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Analytics students advance to SAS Global Forum 2016

By Molly Funk
Editor-in-Chief

A team of three Bryant students will advance to the final round of a SAS analytics competition, the SAS Student Symposium, held at the 2016 SAS Global Forum. The event will be held in Las Vegas in mid-April 2016. The team, M&M&M, is comprised of seniors Molly Funk, Max Karsok, and Michelle Williams, who completed a project using analytic software called SAS. Specifically, their project focuses on Fatal Analysis Reporting System (FARS) data. The data used contained information regarding fatal motor vehicle crashes in the United States and Puerto Rico from 2011 to 2013. The project originated in the Applied Analytics Capstone course taught by Janet Prichard during the fall semester of 2015. M&M&M closely studied accident data that contained incidents involving minor children. Using SAS

Enterprise Miner, they were able to profile about a dozen unique situations of minor involvement in motor vehicle accidents to characterize factors that influence minor involvement in fatal car accidents. The Bryant team is one of eight chosen to advance to the final round out of the sixty-three teams who submitted in the initial round. The other advancing teams are from a variety of universities: Kennesaw State University, Oklahoma State University, York University, University of Arizona, Dakota State University, Universite Laval, and North Carolina State University. Each team will have twenty minutes to present their analytic papers at the conference.

According to the SAS Global Forum website, the SAS Student Symposium is an "opportunity for teams of two to four postsecondary students and a faculty adviser to showcase their skills and compete with other teams in the application of SAS



Members of M&M&M pictured from left: Molly Funk, Max Karsok, and Michelle Williams.

Analytics in big data." A unique aspect of the Symposium is that there is no set problem or data set that needs to be used in the competition. Eight data sets were available as options for students

to choose from. It was then up to the student teams to define the problem that they wanted to analyze.

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Introducing: 2016 Senior Committee



Co-chairs Hanna Williamson and Brian Cadigan pose with President Ronald Machtley and Kati Machtley during the Fall Senior Kick-off

By Anna Rodier
Copy Editor

The Senior Committee and the events they host are long held traditions at Bryant. The committee puts on events where seniors buy tickets to attend events that are held at secret locations. All money raised from the ticket sales are donated towards the Senior Class gift, which gives the senior class an opportunity to give back to Bryant even before they graduate!

With the semester almost half over, the seniors are trying to live out their last months of freedom before they transition into the real world. These senior nights are a great way for the senior class to bond before they graduate and to really enjoy everything Bryant has given them.

The 2016 Senior Class Committee is run by co-chairs Brian Cadigan and Hanna Williamson. The committee members include Danielle Goldstein, Iemanja Dos

Santos, Jessica DiFilippo, John Logan, Lucas Anderson, Matt Licari, Nicole Yong, and Olivia Rustic. Anna Takahama, Mike Matias, and Tyler Brum advise the Senior Class Committee. This committee has already hosted two senior night events and plans on hosting only one more this semester. The committee is also sponsoring events during senior week to make sure the class leaves with memories they will never forget.

The first senior night was hosted at Rebel Lounge in Providence, Rhode Island. The lounge had a DJ and was a fun night out for all! The nightclub scene was the perfect getaway from classes and was a great atmosphere for the senior class to mingle.

Senior Class Committee member John Logan enjoyed the second event they hosted at Point Street Piano Bar in Providence, Rhode Island. "I had never been there before, but I, personally, had a blast and heard some great feedback from our class. I love being a part of the Senior Class Committee because

it is an opportunity to bring everyone together." When the bus pulled up for the second event, many of the seniors were skeptical because they had never been to a Piano Bar before, but overall the class seemed to enjoy the event!

Many of the seniors are excited for the next senior night, currently in the planning process. Although the location is a mystery, the success of the past two senior nights have driven large attendance to these events and the committee plans on the third and final senior night being the best of the year! The entire committee is very excited and is aiming on breaking a record of having over 65 percent participation in the Senior Class Gift.

Co-chair Brian Cadigan has really enjoyed being a part of the planning process and thinks "it is great to see the senior class come together and create memories that will last a lifetime. With only a few short months left until we walk under the Archway, these types of events truly bring the Class of 2016 together."

A major attribute of every Bryant student is their hard work and dedication to their studies. While Bryant students graduate with 98% of the class either securing a full time job or attending graduate school, this statistic does not shed light on the determination of Bryant students. This senior class continues to push their way to graduation and the steps following, but I think we can all agree they deserve some fun on the way!

Good luck to the senior class as they finish this spring semester and to the Senior Class Committee to continue to put on successful and memorable events for your class.

For more information about Senior Class events or questions for the Senior Committee, contact co-chairs Brian Cadigan or Hanna Williamson.

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Department of Public Safety Log

DOMESTIC (DISORDERLY) Feb 14, 2016-Sunday at 12:28

Location: RESIDENCE HALL

Summary: A student reported disorderly conduct regarding another student.

EMT CALL EMT CALL / MEDICAL SERVICES RENDERED Feb 15, 2016-Monday at 00:35

Location: E C S

Summary: A report of a male needing medical treatment at the ECS. EMS was activated. Smithfield Rescue responded and transported the patient to Fatima Hospital for treatment.

BURGLARY (RESIDENCE) Feb 15, 2016-Monday at 12:22

Location: RESIDENCE HALL

Summary: An RD reported a theft from a room in a Residence hall.

TOWED VEHICLE TOWED VEHICLE Feb 17, 2016-Wednesday at 11:44

Location: 16 Walkway

Summary: A vehicle was towed for blocking construction vehicles from exiting campus.

ASSAULT AND/OR BATTERY Feb 18, 2016-Thursday at 21:35

Location: OFF BRYANT CAMPUS

Summary: A student reported being physically assaulted while off campus.

ASSAULT AND/OR BATTERY Feb 19, 2016-Friday at 18:10

Location: RESIDENCE HALL

Summary: A student came into DPS and stated that he was assaulted in his room by a fellow Bryant student.

VANDALISM (RESIDENCE) Feb 20, 2016-Saturday at 02:12

Location: RESIDENCE HALL

Summary: A caller stated that a window had been broken in a Residence Hall.

ARSON Feb 21, 2016-Sunday at 03:20

Location: TOWNHOUSE

Summary: A person stopped at ECS and reported students were lighting fires in front of O block.

WRITERS NEEDED!

Find out how you can get involved by emailing archway@bryant.edu!

Letter to the Editor:

Dear Bryant University,

Since Aramark took over Bryant Dining in June, 2014, from Sodexo, a great hardship has been imposed on the dining workers at the University, as well as issues with quality and quantity of the food and the service provided to the students. It is likely that the University bears some responsibility for this since they accepted a bid from Aramark that relied on saving costs at the expense of the employees and the students. As described in a New York Times article entitled "Meal Plan Costs Tick Upward as Students Pay for More Than Food"

"...universities nationwide are embracing increasingly lucrative deals with giant dining contractors, who offer commissions and signing bonuses to help pay for campus improvements and academic programs...critics say the cost gets passed on to students..."

Aramark employees, along with their union, the United Service and Allied Workers, which represents Facilities as well as Dining workers at Bryant, are currently negotiating a new contract with Aramark and are also awaiting the Arbitrator's ruling in early March. We are asking Aramark to stop reducing union employee schedules and instead to schedule them for the available hours. Since Aramark has taken over, almost no one is scheduled for 40 hours and employees have suffered great reductions in annual income. At least one full-time employee's annual pay was reduced from \$32,000 to \$17,000 and that could be the case with many more, since overtime has been lost both due to additional hours going to non-union part-time employees and to loss of catering. Summer and winter break hours have almost disappeared.

Rumors are circulating that the University may go back to Sodexo this coming school year. Either way, we hope the Dining employees' and well as the students' welfare is given serious consideration. Many employees have been with Bryant for a long time – at least a dozen have been here since the 70's, 80's and 90's, and their loyalty to the school is undisputed. It is sad that other long-term employees have had to leave because Aramark did not offer them enough regular hours. This all has an effect on the service they can provide to the students and staff at Bryant.

- Rene Parenteau

Women's safety on campus

By Ryan Harris and Lydia Castillo

Copy Editor & Contributing Writer

The Blue Emergency Lights were not only forgotten about when the snow was piling up, but it is also an overlooked resource by many in Bryant's community in its current state. One faculty member on campus only first became aware of them when I mentioned I was writing this article. As the Blue Emergency Lights are meant to be a way to inform authorities of one's location when the need arises, the question to ask is this: Is Bryant University fulfilling its commitment?

According to Kent State University, "every 2 minutes, someone in the United States is sexually assaulted". Also stated on the website is that 60% of sexual assaults are never brought up to the authorities. With 1 in 5 women in college being "a survivor of rape or attempted rape" and 1 in 16 college men also having experienced being sexually assaulted, there is a pertinent problem in colleges around the U.S. Bryant University is not an oasis from this reality and the current tools to combat the issue at hand are inadequate.

Although their existence is a somewhat comforting thought for Bryant students and parents of prospective students on tours, the paltry few Blue Emergency Lights reflect the overall actions being taken. Perhaps they can be criticized for being underused, but the real fact of the matter is that is the whole system seems ineffective. To start, instead of having blue emergency lights in quiet locations intended to please tours, Bryant should have a few around the townhouses to benefit current students, along with other steps to take.

Northwestern University is an example of a school that has taken more steps for their students. Over the years they have implemented peer education programs, men against sexual assault organizations, and an organization of staff and students that gives annual reports with recommendations for change on their campus.

Over the past couple of years,



Blue light pictured on a New York college campus. (Rachael Barillari)

reported sex offenses on campus have decreased from 7 in 2012 to 4 in 2014, according to Bryant's Annual Security & Fire Safety Report 2014. The result from such a statistic leads one to believe that there is not a problem. However, the results may be connected to underreporting and the limited resources on campus for victims compared to other schools.

John Peach, Kent State Police Chief, admitted that he believed Kent State University's campaigns to increase awareness have resulted in more victims coming forward, according to newsnet5.

The only times that Bryant University students gain more information on the subject of sexual assault is during freshman orientation and 4Mile. That is not to mention the fact that many Bryant students still do not know where the Women's Center is or what services are offered.

Sarah DeGue, a behavioral scientist for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, was quoted in a US News article for claiming that it's clear one hour or less programs "focused on improving knowledge about the problem... don't prevent people from perpetuating sexual violence." Bryant's Women's Center does their best to try to draw people in but there needs to be more funding for programs for survivors and towards prevention. Strides towards such an initiative will only better Bryant's community and reputation.

If you or a friend need a place to call, the number for the Advocacy Helpline is 401-258-4209.

Analytics (Continued from pg. 1)

Each year, SAS holds the Global Forum which is open to all SAS software users across the globe. The Forum, which lasts four days, consists of workshops in SAS, analytic presentation, software demos, and networking events. This year the keynote speakers throughout the Forum consist of four analytic professionals, Susan Cain, Ben Casnocha, David McCandless, and Jim Goodnight. Cain is author of "Quiet: The Power of Introverts in a World That Can't Stop Talking," and was named one of the Most Creative People in Business by Fast Company magazine. She has also been awarded the Toastmasters International Golden Gavel award for communication and leadership. Ben Casnocha was recently the Chief of Staff to the Chairman at LinkedIn and co-wrote "The Alliance: Managing Talent in the Networked Age," with LinkedIn founder Reid Hoffman. David McCandless is best-selling author of "Information is Beautiful," a book that explains visualizing ideas, issues, knowledge and data as well as discovering new patterns in data. Jim Goodnight is the CEO of SAS, a position which he has served since 1976 after co-founding SAS.

South Carolina boosts Trump in the polls

By Joel Moffitt

Copy Editor

Voters in the South Carolina Republican primary took their turn shaping the nature of the race for the party's presidential nomination on Saturday, February 20. The majority cast their ballot for the ultimate outsider Donald Trump, who led in-state polling for the majority of the calendar year. Trump took home all 50 of the state's awardable delegates earning 32.5 percent of the vote a ten point bulge over his closest competitors the resilient Marco Rubio and evangelical favorite Ted Cruz.

Trump's resounding win came in spite of his continual propensity for engaging in controversy. He engaged in a verbal back and forth with Pope Francis after the latter questioned his faith in response to Trump's wall proposal. Trump also criticized President George W. Bush arguing that Bush was responsible for 9/11 occurring on his watch and criticizing the decision to go into Iraq. Even though the former president has impeccable popularity in South Carolina, including an 84 percent approval rating, Trump still remained unscathed.

CNN exit polls showed the Trump won nearly every voting bloc including veterans, self-described moderates, evangelicals, and those looking for an

outsider candidate. 92 percent of South Carolina voters declared that they were displeased with the federal government and, to date, no Republican candidate has tapped into that anger more effectively than Donald Trump.

The establishment wing of the party took solace in Marco Rubio's astounding comeback in the state that propelled him to a surprising second place finish. After polling in the low teens after his disaster of a debate in New Hampshire Rubio was able to jump up to 22.5 percent on primary day. Endorsements from SC Governor Nikki Haley, Sen. Tim Scott, and Rep. Trey Gowdy were a major boost to the Rubio campaign. CNN reported that college educated voters favored Rubio as well as those who placed importance on electability.

Ted Cruz had a disappointing 3rd place finish just behind Rubio with 22.3 percent of the vote. His vaunted advantage among evangelicals failed to materialize on primary day and he lost the group to Trump. Cruz was perhaps harmed by Trump's attacks on his integrity after scandal over some of his rather aggressive campaign tactics. Cruz will now look for better results in the evangelical dominated South in the upcoming Super Tuesday primaries.

Jeb Bush was perhaps the biggest loser of the South Carolina primary scoring

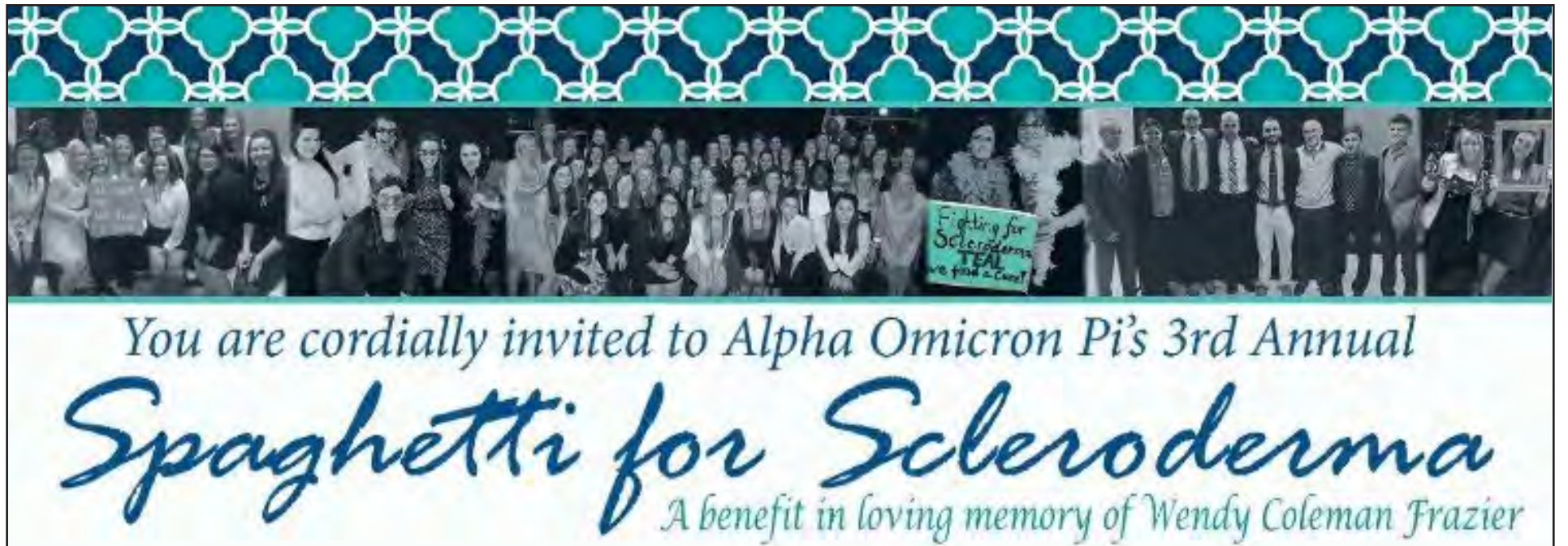


Trump speaking in North Charleston on the eve of the SC Primary. (Spencer Platt)

only 7.8 percent of the vote despite spending millions and having his brother campaign with him. This disappointing result was followed by the suspension of his campaign marking the end of his wildly unsuccessful campaign. John Kasich and Ben Carson followed with 7.6 and 7.2 percent of the vote respectively. Kasich will look for friendlier terrain in

the Midwest, while Carson continues to remain in the race despite having no path to the nomination. As a whole, the field now turns to Nevada where Trump leads in the polls, but may be vulnerable due to the use of the caucus system. Cruz and Rubio will empty the tank attempting to bring down the seemingly invincible Trump.

AOII's third annual Spaghetti for Scleroderma



Event invitation shows images from previous Spaghetti for Scleroderma events.

By Allie Miller

News Editor

The sisters of Alpha Omicron Pi are gearing up to host the third annual Spaghetti for Scleroderma this Saturday, February 27 in Bello Grand Hall.

For the past three years, AOII has hosted this event to honor AOII sister and Bryant alumna Victoria Frazier's mother, Wendy, who lost her battle to the rare disease in May 2013. Sisters of Alpha Omicron Pi rally with the Bryant community each year to raise thousands of dollars for the Scleroderma Foundation.

Scleroderma is a rare and greedy disease that attacks the skin and connective tissues. While it manifests itself differently in each person, in Wendy's case it resulted in the development of pulmonary fibrosis and pulmonary hypertension. The disease compromised her immune system, leading to pneumonia and acute respiratory distress syndrome. Despite her struggle with the disease, Scleroderma did not define Wendy; instead she is remembered as a selfless and strong woman, passionate about the Boston Red Sox and lovingly devoted to her twin daughters and husband of over twenty years.

Following in the footsteps of her mother's graceful and selfless nature, Vic Frazier has become a steadfast advocate for the Scleroderma Foundation. In addition to striving to live the life her mother had dreamed for her, Vic intends to ensure that Scleroderma doesn't have to have such a profound impact on other families.

Since Vic's graduation from Bryant in 2014, Alpha Omicron Pi has remained devoted to raising funds and awareness for the Scleroderma Foundation. Alumnae, current sisters of AOII, and family and friends of the Bryant community unite annually to honor Wendy's magnificent life and support the Scleroderma Foundation.

Chapter President Anna Rodier says Spaghetti for Scleroderma is one of her favorite AOII events, adding, "Alpha Omicron Pi prides ourselves on sisterhood and we have built such a strong support system within our chapter. This event is just one of the many times our sisters come together to raise awareness and it constantly reminds me of my chapter's overwhelming devotion to our sisterhood."

The event on Saturday will be catered with a three

course Italian buffet style dinner courtesy of Bertucci's. In addition to live music and other great programs, there will be raffles for some incredible prizes - including tickets to see Beyoncé this summer!

Philanthropy Chair Paige Lemieux is proud to be the point person planning the event saying, "I really like all of the events that we host, but my favorite one is Spaghetti for Scleroderma. This was the first event that I attended as a new member and I instantly fell in love. Although I had never heard of Scleroderma before it, it was amazing to see all of my sisters come together to raise money and awareness. I couldn't thank my sisters enough for allowing me the opportunity this year to plan and organize the event that I love the most. Being Philanthropy Chair is such a rewarding position, but it is even more rewarding when I have my sisters supporting me through it all."

The sisters of Alpha Omicron Pi stand in solidarity with Vic to support the Scleroderma Foundation and honor Wendy Frazier. To learn more about the event or how you can support the cause, be sure to reach out to any sister of Alpha Omicron Pi.

Guns on college campuses

Georgia House passes 'campus carry' bill legalizing guns at colleges

By Kristina Torres

MCT Campus

The Georgia state House voted Monday to legalize carrying concealed guns on Georgia's college campuses.

State Rep. Rick Jasperse, a Republican, said: "It's a real world solution to a real world problem. In today's world, it's a must."

But in a 90-minute debate before the 113-59 vote, Democratic state Rep. Virgil Fludd said the bill would allow the weapons with "no instruction, no training, no supervision."

"We're putting (students) in volatile situations with alcohol and hormones," Fludd said.

The bill would allow anyone 21 or older with a weapons license to carry a gun anywhere on a public college or university campus, except for inside dormitories, fraternities and sorority houses, and at athletic events. It also would mandate that those weapons be concealed - something proponents say make it safer - since Georgia requires gun owners to apply for "concealed carry" permits that require fingerprinting and background checks.

Recent events close to the Georgia Capitol, however, have added to the latest push. A few blocks from the Capitol building, robberies at Georgia State University's downtown campus library - committed within weeks of each other, with two occurring on the same day - have increased support among some students and lawmakers for the right to carry concealed weapons on campus.

The state's Board of Regents, which regulates the state's 29 public colleges and universities, has long opposed "campus carry," and it has blocked previous attempts to allow guns on campuses. The most recent attempt came in 2014 when the state House voted to legalize campus carry as part of a broader effort called the "Guns Everywhere Bill." The state Senate, however, stripped the campus-carry language out of the bill before it was passed.

With Monday's House passage, the campus-carry bill goes to the Senate for consideration.

Ke\$ha's battle in court

By Jillian Gaudet

Organization Coordinator

For the past week, Kesha, who has maintained a low profile since her most recent hit "Die Young" surfaced in 2012, has been a fixture in the news. Hashtags like #freekesha and support from celebrities like Taylor Swift and Lady Gaga have made the pop singer's recent court case a major topic of conversation.

In 2014, Kesha filed a lawsuit against her former mentor and producer, Lukasz Gottwald, AKA Dr. Luke. The lawsuit, on the grounds of sexual, physical, verbal, and emotional abuse, stems from when she signed with his label 10 years ago (at age 18). More thoroughly, Kesha claims that for 10 years, Gottwald "drugged, raped, and emotionally abused her." She says that the abuse and manipulation got to the point where she entered a scary battle with a life-threatening eating disorder, eventually sending her to rehab.

Instead of Sony (which Gottwald's company Kemosabe is a subsidiary of) settling with Kesha and allowing her to leave her contract, they refused and engaged in a very public legal battle instead - why? Because Gottwald wanted to protect his stake in Kesha's future. Regardless of why Sony refused to disintegrate the trial, the underlying theme is that they are minimizing her claims.

Last week, the New York judge denied Kesha a court injunction.

In other words, a court injunction would have allowed her to record music outside of her record label and away from Dr. Luke. The LA Superior Court judge Barbara Scheper justified this decision by noting that there is not enough evidence. Many of Kesha's fans have also supported her monetarily: by creating a GoFundMe campaign to raise enough money so that Kesha could essentially buy out of her contract.

By forcing Kesha to stay in her contract but allowing her to "not have to be in a room with Gottwald," essentially, they are continuing a cycle of women being discriminated against and controlled in the workplace, specifically the entertainment industry. Although she will be allowed to work with another producer in Sony, she fears that her music won't be as promoted due to the aftermath. However, on their end, Sony argues that it is not in their best interest to not make money.

If you or someone you know is struggling with abuse, reach out to Hochberg Women's Center.



The singer's Instagram photo showcases a dress with a strong message. (@iiswhois)

Bryant student starts his own marketing firm

By John Logan
Business Editor

Those around campus may know Ben Sawicki for his leadership positions on campus, in addition to his amiable personality. Not only does Ben work for the Amica Center for Career Education, but he is also a student mentor, committee member for the Student Arts and Speakers Series, and the Marketing and Public Relations Chair for the Society for Human Resource Management - and that's not even half of his involvements!

But did you know that he started his own marketing firm as well? Yup, you read that right. I had the privilege to sit down with Ben to discuss his new venture and how he helps companies with their success.

John: Can you tell me a little about your business?

Ben: BaS Marketing was created as a firm to work with entrepreneurs, small to mid-level businesses, independent contractors and musicians. We provide a simple, knowledgeable, and skilled platform for website design, social media strategy and content creation, along with much more. I noticed a gap between smaller-business types and a need for internet marketing. Many know that they need to have an internet presence, but don't have the skills to do so and don't know how to go about getting started. That's where I come in.

John: How did you develop a passion for Internet marketing?

Ben: I've always loved helping people, and staying up to date on the latest web, social media and technology trends. Through discussions with fellow entrepreneurs and professors at Bryant, I realized there's a way to bridge my two interests, and I created BaS Marketing. Marketing and the internet are changing every day, and we're right in the middle of an exciting transitional time for both, which is something that's incredibly exciting to me. I love being able to help businesses, entrepreneurs and the likes grow and utilize the internet to the best they can.

John: Who are some of the clients you've worked with so far?

Ben: My most recent client project has been working with Brewski Bandz, founded by recent Bryant alumni Matt Kaiser. With Matt, we've worked to build him a brand new website, complete with pictures, an online store, and a way for wholesalers to contact him to discuss partnerships (Check it out - BrewskiBandz.com). Some of my current and upcoming client projects include a portfolio website for a videographer out of Worcester, MA, and marketing materials for a contractor from West Springfield, MA.



John: Who do you think can benefit from your business and why?

Ben: Anybody who knows they need a website & internet presence, and doesn't know how, or just doesn't have the time to build an effective web presence. We fill the gap between companies doing their digital marketing in-house, and large advertising firms that often can charge over \$10-15k.

John: How do you plan on implementing this into your life post-graduation?

Ben: While I do plan to pursue a full-time position post-grad, I plan on BaS being a part of my life for many years to come. Whether or not BaS turns into my full-time career is yet to be seen. The idea of working full-time for and supporting myself has always terrifying, yet exciting to me, so we'll see where BaS can go from here.

John: How can people reach out if they are want more information?

Ben: BenSawicki.com. From there, you can view my portfolio, social media pages, past projects and contact information to learn more about working with BaS. There's no project too big or small, and we want to help any business, musician, entrepreneur or do-it-yourselfer succeed.

GE Headquarters relocates to Boston

By Tom Carlin
Contributing Writer

General Electric (GE) announced on January 13, 2016 that its headquarters will relocate from Fairfield, Connecticut, to the city in which it was originally founded: Boston, Massachusetts. The move makes logical sense for GE and also helps Boston's growing reputation as an innovative business region.

General Electric first started exploring the option of relocating its headquarters when Connecticut lawmakers passed business tax increases. When GE originally announced its intention to relocate, there were several possible cities interested in welcoming the industrial giant: New York City, San Francisco and, notably, Providence had bids. However, the incentive package introduced by Boston and Massachusetts were too great for GE officials to refuse. City and State officials disclosed that Boston offered the company \$25 million in direct property tax relief, and the state of Massachusetts offered \$120 million in grants for infrastructure improvements in the Seaport District site, where the new headquarters will be located. Also, Massachusetts ranks 25th in terms of business tax (business friendly); Connecticut was 44th.

In an interview with CNBC,

Massachusetts Governor, Charlie Baker discussed the benefits for both Boston and the company. The resources in the Boston area can benefit GE; the area is surrounded by over 50 colleges and universities, with some of the top research and technology schools in the country: MIT, Harvard, and Northeastern. This could allow GE to have easy access to some of the best young technological minds in the country. Boston also will coordinate with GE officials and will build a helicopter landing facility as well as provide corporate jet and helicopter accommodations at nearby Logan airport (only 5 minutes away from GE's soon to be location). Baker views GE's relocation and more specifically, the incentive packages offered to GE by both Boston and Massachusetts, as a long term investment. GE is the 8th largest corporation in the United States and will bring 600 digital and technology executives to the area. Because of its size, GE can bring real intellectual and private capital to Boston and the surrounding areas. Also, GE's move to Massachusetts solidifies claims that Boston has a rapidly growing innovation sector. General Electric's decision to accept Boston as its new headquarters location could cause other companies to also look at Boston for future business

operations. Governor Baker believes that the infrastructure and tax incentives that were offered to lure GE to Boston will soon see a return on the investment in the forms of job creation, and economic development. Boston will welcome such a large, diverse company that is a major player in several industries (healthcare, aircraft, robotic engineering, and smart machining) to the Boston business ecosystem.

GE has approximately \$130 billion a year in revenue (8th on the Fortune 500), \$270.3 billion in market cap, and will be, by far, the largest publicly traded company based in Massachusetts. The arrival of GE in Massachusetts will be proof of Boston's arrival as a major player in business, particularly in the innovative industrial sector. Employees will move to Boston in a temporary location beginning this summer, and the move is projected to be completed by 2018.



PRODUCTIVITY TIP: Build Your Business On Just 15 Minutes A Day.

Pick your highest priority goal - I recommend one linked to your fastest route to income - and dedicate just 15 minutes a day to working on it. Schedule it on your calendar & work with no interruptions for a amount of short time.

MARKETING TIP: Share engaging tips & ideas in a branded PDF.

Think beyond business tips - try recipes, wine recommendations, travel tips & more. Mention it during a conversation, then send the PDF (with your biz info) as a follow-up to build relationships.

Jackson W. Goss Prize in Entrepreneurship

By Eileen E. Deary

Administrative Assistant to the Dean, College of Business

The goal of the Jackson W. Goss Prize in Entrepreneurship at Bryant University is to advance a culture of entrepreneurship and innovative thought.

Objectives: The objectives of the Goss Prize are to: 1. Advance the creativity, innovation and entrepreneurial spirit of Bryant's undergraduate students. 2. Increase students' entrepreneurial skill sets and the number of student ventures from the "prelaunch" phase to launch. 3. Vitalize a culture of mentoring and community spirit among Bryant University's undergraduate students. 4. Enhance membership in both Bryant Ventures and Bryant's Collegiate Entrepreneurs Organization.

Eligibility: Students who are full-time freshman, sophomores, juniors, and/or 1st semester seniors that currently have a minimum GPA of 2.5 are eligible to apply for a Goss Prize.

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The commercialization of sports

By Ashanti Campfield
Contributing Writer



Sports used to be viewed as something people would gather to play for the love of the game. There was passion behind what they were doing and people enjoyed partaking in activities that required such a competitive spirit. Then something unfortunate happened.

It became clear that money could be made in this industry. This completely changed how business-oriented minds saw sports. The view quickly transitioned from entertaining and enjoyable, to a money making industry. People jumped at the idea of making money by leaching on this industry. Organized sports began to emerge and businesses formed.

The revenue involved in professional sports is increasing rapidly and the best way to see that is through the contracts of the athletes. In a 2012 interview with ESPN, David Stern said that the NBA predicts the revenue of the league to be \$5 billion in the 2011-2012 season, which would be a 20 percent increase from the last season. Now the league is worth \$37.5 billion dollars and is growing rapidly.

This has sparked an increase in the salary caps of leagues and has allowed athletes to control negotiations and get the price they want. In the past, the salary cap was much lower so teams were not able to give these mammoth contracts that people receive now.

We now talk about Bryce Harper, a baseball player for the Washington Nationals, and Mike Trout, a baseball player for the Los Angeles Angels, being the first athletes ever to get a contract totaling \$500 million dollars. Anthony Davis, who is a rising star in the NBA, just signed a 5 year, \$145 million dollar contract which is one of the largest of all time., according to ESPN.

We look at these contracts as crazy, but many analysts consider these contracts a bargain. With the salary caps raising each year and the team revenues increasing (the New York Knicks just became the most valuable NBA franchise, being worth \$3 billion), teams have no problem paying the luxury tax for being over the salary cap.

The Cleveland Cavaliers are seen using this model to perfection. Due to LeBron James resigning with the Cavaliers in the summer of 2014, their revenue for the 2014-2015 season was \$1.1 billion, which was a 40 percent increase over last year. As stated on ESPN, with the Cavaliers in a winning mode, they have purchased a very expensive team to surround James; including the trades for Kevin Love and the re-signing

of Tristan Thompson to a 5 year, \$82 million dollar contract.

The NBA salary cap for the 2015-2016 season is \$70,000,000 and the Cavaliers are paying \$105,780,729 for their players, which means they have to pay a hefty luxury tax of \$65 million. Dan Gilbert, the owner of the Cleveland Cavaliers, does not worry about the luxury tax because the Cavaliers need to win now and he knows he will make plenty of money through ticket sales and advertisements.

This is causing athletes to play for the money and not the love of the game. In the past, athletes played most of their career with the franchise that drafted them because they fell in love with the organization and the team culture. Now, it is very common for people to go to whoever pays the player the most money.

When Jacoby Ellisbury was a free agent, he would always say he wanted to be a Red Sox forever. Red Sox fans loved him and he would have filled a position that the Red Sox have that is currently very weak now. During free agency, the Yankees offered him a 7 year, \$153,000,000 and that was all it took for him to become a New York Yankee, as reported by ESPN.

Sports are still very entertaining. More people are watching the games and the revenue of each "Big 4" sport is increasing. But, they need to find a balance between the power of the owners and the players.

The Biz Recap with Shayan

By Shayan Ushani
Business and Marketing Director

The last couple weeks have been one of 2016's strongest achievements but for bull investors, it still is not cutting it. Despite huge losses to start off the year, stocks have been trending upwards, especially with hopes of oil prices stabilizing. There is still an oversupply, but prices have been less volatile thanks to a lower U.S. rig count. Russia and Saudi Arabia are planning to cut back on exports if other countries join for a massive economic coalition. Countries such as Venezuela, Qatar, Kuwait, and others came forward to say they show support for the decision. Gold is continuing its run on gains as it enters \$1,200+ territory. Investors seem to be flocking to investments that serve as a hedge during economic contractions, so gold is a prime choice. Besides this, many investors are parking their money in safe, large-cap domestic companies, especially in the non-discretionary sectors. Despite non-discretionary being hurt by a strong U.S. dollar, stock prices of Kellogg, Campbell, and General Mills are performing extremely well. Reasons vary company to company outside of the overall trend of these safer companies seeming more viable investments in these markets; for example, Campbell's improvement has been from incorporating cost cutting strategies.

The U.S. dollar is another recurring theme of many investment fluctuations. It is beneficial for some, but disastrous for others. Dollar's rally over the summer was one of the reasons many companies fell, like the giant conglomerate Procter & Gamble. It also explains COKE's stellar performance as purchasing parity increases for U.S. firms operating abroad. For companies that rely on exports and standard non-discretionary products, it is one thing. For companies that want to import manufactured products or commodities, it is an incredibly good thing. Euro stays at around 1.12 to 1 USD without much strength showing for a breakout.

Along with domestic equities bouncing back from falling for so long, Chinese companies show the same pattern. The Shanghai Composite along with markets in Shenzhen and Hong Kong have jumped high and continued this way since the start of the week. Chinese companies may have hit their bottom, which shows future potential. The Nikkei hasn't been as strong with a volatile currency as well. Insiders have not been able to call the Japanese Yen's movement for the past month, seemingly meaning that it is approaching murky, unclear waters.

Yahoo has made big news by making what they have been doing behind closed doors for a year officially public. They are looking to sell the company. Not the whole company, but rather Yahoo's core business. Yahoo is slashing their workforce by 15 percent and have not been doing too well lately, especially after tax concerns of spinning off Alibaba. Due to tax implications, they will have to sell the core business for the huge valuation of their Alibaba stake to come into play. Verizon is said to be a viable customer in the deal. Deere & Company has been hit hard, similar to Caterpillar, failing to show strong sales in a time when the buying of heavy machinery has slowed. AT&T will be investing billions abroad in an initiative to further shareholder return while also receiving a cut in stake by Janus Capital Management.

Coming up we have jobless claims, durable food orders, GDP, consumer sentiment, consumer confidence, new home sales, and the EIA Petroleum Status Report.

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Baseball hoping for a season to remember

By Devyn Ceppetelli
Contributing Writer

Name: Robby Rinn (Captain)
Position: First Base
Year: Senior

Name: Matt Albanese (Captain)
Position: CF
Year: Junior

This week I had the privilege to go behind the scenes with the two captains of the Bryant Baseball Team, Matt Albanese and Robby Rinn. I spoke with them prior to their weekend in North Carolina. They were able to give me a sneak peek of what is in store for the upcoming season. So far the team is off to a good start in Bryant Baseball history, holding a 4-0 record. On top of that, the team played the longest



Matt Albanese, Junior captain for the Bryant baseball team (bryantbulldogs.com/)

game in Division 1 history: 17 innings. Here is what the captains had to say for the team:

What are your expectations for the team as you approach the beginning of your season?

Matt: We look to get off to a good start. We are a veteran team with experience defensively and offensively. On the mound, we will look to some younger guys to step up early on.

Robby: We are looking like we're off to a good start, which we haven't done in a while since I've been here. Opening weekend, we are playing teams that we can beat. For the second weekend, we have a very challenging team. We have high expectations for this year.

What will be different about this year's team compared to last year's?

Matt: Everyone is returning a little more experienced, coming off good summer ball seasons. The season is a grind, so having players who have been through it before is helpful.

Robby: We have more depth on our pitching staff, we have a more difficult schedule, but we are a team that can win more games. Last year was a down year, and we are looking to mirror the 2013 season but with a stronger offense.

Would you say that, overall, the team gets along?

Matt: Absolutely. Practices don't feel like practice, they feel like you're hanging out with your best friends.

Robby: The team definitely gets along great together.

How have you prepared during the offseason for this upcoming season?

Matt: This summer, I played in the Cape-Cod league where the players are really good, and it's the best competition in the country for summer leagues. I then returned this fall, and was rehabbing the back injury. So I took it easy for a couple of weeks, we had a winter break, and then I came back to prepare.



Robby Rinn, Senior captain for the Bulldogs (bryantbulldogs.com/sports)

Robby: I was injured during the summer, so I missed out on summer ball. When I returned in the fall, I played for three days, and I got hit in the head by a pitch, and got a concussion, so I was out the rest of the fall. Over break, most of us stayed on campus to work-out and hit. When we returned from break, we got put through the grinder, and we lived at bats inside and out on the turf.

How does it feel to be a role model for the rest of the team, and what are some responsibilities that come with holding this leadership role?

Matt: Attaining a captain's position, you get voted by your peers, so that was cool to hear. Just knowing that they have trust in you to be the leaders of the team, it means a lot.

Robby: We make sure everyone is where they're supposed to be. We have to set a good example for the rest of the team.

What are two things that you do that you would say are the key to your success as baseball players?

Matt: I can hit for power and average, and I'm a very strong defender with range in the outfield. Instincts are definitely important.

Robby: Hand-eye coordination, and a very good sense of the strike zone. I don't strike out a lot, I walk a lot, and put the ball in the field. I can get deep in the count and hit the ball anywhere in the field.

What challenges have you faced in your careers as baseball players?

Matt: I've faced a few injuries, I had a strong freshman year, and then I had to get my appendix removed. I then had a lower back injury in the end of the season.

Robby: I've had a lot of injuries. I got hurt my freshman summer, and then I came back and had a decent sophomore year. Most recently, I've injured my back.

A day in the life of Bryant field hockey star: sophomore Keighan Richardson

By Nicole Butts
Contributing Writer

Being a Division 1 student-athlete is not an easy task that just anyone can take on. It takes a person who is truly dedicated to enhancing their game in order to be the best of the best. Keighan Richardson has been working to become an amazing field hockey player since she started watching her sister play at the age of six. In the fifth grade, Richardson started learning the game as part of a USA Field Hockey development program. After falling even more in love with the game through this program, she decided to join a club team. Unfortunately, field hockey was not very popular at the time, so as a girl that should have been playing with girls under 12 years old, she was playing on a team that was 16 and under. Richardson states that "always playing with girls older than me causes me to always work harder and raise my level of play to theirs." Working to become a better player, Richardson found out what she truly loved about the game. Richardson states that she "loves that the world is constantly coming up with new skills and I love the challenge of constantly learning new tactics and skills".

As a part of the Bryant field hockey team, Richardson works year-round to strengthen her skills. The field hockey preseason begins in the middle of August, and they play until the beginning of November. During the

preseason, the team traveled to Brown twice a day in order to play on their water based astroturf because their field wasn't ready yet. As the season and the games begin, the team specializes their practice schedule to the type of team that they will be playing in the following game. The field hockey team plays a select few of their home games on the turf at Bryant and many of their other games are played at Brown. Many teams that the team faces refuse to play on a turf field at Bryant because it can alter the pace of the game. This is definitely a struggle that the Bryant team faces because being the home team comes with certain expectations from the visiting teams including providing them with an ice bucket, a water cooler and other items. According to Richardson, even though traveling to Brown might be a process "it is worth it because playing on the type of surface they have is better for our team and will make our program better."

Finally, many people sometimes forget the most important word that prefaces athlete at a Division 1 level, and that is student. This is an aspect not forgotten by faculty and staff here at Bryant. They do everything that they can to ensure that athletes are learning and excelling the way that they want to be in terms of academics. One of the difficulties that Richardson points out, is that it can sometimes be difficult to manage her time between her academics, field hockey and work, but it has taught her a great amount of time management skills that will stick with her for the rest of her life. In addition, she and



Richardson showing off her skills during a game this fall (photo taken by Mr. Elizardo)

employers realize the skills that she has learned by being a student-athlete are extremely valuable when entering a work environment.

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This Week's Scores

Men's Basketball - Game on February 20th

Bryant (4-12) 53

Mount St. Mary's (4-12) 71

Women's Basketball - Game on February 22nd

Bryant (12-4) 60

Sacred Heart (14-2) 64

Track Field - Meet on February 20th

Women finished ninth with 33 points, men finished eighth with 25 points. Notable performances from Adam Malone (second in triple jump), Nicole Dempsey (sixth in 60m dash), Kristen Hayes (sixth in 400), Melissa Lodge (third in mile), and Milan Duka (seventh in 800 and seventh in mile).

Men's Tennis - Matches February 22nd

Bryant (4-6) 5

MIT (1-1) 2

Bryant 0

Brown (6-4) 4

Women's Tennis - Match February 20th

Bryant (1-2) 0

Brown (8-3) 5

Men's Lacrosse - Game February 20th

Bryant (2-1) 12

Providence (1-2) 10

Women's Lacrosse - Game February 23rd

Bryant (2-1) 8

Holy Cross (0-4) 7

Baseball - Game February 21st

Bryant (3-0) 8

Monmouth (1-2) 4

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UNC's identity among lingering questions entering end of ACC play

By Andrew Carter
MCT Campus

About two weeks from now we'll be headed into the ACC tournament in Washington, D.C., the heart of ACC country.

If the season ended today, North Carolina would be the top seed in the tournament while Miami, Virginia and Notre Dame would also have double-byes.

N.C. State would play on ACC tournament Tuesday; surely in front of dozens at the Verizon Center; and so would Georgia Tech, Wake Forest and Boston College. But the season doesn't end today.

There are two weeks left. Most conference teams have four games remaining. And just about all of them have some important questions left to answer.

Here are the most interesting questions left to ponder in the ACC:

1. How many ACC teams will position themselves for NCAA Tournament bids?

One-third of the conference membership appears to be a lock for the NCAA Tournament. Those five teams are: North Carolina, Miami, Virginia, Notre Dame and Duke.

Beyond those five, though, it becomes a little murkier. ESPN's Joe Lunardi, the granddaddy don of the science of bracketology, included Syracuse, Pittsburgh and Florida State in his most recent projection, which was last week.

But that was before Syracuse and Florida State both lost two games. The Seminoles' tournament hopes took a huge

blow with losses against Georgia Tech and Virginia Tech. Pitt, even with a victory against Syracuse, seems destined for the bubble, and Syracuse still has work to do, too.

Then there's Clemson, which probably needs to win two of its final three games and then win at least one game in the ACC tournament to feel confident about its chances. The ACC will get at least six teams in, and probably should get seven in. But who will it be?

2. Which UNC team is the real UNC?

The Tar Heels have been an enigma for a while now and never was that clearer than last week, when they fell apart down the stretch of a one-point defeat against Duke, and then responded with a complete annihilation of Miami in what might have been UNC's best game of the season.

So which is it? Is UNC more the team that couldn't finish against Duke and nearly lost against Boston College? Or are strong showings in victories against Maryland and Miami more reflective of the Tar Heels' reality?

The next two weeks should tell us. None of UNC's final four regular-season games; at N.C. State, at Virginia, against Syracuse, at Duke; are guaranteed wins.

The Tar Heels will need to play at a high level, like they did against Miami, in all of them. If they do, they might yet prove to be the team many thought they'd be before the season began.

3. And, can anyone catch UNC atop the ACC standings?

The Tar Heels enter the final two weeks of the regular season with a one-game

lead over Virginia, Louisville and Miami, and a two-game lead over Duke. In terms of first-place implications, the most important remaining conference game is probably UNC at Virginia on Saturday.

A Tar Heels win there, if they first avoid losing on Wednesday at N.C. State, would go a long way toward solidifying at least a share of first place for UNC. But the race remains open, with Virginia, Louisville, Miami and Notre Dame all still with a shot.

UNC, though, clearly has the best chance of finishing alone in first place. Winning out would accomplish that but if the Tar Heels can get to 14 ACC wins; a finish that would allow for one more loss; that'd likely be good enough for at least a share of first place entering the tournament.

There again, though, this is where the unbalanced schedule has a great effect. UNC's only game against Virginia is on Saturday, on the road. Lose that one and there's a strong chance the Tar Heels will also lose the No. 1 seed in the ACC tournament; and possibly a No. 1 seed in the NCAA Tournament.

4. Will Duke's Amile Jefferson come back this season?

We're approaching late February now and there's no indication that Amile Jefferson, Duke's senior forward who hasn't played since early December after suffering a broken foot, will be back anytime soon.

If he were to return, Jefferson would undoubtedly provide a boost to the Blue Devils, whose lack of depth has been tested again amid the sprained ankle that

Matt Jones suffered last week in a victory at UNC. But Jefferson's long absence has raised an interesting question:

At this point does it make more sense for him to take a medical redshirt year and come back next season, fully healthy? Even if he came back, Jefferson's contributions at this point would be limited by time. There are only so many games left, even if Duke is able to make a run in March.

If he redshirts and returns for next season, though, Jefferson could provide a needed upperclassman presence to a team that, like last season, will be heavily reliant on freshmen.

5. Who becomes the clear choice for ACC Player of the Year?

And does a clear, obvious choice even emerge? Right now, the ACC Player of the Year looks like a three-player race among UNC's Brice Johnson, Virginia's Malcolm Brogdon and N.C. State's Cat Barber. A case can be made for Duke's Grayson Allen, too.

The argument for Barber, N.C. State's do-everything guard, was building momentum until Virginia limited him to 14 points during a Cavaliers' victory last weekend. He scored eight points in N.C. State's victory at Clemson on Saturday, further diminishing his player of the year case.

The race might just come down to UNC's game at Virginia on Saturday. Johnson has compiled 16 double-doubles this season, including two last week, while Brogdon has elevated his play from very good to (usually) great during the past month or so.

Roy Williams doesn't want to leave UNC amid unresolved NCAA case

By Andrew Carter
MCT Campus

Days after he strongly refuted nationally-broadcast speculation that he might consider retiring after this season, North Carolina coach Roy Williams said on Tuesday he'd have a "hard time" leaving amid an unresolved NCAA investigation that continues to drag on.

"I don't ever want to leave when things _ when I leave I want it to be in good shape," Williams said. "And for me, this would have been a very hard time to leave."

Williams, 65, spent part of a postgame press conference on Saturday admonishing Doug Gottlieb, a CBS college basketball analyst, after Gottlieb speculated that Williams could be on the verge of retiring amid health problems and the ongoing NCAA infractions case.

Gottlieb before UNC's game against Miami on Saturday suggested during a CBS pregame show that Hubert Davis, one of Williams' assistant coaches, could be in line to become Williams' successor. Williams' called Gottlieb's commentary "sinful."

"You have no freakin' idea what you're talking about," Williams said, referencing Gottlieb, after UNC's 96-71 victory against Miami on Saturday.

During a previously-scheduled news conference on Tuesday, Williams elaborated on his future and explained why he reacted so strongly to Gottlieb's commentary. Williams viewed it as one more piece of speculation he'd have to fight against, after years of doing the same with the uncertainty amid the unresolved NCAA investigation.

"Think about what we've had to do the last three or four years here," Williams said. "We've had to put up with more stuff _ more negative recruiting, than at any time in my career or at any time in any other coach's career that I ever talked to."

"So I'm thinking, that's just something else that now we've got to answer to."

Williams has never set a firm timetable for his retirement. He said on Tuesday that he has "never said anything" about retiring amid the NCAA problems and his continued bouts with vertigo, which forced him to miss most of the second half of a victory at Boston College earlier this month.

Asked if the troubles of recent years could inspire Williams to stay longer than he might have envisioned, he said, "I love this place."

"If I was going to leave I would have left the first day because I knew I was not involved (in the NCAA violations)," Williams said. "It's pretty simple for me."

Williams, like several coaches in other sports has UNC, has been hoping for a resolution to an infractions case that has dragged on for years. The NCAA investigation



has focused on 18 years of bogus African Studies independent studies courses that were filled with a high percentage of athletes.

Neither Williams nor any member of the UNC men's basketball staff was named in the NCAA's original Notice of Allegations, which the NCAA sent to UNC last May. Days before its response was due, UNC submitted new information to the NCAA, delaying the timeline of the case.

Though he refuted the retirement talk Williams acknowledged that "I'm going to get old one of these dadgum days."

"You know, when I'm 94 I don't want to be sitting up here saying the damn thing _ that the NCAA and the university need to get the (NCAA) crap over with," Williams said to a roomful of reporters. "When would 94 be? In 29 more years? Hell, y'all will be dead by then."

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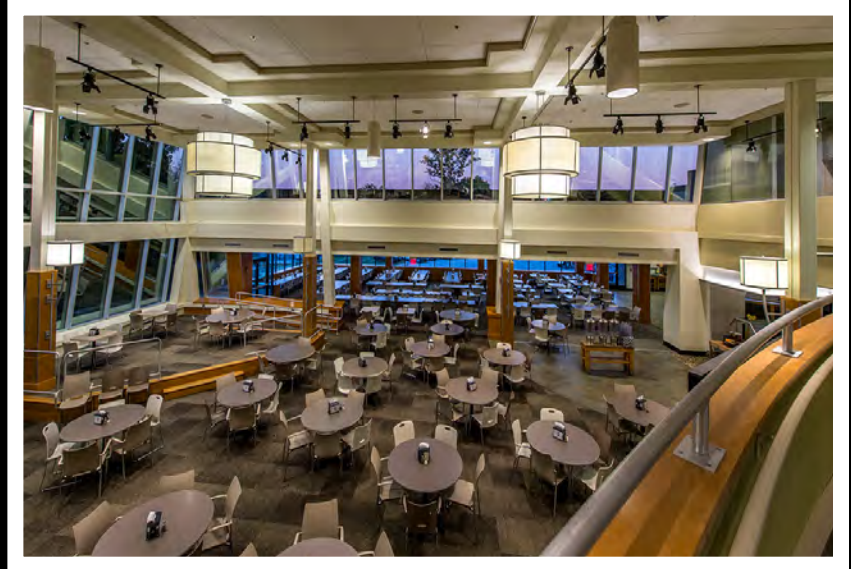
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Is Kanye West experiencing his own Britney Spears meltdown?

By Samantha Torrez
Contributing Writer



In recent news, Kanye West's new album, originally called "Swish," then "Waves," and finally now titled "The Life of Pablo," became available album for sale on Tidal on February 14th. For those of you who do not follow his Twitter account, he was involved in a Twitter war with his ex Amber Rose and rapper Wiz Kalifa.

Recently, Kanye has been tweeting constantly, updating his fans on the release of the album, in addition to ranting to the world and defending his art. The album, which was originally supposed to be released on February 11th, in addition to his YEEZY Season 3 fashion line, was pushed back due to the addition of more tracks and a playful argument with Chance the Rapper. According to Kanye West's Twitter, "It's Chance's fault the album not out yet... he really wanted Waves on that Bitch... we in the lab now..." Eventually the album was released two days later than expected.

Girl Talk: We've got the power

By Alexis Brown
Contributing Writer

Well friends, we've reached 2016 and it has finally started to become a "girl's world." We have a female presidential candidate, there is a (rumored) Spice Girls Reunion tour in the works, for the second time in our lifetime Beyoncé has graced the Super Bowl stage, and Fall's number one new TV series is Supergirl. Many would ask, why care about some show based on a comic book? TV critic Matt Zoller regards the show as a "smart, feminist series" in his Vulture.com review, but he suggests that this is why some people refuse to watch it. In general, "girl power" or female empowerment, is nothing new. The movement, in my opinion, has finally evolved from a pipe dream in ancient civilizations to a necessity and a basic human right in today's world. Heroism does not necessarily involve an array of superpowers or capes, but it shows the world that the modern woman is a force to be reckoned with. Based on my own experiences, people often view feminism as an attack upon men and mankind rather than the empowerment of the woman as we work toward complete and absolute gender equality.

Another example of girl power we can look forward to is the Wonder Woman



standalone movie coming to theaters this June, and according to Nick Cannata-Bowman from CheatSheet "a successful run in theaters could spell a much-needed proliferation of women in lead roles in future films..." In this modern era, we are shying away from the world we knew where boys played with trucks and action figures and girls were restricted to their Barbie dolls or Easy-Bake Ovens. Today it is okay for a girl to enjoy things that were once viewed only with a masculine lens, such as comic books and fantasy worlds—a step toward equality in all things.

In an effort to further the girl power movement, organizations like URSTRONG and Girl Power Rocks provide programs to encourage and empower young women. These programs help to build their confidence and provide a constant support system, helping them grow into strong, independent adult women. Aside from programs like these, there are notable advocates supporting the movement, like Oprah Winfrey, Emma Watson, Maya Angelou, Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie, and Coco Chanel. There are even a few men we can thank: Ryan Goslin, Seth Myers, Will Smith and John Legend—to name a few.

Harper's Bazaar's article, titled "25 Inspiring Women who Changed the Face of Feminism" prefaces the list with this introduction: "For all its misconceptions, feminism at its core is about empowering and celebrating women. And there are women who have been making a strong case for generations. From the brave Suffragettes who fought for women's right to vote to Beyoncé who embraced 'FEMINIST' in pop culture..." After reading the list, I couldn't agree more. In this third wave of feminism, I could not be more grateful to have such a powerful force of men and women leading the way to a better and equal life for myself and future women.

As his album release was pushed back, arguments arose as his lyrics began to make headlines. A major meltdown started when Taylor Swift fans argued that Kanye "dissed" her in one of his songs. Following this, Kanye began a tirade explaining that he had spoken to Taylor, assuring the public that she was accepting of the statement. Kanye claimed to quote Taylor, tweeting, "I can't be mad at Kanye because he made me famous! #FACTS." He continued to tweet that day expressing that his music is art and he cannot be put down.

Kanye told the public that he is 53 million dollars in debt and asked Mark Zuckerberg to finance 1 billion dollars into his ideas. As Kanye tweeted about being in debt, the general public mocked him for selling his Season 3 clothing line for a ridiculous amount of money. He continued by making comments about the Grammy's, claiming, "I am not going to the Grammys unless they promise me the Album of the Year" and praising himself by saying, "I am the Michael Jordan and Steph Curry of music, meaning I am the best of 2 generations".

Throughout February, Kanye continued to ask Zuckerberg for money and claim that he needed more money to "bring more beautiful ideas to the world" and will not use his own money because, "anyone who has money [knows] the first rule is to use other people's money." He preached in many tweets that his purpose on Earth is to make his art. He told his fans that he is not releasing his album to Apple and it will never be on sale, rather it must be purchased through Tidal.

Following, Kanye shared his thoughts on education and the expensive rate of textbooks, telling the world that education sets people up for failure because it is so expensive. In his most recent tweet, he hashtagged #2020. The question begins: is Kanye really going to run for office in 2020?

Kanye seems to be tweeting random thoughts on a daily basis. Is Kanye having a mental breakdown and sharing his spontaneous thoughts with the world, or is he just stressed with the new release of his album? As Kanye tweets that he is already starting to create his YEEZY Season 4 collection, he will surely continue to make us question his sanity.

What you DONT know about Bryant, unless you go here

By Leah Choquette
Contributing Writer



Anywhere you choose to go for college, whether it is in California, North Dakota, Rhode Island or even in another country, there are a set of norms that pertain to the people within that community. These norms are what makes each college different and unique. Here, at Bryant, there are a few big ones that everyone that comes here knows about. If you are here long enough, it becomes part of your daily routine and eventually you will not even realize it until you are back home or visiting another school.

1. J's Deli, Such a Bagel & B'z Whenever you aren't feeling Salmo, (which is pretty often) students go down the road to J's Deli, which has every kind of sandwich you could ever want. On the weekends after a long night sometimes Dunks won't

cut it, and you just need that breakfast bagel and coffee from Such a Bagel. If you really need some comfort food/are feeling extra hungry, B'z is also a local breakfast and burger place that is worth every penny.

2. Parking Downfall of leaving campus, even if it is just for a coffee, the lack of parking makes the fight for spots is unreal. May the odds ever be in your favor.

Dunkin is what saves you during the week when you don't have time to sit and eat, but still need something to hold you over in that 8 a.m. or that three hour night class. But know that before that 9 or 10 o'clock class, unless you are there early, the line will be never ending.

3. Tuesday is one of the days during the week you can look forward to at Rente's with everyone and anyone. If you have too much work to do, try again for a night out on Thursday at Efin's where you will find the "basic" girls dancing and guys playing pool.

4. When going to the gym to workout, make sure you never go at 3 p.m. during the week otherwise you will be waiting to have

a turn on the treadmills and almost every other machine in the gym. If you go on the weekends then it will be empty, because who goes to the gym on a Saturday?

5. And of course, if all else fails on any night, late night Ronzios will never disappoint. Our campus pizza place specializes in some interesting combos, like chicken bacon ranch or mozzarella sticks!

In my opinion, these norms are not made on purpose or to persuade any person to come to Bryant, but these are what makes Bryant different than other schools. It is something that you recognize and take in while being here. There are parts of Bryant that will always be changing because we, as a community, are constantly changing, but these are a few of the things that remain the same. The remains give you a sort of comfort because while everything is changing around us, there are things we know that will always be there. It makes it easier to be away from home, and makes Bryant feel like a second home.

Hillary Clinton's stance on School Choice raises questions

By Harrison Garrett
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Nobody doubts Hillary Clinton's desire to help the disadvantaged community. Clinton often campaigns on issues, like criminal justice reform and fixing income inequality, but she continues to struggle with educational issues.

School choice has long been favored by parents of students in struggling and underfunded school districts, yet Clinton's stance on this issue raises questions about her true ability to create opportunity for struggling socioeconomic groups.

To start, we should see where minority groups lie on this issue. For Hispanic parents, a Friedman Foundation survey found that while 92 percent of parents send their children to public schools, only 32 percent would continue to do so if given a choice between public, private, charter, and home schooling. On the issue of school choice specifically, an overwhelming 71 percent favored school choice, the government funding students to go to the school of their choice, rather than simply limiting them to the public school in their district. Only 24 percent of Hispanic parents opposed school choice.

These numbers are similar among black voters. A study by the Black Alliance for Educational Opportunity found that about 60 percent of black parents support government funded vouchers for school choice and 70 percent said they support providing parents with more educational choices in their local school districts.

The strong support among minority groups is no surprise. Education is the best way out of poverty for many marginalized groups. Under the current system, only wealthy parents have a legitimate choice of how to educate their child. Less fortunate parents are limited to sending their children to the public school in their district. This is because less wealthy parents cannot afford to send their children to private schools,

or hire private tutors. These parents also cannot afford to quit their job or cut hours to homeschool their child themselves. Lastly, many of these parents cannot afford housing in districts with better public schools, or simply may not be able to move due to personal or work related obligations. This means for less fortunate parents, there is only one choice of school.

School choice, however, offers both short and long term solutions to the problem of failing inner city schools. In the short term, it would allow less fortunate students to switch to better schools, public or private. This would give these students a true chance at a quality education, rather than subjecting them to the failing public schools in their district. Long term, school choice would bring competition into the marketplace for both public and private schools, which would improve the quality of all schools. Today's students suffer because of a lack of competition among public schools. Because students are required to go to the public school in their district, public schools do not have to compete with each other. Giving students the choice of schooling would bring about competition, and force many failing public schools to improve or close their doors.

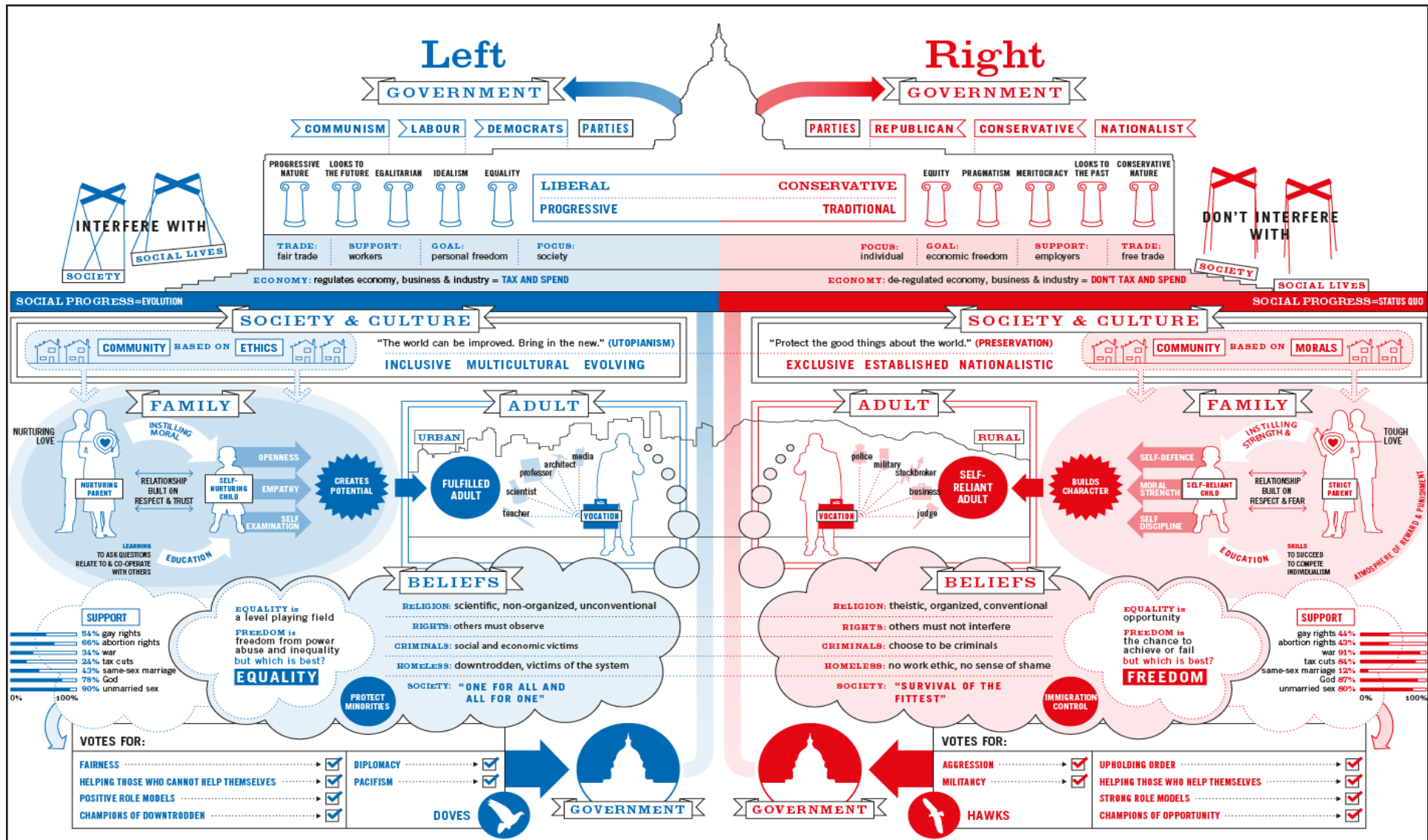
Of all the presidential candidates, Hillary Clinton appears to be the one who best has black and Hispanic interests in mind. Clinton received key endorsements from the Congressional Black Caucus and the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Julian Castro. Clinton is quick to note the struggles of many black and Hispanic Americans, but on the issue of school choice, she falls flat. Dr. Milton Friedman, a Nobel prize-winning economist once said that for black people in the lowest income classes and for black people who have been most affected by discrimination "there is not anything you could do that would be more effective than the voucher system." He raised the point that the voucher system, a form of school choice, would be the best way to provide a quality education to struggling families and would be the best way to rescue black and Hispanic children from poverty.

So for a presidential candidate who so fervently believes in prosperity for struggling families, Hillary Clinton's stance on school choice is nothing short of hypocrisy. On the campaign trail, Clinton has come out against funding for private school vouchers. Sure, Hillary Clinton has shown support for charter schools, but even charter schools only offer students a very small chance at acceptance. Hillary Clinton still stands against a widespread school choice or voucher program, despite the strong support among black and Hispanic voters.

Clinton's support amongst teachers unions also raises questions over her priorities when it comes to K-12 education. Both major teachers unions, the American Federation of Teachers and the National Education Association, have endorsed Hillary Clinton. Both unions have also donated large amounts to the Clinton campaign, including a total of nearly \$8 million from the American Federation of Teachers, over the course of Clinton's political career.

Teachers unions have long been opposed to school choice. After all, local public schools having a monopoly over the students in their district, which ensures the schools will get more funding. School choice, while highly beneficial for the student, would force public schools to compete and improve, or risk losing funding.

In this instance, Hillary Clinton has taken a stance that endangers the academic opportunity for inner city students, a large population of whom are black and Hispanic, and has instead put the interests of her big union donations first.



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AJ's 2016 Oscar predictions

By AJ Beltis
Staff Writer

On the eve of Sunday, February 28th, the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences will present the Oscars to the best in Hollywood. For me, this year is the most difficult in recent memory to make predictions for. Only Best Actor, Actress, and Original Screenplay are pretty safe bets for the major categories - meaning Adapted Screenplay, Director, Supporting Actor and Actress, and even Best Picture are all up for grabs.

Best Picture

Predicted Winner: The Revenant

This year is truly a toss-up between three big titles - Spotlight, The Revenant, and The Big Short. Spotlight took home Best Picture at the Critic's Choice Awards, Best Screenplay from the WGA and the BAFTAs, and Best Ensemble from the Screen Actors Guild. The Revenant swept Best Picture and Best Director at the BAFTAs and the Golden Globes and won the 2016 DGA Award for Best Director. Finally, on top of its Best Adapted Screenplay awards from the WGA and BAFTAs, The Big Short won the prestigious PGA Award from the Producer's Guild of America (the PGA has predicted Best Picture at the Oscars for the past eight years).

What does that mean? It means we can write off Brooklyn, Bridge of Spies, and Room for sure. Mad Max won Best Picture from several critic's outlets earlier this year, including the National Board of Review, but has lost considerable steam in awards season. Additionally, it's not the typical "Oscar movie."

After being dubbed as a comedy by the HFPA, The Martian took home a Golden Globe for Best Picture, but it is also unlikely to win big at the Oscars because it lacks the crucial Best Director nomination. Of the three contenders left, my money goes to The Revenant. Not only does it have the most nominations (12), it is arguably a more daring and powerful film in the eyes of the Academy than Spotlight and The Big Short despite these two having a more timely, relevant, and socio-politically charged story. Also, The Revenant has more major wins than the other two, and fan support for The Revenant is huge by association of getting Leo his long-awaited Oscar. Having said this, be sure to stay tuned until the last minute on Oscar night - there's no way to say for sure what film will be in that envelope. As for my preference, I love Spotlight, but I was blown away by the beauty of Brooklyn, and that's where my vote likely would have fallen.

Should have been nominated: The Gift, Star Wars: The Force Awakens

Best Director

Predicted Winner: Alejandro G. Iñárritu, The Revenant

This could easily go to George Miller for his masterful handling of the Mad Max fourquel. Lenny Abrahamson deserves major props for bringing out such authentic performances in a confined space from Brie Larson and the young Jacob Tremblay in Room, but doesn't have the star power to stand out in this category. Adam McKay and Tom McCarthy have a shot for The Big Short and

Spotlight, respectively, should the Academy rally behind them for Best Picture. But with a DGA, a Golden Globe, and a BAFTA under his belt this year, Iñárritu may just pull off the stunning accomplishment of consecutive Best Director Oscars. His gripping work on The Revenant and relentless pursuit of an authentic approach to the film is hard to ignore. Having said that, personal preference goes to Miller.

Should have been nominated: Edgerton, The Gift; Abrams, Star Wars: The Force Awakens; Tarantino, The Hateful Eight

Best Actor

Predicted Winner: Leonardo DiCaprio, The Revenant

As hilarious as it would be to see the world's reaction is Leo doesn't win, The Academy can't take a chance by disappointing millions of viewers anxious to see Leonardo DiCaprio finally win an Academy Award for acting. He's got this in the bag. The only disappointment about his expected win is that it's in such a weak pool of actors this year compared to previous ceremonies. Not enough people saw Bryan Cranston in Trumbo or Eddie Redmayne in The Danish Girl to secure them wins, Matt Damon didn't have enough character interaction in The Martian, and Michael Fassbender didn't maintain the necessary awards season presence to be considered for the win. So, yeah - Leonardo DiCaprio is essentially an Oscar winner.

Should have been nominated: Johnny Depp, Black Mass

Best Actress

Predicted Winner: Brie Larson, Room

After being overlooked for her star-making turn in 2013's Short Term 12, Brie Larson has made her way to The Academy's heart for a sincere and moving performance in Room. She's unlikely to see a loss this year, despite being up against veteran Oscar favorites Jennifer Lawrence for Joy and Cate Blanchett for Carol. As strong as Larson's performance was this year, I'm disappointed Saoirse Ronan isn't getting the love she deserves for her role in Brooklyn. It'd be a nice surprise to see her luck change on Oscar night, although I do believe Larson did give a better performance. (Also, Cate Blanchett deserves to be a supporting actress candidate since she had far less screen time than her co-star Rooney Mara).

Should have been nominated: Emily Blunt, Sicario; Charlize Theron, Mad Max: Fury Road

Best Supporting Actor

Predicted Winner: Sylvester Stallone, Creed

While I haven't seen Creed, pundits have stated Stallone's expected win will serve more as a career tribute than a recognition of the year's best supporting male performance. Mark Ruffalo was good - not great - in Spotlight, and Christian Bale was also good, but didn't get enough chances to show character development or range in The Big Short. Mark Rylance was fine in Bridge

of Spies, but was not the best of this bunch. This leads me to Mr. Tom Hardy, one of today's most talented and versatile actors. In an ideal world, his disturbingly captivating performance in The Revenant would win him the Oscar. Since nothing is set in stone (Stallone wasn't even nominated at the BAFTAs or SAGs, after all), Hardy could come from nowhere and find unexpected success (much like his character's foe in The Revenant).

Should have been nominated: If it were up to me, the entire list would be scrapped - with the exception of Hardy - to incorporate Joel Edgerton for The Gift, Jason Mitchell for Straight Outta Compton, Benicio Del Toro for Sicario, and either Tim Roth, Walton Goggins, or Kurt Russell for The Hateful Eight.

Best Supporting Actress

Predicted Winner: Alicia Vikander, The Danish Girl

Truly a tough one here. While I haven't seen The Danish Girl, I'm basing my decision off of Vikander's wins from the SAGs and the Critic's Choice. Kate Winslet won a Golden Globe and a BAFTA for Steve Jobs, but she wasn't up against Vikander in the category. Because this category is a bit of a mess, Rooney Mara (Carol) or Jennifer Jason Leigh (The Hateful Eight) could sneak in for a surprise win. Unfortunately, this puts Rachel McAdams out of the running, even though she'd have my vote for her fearless performance in Spotlight.

Best Original Screenplay

Predicted Winner: Spotlight

Spotlight's only guaranteed win on Oscar night is for its screenplay - and it will be well deserved. Inside Out was not Pixar's best, Straight Outta Compton and Ex Machina had a few inexcusable imperfections, and Bridge of Spies just isn't as original or emotional as Spotlight.

Should have been nominated: The Hateful Eight, The Gift

Best Adapted Screenplay

Predicted Winner: The Big Short

Here we have a much tighter race than we see in the original screenplay category. My vote goes to Brooklyn for its wonderful adaptation, but it's believed the Academy will side with the stock traders and hand the award to The Big Short for its honorably comedic take on America's recent housing tragedy. Carol had a nice screenplay but faced some problems in its execution, and The Martian was a bit choppy between character stories to be named the best screenplay of the year. Room is a fantastic screenplay, but its win doesn't make a statement the way a win for The Big Short would. This is disappointing, because The Big Short has a few problems in its own execution that I feel are being unjustly overlooked.

Also, make a note that The Revenant isn't nominated here, which could be the fly in the ointment that could lead to another movie winning Best Picture.

Should have been nominated: Steve Jobs, Star Wars: The Force Awakens



Pictured left: shot from The Revenant. Pictured above: shot from The Big Short

Siena takes over Salmonson Dining Hall

By **Jaclyn Corcoran**
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On February 10th, 2016, the lives of many Bryant students changed forever. The reason for these student's changing lives was due to Salmo bringing in a guest chef from Siena. Chef Anthony Tarro came in to Salmo and provided Bryant students with an amazing meal for once! For those of you who have never heard of Siena, it is a chain of three restaurants owned by Chef Anthony Tarro and his brother Chris Tarro. They serve authentic Tuscan cuisine in very warm and welcoming atmospheres. The three Siena locations are in Providence's Federal Hill, East Greenwich and Smithfield.

I have been to Siena three times now, once in Federal Hill and twice in Smithfield and have always been very impressed by their service, food and atmosphere. The restaurants have a very welcoming atmosphere with friendly employees. My favorite dish there is their Penne alla Vodka, which is different than most because it has a slight spicy kick to it. If you love Penne a la Vodka, but are looking for something more extravagant, try their Vodka Pizza. This pizza has a thin, grilled crust topped with their spicy pink vodka sauce, chicken, fresh mozzarella, gorgonzola, fried eggplant and drizzled with hot sauce. If that does not make your mouth water, then I do not know what will. Although these are just two of their dishes, I would highly recommend any item on their menu if you are in the mood for a delicious Italian meal. If you are looking for a good place to eat next time mom and dad are in town, Siena is a great choice for you!

For those of you who did not get to experience this delicious meal served at Salmo, here is a little recap of what was served. The first thing that caught my attention was the smell. Salmo smelt like an actual Italian restaurant, which is very different than the usual Salmo stench. There was fresh Penne a la Vodka being cooked, which a real vodka sauce. By real vodka sauce, I mean it was not just marinara sauce with cream added which Salmo commonly refers to as a pink sauce. There was also a chicken dish served with delicious kale and a cheesy risotto. At the deli, they were serving a fresh caprese salad with fresh tomato and mozzarella, topped with basil and a balsamic glaze. Siena



Salmo employee cooking penne a la vodka (BryantUDining Instagram)

also served small antipasti samples consisting of prosciutto, salami, olives and more. All in all, the meal was one to blow us all away and made many of us leave Salmo with a full stomach for once.

Now, many of us are wondering when Salmo will feature a guest-chef again. Although they have not announced another guest chef coming to Bryant, they most likely will be repeating this successful event due to the huge crowds that showed up for dinner on February 10th. Salmo has been trying very hard to increase Bryant's satisfaction with their meals and this was definitely a great way to do so.

AJ's movie review: The Revenant

By **AJ Beltis**
Staff Writer

Visually speaking, *The Revenant* is one of the most awe-inspiring movies ever made. If you've looked up anything about this movie, my complimenting of its use of natural lighting and breathtaking scenery should come as no surprise to you. Yet in terms of storytelling, director Alejandro G. Inarritu (Oscar-winner from last year's Best Picture winner *Birdman*) takes some daring approaches which, in my opinion, do not always pay off.

The film stars Leonardo DiCaprio as real-life 1800s frontiersman Hugh Glass. Following a vicious attack by the area's native inhabitants, Glass and his team of fur traders are forced to take a long and treacherous road back to their base. While out alone, Glass encounters a bear protecting its cubs. Glass is nearly killed by the beast but miraculously survives within an inch of his life. Refusing to let Glass' injuries kill his whole crew, the off-putting trader Fitzpatrick (Tom Hardy) offers to stay with Glass until he is better while the rest of the traders hastily make their way back. At this point, Fitzpatrick kills Glass' half-Native American son and buries Glass alive. Miraculously, again, Glass survives, now more determined than ever to avenge his son and go face-to-face with Fitzpatrick.

The sheer dedication of filmmaking by Inarritu and cinematographer Emmanuel Lubezki are worthy of substantial praise here. It's evident that the film was a painstaking project, yet it seemed so seamlessly pieced together from an aesthetic perspective. Shots of gloriously clouded sunsets and authentic horseback chases through the wilderness demand *The Revenant* be seen on the big screen. The brutality and realness of Glass' and Fitzpatrick's rivalry is palpable, especially in their final fight. Much credit should go to both of these actors, and while Leo gives one of his best performances, the real winner of the film is Tom Hardy. Yes, Leo slept naked in a dead horse carcass and ate bison meat – and I am not minimizing the impact of his performance. Hardy's transformation is being sorely underappreciated in my eyes. His gut-wrenching turn as Fitzpatrick left me wanting to punch him in the face in every scene, which I believe is a testament to the man's performance. I would love for both of these men to take home their first Oscars this year. We also have great performances from Will Poulter and this year's breakout star Domhnall Gleeson (*Star Wars*, *Ex Machina*, *Brooklyn*).

Where this movie went wrong for me was in its attempts to break the conventional narrative. This technique can work – Inarritu himself did it well in *Birdman*. Here, some imagery and subplots are totally unnecessary, and/or could have been told better. For example, Glass' (ex)-wife/girlfriend/lover/concubine is only a shadow of a memory, and we have no idea of her past. There's also a rather confusing storyline involving the daughter of a native tribe's leader, and the role she plays in the story's progression is befuddling given how little time is spent developing that story.

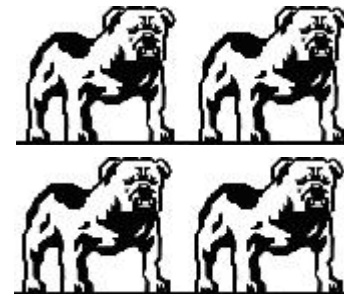
Furthermore, DiCaprio might as well have been playing *The Terminator* in this film. Even though he was slashed by a bear and buried alive, it's just a matter of what seems like days before his character is running through the wilderness as if he hadn't broken several bones and suffered from God knows how many infections. Hugh Glass is not



Superman, and the hasty healing of the character simply added to my frustration of the film.

This movie is nominated for 12 Oscars, but I would like to point out one category it is not nominated for – Best Screenplay. I believe this speaks to my point. Visually, this movie deserves more than a 5/5. Yet from a storytelling perspective – an area that universally suffered this year in movies – *The Revenant* leaves us wishing the end result was a bit more conventional, and that the daring cinematic innovations were just left to the cinematographer for this one.

This movie received 4 out of 5 Bulldogs



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Brown University

Two weeks ago, the University released the final version of its diversity and inclusion action plan, which could not have been compiled without the exhaustive efforts of students throughout last semester.

“There are people breaking down, dropping out of classes and failing classes because of the activism work they are taking on,” said David, an undergraduate whose name has been changed to preserve anonymity. Throughout the year, he has worked to confront issues of racism and diversity on campus.

His role as a student activist has taken a toll on his mental, physical and emotional health. “My grades dropped dramatically. My health completely changed. I lost weight. I'm on antidepressants and anti-anxiety pills right now. (Counseling and Psychological Services) counselors called me. I had deans calling me to make sure I was okay,” he said.

As students rallied to protest two racist columns published by The Herald and the alleged assault of a Latinx student from Dartmouth by a Department of Public Safety officer, David spent numerous hours organizing demonstrations with fellow activists. Meanwhile, he struggled to balance his classes, job and social life with the activism to which he feels so dedicated. Stressors and triggers flooded his life constantly, he said.

David turned to CAPS and reached out to deans for notes that extended his deadlines for assignments. These were helpful, he said, but acted only as “bandages” for the underlying causes of stress.

Justice Gaines '16, who uses the pronouns xe, xem and xyr, said student activism efforts on campus are necessary. “I don't feel okay with seeing students go through hardships without helping and organizing to make things better.”

In the wake of The Herald's opinion pieces, Gaines felt overwhelmed by emotions flooding across campus. Students were called out of class into organizing meetings, and xe felt pressure to help xyr peers cope with what was going on, xe said. Gaines “had a panic attack and couldn't go to class for several days.”

... When faced with the decision of completing activist work or studying for an exam, students sometimes feel obligated to choose the former, said Liliana Sampedro '18. This choice, often made by students advocating for increased diversity on campus, “has systemic effects on students of color,” she added.

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