**A look back at Bryant's past**

By Brigit Clancy and Jenna Morris

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In the mid-1800s, it was difficult to begin a career in business. The Midwesterners, Henry Bryant and Henry Stratton, decided that a school with a short, intensive training period in business school would give the necessary preparation for a career. Bryant and Stratton figured that the demand for commercial education would greatly increase. In 1863, they secured a penmanship teacher, James Lusk, as partner and backer, and the three opened Bryant, Stratton and Lusk College in Cleveland. Within a few months Lusk dropped out, but Bryant and Stratton were still dreaming of expanding and building a chain of colleges across the country. Within two years, they set up a business school in Buffalo, New York.

In the 1860s, people flocked to these colleges. Bryant and Stratton used the profits to found more colleges and ended up with forty-four altogether. Among these was the Bryant and Stratton National Business College in Providence, Rhode Island, founded in 1863.

Harry Loeb Jacobs later purchased Bryant and Stratton in the 1900s. Jacobs predicted that after World War I, a flood of veterans would come back to the country. In the 1918-19 school year, about 11,000 students registered at the Providence Bryant and Stratton. Bryant's enrollment leveled off at about 1,200 students. Jacobs also instituted tuition, a portion of which would go back into the college itself.

As the college prospered in the 1920s, Jacobs looked for better facilities for Bryant and Stratton. In 1925, the college moved to the top three floors of a building in Providence. Later Jacobs looked for an excellent student to be offered a job at Bryant. He found Nelson Gulski, who graduated in 1925 and immediately began teaching accounting. Gulski later became Dean of the Division of Business Administration, then vice president, and in 1949 and 1975, the acting president. (Bryant's faculty dining room in the Unistructure is named after Nelson Gulski.)

Farmland owned by Earl Tupper, who donated land for Bryant campus development. (Bryant: The First 125 Years)

At the end of their college careers, students had helped find a job. Jacobs hired a full-time director of student welfare and placement. Jacobs kept alive the tradition of cultivating contacts with business people with the aim of placing graduates in jobs.

In the mid-1920s, Bryant and Stratton was already half a century old. New organizations began appearing on campus. A student newspaper entitled, the Bryant-Stratton News began in the 1930s; each issue cost five cents. Sororities and fraternities also began in the 1930s; each issue cost five cents. Sororities and fraternities also began appearing on campus.

In the 1930s, a catalogue described Bryant and Stratton as having “A Liberal Business Education.” The catalogue stated that business required a broader training than in the past. Clear thinking, sound judgment, cultural sophistication, and good character were required by young men and women seeking business professions. The motto during this time was “from campus to career in two years,” which strongly appealed to those who wanted to have a career.

In 1927, Bryant and Stratton and the Rhode Island College of Education (now Rhode Island College) cooperated in training students to teach commercial subjects: the students went two years at RIC, then two years at Bryant. In 1937, however, students started to take all of their courses at Bryant during a four-and-a-half-year program.

In the mid-1930s, students were coming to the colleges in increasing numbers. Despite limitations on enrollment, Bryant's facilities did not have enough space. Jacobs decided to look for another site for the college in Providence. He decided to move it to College Hill, the site of present-day Rhode Island School of Design. In 1935, Jacobs moved the college again to the East Side of Providence. He spent $5,000 converting an old hospital and its grounds to a college.

Jacobs decided that the college should have a new identity. The name, “Bryant and Stratton,” was associated with an old-time business. See “History of Bryant” page 3

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**SPB creates a Halloween theme weekend!**

By Alison Duncan

Staff Writer

When is a better time for a week of scary events than the week of Halloween? The Student Programming Board has focused their energy most recently on creating a week full of events based on the theme of Halloween. SPB at Bryant is a group of students who make things happen on campus. These members strive to provide the Bryant community with diverse events to get students more actively involved on campus and to provide a break from the work aspect of college. Those events are planned over the entire semester and constantly offer new opportunities.

This Halloween week began this past weekend, on Saturday, October 25, with a trip to Six Flags New England for their Annual Fright Fest. This event brought 48 Bryant students to Massachusetts to experience this transformation of Six Flags into a full-out Halloween event. This trip was a huge success as it was a sell-out.

Last night was SPB’s Murder Mystery Dinner event, which allowed students to sign away a meal and attend a Sodexo-catered meal. SPB “hired actors to come in and act out a ‘clue game,’ basically a ‘whodunit,’ ” said Shannon Wheeler, Theme Weekend Co-Chair of SPB. This event required the dedication of SPB in order for it to be successful. Wheeler said that SPB spent the past three weeks building a tunnel and haunted house walk-through portion of the trail, along with replicating a realistic graveyard. Volunteers of SPB contributed during Build Days, which are the days of actual scenery production. This event was a blast to help with, I know that Shannon Wheeler and Allison DiMaggio, the co-chairs for the Theme Weekend Committee, have put a lot of time and energy into making this a reality. They actually built a house and painted it, it's going to be great,” said Jill Daly, member of SPB.

The Haunted Trail takes place from 7:30-11:30 pm tonight and SPB will bring groups of people down the cross country trails on the six rented golf carts. There will be people jumping out of the woods at the golf carts while the guides tell scary stories.

The ending to the Halloween Week takes place on Saturday with the Oktoberfest, a first time event cosponsored by SPB, Multicultural Student Union, and International Student Organization. This event brings together both German and Mexican culture, with traditional foods and games of these countries. There will be "pie and whipped cream eating contests, but cinnamon donuts and apple cider, eating donuts off a string, Halloween trivia, and other games that have to do with the fall season,” said Wheeler. “We have never done anything like this.”

Come out and get take advantage of these great events tonight and tomorrow!
Going Green:  
**Election ‘08 sustainability initiatives**

By Marisa Bono  
**Staff Writer**

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So now it is up to you to decide which candidate is more prepared to take on America’s energy crisis. November 4th is Election Day. If you would like to know more about how green your candidate is, check out their campaign websites or Grist.org. No matter what color state you are from, make sure you get out and vote! Comments and suggestions are always welcome. Feel free to e-mail them to mbono@bryant.edu.

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Ben Zander leaves mark on E-pitch competition

By Lauren Amarante

Staff Writer

On Tuesday of last week, Bryant hosted some of the world’s elite. The closest assistant to Queen Noor of Jordan, along with David Pogue and CFO of his company, the former President of Heineken USA, and CEO of Hasbro, Jim Pontarelli (President of RDW Group), Eve Goldfine (co-founder and former Chief Administrative Officer of Omnipoint, now T-Mobile), Troy Byrd (WZO Group & founder of Bryant CEO and GEP), Peter Dorsey (Senior Vice President of the Business Development Company of Rhode Island), Carol Malay (President of the Center for Women & Enterprise), and our own VP James Damron, Dean Jack Triffs, and Dean David Lux.

Among a cadre of prestigious conferences and events, Zander has spoken at the World Economic Forum four times and is opening for them in 2009. The World Economic Forum is the host of the world’s elite – 1,200 kings, queens, and CEOs of corporations like Microsoft. Zander is a sought-after leadership expert and has spoken at over two thirds of Fortune 500 companies. He quotes this side of his world impact as “starting a conversation in Corporate America.” This conversation, he explained to Bryant on Tuesday, lives in two worlds (or realms) – one of that being the world of “downward spirals” where everything an individual says results in downward spiraling possibilities. “Not enough money. Not enough resources. Not enough time. Economy is bad.” However, there is another world, he said. This is the world of “radiating possibilities,” where you can live by “quieting the voice in your head that says you can’t do it.”

Having found the courage to pitch their ideas in front of a multitude of CEOs and prestigious people, all participants of this year’s E-Pitch were quite proud. Certain ones rose above the rest and won cash prizes ranging from $200 to $500. Anthony Nader of Infinite Solutions won “Best Pitch” and $500. Jeff DeLuca of Color Your Sole won “Most Likely to Succeed” and $300. Roy Haddad and Danny Waugh won “Crowd Favorite” with GoCo.

This event was dubbed as an “Elevator Pitch Ideas & Shining Eyes,” as Benjamin Zander measures his success on how many “shining eyes” are in the room. Let me tell you, there were enough shining eyes in the Bello Center to light a village and many more.

Record numbers attend Bryant’s ‘Happy Days’

By Erin Devito

Staff Writer

Bryant hosted just over 2000 guests, a new school record, for Parents and Family Weekend this year. “Bryant’s Happy Days” took place October 17 through October 19 and included a fabulous fifties theme. The weekend was run by the Center for Student Involvement and Student Senate, with senior Brian Ford and junior Jordan Letendre as the event co-chairs. Ford and Letendre, with the help of the CSL staff, worked tirelessly over the summer and the beginning of first semester to plan one of Bryant’s major annual events. “Every last detail has to be deci- ded, from the overall theme of the weekend, to the colors of the napkins on the dinner tables. That can all get stressful at times and learning to deal with those pressures was definitely something I took away from this experience,” Letendre says.

Family and friends began arriving and checking in on Friday afternoon. At 7pm, guests and students were invited to Janikies Theatre to enjoy the comedic play, The Perfect Idol, put on by the Bryant Players. Repeated performances continued on Saturday night and Sunday afternoon. Guests were cheered on the men’s and women’s basketball teams as they held their annual Midnight Madness kick-off celebration. Host Steve MacDonald of WHJJ in- troduced the teams and coaches and the team seniors addressed the crowd about their upcoming seasons. The celebration continued with shooting contests and prize give-away’s. Also on Friday night there was 50’s Family Bingo and a dessert reception in Kati’s Cafe (Salomon Dining Hall). Great prizes were distributed to both parents and students; guests enjoyed delicious desserts, such as milkshakes and ice-cream sundaes, served by the friendly Salomon staff.

More guests arrived on Saturday morning and afternoon and attended a continental breakfast in Stepans Grand Ballroom dining hall, where they were served breakfast and congratulated by distinguished faculty. Also at this time, there were academic and co-curricular showcases in the rotunda featuring information tables about life at Bryant.

Following a performance by the Bryant Singers and Bottom Line, President Machtey made his an- nual State of the University Address in Janikies, which was filled to capacity. Guests were able to watch the speech on the large screens in the rotunda and in first floor classrooms. Following the speech were sessions about life at Bryant, put on by Academic Affairs and a (MIPA) Agriculture and Inter- national Parents Association Meeting.

On Saturday, a large crowd of around 5,600 came out to watch the Bulldogs football team defeat Robert Morris 20-7. Families and friends also en- joyed a walk in the Bello Center and outside the stadium fea- turing The Continentals Band, novelties such as face painting, and various fundraisers. Beginning at 2pm was a festive Latino Heritage Month Carnival on the Bryant Center patio with entertainment and a vari- ety of vendors and activities for families and friends to enjoy. Later in the afternoon, at the pond, was the 15th annual duck race fundraiser for the senior class. Hundreds of little colorful rubber duckies floating through the pond were surely a sight to see, and the first twenty ducks to cross the finish line received great prizes! Also on Saturday, the women’s volleyball- ball team took on one of the Northeast Conference’s top teams, Long Island University, and recorded an unfortunate 3-0 loss.

Saturday night consisted of a Catholic mass and Interfaith prayer service, as well as Rockin Ron’s 50’s Diner, a delicious fifties themed meal for registered guests. The MAC was decked out with fabulous decorations. Servers and Servers running the event were adored in fifties fashion while the sweet sounds of a 50’s imperator played in the background. Following the last dinner seating was a show by Damian the Hypnotist, a famous performer from Providence.

Sunday featured a jazz brunch with music by The Monks of Funk Band in Stepans Grand Hall. Overall, the weekend was an immense success and attracted a large crowd of families and friends to Bryant. It was extremely rewarding for Ford and Le- tendre to see hours of work amount to something successful, and they gratefully acknowledge the efforts of the Center for Student Involvement, Student Senate, and everyone else involved in the weekend. Le- tendre says, “I was able to view the weekend from a parent’s perspective. Seeing four months worth of hard work unfold in front of your eyes is always a great feeling.”
Bryant honors loss of two professors

By Brigit Clancy

The Department of History & Social Sciences and the Bryant Faculty Federation invited the entire Bryant community to a memorial service for two departed colleagues, Professors Julia Gladstone and Marsha Poussey. The service was held on Wednesday, October 29th from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Mary Lyon, a Professor of Communication and Literary Studies, said, “They were both such accomplished women and they both died so tragically young.”

Professor Poussey was a Professor of Political Science. Professor Gladstone was an Associate Professor of Legal Studies, as well as the Legal Studies Coordinator.

David Lux, the Dean for the College of Arts and Sciences, remembered Professor Poussey, a close friend. “Marsha Poussey was an amazing person. She was a top-flight academic with an international reputation for her scholarship and publications. She was a careful and considerate instructor who gave her best to every student. She kept in regular contact with many Bryant alumni, and inspired more than a few to pursue graduate programs in international studies or political science. [Her] vision and work in curriculum development was key in our ability to develop the political science and the Global Studies concentration and major, and the poli- tics and law major. She left a legacy to every Bryant student in the courses, programs, and standards that she helped establish, as well as in the hiring of every faculty member currently involved in the departments of political science and global studies program.”

Dean Lux also remembered Professor Gladstone, with whom he had a close relationship as well. “Legal studies faculty before her had laid down a foundation for the legal studies minor, but it was Julia Gladstone who put everything together and carried that program through the curriculum committee and into the curriculum course catalogue,” said Dean Lux. “In the process, she became one of Bryant’s leading faculty when it came to curriculum design and implementation. She then served many years on the curriculum committee and for the last several years of her life she chaired that committee. She was passionate in caring about how the university and its students would be held together. A good many senior faculty will remember that she was the chair of the committee that established our current grading system of + and – grades. She was also seriously involved in the curriculum work on every one of the Arts and Sciences majors created in recent years, as well as programs such as the International Business degree and the Modern Languages program. Julia Gladstone was also passionate about her research and teaching. Her research made her an internationally recognized authority on the law of the internet. For many years she served on ABA committees involved in professional ethics, and in recent years she had begun a very productive research and publication program dealing with legal and ethical questions following from the development of the human genome project, biotechnology, and biotechnology.”

Dr. Gregg Carter, a Professor of Sociology and the Chair of the Department of History and Social Sciences, said, “Professors Gladstone and Poussey had many fine qualities in common: They both loved their work. They both were dedicated to their students, and over the years received consistent high praise on their student perception forms (the SIRF). They both were dedicated to their scholarship—and consistently published articles in first-rate scholarly journals. Professor Poussey also had an award-winning book on the Middle East published by Columbia University Press. They both were dedicated to their community, their students, and their community.”

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By Jackie Lemieux

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The event raised over 1,100 dollars and was a huge success. When students arrived, they were asked to make a small donation to Camp Sunshine. They could use cash or their dining dollars. Students moved along the assembly-line style event that included a registration station, a carving station, a lighting station, and a prize station. The top four pumpkins were awarded various gift cards, including a 15 dollar cash prize, a 25 dollar gift card to the bookstore, and a 15 dollar Starbucks gift card. 

Pumpkin Fest also got a lot of publicity, including the local NBC television station, The Providence Journal, State of RI Office of Tourism, and The Providence Business News. The event was coordinated by student entrepreneurs Emily Murphy and Haley Tremblay.

The Collegiate Entrepreneurs' Organization is always looking for dynamic, creative people to join. They meet on Thursday at 5pm in Papito.

Pumpkin Fest raises money for Camp Sunshine

By Jackie Lemieux

Staff Writer

On Friday, October 17th, The Collegiate Entrepreneurs’ Organization held its annual charity pumpkin carving event—Pumpkin Fest. Three hundred fifty pumpkins arrived via U-Haul at 9am, and almost all of them had been carved or painted by 5:30 that evening. The size of the bill for the entire event, and all proceeds went to Camp Sunshine, a camp for terminally ill children and their families.

The event raised over 1,100 dollars and was a huge success. When students arrived, they were asked to make a small donation to Camp Sunshine. They could use cash or their dining dollars. Students moved along the assembly-line style event that included a registration station, a carving station, a lighting station, and a prize station. The top four pumpkins were awarded various gift cards, including a 15 dollar cash prize, a 25 dollar gift card to the bookstore, and a 15 dollar Starbucks gift card. 

Pumpkin Fest also got a lot of publicity, including the local NBC television station, The Providence Journal, State of RI Office of Tourism, and The Providence Business News. The event was coordinated by student entrepreneurs Emily Murphy and Haley Tremblay.

The Collegiate Entrepreneurs’ Organization is always looking for dynamic, creative people to join. They meet on Thursday at 5pm in Papito.

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Close-up with Senate E-board

By Cristine Cox
Staf Writer

The five individuals who represent the Student Senate as Executive Board members all share one thing in common: the passion and dedication it takes to be a Senator. For one, the position found them, and for others, their involvement in Senate pushed them to want to do more. No matter what brought them to Senate, as leaders among their peers, they are making the difference.

The cheerful face of Student Senate President Whitney Blatos (’09) greets the Senators as they meet together to present Senate projects, outline future plans, and hear the views of each officer. “Meet someone and working with all the different people,” Blatos says; so why don’t you meet someone new yet your voice be heard,” know what is going on, be involved in decision making on campus so you can see everything from a student’s point of view. Duquette decided to get involved, specifically with Senate. “My favorite thing about being involved with Senate is meeting the Senators and the executive board; she is also available to the rest of us, (as are the rest of the Senators) because if there isn’t a committee for an issue, it is her responsibility to find the answer to the issue. When she felt that she and Senate as a whole were making a difference, her answer was “Absolutely!” However, she recognizes that it is not always a transparent job, and her fellow executive board members agree. “It’s a thankless job sometimes,” Blatos tells me.

“We’re normal human beings too. I make mistakes,” Duguay says. The bottom line is this: don’t be intimidated by the suits, the gavel, or the podium, because our Senators are here for us, they are for the students by the students. The Senator’s role is to make a difference, and Duquette believes she is doing just that.

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Guests will learn about the history of wolves in the United States, the importance of wolves in a healthy ecosystem and the efforts to save these magnificent creatures for future generations.

Bryant University Cries “Wolf!”

Bryant University will welcome the Wolf Conservation Center, South Salem, NY and their six-year-old Arctic gray wolf, Atka, on November 7 at12 noon.

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Spotlight on Interns: Christopher Andrukonis

Name: Christopher Andrukonis
Class of: 2009
Concentration: Computer Information Systems
Minor: Legal Studies
Internship Site: Fidelity Investments
Location: Marlborough, MA

How did you locate your internship? I went through fidelity/careers.com. Ever since sophomore year I’ve been working with one contact at Fidelity and she set me up with some interviews. This is the one that came through. I got an e-mail saying an opportunity was available, so I e-mailed the hiring manager about it and she contacted me for a phone interview. It was a phone interview and then a second phone interview, and that was kind of tough. There were some awkward silences, but I asked a lot of questions about tools they use and she asked about me why I was interested in the job, so it ended up going well.

What did you learn about the profession? It’s very interesting – both the CIB part of the profession and also the software. Fidelity won’t fire their many divisions are broken up. Their IT area is unlike so many – it’s broken up into several divisions, so I was working in one of the most diverse divisions of any corporation. I wasn’t as into the financial industry as I thought I would be, but I learned a lot about 401(K)s and how people invest their money – we’d use databases with social security numbers in the test environment. I really learned how to work in a corporate environment and became comfortable in it, but also how much your communications skills are developed there. I learned stuff you can’t learn in the classroom. The people in the profession are a little older and people were older than me at the internship and I couldn’t connect all the time with them, but then I learned how to communicate with you. It was kind of hard leaving on the last day because it had been fun and because of all the people I met and worked with I did.

What were your major responsibilities? I was working on the Fidelity website where people put money into their 401Ks; I worked on a CCW Project – setting up a call center. Fidelity wanted to reach out more to customers – and the CCW Project was geared towards providing better customer service for them. The developers imported a code and I tested it – it was exploratory testing, not scripted, but we’d go in and actually try and break the system, I always thought of myself as shy so I thought my communication skills were better than I thought they’d be. My manager told me my skills were very good on the job, when I was there I joined the golf league so it was fun to network and that’s something I won’t always make myself do – I was surprised with myself in how much I actually liked the job and how much fun I actually had there. I definitely built up my self confidence in the corporate environment. I learned this is something I want to do – you might find the complete opposite – I think it’s better to find that out during an internship than in a job. You build a lot of character and you learn stuff you’re not going to learn in the classroom.

Winter break is an excellent time to do research on summer internships and jobs. The Amica Center for Career Education will be open during the break and students are welcome to use the Career Library and/or meet with a career counselor during this time. Stop in to make an appointment or give us a call at 401-232-6090.

Spotlight on Study Abroad: Colby Banks

Name: Colby T. Banks
Class of: 2009
University: University of New South Wales (UNSW)
Location: Bondi Beach – Sydney, Australia
Partner: Arcadia
Semester Abroad: Spring 2008
Semester/Location: Semester Abroad: Spring 2008
Length: February – June (not nearly long enough!)

Reason for Going: Choosing to go abroad was the hardest decision I have ever made but was easily the best one! I thought it would be extremely difficult to be away from my family for an entire semester so I had to take part in the Sophomore International Experience Program (SIEP) to gain some international traveling. My two week experience with SIEP in London, Rome & Paris left a traveling bug in me. The blend of cultures was very unique and each city had its own distinct atmosphere.

How did you locate your internship? I went through careers.com, explained how we were actually going to test things, wrote test cases before we executed them and assisted with a test plan strategy document, which was a large overview of all the test cases we imported that we wanted to test and then explained what we were actually going to test. I also worked on internal ‘wikis’ where people can throw up anything they want onto the site (for Fidelity users only); I’d enter things my manager wanted on her site.

What did you find most challenging about your internship? We had a tool to search for social security numbers, it works a lot like Access, and couldn’t search in that at all – it was challenging for me at first, but then I got very comfortable with it and realized how efficient a tool it was. The 40-hour work week was a big reality check – available 24 hours a day, I couldn’t work like that in the summer before – you get a lot done in the morning and then have lunch. After that, the afternoon slows down and drags and drags and you’re not having as much to do. If I knew I was busy but my manager left I would think about how I could leave but that I should probably do work and catch up on things. I would want to leave but I would stay and get work done.

What did you find most rewarding about your internship? What will be the most rewarding will be this fall when they’re going to take all the work we did and implement it into a live environment for their Fidelity customers. There was an off-shore testing team, so I got see how it was working globally because we were actually testing 24 hrs a day and when we left the techs in India would take over. That was also a little challenge – getting used to their accents when calling them. All my managers spoke highly of me and they took me out for lunch on the last day and said they’d love to offer me a position and want me to stay in touch with them so that when something comes up they can let me know…that was very rewarding.

What did you learn about yourself? I always thought of myself as shy so I thought my communication skills were better than I thought they were. I became more self-assured, I was able to express myself better, I was able to express myself better. I was able to express myself better, I was able to express myself better, I was able to express myself better. I was able to express myself better, I was able to express myself better.

Funny Cultural Experience: My roommate and I had decided to visit Surfers Paradise, a very famous beach with the city built on top of it. We had made a last minute decision to car-share our hostel arrangements and rent a ‘Wicked Camper’ which we were told was a white van that came with a kitchen, bed and other amenities. Since we made the arrangement the night before we were flying into Surfers Paradise, there was only one Camper available two hours away from where we landed. We took a train to get there and when we finally arrived at the camper place, we were horr-
Credit Craze: The good, the bad, and the ugly of credit cards

By Ashley Palmer
SIEF Project Manager

If you think you want to take on the risk of opening up a new credit card, you may want to think twice before you come face to face with the temptation of a potentially endless credit limit. Some of the benefits of opening up a credit card are that you can purchase things you don’t have the money for, but have to and are often dumped nearby as well as seeping into the ground nearby. The infrastructure and are often ignored dumped nearby as well as seeping into the ground nearby. The infrastructure and are often ignored.

The extraction of fossil fuels results in contamination in so many areas. Fluids used for electricity. Not only can a credit card cost you today, the future of energy sources have the potential to provide the world with 10,000 times the amount of energy that it needs, and never run out, Photovoltaic (PV) modules, a system that uses sunlight to heat water, turning it into electricity, avoids the use of gas or electricity. This does not pollute the ozone, allowing the atmosphere to stay intact, as opposed to the use of fossil fuels which contain toxic, creating acid rain, smog, and global warming.

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The greatest benefit that the United States would provide in the future is the use of solar energy, as American’s typically hold about 5% of the country’s fuel bill.
It was over when: With the bulldogs trailing 35 to 7 in the beginning of the second half, UMass quarterback Liam Coen found Jeremy Horne down the field for Horne’s 3rd touchdown of the game.

Players of the game: UMass quarterback Liam Coen threw for 389 yards and 5 TDs; Bryant safety Addison Lynch had 12 tackles (4 solo) and a forced fumble.

Turning point: With Bryant looking to make it a game after their first score, running back Tony Nelson ran in a touchdown for UMass, pushing the score to 28 to 7, and out of reach for Bryant.

Up next: vs. Duquesne, 12 pm, Saturday, Nov. 1 Senior Day.

Bryant outmatched by #17 UMass

By Casey Mulcare
Asst. Sports Editor

Everyone knows that the Bryant football program was going to go through their growing pains in their transition to Division I-AA, and Bryant went through a lot of its pains Saturday at McGuirk Stadium in Amherst, MA against the University of Massachusetts, falling to the #17 ranked Minutemen 42 to 7.

UMass quarterback Liam Coen, a product of Rhode Island’s LaSalle Academy, executed his offense quickly and precisely, leading UMass to three quick scores with touchdown passes to Jeremy Horne, Victor Cruz and Matt Silver. Horne had an especially good game, hauling in three touchdowns on the day. To make matters worse, starting quarterback Jay Graber was sidelined with an injury and the Bulldogs took the field with junior backup Kurt Spear under center for the first time this year. Spear was calm under pressure however, going 3 for 4 on the drive. The Bulldogs ate up almost seven minutes on the drive, the longest drive of the year and capped it off with a touchdown run by junior Lindsay Gamble, closing the gap to 21 to 7 in the closing minutes of the first quarter.

That would unfortunately be the last time the Bulldogs saw the end zone, as UMass showed why they were the reigningCAA Conference champs and National Finalist last season and shut down the Bulldogs for the rest of the game. Spear continued to play well, orchestrating the offense to a couple of decent drives before having to punt the ball away each time. UMass put up two touchdowns on a pair of quick scores in the second quarter, closing out the half up 35 to 7. The Minutemen continued through the rest of the game, with Coen finishing 11 for 18 for 389 yards and five scores. Running back Tony Nelson also ran in a score for UMass.

Gamble and fellow junior Jerell Smith combined for 108 of Bryant’s 126 rushing yards while Spear went 7 for 17 for 70 yards.

The defense was led by sophomore safety Addison Lynch, who had a career best 12 tackles and junior linebacker Paul Polomski, who put in another outstanding performance with 10 tackles. The Bulldogs were able to force and recover three fumbles, all of which came in the second half. Unfortunately the Bulldogs couldn’t capitalize on any of the Minutemen miscues.

While the outcome was obviously not what Bryant had hoped for, this game was a huge step in the right direction for the Bulldogs. They took on one of the biggest kids on the block, took their lumps, and came back stronger from the experience. Bryant showed inklings of success against one of the best teams in the nation in their first year out of Division II, a feat the Bulldogs can definitely build upon in the coming years. Expect Bryant to be well prepared for their Senior Day matchup against Duquesne.

Bryan looks to avenge the loss this Saturday against Duquesne on Senior Day at 12 noon at Bulldog Stadium. The game can be heard on WOON 1240 AM or WJMF 88.7 FM.

Impressive start set tone for Men’s Golf season

By David Nelligan
Staff Writer

Bryant University’s golf team is off to another great start this season already taking the Dartmouth Invitational out of six teams, finishing fourth at the Hawks Invitational out of twenty three teams, and coming in third at Yale during the MacDonald Cup out of fifteen teams.

These tournaments have featured many of the country’s top golf teams including Baylor University, North Carolina State, and Oklahoma University. Lead by senior captain Scott Congdon the team has made a smooth transition into division one competition. Bryant, who used to play fifty percent of their schedule against division two schools, and the other fifty percent against division one, has competed against all division one teams this season without any trouble. Congdon attributes much of this success to the young, skilled team. Bryant has put together. Mostly sophomores and juniors, the level of play has risen throughout the entire team over the past years competing against both division one and division two teams. “Everyone on the team has been playing well, not just one or two people,” Scott said mentioning how well Jason Thresher has played this season. Jason won the individual title at the Yale tournament for Bryant. Congdon also said how playing against some of the top players in the country has helped him and the team step up their game.

The team has finished five of six tournaments for the fall season and moved on to the New England Regionals October 20th and 21st to finish up their schedule. Due to the division one rules the team will not be able to compete for Nationals, but will be able to receive individual bids depending on how well they finish. They will also be getting ready for another competitive season next spring.

Bryant hosts Second Bench Press Competition

By Peter Zhang
Staff Writer

Dustin Cabral, a student at Bryant, will host Bryant University’s second bench press competition on November 15, 2008, at 4:30pm in the MAC.

There will be over $400 in prizes, said Mr. Cabral. Last semester competitors were awarded prizes like mp3 players, t-shirts, and ribbons. In addition, staff, facility, and DPS will be allowed to compete in their own division.

The entry fee for the competition is five dollars. The competition will be judged by AAU (Amateur Athletic Union) judges. Tim Brien, Director of the Bryant University Fitness Center, is a national judge, and he will supervise the event as well.

Bryant University held its first bench press competition in April 2008. Mr. Cabral organized the event with great success. The competition turned out “better than predicted,” said Mr. Cabral.

“We expected maybe 20 people at most but there ended up being 40 some competitors and even more spectators.”

Two women competed in last semester’s competition, “hopefully there will be more this semester,” said Mr. Cabral.

The women fell under the 125 and 148 weight classes. They lifted up to 110 and 120 pounds respectively, and both placed first in their own weight class.

“This competition means a lot to people who are into weight lifting, usually they don’t get many chances to compete,” said Mr. Cabral.

Mr. Cabral encourages all weight lifters on campus to compete. “Odds are you have a good shot to win something. The competition gets you pumped and you will be able to lift more than you would have with the adrenaline,” said Mr. Cabral.

Tim Brien (tbrien@bryant.edu) or Dustin Cabral will provide more information about the competition and rules. Or visit “Bryant Bench Competition” on Facebook.

Steph Del Mistro
Year: Sophomore
Sport: Soccer

Del Mistro scored the game-winner against Cornell to lift the Bulldogs to a 1-0 victory on Sunday afternoon. The goal was the third of her career and helped head coach Chris Flint to his 100th career win.

Addison Lynch
Year: Sophomore
Sport: Football

The sophomore safety led the team with 12 tackles (4 solo, 8 assisted) in a 42-7 loss against UMass. The Braintree, MA native also added a forced fumble in the second half.
Men’s Soccer concludes inaugural D-1 season

The Burnt University men’s soccer team concluded its inaugural season of Division I play with a 4-6 loss at Albany State.

The Bulldogs grabbed their first Division I win on September 7th with a 2-0 victory over Richmond. Senior captain Rodrigo Mello (Northford, Conn.) scored what would prove to be the game-winning goal in the 27th minute of play.

Freshman Robb Rodriguez (North Branford, Conn.) tallied one goal and one assist on the season. Rodriguez hung third on the team, while fellow freshmen Anthony Restivo (Lisbon, Conn.) and Nicholas Parisi (Holbrook, N.Y.) each notched one assist.

Freshman defender Cuinn Nevins (Amherst, Mass.) proved to be a staple on the defense, appearing in every game while starting the final six. Outside back Ben Lawrence (Amherst, N.H.) impressed many with his aggressive play, starting 14 games for the team while appearing in 15. Keeper Andrew snel (South Salem, N.Y.) led the team in goals average, surrendering 2.68 goals per game while making 33 saves in eight appearances.

Midfielder Tom Nelan (East Bridgewater, Mass.) improved each game this season, and was a main target in the middle, winning the majority of headers.

Sophomore Norbert Szery (Andover, Mass.) made the change from forward to sweeper after his junior season was derailed by an injury and did a solid job in his new role. Senior Dezmitro Rodriguez also made the switch to defensive center midfield to help shore up the Bulldogs’ defense.

Pizgid112sburgh will have the task of replacing seniors Matt Brown (South Easton, Mass.) and Manny Rodriguez in the off-season. Brown tallied 11 career goals while dishing out three assists in three seasons with the Bulldogs, leading the team in scoring in 2008. Rodriguez played 65 matches over four seasons, scoring 14 goals and two assists, good for 26 points in his career.

The Bulldogs will have some time off before getting ready for their 2009 spring season and their second year of Division I play.

Bulldog Bites

Hockey Club starts season strong

Freshmen Mike Fles Brown and Joe Fusco are proving to be positive assets on Bryant’s Club Ice Hockey team this season.

The two are the only freshmen to dress for games, and have earned a spot to another soon to the National Tournament for the team. Both Brown and Fusco scored in the team’s comeback game of the season against the Bulldogs to clinch a victory against Westfield State on Friday night.

Fusco, 427, scored a goal and had an assist, while Brown, 420, had that trick, leading Bryant to the 1-0 win. The two seem to be playing great with the team, and Bryant is looking at a strong and successful season.

The hockey team is 2-0, after beating Westfield State on Friday 13-5, and University of New Hampshire Saturday 5-4.

Women’s Soccer victory gives Coach Flint 100th win

A late goal by Stephanie Del Mistro against Cornell on Thursday afteroon helped the Bulldogs to a 1-0 victory, and gave head coach Chris Flint his 100th career win with the Bryant soccer program in just his ninth season. The Colby College graduate started with the program back in the 2000 season. Since that time, the women’s soccer program has amassed a record of 100 wins, 64 losses, and 18 ties. Since taking over the program, Flint has just had two seasons of fewer than 10 wins. The squad has qualified for the Northeast-10 tournament in six of his eight seasons, while earning a bid in the NCAA tournament three times. Last season, Flint led the Bulldogs to their highest ever national ranking, finishing 13th in the national polls and reaching as high as second at one point during the season. The 2007 Bulldogs won a school record 17 games. In his tenure, Flint has been recognized with two Northeast-10 Coach of the Year awards and as the NEWISA Coach of the Year in 2001, after turning around a three-win team in 2000 into a 13-win team in 2001. This season, the Bulldogs began a new challenge as they took on their first season of Division I play. Flint, by far the most successful coach in program history, has led his team to a record of 4-9-3, with wins over Northern Col- onials, Wagner, NJIT and Cornell, while playing a rigorous travel schedule that featured just one home game.

Field Hockey falls to #20 ranked Rutgers

Despite tough defense and hard work Sunday afternoon, the Bryant Bulldogs fell short, falling to No. 20 Rutgers 6-0, at Providence College in their second-last game of the season. The Bulldogs had a tough time getting adjusted to the quick play of the Scarlet Knights out of the gates, giving up a trio of scores in the first seven minutes of play. Lea Hoh got the scoring started just 3:39 into the game when Amy Lewis fed the ball to the right post where Hoh was waiting to put it past junior goalkeeper Kundayi Mawema (Harare, Zimbabwe) for a 1-0 lead. Two minutes later, Jill Beck deflected a Jenna Bull shot into the Bryant cage to score her first goal of the game, and give visiting Rutgers a 2-0 lead. After Rutgers would prove to be too much for the Bulldogs to handle, allowing just a pair of goals the rest of the game, including falling to Pittsburgh 2-1 in overtime followed by a 0-0 tie against Robert Morris. Bryant would close out the season with 11 straight losses, mustering just one goal the rest of the way.

Rogers and Mello would tie for the team lead in points with four each, scoring a pair of goals. Freshmen Robb Rodriguez (North Branford, Conn.) tallied one goal and one assist on the season, and was fourth in the team, while fellow freshmen Anthony Restivo (Lisbon, Conn.) and Nicholas Parisi (Holbrook, N.Y.) each notched one assist.

The men’s soccer team wrapped up a challenging Division I season in 2008. (Courtesy of Athletic De- partment)

The sports team wrapped up a challenging Division I season in 2008. (Courtesy of Athletic Department)

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NBA season opens amid economic concerns

By David Boyce
MCT Campus

Just the NBA's luck. As the new season opens without any of the image-tainting controversies that has plagued the league in past years, something more ominous: the nation's flagging economy. Jobs over head.

The 2008-09 NBA season opens Tuesday night with three games. All of them sell out.

LeBron James' Cleveland Cavaliers play at Boston, the defending champions. Top pick Derrick Rose makes his debut for Chicago at home against Milwaukee. And Portland travels to Los Angeles to take on the defending Western Conference champion Lakers.

There are a real possibility that many NBA arenas will be half-empty if the economy stays in its present state or gets worse. It's something of an open question how many NBA fans will pay for their seats.

And Portland travels to Los Angeles to take on the defending Western Conference champion Lakers. Those are intriguing opening-game fans who will find a few extra $20s to pay for their seats.

But the way the economy is declining, will enough NBA fans find those $20s to pay for $30, $50, $60 or $100 seats to see Milwaukee at Atlanta on Jan. 1?

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In his annual preseason teleconference, NBA commissioner David Stern addressed the economic concerns.

"We did spend a fair amount of time sharing ideas and talking about the state of the economy, looking for ways in which we can be relevant," Stern said.

What the economy could do to erode the resilient popularity of the NBA, makes preseason issues of the previous three years seem almost trivial.

Before the start of the 2005-06 season, Stern and referee Tim Donaghy was the only one involved in a point-shaving scam to cover his betting on NBA games.

The credibility of the NBA was definitely at stake last year, but the league got through it just fine and ended with a dream finals matchup between two storied franchises.

The economy is a far scarier issue for the NBA. If basketball fans are struggling to pay for their basic needs like food, gas and a home mortgage, they certainly won't have money for NBA tickets.

Stern said about 1,000 tickets per team will cost $10 or less for every game. As the season progresses, the $10, $20 and $30 tickets may creep further down in the arena.

When Portland played Atlanta in a preseason game at the Sprint Center, the several hundred $10 tickets were quickly snapped up. There were plenty of $50 and $90 tickets available.

It proved there was a market for NBA basketball in Kansas City for $10, but at $50?

Stern is optimistic the current economic climate will not hurt the NBA too much. "From a business perspective, we are going to be flat in attendance," which is good news, and also some sponsor renewals and presentations are very strong," he said.

So if you're having a business discussion you just have to understand what's going on in the world around you, and we did that.

NBA fans find those $20s to pay for their seats. NBA fans find those $20s to pay for their seats. NBA fans find those $20s to pay for their seats.

LeBron James and the rest of the star-studded NBA kicked off the new season after a very successful 2007. But amidst financial difficulties and a faltering economy, will the NBA build on their breakout season?

"I think that if you are alive in this world and you have access to that ancient form of communication, the newspaper, you can't but read the headlines of what's going on," Stern said. "Company after company is announcing large layoffs."

Club Spotlight: Men's Rugby

By Matthew Kane
Staff Writer

The Bryant Men's Rugby Club (2-2) led by Co-captain Jameson Antonowicz, narrowly defeated the visiting Roger University Williams University Hawks (2-2) 24-22 in the final minutes of regulation, keeping their playoff chances alive.

"Trailing 22-19 with two minutes left in regulation, the Bulldogs would not relinquish the lead, improving to 2-2 and then their pride awgdyyeer a blowout loss the Broncos averaged 38 points per game in their first 3 games and then failed to score 20 in their next three.

The1 rushing touchdown, the Giants looked like the defending Super Bowl champs for their first four games but then dropped a game to the lowly Browns. The Cowboys lost their Pro Bowl quarterback and then their pride after a blowout loss the winless Rams this past weekend.

The season, more than any other, might come down to health.

Is there any doubt that the Patriots would be right at the top of any team's wish list if Brady were healthy and active? All three of the top teams have been abysmal and the chances of winning their divisions have been.

Kurt Warner being healthy for an entire season and the Rams this past weekend.

Will they be able to keep it up? In Tampa Bay, Brees can't decide on a quarterback. The Cardinals only lead their division because the other two teams have been abysmal and the chances of Kurt Warner being healthy for an entire season aren't good.

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Mediocrity at its best

By David Niles
Staff Writer

Last week I wrote about the possible end of the Patriots reign over the NFL. They established themselves as the NFL's equivalent of a dynasty this decade, winning 3 Super Bowls, but no other franchise was able to win 2.

While, the Patriots may not be able to dominate the league anymore, it's isn't as if another team has stepped up to take their place. Take a look around. I find it hard to pronounce a single NFL team as dominant. Coming into the season, the Patriots, Colts, Chargers, Giants, and Cowboys were widely considered to be the top 5 teams in the NFL. The Patriots lost Tom Brady and their defense has been giving up points to mediocre offenses. The Colts have struggled to get their offense in sync and couldn't stop you or me from running on them.

The Chargers lost Merri- nes and LaDainian Tomlinson is beginning to look like he is approaching that 30-year old running back de- line. The Giants looked like the defending Super Bowl champs for their first four games but then dropped a game to the lowly Browns. The Cowboys lost their Pro Bowl quarterback and then their pride after a blowout loss the winless Rams this past weekend.

The Bills and Steelers are both 5-2 and the Titans are undefeated at 7-0. But do the Titans really scare you? Their defense has been outstanding, allowing 11 points per game, and the offense has unquestionably benefited from benching Vince Young in favor of the veteran Kerry Collins. Do you know what these three teams have in common. They have yet to play a game against a winning team. They have beaten up on teams like the Bengals, Raiders, Browns, Ravens, and Seahawks.

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“Seeing Doug Francis-Berman dressed up in a gorilla suit.”
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Ian Ross ’11

“When I was younger my dad dressed me and my three sisters as household appliances... I was a stove and my sisters were a washer, a dryer and a refrigerator.”
Bri Lefebvre ’11

“Brendan King as a man riding an ostrich.”
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Compiled by Ashley McNamara and Amanda Dunn
Background photo Courtesy of Nicholas Millard
Multipartisan Hackery: Gun Control

By: Michael Adams
Opinion Editor

I have never held, fired, or owned a gun of any kind for any reason and I can say firmly that I will never, will not buy one as a means of protection or for a means of sport. However, I have read the responses in my choice to do so if I had ever wanted to. I do not see gun control as an issue of whether people should be allowed to own guns, but as a means of trying to increase the protection of American citizens. And is that not what many owners of guns use them for, protection?

I have read that the price for a gun is dependent on taxes (varying a few percentage points based on state sales tax). With a percentage this high, why not give the government a tax on all gun purchases and then sell the assortment of brands through the government? Then the actual sale of guns can go directly through the government, and not just the background check. Selling guns in stores regulated by the Department of Defense would reduce the chance that there were illegal transactions, and hopefully in the long run reduce the black market sales of guns not distributed by the government.

The one major issue I have with the “right to bear arms” is that last little “bear”. Is it legal to transfer a gun when it is not for sale? And if so, must there be a license to own a gun? I think that this is important for the purpose of acquiring a collection. It is important to remember the time period this law was created. The reason behind needing a law to allow the ownership of guns was so the individual could protect himself, not to have a collection. So why is that people need to have more guns than they have hands? You cannot not use more than two at once for protection, so why own one more than you need for protection?

As for what type of gun a person should own is another issue. I highly doubt that a semi-automatic or assault weapon is necessary to protect an individual from harm. If anything, having and using a gun like that on a perpetrator will probably cause more harm than the perpetrator ever wanted to do. Protection when death is going to be the outcome one way or another, which is why people in the army use such weapons. Civilians do not face the same threat and should not be allowed to acquire guns. The only questions that I ask is why not give the power to sell guns directly to the Department of Defense.

By: Matt Vincunas
Staff Writer

At home, I sleep better knowing that anyone who breaks into my house is only one pull from my index finger away from joining the best place for thugs and robbers, six feet under. The 2nd amendment also provides me the opportunity to wake up that morning and hunt for animals, the same way our forefathers did. It is not only my safety, but that of my family. The hobby that has been with our country since conception. One argument against this amendment is that it is only a right for the state militias. The state militias are the people who own guns, just like everyone else, but they are not allowed to own guns. For Washington D.C. to even think about banning the purchasing and use of handguns for personal safety is absurd. Sure there are gang members who are killing people, but don’t go ban one of the tools of the trade.

The gang members and thugs that use the guns are the ones who should suffer, not just banning the use of the rules in this country already are strict and discourage people from owning guns as an option.

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You are officially idiots. They didn’t even have a valid reason for bouncing without paying. When this paper went to print, they were released from jail on bond.

The next story is just stupid in its own right. A 66 year old woman decided to go to jail over paying her $745罚款 on some one-skiink Waffle House in Fort Pierce, Fl. The officer asked her to pay the bill or go to jail, and well, she chose jail. She was charged with, get this, “obtaining food or lodging with intent to defraud, a second degree misdemeanor.” I had no idea there was actually a name for this! She now faces up to two months in prison and possibly having time of the $500 plus two months locked in a prison with one hour of “recreation time”? I know, it’s a hard decision between the two. About 75 percent of all those who have a legal record while too much time in jail.

These are just two recent stories that I found. There are plenty more because this happens all the time. You get horrible service and want to get your money back. Believe it or not, some people actually do get up and leave without paying—they just don’t get arrested. Newsflash people, that’s a form of stealing. You know, steeling, the thing we’re taught not to do in kindergarten. It should be engrained in your head that stealing is illegal. I guess the engraver wasn’t there for these two sleaze balls.

I, with hopefully most of the Bryant campus, have a good enough moral compass, to the point where if I do owe someone money I will pay the check. It doesn’t matter to me if it’s $5.00 or $100.00. While I have never worked in the restaurant industry, I have worked for some very well paid workers that work hard for their money. That not only means they work hard, they pay hard, but you should also tip them well—especially if you are a bunch of college students out to dinner, not to get a free meal. Is there a reason for the rise in unpaid checks? Well, if it’s the economy, and you can’t even seem to pay your frigging rent, then what on earth are you going to do about your $5.00 check? Your check is $5.00. You should probably feed your family twice, maybe three times, in exchange for going out to dinner. Grocery stores are wonderful services, aren’t they?

I wanted to prove that not paying your restaurant bill will occur with anyone, from a beauty queen, to some old lady, who can’t seem to get their priorities straight. Please pay your restaurant bills.
A Secular Perspective: Teach Religion in Public Schools

By: Brandon Dobro
Staff Writer

It goes without saying that each individual probably thinks long and hard about which religion to choose, if any. So why is it that the world is completely Balkanized by different religions? In many parts of the world, a person is almost certain to follow a particular religious doctrine as a mere result of their geography. This doesn’t make any sense when you consider that there are thousands of equally plausible religions to believe in. It is, of course, you recognize the astonishing lack of theological education around the world and in our own country.

I am not suggesting that we teach religious values, but rather, religious facts. In an impartial, objective manner, religion is just too important to avoid in the classroom. It has been the root of some of the world’s greatest wars and the cause of some of the world’s greatest achievements. It has shaped not only the world’s most influential leaders, but entire cultures. Just about every religion form and how have they each evolved? What effect has religion had on the world’s communities, music, art, and architecture? What causes a religion to spread? Why is it that some religions still exist while others have been weeded out? These are all very important questions that even most adults would likely have difficulty answering. This is extremely troubling.

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Dear Editor,

I want to respond to the article “Gay Marriage is Useless.” Matt Vincunas wrote in his article, “Why are [homosexuals] fighting for something they already have?” I would like to present the following response: The statement that “the point of gay marriage is Useless” by Matt Vincunas is thoroughly enjoy an intellectually. Useless” by Maxgidzfifl Vincunas. I am palled by both the title and premise of the article. My name is A.J. Sorbera and I’m a Media Production Analyst at Bryant University.

In my article, I have written that the point of gay marriage is Useless by Matt Vincunas. I am in full support of gay marriage, however, as someone who knows you, I will tell you that I stand with your fellow youth. The thought of gay marriage is completely factually unsupported statements in this article. Even the title of the article is factually incorrect. Vicunas’ statement that “we must extend legal marriage to those being labeled as ‘married’” and “...to be on the same level as heterosexual marriage was little less than revolting. The “same level” the article begins by stating that the author believes in heterosexual marriage and is inherently superior to homosexuality; these two statements are clearly in opposition to one another. These contradictory statements make it clear that the author must be either one or the other (heterosexual or tolerant) but cannot be both.

A common argument of anti-gay marriage individuals was that homosexuals are not capable of having a healthy marriage. This is a statement that “the point of heterosexual couples being married is to pro-create [sic] and raise children together”. Vincunas goes on to state that a couple’s ability to have children is what makes a marriage successful. If I were to subscribe to this logic, I would be absolutely abashed by today’s society. What I saw was a Mat of two heterosexuals getting married who beforehand discuss that they do not want to have children – are they willingly violating the sanctity of their own marriage? One cannot believe about two heterosexual people who get married and then discover that one of them is sterile.

If the logic used by Vincunas is sound, then Congress must act now to provide people from continuing to violate the sanctity of marriage. Prior to every marriage, each couple should have to undergo fertility testing to verify that they are biologically able to have children. Additionally, they should be required to sign a legal document stating that they are not obligated to procreate. Those who do not meet both of these requirements should not be allowed to legally marry nor receive marriage benefits. According to Vincunas, it should be unquestionable to these people that they can no longer be legally married; “after all, as he reminds us, it is a right to a title. Unless they are marrying for the benefits, which would not be a marriage based on love.”

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Kim Cole

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In a recent edition of the Archway I noticed one of the entries in the “Observations” column was about the interfaith web-cam. The entry asked if someone could tell why the campus web-cam is not working. I participated in its setup and would like to take a moment to briefly highlight its purpose and significance to the Bryant Community.

The camera was seen by everyone on the campus last year and streamed images to the Bryant University website. These images give us site content dynamic and show the world how proud we are of our growing institution. The building’s progress is being viewed by interested faculty, staff, students, parents, alumni, and heterosexual couples by extending the right to marry. For Vincunas to ask whether “it is so important for gay people to have the right to get married”, then I encourage him to research the issue. Like many along with others, would be happy to discuss it. The conversation about gay marriage is not simply controversy-seeking as Vincunas suggests. It is a fight for equal rights for equal human beings and one that I plan to continue conversing until everyone starts practicing what we preach: liberty and justice for all.

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Flash of Genius is the kind of movie you go see if you want something interesting, funny, and dramatic. This is what I expected from the film, and it’s exactly what I got. I didn’t have tremendously high expectations, so not surprisingly I left the theater with more than I thought I would. This is because with most biopics, the story is either irrelevant or uninteresting, or the main character is of no real importance and is therefore not worth making a movie about. Flash of Genius, however, is none of these things. It is a solid movie with great performances, a great script, and one that (most surprisingly) breaks free from the type format. I feel good Disney-made movies and actually gives us an accurate picture of the story it is telling.

The main character is Robert Kearns (Greg Kinnear), or Bob to his friends. Driving home from church one day, he wonders why his windshield wipers can only go at one speed, and not adjust for the intensity of the rain outside. Either it’s not quite enough he thinks, or it’s too slow and repairs his vision. Being an inventor, he doesn’t just dismiss the quandary, instead he goes to his basement workshop and comes up with a device he calls the “Blinking Eye Wiper” so called for the way it clears water the way your eyes clear tears, only when necessary.

Recognizing the opportunity for massive profit from this device, he takes it to the Ford motor company to see if they’re interested in putting it in their cars. As it turns out, every major car company had been working on an “intermittent” wiper as they call it, and Bob beat them all to the punch. At first Ford is skeptical, but after a working demo, they essentially tell Bob he has a deal (after the legal stuff etc.).

As this is the 1950’s, it was a simpler time, one with less accountability from companies who could more easily hide their inner doings. For Bob Kearns, this non transparency allows Ford to steal his idea after taking a prototype he built, copying it, and then terminating the deal they had with him. Bob meanwhile, is unaware that he has this idea, and only realizes this years later when he sees a car with wipers using his design.

Instead of letting this go however, Bob determines that it isn’t right for Ford to take credit for his work, and is determined to sue them for his rights to the design. The rest of the movie tells of how the lawsuit, which lasts 15 years, becomes a huge legal battle. For all of these reasons, I give Flash of Genius 4 out of 5 bulldogs.

This is a great film, with an excellent performance by Kinnear who elevates the film from average to extraordinary. Go see it, be inspired, and watch the little guy win. But also think about what happened, what you would do, Bob did, and how you feel about it. These questions are not just relevant to the movie, they are relevant to your life, your work, your relationships, and even your sanity at one point.

Everything about this movie is great, but not perfect. I thoroughly enjoyed every single second of it, but I’m also a big fan of this kind of movie. It has some at points as she annoysingly never seemed to understand why her husband was fighting Ford for his idea (even though the movie makes it quite clear). Some other major characters include Bob’s original business partner Gil Pryvic (Dermot Mulroney) who does well, and Alan Alda as his lawyer. Both do fine but end up forgettable alongside Kinnear.

Like I mentioned before, this movie gives you more than the average biopic, especially one made by the notoriously kid-friendly Disney Corporation. Flash of Genius does a lot of things well where other movies fail, and even though it’s not as interesting, or the main character is of no real importance and is therefore not worth making a movie for your decisions. You've been aiming for is almost within reach. You can see the light at the end of the tunnel.

Some interesting days are ahead. At Halloween, something strange and a little bizarre will make for a more mysterious evening. You can make the chance to make some interesting new alliances and Cupid could also be involved.

You’re feeling lucky at this time. Dreams are vivid around Halloween. People visit you in your dreams; some faces you will recognise, others will be unfamiliar. Your outlook will improve after a message received and new areas of your personal life are opening up for you.

You always want to look your best and you might meet someone around this time who introduces you to a new diet or exercise program. It might sound like you will get fit the easy way but there’s probably more to it than others are making out.

A friend or neighbor appreciates your practical and careful personality. They might be planning a special event for this evening and with your help all will come together perfectly. You have a great way of keeping things calm and orderly when chaos threatens.

Some strong magnetism exists between you and someone you meet this Halloween. You’re expected to join in with social events. If you aren’t in the mood, don’t feel obliged to participate.

You might feel it’s time for a change. A series of events will make you realize it is time to take on new long-term commitments probably of the professional kind. This will put you on a new career path and you will start to feel more optimistic for the future.

Someone is up to some imaginative fun and frolics. Could that someone be you? The more flexible your plans at this time, the more you will enjoy yourself. A friend is grateful for a tip you’re willing to give them.

Creativity flows and there’s a lot of passion in the air this Halloween. A friend or loved-one’s reaction to a question or proposal you put to them might surprise you. Be sure to keep your promises.
By Jessica Komorski
Assistant Editor-in-Chief

One of the newest eateries in Rhode Island, Rocco Italian Osteria, offers delicious and authentic Italian dishes at a price that is going to leave a hole in your wallet. By the end of the evening, you feel like you could be dining in an eight- to twelve-dollar appetizer and a scrumptious dessert from their personal pastry chefs, and you may be lacing up your running shoes for tomorrow's eight-mile run. Check out the top picks for the best dining experience at Rocco Italian Osteria.

Bon Appétit: Rocco Osteria

By Brigit Clancy
Variety Editor

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Agrees to tutor Puff as long as everyone helps him to become the most popular kid in school, and help him get back on the television show that is sponsored by a local business man, Mr. Latherby (Ryan Smith, ’09). Of course stealing the show with her great antics is the Tennyson’s maid, Rhodora (Krisye Aucocin, ’10). And when the plot that Dan thought up turns to unravel itself to the adults, they are joined by a reporter (Carlomas Ramos, ’10) and a police officer (Matthew Tivnan, ’10). Finally as we conclude the show, a doctor (Kevin Javier, ’12) shows up thinking of Dan as the “Perfect Idiot” because he got a perfect zero on his IQ test. When they realize that Dan intentionally failed his IQ test because he really liked Linda and didn’t want to leave her behind when he went to college, the doctor lets Dan retain his IQ test and all is well again, and Dan and Linda can go to college together.

This brilliant cast was lead by Director Amber De Angelis (’09) and Assistant Director Mandie Dev (’10). The show was captivating with its humor, and taught the audience a little bit of a life lesson. For the first show of this year, "The Perfect Idiot" really sets the bar for the Play- ers this year. It should be both entertaining and interesting to see the next show of the year.

Charles Dickens’ “A Christmas Carol” has to be adapted by Brian Way, December 5th, 6th, and 7th.

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Agrees to tutor Puff as long as everyone helps him to become the most popular kid in school, and help him get back on the television show that is sponsored by a local business man, Mr. Latherby (Ryan Smith, ’09). Of course stealing the show with her great antics is the Tennyson’s maid, Rhodora (Krisye Aucocin, ’10). And when the plot that Dan thought up turns to unravel itself to the adults, they are joined by a reporter (Carlomas Ramos, ’10) and a police officer (Matthew Tivnan, ’10). Finally as we conclude the show, a doctor (Kevin Javier, ’12) shows up thinking of Dan as the “Perfect Idiot” because he got a perfect zero on his IQ test. When they realize that Dan intentionally failed his IQ test because he really liked Linda and didn’t want to leave her behind when he went to college, the doctor lets Dan retain his IQ test and all is well again, and Dan and Linda can go to college together.

This brilliant cast was lead by Director Amber De Angelis (’09) and Assistant Director Mandie Dev (’10). The show was captivating with its humor, and taught the audience a little bit of a life lesson. For the first show of this year, "The Perfect Idiot" really sets the bar for the Players this year. It should be both entertaining and interesting to see the next show of the year.

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History of Halloween

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Bryant Players Spotlight: Jenna Morris

What is your favorite thing about being in the Players?
I love rehearsing with the other cast members. It’s always a good time and we have a lot of fun.

What is your least favorite thing?
I have trouble memorizing lines. I get really nervous on days when we have to be off book.

Why did you join the Players?
I was in drama club my senior year of high school and loved it. It’s fun to put yourself in a character’s shoes and work with others to create a show.

What was the most rewarding experience you have had while you were in the Players?
So far, meeting everyone in the Players has been very rewarding. Everyone is really nice and outgoing. We all get along really well. I know that once everything comes together and we have our first show during Parents and Family Weekend, it will be incredibly rewarding and gratifying.

“A Christmas Carol” next for Bryant Players

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