Help Bryant go green!

By Jennifer Juhr
Staff Writer

Have you noticed the addition of recycling bins to the residence halls? How about the push to separate plastic bottles and aluminum cans from your regular trash? Maybe you’ve started to recycle your cardboard cereal and cracker boxes instead of throwing them into one large garbage bag?

All of these recycling additions and new ways of conserving materials at Bryant are brought to you by projects completed by Bryant SIFE and ECO, in an effort to get Bryant on the right track for going green and becoming more eco-friendly. A great number of students have taken part in the planning of these projects, which started at the beginning of the fall 2007 semester.

Despite there being recycling bins in the faculty suites and hallways of the Unistructure prior to this project, their true function was not utilized until recently—none of the separated plastics, aluminum, and paper were actually recycled. The materials were all thrown together in one large garbage bag. Now, all of the items placed into the various recycling bins on campus will truly be recycled and will no longer be mixed in with other garbage.

There are many ways that students at Bryant can help to better the environment and continue to conserve resources. Many adjustments that you can make to your daily living style are simple and require little to no extra effort at all. If the following facts and tips about recycling do not completely surprise you, they should, at the least, cause you to think twice about how you handle your garbage. Did you know…

Recycling 1 ton of paper saves 17 trees, 2 barrels of oil (enough to run the average car for 1,260 miles), 4,100 kilowatts of energy (enough power for the average home to use for about 32 months), 2 cubic yards of landfill space, and 60 pounds of air pollution.

Americans throw away enough aluminum to rebuild our entire commercial fleet of airplanes every 3 months. Recycling 1 aluminum can saves enough energy to run a television for 3 hours.

The average American consumes more than twice as much water and energy as people in other nations. About 8% of what Americans throw away is recyclable, yet our recycling rate is just 28%.

If we recycled all of the newspapers printed in the U.S. on a typical Friday, we would save 550,000 trees—or about 26 million trees per year.

How can you help?

Avoid using plastic utensils, paper cups, paper plates, and plastic stirrers. Instead, use items you can wash and reuse, like a travel mug for your coffee.

Skip buying bottled water, and fill a reusable water bottle with tap water instead.

For every one million bottles of water that are manufactured and shipped to consumers, 18.2 tons of carbon dioxide emissions are released into the air. If just one out of every 20 gym-goers picked up this habit, the United States would save almost 30 million pounds of plastic waste each year.

Go out of your way to find the recycling bin. By separating and recycling paper, plastic, glass, and aluminum, Americans would decrease our annual waste production, which currently fills an area as big as the state of Pennsylvania, by 75%.

Message people from a portable device. Whether you’re texting messaging or sending an email, doing so from a cell phone or other mobile device uses more than 30 times less energy than using a computer. Activate your computer’s power management “sleep” or “quiet” mode, which can save up to $75 in electricity each year. Screensavers do not save energy.

Go without ATM receipts, as they are one of the biggest sources of litter on the planet. If all the ATM users in the U.S. stopped getting receipts for 1 year, we would save over 2 billion feet worth of paper, enough to wrap around the equator 15 times!

Air conditioning or windows down? When driving around town at lower speeds, roll down your windows to save gas. It may surprise you to learn, however, that when driving on the highway, it’s more energy-efficient to use your air conditioning, the drag caused by open windows while driving at higher speeds counteracts the energy saved by keeping the AC off.

By slightly adjusting our daily habits, we can help transform Bryant into an eco-friendly community.

Senior class gift to restore The Archway

By Tracey Gant
Campus News Editor

Every year seniors continue a tradition of creating their mark on the Bryant University campus by leaving behind what is called the “Senior Class Gift.” The “Senior Class Gift” commemorates the seniors and allows them to leave their memory and show how much seniors and allows them to leave their mark on the Bryant University campus by

Joe Silva, Michelle Sobol, Judy Kawamoto, and Craig Tetreault “cheese it up” at the Senior Class Gift kickoff wine and cheese event.

The Class of ‘08 has influenced the Bryant community in all areas from Senate elections to the prestige of Bryant University… I was quite impressed with— the final product… I am excited that the class of 2008 may get to see their impact by Homecoming 2008.

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Sophomore International Experience

China: a country full of wonders

By Lauren Gainor
Contributor

Since the beginning of first semester, about 25 of us, some say, the craziest individuals have attended countless meetings filled with slideshows, presentations, and more Chinese food then one could possibly stomach. However, through such meetings we were preparing for what I believe was the best experience of our lives. Before traveling to China, each of us as individuals had an idea of what the trip would entail. I think it is safe to say that after returning, and having spent over 45 hours on a plane together, the 25 of us have come to the conclusion that we had no idea what we were in for. Our breaths were taken away by the splendor of the Great Wall, our realities shattered after seeing the squalor of the poor, and our sinuses ruined after experiencing “squatter” toilets for two weeks. Many of us even became accustomed to being “physically” and “verbally” attacked by China’s finest Rolex vendors.

None of us will forget Jane our Chinese gee- flag- waving tour guide from Beijing. After all she is the one who lead us to some of the finest fake markets. I think that some of us do not know whether to blame her for our empty pockets from our extensive shopping sessions, or thank her for showing us the best of Beijing. All I know is that my 6 purses, 3 scarves, 2 tea cups, 3 shirts, 3 pairs of shoes, new luggage, and all of the rest was clearly accounted for at customs. Although I am not entirely sure, I do believe most of my funds were spent because of my tardiness dues which was our agreed upon “late policy.”

Our second tour guide Matt, from Kentucky, defiantly gave Jane a run for her money. He helped us up the hills in our two hour, very painful, bike ride, helped us find our way through the cave expedition of doom, and climb the wondrous mountains of Young show. He even helped us survive the highly dangerous roads, where the only rules of maneuvering a vehicle, are that there are none, literally. Although some of us may feel that he misled us into some intense mud swimming, he was the one who gave us our passion for the trip and for China.

Our last tour guide was lucky enough to have us for the last portion of the trip in Shanghai. He was able to experience the group’s closeness and chemistry. It was here that all guards were let down and we were able to truly bond as a group and come together to conclude the China Sophomore Experience. From this trip I have been rewarded with memories, pictures, and video that will capture the essence of what I have learned and ultimately “experienced”.

Latin America: new sights to see

By Kyle Riordan
Contributor

Over the winter break I had the privilege of participating in the Latin America Sophomore International Experience program. Spending nearly two weeks in an engrossing learning environment in Panama, Ecuador, and the Galapagos islands taught me about business and culture in ways that the conventional classroom simply cannot compare. Though my time spent abroad now seems like it passed in an instant, I feel my time in each place bettered me both as a student and as a person.

Each place of course had its own numerous highlights, or experiences that I will never forget; first of which is the Panama Canal. The mere idea of it, a canal stretching the width of a country, wide enough to facilitate some of the world’s largest cargo ships is incredible. Prior to leaving for this trip I had read about the canal in history classes, and seen documentaries on how it was made and what it is now used for, but it wasn’t until I saw it in person, until I traveled through some of its many locks, that I could possibly understand its immensity and its magnificence. Seeing something so incredible, something that was made so many years ago gave me a new perspective on what can be accomplished through motivation and tireless work.

After Panama we traveled to the Galapagos Islands to spend three days hiking, touring, snorkeling, all the time taking in the beautiful scenery and learning about the islands’ delicate ecosystem. I don’t think I have ever seen so much wildlife and so many different species of animals concentrated into one area in my life. Just a short walk from the hotel to a small dock down the road and I was able to see nearly a dozen sea lions lounging on piers and boats sunbathing and swimming in the water, sometimes right next to local children. Our group at one point even got the chance to swim with the sea lions off a very small island close to where we were staying. Amazingly, the sea lions weren’t the only large aquatic creatures I encountered while snorkeling off the coasts of the numerous islands we visited. At one point I came across a sea turtle; surprisingly it was quite curious and despite my intention to swim out of its way and let it pass, the turtle seemed more content to circle and inspect me. During our time on the Galapagos we learned of how much danger the islands’ ecosystems are in from commercial fishing, non-indigenous wildlife, and even too much tourism. After seeing how remarkable the islands truly are it is my hope that beauty can be preserved.

The final leg in the trip was the country of Ecuador. I think what amazed me most there was the time spent at the equator witnessing some of the amazing effects of nature. How twenty feet to the north or south made it difficult for one to push down a partners’ arms down as he held them out in front of his body, but when done standing over the equator where there is a lesser pull of gravity and the test became a breeze. I enjoyed my time in Latin America, from two weeks of learning I feel I have gained a lifetime of knowledge.
Go red day!

By Brigit Clancy
Assistant Variety Editor

Heart disease is the number one killer of Ameri-
can women. While one in thirty female deaths is
from breast cancer, one in about three is from car-
diovascular disease.

February 1st is the National Wear Red Day. So
on Friday February 1st 2008, Peer Education held a “Go
Red for Women” event in the Rotunda. It was the
first time Bryant University has had this “Red”
awareness day on campus. “[Peer Ed] decided to raise
awareness about heart disease because many
members of the Bryant community are unaware that
it is the number one killer of women in America,” said
sophomore Nicole Archambault, Director and a participant in Relay for Life.

Last year, Bryant raised over $56,000 for Relay for Life for nine years, calls the fundraiser “an amazing event. There’s noth-
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killer of women, especially in our generation. If
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Peer Ed set up an informational table with pam-
phlets and posters informing students and faculty
about the risks of heart disease and the preventative
measures that can be taken to create a healthier 
life. “Many students do not understand that this health 
risk can be prevented,” said Donahue. “If students 
start to take preventative measures at a young age, they 
will be less likely to be threatened by this dis-
ease in the future. Through the ‘Go Red for Women’ campaign, we hope to encourage students to ‘love 
their heart’ and start making healthy lifestyle 
choices to reduce their risk of heart disease.”

Members of the Bryant commu-
nity were asked to wear red to raise
awareness about heart disease. Stud-
ents and staff also had the chance
to donate five dollars to the Ameri-
can Heart Association, and received a “Go Red for Women” campaign
color pin in return. Donahue said, “The money that we collect will help the American Heart Association to con-
tinue to conduct research on heart disease and to educate women about this health risk.”

Peer Ed also showed a PowerPoint presentation provided by the Ameri-
can Heart Association. The presenta-
tion summarized the risks of heart 
disease and described measures that
that can be taken to prevent these risks.

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women who decided to share their
personal experiences with heart dis-
ease.

The members of Peer Ed want to
spread awareness to the Bryant community and help support the fight against heart disease. “In the
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Here comes relay for life!

By Emily Murphy
Staff Writer

On January 30th, the Rotunda shone brightly in purple and white, the
signature colors of Relay for Life, a program created by the American Cancer Society and sponsored by Bryant’s chapter of Colleges Against Cancer. Students milled around several committee tables while student reps tried to recruit new members. Perhaps the biggest draw to the kick-
off was the team registration table, where students were encouraged to form a fundraising team. Each team is allowed one captain and up to fif-
teen members, each of whom are required to raise a minimum of $100 for
the event. Last year, Bryant raised over $56,000 for Relay for Life.

Bryant’s chapter of Colleges Against Cancer set a goal of 60 teams to sign up before the kickoff event. Counting the five teams that were signed up before the kickoff, 43 teams were created. Teams will continue to spread awareness to the Bryant community and help support the fight against heart disease. “In the
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THE COLD - FLU SEASON IS HERE ARE YOU PREPARED?
Submitted by Health Services

There is much controversy why this time of the year people become ill with colds and flu. Some feel it is the cold weather that brings people inside in close proximity, yet in the desert people are inside huddled around the air conditioner and do not
seem to have the same problem. We know the cold air, going outside without your coat or going out with wet hair doesn’t cause colds. Perhaps it is the increase stress due to deadlines to be met, business of holidays. Is it the fact we turn to comfort foods thus altering our healthy eating habits or does the cold weather limit our usual exercise routine? For what ever the reason it is time.

The cold virus is the most common form of human illness. The cold or viral respira-
tory infection is caused by a variety of viruses. Cold viruses live in mucus. When we sneeze we politely cover our mouth with our hands. This however spreads it around unintentionally. We then sneeze someone’s hand, the door handle to open the door, answer the common phone or use the computer keys. The next person touches these surfaces then wipes their eyes or touches their mouth and now has al-

Colds start generally with fatigue, scratchy throat, headache, low grade fever and
precede to nasal congestion sneezing and coughing. It is not uncommon for the mu-
cous to be discolored early in the morning and clear as the day goes on. This does not mean there is an infection. A cold may last up to one week before resolving.

The flu may lead to serious health conditions. The flu comes on suddenly within hours, typi-
cally with extreme fatigue, severe body aches, fever greater then 101, dry hacking cough and chest pain. If you think you have the flu you should seek medical atten-
tion. The flu may lead to serious health conditions.

Take care of yourself. Practice good nutrition, limiting sweets, carbohydrates, alco-
hol. Rest as needed. Exercise regularly. Wash hands constantly with ordinary soap.

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East Coast, West Coast – Where are the opportunities?

Submitted by Judy Dumas

Location, location, location! How do you decide where to live and work after graduation? Being a new career is challenging; but deciding where to live and work can be just as difficult a decision.

Some graduates prefer to stay in the New England area, in fact, 97 percent of graduates from the Class of 2006 ended up working in the Northeast. The rest chose farther horizons, such as the West Coast, which has an allure of year-round beautiful weather, but a reputation for being prohibitively expensive. Meet three alumni living and working in San Francisco and surviving comfortably. Mark Bellias, Brendan Hayes and Brenda Kahler.

Mark, a finance and computer information systems major, lived in Morris Plains, New Jersey. “In my senior year, I had only one job offer, and that one paid by the hour,” says Mark. “A friend had just returned from San Francisco and described how nice it was. At the time, the dotcom boom was over for a change of scenery, but not too far for a successful career. As an auditor for Price-waterhouseCoopers LLP, Brendan is happy with her residential and career outlook.

All three alumni grew up on the East Coast and took a chance in moving across the country. When asked how he managed the high cost of living, Brendan says, “Starting out in San Francisco, living with housemates is key! There are great apartments and locations, and splitting the rent is ideal. It’s also nice to meet, you meet lots of great people through your housemates.”

Says Mark: “If you’re smart and work hard, you shouldn’t have a problem living here. I know business people, chefs, musicians, all of whom have found a way to make San Francisco work for them.”

“I think it’s the same as any other big city,” says Brendan. “I have a monthly budget, and I stick to it. When I looked for an apartment, I made sure it was no more than one third of my gross monthly income and rent controlled.”

So, it’s financially doable, but what makes San Francisco so appealing to these three alumni?

“The environment, along with the attitude and demeanor of San Francisco residents is amazing,” says Brendan. “The pace of life, the weather, with IPOD docking stations and many more prizes.

“We hope to see you in Support Services with a winning label.”

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If you are interested in learning more, please contact Susan Detri-Souve at 401-232-6173 or sdetri@bryant.edu.
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VANDALISM (AUTO)  JAN 31 2008-Thursday at 17:55
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LARCENY  FEB 1 2008-Friday at 12:47
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Summary:  A report of a stolen laptop.

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EMT CALL  Medical Services Rendered  FEB 2 2008-Saturday at 10:53
Location:  RESIDENCE HALL
Summary:  A report of a female vomiting.  EMS was activated.

BIAS INCIDENTS

To report a bias incident or hate crime, go to www.bryant.edu/bias or call the Bias Incidents Hotline at 800-20.

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/behaviour.

What is 4MILE?

4MILE stands for 4 years of Multicultural and International Leadership Experience. It’s a support program for multicultural and international students that provides connections to the resources and networks necessary for success at Bryant University. The program is scheduled from August 25 through August 29, 2008.

Who are 4MILE Peer Counselors?

Becoming a 4MILE Peer Counselor is a rewarding opportunity for both personal and professional growth. Not only do you serve an important leadership role in assisting new Multicultural and International students and ensure their transition to the Bryant Community, but you also serve as a peer mentor, peer educator, peer advisor, group facilitator, resource contacts and role model.

Application is available at the Intercultural Center Bryant Center 2nd floor

Deadline:  Wednesday February 13, 2008 by 4:30 in the ICC

Intercultural Center is seeking

4MILE Peer Counselors for 2008-2009
Reason for going: I am a student in the International Business program at Bryant. As well as being a requirement for graduation from the program, I was also very interested in the opportunity to study abroad even though I was daunted by it. I chose China because I missed studying Chinese, and its something different than the common destinations in Europe.

Best experience/memory: It’s really tough to say because the program provided us with all expenses paid travel all over the country; on top of that I made a ton of great friends, a few of which I could call best friends now, and we had some great times. If I had to pick one experience to call the “best”, I would have to say the weekend we spent at the Great Wall in Simatai (a part of Beijing), which was a truly amazing experience. Its massive size and marvel certainly exceeded my expectations. We hiked for miles from tower to tower, saw the sunrise and sunset, heard all the myths and legends, and even slept in a village a stone throw away from the wall. At the end of the trip we zip lined from a point near the top of the wall down to the bottom. Being on the wall and hearing different stories about its history allowed us to imagine what it was like when it was actually in use. It’s something I would recommend to anyone, and I promise you won’t be disappointed.

Funny cultural experience: In China, a visit to the restroom is not the most private of things, apparently its not a large concern; in fact, many toilets are not sit down, but rather “squatters.” During one such time in Xiahe, where I was traveling with the voice of China and opinion, we heard the problem and the humor, I’ll say that the food in China doesn’t usually sit well in your stomach. It really wasn’t funny at the time.

How was the school different from Bryant University? Well, first of all the campus is, not surprisingly, about 4 times the size of Bryant’s. The facilities are not quite as up to date as here either, but still more than adequate for our needs. The student body is also much different. At least for us as international students, was the accommodations. On the third floor of our building were dorms. The rooms and the floor were the class rooms. So, after those late nights of studying it was easy to roll out of bed at 7:55 and walk up the stairs to class before 8:00.

How did this experience change you? Before China, I was definitely not a traveler. I had never been far away from home for a long period of time except for a two week trip to Latin America during my Sophomore International Experience. I didn’t like to travel and got homesick easily. After spending four months in China visiting places all over the country I have come to appreciate and enjoy traveling and plan to do much more of it.

Would you study abroad again given the opportunity? Absolutely! I always have. Before last semester I was very scared about it. I was nervous about being that far away for so long away from family and friends, and away from the normalcy I had knowing my whole life. It was especially hard being in a serious relationship and knowing we would be apart for four months. To my surprise, it was one of the best experiences of my life. I made the best of friends and memories that will really last a lifetime. Experiencing a culture that was entirely different and adapting to the way of life there was interesting, and something that I couldn’t have come across during a short trip. On top of it all, my Chinese speaking skills have leaps and bounds which was one of my goals for the trip.

**Let Your Voice Be Heard!**

By Sarah Campbell

Editorial Assistant

Welcome to Let Your Voice Be Heard! This is a new section of the Archway that will keep you updated on everything that is going on around Bryant University. This column aims to give the student body a place to voice their opinions, ask questions, or concern, please check out our website at www.bryantsenior.org or you will find a list of all senators, committees, FAQs, and the “Ask A Senator” page for your suggestions.

This week at Senate:

- Current reserve account balance: $13,900
- A request was granted to the Running Club for an initial budget allocation of $435
- We are proud to announce that we have a new class of 2008 Senior Senator Mr. Phillip Weiss. Phillip ran to fill the empty seat and we are excited to welcome him back to the Senate family. Senior Class Committee thanks all the 319 seniors that came to the Hi-lat seniors event, our biggest one yet! DPS ride along program will be available to students through the end of March.
- The Bryant Center games from Nick’s Place are now in South Café and Nick’s is now a meeting room.
- Senior Service Awards packets will be out soon.
- After working with the manufacturer, the IT department has been able to replace over 300 laptop batteries and are continuing to replace defective batteries. The Senate and IT department would like to encourage all R60 owners to contact Laptop Central if your battery is not holding a normal charge. For those who qualify, batteries will be replaced, free of charge, through the end of February. For questions regarding this issue contact Laptop Central or Senate IT Chair Ryan Letourneau.

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Which primary candidates do you like in the upcoming election?

“I like McCain because he is a war veteran and that would help us in the conclusion to the War in Iraq.”
Justin Doyle ’11

“I like Obama because his viewpoints are similar to mine.”
Christine Sutherland ’11

“I would like to see Obama win because he would be the first black president, and he is very attractive.”
Sean Kaukas ’11

“I like John McCain because of his views on issues and war experience.”
Kevin O’Neill ’09

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“Barack Obama is my favorite right now because his views are most similar to mine.”
Mallory Musante ’10

“Obama because I support the issues that he has presented. Unfortunately, not many people know about the real issues being debated in the campaigns because the media only shows who has been seen with which celebrities. They are not presenting important topics. It makes it hard for college kids to get information.”
Lauren Gainor ’10

“McCain will get my vote because I don’t like the other Republican candidates.”
Nick Pilecki ’09

“I like Obama because I think this nation is ready for change, and he is the leader that would deliver that most.”
Trevor Hambright ’08

Compiled by Maddie Archambeault
**Men’s Basketball**

The Men’s basketball team continues to play tough this year, battling Northwest Missouri State University strongly. They currently hold an 8-8 NE-10 record and a 12-9 overall record. They are currently sitting 7th in the league, but do hold the 6th position in the region poll.

Bryant has been able to stay above .500 and is going to prove to be a challenge for any team they face. Recently, the Bulldogs a couple games back and Bryant could easily have 3 or 4 more wins than the current total. This is only going to help the Bulldogs downtown the stretch because they have played those tough games and are looking to make a strong run this semester.

It started off with a strong win against Kansas-Lawrence, the Bulldogs won by a close contest 65-60. Creighton scored 17 points and Jon Ezektoki added 16 to help Bryant to victory. Bryant benefited from a strong 45 percent shooting performance from the floor as well as a 42-11 rebounding advantage. The Bulldogs also received strong efforts from Chris Burrell and Jerrann Wright, who threw in points and rebounds and points sevenboards, respectively.

Bryant carried their confidence over into another conference match against Saint Anselm, which Bryant defeated 71-63. Freshman Jordan Papadinis has been one of the many players contributing to the Bulldog’s 12-9 season.

**Women’s Basketball**

It has been a very busy start to the season for the Women’s basketball team. In reality they come in with a short and they came back immediately after the Christmas break.

They have been hard at work and are putting together a very solid season to date. Since the break, the Bulldogs have posted a 6-5 mark and are currently sitting in the 6th position in their last year of NE-10 play with a 9-7 conference record, 14-7 overall.

This season has already seen great success, with the women breaking the school record for consecutive wins in a row. They have brought their streak to a total of nine wins in a row before dropping a tough one at Saint Anselm.

Since the end of January, the girls have picked up their pace once again, showcasing the rest of the conference teams that Bryant is here to play this year. The team started off with a strong 60-51 win over conference rival Umass-Lowell on the River Hawks’ home court.

Bryant received great performances by Players Papadinis and Fromm who you see in the stands for the Bulldogs put a scare into Bentley College, with what could potentially be their last conference match. Bryant was able to post a 3 game winning streak. This time the game was held at Bryant but Bryant wasn’t able to stay away with a 2nd win, losing 59-58 in a heartbreaker. Lindsey Sullivan scored on a straight 3-point field goals to tie the game possible but in the end Bryant came away with the win.

Bryant traveled to Franklin Pierce February 5 to take on the Ravens. However, this article was put into print before the game was finished. The Bulldogs have games remaining before conference tournament play gets under way and they look to make it run to establish a playoff spot.
**Region of Doom**

By Kevin J. DuPont
Staff Writer

There I am, jumping around, celebrating with my friends as we maul each other with long coming hugs and smiles after witnessing the greatest season in NFL history. The red, white and blue confetti falls from the dome roof and the fans scream with remarkable sounds of relief. The New England Patriots had completed a perfect season. 19-0. Something that has never been done before.

Then I wake up. It’s Monday morning, I have class in an hour and I roll out of bed. When my feet hit the ground, the impact brings me back to the tear-jerking moment of watching my beloved Patriots fall to the New York Giants in Super Bowl XLII 17-14 the night prior. I watched bedazzled and confused as the wrong team celebrated on the field in Glendale, AZ. I watched in horror, as Eli Manning (that’s right Eli Manning) jumped up and down in uncontrollable and well-earned excitement. I watched Bill Belichick begrudgingly storm off the field after shaking Tom Coughlin’s hand with one-second left in the clock. That should have been a dream.

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**Top Dogs**

**Stephanie Montagano**

**Year:** Sophomore  
**Sport:** Indoor Track  
**Why this dog was picked:** Montagano set a new school record in the women’s 400 meters at the Harvard University Indoor Track Meet last year.

**Hafiz Greigre**

**Year:** Senior  
**Sport:** Indoor Track  
**Why this dog was picked:** Greigre had a great weekend at the Harvard University Open Saturday in Cambridge. The senior ran a leg in the first place 4x440 yard relay team and later set a new school record in the men’s 60 meter dash, placing second in a time of 6.81 seconds. He would later take first place honors in the men’s 200 meters, winning in a time of 21.59 seconds.

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**Specter making a spectacle**

By David Niles
Staff Writer

On the eve of the Super Bowl, just when you thought we could put Spygate behind us, a former Patriots’ videographer accuses the team of videotaping the St. Louis Rams walk through before Super Bowl XXXVI. If that wasn’t bad enough, Senator Arlen Specter, an avid Philadelphia Eagles fan, wants the Senate judiciary Committee to look into the Spygate controversy. He is concerned that if all the accusations levied against the Patriots this season are true, then the NFL has not been operating with a level playing field over the course of the last few years. It should not go unnoticed that the Senator has may have particular personal interest because he believes his beloved Eagles may have been wronged by the Patriots devious tactics a few seasons ago.

Fans may and have a right to be curious about what exactly the Patriots have specifically been doing with their video equipment over the course of their dynastic run. It is even logical for the NFL to launch a more in-depth investigation into the mounting allegations (and they do seem to be mounting). However, it is not a matter in which our government should be involved. It is one thing for them to get involved in the steroids issue in baseball because they could claim it was an issue of public health and involved illegal activity (using and distributing steroids was illegal even if it wasn’t against MLB rules). But for Senator Specter to launch a Congressional investigation into whether or not a team cheated in a sport is utterly ridiculous. Doesn’t he have more things to be worried about? Perhaps, the War in Iraq, unemployment or our health care system. It’s nice to see our tax dollars going to good use.

The Senator made himself look even more ridiculous when he compared Commissioner Goodell’s destruction of the Patriots’ tapes to the CIA destroying confidential evidence. The senator is either a bitter and jealous fan, a politician looking to draw up some PR for himself or maybe both.

Unfortunately for the NFL, they will have to oblige Senator Specter and the Commissioner will undoubtedly meet with the Senator at his request. Why? It doesn’t help that the NFL has the privilege of being exempt from anti-trust laws. These laws allow the NFL to earn hundreds of millions of dollars in TV revenue by not permitting individual teams to sell their own broadcast rights (as the Red Sox and Yankees can do with NESN and the YES network, respectively). It also allows the NFL to mandate that their players can only play for the team that picked them when they are drafted out of college, instead of shopping their services to the highest bidder. Losing this exemption would cripple the NFL, which is arguably the most powerful and lucrative business entity in the country, never mind the world of sports. Thus, we will probably be forced to put up with more Congressional grandstanding and filibustering in the near future.

I think too many Patriot fans have tried to ignore the seriousness of the Spygate controversy. Many argue the information they would have gotten gave them no real advantage. If that were so, then why would the Patriots resort to such tactics? They did so because they knew what they were doing was against the rules. When you are sick you take medication because it works, baseball players take steroids because it enhanced their performance, and the Patriots used video equipment to steal signals because they thought it gave them an advantage. This being said, Congress has no place inserting themselves into such a controversy. Our only hope is that another politician steps up and confronts their peers about the ridiculousness of A Senate Judiciary Committee investigating an NFL cheating scandal that, at worst, violated a NFL rule, not a federal law. So step aside Senator Specter. Let the NFL take care of NFL matters and we’ll let you get back to taking care of things that really matter.
Region of Doom

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As I get ready for my day, the world is a sort of blur as the memories of last night flash before my eyes like unwanted visions. The shadow of Eli Manning seemed to follow me wherever I go, and I can still hear the spine-rattling chant of "You can't take it! You can't take it!" It couldn't have happened. Surely the universe could not possibly have allowed the New England Patriots to lose the very last game, the Super Bowl, the only thing between them and becoming the first repeat champions in Super Bowl history to win a step on the turf. But it did. It happened, and there was nothing I could say or do to take it back. It was like a family member died. Half of my world just turned to ash, a storybook ending to the whole day. It was the first stage of grief. Denial. We were all playing the game in our own world, pushing our own grief as we just couldn't accept it. It simply did not happen. It just never was. "It couldn't have lost," I kept telling myself. "Eli Manning could never lose, Tyree Brady, not in the Super Bowl, not ever.

The day wears on, and everyone, including myself, slowly slips into the second stage of grief: Anger. "Don't you dare win it with that pass! What were you THINKING Vince Wilfork, when you didn't wrap up Eli on the fateful play where he fumbled and a Watts defender got away and threw a forty-yard bomb to Tyree? You're four-hundred pounds. ACT LIKE IT!"

"Look Alive Brady! Your lackadaisical approach to the whole game is really pissing me off. Since when is a lack of intensity? For god sake's PEYTON Manning, who is not even playing in this game, is more pumped up than you.

Then, we as fans begin to bargain. The third stage of grief. "Why is this happening to us? What did we do wrong? All we wanted was OUR beloved Patriots to get what they rightfully deserve. But did they deserve it? No.

"Why did they only kick four field goals? They self-destructed around for four quarters like they were playing a meaningless Week 17 game that didn't even mean a thing. Oh, wait. It was Week 17 that that meaningless throw-away game was against the Giants. In that game, the invincible Patriots played the Giants hard, and even though neither team BENEFITED from a win, they played it like it was the Super Bowl. "Dear God, Can we have it back? Can Week 17 be the Super Bowl instead? I'll be a good boy! Promise!"

Then comes depression. The mood and awful funk hit you harder than ever before, and perhaps, you find yourself with your head down, and every time you see someone in a Giants shirt, you just lower your head. You don't want to see the look on their face. You don't want to see that satisfaction. You don't want to see them believing they have the bragging rights and that YOU had blown it. Then you accept it. You come to terms with the fact, that even the best team is vulnerable. That a 19-0 season is not as easy as the Patriots once made it look. That the fact that they were 18-0 going into the Super Bowl was special in itself, and that NO ONE has ever done that before. Sure, they blew it. They tore your heart out and scattered it across every square inch of New England, but that's the NFL. That's the sport it remains. They still are your beloved New England Patriots. They are still the team that in Super Bowl XXXVI, CHOSE to be introduced as a team. They came out, and in similar terms to the Broncos, were a heavy underdog that shocked the whole country. They still are the dynasty of the 2000s. No one can take away the joy they brought to you eighteen straight games. Not even Don Shula and his lame ass franchise can. What does this all add up to? We've felt it before. It's the power of getting behind your sports team and watching them fall, but being the fullest. Endless amounts of love for a roster of men that are being overpaid to play a game. However, you only find such indescribable support in one place. The northeast. The emotion, the intensity, the loyalty have become a routine in New England and New York. Why? They hate each other. Simple.

This year's class features five former student-athletes and one contributor who will be inducted during the annual Hall of Fame and Induction Dinner on Saturday, February 9, 2008 in the Bello Center's Stepan Grand Hall. The six new members of the hall of fame, as chosen by a 10-person committee, are: Bishop Feehan and Medway, MA native Jeff Renga '03 (Baseball); Ron Renaud '81 (Contributor); Heather Lopes '96 (women's basketball); Marcio Monroe '99 (volleyball); Philip Cosse '81 (cross country); and Ray Lyons '97 (men's golf).

This year's class will bring the total number of members of the Bryant University Athletics Hall of Fame to 78. For more information, please contact Jason Sullivan at jsulliva@bryant.edu or signup online at www.bryantbulls.com

LORENZO PERRY DRAFTED BY NEW ALL-AMERICAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE

2006 All-American Lorenzo Perry (Providence, RI) has been drafted in the 47th round by the Arkansas franchise of the New All American Football League. Perry left Bryant as the program’s greatest player. He is the school’s all-time leader in rushing touchdowns with 36 and racked up 3,259 rushing yards in his two years at Bryant after transferring from UMass-Amherst. Perry led the Bulldogs to a share of their first NE-10 Conference championship and the program’s first NCAA playoff game in 2006. His senior year he rushed for 1,924 yards and 20 touchdowns while garnering All-America recognition.

BRYANT MEN’S BASKETBALL GAME TO AIR ON COX

For the second year in a row, Bryant men's basketball will capture a state-wide television audience. Cox Sports Channel 3 of Rhode Island will broadcast the Bulldogs’ North-East Conference showdown with CCNY of John Jay College of Criminal Justice, State University on Saturday, February 16 at the Chace Athletic Center as part of “Cox On Campus.” The game will be taped and aired on Cox Channel 3 on Sunday, February 17 at 7 p.m.

Do you like to write? Join The Archway Sports Team.

Come to a meeting this Monday at 4:30 in room 2B of the Bryant Center. No experience necessary.
By Molly Briggs

First of all - did anyone notice the New York Giants' trainer? He has been with them since 1948 and I got more of a laugh out of that guy than I did from the commercials.

When you think of the commercials, which one comes to mind first? Maybe it is a Budweiser ad, maybe it is a Doritos ad or maybe it was a... well, what was that commercial advertising? Which commercial is your #1.

More and more companies are using the Internet as a tool for their social networking website Face- book to find out about their prospective employees. Is this an invasion of privacy? Do this violate the right to privacy, or does it mean there are any applicable and enforce- able laws as stated in the United States Constitution to protect citi- zens against this type of invasion of privacy?

Companies that are looking at prospective employment candi- dates are using not only Face- book, but the Internet to seek all information in general. Accord- ing to a recent survey by Ponemon Institute, a corporation that researches issues dealing with privacy, 35 percent of hiring managers use Google to do back- ground checks on job candidates. If your name (or any portion of it) is on the Internet, you are not sure to find it. The Ponemon sur- vey also revealed the about one- third of those Web searches lead to the rejections of candidates.

According to a survey by the Ponemon Institute, about 23 per- cent of managers looking at job candidates use social networking sites like Facebook. Facebook has become more accessible to people in the past several years, making it easi- er for managers to find things such as pictures and information about candidates. A once private and protected social networking site is now being used by many. Companies have also extended only for college students, but Facebook is now being used by all majors. The Internet, in the past may have served as a virtual classroom, but now it serves as a tool for employers.

Many people post inaccu- rately information about themselves. They have the right to post false or demeaning information. Companies are using the Internet to check on candidates. There is no way to prevent the Internet from being used for this purpose.

Still, many people use the Internet as a tool to check on potential candidates. It is known that a potential employer may not like for some reason to find out about you. Companies have been known to not hire candidates for any reason. The Internet may be used by companies to check on potential candidates. Companies are using the Internet to check on potential candidates. If your name (or any portion of it) is on the Internet, you are not sure to find it. The Ponemon survey also revealed that about one- third of those Web searches lead to the rejections of candidates.

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In the past four years, Bryant has made significant progress technologically and has redefined itself as an institution. The University’s achievements constantly appear in the news and for those of us who have Google Alerts set up, the news hits go beyond athletics. Articles and journals citing our professors’ research, updates on campus safety, the Confucius Institute and community involvement are just some of the items in any given week. Those affiliated seem to have a great relationship with the media, communicating all of its many achievements and plans for the future.

So imagine my surprise when I saw in my Google Alert one day an entry on Wikipedia for the “Bryant University Chapel.” The University of my knowledge, an official design, details, and name for the structure had not been confirmed, but maybe it just was not confirmed to the Bryant University community. The source of information found on Wikipedia is Gwathmey Siegel & Associates, the architecture firm for the project. Those affiliated seem to have a great relationship with the media, communicating all of its many achievements and plans for the future.

If you follow the reference to the firm’s website, you’ll find a project gallery of five graphic representations of the structure, a three paragraph description of its characteristics, and a project pdf with additional information for download. According to the project portfolio, the chapel’s completion date is 2009 and will include a water wall, and a reflecting pool. Beyond these the chapel’s completion date is 2009 and will indicate pdf with additional information for free. If you are interested in purchasing multiple copies for a price of 50 cents at the discretion of those affiliated seem to have a great relationship with the media, communicating all of its many achievements and plans for the future. The University of my knowledge, an official design, details, and name for the structure had not been confirmed, but maybe it just was not confirmed to the Bryant University community. The source of information found on Wikipedia is Gwathmey Siegel & Associates, the architecture firm for the project. Those affiliated seem to have a great relationship with the media, communicating all of its many achievements and plans for the future.

The Fashionistas

By Jessica Komoroski and Celeste Tennon

Assistant Opinion Editor and Assistant Campus News Editor

Hello Ladies and Gentlemen! After a well-deserved break, we hope you’re happy to see us back in business. We’re sure that your favorite Mommas have returned. In the last article, we forgot to inform you that our very first article when we bashed crocs their latest fashion mishaps. You may recall run-ins with fashion school drop-outs and Momma B and Momma V have had numerous ways to give the money to his mom because she really needed it. So, wait. Is this kid trying to tell me that he applied for this job, for a lack of a better word, to help his parents? Part of why kids get a part time job is to start saving money. Seventy-five percent of high school students would be eligible to get a job. I think more experience with their own finances for the part time job, like how to manage real life, will help them know how to work independently (not with a tutor), as this plan is proffered, how to budget the student’s time, etc. They could also potentially make more money at the part time job, too.

Also, I think that this is shutting out an entire group of students. What about the students who have that have horrible grades and are struggling in class? Do you honestly think they are going to be motivated to learn from a tutor without paying eight dollars an hour I might ask you? Do you think the median income of this county where the proposed Learn and Earn program is being played is just shy of $23,000. For you to turn around and say that means that fifty percent of the county makes below the thirty percent makes above, so this particular group of students obviously doesn’t apply, but what if this was implemented more widely? If the pilot program of forty students goes here, it is possible that sponsoring the program wants to make it a national endeavor. It may provide an opportunity for low-income students to study harder with the incentive of earning. But what if I work very hard throughout the semester and don’t earn a penny? I can’t really afford that. Those who don’t take part in the program may not have the same, a sense of accomplishment that I received my own education, the tutoring, and without the money. If you want to help those of you Stats students, it’s likely to get a Snickers, but they want to, they have never impersonate gay men. That ain’t right. Michael or Michael Jackson? Women should never impersonate gay men. That ain’t right.

You Pay Me I Learn

By Michael Adams

Opinion Editor

So that’s apparently how it’s going to be. The Georgia high school and middle school is called the Water Wall and Earlham Program. Students are picked from an applicant pool based on test scores, grades, test scores and free or reduced lunch status, and earning a 90+ grade after school to learn from tutors. Just like the real world, the students will be awarded bonuses if their grades improve. This is the first pilot program to see if grades improve when there is money in the line.

I honestly can’t believe that this is happening. What is our world coming to? We are now in a world where younger students need to be paid to do work. The odd thing is this is an issue that we are discussing even as non changes when you go to college. In most cases you need to have professors to teach us. We pay them almost $40,000 a year. That’s $8,000 after school hours these kids would have to go to work to make the pay for the instruction of one year at Bryant. You only covered the story of the Georgia school district. There are other interesting things. The reporter asked the student what they were doing. What are they learning? They are earning. One student mentioned that he was going to give the money to his mom because she really needed it. So, wait. Is this kid trying to tell me that he applied for this job, for a lack of a better word, to help his parents? Part of why kids get a part time job is to start saving money. Seventy-five percent of high school students would be eligible to get a job. I think more experience with their own finances for the part time job, like how to manage real life, will help them know how to work independently (not with a tutor), as this plan is proffered, how to budget the student’s time, etc. They could also potentially make more money at the part time job, too.

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Opinion

Simon Says: How to be a Better Lover

By Toby Simon
Staff Columnist

It’s that time of year again. Valentine’s Day. I also think it’s time to revisit this particular holiday as a chance to talk about the need to “love” carefully. Obvi- ously this is different for all of us but for the purposes of this column, I want to talk about when “love” includes sex.

Whether sex is perfectly natural or not, many college students have made choices to engage in sexual activity of some sort. Other students have made decisions to abstain from sex until they are either married to a commitment, or including relationships. The data on college students’ sexual prac- tices reports that over 90% of the college stu- dents have engaged in some form of sexual activity by the time of graduation. For me, this statistic reinforces the notion that on a college campus, there needs to be many opportunities for students to talk openly about sexual decision mak- ing, what it means to be in love, how to recognize healthy relationships and how to keep oneself safe from diseases, unplanned pregnancies, and sexual assault.

Many of you have arrived at Bryant having sexual experiences ranging from abstinence to intercourse and a vari- ety of activities in between. In talking with my FFL students early on, they tell me that people here are definitely engag- ing in sex and that often they’ve observed their peers sleeping with someone they or others themselves in some risky sexual behaviors—in- cluding sex under the influence of alcohol and/or forcing or coercing a partner. Re- search actually shows that today’s college students are engaging in the same sexual behaviors that students engaged in dur- ing the 1970s.

The most frequently asked questions that I receive are STILL about virginity, pregnancy, disease, non-consensual sexual encounters, sexual orientation, and sexual functioning. Sex is still the number one issue students enjoy talking about. And the bottom line is this: should you choose to engage in sexual activity, you must protect yourself and love carefully. Esti- mate that one in 500 college students in the US is HIV positive. Over 20% of col- lege students have had a sexually trans- mitted infection. And these can be pre- vented.

If you are deciding to be sexually ac- tive, protect yourself and your partner. Use condoms. They do work. Plan ahead for the possibility that sex may happen and carry condoms with you. And that goes for women as well as men. If you aren’t sexually active, don’t ever share your views about abstinence with others. We must respect each person’s right to decide if and when they are ready to be sexually active.

The importance of good communica- tion cannot be stressed enough. The biggest sex organ is the brain so it needs to be used when being intimate with someone. Talking about sex with a partner doesn’t have to be a clinical discur- sion nor does it require a legal document of informed consent. It just needs to hap- pen, somehow, some way in the words that work for you. Memo to guys: stop- ping the hook-up session with a woman, getting up, finding a condom and putting it on is NOT—I repeat—is NOT the best form of communication. It’s not the way to get consent for sexual activity. Talk to us. We like it. It’s a turn on. Remember: a kiss is NOT an invi- tation to have sex. Nothing short of danc- ing, making out and other forms of “hanging up.” They are just extremely enjoyable sexual behaviors that can be highly satisfying on their own. People who think that these behaviors are con- sent to sexual intercourse need to read just their attitudes. And remember: the right thing about alcohol. Want to be a better lover? Try having sex when you and your partner are sober. Communicating clearly with a partner what you like to do in bed and ask your partner you like to have done. Another turn-on. Having sex if you are drunk or with someone who is drunk or with someone who is drunk is risky business. For starters, it’s lousy sex according to most experts, and it’s always better to wait until both parties are sober and alert. Also, it may be illegal behavior. Laws about sexual assault state that being intoxicated can sometimes make it very difficult to consent to sex, although it often depends on the degree of impair- ment. Sexual interactions are an impor- tant part of our sexual encounters. Sex should be fun, caring, mutual, and inter- active. Being hammered and not remem- bering the sexual encounter is not only interactive nor caring.

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firmed with placement next to the Bryant Center, seemingly ign- oring students’ concern that this added structure will make the area more congested and will disturb many of the picturesque qualities current students love.

Finding this information online is not the problem but rather a symptom of a larger issue on campus: the lack of communication between administration and the rest of the community. Why isn’t the student body, or community at large, consulted for major changes to the campus? Taking the opinions and concerns for these decisions into consideration seriously does not harm our in- stitution; it could strengthen the connection between the commu- nity and its leaders, increase confidence in the future of Bryant, and possibly help foster a less apathetic student body.

Bryant students are constantly taught that good communica- tion is necessary for success. Not only does practicing good communication skills enhance the academic environment but it shows the positive impact of seeking out opinions through gaining sup- port within the community and welcoming different perspectives.

Maybe the lack of communication is a nationwide trend where the American people are on a need to know basis. As an educational institution, shouldn’t we be trying to overcome the mistakes of our past in order to create the leaders of tomorrow?
Bulldog Flicks: Top 10 Movies of 2007

By Michael Pickowicz
Staff Writer

Now that 2007 is finally over, I figure I will chime in on what my favorite movies were for the entire year. Please take into consideration that I have not seen every movie that came out, and I am not the best person to talk about them. I am not a movie critic. I am just a guy who likes fun and a must-see movie. Here's my top 10 list.

1) There Will Be Blood – This movie is going to go down as one of the greatest films in history. Daniel Day-Lewis gives one of the best performances I have ever seen and Paul Dano does great as well. This movie is going to go, and that is what makes it fantastic. With all the parody movies coming out, it's good to see that it is still possible to write one with original characters, a great story and an excellent sense of humor.

2) Sweeney Todd: Demon Barber of Fleet Street – While most people might be turned off by the excessive amounts of blood and singing, it really does make this movie unique, engaging and fun. Johnny Depp gives one of his greatest performances as a man who is bent on revenge in the most bizarre way possible. What's great about this movie is that Burton doesn't film the play. He makes it his own, which is something many movie musicals have a hard time doing. This is truly a great film.

3) 3:10 To Yuma – This is the definition of doing a remake right. I've never been a big fan of westerns, but "3:10 To Yuma" is a well-made movie with some deep characters. Very few characters this year were as intriguing and well-developed as Russell Crowe's Ben Wade.

4) American Gangster – Russell Crowe puts on another amazing performance, along with Denzel Washington. Few two and a half hour movies can keep my attention quite like this one. Washington plays the perfect businessman with a constantly changing personality, while Crowe is sent to bring him to justice. The movie kept me on the edge of my seat as the two characters' worlds began to collide.

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7) The King of Kong: Fistful of Quarters – While documentaries are sometimes bogged down with facts and morals, "The King of Kong" manages to capture a true and engaging conflict: about Donkey Kong, of all things. Who would have thought I would ever be cheering for a guy to get a million points in a video game? Of course, it's not hard when you want to kick the "world video game champion" and his friends in the teeth. Great fun and a must for anyone who likes video games.

8) Ratatouille – My favorite movie of the summer is also one of the best of the year. Brad Bird once again proves that he truly is an excellent storyteller. Backed by the talent of Pixar, this story about a Rat who wants to be a chef is easily one of the best animated features of the year.

9) Hot Fuzz – In some aspects, "Hot Fuzz" is a parody of the typical buddy cop movie but in other aspects, it isn't. There is no telling where this movie is going to go, and that is what makes it fantastic. With all the parody movies coming out, it's good to see that it is still possible to write one with original characters, a great story and an excellent sense of humor.

10) Stardust – This movie was easily the most overlooked film of 2007. Rarely can a film mix so many elements, including fantasy, comedy, adventure and romance, without it feeling thin. "Stardust" feels just right in every aspect and is simply a solid, fun movie.

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My favorite movie of 2007 was "There Will Be Blood." It is a must-see movie. Make a date to give yourself a pleasant reward.
Lee Camp stand-up at Bryant

By: Melanie Schleeweis-Connor
Staff Writer

A spotlight, microphone, stool, and generic bottle of water were the only props that LSU alum Lee Camp needed to make his audience burst into hysterics. Last Thursdays, January 29, the Student Programming Board invited Camp for approximately 75-100 audience members in the South Cafe of the Bryant Center. As an incentive to attend, students had the opportunity to enter their names into a free raffle for a variety of prizes ranging from a Victoria’s Secret gift card to Coach Outlet to a Ronzio’s or JS Deli certificate.

Strolling in fashionably late at around 9:15, comedian Lee Camp made an immediate impression on the animated audience with his scruffy beard, long hair, and layered shirts. Camp started off the show with a quick acknowledging his appearance. “Good, they got a homeless guy to entertain you.”

Camp’s show receives its momentum from his observations of real life and politics, analogous to Seinfeld. Each new tangent and topic serves as a transition into the next, bringing his ideas full circle – from heavier, politically-driven mockery to lighter, more obscure topics in analogy to Seinfeld.

Some of Camp’s more eccentric stage theatrics literally frightened the audience into laughter. “Next time I’ll give a warning sign when there’s a scary noise coming, but this [speaking] is a noise – so it’s a vicious cycle,” admonished Camp. Playing to the interests of the crowd, Camp was specific in his reference to the anticipated Patriots - Giants Superbowl that upcoming weekend, making students laugh in spite of themselves.

In an interview after his performance, Camp conceded he draws inspiration from real-life venues like the news and politics because, “I want my humor to have a heart and soul.” He recently performed for Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama, in addition to shows at over 500 colleges nationwide. When asked to comment on his experience at Bryant University, Camp said, “I try my best to entertain and honestly, I like colleges better than universities.”

As a last word of advice, Camp left the audience with a final thought, “Look into what you believe, don’t be a moron.”

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For those who came out for the festivities each one received their very own small fish tank with their choice of rock coloring as well as added features such as plants. It was all topped off of course by your very own fish. That was just the beginning. Thursday the 24th, I officially met my new partner in crime, Earl the Pearl! I decked my new tank out with cool blue and solid white rocks and even added a small plant for good measure. The tank was complete and ready to go, and that is when Earl the Pearl was dropped in. Flying around the tank much like I do on campus, he was excited to have his own place.

It was great. They gave out fish food and even a note that explained how and when to feed the fish. They even gave you instructions on how to clean the tank and add new fish. As a last word of advice, Camp poked at us students at Bryant saying “Our school is not a college, it is a university.” As a last word of advice, Camp left the audience with a final thought, “Look into what you believe, don’t be a moron.”

Buon Alimento: Cafe Dolce Vita

By Phil Weiss and Michael Oliveri
Staff Columnists

Welcome back to the spring semester. This week we decided to try out a new breakfast place in Providence. Over the past few years, more and more breakfast places have cropped up on Federal Hill, so we decided to try Cafe Dolce Vita, owned by Mediterranean, a Federal Hill hot spot. The Cafe is a full restaurant and bar serving breakfast on the weekends – but we are reviewing the breakfast menu.

Atmosphere: There is no doubt that Dolce Vita is a lunch/dinner spot before it’s a breakfast place. The bar is the focus when you walk in and the lighting and colors give a right on the town feel more than anything else. It is as if you should be eating a late night meal there and not breakfast. Overall, even if we were there for dinner we might consider the atmosphere to be Federal Hill standards. The crowd was all business – Rhode Islanders. Big hair, loud talking, and velour jumpsuits were all present the morning dining at Dolce vita.

Food: Considering this was a Federal Hill establishment we had high expectations, which in many ways weren’t met. Mike had the eggs benedict which was served with a white English muffin, ham, two poached eggs, and traditional hollandaise sauce. He described the dish as “uninspiring” and relates it to something you would get at a hotel restaurant. There was nothing special about it, but it met the basic requirements of eggs benedict. Phil had eggs over easy, with home fries and Italian toast. Phil’s dish was “decent” but not at all memorable. The eggs were fresh, but the home fries were far too spiced to be enjoyable. Phil did appreciate the Italian toast as it made for a nice change from normal white toast. The coffee was also disappointing, which compounded the standard experience.

Service: Our waiter seemed to be working off his hangover more than he was working on the tables. Mike had to tell him quite firmly to “keep the coffee coming.” For the most part, he didn’t seem interested in providing good service. We are not sure what to attribute this to, but we think it might have to do with the fact that the waiters might not be interested in the low-tipping breakfast crowd.

Price: Breakfast will run you about fifteen dollars a person (with tax and tip). The price is reasonable for Providence, but overall we don’t think it was worth the trip or expense. There are more satisfying and less expensive breakfast options that we would likely be frequent to frequent. If you are looking to try something different, Dolce Vita might be a good option but don’t expect to be wowed. It is located at 59 Depasseau Plaza, Providence RI.

By Melanie Schleeweis-Connor
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With Bush as the brunt of ever-popular presidential jokes, Camp spoke about the upcoming elections, candidates, and their policies, saying at one point, “Bush… isn’t he adorable? He’s like a colorblind child with a rubix cube.” The majority of his political jokes held a sentiment ironically focused on situations based in reality. He mocked political laws, racism, health care, economic recession, immigration, global warming, capital punishment, and abortion.

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It was great. They gave out fish food and even a note that explained how and when to feed the fish. They even gave you instructions on how to clean the tank and add new water, which let me tell you was a great funny project. I only wish you could have seen me chasing Earl the Pearl around that little tank.

Every person I have spoken with loved the event. People were wiling to line up in line, because let’s be honest: how many times do you have the chance to get a free tank and fish along with food? I have never seen such a sweet deal and you know I was jumping on board.

At the end of the day two things happened. 1) SPB had another amazing event, which is beginning to be counted on by this writer because they never let me down and always fill me in this time with water. 2) I got a new little friend to hang out with in the newly furnished single in my townhouse.

In my mind it has been a great start to the semester and I am looking forward to more great stories. I am just not ready for what happens at the end, but we will not worry about that now. Until next time, like I usually say Be Good, or Be Good At It!