Swine Flu
Health Services says not to panic

By Jenny Sali
Staff Writer

Last weekend President Obama declared the H1N1 virus, commonly known as "swine flu," a national emergency. Health Services asks that students don’t panic and explains that it was simply a measure to "allow states some leeway in making appropriate judgments and changes to the previous updates they had set. It allows hospitals and medical facilities to open alternative sites for medical care to enable all who need care to receive it if the hospitals become inundated with more patients then they can serve."

Health Services further reports that although virus is considered widespread in Rhode Island, there is still good news because instead of everyone getting sick at once; people are getting ill then improving with other people becoming ill. This helps doctors’ offices not get bombarded with patients all at once and more people will be able to be treated.

Currently health services is awaiting the announcement by the state for the H1N1 vaccine clinics but for colleges/universities, it should be late November/early December. Susan Curran, Director of Health Services, says that "The vaccine will be a live Flu mist vaccine (not the injectable one) for all college age students under 25 years of age. The CDC (Center for Disease Control) has stated that the flu mist is safe. You will be asked to stay for about 15 minutes after it is administered because it is the first time you are receiving this."

When the date is announced, there will only be a short notice, so it is recommended to check the health services’ website regularly.

GREAT NEWS: Since it’s provided by the Federal government, there will be no cost See ‘Swine Flu’ on page 3

SPB hosts a ghoulish Halloween Weekend

By Meghan Aloisio
Contributing Writer

Some people tell a story at Halloween that sends shiver down your spine. It goes like this:

Long ago on these grounds, before Bryant was built, lived three families. These families all had children about our age. Two were girls, Madison and Rebecca, and one was a boy named Daniel. They grew up together and were the best of friends. Both Rebecca and Madison fell in love with Danny. Their feelings were known to each other but not to Danny.

One day, Danny approached Rebecca about his secret passion for her. After that Daniel and Rebecca spent all their time with each other, never including Madison. Madison was infuriated and felt betrayed by her best friend. It was Madison vs. Rebecca's story where those who dare will find their way through a haunted maze. But beware! SPB’s Theme Weekends co-chairs, Meghan Aloisio and Emma McDougall put together this year’s exciting Halloween Weekend itinerary that is full of several other frightful events, including a Costume Ball in the Rotunda from 8pm to 11pm tonight. Dance the night away and compete for prizes for the best costumes. The best couple costume, scariest costume, funniest costume, most creative costume, and best group costume are up for grabs.

The Student Programming Board kicked off their Halloween festivities with Halloween Bingo. (Courtesy of Kira Brantley)

On Sunday, join SPB as they host the Candy Apple Harvest Fest on the lawn of Hall 17 from 1pm to 4pm (rain location in South) and make your own delicious candy apples.

Make a date with Channel 68

Contributed by Media Production Club

The wait is over! Bryant’s Media Production Club introduced the new schedule for campus channel 68 this past Wednesday filled with Bryant-inspired productions. Exact dates and times are yet to be determined.

Shows that will appear on channel 68 include coverage of the International Student Organization’s i2i event, the Mr. Bryant competition, the Velocity Dance Expo, and the Morning Delight Show. Student Produced Documentaries will also appear, as well as Dialogues with Shontay, the Spring Singers Concert, a student cooking show, and coverage of the Admitted Student Open House.

The Media Production Club encourages students to send show ideas to MPC@bryant.edu with details.
**DPS Log**

**LARCENY from Buildings**
OCT 20 2009-Tuesday at 16:40
Location: UNISTRUCTURE
Summary: A report of a theft of three electronic Digital Scales.

**LARCENY from Buildings**
OCT 20 2009-Tuesday at 18:17
Location: UNISTRUCTURE
Summary: A report of a missing IBM laptop.

**ACCIDENT (MVA) Motor Vehicle Accident**
OCT 22 2009-Thursday at 07:25
Location: BRYANT CENTER LOT
Summary: A minor accident between a delivery truck and passenger vehicle. No injuries reported.

**ACCIDENT (MVA) Motor Vehicle Accident**
OCT 23 2009-Friday at 01:15
Location: JACOB’S DRIVE
Summary: A vehicle spun at the entrance to Town House. The driver was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol.

**DRUGS Possession of Marijuana (2nd Offense)**
OCT 23 2009-Friday at 18:46
Location: RESIDENCE HALL
Summary: A report of possible drug activity. Smithfield Police responded and took one student into custody.

**DRUG PARAPHERNALIA Possession of Drug Paraphernalia**
OCT 25 2009-Sunday at 01:50
Location: ENTRY CONTROL STATION
Summary: A vehicle that went out the inbound lane at the Entry Control Station was cited for reckless driving and possession of drug paraphernalia.

**EMT CALL Medical Services Rendered**
OCT 25 2009-Sunday at 10:44
Location: CHASE ATHLETIC CENTER / GYM / MAC
Summary: A report of a male in cardiac arrest. EMS was activated.

**DRUG PARAPHERNALIA Possession of Drug Paraphernalia**
OCT 25 2009-Sunday at 23:12
Location: RESIDENCE HALL 12
Summary: An investigation into possible drug activity. Drug paraphernalia was confiscated.

**BIAS INCIDENTS**
None Reported
To report a bias incident or hate crime, go to www.bryant.edu/bias or call the Bias Incident Hotline at x6920
Bias related incident – a threatened, attempted, or completed action that is motivated by bigotry and bias regarding a person’s real or perceived race, religion, natural origin, ethnicity, sexual orientation, disability, or gender status. Examples of these incidents include name calling, offensive language/acts, and graffiti/behavior.

The DPS Crime Prevention Officers:
“TIP OF THE WEEK”
Always keep emergency numbers by your phone or stored in your cell phone.
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China Today: A new bilingual show on WJMF

By David Nelligan

Each year Bryant University welcomes new friends and welcomes new faces. This week we would like everyone to meet Professor Nicole Freiner. Professor Freiner is the new addition to the History and Social Sciences department, specializing in modern Chinese, and Polish politics with an emphasis on the European Union.

Professor Freiner says her favorite class to teach is Chinese politics, and she is teaching a special topics course in the spring on Chinese and Polish politics with an emphasis on the European Union. Professor Freiner says her favorite class to teach is Chinese politics, and she is teaching a special topics course in the spring on Chinese and Polish politics with an emphasis on the European Union.

Professor Freiner welcomes you to give advice. You will most likely be advised to go home to your family home, if you are able to do so, and to stay away from others. However, if you are unable to go home then stay isolated in your room when you are still sick. Make sure you drink plenty of fluids such as water, juice, Gatorade, tea, and soup. Take Tylenol or布洛芬 for fever or body aches. PREVENTION:

- Constantly read website, email, or in-person updates to stay updated.
- Avoid touching your face, eyes, nose or mouth.
- If using a tissue, discard it immediately after use.
- Clean surfaces such as doorknobs, bathroom sinks, and counters, if you have a private bath.
- Eat well and sleep well.
- Wipe your hands, even around sick people.
- Do not share cups or water bottles.

Go online to our website at www.bryant.edu/healthservices and follow a flu shot.

China Today: A new bilingual show on WJMF.

Dongni Wan (Tiffany) and Zhengxiang Wang (Jason) are the new hosts of 'China Today' on WJMF. (Kongli Liu)

By Crystine Cox

Were you at the HAVIC Squared performance last month? If so, you probably witnessed the sweet opening group stepping to their beat before the start of the show. Remember those who had blue in allied health careers are able to keep the beat to their own drum and have big plans for the future.

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated is all about personalities. AFRICAN-AMERICAN sorority that is a part of the National Pan African Congress is the Divine Nine. The sorority was founded on January 16, 1920 by five co-eds at Howard University in Washington, D.C. who believed that sorority elitism and socializing should not overshadow addressing community concerns. The organization is built on four pillars: Scholarship, Service, Sisterly Love and Finer Womanhood. Zeta Phi Beta has touched the lives of millions of women across this country and the world – from California to Texas to Africa and Korea through programs of service for the community that empowers the individual and family well-being and the values of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority. Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated is the first Greek letter organization to establish a chapter in Africa and the first to form youth auxiliary groups that reaches the community outreach. Our members hail from all different cultures and ethnic backgrounds, from Cape Verdean to European to Polynesian and more.

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated was brought to Bryant's campus in 1993 by six women who felt that the need for an organization of their own, one that represented their talent, intelligence, and resilience of women hailing from culturally diverse backgrounds, from Cape Verdean to European to Polynesian and more.

Are you a member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority? What do you love about your experience working at a Greek-letter organization? What are you grateful for? If you're interested in learning more about this organization, please join them!
Through the determination of Bryant students, faculty and staff and the generosity of family and friends of the community, a record $22,500 dollars was raised for St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital at last year’s Up ‘til Dawn philanthropy event. This year, Kristin Legier, President of Up ‘til Dawn and Vice President of Sigma Sigma Sigma Sorority plans on continuing the success by setting a goal of $25,000. Up ‘til Dawn will take place on Wednesday November 11, 2009 from 5 pm to 10 pm in the Rotunda.

Up ‘til Dawn is run on campuses nationwide by student-led groups that raise money for St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital; it is their biggest fundraiser. The participants are each asked to address 50 letters to their closest friends and family members requesting a monetary donation to help kids with cancer and other diseases. Children from around the world are treated at St. Jude regardless of an inability to pay, costing over $1 million each day to keep the doors of St. Jude open. Each set of 50 letters generates approximately $300 in donations to St. Jude. The work required of an Up ‘til Dawn participant is minimal, yet the outcome is momentous.

Last Year, past President of Tri Sigma Sorority, Amanda MacKay, ’09, was honored at CSI’s recognition banquet with “Service Program of the Year,” for Up ‘til Dawn. In the event’s first year, primarily run by Tri Sigma Sorority, it raised $8,000 dollars. Last Year, MacKay launched it as a Greek Life event, making it their biggest philanthropy project and raising a historic $22,500.

Kristin Legier stated, “We were nervous to set a high goal of $25,000 dollars with the current economic conditions, however with the devotion of Bryant Students, faculty and staff and warmth of family and friends of the community we are hopeful and determined to reach that goal.”

Last week was Awareness week, and tables were set up in the Rotunda to bring attention to the upcoming event. Legier emphasizes, “This cause is so important, it makes me happy to see that clubs and organizations are eager to sign up and get involved.”

Up ‘til Dawn is honored as “Service Program of the Year,” recognized as one of the largest philanthropies on campus, and the donations go directly to those in need. The event takes place on Wednesday, November 11, 2009, from 5 to 10 pm in the Rotunda.

Global events raise climate awareness

Contributed by the Int’l Business Association
Never has the enormous issue of climate change been more prevalent than last Saturday when people from all over the planet joined in what was called the most widespread grassroots political activism event ever. On October 24th, or UN Day, hundreds of thousands of people made their voices heard by participating in over 5,200 different events in 181 countries.

Headed by 350.org, an organization created by Vermont author Bill McKibben, the campaign raises awareness about a growing number within the scientific community: 350. The number indicates the crucial threshold of carbon dioxide parts per million that should be in the atmosphere to ensure irreversible damage to the planet does not occur.

According to scientists, damages such as the melting of the Greenland ice sheet and major methane releases from increased permafrost melt are very possible, unless carbon emissions are reduced within this century. Currently our atmosphere has 390ppm of CO2 in it.

From the very active underwater events in the Maldives, to the thousands that gathered on Parliament Hill in Ottawa, to Israeli activists making a giant 3, Palestinians a huge 5, and Jordanians a 0 around the shore of The Dead Sea, and even a rally at Waterplace Park in Providence, these events showed the overwhelming support for climate action across the globe.

These events advanced the goal of creating this information more visible to world leaders as they gear up for the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Copenhagen this December. At this conference a new global treaty to cut emissions will be drawn, with, as many people hope, an effort to reduce atmospheric CO2 to 350ppm in it. Along with other organizations such as Tcktcktck, a global alliance of civil society organizations, trade unions, faith groups and other people, more climate awareness campaigns will occur leading up to the UN conference in Copenhagen.
Study Abroad Spotlight: Adrian Fowler

Name: Adrian W. Fowler
University: Ashesi University
Location: Accra, Ghana
Partner: CIEE

Reason for going
I decided to study abroad in Ghana because I am an African Studies minor, but also because I’ve always wanted to see Africa and Ghana was a particular interesting country. African Popular Culture taught here at Bryant by Professor Penuel really raised my interest in studying Africa more in depth, and what better way than studying abroad there.

Best experience/memory
The best experience that I had in Ghana was taking an African Music and Dance class every Wednesday throughout the semester. This class really immersed me in a Ghanaian/African setting by performing traditional dances and instrumental processes with my fellow Ghanaian students. I was able to learn not only the dance s themselves, but also the meaning of them and how they relate to the people of the country.

Funny cultural experience
The funniest cultural experience that I encountered was my last weekend in Ghana. The study abroad students in my program decided to go to a deer hunting festival in Winneba, Ghana, a small fishing town. Throughout town there were many parties and fun activities to do with the local people.

One of these activities was a hunt going up at 5 am to go deer hunting with the townpeople. I decided to tag along with some locals to see how interesting it was. I was up walking with them through the grassy areas until we came to a wide river that they expected me to cross, not knowing what was under it. What made it even funnier was that some of these people have never seen an American, let alone have one come with them deer hunting so I decided to take the plunge and cross the river, wading in water up to my chest. I go to the gym 4 times a week here in the states and felt like I was out of shape because I couldn’t keep up with them. It took us hours going deep into the “bush” to finally catch a deer and bring it back town to end the celebration.

How was the school different from Bryant University?
I studied at Ashesi University which was like Bryant, a private institution, just on a smaller scale. The school consisted of roughly 450 students not including the study abroad students. At Bryant, we move at a fast pace to get the most out of the course, or the most done. In Ghana, the teachers took the class slowly so we could get more in-depth into the course and get a meaningful experience out of it. Ashesi’s residence halls were not directly on campus like Bryant, so students were able to get city living while still being away at college.

How did this experience change you?
I’m an American who has never left the country and going to Ghana made me see how people are able to adapt to such different conditions than what I’m used to. Being there for four and a half months made me realize that life isn’t peachy keen for everyone. Many people outside America do without the luxuries that we are so used to. I feel blessed to be able to actually live there and live life the way Ghanians do in such a cultural-rich society.

Would you study abroad again given the opportunity?
No questions asked would I study abroad again. I would literally pack my bags at this very moment and hop on a plane to my next destination and not think twice about it.

Veronica Wohlschlaeger

Name: Veronica Wohlschlaeger
Class Year: 2013
Senate Position: Community Service Liaison
Hometown: New Milford, CT

Major/Minor: Politics & Law
Other involvements:
-- H.E.A.L., I2I, Mr. Bryant, & Gym
-- Community Service
-- H.E.A.L., I2I, Mr. Bryant, & Gym

Why you joined senate:
To meet people and make the most of my education through application outside the classroom.

Other Involvements:
-- Community Service
-- H.E.A.L., I2I, Mr. Bryant, & Gym

What you hope to accomplish this year (Senate or other):
Earn a 4.0. Prove the Senate’s claim as the “voice of the students”

Favorite Quote or lyric:
“The best index to a person’s character is (a) how he treats people who can’t do him any good, and (b) how he treats people who can’t fight back.” — Abigail van Buren

Random fun fact:
I hate wearing clothes and wish it was socially acceptable to go to class without shoes and shirt.

Senate Corner Spotlights
Jarrod Gibbons

Name: Jarrod Gibbons
Class Year: 2013
Senate Position: Campus Services - Chair
Hometown: Sandwich, MA

Favorite Color: Purple
Major/Minor: Business Administration with a concentration in CIS/ Legal Studies & Applied Economics
Other involvements:
-- President of our sorority and get involved with Bryant Helps.

Why you joined senate:
To make the most of my education through application outside the classroom.

Other Involvements:
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What you hope to accomplish this year (Senate or other):

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The Student Entrepreneur: Using Twitter effectively

By Michael Adams
Assistant Editor in Chief

While my friend and fellow staff writer at The Archway, Dave Nellignon, wrote about Twitter in the opinion section a few weeks ago, I feel the need to advocate for Twitter’s business possibilities and show how businesses can really benefit from having a Twitter account.

Now, to get everything cleaned up. I have three Twitter accounts: one personal account (@micadams) and two business accounts: one for The Archway (t@ArchwayCo) and one for Bryant University (BryantUniv). They have tweeted about open house, parents and family weekend, as well as student initiatives. If those same students were on Twitter, the communication channel would be even more effective.

Twitter is also a great source of customer feedback. If you post everything from new product to favorite sandwich on Twitter and have gotten feedback from people that don’t even know you, but still value what they have to say. Another example would be when someone that is following me reminded me that I needed to put our seasonal pumpkin spice bar up for sale on our website—see, they even keep me in line.

3. It’s a Growing Communication Outlet: Businesses that do not have an online presence should be using Twitter to build up demand. Before a bakery opened back home, they had a blog, Facebook page, and twitter account, posting updates and such. Once they opened in August, the traffic flow was just incredible, mostly due to the word of mouth that was generated online. I am doing the same approach with my mustard company that doesn’t have a planned launch until spring 2010, but I am letting people know about it. If you can stimulate demand for a product before it even hits the shelves, then your social media efforts can be easily justified.

Michael Adams is a Senior Marketing major at Bryant University and Owner of Eddie’s Energy Bars in Richmond, Vermont.

SIFE Credit Craze: Investing in Asian markets

By Brian Song
Staff Writer

The markets of the world are interconnected. For instance, if the U.S. market is going up, the European and Asian markets are always affected. During the recession of 2009, as the United States financial markets plunged, the Asian markets also did poorly. In March 3, 2009 the FTSE, Financial Times Stock Exchange, bottomed out at 3,912. The Dow Jones Industrial average was also not doing well at 6,763.29, while the Hang Seng stock market, located in Hong Kong, closed at 12,033. After March 5, 2009 the markets steadily recovered. As you can see when the U.S. markets went down, the European and Asian markets followed. No doubt. Since October 23, 2009 was selling around 9,972. On the same day the FTSE was selling for around 5,242, while Hang Seng was trading around 22,589. As you can see there were substantial and corresponding improvements.

Asian stocks recently have been a bull market. The Hang Seng stock market in Hong Kong completed its 14 month rising spree ending at 21,899 on October 16, 2009. The economy is recovering, bringing consumer confidence up. Some of the Asian companies that have seen significant improvement are Nissan Motor Company, BHP Billiton Ltd., the world’s largest mining company, Nippon Steel Corporation and Baidu. Baidu, a Chinese search engine recently announced that it would provide a wireless search to China Mobile’s 3G subscribers. In early September the company announced that it had over 395,76 in just one month is substantial, especially if a stockholder has a large stake.

The FTSE recently promoted South Korea to a developed country status. In 13 years, China and India’s economy will roughly equal 60% of the U.S. economy. Asian countries are rapidly growing along with a rising middle and upper class that are willing to spend their excess money. This results in a larger amount of people that are more interested in investing in stocks.

If you are a prospective investor, do some research on a few companies that are interested in. See if they are introducing a new product or expanding their market for they may be signs of future gains or losses.

The interaction that happens when you feel as though you are ready, purchase some stocks and you may see your research pay off.

Pump prices

U.S. weekly average retail price for one gallon of regular unleaded gasoline:

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Up 10¢

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**Football drops heartbreaker to Central Connecticut, 24-23**

By Eva Mahan

Following an exciting weekend that put the women's volleyball team above the .500 mark in the Northeast Conference, the Bulldogs in Saturday's matchup against the Fairleigh Dickenson Knights looked promising as the Bulldogs topped the Knights in the first set, 25-20. Sophomore Maria Scocca led the Bulldogs in kills and blocks. (Courtesy of Bryant Athletics)

Blue Devil runs up 24-17 with only 47 seconds remaining. Despite having the wind to their backs, Central Connecticut cut (6-1, 4-0 NEC) opted for a short, scoring diving drive. An Aubrey Norris 10-yard run on third down moved the ball to the Bryant 15 yard line. After failing to score on two runs from inside the Bryant 5 yard line, CCSU's James Malory scored on a 1-yard dive over the goal line to put the Bulldogs again, collecting 11 kills and three blocks as Mike Croce hit Khalel Pritchard in the shortened final game.

The Bulldogs had a quick push that the Bulldogs had left in the tank as they were able to score and dropped the next two sets 25-10 and 25-11 respectively. Scocca was a force for the Bulldogs again, collecting 11 kills and three blocks as Mike Croce hit Khalel Pritchard in the shortened final game.

Despite having the wind to their backs, Central Connecticut cut the game at two apiece. Bryant blocking error that fortunately followed by a Knight's timeout that was unf fortunately for Bryant. Bryant raced out to a 6-2 lead in the deciding set before suffering from another scoring drought as the Knights came back to even the score at 7-7. Some back and forth play led in the缩短ed final game. The Bulldogs captured the next two points, forcing a Knight's timeout that was unfortunately followed by a Bryant blocking error that ended the set, 15-13, and the game, 3-2, in the Knight's favor.

Linebacker Aaron Bryant had a big day defensively against Central Connecticut. He had 13 tackles, a sack, 3 tackles for a loss, and a blocked punt. (Courtesy of Bryant Athletics)
By David Niles 
Staff Writer

Clutch: Debunking the myth

Tom Brady is not clutch. Neither is Derek Jeter, David Ortiz, or Brett Favre. What? That's right, I said it. Tom Brady, the cool calm and collected quarterback who has 3 Super Bowl Championships and numerous fourth quarter clinching drives. Derek Jeter has been lauded for his late-game heroics, postseason performance and has even been nicknamed “Mr. November”. Red Sox fans faun over David Ortiz’s clutch hitting and (until recently) would like no other hitter at the plate. Another test would be to ask their rivals fans about them (Yankees fans about Ortiz and Red Sox fans about Jeter) and they will surely tell you that those are the last two hitters they want to see when facing their rival. Similarly, Brett Favre has been seen as clutch for years and is the all-time leader in fourth quarter comebacks. So why are these players not really clutch? Let’s take a look at the numbers.

First let’s take a look at the quarterbacks. Tom Brady has a career passer rating of 93.3. Meanwhile, his passer rating in late and close games falls to 86.0. Brett Favre has a career quarterback rating of 85.5. His quarterback rating in late and close games falls to 70.1. Not only is that a significant drop from his normal play, but a quarterback rating of 70 is downright awful. Brady does have an amazing postseason batting average of .409. But when you consider that is a drop from his regular season average of .317, it is much less impressive. In the World Series, where he has earned his Mr. November nickname, Jeter’s average dips again to .302. David Ortiz is a career .282 hitter and his post-season average is nearly identical at .283. We can look even further at his power numbers and see his slugging percentage fall from .545 in the regular season to .520 in the postseason. How about late game heroics? Ortiz is a .227 hitter with only a .451 slugging percentage in the 9th inning. Jeter’s average falls from .317 to .244 in the 9th inning. What they do, whenever they are at the plate, is no different. His average plummeted down from .317 to .244 in the 9th inning.

So if all of these athletes we see as so clutch appear to play identical or worse in situations that seem clutch, why do we attach the clutch label to them? One of two reasons: sample size or the fact that they are just always ridiculously good.

The idea Brett Favre is clutch is mainly due to sample size. We watched him again this year throw a game-winning touchdown for the Vikings, adding to his all-time career record total. We forget that he has so many because he has been around so long and has been in the situation so long. Just this past week Favre had another chance at a game-winner but this time he threw an interception that went back for a Steeler touchdown. He loses games just as often as he wins these games. He takes more chances, resulting in more INTs and a lower quarterback rating. But since he has had so many opportunities we remember all the times he has succeeded. I bet you his INT this week won’t be shown on Sportscenter as many times as his game-winner. Jeter also has the sample size argument going for him because he has played in so many post season and big games that he has a large number of memorable moments. They also happened at the very beginning of his career, so it helped define him.

All four players fall into the category of being so ridiculously good all the time. It’s not that Tom Brady isn’t good in late games or Jeter isn’t a great postseason player. Having a quarterback rating of almost 90 and a batting average over .300 is amazing. The fact is, they are just always good. They are great whether the game is close, a blowout, in the fourth quarter, in the 3rd inning, winning or losing, in the regular season or postseason. So we shouldn’t be surprised when they do come up big in clutch situations because they come up big more than any other athletes. So don’t be disappointed that your idols may not have ice-water in their veins. They are simply the elite of the elite, the best at what they do, whenever they do it.

Men's and women's swimming drop home opener

The Bulldogs would fall to the visiting Black Bears as Maine won the men’s meet by a score of 161-100 and Maine’s women edged the Bulldogs 133-129.

The Bryant men were led by a pair of second-year standouts as well. Sophomore Kevin McDonald (New Haven, Conn.) earned a first-place finish in the men’s 50 yard freestyle in 22.45 seconds and also was the first to touch in the 100 yard backstroke in 55.41 seconds. Teammate and sophomore Alex Kosinski (Lavallette, N.J.) was a double-winner as well for the Bulldogs as the freshman took first-place honors in the 100 yard free in 48.93 seconds while capturing first in the 200 yard free in 1:48.36, just edging junior Steve Nguyen (San Jose, Calif.) who was runner-up in the 200 yard free in 1:49.64. Nguyen was also second in the men’s 200 yard individual medley in 2:08.86. On the women’s side, a total of five women’s school records fell against the Black Bears. After a record-breaking performance at Wagner a week ago, freshman Molly Smith (Belmont, Mass.) set a pair of school and pool records in the 100 and 200 yard breaststroke. Smith broke her own school mark in the 100 breast winning in a time of 1 minute, 10.10. Smith would later break the school mark in the 200 yard breast-stroke with a first-place finish in a time of 2:24.82.

The Bulldogs will host Boston College in a non-conference meet on Sunday, November 1 at the Chace Center at noon.

For a Full Sports Schedule
Check Out BryantBulldogs.com
**Coach's Corner**

**Ask the Coach:**

**Question:** I have been going to the Fitness Center on a regular basis and would like to get more assistance with my workouts. Does the Fitness Center offer personal training sessions?

**Answer:** Many members of our staff are skilled in the arts and sciences of nutrition and weight management. We have staff members who are fitness experts that can assist you in implementing the best workout routines to help you achieve your fitness goals.

**Coach Tim's Workout for the Week**

**Day 1:**
- Pull-ups 2 sets of 8
- Front squats 4 sets of 8
- Hang Cleans: 3 sets of 5
- Bench press: 5 sets of 5
- Medicine ball crunches: 2 sets of 30
- Leg Raises: 2 sets of 15

**Day 2:**
- Lunges/Side lunges/Body weight squats: 3 sets of 10
- Leg raises: 2 sets of 15

**Day 3:**
- Squats: 3 sets of 8
- Close grip bench press: 4 sets of 6
- Seated dumbbell shoulder press: 2 sets of 12
- Stability ball exercises: J-tucks: 3 sets of 10
- Floor sprints: 3 sets of 12
- Single leg raises: 3 sets of 6

**Day 4:**
- Squats: 3 sets of 8
- Lat pull downs: 4 sets of 8
- Close grip bench press: 4 sets of 6
- Seated dumbbell shoulder press: 2 sets of 12
- Stability ball exercises: J-tucks: 3 sets of 10
- Floor sprints: 3 sets of 12
- Single leg raises: 3 sets of 6

**Day 5:**
- Squats: 3 sets of 8
- Lat pull downs: 4 sets of 8
- Close grip bench press: 4 sets of 6
- Seated dumbbell shoulder press: 2 sets of 12
- Stability ball exercises: J-tucks: 3 sets of 10
- Floor sprints: 3 sets of 12
- Single leg raises: 3 sets of 6

**Day 6:**
- Squats: 3 sets of 8
- Lat pull downs: 4 sets of 8
- Close grip bench press: 4 sets of 6
- Seated dumbbell shoulder press: 2 sets of 12
- Stability ball exercises: J-tucks: 3 sets of 10
- Floor sprints: 3 sets of 12
- Single leg raises: 3 sets of 6

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**Bulldogs complete weekend sweep**

*Courtesy of Bryant Athletics*

Five different Bulldogs shooters were able to take a goal and assist from both senior Danielle Moody (Gorham, Maine) and sophomore Aly Czerniak (Holyoke, Mass.) led the Bryant University field hockey team to a 3-1 win over Siena Friday night at the Bryant Turf Complex.

All five (5-10, 2-4 Northeast Conference) tallies would go unanswered in the victory, as the home side outshot Siena 55-4 in the conference rivalry Siena (3-3, 1-4), while all four of the contest's goals were tallied by the visiting Bulldogs in the first half.

Junior Julie Kuchyt (Hatfield, Mass.) earned an opportunity to even the score in the 30th minute, awarded a penalty stroke after a violation on a penalty corner late in the first frame. But Siena goalie Renee Clavette came up with the big stop, Lunging to her left to push away Kuchyt's attempt and keep the game scoreless on the side of the visiting Saints.

But less than three minutes later and just 3:02 before the halftime break, Czerniak would even the score, taking a pass from Kuchyt off a penalty corner and finding net in the 32nd minute. That was the second half started out even and re-

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**BullDog Bites**

**Men's Lacrosse**

This week men's lacrosse coach, Mike Pressler, announced the Bulldogs' 2010 schedule: Last season, the team finished 10-5 and received votes in both national polls. The Bulldogs will play in seventeen games, six of them at the Bryant Turf Complex.

The team opens the season on the road at ACC powerhouse the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The Bulldogs will take on other big name programs throughout the season including Army, Yale, Dartmouth, Stony Brook, and Providence. The College will also take on future NEC opponents including Wagner, Robert Morris, Sacred Heart, and Quinnipiac.

In addition to the schedule, Coach Pressler also announced the captains for the 2010 season who were chosen by their teammates. They are graduate student Matt McAlister from East Quogue, NY, Andrew Hennessy from Wading River, NY, senior Bryant Amitrano from Valley Stream, NY, and junior Anthony Iannello from Lake Ronkonkoma, NY. McAlister was chosen as a captain for the second year in a row and looks to overcome a season-ending injury from last year. Hennessy beat out the nation's best faceoff winner percentage last season and looks to build on that this year. Amitrano enters his senior season with 18 career goals with 8 coming last season alone. Pressler says Amitrano's work ethic and strength are second to none. Iannello has appeared in all 31 games of his Bryant career as a long-stick midfielder and looks to overcome an injury that kept him sidelined during practice this fall.

The Bulldogs host the University of Vermont in their first home game of the season on February 20th.

**Women's Soccer**

In their final home game of the season, the Bulldogs defeated NEC rival Sacred Heart 1-0. The game's lone goal came in the 36th minute. Sean Reilly sent a free kick high into the air in front of the goal. Junior Tom Nelen was able to use his 6'5" height to out jump everyone and head the ball into the net. Freshman goal keeper, Matt Miscone made several saves in the game.

Before the game, the team celebrated the careers of its six seniors. The seniors include Kyle Paton, Andre Barros, Neil Black, Patrick Bedard, Taylor Sabo, and John Soborski.

The team closes out its season with a road trip to Pennsylvania this weekend, taking on St. Francis and Robert Morris.

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**By Jackie Ammirato**

**Bryant On Tap**

**Friday, October 30th:**
- Men's Soccer, at St. Francis (Pa.), at 2:30 pm
- Field Hockey, HOME vs. Monmouth, at 4:00 pm
- Women's Soccer, at Long Island University, at 6:00 pm

**Saturday, October 31st:**
- Football, at Monmouth University, at 1:00 pm
- Volleyball, HOME vs. St. Francis (Pa.), at 2:00 pm
- Field Hockey, HOME vs. LaSalle, at 5:00 pm

**Sunday, November 1st:**
- Men's Swimming, HOME vs. Boston College, at 1:00 pm
- Women's Soccer, at Long Island University, at 6:00 pm

**Tuesday, November 3rd:**
- Women's Soccer, HOME vs. Dartmouth, 3:00 pm
“If you could be any kitchen object, what would you be?”

“I’d be a blender so I can mix it up”
- Michelle Hochstadt ’11

“A Teapot so I can make some herbal tea”
- Kyle Eichinger ’12

“Trash compactor so I can fit big things in small spaces”
- Pete Mariner ’12

“A spoon”
- Alex Robbin ’12

“A butterknife so I can butter some buns”
- John May ’11
Fair weather fans

By David Nelligan
Staff Writer

With the recent advancement of the New York Yankees to the World Series, it would like to take a moment to talk about fair weather sports fans. There is nothing more annoying to true sports fans who have stuck with a team through thick and thin than to have to share the glory moments with people who have jumped on the bandwagon the very last second, or to hear these people brag about how “their team” won.

These people magically show up in a team jersey the day after a championship or all of a sudden can name every player on the team, but do not even know the rules of the sport. Congratulations on enjoying Sports Center this morning and repeating what you heard to me at lunch on why “your team” is going to beat mine in the post season.

It is one thing to watch a game because it is the championship although you have never sat through an entire game before, but to call yourself a fan of the team that wins is crossing the line. Even if you live in that area, they are still not “you’re team”. This goes for all sports fans, not just New York fans, even though they do seem to be the most annoying when it comes to late fans jumping on board; but unless you can recall more bad experiences as a fan than you can positive ones, you are not a true fan. You would put money on it that more people can tell you the time, temperature, and exact clothes they were wearing the day the ball went through Red Sox player Billy Buckner’s legs in 1986, but can’t recall anything else from that year. If you weren’t yelling at the television set in 2003 as Grady Little walked away from the mound leaving Pedro in the game, sat through the sad attempts of Drew Bledsoe, or are a post Kevin Garnett Celtics fan, or have not been through similar situations with other teams then you have no idea what it means to be a sports fan.

This is why I am not looking forward to the future post season of Major League Baseball. Already the Yankees “fans” are starting to come out of the woodwork with their Yankeess caps, t-shirts, and their AIM away messages showing their false appreciation for their beloved team.

Where were you when it looked like the half a billion dollar investment wasn’t going to pan out back in May? Or when Chien-Ming Wang couldn’t hit the broad side of a barn before one of his pitches? (For those new fans, Wang was on the disabled list until he got injured this year, but you wouldn’t know that because you just started watching a few weeks ago.)

This also happened last year when the Tampa Bay Rays, who had some of the lowest attendance in base-ball, all of a sudden were selling out during the play-offs. So before anyone message: You can pick a side during the playoffs and be happy for that team if they win, but unless you are truly a fan of that team, do not gloat or brag about that team winning because you have not earned that right.

Simon Says:
What’s going on in Oklahoma?

By Toby Simon
Staff Columnist

In 1973 the United States Supreme Court ruled on the issue of abortion in one of the most controversial and politically significant cases in our history. Roe v Wade placed the decision to terminate a pregnancy between the woman and her physician. That decision thirty six years ago prompted a national debate and discourse which continues today.

The debate includes whether or to what extent abortion should be legal, who decides on whether abortion is legal or not, and what are the roles that religion and morality play in politics.

For some time now there has been a great deal of attention and focus on a particular method of abortion known as late-term abortion. Just last week New York’s Law and Order aired a meeting “ripped from the headlines” drama about the murder of a physician who performed late term abortions. The show was quite balanced in presenting the complexities of the abortion issue, including the differences of opinion among the attorneys prosecuting the case.

A late-term abortion often refers to an induced abortion procedure that occurs after the 20th week of gestation. The vast majority of abortions performed in the US are not late term ones, but abortions in the first eight weeks of gestation. Generally speaking late term abortions are sought for medical reasons in which the life of the mother may be at risk or when the fetus is not developing and would only live for hours or one day at the most if the pregnancy went to term.

For years there have been non-stop attempts to weaken Roe v Wade and to create barriers for teens and women who seek legal terminations for their pregnancy. Attempts at restrictions began years ago with parental notification laws in some states as part of the abortion procedure. Some states have been able to pass legislature that requires clinics to show patients an ultrasound of a 7 week fetus, describing in detail the gestational development. Many of the challenges to Roe have been struck down by the Supreme Court.

Just last May Oklahoma state lawmakers approved the following: a law requiring that abortion providers fill out a 10 page questionnaire for each procedure, and that details of abortions be posted on a public Web site. The questionnaire includes three dozen questions (36!) about the woman’s reasons for having an abortion, including details about her relationship with the father. Does the government have any business asking about that?

This law is political and in making the physicians’ procedures more cumbersome, an attempt to convince them to stop performing abortion. It is also trying to shame teenage girls and women who are seeking abortions by asking them to answer thirty six questions. And there’s an attempt to stigmatize a legal medical procedure that one in three women have at some point in their lives.

Women in Oklahoma have reason to be afraid, very afraid. The dialogue is gathered in government offices and some details are posted on line. Luckily just a week ago, the Center for Reproductive Rights succeeded in getting a temporary restraining order that blocks this new law from going into effect next month.

I don’t know anyone in the pro-choice or pro-life camp who wouldn’t like to see the need for abortion go away. In a perfect world everyone who was choosing to be sexually active would be able to get affordable, reliable and medically safe contraception. Condoms would reduce the risk of abortion, one would be sexually abused. Fathers would not rape their daughters. Harping on to birth anomalies which cause a baby’s death within hours would cease to exist.

But that’s not our reality. And while many of us will agree to disagree on abortion matters, it is still a legal procedure in the United States. I’m sure the law makers in Oklahoma will not give up their attempts to restrict this right to women, but as the New York Times editorial said “the victory for reproductive freedom is heartening.”
What if politicians went to a Batman Halloween party?

By Drew Green
Opinion Editor

In politics, it is often the case that people are not exactly how they present themselves. With Halloween upon us it seems appropriate to acknowledge this by pointing out the most likely scenarios that these same politicians would have been presenting themselves in. To make this even better, let us imagine this is a Batman themed party.

Why not start this party with the President as the main attendee? Of course, with the current political climate, the president has to be Batman. Obama’s eloquence along with his iron arm appear to be a great man who has all the ideas and the plan to back it up. Not only this, but he is seen as the man who is supposed to have those ideas. In need and there are definitely a lot of people in need right now. Obama presents himself as always having the ability to try and solve any situation – and his car is just about as cool as the Batmobile too. This is not exactly the worst image to portray; in fact it is probably the most appropriate for the president. I find it all too apparent that while Obama has not been able to actually be the Batman typeavior for the average man yet, he definitely has what he has this ability.

Now, I present a lot of Batman’s Obstetrics – friends as the star of the show and let’s make this interesting and introduce some villains as well.

What about the quasi-political figure Rush Limbaugh? Well, if Obama is Batman then I would have to say that Limbaugh is playing the Joker. That is not too far a stretch either; both seem to get easily angered and have short tempers. Not only that, but they always claim that their counterpart – either Batman or Obama – is in the wrong for the conflict themselves. For the whole year Limbaugh has been commenting on policy or decision that Obama advocates and finds some way to convincingly that his conservative views are better. Are they? Maybe, maybe not. It is for the individual to decide. A general consensus should be that being agitated by the little things and blowing them out of proportion. He may not be as crazy as the Joker, but he is sure not going around killing people. However, I am worried about his radio listeners who may not be as stable.

You know what really grinds my gears...

By Michael Adams
Assistant Editor-in-Chief

I recently ran out of the black ink in my printer. Don’t worry, I had plenty in stock so that I could quickly switch out and go on with my printing needs. It was a package of three black cartridges from Costco. I could not for the life of me open the darn thing. I ripped it up with scissors down, now more dull than before because, I guess, they decided to get rid of the packaging. I then ran out of the black ink in my printer. Don’t worry, I had plenty in stock so that I could quickly switch out and go on with my printing needs. It was a package of three black cartridges from Costco. I could not for the life of me open the darn thing. I ripped it up with scissors down, now more dull than before because, I guess, they decided to get rid of the packaging. I got the ink out from the machine fairly easily. Now, there are plenty of refreshments and a medical kit in hand just in case.

The Archway Top Ten: Things we want to see on Halloween

10. Fewer than 100 people dressed as Michael Jackson... please...
9. A person dressed as a homeless man actually passed out outside...
8. Some dressed as the heat in the TownHouses, sorry, a ghost...
7. Free candy...
6. Someone dressed as a coach yelling at someone dressed as a referee...
5. A retired Hooters waiters...
4. Someone dressed as DPS trying to break up a party...
3. The grease team into zombies and attack people...
2. When the giant penis man meets the giant vagina...
1. President Machtley dressed as Peter Griffin and Katie Machtley dressed as Lois

Leave The Computers On

Apprentice the computers in the Unstructure classrooms turn off at 11. It would be great if these computers actually stayed on all night as some students need to use the screens to work on the variety of projects we have at this school.

Send Observations to agreen1@bryant.edu.

Bryant Said What?

"Me and Iraq have more chemistry than them."
"I worked at Raytheon, but I didn’t get any free missiles"
"Chlamydia is my favorite name because it was my first STD."
"It’s like you are preparing for prison."
"Guy 1: Can you mix amoxicillin and Mucinex? Guy 2: Isn’t that how Heath Ledger died?"
"I’m attracting all the crying girls."
"It’s a strange relationship. It’s not like they are matting, but it’s not hardcore sex either."

E-mail funny quotes to agree1@bryant.edu.
Things on TV that make us scream

By Chuck Barney
MCT Campus

Halloween is nearly here, so let’s talk ghosts. Annoying TV ghosts. They seem to be everywhere.

On their respective CBS dramas, Jennifer Love Hewitt and Patricia Arquette possess the freakish ability to chat with ghosts. On “Lost,” Hurley often sees ghosts. And on “Desperate Housewives,” a ghastly narrator has nothing better to do than hassle Wisteria Lane and spew hackneyed observations.

But what bugs us the most are TV ghosts like the super-natural plot of “Dexter”—judgmental apparitions who constantly offer advice and commentary and take up space. Yes, ghosts are a major pet peeve of ours.

But are there ghosts on TV? Not the only one. Prime time is saddled with such irritating absurdities. And so, in honor of Halloween, here are some illogical and/or overdone TV devices that curdle our blood and make us want to scream:

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- **Couples who wake up after a full night of slumber looking like they’ve just been terrorized from a day spa.** Every lock of hair is in place. Her makeup is perfect. They flash radiant smiles and then start sucking face...as if morning breath didn’t exist in their sputtering face. They somehow pull off preposterous cherubic babies who are not only 6 months old. They flash makeup that is perfectly done. They flash from a day spa. Every lock of hair is perfect.

- **Bulldog Biscuits**

   Grab the chili fries at Haven Bros.

   By Chris Macksey and A.J. Toto

   Staff Writer

   Chris and I decided to take a trip on the wild side and try a city-famous food truck with a bright silver portable diner on wheels. The Haven Brothers Diner is a popular Providence weekend hangs similar to Ronzio’s on the weekend, except better. Open since 1888, the Diner is a cornerstone of Providence and is well worth the stop. This is one place that every Bryant student should stop by at least once on a trip into Providence.

   Even though AJ and I are huge fans of Federal Hill, even we want to get away from the pineapple once in awhile and the Haven Brothers’ Diner was a great change of pace. As we pulled around the corner of Fulton Street next to Providence City Hall we came across not an expensive councilmen’s car but a diner’s history - is parked at the corner of Dorrance and Fulton Street next to the Providence City Hall and Kennedy Plaza. After it was opened, baby, all supply and demand. Any economist will tell you, it’s all supply and demand, hence this company has built up for itself, as well as the lines it has out the door, the place name this company has built up for itself, as well as the lines it has out the door, the place definitely has the right to charge that amount. Every economist will tell you, it’s all supply and demand.

   The Haven Brothers Diner was a great change of pace. As we walked up the airplane style entrance, we stopped back in time. As soon as we walked in, we looked to our left and saw a kitchen and grill slightly bigger than the average Bryant closet. To the right there was a dining room with a bright silver lade that was behind the counter. The Haven Brothers provided an old fashioned feel to our eating experience. The side walls and ceiling were aluminum and were decorated with pictures of Haven Brothers memorabilia as well as employees shown with NLC’s. The Today Show news hosts Matt Lauer and Meredith Vieira, both of whom began their careers in Providence. The back wall was a mirror with the Haven Brothers logo written in white. Overall the setting was unique and interesting, and in a place like this the atmosphere is what makes the trip to Haven Brothers really special.

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Two buds and a microbrew

A Review of Rogue Ale's Mocha Porter (ABV: 5.3%; 6pk: $10.49)

By Bryan Regele and Justin Andrews
Staff Writers

Hailing from Newport, Colorado and pouring near black with a thick brown foam top that does not settle quickly, this porter claims to be full of flavor. Taking a deep breath, its assortment appears to be true with its strong hoppy scent typical of its variety. However, we have raised our expectations for this porter which claims to have a delicious mocha kick. The key ingredient that we expected to set this porter apart from all others: Beroxen Chocolate.

With a working class hero drawn on its label, the Rogue Mocha Porter had a unique look and an impressive story to tell. This brewery started in 1988 below a pub in Oregon by a few graduates of the University of Oregon in search of a brewing revolution. While they began by brewing golden and amber ales, it did not take long before that moved into stouts and porters in search of new ways of brewing.

Having unfolded the history of Rogue Ales, we took our first sip with high expectations of a mild mocha flavor burst. The brew tasted delicious with mild carbonation and a strong bittersweet flavoring. Yet, the mild carbonation and a strong bittersweet flavoring. Yet, the mild carbonation and a strong bittersweet flavoring. Yet, the mild carbonation and a strong bittersweet flavoring. Yet, the mild carbonation and a strong bittersweet flavoring.

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‘A few more sips and the subtle hints of mocha become more present, but left us with a bitter aftertaste with weak hints of chocolate.’

Best sellers for the week ending Saturday, Oct. 17

MCT Campus

1. The Lost Symbol. Dan Brown
2. Pursuit of Honor. Vince Flynn
4. The Last Song. Nicholas Sparks
5. The Help. Kathryn Stockett

Celebrity round-up

Madonna (MCT Campus)
By Carlos Ramos
Staff Writer

Lil Wayne heads up the entertainment headline this week with news that the megastar rapper pled guilty in a 2007 gun case, where police found a loaded gun on his tour bus after a show in Manhattan. He is due back in court for sentencing in December.

Another star making headline is Mad Men star January Jones. Jones appeared on the cover of next month’s GQ and reveals her boyfriend’s lack of support when she first moved to Hollywood. This boyfriend is none other than Ashton Kutcher, who told her, “I don’t think you’re going to be good at this.” Jones obviously proved him wrong earning a Golden Globe nomination for her role on the successful Mad Men. Think it would be cool to be Madonna’s neighbor? Karen George doesn’t seem to think this because she has filed a lawsuit against the building’s co-op board saying that she was returning her apartment into a rehearsal studio for her dance sessions. George complained about the music vibrating through the walls, ceilings and radiators.

Justice Anita Allen, judge in the John Travolta extortion case, declared a mistrial this week, due to confidential information being leaked to the public. According to BBC News, the judge stated that there could have been jury misconduct after information became public that might lead jurors to believe that local ex-Agate Mayor Pleasant Bridgewater had been cleared.

In happier news, congratulations to Ivanka Trump and Jared Kushner who tied the knot over the weekend in a lavish ceremony at Trump National Golf Club. Kushner is a publisher for New York Observer. Guests in attendance included Regis Philbin, Barbara Walters, and Emmy Rossum.

Heavy metal band Metallica is offering $50,000 for the safe return or information of the whereabouts of Virginia Tech student Morgan Harrington. She went missing at their October 17 show in Charlottesville, VA.

Final call news: Paranormal Activity crushed Friday the 13th franchise’s opening weekend by taking the number one spot with $22 million. Sony’s film, the fourth installment in the hugely successful horror film franchise, took the number two spot with $14.8 million. This is the worst performance of a horror film in the Top 10 this year so far, but it did easily win the battle against the classic Freddy versus Jason franchise.

Video-game review: Wii Fit Plus

By Billy O’Keefe
MCT Campus

Nintendo lab’s latest multi-board fitness game, Wii Fit Plus exists as a standalone disc only instead of a downloadable content pack for existing owners of the original ‘Fit.’

This doesn’t mean a whole lot of anything to those getting into ‘Fit’ for the first time. ‘Plus’ essentially replaces ‘Fit’ on the marketplace. If you buy the $100 Wii Balance Board, this is what it is sold for. Everything that was in ‘Fit’ is in ‘Plus,’ which is a stand-alone game and on its own confusion language on the box that suggests you need both discs. (Only one controller and one board necessary: You only can add strength and yoga exercises to this routine, and you can’t save and switch between multiple routines. A favorites list, which provides single-menu access to your favorite (and, cleverly, least favorite) routines, makes a very welcome debut in this area as well.

Most essentially, ‘Plus’ adds the capacity to create custom exercise routines rather than simply play one exercise at a time and continually bounce between menus while doing so. It’s a perfectly elegant system, too. The game’s preset routines are organized by goals and needs rather than exercise type, and you can combine these routines to build your own without much work. The freeform routine creator is similarly easy to use, though it’s not without limitations: You only can add strength and yoga exercises to this routine, and you can’t save and switch between multiple routines. A favorites list, which provides single-menu access to your favorite (and, cleverly, least favorite) routines, makes a very welcome debut in this area as well.

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Hilary Swank shares Amelia Earhart's derring-do

By Carrie Rickey

On screen, Hilary Swank incarnates the larger-than-life Amelia Earhart, pioneering aviatrix, as a towering figure. Yet in life the two-time Oscar winner, 35, is of medium height, slim as a tulip stem. Despite a chilly hotel suite, she radiates warmth.

‘Amelia,’ directed by Mira Nair, almost certainly will earn Swank her third Academy Award nomination. It is typical of the actress’ atypical roles in that it’s not glamorous.

It was Earhart who made no apologies for pursuing her dreams,” Swank says of Amelia, “and that’s what grabbed me about her. She was honest about the life she wanted to live, she was all about the laughs. ‘Boys Don’t Cry,’ a film that was not glamorous.

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Besides, looking like someone wouldn’t be a reason to play her, says the actress, who has blazed a trail from Washington state trailer park to Hollywood A-list. “For me to accept a script, it has to light a fire in me. I want something that scares me. I want a challenge.”

“I read an Earhart script fifteen years ago, and it just didn’t capture her,” she says. However, the screenplay sent over by producer Ted Waitt, founder of Gateway computers and an Earhart buff, drew her like moth to fire. “Hilary loves to be scared by what she doesn’t know,” observes Nair, who calls her a ‘spiritual daredevil.’ The filmmaker sees a lot of aviatrix in the actress: “They both have this I want to do it because I want to do it if philosophy. They’re both can-do and accessible.”

99%, an organization that helped recruited and support women in aviation. When her agent-manager, George Putnam (Richard Gere in the film), proposed, Earhart accepted on condition of an open marriage. “She was ahead of her time then,” Swank says. “She’d be ahead of her time now.”

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Besides, looking like someone wouldn’t be a reason to play her, says the actress, who has blazed a trail from Washington state trailer park to Hollywood A-list. “For me to accept a script, it has to light a fire in me. I want something that scares me. I want a challenge.”

“I read an Earhart script fifteen years ago, and it just didn’t capture her,” she says. However, the screenplay sent over by producer Ted Waitt, founder of Gateway computers and an Earhart buff, drew her like moth to fire. “Hilary loves to be scared by what she doesn’t know,” observes Nair, who calls her a ‘spiritual daredevil.’ The filmmaker sees a lot of aviatrix in the actress: “They both have this I want to do it because I want to do it if philosophy. They’re both can-do and accessible.”

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WEREWOLF: One of horror's most elusive creatures, the werewolf has been a common element in books, movies, and stage shows for centuries. The concept of the werewolf dates back to Greek and Roman mythology, where the lycanthropes were believed to transform into wolves after being bitten by a werewolf. The ancient Egyptians, who had their own version of the werewolf, believed that a human could turn into a wolf under certain conditions, such as being bitten by a wolf. The werewolf is known for its superhuman strength and shape-shifting powers.

Africa and the Middle East have their own versions of the werewolf, known as the shape-shifting werewolf, which is often associated with the Roman god Lupercus. In the Middle Ages, the werewolf was often depicted as a man with a head of hair and a body covered in fur, who could change shape at will. The werewolf became a popular element in gothic literature, such as the work of Edgar Allan Poe, and later in horror movies, such as the Twilight series. Today, the werewolf is often depicted as a misunderstood creature, who is forced to live in hiding from society.

MUMMY: All you’ll need is a generous supply of toilet paper to make this instantly recognizable costume. The concept of mummmies dates back to the early 1800s and the days of the pharaohs’ tombs. Examples of the mummy date all the way back to Greek and Roman times, with mummmies being used as a form of necropsy to discover the cause of death. The ancient Egyptians believed that mummmies were the best way to keep the soul safe from the evil eye and the deadly forces of the afterlife. The mummmies were placed in tombs, where they would be guarded by the guards of the underworld, such as Anubis and Isis. Mummmies were often buried with their favorite possessions, such as jewelry, weapons, and food. Mummmies are often depicted as mummified, bandaged bodies, with a single eye visible in the socket.

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MUMMY:

You’ll need:
- A large towel
- Sand
- A hammer
- A small piece of cloth

To create:
1. Fold the large towel in half and staple it together.
2. Cut the small piece of cloth into strips and staple them to the towel.
3. Fill the large towel with sand and hammer it until it is the desired shape.

WEREWOLF:

You’ll need:
- A black shirt
- A black hat
- A black mask

To create:
1. Put on the black shirt and hat.
2. Wear the black mask.

MUMMY:

You’ll need:
- A large pillow
- A black cloth

To create:
1. Wrap the large pillow in the black cloth.

ZOMBIE:

You’ll need:
- A black hat
- A black shirt

To create:
1. Put on the black hat and shirt.

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