pre-existing condition so no one will cover it. The cause, you ask? It appears that the pre-existing condition is an abject disapproval of the public option by the Republican Party. This is nothing new, but I do not think that our Congress should play health insurance agent and disqualify options without fully understanding their implication. Now, I am sure that Congress, as they always do, has thoroughly debated the validity and feasibility of a public option. With that said, I doubt many of them have been actively listening while each side has been presenting the pros and cons of such reform. So the issue persists; should there be a public option?

Obviously, we know that Republicans disapprove of the plan. Several Senators and Representatives refer to it as a Trojan horse that will lead to a single-payer system. Just as clarification, that means that the government pays for health care (insurance), not that they own and operate the hospitals you go to (coverage). This argument means a couple things, all of

## opinion

which point to actually having a public option. The first point: calling the public option a Trojan horse to get single-payer assumes that single payer will be a successful enough system to achieve the goal of being able to transform the public option to the single-payer. If the public option is not successful then no Senator or Representative will vote to make a single-payer because public sentiment will in effect kick them out of office the next election. And moreover on that point, if there is no public interest or need, then it is hard to generally push for legislation as large as health care reform. The second point: The belief that a public option can pass in a bill as of right now. There is a flaw in this logic. For one thing, numerous sources have stated that the number of Senators who have claimed they will not vote for a public option is more than the number of Senators needed to pass a bill. In essence this means a public option already is at a disadvantage of passing both the House and Senate. So why will a single payer system be attainable, but at the moment a public option isn't? This leads me to the other argument.

The Trojan horse explanation is not the only one circulating; the other is that the public option would have advantages over private insurers which put the insurers at risk. The problem here is what? This theory about the public option assumes that it can perform its tasks with greater efficiencies than the private insurers currently do. What is amazing is that some of the opposition to the public option makes statements that allude to the public option being the best opportunity available. For example, Senator Ensign of Nevada says he fears the option will become so popular it will never be able to be taken away. Well, how awful would it be if the public option were so successful and so much better than the private insurers that people would never relinquish it? I cannot speak for Senator Ensign, but I want to know if he wants to

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# Study Abroad Spotlight: Stasia McKinley



**Name:** Stasia McKinley  
**Class of:** 2010  
**University:** National University of Ireland, Galway (NUIG)  
**Location:** Galway, Ireland  
**Semester:** Spring 2009  
**Partner:** Arcadia

## Reason for going:

I really wanted the chance to explore Europe, while living in an English speaking country. I had heard many great things about Ireland: about the locals with the best personalities to the beautiful landscapes. I basically heard stories of Ireland, saw pictures of the lands and was hooked. And Ireland was definitely as beautiful, if not more, than the pictures you can find on google.

## Best experience/memory:

I was fortunate to be a part of the Galway Volvo Ocean Race 2009. This was the first time the Volvo Ocean Race choose Galway as a port instead of England (the Irish were thrilled over this). I volunteered with other Irish locals getting the Galway port ready for the arrival of the boats, which arrived

May 23, 2009. It was great to see the transformation of the docks and to know that I had been a part of it. I also met many other volunteers after literally hanging out all day and then going to the pubs at night with them.

## Funny cultural experience:

During our first week in Dublin, Ireland we had an orientation session where the Garda (police) came in and talked about safety issues and how to keep your belongings safe. About halfway during the presentation, one Garda officer is talking about how you should not go anywhere alone at night. The other officer interrupts saying, "So when you and your friends are out looking for some crack..." EVERYONE sitting down started to look at each other, not believing that this officer was talking about going out to find some "crack". That was when the coordinator explained that "craic" in Ireland means fun. And it was difficult at first not to laugh when your Irish friends would greet you saying, "how's the craic."

How was the school different from Bryant University: Registration for classes was very different. For

registration, I sat in classes for about 2 weeks before I actually signed up for the class. I had thought we would have gotten our schedules the day of orientation, so this was a shock. Signing up for seminars was also different. My friends and I waited outside of the Quad (one of the buildings on campus) from 4 to 9 in the morning, in the cold and rain, to get in line for the visiting students registration for seminars. As we showed up at 4, we were already number 35 in line. There are only 3 seats reserved for visiting students in each seminar, and I ended up getting my 4th seminar choice. The lectures (not the seminars) held about 200 or more students. Being in a huge room with about 300 other students was a different atmosphere than the one at Bryant. There was no class participation. You were just supposed to show up, take the notes, then leave. If you had questions, you had to see the professor on your own time. And the professors were never in their offices when they were supposed to be.

## How did this experience change you?

I thought of myself as being an open minded and independent person before going abroad. I now can truly say I am independent and open minded. From a train breaking down in Holland with all the information about the next train being in Dutch and trying to understand what's going on to traveling to Milan (via Ryanair unfortunately) by myself to meet up with family and coworkers for Fashion Week 2009, I learned to count on myself and trust my instincts. Throughout my travels I was able to see the lifestyles of many different cultures, from farmers in Poland to the trendy Italians. You learn not to judge others quickly and people are not always who you expect them to be.

## Would you study abroad again given the opportunity?

I would definitely study abroad again. It was an amazing experience that will probably only happen once in my lifetime. Meeting different people, trying real Italian food, drinking a real pint of Guinness, and having the best baguettes in France along with all the memories of the people I shared these experiences with made those 5 months fly by. It was one of the best times of my life that I wish other students could experience as well.

## Hillel celebrates Sukkot with food, friends, and fun

**Brigit Clancy**  
*Variety Editor*

Hillel will celebrate Sukkot on Saturday, October 3rd. The organization will build a Sukkah on campus to bring together the community to commemorate one of the most important holidays of the Jewish religion.

A Sukkah is a temporary hut that is made with materials that are easy to set up and take down. Jared Koreff, the President of Hillel, said that some people in the Jewish community "will live in the Sukkah for seven days and seven nights, and will essentially become their house for that time."

Sukkot is a holiday that commemorates the forty years that the Jewish people spent wandering in the desert after the exodus from slavery in Egypt. Traditions of this holiday include shaking of a lulav, a bouquet like combination of a palm branch, three willow branches, two myrtle branches, and an etrog, a sweet smelling citrus fruit; as well as building a Sukkah to sleep and eat in.

Hillel started construction on the Sukkah earlier this week for the entire Bryant community to see. According to Koreff, this is their second year building a Sukkah. The organization will be holding two events in the structure, one on Friday, October 2nd and one on Monday, October 5th. "Once the frame is set up we will decorate it, as is tradition," said Koreff. "This Friday we will be having our Shabat dinner in the Sukkah and on Monday we will be having a snack and learn [event about the Sukkot]."

Sam Davidowitz and Andrew Youman, members of Hillel, as the "driving forces" behind this event. "Although I am the President of Hillel, I was not the driving force to making this happen. Sam Davidowitz and Andrew Youman have been the two individuals doing most of the work for this. They have spoken with the powers that be to get permission to set up the Sukkah, in addition to deciding where on campus to set it up."

Koreff encourages everyone to visit the Sukkot.

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## WARNING

**Stress from exams, trouble in relationships and problems at home can interfere with your general happiness and success in school. Students with personal issues that weigh on their mind would do well if they call Bryant's Counseling Service at 232-6045 and make an appointment.**

## Oompa Loompas at Bryant

**Fira Zainal**  
*Staff Writer*

*Oompa Loompas -they're cute, they're cuddly and can't stand the cold. So why are they at Bryant you ask?*



*(Courtesy of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory Film Site)*

At the first confirmation that the Bryant Players were staging *Charlie and The Chocolate Factory* for the Fall 2009 semester, I was intrigued. Their amazing production of *Grease* in spring 2009 very much captured the attention of many students, parents and faculty on the Bryant campus.

When asked on how they came to pick *Charlie and The Chocolate Factory*, first time Director Tara Calnan says with a bright smile, "We always try to come up with something exciting to stage at Bryant. After last year's production of *Grease* especially, we wanted to challenge ourselves both in terms of acting and set design. Here at Bryant Players, we hold nominations to pick the best play that the whole cast and crew agree on and kept in mind our goal to attract more people. We definitely have high hopes for *Charlie and The Chocolate Factory* this semester!"

Assistant Director Albert Hernandez adds, "Over the past few years, we've also been excited to see record attendance to the shows we stage. With our choice in staging *Charlie and The Chocolate Factory*, we really hope to pull even more interest both towards the plays that we stage as well as new members to join Bryant Players."

*Charlie and The Chocolate Factory* will be staged at Janikies on October 23<sup>rd</sup> to October 25<sup>th</sup>. Best wishes to the cast, Oompa Loompas included!

The Bryant Players is an open student organization that welcomes help in areas such as set building, costume design and is always on the lookout for stage crew members. If you'd like to contribute in any way or form, please contact [bplayers@bryant.edu](mailto:bplayers@bryant.edu).

# Judy Shepard

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with the legal system. She reveals how she coped with such a tragedy, and why she became a gay rights activist.

As a whole our society is becoming more aware of the issue of homophobia and acceptance of the gay community.

Bryant Pride President Jonathan DeCosta said, "Hate crimes such as the Matthew Shepard case may falsely appear to mostly affect their victims

and surrounding family members. As people we tend to approach things from a 'not me' approach. We think, 'I'm not gay', this could never happen to me... We all know that mentality leads to destruction, fear-mongering, and ill-found hate. Even if we cannot understand the importance of differences, we owe it at least to ourselves to stand firm against hate crimes, against the 'not me' mentality."

Everyone is different and we can all learn an immense amount if we give

each other the chance. Angela Marchio adds, "It's not just about tolerance - it's about acceptance, and this brings the opportunity for people to be better understood if not accepted within our community. It's so important for people to feel safe and for people to be aware of what can happen when there is a lack of understanding."

Judy Shepard is the epitome of inspiration. She took the awful event of her son's murder and used it as an op-

portunity to make a difference, to inspire and educate others, and in turn change the world.

Judy Shepard will be speaking in Janikies on Tuesday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. Tickets are available for free in the Center for Student Involvement on the third floor of the Bryant Center. All members of the Bryant community are encouraged to attend.

# Senators

come more unified and encouraged to have a proactive voice on campus." Being on the Community Service Liaison, she plans to "collaborate with other major on-campus organizations with the common goal of producing campus wide community service projects that the Student Senate can take part in."

**Deseray Peterson** — Deseray has been class secretary

and activities that will allow them to raise money for the ultimate goal of senior week. She feels the Student Senate is a great way for her to express her ideas and opinions to better help the class of 2013.

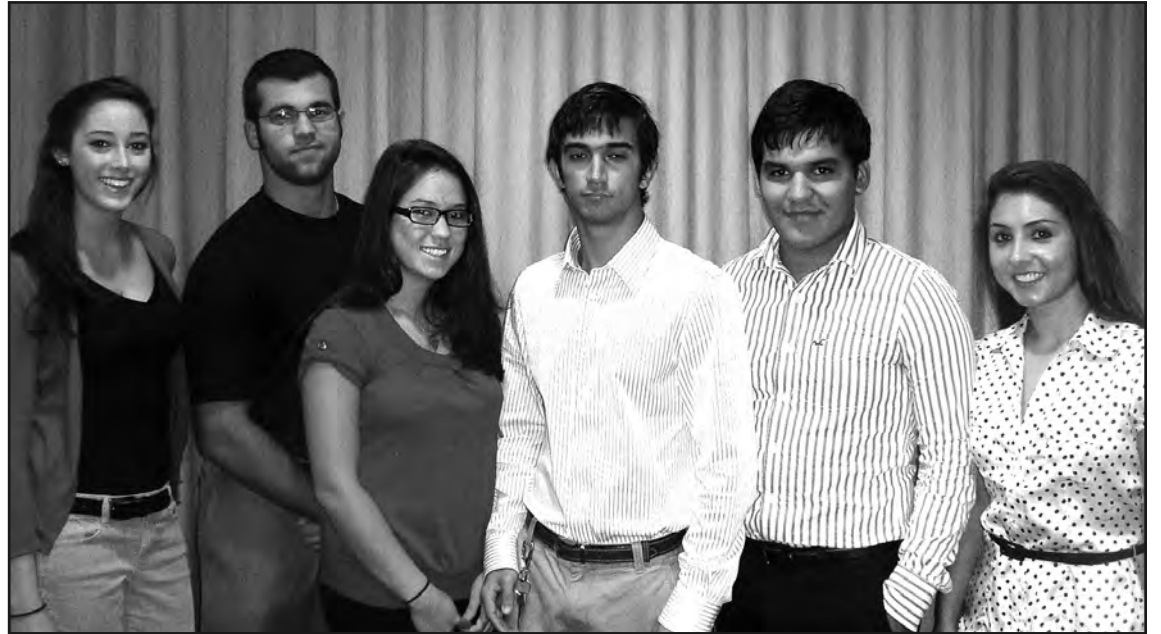
**Paul Zapantis** — Paul has been interested in Politics from a very young age since his father served two terms on their town's Board of Selectmen and that's what really

*'As a Senator, Deseray would like to help with...the events and activities that will allow them to raise money for the ultimate goal of senior week.'*

and spent three years as President of FBLA and head of the student government at her school. Her past involvement in student government has led her to be involved in the Student Senate once again because she likes "being able to contribute to making a difference in the decisions and outcomes that determine our class's funds and different events and activities occurring throughout the year." As a Senator, Deseray would like to help with the Class of 2013's funds and the events

sparked his interest. He believes that representation is one of the biggest problems with politicians nowadays because they tend to forget the people who elected them. Paul urges all students to approach him with any questions or concerns they may have. Serving as the Athletics and Traditions Representative, his goal is to essentially find a "Fight Song" for Bryant "that is as recognized as Notre Dames." He has held a range of leadership position including Class Executive

## Welcome the new student senators



(From left to right) Veronica Wohlschlaeger, Paul Zapantis, Deseray Peterson, Yohann Shroff, Alejandro Barbosar-Perez, and Jodi Ricci make up the new Bryant Senators from the class of 2013. (Courtesy of Farrell Murphy)

Board Member and President of Student Council and his senior class. Paul is also on the Ways and Means Committee and a member of the Accounting and Finance Associations. At some point

in his life, Paul "would like to be involved in Local or State Politics and running for Student Senate at Bryant and learning the processes seemed like a logical step in reaching my goal."

The other Senator of the Class of 2013 is Yohann Shroff. Also, Cristian Balestrieri is the newly elected senator for the Class of 2011.

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# Relaxation 101 series



(MCT Campus)

**David Nelligan**  
Staff Writer

Between classes, work, sports, and everything else that consumes our time, college can be a very stressful place. To help students cope with this stress Bryant is introducing a new Relaxation Series featuring yogic stretching and meditation. Sponsored by the Office of Counseling Services and led by Noelle Harris, the series will offer techniques in stress management through floor postures and breathing exercises. Unlike traditional yoga exercises, this series will focus more on the meditation aspect, teaching people how to handle their emotions and focus their minds.

Even as young adults, stress should be taken as a serious issue. It has been linked to many health problems including high blood pressure, heart attacks and stroke, a weakened immune system, and can make a person more prone to anxiety and depression. By learning stress management methods early on many of these health risks can be reduced as you use these techniques throughout the rest of your life.

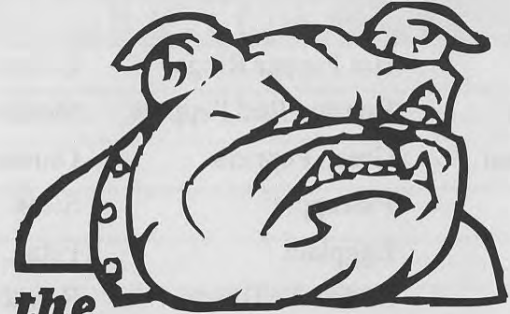
Noelle Harris has ten years experience with yoga and has focused on using yoga to help patients with anxiety for the past three. The series will be held in the Bryant Center, room 2C, September 29th, October 6th, 13th, and 20th from 3:30 to 4:30pm. Participants are encouraged to come to one, or all sessions offered, but should pre-register by e-mailing Noelle Harris at nharris@bryant.edu and are told to dress comfortably.

Ms. Harris is also currently working to coordinate a new experimental meditation program using the interfaith center. The new series would offer speakers from different areas of meditation, enlightening the Bryant community on new philosophical ways of life, while engaging the audience in the actual practices of these art forms.

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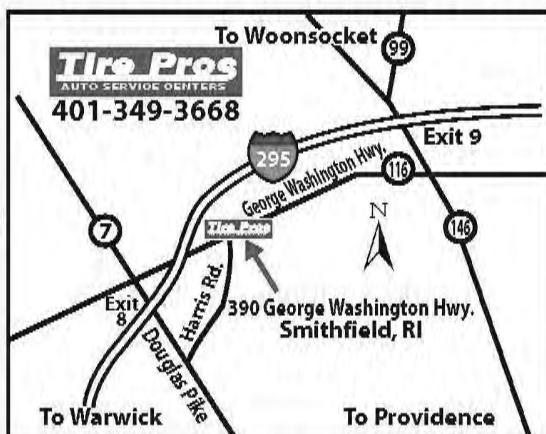
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 SEP 21 2009-Monday at 09:33  
 Location: RESIDENCE HALL  
 Summary: A report of an assault on campus.

**FIRE ALARM**  
 SEP 23 2009-Wednesday at 07:53  
 Location: SENIOR APARTMENTS  
 Summary: A fire alarm activation caused by cooking. Reset.

**FIRE ALARM**  
 SEP 23 2009-Wednesday at 09:32  
 Location: TOWNHOUSE  
 Summary: A fire alarm activation caused by steam. Reset.

**LARCENY**  
 SEP 24 2009-Thursday at 12:20  
 Location: UNISTRUCUTURE  
 Summary: A student reported an IPOD stolen from a book bag.

**ASSAULT and/or BATTERY**  
 SEP 25 2009-Friday at 01:35  
 Location: RESIDENCE HALL  
 Summary: A student reported that a female student slapped him in the face.

**EMT CALL** Medical Services Rendered  
 SEP 26 2009-Saturday at 03:00  
 Location: JACOB'S DRIVE  
 Summary: A report of a person with a cut on his right hand. EMS was activated.

**LARCENY** from Buildings  
 SEP 26 2009-Saturday at 16:39  
 Location: BRYANT CENTER  
 Summary: A report of a stolen back pack along with a Bryant issued laptop.

**DISORDERLY** Disturbance  
 SEP 26 2009-Saturday at 18:59  
 Location: UNISTRUCUTURE  
 Summary: A report of a fight in the Salmonson Dinning Hall.

**DRUG ACTIVITY**  
 SEP 26 2009-Saturday at 22:16  
 Location: HALL 15 LOT  
 Summary: A report of drug activity in a wooded area of campus.

**VANDALISM**  
 SEP 27 2009-Sunday at 01:12  
 Location: TOWNHOUSE  
 Summary: A report of a broken window.

**VANDALISM**  
 SEP 27 2009-Sunday at 01:00  
 Location: TOWNHOUSE  
 Summary: A report of a broken window and door locks.

**DRUG ACTIVITY**  
 SEP 27 2009-Sunday at 04:35  
 Location: TOWNHOUSE  
 Summary: One student arrested for marijuana possession.

**FIRE ALARM**  
 SEP 27 2009-Sunday at 13:56  
 Location: TOWNHOUSE  
 Summary: A water leak from a toilet set off the smoke detector in a kitchen.

**FIRE ALARM**  
 SEP 27 2009-Sunday at 14:07  
 Location: TOWNHOUSE  
 Summary: Accidental activation, cooking on stove. SFD reset system.

**FIRE ALARM**  
 SEP 27 2009-Sunday at 13:55  
 Summary: Activated alarm in the Academic Hall, unknown cause. SFD reset.

**EMT CALL** Medical Services Rendered  
 SEP 27 2009-Sunday at 16:29  
 Location: TOWNHOUSE  
 Summary: A student complaining of chest pain. EMS was activated.

**BIAS INCIDENTS** None Reported  
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# Senate Corner Spotlights

## Angela Marchio

Class of 2011  
**Positions held:** Class of 2011 Co-Chair  
**Major:** Management  
**Hometown:** Middletown, CT  
**Other involvements:** SASS, Bryant Experience 2009, Ways and Means, Leadership Development Program  
**Why I joined senate:** I want to continue the work we started last year on the Class of 2011 Committee, while advocating for my peers and being one of the voices of the Class of 2011! That was important to me.  
**What I hope to accomplish this year:** I hope to bring the junior class closer together while still raising money through fundraisers to contribute to our senior year activities.  
**Favorite quote:** "When one door closes another opens. But often we look so long so regretfully upon the closed door that we fail to see the one that has opened for us." – Helen Keller  
**Random fun fact:** I'm terrified of balloons! I freak out when they're near me because I think they're going to pop.



## Deidre Fraser

Class of 2010  
**Positions held:** Campus Opinions and Discussions; Parents and Family Weekend Co-Coordinator  
**Major:** Marketing and Management  
**Hometown:** St. Catherine, Jamaica  
**Other involvements:** Resident Assistant, Member of ISO  
**Why I joined senate:** I believe that Senate can make a significant difference in college life at Bryant. I see the Senate body as a changing force, a group of individuals who are driven to make a difference. I believe that many people have a negative point-of-view of Senate and I want to help change that stereotype. Senate is not all about budgets and constitutions, but so much more. There are so many things that are done behind the scenes that Senate doesn't get credit for!  
**What I hope to accomplish this year:** I hope to build a relationship with students so that they feel that Senators are approachable. I want students to be comfortable coming to us with their problems.  
**Favorite quote:** "It may be dull and dreary outside but I am sunshiny on the inside" – Deidre Fraser  
**Random fun fact:** I've never met my eldest half brother. I've spoken to him on the phone before and I know he lives in NJ somewhere. However, I have met his mom and his daughter.



## What Is Senate Doing?

Recent changes brought to you by Senate include:

- "Feed the Trashcans not the Skunks" Campaign: Trashcans have now been added to the HJKLM circle of the townhouses to eliminate the skunk problem and keep our living areas clean!
- RIPTA: You are now able to move about Rhode Island free of charge!
- Want to see more change? The Senate always wants to hear your concerns, thoughts, and questions! Contact any Senator or stop by our meetings, Wednesday's at 4pm in Papitto and make sure your voices are heard!

# Greek Corner

Contributed by Andrew Pantuosco

As the school year has quickly gotten underway and philanthropic events have been the focus of many organizations, the Greeks once again started off the year with a tie-dyeing event to raise money and create awareness for the St. Jude Children's Hospital.  
 Greek Life and countless members of the Bryant community came out to support the cause while tie-dyeing everything from socks to bed sheets. As usual, WJMF was very generous to the Greeks, providing a DJ for the entirety of the event; while Sodexo provided food and drinks for those in attendance/  
 As expected, the event was very successful. Along with raising money for St. Jude's and tie-dyeing shirts to be donated to various charities, the Greeks were once again able to show the rest of the campus their dedication to charitable work.  
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## Recession prompts a boom in new kind of philanthropy: cause marketing

By Debra Skodac  
MCT Campus

Ronda and Scott Gentry never thought about buying a slice of Spin pizza.

That is, until it did some good. Then they bought a whole pizza — Italian and turkey sausage — along with a special pizza for their dog Bulova.

The recent fundraiser at Spin in Lee's Summit, Mo., benefited the Wayside Waifs animal shelter.

The Blue Springs, Mo., couple's special dinner is part of a growing segment of philanthropy called cause marketing. Simply put, it's when businesses and nonprofits get together to sell something to consumers that helps raise donations.

Cause marketing is not a 5K run, but rather a structured business deal. It might be the sale of a pink blender, with a portion of the proceeds going to breast cancer research. It might be a massage, with some of the proceeds going to a domestic violence shelter.

Cause marketing has been around for more than two decades, but the recession has prompted a boom.

"We are your perfect cause-marketing people," Ronda Gentry said.

She has a full-time job as operations manager at The Best of Kansas City, but her husband has been underemployed as a video and audio contractor since losing his full-time job in June.

Going out has become a rarity for the two — unless it's for a good cause.

"Anytime we choose to go out, it's got to be worthwhile," Ronda Gentry said.

Nonprofits certainly have noticed the importance of cause marketing as the recession erodes individual donations and grants.

Habitat for Humanity Kansas City, for example, has scheduled four cause-marketing events in the next few weeks.

"You have to be more creative in this type of economy," said Rebecca Dye, spokeswoman for Habitat for Humanity Kansas City. "Funds are short, but the needs are great."

Cause marketing often brings in more than donations to a nonprofit. It can introduce a business's regular customers to a charity.

"Awareness is as important as the actual dollars raised in the event," said Marla Svoboda, development director at Wayside Waifs in Kansas City.

Businesses definitely understand the benefit.

"What we've seen happening in this economy hasn't put a damper on companies continuing to invest in cause marketing and cause products," said Mike Swenson, president of Barkley Public Relations in Kansas City and a national cause-marketing expert.

"Think of it — since the turn of the century, we've had 9/11, Katrina, two wars and the worst recession in our lifetime," Swenson said. "We've had a lot of upheaval, and amidst all that, what kept growing is people's desire to give back."

Swenson said consumers are so used to corporate good deeds that they almost expect it from a company.

Consider some of the findings from the 2008 Cause Survey from PRWeek/Barkley Public Relations:

-45.8 percent of the women surveyed said they had bought a product that benefited a cause in the last 12 months.

-63.4 percent of those women said they purchased a particular brand because they knew that brand supports a cause they believe in.

-72 percent of the companies surveyed said a worsening economy would not affect their commitment to cause-marketing programs.

Consumers should not be afraid to ask how a charity might be benefiting from cause marketing, said David Renz, director of the Midwest Center for Nonprofit Leadership at the University of Missouri-Kansas City.

Renz said he once bought a tie at a department store, with some of the proceeds going to a national charity.

"It was something like 1/19th of 1 percent, which doesn't sound like much except if you sell \$12 million worth of ties," Renz said. "It's legitimate to ask."

But there are other reasons for businesses to engage in cause marketing.

"No one practices cause marketing just for the money," said Joe Waters, the director of cause marketing for a Boston nonprofit hospital, who writes a blog called "Selfish Giving."

"More and more consumers are demanding that companies show their corporate responsibilities," Waters said.

That's OK, said Gail Lozoff, a co-owner of Spin Neapolitan Pizza.

The restaurant's recent fundraiser — its third — grew out of the suggestion of an employee.

"It's a way to connect with our customers and provide things that are important to our customers and important to us," Lozoff said.

**WHAT EVERYONE GETS FOR GIVING** Besides the money raised and spent, cause marketing produces intangibles, too.

For the business:  
\*New customers who know the charity but not the business

\*A nice-guy image  
\*A morale boost for employees who want to support a cause

For the charity:  
\*Virtually no overhead  
\*New donors who know the business but not the charity

\*A creative reminder of the cause  
For the customer:  
\*A feel-good, no-guilt way to spend money

\*A chance to meet people with similar interests

\*A fun reason to write a check



Habitat for Humanity in Kansas City has scheduled several cause marketing events. (MCT Campus)

## Senate climate change bill to be unveiled this week

By Robert Schroeder  
MCT Campus

Two top Senate Democrats are set to introduce a climate-change bill this week that would put new limits on carbon emissions, as world leaders prepare for a climate summit in Denmark after agreement last week by the G20 nations on phasing out subsidies for fossil fuels.

Senators Barbara Boxer, the California Democrat who chairs the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, and John Kerry, D-Mass., will reportedly unveil their bill on Wednesday after months of closed-door meetings. The bill will be modeled largely on legislation passed by the House of Representatives in June that aims to cut carbon emissions by 17 percent by 2020 and more than 80 percent by 2050 compared to 2005 levels, reported ClimateWire and other publications.

But it's unclear how far the bill will get this year, or how fast. The bill from Kerry and Boxer would come as senators are intensely busy with health-care legislation, President Barack Obama's top domestic priority. Obama is aiming to sign a health-care overhaul this year that would cut costs and cover the uninsured.

At the same time, the Boxer-Kerry bill also comes just over two months before a Dec. 7 meeting in Copenhagen, where world leaders are hoping to finalize a new agreement to reduce greenhouse gases. At last week's G20 meeting in Pittsburgh, leaders pledged to "intensify (their) efforts, in cooperation with other parties, to reach agreement in Copenhagen." They also agreed to slash subsidies in the "medium term" for oil and other fossil fuels as part of their fight against global warming.

But observers say there is little time for Congress to finish a bill before the Copenhagen conference.

"I don't think expectations are that a bill will be signed, sealed and delivered by that point," says Environmental Defense Fund spokesman Tony Kreindler. "There's not a lot of legislating room between now and December."

Indeed, a climate-change bill faces a steep uphill climb in the Senate after passing the House on a narrow 219 to 212 vote in June. Republicans have consistently portrayed Democrats' efforts to reduce global warming as a tax on families and businesses, and say it will lead to loss of jobs and U.S. competitiveness. Moreover, Democrats from industry-heavy states like Michigan and Ohio want breaks for manufacturing industries that would be affected by the legislation's caps on emissions.

Obama argues that the House bill will create jobs through new energy investments, but critics say the "cap and trade" system at the heart of the bill amounts to a tax. Under the "cap and trade" system, companies would buy and sell permits to meet emissions limits.

Kerry, who chairs the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said last week that the bill would be a "starting point" to win over moderate and conservative Democrats as well as Republicans, reported ClimateWire.

"I have no pretensions, and neither does Barbara, that this will be the final product. It is a starting point, a commitment, full-fledged, across party lines to do what we need to do to protect the planet for the next century," Kerry said last week. Hearings on the bill are expected early next month.

Meanwhile, senators' focus on health-care legislation has delayed two energy-related congressional hearings originally scheduled for this week. Hearings in the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee about the economic effects of climate change legislation and managing federal forests in response to climate change "will be rescheduled as soon as possible," according to a committee statement on Monday.

The committee's chairman, Sen. Jeff Bingaman of New Mexico, will be involved in the Senate Finance Committee's work session on the health-care bill. The finance panel is set to resume its consideration of the bill on Tuesday morning.

A summary of the House bill is available at: <http://energy-commerce.house.gov/Press>.

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## Bulldog football moves to 2-1 on season

*Courtesy of Bryant Athletics*

Trailing 10-0 after one quarter, the Bryant University football team scored 20 unanswered points to regain the lead and would hold on for a 20-13 win over Robert Morris Saturday afternoon at Joe Walton Stadium. The win, Bryant's first in Northeast Conference play, improves the Bulldogs to 2-1 overall on the season heading into next Saturday's homecoming game against Wagner College at Bulldog Stadium (1 pm).

Senior running back Jerell Smith had a huge day for the Bulldogs, rushing for 111 yards on 24 carries. It was the eighth time in Smith's career the Brooklyn, NY native has gone over 100 yards rushing in the game.

Quarterback Mike Croce of Waterbury, CT was equally impressive in just his third start. The sophomore completed 14 of 25 passes for 182 yards and a pair of touchdown passes of 9 and 11 yards to pace the Bryant offense.

Croce hooked up with senior wide receiver Khalel Pritchard with a nine-yard touchdown strike midway through the second quarter to pull the Bulldogs to within 10-7. A 28 yard field goal by Chris Bird early in the third tied the game at 10-10 but a 21-yard field goal by Bird at the start of the fourth finally put the visitors in front, 13-10.

The Colonials' ensuing drive was brief as Bryant defensive back Anthony Castelli (Cranston, RI) intercepted a Camdin Crouse pass at the Colonial's 34 yard line and returned it down to the 16 yard line. Two plays later, the Bulldogs turned the mistake into points as Croce hit Mike Canfora with an 11-yard touchdown pass to make it 20-10.

Robert Morris (0-4, 0-1) would add a late field goal to round out the scoring as the Bulldogs im-

prove to 2-1 on the season and 1-0 in league play.

Canfora, a junior running back out of Verona, NJ, caught a career-high six passes for 75 yards while tight end Matt Tracey had three catches for 67 yards. Bryant finished the day with 344 yards of total offense while the defense held RMU to just 167 yards of offense, holding the Colonials talented tailback Myles Russ to just 80 yards on 20 carries. Crouse completed just 5 of 16 passes and was intercepted twice and sacked three times.

Jason Riffe led the defensive effort for Bryant, finishing with nine tackles including a pair for a loss and one sack. Andre Whyte had six tackles while Franck Tebou (5 tackles) and Don Smith (4 tackles) each had a sack in the game while teammates Aaron Bryant and Pat Gauthier combined on sack as well.

The Bulldogs return home hosting Wagner College in a Northeast Conference game. The Bulldogs look to move to 2-0 in league play after opening with an impressive 20-13 win on the road at Robert Morris last Saturday. Bryant is currently 1-1 at home this season and 20-7 at home during the past

five years.

In addition, the Bulldogs boast a perfect 5-0 record on Homecoming & Reunion Weekend under coach Marty Fine. Last year, Bryant defeated Merrimack 20-7 at Homecoming before 5,530 fans. Wagner (2-2, 1-0 NEC) makes its first-ever visit to Smithfield, RI this afternoon as the Seahawks take a 2-2 record into today's game with Bryant. Last week, Wagner downed Saint Francis (PA), 56-48 in three overtimes on Staten Island, NY.



**Junior Mike Canfora caught a career-high six passes for 75 yards including an 11-yard touchdown in Saturday's win over Robert Morris.** (Courtesy of Bryant Athletics)

## Field Hockey continues perfect home record

**By Jackie Ammirato**  
*Assistant Sports Editor*

"I am thoroughly enjoying my first year as head coach; this is my dream job and what I have always wanted." These are the words of Bulldog field hockey coach Shaunessy Saucier. Saucier was a field hockey standout at the University of Maine and last year worked as a Bulldog assistant coach. Saucier feels the team is having a good season thus far despite their record (2-6 at print time). She says the team is improving each game and the fact that the team "is extremely coachable and receptive to new systems, new skills, and new philosophies," makes her job and the job of assistant coaches Lauren and Kadi Sichel that much easier.

Last weekend the team recorded its second win of the season in a 2-0 victory over Colgate at home. The Bulldogs took a quick lead in the game when sophomore Kathy Andrusin scored five minutes in. Andrusin came through again in the second half when she set up junior Elise Boissoneau for the Bulldogs second goal. The team outshot Colgate 18-4 while preserving their perfect record at home.

Senior co-captain Kundayi Mawema had two saves in the game bringing her season total to 63. Saucier identifies Mawema as the standout on the team who plays a major part in the team's success. "She continues to make big saves and keeps us in games. She gets a lot of respect from other teams and coaches that we play against."

Saucier recognizes that one of the team's major problems is not being able to hold onto a lead. The team has held the lead in five of its eight games but has only gone on to win two of those games. Saucier says, "We now know that we can compete

with the teams we are playing, and our goal is to play 70 minutes sticking to the game plan and not allowing those (offensive and defensive) breakdowns."

Unfortunately the team had a big lead squandered again last Sunday at Dartmouth. Goals from senior Tia Podynkowski and sophomore Courtney Landi gave the Bulldogs a 2-1 lead early in the second half. But, Dartmouth refused to go down without a fight, and scored three unanswered goals to go on to win 4-2.

Boissoneau and Landi pace the team offensively holding the top two spots in shots, shots on goals, points, and goals. Statistics aside, Saucier says each member of the team has been a surprise contributor. "The whole team has been so receptive to our new style and so coachable. We have come a long way since preseason, each player is on board, and these girls are ready to win."

The team looks to defend its perfect home record on Sunday, October 11th when it takes on Lock Haven at 1:00 pm.



**The Bulldog field hockey team, led by senior co-captain Kundayi Mawema is a perfect 2-0 at home.** (Courtesy of Bryant Athletics)

**Upcoming Game: HOME vs. Lock Haven, October 11th at 1:00 pm.**

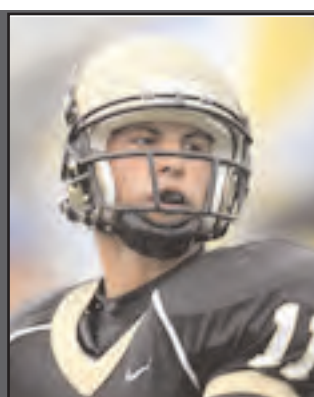


**Deirdre Doyle**

*Year: Freshman*

*Sport: Cross Country*

Doyle finished in first place overall at the Ted Owen Invitational last week. Doyle earned Bryant's first NEC cross country award when she was named women's cross country rookie of the week.



**Mike Croce**

*Year: Junior*

*Sport: Football*

Croce completed 14-of-25 passes for 182 yards and two touchdowns to lead the Bulldogs over Robert Morris. Croce is 43-for-85 for 560 yards with six touchdowns and only one interception on the season.

# Predictions sure to go wrong

David Niles  
Staff Writer

Every year experts and analysts from across the country make bold statements, only to see their predictions torn to shreds a few weeks into the season. Here are ten widespread assumptions heading into this NFL season and how they have already been changed after week 3.

1. **Then:** The Jets would have some of the best pre and postgame spreads with new coach Rex Ryan. **Now:** The Jets actually have had one of the best defenses under their boisterous head coach.

2. **Then:** Tom Brady would pick up where he left off in the 2007 season after returning from knee surgery and the Patriots offense would be tops in the league again. **Now:** Tom Brady and the Patriots offense have yet to get on the same page and Brady has looked uncomfortable in the pocket, despite great improvement in week 3. The mysterious Welker knee injury is worrisome, as is the Patriots' red zone performance.

3. **Then:** Josh McDaniels had run off his young franchise quarterback, was suspending his Pro Bowl

wide receiver and appeared to have lost his team and the confidence of fans. **Now:** After a 3-0 start, experts were reformulating their prediction about the Broncos. But beware, they beat the Cincinnati Bengals on a fluke last-second play and then beat the Cleveland Browns, perhaps the worst team in the NFL. This week they beat the Oakland Raiders, who have a quarterback with a completion percentage below 40%. I would still be surprised if the Broncos finish at .500, even with a ridiculously easy schedule and division.

4. **Then:** With TO in Buffalo, the Bills would engage in an aerodynamic attack with a talented group of wideouts (including standout Lee Evans), and the Cowboys would thrive without TO as a distraction. **Now:** TO has been limited, Evans has been invisible, and Fred Jackson has been the offensive star with Marshawn Lynch out (suspension). Meanwhile Cowboys fans seem to have forgotten that TO may have divided the lockerroom, but he wasn't the cause of Tony Turnover.

5. **Then:** Michael Vick was the biggest story in the NFL despite the fact he couldn't play in games yet. How would he be used in the Wildcat? Would Eagles fans start chanting for him at the first signs of McNabb struggling? Would the two be able to co-

exist? **Now:** McNabb isn't playing, Vick is and it is essentially a non-story. With McNabb still sidelined with a rib injury, Kevin Kolb has filled in and Vick was used sparingly in Week 3 and rendered ineffective in only six plays. No one appears to care either.

6. **Then:** The Titans and Steelers were favorites to win their divisions and were among the favorites to represent the AFC in the Super Bowl. **Now:** The Titans are off to an 0-3 start and their defense just isn't the same without DT Albert Haynesworth. The Steelers are now 1-2 after dropping a game to the division rival Bengals. The Bengals are a miracle Brandon Stokley tipped-pass reception away from being undefeated.

7. **Then:** Mark Sanchez was being questioned by his own college coach for leaving school early and pursuing the pros. The Jets had few offensive weapons for him to use as a crutch and there were questions about how a rookie would handle the New York spotlight. **Now:** Sanchez has the offense rolling (as much as the Jets need given their defense), appears to be a true leader, has handled the media and attention admirably, and has Jet fans calling him the next Broadway Joe. USC, meanwhile, was upset by a much less-talented Washington squad (maybe that was why Pete didn't want Mark to leave?).

8. **Then:** The Detroit Lions were the laughing stock of the NFL. They had continually botched their 1st round draft picks and failed to win a single game in 2008. **Now:** The Lions won a game for the Ford family by beating Daniel Snyder's Redskins. The Redskins are now the laughing stock of the league and no matter how much money Snyder throws at free agents and no matter how many different coaches he experiments with, the Redskins become more and more embarrassing. However, the Lions remain a joke, celebrating their regular season win like a Super Bowl championship. But maybe we should let them enjoy it. They may not get another chance. They only play the Redskins once this year.

9. **Then:** Drew Brees would continue to put up great fantasy football numbers but would never win with the way the defense was currently constructed. **Now:** Drew Brees is putting up eye-popping, mind-numbing numbers but has turned the Saints into winners. Apparently, experts forgot that it doesn't matter how many points your defense gives up if your offense can put up more. Forty-plus points per game has apparently been more than enough for New Orleans.

10. **Then:** Adrian Peterson had established himself as the premier back in the NFL. **Now:** Well, I guess he's still pretty good.

**My Three Bold Predictions sure to go wrong**

1. Despite their teams starting a combined 5-1, Jay Cutler and Kyle Orton will struggle as their styles of play don't fit their personnel.

2. Five quarterbacks will lose their starting job for a reason other than injury.

3. Neither of last year's Super Bowl contenders will make the playoffs. The Steelers defense isn't the same and the Cardinals offense isn't the same. Not to mention the Cardinals defense used smoke and mirrors last year. The Bengals (and Chad Ocho Cinco's TD celebrations) and 49ers (if Frank Gore's injury doesn't linger) will take those respective divisions.



Minnesota Vikings running back Adrian "All Day" Peterson has already shown this year that he may indeed just be the best running back in the league. (MCT Campus)

## Paredes wins Flight A championship as Men's Tennis enjoys big weekend at UConn

By Dan Cournoyer  
Staff Writer

There is something about regional tournaments that bring out the best in the Bryant men's tennis team. A few years ago, the Bulldogs had a strong showing at the ITA regionals with Jose Rodriguez winning the East regional title. Since then, the Bulldogs have enjoyed great outings at Newport, Fairfield and Brown. Now, we can include the UConn Invitational as another tournament where the Bulldogs have made history.

Led by the play of Juan Paredes, the Bulldogs finished the Husky tournament with a combined 18-9 record with Paredes capturing the singles tournament title in Flight A. Paredes picked up over UConn's Yoon 6-4, 6-4 in the semifinals and secured the championship with a win over Holy Cross's Wierzel in the final match.

Teammate Cristian Balestrieri also reached the semifinals of the same flight as Paredes, but fell to Wierzel in the other semifinal, preventing a matchup with Paredes in the final. But Balestrieri's play helped set the stage for Paredes to win the Flight A, giving Wierzel all he could handle before falling 7-6, 7-5.

Other highlights for the Bulldogs include Tom Nowak who reached the semifinals of Flight B singles with a stunning come-from-behind win over Bucknell's Marcil, 2-6, 6-3, 10-8.

Bryant's No. 3 and No. 4 doubles both reached the semifinals of Flight C as the tandem of Nowak and Gardiner helped the Bulldogs rebound from Wednesday's loss with a big win over UConn's No. 2 doubles.

"Our first Division I Flight A championship could not have been sweeter," said a pleased coach Ron Gendron. "The tag-team victory from Juan and Cristian was absolutely phenomenal. The guys played great. I couldn't be more proud of them."



Sophomore Juan Paredes captured the singles tournament title in Flight A at the UConn Invitational last weekend. (Courtesy of Bryant Athletics)

Watch Paredes and the rest of the men's tennis team when they host Rhode Island College on Sunday, October 4th at 1:00.



# And they're off!

**Sara Larrabee**  
Staff Writer

It's that time of year again! The Intramural Sports Department kicked off their first week of games with flag football and co-ed indoor soccer. Starting this week is the ever popular and very competitive Frosh Hoops. Comprised of teams of all ages and classes, intramural sports give students the opportunity to play competitively with each other, but in a friendly and casual setting without the commitment of a Division I or club sport. Instead of running on the treadmill for an hour straight or lifting weights until your arms fall off, you can go, run around, and have a blast with all of your friends and go for the gold.

When asked about the recent success of the program the Student Director of Intramurals, AJ Papa, credits his hard working staff of student leaders and officials, and all of the intramural sports' participants. "They make my job 10 times easier. Surrounding yourself with goal-oriented and driven individuals is just one of the steps in having a successful program. The program the last few years has had participation really increase; for example basketball over the last three years has grown by leaps and bounds; in 2007 there were a total of 52 teams, 2008 had 63, and last year we had 72 teams combined for all three leagues. Intramurals cannot run without student participation so we would like to thank you for making our job easier."

Frosh Hoops is one of the newest additions to the fall intramural line-up, and is designed, according to Papa, "to acclimatize the freshmen a little more to the school. It is supposed

to allow them to meet more people, and the program is supposed to act more as a social gathering than an intramural season." The teams are set up by each hall's Resident Assistants (RAs) and they battle for bragging rights. This year, the Intramural Department decided to open up the league to sophomores who did not get to play last year, and a few men's and women's upper classmen teams, to stiffen the competition.

Flag football runs from Monday to Thursday, Frosh Hoops and soccer are scheduled to run from Sunday to Thursday; football from 3-6pm Mondays and Wednesdays and 3:15-6:15 Tuesdays and Thursdays, while soccer and Frosh Hoops are from 7-11pm all nights. There are some very interesting team names being created this year. For example: Touch My Ocho Cinco, Touchdown My Pants Down, Soiled Linen, Jon and Kate Plus 8, Multiple Scoregasms, Sausage Fest, and The Ball, just to name a few wacky titles.

You do not have to play intramurals to become involved! Even though it is now too late to join the fall sports, fans are always welcome to cheer the teams on to victory, or for just plain moral support. So come out to the football fields, gymnasium, or basketball courts to root for your favorite team. For more information regarding any of the fall intramurals, please feel free to visit their website <http://intramurals.bryantbulldogs.com>, or if you have any questions please email AJ Papa, Student Director of Intramurals, at [BUIntramurals@aim.com](mailto:BUIntramurals@aim.com). Keep your eyes peeled for information about the winter intramurals, only about a month away.

## Bryant claims crown at home-Geonnotti named Invitational MVP

**Eva Mahan**  
Staff Writer

After a loss to Howard and a hard fought win over Brown on Saturday, the women's volleyball team headed into their final game of the Bryant Invitational tournament with a 1-1 record, needing one more win to secure the crown.

The Bulldogs prevailed over the Coppin State Eagles with an impressive offensive performance from sophomore outside hitter, Jazmin Stoner (Durango, Colo.) and a strong defensive game from junior Robyn Gardner (Longwood, Fla.).

"I thought we played really well today," said Head Coach Theresa Garlacy. "They were one of the weakest teams we've played so we were able to relax a little and just play our game."

Prior to Saturday's game against Brown, freshman Macy Mitravich suffered an injury that prevented her from playing in the final two games of the tournament and forced the Bulldogs to do some shuffling of positions. "Julie had to move to the left side and we had to shift Emily to the right and Adrienne to the middle to make up for Macy being out," said Garlacy. "We adjusted and everyone did really well playing positions they don't usually play."

Despite the injury, the Bulldogs came out firing and after three serves, including an ace, from Stoner, the Eagles were forced to call a timeout with Bryant leading 13-8. The Eagles regained some composure but quickly got out-played again with kills from Adrienne Boss (Dracut, Mass.), Maria Scocca (Melrose, Mass.) and Julie Geonnotti (Louis Park, Minn.). The Bulldogs captured the first set 25-14 with a kill from Scocca that was returned into the ceiling rafters by the Eagles.

The Bulldogs started the second set with a 9-4 lead which the Eagles quickly cut to 11-10 with kills from Christina Epps and Ashley Saunders. But after a string of serves from senior Adriana Fuertes, the Bulldogs were

back in business with a 16-10 lead.

After an Eagle's timeout, a block from Scocca and Geonnotti was bobbled out of bounds and the Bulldogs cruised to a 25-16 victory with another Scocca Geonnotti block assist and kills from Geonnotti and freshman Emily Kaup (Chandler, Ariz.).

Gardner had the first ten serves of the third set before Jade Dudley found the Bulldog's floor with a hard spike, tallying the Eagle's first point of the set making the score 9-1. With a quick kill from Stoner though, Bryant regained possession and after a few long volleys and consecutive serves into the net from both teams, the Bulldogs led 16-4.

The Eagles however were not going down without a fight and after scoring four straight points, Garlacy was forced to call her first

timeout of the game which proved beneficial when CSU's next serve found the net and the Bulldogs got the ball back.

The score stood at 24-14 following two kills from the Eagles that landed outside the lines until Geonnotti finished off the game with an impressive kill. Gardner recorded 14 digs in the third set on her way to a career-high 33 on the game.

Stoner finished with a match-high 13 kills while Boss added six and Scocca, nine, coupled with a match-high 5 blocks (2 solo, 3 assists). Fuertes displayed beautiful, consistent passes all afternoon and dished out 28 assists. Freshman Samantha Whitman saw some quality time in the setting position as well and collected six assists.

Geonnotti received the Bryant Invitational MVP award after her eight kill, nine dig, and one block performance. She was also named to the all-tournament team along with teammate, Scocca, who gathered 42 kills and 22 blocks on the weekend.



**Senior captain Julie Geonnott gathered eight kills, nine digs and a block in Bryant's final match to earn the Bryant Invitational MVP award. (BryantBulldogs)**

## Bulldog Bites

**By Jackie Ammirato**  
Assistant Sports Editor

### Volleyball-DI All-Independent Awards

**Maria Scocca-Player of the Week**

**Robyn Gardner-Defensive Player of the Week**

Sophomore Maria Scocca and junior Robyn Gardner were named Player of the Week and Defensive Player of the Week respectively.

Scocca excelled at the Bryant Invitational, collecting 42 kills and 22 blocks, good enough for her third all-tournament selection of the season. Scocca finished the week with 54 kills and 24 blocks, surpassing the 200-kill mark. She leads the team in points, attacks, kills, and blocks.

Gardner totaled 86 digs in the team's four games last week, including 33 in the victory over Coppin State. Gardner who leads the team in digs, also lead the team with five aces during the week.

### Baseball

Bulldogs head baseball coach Jamie Pinzino announced the team's 2010 schedule this week. The team is slated to play twenty games at the Bryant Baseball Complex, playing host to teams such as UNC Asheville, Boston College, Northeastern, Central Connecticut State, Fairleigh Dickinson, Brown, Wagner, and Sacred Heart. The team finished their first season of Division I play with an impressive 32-22 record and looks to build on that starting with their first game, February 26th at Nicholls State.

### Cross Country

Both the men's and women's cross country teams finished in third place at the Central Connecticut Ted Owen Invitational last weekend. Freshman Deidre Doyle led the way for the Bulldog women coming in first place overall. She was followed by a 13th place finish from fellow freshman Megan Robertson and a 22nd place finish from Kathrijin Moulin.

The men's team was led by freshman David Hurley who placed 8th overall and junior Scott Twardowski who finished 16th overall. Both teams return to action on October 10th at the New England Championships in Boston.

### NEC Women's Cross Country Rookie of the Week

**Deidre Doyle**

Bulldog freshman Deidre Doyle was awarded the NEC's women's cross country rookie of the week award last week. The award marks the first NEC accolade for the Bryant cross country program. Doyle finished first overall in both the Quinnipiac Invitational and the Central Connecticut Ted Owen Invitational. Doyle and the rest of the cross country program return to action on October 10th at the New England Championships at Franklin Park in Boston.

### Football

The Bulldog football team returns home this weekend for the Homecoming game, this year against NEC rival Wagner. The team looks to move to 2-0 in league play after last week's 20-13 victory over Robert Morris. The team has history on its side, boasting a 5-0 record in Homecoming games under Coach Marty Fine. The Wagner Seahawks bring a 2-2 record on their first ever trip to Smithfield.

## Bryant On Tap

**Friday, October 2nd:**

**Women's Soccer, HOME vs. Central Connecticut, 7:00pm**  
**Volleyball, HOME vs. Central Connecticut St., 7:00 pm**

**Saturday, October 3rd:**

**Football, HOME vs. Wagner, 1:00 pm**

**Sunday, October 4th:**

**Field Hockey, at St. Francis (PA.), 12:00 pm**  
**Men's Soccer, HOME vs. St. Francis (NY) 1:00 pm**  
**Women's Soccer, at Quinnipiac, 3:00 pm**

**Tuesday, October 6th:**

**Volleyball, at Providence College, 7:00 pm**

**Thursday, October 8th:**

**Volleyball, at Holy Cross, 7:00 pm**

# Students Out Speak

"What is your opinion of the interfaith center?"

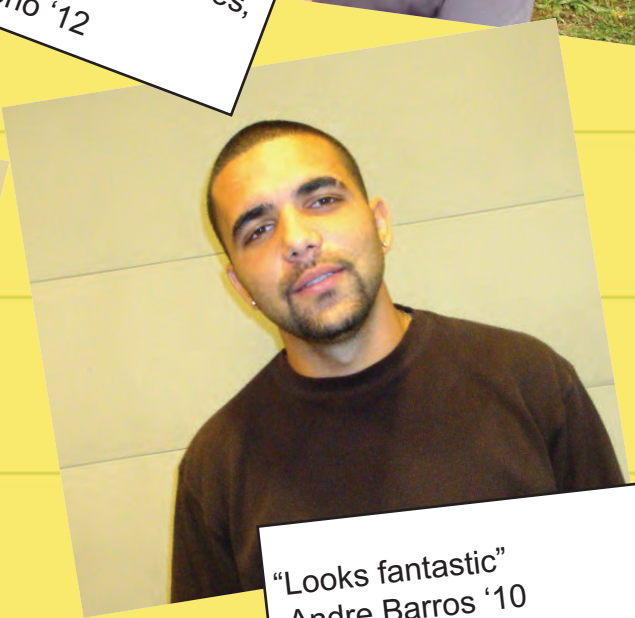


"I think that there should have been more housing or parking lots"  
-Carly Warland '10



"If there is Greek writing in the building but Bryant doesn't offer Greek Orthodox services, what's the point?"  
-Alex DiGregorio '12

"I think it's great. It's a beautiful building but it's utterly useless. Religion was never a big factor at Bryant. They could have built another form of the Bryant Center with classrooms and meeting rooms"  
-Pia Shivdasani '10



"Looks fantastic"  
-Andre Barros '10

"Looks nice on the outside"  
-Alex Damore '13



"I haven't been yet personally but people seem to enjoy mass better than before"  
-Steve Alabrandi '11



## I'll raise you my daughter

By Michael Adams  
Assistant Editor-in-Chief

I know that many of you read my articles because, generally, they are down-right hilarious. This week's article is no exception. I was scanning my usual news story websites and stumbled upon this gem of stupidity: A man in India

gambled his 18 year-old daughter away because he was out of money from his card game.

Ok, first off, I would love to see the neurons firing in this guy's brain. What the heck was going through his head? "Oh, let's put up Shelly. She won't mind. After all, she's only my daughter. I have three more. I'm sure Ricky would love her." Umm...last time I checked, human beings were living, breathing creatures—not a plastic poker chip (although some may argue that residents in Beverley Hills are made of plastic and pretty close to poker chips). Who would even think of gambling their daughter away?

As I have said in previous articles, there are people on this planet that should have never conceived a child. I've written about dropping your children at the hospital and abandoning them, but this is definitely worse. Then again, dropping your children off at the hospital is kind of like gambling them away.

As I read this article, I am shocked by multiple sentences. To start things off just peachy, the daughter actually objected to being thrown into the pot. Wait, you mean, she didn't want to willingly go home with some grungy old man who won her during a card game? Seriously, she really needs to reevaluate her priorities. Give me a break. I also want to know if her Dad was like, "Hey, Shelly, you coming to poker tonight? I want to gamble you away". "Ok Dad, let's go. I've always wanted to degrade myself and have men gamble me away. It sounds like fun." Now, regardless of that being the way it played out or not, why didn't the dad try to pull her away from

the winner and realize he made a mistake. The article states that he's a compulsive gambler—maybe that's why. I'm waiting until he gambles the rest of his family away.

The other thing I want to know is what the winner of the girl was thinking. What made him think that taking this man's daughter was perfectly moral and had no ethical dilemma? I would think that maybe, just maybe, he would return the man's daughter after realizing he is mentally incapable of knowing what it is like to be an upstanding member of his society. Now, I could understand if this man raffled off a goat or maybe his front door or something, but really, your own daughter? Clearly, three quarters of the way through this article, I am still floored that people would gamble away their own daughter.

Fortunately, the father realized that he made the biggest mistake of his life and called the police (yep, he had no idea who he was playing poker with). As of this article going to print, the girl has still not been found. Maybe the winner dragging his "prize" out of the poker room is a sign that he meant business. Was the father jokingly offering up his daughter or did he think the man across the table would say something like, "Nah, man. I'm just pulling your chain. You are stupid to gamble away your own daughter". Tough luck, your daughter is gone. Oh, and, rightfully so, his family kicked him out of the house after "losing" his daughter.

Lastly, I want to make sure that you all knew that gambling is 100% illegal in India. This man was playing in one of the thousands of underground "dens" in the country that attract the low-income individuals because they think they can make a quick buck (or a quick daughter in this case). The bottom line here is to think before you talk. Don't randomly go putting up your family because you have a royal flush. Think about what you are doing. This guy deserves to live in filth on the street for making the stupidest decision ever. Mr. Poker, you win the trophy for Worst Dad of the Week.



(MCT Campus)

## Words of Wellness Spirituality IS part of wellness



By Jen Diprete  
Staff Columnist

Welcome back alumni to your home away from home! As you can see, our campus is buzzing with all the activity that a new semester brings. Along with the hustle and bustle of the fall comes the addition of a new building to our landscape in the form of the Interfaith Center. As a Health Educator, I was taught that spirituality is one of the dimensions of wellness and for some,

the most important factor in living a well balanced life.

While spirituality has many definitions, I believe at its core spirituality helps to give our lives context. It does not necessarily have to be tied to a specific belief system or religious worship. Instead, it arises from a connection with yourself and with others, the development of your personal value system, and your search for meaning in life. Research has found that those who feel a greater connection to something beyond themselves exhibit lower levels of depression and stress. I attended the same college for undergraduate and graduate studies where the Humanities Philosophy, "Educating the whole person – spirit, mind, and body – for leadership and service to others," was deeply embedded into the fabric of the community. Spirituality is as much a part of us as our bodies and minds. Finding peace, tranquility,

and calm can come in many different forms. Indeed, one person's brand of spirituality may look entirely different from another's.

Religion - Following and practicing a particular religion is what gives life meaning to many people. It can lead to a greater sense of hope and produce positive coping responses. Religion can provide a foundation and framework by which everyday decisions – big and small – are made. Religion allows for feeling part of a community, providing a basic belief system of guiding principles. It brings forth an understanding that something bigger than us is in control during challenging times and provides us with a sense of comfort and joy during these same trying times as well as when things are going smoothly.

Mindfulness/Meditation – For centuries, the practice of being in tune and open to the present moment has provided peace and well being to those who seek it. Yoga, deep breathing, traditional meditation, Tai-Chi, etc, each allow for a moment to reconnect with oneself and tune in to the here and now. Being in touch with one's body and one's immediate surroundings while focusing on a single positive thought, breath, or image has a way of bringing peace and calm to turbulent circumstances. It also clears the mind and aids in viewing a difficult situation with more clarity. Some might say it brings them to a state of enlightenment or bliss.

Nature – The ocean, mountains, open fields, a patch of sunflowers. All of the above and more can produce a sense of wonder and awe. The sound of waves crashing and gently rolling in, the scent of

clean, fresh mountain air in the midst of a hike, the sensory explosion of connecting with nature can for sure be a spiritual awakening in itself. The Discovery Channel has a show on each morning called, "Sunrise Earth." I make a point to watch and listen to even a minute of the particular location they are showcasing at sunrise. There is no commentator or commercials, just a steady stream of images and sounds from a particular part of the world as day breaks. To watch nature at work is truly a thing of beauty.

Music/Writing/Art – A sense of connectedness and spirituality can be found in the arts. Some of the visual, auditory, and physical specimens that are produced by talented individuals and groups can leave one in awe. Walking through an art gallery alone can produce a spiritual experience as one focuses on the masterful precision of what lies before them. In many ways, the arts are a form of release and expression. This catharsis can be very spiritual in and of itself.

As you can see, spirituality can take on many forms. I encourage you to exercise the spiritual side of your well being just as you exercise your body by lifting weights and riding a bike. Take a moment to sit quietly at some point during the day, blocking out all that is going on around you. Allow yourself a "time out" to refresh and rejuvenate. So as we welcome the opening of another beautiful facility at Bryant to enhance the community, I challenge you to explore the spiritual dimension of wellness in your own life. Have a wonderful weekend and week ahead. Be well!

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# The Ant Thomas Corner

## Is it a turnoff when women pursue men?

By **Anthony Thomas**  
Staff Writer

For the sake of "the new millennium" and independent women, let us imagine a world with the roles of male and female reversed. A woman approaches a man trying to muster up her confidence and craftiness of words, only to get completely ignored by the guy. A woman trying to get "the bang for her buck" chugging beer from the draft, but finding a guy who catches her eye, digs a hole in her tab, only to get the ole "I'm sorry I have a girlfriend" excuse.

Even something more simple like a girl losing brownie points because she did not hold the door for the guy when they went out on a date.

The point I am driving at is although roles in the workforce are slowly changing, roles in relationships are not. The day my girlfriend gets on one knee and proposes to me, I am not only saying no, but our relationship is over.

On a more serious note a tasteful amount of aggression from females is always attractive for me. The happy medium is a plus, like let me pay for our first date, and thereafter I encourage being graced by the perks of the "new" format of relationships. Things such as going half on the bill are nice, and when a lady says she is going to pay for the bill IS SEXY!!

In our new age relationships it is harder for guys and girls to find their appropriate roles. Females being the breadwinners of the households was unheard of as little as fifty years ago, but it is not that unusual now. This alone brings up security issues regarding the male, being that our role was supposed to be completely dominant until now. While males must forfeit some of their power, they also

must have a good amount of it, because to completely forfeit your dominance is not respected by females. Although some ladies may not admit it, they like to be with a "man's man", not walk around with his backbone letting him borrow it only to walk.

I got this week's topic from a book group that is on campus titled "Can we talk here?" The book group will use "He's Just Not That Into You" by Greg Behrendt and Liz Tuccillo, to probe relationship discussions. It is a very interesting book not only to me, but it received

best seller honors, was featured on Oprah, and there is even a movie about it.

Behrendt and Tuccillo are very creative with thinking of brief

letters sent to them

from females in need of relationship advice and also responding back with a succinct reason why the guy they are wracking their brains about is "just not that into her".

On this subject matter, Behrendt and Tuccillo advises females that if a guy is not willing to pursue her than she should recognize her worth and move on. As defended before, I think it is more complicated than that, because a female recognizing what she wants and letting it be known can many times be a turn on. Behrendt, Tuccillo, and I agree that relationships are very much still a game when the guy is a chaser and likes this role and the female is flattered and empowered by being chased.

If you are interested in discussing more about relationships and being a part of the "Can We Talk Here?" book group email [jwargo@bryant.edu](mailto:jwargo@bryant.edu). (For now the group prefers females but in the future they are looking to incorporate males).

'As defended before, I think it is more complicated than that, because a female recognizing what she wants and letting it be known can many times be a turn on.'

## Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I thoroughly enjoy reading The Archway every Friday and the "Fraternity recruitment gets formal" article in the Campus News section caught my attention for several reasons. As a member of Greek Life, I would expect for all organizations represented on this campus to be recognized and Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. was not recognized as a sorority on Bryant's campus in this article after being reestablished this past spring. I would also like to note that "Delta Sigma Sorority, Inc." should read "Delta Sigma THETA Sorority, Inc." Though they do not have any members on our campus at this time, I thought that should be noted as well.

Thank you for taking the time to write about Greek Life in The Archway and I hope that in the future we can work together to inform our campus about other Greek Life organizations and events!

Thank you,

Cristine Cox  
Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.

## Public option

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take away other things that are too popular, like freedom, or the right to bear arms? The fact of the matter is that if people did not want it, they would not take it. And more importantly, if they like it then they will – and should – keep using it. For shame on us for liking something the government implemented.

I will make it clear, options are not harmful, it is picking the wrong option that can be harmful. What this means is that a public option does not necessitate the failure of the private insurance; if anything it ensures that it must compete against another provider – one who is probably giving insurance to those who the private insurers previously declined as it is. So private insurance is probably not losing a good deal of insureds at the outset, and will not lose a lot unless the public option is better.

So what have we realized in all of this? Well, it appears that this disapproval of the public option is not based on a real pre-existing condition, but rather a misdiagnosis of the public option and what its effectiveness would be in our health care system. However poignant the pre-existing condition analogy is, the real analogy is that of the Republicans trying to kill the public option and lying under oath to the jury that is the American public.

# Have an opinion about any of these articles?

Sound off at  
[www.BryantArchway.com](http://www.BryantArchway.com)

# Observations

Compiled by Bryant Students

## Funniest parking restriction ever?

The restriction for parking for the homecoming gala event are very detailed: 7 rows from the MAC and the Chase Center Circle. I like the sound of valet parking though. Can that be a campus initiative?

## Time for an Update!

The bulletin boards in the Unistrukture are quite outdated. Outside of Salmo there are still remnants from Bryant Experience and upstairs in the roto there is still a detailed schedule of Welcome Weekend.

## Sprinkler Challenge

If you can make it by the sprinklers next to the Interfaith Center and the Bryant Center then you should try out for Ninja Warrior.

## Weekly Goose Report

The geese have moved. Beware the walkway leading from the Suite Village to the Bryant Center as it has become inundated with goose presents. Walk this path at your shoes' own risk!

## Another Blatant Recycling Fail

There are several barrels that are painted blue and have the words recycling painted on them and they are sitting next to the facilities building behind the rugby fields. Why are these not place around campus yet?

Send Observations to [agreen1@bryant.edu](mailto:agreen1@bryant.edu).

# Bryant Said What!?

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"That woman looks like she has a guardrail on her chin."

"Guy 1: I am just going to randomly calculate ratios. The current asset ratio is 2.75, but I do not know what that means.

Guy 2: It means someone is having sex..."

"It tastes like someone shoved a leather shoe down my throat."

"Guy 1: Want to drink before class?

Guy 2: No, maybe our last class though. You know, the one where we talk about ethics."

"But you're still happy because you got milk and cookies out of it."

E-mail funny quotes to [agreen1@bryant.edu](mailto:agreen1@bryant.edu).

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## How did I stay up with you all night?

*Two reviews of The Fray's concert at the University of Rhode Island*



**By Coburn Childs**  
Staff Writer

The University of Rhode Island's Ryan Center played host last week to popular alternative/piano-rock band 'The Fray,' and boy was it a show! A few thousand fans turned out for what was arguably one of the best concert experiences I've ever been to. With a good mix of songs from both of their albums, The Fray really catered to the fans and offered a crowd-pleasing experience that won't soon be forgotten.

Opening for The Fray, The Wheel—also a Colorado-based band with an eclectic array of instruments—did a pretty good job of getting the audience eager for the main act to follow. Although their lyrics were not easily understandable, The Wheel really did have musical talent and played a nice 9-or-10 song set. Characterized mostly by soft bass lines, heavy piano, cello, and even a

glockenspiel(!) thrown in, they can best be described as a funky,

folksy, acoustic mix-up of Eddie Vedder and Jason Mraz. Sure they probably won't ever be wildly popular, but they are worth checking out if that is your type of music.

After a long intermission—as well as a lot of built-up excitement radiating from the crowd—The Fray finally took to the stage amidst wild applause. Five large television screen pillars adorned the back of the stage, stretching a good 25 feet to the ceiling. They showed images of large blue raindrops falling onto the stage as the first soft notes of "Happiness" rang throughout the venue. Lights were dim for the first half of the song—that is, until it was interrupted by the famous opening beat to "Over My Head (Cable Car)." The lights then came up, and the roar of the crowd became deafening, as we all began to sing along: "I never knew. I never knew that everything was falling through..." This hit song was the beginning to a night of incredible music from what I consider to be one of the best bands of the past few years.

Indeed, a particularly impressive aspect of the concert was how clear the vocals were, perfectly balanced with the assortment of instruments—including a baby grand piano that was rolled on-stage halfway through the night. Lead singer Isaac Slade injects good vibrato and emotion into his songs, which are sometimes (unjustly) classified as "whiny." His piano skills are also very impressive, as are the rest of the band members' command of their instruments. On longtime favorite "How to Save a Life," the spotlight focused

directly on the piano as Slade lamented "Where did I go wrong? I lost a friend" and the soft instruments eventually kicked in much harder to give the song more passion and depth.

That same passion radiated throughout the night, but especially on the strong ballad "Never Say Never." A love song that pleads "don't let me go," it was sung with equal fervor and sorrow by musicians and audience alike as Slade eventually stood on the piano and reached the microphone out for the audience to sing a cappella. Other highlights included "She Is," "Little House," "Fair Fight," and popular hit "You Found Me." During that one, the audience once again—as they did for many songs throughout the show—jumped right on board with singing along and getting into the music. The Fray certainly demon-

strated their know-how of relating to the crowd and bringing a specific energy to every song. The tall screens featured a grainy, shaky

camera taking in the scope of a large city skyline, zooming in to get the full view of each building. The end of this song was also when The Fray departed the stage to massive applause. However, it wasn't the end. The members took to the stage once again—and after about a five minute wait—to close out the night with an acoustic cover of Kanye West's "Heartless." Synthesizing instruments were lightly blended in to set a funky but soft tone to a song that the band fondly dedicated "to Taylor Swift"—a reference to the onstage fiasco at the VMA awards a couple of weeks ago. This song then led right back into "Happiness," the song that started it all off. Once again the lights dimmed and the blue raindrops fell as The Fray quietly finished out the second half of their thoughtful song, bringing to a close a very memorable night.

Overall, The Fray put on a fantastic performance, notable especially for the fact that they truly focused on the quality of the music and did not only just "perform." Strong vocals and accompaniment made for a great show that never lacked in quality or heart. Although this was my first time seeing them in concert, the connection The Fray established with their audience was very obvious and a testament to their talent as musicians. I already cannot wait to get tickets to their next show.

**By Jenny Sali**  
Staff Writer

What did I do Tuesday night? Why, I went to The Fray concert of course. Jealous? You have every right to be. While most people on campus were doing their homework I decided to go check out The Fray concert at the Ryan Center at the University of Rhode Island. We had general floor admission so we were right in front of the stage, had a great view and could see the band the whole entire performance...well almost the entire performance. Recommendation? If you are short or "fun-sized" as some people prefer to be called, then floor admission is probably not the place for you. Being five-feet-tall such as myself, everyone is basically taller than you and you can't really see anything unless you stand farther back...or unless you have a 6'2" boyfriend who lets you sit on his shoulders.

Five vertical LCD panels and hanging stringed lights provided for a very effective background. The show started lights off, with single baby blue drops falling on the panels like a meteor shower. Barely any music playing, lead singer, Isaac Slade, starts singing "Happiness" then the band breaks out into their famous single "Over My Head (Cable Car)." The band has come quite a long way from getting rejected eight times before getting airplay on their local Denver, Colorado radio station to touring all over the country. Overall, the concert was amazing. The Fray performed their hit songs such as "How to Save a Life," "You Found Me," "Never Say Never" and songs from their new self-titled album (*The Fray*) including "Syndicate" and "Absolute."

The Fray put on an excellent performance; the singing and acoustics were fantastic and the lighting was spectacular. Fortunately at a concert such as this, there wasn't a mosh pit but that didn't stop an individual from attempting to crowd surf and failing miserably. Filled with sing-a-longs and some overly enthused fans, it was a really fun night. Perhaps the best part was when The Fray did their rendition of "Heartless," while giving a shout-out to Taylor Swift. Luckily the concert didn't run terribly long and we managed to get back on campus just in time to get a full 8 hours of sleep before my 9:00 am class the next morning.

### Upcoming Concerts

**Blues Traveler**  
with **Jamie McLean**  
Tuesday, October 6th

**The Bravery**  
Friday, October 9th

**Colbie Caillat**  
with **Howie Day**  
Sunday, October 11th

**Less Than Jake** with  
**Oreskaband, The Swellers**  
and **Bomb Factory**  
Wednesday, November 18th

**311** with **State Radio** and  
**Sidcar Radio**  
Wednesday, November 25th

**Blue October** with **Cracker**  
Friday, November 6th

# Celebrity Round-Up

## The latest on the stars in Hollywood

By Carlos Ramos  
Staff Writer

Making headlines everywhere earlier this week was the marriage between Khloe Kardashian and NBA Laker Lamar Odom. The two wed on Sunday at a private lavish ceremony in Hollywood. Celebrities in attendance included: Ryan Seacrest, who is a producer for the reality show *Keeping Up with the Kardashians*, Kelly Osbourne, and Laker teammate Kobe Bryant.

The marriage came much to a surprise to the public, seeing as the couple had only been dating for a month. It is Hollywood though and look what happened to Britney and K-Fed; let's see how long this one will last.

Another couple saying their "I dos" over the weekend was Jaime Pressly and Simran Singh. The two wed at the Dick Clark estate in Malibu; Pressly is a former star of the hit TV show *My Name is Earl* and Singh is an entertainment lawyer.

Remember Justin Guarini? Well, the former season one runner up on *American Idol* tied the knot with long time girlfriend Reina Capodici in a private ceremony over the weekend.

Congratulations to Sarah Michelle Gellar who gave birth to her first baby girl Charlotte Grace Prinze. Gellar is married to actor Freddie Prinze Jr.; the couple met back in 1997 on set of *I Know What You Did Last Summer*.

For the *Melrose Place* fans old and new you'll be happy to be know that Heather Locklear of the original cast will return as Amanda. Locklear has already started filming scenes.

John Travolta and wife Kelly Preston returned to the Bahamas this past week to testify against former senator Pleasant Bridgewater and ambulance driver Tarino Lightbourne. Travolta was tipped off by a staffer that the two were trying to extort \$25 million; Travolta said if he didn't pay a document Travolta signed to refuse transporting his son Jett to the local hospital would be leaked to the press.

Jay-Z may not be number on the Billboard chart for his new album *The Blueprint 3* this week, but he does set a record that was previously held by Elvis Presley for the most number one albums; Jay-Z now holds the record with 11 number one albums.

Over the weekend in the movies: Bruce Willis couldn't take the number one spot and had to settle for second with his new movie *Surrogates* that was interestingly enough filmed in Lowell and around Boston Mass. So the number one spot went to the animated film *Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs* for the second week in a row bringing in an estimated \$24 million.

Then to round up the top three was the remake of Alan Parker's 1980 musical *Fame* with \$10 million. Tune in next week to read about what movie will be number one at the box office.



Khloe Kardashian and Lamar Odom get married. (MCT Campus)



John Travolta and Kelly Preston (MCT Campus)

## Bulldog Biscuits

### Rocco's Italian Osteria has the flavor

By Chris Macksey and A.J. Toto  
Staff Writer

chef and pastry chef at Peppermills, as well as Laney's in Southwestern Vermont. Chris' main passion is French/New England cooking. AJ is a Polish-Italian from New Jersey whose whole life revolved around two things, good food and a very loud family serving it. For our first dining review, we decided to take a short trip to Rocco Italian Osteria, located about less than a mile from the Bryant Campus. An Italian osteria is traditionally similar to an upscale Italian tavern, where alcohol is the main attraction and the food is often the accompaniment. An osteria is less formal than a ristorante or trattoria such as D' Carlo's or Trattoria Romana, two other local favorites.

#### Atmosphere-

When we got into the parking lot, we pulled up to a beautiful building in the middle of nowhere. Upon entering we were welcomed with live jazz music and a rustic feel of southern Italy with an outside dining option. The atmosphere was warm and welcoming with its dimly lit dining area, dark furnishings

and rustic style. Off of the dining area, Rocco's has a gorgeous bar with a view of the kitchen. An open kitchen is always a welcoming feature, as it gives diners more of a connection with the food they are eating. The atmosphere at Rocco's was definitely the highpoint of the visit.

**Food-** We began with fresh baked sourdough and focaccia bread accompanied by rosemary infused olive oil with balsamic vinegar. The bread was baked perfectly with a crisp crust and a warm center, the oil was light with a kick of the woody rosemary at the end, however, the balsamic was a bit overpowering. For an appetizer, we ordered a layered eggplant in a puff pastry crust with spicy marinara sauce. This appetizer had good flavor, but Chris and I felt it was texturally lacking. A.J. felt it was a bit too bready with both the eggplant and the crust and was hoping it would have been slightly crispier. Eggplant is always a difficult vegetable to work with as it has sponge-like features, which can lead to a slimy feeling in the mouth. For entrees, Chris ordered handmade riga-

Welcome to the first edition of the food review, Bulldog Biscuits. Chris is a Vermonter and experienced cook, working as a sous

toni pasta with a pink truffle sauce. Chris felt that it was a very rich dish, the fresh pasta was cooked well, but he felt there should have been a central ingredient in the dish; it needed something else. Overall the dish was good and he would have ordered it again. A.J. ordered Chicken Arrabiata with fresh grilled vegetables. Arrabiata literally translates into "angry sauce" and Rocco's definitely put a spin on the classic Italian dish; instead of using red chilis they made the dish with green jalapeno peppers in a light tomato sauce. The sauce was spicy and had a full flavor, and the chicken was cooked to perfection. The vegetables were grilled lightly and had a fresh taste, I was happy that it didn't have an oily taste. Lastly, Rocco's offered a vast wine selection with offerings from all around the world and also offered homemade limoncello. This famous Italian liquor is a lemon based liqueur which is traditionally served at the end of a meal. For those of you that have not tried this legendary liqueur, it's a must... if you are 21, of course.

**Service-** The service at Rocco was average at best; while the server was experienced and knew the menu well, we felt he did not seem to be bothered with a table of two college students, assuming he would not receive the 20% tip he received anyways. We had to ask for more water or beverages if we wanted them, and the server never checked on the table except to

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take the dishes. The fact that the Maitre'd came by twice to see if everything was satisfactory was a plus, and might have been the reason why the server did not ask us how everything was. The food came out in a timely manner, giving us time to enjoy ourselves between dishes.

**Price-** Chris and I felt that the price at Rocco's was fairly reasonable. We spent about \$50 for the two of us with no alcohol. If you are thinking about drinks you are probably looking at a price ranging from \$70-\$80. If you don't drink this would be a great place to bring a date or a small group of friends. Rocco Italian Osteria is located at 181 George Washington Highway route 116 Smithfield, RI 02917. The number is (401) 231-4777; you can visit their website, [www.roccoitalianoosteria.com](http://www.roccoitalianoosteria.com). Rocco is open six days a week: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Sunday 5pm-10pm and Friday & Saturday 5pm-11pm, they are closed on Mondays.

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**Word Vomit**

By Blair Worthington  
Staff Writer

*Love... An Everlasting Struggle*

*Escaping the mind*

*And running toward the heart.*

*With flow and grace*

*But great discomfort,*

*Now it's digested.*

*Flutters of air and pure dismay*

*Yet enticing*

*And fulfilling all the while.*

*A sense of great emotion*

*Is embraced,*

*And greeted,*

*With a smile.*

**Two buds and a microbrew**

*A review of Wachusett Brewing Company's Octoberfest (ABV: 5.2%, 6pk: \$8.99)*

By Bryan Regele  
and Justin Andrews  
Staff Writers

*Good beer is something that should not be ignored. That being said, we decided to revive Ryan and Joe's old column on specialty beers from a few years back. Though like them we sometimes find ourselves downing pitchers of Gansett with our fellow seniors, we really enjoy brews that have a stronger taste than what comes from your faucet. For those of you who share our passion of a craft brew, we rate our picks on five criteria – appearance, aroma, taste, feel, and drinkability. For the rest of you who simply go for the cheap brews, we hope that we can encourage you to branch out and enjoy what the real brew masters are creating right here in New England. Everyone should appreciate good beer, but be 21 or older, and please do it responsibly.*

A sure sign of fall in New England is the release of Octoberfest beers. So this week we decided pick up just that from Wachusett Brewing Company, one of our local favorites. Located in north-central Massachusetts in the small town of Westminister, Wachusett is a small craft brewery that has achieved much success since its founding in 1994. An interesting note in their growth is that they used to invite fans up to bottle and cap their product in exchange for free beer, but eventually it was necessary to hire a few WPI students to create a makeshift machine in order to keep up with orders. Wachusett now offers a half dozen year-round brews, with most of you probably familiar with their flagship Blueberry Ale which we also strongly recommend. Their seasonals are also popular, and Draft Magazine actually rates this fall seasonal as one of the top ten in North America.

Uncapping and pouring this Octoberfest produces a thick off white head over a hazy bronze amber body. The light carbonation dissipates fairly quickly and leaves us with a pint of rustic looking ale that quite frankly fits the season perfectly. It looks something in between red and brown ale and is similar to the more common Sam Adams Octoberfest in appearance. The aroma is very tempting, producing notes of toasted malt, earthy spices, and a tiny bit of fruit. Simply put, Wachusett has somehow figured out how to cap a New England fall day inside a 12-ounce bottle, and we couldn't be happier about it.

Our first sip invokes positive feelings as we note expected fall flavors – cinnamon, nutmeg, and pumpkin. It definitely is toasted malt with a small amount of bitter hops. By the end of the glass we are even noticing a flavor of apple and pear. This Octoberfest is almost as hearty as grandma's Thanksgiving dinner, so it'd be foolish to try to drink these like they are Keystone Lights. This is typical though of a beer with a high alcohol concentration such as this one. It does however leave a crisp feel in our mouths that bodes well with us, as we usually appreciate reaching for a second round.

In summary, Wachusett Brewing Company's Octoberfest is perfect for the changing seasons in that it is sweet enough for warm temperatures and hearty enough for those cold nights. We would suggest that you grab a 6-pack before we change into brown ale season, as those tend to be better after the first few frosts. Try this Octoberfest along with the similar Sam Adams and we really believe you will find this is the more complete competitor as it has a stronger but still balanced character.

We hope that Wachusett is able to achieve greater growth and eventually expand outside of New England. We really think that they have a few real winners with their Blueberry Ale, Green Monsta, and Octoberfest. With that said, we have decided to award Wachusett Brewing Company's Octoberfest with 5 ½ out of 6 bottle caps. That right there is pretty special, and we hope you choose to cozy up with one of them over the next few weeks.



**Bulldog Flicks: *Love Happens***



By Janna Silva and Mikala Mann  
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How's everybody feeling? Are you A-Okay? That's the frequent question asked by Burke Ryan (Aaron Eckhart), a self-help motivational speaker. After his wife's death, Burke wrote a book to help him try and cope as well as attempt to reach out to others to do the same. While doing a seminar in Seattle, he meets Eloise Chandler (Jennifer Aniston) who, after recently breaking up with her boyfriend, has sworn off men and will go to any length to ward them off. Burke pursues Eloise persistently, keeping his past a secret. Once Eloise finds out Burke's secret everything begins to make sense. She tries to turn the tables and give him the help he needs.

If you are looking for a romantic, lovey-dovey movie, pick something else instead. What we thought was going to be a love story turned out to be sadder than anything. Definitely a tear-jerker! Overall, it was a good movie; heart-wrenching at times but with some laughs.

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