The Chinafication of... 

By Ryan Daley & Peter Connors- 
Artsway Staff

China has recently become the ob-
session of Bryant University, or so it
seems with the countless programs,
institutes, and artifacts brought to
 campus.

In 1999, the first group of Bryant
students made the excursion to China
through the China Explorers program.
In 2005, the U.S. China Institute
(USCI) was founded by Dr. Hong
Yang, Associate Professor of Environ-
mental Studies to "forge academic,
business, and cultural partnerships
between Bryant University and higher
learning institutions, business enter-
prises, and governmental offices in
China." Its intended purpose is con-
necting Bryant University with Chi-
inese academic and business
institutions.

The USCI brings several academic
and educational programs to Bryant.
Academic programs include The Ling-
nan Foundation Student Exchange
Program which brings students from
both countries together to learn social,
ethical, and environmental responsi-
bilities of international corporations.
The Extended Summer Study in China
invites American students to "con-duct
short-term Chinese language and cul-
ture studies in Chinese universities.
Joint degree programs and faculty vis-
ts to China are also offered by the In-
stitution.

The USCI offers business programs
including consulting and training pro-
grams, trade missions to China, round
table conferences, and business
matchmakings for New England busi-
nesses and their Chinese counterparts.
The establishment of the Confucius
Institute at Bryant is also in the works
and in 2007 Bryant will be the first
to host the Confucius exhibit, a national
exhibit of rare Confucius artifacts
from China's Shandong Province
slated to tour in nine major U.S. cities
in 2008.

A China Seminar Series has been
set up to host monthly speakers and
presentations on China-related topics
ranging from contemporary Chinese
popular culture and film to technol-
yogy, and also seminars on tapping
the Chinese market. In March, renowned
Chinese author and artist, Wu Huan
gave a talk: "My Family, My Art: Wu
Family in Chinese Art." Just last week
Michael Tatelman gave a talk "Rebirth
of an Icon: Motorola's Success in Asia."

In mid-April, Bryant University
and Brown University's Watson Insti-
tute for International Studies co-spon-
sored "The Rise of the New Asian
Giants: Adaptive Strategies in the
World Economy," a two-day confer-
ence focused on the ascension of
China and India as major world pow-
er and exploring responses to trade
development in China and India.

Some 2004 summer orientation at-
tendees even had the pleasure of first
meeting President Macklehey through
the media wall in the Grand Hall of
the Bello center - broadcast from his
trip to China. During his 2006 State
of the University address, Macklehey
said that the trees previously described
dawn redwood garden.

Finally, any discussion of Chinese
representation on campus is not com-
nplete without a consideration of the
terra-cotta soldiers found in the li-
brary entryway. To see them for
yourself, visit the President's outer
office on the top floor of Administra-
tion Hall in the Unistructure.

Of particular interest, a new small
building in the Chinese architectural
style may be slated for construc-
tion in the near future. Spec-
ulations abound as to its proposed
location, with rumors ranging from
in China. The original
constructions of the Terracotta
Army found in Xi'an, China. The
originals on which these statues are based
are noted for their individuality, lead-
ing scientists to believe that they were
modeled on an actual, standing army.
The human models which this
army replicated were the army of the
Qin emperor Qin Shi Huangdi, ruler
of China from 221 - 210 BCE. Accord-
ing to the comprehensive histories of
Sima Qian, this emperor erected the
burning of many classical works of
Chinese literature in order to stif-
le speech against his adopted ideologi-

calism. Created in the Hundred
Schools of Thought era during the
previous Zhou Dynasty, these works
included many Confucian writ-
ings of Kong Fuzi and Mencius as
well as the Daoist literature of Laozi.

With such a plethora of Chinese
oriented programs, events, and physi-
cal manifestations, Bryant's affilia-
tion continues to unfold. Long liv-
the Cultural Revolution!

Rock-Paper-Scissors...shooting for a cause

By Lauren Gerber

In 2005, President MacKlehey acquired the Terracotta War-
rors which are displayed in the library.

In April, Bryant University is hosting the Rock Paper
Scissors contest for the Make a Wish
Foundation. The student athletes have already
raised over $2,000 and were hoping to meet their
goal of $5,000, to not only help the charity but
raise more money for the University.

Anyone was welcome to enter the event for only a dollar and could continue entering the event every time they lost for an additional dol-
ar. The event started at 7pm with people trying
to get the most wins by 830pm. The four people with
the most wins would then go on to the gru-
ing semi-finals with great prizes for both the
teacher and runner-up.

By Dave Nelligan

Rock, paper, scissors, shoot for a cause was the theme in
the main gym last Tuesday as the Student-Athlete Adviso-
ry Council put on a rock paper scissors contest for the Make a
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All photos by Joe Domanay
Sign up today for your post Bryant email address

By Neil Parrott
Staff Writer

Everyone becomes so adapted to their “everyday” email address, Student can use this email system for their school and personal lives. For school, it is used to contact teachers and/or peers, as well as receive updates given via email address to businesses as a means of contact. Despite the fact that every student is easily found in this system, whether you have registered or not, Bryant University has developed a new e-mail program for graduating seniors, which has been implemented to keep the graduates in touch with each other and their alma mater. “Being a Bryant student, we have the rights to know everything that is happening,” said Ann Zawawi, chair of the senior class gift committee and student intern in the Alumni Relations office. “The new email system will help enhance our connection with the Bryant community all year round,” she said. The alumni email account is through Microsoft and will include features like:

- 2 GB inbox and 10mb attachments
- Text, Voice and Video calling
- Shared calendars
- Mobile e-mail, messaging and custom alerts

The class of 2007 had up to April 30 to sign-up for an alumni email address. This process was done by going online and selecting “Alumni E-Mail Registration.” Once this process was over, the account became activated on May 4.

While we hope that Bryant seniors will stay in touch with their friends and classmates via their alumni email, there are real advantages after they graduate to maintain an open link for communication.

By Taryn Beaudoin
Staff Writer

On Sunday, May 6th, Bryant will be holding the Northern Rhode Island Special Olympics event for the 27th year. The event will take place on the athletic field, opening ceremonies will begin at 8:30am and will continue throughout the day until close ceremonies at 4pm. The Department of Public Safety will begin this process at 7am to check in the participants. From there, an athlete will be given a chance to sign up for a track and field in the field.

There will be over 400 athletes who are participating in the games. They will compete in a variety of activities that include relay races, the high jump, the long jump, the softball throw, and the shot put. Awards will be given at the end of the day for those athletes that excelled in their designated events.

There will also be a lot of fun activities taking place throughout the day. There will be a cookout with hot dogs, hamburgers, and drinks. The dance team will also be performing at the day of the games. Along with them, the football team will also have various fun activities for the athletes. These include kite, bubbles, frisbees, snow cones, and other coloring activities.

The Special Olympics committee has worked very hard over the past few months to put a successful and interactive event. The committee was lead by students

Summer Fitness

By Carlos Ramos
Assistant Campus News Editor

With summer just around the corner it is important to have a nice body image that people can admire. I wanted to find out what I needed to get fit for this summer so I went around and asked building friends, Jason Dodier and Mike Detuzis, for advice on what important workout techniques to use.

The first part of the body that I wanted to work on was my abs, so I asked Jason and Mike, “What are some workouts that are developing and toning up the abs?”

"When you're leg raises people can get the abs they want," said Jason Dodier, a sophomore IB major. “Other techniques that work would be six second abdominal crunches and intercostals.”

By doing hanging leg raises one not only tightens the arms and works the legs, but flexes the abs. By doing six second abs, so to speak, your upper body rises slowly, letting your abdominals, to feel more of a burn than a crunch. To make the six second abs workout more efficient one can use a dumb bell that will help to delay the time it takes for your upper body to make a complete crunch. If one wants to switch things up, they can do intercostal toms, working your upper body from side to side or your legs side to side. To continue this new body image remake I decided to find an email address that is a bit more difficult to get.

"Low repetition of heavy weights is the best way to achieve better abs," said Jason Dodier. “Get down on your hands and knees and bulk this way, but by consuming good foods every couple of hours instead of eating three meals a day.”

Eating healthy snacks in between breakfast, lunch, and dinner helps maintain a healthy appetite, so for those who find themselves snacking excessively during meals. By consuming snacks such as fruit cups, organic peanut butter, and egg whites. I found out that by doing this the yoke from your plate you eliminate high cholesterol and that eating the whites is protein.

Now the next leg they recommend is the “Ass to Grass” squat routine. While working with the squat this routine, you must squat as close to the floor as possible, creating a high intensity burn.

I wanted to know what are some good suggestions when eating breakfast, lunch, and dinner, so

Study Abroad Spotlight: Rome, Italy

Name: Sara and Lisa Gyllstrom
University: Academia Italiana
Location: Rome, Italy
Participated: Spring ’06 Semester Abroad
Duration: January 7th until May 21st

Reason for going:
The main reason we decided to study abroad was to experience a different culture and travel throughout Europe. Studying in Rome offered so much history and so much culture that we really wanted a change from the Bryant scene and to study in a big city. We both wanted to experience something new and to get away from the small Bryant atmosphere.

Best experience/memories:
The best and one of the reasons we went for Rome was going to see the Vatican City. We heard so much about it when we actually see it in front of you it’s amazing. People traveled from everywhere to come see the Vatican because of its beauty.

Funny cultural experience:
A funny cultural experience that happened was when Lisa was sick and we were exploring a different part of the city and went to some organic medicine. In Italy you have to go and talk to a pharmacist to get some type of drug. We thought we needed some medicine for the day time but he gave us medicine that was for heath problems. So Lisa was very sleepy and ended up falling asleep during class and had to go home early.

How was the school different from Bryant University?
Accademia Italiana was very different from Bryant University. There were only about thirty students per day which allowed us to have block classes. Also, our school had no campus and it was in the heart of the city. Our professors were all Italian and English was their second language. Our classes were mostly based on the history of Rome and for some classes we had to present in the city. The classes also allowed us to travel around Rome going to different museums.

How did this experience change you?
The experience helped us open our eyes to a different culture because we were exposed to a language we did not know and surrounded by people that had different views than in the American culture.
To pump or not to pump on May 15th

By Ryan P. Daley
Archway Staff

Don't[sic] pump gas on May 15th! April 15th, there was a "gas out" conducted nationwide in protest of gas prices. Gasoline prices dropped 30 cents a gallon overnight.

On May 15th 2007, all facebook members are to not go to a gas station in protest of high gas prices. Gas is now over $3.00 a gallon in most places.

The average car takes about 30 to 40 dollars to fill up and protest of just one barrel are suv.

That pump on the 15th, station on May 15th and lets try to put a dent in the Middle Eastern and Canadian oil industries for at least one day.

Chain e-mails and MySpace and Facebook groups have recently campaigned, alerting a "Gas Out" on May 15, 2007 will force gasoline prices to drop "overnight." The movement assumes drivers fill up with gasoline every day, and falsely claims that a "Gas Out" conducted in April, 1997 was successful, let alone even existed. I spoke with Facebook Professor Laurie Bates to find out the real deal about "gas out" and their effect on the price of gas.

Have you heard of the May 15, 2007 "Gas Out," which will ostensibly force gas prices to decline "overnight"?

"No. I do recall that there was another planned "gas out" like this about 6 months ago. A colleague of mine asked me what I thought about it," Does economic theory support the "Gas Out" and its intended effect on gas prices?

"Economic theory does not support "gas outs." Unless you are permanently going to ride your bike to work, you will need to buy gas. Economic theory tells us that the demand for gas is relatively inelastic. We may consolidate trips but there is not getting around having to get ourselves to work. Mass transit would be a viable option but most Americans are reluctant to get out of their beloved cars."

Is there a better way to reduce gas prices, either economically or socially? (For example, recycling petroleum based products, more efficient engines, public transportation, etc.)

"Unplugging as much as possible, lower gas prices is not the way to go. My advice is to increase the tax on gasoline to levels similar to Europe. As you may know, the price of a gallon of gas in Europe is $7.00! If the price of gasoline increased to its true social cost, including the potential damages from greenhouse gas emissions, there would be incentives on both the supply and demand side of the market to reduce the consumption of gasoline. Consumers would shift to more fuel efficient vehicles, producers would produce more fuel efficient vehicles and also be more aggressive at developing vehicles that run on alternative fuels. As a result, there would be less dependence on foreign oil and less greenhouse gas emissions."

What factors are behind the increase in gas prices?

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Young Alumni Trustee. Overall, the 'Timeline' piece which so many students and organizations commented on it; it was certainly a controversial issue that has had readers reeling. The most controversial time was in the spring, when the student staff of the Archway went to meet with the student editor-in-chief and the student editor of the Archway. There was a lot of good feedback on the newspaper this year, commented Cimino.

Between layout changes and content, I think we have a much more relevant newspaper now. Despite this, many people still believe that the feedback on the newspaper has been both positive and negative. "Most of the feedback I have received has been positive, as people are proud of what The Archway has accomplished," said Sage. "Many people have also expressed their negative feedback on the fact that people do not believe that we are able to write some of the more emotionally charged and extreme views of our writers. It's important to explain over and over to these people, our writers, and the people who read the newspaper, that we are still students and are able to give their opinions on these topics and, as always, I encourage people to read our paper and share their opinions as well.

As for the many years to come, Sage explained her goals for The Archway. "As long as the student staff of the Archway, I think, will continue to be committed to the community and to get people involved in the power of the media and to want to continue sharing information with the campus community, and to get people talking about the real issues facing Bryant. I also appreciate the support of the administration at Bryant because, without that support, I don't think The Archway staff would have been able to achieve as much as they have this year.

Sage commented, "The biggest high for me was that the student staff of The Archway worked together to improve the paper as a whole."}

At one of our more controversial meetings, Opinion Editor Ryan Daley found a comment in our candy bowl—we knew that the Women's Center moving next year would be an adventure this year.
Spring Weekend 2007
Bulldog Reviews: The Invisible

By Michael Pickowicz
Staff Columnist

It’s official: Today, the summer movie madness has begun. With Spiderman 3 out, it is now the beginning of the onslaught of big-budget flicks that will eventually take the nine bucks right out of our pockets. With that said, some of the movies last week may lose the recognition they deserve. I’m here today to tell you that “The Invisible” is worth skipping a ride on the Spider-man hype train.

“The Invisible” is a supernatural thriller about a high school student named Nick. Through a series of events, Nick is beat really badly and left for dead. When Nick’s soul is left in limbo on earth, all he can do is sit back and watch police try and track his body. That is, until he realizes that he may in fact have control over his fate after learning the person who left him for dead can actually hear him.

From start to finish, the only way to describe “The Invisible” is dumb. The biggest problem with this movie is that it makes it seem as if the main gimmick of being able to walk around while your actual body is close to dying. The issue is that the rules of this are never really clearly defined. At one point, it would seem that Nick has no control over his actions, as he would throw something only to have it return to its normal state. Then, he is apparently able to cause a noise...

This Movie Earned 2 out of 5 Bulldogs

Alan & SPB: The Joint Adventure

O.A.R. rocks on Spring Weekend

By Alan Waters
Staff Columnist

Great times. If there is one thing I can say about Spring Weekend, or more importantly the terrific music put on by O.A.R and O.A.R. My friends and I went to make our way up to pretty much every concert, and can always put me in a good mood. Saturday night’s concert was one I will remember for a while, whether by respecting each other, you treat it like a marriage. They said, it is not always the best of times in the end, “you become a family.” You can see that when they perform, because they all blend to create a single sound and it makes the show that much better. They have played in front of major crowds before, some of their favorites include, Madison Square Garden, Chicago House of Blues, Fox Theatre, and the State Theatre.

Performing in front of Bryant and other college is best described as “a challenge, because you are in a different element of standing room vs. seated theater.” The challenge was evident during the concert with all the body surers, but they used it to their advantage and played off the crowd’s excitement, adding to the overall performance. Something many people do not realize is that they are not more than just musicians; they are performers that put on shows for thousands of fans.

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When asked how they have managed to stay together for so long they said, “It is really tough sometimes by respecting each other, you treat it like a marriage.” Like they said, it is not always the best of times but in the end, “you become a family.” You can see that when they perform, because they all blend to create a single sound and it makes the show that much better. They have played in front of major crowds before, some of their favorites include, Madison Square Garden, Chicago House of Blues, Fox Theatre, and the State Theatre.

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Buon Alimento – Paragon Café

By Phil Weiss

With Michael Oliveri

Staff Writers

Did you know what dining options were like for a RISD or Brown student? While this week’s restaurant is not officially a component of any school’s meal plan, it creates an appealing alternative for the college-aged crowd fuelling their liberal appetites. We made yet another surprising discovery of Providence to Paragon Café, a well known lunch spot on Thayer Street. The food features Italian, Greek, and classic American cuisine all in one location for a lunch experience that you wish you could have every day.

Atmosphere – Similar to many east side “hot spots,” Paragon Café has a sophisticated atmosphere but yet it is still casual enough where you do not have to be dressed up for dinner if you are going to a Senate meeting. Dark wood panels coat the walls in the dining room, and the black and white mosaic tiles cover most of the floor. The place has a décor style with a modern feel. The decor enhances the sophisticated atmosphere without making you feel out of place. This is an atmosphere that you won’t make you feel unwelcome. Paragon is one of the many interesting buildings on Thayer Street as there are various restaurants within walking distance with their own unique feel. There are a myriad of interesting colleges in Providence such as Brown and Brown’s from a round booth to a table for two by a window. This adds to the restaurant’s character, and it makes going back a unique experience.

Food – The lunch menu at Paragon is fairly extensive and is accommodating towards a hip Providence professional or college student who is looking for variety, and a healthy, distinctive, unique experience that you wish you could have every day. The lunch menu at Paragon is a mix of adventurous specials and classic items on the menu. Paragon seemed to turn each dish into something unique in past visits we have tried some adventurous specials and menu items, all of which have been great dishes.

Price – Paragon shows some mercy when it comes to prices. While it is not your cheapest lunch option in the area, it certainly is fair. With lunch per person ranging from $15-20 dollars Paragon is a nice treat for a day you feel like skipping classes or spending a Saturday on the East Side. While their prices may not bring in an everyday college crowd, it is still worth making a trip.

Service – While we have been to Paragon on a few occasions since our review, we have always had consistent quality service. The wait staff is professional and you might add that for the most part you are going to have good service. Overall we got the impression that Paragon is a well managed establishment, where you can often see the manager greeting people at the front desk. Our waitress did not miss a step throughout the experience – rushing to get dessert and was concerned with making sure we had a satisfying experience.

Paragon Café is a great place if you are looking for a unique environment, good food, accommodations and service and economical prices. We recommend Paragon Café for lunch and dinner any day of the week. If you are interested in making the trip, they are located at 77 Thayer Street in Providence. Reservations are recommended for weekends, especially when classes are in session.

Alan and SPB: O.A.R

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Great times. If there is one thing I can say about Spring Weekend, it is that it was one hell of a time and I was able to enjoy myself. Saturday night’s concert was one I will remember for a while, whether it was the 20 crowd surfers, or more importantly the two-, three- and four-hour O.A.R. KTV songs I have listened to and I were able to make our way up to pretty much the front of the stage, and for me it was the closest I have ever felt to an O.A.R. concert. It was my first time in Providence and there were people from all over the world. I was able to sing along with my friends and I know that a lot of bands today miss out on.

Most people may know, and some may not, that O.A.R. stands for Of A Revolution, and together they have been performing for over 10 years now. When asked how they became close friends and to stay together for so long they said, “it is really tough sometimes but by respecting each other, you treat it like a marriage.”

Lenny and Steve said, it takes the better part of times but if in the end, “you become a family.” You can see that when you see them because they all blend to create a single sound and it makes the show that much better. They have played in front of thousands of people. Some of their favorite include, Madison Square Garden, Chicago House of Blues, Fox Theatre, and The State Theatre.

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Performing on the biggest assembly staging Bryant has ever used, O.A.R. combined old and new songs with a sick light set up to put on one kick-ass concert. When asked about the college crowd, they said they loved the “raw” aspect and if you were there and you could see that raw energy, which was awesome.

O.A.R. has also been playing a wide range of songs on this tour and has even started to play songs that are not presented in previous tours, songs that definitely gives the performance an edge. They talked with me about how “the climate really dictates what we can play for a song, we call it an audible and play it.” This was evident when O.A.R. finished, they took back up with chants of “O.A.R” and “WE'RE NOT LEAVING.” Here they played two great songs, “love and remember” and of course the song everyone knows and loves, “That was a crazy game of poker.”

Overall the concert was incredible. To me, any time I can get out and listen to live music with my friends and get so close to it, I love it. The songs ranged from old to new, something I really like about O.A.R., they never play just new or old, they mix it up. Playing either “what happened” or “confidence,” you can get into whatever they put together. I would recommend anyone to see them live and to see the difference they can put together.

As for me, this is the last article of Alan and SPB and the Joint Adventure, but only until next semester. So look out this summer remember what I always tell my friends and faithful readers; “till next time, be good and if you can’t be good, be damn good at it!”

Absolut’s Poetry Corner: So That Makes Me

By Neil Parrillo

Staff Columnist

He writes what’s on his mind but it also becomes blocked at times. Power then changes everything, as he writes to disturb the balance.

He is bound, but at the same time not, he lives in between with whatever he's so that makes me... so that makes me a poet.

Ode to The Archway readers!

By Shawn Benham, Joe Domaney and the fearless advisor, Mag Stage

Thanks to all our faithful readers. Our paper will turn you tomorrow’s leader.

Keep your dictionary handy for Dalvy’s scoop.

And we know deep down you think

Kennedy rock is.

There are other sections to praise as well.

Sports is always awesome and variety is welcom.

Campus news keeps you connected.

We still don’t know when “the mayor” got elected.

If you want to get involved give us a shot.

We always have candy, but the office is wicked hot.

Don’t do anything dumb this summer.

“Cause a night in jail will be a bummer.

The summer will be gone before you know it.

You know everyone will be happy to see you back here!

Congrats to the class of 2007!

For Submissions or comments contact Neil Parrillo at nparrillo@bryant.edu
What are you looking forward to most this summer?

"Lounging on the beach in the Hamptons."
-Lily Himmelbach '09

"Following the Red Sox to as many baseball parks as possible for two weeks."
-Becky Buckley '08

"Finally being able to relax with my friends from home."
-Kara Windoloski '10

"Going to the beach and fishing with friends for a while before starting to work full time."
-Dan Seyler '07

"Watching the Food Network at home because we don't get it on campus."
-Kellie Nelson '07

"Going to the beach every weekend."
-Brandon Behrens '08

"Doing absolutely nothing all day, every day."
-Sean Hildenbrandt '09

"Preparing for studying abroad in the fall. I'm going to Spain."
-Ashley Carreiro '09

Compiled by Shawn Berham and Allison DiMaggio
Hitting their stride at just the right time

As the Bryant University men's baseball team soars into the postseason, Coach Jamie Pinzino’s club has devised the recipe for success — a dominating pitching staff, a volatile lineup, and a fierce will to win.

By David Giardino  Assistant Sports Editor

The Bryant University Men's Baseball team is making 2006 a daunting memory — tucked in the timeworn crevice of their minds, overshadowed by six and eight game winning streaks, shutouts, and explosive offensive surges. Simply put, the team has taken over the conference's mantle off the shelf — a rarity just a season ago — is common place now. The Bulldogs (26-17, 18-7 in conference) are winners of 12 of their last 17 games, and rank third in a competitive Northeast 10 Conference, with less than a week before tournament play is set to begin. The club hit a challenging April schedule head on, sweeping the likes of Pace and Saint Anselm, and adding key victories over Bentley, Stonehill, and Merrimack.

A dominating pitching staff was very much expected to carry the club this spring, but an unexpected surge of offense has struck the Bulldogs in 2007. After failing to produce runs and the supporting staff time and again last season, the lineup has made up for lost time. Sophomore Pat McKeen, Ettore and a .348 batting average (.359 within the conference) and standout freshman Nick Campbell has added a team-leading 33 runs batted in.

A young, explosive offense has certainly been the trend for the 2007 season. Campbell, along with Jeff Vigurs, Brent Almeida, Taylor Magoni, and TJ Magnell, has received "Freshman of the Week" honors this year. The collection of freshmen has ignited a once stagnant Bulldog lineup, as an aggressive start and a successful season is only determined by whether a champion is ever won. So with that in mind, the last time, first Torre had a "successful" season was 2000, many, including myself, felt that Torre was going to go after last year ended in a speedy exit in the postseason at the hands of a far less experienced Detroit Tiger team. While the optimistic Yankee fan may believe that the reason for Torre's job security will be based in his supposed "immunity" due to his track record, this is absolutely false. Torre is still sitting on the bench because there

Torre's job SAFE: For the wrong reasons

By Phillip Weiss  Staff Writer

Like it or not, the New York Yankees are at home in the sporting universe. In Red Sox Nation, the only thing that can bring greater roars from the Fenway Faithful than a Big Papi grand slam is a scoreboard update with the Yankees losing. It is for this reason that the struggles of the New York Yankees and the talk of manager Joe Torre's job security is an intriguing story even in New England.

To put a historical perspective on just how bad this April was for the Bronx Bombers, the last time the Yankees were this far behind Boston after the first month this season was 1912. In that year the Yankees started out 2-10 and the Red Sox went 9-4. For those of you sports buffs who may not have pulled that 1912 Baseball Almanac off the shelf in a while, the Red Sox would go on to win 105 games and the World Series. The Yankees lost 102 and finished 95 games out of first.

Chances are, Torre’s Yankees won’t finish the season in nearly the same fashion as the 1912 team. In recent years the Red Sox have had the better teams in April, May, and even June, however, the Yankees have prevailed winning the last nine division titles. Yet in New York, division titles are an afterthought and a successful season is only determined by whether a champion is ever won. So with that in mind, the last time, first Torre had a "successful" season was 2000, many, including myself, felt that Torre was going to go after last year ended in a speedy exit in the postseason at the hands of a far less experienced Detroit Tiger team. While the optimistic Yankee fan may believe that the reason for Torre's job security will be based in his supposed "immunity" due to his track record, this is absolutely false. Torre is still sitting on the bench because there

'simply no one in charge of the Yan­kees' "Evil Empire." At age 76, George Steinbrenner is no longer the fiery competitor he once was. Ever since 2002 when he fainted at the funeral of his long-time friend Otto Graham, he has begun to fade as the outspoken figurehead of the New York Yankees. He is now only a shell of his former self. Steinbrenner, in his first 23 sea­sons, changed managers 20 times and managers 13 times in 30 years. For a job with little security, Torre has been the exception. You can certainly look to numerous successes. The Sox has had the opportunity to hand Torre the pink slip on many occasions but has not followed through (i.e. 2004 collapse against the Red Sox, last year's ALDS disappointment, and this year's April). While many would argue that the players are the ones who hold ultimate accountability, you cannot fire them. Because their contracts are guaranteed. The manager is always the one who is made an example of, especially in the New York Yankees organization. Billy Martin managed to get fired on five separate occasions by Steinbrenner, pretty impressive huh? So what exactly is wrong with George? That is a secret that the team will never divulge. While they continue to argue that claims of his failing health are false, everything else points to the contrary. Some have claimed it could be Alzheimer’s, while others say it might be dementia. What we do know is that Steinbrenner, once a very public figure, is no longer seen and a spoken owner will now only deliver his words through a publicist and formal press releases. So while it is quite certain that Torre will be given the opportunity to manage through the end of this year and ride off into the sunset, it is important to recognize why. Torre is here today because the true voice and leader of the franchise has been lost, probably forever.
Brennan caps off a successful Bryant track career

David Nelligan
Staff Writer

With hard work, determination, and a love for track, four-time All-Conference honoree Hasif Geijegge has shared the pursuit of track for the Bryant University men's track team. As a timed freshman, Joe was unsure about his feelings for track since he only had one previous experience, as a senior at LaSalle Academy in Providence, R.I. However, after receiving an e-mail to join the team, Joe decided to just go for it, and has not looked back since. Brennan walked onto the team not knowing what to expect, but soon realized the school in such events as the 100m, 200m, 400m, 4x100m, and 4x400m. Joe credits training, eating right, and getting in the right mind set before meets for his success. "If you don't stress, and just run like you know how, you could have the best meet of your life," Joe stated. Brennan also thanks Head Brown and Jeff Hedberg, as well as teammates Hasif Geijegge and Chris Caudet, for pushing him and transforming him into the runner he is today.

Coach Brown started full time in Joe's freshman year and has not stopped pushing since Brennan became a Bulldog. Brennan's knowledge of track as well as his great coaching ability in helping him and his teammates compete to the best of their ability. Brown looks to the sprinting portion of the track program and has turned it into the respectable program it is today. Also, this year's new head coach, Joe Hillery, "deserves a lot of credit for doing a lot to change the program around," stated Brennan. He states how the Bulldogs have made Bryant track more respectable among other schools, and is doing a lot for new recruitment. She is also planning for future races.

As far as his teammates go, Joe could not be more appreciative, especially to Hasif Geijegge and Chris Caudet for their contributions to the team. "Every day at practice, these guys are Brennan's biggest competitors and fans. They all help each other out by pushing themselves in practice, encouraging one another, and competing to be the best," Joe says. As far as his future, Joe is wiser to learn from the already established runner. From learning the best techniques, to being an inspiration, this year has been one of the biggest influences on Brennan's success.

To highlight a few Brennan's career achievements: he was a member of the 4x400m conference champions track team along with Hasif Geijegge, Jeff Hedberg, and Zack Perron. He was offered a College Championship invite to Rhode Island College in the 400m and 200m in 2006 and 2007 to defend his name, and has been a consistent participant in the New England Championships. Brennan has been improving every year since he has been on the team, and is planning to continue with track after graduating in May and applying to Law School in the fall. He will have to work on his own without the help of his coaches and fellow teammates, but will compete in many of the same events as his former competitors as an individual runner. As far as the program, Brennan says he is excited for the direction the program is going and wishes he could even longer. He hopes to be successful for anyone. Joe is also very appreciative of the people he has been fortunate to meet, and is grateful for everything the program has given him.
Softball looks to capture third straight NE-10 tournament championship

By Alan Waters
Staff Writer

Amanda Wilbur, who leads Bryant in every major offensive category, junior Jessica Valentini, senior Amanda Gagne, and standout freshman Ashley Coon, freshman Alison Chouinard has also been producing solid numbers and is second on the team in RBIs. As a team, Bryant is batting .294 and has a solid .413 slugging percentage.

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After dominating the competition last year and winning the conference title, the women’s softball team has kept up their great play this year. Using talented veterans and some helpful youth, the Bulldogs have continued putting up solid numbers and adding more and more wins to the left side of the sports column. Currently, Bryant has a solid standing and is 23-14 overall with a 19-9 Northeast-10 Conference record. Even though Bryant has not met their full expectations this year, they are still proving to be a threat. Senior Nikki Ingalls said, “We have not performed as well as we had hoped but we have more talent than we ever have and as a senior class we are determined to make sure this year’s team goes out on top.”

Everyone you talk to who has seen these girls play believes the team not only has talent, but is a hard-working group that pushes themselves. The playoffs are always a new season, a new stage in which Bryant has succeeded lately. The team has worked hard all year and look to move up the stretch. Just like all spring teams, Bryant looks to bring yet another Conference Championship back home.

Top Dogs

Rob Schneider
Year: Senior
Sport: Track & Field

Why this dog was picked: Schneider set a school record in the pole vault with a vault of 14'6" at the Brown Invitational Sunday. Schneider finished second overall at the meet in the pole vault and will lead the Bulldogs into the NE-10 Championships this weekend in Lowell, Mass.

Shaun Leddy
Year: Senior
Sport: Lacrosse

Why this dog was picked: Leddy scored 10 goals in three games last week. The senior had five in a win at Saint Anselm on Tuesday and scored four goals - including the game-winner in overtime against Merrimack - on Thursday.

Bulldogs claim top seed in NE-10 tournament

By Stephen Deners
Sports Editor

The Bryant men’s lacrosse team claimed the top seed in the NE-10 Conference Tournament. The Bulldogs finished conference play with a 9-5 record and earned their first ever NE-10 regular season title. They also compiled a 10-3 overall record and were ranked No. 4 nationally in the latest coaches’ poll. Also receiving a first-round bye was Le Moyne College. The Dolphins finished the season 7-2 in conference play and 11-2 overall. One of those losses came against the Bulldogs earlier in the season. The win snapped the defending national champions 70-game conference winning streak. The Bulldogs have received strong performances from the attack this season. Sophomore Bryan Kazen led the team in points during the regular season leading the team with 35 goals and 16 assists. Teammate Kevin Hoagland has added 33 goals on the season. Goalie Michael Kennedy compiled a .585 save percentage and has been a great leader on defense.

The Bulldogs will host the winner of the NE-10 quarterfinals. Between No. 5 Saint Anselm and No. 4 Merrimack this Friday at 7 p.m. in Legion Stadium.
Collyer’s Concerts: Dave and Tim

By Evan Collyer
Staff Writer

It has been a while since I actually attended a concert, everything with Spring Weekend has kept me rather preoccupied. Though, I am glad to say that I was able to get my first taste of Dave Matthews live, not too long ago. My good friend and Dave Matthews lover, Bre Clancy, accompanied me to an acoustic evening with Dave Matthews & Tim Reynolds, live at the University of Massachusetts’ Mullins Center on April 21st 2007.

Having never been to a Dave Matthews concert, I was not sure what to expect, Bre had informed me that a concert would be a lot different than your normal show. I walked in to find everyone sitting down and relaxing and, for the most part, just hanging out. The facility had highly encouraged everyone in attendance to sit and remain quiet during the duration of the show and to only applaud when they wanted to.

The show began after 8 pm and lasted for an incredible three hours, with a half hour encore. Dave and Tim took the stage to begin with one of my personal favorites, “Bartender” from the album Reality. As Dave and Tim played from song to song, we were offered a nice little treat, Dave would tell stories. These were stories about everything and anything, from the fever he had on the night of the performance to something his mother had told him when he was younger. When someone would step out of line and yell during one of his stories he would simply chime back and tell them to be quiet.

As the show continued, they played such songs as, “Stay or Leave”, “Gravedigger,” from Dave’s own solo album Some Devl and other Dave Matthews Band classics as “Lies In Our Graves”, “Jimi Thing,” “Don’t Drink The Water”, “#1” and “Dancing Nancies.” Amongst the mix of all these songs, Dave took the time to step off stage to allow Tim Reynolds to have the spotlight for a couple of minutes. Tim played an acoustic assortment of songs called “Strowns.” When Tim began playing, the crowd went silent and jaws dropped in awe of his talent. He played for a good while and then was accompanied back on stage by Dave who encouraged the crowd to give a second round of applause to Tim. A few more songs were performed and they both left the stage to come back only a couple of minutes later for the encore. When they walked back on stage the crowd erupted.

Aguilera and friends
perform in Providence

By Carlos Ramos
Assistant Campus News Editor

It may have been a gloomy night outside of the Dunkin Donuts Center, but inside the arena 12 female popstars turned a bad night into a hot one. One of those nights was Wednesday night, when Diddy’s making the band “girl group Danity Kane” performed.

The concert started with a 20 minute set that included hits like Showstopper and heartbreak. For those who have never seen the group perform, they could be described as a knock off version of the Pussycat Dolls, singing songs with no meanings. They got the crowd going by doing dance moves and scantily clad bodies.

Prior to this concert, I went to see Mariah Carey in The Emancipation of Mimi tour, where she was a diva and took her time after Sean Paul, her opening act, had finished his 30 minute set. To see the Danity Kane on at 8 pm as scheduled was such a relief, because these girls put on a show. Starting off with one of last summer’s hottest hits, “Buttons”, the girls were definitely a ten compared to other performers. They were in sync with all their choreography brought in a lot more energy than their predecessor. The lead vocalist of the group, stood out with a black outfit and sparkly microphone. In between their costume change, some of the girls did a throw back dance number, honoring the original vixenette dolls. They ended the show with the song that made them famous, “Don’t Cha,” which prepared the crowd for Christina Aguilera.

Once the dolls were ready, the sets were changed and “Back to Basics” Tour officially started. Christina Aguilera opened up with the first single off her multi-platinum in, “Back to Basics” album, “Ain’t No Basic Man.” She came out in an all white suit with eight backup dancers. Her throw back 40s feel was accompanied by nine instruments and three backup singers, bringing extra power to each number.

Aguilera performed many songs off her new album, but one emotional song was “Oh Mother,” a song that tackles the emotional abuse of her mother that she witnessed as a kid. For Aguilera’s older songs, she added a jazzy feel to them that made them fit with her 40s themed set. I actually like the way the jazzed up beat did not ruin the feel of the song, because I often find that when artists remix their older songs, it does not sound in awe of his talent. He played for a good while and then was accompanied back on stage by Dave who encouraged the crowd to give a second round of applause to Tim. A few more songs were performed and they both left the stage to come back only a couple of minutes later for the encore. When they walked back on stage the crowd erupted.

Summer fitness
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they responded with the following mock menu:

Breakfast:
7 egg white
Whole wheat toast with peanut butter
Grape Fruit
Lunch:
Bananas and oat meal
Or a Grilled Chicken Wrap
Dinner:
Load up on carbs
Jason and Mike have come up with the “Just a Couple” method of eating that they recommend in order to build a high resistance to the fatty foods of today’s world. By filling your plate with all healthy foods and one unhealthy food such as fries or a piece of cake, that one builds resistance towards unhealthy temptations.

Below is a graphic on some simple exercises to get you started.

New twist on old moves

These strategies of some familiar exercises are effective because they focus the body weight on a muscle group, working it harder. According to Logan Chappell, a personal trainer at NewDay.

Stand with hands at side, under a barbell.
Bend at hips to raise barbell, then raise.
Bend at hips to lower barbell, then lower.

If you want to try a new twist on old moves, try using a barbell instead of a dumbbell or using a medicine ball instead of a weight plate.
Why does the Del's lemonade from the machine at scoop occasionally taste like soap?

~Adam Muccino

YES, it is true! Bryant University is moving forward on upwards of a $4 million home for the President, but ON campus. Believe it or not, getting to the bottom of this question was a little intimidating! After all, not only did this require possible interaction with President Machlity, but also it pertains to a hot topic around campus. So, I dug down deep and sent the “prez” an email about the possible plans for his future home. He responded by directing me to Tom Taylor, Bryan 1963 graduate and Chairman of the Board of Trustees. Tom, the former president of Amica Mutual Insurance Company, started coming back to the campus in the mid 1990’s by doing some strategic planning research in the library for Amica. In 2005 Tom became the chair of the Board.

He described the new building as a “dual purpose facility,” as the bottom floor being solely for entertainment purposes. The second floor will serve the purpose of being a residence hall, along with many other plans for the additions to current infrastructure. If you have not seen the current house the president lives in, it looks something straight out of the mid 1940’s. From the outside, the house looks as if it was originally created as a bomb shelter during WWII. President Machlity is required by a condition of employment in his contract to reside on campus, which is something not every University does. The new house will continue to modernize the campus and keep Bryant ahead of the competition. The capital investment money is accumulated by fundraising, tax exempt bonds etc. The program is in place for the upcoming erection of facilities and campus such as Bello, the Wellness Center, even the new residence hall, along with many other plans for the additions to current infrastructure.

The second floor will serve the purpose of being the living quarters for President and Mrs. Machlity. The house was a “trustee driven” project, on which President Machlity actually had very little input, and has been a focus of the board for a long time now. The final cost will be approximately $3.5 million, and will possibly serve as a bomb shelter during WWII. President Machlity is required by a condition of employment in his contract to reside on campus, which is something not every University does. The new house will continue to modernize the campus and keep Bryant ahead of the competition. The capital investment money is accumulated by fundraising, tax exempt bonds etc. The program is in place for the upcoming erection of facilities and campus such as Bello, the Wellness Center, even the new residence hall, along with many other plans for the additions to current infrastructure.

Is it true that the President is getting a 4 million dollar home off campus?

~Hollywood

Dear Joe,

Thank you for all of your questions this semester. I’ve appreciated receiving all of them. If you come up with any questions over the summer, feel free to email me at askjoe doe@gmail.com!

- I accept any and all questions both about and not about the campus.
- Inappropriate questions might not make the paper but will be enjoyed!
- Questions do not have to be signed, however I stongly welcome people to take pride in their question.

Thank you for your questions!

~Joe Doe
Why Bryant needs a science major

By Greg Hinshorn
Staff Writer

Over the past several years Bryant University has done a great job growing and making improvements. Three years ago Bryant College went through the accreditation process to become a university. The number of students at the school has expanded, a subject that is crucial to maintaining this school as a liberal arts and science school.

Those interested in the Bryant expansion of its public school curriculum, why not consider the idea of adding a science major. The science major was recently introduced to the Bryant student body. It is a fairly simple idea, actually. Sufficient numbers of students at the university, Bryant officials estimated, could not accept the idea of undergraduate students at the 400 level and graduate students for all fields of credit. The amount of work required for graduate students would be too much with more papers due and the possibility of having to teach the undergraduate students’ sections of the classes.

The students at Bryant may or may not have a science major. Those who might not have a science major at Bryant may yet have a chance to join an accredited science organization. The Bryant school continues to say how it strives to become an institution interested in

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The Daley Soap Box: The unrelenting

By Ryan E. Daley
Editor

We're beginning to see an unrelenting, if not apocalyptic, approach to the Bush administration. The war in Iraq has taken on a life of its own. As Bush and Cheney shout their slogans, this country is faced with the notion that a war in Iraq will continue until some undetermined date, or until the president is replaced. The only way to get Bush and Cheney to the bargaining table is to elect a new president. If we are to elect a new president, we must vote.

The Archway

Kennedy Uncensored: The last blast

By Brian S. Kennedy
Assistant Opinion Editor

Alex, my time here at Bryant is ending. This is my last column here at Bryant. I’ll be offering a summary of my philosophy, prop, slops, and a mini-study of the state of the Bryant student body for us to appreciate. Lightning Round: The study of the population of all I have to say delivered in short, simple sentences denoted below.

Abortion: A dark blip on mankind’s soul. The ultimate inconvenience for another human being, being chosen as its choice. Its supporters were eugenics like Margaret Sanger’s school. Its opponents were true women warriors like Susan B. Anthony. She recognized it as the same brutal powerover children that employed those her hands. On Terror: The troop surge is working, the Democrats are a bunch of backslapping traitors who believe the war is lost one day, then pretend we’re only using military options when we’ve been rebuilding infrastructure and providing aid to Iraq since 2003. Further distortions from anti-war leftists include a long list of lies. Most both sides) Lancot study that greatly exaggerated war deaths due to US military intervention. The current documents show a maximum of 68,600 according to Iraqbodycount.org, which has the most complete and reliable list of deaths. The latest edition of the Washington Post reports a minimum of 35,000. The death toll is still rising.

Serum: The real feminists (your Susan B. Anthony) would never engage in support for abortion (which they abhorred), no-cost prostitution ("free love"), or blatant immigration policy that is seen as "modern" thought that came from the doldrums of 60's and 70's. Homosexuality: God's gift to society; Mutually exploitative, self-serving, deeply un-American, highly risky, and between the homosexual and the heterosexual, the惠介利亚an activists are the least tolerant of all. Liberty: You don't have to like or dislike the tea party (read the catechism at your source, your parents may have a lot of colorful vocabulary for God) and hurling invectives like "homophobe" at those who disagree; say how you disagree with its agenda, nothing is beyond the pale. Diversity: Bryant is diverse in a venue we can only hope it will stay that way. The tolerance-mongers only care about seeing
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more dark-skinned faces. It's too bad Bryant's Administra-
tion didn't realize that, when they heard people say that Bryant only selects them for pictures because blacks are asked to wear their best skin tone. Look for the obliga-

tory black person in the picture. Bryant is se-

lecting the best of the best Black students, but we have plenty of qualified

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The need for earned income tax credit

By Joseph Clark
Contributing Writer

The Earned Income Tax Credit is our nation's largest antipoverty program for working families. The Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) differs greatly from other welfare programs because eligible participants must work to be eligible. Being the largest antipoverty program, people who are not working have an incentive to start to work in order to receive benefits.

There were over 21 million workers who received in excess of $36 billion in 2004. In 2005, over four million people were lifted out of poverty with EITC as well as over two million children.

The participation rate for the EITC is nearly 85% of eligible with continued work efforts to improve that number whereas more traditional welfare program such as Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) has a participation rate around 50%.

During the 1990's, the maximum value a family could receive was $12,120. In 2003, the maximum of the child poverty rate, and participation rate, decrease the child poverty rate, and the potential to make housing more affordable.

The EITC is divided into three stages: 1) phase in, 2) phase out, and 3) phase out.

During the first stage, a married couple, Fred and Marcia, with two children, will move to the plateau stage, start the phase out, and have 40% of their income up to a maximum of $11,340. If Fred and Marcia earned an income of $10,000, then their benefit would be $4,000. Fred and Marcia will then move to the plateau stage, when the benefit would be cut off at $4,536 and their income range from $11,340-$14,810.

At $11,340, Fred and Marcia begin the phase out stage where the benefit is $4,336-0.2106*(Income - $14,810). Fred and Marcia will receive benefits until their income exceeds $56,348. If Fred and Marcia had earned an income of $20,000, their credit would be $1,093.

In 1981, Fred married and had no children, his maximum would be $412 in the second stage, which ranges from $5,380 - $6,740. Fred would receive the entire credit that would be cut off when his income exceed $12,120.

In many cases, the EITC payment that constituents receive is the largest payment that they receive all year. Most of the credit they receive is put towards basic needs such as food, clothing and paying debt. For example, a city such as San Antonio estimates that every $37,000 would result in a permanent job. Programs such as the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), both 'urban' federal programs awarded over $5 billion to nearly 1,000 municipal governments whereas those same cities received over $20 billion in local jurisdiction study done in 2003 in Cuyahoga County, Ohio showed the EITC dollars received equalled that of all salaries and wages paid in the local hotel industry.

Much research has also shown that EITC has helped increase the labor force participation.

In the phase-in range, an increase of credit for an eligible worker who has no dependent children, can attract or retain young, typically single young men, to join the labor force. The number of African American men who have served in the military over the past twenty years has been on a steady decline, from over 60% to less than 50%. This decline can be mostly attributed to retirements and the Iraq war.

Any type of incentives that young, and childless workers have is a start to get them part of the labor force. Not only would it be beneficial to the individual but via multiplier it will also positively impact regional, economies and society as a whole.

Due to the fact that many people receiving EITC are using their credit towards housing costs, an increase in EITC and a decrease in section 8 and Section 8 Vouchers help alleviate severe housing burdens. The severe housing burden that Fred's family would face is the increasing housing costs, and also that many more families that are receiving EITC and have housing burdens that can be eliminated if they were to receive more to put towards housing.

The other thing that can be done to help minimize the housing burden is the timing of EITC payments. The system is set up so that a person will receive one lump sum. If this was changed to have smaller payments throughout the year it would allow people to make monthly payments necessary to pay for increasing housing costs.

There have been a number of proposals including William Coyne's and the Median Housing Costs. Both of the proposals were ultimately increased the maximum amount a beneficiary can receive, even with a study estimated to eliminate severe housing costs for $150,000 and nearly 450,000 families respectively. By nature the Median Housing Costs are more expensive but also have greater benefits. It is not a surprise that the EITC continues to be supported by both the Republican and Democratic parties because both parties are being created since its inception in the 1970s. It is important to remember the benefits that are received at both the national and local level are outstanding.

The EITC has contributed to 1) moving families from poverty, 2) increase the number of jobs, and 3) increase the stability of local economies. There also continues to be a high participation rate. The administration is continuing to educate people on the need for EITC necessary to increase the participation rate. The EITC continues to be a huge success and it would be difficult to argue otherwise.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

May 1 was the anniversary of George Bush's infamous "mission accomplished" speech from the deck of the USS Abraham Lincoln, and yet the United States has been engaged in this conflict for four years already. It's very easy to be complacent and forget about the war in Iraq. Students, who do not seem especially interested in this war, despite the fact that over 3,300 soldiers have died and an estimated 60,000 civilians have lost their lives (according to a Johns Hopkins study published in the journal, The Lancet). Why is this the case?

Jacque Amoureux of Military Families Against the War, which Bryant on April 10 by invitation from Bryant Faculty and Staff Against the Wars in Iraq, offered a simple explanation: "It is the philosophies of Immanuel Kant. Quoting Kant, Amoureux claimed that "universal conception is necessary for peace... because without an even distribution of the costs of war, the populace is unlikely to restrain their political leaders in warmaking or agitate for peace."

"Without universal conception of a draft," she continued, "the burden falls on military families to illustrate the cost of war, to communicate how profoundly military families and civilians are affected by war."

"Every family experiences added some real lives and individuals."

"She would know, because her brother Brice, who enlisted in the Marine Reserves, was deployed to Iraq as a gunner for the first time in 2005. The stories that she told about her brother's experiences added some real world context to the facts that she spoke of daily news."

It was evident to her, based upon her brother's story and her own knowledge of the region, that the American forces should leave immediately before more lives are lost.

Amoureux was a powerful and compelling speaker, and I am only sorry that more students were not present to hear her story. I feel that an academic institution should welcome debate about an issue as critical as this one, and more needs to be done on the part of both students and faculty to address these issues. Perhaps the media is irresponsible, and others are paying for this silence.

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The Opinion pages of "The Archway feature the opinions of the identified columnists and writers, which are not necessarily those of the newspaper or Bryant University."
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health care, etc.) Left to the free market, these goods would be produced at the optimal gap out at an equilibrium price. This is found when the supply of the good equals the demand for it. However, like poor individuals to consume more goods at a reduced (or zero) price? Is it not causing the quantity demanded for the goods to increase? If health care is free, then a Medicaid program will visit the doctor for mundane reasons like the common cold. When an individual funded their own health care, then they would see a doctor for serious illnesses because of the cost associated with each unit of care.

Here is the deadweight loss: welfare recipients are subsidizing the price of their goods, thus reducing resources that would have gone to their best use. As a little food for thought, leave you with a quote by Michael Tanner of the Cato Institute: "T he welfare of the individual is doing the same thing over and over again. Perhaps that's something that in the next time we hear a call for more welfare spending."
A flat tax: fairness and efficiency.

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The flat tax, because what the system is doing now severely limits the freedom of the country while allowing the bottom earners to reap the benefits.

A flat tax would still have the expenses of the country paying the majority of the taxes, but they would be distributed among everyone. One politician also argued that this would not generate as much tax revenue as we are receiving now. This argument is pure speculation, but we do have some evidence to combat it. Recently many countries in Eastern Europe have adopted a flat tax. Examples of these countries include Russia, Estonia, Slovenia, Slovakia, and many more. Russia, with a flat tax rate of 15% has seen its tax revenues increase as much as 28%. Most of the other countries have seen increases in tax revenues as well. For most of the countries, these tax systems were implemented in the early 2000s and have been said to be the reason for Eastern Europe's recent dramatic growth. Based on this evidence, it can lead us to believe that America would also benefit greatly from a flat tax. These benefits would include, but would not be limited to, greater tax compliance, higher living wages, increased earnings from the top earners, and sparked investment and GDP growth.

The advantage of higher taxes would put out and have the potential to benefit the most people. Higher taxes would put more money in the hands of the government, which can be used to fund important programs.

Many have numerous arguments for a flat tax proposal, but, one should first analyze the problems that we have with the current system, and the one that we will face in the future with it. A flat tax would introduce efficiency through the many advantages explained earlier, as well as introduce fairness to the system, which our country has not seen for quite some time.

Observations

Compiled by Lauren Cintra, Peter Connors, Ryan F. Daley, and Brian S. Kennedy

Only on BlueTube

This semester the internet has been on the frizz, whether you used wireless or the Blue Tube. Perhaps we need a server upgrade.

20 days until we-peace out...

...and the University decides to paint the speed bumps all around campus. Could it be that the noise and bumps are emptying it out and it's a less of a disruption to traffic? Just out suggestion for the next time they decide to do this.

Construction frustration

Supposedly it’s 24 hour quiet hours on campus, though we decide to begin construction on the basketball court right outside the windows of hundreds of students RIGHT AT THE BEGINNING OF FINALS.

Fill up your tank on May 15

You may have received a Facebook group or event invite, MySpace post, or chain e-mail telling you that a nationwide “Gas Out” on May 15 will force gas prices down. It won't, read the interview with Professor Bates on page 2.

"Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot..."

With all the trees being felled to make way for Hall 17, the new basketball court, and God knows what other buildings going up, we're looking forward to the first concerned student to chain him or herself to the remaining arbor.

Can we get some time to break?

It's perfect, give them THE FINAL in the afternoon, finish up Monday night CLASS, and have an accounting FINAL the very next morning. Don't get us wrong, we do enjoy the shortest possible semester, though an extra day or two in between the ending of classes and the beginning of finals would be superb. (And the weekend doesn't count!)

O.A.R. was fantastic

We'd like to commend O.A.R. for their excellent performance during Spring Weekend, 2007. They proved that you don't need to be a hip-hop artist to "rock the house."

Where's Waldo?

As of May 4, 2007, the Director of Student Activities position still has not been posted. Are we trying to lose out on all the best candidates or are we trying to pinch pennies and not spend the money on hiring one of the worthy job-seekers? Could we also have experience at institutions of higher education and can that bring as that to the asset to the benefit of Bryant University.

We'll miss you guys, We really will. Even you, Kennedy.

With this being our last issue of the year we found it only appropriate to tip our hats to Shawn Benham, Advertising/Business Manager, Emily Welles, Copy Editor, and Brian S. Kennedy, Assistant Opinion Editor. We congratulate them on their graduation and the real world guys, we know you'll do well.

Top ten things I want to do this summer:

10. Make Money

We're off and the funds were very low for Mr. Brian Ford. However, with two jobs this summer I feel as though I may be able to at least feed myself this time around.

9. Attend three Red Sox Games

Why support your favorite team only once? The Red Sox don't take off until the first week of May, and it is still a few times a summer, and this is a goal in which I finally want to succeed. I have made two games countless times; however, that third game always seemed to escape me.

8. Watch the Yankees Lose.

- No need for an explanation. Sorry guys, you're just not good anymore.

7. Beach Whiffleball

- Beach whiffleball is one of the timeless sports in the Ford family, mom plays, and that's when you know it's a big deal. Let's just say the athletic genes came from my dad's side...but mom puts in a good effort so it's all good.

6. Random fifteen hour journey

- Anyone from home has developed a tradition where one day we set out early, without a plan, and just do a bunch of stuff. For example, one day we went fishing, to six flags, swim in four pools, and then went to see two movies. To say the least, making money is key for these kinds of days. Hope you guys have good luck.

5. Learn to Play the Guitar

- Flat's Simple and I have no experience. I don't even know how to tune it. This needs to change, seeing as my case has not been posted. I've been told by everyone from hall to floor, to the next on the line. The next year you wait until the tide comes in to take you and your boat swimming.

4. Go to Nantucket

- I have never been there and everyone raves about it. I feel this summer is the perfect opportunity to make the trek across the ocean and visit Massachusetts famous island.

3. Sleep on the beach

- This is a pretty dominant idea. There are certain places where I've been to that get packed out by weekenders, some have some of bonfires and then sleep on the beach. The next morning you wait until the tide comes in to take you and your boat swimming.

2. Go Skydiving!

- Now that I am old enough, and have finally grown, well, you get the point. I think it is about time that I finally take the plunge. This is something I have always wanted to do, it is a once in a lifetime experience, and I feel that it is something I must go for. To be able to feel the wind in my...hair... well anyway it's going to be awesome.

1. Run a Triathlon

- As one of those short shorts kids on the track team, running a triathlon seems to be the next step in my crazy trend of events. I can't wait to swim, bike, and run all at once. Wait a minute, why am I doing this? And oh yeah, there's one more thing that I need to mention. That's right, the whole thing is being brought to the townhouses where I'll be staying this summer.

In conclusion, I would just like to say that it has been a pleasure writing for all of you this year. I hope that you have enjoyed my columns, especially my top ten lists, as I know they have had a great chance with you. I plan on returning in the fall with this top ten list, instead telling you exactly how I accomplished them and why it happened. Have a good summer and I'll see you in the fall!

Words of Wellness

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The rate of melanoma risk by 75% (International Journal of Cancer. 2007). Overexposure to UVA and UVB rays carry risks beyond the potential development of skin cancer. Overexposure to UVB rays result in what we know as sunburn, which can cause sun damage and can lead to skin cancer. Overexposure to UVA rays causes wrinkles. "The skin loses water, which causes wrinkles, loss of elasticity, and a change in skin thickness," says Dr. Lebwohl. In what we know as the worst type of skin damage, the skin becomes thick, rough, and bumpy. Treatment for the disease can include lasers, medical treatments, and surgery. In the worst case scenario, the skin may become so thin that it can cause death. But what about your chances? You can be at risk of skin cancer, but there are ways you can reduce your chances of getting skin cancer. The first thing you should do is wear sunscreen. Sunscreen has a SPF number that will protect your skin from skin damage. The higher the number, the better. "You should also wear your sunscreen every day, even when it's cloudy," says Dr. Lebwohl. Another thing you should do is wear hats, clothing, and sunglasses. "You can also reduce your risk of skin cancer by avoiding the sun when it's the most severe, which is usually around 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. If you do go out during those hours, you should use other forms of protection," says Dr. Lebwohl. Finally, you should also quit smoking. "Smokers are at a much higher risk of developing skin cancer than others," says Dr. Lebwohl. In the end, you can protect your skin, but you need to take preventative measures to avoid a skin cancer diagnosis.
- Last Day of Classes 5/7
- Finals Period 5/7-5/15
- Senior Week 5/14-5/18
- Graduation 5/19
- Summer school 5/23-7/18
- Orientation 6/19-6/26
- Freshmen move in 9/1
- First day of class 9/4
- First Archway meeting 9/11
- First Archway hits the stands 9/21
- Homecoming weekend 9/28