The Rhode Island Public Transit Authority (RIPTA) has recently waived all fees for Bryant University undergraduates to ride the bus in Rhode Island. In addition, RIPTA has extended its services on campus, as now leaves campus nineteen times a day which nearly quadruples the five runs the bus service used to make in years past. These changes are a result of Bryant’s University Pass Program (UPASS) partnership with RIPTA and Computer Resource RI. The program is paid for by Bryant.

Bryant joins fellow Rhode Island schools like Brown, CCRl, Roger Williams and Providence College in the University Pass Program. The UPASS was started in 2001 to give students more mobility around the state. The implementation of the program follows through on a vision the Division of Student Affairs had in 2002, when a contract was first drafted but failed to be launched. All the students need is their school ID and they are eligible for free service in the entire state. Bryant students were told to get their ID encoded during Enrollment Days in order to receive this free service. Any new ID card that is made here on in will automatically be encoded with the RIPTA service; however, if upperclassmen were unable to take advantage of enrollment days, they are still able to encode their current ID card at the Wellness Center.

The RIPTA (Route 52) stops outside the Wellness Center multiple times a day. Monday through Thursday, the first bus leaves at 7:08am, and the last bus leaves campus at 8:06pm. On Fridays, the service expands to include buses that leave Bryant at 9:26pm, 10:41pm and 11:56pm. The last bus from Providence leaves at 12:30 and arrives on campus at 1:02 am. This late night service continues on Saturday, with slightly different departure times. The frequency changes on Sunday. Because RIPTA services multiple college campuses in the area, safety is a priority - students can feel secure knowing each bus is equipped with 4 security cameras. Once the buses leave campus, it makes numerous stops on the way to Providence. It follows Route 7 into Providence and passes many shops on Mineral Spring Avenue, including Shaw’s Supermarket, Wal-Mart and Home Depot. Service concludes at Kennedy Plaza in downtown Providence. There, students can easily walk the two blocks to the MBTA/Amtrak station as well as Providence Place Mall. While at Kennedy Plaza, students can connect to the RIPTA bus routes 14 and 20 for service to TF Green Airport.

Although Smithfield is technically a suburb of Providence, students without cars on campus have historically felt very isolated. The improved bus service now makes the city of Providence as well as many other locations more accessible. It is even possible to catch a ride down to Newport. Additionally, students can more readily access public transportation, such as trains and additional bus services, to Boston and New York City.

Adding the RIPTA service benefits Bryant’s campus in more ways than one. Beyond increased accessibility of Providence and the greater Rhode Island area, making mass transit readily available also lends a hand in the university’s 'Going Green' initiative.

As more students become more comfortable with the RIPTA service, it’s benefits will become more evident. During the first weekend this semester, 166 students rode the RIPTA; that number is greater than the total riders for all of September 2008. Schedules are available online as well as in front of the Wellness Center at the point where the bus stops. For more information, including the official RIPTA schedule and points that can be accessed using mass transit, please visit RIPTA.com.

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Don’t share cups, towels, or razors. Something that can really take a toll on one’s immune system is stress so be sure to keep on top of things. Some great ways to do this are exercising on a regular basis and getting 7 to 9 hours of sleep each night, in addition to eating well.

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Look what’s new at Bryant U.

Step it up with H.A.V.I.C. Squared

Michael Adams
Assistant Editor-in-Chief

After a whirlwind inaugural year, the Student Arts and Speakers Series (SASS) has planned a great semester of speakers, performances, and fieldtrips around the state for the 2009-2010 year. So, what’s on tap for September? SASS will be stepping it up with H.A.V.I.C Squared, a high-energy step group from New York City.

After hours upon hours of deliberating, SASS member Eric Boudreau found out about H.A.V.I.C Squared and convinced the rest of the SASS committee that they were the right group to kick-off the semester and let everyone know about the SASS committee and the caliber of speakers and performers they bring. Judging by the excitement of the rest of the committee, you should be getting pumped to see this show. Their website talks about the “creativity, passion, and innovative nature of their performances symbolize their commitment to bringing you ‘Stepping like you have never seen it before!’”

Know anyone in Zeta Phi Beta? To top off what will be a great performance, Bryant’s newest sorority will be opening for the men and women of H.A.V.I.C Squared. Zeta Phi Beta is known for their intricate stepping and incredibly fast footwork—and they’re Bryant’s very own!

Further research led the SASS committee to find out that stepping is well-rooted in African history, and comes from a blend of many other forms of dancing that started in Africa. Across the continent, rural village people and urbanites alike participate in oral story telling and dance. Stories are passed down from generation to generation in both of these forms of entertainment, something that SASS wanted to convey with their first event of the semester. It is important to learn where other’s beliefs, values, stories, and other cultural elements came from.

The Student Arts and Speakers Series was formed in 2008 and funded by the Student Involvement Fee. The committee is responsible for organizing and planning a student-centered and focused arts and cultural performance series. Members of this committee have the opportunity to bring well-known and big-name speakers, performers, and artists to campus. The programs and events SASS will be hosting this year, and in the future, encompass the breadth of expressive disciplines that compose “the arts.” Be it through visual, performing, language, culinary or physical arts, SASS seeks to advance a cultural co-curriculum that has been long sought after on our campus.

Look for a fridge magnet with all of the year’s upcoming events coming to your dorm room soon!
See your name in print... Build your professional portfolio... Stay connected with campus events... Write for The Archway Meetings: Monday @ 4:30 Bryant Center Room 2A/B
STUDENT CONDUCT  SEP 1  2009-Tuesday at 14:57
Location: TOWNHOUSE
Summary: A student conduct was filed against a student.

MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT  SEP 4  2009-Friday at 11:40
Location: JOHN MOWRY ROAD
Summary: Minor accident with no injuries.

MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT  SEP 5  2009-Saturday at 09:43
Location: HALL 16 LOT
Summary: A report of a minor accident with no injuries.

EMT CALL  SEP 5  2009-Saturday at 16:20
Location: MAC LOT AND CIRCLE
Summary: A construction worker received an electrical burn to his left hand. EMS was activated.

EMT CALL  SEP 5  2009-Saturday at 23:37
Location: RESIDENCE HALL
Summary: A male passed out and intoxicated. EMS was activated.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT  SEP 6  2009-Sunday at 00:01
Location: JACOB'S DRIVE
Summary: The Smithfield Police reported they had a drunk and disorderly male in custody.

EMT CALL  SEP 6  2009-Sunday at 22:52
Location: RESIDENCE HALL
Summary: An RD reported an intoxicated student passed out in a stairway. EMS was activated.

FIRE ALARM (Building)  SEP 7  2009-Monday at 01:20
Location: TOWNHOUSE
Summary: An activated smoke sensor. No cause was found. SFD reset.

VANDALISM (Residence)  SEP 8  2009-Tuesday at 06:36
Location: TOWNHOUSE
Summary: A student reported the bathroom was flooded and water was going into the hallway.

FIRE ALARM  SEP 9  2009-Wednesday at 15:03
Location: TOWNHOUSE
Summary: An accidental activation of the system caused by cooking in kitchen.

EMT CALL  SEP 10  2009-Thursday at 00:01
Location: RESIDENCE HALL
Summary: A report of an intoxicated male. EMS was activated.

EMT CALL  SEP 10  2009-Thursday at 01:16
Location: RESIDENCE HALL
Summary: A report of harassment by a student.

FIRE ALARM  SEP 12  2009-Saturday at 14:13
Location: TOWNHOUSE
Summary: A report of a student feeling ill. EMS was activated.

STUDENT CONDUCT  SEP 12  2009-Saturday at 23:09
Location: TOWNHOUSE
Summary: A student conduct was filed against a student.

VANDALISM  SEP 12  2009-Saturday at 17:59
Location: COMMUTER PARKING LOT
Summary: A report of damage done to parked vehicle.

EMT CALL  SEP 13  2009-Sunday at 02:16
Location: RESIDENCE HALL
Summary: Local smoke went off due to cooking on stove, all in order.

DRUG ACTIVITY  SEP 13  2009-Sunday at 01:52
Location: RESIDENCE HALL
Summary: A student was arrested for possession of marijuana.

FIRE ALARM  SEP 14  2009-Sunday at 02:52
Location: TOWNHOUSE
Summary: A report of a student feeling ill. EMS was activated.

LARCENY  SEP 14  2009-Sunday at 16:47
Location: COMMUTER PARKING LOT
Summary: A report of a student feeling ill. EMS was activated.

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Dear Bryant Students, Faculty and Staff,

It is hard to believe another school year is already upon us. There is no time of the year that is more exciting than the first few weeks of the fall semester. I have always been amazed by the motivation of students at Bryant: whether it is late nights studying in the library, bouncing from one club meeting to the next, or heading to sports practice, there is no doubt this campus is always buzzing with activity.

I’d like to take a moment to welcome the Class of 2013; the entire staff here at the Archway wishes you only the best as you embark on a memorable four year journey at Bryant. With a new year upon us, I hope first year students and upperclassman alike take advantage of everything our university has to offer. Whether you join a new club or organization, participate in a community service event, attend a late night program or sporting event, or pick up a pen and write an article for The Archway, there is no limit to the impact you can have in our campus community.

This year, as in years past, the newspaper staff has made it our mission to keep the student body informed of all the happenings across campus. Last year, we provided updates regarding construction, changes in policy, Bulldog athletics and campus events such as a presentation from Frank Warren of Post Secret and the dragapella performance by The Kinsey Sicks (to name a few). It is my hope that all members of our community can look to this organization for valuable information and as a campus resource.

This year is sure to be filled with changes and excitement; it is my hope that our staff can continue to build meaningful relationships across campus. As we all begin to settle in, please do not hesitate to contact The Archway if you should have questions or comments. I invite everyone to pick up a copy of the paper every week and be sure to check out our content on the web at www.bryantarchway.com

All my best,
Jessica Komoroski
Editor-in-Chief
Credit cards to be curbed at colleges

By Susan Tompor
MCT Campus

As students head to college campuses this fall, they’re about to witness the final days of the credit card freebie. Next year, card issuers won’t be allowed to offer free T-shirts, tickets or anything else of value when they market credit cards on campus.

Is that going to stop college students from taking out credit cards? No.

But the end of the freebie is a big step, though, compared with other changes that hit in February, which include:

Credit card issuers won’t be able to hand out credit cards to anyone younger than 21 unless that person has resources that could support the debt or the person has a co-signer.

Credit card issuers won’t be able to raise the credit limit on these accounts if the cardholder is younger than 21 — unless a co-signer approves an increased credit limit.

Parents, of course, will have to decide if they want to cosign for credit cards to get college students who are younger than 21. Personally, I’d never cosign for a credit card for my son. If the student pays late, experts warn, the late payment would show up on the student’s credit report and the credit report for the cosigner on the card. The bad mark hurts both scores.

“You shouldn’t assume that an 18-year-old or a 20-year-old is the best place to introduce a college student to a credit card,” said John Ulzheimer, president of Credit.com.

Jen Lyons, 20, a criminology student at Eastern Michigan University, said the heavier regulations might not be a bad idea. She admits she “went crazy” with her Target Visa for a while. She once spent $500 in debt on that Visa, including clothes and other non-necessities, and another $500 in credit card debt on a gas card. She’s since paid it all off and now tries to limit her spending.

“We’re already seeing some signs of more restrained credit card marketing,” Ulzheimer said.

Some parents of college freshmen told me that their mailboxes weren’t overflown with credit card offers for their college-bound offspring.

After public criticism, Michigan State University this year said it would no longer give Bank of America information about its students.

Michigan State had a seven-year, $8.4-million contract with Bank of America during which MSU gave the bank information on students, alumni, sports ticket holders and employees. That contract expired in June.

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Saukas, 24, remembers all sorts of credit card giveaways to get students to open a card at the University of Michigan years ago.

He’s never signed up for a card to get a gift — and he didn’t take on any credit card debt as a undergraduate.

Then, he went to law school at Arizona State University. Saukas has about $2,000 in credit card debt and expects to graduate from law school in 2010 with about $20,000 in student loans and other debt.

While Saukas said the new rules seem well-intentioned, he said people are adults at 18 years old and should be able to get a modest line of credit.

The real issue, as he sees it, is the excessive credit that can get young students who don’t have full-time professional jobs. He has about $25,000 in available credit on his cards, he’s still in law school.

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on the gridiron, Hofstra wasted little time getting on round out the scoring.

Khalel Pritchard (Boston, MA) down the right side of the Bulldogs cut the lead to 31-10 as the Bryant defense settled in.

Senior running back Jerell Smith went over the 2,000 rushing yards mark in his career on an 11-yard run during Bryant’s first series. Unfortunately for Bryant, Smith’s milestone would be the highlight of the day as the Bulldogs got trounced at home 40-24.

The Pride would respond quickly with a big play of the day as the Bulldogs allowed a 45-yard touchdown pass by sophomore quarterback Mike Croce to receiver Khalel Pritchard (Boston, MA) down the right sideline to stretch its lead to 37-24.

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It would be more Hofstra in the second as the Pride’s offense looked sharp despite the wet field conditions. Miguel Maysenot scored from eight yards out while Greco connected on a 25-yard field goal to make it 24-3.

The Pride would respond quickly with a big play of their own as Christopher Hooker connected with receiver Dennis, returning the opening kickoff 86 yards for the game’s first score.

Bryant would answer with a Chris Bird (Monument Beach, MA) 34-yard field goal but Christopher would lead the Pride on a nine-play, 69-yard scoring drive capped off by a 33-yard touchdown pass to Everett Ben to make it 14-3.

But the Bulldogs, playing in just their second season at the Division I (FCS) level, engineered a solid seven-play, 59-yard drive as Croce hit tight end Matt Tracey (Bow Mar, CO) on a roll out to make it 24-10.

Trailing 31-10 as the Bryant defense settled in.

After failing to score on a fourth-and-goal from the Hofstra 5-yard line, Bryant forced the Pride to go three and out. However, Shane Caccavo’s punt from his end zone was blocked by Bryant’s Nick Can- dito (West Boylston, MA) and the Bulldogs took over on the Hofstra 5-yard line. Three plays later, running back Jerell Smith (Brooklyn, NY) scored from four yards out to make it 31-17.

Croce finished with 209 yards passing (14-for-38) and two touchdowns while Pritchard caught a career-high four catches for 85 yards for Bryant. Smith was held to 48 yards on 11 carries, however the senior did manage to become only the third running back in school history to reach 2,000 yards.

Hofstra finished with 146 yards rushing led by Kwabena Asante’s 60 yards while Anthony Nelson caught six passes for 80. De-

fensively, Luke Bonus led Hofstra with 11 tackles (9 solo) while Basim Husein had 10. Bryant’s Michael Morgan (New London, CT) had 10 tackles to lead the Bulldogs defensively.

Bryant will be idle next week and return to action September 26 with a Northeast Conference game at Stony Brook. Hofstra returns to action next weekend when the Pride openCAA play at defending national champion Richmond.

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**New Raider Richard Seymour says he was blindsided by Patriots' action**

By Steve Corkran  
MCT Campus

Defensive end Richard Seymour touched down in Oakland on Saturday a little less than a week after he was traded to the Raiders from the New England Patriots. Thus ended a bizarre situation that lacked clarity until Seymour and others outlined the details.

"I've really been blindsided by the events that took place," Seymour said at an early-evening news conference that also featured Raiders coach Tom Cable and managing general partner Al Davis.

"I didn't expect it. I didn't understand what was going on. So, it's like when something happens, when you're blindsided, you have to step back and realize what situation you're in. And my thought within was, 'Hold on. I can't go anywhere at this point.'"

The Raiders responded by sending Seymour a letter Thursday informing him that he had five days to report to the team or face a season-long suspension without pay. In addition, Davis dispatched former Raiders Zach Crockett and William Thomas, row team scouts, to "recruit" Seymour, to assure him that things aren't as bad in Oakland as some might portray.

"The biggest issues, said Seymour, were sorting out his emotions and figuring out what to do with his family on short notice. It wasn't easy coming to grips with the trade from the only NFL team he has known during his eight-year NFL career. Seymour had to decide whether to leave his family in Massachusetts or move everyone to South Carolina or California. Ultimately, he said, he decided to move them to their native South Carolina.

"I've always had my eye on Seymour because it's tough to play the right end in a three-man line," Davis said. "We've had one great player do that, Lyle Alzado. (Seymour's) someone that we've been watching for years, and I never thought we'd get a shot at him."

The Raiders paid a steep price to get their man. The Raiders will be paying Seymour $12 million plus $10 million in injury protection. According to Davis, they have reason to believe they can recoup the investment. The Raiders will also receive the 31st overall pick in the 2010 NFL draft.

"I feel like I'm midway through (my career)," Seymour said. "I'm 29 years old and last time I checked, 29 isn't old. I'm not going to say what I'm going to do on the field. I know I'm going to come make this commitment to the Oakland Raiders, the Raider Nation, that they're going to get everything that I have."
Arnold Palmer still the driver of joy

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Baron Palmer still the driver of joy

Woods' first full season.

Touring pros didn't have to keep their club jobs

Frank Chirkinian. That, in turn, meant that

Woods will be judged more significant.

He had trouble accepting this Master-of-

Arnie never had time for the angst.

Easy. Palmer never had time for the angst.

Remember Hubert Humphrey and the politics

out the candles today.

Arnold Palmer just turned 80, so why don't

we feel old?

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able!..

The body will not lose fat in any one

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I have been increasing my cardio

I don't know

Men's Soccer

The men's soccer team has already won two games, with impressive victories over Holy Cross and Army. Neil Black, Matt Brown, Tom Nolan, and Andre Barros are the team's early goal leaders. Seamus Purroll, himself a two-time All-American and member of the Providence College Hall of Fame, leads the Bulldogs for the fourteen-year period. Since 2000, eleven members of the class of 2013, hosts the University of New Hampshire Saturday the 26th at 3:00pm.

Volleyball

The Bulldog volleyball team has started the season off well, with early victories over Rhode Island rivals Providence and Brown. Sophomores Maria Soccoca and Jazmin Stoner are the team's early offensive leaders, setting the pace in both attacks and kills.

Coach Theresa Garlacy enters her fourteenth season lead-

ing the team, which includes four freshmen. After a trip to Columbia this weekend, the Bulldogs return home to face the University of Hartford on the 22nd at 7:00 pm.

Bulldog Bites

Women's Soccer

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Men's Tennis HOME vs. UConn, 3:00 pm

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Bryant On Tap

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Women's Soccer HOME vs. St. Peter's, 7:00pm 
Volleyball at Columbia, 7:00 pm

Saturday, September 20: 
Men's Soccer HOME vs. NJIT, 1:00 pm

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“What was your favorite Summer memory?”

- “Going to the Dave Matthews Concert” - Chelsea Dovan ’12
- “Pulling into Nantucket on the ferry for the last time” - James Costello ’12
- “I rescued a guy; there was a lightning storm, he was kayaking” - Alex Russo ’12
- “Going fishing in Martha’s Vineyard” - Anthony Raia ’11
- “The Jay-Z concert” - Don Smith ’10
- “Going to the beach” - Trisha Starkey ’13
- “Sharing a summer kiss with a crush” - Mary Green ’12
Get sick, turn green

By Drew Green
Opinion Editor

First off, this is not a cartoonish allusion to the situation that when you get sick your skin turns green. Secondly, the freshmen may not understand the reference to coming from a bear with me. By now we have all been indoctrinated by our various professors to thoroughly wash our hands, cough into our sleeve—not our hands—and to keep our hands away from our faces at all costs or else you will get the swine flu. Okay, so maybe my sarcasm is a little unwarranted since swine flu is a real threat, but still, one cannot help but laugh inside when repeatedly get these messages that are analogous to Mean Girls and the ever famous quote “don’t have sex, or you will get Chlamydia, and die.” All joking aside, there has been one interesting thing that has developed out of the swine flu and Bryant’s response to it. We basically have the beginning of a fully fledged Green initiative on campus.

I personally do not know how long we will have this obsession on this campus, but I do know that it has been here since I have— I am a senior— and some professors have been reluctant to use it to its full potential. This is not a knock on these professors because they have their own preferences in line with their classes to decide to teach, and that is fine by me as long as the students are learning. However, with most of the professors I know now making it mandatory for us to send our various assignments in via Blackboard, Bryant as an institution is finally starting to utilize its technological capacity in that educational field. So maybe we will be cutting down on the use of paper at this school now that things will not need to be printed and repeated. If I am wrong and I do I do not know about you, but I am happy about that. On the other hand, I am worried and worried.

While any disaster, epidemic, or economic failure makes you rethink the way we do things, how long will it be before we forget these things ever happened? This is rampant in our society, but we think it will also be true for Bryant’s community? I worry it will be. Having essentially a paperless classroom is possible, and we are talking about much closer to the realization of that possibility because of the swine flu epidemic. My question is will we as a community revert to our old ways after this passes? I hope not, but I fear so. Granted, it is not like the amount of paper we use here is the biggest issue we face in terms of creating a Green Initiative, but we should take this chance when we get them. Realistically speaking, if professors can decide that it is within their realm of capability to go paperless and digital, then this semester should be a permanent solution and not a temporary inconvenience. As anyone should know, you are well within the realm of possibility if you work hard enough. This means there should be no reason to regress back to our pre-swine flu days.

There are generally two important questions to ask when you need to change something; what made us come to this conclusion and where do we go from here? Obviously I have shown my concern about where we go might be backwards, but what about what made us reach this point.

Again, swine flu should not be taken lightly, but this reaction to— incentives like classrooms— go paperless seems a little kneejerk and fearful. Under the circumstances I understand it—and agree with it—but the decision was something not made out of want, but practicality and prevention.

We had the capabilities to do something else to mitigate the possible spread, so professors took that option. This should be praised as true concern for our well being as Bryant’s students. In the end, though, the action remains— why was something not practical not incorporated into a routine aspect of Bryant life previously? Do I not have the answer to that, but now it does not matter, because it is here. I do hope that it will continue after the swine flare scares away because it is a step forward, and not a side step.

This whole situation makes you wonder though. It took an epidemic to make this small step forward that we have been discussing. The fact that we have the ability to do this might show our reach. I know I am now wondering what it would take for Bryant to turn the lights off in the Library at night? Then again, if it took swine flu for Bryant to go paperless, I may not want to see what it would take for the Library to turn off at night.

SIMON SAYS:
The Women’s Center and reflections on 9/11

By Toby Simon
Staff Columnist

So why a Women’s Center at Bryant you may ask? Well, for starters, it’s a wonderful way to celebrate the diversity and contributions of women at Bryant as well as the great community. The Center provides a forum for discussing relevant and pertinent issues facing women in business and society. The Center is an opportunity to educate the campus and Bryant the community about specific topics— gender equality, gender identity issues, eating concerns, women’s health, safety, sexual harassment—that often affect women, but ultimately have an impact on men as well. This is rampant in our society, but I think it is because I remember that detail. The history of the Women’s Center at Bryant is important for several reasons. The process of planning and developing the Center involves the diligent work of many members of the Bryant community—students, faculty and staff. It’s their passion, vision and perseverance that ultimately resulted in the Center and my position. The history is also significant because it demonstrates the commitment to change that Bryant is making as it continues to seek a more competitive and diverse student population and become an even more attractive institution to new faculty and staff.

But what’s the connection to the Women’s Center and 9/11? I was working at a company in New York City from 9/11 happened. At the time I was the VP for Student Affairs at a small college on the upper east side of New York. Two days earlier, they had moved 500 eager first year students to a brand new high rise residence hall not far from the college. There was extra excitement that fall. The college because this was our very first residence hall. The college was a little crowded. There was a lot of room to stretch the caps and rooms. I was seven years ago and although I miss New York, I’m thrilled to be at Bryant. And here’s a disclaimer—the Women’s Center is NOT just for women. We work, teach and study here, a greater voice on campus.

When 9/11 happened it caused me to rethink a lot of things. At the time, I was commuting from Providence to NYC every Monday morning to work. My family was in Rhode Island and I saw them on weekends. Being in NYC when this happened caused many of us to think that life would never ever be the same. That sound overly dramatic, but that’s how many of us felt at the time. As I pondered this, I realized I needed to come home to Rhode Island where I felt safer, where my family was. It took over a year to come to this realization, but once I did, it was quite clear.

And lucky for me, there was this wonderful job opportunity at Bryant to become the university’s first director of the Women’s Center. That was seven years ago and although I miss New York, I’m thrilled to be at Bryant.

And here’s a disclaimer—the Women’s Center is NOT just for women. We hope to see many men taking advantage of the programs we offer whether it’s borrowing books from our resource library or attending events that address topics of concern to all. I look forward to getting to know the new members of the Bryant community. Please see me in the Lobby of the third floor of the Bryant Center. Or feel free to phone me at x 8655 or e-mail me at tsim@bryant.edu. All conversations are confidential.
Ask your doctor about prescription Cialis

By Michael Adams
Assistant Editor-in-Chief

I didn’t get to watch a lot of TV during summertime, so when I did, I could now forget the morning out of my mind (successful market- ing- or is there even a good mes- sage? We’ll get to that and exceed anyone ever has been another commercial with some gray-haired man yelling with his grandchildren, or an eager, hard- working dad trying to find the nearest pore- lase (is it me? I can see it now) for short-ha) appeared trying to sell me on a random prescription drug — either way, my- self was not in the market for anything more than a bad case of Boggle. How the third time bending that people have the motivation to write the drug name down and consciously remember to call Dr. Johnson and speak with her about the drug the following morning. Could you imagine the conversations that would go down behind closed doors? “Hey, uh, doc, I want Cialis.” Now, if I was a doctor, I would be im- pressed. It’s possible that people have a laundry list of drugs they want to try out. You know, because doctors have hospital cards of sample packs in the back.

More often than not, when I go in to the doctor’s office, I haven’t the slightest clue what pill I want to pop, what it costs, or if I saw it in a Health Magazine. I say, “Doc, I’ve got this. What can I take?” I don’t care if it’s got a twenty letter name — as long as it does what it’s sup- posed to. Oh, wait, but there are al- ways side effects. I tend to be really skeptical about dosage. I want to see pictures of blue pills and fields, while the kind I can barely read.

So, what’s the solution? Well, for starters, get rid of the commercials that say they have improved upon a female product that used to be messy, sticky, and thick. What did it used to be? This stuff is new-fangled crap! Want that commercial off the air, and any other prescrip- tion drug commercial that attacks a condi- tion that could easily be talked about in the privacy of your doctor’s office. And heck, maybe even your doctor won’t want to talk about it.

When apathy takes hold

By Luke Bornheimer
Staff Writer

After watching President Obama’s speech last Wednesday, I muted the “post-game” analysis and bickering that follows nearly any- thing important these days (I’m unbiased here too: CNN, Fox News, CNBC, all of you are guilty). I sat back in my chair and pondered what to make of the 45-minute speech. After all, the speech had been a public relations stunt: segments of partisan cheering/booing (again, expected), and, the curve ball, South Carolina’s Joe Wilson’s outburst. Rep. Wilson’s “you lie” comment (referring to his belief that Obama’s plan would pro- vide false health care out-looks. I guess freshmen will build an ark to go around the sand- box, people!

We love the new volleyball court down by the kind.

Bryant Said What?

“But I’m wearing feet.”

“That definitely looks like a separated father hotel.”

“Girl: Can we go Trick-or-Treating? Guy: We’re 21! We are going to get arrested and labeled as sex offenders.”

“You know what, why don’t we just skip the ice cream and just go straight to the wine.”

“I guess freshmen will build an ark to go around the world.”

E-mail funny quotes to agreen1@bryant.edu.
**Bulldog Flicks: Summer movie countdown**

**The best, worst, and in-between of summer 2009**

By Coburn Childs  
Staff Writer

What’s the best way to beat the heat in your spare time from May until August? If you’re like me, then you spent half your summer cocooned and roasting your money at the movie theatre to have a fun—and increasingly expensive—time of relaxation with friends. If you’re not like me, then, well, I’m sure you still saw a couple of the movies that came out these past couple of months. You know the drill, summertime = open season for moviegoers. It’s the time of relaxation with friends. If you’re not like me, then, well, I’m sure you still saw a couple of the movies that came out these past couple of months. You know the drill, summertime = open season for moviegoers. It’s the time when the studios roll out the big bucks and spare no expense on their productions, in the hopes that millions of people will shell out $10.25 for a 2-hour experience filled with big explosions, cheesy storylines, and good-old escapist fun. However, an unexpected thing happened this summer: an uncharacteristically large amount of the movies released were actually good! I now present you with the countdown of my favorites (and not-so-favorites) from the summer of 2009.

“A quick disclaimer: I did not see every film released this summer, but I did try my best to catch as many as possible. I listened to the reviews. I don’t bother to catch G-Force, nor did I subject myself to Sacha Baron Cohen’s “comedy” known as Bruno. I hardly felt the need to be “enlightened” by The Ugly Truth, and please tell me I’m not the only one who thinks that Halloween II is a pointless sequel to a pointless remake of a pointless movie! However, if I have missed an unexpected masterpiece in any of these, please let me know.

First off, let’s start with the cinematic disappointments of summer. These are the movies that really had the potential to be great, yet failed on many levels. Public Enemy was hardly the gangster epic I thought it would be—with actors like Johnny Depp and Christian Bale on board, a story about legendary criminal John Dillinger, how could this go wrong? Sadly, it was weighted down by a dull and over-long story that hardly went anywhere, as well as some really awful camera work. The best part was A.J. Toto

The best, worst, and in-between of summer 2009

**Public Enemies did not live up to expectations.**

**Want to go all the way? Review of Olneyville NY System**

By Michael Adams  
Assistant Editor-in-Chief

We receive semester long calendars plastered with ads every semester. Usually, they get used as doormats or just get recycled. However, this year, I noticed a headline on one of the ads, “Rhode Island’s Best Hot Wieners.” My first reaction was bursting into laughter at the thought of a hot wiener (also known as hot dog). Intrigued, and wanting to try out what seemed like a Rhode Island institution, I rushed to my computer for directions—it was only eight minutes from campus, right off of Mineral Spring Avenue. Upon arrival, Olneyville NY System is located in an industrial location with beautiful views of dirt piles and bulldozers preparing to put in new lawns. So, yes, this place wasn’t exactly the most pleasant thing to look at. But once we stepped inside, it was newly renovated and had some family pictures (we’re not even sure where the pictures from their two other locations). We headed to the back of the space to place our order.

It was the usual hot dog order we wanted. I looked at the menu board, expecting all kinds of hot wieners, but there was one thing among other things that like a tuna melt and fried chicken tenders. I was a little disappointed. I wanted something like “create your own wiener” to the stuff in this specialty” hot dogs. That was a big negative. Most of us ended up ordering the Hot Dog Special (a wiener, a small fry, and a fountain drink) for $7.00 even, including tax. One of the guys ordered a tuna melt, fries, and a drink— we can him over $13. We’ll be more than a little scrappy math later. When we placed our orders, we were a little surprised if we “supported the way”. That might mean something more in Rhode Island, but for us out-of-staters we were caught off guard. One of my buddies blantly said “Um…what” to the cashier. Going all the way means putting everything on the hot dog—simply something with the “works”. Going all the way meant putting ground meat, meat sauce, and a random sprinkling of some unidentified spice right on top of the hot dog. After the guy next to us picked up our orders and sat down. One thing to make note of during the ordering process is the cashier didn’t even switch gloves between handling cash and handling our food. Other than that, we got our food and it was a pretty clean place. Anyway, we sat down to CNN developing news about the controversy with the California legislator dishing out his “bed time stories with his wife” to another legislator—not exactly the thing I would want to listen to while eating out. Let’s get to the food. The wieners were small, but the buns even smaller. The dogs with toppings overlapped the bun. We would have liked a larger bun that could hold everything. The dog itself was pretty good, but it wasn’t anything to the effect of “this is the best wiener in Rhode Island!” —a claim that is made on the website, but with no blue ribbons or shiny plaques backing them up. They must be going strong though, because you can buy the “secret” spice mix in retailers across Rhode Island. The most promising part of the meal would probably be the fries. Although, we all wish the fries were hand-cut, they were pretty decent fries—crispy on the outside and soft in the middle. When it comes down to it, we won’t be going back to Olneyville NY System. The only thing on the menu actually worth getting, for the value, is the food. However, if you really do want small hot dogs, be prepared to shell out over $10 to combine separate things—that one percent local option tax really gets you! If you don’t care what you spend and you have the munchies on the weekend, the drive-thru is the way to go. With all that being said, you are more than welcome to give it a try. But I am still in search of Rhode Island’s best hot wieners.

Olneyville New York System is located at 1744 Mineral Spring Ave, North Providence.

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**Tune Into WJMF**

**The beat of Bryant**

- By A.J. Toto  
WIMF General Manager

**WJMF Kickoff BBQ**  
12PM, Friday September 18th

Welcome back to Bryant everyone! I would like to extend an invitation to all students, faculty, and staff for the annual WJMF 88.7 kickoff BBQ. The BBQ will be starting at 12PM this Friday September 18th outside of the radio station on the lawn. We will be giving away prizes, grilling burgers, and celebrating the kickoff of WJMF 88.7 “The Beat of Bryant.” So stop by, say hi, and enjoy a great day!
Drama unfolds at the Video Music Awards
A recap of MTV’s VMAs and the latest celebrity gossip

By Carlos Ramos
Staff Writer

The stars aligned on Sunday for the MTV Video Music Awards (VMA) in New York City at the Radio City Music for a night to remember. The Queen of Pop Madonna opened the show with a heartfelt remembrance speech to the late King of Pop Michael Jackson. This was followed by a dance tribute from his sister Janet Jackson.

The first award of the night was for Best Female Video went to Taylor Swift who was widely interrupted by the presence of Kanye West. He took the microphone from her and proclaimed that Beyoncé performed “Paparazzi” and ended her number by pretending to hang herself with blood smeared over her body. Beyoncé performed “Single Ladies” with a troop of female backup dancers proclaiming that “if you liked it then you should put a ring on it.”

Taylor Swift performed minutes after her on stage debacle in the NTV-cutout and managed to remain confident and composed. Probably one of the most memorable performances came from Pink who performed her hit song “Sober” high atop the VMA stage with the help of an acrobat performer. Closing the show was Jay-Z and Alicia Keys with “Empire State of Mind” off his latest album “The Blueprint 3.”

Other winners of the night included: Best Rock Video, “21 Guns” from Green Day; Best Pop Video “Womanizer” from Britney Spears; Best Male Video “Live Your Life” from T.I.; Best Hip-Hop Video “We Made You” from Eminem; Best New Artist, “Pokerface” from Lady Gaga and Video of the Year, “Single Ladies” from Beyoncé.

In other news, after a yearlong battle with pancreatic cancer, actor Patrick Swayze passed away in Los Angeles. The actor famous for his role in the movies Ghost and Dirty Dancing was only 57 years old.

American Idol producers announced this past week that TV host/comedian Ellen DeGeneres will be the new fourth judge on season 9. Filming for the show has already begun, so it’s most likely that she will join during Hollywood week.

Whitney Houston long awaited studio album “I Love You” debuted at number one on the Billboard album chart with 305,000 in sales. This is Houston’s first chart topper since the Bodyguard soundtrack in 1993.

Over the weekend at the box office Tyler Perry’s I Can Do Bad All Myself debuted at number one raking in almost $24 million. In the second spot came the animated movie 9, and rounding up the top three is Inglorious Bastards bringing in $16 million, helping to put it over the $100 million mark in just four weeks.

MTV’s Video Music Awards Winners

Video of the Year
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Best New Artist
Lady Gaga
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Best Rock Video
Green Day: “21 Guns”
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Best Male Video
T.I.: “Live Your Life”
Best Female Video
Taylor Swift: “You belong with Me”

MTV’s Video Music Awards

You may want your money back after seeing Terminator: Salvation with Christian Bale. (MCT Campus)

Bulldog Flicks: This summer in movies

By Luke Stankiewicz
Staff Writer

This summer was packed with an assortment of movies that were dramatic, hilarious, and action packed. Some of them were laughably bad and some of them were staggeringly well executed, while the remainders were mostly just entertaining. I saw a majority of the major films that came out this summer and was impressed by the diverse entries that seem to be fresher than the offerings of the past. Here are my thoughts on some of the best (and worst) of this group.

Best Movie of the Summer. This is a tie between Up and Inglorious Bastards. Up had striking visuals, a rich plot, and excellent animation, making it another landmark achievement by the folks at Pixar. Inglorious Bastards on the other hand had an intricately woven plot, well written and well acted characters, and dialogue that was based on the notion that audiences are smarter than people like Michael Bay think we are. Both films show a deep understanding about film and are of high quality.

Other nominees were Star Trek and Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince. Worst Movie of the Summer. This turned out to be a tough choice. There were several movies I considered for this category, including Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen and Land of the Lost. However when All About Steve was released, a movie starring Sandra Bullock and the now omnipresent Bradley Cooper, it was obvious that this was the clear winner. Everything about this movie was wrong, enough said. Other nominees included I Love You, Beth Cooper, Night at The Museum 2, and The Oranges.

Biggest Letdown of the Summer. This category goes to District 9, a film I had high hopes for that were never met. District 9 was a very good movie, and the first hour was extremely promising. But it was the second hour or so, when the movie turned into something I had seen time and time before, that I realized it wasn’t going to live up to my expectations. I’ve seen aliens vs. humans, I’ve seen a man turn into a creature (this movie should’ve listed the Fly in the credits for how directly it copied the 1958 film), and most of all I’ve seen evil corporations caught up in scandals. What started off as an interesting film turned into one that almost put me to sleep.

My vote for Surprised of the Summer. This category is taken by Star Trek hands down. Not being a nerd, I’m not a fan of Star Trek. So naturally, I thought this movie would be quite bad. But surprisingly, it was not. Not only did it turn out to be a good film, it was in the running for best movie of the summer. The plot was entertaining (but not too nerdy) and easy to follow even if you didn’t watch the show. Also, it featured one of my favorite comedians, Simon Pegg, in a role I’m sure he’s always wanted. JJ Abrams, after making the piece of crap known as Cloverfield, has seemingly redeemed himself here.

Movie I want my money back for. This category sounds like it would be the same as “worst movie of the summer” but the difference is that with those movies, the quality was clearly destined to be low. Terminator: Salvation had a lot of promise. However, not only was everything about the movie preten-sious and over-done, but the movie left itself go on forever, showing the arrogance of the filmmakers. I’d like my money back and a free shot at Christian Bale, he should stick to wearing a mask.

That’s about it. This article could go on forever, but I think it covered the important bases. Perhaps you disagree with what I said here, I know some of you will. If you ever want to discuss movies with me feel free to stop me anytime. I’d love to hear what you have to say, as long as it’s rational. Hope everyone had a great summer, and I’m looking forward to bringing you all movie reviews of high quality that are relevant to the Bryant Community. Have a great year!

Kanye interrupts Taylor Swift’s acceptance speech. (MCT Campus)

Star Trek was “surprisingly good” even for those who have not followed the series. (MCT Campus)

Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince one of the best movies of the summer. (MCT Campus)

Will Ferrell in Land of the Lost. (MCT Campus)
Summer movie countdown

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to. I hope I don’t lose all my credibity by saying that I found GI Joe: The Rise of Cobra to be one of the most fun times at the movies all summer. A clever script, a lot of loud and super-cool action, and a fun “good vs. bad guys” element to it made this the ultimate in summer popcorn entertainment. While it was hardly a masterpiece, don’t even try to tell me that I chose the entire script through Paris didn’t make you want to step into the screen and become one of the GI Joes for at least just a minute! As far as other movies go, Drown Me To Hell was perfect if you were looking for a good summer scare. Purposefully over-the-top, humorous, gross, and yet still maintaining a lot of suspense, director Sam Raimi knew how to evenly balance the movie to keep us wonder- ing whether we should be covering our eyes or laughing uproariously. As someone who isn’t really a fan of horror, I had a great time at this movie! Lastly, did you know that Sandra Bullock and Ryan Reynolds make a perfect on-screen couple? I cer- tainly didn’t, until I was pleasantly surprised by the convincing chemistry they had in The Proposal. Strong supporting actors also buoyed this funny, if clichéd at times, movie that was nice to see become convincing. Word Vomit

Ambition

Despite previous attempts, in which an outcome’s been determined, with wishful bliss and hopeful tactics, one tries again.

With regard to why this happens, no answer has been revealed.

But again, a droning force, ignites within the soul, for one, tries again.

John Legend: Second time around

By Brigit Clancy Variety Editor

The lights dim and music begins to hit the the- ater. The energized crowd claps in anticipation. Suddenly, he appears. He is standing on a ledge in the middle of the audience without anyone noticing how he got there. His voice begins to resonate. Lights from cameras flash, lifting up the dark the- ater. Slowly, John Legend makes his way down to the stage, stopping to shake hands and for pictures, all the while singing, his velvety voice filling the ears of the audience. Legend headlined once again at the MGM Grand Theater at Foxwoods this past August. A six-time Grammy Award winner, Legend has created a show bigger and better than anything anyone has ever seen before. Legend’s performance is polished, fas- cinated, and driven to concert perfection. Before Legend sauntered to the stage, the tal- ented India Arie performed her tops hits and how to kids for the night of rhythm and blues. Arie is a well-rounded artist, poet, and song writer, to name just a few. Arie’s songs are an acoustically magnificent description of brilliance performed with ease. After coming onto the stage, India Arie declared that her mis- sion in life is to spread love and peace through her music, which she has done by singing around the world. As an inspirational singer, Arie’s songs are eclectic and enjoyable. Arie, with the help of her exceptional band and back-up singers, sang a variety of songs, including the hit “Video,” “Choco- late Hugh,” and “Heaven.” With each song, she played a different in- strument, from piano to the guitar, and even the flute. The entire time she sang and played, she danced around the stage with ease. Her positive attitude radiated from her throughout her set. She was vi- brant and made an excellent connection with the audience, often a challenge for opening acts. Arie is a strong solid performer and singer in her own right. Not only is Arie talented, but also inspira- tional. The night was only beginning when India Arie danced off the stage. Next was the legendary John Legend himself. After entering the theater secretly and wandering carefully through the sea of peo- ple, John Legend walked out onto the stage for over the next two hours. His voice is like nothing you have ever heard. His voice is sultry, his dance moves are smooth with a gentle- manly flair, and his piano-playing make John Legend brilliancy itself.

Legend’s song collection is deep and he performs it all with a style that is all his own. His self-com- posed ballads are heartfelt while the dance and radio songs, such as “Green Light,” are fun and easy to dance to. In the middle of his set, Legend slows the tempo of the show down to a soft rhythm with the song “Ordinary People.” At the end of the audi- ence’s favorite song, as Legend picked a young woman to dance on stage with him. There was no problem finding a volunteer, as women attempted to run down to the stage from their seats in hopes that they would pick them. The room filled with songs in- cluding the romantic “PD A. (We Just Don’t Care)” and “Used to Love U.” The Legend has enough material of his own, he graciously offered the spotlight to some of his back- up singers, who are, surprisingly, as talented as leg- end himself. One singer in Legend’s band is his own brother, Vaughn Anthony, who Legend shared lifetime would make for a great movie! Apparently Pixar did, as they’ve grossed over $400 million worldwide on the concept, and it still has yet to open in a number of major markets! Heartwarming, very, clever, and heartbreaking at times, this is un- doubtedly an instant classic. Finally, my favorite movie of the summer comes in an indie film that was a Sundance Film Festival hit. Starring Joseph Gordon- Levitt and the beautiful and talented Zooey De- schanel, (500) Days of Summer speaks to anyone who has ever experienced anything from a serious rela- tionship to a small simple crush. With amazing lead performances and a wonderful script, this uncon- ventional romantic comedy is filled with humor, heartache, and hope. It’s original and very realistic, and does not play out in normal Hollywood fash- ion. Truly an amazing movie, it will stay with you long after you’ve walked out of the theatre.

Well, there you have it: my summer in a nutshell. Don’t see your favorite anywhere on my list? I’ll admit that I missed Funny People, Angels & Demons, and Tropic Thunder. I heard they were pretty good. Regardless, no matter what ones you chose to spend your money on this summer, I hope your summer movie-going experiences were as much fun as mine were.

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Not only are three of the best this summer. One of the only films that I saw twice this summer, District 9 has one of the most original, intriguing premises you’re likely to find in a film for a while. Originally, this sci-fi/drama/action flick has a flawless lead perform- ance from unknown actor Sharlto Copley. Copley is entertaining, and from any alien movie I can think of. Filmed documentary style, this film tackles some of today’s world issues and feels so realistic, you swear it has actually happened. It pulls you into its intensity and never lets go! A must-see on the big screen. It’s too late to catch this piece of cinematic genius if you haven’t already. Heck, even if you have, just for the good measure. (It’s the better second time!) For an ad- venturer at heart, you can’t miss this flick. With amazing chemistry they had in Mur- mur, the great cast were guided by J.J. Abrams (creator of Cloverfield and television’s Lost) to make a movie that was accessible to everyone, wildly entertaining, and, above all, really good, I already can’t wait for a sequel! You can buy on many of you have even heard of A Perfect Getaway, as it received little business and disappeared within two weeks. Regardless, this is a great thriller that deserved a sizable audience. Although the “twist” is rather predictable, the movie kicks into overdrive halfway through, and the adrenaline runs faster than an epinephrine shot to the heart. I guarantee that you will be out of breath and on the edge of your seat while watching a trio of honeymooning cou- ple try to figure out which of them is mur- dering people in the beaches of Hawaii. Then of course, there’s a little movie that came out this summer called The Hangover. Outrageously funny, and very origi- nal, this box-office smash is now the highest grossing R-rated movie ever, and, quite right- ly so. Just when I needed this movie to end because of the excruciating pain in my side from laughing so hard, the end credits rolled, and, well, let’s just say, you’ll know what I’m talking about if you saw it…

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Legend sang from his soul for two hours. After he exited, the audience wanted more. An ear-split- ting roar of claps and shouts welcomed Legend back to the stage for an encore. Dressed in a tuxedo, Legend sat down on his chair laughing and began playing his first and most well-known song, “Ordinary People.” Cheers shot out from the audience. Legend concluded the song by asking the crowd to sing along with him.

With a spectacular band, a wide variety of songs, and his magnetism, Legend puts on one of the best shows of the year. After seeing him a second time in less than a year, John Legend is truly one of the best musical artists today. With smooth dance moves and a voice that can rival even the greatest artists, Legend leaves the stage with the audience wanting more.
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