NBC10 Auditioning Event

By Meghan Hanlon
Editor-in-Chief

Communication Studio NBC10 is on campus today to continue audition for NBC10's Auditions, which began on Wednesday. Contestants can present a prepared personality piece. From these auditions, which were taped in Bryant University's new television studio, 10 finalists will be chosen by Channel 10's newswomen staff. The ten who are elected will appear online for people to watch and choose their favorite. The final contestant will be offered an internship with Channel 10. In this internship, the contestant will do on-air and Entertainment Reporting.

This event also provided another opportunity for students who were interested in getting hands on experience in the control room with the help of an experienced staff. Tom Dooley, who was coordinator of Career Development, Speaker Day Fund, helped recruit interested students. The students who were helped on Wednesday got experience in camera operating, floor directing and directing. One person on hand to assist students was Tina, who has worked at NBC10 for over twenty years. She felt the first round of auditions on Tuesday were "well run and there was a diverse cross of people with different styles." Tina helped with general studio work. There were 25 auditions taped on Wednesday, with students from Rhode Island College, Brown University, Boston University, and many other Rhode Island universities. While the NBC10's contest was not part of the Communication Center's pilot program, the Communication Department is still conducting rounds in the studio, a very full month of media related events. According to Wendy Ward, head of the Communication Center, "we hope our students will come to the Communication Center to assist those who are interested in the field."

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Who will be kissing that lucky pig today?

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Marcela Ortuno, '07, helped with camera operation during Wednesday's auditions.

Samter, head of the Communication Department, "everyone worked really hard to pull this event together." She also notes that students can look forward to the Communication Department's next series focused on interpersonal communication. Jay Ladunscape, President of the Media Production Club thought the first day of taping, "went well" but was disappointed by the lack of turnout from the Bryant community. Students are invited to stop by today to see how the second day of filming is going. For Friday, filming will start at 9 a.m. and continue until 5 p.m.

Laptop Updates

By Kristina DeAngelis
Staff Writer

Laptop Central: Bryant has always embraced new technology, and their pilot program for the new tablet PCs are no exception. This semester, fifteen students were enrolled in a program to test how tablet PCs would benefit students, versus using the traditional laptop computers. This group of students consists of all the freshmen Applied Psychology students.

There are a few reasons why the Psychology students were chosen. First of all, a small group was desired to pilot the program. Another main reason is because those majoring in Psychology are prone to be more analytical. The program coordinators wanted to have a group that would be able to give in-depth feedback about the computers. Also, according to IBM, frequent users of the tablet PC are in the medical field. It is easier and more comfortable for those in the medical field to take notes on the tablet PC versus the traditional computer when out in the field treating patients.

The only drawback of using this group of students is that the male-to-female ratio is skewed; there are only about two male students out of the fifteen total students. Phoebe Budin, Academic Systems Manager, stated that if there were to be another trial program, she would hope to have a more equal ratio of male to female students.

There are a few main external differences between the traditional laptop computer and the tablet PC. The first difference is...
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\textbf{WARNINh:} What you’re about to read might keep you up at night. Or at least keep you away from your bed for a while. The reason is that there are tiny bugs that live in linens and pillow cases and feed on your dead skin and the problems they can cause when you press your face into them for months.

\textbf{"Tons of people are actually so terrified, which always grosses people out," says Dr. Michael Bykowsky, a Columbus allergist.} The Mayo Clinic estimated the average bed contains between 100,000 to 10 million dust mites.

\textit{"Your bed is especially inviting to dust mites," the clinic’s Web site notes.} "To them, it’s a warm, cozy, allergen-free bed that’s retired every night with yummy food."

Bykowsky explains the creatures’ fondness for beds this way: "They like a warm, humid environment," he says. "When yours is your bed, it’s both warm and humid there, so they thrive."

An allergy to dust mites, or to the debris or dying body parts they leave behind, can make life miserable. Like allergy season, only more so.

\textbf{"The biggest difference is, pollen is seasonal," Bykowsky says.} "And you can avoid pollens, but dust mites and bed bugs, well, they’re everywhere all the time."

Dust mites, however, worry over marrings, bed sheets and yellow powdery grime, and they’re generally more irritating from other allergens. Studies have linked dust allergies with seasonal pollen allergies. Experts theorize that dust at home might cause chronic inflammation, making sufferers more susceptible to allergy season commotion.

Bykowsky’s message to those with dust allergies: Don’t panic. While dust mites may trigger allergic reactions, it’s usually possible to keep them under control with a few commonsense precautions.

\textbf{\textit{"If it’s a fabric or material, dust mites can live in it," as Bykowsky says.} So what do you do? Step on them and they’ll take care of themselves."

A new mattress isn’t necessarily the answer, Bykowsky says, as studies have found mites can come with dust mites already living in them. The solution is allergen-proof encasements—plastic or vinyl or tightly woven fabric that act as barriers against dust mite allergens.

\textbf{Their pores are so small that the local particles can’t get through," Bykowsky says.} "Typically we tell people to put these on and leave them on, and you don’t need to take them off or wash them regularly."

Bykowsky recommends encasing pillows, mattresses and box springs. He also encourages people to use fabric sheets weekly in hot water, and hot is greater than 136 degrees Fahrenheit.

Duste free or less-dusty sheets may irritate people’s skin, too. He recommends washing sheets at least once a week in hot water and using a detergent that contains an allergen-reducing agent.

\textbf{\textit{"Keep dust to a minimum," Bykowsky advises.} This includes washing your hands frequently and washing your bedding before bed."

For dry loads, Bykowsky recommends using a dryer or hanging your bedding to dry. Drying it at all will help, and Bykowsky says the standard 20 minute tumble-dry cycle will serve the same purpose.

\textbf{\textit{"It’s not a new idea, but it works well," Bykowsky says.}\textit{"It’s a very sound health practice that has been around for a while. It’s not a new idea, but it works well," Bykowsky says.} If you’re pregnant or have other medical conditions, don’t use your dryer.

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Dust mites thrive in humid conditions, but they die when it gets dry. So get rid of them. Send pets outdoors. Or at least put them to bed far from your room. Dust mites bite holes on animals, and feed on dead skin pets shed.
Laptop Program Updates

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the weight of the computer; the screen of tablet PC is less than one inch smaller, however, it is much more lightweight. It also does not get as hot if kept on for a long duration of time. Another difference is that the DVD burner and CD/ROM drive is external, compared to the internal one on the traditional PC.

The tablet PC can also open like the traditional laptop, as well as folded clockwise to be flat. The software on the computer will automatically adjust when the screen is swiveled to switch from a horizontal view to a portrait view.

There are also other internal differences between the tablet PC and the traditional laptop. One of the main benefits is handwriting recognition software. This will allow students to use a stylus to take notes in their classes directly on the laptop.

The user can then save the notes and run their own handwriting or convert the handwriting into text. The tablets also have a fingerprint reader that will only allow the user to enter the main computer system.

The type of tablet PC that the students are using is a business model. There is also an academic model available; however, it did not have a touchscreen. Burlin also hopes to try out some of the academic models become she feels that they have a lot of features that would benefit a classroom setting. In addition, the price points of these models are not much higher than the traditional laptops.

Butlin noted that she is currently working with IBM to help fix this issue. Many also are not utilizing the handwriting recognition feature, one of the main differences between the tablet PC and the traditional PC. All of the students, however, love the weight of it. Also, many students who are not part of the pilot program are requesting tablet PCs.

Butlin took a survey of those students who are using the Tablet PCs, only seven of which applied. According to the survey, six out of the seven students rarely use the handwriting recognition program, which is one of the main reasons for having the tablet PCs. Although, all of them would recommend the tablet PC to others. Emily Secha, one of the users, stated, "The size and portability of the laptop is great. I do not use the handwriting recognition function because I do not usually use a computer to take notes during classes." When asked if she decided new technology out, but as soon as it is in the market, I will go buy it if it is necessary per.

Butlin commented, "There are always going to be people who are early adopters and others that will follow suit. Overall, I think that they are major academic benefits to the tablet PC in a college setting, especially in a classroom setting."
Admissions Updates
By Stephen Donners
Staff Writer

Admissions Office - The Bryant University admissions office has seen a lot of mail lately in the form of applications from all around the country.

The application deadline is quickly approaching and the process for reviewing it will likely change. The process is very long, but the admissions staff has a set of guidelines that make the class of 2010 will be successful and diverse.

Over the past few years, Bryant University has received a lot of national recognition for their academic programs, which resulted in an increase in the number of applications the admissions office has received.

Cynthia Bonn, Director of Admissions, has witnessed firsthand the increase in the number of students applying to Bryant. Last year we received a record 4,214 applications. This year the office has already received 4,200 applications, well ahead of last year’s pace, and we feel we will reach our goal of 5,000 applications.

During the application process, the admissions staff looks at each piece of a student’s application carefully. The one piece that is most heavily weighted is the essay that is most heavily weighted.

The transcript tells us how well a student did in high school and if they challenged themselves with the courses they took,” said Bonn.

Another part of a student’s application is their SAT scores. This year’s applicant pool is the first to fully take the new SAT’s.

This year’s version is scored out of 2400 points rather than 1600 points and has an essay section that requires a standardized math and verbal sections.

Many colleges across the country have debated if they should even review the essay because they have no standards to compare it to. This problem, however, does not seem to worry the Bryant admissions staff.

“We will not have an average (for the new SAT) that we can compare until next spring, so we are looking at a student’s critical reading and math scores, and using the essay as an additional score,” said Bonn.

Diversity is another important factor that Bryant University is constantly looking to increase when they review applications.

Balancing the male-female ratio is a difficult task, but Bryant has made strides in recent years. 43% of last year’s accepted students were female, thanks in part to programs such as Ady’s Night and a special brochure targeted at female prospective student.

These types of programs have also helped this year as well. The admissions office has accepted more applications from females than males this year.

To ensure that they are receiving a wide range of applications from different geographic locations, the Bryant University admissions staff has expanded the recruiting process.

Currently the majority of students that attend Bryant come from New England, New Jersey, and New York. Eventually, the admissions staff will seek out more applications from outside the northeast region.

“We have been expanding our recruiting to include California and the greater Chicago and the greater Dallas areas,” Bonn said.

With the application process in full swing, it seems the admissions office has clear goals that will ensure everything runs smoothly and that the class of 2010 will continue the tradition of academic excellence at Bryant University.

Bryant students stepped up to the plate, in a victory for the home town, a victory for the two-hundred dollar opera Carmen.

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Casinos ready to bet on wireless chip

By Suzanne Parmley
Knight Ridder - Newspapers

Las Vegas - As they
pooled reading under a 90-foot replica of the Eiffel Tower at the Paris Hotel & Casino here, the last thing Alice and Jerry Long wanted to do was gamble.

"You need to relax when you're eating, and when you're at the casino," said Alice Long, 56, of Hickory, N.C. Her husband, Jerry, 60, was absorbed in a book.

"Casino is in the relaxing," he said.

By the time the Longs return to Las Vegas next fall it may be harder to relax. Others near to them at the pool might be playing blackjack, poker, roulette and even slots. This summer, Nevada became the first state to allow the use of wireless, handheld gambling devices inside casinos.

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Mr. Bryant Nominees 2005

Ben Caisse
2009

Brian Flatley
2009

Anthony "Nino" Furnari
2006

Adam "Chip" Hamilton
2006

Joe Hansen
2006

On December 10th, these 10 nominees will compete against one another for the title of Mr. Bryant 2006. For this event, there were 85 nominations. Of the 14 people who turned in applications, 10 were chosen to be part of the 6th annual Mr. Bryant.

Ticket sales for this event will start Monday, December 5th in the Rotunda and will continue to be sold until all tickets are sold out. Executive Producer, Aimee Tryba expects the event to sell out. If tickets do sell out, students can watch the event through the Bryant station. Also, unlike in the past, tickets will not be sold at the door.

The five judges are: Shannon Kwoka, Career Services, Brian Levin, Student Senate President, Marge from Salmanson, Jen DiPrete, Health and Fitness Coordinator, and Hank Parkinson, Assistant Director of Student Activities. The final judge will be selected by raffle. Last year, the title went to Jose Lewis. Come to Janikles at 8 p.m. to see who will be this year's Mr. Bryant.
Dear Joe,

Would like to think of the low level popularity of the book that I sold. They did a nice job promoting the book, or name the "Communications Complex." What I don't understand is with all that new equipment, how can there ever be an advisor you don't need to ask or any programs on the better TV channel? I've heard it because you know communication is a lot of fun, but what are your thoughts about what communicating is in the end? Is this true and if so why? They will have a course that tells everything you need to know.

Where is the material?

Dear Where is the material?

I am currently taking Basic Television Production in the Communications Studies, and I can tell you there's not a lot of important information in the studio. The Communications Studies department is fully operational all semester, but if you could see the amount of writing in that area, it would blow your mind. I have seen similar facilities at other schools and they don't even begin to compare with what Bryant has put together. I like any new topic, it takes time to fully understand it. I know that the Communication Department, and the leadership of their new chair, Wendy Smutney, has great things in store for the Communications Studies. Put all of these things together. Also, there is a Media Production Club coming in to brainstorm and implement ideas to make our television studio a more effective tool for faculty and students. If you are interested in this club, you can email us at the address below and we will get the information to the proper people.

On a side note, while on the topic of the Communications Department, I would like to commend them on the wonderful job they have done through this year. I mean what other department is cool enough to bring Mark Cuban's录像带?

Joe

Dear Joe,

You are correct in your observation. Expedient is the latest student entrepreneurial effort to take hold on campus. They have been putting out a rather aggressive campaign to win over customers. The only problem is that most students do their laundry with a change that has left out at the end of the week, and are not looking to spend $250 to make sure their favorite shirt is dried every week. Like my Marker Policy Professor always says, let's drill down to the numbers of this case, if you note the utmost things like this.

Then from my vantage point it looks like the founders of Expedient Laundry used campus resources i.e. rolls of paper and markers, that are only supposed to be used by campus organizations to book.

I give the founders of Expedient Laundry credit, they have taken a simple H.S. [10] Business Plan and acted on it. I think they are using Guerrilla Marketing tactics to market that just isn't interested. The cost of the service is just too high for your target market, I would recommend you take New Product Development with Professor Ochette next semester, you learn that after you put in a lot of work, you still need to cut costs before the launch of a product.

Joe

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Simon Says: Beware Title IX's Demise

By Toby Simon
Staff Columnist

Just when I thought the law of the land regarding women's athletics had finally been put to rest, thirty-three years ago, Title IX was passed as part of the Education Amendments of 1972 to the Civil Rights Act. What was supposed to be a temporary fix for the pasting of this act, only 10% of college athletes were women. Today 41% of college athletes are female and it's this one small act of defining Title IX that is most likely responsible for that progress.

No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.

And since almost every college receives some sort of federal aid, Title IX is a blessing for research grants, the playing fields have become more equal and so has the student body. Originally the exclusive domain of men, college athletic opportunities are now available for women following the Title IX decision. It's a true story. It hasn't also impacted high schools.

There were several legal challenges to Title IX being a very public and prominent challenge brought by our neighbor in the New England Conference, University of Rhode Island, bankruptcy, Amy Cohen, a student athlete at URI involved in the gymnastics team, led the challenge in a landmark case, Cohen v. Brown. The case was eventually heard before the Supreme Court who upheld the following decision.

The Supreme Court ruled that

- there is a "three prong" test to look at issues of compliance with Title IX: educational opportunities for both men and women in proportion to the numbers of men and women on campus;
- programs expansion and training for the men's and women's athletics;
- these are acceptable forms of compliance. However, Spelling's recent "clarification" included athletic directors at universities that they could use email services to communicate with their female athletes.

According to her critics, it's too easy and inaccurate to think that students who do not respond to the survey are not interested in athletic activities. Some claim that institutions are spending $2 on men for every $1 they spend on women.

So apparently there is a small battle wages in DC. Both and others are trying to continue to move forward with athletic opportunities for women. Sadly they are meeting opposition to this by politicians who are not interested with typical for ward unswerving, preferring to go backand forth. This is definitively worth our attention just for those women who are still college, but for young girls who play in high school and for little girls who play Little League.

And like so many issues regarding gender, this isn't just about athletics. It is also about rights and truly creating an environment in which we and others who follow, are on a level playing field-both literally and figuratively.

A Senator from West Virginia, usually on one of his frequent visits to Saltmarn with a friend whom I've shared only few details, asked, the question of why I lack a portion of my body. He was curious about the depth to which I could write on this particular story. I tell my friend to consider the first gent they had a child. I try to get them to picture the bond they shared with this animal. Now, they had entered their house and killed this pet, and then taken their television or stereo. Despite how big the TV was, or how loud the bass could be turned up on the stereo, they are unable to walk around or move about. Many of them struggle so hard to leave that they are heavier on the bars of their cages. We all know that these animals are adoring. But why do such people choose to turn a blind eye to the fact that we are adopting the natural elegance and beauty of the geese swimming in our pond, while we eat the flesh of animals so similar to us just a few steps away.

Is it because we are just following the example of our parents and grandparents who had no problem with eating meat? For the guys, are you too worried about the Catcher in the Rye hallucination you look to all the girls at Bryant when you talk about your haunt at compassion? Why, after I've talked through the issue with any one about eating meat, the last line of defense usually tell me that they will double their consumption of meat to make up for me!

Sometimes my friends tell me, "eating meat is natural." "Humans have been eating meat for thousands of years." Even if it is perfectly natural for us to eat meat, this doesn't imply that we should. Psychologists say that physical, violent aggression is a natural behavior, as well as deeding and living in order to gain an unfair advantage. As humans, we can transcend our own nature regardless of what was, "natural" in the past. I tell my friends who question my behavior that as humans we are part of the food chain, but we are separate from it. We are moral agents. We can empathize with the cow, pig, turkey, goose, or hen being torn apart by machines and choose to stop eating their flesh to leave them a chance to live out their lives. Would they think if we could.

It is difficult for me to discuss the issue, or wants a vegetarians starter guide, please email me at dphillip@bryant.edu

Letter to the Editor: Class Gifts DMatter

Dear Bryant Students;

I am writing to respond to the letters concerning the Class Gift of 1976 printed in The Archway last month. In researching my thesis, I have raised an important issue and highlights Bryant's lack of a comprehensive institutional policy that will guide our actions concerning class gifts and their consequences. This is a very important issue.

We are all aware of and have all benefited from the transmutation of the bell tower by the Student Senate. We need to reconsider this issue. To the Bell Tower, it is a conversation piece. We also need to consider what consideration the Student Senate needs to take into account in this ongoing discussion.

Additionally, the letters in The Archway have prompted the Student Senate and the Development Office to create a policy to guide our actions for the Bell Tower. To this end, we are working with the Student Senate and our other community to outline possible alternative solutions.

I hope this information reassures those who care about Bryant's Class Gifts Program and appreciate our concern and commitment to preserving Bryant's history.

Sincerely, Bob Tornor Wayde
Instructor of Alumni Relations

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Interlight on Spotlight: Dana Jute '05

Concentration: Accounting
Minor: Political Science
Internship Site: FierceWarriorsCooper Lobbies in Washington, DC, Summer '99

What did you learn about the profession?
College courses are relevant, and I learned from practical application. Training is comprehensive and extensive.

Firms encourage independence but always provide support.
What did you find most rewarding about your internship?
Moving to DC and learning the territory.

Working long hours.
Understanding and accepting my own limitations.

What did you find most challenging about your internship?
Receiving and handling a large amount of information.

Meeting professional in the industry.
Getting to know the firm and the people working within firm.

Making lasting friendships with people from around the country.

What did you learn about yourself?
I can work well in support and work that I wasn't aware of. Working hard and meeting people can lead to opportunities.

To stand up and be recognized for hard work.
Did you receive any compensation for your Academic internship?
Yes, I was paid.

Who was your faculty supervisor and what were your academic requirements?
Dr. Michael Lynch, faculty supervisor.

Maintained regular contact as well as "needed" contact.

In what was your internship experience?
Dana is willing to discuss his internship in more detail! Email him at dh@bryant.edu.

All students interested in planning to participate in an academic internship are welcome to attend an Orientation to Academic Internships that fall. Next session: Monday, November 28 at 3:30 p.m.
The Portfolio: Under Armour's IPO

By Pete Zingler
Scott Cohnmar

Many of my friends look to me for investment advice on how to diversify their holdings, whether or not to open an IRA, SEP or 401k, and whether or not to believe in Mad Money now Jim Cramer, or for the next "hot tip" and on and on - you get the drift. Most of the time it's because I'm the only one that probably wouldn't use a computer program to give you some idea and a concept that I probably don't believe will work or will come to fruition in the next few years, but, every once in a while a friend gives me a good suggestion or something that I like to take a look at.

One of my buds from Homeland, Jared Cogan, consistently bombards me on this stuff and I keep talking to him about ideas. It challenges me to either confirm it or tell him why he's wrong or for him to convince me why he's right. either way, one side usually wins. So, here's the idea that he's pressed me on. He's an athlete and a body builder, one thing that I am not for sure. It's always interesting as you know many people from different backgrounds that do different things. For example, a doctor will know information about how different drugs are working and whether or not they will be successful. A car salesman will know which cars are selling and which are not. A computer programmer can give you some idea where they see some new software.

Let's get back to the subject of Jared being an athlete and a body builder. Fantasy this: You're an athlete and you have been wearing cotton clothing that is not only bulky, but is uncomfortable, heavy, and wet. So in 1991, when Kevin Plank, the special teams captain for the University of Maryland football team set out to develop a lightweight, dryer, and more comfortable athletic and fitness attire, the concept was long overdue. Plank created a revolutionary product that provided a snug fit, was dryer, and lighter than the traditional cotton material. This material enhancer comfort by minimizing perspiration and regulating body temperature, allowing better performance under almost any weather condition or training atmosphere. The products have been a hit and Under Armour has seen sales of $563 million in the last 12 months, a compound annual growth rate of 47.7%, and net profits of over $15 million.

Now, here is what I like about the company and the IPO in a whole. Under Armour is only going to be valued at between $347 and $440 million, taking into account its IPO price that could range from $7.00 to $9.50 a share with some $6 million shares that will be outstanding after the IPO. Considering the $274 million in sales the past twelve months, Under Armour would only be trading at 1.32- 1.68x total sales. In taking into account the price to earnings multiple, we would find that Under Armour would see a P/E of between 23.19/29.37X with the high end market value well be factoring in. These profits are a knee cry from the 48.5% of the techs bubble when companies had minimal revenues and were losing money by the truckload. All in all, these are incredibly low multiples for a company with the sales growth potential and profit potential that this company is already realizing.

The one thing that may hold the company down is that insiders have major voting power since Class B shares that the founder will own are given more voting power then the traditional publicly held Class A shares. Here's what I have to say to that. If Mr. Plank, the founder, wants to make some money, he's going to grow the company plenty more so that he can cash out his Class B shares down the road, while making a fortune.

Since it's always a good thing to get consumer's advice on the products that a company sells, I asked my roommate Alex Cano what he thought. Here's what Alex had to say: "It's a great product. Athletes love Under Armour. You go to a sporting event and nearly every player is wearing some sort of Under Armour apparel. It's great word of mouth advertising and happy customers, with the fact that Under Armour products are in more than 1,000 retail locations in the US and Canada, a move to be entry into the footwear market, a global market that the company has barely even tapped into, a powerful advertising campaign, and the ability to give companies like Nike, Reebok, and Adidas a heck of a run for their money, and you have a winning company.

I know it's going to be quite tough to get a piece of the IPO in the single digit price range, but if you have quite a fortune with a large broker base. So, unfortunately the little guys landers gold like us will miss out on getting a piece for such a low price. I expect shares on the secondary market that begins trading on Thursday to pop to at least $13 and I would not be surprised if shares top $15 on the first day of trading. So, "Protect this House" is a stock idea! Something for me to talk about. Let me know by emailing me at pmz114@comcast.net.

Students Speak Out

Question of the Week:
What do you think about Expedient Laundry?

"I think they're being too aggressive in their advertising." Erica Lawton 2009

"The Cornerstone makes a much better bar than a laundry warehouse." Art Aery 2006

"I fear for my laundry. What if it's lost, shrunk, or stained? I wouldn't do it." Guillermo Cabrera 2008

"I wouldn't give my laundry to someone else to do." Kristin Chrusz 2007

"It's a good service to have on campus but they need to lower their prices." Rohan Shah 2006

"The prices seem a little outlandish and I don't trust a few Bryant sophomores with my laundry." Geoff Rice 2006

"I probably wouldn't use it because I can do my own laundry but it's a good idea." Elise Shields 2009

"It's a great idea that has had potential for a long time and to see people acting upon it could be beneficial." Pat Brossman 2008
Men's and Women's Swimming

The Bulldogs competed in a non-scoring invitational at UMass-Dartmouth on Saturday, November 12. Andrea Godfrey placed first in the 100 Yard Backstroke, and third in the 50 Yard Freestyle. Ray Saynor, in the Men's 50 Yard Freestyle, earned third place. On Tuesday, November 15, the teams competed in the NE-10 Conference opener at Pace. The women finished with a final score of 86 and men, 75.

Volleyball:
In a tight match against Bentley Saturdays, Bryant Volleyball captured third straight NE-10 Conference tournament title. Michelle Grange was named the 2006 NE-10 Conference Volleyball Player of the Year, and Tiffany Garry had 33 kills, 12 assists, and 3 aces, and was NE-10 Conference Player of the Week. For the second-straight year, Tiffany Garry has been chosen to host the Northeast-10 Conference Setter of the Year. Garry has been named All-Region 1st team with 1,456 career assists and led the Bulldogs with 103 service aces.

Upcoming:
Bryant has been chosen to host the 2005 NCAA Northeast Regional Championship for women's volleyball from November 17-19. As the number two seed, Bryant will face New York Institute of Technology at the championship opener.

Sports Updates

Bulldog Have Four NEWISA Division II Senior Bowl Selections

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Middle Bergen (Westfield, MA) and Hannah Sandrowski (CT) will participate in the Senior Bowl and will anchor the defense as ballhugs. Three captain-defenders have combined for eight goals and six assists through 142 games in their four-year Bulldogs careers.

The third tri-captain Terri Gidius (Covington, CT) was selected as one of the six midfielders to play in the Senior Bowl. Gidius tied with five goals this season and has awarded 17 goals and 12 assists in her 75 game career.

Sophomore Tricia Spada

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Even though the rankings for not included the number of heart that these athletes put into this season, coach Amy Lauglin was pleased with their overall performance. "Both teams, but did really well this year, despite a lot of injuries," said Lauglin. "The men beat Bentley for the first time, as we were all really pleased with that. On the women's side, we are a very young team, and the girls really gave their all in practice and meets.

Many of the runners kicked it up a notch this season, notably Steve Carr. Despite being hurt for most of the season, he worked hard every day, and he placed second in his first meet.

Senior Hannah Sandrowski

Sandrowski played in 16 games, and in the 2006 season when she was a sophomore, she played in all but one game (20-11) in her senior year. She scored two goals and had one assist for a total of four points out of a defensive position.

Senior Terri Gidius

Gidius was another one of Bryant's three captains who won a midfield spot on the second NE-10 all conference team. Originally from Coventry, CT, the midfielder played in 78 games for the Bulldogs and was selected to finish her career with a trip to the senior bowl game.

Junior Casey Grange

Grange is a junior who also graduated from the second NE-10 all conference team. Grange scored a total of four goals and had 12 assists in 22 games. She appeared in 20 games for the Bulldogs. She scored a total of four goals and had 12 assists for a total of six points. She also contributed big minutes up front for the Bulldogs.

Tricia Spada

A sophomore midfield from Dedham, MA, Spada came in third on the team in points.

Women's Soccer wins high honors

By Greg Hirschorn and Sarah Slingerland

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A senior defender hailing from Trumbull, CT, Sandrowski was selected as one of the NE-10 first team. She was one of three captains during her senior year and was also named NE-10 defensive player of the year. In addition, she gained a spot on the senior bowl. During Sandrowski's time at Bryant she played in 64 games, performing as a critical member of the defensive effort. She brings an enormous amount of energy and dedication to the team which has helped Bryant reach their current level of play, as well as herself. Her competitive nature also helped to spark the team in their winning efforts.

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By Sarah Slingerland

Falmouth Bank, Boston, MA - The men's and women's cross country teams competed at the NCAA Regional Championships on Sunday, November 6th. Out of 10 teams, the men finished 9th and the women came in 17th.

Probably the smallest varsity teams on campus, the men's and women's cross country team had to deal with a lot of injuries this year. Pitching since August along with the strain of past seasons and summer training really took a toll on the team's health. "The team has been a tough season because we have many people who are injured so we did not place any of us on the team," said sophomore Nicole Rahle.

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Sophomore Andrew Holmes also had a great season, showing increased improvement and dedication from the fall to the spring. "Most, if not all of the athletes set personal records this season, and I was glad to see that their hard work was paying off," noted Lauglin.

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Bulldog Football ends a record-breaking season

By Chris Ficarola
Staff Writer

Bulldog Stadium - This past Saturday the Bryant University football team played their last regular season game against Southern Connecticut, both teams had identical records going into the game. The winner of that game, along with five other teams would have to be voted into the playoffs by a committee.

Going into Saturday’s game, the Bulldogs were ranked 7th in total defense per game nationally. It was going to be a close game. As for the game plan, “simple ten defense, keep the ball out of our hands and just give our offense a chance to win,” said Coach Marty Fine.

Things started moving very fast very early both as the Owls returned a punt 81 yards for the first touchdown of the game. The Bulldogs retaliated with an 80 yard drive leading to a Lorenzo Perry touchdown. Unfortunately from there things got out of hand for the Bulldogs, the Owl’s offense becoming seemingly unstoppable after scoring on their next three possessions. The Bulldogs offense however could not seem to find their niche after being forced into another punt that was again returned for a touchdown, this time 91 yards. 387 in the first quarter, things were spiraling out of control from there, ending with a final score of 77-28, a highly disappointing season ending performance but an exceptional season all in all.

This season for the Bulldogs was their best season thus far, with a record of 5-0 overall. In the history of football at Bryant, the Bulldogs have never won 7 games in a season, a huge milestone for Coach Marty Fine and all the staff. The Bulldogs also went undefeated at home going 50 for the first time ever. However that was not the only record broken this season. Senior linebacker Greg Daniel broke the school record for tackles in a season reaching 84, and 306 for his career (second all-time).

Senior line backer Greg Daniel established a new school record for tackles in a season; his team-high seven tackles against the Owls gave him 84 for the year and 206 for his career (second all-time).

Senior wide receiver Shane Chelfenham started in the game against the Owls and caught 3 passes for a total of 50 yards. He has been and hopefully even make the playoffs but that’s a riddle only time will tell. As for now, congratulations to the Bryant University Football team and staff for an incredible season that will literally go in the record books.
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Early Riser
Rookie Surfer
Professional Rocker*
Is Welcome Here

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