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WJMF presents 'Politics Night'

By Eric MacCarthy
Campus News Editor

This coming Tuesday, March 6th, is known as Super Tuesday in the political world. Super Tuesday occurs every four years during the heart of the primary season where the most primary elections take place on the same day. In previous election years there have been as many as 24 primaries on a single day. This year there are only 11 primaries: Alaska, Georgia, Idaho, Massachusetts, Ohio, North Dakota, Vermont, Tennessee, Oklahoma, Wyoming, and Virginia.

Despite the smaller number of primaries, this year's Super Tuesday is as important as ever before. Unlike in 2008, only the Republican Party is holding a primary election this year. The race has grown tighter than ever in the past two weeks, with candidates Mitt Romney, former Massachusetts Governor, and Rick Santorum, former United States Senator from Pennsylvania, leading the way heading into Super Tuesday.

In conjunction with the Super Tuesday primaries, Bryant's WJMF 88.7 HD-2 Smithfield/Providence radio station will be hosting its own on-air political event titled "Politics Night." WJMF will have both students and Bryant professors on air between the hours of 7pm-12am talking and taking calls about the Republican primary, issues facing our country, and the ramifications of Tuesday's results as they role in that night.

The show will be hosted by students Eric MacCarthy '12, Justin Florio '11, and Nicholas

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Bryant welcomes a new Vice President for Information Services

By Jacquelyn Ammirato
Editor-in-Chief

Twenty years ago Bryant's new Vice President for Information Services, Chuck LoCurto arrived at Textron Financial as a systems analyst. When the economy turned south, Textron Financial's whole operation changed and the company went through some difficult times. So last October when a friend told LoCurto that President Machtley was looking for a new CIO, he decided to send President Machtley a note. Just three months later, LoCurto returned to his wife's alma mater as the Vice President for Information Services and Chief Information Officer.

During his college years, LoCurto attended Clarion University in Pennsylvania where he majored in finance

and business computers. While at Clarion, LoCurto was a member of the swim team, and his performance was enough to make him a four time All-American springboard diver. His love of diving continued on past college, as he is now the diving coach at Roger Williams University.

With an MBA from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and experience as an executive vice president at Textron Financial, LoCurto understands the technological needs of Bryant. His number one priority is to find out the needs of students and faculty and to figure out how to meet those needs.

One of LoCurto's big short-run goals is to support University Relations via the redeployment of the Bryant website. LoCurto feels that



Chuck LoCurto comes to Bryant! (Martha Chapman)

the website currently is trying to serve two conflicting perspectives; those of current students and faculty and those of prospective students and parents. LoCurto feels the website now contains too much

internal information while it should be a place for members of the external community. LoCurto also wants to revitalize the mybryant portal and how the community sees and interacts with it.

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'Recyclemania' comes to Bryant

By Sara Larabee
Staff Writer

What do you call it when over 630 colleges and universities nationwide compete against one another to improve and upgrade their own Recycling Programs? RECYCLEMANIA of course! For the past 2 years, Bryant has participated in this friendly-competition style recycling program, and this year, the University is hoping to shatter all previous records.

Taken straight from a publication from Paul Cinq-Mars, the Manager of Custodial Operations and Campus Management:

- In 2010 the Bryant population produced 11.76 lbs of recyclables per FTE (Full Time Equivalent) and finished in 179th place.

- In 2011 the Bryant population produced 13.4 lbs of recyclables per FTE (Full Time Equivalent) and finished in 115th place. *note: Bryant

finished ahead of Bentley!

Maybe you have heard of "Recyclemania" before, or even if this is the first time, everyone can participate and it is so simple! Each Freshman hall, village suite, and Senior townhouse has their own recycle bins (both plastic and paper). We all drink from water bottles and cans and use other recyclable materials. So, what do you have to do? Make sure to recycle any and all bottles, cans, and other materials in the proper bins until April 6th.

(You should ALWAYS recycle, but the competitive program here on campus only runs until the first week in April.)

With everyone making some extra effort to recycle, Bryant definitely could finish within the Top 100 and would be competing with the likes of Brown University, Babson, and Cornell to name a few schools which finished within the top 100 last year.



Sodexo has already begun restructuring its trash habits to increase recycling in the kitchens and with their help and increased participation from the student population and even faculty and staff, Paul Cinq-Mars and his team is confident that Bryant could surpass the 17lbs per FTE in 2012.

Even the Office of Residence Life is pitching in!

You can check their Facebook and Twitter (@BryantResLife) pages for weekly updates on the progress that Bryant is making. Also, you can check the live standings of all participating schools and get more information about this program at www.recyclemania.acs.org.

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Campus Calendar

March	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	8:00pm Extravaganza, MAC	12:00pm Women's Lacrosse vs. Navy 3:00pm Men's Lacrosse vs. Vermont	3:00pm Salve Regina University Madrigals Chorus, Interfaith Center	6:00PM Gay, Straight, or Bi?: Faculty and Staff Edition, South	10:30am National Eating Disorder Awareness, Roto 9:15pm Vagina Monologues, South	11:50am, 12:50pm, 1:50pm Lava Brooklyn, Tumbling and Acrobatic Artists, Roto	Have a great Spring Break! Next Archway issue hits stands March 23rd.

Bulldog Bulletin

Actuarial Association: General Meetings, *Wednesdays 2:00pm*, in Bryant Center 2A/2B
The Archway: Writers' Meetings, *Mondays 4:30pm*, Bryant Center Room 2A/B!
Bryant Chamber Ensemble: Open Rehearsals, *Mondays 6:15pm*, Interfaith Center West Room!
Bryant Players: General Meetings, *Tuesdays 5:00pm*, South Dining Hall
Bryant Pride: General Meetings, *Wednesdays 4:00pm*, Nick's Place
C.E.O: General meetings, *Thursdays 5:30pm* in Room 2C of the Bryant Center!
Christian Fellowship: *Thursdays, 7pm* in the Interfaith Center West Room
Colleges Against Cancer: Meetings, *Wednesdays 3:00pm*, Bryant Center 2C
Cricket Club: *Sundays at 5:30pm*, MAC
H.E.A.L: Judson Laippley will be performing on Thursday, 2/23 in Janikies.
SIFE: General Meetings, *Mondays 5:00pm* in Papitto
SPB: General Meetings, *Mondays 4:30pm*, South

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Department of Public Safety Log

<p>EMT CALL (Medical Services Rendered) FEB 22 2012-Wednesday at 21:31 Location: RESIDENCE HALL Summary: DPS received a report of a person having chest pains and feeling fainting. EMS was activated and the person was transported via Smithfield Rescue to Fatima Hospital for treatment.</p>	<p>VANDALISM (Residence) FEB 26 2012-Sunday at 12:52 Location: TOWNHOUSE Summary: DPS received a report of spray paint on the exterior walls of a Townhouse. The incident is under investigation.</p>	<p>EMT CALL (Medical Services Rendered) FEB 27 2012-Monday at 05:12 Location: RESIDENCE HALL Summary: A student reported loss of feeling on one side of his body. EMS was activated and the person was transported via Smithfield Rescue to Fatima Hospital for treatment.</p>
<p>PROPERTY DAMAGE FEB 24 2012-Friday at 11:15 Location: CHASE ATHLETIC CENTER / GYM Summary: A crane a cooling chilling unit off the roof of the Athletic Center accidentally hit the roof.</p>	<p>VANDALISM (To Auto) FEB 26 2012-Sunday at 13:15 Location: BELLO CENTER LOT Summary: DPS received a report from a student that their driver's side sport mirror broken off their vehicle. DPS is checking into the incident.</p>	<p>BIAS INCIDENTS None Reported To report a bias incident or hate crime, go to www.bryant.edu/bias or call the Bias Incident Hotline at x6920</p>
<p>TOWED VEHICLE FEB 24 2012-Friday at 22:54 Location: HALL VILLAGE Summary: a DPS officer noticed a vehicle blocking a fire access. Attempts were made to locate the owner which unsuccessful and the vehicle was towed.</p>	<p>VANDALISM (To Auto) FEB 26 2012-Sunday at 15:19 Location: HALL 16 LOT Summary: DPS received a report from a student that their rear window had been smashed. DPS is checking into the incident.</p>	<p>Bias related incident – a threatened, attempted, or completed action that is motivated by bigotry and bias regarding a person's real or perceived race, religion, natural origin, ethnicity, sexual orientation, disability, or gender status. Examples of these incidents include name calling, offensive language/acts, and graffiti/behavior.</p>
<p>VANDALISM (Residence) FEB 25 2012-Saturday at 14:15 Location: RESIDENCE HALL Summary: A student reported a broken exterior window pane in their residence hall. The incident is under investigation.</p>	<p>VANDALISM (Residence) FEB 26 2012-Sunday at 20:23 Location: RESIDENCE HALL Summary: DPS received a report of a broken window in a Residence Hall. DPS is checking into the incident.</p>	<p>The DPS Officer's:</p>
<p>DRUG (Possession Of Drug Paraphernalia) FEB 26 2012-Sunday at 02:56 Location: RESIDENCE HALL Summary: DPS received a report of possible drug use in a Residence Hall. Units investigated and found paraphernalia, the items were confiscated by DPS and charges have been filed.</p>	<p>DRUG (Possession of Drug Paraphernalia) FEB 26 2012-Sunday at 23:24 Location: RESIDENCE HALL Summary: A report of possible drug use in a Residence Hall. Units investigated and found paraphernalia—items which were confiscated by DPS. Charges have been filed.</p>	<p>"TIP OF THE WEEK"</p> <p>Many thefts from a vehicle happen when students leave their car doors unlocked and/or electronics in view. Always keep your car doors locked and valuables out of sight.</p>

Know about a campus event?
 Write about it!
 archway@bryant.edu

Tupper's Tidbits

Top Five Things I'd Consider Giving Up for My Dogma

Ironclad Tupper I



I can give up stuff, too! Kind of... (Tina Senecal)

This week, the Twittersphere was flooded with tweets from people talking about what they'd "give up for Lent."

What the heck is "Lent?" I asked my Momma. She told me it's a Christian observance of the 40 days between Ash Wednesday and Easter. For Christians, Lent is a season of soul-searching and repentance; it's a time for reflection and taking stock, she said.

Kind of reminds me of the Jewish holiday Rosh Hashanah. It's the Jewish new year, so they're supposed to reflect on how to improve their relationships with people and with God. I bet that most of the major religions have more of these kinds of similarities than differences. Hmm...that'd be a good topic for someone to explore in the "What is Pluralism?" Contest...(admission.bryant.edu/pluralism)

Now, I ascribe to my own "dogma," so I'm not familiar with all the religions and practices. But all the tweets did get me thinking...so I present to you the "Top Five Things I'd Consider Giving Up for My Dogma."

5. Bulldog Buggy rides. Now, many of you have remarked on how much I seem to enjoy being squired

about campus. And you're right! This will be a real sacrifice. Yep, a real sacrifice! Hmm...I might have to think some more about this one.

4. Watching the "Dog Whisperer." Honestly, I don't know why they call that guy a "whisperer." Sometimes, he's really loud, and I don't like his tone one bit! I watch the show cuz it makes me laugh. Tsst, tsst, really, dude? Not in the bulldog house!

3. Treats! Well...not ALL treats...and not ALL the time. On second thought, I may reconsider this one, too.

2. Taking really loooooong naps. Really. I'm gonna try to cut my slumber time by at least 10 minutes every snooze session. No, really. This will give me more time for snacks! See how very clever I am?

And the number one thing I'll give up for my Dogma is:

1. Football. Now I looove going to the games, but I can promise you, with absolute certainty, that I will not go to any Bryant football games between now and April 8. I promise...Dog's honor...

So there you have it, another installment of my wisdom. Peace. 'Til next time...Woof!

Turner's Thoughts

March is National Nutrition Month

Debbie Turner
Dietitian

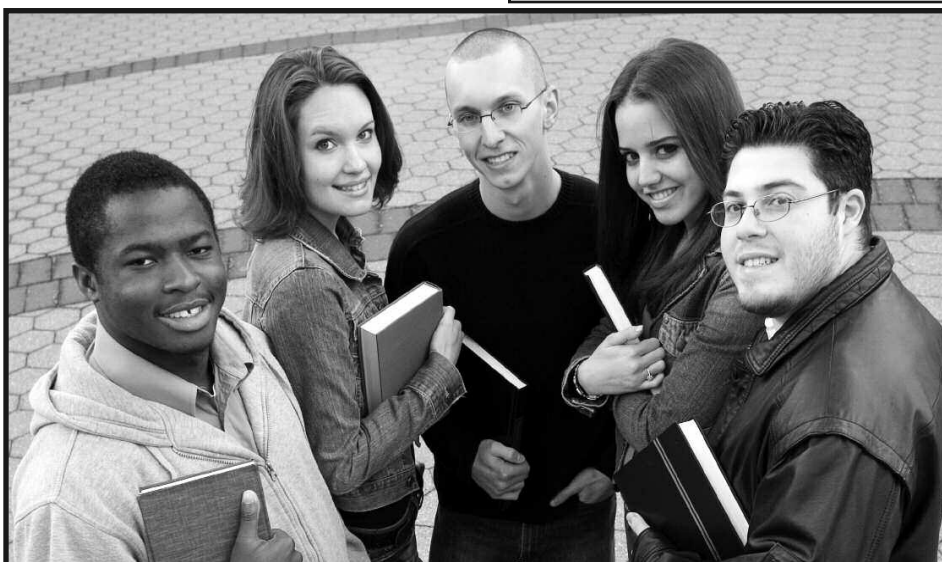
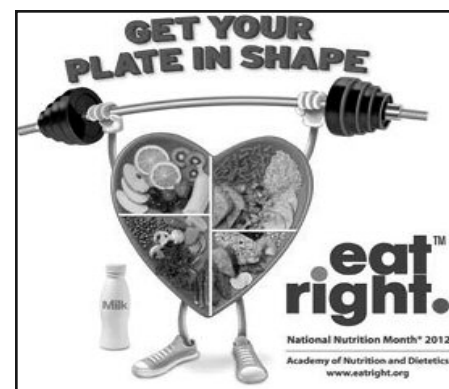
Folks, you have heard that breakfast is the most important meal; so why does this meal continually get ignored? Breakfast truly is the most important meal of the day. It provides you with the power your body needs to perform at its best. Breakfast wakes up your blood and muscles for concentration in the classroom and physical endurance. Try to eat or drink something with nutrients within two hours of waking. Just in case you need some help, here are some reminders:

- Make instant oatmeal with milk instead of water. Mix in raisins or dried cranberries. Top with chopped nuts.
- Layer low-fat yogurt or with your favorite crunchy cereal and sliced fruit or berries.
- Breakfast bar
- Spread cottage cheese on an English muffin and top with apple slices
- Top a bowl of whole-grain cereal with blueberries, sliced peaches or any favorite fruit. Pour on low-fat or fat-free milk.
- Top a toaster waffle with low-fat yogurt and fruit OR smear on nut-butter.
- Stuff a whole-wheat pita with a sliced, hard-cooked egg and low-fat shredded cheese.
- Spread a flour tortilla with peanut butter. Add a whole banana and roll it

up. If your taste buds just don't crave breakfast foods, try these:

- Add lean ham and low-fat Swiss cheese to a toasted whole-grain English muffin.
- Leftover veggie pizza.
- Deli turkey, a slice of low-fat cheese and lettuce wrapped in a tortilla.
- Leftover rice mixed with low-fat yogurt, dried fruit and nuts. Sprinkle with cinnamon.
- Big glass of chocolate milk
- String Cheese
- Hot cup of soup
- Hot chocolate made with low fat milk instead of water.

That All I can think of for now, send along some of your breakfast ideas to Debbieturner@bryant.edu.



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Senate Corner

Bryant Center renovations update

By Adam McGarry and Racheal Pozerski
Contributing Writers

On Friday February 24, 2012 members of the Public Relations Committee (Student Senate) met with Dean Thomas Eakin to discuss the current status of the Bryant Center Renovation.

According to Dean Eakin, the project is moving forward and it is currently a top issue for the University. Architects are in the process of evaluating the different sections of the Bryant Center in order to determine what work needs to be performed on the student center. Different factors that are being taken under consideration include: larger meeting spaces, more office space, improved student activity areas.

In May of 2012, the proposal for the Bryant Center will be written up. However, construction will not commence until May of 2013. During the 2012-2013 Academic school year and the summer, the University will be working with the architects in order to obtain licensing, codes, and other materials needed to initiate construction.

The Bryant Center Renovation will most likely take longer than a summer's time to complete, according to Dean Eakin. The construction will be done in stages since the Bryant Center cannot be taken offline all at once.

More information about the status of the Bryant Center Renovation will be available towards the end of the semester as the proposal is being drawn up.

Senate Updates:

Dr. Jose Marie Griffiths, Vice President of Academic Affairs, in conjunction with Student Senate will be hosting a forum on the new curriculum update. This will take place on March 19th, 2012 in room 2C of the Bryant Center from 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Election Packets for Executive Board are now available in the Senate office!

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Mancuso '12, along with other student guests throughout the night. The show will also feature appearances, both live and pre-recorded, from many Bryant professors including Michael Roberto, Glenn Jefferson, Richard Holtzman, and Dr. Stanley Baran. WJMF is very excited and honored to have such distinguished professors willing to go on air for the station.

Super Tuesday will be the most important day of the primary season, especially with the results of Tuesday's Michigan and Arizona primaries. Romney took both states, and although neither win was that surprising, both will do a lot in strengthening his chances of earning the party nomination. He now leads all candidates in delegates with 146 to date. Santorum is currently in second with only 48 delegates.

Despite the large lead that Romney currently holds, the number of delegates allocated thus far only equals 11% of the 2,286 total delegates available, and that still leaves the race up for grabs. In order for a candidate to lock up the nomination for the Republican Party, the candidate must win 1,144 delegates prior to the party's convention. Since the delegates have been relatively spread out thus far, it will make it very difficult to any of the candidates to reach the number of delegates needed to secure the nomination.

This means that even though Romney currently has a decent lead, Super Tuesday is

equally important for him if he wants to secure the required delegates. Super Tuesday is therefore also very important for Santorum, because even if he doesn't think he can catch Romney; his best shot will be keeping him from winning the nomination prior to the convention.

This situation would be very interesting, because in the case that neither of the candidates wins enough delegates, there will be a brokered convention, or at least a contested convention, the first since 1976 in an election between Gerald Ford and Ronald Reagan.

In a contested convention, all delegates have endless opportunities to change their votes. This all leads to dealing and wheeling of votes and even allows for a new candidate to emerge who may have not been involved in the primary election at all.

The GOP (Grand Old Party) Convention isn't until August, so there is still plenty of time for anything to happen; but more now than ever it is becoming a slim possibility this could actually happen.

Tune into WJMF Radio on wjmfradio.com to listen to students and professors alike breakdown all this information and more; and feel free to join the banter by calling 401-232-6150. You can also watch the program on Bryant's own television station channel 68.

Communication Society

By Brittany Kmetz
Contributing Writer

Bryant University's Communication Society is excited to announce an upcoming event. On Thursday, March 8th, Communication Society will be holding an exciting event to celebrate St. Patrick's Day and the Irish culture.

From 10am - 2pm in the Rotunda, there will be a myriad of Irish themed decorations, food, trivia, music courtesy of WJMF, and raffle prizes. First prize for the raffle is two tickets to the Dropkick Murphys; second and third prizes are baskets filled with Spring Break essentials. Tickets are \$1 for one ticket, \$5 for six tickets, and \$10 for twelve tickets. Students, faculty, and staff are welcome to participate in all activities throughout the day.

Later that night, Communication Society

will welcome Barnacle, a Celtic musical group from Westerly, RI, to perform for the campus. This group has been nominated for "Best Celtic Act of 2011" by Motif Music Magazine, and is sure to be an experience you won't want to miss. The event begins at 5pm in Janikies; tickets are not required for this musical performance. Refreshments will be served, and the winners of the raffle prizes will be announced at the end of the evening.

In the past the Communication Society has won awards for "Best Academic Club" and "Most Improved." This event marks the official debut of the new ideas this year's Executive Board have come up with to improve the organization. Be sure to follow them on Twitter at @CommClub_Bryant or check out their Facebook page, Bryant Communication Society, to hear all the exciting changes that are being made.

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LoCurto also feels there is a great opportunity to extend all the knowledge and computing currently available to students when they are not in class. He talks about the possibility of students being able to listen to professor podcasts while at the gym or brushing up on pre-class reads while walking to the unistructure. He wants to make it so that "students can learn anytime, anywhere." It is his job he feels to put the technology in the "hands, palms, and ears of the students and faculty."

LoCurto oversees team members working in the library, academic computing, the AV and media department, administrative systems, and infrastructure. Within those departments LoCurto says it will be important to focus on execution and process discipline, security access control, and talent development.

After working together for a period of time, LoCurto wants his team members to feel that they "accomplished things they never thought they would, worked harder than they thought they would, and had a lot of fun."

Outside of technology and diving, LoCurto keeps busy at various volunteer positions. In January, after serving three years as a board member, LoCurto was named the chair-

man of the board of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Rhode Island. He is also on the advisory board at Year Up where he mentors students regularly. He is also a governing body co-chair for the Boston CIO Summit. LoCurto also enjoys spending time with his wife and two daughters, one a junior at URI and the other a high school senior.

LoCurto spent twenty years helping to facilitate the growth of Textron Financial from a company with 300 employees and \$2 billion in assets to

'I feel like a kid in a candy store'

an employer of 1200 holding \$10 billion in assets. He headed a number of technological initiatives and achieved Six Sigma Black Belt certifications. LoCurto however couldn't be happier about being at Bryant. He sees so many opportunities to help Bryant get to the next level. "I feel like a kid in a candy store," he said.

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Fannie, Freddie regulator defends write-down opposition

By Jim Puzzanghera
MCT Campus

Under increasing pressure from Democrats to do more to stem foreclosures, the regulator for Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac on Tuesday strongly defended his opposition to allowing the government-owned housing finance companies to write down mortgage principal for "underwater" homeowners.

Edward DeMarco, acting director of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, told senators that reducing the amount owed by homeowners on mortgages owned or guaranteed by Fannie and Freddie was not consistent with his responsibility to protect taxpayers.

The government has pumped \$183 billion into the companies, which were bailed out after being seized by the agency in 2008 to prevent their bankruptcy.

DeMarco said executives at Fannie and Freddie "have advised me they do not believe it is in the best interest of the companies" to write down mortgage principal to reduce foreclosures.

"Foreclosure is the worst possible outcome in most instances. It is the most costly, it is the most devastating to the family and it is the most devastating the neighborhood," DeMarco told the Senate Banking Committee, touting other steps such as interest rate reductions that Fannie and Freddie

have taken to help keep struggling homeowners from defaulting.

The agency has "a responsibility to find all prudent actions" to prevent foreclosures, he said. But refinancing, modification of the length of the loan, and deferring payments on mortgage principal all are more effective at keeping people in their homes and not increasing the risk to taxpayers of losses on the bailouts of Fannie and Freddie, DeMarco said.

Democrats pushed DeMarco to change his position amid news Tuesday that the Standard & Poor's/Case-Shiller index of the nation's largest cities fell to its lowest level since the housing crisis hit. They said principal reduction would help stabilize the housing market, ultimately reducing taxpayer losses on the Fannie and Freddie bailout because mortgages would not end up in foreclosure.

"In my view, the FHFA has shown a dismal lack of initiative in the housing crisis and needs to be far more aggressive in taking steps that can help both homeowners and taxpayers," said Sen. Robert Menendez (D-N.J.). "The banks are finding it profitable to give principal reductions to about 20% of their own loans while, ironically, the government isn't allowing principal reductions on any loans."

Fannie and Freddie own or guarantee 60% of mortgages

nationwide.

Housing and Urban Development Secretary Shaun Donovan admitted principal reduction is the one foreclosure-prevention tool that the administration has made the least progress in employing.

But FHFA is an independent agency. DeMarco had been chief operating officer at the agency and became acting director in 2009. The White House has tried to replace him, but Senate Republicans have blocked confirmation of President Obama's nominee for the job.

Republicans, who oppose more government intervention in the housing market, praised DeMarco on Tuesday. But he acknowledged "there appears to be a lot of criticism" of his performance.

California Atty. Gen. Kamala D. Harris has called on DeMarco to resign. In a letter released Monday, she asked him for a freeze on foreclosures in the state until the agency did a "thorough, transparent analysis of whether principal reduction is in the best interests of struggling homeowners as well as taxpayers."

Also on Monday, 115 House members wrote to DeMarco calling for principal write-downs by Fannie and Freddie.

Apple iPad3 unveil expected for 3/7

By David Sarno and Nathan Olivarez-Giles
MCT Campus

Apple Inc.'s iPad, the undisputed champ of tablet computers, is about to enter Round 3.

The Cupertino, Calif., technology giant said it would hold an unveiling March 7. The secretive company wouldn't say what it will reveal but it is widely expected to be the launch of its third-generation iPad.

It would come as Apple's tablet competitors, many of which offer devices for less than half the cost of the \$500 iPad, are starting to catch up.

"We have something you really have to see. And touch," Apple said in an invitation emailed to the media. The event will take place at the Yerba Buena Center for the Arts' Novellus Theater in San Francisco, a venue that the company has used for years to show off new products.

Although Apple has not shared any details on the design, analysts believe the new model is likely to have a screen with twice the resolution of the iPad 2, as well as a better camera, a faster processor and the possible ability to connect to high-speed 4G wireless networks run by AT&T Inc. and Verizon Wireless.

The new features could help Apple fend off surging rivals. In the fourth quarter, Apple Inc.'s share of tablets sold dropped to 57 percent, from 64 percent in the same quarter a year ago. Eating up part of the company's share was Amazon.com Inc. and its \$200 Kindle Fire tablet, which went on sale in November and captured 14 percent of the market during its first three months in stores, according to research firm IHS iSuppli.

Apple Chief Executive Tim Cook has dismissed the Kindle Fire as a competitive threat, using the term "cheap product" to describe the iPad's lower-cost rivals.

Reviewers have called the lower-priced Kindle Fire clunkier and more limited than the iPad. Although it's based on Google Inc.'s versatile Android software, the Fire has a number of restrictions that prevent it from downloading some popular applications, and it cannot yet connect to cellular networks.

"A cheap product might sell some units," Cook said during a public appearance this month. "But then (consumers) get it home and use it, and the joy is gone. And the joy is gone every day that they use it, and they wind up not using it anymore."

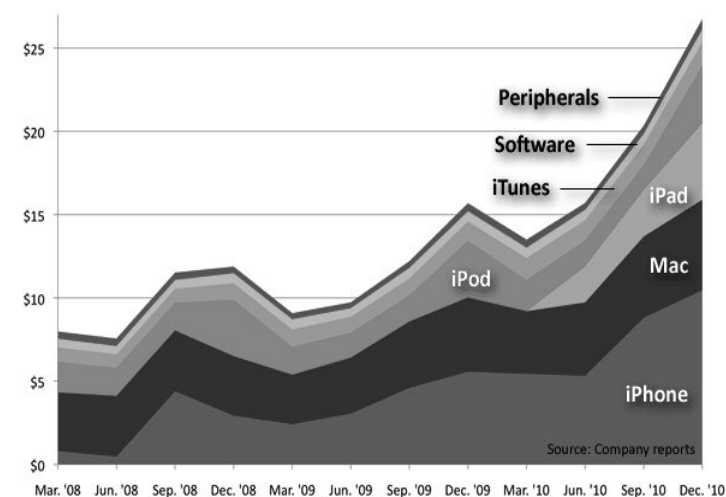
But analysts said that even with the Kindle Fire's faults, Apple can't afford to rest easy as long as a technology juggernaut like Amazon is on its heels.

"In Amazon's defense, that's their first (tablet) product," said Walter Piecyk, an analyst at BTIG. "They're going to come up with bigger and better products."

A spring launch of what many believe will be called the iPad 3 would fall in line with the timing for the first two generations of Apple tablets.

The iPad 2 was unveiled March 2, 2011, by then-Chief Executive Steve Jobs, who came back from his medical leave for the occasion.

Apple Revenue By Segment (Billions of Dollars)



Professor Roberto Blogspot: Sears spinning off hardware stores

By Michael Roberto D.B.A
Faculty Contributor

Sears continues to struggle. Yesterday, it reported a net loss for the last quarter of \$2.4 billion. Same store sales declined during the quarter as well. The firm announced that it will be bolstering its balance sheet by selling off its Sears Hardware stores (along with several other moves designed to increase cash). I understand the move, given the liquidity concerns about the company. However, I found one item in Chairman Lampert's letter to shareholders rather puzzling. He described the third pillar of the company's strategy:

"With regard to our third pillar, we still have a long way to go but Kenmore and Craftsman have held up relatively well, despite our overall company performance and housing builds and turnover continuing at relatively low levels. In the fourth quarter of 2011, Kenmore maintained its market leadership in appliances, while

Craftsman, too, gained market share. But, market share alone is not enough. When we think about brands, we think about brands like Nike and Apple, and we aspire to have Kenmore and Craftsman be the Nike and Apple of the appliances, tools, and lawn and garden industries."

If a key pillar of the strategy is to build the Kenmore and Craftsman brands, then why sell off the hardware stores? Is Sears more known for and appealing to customers with regard to apparel or hardware? Sears already had announced the intent to sell Kenmore and Craftsman products at other retailers. Will the brands thrive if the hardware stores are spun off entirely? Are there synergies that will be lost as a result of the sale of the hardware stores? I don't know the answers to these questions, but I think management must address these issues and explain their thinking to investors.

Professor Roberto's blog can be viewed in its entirety at: <http://michael-roberto.blogspot.com/>

Biz Snipz: the current happenings of the business world

By Michael Silva
Staff Writer

* Recently valued at \$500 billion dollars, Apple is worth more than nations such as Poland, Greece, South Africa and Saudi Arabia.

* Tuesday saw a sharp decline in treasuries and stocks after the DJIA hit a four year high. The decline spread across stocks, treasuries and gold. It is linked to the strong showing in the market and also gains on the American dollar.

* Income gains in the second half of the year were much stronger than expected. The income gains in January were 64%, a 4% jump from December's 60%.

* Bonuses on Wall Street fell 14% in 2011. The bonuses of \$19.7 billion were a 14% drop from the previous year. An average Wall Street employee still takes home \$121,150 in cash bonuses.

* In an industry in years past dominated by General Motors (GM), Ford and Toyota: Kia is making a

name for itself in the automobile market. According to recent statistics, Kia provided a risk-adjusted return of 9.2% in the past 5 years. That is the highest risk adjusted return out of the 22 companies on the Bloomberg World Auto Manufacturers Index.

* Gas prices continue to rise as the economy strengthens. The national average per gallon is now at \$3.71, the highest since 2010.

Bryant students to bike cross country Massachusetts to California to raise awareness

By Tom Hansen
Sports Editor

"What do you want to do before you die?" A serious ponderance that is all too often seen as foolish sentiment. Certainly while at Bryant students are taught to display "the character of success" and find their passion as they go through their college career and into the working world. However it is entirely possible that many students will lose their grip on what truly makes them happy.

Whether it be playing a sport, writing, a hobby, or any other activity that enriches the mind everyone has something they want to do that gives them a sense of fulfillment beyond their professional and personal commitments. For a pair of Bryant Seniors and a fellow student from Southern New Hampshire University, theirs is to come in a cross country bike excursion spanning from Welfleet, Massachusetts to San Fransico, California. While initially appearing somewhat Forrest-Gump-ian in nature, they are riding to raise support and awareness for The Thyroid and Graves Disease Foundation.

The two seniors, Elias McQuaide and David Britton, decided to take a cross country bike trip at the beginning of the academic year. Both wanted to travel in some capacity, and being the consum-

and could give me insight into the daily problems that face those who have diseases that affect their lives," said McQuaide, whose sister suffers from Graves Disease. "I am really hoping to gain



Bryant seniors Elias McQuaide (right), David Britton (center), and SNHU senior Keating Tufts (left). (Kyle Lipkvich)

mate outdoorsmen that they are they decided bicycles were the most appropriate mode of transportation.

"I decided on a cross country bike ride because I feel that the ride would challenge me physically and mentally

personal awareness of the disease and struggles that come with it, while drawing communities and people's attention during the ride to the problems that many across the U.S and the globe face due to Thyroid and Graves Dis-

ease."

When asked a similar question Britton replied, "By bicycling I believe we will be able to gain a more detailed, intimate perspective on our country and hopefully be able to educate people along the way about the detriments of Graves Disease and what they can do to help."

Being that a cross country bicycle trip is an incredibly strenuous journey, McQuaide and Britton have brought along a team of doctors to help them throughout the difficult stretches of their journey, "The mix of training, fundraising, as well as organizing the trip from day to day as well as hotels to stop at to rest is a strenuous process," said Britton when asked about what it was like planning for this type of affair. "But I am really looking forward to seeing and experiencing our country on a day to day basis and see how different everything is as we move west, from lifestyles to landscapes."

Over the course of their journey, the trio will be cycling across the winding hills of the Appalachians, the long plains of the Midwest, and even a three day stretch in the

sweltering heat of the Nevada desert. To train for such a rigorous ordeal the riders complete twenty miles per day at a twenty mile per hour pace. This is an incredible feat to be doing alongside a strenuous full-time student schedule.

The team will be traveling at a nearly 75 mile per day pace, consisting of three and four day legs at a time before stopping to rest at a hotel. For those of you looking for some local perspective on just how far that is, it would take walking across campus approximately 150 times per day, a condition that is very well appreciated for those of us enjoying life in the town houses.

Those looking to find out more information about this journey for Graves Disease should go to the trip's website located at www.Greaterthangraves.com. The team kindly asks the Bryant Community to donate to their cause, and any donation amount is welcomed and appreciated.

Everyone at The Archway wishes the trio the best of luck in their endeavor and hopes that they enjoy every part of the country they are to traverse.

Kelich named NEC Pitcher of the Week

Courtesy of
Bryant Athletics

Following a pair of strong six-inning outings, Bryant University junior right-hander Peter Kelich (Jackson, N.J.) has been named the Northeast Conference Pitcher of the Week, announced by the league on Monday. The award is the fifth weekly award that Kelich has won in his two-plus years in Smithfield. He was named NEC Rookie of the Week once in 2010 and earned Pitcher of the Week honors three times last season.

Over his first two starts, Kelich has been very good for the Black and Gold. He started the 2012 season on the right foot, limiting Saint Joseph's to one run on four hits over six innings in the Bulldogs' season-opening win. In winning his 16th career game, Kelich set down 13-straight batters from the second through fifth inning and finished with six strikeouts. The Garden State native followed that with another

six-inning performance against Florida Gulf Coast this past weekend. He allowed three runs (one earned) on six hits and struck out six against the Eagles and left the game in line for his second win of the season before



Kelich has been strong in the early going. (Bryant Athletics)

FGCU scored two in the ninth to win the game. Kelich currently owns a 1-0 record and 1.50 ERA. He has struck out a batter per inning while issuing just six walks.

Bryant continues its non-conference schedule this weekend with another trip south. The Bulldogs will travel to Fairfax, Va., to face George Mason in a three-game series starting on Friday, March 2 at 2:30 p.m.

Bryant University Intramural Athlete of the Week:

Matt Schatzman

Sport: Floor Hockey



This week's BUIAOTW award goes out to international athletic sensation and Bryant Senior Matt Schatzman. Usually known for his dominant play on the flag football field and dynamic pitching style on the mound for Jessie and the Rippers in Softball season, Schatzman has decided to take his first forray into the Floor Hockey world, and it has paid dividends. Playing alongside his teammates of the Sunnysvale Trailer Park team, Schatzman has scored five goals in two games, including a hat trick in his first ever appearance. Clearly the sky is the limit for this craftsman hockey player, and we wish him and his team the best of luck with the remainder of his season.

Know an athlete that you want to nominate for the B.U.I.A.O.T.W.? Send all nominations and comments to archway@bryant.edu

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WJMF brings competitive eating to Bryant

Food gets the best of two, sophomore crowned

By Sarah Perlman
Staff Writer

Bryant's newest intramural sport...competitive eating. Not really, but WJMF and Sodexo co-sponsored the 'Eat Your Face Off' competition in Salmo on Wednesday, February 29th. The rules were simple, 3 challengers, 30 minutes, and 2 pounds of meat, 1 pound of cheese, 1 pound of french fries, and a glass of milk. The winner was the person who cleaned their plate, or ate the most food in the allotted 30 minutes. If a competitor threw up, they were immediately disqualified.

When asked what brought on the idea for the competition, Marketing Director of WJMF Jeanette Ferraro said "We wanted to get our name out there since WJMF has changed so much this year. We thought it would be a good idea to bring an event



Two pounds of meat, 1 pound of cheese, and 1 pound of fries. (WJMF)

that we haven't seen yet on campus. I met with Shawn Monaghan to brainstorm, and we came up with this. Seemed like a fun way to get our name out there. In sum, Ferraro noted "...Who doesn't love a good challenge? Definitely going to be a tradition!"

After signing a liability waiver, the challengers for this food eating competition consisted of Keith Fischer, Michelle Villa, and John Burke.

When interviewed before the competition, John Burke, donning his "Ninja Turtles" cut-off and red headband said "On the inside I'm nervous, but on the outside, I'm hungry. I've been fasting for the past 24 hours. My night class got cancelled so I am willing to risk throwing up. Nervous? On a scale of 1-10, 3."

Burke's housemate did inform us that earlier in the day, Burke ate a bagel and three pieces of cod.

Michelle Villa was starving around 3 o'clock so she was ready to go when 5:45 rolled around. Villa said she was most worried about pounding down the french fries in the competition.

In general, she loves bread and thought the patties would be easy to eat. With no prior qualifications, she said she just likes to eat a lot which is why she decided to enter.

Finally, sophomore, Keith Fischer, didn't know he was officially participating in the event until the afternoon, so he had actually eaten lunch. Fischer knew that a lot of people in eating competitions

struggled with the buns, so that was his main concern going into the competition.

The competitors had varying levels of experience in eating competitions. Keith Fischer had the most experience, saying he had previously placed second in a pizza eating competition on Long Island. Villa had eaten a one pound cheeseburger at Cheeburger Cheeburger and has her picture on the wall to prove it. The only experience that John Burke had with eating competitions is in high school when he ate a cricket for \$12.

The piles of food were ceremoniously brought out, the contestants were made aware of the buckets under the tables, and the challengers were introduced to the pre-night class rush at Salmo. Once the clock started, WJMF started playing fight songs like "Crazy Train" and "Eye of the Tiger" to cheer the eaters on.

The challengers were allowed to drink water and were given updates as to how long they had to finish their plate. Tensions mounted when the 90 second mark approached. All eyes in the room were on the challengers bulging cheeks.

When time ran out, Ricky McLaughlin, the General Manager of WJMF instructed the challengers to finish the bites that were in their mouth. What would seem like a simple task for most proved incredibly difficult for the contestants, who had mouthfuls of burgers and fries.

Just when it seemed like it



Competitors John Burke, Michelle Villa, and Keith Fischer.

was all over and the plates were to be weighed, John Burke was the first to "go." In a scene that seemed like it could have been from a movie, Burke was disqualified from the competition. After seeing Burke, Villa began to feel sick and was the next to be disqualified. This left Keith Fischer as the 2012 Eat Your Face Off champion.

According to the Major League Eating and International Federation of Competitive Eating website ifoce.com, there are far more unusual eating competitions than the one witnessed in Salmo on Wednesday. Some of the eating competitions listed are:

* 22 oz Sports Slurpee in the 7-Eleven Sports Slurping Time Trials:
9 seconds by Patrick Bertoletti

*9 lbs of 5.2oz Deep Fried Asparagus Spears:
10 minutes by Joey Chestnut

*3 lbs 3 oz of pickled beef tongue whole:
12 minutes by Dominic Cardo

*13.23 lbs of Jellied Cranberry Sauce:
8 minutes by Juliet Lee

*44 Maine Lobsters (11.3 pounds of meat):
12 minutes by Sonya Thomas

*3 1/2 lbs of Pancakes and Bacon:
12 minutes by Crazy Legs Conti

While it might not get this extreme, start training now Bryant University because in true WJMF and Salmo form, the next Eat Your Face Off competition is guaranteed to be bigger...and heavier.

Bulldogs drop NEC opener at CCSU

Courtesy of
Bryant Athletics

The Bulldogs stayed with Central Connecticut for much of the first half, but a seven-goal Blue Devil run spanning both frames put the hosts out of reach as the Bryant University women's lacrosse team suffered an 11-5 defeat in the 2012 Northeast Conference opener in New Britain, Conn., Sunday afternoon.

Sophomore midfielder Lisa Vendel (Sandy Hook, Conn.) led the Bulldogs (0-2, 0-1 NEC) with a pair of goals against older sister Betsy Vendel's Blue Devils (1-1, 1-0), while Bryant also got goals from seniors Lauren Sheridan (Bethpage, N.Y.) and Antoinette Lombardi (Wallingford, Conn.) and fellow sophomore Katherine Keckeisen (Danbury, Conn.). All five Bulldog tallies came unassisted.

Central Connecticut was paced by six points (1 goal, 5 assists) from both the elder Vendel and attacker Ashley Perkoski, while Mackenzy Ryan's four goals marked a game best. Ashley Mara scored a hat trick of her own in the outing, while Meaghan McCurry snuck a pair past Bryant netminder Lauren Filippone (West Babylon, N.Y.), who made six saves in the

loss.

Bryant never led in the contest, but remained close to the home side on the scoreboard in the opening minutes, answering a pair of game-opening goals from Ryan with a free position tally from Sheridan at the 23:09 mark. Mara regained a two-goal



Sophomore Lisa Vendel had a strong game at midfield. (Bryant Athletics)

lead for the home side, but not until nearly the midway point of the first half, taking a pass from Betsy Vendel for a 3-1 advantage.

Another free position goal, this one from Keckeisen, cut Bryant's deficit to 3-2 with 14:30 to go before the break, but it would be the last Bulldog score of the stanza, as Mara, Ryan and a pair of Betsy Vendel goals would wind down the first-half clock en route to a 7-2 halftime lead for the home side.

But out of the break, Cen-

tral Connecticut would continue its torrid scoring pace, tacking on three more goals in a 2:08 span for a 10-2 margin with just under 25 minutes still to play.

Lisa Vendel scored an unassisted goal with 20:19 left on the clock before the Blue Devils made their way into the Bulldog net for the final time for an 11-3 lead. Lombardi and Lisa Vendel would score back-to-back tallies with eight minutes to go for the Black and Gold, but the goals would prove to be the last of the contest in the 11-5 final.

The Bulldogs were outshot just 25-22 despite the margin, and CCSU goalie Erin Delancey made nine stops for the win. Filippone picked up a game-best six ground balls as Bryant took the edge in the category, 20-19, while Keckeisen's three caused turnovers were also a contest high. The Blue Devils won 10 draw controls to Bryant's eight but went 0-for-4 on free position shots.

The Bulldogs return to Smithfield, for their next contest and will look for their first win of the young 2012 season at home against Navy on Saturday, March 3 (12:00 p.m.).

Sports Shorts: The world of sports at a glance

By Jackie Ammirato
Editor-in-Chief

• Last week, the Bulldog community paid tribute to a man who has been around from the beginning. Since the Chace Athletic Center was built at Bryant in 1971, Ralph Catuogno has been running the game clock at both men's and women's basketball games. After many years spent working as an official, Catuogno started serving as time keeper at Providence College, Brown University, and Bryant games. His years of dedication earned Catuogno a place in the New England Basketball Hall of Fame.

• The Sacramento Kings have reached a tentative deal for a new arena that will keep the team in Sacramento for the long-term. The Maloof family (of Real Housewives of Beverley Hills fame), who owns the Kings, agreed to put \$70 million into the construction of the arena upfront, with approximately another \$75 million to be contributed over the term of the agreement.

• The NFL Scouting Combine has had football fans excited all week. Heisman Trophy winner Robert Griffin III stole headlines over the weekend clocking the fastest 40-yard dash time by a quarterback. RG3's official time

was 4.41. Andrew Luck, widely considered the likely number one draft pick, clocked in at 4.67. Michael Vick is the only quarterback in the combine's history to run faster than 4.4.

• In golf news, Hunter Mahan beat Rory McIlroy two and one in the finals of the WGC-Accenture Match Play Championship. All eyes were on McIlroy going into the final match as a win would have secured him the number one world ranking. Running off seven birdies in a 10-hole stretch to beat Lee Westwood in a semifinal match earlier in the day Sunday, McIlroy admitted to being mentally and emotionally drained by the time the final match started. Mahan won three straight holes on the front nine to seize control and never looked back, winning for the fourth time in his career.

• Defense was the name of the game at this weekend's NBA All-Star Game. Just kidding. The West All-Stars led by Kevin Durant and Kobe Bryant bested the East All-Stars 152-149. Bryant, who scored 27 points in the game, surpassed Michael Jordan as the career scoring leader in the All-Star game. He also suffered a bloody broken nose courtesy of Dwayne Wade.

STUDENTS SPEAK OUT

IF YOU COULD HAVE ANY RESTAURANT AT SOUTH, WHAT WOULD IT BE?

Japanese food and sushi
- Lizzie Guyott

Chipotle
- Corey Mania



Panera
- Grace Dougherty

McDonald's
- Kelly Muldoon

Uno's
- Jessica Hoyt



Panera
- Joanna Carroll

Auntie Anne's Pretzels
- Lexi Czerny

Starbucks
- Jenn Okeefe



Taco Bell
- Mariah Garcia
and Isabel Lettieri



Liberal arts has a place in the business world

By Ariana Ricci
Business Manager

Many students wonder what purpose is served by the liberal arts. Here are some things that I have heard around campus: Why does it matter for a business major when all you need is marketing, management, accounting, and finance? What is the point in learning about other cultures and their history? Who cares about science? All of this reading and writing is a waste of time! No one can make a career out of liberal arts!

Well, to answer most of these questions, liberal arts subjects (including science, technology, math, and economics) are important, whether business students like it or not. The market is flooded with typical business students and without special skills there isn't much of a difference between business students of any university.

Most students will learn all that they need in business through a one or two year MBA program, which is what most students will pursue in their lifetime in order to move up the business ladder. Bryant's One-Year MBA program is open to business and

liberal arts majors.

Of all of the top 20 MBA programs in 2011, only 34% of those accepted had a degree in business, inclusive of economics. The Harvard Business School accepted 40% of their students from Humanities/Social Sciences, while Business Administration lingered at 26%. Stanford GSB students are 47% Humanities/Social Sciences, with only 17% in business. Wharton, MIT (Sloan), and NYU (Stern) had no more than 26% of their class representing business administration undergraduate degrees, which is what about 80% of this school is declared to pursue.

What explains these statistics? Well, as a business major you will develop spectacular management skills, as well as good oral and written skills, and (hopefully) the ability to work well with others. Engineering and math majors will most likely exhibit analytical ability, organizational skills, self-motivation, problem-solving capabilities, and the ability to work as a group and individually. Humanities and liberal arts majors will likely develop intellectual ability, creativity, exemplary written

and oral skills, self-motivation, and imagination.

All of the aforementioned skills are great to have in a business career, but think about what happens when a student with a strong background in liberal arts receives an MBA? That student develops the same skills as the business major, in addition to the extensive skill set that has already been developed in their undergraduate education. A business major simply learns more of what he or she already knew.

Also, looking at statistics of current CEOs, collected by SpencerStuart, the top four most popular undergraduate degrees, of those that have received them, have showed up in this order: Engineering, economics, liberal arts, and business administration. This goes to show that studying business is not the key to success in business.

Many business-owners are successful due to their own creativity and vision for the future of their company. The success of most of their employees can be credited to having a well-rounded education in liberal arts as well as



(Courtesy of Ariana Ricci)

business.

I have no intention of converting every Bryant student into the liberal arts, but I would like to make the point that liberal arts are important. There is simply no way to succeed in business without a strong liberal arts background. Take advantage of what your professors have to offer in LCS, science, history, politics, and the rest. The skills and knowledge that you will gain from these courses will give you an edge in your future career and will prove useful at times when you would least expect it.

If you love studying a subject in the arts and sciences, don't be afraid to do so. As much as your parents, relatives, and friends might encourage you to go into business because that's where the money is supposedly, don't listen to them. At Bryant you will receive a business education in any major, so use these years to pursue the subject that interests you the most. It has been proven over and over again that a path in the liberal arts only increases success in the business world, especially at Bryant University.

For some, Subway is subpar

By Royce Brunson
Business Editor

There are very few dining establishments that I can genuinely say I feel are absolutely awful. To earn such a ranking in my eyes nearly everything about the establishment has to be flawed; the Subway on this campus is one of them.

I can count on one finger the positive experiences I've had there, and every time I ask someone about Bryant's Subway, they same the same exact thing, "awful." For example, the employees openly complain about their coworkers in front of customers, they rarely greet anyone with a pleasant tone, and they always make it clear that they would rather be somewhere else.

On my most recent venture to the establishment, I had high hopes things would have changed since my last visit three months ago, but I was wrong. Once again, the gentleman behind the counter snapped at me for my order, which I repeated three times because he was chirping with his coworker. Never once did he make eye contact or even engage me other than for my order.

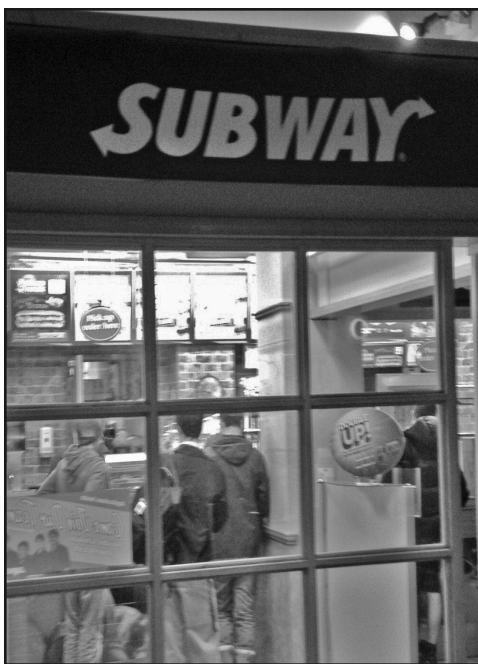
We've all been treated poorly before, so I will let that one slide, but then what I witnessed made me completely lose my appetite.

A worker went to top off the half filled lettuce container and he put the bag containing the new lettuce into the container with the clean vegeta-

bles. This might not seem like that big of a deal but think of the possible ramifications. There is a high chance that the exterior of that lettuce bag has been across numerous conveyor belts, in boxes shipped from Lord knows where, and touched by the hands of multiple individuals. As I looked into the tomato compartment, there were five tomato slices left, surrounded by overflowed lettuces from the 'lettuce refill' that had just taken place.

Directly in front of the tomato container and now potentially contaminated lettuce was a used pizza cutter with its handle laying inside the spinach. At this point, my appetite was long gone, but my frustration was building. When asked what condiments I would like, the employee reached for the jar of Southwest sauce, noticed it was empty and instead of refilling it began to just cut my sandwich without fulfilling the order. When I asked her for another option, my request was greeted with a sassy snap of the tongue.

The bottom line is that in the times I have visited the establishment I have witnessed little customer service, no customer appreciation, and ques-



Campus Subway. (Jackie Ammirato)

tionable health awareness. This is not a onetime occurrence; individuals across this campus are tired of being treated this way and the "suggestion box" seems to have been ignored.

The Bryant community should question why such an establishment is on our campus. This is an institution of higher education, not a zoo, and we should not be treated like bulls going through chutes. Attitude is a reflection of leadership and in my opinion the leadership of that establishment has failed.

Scoop on the primary

By Kyla Briggs
Staff Writer

As we are all well aware, the 2012 Republican Presidential Primary continues to move from state to state. While Presidential hopeful Mitt Romney continues to remain in the lead, the battle continues with other primary candidates Newt Gingrich, Rick Santorum, and last but not least Ron Paul. As the race to the Republican Nomination continues, it is easy to fall behind on the constant changes that are occurring. So, until there is a Republican Nominee, this small section will bring you weekly updates on the current standings.

To start off on the basics, Rick Perry, Michelle Bachman, John Huntsman and Herman Cain are no longer in the running. Romney has been in the lead since the beginning of the primaries, but his head start on the other candidates has not come close to helping him solidify his position as the certain Republican Nominee.

Gingrich has been Romney's main competition up until the past couple of weeks when Santorum gained a significant increase in public support, making him the new competitor. Ron Paul has been a constant presence in these primaries, but has not dramatically increased his support base in any of the states.

Results for U.S. Republican Presidential Primaries					
	State	Gingrich	Paul	Romney	Santorum
02/28	AZ	16.2%	8.4%	47.3%	26.6%
02/28	MI	6.5%	11.6%	41.1%	37.9%
02/11	ME	6.7%	34.9%	39.0%	18.1%
02/07	CO	12.8%	11.8%	34.9%	40.3%
02/07	MN	10.8%	27.1%	16.9%	44.9%
02/07	MD	-	12.2%	25.3%	55.2%
02/04	NV	21.1%	18.8%	50.1%	10.0%
01/31	FL	31.9%	7.0%	46.4%	13.3%
01/21	SC	40.4%	13.0%	27.8%	17.0%
01/10	NH	9.4%	22.9%	39.3%	9.4%
01/03	IA	13.3%	21.4%	24.5%	24.6%

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The winner of the Republican Primary must win 1,144 delegates out of the 2,286 that are available. After the Michigan and Arizona Primaries that took place this week, which Romney won, here are the current statuses of the candidates:

- 1)Romney – 163 delegates
- 2)Santorum – 83 delegates
- 3)Gingrich – 32 delegates
- 4)Paul – 19 delegates

A crucial date for the candidates is March 6th, otherwise known as Super Tuesday, when various remaining states will hold their primaries.

What grinds my gears: *medical staples*

By Jackie Ammirato
Editor-in-Chief

Two weeks ago I had a typical stomach bug accompanied by a decent fever. Somehow I managed to faint on my way from the bathroom to my bedroom in the middle of the night and hit my head on the floor. That resulted in a three inch laceration along the back of my head that required fourteen staples.

I am lucky enough to have never been seriously injured before so I had no prior experience in the world of closing up wounds. The experience resulted in a new “what grinds my gears” for me: medical staples.

First let me just say that I

have the utmost respect for the medical community. I think it is home to some of the brightest minds in the world. But I really think they missed the boat on this one. Why is it that no one could come up with a name for medical staples other than staples? And couldn't the machine you are going to be using to insert something into the back of my head be called something other than a stapler?

Prior to this whole incident I enjoyed staplers. I associate the sound a stapler makes when ejecting a staple with the feeling of accomplishment you get when you finish a big paper for class or a project at work. Now I will forever be haunted. Whenever I hear the sound of a stapler now, I will

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have flashbacks to the emergency room at Our Lady of Fatima hospital when I heard the sound directed at the back of my head fourteen times.

In addition to the whole naming issue there is the fact that medical staples in fact look exactly like normal office supply staples. When the very nice lady at Health Services removed the staples from my head after twelve long days, I was so bewildered by the whole situation that I asked her if I could keep one of the staples which is pictured at left.

You can see the staple has a little curve in it but I am told that is only a result of the removal process and in fact the staples are very similar to normal staples. This is something I find highly disturbing. Couldn't medical staples be a

little thicker or a different color or something, anything?

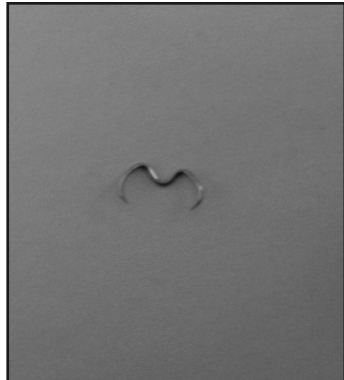
Perhaps I am the only one who finds this whole thing extremely weird. A simple search on amazon.com reveals that medical staplers and staple removers are readily available. In fact a “skin stapler” complete with 35 pre-loaded staples is available for just \$8.95. And your basic “skin staple remover kit” starts at \$3.28.

So the next time you use a stapler, I hope you think of me and my newly staple-less head. And if you ever come up with some kind of medical invention, give it a name that is completely unrelated to any office supply.

“Learn from yesterday, live for today, hope for tomorrow.

The important thing is to not stop questioning.”

-Albert Einstein



Left, a skin stapler and right one of the actual medical staples that was in the author's head. Jackie Ammirato

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Just a quick note to commend you and your staff on including several interesting articles in the February 24th issue. Two articles in particular caught my eye. The cover article making a pitch for making instructor evaluations a more transparent process is a call that will find a lot of support both among faculty and students. Part of an advanced education is the realization that our decisions depend greatly on the amount and quality of information that we have. Bryant should stop relying on an outside rating service and take charge of shaping student perceptions, much as other universities have done. It is good that students care about the quality of their education as you could just as easily adopt the attitude that you've paid enough that the degree should be a given—but Bryant students are cut from a better cloth.

The other interesting article was “Tests Don't Measure Teachers,” by MCT Campus. This article complements the title article very well. Just as tests do not measure teachers, evaluations do not measure a professor, or even the professor's ability to prepare a student for a career. Rather—as the article implies—the focus should be on a well-planned curriculum. Education is a process, not an end-point. Even mediocre teachers can produce students who succeed in the long run if they are part of a well-planned curriculum that uses proven learning techniques. A well-planned curriculum means that the courses are carefully coordinated to maximize student learning; departments that do this invariably turn out better-prepared graduates.

With regard to proven learning techniques, part-time employment for high school students is mentioned in the MCT article. Research of college grads shows that employment and internship experience correlates more strongly with higher salaries and job satisfaction than GPA, test scores, or other traditional measures of success. The opportunity to take on a leadership position and be involved in extra-curricular activities also correlates more strongly than grades with higher starting salaries. Here's a hint for seniors: the more job offers you get, the higher your starting salary as well. Start your job search early!

Best regards,
Michael J. Gravier, PhD, CTL

Dear Editor,

As Bryant alums and former Archway editors, we empathize with the Editor's article about the lack of transparency in professor evaluations. This topic has been a point of contention for many students at Bryant, and certainly at other campuses, too. In response to the article, we would like to raise awareness about a potential means of resolving this issue as well as arguing for a different perspective on it.

Despite the sad realization that the evaluation process is still an issue on campus, we were happy to come across this article. Not because it makes us reminisce about whether Rate My Professor is reliable, but because it allows us to possibly resuscitate a mechanism for collecting professor evaluations at Bryant.

During the second semester of our senior, one of us, Michael, developed a website dedicated to collecting evaluations. The aim was to create a medium where anyone at Bryant would have access to the aggregate opinions of their fellow students.

Having started this project so late in our time at Bryant, we were unable to give it the attention it needed to flourish. This project required direct connection to the campus and to the professors. After graduation, these aspects were not the center of our focus. Therefore, the project did not survive past our graduations.

However, this does not mean that another enterprising student who wishes to see transparency come to Bryant should not take up the effort and the goal. This nascent project still exists as it did when we graduated. The website is still active and is located at the URL below. It went under a period of new management, but with no new evaluation updates, we can only assume it did not receive full attention (We apologize if this is not the case).

Anyone who endeavors to find out more about this issue will find that some professors are open to this idea – just look at the professors collected on the website over a period of a few weeks – and that some are risk-averse regarding this topic. There are arguments for and against such transparency, and neither set of professors should be considered any more or less concerned about their students.

Bryant has done well at hiring professors who are as concerned with their students' development as they are with their own development – some may not be, but most are. This dual aspect of professorship typically gets lost in translation. Maybe, if transparency is the eventual goal, the best way to deal with this issue is not to think as consumers – as the article alludes – but to think as partners with professors. If students can find a way to acknowledge this dual aspect of professors' careers, and be openly concerned, some headway could be made with regard to those professors who are wary of participating.

If someone is compelled to do something, look at the previous site and feel free to contact one of us. We wish you the best of luck!

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Five Guys comes to the Lincoln Mall

By Emily Dupuis
Staff Writer

Lincoln Mall has recently acquired a new restaurant, the famous Five Guys. The chain restaurant began in Arlington, Virginia and is now renowned as one of the best fast-food restaurants in the nation. The restaurant has received many awards for its delicious food, including earning "Number One Burger" for seven years from Washingtonian Magazine as well as awards from twenty-one other cities from Houston, Texas to Jacksonville, Florida. Even President Obama has been known to stop by Five Guys during a work day for

lunch.

The menu of Five Guys is famous for its appetizing burgers, hot dogs, and French fries. Customers can also order "little" versions of the restaurant's burgers to sample the fare without having a full burger. There are also many options when ordering a hot dog, as the restaurant offers a kosher style hot dog, a cheese dog, a bacon dog, and a bacon cheese dog.

For those looking to spice up their meal, Cajun fries are available alongside regular fries. Five Guys also offers healthier choices for those interested, including a veggie sandwich, a cheese veggie sandwich, and a

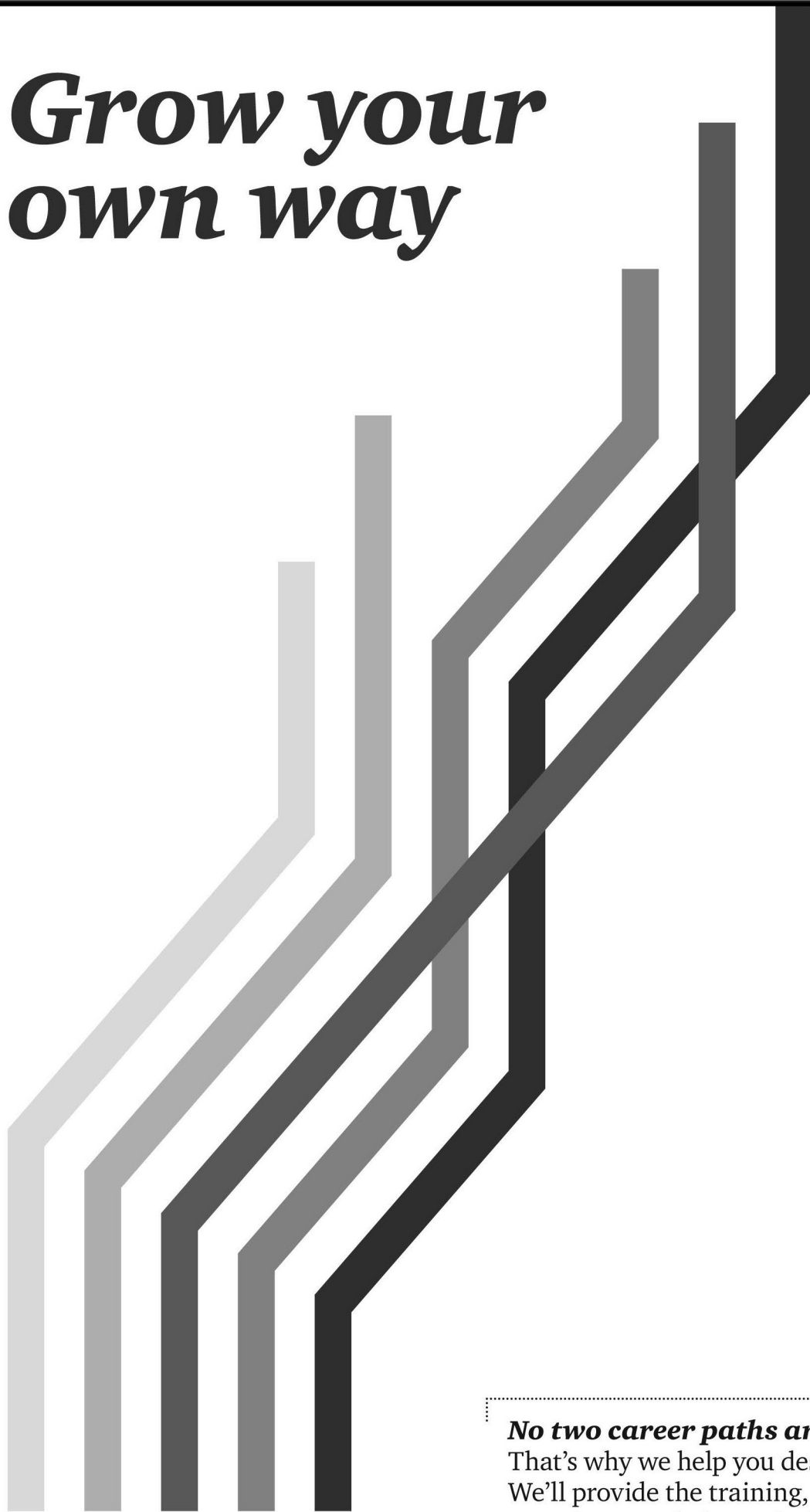
grilled cheese. A number of free toppings are available to put on any order, including the standards like ketchup and mustard, but also lesser found options like grilled mushrooms or onions and green peppers.

Due to the novelty of the restaurant and its national popularity, many who visit Five Guys find it to be exceptionally busy. However, the restaurant does not fail to meet expectations, as it is efficient and quick and the food lives up to the hype. I would encourage anyone looking for good food at a new, inexpensive restaurant to try Five Guys.



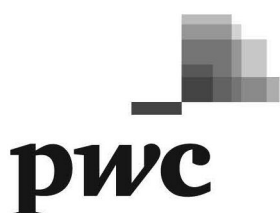
Archway-ers Tom Hansen and Eric MacCarthy enjoy Five Guys.
Kelsey Nowak

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Meet the Editorial Board

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Fun facts:

- I'm a commuter
- I have an Italian Greyhound, Nina, who is like my child
- My latest obsession is Zumba
- I am addicted to word jumbles and any other kind of puzzle
- I went horseback riding for the first time this summer and loved it!
- Blood tests terrify me
- I'm 100% Italian

I got started on The Archway as a staff writer, and then became a copy editor my sophomore year. As the business manager, I deal with the budget, as well as manage ads and subscriptions. I've really seen the paper grow and improve over the last few years.

In addition, I serve as the math and statistics chair for the Actuarial Association and volunteer for RISE in Providence. You can also find me working at the library here on campus.

Laura Ling, more than just a journalist

By Allison Salzberg
PR Director

Have you ever imagined being held captive in a foreign prison for 140 days? Not many of us have, and probably none of us will ever have to actually live through something as terrifying as that. We go about our days on our iPhones, checking Twitter and Facebook, and stressing out about a test in the near future. But do we ever stop to think about how lucky we are to even be alive and be enjoying our lives in a free country?

Chinese-American journalist Laura Ling was detained in a North Korean prison for 140 days in early 2009. She was a married, 32 year old woman who already had a successful journalism career, following in the footsteps of her older sister, Lisa. Prior to her detainment, Ling was reporting for Current TV and had been traveling all over the world to countries like Myanmar and Mexico telling stories of the struggle for freedom.

Ling's inspiration to travel developed from what she calls a "cookie-cutter, all American" childhood. Growing up outside of Sacramento, California, her passion for journalism started in high school. Ling's first story was an investigative piece for her high school newspaper, which garnered much attention from her community. This is when she realized how

much power and impact that journalism could have.

We here at Bryant University were lucky enough to have Laura Ling visit our school to speak about her experiences as a journalist and where her life is today. I attended this event in the Bello Center on February 16, where Ling presented video clips of her work and shared her compelling story of her nightmarish 140 days in North Korea.

On March 17, 2009, Ling was on the border of China and North Korea with her fellow reporter Euna Lee, a producer, a camera man, and their local guide. They were walking on the frozen Tumin River, which runs from China into North Korea, without realizing that they had possibly gone too far. Suddenly, two North Korean soldiers carrying rifles were chasing after Ling and her group.

As Ling ran for her life, her foot fell through the weak ice of the river, right before Chinese soil, causing her to fall. She was able to get back up and run, but it was too late. While the producer, camera man, and guide were able to run away, the North Korean soldiers had caught up to Ling and Lee and were kicking them and beating them with their rifles. The last thing that Ling remembers was realizing that the butt of a rifle was about to be slammed into her head. "I blacked out im-

mediately," she said to the crowd in Bello.

Ling's emotional and physical strength were truly tested during her 140 days in prison. She described how the first few days were the hardest, and how she had always trusted her instincts, but this time, she said, "my instincts failed me."

"North Korea is literally a black hole," Ling said. She added that if you look at a nighttime, bird's eye view photograph of North and South Korea, North Korea is pitch black and South Korea is lit up like Las Vegas.

Before she was captured, Ling interviewed a few North Koreans about their country and government. However, even though she was relentlessly hounded with questions from the prison guards, she never gave up the names of these interviewees. She told us that she would not have been able to live with herself if she had given up those names.

Although Ling had "never felt more trapped, confused, [and] alone," the horror of her detainment also brought about moments of human compassion. After being sentenced by the North Korean government to 12 years in a labor camp, one of the prison guards said to her, "Laura, always have hope." The positive mindset that Ling was able to cling to during her de-



Laura Ling, Chinese-American journalist (MCT Campus)

tainment could have very well saved her life.

In the end, it was a unique connection between President Bill Clinton and North Korea's leader Kim Jong Il that set Laura Ling and Euna Lee free. Ling told us how this experience has allowed her to look at each new day as a "precious little treasure." She added that she never realized how lucky we are to have our freedom until she lost her own.

When she returned to the

United States, she was able to reunite with her family, who at one point in her life, she never thought she would see again. "One day, we will wish we had more time with the people we love," Ling said.

Today, Ling is still a journalist and her motivation is to make people more aware of the situations around them. She is an inspiration for not only other journalists, but also for every person who has even taken their freedom and lives for granted.

The Oscars: Old Hollywood's comeback

By Coburn Childs
Variety Editor

The 84th Annual Academy Awards were held this past Sunday, an especially nostalgic installment of the Oscars, with most of the night revolving around the glory of "Old Hollywood." Not only were the theatrics of the ceremony a pointed tribute to the history of the movie industry, but the winners list was also dominated by two extremely popular throwback films: *The Artist* and *Hugo*. Both of these films took home five awards each, with *The Artist* claiming the top prize for Best Picture.

So what is the big deal? For starters, *The Artist* is a silent black-and-white film, existing as a love letter to classic cinema and the wholesome, feel-good nature of the days before "the talkies." As a matter of fact, *The Artist* marks the first time a silent film has won the Best Picture Academy Award since the very first Oscar ceremony, when *Wings* took home the top prize in 1929.

Does this mean we may see more copycats in the future, hoping to also take home Oscar gold? Let's hope not, unless they happen to be as endearingly well-made and

charming as this year's top film.

The Artist also took home the awards for Costume Design, Original Score, Best Director (Michel Hazanavicius), and Best Actor, for French star Jean Dujardin, who beat out George Clooney's amazing and deserving turn in the mostly-snubbed *The Descendants*.

Clooney's wonderful film (a critical and audience favorite of 2011) was honored with only one award, for director Alexander Payne's Adapted Screenplay. Original Screenplay went to Woody Allen's tribute to a more beloved time from the past, *Midnight in Paris*.

Hugo, meanwhile, took home five lesser-known awards for technical achievements like Cinematography and Art Direction, as well as Visual Effects. Martin Scorsese's acclaimed family film about an orphaned boy who lives in a train station and eventually befriends a film-directing legend was a frontrunner in many categories, once again showing Hollywood's love for classic nostalgia.

In other awards news, Meryl Streep pulled an upset in the Best Actress category (for her role as Margaret Thatcher in *The Iron Lady*),



The cast of the Oscar-winning film, *The Artist*. (MCT Campus)

beating out frontrunner (and Rhode Island native) Viola Davis. Davis was incredible in her role as a 1960's maid at the front of the Civil Rights movement in *The Help*. That film also had to settle for only one award (for equally-magnificent Supporting Actress Octavia Spencer, who received a standing ovation and was moved to tears).

Perhaps the best acceptance speech of the night came from Supporting Actor-winner Christopher Plummer for his role as an elderly man

who finally comes out as gay in *Beginners*. At 82 years old, Plummer is the oldest person to win an acting Academy Award; taking the stage, he looked at his first-ever Oscar and said "You're only two years older than me, darling, where have you been all my life?" Priceless.

The ceremony itself was bolstered by nine-time host Billy Crystal, who occasionally came off as stale and forced, though was miles better than last year's James Franco-Anne Hathaway

debacle. Highlights of the ceremony included more tributes to Old Hollywood, including a fantastically creative Cirque du Soleil performance and a funny filmed segment that spoofed an audience test-focus-group for 1939's *Wizard of Oz*. From the looks of this year's ceremony, we are ushering in a new age in Hollywood that takes time to appreciate the old greats and the classics. Maybe this age isn't so "new" after all.

My Trip to London: Yellow Wellies

By Courtney Landi
Contributing Writer

Raindrops against my window go snap crackle pop like Rice Krispies in my cereal bowl. Glancing over at the water-streaked glass, I try to discern how hard it's raining. But all I can see is my own reflection in the early morning darkness. I stare, my image caught between the beads of water strategically picking their way down the window-pane.

The rain here is a little different from home.

Maybe it's because the sun is still hidden most of the time and the days, dark and short. Or maybe it's the methodic beat of the steady drizzle I have come to hear far too often. But the start of this particularly rainy day seems especially sad.

I crack the window open slightly to let in some of the misty cold air. Throughout the night the radiator has been emanating heat in palpable waves, and the cool breeze is fresh against my face. I sit on the end of my bed, my gaze still lingering on the window. Leaning my cheek on my hand and my elbow on the windowsill, I gently close my eyes. I take a deep breath, and sigh. I focus on the sound of the rain hitting the uneven sidewalk below, and my mood begins to change. I don't mind the rain so much. It gives me a chance to wear my new yellow wellies.

I throw on jeans and a loose cable knit sweater, along with mismatched brightly colored socks, before noticing the clock above my desk for the first time. Oh no! I am late for my American Literature class. I frantically pull on my yellow wellies and bright blue rain slicker – I look like the Morton Salt Girl. I can't spot my umbrella anywhere in my tiny bedroom, and I don't really have time to look. I guess the hood on my slicker will have to do. I quickly grab my backpack and dash out the door, down the steps, and across the courtyard.

I race past the front desk and past the friendly gentleman monitoring his post there. He is a tall and thin Indian man, with a warm smile.

"Good morning!" I blurt out as I move swiftly toward the double doors.

"Cheers!" he responds.

I can't help but laugh a little. Cheers. I am still not used to that word.

I step out onto a busy sidewalk and hug my slicker tight

around my small frame. The rain is coming down hard and I can't see much beyond the rim of my hood, which droops forward over my eyes. Looking straight down, I follow the maze of feet along the sidewalk: brown shoes, black shoes, beige shoes, gray shoes; oxfords, loafers, and stylish high heels.

Everyone seems to be avoiding the puddles, but not me. No, I just march right through in my yellow wellies.

When the sidewalk ends, I turn right and stop at a cross-

other side unscathed, I retreat into my hood again and trudge on through the rain. What an adventure.

As I approach Waterloo Bridge the sidewalk begins to narrow. Peeking from beneath my hood, I can barely navigate the crowd. I sense someone swiftly approaching from the other direction – so to make room I slide left, dipping one yellow wellie into a puddle just below the curb. The person – a man, I now realize – simply too polite to rush past, raises his umbrella

song.

Almost there.

I hurry past the coffee shops that line the streets, and stop in front of Café Nero. With the rain now pouring off my hood and dribbling down my face, I contemplate the comfort of a chocolate croissant. In the window I can see rows and rows of delicate pastry sprinkled with powdered sugar, chocolate cream oozing out onto the trays. It's as if they are calling my name. No time. I am already late for class!



London, England (Courtney Landi)

walk. I'm not quite sure whether to look left or right first, but I decide it doesn't matter much, as long as I look. When I glance up from under my hood, I notice the white street sign fixed to the wrought iron fence across the way. It reads: "Stamford Street SE1" in red block letters.

Black taxis and red double decker buses go whipping around the "circus" (that's what they call a rotary) from the opposite direction. The pedestrian signal – a red stick figure – is cautioning not to cross. But as I look, I notice that the rows of cars are stopped on either side of the walkway waiting for their turn to merge and join the rest.

Looking up at the red stick man, I decide to take a chance.

I push my hood all the way back and dash across two lanes of impatient traffic.

Beep! Beep!

Skillfully making it to the

so it will clear us both. I sneak under and back up onto the curb, pretending not to have faltered at all. I'm still not quite used to these crowded city streets.

I steal a moment to look up from under my hood, and I am able to make out a huge ferris wheel off to my left and the faded outline of a tall clock tower in the distance.

Remembering once again that I am late for class, I begin to walk much faster. I maneuver through the crowds of black heels and brown loafers, splashing in the puddles that everyone else struggles to avoid.

"Excuse me. Sorry." I mumble as I graze past someone's arm and duck underneath a few more

outstretched umbrellas. I watch as others do a quick little jig to get around me, and I do the same to shimmy past them. I feel a little like Gene Kelly in *Singing in the Rain*, as I dance down the street. The only thing missing is the

I begin to run now, and the rain becomes a stinging pummel. Up ahead I can see the revolving glass doors, the entrance to King's College. I go into a full sprint, weaving even faster through the people ambling by. I reach the doors and spin into another world. Even though I have been in this room before, I am still taken aback by what I see. Cathedral ceilings, marble tiles and winding staircases adorn the foyer. Carved banisters, intricate molding and arched hallways embellish the open expanse. I might as well be in the entrance to Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry.

I head through the first arch and work my way through a maze of narrow, twisting hallways, half expecting the staircases to magically change. I race up one staircase and down the next two, cross a long bridge and then rush up three more flights. I get halfway up the third flight and nothing looks

familiar. Did I take a wrong turn? But then I recognize the number of my classroom – 718 – brass numerals at least 3 inches high.

A scrap of note paper is oddly tacked on the massive wooden door – the writing in perfect British script.

American Literature Seminar cancelled this week, Cheers!

All that puddle jumping, all that crowd navigating, all that jaywalking, and now class is cancelled?

So they do that here too.

I stand there, blankly staring up at the note and thinking about what to do next. After a minute or two, I reemerge from this day-dreaming gaze and begin making my way back through the labyrinth of corridors. Back to the revolving doors.

The rain has slowed to a drizzle, and I don't mind it as much as I did before.

The streets are much less crowded now, with only a few umbrellas still cluttering the sidewalk. I slow to a stroll, thinking of what to do. Now I have time for that chocolate croissant. I am going to get the biggest one in the display! I round the corner, and there – directly in front of me – is Café Nero.

I find the last empty table, luckily near the window, and plop down on the oversized armchair beside it. For a few moments, I sit and watch the parade of browns and blacks and grays drift past outside. I take off my blue slicker and I trudge in my yellow wellies to the counter. (all you can really do in wellies is trudge).

"Chocolate croissant, please," I say to the barista, and watch as he moves over to the bakery display. He picks out the largest croissant. He must have read my mind.

"Here you are," he says, "That will be three pounds." He delicately balances the large croissant on a small plate and gently places it on the counter in front.

I hand him my purple currency and smile.

"Cheers," he says politely.

"Cheers!" I beam.

I take my chocolate treasure and settle back into the armchair near the window. The sun finally begins to break through the clouds, casting a bright light that shimmers in the lingering rain droplets. Now my wellies are really going to stand out. But, no mind. I look out at the busy street again as I relish the first bite of my croissant.

Yes, I am going to like living in London after all.

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Salmo, more than just a dining hall

By Sarah Perlman
Staff Writer

Sitting in Salmo on this lovely Trayless Tuesday, I began to reflect nostalgically on everything I have done in this great place we call a dining hall. Salmo has many more functions than just a vehicle for getting your 7 daily vitamins and minerals. Here are some obvious and not so obvious functions of Salmo:

Getting your homework done: Everyone hates the 9:27 run to class from the library, but as long as you don't need to print anything, that run can be exponentially shorter if you do your work in Salmo. Weekday breakfast at Salmo (for those of you who haven't awakened early enough to experience it), is actually a great work environment.

There are many table available so you can usually get one next to an outlet, and most importantly, all you can eat breakfast and coffee! Call me a nerd, but when I had a meal plan I came to Salmo with full intentions to spend

time doing work.

Having group meetings: People are always more productive around food, or at least college kids. While it's not a good place to make your BUS101 poster, though I think I have seen it done, Salmo is a great location for e-boards for clubs and orgs and small group meetings. Getting everyone together for a presentation is a great way to make sure everyone has their brain food and you can rehearse before standing in front of the class! In the real world, you are going to have business lunches and dinners, so you might as well practice now.

Utilize the back room: Easy to reserve, the back room is a great place for clubs and orgs to hold one or two meetings to spice things up a little bit. Seniors will love the guest pass and it creates an activity for your club or org to do together without costing any additional funds! The room is big enough that you can do an icebreaker, if you care to subject your org to that pain.

Procrastinate: "Please, five more minutes?" Salmo is one of the best forms of procrastination on campus. You need to eat, that is a proven fact, so why not enjoy your friends while you are at it? Homework can wait a little bit because college is one of the few times that you and your best friends can sit around a table and eat and laugh on a regular basis. Sunday brunch is one of the best meals at Salmo; you can reflect on Saturday night, laugh out loud, and drink a lot of Powerade and coffee. Underclassmen, those are the mornings you are going to remember, so please enjoy them.

Read the newspaper: Bryant students love to stay informed, and Salmo makes it easy by providing you with complimentary copies of the New York Times and Providence Journal. You will really impress your professors if you come to class armed with an NYT article to talk about. Also...make sure you don't forget to pick up a copy of The Archway!

Dan the movie man: Act of Valor

By Dan Cournoyer
Staff Writer

Although my fellow movie reviewer had to bail on me at the last minute, I was able to wipe away the tears and still go to the theater to see Act of Valor. There was a lot of hype and expectations from this movie because it was doing something special; something that has never been done before. The entire cast of Act of Valor consisted of real U.S. Navy Seals playing the roles they play every day.

Anytime a movie steps outside the box and tries something new, there are risks involved. The benefit of

were some of the best I've ever seen in any type of war or mission movie.

One minute I was trying to get into the movie and believe in the characters and the next minute I felt like I was watching a live feed of Navy Seals. These are real people playing their own roles in a movie. Of course they're not going to be the best actors when they're talking at the dinner table, but they're going to be the best actor when it comes to breaking into a house and capturing a hostage.

Let's see if I can put it in perspective. Wimbledon was a movie that came out in 2004 starring Kirsten Dunst and Paul Bettany about a profes-



Scene featuring a real Navy Seal (MCT Campus)

trying something new must support the risks taken. For example, in 2010 Versus Entertainment rolled the dice with Buried, starring Ryan Reynolds. The entire 95 minutes of Buried takes place in a coffin where the main character has been buried alive. It was something new the audience enjoyed, and it definitely paid off.

Act of Valor's gamble was hiring dozens of actors who have had no acting experience in their lives. These are real Navy Seals who were either

sional tennis player who has lost his game. After meeting a new girl, he starts to find the enjoyment in tennis again and makes his way back into the tournaments. This is a fun little romantic comedy with obviously good acting, but the tennis depiction in the film is embarrassingly bad. In their case, hiring real tennis players as the lead was not worth sacrificing the acting abilities. For Act of Valor, that was not the case. The makers of Act of Valor wanted to give a real inside look into what Navy

'These are real Navy Seals who were either on rotation or retired.'

on rotation or retired. It is clear the acting in this movie is not ideal. There are times when you will be watching someone who memorized their lines and was not nearly convincing enough. That being said ... this movie is incredible.

The movie has two different types of scenes. Type 1 - action scenes consisting of any mission-related actions U.S. Navy Seals perform in real life. Type 2 - acting scenes that are necessary for the storyline to survive. There's no doubt in my mind that the benefits outweighed the risks. The action scenes

Seals do for Americans.

At the end of the movie the credits role with the list of actors and the characters they played. After Act of Valor, each name is listed with their military credentials and the military character they played as well. Usually after a good movie, you can hear friends talking about their favorite parts or a character they liked. After Act of Valor, the theater I attended was dead silent. I think most people were shocked by what they had seen. It was a movie experience like no other, and I'm very glad I went to see this movie.

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