A night of community support

After 18 hours at the track, the Bryant community reached the goals of this year’s Relay for Life event on Friday April 20.

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and
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On Friday, April 20, Bryant held its 5th annual Relay for Life. Relay for life is an 18-24 hour event to raise money and awareness for cancer research. In 2007, more than 200 Relays will be held in the New England area. Teams, comprised of 10 or more members, are supposed to have one member walking on the track at all times. Relay for life is a time to celebrate life and remember those whose lives have been lost due to cancer.

The event took place at the track from 4:00 pm on Friday until 10:00 am on Saturday. 2007 was a record year for Bryant’s Relay for Life fundraising event, with 50 registered teams and more than $56,000 raised online alone. The dedicated committee put lots of time and hard work into planning this year’s event. They organized the fund, ceremonies, and all the activities in order to create a fun and wel­
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Changes are upon us: New residence hall, Salmo expansion, and chapel

By Lauren Cimino
Editor-in-Chief

As the tallest construction project, both on campus and in the town of Smithfield, comes to a close this summer, don’t expect to miss the sounds of trucks arriving early in the morning, jackhammers to wake you up, and the constant hum of generators buzzing in the afternoon.

The new residence hall, currently nameless, is on schedule to finish construction in July and be ready to open in September for the 187 residents anticipating move-in day. The five-story building includes a large common area on the main floor along with a reservable meeting room, Resident Director apartment, and a food service provider to replace The Junction. Ronzios has been selected to manage the hall’s food service, a cafe, which will have a similar menu and hours comparable to that of Junction. Also like Junction, it won’t accept dining dollars or points as payment for purchases. Ronzios has managed similar operations at other schools and has received positive responses.

The lobby of the building is divided between the common and residential areas; only residents of the building will have access to the living area. Ample seating for the cafe will be inside and outside on the south side of the building.

Each floor has a study and social lounge and access to an elevator, three stairwells, and trash chute. The suites have larger bedrooms with furniture similar to that in the renovated suites; the room size allows the possibility of turning them into triples in the future. The bathrooms include two showers, two toilets, and two sinks.

The rest of the suite village, Halls 10-13, will be renovated over the summer as well with furniture and lighting similar to the other renovated suites. These halls will also be upgraded with an extensive sprinkler system.

Within the village, the basketball and volleyball courts will be rebuilt. The basketball court will sit outside of Hall 11 between the paths leading from Halls 14 and 15. The volleyball court will sit in between the residence halls, but closest to Halls 3 and 4. Both courts will have a shield of shrubs to decrease noise and no lights so as to not disrupt residents living in the area.

The anticipated Salmonson addition will start immediately following commencement ceremonies in May and is expected to be completed by the end of October. It will go on the west side of the Unsuctr-
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The Salmanson expansion, pictured above, will double the serving area and add 150 seats.

The expansion substantially increases the cost of the renovations in excess of $10 million with additional costs of $2 million to install fire codes and pipes. The high cost of the school is petitioning the state to ask for ten years to comply to the fire codes by upgrading 30,000 square feet per year. The final project in the works is the controversial addition, which is expected to be completed by summer 2008. The chapel is expected to replace part of the current building.

The University of Senior Academic Administrators, to the great encouragement from the Economics Department chair, Professor Sam Mirmirani, and many others, especially one that creates a great evening for walking and running on the track, as well as transforming the field into a variety of sports games and activities.

The event started off with the ‘30s and ’40s musical, performing survivors held the Relay flag and completed one full lap. The Relays, where there was a lap in site of the spring, were an inspirational presentation of Luminaries. President MacEachy, Kate MacEachy and Dr. and Mrs. Eakin came out to give support to the crowd and to participate in the ceremonies. Keri Sawyer, a member of the class of 2008, gave a tribute to her brother Chris Sawyer, who passed away last year.

The Relay event sparked a lot of attention among the participants. At any point in time, students could be seen walking, running, and even playing cards for people currently participating in a round of guitar hero. The tent was also heated and a variety of music throughout the evening to provide entertainment for the participants from making cards for people currently suffering from cancer, to a machine that showed damaged areas of skin on your face. Participants were utilizing the activity tent to create sand art structures, play board games, or even participate in a round of guitar hero. The tent was also heated and a variety of music throughout the evening to provide entertainment for the participants.

Overall, this year’s Relay for Life was a huge success and collectively, the Bryant community has achieved a wonderful cause. The Relay for Life was a huge success and collectively, the Bryant community has achieved a wonderful cause.
Hillel honors the past

By Greg Hirshorn
Variety Editor

This past Wednesday April 18th the Holocaust Memorial Day ceremony took place on campus. The ceremony touched people in attendance for the special event. Speaker David Brandt told his private emotional story about how he got through the holocaust.

Before the ceremony there was a moving presentation on display which showed pictures of death camps from the holocaust. This presentation put the enormity of the event in perspective due to all of the moving and sometimes even gruesome images displayed.

The event began with speakers from the Hillel e-board giving short speeches to introduce the event about to take place. A short video presentation was shown with footage of survivors telling their stories and some of the traumatic experiences that they had to endure during the holocaust.

Rev. Daye came up to the podium and had some very beautiful and touching words to say that everyone appreciated. The presentation he gave included slides from his trip to death camps in Europe and the memories that he has from his time there. Rabbi Goodman then came up to speak and he added his perspective on the holocaust and introduced the speaker by giving him some

What can you do to end the silence?

By Kim Cole
Staff Writer

These understand my reasons for not speaking today. I support lesbian, gay bisexual, and transgender rights. People who are silent today believe that love is love, regardless of sexual orientation. All of us are in the same boat, just in a different body. Let it be known that we are in love.

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**Organization Spotlight:**

**Bryant Pride**

**Full name:** Bryant Pride

**Eboard:**
President - Sam Schultz
Vice President - Anthony Sorbera
Treasurer - Jenna Coates
Secretary - Lynn Bartomeo

**Meeting times:** Tuesdays at 6pm, 3rd floor Bryant Center

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Study Abroad Spotlight: 
London, England

Name: Jenna Heslin
Class of: '08
University: University of Westminster
Location: London, England
Partner: Arcadia
Semester Abroad: Fall '06
Duration: September 10 - December 9

Reason for going:
I’ve always wanted to travel, especially to London, and I couldn’t pass up an opportunity to spend a whole semester abroad.

Best experience/memory:
I can’t label any memory as “the best” because the whole experience overall was one of the best I’ve ever had. Being able to travel to seven different countries and engaging the lifestyle of the English was always an adventure. I also enjoyed being able to visit Ireland where my best friend was studying abroad.

Funny cultural experience:
My friend and I were in Paris, France, and neither of us knew how to speak any French. We were at the Arc de Triomphe and the fog was so heavy that we couldn’t even see the Eiffel Tower. We decided to ask a police officer what direction the Eiffel Tower was in. After getting a response in broken English, we thanked the man by saying, “Si, Gracias!”

How was the school different from Bryant University?
Living in London was the most dramatic change from being away from Bryant. Having only four classes a week (one per day), was very different and allowed us to have a lot of free time to travel and to explore the city. Having to commute almost an hour to get to our classes was something none of us were used to. In addition, taking a bus and the tube during high traffic hours was sometimes challenging.

How did this experience change you?
The experience of studying and living abroad definitely changed me for the best. It allowed me to be more open to different cultures. I also met some friends that will be my friends forever, and I learned a lot about the English culture and history. Having to be independent and away from the comfort of home was a tough transition, but it forced me to experience as much as I could in the short four months I had to live in England.

Would you study abroad again given the opportunity?
I had the chance to study abroad again; I would leave in a moment! I am definitely going to study abroad again in a second! Perhaps next time I will go somewhere with less rain and more sun!

How did this experience change you?
After living in a different country by myself, without the comfort of familiar things, I have become a much more independent and confident person.

Would you study abroad again given the opportunity?
Yes, I would study abroad again in a second! Perhaps next time I will go somewhere with less rain and more sun!
Women’s tennis wins fourth straight Northeast-10 title

By Stephen Demers
Sports Editor

The Bryant women’s tennis team battled all season long and it paid off. Last weekend they won their fourth straight NE-10 Conference tournament championship.

Finishing the regular season with an 11-1 conference record, the Bulldogs entered the tournament as the No. 3 seed. In the quarterfinals they faced sixth seeded Saint Anselm. In their final home match, seniors Sacha Solomon and Annette Jervasi won their doubles match 8-4. Solomon also dominated her singles match, winning 6-4, 6-1. Michelle Burke won her singles match to close out the contest and give the Bulldogs a 5-0 win.

The semifinals featured Bryant taking on the No. 2 seed Bentley. Jervasi posted the deciding point in the match for Bryant. She posted a three-set win at number two singles. Fellow senior Solomon added a straight set win at number one singles and teamed up with Jervasi for an 8-1 triumph at number one doubles for Bryant. The Bulldogs also received a straight set win at number five singles from senior Lauren Mullen, as well as an 8-6 victory at the number three doubles spot from sophomore Shea Crosby and freshman Kristen Swanson.

Knocking off the No. 2 seed Bentley set up a title match against No. 1 seed Saint Michael’s. During the fall season the Bulldogs knocked off the Purple Knights 6-3, but nothing can be taken for granted in the playoffs. The Bulldogs had to rally from a 2-1 deficit after doubles played opened the match. Solomon cruised to a 6-0, 6-2 win over Cara Bednar at No. 1 singles while Burke and Swanson each came up big with wins at No. 3 and No. 4 singles, respectively. Just like last year, however, the champion match came down to No. 5 singles.

Mullen came through, bouncing back from a 6-3 first set loss to defeat Megan Conway 6-2 and 6-1 to clinch the title for the Bulldogs.

By David Nelligan
Staff Writer

The Bryant men’s rugby club played in the largest collegiate rugby tournament in the nation this past weekend, the Beast of the East, down in Portsmouth, R.I. The team played three games against Western Connecticut, Southern Vermont, and Castleton and came out with a 1-2 record. The record, however, did not reflect the effort and good play Bryant put forth in the tournament.

In the first game the Bulldogs faced Western Connecticut in a hard fought battle. Bryant’s forwards showed a lot of power, pushing around Western’s front pack, but the power running of Western Connecticut’s backs put in a try for blue. Bryant would eventually fight back, scoring two tries by Captain RJ Miles and fly-half Zach Glynn. That would end the scoring for black and allow Western Connecticut to continue their lead and eventually capture the win.

The Bulldogs had a much better showing later in the day against Southern Vermont. Black put up 21 points in shutting out SV for their only win of the tournament. With tries by President Tom Banks, Mike Masciana, and another by Zach Glynn, and great plays by both the forwards and backs, Bryant was able to win the play throughout the game.

Bryant’s third and final game came against Castlet-
Nicole Rodzik also had a record breaking weekend. She broke a 23 year-old school record by 32 seconds, finishing the 5000-meet in 16:21.97. In the field events, Jessica Guarra and Amber Torey have both been strong in the discuss throw. It has been a challenge for Coach Hillery to manage such a large roster. Other than football, the track and field roster of 66 student-athletes is the largest on campus for men and women. As the season progresses, however, she has been able to give every individual all attention to each student-athlete.

"As time has gone by, I feel I have gotten to know every kid's strengths and weaknesses and we have good laughs together. The meets are very long, but that is when you get to know the kids and you can sit and chat with them on the bus," she said.

Coach Hillery also praises assistant coach Rick Brown, who has helped guide her and has also done an excellent job coaching the sprinters and hurdlers. "The energy and enthusiasm that he brings to the team is great. He is so knowledgeable of how to get these kids to run quickly," she said. Brown is joined by first year assistant coach Stephanie Reilly, who helps the distance runners and throwers. The program faces the heart of their schedule over the course of the next few weeks. They will participate in the Brown Invitational this Sunday and then next weekend they travel to UMass-Lowell for the NE-10 Championships. The majority of the team has qualified for the NE-10's and Coach Hillery has already set her expectations for the meet. "I am looking to be on pace with Stonehill. I think we have the ability to beat Stonehill and bring home the trophy," she said.

Under the guidance of a strong coaching staff, the standard for Bryant's track and field program will only continue to improve into the future.
Waters Way: Bryant Bulldogs, pounding the competition

When you take a look at the Bryant Athletics website, which for those of you who do not know is www.bryantbulldogs.com, you will notice the absolute dominance of Bryant's men's and women's teams. Last year was a tough year for the Bulldogs, who unfortunately finished a very close second in the President's Cup race, which is awarded to the top overall athletic program in the Northeast 10 conference. I might add that the NE-10 is one of the top Division II conferences in the country. Before last year, Bryant had won the award twice in a row and was burned by the fact we had lost our reign.

One of the goals this year, from the Athletic Director Bill Smith down to the individual athletes, was to reclaim the President's Cup. So with vengeance, Bryant Athletics came out swinging in the fall and showed everyone we were here to play and were serious about getting our trophy back. The third team all put in great efforts and proved they were ready to start us off on the right foot. We sent our first cross country runner in three years, Nicole Radzik, to nationals and both the men's and women's cross country teams saw many personal bests throughout the year.

Field hockey had a turn around year and saw great performances by all the girls on the team. They played well enough to make it to the Quarterfinals of the NE-10 tournament, something many doubters could not see happening, but the Bryant faithful believed they could.

Football hands down had the best year in its existence here at Bryant. They shared the NE-10 Conference title, which again placed them among the top of the elite competition in the NE-10

Moving to the winter sports, Bryant was looking extremely confident in their ability to make it known we wanted our cup back. Men's basketball finished a strong 4th place in the NE-10 with a 21-11 overall record, including a 14-8 conference record. They were even able to give Bentley, who had an undeated regular season record, a run for their money and showed everyone men's basketball is another force to recognize.

Women's basketball had an amazing year, proving to everyone that they were a team to compete with, and anyone who took them lightly usually ended up leaving with a loss. Bryant finished with an 18-10 overall record, 14-8 in-conference, good enough for 7th overall. Swimming, though still a new team on the campus, showed they too are a serious competitor with the men finishing in 5th place and the women finishing in 6th.

This led right into the spring sports where, as of right now, Bryant is pulling away from its competition, showing everyone who Bryant is and that we are not messing around. Baseball has a conference record of 16-7 right now and seems like serious contenders. Softball posts a 16-6 record right now and do not look like they are missing a beat and are truly starting to heat up.

Men's and women's track & field have seen another phenomenal year, with numerous records being broken and look to compete with some of the best in the conference. Women's tennis has already won another NE-10 Title, concluding another superb year for them, and men's tennis looks to be a factor in their playoffs, which begin Tuesday.

Women's lacrosse has been playing solid this year and along with all other spring sports will be dangerous down the stretch. Men's lacrosse has posted a perfect NE-10 record as of right now and are ranked 4th in the entire nation. They appear to be serious contenders for the National Title.

So taking a step back, Bryant is looking pretty good as far as their position. Each season has proven to only get better, bringing us closer to what is rightfully ours, the President's Cup. If things continue as they are and we work this hard for the rest of the season, we will bring that cup back, so make sure you get out and support Bryant Athletics. Go Bulldogs!
Does ‘PhD’ truly equate to ‘academically qualified’?

By Kimberly Cole
Staff Writer

Most incoming students to Bryant read the pledge on the university’s website: “98 percent of Bryant’s full-time faculty hold Ph.Ds or the highest degree in their field of expertise.” Many of you may also have heard about the University’s recent pressure on faculty members to obtain the highest degrees in their fields (if they do not already). Several of these efforts have been made to replace Ph.Ds with the push to hire new faculty members who already have these qualifications.

It may be easy to dismiss these efforts as a forced administration, assuming that only two percent of faculty could be considered academically qualified. However, evidence shows that the Ph.D has the highest degree possible for a professor. According to the website, 98 percent of full-time faculty members have the Ph.D.

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If professors with Ph.Ds are so more expensive to the University than those without their doctorates, what is the problem with Bryant enrolling so many professors with Ph.Ds? The name of the game is accreditation.

Among many other accreditation, Bryant is accredited by AACSB International, a prestigious business title. According to their website, AACSB International is an accreditation that “assures quality and continuous improvement in undergraduate and graduate education for business administration and accounting.” One way that this is achieved is by requiring more than fifty percent of faculty resources to be academically qualified.

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The Daley Soap Box: There is never an excuse for racism

By Ryan P. Daley
Opinion Editor

In the wake of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks, Arabs, Muslims, Hindus, and anyone else with a brown complexion became the victims of racial stereotyping and even physical attack. Racial profiling is certainly nothing new and stereotyping is as old as civilization itself. With all of the progress we have made as a society, it seems we come to see and hear about the fallout from Cho Seung-Hui’s rampage at Virginia Tech.

It has been two years to the month, when the Korean community of Los Angeles was subjected to a devastating and unprovoked attack, by a family graduate degree in taxation (or two graduate degrees, on law and one in accounting). Second, a faculty member has to be considered academically qualified if he or she has done “specialized work” in the field in which the individual teaches and has a doctoral degree or equivalent professional work in their area of expertise. But is this truly a concern for the overall academically qualified faculty?

The xenophobic cretins at the Vanguard News network even went as far as to produce a video slide show of the victims and Cho parading weapons, with slogans like “U.S. Constitution secures the Blessings of Liberty to our offspring and to our POSTERITY.”

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Our country is full of hypocrites! The racists who discriminate and encourage this garbage are so blind that they don’t realize they are the primary reason for the ethnic tension in our country which breeds this violence. Their intolerance and provocation are the foremost cause of backlash similar to what Virginia Tech experienced. Isn’t it true that if we don’t fight fire with gasoline. What else is sad is how many people look at and ignore what is going on in the rest of the world. More than 650,000 Iraqis have been murdered since the U.S.-led occupation began there four years ago. More than 200,000 are dead in the ongoing genocide in Darfur. Nearly the same number of brave American soldiers were killed in Iraq that same week alone. Most of these atrocities do not quite hit as close to home as the loss at Virginia Tech, however, there are still people and this is their reality every day. It’s time we question ourselves - what are we coming to as a society?

I’m not justifying what happened in any way or form; I’m just asking our society to come to grips with the ignorance of those who are born with a positively stereotypical based on the actions of one man. Yes, what happened was a terrible but there’s no need for racial prejudice to worsen the situation. The perpetrator was Korean. This act was going to be their first and their far-right folly when Timothy McVeigh, or Ted Kaczynski, or anyone else blown his own head off.

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Kennedy Uncensored: Bordering on insanity

By Brian S. Kennedy
Assistant Opinion Editor

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primarily a collection of cor­rupt, backwaters governments that are perfectly content with the fact their primary export is their own citizens and political exiles. So you think I’m insensitive? If these holies are so beautiful, “peaceful” and simple, live them like that.

Don’t be like these airhead celebrities on MTV that fly around in jets talking about the beauty of local cultures and how they’re just like us before packing up and head­ing back to the Big Apple, limousines, heated pools, and pimped rides. I am sure the local culture will go away when they’re gone; even if after one season; reaching fifteen into one season after another. America is an awesome place to live – why do you think we have people rushing over from the millions and beating down the borders?

Just to clarify, when I say “Third World”, I mean Third World in the sense of the status level. Some countries, like Poland and the Baltic States, are developing their economy more thoroughly and are a lot like the West in a number of ways.

Venezuela, on the other hand, is dictator-run police states living off their oil stockpile and are of judgment on good old Vlad in Russia for anything. Venezuela’s bullying any popularity contests – something about an iron fist on all.

Illegal immigrants aren’t Stupid people on any other language. It is foolish to believe a 17-40 year old that has been brought them over the border is mentally deficient. They may be highly educated, they may speak English.

Simon Says: What About Same Sex Marriage: Another view

By Toby Simon

Recently a columnist in The Arrow wrote a heavy handed piece on same sex marriage in what I refer to as “the gay community”. The author, Professor Judy McDonnell. And she has expertized with this.

TS: I’m wondering if I might ask you for your reaction to a recent Arrow column which was incredibly negative on the subject of same sex marriage.

JM: First, I just want to go on record as saying that al­though I often disagree vehemently on a regular basis with one or more of your fellow columnists, I have always and will continue to believe that a college’s student newspaper should offer a variety of per­spections. A variety of people should be aloud to express. My belief is based in part on freedom of speech (which is not a per­spect, but a freedom of texts) and freedom of press, but I disagree with the idea that an educational insti­tution should provide a vari­ety of perspectives. A critical thinking and the de­velopment of world views.

School newspapers can be one of those opportunities. That said, I am disheartened by the mean-spirited tone of some of the columns and it pains me to think that some students, for example, members of Bryant Pride and the cast of the Vagina Monologues for their hurt personally by some of the comments. As a matter of fact, the rebuttal to some of the “heavy-handed pieces” is exactly the way to cross over interesting and impor­tant.

TS: Can you tell us why you think it’s important for couples of the same sex be allowed to get married?

JM: For the past fourteen years, Wendy Baker. What prompted you both to do the same thing?

TS: You recently got mar­ried and that was almost fourteen years, Wendy Baker. What prompted you both to do the same thing?

JM: Fourteen years of being in love, being sup­ported by amazing families and friends, and because finally we could so we did it for us and for everyone we love and who loves us. So really whatever happens to the same law is a matter of social justice, I say you could not find someone better that I am. I think of that being the only thing that prompts most couples to get married. Love and commitment.

TS: Now that you are a married couple and the marriage is changed for you? Has your relationship changed with Wendy changed at all?

JM: Yes in a couple of ways. For example, yes, and that I speak out about being marginalized is a form of political action at the State­house or letters to the Prov­ing the campus climate for gbt students and their al­lies requires our ongoing ef­forts.

JM: You already described it. It is a process. One is never out of the cycle. An important aspect is that each person has to decide he or herself. And I would have had a relatively easy time going to a single incre­dible family, as does Wendy, and we have great friends and colleagues. But I still slip, I keep coming, so to speak, has my eyes on you but I don’t say how many.

TS: Thank you so much for all of your thoughts. I look forward to seeing this campus who are gay, lesbian, bisexual or heterosexual.

JM: The climate gets better all the time. Just as an exam­ple, as you know, there were many Bryant community peo­ple at our wedding and the congratulations continue to come in. Also, students and colleagues are generally quite supportive of Bryant Pride. However, much more work to do. All of us still hear much of a word “gay” as an insult yelled in the hallways. Despite the wonderful care, the Arrow, columns that criti­cizes the administration, who gbt student population work against the idea of an in­clusive community. But social justice issues require a life­time. You too, for and im­proving the campus climate for gbt students and their al­lies requires our ongoing ef­forts.

JM: You’re welcome. And thank you for all your years of hard work.
Did you get my e-mail? No! My inbox was full. So it's nice to see graduating seniors are getting new alumni addresses with TWO GIGABYTES of space while we're stuck with close to 25 megabytes. Thanks, Bryant IT. We sincerely appreciate the neas ketball court going in outside our pathway having disappeared overnight! The Archway.

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Bulldog Reviews: Hot Fuzz

By Michael Pickowicz
Staff Columnist

Parodies are quite common in today’s society. Whenever you look on a movie or television screen, someone is reenacting something done before. It seems that, while they are really funny, it’s a rare occurrence that parody does justice to the original material. One of those rare films was created by Edgar Wright when he made “Shaun of the Dead.” Now, Wright has done it again with “Hot Fuzz.”

“Hot Fuzz” can be best described as a British parody of an American action-cop movie. The plot involves super cop Nick Angel. After showing up everyone on his police force, he gets transferred from London to a small village called Sandford. Here, the village is so peaceful that the only suspicious character is the local’s favorite cop, Shaun who likes to escape from the castle. When “accidents” begin to occur in the village, Angel and his new partner, Butterman, begin to investigate, leading them through unexpected turns even the best cop in the country couldn’t predict.

In the way “Shaun of the Dead” made fun of zombie movies, “Hot Fuzz” does the same thing with cop movies. In fact, the same actors from “Shaun”, Frost and Pegg, are used in “Hot Fuzz.” The actors do a great job again, even though I found Frost’s Sergeant Butterman similar to his role in “Shaun.” This, however, is no way bad, and he is as funny as ever in this movie.

What makes “Hot Fuzz” so different from other parodies is that it handles the material in such a creative way. At one point the characters are discussing cop movie stereotypes, and the next they are living them. Seeing this happen is half the fun of this movie.

Cop movie parodies run rampant through “Hot Fuzz.” Almost all shots in the film are done in the stereotypical action shots, even where the plots are less eventful. Odd cuts and random action sound effects are found everywhere, adding to the humor. During the last 40 minutes, no cop movie stereotype is left untouched, where a fantastic mix of action and comedy come together for some of the most outrageous scenes I’ve ever seen.

Best of all, the British humor gives the movie a wacky appeal. The movie only lags in one aspect - the beginning could have been tightened up to shorten the movie a tiny bit. Random scenes involving Angel’s introductions and conversations with minor characters seemed to slow down the movie, as there is really no point in hearing all about the main villagers’ names.

“Hot Fuzz” really does have everything that makes a good comedy-parody: an interesting story, excellent sense of humor, original main characters, and tons of references. If you loved “Shaun of the Dead,” you’ll love “Hot Fuzz,” as I found both to be equally enjoyable. Be warned, however, the British humor is very thick in the movie. People who don’t like those types of jokes probably won’t like the movie as much. As for everyone else, this is easily one of the funniest, most well made movies this year. “Hot Fuzz” earns 4 ½ Bulldogs out of 5.

This Movie earned 4.5 out of 5 Bulldogs

Alan & SPB: The Joint Adventure

Res Hall Brawl gets competitive

By Alan Waters
Staff Columnist

Last week was the Res Hall Brawl that saw five very strong teams compete for their spot among the ranks of dominating residence hall groups. Each team had their strengths and weaknesses and for me it was hard to sit back and watch, since as most people know I am a bit competitive, okay that is an understatement. I am now confident that this will be the last time Alan sits back during SPB competitions.

I was able to take the backseat and laugh at the great comradery that the combined efforts of the late night chair Bryan Collins and Shannon Wheeler, along with the program chairs Jaime Stavola and Prom D’Maggio. Working together with other members of SPB, the group was able to come up with seven great categories in which the teams competed for the ultimate glory and more importantly, 1st place of 300 dollars, 2nd place of 200 dollars, and 3rd place of 100 dollars.

Breaking down each event, teams were able to show what they were best at and at any point in the competition the field was wide open. If you scored low in one category there were plenty more chances to catch up and make your mark.

Each team had to complete all seven competitions in order to qualify for prizes and each group took part in every challenge, which by the way was impressive, considering what they had to do, which makes you think college students truly would do anything for a price. Yeah, even me too.

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Buon Alimento: Beef Barn

By Phil Weiss

Res Hall Brawl

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With the Res Hall Brawl, new competitions range from extremely competitive to the best part of the competition is that no one really cares. The quick students unattended themselves from the Res Hall bands. Teams then competed in Mind Games that included suduko puzzle as well as the daily challenging puzzles. Personally, I thought, in my opinion, some hilarious events including passing the orange from one Res Hall band to another, got pretty interesting at some point. I mean, for the passing of bananas through each other's knapsacks, this was a pretty good idea and let me tell you, the bananas, well the punishment.

One of the best parts for some individuals was including new spb president Thomas Wilson, Chris Auger, and the Game Show Trivia portion, that included the seriously juicy buzzers that teammates would have to use to get your question, and not only that, it went on for quite some time and the greatest competition and excitement! It was the Binder of Death, it was the Binder of Death. With the Binder of Death, you can think of something disgusting, then pass it in. From mustard to yogurt it was unreal and truly laughable. Teams were hardcore and took it to the limit. The Hall 9 girls said "it was chunky but the taste wasn't bad." This event really proved to be the game-winner and that was when freshman Colin Hill for the BAFM Rider team, including Jeffi Steacie, Dan Nadeau, Colin Hill, Mitch Cooper, Chris Auger and Bryan Sprague, took down 20 Res Hall bands. This captured his team's victory over heavy favorites RUB which included Dan Nadeau, Andrew McLarty, Lorenzo Perry and Dan Hill. The games were great and I encourage all people to come out for the Res Hall Brawl. So remember be good and if you can't be good be damn good at it.

Food - In doing some research on the Beef Barn we found out it is the place for roast beef in Rhode Island, similar to Kelly's in Massachusetts. The portions are small so we recommend ordering two sandwiches if you are going for dinner like we did. Mike had the chicken salad and the fish sandwiches. The chicken salad was served on a small grilled torpedo roll, with what Mike believed to be willow tree chicken salad. The portion was supposed to be the size of the roll but Mike was looking for something a little more substantial. It should be noted that it was still very good and Mike would recommend it. The fish sandwich was served on a grilled bun while the fish was prepared with a not so health-conscious egg batter. The fish was light and flaky and overall quite enjoyable. Considering we were at the barn of beef, Phil went straight for the next. Phil had the signature roast beef sandwich, served on a grilled bun. The roast beef was tender and perfectly cooked. Phil strongly recommends getting two sandwiches, as he was asking, "Where's the beef?" after just one. For round two Phil got the pastrami sandwich served on a grilled bun. This was another great choice, as the pastrami was neither stringy nor hard to chew. Phil would even say it is the best sandwich he has ever eaten since he was last at a New York deli. For sides we both ordered french fries and salad. Something that the regulars only know is that you can order your fries extra crisp or extra soft. The french fries went well with our dishes, going with the theme of our meal. For beverages, Phil stuck with a classic fountain drink, and Mike had a Rhode Island classic, the coffee milk shake. The shake had perfect consistency and was actually one of the best milk shakes he has ever had. It should be pointed out that our food was served on paper plates, making use feel like we were at a Sunday picnic. While this caught us off guard at first, we soon realized that it couldn't be any other way at the Beef Barn.

Price - When we have gone to other restaurants with prices not listed on the menu, it is usually an indicator of extremely high prices. However, at the Beef Barn this is not the case. Considering we both ordered two sandwiches, French fries, and a milk shake, we were expecting the bill to be much higher than the actual $23 dollar one we received. We still can't figure out how the prices are so low, as we would be willing to pay higher prices for the food. If you're looking for a good place with low prices and you're sick of J's Deli, the Beef Barn is a great alternative.

Service - The service at the Beef Barn is appropriate for what you are paying for. Our waitress was prompt in approaching us for our order as soon as we sat down, and it couldn't have been longer than five minutes to get our food. From our observations, the wait staff had a good rapport with the regulars. However, we were treated as the "out-of-towners" that we are.

We certainly did not know what to expect going to the Beef Barn after our experience at the Blender of Death, we would strongly recommend visiting it. It is close to campus, has good food and extremely low prices - we believe that there is no reason not to visit the Beef Barn. We plan on becoming regulars at the Beef Barn now that we are familiar with their customs. The restaurant is also attached to Coffee & Crepe, which is open at midnight for the late night crowd.
"The kids next door found a couch on the side of the road so we sat on it in front of our townhouse all weekend."  -Katie Dionne '07

"I spent all day in the sun doing homework then enjoyed a kickboxing class."  -Sarah Russe '10

"I played football outside then had a turtle tug and jumped into green jello."  -Jenna Lamy '10

"I didn't get to enjoy the weather because I was busy at work."  -Girish Massand '08

"Loving it, loving life."  -Kyle Parker '08

"I stayed inside doing my math homework."  -Boa Tran '08

"I have been looking out the window because it motivates me to get my work done so I can go out."  -Daniel Willis '07

"I have spent my time enjoying the music outside Hall 5."  -Emily Baez '08

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