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Parents and Family Weekend

Student Senate shines again

By John Logan
Contributing Writer

It's that time of year again where we have to clean our dorm rooms. What exactly am I talking about? Well, the majority of you already know since you read the title of the article, but yes, I'm talking about Parents and Family Weekend.

I'm sure you probably noticed it wasn't your typical weekend here at Bryant. Families were invited to attend different musical, educational, and entertaining events while also re-connecting with their sons or daughters since the beginning of the school year. If you were like me, you probably updated your parents with grades, teachers, and social life. Or maybe you even showed them the new Fisher Student Center. Or, if you were lucky, you and your family attended some of the events, which started as early as Friday night!

Friday - Comic mind reader Eric Dittelman started the weekend off in Salmanson Dining Hall. Dittelman did a fantastic job performing different routines



Student Senate at Parents and Family Weekend.

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Bryant Ventures: opening doors

By Stephen Fox
Contributing Writer

Entrepreneur: a person who starts a business and is willing to risk loss in order to make money. Nowhere in this quaint classification does Merriam-Webster mention the numerous perils surrounding entrepreneurship: the fear of failure, a limited understanding of an industry, and working with minimal resources, rushing to beat larger and more experienced competitors to the market - the list just goes on.

It should not be shocking that such anxieties derail students' dreams of starting their own businesses. That is not to mention everything else that is stacked against you as a student entrepreneur, things such as class work, club responsibilities, and sports team commitments. Even taking the time to sit down and outline your idea can be difficult, as we study and strive to graduate.

A month ago, this was exactly how I perceived entrepreneurship. I had ideas and concepts, but knew no one who could help me bring them to fruition. Trying to research ideas on my own was also challenging - even if I found relevant information, how could I apply that to my own idea or use it to create a business model? Luckily, I met Professor Sandra Potter, Director of Bryant's Global Entrepreneurship Program and the advisor to Bryant

Ventures - a Bryant supported incubator full of student entrepreneurs.

Having no clue what to expect, I cautiously accepted Professor Potter's offer to check out the incubator. Regardless of my fears, I went to the first monthly meeting. My first impression when walking into the meeting was how many people were present - there were enough to fill most of the classroom's seats.

We started off rather informally by introducing ourselves and our "ventures". These ventures ranged from rough edged prototypes to finely crafted and running business models - such as Cape Codders' environmentally-friendly sun glasses, MyCampusStuff's student oriented online market place, and Pear Printing's website design and printing services.

I was astonished by the amount of work and effort put into these startups. I was also caught off guard by members' interest in each other's ventures. While most feedback was positive, members also focused on providing critical evaluation. They call their technique "open circle". Obviously, no one particularly enjoys criticism, but it can be the most valuable

feedback you can ask for as an entrepreneur. It is too easy to get attached to your ideas and not realize your mistakes or oversights.

At this point, I was fairly nervous about describing my idea. I had no business model or prototype, and I certainly did not have a speech on hand (not that any of the other members did; they were all just very well spoken). Unfortunately, my idea involves a lot of technical material.

As much as I enjoy talking about the inner workings of automotive design, I knew others might not. Again, to my surprise, I received plenty of questions and suggestions from many of the members - most whom would not describe themselves as gear heads. I was not expecting this level of reception given my inexperience and my complex concept.

From personal experience, I know for a fact you cannot force people to ask questions or to be genuinely interested in an idea, let alone something as technically dense and foreign as my automotive concept. This is what really sold me on this group. Consequently, I discovered that my previous

fears were baseless. Moreover, the enthusiasm exhibited by the Bryant Ventures' members combined with the friendly atmosphere really captured the best aspects of getting involved - it inspires confidence and certainty that you can indeed create a viable product or service.

If you are interested in starting your own business, then I strongly suggest you give Bryant Ventures a look. There are over a dozen ventures that have launched since 2010. Take the Bryant Venture's website for instance (<http://bryantventures.org>). It was completely designed by Cyclone Strategies, which was started a year ago by Bryant graduates working through the Ventures program. Feel free to drop by an open meeting (November 6th at 4:00 pm in Room 267) with your idea and see what you think.

As an entrepreneur, you will have to take many risks and, down the road, have to make at least a few difficult decisions. However, there are no risks to meeting some very experienced and passionate people and receiving insightful feedback. So, RU 1?

Bryant Ventures



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Campus Calendar

November	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	10am- Analytics Symposium			8:30am- Mojo Mondays- Amica		3pm- Mitch Albom	9pm- Chocolate Relaxation Night- Papitto

Bulldog Bulletin



The Archway: Writers' Meetings, Mondays 5pm, FSC Room 1
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Department of Public Safety Log

EMT CALL EMT CALL / MEDICAL SERVICES RENDERED

Oct 21, 2013-Monday at 14:09

Location: SENIOR APARTMENT VILLAGE

DPS received a call from the Smithfield Fire Department reporting that they had received a 911 call for a male down in the Senior Apt. Village. After investigation DPS Officers located a student that was injured when he fell from his skateboard. EMS was activated. Patient was transported to Rhode Island Hospital for a head injury by SFD Rescue-2.

EMT CALL EMT CALL / MEDICAL SERVICES RENDERED

Oct 21, 2013-Monday at 21:09

Location: RESIDENCE HALL

DPS received a report of a female student complaining of dizziness and nausea. EMS was activated. Patient was transported to Fatima Hospital by the SFD Rescue-2 for treatment.

DRUG ACTIVITY

Oct 21, 2013-Monday at 22:51

Location: RESIDENCE HALL

DPS received a report of possible drug activity in a Residence Hall. DPS Officer's found six students who admitted to smoking marijuana. The area was searched and drug paraphernalia was seized and destroyed.

EMT CALL EMT CALL / MEDICAL SERVICES RENDERED

Oct 22, 2013-Tuesday at 10:41

Location: ACADEMIC HALL

DPS received a report of a person down by the Science labs. EMS was activated. Patient was transported to Fatima Hospital for treatment by SFD Rescue-2

LARCENY

Oct 22, 2013-Tuesday at 19:59

Location: BELLO CENTER PARKING LOT

A student reported the theft of a Garmin GPS from his vehicle.

DRUG ACTIVITY

Oct 23, 2013-Wednesday at 00:49

Location: RESIDENCE HALL

DPS responded to a report of drug activity in a Residence Hall. A large amount of drugs was found, and the case turned over to the Smithfield Police. One student was arrested and charged with possession with intent to deliver, and possession of Adderall.

ACCIDENT (MVA) MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT

Oct 24, 2013-Thursday at 00:54

Location: THE ACCESS ROAD TO LOWER MAINTAINENCE/FACILITIES ROAD

DPS received a call from a student who stated they had just been in a car accident, and that his friend was injured. DPS Officer's and EMT's were dispatched to the access road to the Facilities Grounds Building. Smithfield Rescue and Police responded. Life Flight was called in to transport the most injured passenger. The remaining passengers and driver were treated by DPS, SFD, and Fatima Hospital. The student that was flown to RI Hospital by Life Flight later died from his injuries.

DRUG ACTIVITY DRUG ACTIVITY

Oct 24, 2013-Thursday at 21:12

Location: RESIDENCE HALL

DPS received a report of found drugs. RA's from a Residence Hall reported they found a small bag of marijuana. The marijuana was destroyed by a DPS official.

DRUG ACTIVITY DRUG ACTIVITY

Oct 24, 2013-Thursday at 22:24

Location: RESIDENCE HALL

DPS received a call from a student complaining that a guest who was intoxicated has become violent. The intoxicated guest was transported to Fatima Hospital by SFD for evaluation.

Vehicle Stop (DRUGS)

Oct 25, 2013-Friday at 20:39

Location: JACOB'S DRIVE

Detective Sergeant Michael Smith of Smithfield Police reported to DPS that an SPD Officer had stopped a Bryant commuter student as he entered campus and searched his vehicle. Smithfield Police found approximately 1 pound of marijuana in the student vehicle. The student was arrested.

DRUG ACTIVITY DRUG ACTIVITY

Oct 25, 2013-Friday at 00:50

Location: TOWNHOUSE

A DPS Officer while investigating suspicious activity found students in possession of marijuana. Smithfield Police responded and the students were cited for possession of marijuana.

DISORDERLY DISTURBANCE

Oct 25, 2013-Friday at 02:02

Location: RESIDENCE HALL

Summary:

DPS received a report of suspected drug activity in a Residence Hall. Offices found a small amount of marijuana and drug paraphernalia. The marijuana was destroyed on site. Paraphernalia destroyed in rear circle compactor.

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. Bias related incident is 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.

Green Game Day

Recycling Challenge

By May Vickers
Staff Writer

Do you know what can and can't be recycled? What does recycling mean? Recycling is important not only for the natural environment but humans too. Recycling plays a key role in reducing pollution and the continue need for using raw materials to create various products. According to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the United States of America currently has three thousand and ninety one active landfills and over ten thousand municipal landfills. Landfills represent an unsustainable waste disposal method. To increase awareness and support for recycling, the Green Team from Enactus competed in the Green Game Day Recycling Challenge at the home football game against Duquesne University on Saturday, October 26th.

The Green Game Day Recycling Challenge represents an exciting opportunity for Bryant University to increase its recycling and sustainability efforts. The challenge is a friendly competition between colleges and universities to promote waste reduction at home football games. Football games can generate a lot of waste ranging from empty water bottles to pizza boxes. All participating universities track their waste reduction for one home football game. The Green Team from Enactus will be reporting the quantity of each material type recycled. The materials included in the competition are paper, beverage containers (plastic bottles, aluminum cans, steel cans), corrugated cardboard, mixed recyclable materials and trash (municipal solid waste). The competition is sponsored by the College and University Recycling Coalition (CURC), Recyclemania, Keep America Beautiful (KAB) and the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Wastewise program.

Awards are presented in the following five categories: waste generation, diversion rate, greenhouse gas reduction, recycling and organics reduction. Bryant University is looking to achieve a high score in two categories diversion rate and recycling. Diversion rate represents the percentage of waste materials diverted from traditional disposal in landfills or incineration. We hope that this event will create awareness

on recycling that can be later transformed into changed behavior. Last year from September through November, seventy nine schools and approximately five million fans diverted nearly one million pounds of waste from football games. This prevented more than one thousand seven hundred and thirty two metric tons of carbon dioxide from being released. The diversion rate champion was Ohio State University and the recycling champion was Rutgers University for 2012.

As expressed by Enactus, "The Green Day Recycling Challenge is the first of many steps to help the Bryant population become educated on proper recycling and how to be eco-friendly. We want to help spread awareness about small changes that can be made that would result in a huge impact. This is a fun way to incorporate recycling and sports and rally the student population to participate in a beneficial act."

A green sporting event will reduce environmental impacts by producing less waste and reducing emissions. The benefits of greening sports include increased sustainability, reduced operating costs and increased benefit to the overall triple bottom line (people, planet and profit). Students from Enactus's Green Team are looking to increase education and outreach of recycling to help students better understand recycling logistics.

As Americans we have a responsibility to protect our planet. Unfortunately, we have been unsuccessful at doing so. Although Americans represent five percent of the world's population, we generate approximately thirty percent of the world's garbage. Americans waste nearly one million pounds of materials per person per year. Less than two percent of the total waste stream in America is recycled. We throw away enough garbage to fill sixty three thousand garbage trucks. We can do more to recycle! If you would like to be involved in similar recycling efforts at Bryant University please contact Amy Terracciano at aterracciano@bryant.edu or June Candland at jcandland@bryant.edu.

In Memory of Christiano Barbosa

1995 - 2013

His life was full of purpose, his soul exuding with passion, his mind always in pursuit, and his heart overflowing with love. What remains with us is his spirit: beautiful, vibrant and still flowing with much life. Those who knew him will never forget him and those who did not will learn of him through our memories.



Key Words

A regular column from ACE and the Writing Center



How is a writing consultant like a coach?

By Janice Dexter-Ganek

Writing Specialist, Writing 106 Instructor

Like coaches, writing consultants diagnose and provide strategies for overcoming challenges. Have you ever been in one of these situations?

- You don't understand or know how to start an assignment?
- You have a draft that goes over the length requirement for the paper?
- You've received a poor grade on a paper because of problems with the: (Choose one or more) thesis, evidence, organization, and/or grammar?

Don't worry! There are friendly, helpful and most importantly knowledgeable Writing Consultants at The Writing Center ready and waiting to help you.

What Gives Writing Consultants the Edge?

Writing Consultants are peer tutors who are trained to work with students to improve their writing skills. Bryant's tutoring and Writing Center programs are certified by The College Reading and Learning Association (CRLA). This certification insures the professional development of tutors, provides professional standards for tutor training, and establishes credibility for tutoring programs.

For this article, I interviewed two Writing Consultants: Stephanie Leach and Alex Scelzo. They are enthusiastic about their role in encouraging students to:

- Use Writing Center programs effectively
- Improve their grades by improving their writing skills
- Develop strong writing skills to become more marketable.

First, I talked to Steph Leach, a sophomore majoring in accounting, about the process of CRLA training.

STEPH: Biweekly training sessions are fun. Training for new tutors is informational to make sure we know what we're doing. In our last meeting, we sat down with senior tutors and realized that we are all having similar challenges in helping students. So, the training gives helpful education in how to tutor.

ACE is the Place

Because they are also students, Writing Consultants have experienced some of the same problems you have had with the writing process. The good news is that they worked through them and discovered that they are able to share what they have learned to help others.

Both Steph and Alex told me that they work at ACE because of YOU—the students. For them, being able to help other students makes being a Writing Consultant more than just a job.

STEPH: I just love the environment at ACE. Even though I'm a new consultant, everyone knows my name. If I'm having a stressful day, and I have hours of homework, it's still awesome to be here. When I see freshman about assignments, they are often nervous, so I like to establish a personal connection with them. I tell them I've been through it, and here I am helping you. I made it, and you'll make it too!

ALEX: I want to empower students and make them confident in their writing ability going forward. I want to instill a little bit of passion through providing a solid base of security so they can excel. I hope that I can exude some of my own passion, have it rub off and have them smiling, confident, and looking forward to writing instead of having them look at it as a chore.

As you can see, our consultants genuinely like their fellow students. Now, let's consider how they can help you with a writing assignment that you have no clue how to start.

STEPH: I tell students that it's a process, and that they will learn what professors expect from them. If a student doesn't understand a prompt, we'll go through it. I think my strongest skill is helping them develop a thesis, find evidence to write their paragraphs, and make an outline. Then, they can apply these techniques to other papers.

Writing Rocks at Bryant and Beyond

I asked Alex, a senior majoring in economics, about the importance of writing skills in his recent internship experience.

ALEX: During my internship, my supervisor asked me to write a review of my internship experience and also of my managers. I had to synthesize information, and I was well versed in how to do it because my business courses gave me those skills.

The takeaway is that writing plays a role in your academic as well as your professional career. Writing is a skill that takes time to develop, and writers should turn to trusted readers for their opinion and suggestions before they submit their writing for a grade or for a workplace assignment. As I pointed out at the beginning of this article, a Writing Consultant is like a coach that can serve as a trusted reader. Take advantage of this service to improve your academic and career game plan! Short profiles of our consultants are available on My Bryant—under Department, go to The Writing Center and click on Staff Directory. To make an appointment, call us at 232-6567. We hope to see you soon!

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Softball Special Olympics Fall Festival

By Molly Martuscello
Contributing Writer

The Bryant University Softball team will be hosting the 3rd annual Special Olympics of Rhode Island Fall Festival Games, here on campus next Sunday. The day of games will include a flag football tournament, bocce competitions, and tennis matches. The softball team will be joined by dozens of other Bryant Athletes on the day of games who are volunteering their help. The 3rd annual games are expected to be the largest to date. Special Olympics and the Softball Team welcome anyone to come out to the event and support all of the athletes by being a fan.

The Special Olympics is the world's largest sports organization for children and adults with disabilities, hosting over 3.7 million athletes internationally in over 170 countries. Nearly 3,000 of those athletes are right here in Rhode Island. Special Olympics RI provides

innovative programs locally and throughout the state to empower the athletes to realize their full potential and develop physically and emotionally. To come out



and support the athletes is a rewarding experience for all. The Softball team has been working closely with Special Olympics RI for the past three years to found this event and continue its existence. They have found their volunteer work a great way to give back to the community, and an extremely rewarding and fun service.

The Special Olympics Fall Festival will be held Sunday, November 10th with opening ceremonies beginning at 11:45 a.m. on the turf field. The games will begin at 12pm and last the rest of the afternoon.



Actuary Math: it's hard work

By Eric Fowler
Contributing Writer

Coming into college indifferent about which direction to take or debating between majors can be stressful. As a senior in the Actuarial Mathematics major, I've been through the second-guessing and mapping of career paths, the doubt that I couldn't handle it and then the reassurance that I could. As the College of Arts and Sciences holds its ten-year anniversary, I thought it would be good to talk about what this college has done to create such a successful Actuarial Mathematics program and maybe alleviate a little stress, if you were deciding to become an Actuarial major.

The main point that sticks out may be obvious, but it's a necessity—you need to love math. I mean love. The most effective way to learn is to practice the problems, and the program seems to have an endless archive of practice problems. And a lot of the times, doing all of these problems are needed in order to achieve a good grade. This being said, being an Actuarial Mathematics major requires four years, with the curriculum starting the first semester freshmen year, and multiple classes per semester. On top of that, most of the courses build off each other, so what I learned that first course freshmen year, I am still using in the upper level Life Contingencies course. I've only made it to where I am today by loving math. It wasn't a dread going through the eight or so worksheets for a test, or doing math problems for ten hours in a day to study for the final exam. In fact, I noticed that I was lucky to be assigned practice problems, rather than chapters of reading in a textbook.

In addition to loving math, it should be noted the major requires hard work. It requires the student to trudge through problems that take a page at a time, not knowing for sure the answer will be right in the end; and it requires the student to then go back, figure out what was wrong, and fix it. There is also a series of exams outside of class, which it is recommended to start taking during the undergraduate years. These exams lead to the certification of being an actuary. In short, the first four exams (Exam P, FM, MFE, and MLC/C) are preliminary exams. After these are passed, you choose which career direction you would want to go in—Property and Casualty Insurance or Life Insurance. Property and Casualty Insurance is the insurance or assets within a company, intangible goods such as travel insurance, and other goods a company finds worth insuring, in case anything goes wrong and they cannot continue working without it. Life Insurance, on the other hand, is the insurance on lives of people, the same kind of life insurance your parents might buy. Both these career paths have more exams and projects to be completed before you obtain your Fellowship as an actuary. The fact is, if you want to be an actuary, you have to pass the exams.

This information, that the learning and testing still occur even after undergrad, is good to know because it takes strong will and patience to complete these tests. Not many pass on their first time, and some take two tries, three tries, even ten tries to pass a single exam. If you want to become an actuary, it's important not to get discouraged and to keep trying, because no matter how many times it takes to pass these exams, the probability is high that someone is going through the same thing.

Before I scare you further, I should mention that, although all this information is daunting, especially if you're deciding between Actuarial Mathematics and another major, the program here at Bryant University is so rewarding. The guidance from top professors like Dr. Kristin Kennedy, Dr. James Bishop, and Dr. Phyllis Schumacher, among all the other great professors I've had during the course of four years, is more than you would get from any other college. They are always open to talk with you about this week's lecture or what direction to take upon graduation or even how the Bruins are doing this season. The professors make a family-like environment during class, and it's here where I've made some of my greatest friends.

If I were to sum up the Actuarial Mathematics major into three words, because I can't just choose one, it would be challenging, hardworking, and rewarding.

Family Weekend

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that ranged from mentalism, to mind-reading and even predicting decisions by audience members. He was a semi-finalist on America's Got Talent and was also featured on the Ellen Show. I was fortunate enough to have dinner with him afterwards, and he is extremely friendly and a great guy in front of and behind the curtain.

Saturday-The Dean's List Reception and the Academic and Co-Curricular Showcase kicked off Saturday morning. In addition, the football game against Duquesne was fun to watch with all the different activities occurring at the game. I personally took advantage of the free apple cider and the caricature drawings, all while cheering on the football team. The main event for Saturday night was the 150th Anniversary Dinner Dance which included dance lessons! It was great to see all of the Bryant families having fun throughout the weekend, but it wouldn't have been possible without Megan Campbell and the Student Senate.

Senator Megan Campbell (Class of 2014) was the Parents and Family Chair, and she did

an AMAZING job this weekend. She managed everything from putting folders together, contacting the correct people for food and beverages, and hiring entertainment. If you see Megan in the hallway or at Salmanson, give her a high five because she deserves it (word around town is that she started planning this event LAST YEAR!)

Parents and Family Weekend has been an annual event the Student Senate hosts. Student Senate has developed a tradition of involvement, activism, and leadership throughout the years by providing a student voice on issues from academics to housing to parking. As a Student Senate, we create and support any opportunities that can enhance students' personal and professional development through leadership, social, recreational, and cultural opportunities. Our main focus is for YOU to be happy so let us know if you have a suggestion ANYTHING Bryant related and we will try our best to help!

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Dog Talk with John Logan

Featuring Judy Kawamoto and Aaron Pereira



Okay, so who DOESN'T know Judy Kawamoto or Aaron Pereira? Judy is the backbone for student-life involvement here on campus and Aaron is the backbone of the student body. For you people who live under a rock and don't know who they are, I guess I'll fill you in. Judy is the Associate Dean for Student Life and Director of Campus Engagement and Aaron Pereira (Class of 2014) pretty much owns this campus, being the Coordinator of the Student Ambassador Program, a driven member of Greek life, and was recently elected Homecoming King this year! Both of them are extremely motivated in everything they do in life and would do anything to help others. Honestly, I'm honored to know both of them.

Name: Judy Kawamoto

Position: Associate Dean for Student Life & Director of Campus Engagement

Most Important Accomplishment: Earning my Ph.D in Higher Education Administration (Boston College)

1. What would be the title of your biography?

"From Nebraska to Ohio to Connecticut to Rhode Island: The Adventures of a Japanese American Woman"

2. What's the number one thing on your bucket list? Have you achieved it yet? If not, do you think you will?

I'd love to go to Japan, visit the village where my grandfather was born, and meet my relatives. I haven't done it yet, but I'm sure I will!

3. If you could go out to lunch with one person (dead or alive) who would it be and why?

Nelson Mandela. He's the epitome of standing up for what's right (even to the point of extreme personal sacrifice), and working ceaselessly to achieve a greater good. He literally improved the lives of millions of people, and changed the course of history.

4. How do you determine "success"?

Having love in your life—love of family, love of friends, love of work, love of community, and sharing that love with others.

5. What is your passion and how did you find it?

I have a lot of passions, but I'm probably most passionate about my work. I found my career by accident; through being involved as a student leader in college and realizing I could work with students for a living.

6. Who has been your biggest inspiration in your life?

My father. He overcame significant hardships in his life, and became a success in every sense of the word.

7. What is one misconception people have about you?

They don't believe that I'm half Japanese, because I don't look stereotypically Asian.

8. What is your greatest weakness?

FOOD!!! I love all types of food...except eggs and oatmeal.

9. Without using your name, who are you?

Daughter, sister, friend, colleague

10. If Hollywood made a movie about you, who would be the main actor/actress?

Either Meryl Streep or Jodie Foster. Not because I'm anything like them, but because I really admire their work.

11. If you had one chance to say one thing to the world, what would it be?

Never get your work confused with your life, always take the high road, help others whenever you can, and enjoy simple pleasures. Just doing those things will make your world a whole lot happier!

Quote of the Week:

"What's more important: Your goal? Or others' opinions of your goal?" –My fortune cookie last week

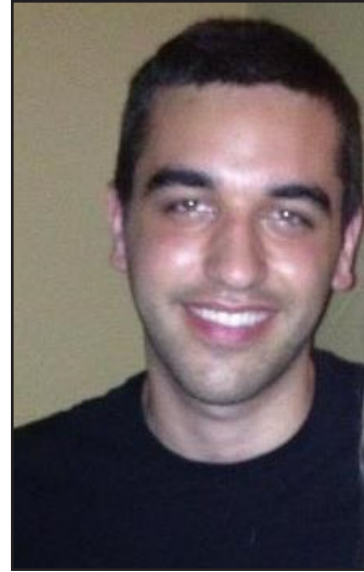
Tip of the Week:

When doing long assignments, set a 30 minute timer, and race it. This will prevent you from procrastination. And, if you successfully finish the work, eat a muffin

Suggested Song of the Week:

"Sydney (I'll Come Running)" by Brett Dennen

"Dog Talk" is a segment in the Archway by John Logan (Class of 2016). John conducts short interviews with students, faculty, staff, and alumni who have significantly contributed to the Bryant community. For nominations please email John at jlogan3@bryant.edu. To learn more about John, visit www.johndukelogan.com.



Name: Aaron Pereira

Position: Student

Most Important Accomplishment: Junior Advancing Leader Award

Clubs/Organizations: Student Ambassador Coordinator, President of the Inter-Fraternity Council, Philanthropy Chair of Sigma Chi, Student Arts and Speakers Series Committee, Senior Class Gift Committee

1. What would be the title of your biography?

"What You Don't Know"

2. What's the number one thing on your bucket list? Have you achieved it yet? If not, do you think you will?

The #1 thing on my bucket list would be to serve in the Peace Corps

3. If you could go out to lunch with one person (dead or alive) who would it be and why?

James Franco. The man does so much and is my idol.

4. How do you determine "success"?

I determine success to be what makes you happy. Not money, not items, but happiness with your inner self. When you achieve self-success everything else will follow.

5. What is your passion and how did you find it?

My passion is people. I have always wanted to make an impact on people and not until Bryant was I able to realize I have made an impact. Through different involvements I have found out that I have helped people, even if it's in the smallest way possible.

6. Who has been your biggest inspiration in your life?

My parents and Grandparents. They have worked hard their entire lives and have given me everything needed to succeed. They taught me that money isn't everything and how you can come to a country with nothing and support a family.

7. What is one misconception people have about you?

I think people sometimes think I am intimidating or overconfident, when in reality I am the complete opposite.

8. What is your greatest weakness?

Trying to please everyone is hands down my greatest weakness.

9. Without using your name, who are you?

I am a man of many attributes and am unpredictable to say the least.

10. If Hollywood made a movie about you, who would be the main actor/actress?

James Franco

11. If you had one chance to say one thing to the world, what would it be?

Do things out of the kindness of your heart and stop looking for recognition. You should work hard and stay humble. Give back to the world and make sure to cherish every moment of what you value.

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Why buy a newspaper?

By John Zeiner
Business Editor

It is obvious that newspapers no longer hold the same power they once did in American media. They face countless and continual challenges in trying to survive the digital age. In lieu of a thoroughly disrupted business model that contains decreasing circulation, ad revenue, and staff sizes, we have seen an interest in sharp-witted businessmen who think they can reinvent a dying industry in a new era.

Last week, John Henry completed his acquisition of The Boston Globe from the New York Times Co. He spoke about his ambitions for the paper in Sunday's Boston Globe. Henry, who earned his fortune in commodities trading, is most well-known for being the owner of the Boston Red Sox and has had a very successful tenure.

Henry states that he wants to secure the future of another signature New England institution. He resides in the company of Amazon founder and Chairman Jeff Bezos who recently purchased The Washington Post in addition to former greeting-card executive Aaron Kushner who bought the Orange County Register.

Henry says that he wants to spend the money to make the paper more vital rather than engaging in cutbacks that would weaken the product. He sees the Globe and its websites (BostonGlobe.com and Boston.com) as key players in a quest for an elusive business model for journalism. Jeff Bezos states that ownership by wealthy individuals rather than publicly held companies is a "runway," time to look for creative solutions to the thorny problems that plague the industry.

Henry wrote, "I soon realized that one of the key things the paper needed in order to prosper was private, local ownership, passionate about its mission. And so decisions about The Boston Globe are now being made here in Boston. The obligation is now to readers and local residents, not to distant shareholders."

He originally thought about purchasing the paper back during the recession in 2009, but thought the problems were too daunting. When it was listed for sale last winter he gave it a second thought. His motivation is evident in another statement he made, "My every intention is to push the kind of boldness and investment that will make the Globe a laboratory for major newspapers across the country."

As for the future, he does not see newspapers going away anytime soon. Henry doesn't think the abundance of free news that is available means the end of the newspaper. Instead, he believes it shows the importance of their reliability to help readers sort things out.

China moving to pay off debt

By Nicholas Calabro
Staff Writer

The United States government doesn't know it, but when one has a debt it is usually customary to pay it back. For years, China has owned more U.S. debt than any other country. Something many don't realize is that even China has local debt (of approximately \$4 trillion) however; they are making efforts to erase it. This strategy largely involves municipal bonds and an attempt to be more transparent. But how can bonds help them with this?

Before China's Development Research Center proposed to allow local governments to sell more bonds, local debt was financed differently. They had financed certain vehicles that, "did not disclose details on the size and health of the loans." This was done to circumvent Chinese law that prohibits local governments from selling debt directly to obtain infrastructure funding, according to Reuters. This is, of course, similar to the events leading up to the 2008-2009 global economic crash, and without a significant change, China's financial security will be in great danger. Bonds, however, require that these details be made available for investors, making them more transparent. Reform groups have claimed that local dependency on, "bank debt and loans from trust companies (and aforementioned vehicles),

contributes to profligate local spending." And how do others feel about this situation?

The World Bank has expressed concern about rising local debt, and reported that they've asserted that a lack of transparency causes unacceptably high debt levels for creditors, investors, and policy makers. Essentially meaning if China doesn't "clean up their act" it will be difficult to get credit extended and/or investments.

typically three to five years." But there will always be some uncertainty. A bond analyst in Shanghai has suggested that China will not get bond-happy, "If you suddenly let everyone issue bonds, then the market no longer sees it as a special privilege. So then the market will have to go back to looking at fundamentals." All this considered, China is still waiting on the results of one thing to help it decide its next course of action.

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Economists, in general, see this as a necessary local discipline in the budget. There is also an attraction to lower interest rates on bonds rather than so-called shadow government loans, which suggests a smaller risk. There is another way that this could benefit local governments.

Keep in mind, the old strategy was used to finance infrastructure projects. However, a former Chinese central banker, Wu Xiaolong, sees a problem with this. For a highway project, "it can take twenty or thirty years after it is built to repay principal and interest. But the bank loans are

That one thing is an official audit of local governments, the results of which are due this month. Reportedly, a significant rise in their debt since the end of 2010 will possibly make the Chinese authorities, "balk at expanding the pilot." Still, others worry that the proposed expansion could worsen the debt problem by fueling an appetite for borrowing. As of now, China's future is a mystery, but due to how much U.S. debt they own, what is not a mystery is that their future will very likely have an effect on ours.

Biz Snipz

By John Zeiner
Business Editor

- On Saturday, The New York Stock Exchange ran a successful test run of Twitter's initial public offering. This is in light of their hopes to avoid the technical problems that they faced in Facebook's debut last year. While it is not surprising that the NYSE conducted testing on the weekend, this is the first time they simulated a mock IPO. Anticipating that Twitter is going to become public sometime before the end of November, they gathered traders from a few member firms with NYSE staff to run simulated buy and sell orders, in order to test the flow of these orders.

NYSE spokeswoman Marissa Arnold stated, "This morning's systems test was successful, and we're grateful to all the firms that chose to participate. We are being methodical in our planning for Twitter's IPO, and are working together with the industry to ensure a world-class experience for Twitter, retail investors and all market participants."

There is much excitement surrounding what will be the biggest technology IPO since Facebook went public in May of 2012. Despite winning Facebook's listing, the Securities and Exchange Commission fined Nasdaq \$10 million for trading delays and order failures. That was the largest sum ever imposed on an exchange. Twitter is currently planning to sell approximately 70 million shares between \$17 and \$20 for a possible total of \$1.6 billion. The shares will trade under the ticker "TWTR." According to recent information from IPO tracking firm Renaissance Capital, this year has been a hot one for IPOs as sharp gains in the stock market have boosted demand for initial public offerings.

- Despite the budget standstill in Congress being over for the time being, the United States is likely to feel the effects for some time. Two weeks following the latest shutdown in Washington, more than half of 41 top economists surveyed by USA Today - 56% - are less optimistic about growth prospects than they were three months prior. Among the less optimistic economists, Sean Snaith of the University of Central Florida says, "We're falling down a fiscal flight of stairs and we're bouncing from one step to the next, one crisis to the next." Furthermore, he states that uncertainty among businesses could persist into next year and dampen capital spending.

Economists now expect the economy to grow at a mediocre 2.1% annual rate in the fourth quarter and 2.6% in the first quarter, down from their estimates three months ago of 2.6% and 2.8%. This is following the news on October 16 that lawmakers had agreed to fund the government until mid-January and raise the nation's borrowing authority until early February, which once again just pushes the problem back a few months.

Bernard Baumohl, Chief Economist of The Economic Outlook Group says, "A lot of the business leaders I've spoken to have come away realizing that they can begin to tune out some of the rancor in Washington and focus on the strength of the private economy." Several years after the recession, the economy is still prepped to make a move from its lethargic pace with household debt levels at 30-year lows, stocks nearing all-time highs, and bank-lending standards that are easing up for both businesses and consumers.

Professor Michael Roberto's Blog: Have you written a failure resume yet?

By Professor Michael Roberto
Faculty Writer

IDEO's David and Tom Kelley have featured an interesting concept called the failure resume in their new book, Creative Confidence. The idea comes from Stanford professor and creativity expert, Tina Seelig. The Kelley brothers describe one famous example of a failure resume - the "anti-portfolio" of the highly successful venture capital firm, Bessemer Venture Partners. Here's an excerpt, reprinted by Fast Company:

Nonetheless, one of our favorite examples of a company owning their failures comes from financial services. Bessemer Venture Partners is a well-respected, 100-year-old venture capital firm that has gotten in on the ground floor of some stellar-growth companies. Their website predictably features their "Top Exits."

What's refreshing and not so predictable is that one click away from these mega-successes is a catalog of miscues and failed foresight Bessemer calls their "Anti-Portfolio." As Bessemer explains, their, "long and storied history has afforded our firm an unparalleled number of opportunities to completely screw up." One of their partners passed over a chance to invest in the Series A round of PayPal, which sold a few years later for \$1.5 billion. The firm also passed--seven times--on the chance to invest in FedEx, currently worth over \$30 billion.

Why would people want to keep a failure resume? The Kelleys, as well as Professor Seelig, argue that we need to "own" our mistakes if we are to improve and move forward effectively. Acknowledging mistakes is a crucial first step in the learning process. Moreover, I would argue that being able to compare those failures to the successes on our actual resume is a crucial way that we can identify the drivers of high vs. low performance. The failure resume also humbles us a bit, and it reminds us of the role that good fortune played in some of our successes, and bad fortune in some of our failures.

Bulldogs vs Colonials: football team will try to make it two straight victories

By Justin Beaucage
Sports Editor

After a few tough losses, it could be said the Bulldogs were looked down upon by their opponents. However, after one impressive victory this past Saturday, not only are things looking up for the Bulldogs, but they have established themselves as a competitor in the NEC.

The Bulldogs picked up their second conference victory of the year against Duquesne, 42-14. Quarterback Mike Westerhaus played one of his best games of the season, throwing for two touchdowns with no interceptions. Receiver Jordan Harris showed his dominance as one of the best receivers in the conference, reeling in six passes for 91 yards. With his performance, Harris set an NEC record for most career receiving yards with 3,494. His accomplishment adds to his already illustrious Bulldog career. Cornerback Jeremy Woodson showed his playmaking ability, picking off Robert Morris and taking it to the house for his first touchdown of the season. The victory gives the team a 4-4 record on the

year. It was certainly a great game for the Bulldogs, and they sent a statement to the rest of the conference that they are a good football team.

The next test for Bryant is on the road against Robert Morris this Saturday. The Bulldogs hope they can pick up where they left off against Robert Morris from last year when Bryant defeated the Colonials, 38-35, in a nail bitter of a game. Robert Morris comes into this game, and the outcome could be worse for the Colonials. Thus far, they have struggled throughout the year, posting a 2-4 record and scoring only around 19 points per game compared to the Bulldog's 28 points per game. It could be a one-sided shootout against Robert Morris, one where the Bulldogs are doing all the scoring.

Despite the downsides of the Colonials, there are still players on their team that shouldn't be underestimated. Running back Deontae Howard is the main threat coming out of the backfield. He has run for just under 400 yards and three scores while averaging just over four yards per carry. Leading receiver Duane Mitchell will be

the biggest playmaker to watch for the Colonials. He comes into this game with 509 yards on just 35 catches with three touchdowns. He is always a threat when he gets the ball in his hand, and the Bulldogs have to make sure they don't let him get past their defense. If he does, he could be a nightmare for Bulldog defenders all day long.

On the defensive side of the ball, Colonial's Mike Cooper will be around the football all afternoon. He leads the team in tackles with 82 and is the clear leader of this defense. He also has the reputation of being a hard hitter, forcing two fumbles on the season. The Bulldogs have to make sure he doesn't get involved in too many plays, as one big hit from Cooper could give Robert Morris the momentum they need for the game.

If the Bulldogs want to dominate the Colonials, they should stick to their running game. The Colonials have allowed an astounding 145 yards per game on the ground, and the Bulldogs average over 160 yards per game running the ball. Running back Paul Canevari has had a stellar sophomore campaign, rushing for 430 yards



Junior safety Sebastian Amedee was named the Northeast Conference Defensive Player of the Week after intercepting two passes in Saturday's game against Duquesne. (Bryant Athletics)

with over five yards per carry and six touchdowns. The running game should be the key to the Bulldog's victory on Saturday.

The Bulldog's secondary should have a field game against the Colonials. Robert Morris has struggled passing all year long, only averaging around 184 passing yards per game. Robert Morris has also already thrown seven interceptions this year. The Bulldogs secondary will have its opportunities to make some

big plays this Saturday, including defensive backs Michael Johnson and Jeremy Woodson.

Despite the uneven records, this game will be a test for the Bulldogs. A victory will tell other teams in the NEC that the Bulldogs will be competitors from here on out in the conference.

The Red Sox's journey to best team in baseball

By Justin Beaucage
Sports Editor

Heading to the locker room, every Boston player hung their head in shame and embarrassment. After walking off of Yankee Stadium's field, losing to their rival Yankees 14-2, the Red Sox didn't have anything to be proud of. Boston had just closed out one of the worst seasons in Red Sox history, finishing in the cellar of the AL East with a 93 loss season. It was the first time since 1966 the team had lost more than 90 games. With this feeling of despair and hopelessness, the World Series was the last thing on the players' minds, as it seemed like nothing but a dream.

One year later, and this dream could become a reality.

The Red Sox have completed one of the most amazing rebuilding processes not just in baseball, but in sports history. After being the laughing stock of the entire league last season, the team is no laughing matter. They finished the year with 97 wins and as the best team in the American League. The Red Sox aren't just one of a few teams to finish first in their division a year after finishing in last place, but they are the only team ever to make it to the World Series after being the worst team in the division the year before. It is certainly an accomplishment that speaks to the character of not just the players, but to the entire organization.

So, how did they make this amazing comeback in just one season? It first started with a change of coaching. First year manager Bobby Valentine was an utter disaster, as it seemed like he didn't know the ins and outs of baseball at times. It also seemed like he didn't have any control of the locker room. New manager John Farrell has had one of the most successful first-year tenures in MLB history, completely changing the culture in Boston and getting the team back to its winning ways. His former experience with pitching has helped revamp this bullpen that ranked last in almost every category last season.

Another huge factor in Boston's turnaround was getting the bad eggs out of the locker room. There were plenty of players in Boston who, despite how talented they were on the field, were nothing but headaches off the field. In August last year, Boston traded away three of its best players, including Josh Beckett, Carl Crawford, and Adrian Gonzalez, to the Dodgers in a move that marked the beginning of a rebuilding period. The move must have been a smart one, since all three of these players are watching the postseason from their own homes. This transaction gave the Sox a lot of money and options. With this money, Boston signed players to smaller contracts that would contribute to their roster. Players like Mike Napoli, Johnny Gomes, and Shane Victorino were all under-the-radar signings that not only were good players, but were worth the money as well. Not only are these players worth the money based on what they show on the field, but they are all players that wanted to be a part of the Red Sox and were happy to be a part of the team. This camaraderie is almost as important as their play on the field.



Third baseman Xander Bogaerts is one of many reasons that the Red Sox's rebuilding has been so successful. (MCT Campus)

Every fan knows all the major players on the Boston Roster. Players and leaders like David Ortiz, Jacoby Ellsbury, and Dustin Pedroia carried over their phenomenal play from prior years to this one to make the Red Sox one of the best teams in baseball. However, there are players that have come up through Boston's minor league system that have made their own impacts on the diamond. One in particular, third baseman Xander Bogaerts, is one of the most promising, highly hyped prospects in recent years for the Sox. Boegarts has certainly lived up to the hype thus far. In the postseason, at just 21 years old, he is hitting an astonishing .348, showing he is not afraid of the Boston spotlight. He will be a player, along with others, that will be a star for these Red Sox for a long time.

These are some of the many factors that contributed to the Red Sox going from the worst to first in the American League. The Red Sox know that this rebuilding, however, can only be complete with one more victory: winning a World Series Championship.

Around the rink - four in a row for Bruins

By Alyssa Ricci
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In the last week or so, the Bruins won four games in a row, establishing their longest winning streak of the season thus far. Not too shabby considering they have only played ten games in total. Their run began with a 3-2 win over the Florida Panthers when Rask and Thomas met again, this time on opposite ends of the ice.

On Saturday, October 19th, the good news continued for Rask. With just a day of rest in between, "Tuukka Time" was in full effect as the Bruins took on the Tampa Bay Lightning and shut them out on their own ice. Boston center, David Krejci started the scoring with his first goal of the season. Both Adam McQuaid and Shawn Thornton scored for the first time this season to help lead the Bruins to their eventual 5-0 victory. Chris Kelly and Patrice Bergeron each wristed the puck into the net for two more goals. Rask celebrated his first shutout of the season and seventeenth of his career at the end of regulation in Tampa Bay.

On Wednesday, October 23rd, the Bruins traveled to Buffalo to face the Sabres. For the first time, Chad Johnson took his place in the crease as Boston's starting goaltender. His debut ended in a 5-2 victory. Half way through the first period, left winger Milan Lucic deflected a shot by Jarome Iginla past Buffalo goalie Ryan

Miller, getting the Bruins on the board first. As the first period neared its end, Lucic took a puck to the face off a wild pass by Buffalo's defenseman, Mark Pysyk. Over seventeen thousand fans cheered for the obvious injury as Lucic entered the tunnel to have five stitches put in. The crowd rallied up the wrong Bruin. Just forty seconds into the second period, Lucic fired the puck past Miller for his second goal of the night, putting the B's up 2-0. Lucic later expressed to the media the pleasure he took in "[sticking] it to them that way". Soon after, Cody Hodgson capitalized on the man advantage and tipped in a pass from Thomas Vanek.

Rookie defenseman, Dougie Hamilton brought the Bruins back up to a two-goal lead, as he scored off a cross-crease pass from Brad Marchand. Nikita Zadorov, one of Buffalo's rookies, retaliated and scored his first NHL goal. Twenty-two-year-old defenseman, Torrey Krug, rounded out the scoring with a pair of goals, the latter being a Power Play goal. Johnson only had to make fourteen saves to bring Boston to victory in his first starting game.

Unfortunately, with less than fifteen minutes remaining in regulation, Bruins' forward Loui Erikson took an illegal hit to the head by Buffalo's John Scott. Erikson is suffering a concussion and has so far missed two games. There is no word yet



The Bruins had some big victories this week (MCT Campus)

on when he will return to the ice. Even though he has only been dressed in black and gold for eight games, his void was felt by his team, especially in last Saturday's game against the New Jersey Devils.

Coach Claude Julien explained that Eriksson's two-way play is a tough loss to suffer. Brad Marchand has been taking Eriksson's place as Bergeron's right wing, where he is no stranger. Despite his familiarity with this setup, his play was considered less than satisfactory as Eriksson's replacement.

On Saturday, the Bruins took a 3-1 lead against the Devils by the end of the first period

at TD Garden. Most fans were already confident that the Bruins would bank another "W" after already establishing a two-goal lead against the Central Division's 6th place team. Evidently, they jumped the gun. The Devils eventually succeeded in a 4-3 win. All of New Jersey's four goals were scored on the PP which was surprising, seeing that the Bruins held 3rd place for the NHL's best penalty kill. The tying and winning goals for the Devils were scored in the third period, the last one with 44 seconds to go in the game. Former Bruins Michael Ryder and Jaromir Jagr each assisted one of those two goals. Ironic.

Just before the Bruins reached the end of their winning streak, they handed the San Jose Sharks their first loss of the season on Thursday night (October 24th). Late in the second, Jarome Iginla took a wrist shot that lit the lamp for his first goal as a Bruin. Rask made some vital saves, including his denial of Tomas Hertl's potentially tying shot. Less than a minute into the third period, the Sharks tied the game at 1, which is where the score remained until the last second of the game-literally. With eight tenths of a second (.8) left in regulation, David Krejci managed to get a stick on the puck in front of the net and robbed the Sharks of a chance to keep their status as the NHL's only undefeated team this season. The Bruins rocked TD Garden with a 2-1 win over the NHL's 1st place team.

The Bruins took 1st place in their own division after this game, but it was short-lived due to their loss against the Devils. They will try to regain 1st place Wednesday night as they take on the Penguins in Pittsburgh at 8pm, and again on Thursday night when they host the Anaheim Ducks at 7pm.

As for our Bulldog Hockey boys, it was unfortunately an unsuccessful weekend. Come out to cheer them on this Friday, November 1st, at the Smithfield Arena at 7pm and on Sunday, November 3rd at Providence College at 7pm! Go Bulldogs!

Rose's return, a bench in LA, and the quest for a three-peat highlights NBA opening night

By Justin Beaucage
Sports Editor

After a long wait during one of the busiest offseasons in recent memory, it's finally time to get back to basketball. With so many stories and new situations heading into this season, from controversial center Dwight Howard taking his talents to the Rockets, to the Los Angeles Lakers opening the season without Kobe Bryant for the first time, and the Miami Heat looking to stay on top in a much more competitive Eastern Conference. Whether it's Kobe returning to the lineup eventually after tearing his Achilles, or Bulls point guard Derrick Rose making his return to the court for the first time in two seasons, there is one comeback that is better than all of them: the NBA is back in our lives.

It was an extremely interesting opening night for the NBA this past Tuesday. The slate featured three games, two of them included four teams that made the playoffs last season. The two best games of the night were both conference showdowns, with each team trying to make their case as the most dominant team in their divisions. Winning these games early meant a lot to each of these teams, as it could set the tone for the rest of their season and kickoff what should be an awesome 2013 campaign.

The first big game of the night featured the defending, NBA Champion Miami Heat going up against their much-hated rival Chicago Bulls. There was plenty of buzz and excitement surrounding this game for different reasons. First, Miami, the new title town it seems, was receiving their championship rings from

last season. In doing so, the team would be beginning their quest for a three-peat for titles, becoming just the sixth team to accomplish the feat. On the other side, Bulls point guard Derrick Rose made a return to a court that was one of the most anticipated one in history. A former MVP, Rose tore his ACL back in 2011 in the postseason, and the Chicago Bulls couldn't wait for him to make his return.

However, in what many anticipated to be an Eastern Conference Finals preview, NBA fans could tell who the real champions were on Tuesday night. The Miami Heat defeated the Bulls, 107-95 in their home opener. Despite taking a early 7 point lead in the early ticks of the game, Miami had too much depth and scoring options for the Bulls to contend with. Even with the Bulls' Carlos Boozer scoring 31 points, the Miami Heat were too much for the Bulls to handle on offense.

The Heat had a balanced, fast paced offensive attack that included scoring an incredible 37 points in just the second quarter. Heat forward LeBron James lived up to his "best player in the league" title, scoring 17 points with six assists while helping on the boards with eight rebounds. Miami had a lot of help scoring from some of their key role players, including 13 points from Mario Chalmers and 14 points off the bench for Shane Battier, an effort that included shooting 100 percent from beyond the arc.

Bull's Derrick Rose showed a little bit of his rust in this game. In 34 minutes, he shot 33 percent from the field, scoring 12 points and turning the ball over five times. Although it is a tough loss for the Bulls to handle, they will still be a contender in the East. For Miami, winning this big, early season game could really help them get off to a fast start in a quest for their



Heat superstar LeBron James receives his second NBA championship ring (MCT Campus)

third title.

The second big game of the night was the battle for Los Angeles' best NBA team. The Lakers and Clippers squared off in what many thought to be a less competitive game. The Clippers have had one of the busiest offseasons in recent memory, acquiring former Celtic coach Doc Rivers and signing key free agent role players, such as J.J. Reddick and Jared Dudley. Meanwhile, the Lakers opened with a new look this season, missing their leader and best player in Kobe Bryant due to injury. However, if Tuesday's game proved anything, it's that sometimes a new look isn't a bad one.

The Lakers stunned their rivals last night, defeating the Clippers 116-103 in what was definitely an early upset for championship-hopeful Clipper team. The Clippers did have offensive contributors, with point guard Chris Paul scoring 15

points and forward Blake Griffin led the team with 19 of his own. However, it was the defense that really hurt the Clippers Tuesday night. Fans have seen the Lakers win so many games based on the effort of a one-man show in Kobe Bryant. Even without their superstar, it was more of a team effort to take down the heavily-favored Clippers. The Lakers scored a remarkable 76 points off the bench, 22 of them coming from shooting guard Xavier Henery. The Lakers in the past have always had trouble getting help from their bench. However, if this is a sign that they have solved this problem, the Lakers could take the league by storm. Just think of how good they can be when their best player returns.

It certainly was an exciting opening night for the NBA and its fans. If this first night told us anything, it's that we are in for one amazing season.

NFL halftime awards and what we have learned at the midpoint of the season

By Justin Beaucage
Sports Editor

The NFL season has certainly been a wild one to watch. From playoff teams from last year slumping early, to young coaches not fitting into their new league, and to quarterbacks taking the NFL by storm, the NFL has been difficult to predict. With surprise teams making a run at the playoffs and, yes, even rumors of Brett Favre getting out of his nursing home to return to the gridiron, fans don't know what they will see next this year.

In the first half of the 2013 season, some stars have shined, while others have hidden from the spotlight. Here are some of the midseason awards for the first half of the season:

Most Valuable Player:

Peyton Manning, Quarterback; Denver Broncos: By the time anyone reads this section, it's possible that Peyton Manning might have thrown four more touchdowns. What Broncos fans have seen from Manning thus far is something they have never seen in the history of the NFL. Not only is he on his way to the best statistical season by a quarterback in history, but one of the most remarkable seasons by any player ever.

Leading Denver to a 7-1 record, Manning has thrown for an NFL record 2,919 yards with 29 touchdowns to just six interceptions. His 119.4 rating is tops in the league, and he has clearly been the league's best player since opening kickoff. If he continues to play like this, Manning won't just be the most



Lions' running back Reggie Bush has made big plays this season (MCT Campus)

valuable player in the league, but the most valuable piece of the Bronco's puzzle to winning a Superbowl this season.

Offensive Player of the Year: Peyton Manning, Quarterback, Denver Broncos: See above

Defensive Player of the Year: Robert Mathis, Outside Linebacker, Indianapolis Colts: So far, it has been difficult to pinpoint who the best defensive player in the league has been. With so many different players to choose some from surprisingly good defenses, Robert Mathis seems like the early favorite to win the award. Closely contested to earn this honor with Kansas City linebacker Justin Houston, the Colt's linebacker has had an incredible start to his 2013 campaign. Many thought Mathis would struggle when his counterpart and longtime

teammate, Dwight Freeney, left during the offseason. However, Mathis has emerged as one of the best pass-rushing linebackers in the game.

With all the attention on the Colts offense, Mathis has quietly led an eighth-ranked defense in terms of points allowed to a fantastic start to the season. Under his leadership, he leads the league in sacks with 11.5, and has also forced three fumbles. Mathis has been one of the main reasons the Colts have had a great defense to go with its high-scoring offense in the first half of this year.

Offensive Rookie of the Year: Eddie Lacy; Running back; Green Bay Packers: To understand how important Eddie Lacy is to Green Bay, a fan has to look at the statistics. Lacy is the first rookie running back to rush for at least 99 yards in

back-to-back games since 1971. A second round pick, Lacy has given the Packers a threat on the ground they have been missing since Ahman Green left. Green Bay is ranked third in the league in rushing with over 140 yards per game, and Lacy is a huge reason for it. He has rushed for 440 yards with three touchdowns this year, and he has shown veteran qualities for such a young, up-and-coming superstar.

Defensive Rookie of the Year: Kiko Alonso; Linebacker; Buffalo Bills: For being a young starter, Alonso has shown the poise and leadership early in his career to be an impact player for many seasons to come. As a member of a defense and team that has struggled, Alonso has been the best defensive player for Buffalo so far, even as a first year player. He currently leads the NFL with 81 tackles,

and has shown he has a nose for the football despite being a linebacker, as he is currently tied for the league-lead in interceptions. Not only has Alonso been the clear-cut favorite for Defensive Rookie of the Year, but he has also been the most impressive rookie overall.

Comeback Player of the Year: Reggie Bush; Running back; Detroit Lions: It almost seems like Reggie Bush has been trying to make a comeback ever since becoming one of the most hyped draft prospects in 2006. He has been constantly scrutinized for not being a real running back, always being accused of being afraid of running through the tackles. Well, this season, Bush has been running, and the last things his critics are doing are running their mouths.

All the former second overall pick needed was a change of scenery, as he has certainly shown his true colors for the Lions. Bush has rushed for over 500 yards with 2 touchdowns, averaging 4.4 yards per carry. He has also shown his versatility from the backfield with 335 receiving yards with two more scores. Not only has Bush restored the roar back into the 5-3 Lions, but also into his game.

These are just some of the first half awards for players so far this season. However, these are just for the first half, and anything can happen. The best part about it is that there is still a lot more football left to be played, and these awards will be determined as we enter the second half of this season.

Concussions causing 'headaches' for NFL and players

By Sean Graney
Contributing Writer

Concussions have become one of the most talked about injuries in all of professional sports, especially in the NFL. The injury has become such an issue that in the October 7th issue of Sports Illustrated an excerpt from Mark Fainaru-Wada and Steve Fainaru's new book *League of Denial* was described as "an exclusive excerpt from the book the NFL doesn't want you to read."

However, concussions are not only an issue in the NFL and other professional sports, but also throughout youth sports. Athletes receive concussions at every level of competition, and thankfully with the growing awareness of the issue of concussions these injuries have been handled better than they were in the past at all levels.

But many of the issues seen later in life in athletes such as Junior Seau don't stem solely from injuries received during their professional careers, but from a snowball effect of all of the injuries taking a toll on the overall health of the brain due to the injuries being handled poorly. As someone who has received 6 concussions throughout high school and college and having seen many of my teammates receive them as well I have seen how they can be handled both correctly and incorrectly, and by not following proper protocol coaches and trainers alike put their players in serious danger.

In *League of Denial*, the authors describe a panel in 1994 in which Paul Tagliabue, then the commissioner of the NFL, David Stern, the commissioner of the NBA, and Gary Bettman, the commissioner of the NHL, all answered questions on the state of their respective leagues. When asked about concussions, Tagliabue stated that the issue with concussions was overblown in the media and that there was only "one concussion every three or four games."

After this panel Tagliabue created the Mid Traumatic Brain Injury committee, or the MTBI, to study the issues of concussions in the league. Despite never producing any meaningful research on concussions, Elliot Pellman, the team doctor for the New York Jets, was handpicked as the chairman of the committee by Tagliabue himself.

Kevin Mawae, a former offensive lineman who played for the Jets for 8 years during Pellman's time as team doctor, gave some details onto how the head of the MBTI handled concussions. According to Mawae, Pellman would check the players for symptoms then he would tell the player to remember the words "Red Brick Broadway", before leaving the player for a few minutes.

When he returned to check on the player, if he could repeat those words back to Pellman he would send them back into the game. Mawae describes one play where he was knocked out on the field, which is the criteria for a grade three concussion, the most severe type. After being on the sidelines for a few minutes Mawae was sent back into the game after repeating the three magic words back to Pellman.

However, Mawae was clearly still concussed and his brain was not functioning at full capacity by any means. Teammates told him that while making calls at the line of scrimmage to tell his other lineman what to do he was calling plays that were not even in the playbook. This is a prime example of how the desire to win games clouds the judgment of team officials, causing them to put their players' lives in danger.

The dangers of concussions are just as severe in youth sports as well. While the athletes are obviously not as big or as strong in youth sports as they are at the professional level concussions suffered in lower levels of the sport can be just as severe as the ones suffered by professionals, if not even more severe.

An article written by Sally Jenkins from the Washington Post on October 2nd, 2013 describes concussions in a way that really puts into perspective the dangers in youth sports. She described concussions by asking readers to "Pick up a bobble head and shake it — hard. Watch the little spring neck whiplash back and forth and hear the toy rattle, and imagine your son's 7-year-old brain inside the shell".

While it may sound extreme, this is almost exactly what happens when someone receives a concussion. The person's brain rattles around inside their skull, and when it bounces off of the skull it creates bruising in the brain. The increased awareness of the severity of concussions has caused current NFL players such as Drew Brees and

former players such as Kurt Warner and Terry Bradshaw to say that they would prefer their children do not play football. These are men who made a living and provided for their families through playing this game, but seeing the way their former colleagues' lives are dramatically altered from the hits they take over their careers scares them to the point that they do not want to see their children end up the same way.

The biggest concern with concussions is not necessarily preventing them, although this is an obvious concern and the makers of the helmets players wear do everything possible to prevent them, but how they are handled after they occur. Before the 1980s there was no protocol on how long a player with a concussion should be kept out. Bob Cantu, the chief of neurosurgery service and chairman of the department of surgery at Emerson Hospital in Concord, Massachusetts, determined through his research that symptoms generally lasted between 5-10 days and determined that players must be held out a minimum of seven days, and after that it was at the trainers' and coaches' discretion as to whether or not the player could play. This, for the most part, is adhered to throughout all levels, with the NFL finally instituting a policy requiring teams to do a more thorough job examining players with concussions.

But starting at the high school level and escalating in college and the NFL, some coaches take certain liberties with these rules. While playing high school football two of our starting linebackers were concussed in a Friday night game. Our next game was on the next Saturday, eight days later.

While this follows the seven day rule, these two players had no practice all week and had not participated in any sort of contact drills in over a week and a half. However, because there was nothing illegal about playing them the coach started both players. While neither player was severely injured during the game to the best of my knowledge, this is proof that even a division III high school coach can sometimes look at winning games as more important than the safety of his players.

What Are You Going to be for Halloween?

Caitlyn May '15
"Fourth of July"



"an angry American man"
Dyma Bashchysnkyy '14



Megan Roy '16
"Summer"



Angela D'Amelio '16
"Spring"



"an angry Russian man"
Will Allen '14

Amy Terracciano '15
"Little Red Riding Hood"



Gossip - why it functions as social currency

By Molly Funk
Staff Writer

What is the deal with gossip? Why does it get so much face time in the media? People of all demographics have a penchant for the tabloids in grocery stores. So why do people love discussing the latest drama, whether it be in association with celebrities, sports, or friends and family?

Sadly, gossip breeds friendship. If all the people around you are discussing a rumor or gossip, you will probably feel excluded from the bond they share. To appease this discomfort, it is necessary for you to add your opinion to the rumor, or provide a new topic of gossip to the group.

Humans have an innate desire to be part of a group; so it's no wonder they will indirectly hurt others in order to be part of a larger friend group. The target of the gossip is predominately excluded as the source of ridicule for the group.

On a broader level, rumors focused on celebrities provide common conversation for strangers or acquaintances to

bond over because they are involved in conflicting opinions, and are easily relatable. Picture two students sitting down in class to an awkward silence; a relationship could effortlessly form around the introduction of gossip, "So did you hear Kim and Kayne got engaged?"

Controlling personalities love being able to control and lead their social group. Almost all friend groups have a person like this—the one that likes to be the trailblazer, call the shots, and be the deciding vote. To maintain a position of social power, one must be sure they are the only candidate in the friend circle for that controlling role. By being the highest on the popularity scale the leader can keep control of a group. This also means reducing the status of those around them—spreading rumors and gossiping is a sure-fast route to diminishing others. Also having gossip and the ability to create believable rumors gives superiority among peers, thus elevating social status.

Gossip is simply a form of putting someone down to make oneself feel better. On any given

day one might find themselves beaten down by the hardships of life, maybe their significant other broke up with them, maybe they failed a test, or even rear-ended another vehicle, the possibilities are endless. Whatever the source of discouragement, that person may think they would feel better by comparing their self to someone less fortunate. Starting a rumor, or repeating hurtful gossip can turn the attention onto another person, thus making oneself seem relatively better off.

Unfortunately, some people have extreme negative self-perceptions, and feel it necessary to put down others constantly in fear of their own faults being exposed. These particular individuals can be found on every campus across America—they are notorious for knowing the latest gossip and for not being afraid to share it.

Every person is different, a fact that makes meeting new people fascinating because there is always something new to learn from someone else. Nevertheless, this is a double-edged sword as differences can produce jealousy.

People can be jealous of wealth, status, popularity, appearance, or intelligence. Jealous people often create, or spread gossip about the person they are envious of in order to hurt them. Others believe that they are justified to spread rumors about someone that has caused them a particular wrong. This means that they recognize gossiping about a person is hurtful, but choose to conduct the behavior in hopes of retribution for their own hurt feelings. Ask anyone and they will admit gossiping is wrong—nonetheless you can guarantee they have participated in this destructive activity many times.

Rumors and gossip are like social currency—everyone wants a little bit more than they have. Knowing a piece of information before the rest of your group, or finding out a secret previously



Gossip can cover topics ranging from celebrities to sports, and everything in between. (MCT Campus)

untold can make one the center of attention. Telling your friends a juicy rumor buys their attention, even just for a moment, allowing you to be the most important. Receiving special attention is not necessarily a bad thing but gaining attention for being a gossip is not something to be aspired to. Being known as someone who must gossip for attention will actually force the end of your friendships because people will not be able to trust you. It is easy to fall into the trap of seeking attention from telling a scandalous rumor, but keep in mind the detrimental effects that brings.

A change in perspective

By Emily Grenier
Contributing Writer

Studying abroad is the best experience you will ever have. Ever. I'm sure getting married and having kids is great, and graduating college will probably be pretty amazing too, but really, if you have the opportunity to study abroad, I highly recommend it. School, your family and friends, and everything you love to do, will be there when you get back; I promise. Don't let the "what-ifs" stop you from making a wonderful, life changing decision that you will benefit from for the rest of your life.

I am currently living, studying, and working in Salamanca, Spain. Since arriving here in early August I have



moved in with a Spanish family, taken courses at one of the oldest universities in Europe, visited several cities and three other countries, met students from all around the world, and begun interning for a Spanish company. As silly as it may sound, I've even met and become friends with people from Bryant who I never would have known otherwise.

My major is International Business, so essentially I "had" to go abroad. Even though I knew this time was coming for 2 years, I won't pretend that I wasn't nervous all summer, waiting for the day that I said goodbye to everyone and everything I knew, to leave the country I call home. I'm sure my fears are

similar to everyone's before they leave to live in another country. I was afraid of not knowing Spanish well enough, not liking my host family, missing my friends and family, and of course everything I was leaving behind at Bryant. I had always considered myself a very adventurous person, so having these feelings really shook me up and made me question what I want to do with my life. I thought, if I can't even handle leaving for 6 months, how can I ever live or work in a different country?

Thankfully, and just as everyone had assured me, as soon as I arrived all of my fears disappeared. Experiencing your new home for the first time is an amazing feeling. It is like you're on top of the world; like you can do anything. Just being here feels like an accomplishment, and that is only the beginning.

Don't get me wrong, I love Bryant, and of course now and then I wonder what I'd be doing if I was there. But being in a different country truly makes you realize that there is more to life than the constant grind of schoolwork, job hunting, and trips to Jay's or Target. Studying abroad is a different experience for everyone, and if you truly don't think it's for you there is nothing wrong with that. But if you're on the fence about making the decision, believe me when I say that this will be the experience of a lifetime, and holding yourself back will be one of your biggest regrets.

For those of you who have never had the opportunity to know someone before they went abroad, believe me when I say that they come back a different person. Not in a bad way, but it's as if their eyes have been opened to a world of possibilities, ideas, and a completely new way of looking at, and living, life. I can only hope to be as lucky, that I will come back a better and more mature person who understands and embraces what is really important in life.

Inmate costs increasing in NYC and all over the U.S.

By Colin Walsh
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In a recent article published by The Big Story, a sub-section of the Associated Press, facts regarding the cost of an inmate living in New York City were revealed, and boy, is it large.

According to the article's author Jake Pearson, the annual average cost of incarcerating an inmate is around \$167,731. With that kind of money, you could buy a house, a couple of really nice cars, or pay for your tuition at Bryant University for all four years with just over \$20,000 in your pocket. Think about that. And, to make it even worse, there were 12,287 average daily inmates in the New York City prison systems, which means that each inmate cost about \$460 A DAY to keep in jail with necessary treatment, maintenance, and security. Based on the total operating expenses, which includes salaries and benefits for staff and other costs, for the Department of Corrections, about \$2 billion was allowed through the budgeting office.

Twelve years ago, thinking about this kind of money being used for the incarcerated would have blown your mind. In the fiscal year 2001, the average reported annual operating costs per inmate in the state of New York was \$36,835. In twelve years, the average annual price of an inmate for New York has gone up more than 450%. Crazy.

However, the increase in inmate costs of living are not focused just in New York. The issue is occurring all across the country. In 2001, the state with the highest reported average annual operating costs was Maine at \$44,379 per inmate, followed by Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Minnesota, and New York, respectively. In the fiscal year 2010, Maine's average annual cost per inmate increased to \$56,269. This increase is obviously not as drastic or devastating as the increase that New York has suffered because a change like this is probably caused merely by inflation in the economy, but the average annual cost of living per inmate is still increasing every day.

The change in the average annual cost of living per inmate for the United States over the past twelve years is approximately \$6,500. In 2001, the average annual operating cost for one inmate was 22,632, and in 2012, the average cost of incarceration for federal inmates was \$29,027.46, according to the Bureau of Prisons.

The majority of the costs being used are not what we might believe they are. For Rikers Island in New York City, about \$30.3 million of their budget is actually used transporting inmates on buses between the 400-acre island and multiple courthouses within the five boroughs of the city. Understandable, that can be expensive. So why not fix that?

Martin F. Horn, the former New York City corrections commissioner, actually came up with an idea that makes a lot of sense. He suggested that we replace Rikers Island with more robust jails that are conveniently located right next to courthouses. It cuts the cost of transportation, which will save the government and the taxpayers a good amount of money. However, according to Pearson, his proposal failed due to "political opposition from residential areas near courthouses in Brooklyn, Manhattan and elsewhere."

Regardless of how it gets done, the cost of living for inmates is way too high, and that is something that needs to change. Taxpayers already pay enough money to the government along with all other expenses they incur with their possessions. The public should not be paying as much money as they are to make a criminal comfortable while they're locked away. They had their chance at freedom and decided to throw it away by breaking the law, so why are the law-abiding citizens being punished for the inmates' bad judgment? Yes, I know this might sound harsh, but it's true. I know many who will read this might think I've come on a bit strong with my opinion in this situation, but I also know that many who will read this will agree with every word I say because they understand where I'm coming from. We should be able to keep as much of our hard-earned money as we can, instead of giving it to the government to help criminals out.

November astronomical highlights

By David A. Huestis
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While we wait for Comet ISON (article about this comet coming November 8th) to rendezvous with the Sun on Thanksgiving, there are only a couple of other astronomical events the casual stargazer may find interesting to observe during November. Please remember that EDT (Eastern Daylight Time) or DST (Daylight Saving Time) ends on the morning of November 3 at 2:00 a.m. when we fall back one hour to EST (Eastern Standard Time).

Venus will be very prominent in the southwest sky after sunset. Though it will still be fairly low in the sky, try to observe her cloud enshrouded disk as its phase illumination changes from 50 percent (appearing like a First Quarter Moon) on November 1 to just 31 percent (appearing like a waxing crescent Moon) on the 30th. On the 6th a beautiful sky scene will greet stargazers after sunset as the waxing crescent Moon passes above Venus.

From the eastern seaboard of the United States we will be treated to a partial solar eclipse at sunrise on the morning of November 3. The eclipse will already be in progress as the Sun rises above the horizon. Please refrain from monitoring this event without proper filters or alternative observing methods. Despite a large portion of the

Sun being covered by the Moon, harmful visible and invisible radiation will cause irreparable eye damage.

Just because the sunlight may be dimmed by the dense atmosphere when the Sun is low on the horizon, do not stare at it. Sunglasses will not provide adequate protection from the Sun's harmful rays. Number 14 welder's glass is safe to use. DO NOT use exposed film of any kind. This method is not safe. In past columns on observing solar eclipses I have instructed folks on how to build a solar eclipse viewer using a shoe box. I'm not sure this observing method will work in this circumstance. With the Sun so low, the resulting image may not be bright enough to project a reasonable image.

Only if you are an experienced solar observer should you attempt to observe this partial eclipse with a properly filtered telescope or by using the solar projection method. If you have never observed the Sun before this event, don't start now! Don't risk your eyesight due to an oversight or an outright mistake. Even if you have one of those department store refractors that often come with small glass or plastic filters, do not be tempted to use them. They have been known to shatter when exposed to the Sun's concentrated image.

Think about what a small magnifying glass can do, and then imagine the amount of energy a larger telescope can focus. It's not worth it damaging your eyesight.

Many years ago, when I first started out in astronomy, I had one of those glass/plastic filters shatter during a partial solar eclipse. Luckily I wasn't looking through the eyepiece at the time.

If you use the Sun projection method (using a telescope to project the Sun's image on a white screen), remember to be very cautious if other folks, especially children, are nearby. You don't want anyone accidentally stepping up to an unguarded eyepiece to take a look. And regarding eyepieces, do not use cemented eyepieces. Use air-spaced ones. Eyepieces have been ruined when the cement has melted due to the heat produced by the concentrated sunlight collected by a telescope. Also, remember to cap off your finder scope. I have seen solar observers singe their hair or clothes by failing to do so!!

If you purchased some solar eclipse glasses for the transit of Venus last year, here's your opportunity to put them to good use (considering clouds prevented many of us from observing that event). These glasses will provide a safe view of the Sun. Even when observing the Sun using these glasses, observe caution as well. Caution will be the keyword of the day. You will not wish to ruin your eyesight by looking at the event unfiltered, for there will be many more astronomical events for your eyes to experience and enjoy in the coming years.

See the accompanying diagrams for how the eclipse will appear at specific times.

You may be wondering about the annual Leonid meteor shower on the morning of the 17th. Though the spectacular peak rates of more than a decade ago have long since passed, we can still usually expect to see perhaps up to 20 blue or green bright meteors per hour these days. And because the Leonids hit our atmosphere nearly head-on at about 44 miles per second the display produces many fireballs, with about half of them leaving trains of dust which can persist for minutes. Unfortunately, the Full Moon on the same night will

prevent most members of this shower from being observed.

If you do happen to spot a very bright meteor, to determine if it is a member of the Leonid shower all you have to do is note if the shooting star originated in the area of the sky in the constellation of Leo. That radiant point is in the Sickle (backwards question mark) asterism. Bright Regulus marks the period of that punctuation mark.

Keep your eyes to the skies, but remember to be cautious if you intend on viewing the partial solar eclipse.



The partial eclipse ends at 7:13 a.m. Be sure to use eclipse glasses made specifically for this event for safety reasons.

Social media: it's so first century BC

By Tom Standage
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Today it's easy to assume that social media platforms are a recent development, a phenomenon unique to the Internet age. But the exchange of media along social networks of friends and acquaintances is in fact much older than Facebook, Twitter or MySpace.

Consider the situation in the late Roman republic, in the 1st century BC. At the time there were no printing presses and no paper. Instead, information circulated among the intermarried families of the Roman elite through the exchange of papyrus rolls. The correspondence of the Roman statesman Marcus Tullius Cicero, the best preserved collection of letters from the period, shows that he and his friends wrote to one another constantly, recounting the latest political machinations, passing on items of interest from others and providing commentary and opinion.

"I sent you on March 24th a copy of Balbus' letter to me and of Caesar's letter to him," Cicero wrote to a friend in one typical example. Letters were commonly copied, shared and quoted in other letters. Some missives were addressed to several people and were intended to be read aloud or posted in public. When Cicero or another politician made a noteworthy speech, he would distribute it by making copies available to his associates, who would read it and pass it on to others. Many more people might then read the

speech than had heard it being delivered in person.

Books circulated in a similar way, as sets of papyrus rolls passed from one reader to the next. Anyone who wished to retain a copy of a speech or book would have it copied by scribes before passing it on. People in Rome also sent their friends excerpts from the state gazette, a bulletin posted in the Forum each day containing official announcements and summaries of

political debates.

With information flitting from one person to another, this informal system enabled information to reach the farthest corners of the Roman world within a few weeks. News from Rome took about five weeks to reach Britain in the west and seven weeks to reach Syria in the east. Merchants, soldiers and officials in distant parts would circulate information from the heart of the republic within their own social circles, sharing extracts from letters, speeches or the state gazette with their friends and passing news and rumors from the frontier back to their contacts in Rome.

This was a world in which people gathered, filtered and distributed information for their friends. It was, in short, a social media system.

This is just one of many historical antecedents of today's social media. Other notable examples include the circulation of letters and other documents in the early Christian church; the torrent of printed tracts that circulated in 16th century Germany at the start of the Reformation; the exchange and copying of gossip-laden poetry in the Tudor and Stuart courts; the political pamphlets of the English civil war; the stream of

impersonal distribution systems of old media only emerged in the mid-1800s, and the situation before then what could be termed the era of "really old media" has many similarities with today's media environment. In many respects, the emergence of Internet-based social media in recent years is therefore a return to the way things used to be.

These similarities can be instructive because it turns out that ancient forms of social media prompted many of the same questions that Facebook, Twitter, Tumblr and the rest have raised today. Do new forms of social media lead to a trivialization and coarsening of public discourse, for example? How should those in authority respond when they face criticism in social media? To what extent can social media help bring about political change? Is it all just a distracting waste of time?

Examining the impact of social media systems that arose in centuries past can help us answer these questions and put today's worries in perspective. At the same time, our modern experience of social media enables us to see the past with new eyes. The deepest lesson is that when you send a tweet or share a link on Facebook, you are continuing a deep and rich tradition of person-to-person sharing that goes back to Roman times, more than 2,000 years ago. Social media does not simply link us to each other today it also links us to the past.

news sheets and pamphlets that coursed through Enlightenment coffeehouses; the journals and correspondence societies that enabled far-flung scientists to discuss and build on one another's work; the pamphlets and local papers that rallied support for American independence; and the handwritten poems and newsletters of pre-Revolutionary France, which spread rumor and gossip within Paris and beyond.

For most of history, in fact, media was social. The emergence of centralized mass media such as newspapers, radio and television is a very recent phenomenon, and is arguably a historical anomaly. Today we like to draw a distinction between "new" media based on digital technologies and the "old" media that came before it. But the centralized,

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What Keeps Me Happy

Bryant does it right

By Autumn Harrington
Opinion Editor

It used to be about having fun and dressing up as imaginary creatures, but over the years, the idea of Halloween has turned into a contest as to who can wear the least amount of clothing. Yes, most girls believe this is okay because it is the one night where no one 'judges' anyone, but let's be honest with ourselves. No matter what time of year it is, whether it is a holiday or not, everyone is judging everyone. Yes girls will think other girls are 'sluts,' guys will think other guys are 'trying to get it in,' girls will think guys are 'only trying to get it in,' and guys will think girls are 'easy.'

Every Halloween, you can walk around campus and find the girls who could possibly fit into this category. But, it's Halloween, right? From cops to cats, Bryant had a range of costumes when Halloween weekend arrived last year. There were more cow girls and Play Boy bunnies than one could keep track of. And like every other college campus, girls (as well as some guys) were wearing minimal clothing. This has been a trend since the world started, but recently, a new trend has risen.

The idea of Halloween has once again transformed. There has been an increase in the number of students who have changed their mind sets. Costumes used to be based on who could look the sexiest at every party. This year, costumes have changed to which one can be the funniest and most creative. Themes like "bath time" and "minions" have been floating around campus. Scooby Doo and Monsters Inc. characters have even been among the different costumes students have been talking about.

Creative "home-made" costumes have also increased this year. Costumes like duct tape candy corns and boxes of Franzia keep Halloween's true intention alive. Bryant students have been taking it upon themselves to find funny costumes instead of 'slutty' ones.

But, it isn't just the girls taking action on campus this year. Guys have thought of everything from The Office characters to full out body suits of spider man. Bringing back the childhood characters is so easy, and keeps the atmosphere light hearted for everyone.

Group costumes have continued to be a favorite, as well as couple costumes. Red bull and Jager as well as CatDog seem to be popular this year. Group costumes like M&Ms, as well as Crayons are easy, and allows groups to have a number of people involved.

So, way to go Bryant University. We stayed committed to one Halloween weekend, unlike other campuses, which allows students to remain excited about dressing up instead of feeling as though their costumes have already been done. We have also successfully made our parents happier, although it may just be a small step. We're bringing back our childhood and portraying an appropriate way in which we act. Yes some of us may still be half naked this weekend, but hey, if some of us look like fools then maybe we can keep all of our mothers from crying when they see the pictures on Monday. Stay safe and have a ball this weekend. Halloween only comes once a year.



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Should race factor into college admissions?

MCT Campus

Anybody who has ever encountered the college admissions process knows that there's no such thing as an even playing field. Most schools will admit that upfront. "Like all colleges," Harvard College notes on its own admissions web site, "we seek to admit the most interesting, able, and diverse class possible."

In other words, schools often try to balance out an incoming class with students who not only have good grades or high test scores but have had unusual life experiences as well as those they regard as "well rounded." Athletes often get preference (no surprise there), but so might a talented oboe player, actor or artist. There

can make a huge difference. It doesn't necessarily involve an accomplishment, skill or talent but little more than chance in some cases schools often look to balance gender, geography and disability, too.

Given that reality, the desire of any state to specifically ban affirmative action in the college admissions process seems suspicious. If schools are going to consider all sorts of extenuating circumstances in the name of diversity, why not factor in a person's race? Indeed, to refuse to consider it seems a form of racism itself the only real effect of such a ban is to make it unusually difficult for minorities to gain admission to the college of their choice.

That point of view essentially

a factor in setting admissions policies violated the Equal Protection Clause. Michigan voters approved that ban as "Proposal 2," an amendment to the state constitution in 2006, but as the appeals court pointed out, it essentially left minorities with an unusually high hurdle to now challenge college admissions policies.

Unfortunately, that argument didn't seem to win over much of the conservative wing of the U.S. Supreme Court when the Schuette case was heard this week. Nor does it help the law's opponents that Justice Elena Kagan has recused herself from the case because she had worked on it while serving as the nation's solicitor general.

Still, even Justice Samuel A. Alito acknowledged at one point that it's a "big deal" to now require a constitutional amendment to change the law. Make no mistake, this isn't about racial quotas. They have not been allowed since the 1978 Supreme Court decision in Regents of the University of California v. Bakke. But in that same decision, the high court ruled that using race as a criterion was allowed. In the last term, the Roberts court had an opportunity to abandon affirmative action entirely but did not in Fisher V. Texas, ruling only that affirmative action policies must be closely reviewed.

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is no one set of criteria for the preferred applicant at Harvard or most anywhere else, as writing a particularly good application essay (or having a talented high school guidance counselor who knows how to edit one)

won over the 6th Circuit Court of Appeals, which ruled last November in Schuette v. Coalition to Defend Affirmative Action that Michigan's prohibition on public universities and colleges from using race as

Bryant Said What?!

Compiled by Bryant Students

"He's the lightbulb and I'm Thomas Edison.. POP"

"Do Jewish people even live in Germany?"

"I think we should wear our viking helmets to Rentes at 11 a.m. and just drink there all day."

"If your lock screen is 'keep calm and love organic chemistry,' chances are you need to get laid."

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Profit and Loss

\$ Parents from all over made their way to Bryant last weekend and had a great time.

\$ It's Halloween weekend! We can't wait to see the craziest costumes on campus.

— Where did the time go? We've already been back to school for two months!

— The cold weather is here! The "northface/uggs" combo is already rearing its head on campus.



Colleges say they accept any type of student, but do they?

all, wouldn't any society's ideal be to foster policies that were entirely blind to race? But such a proposal fails to consider the sad legacy of racial discrimination in this country and the inherent disadvantage it has left African-Americans and others.

According to the U.S. Census, about 18 percent of African-American adults over the age of 25 have a four-year college degree compared to nearly one-third of whites. African-Americans are far more likely to live in poverty and not have access to the sort of college-track high school courses and counseling that are available to others.

How does one break this cycle of poverty and missed opportunity? For decades, affirmative action programs

have helped minorities make significant progress righting the scales by tipping them against historical racial discrimination. Should states like Michigan and a handful of others be able to adopt laws that strip minorities of this kind of educational opportunity? That seems ill-advised.

Already, Michigan has experienced a drop in minority college enrollment. That ought to set off bells and whistles for the justices. Better to leave matters of admissions where they belong in the hands of school administrators and not allow policies like Proposal 2 that will ensure only that a disadvantaged group remains disadvantaged by race.

Halloween: our favorite holiday is back

By Grace Morgan
Staff Writer

It is once again time for America's spookiest holiday. Halloween is a day to dress up in costumes, watch scary movies, and eat your weight in candy. While October 31st is many people's favorite day of the year, there is a lot to consider when it comes to what to wear, watch and eat on this holiday.

The most prevalent decision you make about Halloween is the costume you wear. Popular costumes this year are predicted to include Avengers superheroes, Kayne West and Kim Kardashian, *Great Gatsby* inspired flapper dresses, and *Despicable Me* characters. Other costumes stemming from pop culture include characters from TV shows such as *Breaking Bad* and *Game of Thrones*, movies such as *The Hunger Games* and *Star Trek*, and celebrities such as Miley Cyrus and Robin Thicke. Such costumes will likely be widely represented by this year's trick-or-treaters and party goers due to their recent popularity. Quality, all-inclusive character costumes can typically be found at stores such as iParty and Party City.

Other costumes can be easily made without spending much money. A trip to Savers thrift

store will find you an inexpensive costume, and The Dollar Tree and Five and Below are good places to find cheap accessories for your costumes. Some simple do-it-yourself costumes include a "gold digger" (dress in all gold and yellow while carrying around a lightweight plastic

The Blair Witch Project, *The Texas Chainsaw Massacre*, and *Halloween*. Redbox and Netflix are guaranteed to have a huge selection of horror films to frighten you even in the safety of your own home.

If you are feeling more adventurous and want to get a

scared.

The other staple of Halloween is candy. If you are going to splurge on candy, you might as well get the good stuff. Whether it's for the local trick-or-treaters or yourself and your friends, some Halloween treats are just better than others. Some

and place for eating healthy snacks like apples and pretzels: Halloween is not that time. If you are looking for candy that's less fattening, some of your healthier choices are 3 Musketeers Minis, York Peppermint Patties, and Tootsie Rolls.

Halloween is known throughout the nation as a night for having fun, but can also be a dangerous night. Besides eating too much candy, there are some real dangers that come along with Halloween. While children are out begging for treats, many adults celebrate Halloween by going to parties.

Many people drink alcohol on Halloween, leading to issues that come along with excessive drinking and drunk drivers. Anyone who is going to drink on Halloween or Halloween weekend should be mindful of tampered food and drinks, and mindful of the amount they are drinking. Those who will be driving home this Halloween weekend also need to watch out for trick-or-treaters walking in the streets, and be careful to avoid drunk drivers. On the bright side, Halloween is a time dedicated to silly fun so don your costumes, stuff your face with candy, and enjoy your Halloween weekend!



Check out the infamous Sanderson sisters in *Hocus Pocus* to get in the Halloween spirit (MCT Campus)

shovel) or a Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle (paint a disposable Sterno pan green, tie it to your back, and dress in green clothes with a colored bandana).

Besides dressing up, one of the most common pastimes for the month of October is watching scary movies. Some of the best horror movies of all time include *The Exorcist*,

scare in theaters, the remake of the 1976 thriller *Carrie* is currently playing at movie theaters. The horror movie *Insidious: Chapter 2* and action-thriller *Escape Plan* are also currently in theaters. Festive Halloween movies such as *Hocus Pocus* and *Halloween Town* are always fun alternatives for those who do not want to be too

of America's favorite candies include Kit-Kats, Starbursts, Butterfingers, Twix, and Snickers. A good tip is to buy a variety pack of mini chocolates - that way everyone can get what they want. Treats that we all hate being given for Halloween include Smarties, raisins, pretzels, Dots, hard candies, and bubble gum. There is a time

Carrie disappoints the second time around

By AJ Beltis
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Sporting a strong sense of the seventies, Brian De Palma's original *Carrie* really needed an update for the 21st century. Thanks to Kimberly Pierce, we now have one. Boasting a talented cast, the 2013 remake of *Carrie* has enough to satisfy its audience, but didn't impress me to the extent that it could have.

For those unfamiliar with the story, this adaptation of Stephen King's novel is about high schooler Carrie White. In this version, she's portrayed by Chloë Grace Moretz. Daughter of a religious fanatic (Julianne Moore), Carrie grows up a social outcast, isolated from her peers. During a traumatizing moment of maturation, Carrie discovers she has telekinesis - the ability to move things with her mind. The entire movie leads up to a bloody massacre at her high school prom, where her cruel classmates drop pig's blood on her while she's on stage.

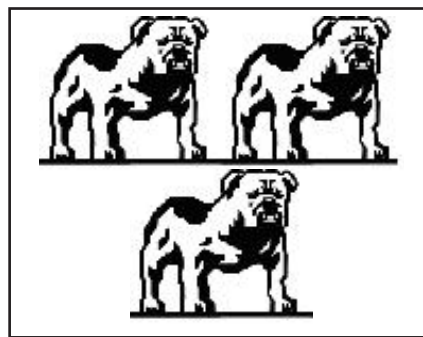
So where did Carrie go right? First and foremost, the casting was near perfect. Julianne Moore was hauntingly convincing in her role as Margret White, and easily gave one of the year's most noteworthy performances. Sympathetic and spiteful at the right times, Judy

Greer was flawless in her role as Miss Desjardin, Carrie's gym coach. Carrie's most antagonistic bully is Chris, portrayed by Portia Doubleday, who brings the soulless high school girl to life in the most effective way. On the technical side, the camerawork was sleek and masterful, and the kills during Carrie's rampage were eye-popping and cringe-worthy.

On the negative side, I was hoping for a bit more of a tone of terror throughout the movie. Leading up to Carrie's prom, the mood could've been more impending, but wasn't. Furthermore, for about 20 minutes after the opening scene, Carrie was sort of put in the back seat to make room for the story of her bullies. In a movie called *Carrie*, is it so much to ask for Carrie to play a bigger role in the start of the movie?

Finally, this brings me to Chloë Grace Moretz, a young woman who is one of the most talented actresses of our time. Having said that, I think Moretz was too young for the role. Furthermore, Carrie White is an extremely difficult role to play, and requires much patience on the part of her portrayer. Moretz did her best, but in my opinion, wasn't the best person to play the part at this age. But let me make it clear that just because someone is cast in a role that isn't right for them doesn't mean they are a bad actor.

I'm glad that this movie was made. Could there have been a better director, a more horrific tone, a more unsettling prom scene, and a more appropriate casting choice for the role of Carrie? Yup. Furthermore, the movie felt very safe, and failed to take any risks, which is necessary if you want to make a great Stephen King movie. But while overall an average movie, *Carrie* delivers fine acting and a fitting take of the story for a new generation.



This movie received 3 out of 5 bulldogs



Sissy Spacek as Carrie in the 1976 version of the movie (MCT Campus)



Chloe Grace Moretz as Carrie in the current version of the film (MCT Campus)

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Navigating the endless world of Netflix

By Molly Funk
Staff Writer

Many people find Netflix to be an overwhelming hoard of movies and TV shows, and find themselves wondering just what else is streaming on Netflix that they don't know about. Here's an organized list of programs on Netflix that Bryant students love having streamed through their laptops and gaming devices. Be sure to pay special notice to the asterisked programs, they are Bryant favorites!

Halloween Themed Movies

- *Halloween Scary Movie
- The Awakening
- Paranormal Activity 3 & 4
- Carrie
- *The House at the End of the Street

Childhood Memories

**Saved by the Bell (6 Seasons)*: Follow Zack, Kelly, Jessie, Screech, Slater, and Lisa through their collective journey through Bayside High School, and the accompanied struggles of adolescence and friendship.

**Hannah Montana (4 Seasons)*: Take a few minutes to remember the old Miley Cyrus as she deals with teenage headaches by day and pop star problems by night.

Wizards of Waverly Place (4 Seasons): Another child actor turned pop sensation,

Selena Gomez plays Alex, a young witch just discovering her powers along with brothers Justin and Max. The trio have a blast growing up surrounded by magic while attempting to determine who will retain their powers through adulthood.

Great Movies

Forrest Gump: Forrest Gump, a simpleminded man, finds himself in the middle of nearly every major event of the 1960s and '70s making friends, changing lives and yearning for childhood sweetheart, Jenny.

**White Chicks*: Two black FBI agents find themselves consigned to baby-sitting a pair of empty-headed socialites, ultimately the men pose as the white party girls.

Failure to Launch: A frustrated mother and father desperately attempt to convince their thirty year old son Tripp to move out by hiring a beautiful "relationship consultant" with a patented plan to move him out of the house.

The Breakfast Club: The athlete, the brain, the criminal, the princess, and the basket case break through the social barriers of high school during Saturday detention.

**Happy Gilmore*: Failed hockey player turned golf genius, *Happy Gilmore* is determined to win a PGA tournament to save his grandmother's house with the

prize money.

Grease: Hit musical comedy starring John Travolta and Olivia Newton-John that chronicles the relationship between greaser Danny and good girl Sandy.

superhuman abilities.

Mad Men (5 Seasons): Set in 1960s New York, this series exposes the alluring ad agency and its cutthroat reality revolving around womanizing Don Draper.

enthusiasm as she attempts to overcome bureaucratic constraints.

The Walking Dead (3 Seasons): Rick Grimes leads a band of survivors on a war of survival following a desolating zombie apocalypse.

**Breaking Bad (5 Seasons)*: If you haven't watched *Breaking Bad* until this year, Netflix has the first five seasons. Walter White, high school chemistry teacher dying of cancer, cooks and sells crystal meth with a former student.

**New Girl (2 Seasons)*: Jessica Day moves into an apartment with three single guys, and together they navigate through daily life. Bryant students categorize the show as quirky, upbeat, and a great comedy.

Reality TV Shows

Cake Boss: Master baker Buddy Valastro produces one-of-a-kind creations and culinary drama in this popular series.

**Long Island Medium*: Follow Theresa Caputo from Long Island, NY, as she assists individuals find closure regarding those loved ones who have passed away.

Sister Wives: This series exposes polygamy as it trails the lives of Kody Brown, his wives, and their plethora of children.



Need your fix of *Breaking Bad*? Check out the series on Netflix.

(MCT Campus)

**Safe Haven*: Classic Nicholas Sparks adaptation focuses on a mysterious woman who arrives in a small North Carolina town and begins a new life while still haunted by the terrifying secret that forced her to move.

Great TV Shows

**Heroes (4 Seasons)*: Playing on America's love for super heroes, this sci-fi drama brings together a varied group of people who discover their

It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia (7 Seasons): Self-absorbed friends Charlie, Mac, Dennis, and Dennis's sister, Dee, run Paddy's Pub, a downtown Philadelphia Irish bar, where everyone's childish behavior forces hilarity.

**Parks and Recreation (5 Seasons)*: Leslie Knope, employee of Pawnee, Indiana's Parks and Recreation department is the star of this comedy, which follows her

5 songs you haven't heard, but wish you had

By Casey Mackisey
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Black Joe Lewis & The Honeybears- I'm Broke

This funky cut from Black Joe Lewis' second album, "Tell Em What Your Name Is", covers a traditional blues topic, being broke. Sounding like a mix of Howlin' Wolf, James Brown, and Little Richard Austin-born frontman Joe Lewis showcases his unique vocal style on this track. This song is indicative of one of the bands live shows, with the horns section reaching a thunderous crescendo as Lewis yells along with intensity that could rival Screamin' Jay Hawkins. Many bands try to emulate the funk of the 1970s but for Black Joe Lewis and the Honeybears, such comparisons seem to come easily. Regrettably, the band had their first show in Rhode Island two weeks ago but with the turnout they drew, one would suspect them to return soon.

Moon Taxi- Gimme a Light

Formed in Nashville in 2006, Moon Taxi is an indie progressive band that draws heavily from regional influence. They started as a traditional jam band more in the vein of The Allman Brothers Band and Gov't Mule than progressive contemporaries Umphrey's McGee and Disco Biscuits, though recent album "Mountain, Beaches, Cities" draws from more electronic and experimental influences. This raw track from Moon Taxi's first album "Melodica" comes complete with catchy lyrics and syncopated guitar riffs that make it easy to see how the band garnered such a sizeable following after only one album.

Dr. Dog- The Truth

Philly rockers Dr. Dog recently built their own recording studio, in which they recorded their eighth album "B-Room". The first single from the album is "The Truth", a dreamy thoughtful effort that showcases the lyrical sensibilities of singer Scott McMicken while

drawing heavily from the 60s sounding psychedelia that the band is known for. With a more polished production than their earlier lo-fi work, "The Truth" is the perfect way to begin their new album which is sure to be a hit with fans new and old.

Frank Ocean- Forrest Gump

A little known songwriter and hook man for rap collective OFWGKTA, Ocean received a lot of press in 2012 for being one of the first openly gay artists in R&B but also for his album *Channel Orange's* neo-soul approach to rhythm and blues that strayed away from the more rap oriented sound that dominates today's R&B charts. Performed at last year's Grammy Awards, "Forrest Gump" combines Ocean's recurring theme of unrequited love with a rhythm section that is the perfect accompaniment to Ocean's soulful vocals. Frank Ocean recently announced to BBC Radio 1 that he is deep in the production of another album to follow up *Channel Orange*, one that will draw influence from 60s vocal groups and have a concept album-like cohesiveness to it.

Local Spotlight- Torn Shorts- Sunday Afternoon

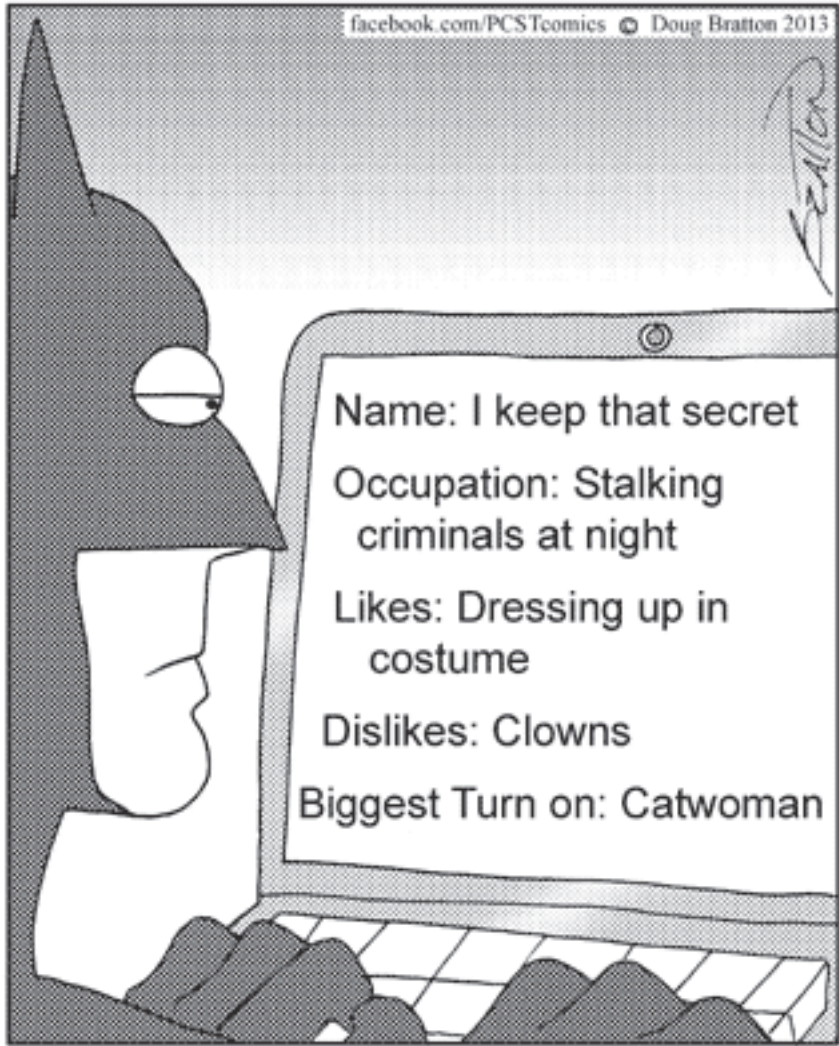
Winner of WBRU's annual Rock Hunt, Torn Shorts has taken the city of Providence by storm with their catchy lyrics and live shows that focus on extended jams. Their single "Devil" has received heavy airplay locally on BRU and on various college radio stations in the state. But a real gem on the album is "Sunday Afternoon", a laid back summer track that takes an optimistic look at the end of a relationship. The spirited vocals and guitar playing make it easy to understand how Torn Shorts built the fan base that helped them win the Rock Hunt. Catch Torn Shorts at WBOB's Annual Boobstock Breast Cancer Fundraiser October 26th at Dusk in Providence or at WBRU's 44th Birthday Bash opening for Young The Giant at Lupu's on November 13th.

Send all questions/ comments to cmackisey@bryant.edu and check my show on WJMF Saturdays from 2-4 for great music and just slightly above average humor.



Dr. Dog's newest album, *B-Room* featuring "The Truth" and Moon Taxi's first album *Melodica*, which includes their hit, "Gimme a Light" (MCT Campus)

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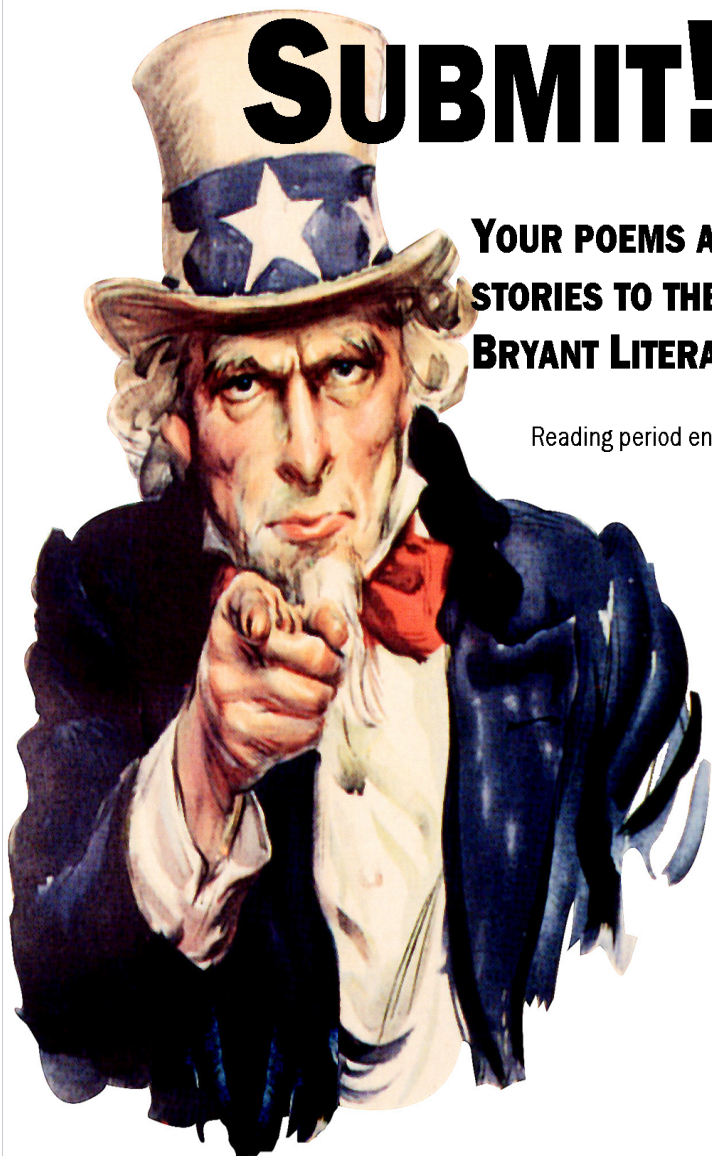
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