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Master Key Compromises College Safety

By Jason Panagiotos

Recently it was discovered that campus security and student safety was compromised, because a male sophomore was found to be in possession of a master key. This single key could be used to open any door in halls one through thirteen. Although the student used the key to help another student into her room when she was locked out, it began the uproar of a plethora of security issues.

The RA in Hall 7 became aware of the situation and reported it to Residence Life. A concerned parent reported the issue to Dean of Students, Thomas Eakin, who then brought the issue to the Department of Public Safety and the Office of Residence Life. They immediately tracked down the student and began an investigation. For some point during that time the student was not on campus. The student did return after a couple of days.

The student admitted to most, if not all, of the charges. According to George Coronado, Director of DPS, the student was very cooperative in talking with

them, although that may not exactly be the case. The student claims to have found a set of keys in which one key opened his door. So he instantly went and made two copies of the key at a hardware store in nearby Greenville and returned the set of keys to where he found them. He admitted at first that he had made one copy and then later confessed to having a second. He gave all this information to Coronado who, in turn, asked where and whom made the keys for him. The student described the man who made the keys and Coronado and the student returned to the store in which the keys were made. They talked to the man who made the keys and he identified the student. The man agreed that he had made only two copies of the key and the store provided DPS with a copy of the receipt of the service. An intense search of the student's room took place and they found nothing else that would compromise the safety of anyone here at Bryant. Coronado and other college personnel are convinced that the student

is no longer a harm to anyone on campus, but not all students are convinced.

Sophomore, Andrea Piccarelli states "I do not feel that the school has been able to take all the necessary measures to ensure a safe environment for all students as a result of this incident. My roommates and I have special locks on our doors until

the locks are changed. I have been told several different reasons as to why the student was in possession of the key, including one told to me by the student directly. I do not think the school can honestly say that they have accounted for all the possible master keys. No one ever reported the keys missing that the student allegedly found on the

ground and then replaced after copying them. Therefore, I am not comfortable assuming that the student's story is true and that there are no more keys. The school has no way to verify the details."

The student was charged with alleged violations of college policy and is currently waiting to bring his (Continued on page 15)

Theta Turns in Charter Amidst Scandal

By Marilyn Radei

The Bryant College Student Handbook defines hazing as any group of students or organization that participates in, "An action taken or situation created to produce excessive mental or physical discomfort, embarrassment, harassment, or ridicule" (page 71).

Last spring, Bryant College created a hazing hotline that could be called into twenty-four hours a day by students, staff, or faculty wanting to report inappropriate conduct or possible acts of hazing. This past fall, a number of calls were made into the hotline regarding the

sorority Theta Phi Alpha. Allegedly pledges, faculty, and other members of the campus community made calls into the hotline over a period of several weeks. As a sequence of calls became apparent, administration including Dr. Tom Eakin, Dean Robert Sloss, Director of Student Activities, Judy Kawamoto, and Assistant Director of Student Activities and Director of Greek Life Tanya McGinn began to assess claims, meeting with members of Theta regarding the allegations.

Both Dr. Eakin and Dean Sloss stated that Theta

was charged with violation of the Bryant College Hazing policy and were accused of not following their national pledge program or the pledge program they had submitted to Greek Life. While Dr. Eakin could not comment on the specific nature of activities, he stated that allegations included pledge women being deprived of sleep up to twenty plus hours, being told whom they may and may not talk to, and where they could and could not go, including pledges being prohibited from entering their own rooms. Dr. Eakin contended (Continued on Page 15)

A New Home for the Intercultural Center

By Julie Bethke



College Gathers for Opening of ICC

Thursday, November 18th marked the grand opening of the new location of Bryant's Intercultural Center on the 4th Floor of Hall 7. Dr. Eakin and Intercultural Center staff members Kate Sullivan, Norinne Simpson and Kaoru Paganelli officially opened the center with the ribbon cutting held at 12pm. Members of the Bryant College community, including students, faculty and staff from offices across campus attended the ceremony. Norinne Simpson, Assistant Director of the Intercultural Center commented, "I was pleasantly overwhelmed and grateful for the outpouring of support and warm wishes from the Bryant College community. Every strata of the community was represented from students to the maintenance to vice presidents. With that kind of support behind the Intercultural Center, it can only succeed as an advocate for the student body."

The new location coupled with its mission has led to the Intercultural Center being referred to as an 'oasis' on Bryant College's campus, a place for all students to come together to appreciate and learn about the people and cultures that make Bryant unique. Dr. Eakin, one of the Intercultural Center's greatest supporters and advocates, has remarked, "I trust that the new Center will increasingly be a place where students feel at home and where we can develop a growing awareness of the need to better understand each other. Bryant should be a place where all feel welcome regardless of race, creed or color."

FORUM

Closing Remarks

By Adam Fontaine
Co-Editor-in-chief

It is hard to believe in 28 days a new millennium will be upon us. Where does the time go? The past year and a half at Bryant has gone by so quickly it scares me. I feel as if I haven't returned from summer break and in two weeks we will be venturing out for winter break. Its true what they say "time flies when your having fun". Lets face it, college is a blast even though at times classes are rough, and the food gets sickening. We all hold a special place in our hearts for this place we call "home".

This semester has certainly been an interesting one. I was fortunate enough to have the opportunity to have some positive experiences. First, Andrea, Mike (our advisor) and I went to Atlanta for the College Media Adviser Conference. This was great because, we were able to meet students from colleges all around the United States and compare our school newspaper with theirs. As well as gain valuable information, ideas, and make some useful contacts. Another positive experience I had this semester was to attend dinner at President Machtley house. I along with many other student leaders and presidents were able to sit down have a big turkey dinner and discuss issues of interest and have some laughs. In the end if I get the grade point average I hope for it will have been a very good semester. I hope everyone has a safe and wonderful winter break and a Happy New Year.

By Andrea Piccarelli
Co-Editor-in-chief

One thing that I have enjoyed immensely this semester, is producing The Archway. So much time and effort has been put towards improving the paper this semester.

It has been very exciting to have such an increase in the number of people and organizations that are submitting to The Archway. We welcome any ideas or submissions.

Adam Fontaine (Co-Editor), Mike Janicki (Advisor), and I went to Atlanta for five days, in October, to the College Media Advisors Conference. There, we all learned about the latest trends in college newspapers and how we can improve The Archway. The city was great and the weather was beautiful. We had a few celebrity sightings, Evander Holyfield, Tonya Harding, and Kevin Smith. All and all it was a great trip that fostered learning and improvement. There will be some noticeable changes in the paper next semester, as a result of what we learned. Be on the look out.

Happy Holidays and Good Luck to everyone on finals! See you in the New Year!

Battle On

By Jessica Stetson

Every day is a battle and very few are won. Most days end in tears due to careless people. The tears flow and the regression begins. We are alone with no one to love, and no one to love us. Why is it like this? It's His cruel game; to leave some home alone while others get to play.

Home

By Jessica Stetson

Some say home is where the heart is.
Others say its where your stuff is.
But I say, home is where your memories lie.



Senior Portraits Bryant College, 99



Top Left: The Westin, the tallest hotel in the country, in Atlanta where the Archway stayed

Bottom Left: Dancing Fountains in Atlanta

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PUBLIC SAFETY

By Kyle Kadish
Students-For-A-Safer-Campus(SSC)

11/07/99

Vandalism – Public Safety officers were dispatched to the townhouses to respond to two students kicking over trash cans and throwing containers around the gazebo area. A witness reported that one of the suspects also broke a window earlier at another location. It will cost \$187.00 to replace the window. Charges have been filed.

11/08/99

Fire Alarm – While stationed at the ECS, two DPS officers were dispatched to the third floor of hall 11 for a reported fire alarm. A check of the building showed no cause.

11/08/99

Vandalism – While on routine patrol a DPS officer was dispatched to a residence hall laundry room. Upon entering the scene, there was no one in the area. Someone sprayed paint markings on both the doors to the room and the ironing board cover.

11/08/99

Vandalism – While on mobile patrol an officer was dispatched for a vandalism report in the townhouse area. After returning from class, a student discovered a broken bedroom window.

11/10/99

Vandalism – An officer responded to a residence hall where someone ripped off a door handle.

11/10/99

Vandalism – A vehicle parked behind the Bryant Center was vandalized. The roof of the complainant's vehicle had footprints on the roof. The roof was buckled in by the vandalism.

11/11/99

Fire Alarm – An alarm was activated in Townhouse A Block from cooking and burning food in A-8.

11/11/99

Vandalism – A student reported to DPS that someone damaged his bedroom window screen.

11/12/99

Drug Violation/Possession – A strong odor of marijuana was detected in a residence hall. DPS officers knocked on the suite doors in question where

the odor was stronger. One student was arrested after DPS and Smithfield Police found a bag of marijuana in their possession.

11/13/99

Simple Assault/Burglary/Trespassing – DPS was dispatched to a particular residence hall after receiving a report of an intruder who removed a screen from a student's window to gain access. Smithfield Police was called in to respond and arrested the suspect who is a student in another residence hall.

11/13/99

Vandalism – DPS was dispatched to a residence hall because someone smashed a pumpkin on a suite window. The outer window pane was shattered.

11/13/99

Vandalism – While on mobile patrol a DPS officer was dispatched to a residence hall for a report of a broken suite window. The reporting student heard the window smash after being struck by a hard object, possibly a rock.

11/13/99

Drug Violation – DPS officers responded to a residence hall after receiving a complaint concerning the strong smell of marijuana in a hallway. There was an overbearing smell of marijuana in the room in question. Charges against residents of the room have been filed with the college due to the discovery of drug paraphernalia in the room.

11/14/99

Vandalism – The main pic-

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ture window of a senior apartment was smashed. A beer bottle had broken both the inside window and the outside window.

11/14/99

Drug Violation/Residue and Paraphernalia – Someone was reported smoking marijuana in the hallway of one of the residence halls. Marijuana and paraphernalia were discovered in the area in question and turned over to Smithfield Police.

11/14/99

Vandalism – While on routine patrol a DPS officer was dispatched to a residence hall for vandalism report. A doorknob to a student's room had been broken and trash dumped all over the suite area.

11/14/99

Vandalism – While on routine patrol a DPS officer was dispatched to a townhouse apartment for a vandalism report. The apartment door knob was knocked upwards to a 45 degree angle.

11/16/99

Vandalism – A bedroom window of a townhouse apartment was broken by a vandal.

11/18/99

Fire Alarm – DPS was dispatched to Hall 11, third floor, in response to a fire alarm. No cause was determined.

11/19/99

Illegal Gatherings/Simple Assault – While on foot patrol a DPS officer was asked to respond to a particular hall for an illegal gathering on one of the hall floors. Only one of the suites had a legal party permit. Three other suites partying did not have legal permits. After the gatherings were broken up by DPS officers, a crowd began to form between two residence halls where the crowd started chanting and behaving in a rowdy manner. Smithfield Police responded and the crowd slowly dispersed. On the way back to the DPS pa-

trol car DPS officers observed a small altercation where student pushed an individual over a rock and assaulted this person in the face. Smithfield Police also observed the incident and arrested the student subject.

11/20/99

Simple Assault – DPS is investigating an incident in the townhouse area where several students witnessed an assault upon one student by a group of students. The witnesses assisted the victim and contacted DPS. A thorough investigation is underway.

11/20/99

Burglary – A hall room was broken into and the following items taken: 2 cameras; \$44.00 in cash; laptop computer. Smithfield Police and DPS are conducting an investigation. Entrance to the hall was gained through the bedroom window. Muddy footprints were on one of the beds.

11/20/99

Burglary – A hall room was broken into and the following items taken: White Gibson Guitar; Red Ibanez Guitar; Black Jackson Guitar; 19" Samsung color TV; Nintendo 64 game station and 4 games; 31 assorted compact discs. All the guitars were electric. Smithfield police responded to take a report and detectives plan to thoroughly investigate.

11/20/99

Vandalism/Weapon – According to witness a hall window was shattered after a group of students were smashing bottles and shooting a slingshot in different directions.

11/21/99

Fire Alarm/Expelled Fire Extinguisher – The DPS dispatcher notified all units of a fire alarm activated in Hall 14, 3rd floor North then a few seconds later 4th floor North. Upon entering the 3rd floor it was very cloudy from an expelled extinguisher. The floors needed to be

ventilated so Smithfield Fire Department was called.

11/21/99

Fire Alarm – While on mobile patrol, DPS was dispatched to Townhouse G Block for an alarm. On scene, the DPS officer noticed no smoke or fire. After a careful search, no cause was found.

11/21/99

Vehicle Vandalism – A student came to DPS to report vandalism to their vehicle. The radio antenna was snapped off. This was the second time in two weeks this vehicle was vandalized.

Summary of Events

11/07/99 – 11/21/99

ALCOHOL CITATIONS ISSUED – 10

INCIDENTS

ALCOHOL – 4
ASSAULT SIMPLE – 3
BURGLARY – 4
DRUG VIOLATION – 4
DISORDERLY CONDUCT – 2
EMT – 3
FIRE ALARM – 5
HARASSING PHONE CALLS – 1
THREATENING PHONE CALLS – 1
INFORMATIONAL – 4
MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT – 1
STUDENT CONDUCT VIOLATION – 1
TRESPASS – 1
VANDALISM – 14
VEHICLE BOOT – 1
VEHICLE TOW – 1
WEAPONS – 1

Many Thanks

Thank you to those who donated food to the Thanksgiving Food Basket project sponsored by DPS, ROTC and SSC. A special thanks to the volunteers who collected and delivered two and a half pick-up truck loads of donated items to the Greenville Baptist Church for distribution.

Holiday Safety/Crime

Prevention Tips

PROTECT personal property especially during the holiday season—the highest theft season! Never leave the following items unattended: keys, cash, purses, jewelry, book bags, computers, gift items, briefcases, calculators, ID cards, small appliances, checks, credit cards.

LOCK your valuables in desks, closets, vehicle trunks, or other secure locations. Please call Ginnie Bowry, DPS Crime Prevention specialist, Ext. 6001, if you wish to obtain brochures and/or borrow personal security/safety videos for men/women. The Department of Public Safety and Students-For-A-Safer Campus wish all students, faculty and staff a safe and happy holiday season.

The Public Safety Beat is sponsored in part by DPS and Students for-A-Safer Campus, in order to comply with the Federal Students Right-To-Know and Campus Security Act.

DPS encourages the use of the escort service that is available 24 hours a day to anyone upon request. Call 232-6001.

Persons who provide information leading to the apprehension of someone whom has maliciously initiated a fire alarm or has misused fire equipment are eligible to receive a \$1000 reward. It is a felony to misuse fire equipment and the College will prosecute offenders.

Please do not park or operate vehicles on sidewalks or grass. DPS will enforce with citations.

It is the policy of the Department of Public Safety

not to disclose information regarding EMT calls to the general public.

The Director of Public Safety, Mr. George Coronado, is available every Wednesday from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. in the Bryant Center Conference Room #1 to discuss any issue with students. Mr. Coronado is also available at other times by appointment.

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Tau Kappa Epsilon

By Gregory Montesano

Welcome back everyone after a great Thanksgiving break. I hope everyone had a better Thanksgiving than Keefe did. It was a shame that morning when he and his father went to the woods to shoot themselves what was to be a "Once in a century Thanksgiving Turkey." Dan, I am truly sorry that you mom had to cook you guys Spam instead of turkey on T-Day. Next year, I'd buy the HickPro 353J turkey caller. The game you can get with this trinket is beyond belief.

Speaking of Dan, how did that Certs mint end up going over late Sunday night?

Kevin Keillor has done it again. He has chosen not to come to school on Monday. Any of the teachers that read this article, make it be known that Kevin skipped his classes on Monday because his girlfriend held him for ransom until he took that god awful jacket off. Elms, now isn't it a real shame when your girl can take you to the mat.

Baran cinemas will open their doors for business this Tuesday. Matt really went out on a limb and bought himself a video/stereo system directly from Hoyt's cinemas. Any girls that want to stop over, it's a free promo he's running because he needs a formal date.

TKE will be making quite a showing over winter session. We still have nowhere to live. If anyone out there actually reads this article (i.e.-Faculty making over \$125,000 with a 4 car garage and 8 bedrooms) please call x4076 so we can set up some exchange programs.

The Adopt a TKE Brother for Winter Session starts before finals. For your donation, TKE will provide you with free lawn service, pet grooming, and hours of entertainment. Call for more info.

Bones was caught early today on Portugie Spy Tech reciting some lines from Wayne's World. "They're not worthy," was bellowing from the mouth of Bones early Monday morning. I'm sorry, but those comments would really only arise from two instances: 1) You've

got no class. 2) You ran out of Snake Repellant.

C Bass was back in effect with his Polaris checkered flag. Adam quickly proceeded to re-enact his rendition of the Broadway Hit, "Fat Man In A Little Coat." After handing C Bass a box of tissues, Adam slowly returned the jacket back to young Kevin.

Just a quick reminder to all of you in the chess club, feel free to use Kevin's jacket if you lose your board.

On a serious note, Justin was injured in a car accident over the break. After swerving out of the way of a small sabre tooth lion, the truck flipped 3 times and fell down a steep mountain side. Justin managed to throw the truck in 4WD and drive back to the higher ground, unscathed.

Justin was also elected NCAA D-2 Chairmen for the entire nation.

Adam Gray got a job ladies and gentlemen. When you see him from now on, please congratulate him on the new job. Adam is starting at \$125,000 a year with a \$35,000 signing bonus. He is working for Natural Light, Inc. and gets a company beer truck, two Clydesdale horses and gets to embark on taste tests whenever he deems necessary.

The new E-Board for TKE is in effect as of the 2nd semester. Let me give you a brief rundown. President: Bryan Hitchcock, Miami Vice-Pres: Kevin Keillor, Jr. Secretary: James Tingle. Treasurer: Greg Montesano. Congrats to all.

Hitch have fun. Isn't Dean Bob Sloss number 1 on your speed dial now?

Sean McGreavy Day is approaching. We are hosting a contest. Sean hasn't broken a thing in 37 days now. We feel that he is due. We are selling squares for \$5- a piece. If you buy the square of the day of the month of the year of the century that he breaks something on, you will win a free showing of McGreavy putting Buckwheat in a headlock.

OK, that's about all out of my mouth for one hour. Hopefully, we'll see all of you back here 2nd semester. If not, have fun in the workforce.

A paid public service announcement to all: Sean Feeney, the self-proclaimed greatest RA of the century says: "Good luck on finals! Reach into your fun bags and do well for mommy!"

CAMPUS SCENE

Delta Zeta

By Kristin Harte

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving!

The Sisters of Delta Zeta would like to congratulate all of the organization's New Members especially Zoey, Reagan, Joeli, Blake, Masyn, Glori, Sydney, and Kacey. We love you girls!

This should be short and sweet considering that we should all be studying for finals right now!

Happy Birthday goes to Glori on the 1st of December and to Kitt on the 15th of December. I know it's a tough time to have a birthday, but I am sure that there will be massive celebrations anyway.

Our formal is Friday, as are many other formals, so I hope everyone has fun. Remember to be cool, calm, and collected while making crucial decisions that night.

By the way, we have been searching for one of our sisters...Garette. If anyone has seen her or has any information about her existence, PLEASE notify Kitt. Dead or alive there is a huge reward.

I hope everyone has a great vacation.

Good Luck on finals.
Happy Holidays!

ISO Wraps Up the Semester

By Aracelis Torres

Hi everyone! Now that the semester is coming to

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an end, we all find ourselves swamped by work. ISO recommends relaxing and de-stressing before hitting the books.

We would just like to say to everyone that made this semester happen—THANK YOU. We had a successful and busy semester. Our Intercultural Weekend was great and our first semi-formal turned out pretty good. All those that went enjoyed the good food and had a lot of fun. Our Slam Jam was postponed due to complications. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have placed on anyone.

For next semester we are asking that during winter break, anyone with international clothing or artifacts bring them in. We need as much help as we can get for the UN Festival scheduled for this spring.

ISO wants to wish everyone good luck with their finals and a good winter break. See you next semester!

Commuter Connection

By Joe McNulty

We would like to thank all of you for another successful Commuter Week. We had excellent turnouts for all of our events, especially the Caricatures and the Pitch Tournament. Congratulations to the winners of the Commuter Week Pitch Tournament: (1st Place) Brian Bednarz & Chris Carpenter, (2nd Place) Matt Sicilia & Scott Marks, and (3rd Place) Todd Collins & Joe McNulty. If you have any comments or suggestions about Commuter Week please contact the Commuter Connection at x6176. Some good ideas have already been presented about our next Commuter Week and will be discussed at our next meeting. Just a quick reminder to all students, every Friday there will be a "Coffee Hour" from 9am-11am (Free Coffee and Donuts will be served).

We hope everyone had a great break and best of luck with exams.

Pi Lambda Chi

By Jacqueline Tobar

This is the last article of the year for 1999. Sisters are you ready to party lambda style like crazy for New Years 2000 baby. Well first I want to give the greatest shout out to my Lil Sis "SEE CREE" baby you made it to PLC. Now you know we will be representing in NYC like LOCAS. Extrema you are out of here sis are you happy or what Finally its over. Congratulations on your florecita - Master Extrema. M.I.A thanks for bringing down the Master Candle you saved us. Encubierta well sis thanks for the support and always commuting to Bryant we will miss you next semester. I wish you all good luck in your finals and keep up the good grades. LOVE YOU ALL I MEAN ALL of you LAMBDA LADIES. I mean Lambda Hermanas that one goes out to Jenny you know what we were talking about the other day Las Ladies No es its more like Las Hermanas LOL! Until next semester Hermanas.

M.L.L

HERMANAS POR VIDA

Lambda Conquistadora

Beta Theta Pi

By Greg Dicker

Hey dudes! How's everyone been. Been awhile but now we're back. Hope everyone had a good Thanksgiving. We would like to thank everyone who participated in the Putt-A-Thon. It was a huge success raising a good amount of money all of which will be donated to the Hole in the Wall Gang. We would also like to thank all of the alumni who came up this weekend. It was good to see everyone. Congratulations to all of the

new members of Greek life we hope you enjoy it and make the best of it. Good job to all of our new brothers, they include Utah, Homes, Mox, Rielly, Booker, Simms, Cuff, and Watson. Nice work guys, it's good to have you in here.

Shep taught Simms and Cuff his table manners and how well he eats Chinese food. Next time leave some napkins out. Cuff left his big b a nice thank you gift. Unfortunately, L.A. was selfish and hogged the present. She loved it so much that she slept with it. For Thanksgiving, Bates' sister cooked him up a nice delicious early riser. Lumber got a haircut this vacation too bad he forgot the scraps underneath his chin. Boyd and Otis spent some quality time with Proctor a few weekends ago. And Proctor left them a treat in return. I'm sure they slept real well in their new waterbeds. Benson got the boot. Homes hasn't been seen in about three months. He forgot his way to the floor. Come hang out sometime dude. If you don't, don't worry because Wilson doesn't either. And one last thing, I'm sure many of you have heard about Purdy's slip of the tongue, seriously Purdy, this has got to stop. I know its tough and all, but please try, and if there is a little secret crush, don't be afraid to call. Quote of the week: "You are totally pink and blue through and through." - Flank

Women's Rugby

By Susanne Howarth & Heather Korus

Hey girls- Hope everyone is back from a relaxing Thanksgiving break. Congratulations to the newly elected e-board. The new positions are Becky and Mary as Co-Presidents, Joanna and Annie as Co-Social Secretaries, Chrissy as Treasurer, Kelly as Match Secretary, and Jill as alumni/recruiting. Thanks to last years e-

board for doing such a great job. If the new girls have any questions feel free to ask any of us. This past Wednesday was the festival of lights, thanks to those who represented the team.

Two weeks ago we had our annual formal at Ron's. It was a fun-filled night of dancing, singing, eating, awards and crying because it was the seniors last formal. Heather ended the night with a graceful exit to the ER for some staples...don't worry she handled the situation like a pro. Thanks lurch! Genny-heather will pay for the dry-cleaning. Susie's two-left feet got in the way again spending most the time checking out people's shoes. Allison- we didn't know that your dress was reversible-how did you manage that one? MB-how many people can you fit in your bed? Terri- did you have a nice walk home- too bad the search party almost died looking for you, next time bring boots. Thanks to the sophomores for bringing their allowances to pay for the vets "Gifts". Randie - we see shorts finally made it to a rugby formal. And finally thanks to Jim for driving the van and putting up with all of us.

Good job Rookies you made it through your first semester. Thanks TKE for helping us out...Adam-I think you made the team workout more then we do at practice. Thanks Lancaster for being a good sport.

Our first semi-annual bike crawl was a success. Thanks Country for participating with us girls. If anyone is interested in participating in the spring crawl, look for signs. Next time we will stay longer and sing a couple more songs at the CLASSiest bar in town.

Rumor has it our shirts are in and they look really nice. So if you ordered one you can pick it up at Joanna's. Well girls...this is OUR last archway article for the year. We hope Joanna and Annie will continue relaying the latest gossip, recapping on the games, and

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keeping the team informed of any upcoming events. We hope everyone has a safe winter break and rings in the new millennium Rugby style. Just remember this Christmas carol "On the 12th day of Rugby my true love gave to me..." Happy holiday from the Women's Rugby Team.

Student Programming Board

By Lynne Morrison

All of us would like to thank everyone for his or her support throughout the semester. We feel we had a great first semester and look forward to the next semester.

The remaining Student Programming Board Events this semester:

Thursday, December 2nd: "Massage on the Go" in Hall 15 Lobby from 7 p.m. - 11 p.m. Go get all your pre-exam stress relieved. Friday, December 3rd: "The Snow Ball" SPB's semi-formal this semester. It is at the Hotel Viking in Newport from 7 p.m. - midnight!

Saturday, December 4th: "New York City" trip. Cost for transportation is \$10. Call the SPB office for details and to sign up.

The Student Programming Board would like to wish everyone a happy and safe holiday! We hope to see you next semester. If you have any suggestions, please give us a call at x6118 or check out our web page at www.bryant.edu/~spb.

Sigma Sigma Sigma

By Carissa Johnston

Hi everyone! Its hard to believe its all ready December, hopefully everyone had a good Thanksgiving and nice little break before finals. We've all been very busy and since we haven't had an article in a while we'll try to catch up now. Recently we conducted a bookmark sale benefiting the Robbie Page Memorial that went

very well. Thanks to all who purchased book-marks as well as to those who sponsored the annual Sorority Jump-a-Thon. The donations were well earned and well worth it. On a more personal note we'd like to congratulate our new members Heather, Julie, Angela, Jessica, Katie, Sarah, Minetta and Laurie. You will all be a great addition to the Greek community.

The past couple of weekends have been quite eventful for us. The senior cooldudes want to thank their gullible family for accepting their new tradition. Ericka, Jill and Christie's arms are still sore. Also a thanks goes out to Randy for making Thursday night a "popping" good time. Let's not forget to thank TKE for trashing our suite when we all deserved to be sleeping. There was no need to turn on the sound system. Brenda wants to thank all who made her birthday special (you know who you are).

An apology goes out to Daniell, so sorry about Jerry. Schoenbaum is charged with first-degree murder. Christine and Skivs we're still tied six and six. Cheryl and Sue remember the plan for next summer. Erica is taking McMann, out with the old. Jodi doesn't own converse sneakers and Shannon obtained some lighters. The Sourjanes need a better name but at least we take good pictures. Christine and Sonya went out one right after the other... whatever that means. Rachel found courage and its good to have Jessica...oops I mean Katie around again even though she's mean. Sue stopped dwelling and Christie had an explanation of where "The feel" went. Kristen found her tulip while another Kristen finally found her sunflowers. Sonya, you're terrific! Megan is a good risk manager, sorry. What you talkin 'bout Willis? A final note, the seniors need to start walking up to the floor more instead of making us feel bad.

Well, that's about it for now. Good luck to everyone on finals and have a fun winter break!

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Message from the President...

By Molly Devanney
Student Senate President

As the end of the semester is near, I would like to start off by thanking the Bryant community for a great first semester. The things that have been happening on campus this year have really made a difference to all the member of the community. I hope that many of you have had the opportunity to become more involved with Bryant. However there is still plenty of time to become involved.

The senate is still looking for members to help out with committees.

A huge congratulations goes out to Lisa Waynelovich for a great job with Parents' and Family Weekend, thanks for all of your hard work it really paid off. Also Congratulations to Bree Dillion who was elected as Special Olympics Assistant Director.

I would like to wish all of

you the best of luck on your final exams, and I hope that each of you has a wonderful Winter Break! Remember the Student Senate is the representing body designed to serve you! Please remember to utilize the Senators, we are here for you, the Senate office is opened Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. till 4 p.m. please feel free to stop by.

Pre-Registration

Bryant Students, how many are fed up with Registration? After talking with many of you about the entire hassle that you faced trying to get into classes, I met with Dean Elizabeth Powers, along with Lisa Waynelovich in regards to these issues. Pre-Registration is not going to be this much hassle with the new and updated technology that Bryant will be receiving in the next couple of years.

Next semester all Academic Clubs will host a

meeting with Department Heads or appointed Faculty and Undergraduate Programs. They will be present to listen to student complaints about the pre-registration process, as well as get a view at the upcoming year's schedule. This will allow students the opportunity to come and talk about what will works well for the students and what is not really beneficial to students. This will be a perfect opportunity

to let all of your voices be heard! Look for signs early next semester for more information on this.

In addition to this, we are looking for volunteers from each major and department to sit and talk about the schedule in more depth. If you have any ideas or would like to participate, please talk to Lisa Waynelovich at ext. 4694, or Molly Devanney at ext. 8268. Thanks for expressing your concerns.

Senior Class Video

Seniors, as many of you know every year the senior class has class video, which consists of pictures through our time here at Bryant. The video is typically shown at the Senior Ball during Senior Week. This year Allison Zitta, and myself are heading

up this committee and we are asking for all of your help as well. Please as the nights of this semester are winding down, and Spring Break will soon be here we ask that you take your camera to some of these events to capture some of these memories. Boxes

will be located at the Info desk early next semester so please look for more information to follow. If you have any ideas and would like to be involved with this committee please call Allison Zitta at x8284 or Molly Devanney at x8268. Thanks!

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**Happy Holidays & Good Luck On Finals
From the Student Senate**

Committee Reports

Bryant Center Operations

By Michelle Eichengreen

Hello again! I hope everyone had a fun and relaxing Thanksgiving Break. Just a quick update about the Bryant Center to end the semester. Be sure to pick up a holiday BTA schedule, with all the times for the bus and train station, plus stops to the airport. A schedule can be picked up at the Info Desk at any time. Last month at Nick's

Place, there were two programs, including a boxing match and a WWF night. Look for more programs like these next semester. Another program this past month was a billiard demonstration in the common area on the lower level. The program was well attended and students walked away having learned a few tricks.

As far as long term changes in the Bryant Center, a reallocation of space is being looked into, due to the growing number of clubs and organizations. The other long term project is who will be

contracted to be in the Bryant Center where Subway is currently located. The committee is under way and as progress is made, we will be sure to let the students know. Any comments or concerns

about the Bryant Center can be brought to me by email, mle1@bryant.edu, at a Senate meeting or by seeing someone in Bryant Center Operations.



Ad-Hoc

By Joe Gallant & Kristen Thistle

The Ad-hoc committee has been taking care of issues such as "Why the new vaccine shots are \$60 dollars a pop?" and the continual trash problem. We welcome any issues you might have, so bring them to the weekly meetings. As before we mentioned that a "Students for a Cleaner Campus" committee would be created. Well it has

and is well under way. Keep an eye out for speakers such as DPS and Physical Plant appearing at next year's meetings for more information about the trash issue on campus. The trash problem has become one of the Senate's major focuses and with your help, we will put a lid on the problem.



Community Service

By Jaime Before

Over the holidays, the Senate will be helping our surrounding communities. We will be participating in two projects during this holiday season. The Senate will be helping Mrs. Machtley with these projects.

The first is the Angel Tree project. The Senate will be sponsoring five children from the Woonsocket area. Each class has sponsored one child and the E-board sponsors one as well. Each child receives a toy gift and a clothing gift. If anybody else wants to sponsor a child, you should contact Mrs. Machtley

in the President's office.

The second project that the Senate will be helping with deals with the U.S.S. Rhode Island. This is a submarine that will be underwater on New Year's Eve at midnight. The crewmembers are nervous about being underwater at midnight due to Y2K. The Senate has agreed to send cards and millennium gifts to the crew aboard to help ease their nervousness. If there are any other organizations that would like to participate in this event, please feel free to contact me at x8271.



Committee Reports

Bookstore

By Brian Kerzner

Last week I got the opportunity along with some other fellow students to sit and talk to Jolie, the manager of the campus bookstore. The purpose of this get together was to voice some of the opinions and suggestions that have been brought up.

Books were a big issue. One suggestion that was made by Jolie was to order your books ahead of time on line. It can help ensure that the books you want are in. By prepaying on line, you can save yourself the time and trouble of waiting in the long lines of the early semester rush. You can even arrange to have your books shipped to you. The sight where your books can be ordered is Efollett.com. They offer some of the most competitive prices available.

One request was that the

books for all of the classes be on the shelf before the start of the semester. We were informed that the often times, it was out of the hands of the store. Late adoption orders for specific books can leave the store with an inadequate amount of time to order and receive the requested books. If there is a book that you feel should be in but it isn't, simply request it at the desk and it will be ordered promptly.

Due to constant requests, incoming clothes will be offered in a greater variety of sizes. If there are any other suggestions, be sure to mention them to a store manager and the issue will be looked into. You can also Email your comments to Jolie at jcolema@bryant.edu.

Elections

By Amy Thistle

Hi everyone, I hope your semester is going well. You all should have received your own copy of the Chronicle, by now. If you have not please contact me a.s.a.p. at x8383. I would like to thank our advisor Judy and my co-chair Lauren for all of their help with the Chronicle.

Anyone interested in running for executive board or legislative board for next year keep your eyes open. Things will start rolling after winter break. Executive

elections will take place during the second week of March 2000. Legislative elections will take place during the second week of April 2000. Nomination papers will be available in February for Executive elections and March for Legislative elections.

If you have any questions about running for a position on the student senate speak to any senator or to myself. I can be reached at ahtl@bryant.edu or x8383.

Junior Senator Seat Open!

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Historian Committee

By Tatiana Berman

Hello all Bryant Students! I hope everyone had a restful and much needed Thanksgiving Day break and now are ready to combat the final days of studying and, of course, keep track of Senate events! ☺ The Historian committee is in charge of making this easier for you by

taking pictures of all Senate events and placing them in the Senate Display Bulletin in the Bryant Center. Please come by and check it out since periodically there will be a different display demonstrating the Senate's activity. The current display consists of the pictures of the Senate Retreat,

which took place on September 18 in the MRC Dining Hall. The next display will be of the Senate sponsored Parent's and Family Weekend. If you have any suggestions concerning the Senate Bulletin Board please tell us so we can make it the most informative and creative possible.

Public Relations

By Tatiana Berman

The Public Relations committee would like to invite all members of the Bryant Community to the Senate Meetings. The Senate Meetings take place every Wednesday at 4:00 p.m. in Papitto in the Bryant Center. The Senate

meetings are a forum where any member of the Bryant Community can take any questions, comments, or suggestions and voice their opinions and get a response either immediately or a senator will get back to them with

an answer as soon as possible. We encourage Bryant students to come to the meetings because there they will get valuable information concerning important announcements, school policies and events occurring on campus.

Campus Improvement (CIC)

By Keith Hanks

Greetings everyone. My name is Keith Hanks and I will be heading up the Campus Improvement Committee this year at Bryant. What is Campus Improvement Committee, or CIC? Well it is a collaboration of students and senators in order to improve the overall living standards

at Bryant. Right now we are focusing on looking to improve the overall landscape of the school. We also plan to conduct a survey about physical plant to see how repairs and overall maintenance of the school can be improved, and more importantly improved quickly. Fi-

nally, we are trying to find ways to finally get rid of all the raccoons and skunks here at Bryant. This committee is one of the senate goals. If anyone has any suggestions, or would like to be a part of this committee, then just stop off at the senate office and sign up.

Class of 2000 Gift Fundraising Committee

By Julie Piccirilli

On behalf of the Class of 2000 Gift Committee, I would like to thank the 245 seniors who donated to the class gift at "Wine Down to the New Millennium" on Friday, November 19th where we raised \$1059.15! We hope all of you will continue to support us in our efforts to achieve our fundraising goals

while bringing unity to our class in our final year at Bryant.

As a committee, based on the survey results derived from the Halloween Bash, we have decided on leaving the Class of 2000's mark with a physical gift donation in the new quad. We have proposed a 5-year campaign

plan, which has been approved by Development and Student Affairs. Our goal for this 5-year plan is \$10,000. We will be fundraising throughout this year. For the next four years after graduation each senior will be called to give a donation to the senior class gift instead of Bryant's general fund. Our

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Class of 2000

Gift

goal is to have a dedication of the Class of 2000 gift at our 5-year reunion. A decision on the final project cannot be made at this time but all seniors will be kept informed of the progress through mailing updates about the college plan over the next four years after graduation. Of course we will continue to keep seniors updated throughout the year while we plan fundraising activities as well.

I, as well as members of the committee, will continue to actively work with the Development office collecting yearly donations (known as pledges) and we will have the decision in the actual gift once there is more information on where our dedication will be in the new quad.

I would like to thank my committee for their hard work in preparing for "Wine Down to the New Millennium!" Special thanks to Abby Brigham and Melissa Frank for their help throughout the night! Also, a big thank you to Rich Paolo for catering the event with all the great food, it was enjoyed by all. Thanks to Steve Kilsey and Ben Butler from Catering for providing and serving the wine. In addition, I would like to recognize the Development Office, Student Activities, and the Senior class for their support. I look forward to preparing for "Wine Down to Graduation" that will take place next semester as well as other fundraising events for all seniors to enjoy. If anyone is interested in joining our committee, please call Julie at x8331 or jpi1@Bryant.edu to help in leaving our mark at Bryant!

I hope that everyone had an enjoyable Thanksgiving Break. Hang in there as we are embarking on the Home Stretch!!! Please note that the budget packets will be available on December 1, 1999 in

Now that everyone has returned from a long weekend of eating and visiting with family, it is time to concentrate on finals. I know this is a stressful time for most of us, but I must remind everyone that the Student Senate is still hard at work. As some know, the first Freshmen Class Fund Raiser during Parents and Family Weekend was a complete success. Our class raised an amazing \$538 dollars selling shirts thanks to the help of Jessica Bradbury, Colin Mincy, Keith Hanks, Trang Nyguen, Kate

Hello everyone. I hope the semester is winding down well for all of you. The Department of Information Technology is, as always, working hard to keep the computer up to date and efficient, as well as a fluid running network. Again, if you have any problems with your computer in your room, call x6550 and an RCC (Resident Computer Consultant) will be with you within in 48 hours. Marsha Maxwell

The Junior Class has been working hard to raise money. This past October, Foxwoods Resort and Casino, located in Mashantucket, Connecticut donated a gift certificate to the Junior Class. This gift certificate encompassed an

the Senate Office and budget allocation requests are due in my box February 4, 2000 by 4:30pm. The Ways and Means Committee has been working hard and they have taken great strides to make

Freshman Class

By Kyle Cehanowicz

Swiatek, Kristen Thistle, Randy Rossi, Kyle Cehanowicz, Marisa Bonny, and Dom Fraone. Our next Freshmen Fund Raiser will take place the week before Winter Break. If anyone is interested in getting involved with the class, you can contact any one of your senators. New ideas and input are always appreciated, so be sure to make yourself known. There will be a freshmen class meeting some time in the beginning of the second semester, so keep your eyes open for posters. The Bryant

came to the November 10th Senate meeting. She spoke about the new software system that we will be getting soon. Say goodbye to EWAN, say hello to Pipeline. Pipeline a component of SCT, the new system that will be catered to all of the students' needs. If you have any questions or concerns, you can call Marsha Maxwell, or the Senate Office.

Cable The Preview Channel is

Junior Class

By Sara Hulbert

overnight stay and dinner for two, a value worth \$300. On Parents and Family Weekend, the Junior Class was able to raise \$220.00 from the raffle off of this gift certificate.

The Junior Class is now in

this upcoming budget process much more user friendly than years' past. I will be holding an information session and some members of the Committee will be contacting everyone to make sure they are

College Senate wishes everyone the best of luck during finals and hopes to see many of you at the next senate meeting on Wednesday.

Freshmen Senators

- < Jessica Bradbury x4229
- < Kyle Cehanowicz x4264
- < Dom Fraone x4863
- < Keith Hanks x8037
- < Kate Swiatek x4229
- < Kristen Thistle x8048

fixed. All of the HBO channels are now on the line up. The annual cable survey will go out before the end of the semester, so be sure to keep your eyes open for that. Remember, if you don't vote for your channels, you can't complain. The tentative date to have it out by is before finals. If there are any further questions or concerns, please contact the Student Senate at x6271 or email senate@bryant.edu

the process of planning some great fundraising events for second semester. If you have any ideas or suggestions please contact me at sjh1@bryant.edu. Have a safe and happy holiday season.

set with the process. The Ways and Means Committee has also been fortunate to have Sarah Smith '02 and Mike Silva '01 join our Committee. Welcome aboard Sarah and Mike!! They are great

Sophomore Class

By Andrew Goldberg

Hello everybody. Just writing to update you on a couple things that the Sophomore Class Senators are up to. I have been working on raising funds for the class, so that when we are Seniors, our expenses are less for activities such as Senior Week. Also, Tatiana Berman and I have been attending a meetings for SCLC, which stands for Sophomore Class Leadership Council. This group was established by Nick Evans, who is the President of the Sophomore Class at Johnson and Whales University. The purpose of this group is to promote solidarity and cooperation between the Sophomore Classes of the different Rhode Island colleges and universities. We will be planning different major events and fundraisers as well as major community service events, and everyone will be made of aware of this events so that we can all participate. (Trust me, they will be fun)

Oh, and don't forget to browse the Archway for an article about one of the Senate's new Tri-Goals Committee, the Diversity Awareness Committee. This committee has high aspirations and is co-chaired by myself and Sophomore Joe Fazzino. If anyone would like to get involved with our class or help out on any of our Senate committees, please contact my at adg2@bryant.edu, or just call, 4812. Thanks, that's all for now, and we'll see you all around eh?

additions to our Committee. The Committee is also grateful to Professor Saraoglu and Judy Kawamoto for their help and guidance.

Ways and Means

By Shawn Beal

the Senate Office and budget allocation requests are due in my box February 4, 2000 by 4:30pm. The Ways and Means Committee has been working hard and they have taken great strides to make

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Message from the Vice President

By Tim Bertrand

Even though the last month was an extremely busy one for me personally, I can say that the Student Senate got quite a bit accomplished. Our group developed three strategic goals in which we will work on for the rest of the year concerning three problems (in student's eyes): diversity, food service, and campus improvement. With the Senate working hard on these three goals, I strongly believe that more can be accomplished this year than in my previous three terms on Senate.

As for the SPAC (Student Presidents Advisory Council) Committee, we are working hard on our community service goals. We have already had groups volunteer for the Hasbro Ornament Drive, clothing drives, AIDS awareness activities, and more. We

have also planned a "Community Service Fair" in the Spring which will entail well known community service groups from around the Northeast coming to Bryant and trying to draw interest to their organizations. Each club and organization will be paired up with one of these groups as a "host" for the day.

SPAC is also working hard on the Make A Wish foundation project for the Spring. We have planned a breakfast for faculty, staff, and students in early February, and another one in April in order to raise money for Make A Wish.

There are also a lot of community service activities unfilled thus far. If any group at Bryant wishes to get involved in an activity, please contact me at tjb1@bryant.edu.



Class of 2000

By Bob Fressola

Can you believe we only have one semester left? Throughout the entire fall semester, the Senior Senators have been working extremely hard to put together a great senior week. The first "Senior Week & Senior Activities" meeting was held Wednesday, November 17. The committee discussed traditional events that will continue this year, as well as some new ideas that will make our year unique. What do you think about having your Senior Ball at a Mansion in Newport? This is one of many ideas that the

Senior Committee is considering. Other ideas include incorporating less expensive, daytime activities into the week. I know everyone has their own opinion on Senior Week, but the only way to get your suggestions heard is to talk to one of the six senators or email myself at rmf2@bryant.edu. Watch your email and look for signs at the beginning of next semester for another meeting. Remember, it's not too late to get involved! Please feel free to email me at any time.



FEATURES

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

By Rev. Philip Devens
Protestant Chaplain

"But in those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken....but about that day or hour, no one knows—neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep watch; for you do not know when the time will come." (Mark 13:24 ff) If you watch TV or read the newspapers or web sites, you might observe that the world might be coming to an end.

The words of doom and gloom find a place to dwell in our hearts, like a snow shower blots out the sun on a winter's day. Do not be afraid for God goes before you. The Divine spark that kindles in our hearts with an intense radiance; this brightness will never fade away. We must remember that the ancient traditions surrounding the winter solstice—when the sun had reached its southern-most point in the heavens and the days were mostly dark and dreary—made the ancients kindle sacred fires in fear that the darkness and death would engulf them permanently. They offered gifts of song and dance to coax the sun to reverse this descent into wintry darkness.

The Festival of Lights was an opportunity to celebrate with song and dance the re-emergence of the forces of light. The Rotunda was filled with a cheery glow of individual candles held by all. Surrounded by this light, the forces of darkness were defeated. May the Force be with you!

Be safe, take care, and God bless!

Hasbro Toy Drive

By Melissa R. Frank

What was all that raucous in the Rotunda on Tuesday? For those of you who didn't notice that our common meeting place turned into an Arts & Crafts arena on Tuesday, it was the Annual Hasbro Ornament Project. It has become tradition, here at Bryant College, for students to stop in the Rotunda and create ornaments for the drive.

In an effort to help those children less fortunate at the holiday season, Hasbro Toy Company has established a program in Rhode Island. For every handmade ornament made and placed on the Holiday Tree at Providence Place, Hasbro will donate a new toy to a local child. Each year, the Office of Student Activities and the Office of Residence Life have sponsored this event and made sure that there were plenty of materials to make ornaments with and hot chocolate, holiday cookies and punch for all those participating.

This year, in an attempt to make more ornaments than ever before, and to get the local community

involved, a group of students from the Commuter Connection went to St. Edmonds Elementary School in Pawtucket, and made some ornaments with the children there. They have successfully brought back 111 ornaments for the Hasbro Holiday Tree. Also, during one of their Thursday afternoon RA Development Series, the Resident Assistants worked hard to make another 50 ornaments. In the Rotunda on Tuesday, with more supplies than could be found in an isle at a Michael's Craft Store, there were more than 500 ornaments made and donated to the Holiday Tree. That means that through the efforts of Bryant College students, faculty, staff, and anyone else who stopped by and made ornaments, there will be many happy children this holiday season. Thank you to everyone who came out to create and I would like to applaud Mike Janicki, Assistant Director of Student Activities and Julie LeBlanc, Director of Residence Life, for their efforts in coordinating this fun project!

"Hearts in Bloom" is Blooming Again

Last year Bryant College was one of the over 800 organizations who helped the American Heart Association sell 22,000 tulips. Everyone who received a tulip, also received information about the warning signs of stroke, the nation's #3 killer. This year, the American Heart Association's goal is to sell 30,000 bouquets.

To help the fight against heart disease you can select from the following "Hearts in Bloom" packages:

Heart-to-Heart Bouquet - \$15.00

10 tulips plus a beautiful vase that compliments the tulips.

Heart Bouquet - \$10.00

Five tulips plus a vase.

Individual Bouquet - \$7.00

Five tulips wrapped in a clear sleeve.

To order a bouquet, contact Mike Janicki in the Office of Student Activities at x6160, or by email at mjanicki@bryant.edu.

Extravaganza Night

Bryant's Intercultural Center, in coordination with the Multicultural Student Union, is having open sign ups for **anyone** who would like to participate in Bryant's 11th annual Extravaganza Night!

We are looking for entertainers, models, technical support as well as backstage help for Bryant's biggest stage production on February 25th, 2000!

Sign ups will take place in the Intercultural Center (4th floor, Hall 7) from 4pm. to 5pm. Friday, December 3rd, 1999. **TODAY!!!** This is just a sign up date, duties will be handed out based on talent, and availability. Anyone who would like to participate, and cannot sign up on this date should contact Jon Shelton, ext. 6289

Congratulations! Orientation Leaders 2000

Andrew Bishop
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Jillian Tempest
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FEATURES

Taming the Web

"Off the Shelf"

By Colleen Anderson
Reference Librarian

The Internet provides an important additional tool for locating useful information when conducting research. As with any tool, however, the user must take proper caution to use it effectively and efficiently. Students often complain that they have "wasted hours trying to find information on a topic," or that "thousands of hits came up." The Internet has a long way to go before universal protocols, advanced indexing, and effective web publishing make it a more ideal spot for beginning research. The following hints for taming the web, however, will make the research process more effective.

- 1. Make sure the Internet is where you really want to start your research.** The Internet is a great place for pulling off current stock prices on a company, but not a good place for finding industry standards or ratios. It's a great place for finding current news articles on a company, but not a great place for locating articles that deal exclusively with the marketing strategy of a particular company. If you're confused on the best place to start, call a reference librarian (ext. 6299).
- 2. Bookmark a few good sites.** Set up a brief listing of those subjects you research most frequently and sites that have provided quality information in these areas and then bookmark them for use. Don't overwhelm yourself with too many sites. Some of my personal favorites include Researching Companies Online by Debbie Flanagan for a tutorial on researching companies (home.sprintmail.com/~dflanagan), The Bureau of Labor Statistics for statistics and labor information (www.bls.gov), the Wall Street Research Net for stock information (www.wsrn.com), Hoovers for basic company overviews (www.hoovers.com), and the University of Texas Advertising World for advertising and marketing (advertising.utexas.edu/world/).
- 3. Know the difference between a subject index and a search service and when to use one over the other.** Subject directories such as Yahoo (www.yahoo.com), The Argus Clearinghouse (www.clearinghouse.net/), and the Scout Report Signpost (www.signpost.org/signpost/) include sites that have been evaluated by human beings and arranged by subject directory. Start with a subject directory when you have a broad topic to research and want to review quality sites on your topic. A search service or search engine such as Alta Vista (www.altavista.com) is a searchable database of Internet sites that have been collected by a computer program. When a searcher types in a term using a search engine, the spider (program that identifies and reads pages) returns sites that contain the searched term. Start with a search engine when you are searching a very narrow topic and/or want to look at the content of specific sites.
- 4. Get familiar with a couple of good second generation search engines.** First generation search engines rank the results of a search by term relevancy (the number of times a term occurs in the site), whereas second generation engines rank by additional criteria such as document type, popularity, or concept. For instance, Google (www.google.com) ranks results by the number of links from pages ranked high by the service, a kind of "peer review" method for retrieving sites. Northern Light (www.nlsearch.com) ranks by term relevancy but also presents "custom search folders" that organize results by subject, type, source site, or language. Lastly, Ask Jeeves (www.askjeeves.com/) allows searchers to use natural language queries to pose questions which will be matched with existing questions in the database to retrieve web sites that will answer the question.
- 5. Teach yourself some basic Internet search protocols.** Though each search engine will differ in the exact search protocols and level of searching it offers, some basic search protocols can be used in most search engines. These include the ability to phrase search by using double quotations to enclose a phrase you are searching (e.g., "House of Representatives"); using a plus sign to tell the engine that a particular term must be included in the sites you retrieve (e.g., +tomato +pasta); and using field searching to tell the engine to search a particular part of the site document such as the title, the URL, or site (e.g., URL:preschool or site:mit.edu).
- 6. Evaluate the information you find.** It is a waste of your time to retrieve a document off the net that is not a quality site presenting credible information. When looking at a site, ask yourself the following questions: Who are the sponsor(s) and author(s) of the site and what are their purposes for putting the site together. Does the author have the experience and credentials to write with authority about the presented topic? How current is the site and when was it last revised? Does the site offer links to other quality sites on the same topic and/or references to other credible print sources?

For more information on how to use the internet as an aid to researching a topic, take a look at Jeannette A. Woodward's book entitled: **Writing Research Papers: Investigating Resources in Cyberspace** (Lincolnwood, Ill.: NTC/Contemporary Pub. Group, 1999) Call number LB2369 .W66 1999.

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Lynn Duval
Kyle Kadish
Melissa Cook
Adam Piader
Leanna Mansour
Thomas Stephens
Erica Robison
Patrick Rafferty



Safety Awareness Week at Bryant

By Shannon Lavalley

In the midst of a rise in crime on campuses all across the country, Residence Life and Department of Public Safety sponsored a Safety Awareness Week on November 7 through November 12. There were 5 nights of programs offered in hall 16 and hall 15. With the help of the Residence Life staff and DPS, there were pamphlets and flyers offered at the table in the rotunda that were about various topics that ranged from sexual assault, to date rape, fire prevention, crime prevention and general safety tips. There was also a speaker from the Rhode Island sexual assault and

Trauma, Jennifer Rainone who talked about date rape and ways to prevention for men and women.

The week overall was beneficial. With the help of Residence Life and the Department of Public Safety, we were able to educate the Bryant Community on issues of safety that can be beneficial to everyone.

A very special thank you goes out to Ginnie Bowry, of the Department of Public Safety for making this week a success. It is the hope that we can continue this next year and have an even bigger success.

**Happy Holidays
From the Archway**

LOCAL NEWS

Master Key

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case to the school's disciplinary committee. This committee, which consists of students, faculty, and staff, will determine the final outcome. We do not know whether the trial will be this semester or next, but Coronado tells us that these trials happen quickly to ensure public safety. Robert Sloss, Associate Dean of Students, is representing the school as he presents his case to the committee.

When asked about the school's view on the case, Thomas Eakin said, "We all have common concerns for the safety of students and appropriate actions will take place." He was reluctant to speak into the detail of the case, as he didn't want to make the story look "one-sided." But for now, the student is still attending classes as normal, but is under close supervision by college officials. A decision will hopefully be made by the time we return for next semester, but for now we should have no worries about our safety. The school is making all actions to make sure we are safe for the remainder of our time here.

Theta Responds to Allegations

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that while no activities were especially dangerous, over a period of time sleep deprivation could have become harmful to an individual's health. It was further commented that aspects of conduct were challenging student's educational priorities.

Theta contends the fact that they did deviate from their national pledge program, but denies any allegations. Representatives of Theta, Jill St. Martin and Bethany Baker speculated that, "Calls into the hotline can be made by anyone off of the street. It could have been one girl calling, angry because she didn't get a bid or decided that she didn't like us." While questions to the validity of calls holds merit, the matter remains that Dean Robert Sloss recounted at least five or six calls made to the hotline. The Office of Student Affairs, as well as the Presidents Office.

On the day the administration approached Theta, they were told to discontinue the pledge program immediately and had to "de-pledge" the five girls with less than two weeks left before receiving their colors. It was decided that it would be inappropriate for members of Theta to asso-

ciate with the pledges. Speaking for their sisters, St. Martin and Baker felt this stipulation was especially harsh because friendships had been fostered, and the girls had worked hard to complete the program.

To prove or dispel the above allegations, a hearing was scheduled by Bryant College. The process would include a disciplinary committee made up of staff, students, and faculty who would investigate the allegations. At the hearing members of Theta would have had the chance to present a case in their favor, but chose not to. Rather than enter into a hearing, the sisters of Theta made a unanimous decision to instead withdraw their charter. Contradiction does arise however regarding the decision to pull the charter. Dr. Eakin stated that, "They did admit to somethings and there are others that they did not admit too. They took responsibility for their actions and therefore, the matter was not taken any further." Conversely, representatives of Theta, St. Martin and Baker stated that, "We did not admit to any acts of hazing in this matter. The only thing we admitted to was that we were in violation of our national pledge program. We gave our

charter up for our own reason, not because of this. We gave it up because we are tired of being harassed by the administration. They do this to us every year. We don't need a piece of paper to say that we are in a sorority. Even without our charter, we still consider ourselves Theta. It's not about a piece of paper, its about the friendship and bonds that we have. The memories are what matter." While there are two dissimilar stories as to the details of events, both the administration and Theta would like to discount any rumors that there were outside authorities investigating the proceedings. This situation has been dealt with by the Office of Student Affairs, Greek Life, the sisters of Theta and with the national sorority.

The terms of their relinquished charter deny Theta of any rights to promote or affiliate themselves as an organization. They are no longer allowed to display their banner and they may not host any functions that would suggest that they still a recognized organization. The women are still allowed to wear their colors because they are personal items and they will remain in their current living area in Greek Village as long as no problems arise. Upon next fall the women will take up housing in the remainder of the village.

Since Dr. Eakin has arrived at Bryant, he has posed the question as to whether or not entering freshman should be allowed to pledge fraternities or sororities first semester. This proposition has been based on concerns that involvement in a Greek organization may affect student's academic success, personalities, or social interactions. Currently, there is nothing in the works to implement this and it is merely a consideration, but comparisons between Greek and non-Greek student academics may be made as a possible determinant.

As spokespersons for the Greek community, St. Martin and Baker argue that the Greek community is often hailed with a bad rap. Theta, who has won the Philanthropy Service Award five consecutive years, suggest that the administration and much of the non-Greek community look

down on Greeks, because everyone concentrates on the negative aspects. Over the years Theta has sponsored various rock-a-thons, Daffodil Days, jump-rope-a-thons, and walks for leukemia. The representatives of Theta further advised that the administration show very little support in what they do. St. Martin and Baker agreed that "If Greeks were looked at for all of the good they did, it would be more beneficial to the college and surrounding community."

Although these women do not feel that they are being supported, conversations with Dr. Eakin and Dean Sloss told a bit of a different story. Dr. Eakin can be quoted as saying, "It is a tragedy that this had to happen. I feel badly for the young women who genuinely wanted to be a part of Theta. I'm very sorry that they went through the process and then had to be denied. I understand that sororities and fraternities mean a great deal to many people. When it works well, a sorority or fraternity can be a very positive experience. We support people when they are doing things right and we challenge and intervene when matters arise that call our attention."

In conversation, Dean Sloss commented that, "We are trying to be sensitive to the feelings of the women. We know that this is a difficult and trying matter for them."

Although the Greek community and the administration do not always see eye to eye on this issue, hopefully some light has been shed on these circumstances that will create better understanding. Whether or not hazing did occur in this matter it should make every organization that participates in various initiation processes consider what has happened here before they participate in something that can be construed negatively, even if it was not intended to be so.

In closing, the sisters of Theta hope that they will be remembered with dignity and respect. On behalf of Theta, St. Martin and Baker would like to; "Thank the Greek community as well as non-Greek students who have continued to show support. Thank you for all of the memories through the years."



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FINANCE ASSOCIATION

Finance Association takes trip to New York City

By Jeremy Stannard



View from the top of the World Trade Center



In front of Goldman Sachs sign left to right: Keith Hanks, Adam Francis, Mat Bartlett

The Bryant College Finance Association has successfully completed another trip to New York City. There we visited Goldman Sachs. This event has turned into a great success, since it first began last year, in conjunction with Career Services. Each November we charter a bus and arrive in New York, where we attend a luncheon at Goldman Sachs. There a panelist discussion is assembled from different alumni working in the New York area. Each of these speakers comes from a different background within the finance field.

Attending the trip were members of the Finance Association including a wide mix of students from freshmen to seniors. Many finance faculty members also attended the trip including Art Gudikunst, Dave Louton, John Natalizia, and Betty Yobaccio. The faculty has been very supportive of our endeavors

over the past few years and several were very disappointed that they were unable to attend this most recent trip. One of the more notable people who made this event possible was Judy Clare. Without Judy, this event never would have happened. This event along with other events have created and developed a great relationship between the Finance Association and Career Services. Judy takes on the difficult task of locating and contacting potential speakers for the panel along with the reservation of the room that Charlene Loring of Goldman Sachs so kindly provided.

Thanks to Judy's hard work, this year's panel was exceptionally good and included a wide variety of speakers. Included in the panel was Rob Covino from the class of '92. Rob currently is Vice President, Director of Client Services at CDC Investment Management Corp. Also, on the panel was Francesco Piovannetti from the class of

'95, where he now serves as an Associate at Deutsche Securities. Scott Kauffman, who served on the panel from the class of '96 is an Analyst in the Financial Institutions Group of Goldman, Sachs & Co. Scott Coplan graduated in '90 and is working at Estee Lauder, Inc where he is a Manager of Finance & Special Programs. Also on the panel was Tiffany Randall from the class of '94 who currently works for JP Morgan where she is an Associate, in Private Banking. Each of these panelists provided great insight into the finance field and their respective careers while taking some very valuable time out of their busy days.

The trip began very early in the morning, when we departed from Bryant at 7:00 AM. After leaving Bryant College on November 4th, we finally arrived in New York just before noon, after watching several videos on the long bus ride, while snacking on some donuts and sleeping. Beginning at noon we began at

Goldman Sachs with lunch and the panelist discussion. Following this discussion the panelists stayed around for those who had questions. By 2:00 PM we were done at Goldman Sachs and everyone had some free time in the city to do as they wanted until 5:00 PM. Different groups of people did many varying activities ranging from meeting other recent graduates of Bryant, touring the New York Stock Exchange, or going on shopping excursions. A couple of students even ventured down to Times Square. During the long ride back to Rhode Island time passed by quickly while watching movies, eating, and discussing the days events.

In the spring of last year a similar trip took place where students went to the New York Stock Exchange and had lunch in the Board of Directors' room followed by a presentation put on by the Robb Peck McCooey Clearing Corporation. Being able to go into the boardroom itself was

a once in a lifetime opportunity. Following the lunch we were provided with a VIP tour of the New York Stock Exchange trading floor. This event was only possible due to both Joe Scalice from Bryant and Neil Bodtmann the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Robb Peck McCooey Clearing Corporation, who so kindly provided this opportunity to those few fortunate Bryant students that were able to attend.

Each of these trips have proven to be a huge success. We have now run three different trips down to New York City over the course of a year. During each of these trips we sold out every seat on the bus showing the extremely high demand for these successful trips. We look forward to providing the opportunity to attend other events such as this, but as of this time no other trips are scheduled during the second semester, however, we will see if we can change that by the time we return in January.



Bryant Alumni



Students touring New York in front of The Bull

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Sports

By Luis Etherington
Sports Editor

Welcome all you sports fans to a brand new edition of Bulldog Sports. I hope that all of you out there had a great turkey day and a good vacation. It is quite a harsh reality when you have to come back to eating the food at Salmanson after enjoying those great turkeys and such. I had a depressing Thursday afternoon watching my Miami Dolphins getting trounced by the Dallas Cowboys, but we are out for revenge this week against Indianapolis. Okay sports fans I had a great editorial planned for you all recapping the fall sports season. Unfortunately after spending last Monday afternoon calling all of the coaches telling them my email address and my extension at school to send information to very few actually got back to me. Lets give a big round of applause to the TWO coaches that actually got back to me and allowed me to have something to write about... Coach Jim Moore of the Women's Soccer team and Coach Theresa Garland Head Volleyball Coach. Lets hope that the coaches find time in their schedule through the years to help me praise their athlete's efforts during my next few years writing. So without further delay lets get into the recaps, the predictions, and my athletes of the bi-week.

Girls Soccer-The Lady Bulldogs finished their 99-00 campaign with a strong 3-2-1 stretch during a very tough year for the dogs. Overall they finished with a 4-12-1 record but Coach Jim Moore believes that his young Bulldogs have much to look forward. With their relatively young squad gaining some steam towards the end of the year who knows where these ladies will end up.
Team MVP-Kara Sullivan
Team MIP-Ashley Brawn

Women's Volleyball

Coach Garland was very enthusiastic in explaining to me the details of her very successful season. These Bulldogs ate up most of their opponents finishing second in the NE-10 division with a 28-12 record. They earned a trip to the NCAA playoffs but unfortunately were defeated by the University of New Haven team in the first round. Coach Garland also has lots to look forward to in the coming years with only one senior graduating and no juniors on her squad. But the loss will be a big to these girls because it is Meredith Vachon an All Conference First team player. But Freshman Erica Hood herself and All Conference First Team member looks to be the girl to do so.

Team MVP-Both Meredith Vachon and Erica Hood
Team MIP-Olubunmi Akinnusotu

Athletes of the Bi-Week

1. Meredith Vachon-Had a huge senior year that she should be proud of in leading her team to the NCAA tournament.

2. Sorry boys without any information about your seasons I found it very difficult to write about you guys.

My Picks for the Coming Weeks:

College Football
Nebraska 35 Texas 24
Alabama 21 Florida 18
Army 14 Navy 10
College Basketball
Arizona 78 Michigan State 72
UNC 85 Cincinnati 83 OT
Duke 82 Michigan 72
Professional Football
Week 13
Miami 21 Indianapolis 18
N.E. 27 Dallas 17
N.Y. Jets 18 N.Y. Giants 17
Week 14
Buffalo 28 NY Giants 10
Miami 21 NY Jets 18
Indianapolis 35 N.E. 21

Hockey Thoughts

By Tony Gugliotta

Do you remember those high school days in New England where every waking hour was spent living, breathing, and eating football? Now I do not have anything against football. I love football and I am very happy for the success of the Bryant football team. But, does this scenario sound familiar? Bryant College, for years, has been a highly regarded academic institution. It still is. But, the priorities of the athletic department and the major personnel of the school are not covering all cylinders. The Bryant College Ice Hockey team has quietly showed it is worthy of full time varsity status as a part of this athletic program. Last season, the team, playing as a club in an all-varsity league, promptly earned itself a playoff berth at the end of the season. The Bulldogs were the only winter team at the school to earn such an achievement. The group of players, with their non-matching helmets and pants, put in as busy a schedule as any other sports team on this campus. The season stretches from September to April and includes practices at ten and eleven at night. Now try studying under those conditions.

Last season, the team was finally recognized by students on this campus and in surrounding areas. The public took a general liking to watching the sport and did not even mind watching the games on Friday and Saturday nights. This year, that tradition continues as more and more fans attend the games and support the team. There are many students at this school who are "regulars" to the games. Their plans on Friday and Saturday nights revolve directly around attending these games. The team absolutely enjoys all the support it is receiving, and is playing up to the standards of the fans.

There is no way to stress the level of commitment the

players on this team are playing at. Besides the ungodly practice times, the players must pay a club fee as well as pay for all their equipment and equipment repairs. Now, we all know how expensive the sport is. To raise money for the program which receives just barely enough to cover ice time and some transportation, the players must lower themselves to "beg" for hundreds of dollars in ads from local businesses. Many businesses are reluctant to support this particular team because of its general anonymity. These businesses, however, are quick to put their names in the basketball or football teams' programs without hesitation.

So here I am, typing this article with a cast on my left arm after breaking my wrist playing for the team against league power MIT, just trying to allow the students and faculty of this institution to realize that there is a bunch of kids with hearts larger than the Grinch's at the end of his story. There is no possible way for anyone to realize what it takes for us, day in and day out, to play for this team, not knowing our exact future or what exactly we are playing for. I have to give my teammates extreme credit for their performances and their roles in utterly turning the program around in two years. Now just think, a team this good already can only get better if we had any sort of recruiting program. All incoming or transferring players shy away from the program, or choose another (Division 3) school just because there is no way of knowing the future of this program. Our players play with broken wrists and fingers, separated shoulders, concussions and numerous other injuries for the sole purpose of trying to get anyone with authority at this school to realize our potential and give us a chance. We aren't even allowed treatment (not even ice) from

the athletics training staff. Give me a break. Now, this team was a championship team back in the 70's and 80's. Since, the team has lost its varsity status and fell off the face of the earth in the minds of the people who "count" at the school. Their thoughts are with the second year football team and the basketball teams that have so many high hopes put on them. We even have a golf team here that competes with all those division one programs and beats them that does not even get any props from the school. Talk about priorities.

My point is, there are so many students and fans that absolutely love watching us play and even more that would love to if we did not have to play two towns away. I just wish that, in choosing new programs for varsity status, the school would consider seniority at the school as well as club records and achievements. Even though the club plays in an all-varsity league against varsity teams, and is at the top of its league (including a recent win away at Bates, the league's second best team), we are still put to the back burner. I ask you students, who are reading this, to please show your support in our upcoming games. I absolutely love this school as does the rest of the team; but it is just so hard for us, not to be even considered as varsity athletes in the athletic program. It is disheartening when certain major persons of the school will not even attend a hockey game in his/her free time, but will fly or travel anywhere to watch other teams.

I am not trying to take away from any other sport. I encourage and support them all. I just want everyone to realize the hardships this team is put through especially considering the length of the season, the lack of incentives in playing, and the hearts (continued on page 18)

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(continued from page 17) of the players on the team. Please, everyone, take this article as an eye opener and that only. We, as a team, have the longest season of any team in the school. However, without the hearts and commitment of the team members, this team would fall into an abyss of anonymity just like after the school

dropped the program in the beginning.

In parting, I would like to thank Coaches Joe Brantolino, Dave Paolino, and Coach "3" as we affectionately call him. They work, as we do, for basically nothing, day in and day out, trying to give us a chance at becoming legitimate college hockey players.

Wrestling Club

By John Horvath and Brian Kerzner

Another athletic tradition has begun this year, the Bryant Wrestling Club. So far in the short history of the club, we have competed in a single D2-D3 tournament, November 12, 1999, where we had a

great time. The wrestlers who represented Bryant in the club's first public showing are Bledy Taka, Brian Kerzner, Dan Parlato, Joe Rimoczy, Kevin Willete, Tim Bifolch, Adam Baldoumas, and John Horvath. Congratu-

among the options we are considering.

We would also like to take advantage of this opportunity to recognize and thank those who were involved in the creation of the newest tradition on the Bryant campus. Julie

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lations to John Horvath for taking fourth overall in his weight class.

So far, we have held two fundraisers, both of which were successful and entertaining all those who got involved. The mug sale over parents' weekend was the first. Thanks to all of those who supported us. If you didn't get a chance to purchase one before they sold out, watch for the next that should be taking place some time in the spring. Thanks to Dan Gavitt, we also got the chance to promote North Smithfield weekend. We intend to continue our efforts in fundraising. Hosting home matches and perhaps even a tournament next semester is

Piccirilli, who helped make the birth of this club possible by offering her knowledge, experience and expertise to the presidents of this. She backed up the decision in making Bryant College a better and more diverse school. Other thanks to the Student Senate, Marc Furtado, Beth Connealy, President Machetty, Glenn Castiglia and Coach Rick Bartel. I would like to take it upon myself to also mention that none of this would have happened without the hard work and effort of John Horvath and Adam Baldoumas, the club presidents who took it upon themselves last year to create this fine club.

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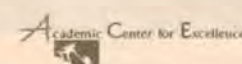


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ENTERTAINMENT

Horoscope

By Linda Black
TMS Campus

Aries

(March 21-April 19)

You're charming and entertaining this week, but on Monday and Tuesday, you may also be a tad nervous. Once you achieve perfection, you'll be fine. A partner loves you, no matter what, on Wednesday and Thursday. Make a big decision together on Friday. Saturday and Sunday are good for shopping, especially for household items.

Taurus

(April 20-May 20)

This week you're obsessed about planning for your future — and with good reason. Don't see love as a distraction on Monday and Tuesday; it's your motivation, instead. From Wednesday through Friday, there's plenty of work, but it's more like paying dues. Over the weekend, strike a deal you can live with.

Gemini

(May 21-June 21)

Pay attention to your partner this week, especially

on Monday and Tuesday. Big changes are going on, and you want to make sure they're good ones. From Wednesday through Friday, love triumphs, quite noticeably. Travel looks good those days, too. You may have to get back to work over the weekend. Let your actions speak louder than your words.

Cancer

(June 22-July 22)

You have an awesome task this week, but that's OK. On Monday and Tuesday, find time to learn what you'll need to know from an old friend. Stick close to home as much as you can, from Wednesday through Friday. Rest up, so you're ready for a romantic weekend.

Leo

(July 23-Aug. 22)

Your relationship's direct and honest this week. Talk about money on Monday and Tuesday and work out a budget you both like. From Wednesday through Friday,

learn to accomplish your goals with your creativity. Dig into a big project over the weekend. You can have what you want at a price you can afford.

Virgo

(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

This is a great week for revisions, revamping and redecoration. Sketch out your plans on Monday and Tuesday. Gather your resources during the week so you can rip and tear over the weekend. By then, you'll be ready to toss out a bunch of old stuff and to replace it with new.

Libra

(Sept. 23-Oct. 23)

You're learning all sorts of new skills. On Monday and Tuesday, tune up your act with an eye toward perfection. From Wednesday through Friday, figure out how to make your future more secure and do it. Count up your resources over the weekend. You may be wealthier than you thought.

Scorpio

(Oct. 24-Nov. 21)

If you dig for buried treasure this week, you just

might find it. A friend can help you plot your course on Monday and Tuesday. You're pushed by circumstances Wednesday through Friday, but also by your own vision. One goal is achieved this weekend, and another challenge emerges. Oh, goodie!

Sagittarius

(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

You're transforming into something magnificent this week, but what!? That's the interesting question. Heed a pedant's advice on Monday and Tuesday. From Wednesday through Friday, you'll have more fun and make more friends. Get serious again over the weekend, but only long enough to finish an important task.

Capricorn

(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Travel's complicated on Monday and Tuesday. Best to postpone a long trip. From Wednesday through Friday, take orders. The better you comply, the more money you'll

make. You can save this weekend for yourself and some special friends. Share love and secrets in a favorite place.

Aquarius

(Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

You and your friends can accomplish great things. Pool your resources on Monday and Tuesday and set up your budget. Stretch as far as you can from Wednesday through Friday. Don't be held back by the past. You'll be expected to report on what you've done over the weekend. You get extra points for taking new ground.

Pisces

(Feb. 19-March 20)

Your career goals are changing this week. You're visualizing yourself reaching greater heights than ever before. A partner helps you put in corrections on Monday and Tuesday. From Wednesday through Thursday, pay off old debts so you can incur new ones. Over the weekend, travel looks good once mechanical difficulties are fixed.

Sleepy Hollow

By Jason Alpert

Of the many movies that I have seen lately, this is one which provided much more than what the commercials suggested. Most everyone knows the basic premise of "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow" by Washington Irving, and despite this, the movie still provides an interesting story line. The special effects were done quite well so as to give it a good atmosphere, however the dream sequences did not seem to fit in well with most of the story. Aside from these dream sequences, the movie is really good and well worth a trip to the theater.

By Andrea Piccarelli

This was a very good movie with a number of unexpected components to it. One of these items was how well Johnny Depp played his role as the fallible Ichabod Crane. Depp's role in this movie is a credit to his acting skills given how this role is different from many other roles he has had. Another feature of this movie is that it downplays the violence and is not some sort of gore-fest, as such, the suspense is created by the writing, and not wondering around which corner the evil person will be to kill another person. Sleepy Hollow is an entertaining movie although not for the faint of heart.

The Insider has been hailed as a riveting thriller of a movie, were nothing really happens, but we are all supposed to be enthralled. Not quite. While I must agree that *The Insider* did possess a couple of hold-your-breath, what's going to happen next scenes, there is definitely no real suspense. The sad irony is, there are many opportunities for it. Just when you think excitement is just around the corner, the movie once again regresses into snooze mode. Sorry, but what can I say?

While based on a true story, this film consists of a we've-finally-gotcha plot, as journalist (Al Pacino) stumbles upon a scandalous corporate secret of one of the largest tobacco companies in the industry. Crucial to their case making is a nondescript scientist and second-tier bureaucrat whose severance from his job, though

The Insider

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brutal and cold-hearted, has provided for a comparatively cushy lifestyle as long as he keeps his insider knowledge to himself. This insider is by no means a crusader. What he mainly wants is to sustain his marriage, home, and family. However, he's tortured by his very integrity — (God for bid) filled with anger over the secrets he possesses; yet committed to uphold his bargain with a corporate devil, because he gave his word...very noble. To free his source and allow him to tell the true story, Pacino uses legalistic maneuvering to get his source to speak without penalty. Unfortunately it backfires and a gag order is issued.

The newsmen are Lowell Bergman (Al Pacino), longtime segment producer for TV's beloved 60 Minutes; the show's hardest-nosed reporter, Mike Wallace (Christopher

Plummer); and executive producer Don Hewitt (Philip Baker Hall). The corporate bogeyman is the American tobacco industry and the whistleblower is Jeffrey Wigand (Russell Crowe). His explosive interview characterizing cigarettes as "a delivery system for nicotine" (yeah, major surprise there) was initially and infamously withheld from the CBS newsmagazine, then aired after the network had been scooped by the print press and shamed into stepping forward with the story.

Yada, yada, yada. This movie, while possessing some rather controversial periods in contemporary American history, is nothing to rush to the theaters for. In my opinion it should have been left at that, history. Rather than an attempted blockbuster hit, this flick should have been left for the made-for-TV-movie guys.

ENTERTAINMENT

A Shot of Southern Comfort: The Katies Show Us a Bit of Southern Hospitality

By Maggie Grace

Women, God, drugs...three topics that are especially dear to The Katies, a Tennessee-based trio who are quickly making a name for themselves on the music scene. Lead singer/guitarist Jason Moore started the band with friend and bassist Gary Welch in the college town of Murfreesboro in 1996. Soon, Jason's younger brother Josh joined as the drummer, and the group began playing local gigs and entertained the idea of making a demo. Producer Brian Carter arrived on the scene and The Katies were soon signed to local label Spongebath Records. Their self-titled debut has been jointly released by Spongebath and Elekta. The album is an im-

pressive first effort. The one thing that I noticed was that the album lacked a "southern feel." It was definitely more of a pop record than anything else. Moore's lead vocals are full of conviction and you can't help but sing along. One song in particular that caught my attention was the song "Noggin' Poundin'", which Bassist Gary Welch wrote about his wife. The chorus is forceful and compliments the more subdued tempo of the rest of the song. Moore's voice makes the transition from light and airy to a hard, earnest growl, seem easy and smooth...this band covers all the bases.

The band lists The Beatles, Led Zepplin and

AC/DC among their many influences and it shows. The majority of the album is laden with heavy guitar, persistent drums and a driving bass beat underneath it all. Combine that with Moore's quality singing voice and ta-dah!!! You have a rock band. I found little fault with the album as a whole, there were a few tracks that didn't impress me, but that is to be expected. Check out track #9 "Ode to S.G." I thought this song was a perfect example of The Katies strengths. The guitar is ragged, the chorus catchy and the topic falls under one of their top 3...what more do you need? I highly recommend giving this a listen—a little southern hospitality goes a long way.



SIDENOTE: I would like to take this opportunity to let you know about an up and coming blues performer who is already receiving rave reviews at the young age of 14. Her name is Shannon Curfman, and she is incredible. When I first heard her voice, I thought: "Who is this woman?" Man, was I surprised to find that the voice of a forty year-old blues singer belonged to a teenager. To compliment the incredible voice, Curfman also plays one mean guitar. Her debut album, *Loud Guitars, Big Suspicions* was released in September on the Arista record label. Johnny Lang, another blues prodigy makes a guest appearance on the album, and has made the remark to *Rolling Stone Magazine* [that] "she is only fourteen, and she scares me." Shannon Curfman is certainly capable of making a name for herself in the entertainment world, and I would strongly urge you to have a listen.

The Bachelor

By Jason Alpert

In this movie, Chris O'Donnell plays a young man who has to find someone to marry within about 20 hours or else he loses about \$100 million and a factory which employs many friends. He blows his chances with women he actually loves many times and then proceeds through a list of ex-girlfriends. After being refused many times, a friend tries to help by putting an ad in the classifieds. Unbeknownst to the friend, the ad ends up a front-page story. This



prompts a rush of women who want to marry O'Donnell and yet he manages to avoid them and get together with the woman he loves. The movie had its funny spots but it was fairly predictable, yet still fairly enjoyable.

By Andrea Piccarelli

This movie was not quite as expected. The commercials suggest a different type of movie by suggesting there would be more interactions with the total strangers rather than past flames. Also, if you ever wanted to see a wide variety of wedding dresses on one screen, this is certainly the movie for you. Aside from this, the movie is pretty funny and entertaining but it does not match up to other wedding related movies like *Father of the Bride* or *My Best Friend's Wedding*.

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