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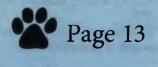


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26 murdered in Texas church shooting

Connor Evans Contributing Writer



The church in Sutherland Springs, Texas that was attacked on Sunday

Around 11:30 on Sunday morning of November 5th, 2017, gunshots were heard during a church service in the town of Sutherland Spring, Texas. A law enforcement official reported that a man entered the First Baptist Church and opened fire on the congregation, killing at least 26

The suspect, CBS News reports, has (as of 9:30 pm) been identified as Devin Patrick Kelley, who is now deceased. Kelley, a white male, formerly U.S. military (dishonorably discharged in 2014) was only 26 years old. Reports place him at a nearby gas station mere minutes before the shooting, dressed in what appeared to be tactical gear. He fled the scene after causing massive loss of life and was pursued by an armed civilian. After a brief chase with law enforcement, Kelley was pronounced dead. A gun wound was found on the shooter's body though it remains unclear whether this wound was self-inflicted, from a law enforcement officer, or the armed citizen.

CBS reports "Texas Gov. Greg Abbott called the attack the deadliest mass shooting in his state's history."

Within several hours of the tragedy, a large amount of support began to appear across the web and the USA. President Donald Trump offered condolences and regret on television, whilst urging Americans to "pull together."

It is unclear at this point whether Kelley's radical action was politically motivated or not, therefore terrorism cannot be ruled yet.

As for the victims, those killed range widely in age: the youngest being 5 years old while the eldest being 72. These were just the fallen. As of Sunday night, there were at least 10 more in critical condition from wounds (including young children). The Pastor of the church, Frank

Pomeroy, lost his own daughter in the chaos. Annabelle Pomeroy, age 14, was among the number gunned down during Sunday worship.

The families of these victims gathered in the wake of the violence in the community center next to the church. It is there that they were able to exhibit shock, fear, and an excruciating amount of pain. The community, however, has had itself to lean on, as a neighbor has tried to console neighbor, in an effort to take away a small amount of the pain that had just been inflicted.

This horrific incident marks the 307th "mass shooting" the United States has experienced thus far in 2017. Though the term "mass shooting" does not have an official, universal definition, the popular understanding maintains that a series of 4 or more kills in a select area during a select amount of time qualifies as a "mass shooting".

It appears that roughly 38 states have experienced a mass shooting already this year. In the coming days, President Trump has stated that the entire country will be "following the developments closely," and praying for those involved.

As far as background information is concerned, there is not much known at the present time about the shooter's motive for such a hateful act, though in the coming days more is expected to be uncovered about the origins of this awful travesty. (Editor's note: The content of this article contains information that was last updated on Sunday, November 5th.)



First responders secure the area and assess the scene of the attack (NBC News)

Tropical storm touches down on anniversary of Hurricane Sandy

Nicole Salzano **Contributing Writer**

The east coast of the US was shaken by Tropical Storm Philippe in late October. The high winds and strong rain devastated many as the storm took down trees and power lines. The storm happened to fall on the fifth anniversary of Hurricane Sandy, one of the most devastating storms to hit the Northeast coast.

Tropical Storm Philippe formed near western Cuba and moved its way to the US. Though its wind speed did not classify as a hurricane, the storm destroyed what came in its path. It first hit Southern Florida on Saturday, October 28th, sustaining winds of about 60 mph. The storm spawned up two tornadoes near Boynton Beach and West Palm Beach. The tornado winds picked up to 75 to 80 mph leaving about a quarter of a million people out of electricity in the Southern Florida area. The storm moved out of Florida by Sunday and pushed up the coast.

From late night Sunday, October 29th into Monday, October 30th, Tropical Storm Philippe brought battering rain and wind to the Northeast. In this region, 1.2 million were left without power after the tropical storm crossed its path. NBC News states, Tropical Storm Philippe caused power outages across the Northeast including 400,000 in Maine, 300,000 in Massachusetts, 270,000 in New Hampshire, 150,000 in Connecticut, 145, 000 in Rhode Island, and 70,000 in Vermont. Hundreds of schools across the New England area closed Monday due to a tropical storm. More than 60 million people in states from Maine to the Carolinas were under high wind warnings and advisories according to WNEP. National Weather Service meteorologist Joe Dellicarpini

stated that parts of Rhode Island and Massachusetts saw wind gusts up to 70 mph, while Narragansett Bay reported 81 mph winds.

While the wind did most of the damage, heavy rains also caused flooding. Road closures due to high water made traveling in cities like Boston and New York City difficult on Monday morning. The Washington Post stated rainfall totals ranged from 4.33 inches in Danbury, Connecticut to 2.25 inches in Manchester, New Hampshire. Because of the phase of the moon, the tide was low which made coastal

In comparison to Tropical Storm Philippe, Hurricane Sandy was more damaging in certain areas of Northeast. Superstorm Sandy was approximately 820 miles in size hitting landfall in the US on the night of October 29th and ending on November 1st. According to Time, 8.1 million homes throughout 17 states lost power due to the Superstorm. The parameter went as far west as Michigan. In the New England area, alone power outages included: 90,000 in Maine, 400,000 in Massachusetts, 200,000 in New Hampshire, 378,000 in Connecticut, 116,000 in Rhode Island, and 35,000 in Maine. During Hurricane Sandy, CBS Boston reported winds as high as 86 mph in Westerly, Rhode Island and 83 mph in Cuttyhunk Island, Massachusetts.

Both Tropical Storm Philippe and Hurricane Sandy battered through the East Coast with high winds and strong rain causing destruction in their paths. Damage control over power lines and infrastructure from Tropical Storm Philippe are currently underway. The Atlantic coast will soon be getting a break from storms as the Atlantic hurricane season is coming to a close on November 30.

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THEFT (LARCENY) LARCENY Oct
29, 2017 Sunday at 14:08
Location: TOWNHOUSE
Summary: DPS received a report
of a laptop that was stolen from
a bedroom. The laptop was later
returned to owner.
VANDALISM Oct 29, 2017 Sunday
at 16:38
Location: TOWNHOUSE
Summary: DPS received a report from
an RA that the F Block sign that was

pulled out of the ground and

left at the door to a townhouse.

EMT CALL EMT CALL Oct 29, 2017
Sunday at 19:23
Location: RESIDENCE HALL
Summary: DPS received a report of a student was not feeling well. EMS was activated. Patient was transported to Fatima Hospital.
(MVA) MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT
Nov 01, 2017 Wednesday at 08:47
Location: GENERAL PARKING D
Summary: DPS received a report of a minor accident involving a parked vehicle.

LARCENY Nov 01, 2017
Wednesday at 11:05
Location: TOWNHOUSE
Summary: DPS received a report of a stolen hammock.

(MVA) MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT Nov 02, 2017 Thursday at 16:25 Location: UPPER CLASS STUDENT PARKING LOT H Summary: DPS responded to lot H f

Summary: DPS responded to lot H for a report of hit and run with a parked vehicle.

(MVA) MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT
Nov 03, 2017 Friday at 14:59
Location: DORMITORY ROAD PARKING
Summary: DPS responded to a report
of hit and run with a parked vehicle.

(MVA) MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT
Nov 03, 2017 Friday at 16:45
Location: FACULTY/STAFF/ COMMUTER
PARKING LOT A
Summary: DPS responded to a report

of hit and run with a parked vehicle.

Top secret airport information found

on unencrypted USB drive in London



London's Heathrow airport (Alphr

James Frierich **Staff Writer**

What was first reported-on Saturday, October 28th at 11pm-by the Sunday Mirror's Dan Warburton, Heathrow Airport officials are on high alert after a USB was found containing some of their breach, U.K. and Heathrow Airport most classified airport secrets. According to the Sunday Mirror, [a British national daily tabloid newspaper], the USB holding "2.5GB" of data contained "76 folders with maps, videos and documents - was not encrypted and did not require a password". Furthermore, such maps and documents included The exact route the Queen takes when using the airport and security measures used to protect her, routes and safeguards for Cabinet ministers and foreign dignitaries, as well as a network of tunnels and escape shafts linked to the Heathrow Express-to name a few.

What comes just one and a half months after the Parson Green Bombing in Fulham, London and just days after U.S. intelligence agencies warn of upcoming Al-Qaeda mass casualty [style] attacks, what is even more appalling is the manner in which the USB was found. The Sunday Mirror cites that the USB was found in the middle of a small pile of leaves in Queen's by an unemployed gentleman. Sources say that there were at least 174

documents marked "confidential" or "restricted." Some documents go so far as to detail individuals who would be situationally exempt from screening as well as the radio codes [used in the event of an] aircraft hijacking.

As a result of this bombshell security officials have launched a large scale effort to discover how such sensitive documents were downloaded, put onto an unencrypted USB, and taken off site. What especially frightens officials is the potential that some of these documents could have ended up on the dark web or have gotten into the wrong hands. In response to this terrifying news, Heathrow officials commented that Heathrow's top priority is the safety and security of our passengers and colleagues. Both the UK and Heathrow have some of the most robust aviation security measures in the world and we remain vigilant to evolving threats by updating our procedures on a daily basis. Discussing the shifting climate of terrorism, MI5's Director General Andrew Parker stated that the current terrorism threat is the worst it's been in his 34-year career. Though it is unknown how such top secret information ended up on the aforementioned unencrypted USB, one thing is for sure: the threat level continues to climb as the feeling of safety decreases.

Top tweets of the week

"May God be w/ the people of Sutherland Springs, Texas. The FBI & law enforcement are on the scene. I am monitoring the situation from Japan."

- Donald Trump, 11/05/17 (@RealDonaldTrump)

"Suspect in Sutherland Springs shooting confirmed to be Devin Patrick Kelley, 26, of New Braunfels, TX. More info to be released later today."

- Texas DPS, 11/05/17 (@TxDPS)

"Can you sleep tonight, colleagues, when the price of gun lobby goodwill is this - blood soaked church and school floors, city streets?"

- Senator Chris Churphy, 11/05/17 (@ChrisMurphyCT)

"Is there a word for the rage of not being able to fix a massive, devastating problem that repeatedly breaks your faith in the world?"

- Hank Green, 11/05/17 (@hankgreen)

"Truly heartbreaking news in #Sutherland Springs. Please say a prayer for First Baptist congregation, first responders & the community there"

- Senator John Cornyn, 11/05/17 (@JohnCornyn)

"We grieve with all the families in Sutherland Springs harmed by this act of hatred, and we'll stand with the survivors as they recover..."

- Barack Obama, 11/05/17 (@BarackObama)

"Didn't hear liberals asking for a truck ban after last week's terror attack, yet they think stripping away our gun rights is the answer now."

- Tomi Lahren, 11/05/17 (@TomiLahren)

"Bernie ppl are rightly angry at election rigging! Looks like a civil war in the Democratic party and the loser gets the Democratic party."

- Bill Maher, 11/05/17 (@billmaher)

The Government Record

The Student Government (USG) serves as the voice of the Student Body, and as a channel of communication between the Student Body and the faculty and Administration of the University. Through its responsibilities and various groups, Student Government examines the needs of the Bryant community, strives to initiate action to meet these needs and enact positive change on our campus. If you have any questions, please contac President Joseph Rinaldi at jrinaldil@bryant.edu, and join us for our weekly sessions of Student Senate every Wednesday at 4:00 PM in the Papitto of the Fisher Student Center. Sessions are also live-streamed on our Facebook page. Check our website for all official information: bryantusg.org.

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> 2018-25 CEO RAF, \$30,000 Approved 20-0-3, Signed by the President

> 2018-26 Model UN RAF, \$807 Approved 21-0-1, Signed by the President

> 2018-27 Student Government RAF, \$30,000 Approved 20-0-2, Signed by the President

> 2018-28 Spikeball RIF, \$2,080 Approved 21-0-1, Signed by the President

Technology hearings to begin soon on Capitol Hill

David Schmidt Copy Editor

Recently, some of the big tech companies were present on Capitol Hill for hearings on the Russian interference efforts in this past presidential election investigation. Those companies consisted of Facebook, Twitter, and Google. Likewise, during the hearing it was stated by many of the media companies that the "total number of users across those platforms who may have seen content created by Russian operatives leading up to the election is now estimated at more than 100 million, according to lawyers for the companies." In addition, the head of the Judiciary Senate Committee, Senator Lindsey Graham, R-S.C. praised the companies for all the positives that they have brought to the American citizenry, but the Senator also acknowledged that these sites have shown to be vulnerable to foreign interference that can be malevolent.

During its opening statements,
Facebook acknowledged that approximately 126 million users of its site have viewed content that originated from operatives from Russia. Likewise, Facebook also informed the committee that another 10 million of its users may have been exposed to advertisements that have their origins from Russia as well. Yet, Facebook failed to state approximately how many users viewed Russia-linked content that was organically shared via their format.

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meant to increase the divide within the American citizenry on hot-button issues such as LGBT to immigration issues.

Twitter likewise stated that the spread of Russian propaganda had been found to be greater than previously reported to be. Twitter stated in its opening statements that approximately 2752 Russian linked accounts and many other Russian interferences were discovered in its system. Likewise, Twitter stated that these links/accounts tweeted roughly 1.4 million times throughout the election. Moreover, it was stated that all this interference has had a negative impact on the user experience on the app thus the company is working hard to rebuild that confidence.

All three tech companies failed to offer their explicit support for Sen. Amy Klobuchar, D-Minn's legislation proposal, yet Google stated that Facebook, Twitter, and themselves want to achieve the same result that the legislation proposed. Moreover, all three tech companies did offer their assistance in the editing of the legislation, so it would benefit the tech companies as well. As a result, many were surprised that these hearings lacked the fireworks that they were all preparing for. Also, Senator Kennedy expressed his frustration with social media giant Facebook "suggesting that it could track the source of funding for all 5 million of its monthly advertisers." Consequently, Kennedy stated that Facebook does a lot of good with its power, but the amount of

Trump travels to Asia to meet with foreign leaders

David Schmidt Copy Editor

President Trump will travel to Asia to visit five countries as well as make the United States' presence known at two international summits. The issues that are sure to be discussed during his visit, which begins this Friday, are issues on trade and the nuclearization issue of North Korea. The first of five destinations that Trump will be visiting in Japan. While in Japan, Trump will be meeting with Japan's Prime Minister, Shinzo Abe. Likewise, it is noted that Trump has stated that he'd be willing to see the Japanese develop their own nuclear arsenal. Moreover, many have stated that the two are avid golfers, so it's expected that both will enjoy a friendly

The second destination that Trump plans to visit is South Korea where he will meet with the South Korean President, Moon Jae-in, as well as make a speech at the National Assembly. At the National Assembly, it is believed that Trump will urge other countries to ramp up the pressure on the North Korean regime. Likewise, "President Trump will reiterate the plain fact that North Korea threatens not just our allies - South Korea and Japan — and the United States...North Korea is a threat to the entire world, so all nations of the world must do more to counter that threat" states National Security Advisor McMaster (NPR). In addition, Trump will also visit a newly expanded and renovated military base, Camp Humphreys, which will soon house approximately 28,500 the United States military personnel. The base was paid by South Korea mostly. Furthermore, while in South Korea, Trump will not be visiting the demilitarized zone, which is rare, as many of the former presidents have done

The third country that Trump will visit is China. While visiting China, Trump will meet with Chinese President, Xi Jinping. During this visit, Trump is said to be enforcing his desire that China exercises its economic grip on North Korea to hopefully halt the North Korean nuclear build up. Yet, it's noted by Nat. Security Advisor McMaster that China has done more to combat the North but believes that they and other nations can do more to combat the ever-increasing North Korean threat. Furthermore, Trump is said to want to press China to have more balanced trade with the United States as he has continuously argued that the U.S has a trade deficit with China. Yet, Trump has acknowledged that he and his administration would look to China more positively if President Xi cooperates with the United States to combat the evergrowing threat with North Korea and its nuclearization program.

The final two countries that Trump will visit are the Philippines and Vietnam. When Trump visits Vietnam, he will attend the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation summit. The summit brings together leaders from 21 pacific rimmed countries. Additionally, the expectation is that while at the summit Trump will discuss the important role that Asia has in the United States economy and the continued United States' obligation to the unrestricted and open Indo-Pacific region. Furthermore, when Trump visits the Philippines he will attend yet another summit called the Summit of Southeast Asian nations, and Trump plans to attend the subsequent summit called Broader East Asia Summit.

All FSU fraternity activities suspended after pledge dies



Students at Florida State University walk to and from class (Business Insider)

Ryan Van Velzer MCT Campus

The death of a 20-year-old fraternity pledge from Lighthouse Point led Florida State University to shut down all Greek life activities Monday.

Alcohol is suspected of playing a role in the death of Andrew Coffey, whose body was found Friday — the morning after a party more than 50 people attended at a house near campus, officials said Monday.

Coffey was a civil engineering student at FSU who graduated from Pompano Beach High School in 2015.

Reacting to his death, the university on Monday indefinitely suspended all 54 fraternities and sororities, said Florida State University President John Thrasher. As part of Thrasher's announcement to suspend Greek life, he also cited an unrelated case Monday, where a 20-year-old member of another fraternity was arrested on cocaine-trafficking charges.

"For this suspension to end, there will need to be a new normal for Greek life at the university," Thrasher said. "There must be a new culture, and our students must be full participants in creating it."

He also banned alcohol at student events, which includes those run by more than 700 organizations outside the Greek community.

"Frankly, if you drive down College Avenue on Friday night, I don't think you have to be a rocket scientist to know that there are some things going on," he said. "But I also recognize that we have got, as an administration, to see that this is a safe place for our students."

Coffey was trying to become a full member of the FSU chapter of Pi Kappa Phi. The fraternity has faced disciplinary action in the past five years for hazing, alcohol violations and unspecified misconduct, according to disciplinary logs maintained by the national fraternity.

In 2012, the fraternity's national office sanctioned the chapter for hazing, and in 2014 the chapter faced university sanctions for unspecified conduct that violated university policy.

The circumstances of Coffey's death have remained a mystery.

"Although there are indicators that alcohol may have been a factor in this case, we are waiting for the results of an autopsy so no cause of death has been determined," Tallahassee Police Chief Michael DeLeo said Monday.

Police reportedly collected beer bottles from the porch as evidence.

Authorities found Coffey unresponsive at 10:23 a.m. Friday at a house on Buena Vista Drive off High Road about a mile from campus, Tallahassee police said.

Police said Monday they have interviewed more than 50 people and have more interviews planned.

Pi Kappa Phi's national office suspended the FSU chapter's operations following the death, said Todd Shelton, a spokesman for Pi Kappa Phi.

In 2015, the chapter had to enroll in a remedial program for an alcohol violation. But in the past year, in which the national disciplinary log recorded 60 misconduct allegations against chapters around the country, there were none involving the FSU chapter.

The fraternity's FSU chapter web, Twitter and Facebook pages have been taken down.

Coffey was a high school athlete and junior ROTC member who often smiled, said George Edmunds, a friend and fellow FSU student.

FSU Vice President for Student Affairs Amy Hecht said her division will create new rules in the coming weeks "to ensure the future of fraternity and sorority life."

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Business

Qualcomm & Broadcom powerful merger

Shayan Ushani Business & Marketing Director

Two of the most powerful smartphone chip supplier companies may soon join hands. Broadcom, an ambitious company, has turned around under the leadership of Tan. The company has gone from a share price of \$50 in 2013 to now over \$270, and it doesn't seem to be stopping anytime soon. With ambitious leadership comes acquisitions, with the company buying Brocade in 2016 for \$5.5 billion. This time around the company may bid over \$100 billion for Qualcomm.

Broadcom specializes in wireless solutions providing chips for the major smartphone companies to connect with wireless networks. The giant is looking to expand into vehicles where it sees is the next area of growth, as well as set up a moat for Intel that is looking to expand into the smartphone industry and other key growing segments. Qualcomm, on the other hand, has a higher margin

business providing modems for most major smartphones, including the Apple iPhone and the Samsung Galaxy. Recently, Qualcomm's stock has laid flat amid troubles from Apple. The company is being sued for its licensing business and Apple may soon look elsewhere for a modem supplier. Not only will the legal fight hurt Qualcomm against Apple, who has superior bargaining power and cash reserves, but it could possibly hurt its licensing and patent business in the long run, their most profitable division. The company provides chips, but its portfolio of technologies with the communication industry is attentive and it requires companies like Apple and Samsung to license its patents. They ask for a percentage of the price of their final product, which is a fee Apple is no longer willing to pay or thinks is feasible. If courts rule against Qualcomm in this case, it could cause a bad precedent and Qualcomm would have to look towards either expanding into new industries or charging more for its chips which, ultimately brings new competitors into the landscape.



Broadcom logo (mybroadband.com)

Looking ahead, Qualcomm is close to finishing off its own acquisition of NXP. The move came as a result of high demand in driverless car computing and a way for the company to expand the industries it deals with. It is the same reason companies like NVIDIA have been rapidly growing. Both Qualcomm and Broadcom went up on Friday following the news that would make them one of the biggest telecommunications contenders alongside Intel. Qualcomm and Broadcom could lead in mobile data networks, WiFi, and Bluetooth. Regulators may find trouble in this with Sprint and T-Mobile falling apart, and courts levying a fine of AT&T and Time Warner. Regulation could come into Broadcom's favor considering the company is planning to move its headquarters to the U.S., an idea the current president remarked amid tax efforts. Moving the company from Singapore to San Jose would mean valuable technology would not be owned by a foreign entity, as well as money being brought in and avoid future inversions. At the moment both the companies have not made a comment. Qualcomm would need serious board approval for selling the company between \$70-\$80 especially with 5G becoming popular soon.



Qualcomm Logo (thefiscaltimes.com)

Under Armour loses consumer interests

Danielle Caci Sports Copy Editor

Ranked number seven in Forbes Fab 40: The World's Most Valuable Sports Brands, Under Armour has faced a dramatic drop in sales for the first time since 2005. As stated by CNN, compared to a year ago, quarterly sales have fallen about 5 percent and on October 31st, 2017, the company's stock value went down by roughly 19 percent. The revenue from the companies in North America cover more than 75 percent of overall sales, and the sales there dropped 12 percent in the last quarter. Additionally, Under Armour's profit has fallen from \$128 million to \$54 million since just last year. These statistics have proven to be very detrimental to the company as a whole, and they may have to shut down completely.

One of the biggest problems the company faces is a lack of loyalty from its consumers. Although they have been trying to expand into major chains such as Famous Footwear, Kohl's, and Designer Shoe Warehouse, their biggest competitors, Nike and Adidas, offer similar goods at lower prices. The demand for athletic apparel is already decreasing, and without loyalty from its customers, Under Armour is suffering the most. Consumers are already investing less in sports attire, and the company's products are not keeping them interested enough to spend that extra \$10 or \$20 for Under Armour attire. Furthermore, according to the Washington Post, Sports Authority and Sports Chalet, who are Under Armour's main distributors, filed for bankruptcy, which took a large hit on the company's overall success.

The company's debt to equity ratio continues to stand high at 0.5%. The earnings for the next quarter are 19 cents a share, which is low compared to last year's 25 cents a share. Under Armour's stock price has fallen about 80%, in that in 2015 it was a high 50% and now they are at roughly 11%. Bloomberg, a well-known financial software, data, and media company, stated that the company's founder and Chief Executive, Kevin Plank, has seen his net worth decrease by more than \$25 billion.

Despite the higher pricing of their products, Under Armour does not plan to drastically



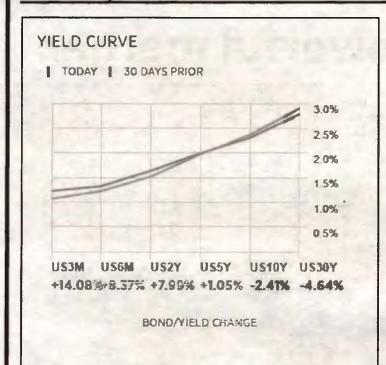
Under Armour Logo (underarmour.com)

change their sales method. "In no way, shape or form do we anticipate changing the pricing model that makes Under Armour special and unique. We invented the \$25 T-shirt. We've pressed the bounds as to what consumers will pay for apparel. That'll continue," said Plank, quoted by the Washington Post. Keeping prices high will not immediately help the current plummet in sales, but global expansion seems to be the best option. Looking into the future, the company expects its rocky financial struggles to continue before they can hopefully break through with a new way to expand its market and stable its sales again.

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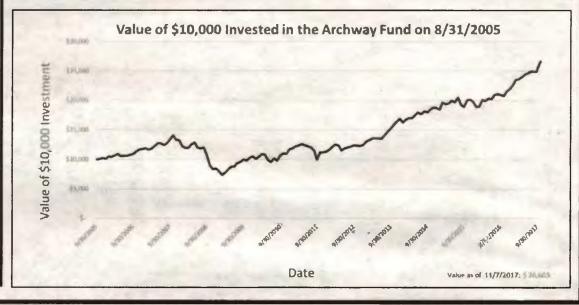
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Week Ago Fund Value	\$	1,200,944.78					
Current Fund Value		\$1,216,356.12					
Weekly Change		1.28%					

All prices updated as of 4:15 pm 11/07/2017

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1	Equinix Inc	5.08%
2	AbbVie Inc	4.06%
3	Walt Disney Co/The	3.86%
4	Starbucks Corp	4.46%
5	Valero Energy Corp	3.52%
	Weekly Losers	
1	Electronic Arts Inc	-6.60%
2	SPDR S&P Telecom ETF	-4.57%
3	Skyworks Solutions Inc	-2.49%
4	PowerShares S&P SmallCap Info. Tech.	-4.42%
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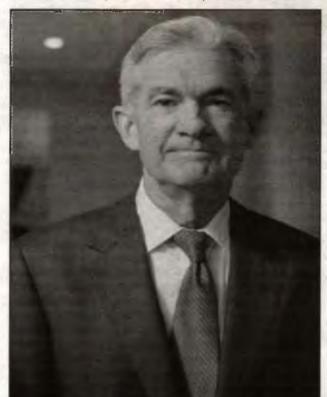
Trump picks Fed Chair: Jerome Powell

Jerome Powell will become one of the few non-university economists to serve as Fed Chair

Lloyd Ellison Staff Writer

For the past few weeks, there has been a lot of discussion regarding who will be the next Chair of Federal Reserve. Jerome Powell has officially been nominated by President Trump. After receiving a degree in politics from Princeton University, Powell went on to receive a law degree from Georgetown. In the 1990's he was appointed as an undersecretary in the Department of Treasury by George H.W. Bush, before returning to the private sector for much of the 2000's.

In 2011 he was nominated by Barack Obama to nominate two members to the board of governors with bipartisan support. Powell will be the first Federal Chairman since William Miller (who left in 1979) to have no formal



Jerome Powell (WashingtonExaminer)



Donald Trump nominates Jerome Powell (FoxNews)

academic training in economics (Greenspan, Bernanke, Yellen all have PHD's in economics). Many viewed this appointment as what the WSJ is calling "a safe gamble."

Throughout the vetting process, the White House has always been stuck between two sides, the wise and conventional side consisting of Janet Yellen and Jerome Powell. Versus the side consisting of outsiders Kevin Warsh and John Taylor. Before Trump was elected as President of the United States, he often criticized the Federal Reserve, mainly targeting Janet Yellen and her monetary policy decisions.

When Trump entered the Presidency, he changed his tune and Yellen was apparently in the running for reappointment until the very end. Republicans would prefer a hawkish appointee like John Taylor or Kevin Warsh. Both who strive to make more aggressive Federal Reserve policy decisions. Currently, Powell is very unproven.

In the few speeches he has given, he has agreed broadly with the current policy enacted by the Federal Reserve. Additionally, he has also never dissented in an FOMC meeting, which could depict loyalty, but could also mean

that he is very agreeable. Powell has been complimented by many for always looking for expert advice when he does not understand the issues completely. This is an important attribute for someone who will be leading the Federal Reserve.

Trump is taking a gamble though. Since the economy is doing fairly well and all of this was done under an Obama appointee. If the economy turns for the worst in any way, and it looked as though the Fed could have done something to prevent the economy from crashing, then Trump will be on the hook for whatever decisions Powell makes. In many ways, this pick gives Trump the best of both worlds. He can claim that he has picked an outsider with real world financial intellect pleasing many Republicans who were not a fan of Janet Yellen.

While conversely having selected someone, who is carved out of the same marble of past Fed chairs, like Bernanke and Yellen, may not have been angering to many traditionalists. Additionally, ensuring that the Federal Reserve will operate similarly to years passed. We will see how this gamble turns out for Trump, but first Powell must be confirmed by the senate.

Sports

Women's basketball season preview

Bryant Athletics

Last season, the Bryant Bulldogs women's basketball season ended after an appearance in the Northeast Conference Championship game, the first in program history. A key factor that playoff push was from the play of post players.

This is part one of a two-part season preview on the Bryant women's basketball team's upcoming season. We will preview the backcourt on Wednesday.

The frontcourt of this season's Bryant roster has a mix of returning players, as well as some fresh faces to the Bulldog program. Sydney Holloway (Morgantown, W. Va.), Kathleen Everson (Farmingville, N.Y.), Hannah Scanlan (Rumson, N.J.), Julia Kelner (Fayetteville, N.Y.) and Brooke Bjelko (Plattsburgh, N.Y.) are all going to see time in the post for head coach Mary Burke's squad this season.

Holloway returns to the Bulldogs after a solid rookie campaign that included a selection to the NEC All-Rookie team. The sophomore forward averaged 8.3 points, 5.5 rebounds and 1 steal per game a season ago. With the graduations of Alex Klein and Morgan Olander, Holloway's on-court workload will see an increase in 2017-18.

"This year Sydney's going to have to step up and lead some of the younger players," Bryant head coach Mary Burke said. "She's settling into where she's going to need to be. I think out of the gate, she's going to be a major-minute player."

Another returning piece of the Bryant frontcourt is senior Kathleen Everson. Everson, the Bulldogs' captain this season, grew into her own last season. Last season in her debut game, Everson played 17 minutes versus St. Francis Brooklyn and scored seven points, both career highs. The senior will see an increased workload, both offensively and defensively.

"She understands the system and knows what it takes to play for me," Burke said. "She knows what it takes to play in the league. She has a nice ability to take the ball off the dribble from the foul line. She's going to be another one who we can use their experience because she's been around and knows what it takes."

A new face for the Bulldogs, Hannah Scanlan is a player that Burke is excited to see develop this year. Scanlan comes to Smithfield from Rumson Fair-Haven Regional High School in Rumson, N.J., the same school that teammate Stephanie Lesko (Rumson, N.J.) attended. The freshman was a McDonald's All-American nominee last year during her senior season and averaged 20.2 points, 11.5 rebounds and 2.8 blocks per game in her final high school season.

"Hannah definitely has great touch around the basket," Burke said. "She's another runner, which means she's going to run up the floor. She's going to be able to catch and finish. She's just trying to figure out that versatility. She is great around the basket. She will turn out, long-term, to be a scorer for us."

Julia Kelner is also expected to make an impact for the Bulldogs in 2017-18 for Burke's squad. Kelner comes to the Bulldogs via Jamesville DeWitt High School in DeWitt, N.Y. In high school, Kelner led her team to repeat state titles as a junior and senior and was named All-CNY First Team, OHSL Freedom National League Player of the Year and a



Sydney Holloway and others are ready for their first home showdown on Nov.21 (Dave Silverman)

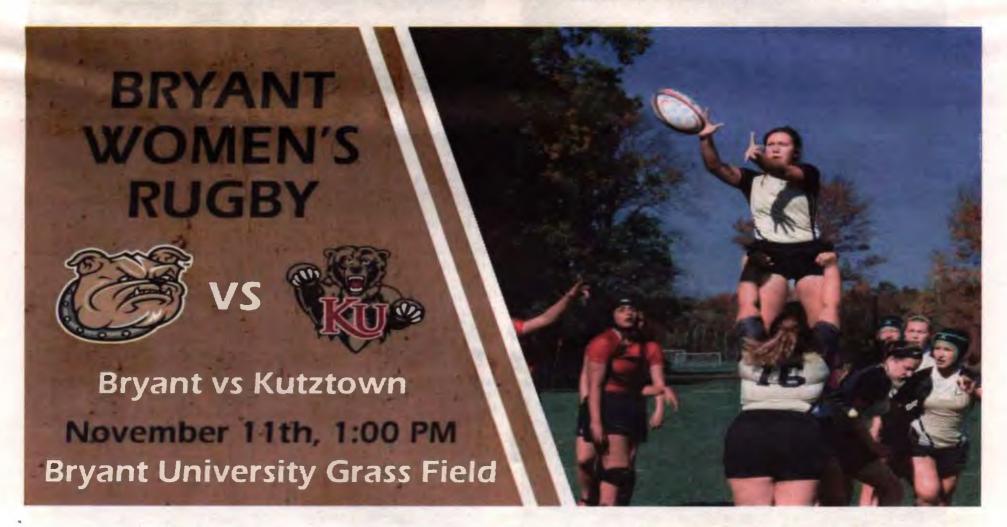
Rose Classic All-Star.

"Julia's another runner," Burke said. "In our system, I love post players who can run. She's another one who can really run and advance the ball. I think all she will be nice defensively because she is long and vocal. She has a really good defensive presence and will be able to block some shots, as well."

A classmate of Kelner and Scanlan, Brooke Bjelko rounds out the frontcourt depth for the Bulldogs. Bjelko played high school basketball at Beekmantown in New York and led her team to three-straight Champlain Valley Athletic Conference championships.

"Brooke has a good body," Burke said. "She's another runner. She's one of the bigger players we've ever had in the program, and she's solid, as well. Once she gets a little more situated with the physicality of [the college game], she'll settle in. She has a good skillset around the basket and will give us a good presence in the post as far as a bigger, stronger player."

The Bryant frontcourt will be on display Friday when the team opens up its season at Boston College for a noon game. The team's first home game will be Nov. 21 when the Bulldogs host New Hampshire at the Chace Athletic Center. To purchase tickets to a Bryant women's basketball home game, head to BryantBulldogs.com/tickets.



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The NFL's continued battle for viewership

Danny Griswold **Contributing Author**

Football is the most popular sport in America and it is a significant part of the American culture, as families and friends get together every weekend to watch the games together. While high school and college football are a major part of this culture, they don't compare to the National Football League. For decades now, the NFL has been the most popular professional sport in the United States. The Super Bowl is normally the highest rated TV broadcast of the year with upwards of 100 million viewers. Fans tune in every Thursday, Sunday, and Monday to see their favorite teams and players on the field

Over the past few years though, the NFL has seen a decline in ratings. Last year, the drop was blamed on the historically popular 2016 presidential election. However, this year there is no election and the ratings are still declining. According to an espn.com article, the NFL ratings through the first six weeks are down 7.5% compared to the first six weeks of last season. According to ESPN, this could be caused by many reasons but two of the most prevalent are the national anthem protests, and the quality of games.

The NFL seems to be faced with a new controversy on a weekly basis. The major controversy this year has been the national anthem protests. Colin Kaepernick started kneeling during the anthem last season to protest police brutality against minorities, amongst other reasons. The protesting grew this year after President Trump said that players who protested during the national anthem should be fired. He also said the NFL owner's response to players protesting should be, "Get that son of a b**** off the field right now, he's fired. He's fired!" As quoted by CNN.

His comments led to a larger number of kneelers during the anthem than any week prior. This has divided the NFL fan base with some believing the players can protest in any way they choose, and others believing it is disrespectful to the country and the military to protest during the national anthem. This has caused the NFL to become the seventh



The NFL has struggled to maintain viewership this season (DenverPost)

most divisive brand in the country according to an article in the New York Times. Many fans are refusing to watch the NFL because of these national anthem protests which is a factor in the declining ratings.

Another reason for the decline in NFL ratings comes from the actual games themselves. Many speculate that there are too many games and the fans are losing interest due to oversaturation. There is a game Thursday night, around 12 games during the day on Sunday, an additional one Sunday night, and a game Monday night. Some casual fans just don't care about the game enough to watch that much football. It isn't just the number of games that is a problem, but also the quality of the games. Games are filled with punts, missed field goals, penalties, injuries, and low scoring. SI.com stated that through the first 30 games of the 2017 season, games were decided by an average of 12.9 points, which could show that games haven't been as

This lack of quality could be a result of major injuries to the game's best players this year. Injuries are always a factor in the NFL but this season seems to have the most injuries to big name players. NFL stars such as Aaron Rodgers, J.J. Watt, Julian Edelman, and Odell Beckham Jr. have all sustained season ending injuries. With these key players out for the season, the quality of the game has suffered and fans are not as interested.

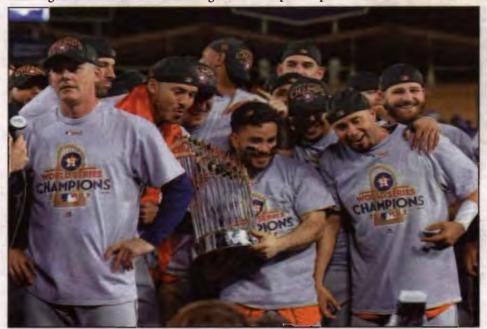
The NFL needs to figure out a solution to these problems before the ratings decline any further. The NFL is not meant to be a league that divides its fans and causes people to refuse to watch. They need to fix the issue with the national anthem protesting and bring the league together. Fixing the quality of the game is a harder task that can only be done through rule changes, but they should still attempt to improve it. The NFL has to find a way to bring back its lost viewers and avoid controversy in the future.

Houston Astros: 56 years in the making

Michael Jorosz Staff Writer

franchise history, the Houston Astros have climb against the best team in the regular championship

While it's been over a week since season of Major League Baseball, the it happened, for the first time in their Los Angeles Dodgers, as Houston had to win two extra-inning games on the road won the World Series. It was an uphill and then at home on route to their first



The Astros have finally brought one home (ABC news)

After a 3-1 loss in the first game at Dodger Stadium, the Astros won the next game in an 11 inning slugfest, where a record eight homeruns combined were hit in the 7-6 final. Going back to Houston for the next three games, the Astros' Lance McCullers Jr. took to the mound and stymied the Dodgers, allowing for the offense to go off on the Dodgers' starter, Yu Darvish. That game ended in a 5-3 finale. However, the next night did not prove to be just as easy, with Los Angeles getting to the Astros' bullpen enough to claim a 6-2 victory, tying the series at two games apiece. The next night was another slugfest and an even more back and forth brawl between the two best West Division teams, rocked by a walk-off victory in extras with the final score being 13-12 Astros.

Upon returning to Chavez Ravine, the Dodgers reclaimed their mojo in a 3-1 victory to beat ace pitcher Justin Verlander in game six, bringing the series down to the last round that is game seven.

Starting the game for Los Angeles, Darvish did not have good command right out of the gate, as Astros outfielder George Springer jumped on his mistakes twice for a double in the first inning and then a home run in the second. Despite only lasting less than three innings for Houston, McCullers Jr. was able to keep the Dodgers off the board despite the many men they left on base and would leave throughout



Early inning struggles by Yu Darvish hurt the dodgers World Series aspirations (Yahoo Sports)

the majority of the contest. Starter Charlie Morton came in as a reliever and pitched four innings of one-run ball to help Houston shut down the Dodgers' offense and claim their first title in their 56-year

Springer walked away the World Series MVP honors, having batted 11 for 29 with five home runs in the series. As if winning the World Series was not enough, shortstop Carlos Correa proposed to his longtime girlfriend, Daniella Rodriguez, during the celebration. With their festivities the past Friday, Houston is now looking stronger than ever in the wake of Hurricane Harvey. Congratulations, Houston. You have lifted up your trophy.

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This Week's Scores

Football- Game November 4th Bryant 48 Sacred Heart 45

Women's Soccer - Game November 3rd NEC Semifinals Fairleigh Dickinson 2 Bryant 1

Men's Soccer- Game November 3rd Bryant 0 (Tie) Central Connecticut 0

Central Connecticut 8
Bryant 0

Women's Volleyball Game November 3rd Bryant 3 Fairleigh Dickinson 0

> Game November 4th Bryant 3 Sacred Heart 2

Women's Tennis- Game April 1st Bryant 4 Mt. Saint Mary's 1

Women's Swimming and Diving- November 4th Wagner 192 Bryant 161

> Bryant 204 Central Connecticut 147

Men's Swimming and Diving - November 4th Bryant 222 NJIT 125

> Bryant 238 Saint Peter's 95

Varsity Game Results:

Women's Volleyball
Sacred Heart 2, Bryant 3

Football
Sacred Heart 45, Bryant 48

Men's Soccer
Central Connecticut 0, Bryant 0

Week's Best Tweets

"WBB: Three days remaining until we tip-off our season! CHeck out the first part of our season preview..."

-@BryantAthletics

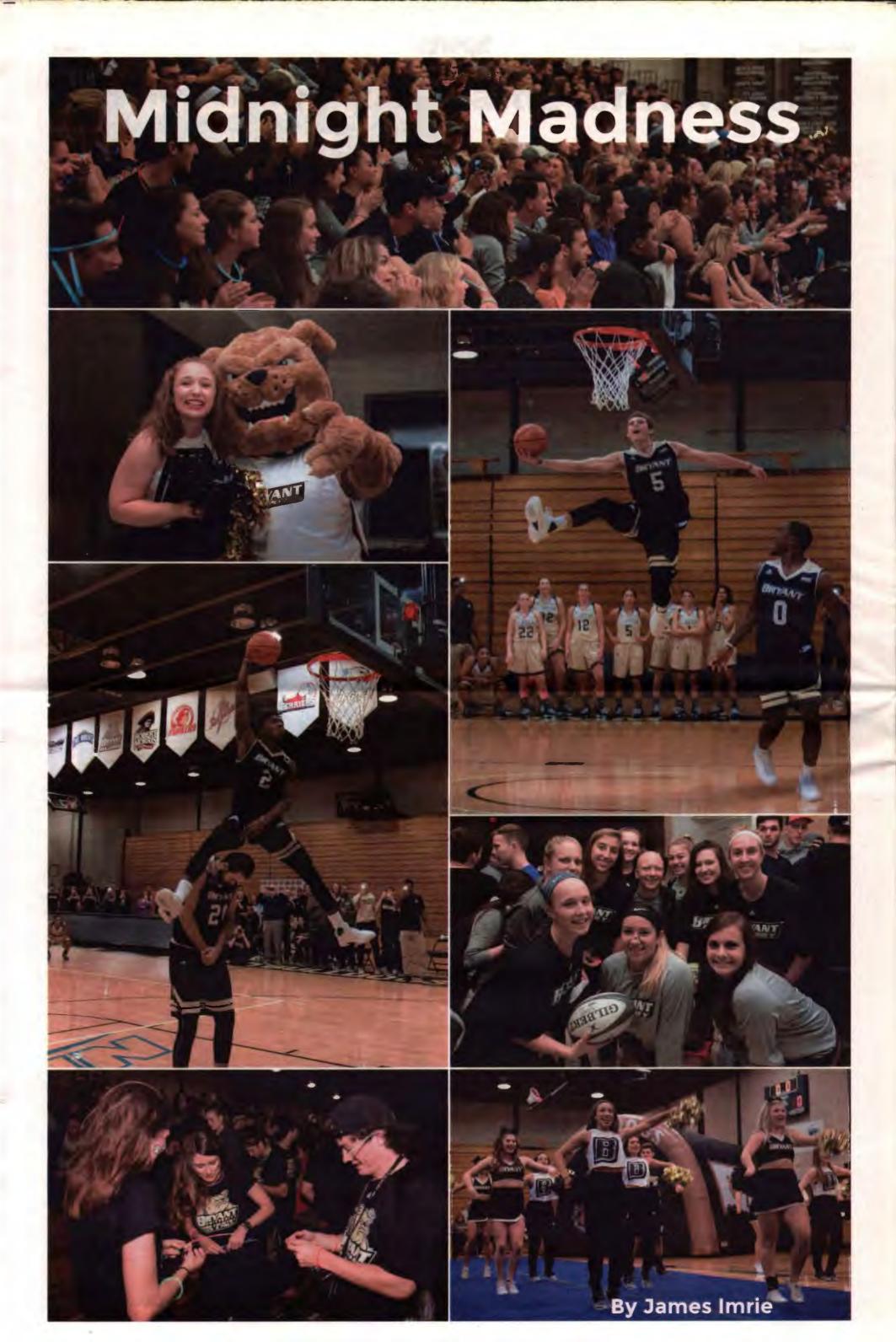
"Congrats to TK and Vinny on earning weekly honors from the NEC! # PlayFAST." -@BryantUFootball

"Ally Lunsford registered nine blocks in a comeback win over SHU to help @BryantAthletics clinch a spot in the NEC Tourney. #NECPrimePerformer" - @Bryant_Vball

"Tom Kennedy has four 100 yard receiving games this season. Most since Jordan harris had 7 in 2012. #PlayFAST" - @BryantUFootball

"@BryantUniv #volleyball team defeats Sacred
Heart to win a berth in NEC Volleyball playoffs!
They have Grit!
-@wsdirector

"WSWIM: Abernethy, Rivera recognized as @ NECSports Weekly Award winners" -@BryantAthletics



Opinion

Sutherland Springs becomes newest postertown for mass death, and the GOP doesn't care

Christopher Groneng News Editor

One month ago, America was blindsided and dismayed by the deadliest mass shooting in modern American history, which took place at a concert in Las Vegas, Nevada, ending the lives of fifty-eight innocent people. This act of terror was one in a long list of horrific instances of gun violence that the United States has been inundated with over the last several decades. On Sunday, November 5th, that list grew even longer.

Devin Kelley, a 26-year-old former Air Force service member, walked into a church in small town Texas clad full of tactical gear, wielding a legally purchased and modified AR-15 semiautomatic rifle, and killed at least twenty-six people in what many, according to witness's accounts, estimated to be fifteen seconds.

This sort of tremendously obscene occurrence is no longer in the realm of uncommon or shocking, or even unbelievable. It's a testament to America. But not America's boundless sense of freedom or flourishing environment of opportunity and prosperity. It's a testament to our politics; our unceasing, relentless party-line divides, our inherent stubbornness towards cooperation or sought-out resolution, our stark inability to unanimously diagnose and cure a problem.

The problem at hand, and the one that has always been at hand, is the issue of gun control. For decades, Democrats on Capitol Hill have been raising awareness to the notion that the United States has placed itself into a very precarious position on the issue of gun control, thanks in part to the Supreme Court.

In 2008, the Supreme Court ruled that the Second Amendment is a right provided to the individual for self-preservation and preservation of the home. The court used this ruling to trickle down its protection to the states in 2010. While gun laws were already in effect at the state level long before these rulings, many states, such as Texas, began the implementation of increasingly lax gun reform following these landmark decisions.

In 2015, Texas's state legislature passed new laws allowing for open carry and concealed carry on college campuses. This year, the legislature voted to decrease the cost of obtaining a gun license from \$140 to \$40. All of this, while refusing to pass laws that would implement background checks or ban high-capacity firearms.

And these laws do nothing to nip the growing concern of gun violence in the bud. In fact, these statutes increase gun ownership. According to the American Journal for Public Health, states with increased gun ownership – like the state of Texas – have disproportionately larger amounts of gun deaths than states with less gun ownership.

Now, this may lead one to ponder over why there is a distinct, noticeable lack of conservative voices on Capitol Hill vocalizing their clear, affirmative support for initiatives like strengthening background checks, doing away with underregulated gun shows, and lessening the



The scene behind the First Baptist Church of Sutherland Springs after the shooting (CNN)

variety of weapons made available to the general public. The answer to these ponderings is the National Rifle Association.

While the NRA released a statement in which they devoted themselves to consider supporting a ban on modifications that allow for semiautomatic weapons to fire at automatic rates, called "bump stocks", they are far from comfortable with cluttering their controversial industry with regulations on firearms that would make it harder for their pockets to be filled with billions of dollars; those dollars which they need in order to bankroll Republican congressional leaders' election campaigns.

Among these leaders is Senator Jon Cornyn, a senior United States Senator from Texas, who has received \$28,750 in campaign contributions from the NRA since his first Senate campaign in 2002, and has since received an A-rating from the organization for his "proven record of support for the Second Amendment." And what a record it is. Since his senatorial tenure began, Cornyn has voted against banning high capacity gun magazines, voted to allow guns onto Amtrak trains and to exempt gun manufacturers from gun-related lawsuits, and has also once cosponsored a bill that would dispatch with gun registration requirements in Washington, D.C. This is only a taste of his gun agenda.

He is not unlike his fellow GOP colleagues in Congress, who receive an aggregate of millions of dollars in campaign funding and praise from the NRA for continuing the push for looser gun laws; gun laws that allow for shootings like the one in Sutherland Springs, Texas to take place.

Meanwhile, Democratic senators, like Connecticut's that stands to save lives

Chris Murphy, are trying to make Congress face gun violence head-on. Senator Murphy issued a statement on Sunday afternoon, putting much-needed, yet redundant pressure on his congressional counterparts, stating that "[my GOP colleagues] need to think about whether the political support of the gun industry is worth the blood that flows endlessly onto the floors of American churches, elementary schools, movie theaters, and city streets."

But his GOP colleagues have already measured that support's worth, and it's apparently worth more than the very present gun hazards regular Americans are forced to endure. At the cost of fifty-eight lives on October 1st and at least twenty-six on November 5th – not to mention the tens of thousands of other gun-related deaths and injuries that have occurred in the United States this year alone – Capitol Hill Republicans like Senator John Cornyn have no wish to do wrong by the gun industry, to whom they have sold their political souls in exchange for moneyfunneling their campaigns.

So they issued their obligatory condolence tweets on Sunday and Monday, laden with "thoughts and prayers" and "senseless tragedy" sentiments. And on Tuesday, they stepped back inside the Senate chamber, with no intention of preventing the next mass shooting from penetrating the guise of safety that Americans love to indulge themselves

Gun control is a serious and poignant subject, yet there are those who see it as nothing more than a peculiar enigma, floating in a space of otherness that is to be left on untouched and untainted by pesky regulation; regulation that stands to save lives

You asked, we answered: another Archie

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Q: I'm currently a Sophomore and I've noticed everyone around me already has internships lined up for the winter/summer. Should I be concerned?

A: When I was a Sophomore, I should have put more time into finding internships. I have always had a full schedule so having anything other than a job on campus during the semester was out of the question for me. However, from what I have seen, the more experience you garner from internships while being a student, the better. Not only do you get to utilize the learnings you had from class but you get real life application of business software, concepts, and what the environment is like in the workforce. I have a friend that got an internship each summer and each internship got more and more profound. So, if you have to accept an unpaid or lackluster internship this time around, your resume is now better suited for the more advanced opportunities that await you later on. Depending on what you study, it is possible that it might be harder or easier for you to find an internship compared to other majors. I feel the most important thing to do is to get your resume in as many hands or databses as possible. Sometimes employers gather them all together and look for keywords within them. With the resources we have on campus, hopefully you can find something. Another option is to continue going to classes over the summer/winter and accumulate more credits so you can graduate earlier or add that secondary concentration so you are a more marketable person going into the labor force. If not, you can still be proactive by applying for the job shadowing program at the Amica center. It is definitely not the same but do what you need to do.

Q: Are there any mottos or values you live by?

A: If I sift through the little over two decades of wisdom I have accumulated, there are a few valuable takeaways. First, take action and responsibility for yourself. There are a lot of external influences out in the world but an individual should realize what their goals are and how to reach them. Once you answer those two questions, detail what needs to be done in order to accomplish those goals. Although I am not a completely organized person, I try to make sure that everything I do is not for naught. Second, you can be really good at something but that does not mean you cannot venture past that. My chemistry teacher back in high school had a voice of an angel, could strum a guitar with fingers as agile as wind chimes, and he knew all about the reactions of different metals when exposed to heat sources. While there may not be a mini Elvis in all of us, there is true potential in everyone to keep improving and develping ourselves outside of our primary competency. Third, enjoy what you do. Of course money is of the essence at times but if all the work you do is just for a monetary value, you miss out on the intrinsic value of fulfilling your dreams. It is easier to show up to work when it does not seem like it is actually work. You cannot avoid all boring and menial work but consider it the sides to your main entrée. Fourth, develop your network with those who will support you as you would support them. I say this in a very professional manner but I really mean to develop strong and lasting relationships with the people who will mutually bolster your spirit and mind. A strong support system of people provides plenty of answers to questions you need to ask or even tests your mind to solve issues you have yet to encounter. All in all, the more friends of virtue you have with you in the end, the more backing you have as you take each step in your life.

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Netflix: a college student's friend or foe

Olivia Sampson Contributing Writer

You just finished your fourth episode in a row of the new Stranger Things season and you look at the clock and somehow it's already 2 a.m. You look on your desk and you have yet to start your history paper that is due in two days or study for that exam you have in the morning, but that cliffhanger forces you into watching just one more episode. Netflix is a major addiction for many college students, myself included. When a new season of a show is released, I believe students tend to abuse the power of streaming the series all at once, which leads to loss of sleep, a decline in your health, and procrastination.



Netflix has become a popular platform for television (Business Insider)

According to a new survey by LendEDU, 92 percent of college students have access to a Netflix account. Students often start by thinking they will just watch one episode after class, yet it eventually turns into three or more episodes. This is called binge-watching. One reason why binge-watching is so easy to do is because of the cliffhangers at the end of each episode. Cliffhangers produce Corticotropin-releasing hormone (CRH), a hormone which releases stress. When we are stressed, our body becomes more alert and we tend to want to stay awake to find out what will happen next instead of going to sleep. Loss of sleep is very damaging to our health and irregular sleep patterns can impact our learning, memory and performance in class. Teachers might take notice, which can have a negative impact on grades and our future careers.

Along with the negative side effects of loss of sleep, watching too much Netflix all at once can hurt our physical and mental health. People who sit in the same place for a significant amount of time are at a higher risk of gaining weight and thus having heart disease. It can also lead to loneliness or depression due to the lack of control of watching a continuous amount of episodes, and the stress of not finishing work and assignments.

Because Netflix series often end in cliffhangers and automatically play the next episode, it is very easy for students to procrastinate on assignments. One of the main reasons why students procrastinate is because they lie to themselves about how much

work they really have and rationalize everything in order to believe that what they are doing is fine. Rationalizing and continuing to watch Netflix leads to assignments being rushed at the last minute and as a result, poor grades. Netflix can be a positive and rewarding tool after a long day of class, but students often take advantage of the fact that you can watch numerous episodes at once and end up bingewatching, which takes up time which could be spent doing something productive.

While there are many negative effects to watching Netflix, it can also be used in a positive way. Some tips on how to avoid binge-watching are to first, use it as a reward after doing something productive. For example, if you write a page of your paper, you could reward yourself by watching an episode of a show, but just one episode. A way to make this easier is to turn off the auto-play option. This will give you more control over the situation and cause you to make a decision, instead of the streaming service making one for you. You should also try to avoid watching Netflix right before bed. Watching Netflix before bed will cut into your sleep time due to the temptation to continue to

In addition, Netflix is a way for college students to connect to each other. Many people watch similar shows so it can start a conversation with other fans of the same shows. It is also an easy way to debrief after a long day of school and work. According to Gretchen Rubin's "The Happiness Project", Netflix can bring us literal happiness. Not only is it enjoyable to watch television, but a study shows that the bright lights on the screen increase levels of serotonin in our brains, which gives us a feeling of joy.

Ultimately, nine out of ten college students watch Netflix so it plays a significant and influential role in our daily lives. Students should not indulge in it but use it in moderation which will lessen the negative consequences. I feel much enjoyment as I am watching the new season of Stranger Things, but I always regret it during my 8 a.m. the next morning when I only got 4 hours of sleep. Time management in college can be hard, especially when shows can be so addicting and mom and dad aren't there to tell you to turn it off, but students must learn to not misuse it. If used properly, Netflix can have a positive impact and can teach you self-discipline, leading to success in the long run.



"The Office", a hilarious series on Netflix (Netflix)

MyPath is here to help you find your path

Elana Williams-Leonard **Business Copy Editor**

Are you unsure about what you'd like to major, minor, or concentrate in? Do you need advice about a career path that best suits you? Are you struggling between different areas of study and unsure which route to take? Are you stressed about all of these big, defining decisions? Well, if this sounds like you, MyPath is here to help.

MyPath is a partnership between the Amica Center and the Undergraduate Advising office that supports and assists Exploratory (undecided) students on their journey of discovering their interests and what fields of study they would like to pursue. Their mission is "to assist students in finding their path and declaring the major/concentration/minor that is right for them!" To do this, experienced MyPath student mentors help with this process. There are MyPath mentors for almost every major and minor you could think of. From Finance to Sports Studies, and Biology to Literary and Cultural Studies, these student mentors support students just like you in figuring out their passions and making decisions that will largely benefit them in the future. One of the best parts about this program is that all of the mentors are upperclassmen, so they have the inside scoop on Professors' teaching styles, interesting classes, helpful resources, and just about anything else you could think of.

Making decisions about your future can be tough, but the MyPath mentors truly want to see you succeed. There are other



A recent photo of some of the friendly faces in the MyPath program (Douglas Hillis)

resources that MyPath provides if you are unsure about meeting one on one with a mentor. There is an event called Painting My Pathway coming up on November 13th in Hall 14, November 14th in Hall 16, and November 15th in Hall 15 at 7pm each night. This is where you can enjoy and create art while also meeting some of the MyPath mentors and hearing about what resources they utilized at Bryant to assist them in their own decision making process. Everyone is welcome!

Along with many other helpful events the program manages on campus, MyPath they make regarding their future. Maybe you're interested in Management, but a Marketing class you're in this semester is really calling your name. Maybe you feel pressured to major in Business due to Bryant's reputation, but are unaware that so many students are Arts and Science majors and have just as much success in the future. Whatever the case may be, MyPath is an outlet for students like you who are hesitant about what studies to commit to in the future and need a guiding hand in this process. It is perfectly fine to struggle

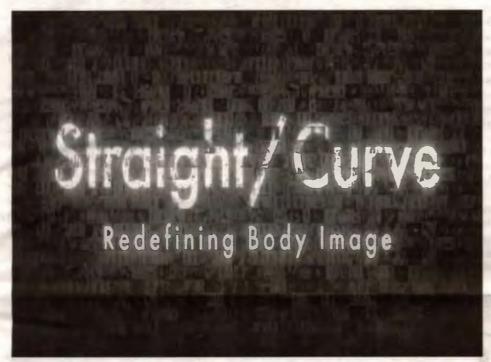
wants to see students about the decisions with figuring out what you want to study in college, as it is a very serious decision that requires a good chunk of time and thought to determine. In fact, most people are considered Exploratory when entering college, so you are not alone. MyPath is focused on student progression and success. If you need advice, feel free to reach out to the Academic Advising Office or the Amica Center for Student Success and they can refer you to a mentor that will make your decision-making process easier and more efficient.

Variety

Film screening encourages students to discuss and challenge body image

Lauren Malone Social Media Chair

Monday night the Communication Department in partnership with the Women's Center and Residence Life kicked off Media Literacy week by screening the documentary Straight/Curve Redefining Body Image. This year marks the 3rd annual Media Literacy week in the U.S. The point of the week being to educate people on the importance of being media literate in the world we live in today. The media surrounds us everywhere we go and are almost impossible to avoid which makes media literacy, "the ability to access, analyze, evaluate, communicate and create using all forms of media," a critical skill. It is important to properly understand how the media operate and the effect the agenda they put forward is having on us and the documentary screened in Bello on Monday made an effort to do just this.



The film challenges the idea of "the perfect body type" while encouraging a more open discussion (PBS)

The film Straight/Curve takes a look at the standards media are setting as the "perfect body type" and the drastic effect it is having on women and how beautiful they feel. The film opened with a series of interviews with pretty and healthy looking teenage girls. As I watched the girls on the screen and heard what they were saying about themselves, I was immediately saddened by it. These girls were so critical of themselves and how they looked, some even called themselves ugly. These interviews were followed by a sign shot in a school gym where students were asked to look at magazines and point out what society defined as beautiful versus images of models they felt they could identify with. Barely any of the students in the gym felt they were represented in the pages of these magazines and this is the issue that is leading people to feel disgusted with their own

This documentary originated with the Straight/ Curve project that a photographer created because she was tired of the stereotypes and guidelines out there to define whether or not a women was beautiful. She gathered a group of models of all different ages, races, and body types and decided to photograph them all together. As the film goes on, viewers get to hear testimonials from some of the models and what their experience has been in fashion industry. It was heartbreaking for me to hear that some of the skinniest girls in the group were getting pressure from the industry to lose weight because they were seen as "fat" by media standards. One of the girls was even harassed by people online and called disgusting because Aerie posted a picture of her where they refused to retouch her stomach. Another model in the group, who was also a mother, had her ten-yearold daughter inform all the other women modeling for the project that girls at school were telling her she was fat, proving that body shaming in this country is starting at a drastically young age.

The fact of the matter is that no person, male or female, should feel as confined to one standard of beauty and no one should feel disgusted by the number they see when they step on a scale. Our society's beliefs regarding weight as a determining factor of beauty is detrimental to our health and is creating an epidemic. The number of U.S. citizens battling depression and eating disorders is increasing tremendously and will continue to be on the rise until we do something about it. One of the models in the film pointed out that the media will keep using only incredibly thin models and retouching them until they are unrecognizable unless we start speaking out against it.

After the screening, film watchers got to here from a panel of Bryant faculty, staff, and students about their opinions on the documentary. Each panelist made important points about what they liked about the movie, what they felt was missing, and how they have experienced issues with body image in their own lives. While I agreed with everything that was said by these panelists, I think the most important takeaway from this viewing and discussion was that the documentary was a good start, but we cannot let the discussion end here. We need to keep bringing up how important the issue of body image is. This discussion cannot be over until eating disorders and depression in this country are decreasing, when we finally stop using the term "plus size model," when women and men of all ages and races can see themselves in a positive light, and when the media stop telling us that anyone who is not a size 0 is unworthy of being called beautiful.

"Thor: Ragnarok" represents the triumphant return of the MCU

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Coming in exactly four months after the fun reboot of "Spider-Man Homecoming," director Taika Watiti's "Thor: Ragnarok," puts the god of thunder back into the spotlight in a fun-filled adventure epic. Knowing that this is the Marvel Cinematic Universe's 17th film, you can expect to see the full greatness provided with this hero nd those that work around him. Is it any good? That question may be warranted after the first two films were passable at best, but it will get thrown out the window for most of you when you see this film.

For starters, it puts our hero, Thor, played by Chris Hemsworth, in a more grounded state. In light of events, he discovers that someone known as the goddess of death, Hela, played by Cate Blanchett, is returning and seeking the opportunity to reclaim his home of Asgard for herself. She even destroys his trusty hammer sending him hurdling into the vacuum of space. He then ends up meeting the incredible Hulk, played by Mark Ruffalo, in a gladiator-style match filled with laughs and action. Along for the ride as well are Loki, played by Tom Hiddleston, and a few more new characters such as Valkyrie, played by Tessa Thompson, and Grandmaster, played by Jeff.

The acting in this movie is fantastic, to the point where Watiti has said that about 80% of it was improvised for the better of the actors. While the action is always a nice touch, there are certain visuals in this film that are a spectacle to see on the big screen. To top it off, the comedy of the film is fantastic as well. There are more hits than misses in terms of jokes, but the key aspect is that it has helped to give us the Thor film we were waiting for. It is



Thor, portrayed by Chris Hemsworth (left), faces off in the arena against fellow Avenger, Hulk, who is portrayed by Mark Ruffalo (right) (FlickeringMyth)

by no means without its flaws in certain aspects, but it films have never been your cup of tea in the MCU, give does give the viewer an epic journey to see Thor attempt to overcome what is known as Ragnarok. Even if the Thor

this one a chance. It could even Ragna-rock your world!

Battle of the watches - Apple or Fitbit

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As Black Friday fast approaches, one of the most sold products will be wearable technology. Because of this, you may want to find out ahead of time whether the Apple Watch or the Fitbit is right for you. Just recently, Apple released the Apple Watch Series 3, and Fitbit released the Fitbit Ionic. That being said, you can expect stock of both to run out fairly quickly in stores once the big day arrives. You don't want to be stuck trying to make up your mind on that day.

Let's start with pricing. The Ionic is selling at a set price of \$299 while the Series 3 has various different models starting at \$329. Furthermore, there are different sized screens and bands for the Series 3 which can affect the pricing, but for now, we will stay on topic with what you actually get out of these watches. For relatively the same price, both are going to impress the user without any doubt. The question remains: what particularly are you looking for in a watch?

The design of both watches is relatively the same. They have square-like screens that are fully customizable according to your liking. The Series 3 offers more choices for the band colors and type, and has options optimized for fighting off sweat when you are working out. The Nike Plus version of the Series 3 offers a more workout friendly experience, similar to the Fitbit. For those who just can't get away from Apple products, and want a workout friendly watch, choose the Nike Plus edition.

Apples edition is focused on acting as a smartwatch to support your iPhone. If you decide to buy the Series 3 with cellular connectivity, it basically puts your phone on your wrist. You can leave your house without the need to carry a phone. You will be able to answer phone calls, reply to texts, and see just about every other notification you need. Fitbit does not offer the ability to answer texts or calls due to the fact that there is no microphone in their devices, but you are still able to see notifications. This is something they may strive to incorporate in future editions.

On the other hand, Fitbit is definitely oriented as a fitness watch. The Fitbit does have a lot more options when it comes to tracking workouts than its competition. Apple seems to be lacking some very popular exercises



Series 3 offers a unique smartwatch interface that is designed for everyday use (Wareable)

for workouts as compared to the Fitbit. Some claim the Fitbit is also more accurate in its calorie burning count. No matter which you choose, both also have built in GPS monitoring, built-in heart rate monitoring, and the ability to track your sleep. Fitbit is able to be used not only with iPhone, but with Samsung, and just about any other smartphone out there. Apple Watches are made specifically to work with iOS devices alone.

In terms of features and benefits, both offer smartphone apps that allow you to track things including but not limited to caloric intake, water intake, sleeping patterns, workouts, steps taken throughout the day, and resting and active heartrate. There are many similarities amongst these two watches. The latest models of both are water resistant up to 50 meters and may be used in swimming pools. Additionally, only the Apple Watch is able to go in the ocean, so this may either be a plus or a setback towards which you are aiming towards. If you tend to go on a lot of vacations, and love the beach, the Apple Watch is more user-friendly for that. However, don't expect these watches to be fully waterproof. Apple does say that their watch should not be used in extreme activities such as scuba diving and water skiing.

And now, both watches offer their own payment method in select stores (Fitbit Pay and Apple Pay). Instead

of having to carry around your wallet on a morning run to a convenience store, just strap on your Fitbit or Apple Watch. Having to carry around a phone, wallet, and keys can be annoying enough as it is. This way, you will not have to worry about keeping an eye on your wallet, just on your watch!

Now the next big issue (as with any technological device) is battery life. This might be a huge game changer. Apple rates the Series 3 with an 18-hour battery life, but some users claim theirs have lasted up to two days, or longer. And of course, this varies with the model you choose, especially if the LTE version is what you decide to buy. While this does not seem enticing, it is definitely an improvement from their previous generation watches. The Ionic is more than double what Apple claims the battery life is for the Series 3. You can get over four days of battery out of Ionic. That is one powerful battery, and it is primarily due to the lack of applications you are able

A cool feature of the Fitbit is that it offers silent alarms to wake you up in the morning, or to remind you to do things throughout the day. Instead of hearing an annoying and loud alarm every morning, the Fitbit gives you the option to alert you with a vibration on your wrist to avoid any unnecessary noise in the morning. With the Apple Watch, you are able to access the same alarms as you can on the iPhone, only now you won't have to reach for your phone in the morning to turn it off. It will be right on your wrist for convenience. Both companies are all about convenience, they just have their own way of incorporating it.

So overall, the Apple Watch Series 3 definitely stands out as a stylish smartwatch with a lot more features, while the Fitbit is more oriented towards only fitness. Both are meant to improve your overall lifestyle, so, at the end of the day, the choice is up to you. You will for sure get more bang for your buck if you choose to buy the Series 3 from Apple. However, if you are only interested in tracking fitness and nutrition, then go with Fitbit. The deals are a go in exactly 15 days. Just remember they may sell out fast. Many are likely to be camping out a day in advance for their new wrist companion. Secure your spot in line to ensure you get what you want!

Poetry Corner

"Testing" by The Cura

Testing, testing, oh how I hate thee, For you are indeed, so very crappy Why must you give me 5 C's in a row? To confuse me? To use me? I really don't know You make me second guess Which makes me tolerate you less Your bubbles do not form a pattern Just an unorganized splatter Your questions do not make sense Because you don't use the correct verb tense And hey, you, over there, Stop chewing your mint I'm giving you the death glare Is that too subtle a hint? Testing, testing, oh how I hate thee, For it is when I'm with you That I most have to pee. Testing, oh testing, please come to an end For then I will have one less thing to resent

"since feeling is first" by e.e. cummings

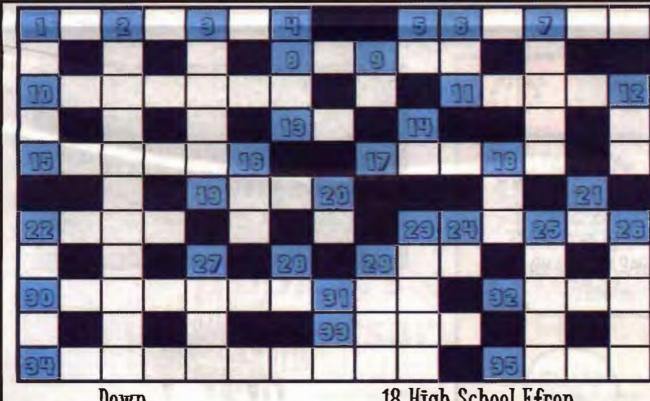
since feeling is first
who pays any attention
to the syntax of things
will never wholly kiss you;
wholly to be a fool
while Spring is in the world

my blood approves,
and kisses are a better fate
than wisdom
lady i swear by all flowers. Don't cry
—the best gesture of my brain is less than
your eyelids' flutter which says

we are for each other: then laugh, leaning back in my arms for life's not a paragraph

And death i think is no parenthesis

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7 Buzzie, Flaps, Dizzie, and

9 Why don't you, right 12 Paint those roses_I

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16 Aladdin's monkey

18 High School Efron

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31 Prince__ song

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1 _Bear

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8 _The Sea

10 Timon is one

11 Mr. Balthazar

13 See 5 down

15 _Be like you (1.5)

17 1928's short Plane.

19 Little's Mallard

22 Oliver's female dog friend

23 M-0-0-S-E

29 Cheshire

30 Incredible girl (6.4)

32 Simba's bird

33 Stock and Barrell

34 Pixar director (3,7)

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