Senior calls for transparency in faculty evaluations, creates website

By By Jenna Morris

Campus News Editor

Do you always find yourself searching through ratemyprofessor.com as course registration nears? Do you ever wonder if the evaluations are accurate, biased, or who is actually sending in these reports? A new website created by Bryant student Michael Adams (’10) will publish the real results, those being the SIR reports that every student in every course is required to take part in.

This new website is called www.BryantScores.com and its purpose is to “help students make informed choices when they pick their professors,” says Adams. “By having professors willingly post their SIR reports to the website it shows their commitment not only Bryant University, but to excellence in teaching and higher education.”

Higher education and helping give students a voice on campus is something Adams cares greatly for. “I started this website because I have a passion for change in higher education. The system is flawed across the nation, from assessment to the tenure program, and students need to stand up to make it better. We are the generation of change. It is our job to get everyone enrolled and to start a movement to greater educational standards. I figured, why not start with Bryant?”

Adams is aware that change is not something taken lightly at Bryant. “We’re generally a conservative campus, and as soon as change is happening, the University freaks out,” Adams says. With that in mind, Adams believes that although change may be difficult, BryantScores.com is definitely a better alternative to ratemyprofessor.com. The students that tend to post on ratemyprofessor.com are those that have very strong opinions about the professor, either positive and negative. “RateMyProfessor is a site where students go on and they either say one of three things: this person knows nothing and should never be in the classroom, the professor is beyond mean, or this professor was so easy, you don’t even have to read the book,” says Adams.

Information like that is not very helpful in choosing the professor to best suit one’s needs, and unless someone had multiple friends who have taken the professor before, there is really no reliable alternative to learning about professors and their teaching styles. Although the SIR reports do not have the infamous Chili pepper that represents the “hotness” factor of the professor, the information they provide is much more pertinent, and the evaluation of their teaching style, workload, and educational methods used in class are much more in depth.

Adams hopes more professors, especially those from the College of Arts and Sciences will be honest and willing to publish their SIR reports. “We probably won’t get the under-performing professors, but at least we’ll get professors that are proud of their teaching ability and don’t afraid to publicly display it. Taking risks is what professors teach us here, so let’s put your actions where your mouth is, put yourneck out, and join our movement for more faculty transparency.”

If you are a student, Adams encourages you to get your professors involved. If you’re a professor interested in being a part of this project, please contact Michael Adams at madamom@bryant.edu.

BryantScores.com already has numerous professors on board who have agreed to share their SIR reports online.

Michael Adams ’10, has created www.BryantScores.com to post faculty SIR II Reports. He is looking for more faculty participation to start the move towards a more transparent campus. (Amanda Dunn)
April 23, 2010

DPS LOG

TRESSPASSING
APR 15 2010-Thursday at 04:15
Location: DISPATCH CENTER
Summary: One male and one female were removed from campus by Smithfield Police and charged with trespassing. Smithfield Police also took possession of a syringe and a bong that was on Bryant property.

LARCENY ($50-$200)
APR 16 2010-Friday at 11:30
Location: CHASE ATHLETIC CENTER / GYM / MAC
Summary: A report of a stolen wallet from the locker room.

FIRE (Building)
APR 16 2010-Friday at 19:32
Location: CHASE ATHLETIC CENTER / GYM / MAC
Summary: A reported clothes dryer fire in the Athletic center. The fire was extinguished by the DPS Supervisor.

ACCIDENT: Leaving the Scene / Unattended Vehicle
APR 17 2010-Saturday at 01:14
Location: COMMUTER PARKING LOT
Summary: A student reported a parked vehicle was hit and the person left the scene.

VANDALISM (SCHOOL)
APR 17 2010-Saturday at 04:32
Location: UNISTRUCTURE
Summary: A report of vandalism in the MRC Lecture Hall.

VANDALISM (SCHOOL)
APR 18 2010-Sunday at 01:35
Location: RESIDENCE HALL
Summary: A report of a broken window in a Residence Hall.

VANDALISM (SCHOOL)
APR 18 2010-Sunday at 13:29
Location: TOWN-HOUSE
Summary: A report of an exterior wall of a Townhouse being spray painted. A vehicle parked in the area was also spray painted.

VANDALISM (SCHOOL)
APR 18 2010-Sunday at 13:57
Location: TOWN-HOUSE
Summary: A report of a broken window in a Townhouse.

VANDALISM (AUTO)
APR 18 2010-Sunday at 15:28
Location: SENIOR APARTMENT LOT
Summary: A student reported vandalism to the front of his vehicle.

LARCENY
APR 20 2010-Tuesday at 12:50
Location: CHASE ATHLETIC CENTER / GYM / MAC
Summary: A report of a stolen wallet from the gym's men's locker room.

EMT CALL
Medical Services Rendered
APR 20 2010-Tuesday at 19:45
Location: UNISTRUCTURE
Summary: A report of a student in dining hall felt faint. EMS was activated.

BIAS INCIDENTS
None Reported

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THE GREAT WALL RAISES AWARENESS

By Steve McCauley

Contributing Writer

China is one of the most rapidly growing countries in the world, with business and educational opportunities expanding daily. In 2005 the U.S. – China Institute was established here on campus in an effort to connect Bryant with China, both in a business sense as well as culturally. The Great Wall is a Management 200 service learning team, and we are working with the U.S. – China Institute here at Bryant. Our overall goal of the project is a public awareness campaign of the Institute and what it offers to both students here, as well as people in the outside community.

The Institute offers many programs that focus on academics, business, and culture. It offers a SIE trip to China, a study abroad program that runs a full semester, and various seminars and information sessions sponsored by the Institute.

One of the unique programs that the U.S. – China Institute offers is a federally funded educational program for middle and high school students, and university students, over the summer. The program is called STARTALK and it is a three week program that educates participants both in Chinese language and culture. This is an experience that will prove valuable for any student or teacher as U.S. – China relations progress into the 21st century. Since it is a federally funded program it is very affordable and in

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When asked where he saw Bryant in the future, Trifs said “Bryant is well-positioned... the future is good. Bryant will con- tinue to grow in stature throughout the geography in which we are known, throughout New England and into the Middle-Atlantic. The next step will be national and international ac- claim.”

Trifs continued that the university must pay attention to the pressures of the real world. “We are a high-qualified but ex- pensive institution. This coming academic year will mark the first time that Bryant’s tuition exceeds $45,000.” Bryant must be sure and deliver time and quality for the price it is asking, he explains.

When discussing his decision to leave, Trifs explained that he did not get into administration because of a loss of love for teaching and now, in resigning from his current position, there is a natural tendency for people to believe he didn’t like the job. This, however, is not the case.

Trifs said that once you’ve been a dean, you look at the world differently. “You realize how important a supportive faculty is. I have worked with an outstanding team who has ac- complished a lot.” He recognizes Bryant’s faculty as caring academics and good researchers.

At this point in his career, Dean Trifs looks at this as a good transition point. As is typical with a Dean’s contract, Trifs will begin a year-long sabbatical. During his sabbatical, he plans on embarking on a process to reeducate himself. “This will allow me to recapture the cutting edge of my discipline and rede- velop the research pipeline. I plan to sequester myself and de- velop my skill set.”

Following this sabbatical period, Trifs said he will return to Bryant as a professor of finance. “I will be joining the depart- ment teaching corporate finance and investment banking.” Al- though the Class of 2011 will not have the opportunity to enroll in one of Trifs’ classes, current freshmen and sophomores may be able to see Dr. Trifs in the classroom.

“One thing to be clear on,” Trifs said, “is that I’m not leav- ing. I’m very much staying.”

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Are You Ready For Spring Weekend?

By Mikala Mann

Staff Writer

Spring Weekend is quickly approaching and the Student Programming Board has been hard at work. The events will be starting on Friday, April 30 and continue throughout the weekend until Sunday, May 2. The theme this year is Bryant Loves the 90s, because everyone loved growing up in the 90s. You can look forward to every event having a 90s theme name.

The events start on Friday at 7pm with Super Soakers, POCS, Skip-its and more with roaming performer Jason LeVasseur on the Bryant Center Lawn. You can check out his music on MySpace.com and continue throughout the weekend experience. SPB will be giving away the biggest prizes of the semester! It is something you do not want to miss.

On Saturday, the event you should stop by to see Hypnotist Dale K in Janikies at 9pm. You are sure to get Goosebumps. After you are done laughing at your friends who were hypnotized, there is Saved by the Bell Big BINGO in the main gym at 11:30pm. There you will see special guests, Mr. Belding hosting the BINGO. SPB will be giving away the biggest prizes of the semester! It is something you do not want to miss.

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By Katie Hurley

Contributing Writer

On Thursday, April 29, The Big Sisters of Bryant will be providing lemonade for the Bryant community. The event is in support of Alex’s Lemonade Stand Foundation whose mission is to fight childhood cancer one cup at a time.

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Alex’s Lemonade Stand is a foundation whose mission is to fight childhood cancer one cup at a time. The Foundation is based on a young girl named Alex who was diagnosed with cancer at age four. Soon after her diagnosis Alex decided that she wanted to help doctors find a cure for cancer, and she came up with the idea of setting up a lemonade stand to help reach her goal. It ended up being a huge success as Alex raised $1 million dollars before she ultimately lost her life to cancer. Since then, ALSF has raised over $30 million dollars, which have been put towards various cancer-related research projects.

The Big Sister of Bryant would like to continue Alex’s legacy, and we would greatly appreciate your help. So come out for the Lemonade on April 29 from 11-3 outside the Bryant Center and quench your thirst between all the fun activities of spring week. We will be providing both pink and yellow lemonade, which have been donated from the local Stop and Shop.

In addition, we are accepting any donation that you may be willing to give. All proceeds will be sent directly to Alex’s Lemonade Stand Foundation where they will continue to support research for pediatric cancer.

Students design t-shirts, you print them.

By Ariana Ricci

Staff Writer

On April 29, a group of 300 lucky students will be able to have a go at screen printing — and walk away with their very own creations! Better yet, the screen print designs were done by very talented Bryant students. This was the first stage of an event, which is being held by SASS. The organization asked students for graphic designs, placing “very few restrictions on the material and encouraging[ing] students to be creative,” said Brian Waddell, a member of SASS.

Once all the designs had been submitted, SASS chose the top two designs and rewarded those students with a canvas print of their artwork. Congratulations go out to the two winners, Margie Pesikov ’13 and Don Tovelf "11. Their designs will be available for screen printing this Thursday on the Bryant Center Patio (the rain location is in the Rotunda) from 10am to 2pm to the first 300 students who arrive at the event.

You will be able to choose your own colors for the design and work the screen printing machine, creating your very own free t-shirt.

The premise for this idea was to get students’ creative juices flowing, as well as to “offer an outlet for the artists and graphic designers on campus, and connect them through a fun activity to 300 students walking around wearing their creative artwork,” Waddell explained. It’s the perfect way to kick off your Spring Weekend!

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Where did you study?
I studied at the CIEE center, not a university in Paris, France, through the program CIEE.

What was your reason for going:
I went to Paris because my minor is French so I wanted to speak the language, and I went to a big city because I’ve never lived in a city and I wanted to try it.

What is your best experience:
My best experience was one night my friends and I just walked around Paris at night. Everything was so beautiful and lit up and we just sat by the river Seine and watched the boats go by.

Can you share a funny cultural experience?
My funniest cultural experience was my host mom use to make fun of me all the time for eating dinner so early. I would usually eat around 7, where she would eat around 9, and she laughed at me pretty much every night because of it.

How was the school different from Bryant University?
My school was different than Bryant mainly in its size. There were only about 35 of us in my program so everyone had the same classes. Also, the class work was different because I took most of my electives while abroad, so it was a change from the regular business classes I take here.

How did this experience change you?
This experience matured me so much. Practically living on your own, learning how to survive in a city where they don’t speak your language, and trying to make friends all at once is very intimidating. Because of traveling around Europe, I became much worldlier and experienced many new cultures.

Would you study abroad again given the opportunity?
I would study abroad again in a heartbeat.
Some new Hawaii flights already getting cut

By Dan Webb
Contributing Writer

The Hawaiian market has certainly been fun to watch, as we've seen so many carriers announce new flights there over the past few months. I think it's fair to say that Alaska has been the most aggressive here by starting flights out of its Seattle base but also taking advantage of routes that were cut after ATA and Aloha's passenger operations went bust. But other airlines have been trying to get in on the action as well, and it appears that some of the flights that have been announced are already getting cut.

First, let's take a look at US Airways. The airline decided to experiment a bit and use a 767-200 for Charlotte-Honolulu service instead of sending it to Europe. It appears that the flight now goes away on September 8 (that's the last ing it to Europe. It appears that Alaska has been the most aggressive here by starting flights out of its Seattle base but also taking advantage of routes that were cut after ATA and Aloha's passenger operations went bust. But other airlines have been trying to get in on the action as well, and it appears that some of the flights that have been announced are already getting cut.

By Dan Webb

By Justin McCann
Contributing Writer

Have you looked at your cell phone bill lately? You would be surprised to see that you may be paying more than you should. During these trying times people are looking to cut expenses. So what better way to cut expenses than lower your cell phone bill? There are plenty of things you can have on your cell phone that you could go without, like a data plan, unlimited texting, and ring tones. And while text messaging is a necessity, you could go without unlimited texting.

Cell phone providers like Verizon, AT&T and T-Mobile like to encourage students into getting more than they need. The price comparison for all these companies is pretty much similar. The phones that all three cell phone providers offer are around the same price. But a data plan on most 3G phones cost an extra 30 dollars a month for every carrier. Unlimited texting is around 15 dollars more a month than a standard text messaging plan.

Sometimes the best choice for a college student is a regular phone that is free with a standard call and messaging plan. However there are plans that are offered for college students who want to lower their cell phone bill because of having to deal with the debt of college itself. Although cell phone providers do offer discounts to college students like AT&T does for Bryant. This helps ease the burden of a cell phone bill that might be outrageous otherwise.

Some useful ways of using the money that you would save from downgrading from a data plan or unlimited texting are investing your money in short-term bonds or saving it to pay for your college loans or other debt. Take advantage of these deals and save some money because it will be worth it in the long run.

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Talbots seems to have ignored the obvious

By Keith B. Murray
Faculty Contributor

Has Talbots figured out why it’s in trouble? Last week, Talbots announced plans to overhaul its image and start attracting younger customers — that’s a huge deal for a brand that’s made its success on selling fashion to not-so-young, mature women. The reason? Michael Adams ran an article [Talbots politely shows grannny the door] that reported a modest come-
back to profitability for Talbots, after over a year of quarterly losses. I was surprised by the news, for I’m familiar with Talbots — I’ve warmed many an easy chair while my wife—who, by the way, is not a grannny—has shopped many of its fine stores. For all I can tell, there’s a fine line of goods, tastefully showcased, and reason-
ably priced. What I found unexpected about the an-
nouncement was that Talbots has decided to turn red ink into white. This move, they claim, will return profitability in a matter of months. How—women who already shop at a host of competing places? How does one partner with the same customer—or, indeed, the same cause—after years of haggling over price, product, and quality? One can only wonder at what extent does the “same” customer exist? Knowing the world of fashion retail, we know that what Talbots presently has in its favor. The U.S. is on the verge of a huge—my enormous—tsunami of upper-mid-
dle class baby boomer women, headed (fast and furious into the very category of shoppers and buyers that Talbots says it now wants to defend in search of younger ones. Shouldn’t someone do Talbots a favor and mail them a copy of the Statistical Handbook of the United States? Talbots, there’s a huge wave of women coming your way…

Don’t step out of the way! In the next 20 years, 100 million baby boomers, from the USA and Canada, are going to have more time to shop and more money to spend than all 35 year olds will have for another 15 years—more than half of them will be women! Five million baby boomers turn 60 each year—that’s not even close to the number of those turning 33! That means that today there are even greater numbers of 40 year olds, 45 year olds, 50 year olds, and so on—wealthy enough and as well as the interest to dress well and fashionably. It isn’t for lack of a sizable, attractive target market that Talbots may be looking to, thus, must go hunting for a differ-
ent customer set. College professors of mar-
keting have all had this expe-
rience: Ask a freshman or so-
mewhat more—say, 20 year olds, 25 year olds, and so on—to be made in selling to the tsunami of baby boomers walking around malls today and headed your way for the next 20 years.

Keith Murray is a Marketing professor and the Associate Dean of the Graduate School at Bryant University. Be sure to visit his daily blog at www.keithmurray-
coth.com.

Is Talbots trying to be all things to all people? [MCT Campus]

By Michael Adams
Assistant Editor-in-Chief

It’s your life, do what you want

Over the past few months, my husband and I have been battling over getting a full-
time job, growing our busi-
ness, raising our three kids, etc. There have been about 40 different forks in the road. I’ve had to choose the right direction when I got to the fork in the middle of the road countless times. It’s when you get really good at decision mak-
ing. It makes picking up the fork easier. I have a better fork analogy. I think it will make things much easier when one fork makes things easier. Here’s a prime exam-
ple: My Dad and I were hav-
ing a conversation about what I should do after college. He started making me feel like I didn’t know. It’s your life. Do what you want. I can’t make the de-
cision for you. He’s right. I’m in the drivers seat of my life, so I make the decisions. If I want to take a day off from work, I take a day off. If I want to donate product, I will donate product. If I want to not take a paycheck for a year, then so be it. I have made the decision to be an entrepreneur and I’m proud of it. Often times we see
other people hop in the dri-
er’s seat for a few miles and
we regret it later. Nope, not me. I am in control of my paycheck, my future, and my im-
 pact on my local commu-
nity. Are you in control and making arrangements to do what you want? I hope so.

That’s entrepreneurship. In five short weeks, I head off on a whirlwind adventure of meeting new people and ex-
ploring new places. No home-
work. No professors. No ridiculous schedule. It’s time to enjoy life starting…

Michael Adams is a Senior Marketing Major at Bryant and a serial entrepreneur who blogs at RehottledLeFevre.com.

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Softball sweeps St. Francis (Pa.)

Bryanna Lischinsky prepares to bunt. (BryantBulldogs)

The Bryant University softball bats came alive Sunday afternoon as the Bulldogs hit a total of five homeruns at Saint Francis (Pa.) to complete the season sweep of the Red Flash. The Bulldogs shutout SFU 6-0 in the first game of the doubleheader and came from behind to win 8-5 in the nightcap.

After losing 14 games in a row to open conference play, the seniors, the Bulldogs have now won four of their last six and three in a row. Bryant improved to 7-29 with the wins Sunday afternoon and 4-11 in Northeast Conference play. The Red Flash drops to 10-33 overall and 2-12 in the conference. Bryant outhit the Red Flash 22-7 in the doubleheader.

After hitting the game-winning double on Saturday at Robert Morris, senior tri-captain Ali Chouinard (Swanse, Mass.) hit her first home run of the season on Sunday. Chouinard's second dinger, a three-run shot in the top of the seventh inning of the game, doubled her overall total on the season to 16. Freshman Kelsea Gewgidyfiflings added an assist for an eight-run lead that Chouinard hit back-to-back homeruns to lead off the fourth to make it 3-0 in favor of the Bulldogs. It was Lischinsky's first career home run. Bryant tallied two more runs that inning as freshman Christina Errings (Tewksbury, Mass.) scored on a wild pitch and Bowen earned her second hit of the game, a single to the shortstop, which scored Lischinsky.

The Bulldogs recorded one more insurance run in the top of the seventh inning of a Lauren McClintock (Voorhees, N.J.) sacrifice fly that scored Lischinsky. Junior pitcher Sami Houseal (Mount Joy, Pa.) pitched a brilliant complete-game four-hit shutout to earn her first victory since the season campaign. Houseal walked just one batter and struck out two in the outing.

Chouinard was 3-3 in game one after driving in two runs and scoring two as well. Gewgidyfiflings picked up two hits each. Bowen also added two RBIs in the contest. The Red Flash caught up to Houseal in game two of the doubleheader as they jumped out to an early 4-0 lead but just two innings of play.

Bryant quickly responded in the top of the third inning with three runs of its own on four hits. Freshman outfielder Regi Burdi (Wayne, Pa.) reached base with one out on a double to left center and was advanced to third on a Bowen single up the middle. Freshman Kate Murray (Fitchburg, Mass.) reached base on a fielder's choice to advance Bowen to second, but Burdi was gunned down at second. Bryant added an insurance run after leading off the seventh inning with a solo shot, the first of her career, to center field.

But Saint Francis wasn't done just the 2010 season, but the game-winning double on Saturday at Robert Morris, senior tri-captain Ali Chouinard (Swanse, Mass.) hit her first home run of the season on Sunday. Chouinard's second dinger, a three-run shot in the top of the seventh inning of the game, doubled her overall total on the season to 16. Freshman Kelsea Gewgidyfiflings added an assist for an eight-run lead that Chouinard hit back-to-back homeruns to lead off the fourth to make it 3-0 in favor of the Bulldogs. It was Lischinsky's first career home run. Bryant tallied two more runs that inning as freshman Christina Errings (Tewksbury, Mass.) scored on a wild pitch and Bowen earned her second hit of the game, a single to the shortstop, which scored Lischinsky.

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Lady Bulldogs prevail on Senior Day; win 16-11 in season finale over St. Francis (PA)

Backed by seven goals from senior captain Ali Faiaola (Billerica, Mass.) and a career-high nine assists from senior Emily Bogan (Swanse, Mass.), the Bryant University women's lacrosse team sent five seniors off with a parting gift Sunday afternoon – a 16-11 victory over Northeast Conference foe Saint Francis (PA) in the 2010 season finale.

Faiaola's game-high seven scores tied her for third in the Bryant single-season records, and the two-time captain added an assist for an eight-point day in her final outing downing the Red Flash and Bogan's four goals doubled her previous total on the season, and sophomore An- tonette Lombari (Wallingford, Conn.) chipped in a hat trick as the Bulldogs (3-9, 2-5 NEC) saw a 4-4 tie after the first quarter of their 16 tallies come from just a trio of scorers.

But the Bulldogs, led by senior captain Jessica Bolton (Belgrade Lakes, Maine) man- Thing thepipes, shut the door on their conference visitors and scored six unanswered goals to close out first-frame action and take all the momentum – and a 10-6 lead – into the locker room at the break. Faiaola highlighted the six-goal flurry that stretched nearly seven minutes with a trio of her seven scores while also assisting on the Lombardi tally that started the run.

Faiaola connected for her second score of the game with 7:35 to go in the first period, tying the contest at 6-6, and freshman Kelsea Gewgidyfiflings and fellows senior shortstop, which scored Lindley and Bowen earned her second goal of the season as the seventh of gametwo, and a 10-6 lead – into the contest. It was Lischinsky's first career home run. Bryant tallied two more runs that inning as freshman Christina Errings scored on a wild pitch and Bowen earned her second hit of the game, a single to the shortstop, which scored Lischinsky.

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All-Decade Baseball Team

Bryant University Baseball has enjoyed tremendous success over the past 10 seasons, compiling 308 wins during the decade. The Bulldogs at- tended the DII NCAA Northeast Regional four times and won the NCAA Northeast Regional title in the 2004 season, sending them to the Division II College World Series.

Many great players have contributed to the program’s success between the 2000 and 2009 seasons and in order to recognize these tremendous accomplishments, Bryant is pleased to announce the nam- ing of the All-Decade Team and will honor these 18 indi- viduals this Saturday between games of Bryant’s double- header with Fairleigh Dickin- son.

The 18 players selected for the 2000-2009 Bryant Baseball All Decade Team were chosen by a committee consisting of current and former Bryant coaches and administrators, as well as other college coaches in the Northeast.

First Base: Mike Rocco (Tewksbury, Mass./Tewks- burk) Rocco was the Bulldogs’ an- chor at first base for the four years he was at Bryant. Dur- ing his career he set the school record and NCAA Division II record for career put outs with 2,013. He also compiled 231 hits, hitting .281 in his career and was named first team All Northeast 10 Freshman of the Year.

Second Base: B.J. Gagnon (Rochester, N.Y./Spaulding) Gagnon was a .307 career hitter, played in 200 games with the Bulldogs and was MVP of the 2004 Northeast Re- gional, helping lead the Bull- dogs to the World Series. In the decade he was the leader in doubles, with 51, RBIs, with 138 and tied for 2nd in walks with 234. The slick field- ing infielder also stole 29 bases in his career placing him 6th in Bryant history.

Shortstop: Pat McKenna (Orange, Conn./Addison) McKerina was a four year starter at shortstop and a three year starter in the Bryant Cardinal record books for games played, at-bats, hits, and RBIs. He finished his career with 234 hits placing him 11th for all-time, and was named the 2009 Bryant Male Athlete of the Year. After a successful four years at Bryant, he was selected by the Milwaukee Brewers in the 22nd round of the 2009 Major League Draft.

Third Base: Paul Nov- akowski (Prospect, Conn./Bridgton Academy) Novakowski started in the infield all four of his years with the Bulldogs. He had 200 hits in his career along with 17 homeruns placing him 5th in the decade. Novakowski also ranks 3rd in the decade with 67 walks, and was named first team All NE-10 as a freshman in 2003.

Outfield: Nick Campbell (Raynham, Mass./Bridgewa- ter-Raynham) Campbell, a current senior on the 2010 baseball team, has already made his way into the record book. As a junior Nick set the all-time school hits record and currently stands with 297 hits. Nick has been the starting centerfielder for the past four seasons and in 2008 won the Rawlings Gold Glove award for his outstand- ing defensive skills. That same year, he was named first team All NE-10.

Outfield: Daryl Crowley (Danvers, Mass./Danvers) Crowley was a four year starter in the outfield for the Bulldogs and was a major of- fense presence in the lineup. Crowley was named 2003 Northeast 10 Freshman of the Year, and was named first team All Northeast Region 2004 on two different occasions. Crowley fin- ished with a 3.16 average, hitting 14 homeruns, with 107 RBIs. Crowley is also a mem- ber of the 200 Hit Club, as he finished his career with 204 hits.

Outfield: Mickey Ryan (Lowell, Mass./Lowell) Ryan played in the outfield for 192 games for the Bulldogs in his career, placing him 5th in all-time games played in the decade with 53. Ryan also finished his career in second place all-time in career walks, and 4th all-time for triples, all with a batting average of .398. In 2004 Ryan was selected to be on the All-American Third team.

Catcher: Jim Collins (Walpole, Mass./Xaver- ian) Collins was the backstop be- hind the plate for all four years. He is a career .320 hitter with 44 doubles, 4 triples, and 13 home runs. He knocked in 104 RBI in his ca- reer and had a staggering per- centage of .467, placing him 6th in the decade. Collins was named All-NE-10 for the first three of his seasons at Bryant.

Catcher: Jeff Vugir (South Windsor, Conn./South Wind- sor) Vugir, a current senior on this year’s 2010 baseball team, has been the starting catcher for the bulldog for the past four seasons. Vugir cur- rently ranks second all-time in RBI, third all time in hits, and is just one double shy of breaking all the time record of 54. Vugir was named 2007 Northeast 10 Freshman of the Year, and in 2009, was named first team All Independent as a catcher.

Designated Hitter: Jeff Renga (Medway, Mass./ Bishop Hendricken) After transferring from Provi- dence College Renga put to- gether three great offensive seasons. He finished with a career .361 average, hitting 43 doubles, 5 triples, and 9 home- runs. He led the decade in home runners and placed second in batting average. In Renga’s last year, Bryant was named first team All-Independent in 2008.

Utility Player: Dan Eng- land (Hoboken, N.J./Ho- boon.) England was a vital member of the Bulldogs, both with the bat and on the mound. England was named the 2002 Bryant Male Athlete of the Year. England was 218 hitter in the decade, with 36 doubles, 5 triples, and 9 home- runs. On the mound his senior year he compiled a record of 1-1.

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Starting Pitcher: Mike Flo- rest (Franklin, Mass./Franklin) Florest finished his career as one of the most dec- rated pitchers in Bryant his- tory. Florest owns the career wins record with 26, the ca- reer complete games record with 14 and the career strike- out record with 224. In addi- tion, Florest was twice named All NE-10, and in 2009, he was selected to the Bryant Athletics Hall of Fame.

Starting Pitcher: Eric Loh (Old Greenwich, Conn./Greenwich) Loh finished his career with a record of 25-17. Not many pitchers have enjoyed the same successes that Loh did over his four years at Bryant. He ranks second in wins with 25, first in innings pitched with 345, third in strike-outs with 205, and second in com- plete games with 11. Loh was also selected to the ABCA All- American third team in 2007 and honorable mention in 2008. He was also the 2007 Northeast 10 Pitcher of the Year.

Starting Pitcher: Doug Johnson (Pelham, N.H./ Pel- ham) Johnson, the 2000 Northeast 10 Freshman of the Year, fin- ished his career with 17 wins and 5 saves on the mound for the Bulldogs. He pitched 243 innings placing him 8th all- time in Bryant history. He fanned 220 batters during his career at Bryant placing him 2nd all-time. Johnson also set the single season strikeout record with 86. Johnson was an All Northeast Region selection during his junior year, and after that season, he was selected in the 5th round by the Colorado Rockies in the 2002 MLB Draft.

Starting Pitcher: Stephen Sloan (Franklin, Mass./Franklin) Sloan was outstanding in his career for the Bulldogs. He finished his career with a record of 18-6, and ranks first all time with a career ERA of 2.46. In 2004 Sloan garnered almost every award possible, while compiling an 11-1 record. That year, he was voted a first team All Ameri- can, named Northeast 10 Pitcher of the Year, and the Bryant Male Athlete of the Year.

Starting Pitcher: Kevin Cobb (Acton, Mass./ Acton- Boxborough) Cobb finished his playing ca- reer at Bryant with a record of 19-3. He ranks 4th all-time in wins, 6th all-time in innings pitched with 241, and 4th all- time in strikeouts with 177. Cobb finished his senior sea- son with a perfect 7-0 record during Bryant’s first DI sea- son, and is currently a mem- ber of the Bryant coaching staff.

Relief Pitcher: Eric Polvani (Wallingford, Conn./ New Haven) Polvani is a current senior on this year’s 2010 baseball team and like his classmates has also enjoyed much success on the field. Polvani currently has 16 wins and 16 saves with a career ERA of just 2.71. Polvani holds the single sea- son record for saves with 13 in 2008, and was named All Independent Pitcher of the Year in 2009.

Relief Pitcher: Adam Vuiolo (Walpole, Mass./ Xaver- ian) Vuiolo was a constant and reli- able presence out of the bullpen for the Bulldogs dur- ing his four seasons in Smithfield, pitching in a single season record 31 games in 2007, and being named All NE-10 on two occasions. Vuiolo was a perfect 7-0 record and like his classmates has also enjoyed much success on the field. Polvani currently has 16 wins and 16 saves with a career ERA of just 2.71. Polvani holds the single sea- son record for saves with 13 in 2008, and was named All Independent Pitcher of the Year in 2009.
Red Sox slugger David Ortiz has been anything but this season. (BryantBulldogs)

Do you remember? I do

By David Niles
Staff Writer

Remember when Shedd said the Celtics would win 72? Remember when the experts said the Cs bench could beat the starters of most NBA teams? Remember Ubuntu? Remember when Ryan Miller was the greatest goalie of all-time? Remember when Sheed actually had coordinators? Remember when Big Popup made 14 million dollars a year? More than David Ortiz.

Bryant takes title at River Hawk International

Senior Jason Thresher (West Suffield, Conn.) made his 2010 debut Saturday with a 165 that knows what the 2010-10 season is. He shot a 72 in the first round and a 73 in the second to just edge out his own teammate in a tie for 14th. Sweitzer ended his tournament in second place overall with a score of 146. It is the highest finish of the freshman’s career. The pair led the Bulldogs to a first-place team finish on the weekend, as the Black and Gold posted a 399 over two rounds to win out in the 15-team field. Bryant finished 13 strokes better than its closest competitor, American International College.

As the pair took the top and second-place spots in the weekend River Hawk Invitational, guiding the Bryant University golf team to a first-place team finish in the two-day tournament, Thresher’s three-over-par finish with a score of 145 earned him his third individual win of the 2009-10 season Sunday afternoon, as the senior shot a 72 in the first round and a 73 in the second to just edge out his own teammate in the 75-golfer field. Sweitzer shot rounds of 74 and 72 to finish the tournament in second place overall with a score of 146. It is the highest finish of the freshman’s career. The pair led the Bulldogs to a first-place team finish on the weekend, as the Black and Gold posted a 399 over two rounds to win out in the 15-team field. Bryant finished 13 strokes better than its closest competitor, American International College.

Joining Thresher and Sweitzer in the top-10 was junior Kyle Hoffman (Pawtucket, R.I.), whose 152 (76; 77) earned a tie for 10th. Senior Mike Pyne (Foxboro, Mass.) ended his tournament in a tie for 14th, recording a two-round score of 155, while Brent Besch (Wallingford, Conn.) made his 2010 debut with a 157 that knotted the sophomore at No. 42. The Bulldogs continue Spring 2010 action at the Northeast Invitational hosted by URI April 23-25.

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Top 10...

By Jackie Ammirato
Assistant Sports Editor

...draft picks that may go later than expected

10. Anthony Davis, Rutgers

Davis is regarded as one of the top offensive linemen in the draft. Throughout his college career, Davis rarely was forced backward by a defensive lineman off the line. However, Davis sometimes struggles to read blitzes and is sometimes slow to get out of his stance.

9. Toby Gerhart, Stanford

Gerhart became one of the premier running backs in Stanford history, however, his decision to enter the 2010 draft caused a bit of a stir. Gerhart lacks speed at times and his catching ability is not the greatest.

8. Taylor Mays, USC

Mays had a terrific career at free safety at USC. He lives to make the big, show-stopping tackle. However, in the NFL teams aren’t looking to draft a safety just looking to be a star. Teams may be worried that Mays will go for big hits, miss, and allow easy points.

7. Terrence Cody, Alabama

With his huge size, Cody can be a dominant force at defensive tackle, and he put on quite a show blocking field goals last season. However, Cody’s stamina is a big question. Teams might hesitate to pull the trigger knowing Cody might only be able to last for two downs a possession.

6. Joe Haden, Florida

Haden developed into a premierViccomeback last season. Florida. Haden is known for having great strength and endurance, however Haden has a history of back injuries, and there has been a lot of negative speculation around his future.

5. Jermaine Gresham, Oklahoma

Gresham suffered from a season-ending knee injury before the 2009 season. Before that, he had earned the reputation of a first-rate tight end. However, his blocking and route running are below average. Combine that with his history of injury and losing focus on the field and Gresham might fall through the cracks come draft time.

4. Jahvid Best, California

Best is very quick on his feet and is known for making agile cuts that throw defenders off balance. Critics say Best lacks size and will not be able to stand up against the bigger linebackers of the NFL. Others say Best does not have the power to be a team’s premier running back.

3. Tim Tebow, Florida

Before the Combine, Tebow was widely predicted to be the first overall pick. However, Tebow has seen his draft stock drop rapidly. Teams are wary of Tebow’s accuracy problems. The question is whether or not Tebow’s deep passes and scrambling ability are enough to quiet the doubters and find him a team in the first round.

2. Jimmy Clausen, Notre Dame

All the recent trade activity in the NFL has caused Clausen’s draft stock to drop. Critics don’t have much to complain about concerning Clausen’s game except for his tendency to release the ball low. With the highly skilled defensive backs in the NFL, this tiny problem could turn into Clausen throwing a lot of interceptions.

1. Colt McCoy, Texas

NFL teams do not like injury and McCoy is known for injury. His injury in the Big 12 title game could cause McCoy to go lower than expected. McCoy also struggles throwing the deep ball and cannot always loft the ball over defenders. The concerns could add up for McCoy and result in him being taken later than expected.
Not my cup of tea

By Drew Green
Opinion Editor

April 15th came and went again this year, as it does every year. And for the second year in a row Tax Day came with a little more fanfare than previous years. It now seems that Tea Partiers protesting taxes are, and please forgive the pun, as certain as death and taxes. Last week also was the re-launch of the Student Senate survey that showed that Tea Partiers are generally better educated than the average American. This was certainly a surprise to me, as have been a surprise to many, but not to me. If someone should come as a surprise that those advocating for less taxes are the ones with more money, stable jobs, and a better education. For one, we know that having a better education leads to these other two aspects of life. Moreover, we also know that the people who have the money are generally the ones that do not want to lose their money. It may not be right, but many of them are, the average ones. Despite all of this, it does not give any more credence to the Tea Partiers or the movement itself. If education and wealth were the same, anyone with a good Tea Partier Bachelor’s Degree and you will find good arguments on both sides of the issue. Many faculty at Bryant agree with students that the scores should be publicly available. Other faculty forms are not particularly valid in terms of measuring the quality of teaching, and the validity is further reduced when many students do not bother to complete the forms. Other student evaluation forms are available, and new faculty faculty itself included, would welcome a thoughtful discussion and debate about using or developing a valid, reliable student evaluation forms, having more efficient processes of administering forms, and making the results public. To the second point of your assessment, when used to describe assurance of learning, is not faculty evaluation. It is the evaluation of a degree program. This is a continuing evaluation process that starts with setting learning goals for each degree program and then measuring how well students achieve those goals. You can find the learning goals for many degree program at Bryant in the course catalog. You asked in your editorial how one can correct assessments. Assessments come from students and SIR II reports. While you might not be aware of it, the process at Bryant uses the scores, saying, “nothing ever comes of

To the first point, at Bryant, like most universities, faculty performance is evaluated across multiple performance indicators. The primary areas of evaluation are scholarship, teaching, and service. Undergraduate students are generally only concerned with the teaching element of faculty performance and typically focus on the student evaluation forms. Faculty performance is also evaluated by their peers who examine their colleagues’ syllabi, use of technology pedagogical methods, appropriate use of technology, student engagement, rigor of assignments and tests, and academic advising. Prior to receiving tenure, faculty are also subject to in-class peer observation. The 51 scores, that are just one item in one dimension of faculty evaluation. You seem to be dismissive of the way Bryants uses the scores, saying, “nothing ever comes of these reports except for professors to use them as tools to get more students.” You could argue that the classes you had to rank the importance of different uses of the SIR II forms, improvement of one’s teaching would come from both the administrations and students’ use of the score reports. Whether student evaluation scores should be made public is a debate at many institutions, including Bryant, and you will find good arguments on both sides of the issue. Many faculty at Bryant agree with students that the scores should be publicly available. Other faculty forms are not particularly valid in terms of measuring the quality of teaching, and the validity is further reduced when many students do not bother to complete the forms. Other student evaluation forms are available, and new faculty faculty itself included, would welcome a thoughtful discussion and debate about using or developing a valid, reliable student evaluation forms, having more efficient processes of administering forms, and making the results public. To the second point of your assessment, when used to describe assurance of learning, is not faculty evaluation. It is the evaluation of a degree program. This is a continuing evaluation process that starts with setting learning goals for each degree program and then measuring how well students achieve those goals. You can find the learning goals for many degree program at Bryant in the course catalog.

So from now on, I want to ignore the standard measure of teaching and/or faculty performance, as one that is more side more or less a little more educated or wealthy is largely irrelevant. Remember that Tea Partiers are new to a way of doing things. The question should then be: is this option better for the country, than what we have?

I will admit I cannot fully articulate what the Tea Partiers want from their movement. Mainly because I have yet to hear a full articulation of what the movement is to succeed at doing, I know they want lower taxes — read smaller government too — and to be better presented in government.

I will start by saying that if they want better presented then they should have been more active in the past study of the level of civic knowledge at colleges and universities across the country. As it turns out, our best universities the Yale’s of the world actually decrease the amount of civic knowledge people had during their time in a manor to senior year. It is our smaller universities that teach civics better and increase knowledge more. Even worse, this year’s school did better than a 69 average. Not only that the average average score was only a fraction percentage points higher than an average of 51% of this country felt under represented? You will all have an argument and to debate the issue of economicstowork and benefit the country as a whole. In essence; if you are greedy now, you will be greedy later (Goldman Sachs anyone?).

The Tea Partiers movement is obviously something that a large group of people agree with, or have a visceral reaction to. Whatever side you fall on — even if it is neither of the sides — let us ignore the demographics and simply have a debate about the issue. Because when it comes to time to vote, we need to understand the issues on both sides to make an informed decision. To do that an actual dialogue that does not include yelling and unwillingness to listen to the opposing side is required.

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DEAR KD,
It’s that time of year. I’m a senior and I’ve been actively job searching. My significant other and I have been together for quite some time, and we had a conversation the other day about job searching. I don’t know if we should search in the same area or search alone. What if I get a job offer across the country; should I expect my significant other to find a job near me or ask them to move with me? What do I do?

Where in the world do I want to be?

By Kaleigh Durkin
PR Manager

Speaking as a fellow senior, I can attest to the stress that comes with the process of searching for a full-time job after graduation. There are so many things to take into consideration when applying for jobs. It’s hard to know what you want to do, or better yet a company that suits your needs and offers you what you want as a graduate. I’m a type of person who considers myself to be spontaneous and opportunistic. There is so much of the country that I want to see. I think it’s a perfect situation and opportunity to see the world. I know it may seem drastic, to move somewhere with a significant other if you’re not married, but if you’re moving for the right reasons, and there are jobs in other states or countries, why not take advantage of an opportunity to travel, while still having company? Sometimes traveling across country alone can be intimidating and can often be lonely, but if you have someone with you, why not take a risk and go for it?

Now I’m not saying the situation is ideal, but there are a few things to keep in mind: you both need to be open about this. You need to understand that you are making a big move, and this can be very stressful for both of you. This may seem perfect now, don’t think that everything will turn into a modern-day fairy tale as soon as you step off the plane. Things happen, jobs can be lost, feelings can change, and expenses can really take a toll on you. You may not be able to look back on this in the back of your mind while you find a job that actually fits your need or passion, then why not for go it? Think of it as an opportunity to grow as a person, and you may return home after a year or so, but then again, you have the freedom to do what you want with where you are or the company you’re working for.

Life is too short not to take risks. If you have the means and the mentality to take a big risk like this, then I say “go for it!” Make the move and take a chance because you never know how absolutely perfect something may be. Never ask yourself “what if?” …it’s your one time to do exactly what you want to do and I wouldn’t let anyone stand in your way!

Do you want what

By David Nelligan
Staff Writer

As we near the end of the semester there is a big question that needs to be answered for many seniors on campus: Do I look for a job near my big/fg or do my own thing? If you cannot guess by now what my response is going to be I will be very blunt for you, worry about yourself and only yourself.

At this point in your life there is no reason to settle. If you get a great job offer or want to move somewhere completely different then go for it. Do while you are young and still can before life gets too complicated. This is the only time you will have where you just graduated, you have no responsibility, no one that depends on you, and still have the adventurous mind. As the saying goes, you are only young once. The older and older you get the less likely it is that you will get to, or ever want to try and experience what the world has to offer. Now with this being said I am not suggesting you break up or even fake a break, but instead try a long-distance relationship. It’s not exactly anyone’s favorite type of relationship, but one that gives you the freedom to do what is best for you, but stay with your significant other at the same time. Especially with today’s technology of cell phones, AIM, Skype, and Facebook it makes it easy for two people to sustain a meaningful, long-term relationship. Also, the saying that if it is meant to be will it then be, you just have to trust that things will work out for the best.

I also want to take a look at if you do decide to look for a job in the same location. Say you both choose a location both of you agree to live, find jobs, get an apartment together, and then, the unthink-able happens, and you break up. Now you are stuck in a place you may or may not have even wanted to live in, with a job you probably can’t stand and settled for just so the two of you could live together, and have more time than you thought you had to move. All of a sudden moving to the other side of the country and taking that job that would actually make you happy is starting to look pretty good compared to the mess you got yourself into now.

When it comes to a huge life decision like this to after graduation, be selfish and talk to the other person about how you really feel. If they really care about you, then they will want you to be happy and do everything they can to make things work.

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Let Them Rent!

Wonderful news for all those returning to Bryant in the fall; the bookstore will now be renting books to students. No longer do you need to dig as deep into your pockets as before. Then again, this only applies if you still use the bookstore.

Greek Fail

Two thumbs down to Greek Life’s ‘Greek Week’ t-shirts. With the slogan “If you didn’t get drafted you got shafted” on the back, we’re not seeing a much change in our fraternities and sororities. We’re sure those students who didn’t recruit feel even BETTER about themselves now.

Mind Your Nuggests!

It is a little ironic that the Greek Life Nuggest Bowl is on the same day as the Mindful Eating Seminar. But isn’t the Nugget Bowl its own type of Mindful Eating Seminar? I mean, the feeling you get after pigging out on a bowl of nuggets should be enough to tell you not to do anything like that again.

Text Me When You Are Done

We believe that Laptop Central may have been doing this for a while now but it should be pointed out that if you need to get your laptop fixed, they will fix it for free when they are done. Now, not sure how long this has been going on, but it is nice that they do it. Thanks!

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You know what really grinds my gears...

By Jessica Komoroski

The Archway Top Ten: The Volcano Eruption

10. If anything positive can be taken away from this it is that all kids in elementary school will probably have learned the wonders of baking soda and vinegar...

9. It’s about time Iceland seriously considers changing its name...

8. Forget about planes losing your luggage. How about losing an entire week?...

7. So you are telling me I get to stay an extra week in London? What pubs do you recommend?...

6. The eruption gave every radio station in Iceland an excuse to play Queen & David Bowie’s “Under Pressure” at least once...

5. As the volcano continued to erupt, every airline CEO continued to have a nervou breakdown...

4. Now I have a legitimate excuse to go watch the movie “Volcano” again...

3. It added to the amount of smoke that is generally in the air on April 20th (4/20)...

2. With all the smoke, Sarah Palin can now claim that she can see Iceland from her house...

1. You try pronouncing it! Eyjafjallajökull

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A new plan for space

Contributed from MCT Campus

President Obama has embarked on a generational reorientation of the nation’s space program. He is charting a potentially exciting new course to explore the ultimate frontier, but skeptics—count us among them—are unlikely to be reassured until the president’s rhetoric is transformed into concrete policy with explicit budgets and firm deadlines.

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To judge from his remarks at the Kennedy Space Center last week, President Obama’s plan envisions as government money is to position itself to capture some of the jobs that Mr. Obama’s plan envisions as government money is to position itself to capture some of the jobs that Mr. Obama’s plan envisions as government money is to position itself to capture some of the jobs that Mr. Obama’s plan envisions as government money is to position itself to capture some of the jobs that Mr. Obama’s plan envisions as government money is to position itself to capture some of the jobs that.

They should keep asking questions and pressing Obama to make the details clear. America needs to be the leader in space exploration. That’s been the goal since astronaut Alan Shepard became the first American in space when he piloted Freedom 7 on a 15-minute suborbital flight in May of 1961— the year Obama was born — and it remains the goal today.

The $40 million that Obama promised to provide to retrain workers along Florida’s Space Coast who would have made you late for that meeting all the way across our huge campus. Thirty seconds is almost too much, because we all know that when someone is holding a door for us, we walk faster so that they don’t have to wait as long. Today’s technology and the fast-paced world we’ve created at Bryant have really caused us to lose sight of that ‘human touch’ even when it comes to holding a door open.

Next time you go to reach for the automatic door button, take a second and think. Do I really need the help of the button? And if you don’t, that’s something you should be thankful for rather than take advantage of. And when you see that guy or gal 30 feet behind you struggling with an automatic door, take a minute and hold the door open for them—odds are, they’ll appreciate the gesture.
Bulldog flicks: Clash of the Titans

By Coburn Childs

Staff Writer

The heavens raise hell, or so claims the tagline to the remake of 1981’s Clash of the Titans, an action-packed epic that occasionally thrills, but often underwhelms. It is being shown in two different versions to capitalize on the current 3D craze, though many critics have been quick to criticize the cheap-looking, “converted” 3D version. I can say that 2D looked just fine to me.

While it is visually dazzling and is nowhere close to being an awful film, the film lacks some important story elements, and for that reason it is disappointing.

Titans tells the story of Perseus, a “demigod” (half man-half god) who seeks to fulfill his destiny in the war that is raging between mankind and the gods. Or at least I think that’s what it was about. To be completely honest, I really don’t know what Perseus was trying to accomplish in the film; nevertheless, he is quickly established as the hero of the story, and the visual effects are admirably very stunning.

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Yet, somehow the action lacks a whole lot of life. Maybe because this is the tried and true story we see in any fantasy epic, from Lord of the Rings to Harry Potter – the central character is called to fulfill a destiny and then passes through trials until reaching the goal. Here, it feels like the story is rushed; for that reason, many scenes are dull and, dare I say it, boring. And unfortunately, the actors do not even elevate the material like they could have.

Who continues to put Sam Worthington in movies? He certainly can’t be credited for Avatar’s success, but he somehow continues to find work. The man has one sole facial expression, and every line he reads seems completely unthussed. Perseus is supposed to be bell-bent on his mission, yet Worthington is positively forgettable – not good for a lead actor. He is probably the most boring leading man to be put on film this decade.

Scenes at Mount Olympus – Zeus and the other gods’ heavenly home – are breathtaking, and epic fights with snake-haired Medusa, as well as the Kraken, Hades’ sea monster puppet, are equally awe-inspiring.

The beautiful Gemma Arterton also provides a solid female lead, while Alexa Davalos as Andromeda is nearly as dull as Worthington. Although I have not seen the original, I have to imagine it had a little more life than this. Here, an epic adventure is turned into a mediocre popcorn flick that is occasionally entertaining, but feels so clichéd. It is like cotton candy: fine to me.

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New realty show mixes home makeovers, family

By Gail Pennington

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Putting a real family on TV has pitfalls. Sure, the result can be a hit like Jon & Kate Plus Eight, but the whole thing can also blow up in a network’s face.

Jon and Kate Gosselin’s marriage dissolved bitterly, although, on the bright side, TLC managed to turn it into a must-watch special.

The Teutul family of TLC’s American Chopper, a show that was supposed to be about building motorcycles but actually revolved around the shouting matches of Paul Sr. and Paul Jr. wound up in court after an acrimonious split.

Even if a family doesn’t feud, reality can intrude on ‘reality TV.’ Before boat captain Phil Harris of Discovery’s Deadliest Catch died in February after a stroke, film crews were at his hospital bedside.

All this is very much in the tradition of PBS’ An American Family, the first show to turn the lives of real people into a documentary series. Parents Pat and Bill Loud split up during the 12 episodes, filmed in 1971; son Lance was openly gay.

But in this era of instant tabloid gossip and relentless paparazzi, the obvious question is why anyone would agree to put their children on TV, let alone seek a reality showcase:

(Hello, Balloon Boy.)

Executive producer Ken Druckerman describes the show as “a glimpse of day-to-day life on a reality TV set.”

“On this show, I think you really learn something.”

But when Bravo introduced the series to TV critics this winter, the Gosselin mess was still fresh in everyone’s mind, and questions centered on the Novogratzes’ motives. Why, one questioner wondered, would they put their children in front of the cameras when a show focusing just on the design work could have been perfectly interesting?

“They are in it because they are part of our life, but they are not a major part of the show,” Bob Novogratz said. “But the kids, to be honest, had a fun time with it, and we only showed what we wanted to show.”

To the contrary, the children are very much the focus of the family episodes, which include the birth of child No 7, Major, and his introduction into the family.

In addition to being an adventure, making the show was a learning experience, Cortney Novogratz said.

“Everyone kind of got the education of how a television show is done,” she said. “You can’t learn that in a textbook.”

Baby Major is particularly fortunate, she said, because “in 20 years, he’s going to know exactly what mom and dad were doing when he was born, and all his siblings, because we were filming a television show.”

Even after her breakup, Kate Gosselin fought to keep her TV series going, complaining on one hand about being stalked by tabloid news crews while also describing her kids’ tears when the TLC cameras stopped rolling.

The Jon & Kate disaster should be a cautionary tale for families, but so far, few seem to be taking heed. Last week, as TLC announced a new series for Kate Gosselin, plus specials featuring the kids, the cable network also touted two new shows about big brood, and one about sisters running a cupcake business.

And even a bitter family feud couldn’t keep the Teutuls off TV, it turns out. “American Chopper: Senior vs. Junior” will feature the battling father and son running competing motorcycle shops, TLC said.

“As always, creating eye-popping bikes is a big part of the show,” the network said, “but the real story is the family drama.”
Look out for the comeback of locks piled and styled high

By Elizabeth Wellington

MCT Campus

This year’s biggest prom trend isn’t the dress. It’s the hair. Literally.

Hairdressers are predicting big hair—a la the boiboboical and bouddacious raven-haired “Snooki” from MTV’s Jersey Shore—will be the hottest trend on teens on prom night. “Our prom girls are coming in and they want messy buns and tousled hair with big, bouncy waves,” said Tiffany Nurick, a stylist at Heaven and Earth Beauty in Collingswood, N.J. “It’s all about big, loose and not overly styled hair. And you aren’t just seeing it in women, you are seeing it in men as well. That gelled, sleek, perfectly styled look is over.”

Blame the popularity of the post-Disney Lo and the perfect fashion storm combining Jersey Shore emulation with an ’80s fashion resurgence.

And we cannot forget the Bumpit, out of Hawthorne, N.J., an oblong hair accessory advertised on late-night TV that’s helping thousands of limp- tressed women achieve a million-dollar look. Not to mention, if big hair is going to be popular any-where, it would start in South Philadelphia, travel over the Walt Whitman Bridge, and land in South Jersey. Along this corridor, the standard is high-volume voice, vice or vanity so too much is never tacky.

The height of hair has its roots in the 1960s, and some might argue that it got its stylist- ish start in Philadelphia on American Bandstand, when celebrities Connie Stevens, Connie Francis and even Diana Ross and the Supremes teased their hair like a rat’s nest and into a beehive. In the 1960s, Jackie Kennedy adopted the look, but salons called it a bouffant style, and the tease terminology was up- graded to a “backcomb.” In the late 1980s and early 1990s, the look was reborn, but the hair was pulled into a tight French twist. Think the members of R&B group En Vogue in their ’90s day.

The modern-day bump was ushered into style about two years ago thanks to celebrities known for fashion irreverence such as Rihanna, who shaved her hair on the sides to create amazing vol- ume at her crown resembling a pompadour and even Lady Gaga. Instead of a tight or deliriously look, it’s a looser, half-up half-down style. But high hair isn’t reserved for rock stars. Politicians like it, too. Tea party darling Sarah Palin sports a bump.

In February, the fall fashion runways were awash with big-haired models from designers such as Oscar de la Renta. In this month’s fashion magazines, Derek Lam’s spring collection featured a blond bouffant modeled.

And now, instead of teasing, the popularity of extensions allows all women white and black to bring their hair with them to stylists who can deliver looks that soar to the highest heights.

But at least one stylist, Kevin Gatto of Verde Salon in Collingwood, N.J., is shaking his slightly gelled hair. Gatto understands why people like the statuesque profile that re- sults from the sheer volume, but the “Snooki look is just too extreme,” he says, sighing. “I’m planning on doing modified versions of it,” said Gatto, who is no fan of the Bumpit. “I plan on making it more sophisticated and softer. I want it to be, well, more red carpet and less Boardwalk.”

We wonder what Snooki would say about that.

Will basic cable mean lesser guests for Conan O’Brien?

By John Horn

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Conan O’Brien is headed to basic cable. Will Hollywood’s biggest stars follow? For almost every talk show host, A-listers are the same priority as he did on The Tonight Show and his previous talk show, Late Night, but he could still be a key destination for younger, hipper performers.

NBC, on the other hand, may be last among the major networks, but it still has an audience that’s more than three times larger.

Studio marketing executives say O’Brien won’t necessarily enjoy the same priority as he did on The Tonight Show and his previous talk show, Late Night, but he could still be a key destination for younger, hipper performers. Russell Brand, yes. Russell Crowe, no. One executive says that if “The Tonight Show” suffered from poor lead-ins from NBC’s anec- tomic prime-time lineup, the situation will be even more dire at TBS, larded with reruns of shows such as “Seinfeld,” “Fam- ily Guy” and “The Office.”

Did anyone even know that TBS already had a late-night talk show hosted by comedian George Lopez?

But another marketing guru says that if O’Brien’s new show is good and the ratings are good, talent will follow. The best compar- ison, some say: Comedy Central’s “The Daily Show,” whose Jon Stewart welcomes a pretty impressive crop of cultural and political names. Let the bidding begin.

Want to comment on anything you’ve read in the paper?

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Students Speak Out

“What bothers you the most about Salmo?”

“I hate when people walk around aimlessly and bump into you.”
- Matt Timan ‘10

“That you can’t go down twice during the same time period.”
- Catherine Kenny ‘12
- Britney Davis ‘11

“When people clap when the plates fell.”
- Victoria Snow ‘12

“People who don’t put things like peanut butter and cream cheese on their plate and it takes too long.”
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“Probably the time they’re open... how they close during the middle of the day.”
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