New construction across Bryant

By Brigit Clancy

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Fraternity recruitment gets formal

By Jenny Sali

Greek Life is changing things up a bit this year. For the first time in four years, formal recruitment will take place in the fall... at least for upperclassmen. In 2005, a Deferred Recruitment policy was implemented and has been followed until now. While interested individuals were able to participate in Greek Life sponsored events, Deferred Recruitment allowed new members to only be inducted in the spring semester and focused on their grades before getting involved.

New Rules! Although freshmen are still not able to participate in Fall Recruitment, any upperclassmen who wish to be involved in Greek Life. Their purpose is to allow the Sororities and Fraternities to "grow and improve" and the idea is to have quality members because big numbers don't mean much. Instead, the idea is to have quality members because big numbers don't mean much. Instead, the idea is to have quality members who can "be the best we can be for our community." The new recruitment will take place in the first week of October and new members will be inducted in the spring semester. The fraternities and sororities on campus will be included in the recruitment, which will take place from March 1 to 14.

The new O & P townhouse blocks have added nearly 100 extra beds in the living community designated for the senior class. The new Center for Teaching and Learning, which is located near Academic Advising, on the lower level of the Interfaith Center, provides a great place for students to study and receive assistance with their classes. The center is home to the Interfaith Chapel, a place for students to gather and socialize with their peers.

While all of the townhouses are back to give seniors the feeling that they are living on their own, the new townhouses are set even further back from the heart of the campus. Maratta commented that this is a positive feature, one that is a privilege for those students that have worked hard throughout their time at Bryant. "I like the fact that, not only O & P block, but all the townhouses are set back from the remaining campus. It goes along with the separation of seniors theory. The townhouses are a senior space and there is an initiative underway to have seniors 'claim their space.' We, the senior class, have paid our dues and deserve to have this part of campus to ourselves."

On behalf of my housemates and residents, we are proud to be the first 102 students to live in the renovated Stallion Town," commented Maratta. Maratta stated that the name Stallion Town refers to the nickname was unanimously decided by the office of Residence Life; President Machlachly has also signed on to the contract. The concluding phase of the construction was the new Center for Teaching and Learning. The center, which is located near Academic Advising, on the lower level of the Interfaith Center, provides a great place for students to study and receive assistance with their classes. The center is home to the Interfaith Chapel, a place for students to gather and socialize with their peers.

On entering the new Center, students and visitors will walk into a lobby that has a front desk and an adjoining area in which to study or use one of the new computers. A large room across from the front desk, which includes a flat screen television and computer, provides a multipurpose area for meetings or teaching/learning sessions. Past the front desk there numerous offices on either side of the hallway that enters into a large, open rectangular area. This section has several tables and couches as well as a bookcase that extends from floor to ceiling. There are also several private study rooms/labs for students to receive tutoring in specific subjects such as Economics and Math.

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ACE moves
By Courtney Landi
Staff Writer

In preparation for the students' return to campus this fall, the Academic Center for Excellence, commonly referred to as ACE, undertook major construction, improving the size and orientation of its study spaces. The new space accommodates those looking to study in a private, quieter space, as well as those who prefer the open, communal study lounge that is central to the new configuration. ACE offers many different services to help students with their schoolwork including but not limited to, peer and professional writing consultations through The Writing Center, Learning Labs concentrating on math, finance, accounting or economics, and peer tutoring. Peer tutors and consultants are either certified by The College Reading and Learning Association or working on completing their credentials for this designation.

The center offers various workshops throughout the year on topics such as grammar, group work, plagiarism, public speaking, paper formatting, and much more. During the first few weeks of the semester, the center has also been holding ACE 101 tours; the purpose of these tours is to acculturate first year students with the services offered there.

Although many of these programs have been offered in the past, the new space in which ACE is now housed provides the center with a better medium to reach more students in a more effective way. For those interested in the services that ACE provides making an appointment takes just a few minutes; simply drop by the center at its location on the first floor of the Unistructure at the entrance of Room 275, or call 567/46 for ACE and Tutor Services, or 567/56 for The Writing Center. For more information please visit the website at http://ace.bryant.edu.

Bryant’s Newest Addition: The Interfaith Center
By Coburn Childs
Staff Writer

Surely, you’ve noticed the latest addition to the Bryant campus: the new Interfaith Center. The 10,000 square foot building just opened on Welcome Weekend, and countless members of the Bryant community couldn’t be happier. President Machtley’s vision surely saw this. As a part of a global community, we must all recognize differences of faiths and how they come into play in our everyday dealings. To be an effective professional, one must seek to learn about the role that spirituality plays in different individuals and cultures, while also having the freedom and creativity to express one’s own faith. Bryant’s Interfaith Center helps students, faculty, and staff to do just that.

Although it had been talked about for years, plans for an Interfaith Center on the Bryant University campus didn’t get underway until a few years ago. President Machtley’s vision saw this. Sure, the decision to build the new Interfaith Center was made years ago, but Dr. Eakin foresees a time in the near future when a Muslim chaplain will join the community too. As more and more students come to Bryant, the Interfaith Center will only grow.

Traditionally, Bryant has always had chaplains for the Catholic, Protestant, and Jewish faiths, but the new Interfaith Center serves as a place for members of all religious branches on campus. The Interfaith Center is a place where “intellectual, physical, and spiritual dimensions [are] for us together.” The Interfaith Center is a place for worship and a center for place for worship and a center for theological discussion and prayer. It is a place for students to gather and reflect on the importance of diversity and religious differences. The Interfaith Center is a place where everyone can contribute to the community.

By SaraLarabee
Staff Writer

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room will be used for a student athlete’s study hall. Construction on the Center for Teaching and Learning began in May after plans commenced almost a year prior to the renovation. Laurie Hazard, the Director of the Academic Center for Excellence (ACE), worked with a number of individuals to create this new space. She stated that the idea for a new area for ACE and the Writing Center as well as the other academic services came about for a number of reasons. One basis was that there was a lot of empty space that the university should take advantage of. At one point some of this vast area in the Unistructure was the library. “When Bello was built, the library moved out of the Unistructure, so there was all this space left in the Unistructure. The big question left for the university was what to do with the space.”

A large open space in the Unistructure, the center of student activity on campus, presented the opportunity of expansion. “We are expanding to meet the needs,” said Hazard.

When she helped design the area, Hazard had several ideas in mind. She wanted to have an area that had room for workshops, laboratories, study areas, and office space. Most of all, Hazard wanted a place for students to come and feel welcome. “I remembered telling them that I wanted it to feel like Starbucks, where students can come and relax in between classes and study and have it for another respite; For students who work here, I wanted them to feel like this was their home away from home” said Hazard.

What feedback we have gotten in the past about ACE and the Writing Center is that it kind of became an alternative place,” Hazard said. “It is great that if they have any questions, there is someone here to answer them. If they cannot answer it immediately, then they can make an appointment or go to a lab, what have you.” The new Center for Teaching and Learning offers students a chance to relax as well as to study, as Hazard had visualized it. “What [the new area] does is it gives students on campus an alternative place to study outside from the library and their residence halls,” she said.

The Center for Teaching and Learning also offers a vast array of academic services for students. These services include the Academic Center for Excellence (ACE), the Writing Center, the Foundations for Learning (FFL) program, disability services, services for student athletes, and services for English Language learners. All of the services and programs that ACE and the Writing Center offered are still the same, with new additions, including study hall for athletes. Now that Bryant has changed to Division I in athletics, student athletes are required to do more study hall hours to ensure grades.

Hazard commented, “We are really happy to be here, really thrilled to have this new facility. Now if the student is working on economics and needs a little help, they can walk out the study hall door and they are here. That’s a great synergy to have in the services.”

Solanchi Fernandez, an Academic Advisor, said that she loves the new Center for Teaching and Learning. “It’s now centrally located and has more visibility, which creates a welcoming environment. I’m very happy because the students really need the service, now they have an amazing center to utilize for any academic assistance they may need.”

Fernandez believes that the new Center is “very conducive to all the assistance [students] need.” “All of the programs, lab sessions, individual tutoring, one-on-one sessions with counselors, and work-shop spaces are located in one area,” she commented. “I truly feel this is a great space for all our students because they created more space to accommodate different styles of learning.”

Laura Lussier, a Master Tutor for ACE, commented. “It is a modern, comfortable space that I think students will be happy to work in. I think it is organized and much better than the old ACE, so we have much more usable space. There is plenty of room in each of the four labs, space for personal tutoring, and lots of room for people to come in and get some work done.” Lussier encourages all to stop by and see the new Center.

The new structures around campus provide more space for students, whether it is to reflect in the Interfaith Center, to enjoy living in the new townhouses, or to study in the new Center for Teaching and Learning. Bryant University’s newest additions ensure that our campus has a strong academic and reflective environment for years to come.

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LARCENY from Buildings
SEP 14 2009-Monday at 10:15
Location: UNISTRUCTURE
Summary: A report of speakers stolen from a class-
room in the Academic Hall.

VANDALISM (AUTO)
SEP 14 2009-Monday at 16:40
Location: JOHN MOWRY ROAD
Summary: A vehicle parked in fire lane was towed
off campus.

HARASSMENT - Receiving Harassing Phone Calls
SEP 15 2009-Tuesday at 17:55
Location: DISPATCH CENTER
Summary: A student came into the DPS Office to re-
port receiving harassing phone calls.

LARCENY ($200-$500)
SEP 16 2009-Wednesday at 11:53
Location: UNISTRUCTURE
Summary: A student reported her backpack stolen
from the Rotunda area ladies room.

STUDENT CONDUCT - Student Conduct Viola-
tion
SEP 18 2009-Friday at 00:47
Location: JACOB'S DRIVE/ECS
Summary: A student axgidzflffempted to sneak a female
onto campus.

FIRE ALARM
SEP 18 2009-Friday at 09:05
Location: COMMUTER PARKING LOT
Summary: A guest reports her vehicle was broken
into and items were taken.

DRUG ACTIVITY
SEP 20 2009-Sunday at 01:09
Location: RESIDENCE HALL
Summary: An RA reported possible drug activity in
a room in a Residence Hall.

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The DPS Crime Prevention Officers:

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Spotlight on Summer Interns

Student: Stephanie Barone
Concentration: Accounting
Minor: Legal Studies
Internship Site: Blum Shapiro

How did you locate your internship? I was looking through BCC for internships, saw there was one there from Blum Shapiro and, since I knew about them already from having received a scholarship from them, decided to apply for it. Applying to Blum was simple through BCC. I had an interview with Deloitte and didn’t get it and became concerned about whether Blum Shapiro would accept me. The interview with Blum was with one of their partners; it was a little intimidating but he was friendly and nice and made me feel very comfortable. He gave me a very positive review on my interview feedback sheet. Even though I interviewed with Deloitte I didn’t really have much of an interest in the Big Four. I felt more of a connection with Blum Shapiro because it was small and friendly.

What were your major responsibilities? When I got there I assumed I would be making copies, getting coffee, and all the things you think interns end up doing. However, as soon as we were there Blum sent us out to clients and I was responsible for auditing, testing, and other professional duties. They assigned the clients immediately and said run with it and come back when you have questions. I was out with clients almost daily. When I arrived I’d go through their binder, work with a tax collector, the Board of Education, go through payroll and expenditure testing. I did everything working hand in hand with the client, without a supervisor. I was nervous in the beginning because you don’t take auditing at Bryant until senior year but everyone was so helpful and that got me through.

What did you learn about the profession? I learned you’re not in the office as much as I thought; I didn’t realize that for a good portion of I learned you’re not in the office as much as I thought. I didn’t realize that for a good portion of what makes the internship is the personal connection with the company. The fact that you were sent out to clients from the very beginning and being expected to handle yourself professionally. Needing to know what an audit consisted of and to get as much done without asking questions as possible. I went in a little blinded.

I was in an office with three other interns and sometimes that was a little challenging because they could get a little too social. There were also times when the schedule would change unexpectedly and there are long commutes but you have to expect that with the job.

What did you find most rewarding about your internship? The most rewarding thing was the company itself. From the time I was given the internship they were great—they even sent me a mug and an Edible Arrangement before I started! They had regular intern meetings to ask us what we needed and what would be helpful to us. The level of responsibility we were given was actually really rewarding—I was responsible for a high workload without a bachelor’s degree and it was really nice to hear that I did a good job. I always knew I was good at working on teams but the fact that I was able to adapt so easily with different people every single week really made me feel good.

For public accounting I think that what makes the internship is the company itself—hands down you need to find a good company. I felt a lot of pressure to do the Big Four but I think you need to do what you feel is best for you. You need a personal connection with the company in order to enjoy it. Blum didn’t allow interns to work more than 40 hrs week and they made sure we were happy, so it was a very rewarding experience because of the company.

What did you learn about yourself? I always knew I was capable of being independent but I wasn’t always confident in my accounting skills, so I was really unsure of how I was going to do in the beginning. I was always afraid I was asking too many questions or wondering if I should be doing something better—and in the end I found that I did everything right—it was the fact that I didn’t have the auditing class that made me less confident. I was shocked at the end when the HR department made me an offer of full time employment! I accepted the offer and start August 30, 2010! The Amica Center for Career Education will be open during winter break and students are welcome to use the Career Library and/or meet with a career counselor during this time to discuss other internship opportunities. Stop in to make an appointment or give us a call at 401-252-6090.

What did you find most challenging about your internship? What did you find most challenging about your internship? It was the schedule. I was in an office with three other interns and sometimes that was a little challenging because they could get a little too social. There were also times when the schedule would change unexpectedly and there are long commutes but you have to expect that with the job.

What did you learn about the profession? The Center for Student Involvement staff is continuing to recognize some of Bryant’s student leaders with the CSI Student Spotlight Award, as the team has been doing for the past two years. The Center for Student Involvement would like to congratulate Meghan Aloisio in several Bryant organizations on campus, including the Student Programming Board’s Theme Weekends committee, Leadership Council, and the Senior Class Gift Tri Chair.

“I love being involved because I have met many amazing and wonderful people. These people have been friends, mentors and teachers for me. Everything that I have been involved in the past has pushed my limits and helped me grow as a person. I am so grateful to my friends who have helped me and the people I have met through them because without them I would not be the person I am today.”

Meghan encourages everyone to “get involved, meet new people, find something you love and work to be great at it.”

“Play the game for the game’s own sake.” said Meghan.
The Student Entrepreneur: Strategy is like Play-Doh

By Michael Adams
Aust. Editor-in-Chief

At a whirlwind summer of being mentioned in Entrepreneur magazine as one of the 100 companies to watch, the brewery story on Edwards Broadcast and in various other local publications, I barely had time to take a look into what was happening to my company. I was shipping out a bakery full of orders weekly for the first half of my summer and baking on weekends—all of this while tackling an art internship at Magic Hat Brewing in South Burlington, Vermont two days a week. While most people might be thinking that I drank a lot of beer (I did get my fair share of discounted brew and apparel), I also learned a lot of lessons that I could apply to my own company from branding, to strategic planning, and growing a company but still maintaining a heart and soul.

Magic Hat is a very entrepreneurial company. They started with an empty warehouse and now call a much larger facility home, brewing hundreds of thousands of barrels of the hoppy stuff every year. How did they get there? Strategy.

This was no coffee-fetching, copier-slave type internship. I was a part of a farming crew (I helped pick blueberries and paint velvet curtains, created tap handle designs, set up the Vermont Brew Trail, and took pictures of apparel). While all of this may seem trivial, it most certainly took me time to look at all the internal and external factors that are putting pressure against my company and make decisions accordingly. I looked at the capacity for our home bakery, different distribution channels, and other factors to see what was best for success. For example, I have to hold myself back from expanding too much because my parents do maintain a life outside Eddie’s Energy Bar. This means with every business decision, the following people are consulted: my parents, my advisory board which includes Bryant professors, family members, friends in high places, and other people I randomly decided to spend my ideas to. So what does this do for me? From my months at Magic Hat, I learned that ideas can get thrown around all the time. Strategy is like play-doh. I may come upon a master idea, but the first one might not be right—it might need some revision and tweaking. Maybe it will fail miserably and my mind will go in a new direction. I came to the realization that this could happen with Eddie’s. It is now time to dig down deeper into the strategy of my company, start playing with the play-doh, and figure out how to mold my company to success.

I value the opinions of everyone, from the nay-sayers to those cheering from the sidelines. They help shape my strategy. This year of articles will be different from past years. I now have a giant to-do list to get through in preparation to grow my company after graduation. Follow me on this journey of strategic planning, small business ideas, and other tidbits of wisdom from the front lines.

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FCC chief plans to protect open Internet

By Jeffry Bartash
MCT Campus

The nation’s top regulator of telecommunications networks said Monday he will push for formal rules to protect the Internet from discriminatory practices that could block consumers from accessing certain Web sites or services.

Julius Genachowski, chairman of the Federal Communications Commission, said a free and open Internet remains critical to the future growth of the U.S. economy. He plans to circulate a proposal soon among the FCC’s five commissioners and hold public hearings later this year.

The Republican-led FCC adopted four principles in 2005 designed to keep the Internet open. Genachowski, a Democrat chosen by President Barack Obama, wants to turn the FCC’s principles into concrete rules and add two new ones that would give additional legal muscle to the enforcement of the agency’s rules.

The debate over how to regulate the Internet—a term used to describe “Net neutrality”—has hazy in Washington for the past decade. So far there have been few instances of major violations, but Genachowski warned that “we’re seeing the break and cracks emerge.” Most notably, cable giant Comcast Corp. was recently fined $1.2 billion for secretly blocking some large file transfers between users.

“We need to think about the networks we need today as well as the networks we will need tomorrow,” he said during a speech in upstate New York after Genachowski’s initiative was unveiled.

One of the new rules proposed by Genachowski would bar owners of both wireless and wiredline networks from blocking access to any service or content, including online services that compete with their own, except in very limited circumstances. Wireless has been excluded from the FCC’s Internet-protection oversight.

“It is essential that the Internet remain open, however users reach it,” Genachowski said in a speech Monday at the Brookings Institution.

The FCC would continue to allow operators to institute “reasonable” rules to manage their networks to protect against spam, fraud, congestion or other problems. Yet another proposal by Genachowski would force operators to clearly disclose their network-management practices.

The FCC chairman left open the possibility that network operators could sell enhanced Internet services to customers willing to pay more, so long as “ample” speed and bandwidth is available for other consumers and businesses.

Genachowski also emphasized the FCC would not overstep its bounds. Citing his experience as a media executive and high-tech investor, he acknowledged that excessive rules could crimp innovation and investment.

“This is not about government regulation of the Internet,” he said. “It’s about fair rules of the road for companies that control access to the Internet.”

Some of the nation’s largest network operators — and gatekeepers — of the Internet include AT&T Inc., Verizon Communications Inc. and Comcast.

David Young, a senior Verizon executive based in Washington, said his company supported an open Internet and he expressed concern that new FCC rules could cause harmful unintended consequences.

Arguing that the Internet has grown rapidly with minimal regulation, Young said, “I truly don’t understand what the problem is we’re trying to solve.”

Yet Ben Scott of Free Press, a consumer-advocacy group, said greater regulatory scrutiny is necessary to prevent similar incidents like the one involving Comcast. He applauded Genachowski’s call for formal rules and said it would be good for both consumers and businesses.

“It is not something we should be wary of or frightened about,” he said.

The 2010 business plan meeting in May and be involved in planning for seasonal brews months away from production. While Magic Hat was supportive of my entrepreneurial endeavors, I wanted to transfer this "strategic planning" concept to my company. I looked to the excel spreadsheets and started cranking numbers. I figured if they have a strategy for next year that I should too. I sat there at my desk, ideas scribbled all over the place, trying to come up with a strategy. It turns out that you can’t just come up with a strategy and BAM, you’ve got the golden idea of how your company is going to grow.

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It’s 7:30 a.m. on a Wednesday morning, the lights at the Smithfield Municipal Ice Rink turn on, and the calm, placid ice is quickly attacked with the skates of the players of the 2009/2010 Bryant University hockey team. Hearts race as the team arrives to practice for what looks to be and is expected to be one of the most exciting and successful seasons for the club sport.

Senior President Mark Donahue is familiar with the start of a new season. Having played year-round since 2nd grade and as a member of Bryant’s team since freshman year, Mark is anxious to begin his last season at Bryant. Though he has experienced an equal number of championship wins and season losses, Mark has high expectations for the upcoming team. “We graduated ten seniors last year,” Donahue recalls, “but this year we have thirteen new faces that bring a lot of skill to the team”. Senior David Potvin, Assistant Captain is also excited about for the new players. “The rookies we have are strong, skilled players, who are ready to accept the challenge to step up and play a major role on this team,” he states.

When asked about expectations for this season, Donahue, Potvin, and Senior Captain Derek Luther were unanimous in their belief that discipline both on and off of the ice, under the direction of head coach Mark Luther, will ensure more wins, and a better shot at making playoffs. “One of the team goals” Donahue discusses, “is to rank in the top ten of New England in the ACHA Division II, which will allow us to qualify for the regional tournament in February.”

This year proves to be one of the most exciting starts of the Hockey season here at Bryant. The team opens at their new home rink in Smithfield, RI just five minutes from campus on Friday October 16, 2009 at 7 p.m. against CCSU. The team invites you to check out their season opener. Says Luther, “As a Senior, I would like to see a stronger fan base”. Agrees Potvin, “With a strong home crowd and student section, it promises to be an exciting atmosphere with high intensity play.”

Just five minutes from campus stands the Smithfield Municipal Ice Rink, home to the 2009/2010 Bryant University Hockey Team, who with determination, discipline, practice, and a strong support system, hope to conquer the ice at every game, and take home the title of Regional and possibly even National Champions.

For more information on the Hockey Team, including Scores, Stats, and Updates as the season progresses, be sure to visit www.bryant-hockey.com and bring your friends and your school spirit to the season opener on October 16, 2009 at 7 p.m.

Led by the solid and consistent play of senior Jason Thresher (West Suffield, Conn.), who finished seventh overall at the Adams Cup of Newport, the Bryant University golf team placed 12th of 17 teams in the two-day, three-round tournament held Monday and Tuesday in Newport, R.I.

Thresher was the top finisher for the Bulldogs at the 54-hole Adams Cup, and the senior shot for par on the first and third rounds (72) to edge his way into the tournament’s top 10.

Senior Jason Thresher finished seventh overall at the Adams Cup of Newport, as the Bryant golf team placed 12th of 17 teams in the two-day, tournament held Monday and Tuesday in Newport, R.I. (Courtesy of Bryant Athletics)

Upcoming Game:
Bryant vs. University of Rhode Island at URI
Friday, September 27

Bryant places 12th at Adams Cup of Newport

The 2009/10 Bryant hockey team is ready to kick off the year at their new home rink, the Smithfield Municipal Ice Rink, which stands only five minutes from the Bryant campus. (Courtesy of Bryant Athletics)

October Schedule
Fri 2 at McDonald’s Cup
Sat 3 at McDonald’s Cup
Sun 4 at McDonald’s Cup
Sun 11 at UConn Invitational
Mon 12 at UConn Invitational
Tue 13 at UConn Invitational
Sun 18 at New England’s
Mon 19 at New England’s
Tue 20 at New England’s

Thresher shot a 74 in the middle round for a 218 on the tournament, just two over par and 11 shots behind the eventual winner.

Senior Scott Congdon (Foxboro, Mass.) shot a 78 in the final round of action Tuesday to finish tied for 50th overall, while Erik Tankanow’s (Worcester, Mass.) round three brought the junior back to tied for 26th, while Kyle Hoffman (Foxboro, Mass.) came in at No. 79.

The Bulldogs as a team had their best round of the tournament Tuesday to move up two spots and finish at No. 12, shooting a combined 917 (307; 310; 300).

There were 17 teams and 89 individuals making up the 2009 Adams Cup field, with UConn’s Jeb Buchanan (207) taking the top overall individual spot. Buchanan shot nine under, with a 69 on all three rounds of play. Southern Methodist took first place as a team, placing three golfers in the individual top-10 and shooting an 876 as a whole.

Bryant returns to the course to open October at the MacDonald’s Cup, hosted by Yale University on October 2-4.

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Maria Scocca
Year: Sophomore
Sport: Volleyball
After a 8-kill, 18-block week, Scocca was named the North East Conference Player of the Week, as announced by the league Monday afternoon.

Kyle Hoffman
Year: Junior
Sport: Golf
After tying for a sixth-place finish in last weekend’s Mulekicker Fall Classic, Hoffman was named the North East Conference Men’s Golfer of the Week, as announced by the league last Wednesday.
Bulldogs setting up for another successful division 1 season

By Eva Mahan
Staff Writer

At the beginning of their second Division I season, the women’s volleyball team was confident that they would continue their crusade in making a name for themselves in the volleyball world. A month into regular season play, they are proving they can do just that.

“We have the skills to beat anyone in the region when we all play our best at the same time,” said Coach Theresa Garlacy, who is in her 14th season of coaching and has tallied 360 career wins. Garlacy is joined in her coaching efforts by assistant coach and husband Ted Garlacy and 2008 graduate and stand-out setter, Tiffany Garry.

The Bulldogs are led by co-captains, senior Julie Geonnotti (St. Louis Park, Minn.) and junior Adrienne Farris (Dracut, Mass.). “Julie has shown so much leadership on the team; she is a very well rounded player and has done an excellent job calling plays for us,” said Garlacy. “Adrienne has been very effective in hitting the second ball over the net for us this season. She has worked on improving her setting and has done that well for us in emergency situations.”

Playing in the libero position is junior Robyn Gardner (Longwood, Fla.) who earned a Northeast Conference All-Academic Honor Roll selection last season. “Robyn has been so consistent in the back row for us with her passes in serve receive, "stated Garlacy. “She has shown a lot of leadership and she always plays with a lot of intensity and fire,” said assistant coach, Tiffany Garry.

In 2008, then freshman, middle hitter Maria Socca (Melrose, Mass.) led the Bulldogs in kills, points, and blocks. She has built on her success in the 2009 season. “Maria has earned All-Tournament honors for us at the Marist Invitational and the NEC Classic this season,” said Garlacy. She has also recorded back-to-back Division I All-Independent Player of the Week and Defensive Player of the Week honors.

Sophomore Jazmin Stoner (Durango, Colo.) finished third on the team in kills and points in 2008 and was named to the NEC All-Academic Honor Roll. Stoner recorded 11 kills and nine digs against UNH last week. “She has been hitting really well and her jump float serve has been very successful in recent matches,” remarke Garlacy.

After playing as a freshman, senior Adriana Fuertes (Miramar, Puerto Rico) rejoined the Bulldogs in the setting position this season. “Adriana has gotten back into the swing of things on the court,” said Garlacy, “she has been serving tough and acting as a quarterback calling plays and showing leadership.”

Named NEC Rookie of the Week last week, freshman Emily Kaup (Chandler, Ariz.) has been playing well for the Bulldogs in the middle hitter position. “Emily is a skilled blocker and is recording more kills for us each game,” said Garlacy.

Rebecca Meyer (Commack, N.Y.) and Samantha Whitman (South Weymouth, Mass.) are both freshmen fighting for playing time. “Rebecca is strong on defense and she has a solid serve. She is working towards playing in the libero position down the road. Samantha has a strong serve and is a talented setter,” said Garlacy. “Once these two girls get more experience playing at this level, they will be top contributors,” said Garry.

In order to add a little fun and competition to practices, senior Ryan Kapiokwicz and juniors Pat Helman and Brian Murphy practiced with the men. “Having these guys practice with us enables us to do 6 vs. 6 drills,” said Garlacy. “They also provide a little more competition for the girls.” The team is managed by Alberto Aneses. “He keeps video of games and does a lot of stats for us,” said Garlacy. “he helps out at practices and with behind the scenes type work.”

With such a young team in her hands, Garlacy was pleasantly surprised at how well all the girls played. “Everyone moves well on the court and we are growing together rather than individually which is a huge help for us. It is so easy for everyone to work as a team.”

The Bulldogs exemplified the meaning of teamwork in an impressive win over Brown, a game that also set a school record for the most team blocks with 36 block assists and 2 solo blocks. “We played so well against Brown compared to last year,” said Garlacy, “since they are an in-state rival and we always play them in the spring season too, it was a really big win for us, especially coupling the win with the school record.”

In recent play at the Columbia Tournament last weekend, the Bulldogs went 1-2 with losses to Lehigh and Columbia and a win over Fairleigh Dickinson. “The coaching staff set some goals for the team at the beginning of the season, including not allowing more than nine free points per set and having a side-out percentage of 60%,” stated Garlacy, “when we do both of these things well, we win.”

Join the Bulldogs for the Bryant Invitational this weekend (September 26 and 27) as they face Howard and Brown Saturday at 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. respectively and Coppin State at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday.

Women’s soccer wins overtime thriller versus St. Peter’s; falls short of NJIT

By Jackie Ammirato
Assistant Sports Editor

Despite outshooting NJIT 23-9, early Highlander goals in both halves proved to be too much as the Bulldogs fell 3-2 on Sunday. Sophomore Kaithlyn Hinck scored off a pass from Derick to tie the score at one in the first half. Junior Sarah Donovan beat the NJIT goalie one-on-one to re-tie the game for the Bulldogs. However, in the 75th minute a shot from thirty yards out sailed just over the crossbar for what proved to be the game-winning goal for the Highlanders. In her first collegiate start, freshman Kelsi Jacob recorded four saves in the net.

The Bulldogs have a 12-day break before hosting Central Connecticut on Friday, Oct. 2 at 7 p.m. at the Bryant Turf Complex.

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Senior forward Holly Tyser (above) scored the game-winning goal for the Bryant University women’s soccer team just 46 seconds into the first overtime period as they defeated Saint Peter’s 2-1. (Courtesy of Bryant Athletics)
 Wanted: NFL quarterbacks
By David Niles
Staff Writer

Whatever happened to all the great quarterbacks? It seems to be all about the heroes. The media can be mean about tackles in the NFC is no different. We are spoiled here in New England with Tom Brady at quarterback. Let’s look around the league. How many franchise quarterbacks are there around the league? Who are they? When I talk about a franchise quarterback, I would say that he would have to be engrained in the team as their quarterback at least the last two years. This leaves us with six teams that have a non-first round quarterback, has numerous records from Super Bowls to his name than any other current quarterback, has records from the 2007 undefeated season, and could definitely still add to his title collection.

By Jackie Ammirato
Assistant Sports Editor

The women’s tennis team traveled to Philadelphia, Pennsyl-
vania last week to play Penn as part of a doubleheader. The Cougars could not be a successful showing at the ITA’s. Junior Morganne Dowling in A singles and freshman Irma Rodriguez in doubles would have the team as their quarterback at least the last two years. This would remove the Jets, Dolphins, Bills, Ravens, Browns, Jaguars, Broncos, Chiefs, Raiders, Redskins, Packers, Vikings, Lions, Bears, Falcons, Buccaneers, and Titans from the discussion. We left with only 13 teams out of a possible 32) and many of these quarterbacks have huge question marks.

Day #3
Back Squats: 4 sets of 8
Pull-ups 3 sets of 7
Leg curls: 3 sets of 8
Leg Extensions: 3 sets of 10
Lying Dumbbell Press: 4 sets of 8
Tricep Extensions: 4 sets of 10
Crunch/Reverse Crunch: 4 sets of 15

By Amy Reilly
Assistant Sports Editor

The cross-country team traveled to Connecticut last week for the Quinnipiac Invitational. In their first scoring meet of the season, the men's and women's teams finished in ninth and seventh place overall.

Coach’s Corner
Coach Tim’s Workout for the Week

The only gluten-free choice in the entire team played well throughout the tournament and especially in the final round to help the Bulldogs shoot a combined 917, good for 12th place overall. Senior Jason Thresher led the team finishing the 54 hole tournament just two over par. He’ll be high enough for seventh place out of the eighty-nine individual golfers. Senior Scott Condon and junior Erik Tarkanov finished tied for 50th and 59th place respectively. Junior Kyle Hoffman came in tied for 76th while senior Mike Pyne finished in 79th place.

Bulldog Bites
By Amy Reilly
Assistant Sports Editor

The golf team headed to the University of Rhode Island at Newport, last Monday and Tuesday, as one of seventeen teams to play in the three-round, two-day Adams Cup. The entire team played well throughout the tournament and especially in the final round to help the Bulldogs shoot a combined 917, good for 12th place overall. Senior Jason Thresher led the team finishing the 54 hole tournament just two over par. He’ll be high enough for seventh place out of the eighty-nine individual golfers. Senior Scott Condon and junior Erik Tarkanov finished tied for 50th and 59th place respectively. Junior Kyle Hoffman came in tied for 76th while senior Mike Pyne finished in 79th place.

The Bulldogs return to the links this weekend for the last day of the tournament. The team will travel to Yale for the McDonald’s Cup.

Volleyball-NEC Player of the Week
Maria Scocca

Volleyball Home vs. Coppin St., 1:00pm

After standout performances in the team’s matches against Columbia, East Carolina and Didn’t, sophomore Maria Scocca was named the Northeast Conference’s Player of the Week. Scocca scored double-digit kills in three of the four matches last week to become the highest in 18 blocks during the week. During the week Scocca boasted a 362 hitting percentage and averaged 3.71 kills per set. Scocca currently leads the team in attacks, kills, points, and blocks. The Bulldogs host the Bryant Tournament this weekend featuring matches against Howard, Brown, and Coppin St.

Bryant On Tap

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If you could be an animal, what would you be?

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-Matt Schatzman '12

"I'd be an elephant so I can run things over"
-Scott Merritt '11

"I'd be a monkey cause they're always having fun"
-Mark Andrews '11

"I'd be a jaguar cause they're ferocious and competitive"
-Rob Sinewick '12

"A lion cause they're the king of the jungle"
-Alex 'Papi' Vando '13

"A cheetah because they're fast and sexy"
-Nikita Gittens '13

"A bulldog because I go to Bryant"
-Matt Griswald '11

"An elephant so I can run things over"
-Scott Merritt '11
The most important man not in the room

By Drew Green

Filling Ted Kennedy’s seat

With the Massachusetts Senate passing a bill to allow Governor Deval Patrick the ability to appoint a special interim Senator for the late Senator Edward Kennedy, the Governor and the Democrats are getting just what they wanted: a person to fill the shoes of possibly the biggest advocate for Health Care reform for the last fifty years. Whoever gets appointed for this position will not be expected to push for the Health Care reform with the same fervor as Senator Kennedy would have had his health not been an issue — realistically that is not even possible. More importantly, hopefully no one expects such action from that individual. It is understandable to assume that this person essentially is being placed with a single job on his plate of responsibilities — DON’T SCREW THIS UP! And I am sure that his fellow party members in the Senate, along with Governor Patrick, will make it clear that while this individual is assuming the responsibilities of a Senator for what amounts to about four months, the job metric is whether some sort of progressive Health Care reform passes. With the special note that the interim appointee not even begin to think that they will have something to do with why it passes.

From a political standpoint it appears this individual will not be a spokesman for Health Care, or in any sense try and get heavily involved in actually formulating a plan that is respectable. What is being presented by this is that the best action in this scenario is no action. Sadly, the point of the effort to pass the bill that will allow Governor Patrick to actually appoint this individual is based solely on the fact that the Democrats are in a position of once again fulfilling their filibuster proof majority in the Senate. So, this Senator is simply a vote for a single person on a single policy issue, however, this person is also a vote for one of the most significant policy issues to cross the Senate floor in recent memory. This puts the new Senator in a precarious position. He will be placed in a political position where he has almost no clout to work with, and is not expected to even try to yield anything relatively close to political clout. Conversely, it is not every day that the political process is, for all intents and purposes, expedited. Let me phrase the interim’s position this way. He knows his vote is important, everyone else knows his vote is important, but he is only there so he can vote and assist in the Democrats in passing substantial Health Care reform. That conflation of power and lack of substance do not usually blend, but this is a special case.

There is bound to be much discussion over who the interim Senator will be. The question in regards to the various speculations that will — and already have been — driven, is does it even matter who the interim will be? Of course it would be nice to have a big name person to admirably stand in for the late Senator and the stories that he would have wanted. Realistically though, all that Democrats need is a vote, a vote for anything and everything they draw up for Health Care reform. Even Governor Patrick is showing evidence that all he thinks the responsibilities of the interim will be is to vote for reform and then go. The Governor has stated that although the interim can run, he is not going to advise, and is asking, that the interim not run in the special election in January. Is this responsibility — or lack thereof — right though? The question bears asking; why replace a strong advocate who would fight tooth and nail for reform with someone who will cast a vote and leave? It appears that this is more of an honorary position than anything else, and that is a poor way of displaying empathy towards a Senator, whom he had been healthy, would have strongly advocated his position. While it is unlikely that this interim will be the reason Health Care reform passes or fails, it would have offered the potential to have an impact. Does the legacy of Senator Kennedy’s seat on the Senate floor not deserve to be filled by a person who will advance the cause of the Senator, rather than simply acknowledging that the state from which he is from believes a vote is as important as the fight to create effective policy that advances this country? I think it does, but I doubt the individual chosen will have a substantial impact.

In the end, maybe his vote will not even matter. What is getting lost in this effort to get a person in to vote for reform may be that the country may be getting will – at least it looks like it will – be less than what the late Senator would have wanted. That should be the real issue at hand. Everyone knows that Governor Patrick will pick someone who will make the bill and not vote against it, as per the orders and vote according to how Senator Kennedy would have voted to the Senator’s lion deserves more than his seat on the floor to be filled – or to have the bill in his name for that matter. The real issue with regard to any kind of progress and Senator Kennedy’s seat deserves an individual who will champion progressive reform.

Real Housewives and guilty pleasures

By Jessica Miles

Reality TV has become a guilty pleasure for so many, but no show has captivated me more than The Real Housewives series on Bravo TV. It is the perfect recipe for a reality television show: drama, sex, drinking, and scandal. The Real Housewives may have had me Tango dancing, hurling fruit foaming at mouth, and crying, but it didn’t change my view of the show.

While the women featured on The Real Housewives may not play the stereotypical housewife role, this is what makes the show so appealing. These “housewives” hire help to clean their houses, cook their meals, and even to dress them in the latest fashions. Yet, while the fashion statements are always fun to watch I cannot help but roll my eyes and laugh at the lavish lifestyles these women live and the horrendous attitudes they often display. It’s the combination of the “it doesn’t make me money, I don’t do it” attitude and the constant gossip and bickering taking place between their so-called friends that draws me to the show and often leads to dramatic conflicts.

The fights between the women on The Real Housewives, whether physical or verbal, have a theatrical aspect to them. Eyebrows raise, lips are pursed, nails form claws, and hair flies – all as the most bizarre events unfold. It’s hard not to watch these women tarnish whatever reputation they may have had in the blink of an eye. But these brawls are what keep viewers returning to the series because major conflicts never seem to be resolved in the same season they occur. No, we must wait until the next season to watch the housewives apologize to one another while sitting in a trendy restaurant women, drama, greedy children, drama, stunning abodes, and did I mention drama?

I must admit my fascination with The Real Housewives goes beyond the pretty women. I am ashamed to confess that shows like MTVs’ The Hills and The Real World have also lured me in, in the past, but The Real Housewives may have had me most excited to watch. Each cast is truly self-obsessed and does not like to be cast aside. They show us the truth of what being a star is all about. These shows show us the truth of what being a star is all about.

‘Whether it is an accurate portrayal or not, Bravo seems to consistently depict the housewives as selfish elitists who place more value on high society gatherings than on family.’

This article was originally published in Bread & Circus Magazine (breadandcircusnetwork.wordpress.com).
Fountain of Youth? Maybe it is from being off campus for this academic year, but the fountain in the pond seems to be shooting a little higher this year.

Holey C-Lot Batman! Has everyone else with a car on campus been appreciating how open C-Lot seems to be this year?

I Cannot See My Door Through the Ads My door is ajar. It is not a place for people to hang all of their advertisements, no matter how appealing the products and deals they have.

Weekly Goose Report

The geese have been primarily congregating outside the library this past week. If you tend to walk along the Alumni Walkway or by the side of the library you should keep your heads down and watch where you are walking. There are still several weeks before they leave, so walk cautiously!

A SASSy Start to the Year

SASS pulled off a great first event of the year. We have been hearing a lot of positive feedback and can't wait for Judy Shepard on October 6th.

Blatant Recycling Fail

We witnessed a facilities employee dump the recycling into the trash and the trash into more trash. We thought Bryant was going green.

Send Observations to agreen1@bryant.edu.

Bryant Said What?!

“So I had a dream, I was pregnant and you were the dad.”

“Is it bad that I have Senioritis three weeks in? Well you had Sophomoreitis, so maybe it is not that bad.”

“I’m not wearing a bra, so I am going to go back home now.”

“Guy 1: Wow, we are awesome. Guy 2: Well, we still aren’t as bad as Michael Vick.”

“I love that guy. The guy on the end. He’s fundamentally crunchy.”

“We only send the best looking students out into the community.”

E-mail funny quotes to agreen1@bryant.edu.

The Ant Thomas Corner: Think before you speak

By Anthony Thomas

Kanye West, Taylor Swift, VMA’s. Simply put: hilarious. I almost died laughing at it on YouTube. Once again, Mr. West has proven that he cannot hold his childish tantrums. Do I feel sorry for the girl? Not at all, she won a MTV Video Music Award and no one can take that away from her. More important, millions of people who had no clue she existed.

Just to have an objective view on the subject matter, I reviewed all types of video sites, news and information sites, and I visited various blogs. Fortunately, I found that there was a tremendous intelligence gap in favor of news and information sites opposed to bloggers. The common theme from the variety of sites I looked up is that the vast majority of content is extremely negative. The brash comments make me wonder, is life really that bad for these people?

One person who is under thug, a computer racist, and/or a computer bigot is not cool. These people need serious help and the scary thing is that we never know if we cross paths with them in our everyday life. Someone is probably reading this article right now wishing they had a comment box so they could tear me to shreds.

If you are that person, GROW UP! Arguing with someone who may be in a completely different time zone that you are not cool and arguing with someone who will never have to reveal their face is not cool. When leaving a comment, do not go so upset that you just toss thoughtless lackluster insults that do not do anything but discredit your objections.

Blocking the booze at Bryant

By David Nelligan

This week I would like to talk about a subject very near and dear to my heart: Alcohol. I am sure there are many of you out there that share my feelings for this amazing drink that brings such joy and fun to our lives here at Bryant; just as long as that joy is not purchased with the use of 21 year old wine, or a pint of Distilled spirits as defined by our Bryant handbooks. This is when I start to have a problem, as I believe many of the students here do as well.

Looking at the schedule for the week I think it is uncommon for college students to indulge themselves Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

And since I am a senior, and this issue refers to mostly 21 plus seniors, let’s throw in the occasional Tuesday night as well. That means I must make four trips to the liquor store costing me roughly 30-35 dollars a week.

For the many of you who choose not to follow this policy and try to bring 30 racks on to campus you will end up dealing with the evitable cat and mouse game with DPS. To me this seems like a waste of time for DPS officers. To me it is not uncommon for college students to indulge themselves when they are at college.

That issue I refered to was the banning of kegs on campus many years back. Again the same defense was presented about the over consumption of alcohol and partying on campus. However, the use of kegs would cut down on the littering of cans and bottles all over campus, saving the Bryant staff from many hours of cleaning each week, and would actually help the environment (as we have learned from previous investigations that Bryant is not exactly up to par on recycling).

Seeing my arguments being dismissed one by one I was at least hoping to make someone aware of the open container policy. Dean Eakin explained to me that even though Bryant is a private institution, Smithfield has a law on open containers and they feel they should abide by these laws because we reside in Smithfield.

On that ruling I will allow you to form your own opinion because it does not make much sense to me as a private institution. It just seems like it makes more of a hassle for DPS officers and adds to the litter on campus after having to dump out the cans, but unfortunately I do not foresee the rules changing anytime soon, so I guess for now I’ll just see you fellow alcohol lovers at the bar.
Celebrity Round-Up: Gossip from the summer

By Carlos Ramos

Aside from the usual summer blockbusters that started the year, but sadly the credits roll before that great film we are promised can actually come to pass. The animation is stunning, yet it's hard to tell who this movie is meant for. This PC-generated film has no substance for adults to gain much enjoyment, yet it is also way too dark and ominous for children to enjoy. Because of this, we’re left with a film stuck somewhere in the middle. It’s a real let-down to report that this film—full of so much potential and an intriguing concept—is all but wasted. Here’s this film—full of so much potential and an in- tense and ominous tone to the film. Although we don’t know what’s going on, we know how we are supposed to feel. The tension is built up effectively, as the an- ticipation is building, but just as the movie rolls along, we are constantly reminded of Alice in Wonderland won’t disappoint as much as 9 does.

I give 2.5 out of 5 Bulldogs.

Bulldog Flicks: 9

By Coburn Childs

In the last days of civilization, a genius in- ventor/scientist gives his creations—9 bizarre- looking little ragdolls—the gift of life, right before breathing his last and leaving the 9 to fend for themselves. But living in this post-apocalyptic world proves to be much harder than it looks for these little guys—especially when the world is overrun by monstrous and deadly machines bent on destroying the 9 and preventing any of them from finding some sort of hope for a somber and desolate world.

Based on Shane Acker’s short film of the same name, 9 is, regrettably, a disappoint- ing film. Originally starting as a story with so much potential, 9 quickly becomes squandered by—primarily—mostly non-existent—writing and way too many edits. At a scant 79-minute running time (and that’s including the ending credits), this film barely even makes an effort to get off the ground with an en- gaging story. While the animation looks beautiful, watching 9 makes one realize that visuals alone do not make a movie good. In the week’s big celebrity headline grabbing stories. Tune in next week to read about the fate of the 8 small children or who the dad was dating week after week. And finally news that came as a bit of a surprise to the world: Huge Hefner made headlines with her performance for her song “Party in the USA,” at one point she was “pole dancing” on stage. This had us asking ourselves: “Is she growing up too fast?” My an- swer: who cares about some talent-less singer. After weeks of rumors of guessing whether or not Tom Brady and Gisele Bundchen were ex-pecting a baby, Brady confirmed that his wife was indeed expecting her first child and his second child.

And finally news that came as a bit of a surprise to the world: Huge Hefner divorced. The 83 year old filed for divorce from her wife Kimberly Connelly, and #5 (voiced by John C. Reilly) face peril in Shane Acker’s epic adventure fantasy "9."
The pancakes are huge

A review of Pleasant View Diner

By Michael Adams
Assistant Editor-in-Chief

Being my senior year and all, I have this mission to start exploring more of Rhode Island—the sights and scenes, the live performances, and most importantly, the food. Being off the meal plan and not wanting to make myself something to eat 21 times a week, I am starting to venture off campus to locations within a short drive to grab a quick bite to eat. The latest stop: Pleasant View Diner in Smithfield with my family in tow. I have driven by this place hundreds of times, always wondering what it was like—I’m a big fan of diners, from the modern to the hole in the wall—so I decided to give it a try, for breakfast, my fa- vorite meal of the day.

Upon arrival, the parking lot was filled with motorcycles, Lincoln Towncars, old station wagons, and us, in, probably, the newest car in the lot. But, from what I have learned on my eating adventures, you can’t judge a book by its cover. We walked past the man smoking outside (thank you) and the sign advertising a bingo event, to an oddly “please seat yourself” sign not really located near the tables. It was just a hop, skip, and a jump past the “regulars” bar to our chosen table for the morning—situated right in the heart of it all. We crack open the menu and start exploring. For starters, breakfast is served all day (JACKPOT!) and the menu is pretty extensive from omelets to breakfast sandwiches, and a boatload of breakfast specials. Our twenty-some-thing blonde waitress approached us with a smile on her face, ready to grab my dad and brother some coffee, but my mom stops her and says, “the Beer Olympics?” She was referring to this girl’s shirt—we later found out the waitress was proudly displaying her attendance at the latest Beer Olympics, as she points to her bud- dies sitting at the corner table who also participated in the festivities. I didn’t quite care, as it was a hilar- ious conversation starter. She came in third out of twelve teams.

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Word Vomit

Escape
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And no direction,
But bound by morals
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