By Stephen Demers and David Giardino
Sports Editors

Bryant University is officially joining the Division I ranks. Late last week, President Ronald K. Machley and the Board of Trustees accepted an invitation to join the Northeast Conference.

This is a move that has been in the works for months. In June, the athletic department filed paperwork to explore the possibility of a move. Later in the summer, Bryant began discussions with three conferences; Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference, Patriot League, and Northeast Conference. This move was a result of a few factors. First, President Machley believes that a Division I conference would help Bryant recruit students from new geographical regions. Studies show that the number of high school graduates in New England will peak and eventually decline in 2008. Secondly, Bryant officials felt the landscape of the Northeast-10 would change in the near future. "Potential new members to the NE-10 no longer had similar academic profiles as Bryant, Bentley, and Stonehill," said one result.

As a result, regionalization may occur within the conference. The 18 members could be divided into two regions, north and south. "This move did not impact schools such as Bryant that had submitted To get applications prior to this decision. As a result of this move, Bryant had to decide to accept an invitation to Division I, or return back to Division II for at least four more years. This fell in line with the Northeast Conference quickly developed, and officials from Bryant were asked to give a presentation last week.

The New Jersey Institute of Technology was also competing for a spot to join the conference. "I did not think the NEC would vote in us. If we were not accepted into a league we were planning on pulling back our application. We would not be an independent," said President Machley.

Two NEC schools did vote against Bryant's request to join the conference, but overall NEC members were extremely pleased with the potential of Bryant joining the conference. An invitation to join the NEC had been extended, and Bryant quickly jumped at this opportunity. The Northeast Conference currently has eleven members. They include Central Connecticut State University, Fairleigh Dickinson University, Long Island University, Monmouth University, Mount St. Mary's University, Quinnipiac University, Robert Morris University, Sacred Heart University, Saint Francis College, Wagner College. The University of Albany and Duquesne University are football-only members. "At this point in time the NEC was the only conference that was actively seeking expansion. Both institutions felt the time was right, and it was a great opportunity to become a member," said Bill Smith.

NCAA rules state that schools that jump divisions must remain champions of their conferences for four academic years. As a result, this will be Bryant's final year competing for a championship, and in his fourth year of division I. This fall, discussions with the Northeast Conference quickly developed, and officials from Bryant were asked to give a presentation last week.

By Brian Ford

Staff Writer

I met Drew Cook on September 3rd, 2005. Walking into a new freshman dorm is always a nervous time, and it was no different for Drew. Drew introduced me with a big smile on his face. "Dude, are you ready for this?" That's the way Drew was. He didn't have to say "Hello" or "How are you?" to people. He had his own way of doing things.

Whether it was the Excel sheets of his life plans, his 12 different colors of the same exact polo, or his ability to start studying at 4am and still get a better grade than all of us on a test, it was Drew's way. I think we all can agree Drew was truly an individual.

Drew skiski, as he was known to all of us here at Bryant, was one of, if not the most, competitive person I have ever met. And when I say competitive about anything, I mean anything. A list of things we competed over during freshman year included a love song battle, during which we spent three hours playing love songs and singing to them, playing endless games of Madden, and trying to see who could hold a high note better. I think all of us can remember the night Drew tried to show that he couldn't jump, let alone me match that. By higher and farther than any of us could. Drew won almost every one of these competitions. And, if he didn't win the competition, he'd win the argument afterwards. This wasn't a bad characteristic, rather it was one of Drew's strongest qualities. He was relentless in absolutely everything, and it made Drew who he was.

Another one of Drew's greatest qualities was his ability to get excited about absolutely anything. He once did a whole lap of Hall 15 solely because he won a hand in his favorite game of all, poker. One time, he forced me to do a victory dance for ten minutes when his beloved Cowboys scored a touchdown. The best part of these celebrations was the smile Drew always had on his face, and the laugh that came with it. Drew never faked happiness, he lived it. And he wanted to relive that happiness over and over. His friends here at Bryant are the member Drew's videotaping phase, and the famous "Drew's Drunken novel," which although we'll never recover, it was probably one of the greatest pieces of literature ever written. I will never forget the following morning when Drew and all of us would read what we had entered. Drawn uncontrolably laughing uncontrollably how dumb we all actu­ally were.

There was one thing that I think was probably the most important lesson I learned from Drew. The story stood out to me about Drew above all the rest. It was the fact that he did not keep any of these great qualities to himself; he shared them with the people around him. I think everyone who knew him can agree that Drew's need for organization rubbed off on all of us. Personally, I have learned to never do something until it is completed to the best of my ability. A quality I learned from Drew. It was that motivation he spread to us which we must now use to demand perfection within ourselves. Although in many situations we may never reach that level, we know that Drew will always be there to push us. Drew's happiness was also contagious. Whenever he hit the high note of his favorite Kenny Chesney or Boys 2 Men song, when running around showing his colors after joining his fraternity, even though people made fun of it, constantly insisting "It's ok I can pull off purple", winning a huge poker hand, or just doing one of his famous impressions, Drew's smile rubbed off on all of us.

We should remember that Drew will always be there to rub his happiness onto us. He isn't here in person anymore; however, Drew will always be here. He once told me that he wanted to make sure that all the people close to him will be happy in the long run, and that he felt as though he was responsible for that. Although he may be going about it a different way than he planned, Drew will now look over all he cared for, making sure we are all happy.

To quote one of Drew's favorite songs, "You save me" by Kenny Chesney: "don't know how you do it! I'm not sure how you know! The perfect thing to say to save me from myself/You're the angel that believes in me like nobody else". Drew are you truly our angel, believing in us like nobody else. I love you so much Drew, and a day won't go by where I won't think of you. Rest in Peace Drewski, I'm gonna miss you.
Beer goggles anyone?

By Maddie Archambault
Staff Writer

Every year the members of the Peer Education Organization on campus host a workshop to educate the Bryant community on the consequence of drunk driving. This awareness is prevalent amongst colleges everywhere. Here are some scary statistics: one in every four car accidents result from teenage drunk driving; these accidents are the number one killer of 15 to 20 year olds. The average automobile travels 60 miles every 60 minutes because of teenage drunk driving; and about 3,476 teens were killed in 2003 from this type of accident. The list goes on...

Drunk driving affects everyone nowadays. Either a person has been in a car with someone that is driving intoxicated, has done it themselves, has been affected by an accident of this sort, or at the very least has heard about their peers participating in it. As this epidemic has worsened in the past few years, efforts are growing and educating about the harms of it have become widespread as well. “Drunk goggles” was Peer Education's way of demonstrating these dangers to the Bryant community in hope of lessening the amount of drunk driving done by the student body.

Last year's obstacle course was set up on the Alumni Walk near the library to be completed by someone wearing the special goggles and driving a golf cart with a non-impaired person in the passenger seat. The driver puts on the goggles and immediately gains the perspective of someone with a .17-20 blood-alcohol content. Next, they drive the golf cart down a side street, problems like standing and lying on the ground, a stop sign, and some animals on the road. The stop sign is where a lot of drivers failed. Because one's vision is so altered, to avoid the animals and people in the road they would crunch so hard that they rolled through the stop sign or vice versa, only to be made aware of it when it was too late. This way, the driver was only able to pay attention to one or two of the obstacles instead of all of them. These goggles make it impossible to pay attention to all the factors necessary to have a successful drive, as does drinking. They cause the same effects for example: dizziness, inability to pay attention to the road, and all-around blurriness. One feels as if their sight is only a little unclear and does not realize that no matter what you are or how many times you have drunk, no one can be good at drunk driving; it's physically impossible.

Once a person completed the course they were given a sticker. The soberity test with the goggles on by a DPP officer. Though it looks easy, it’s still hard as driving. When people put the goggles on they usually could not even find the line never mind walk within it. In this state the line looks curved and far away from one's feet. If a person is pulled over and does not pass this test or gets into an accident they can suffer consequences ranging from a night in jail to a life sentence for manslaughter.

Upon completion of the course, the participant received a scorecard outlining the consequences that resulted from hitting the obstacles. If one bits a sign, which is easier than most would think, or a cone for example, they will be given a $100-500 fine, lose their license for 1 to 6 months, have to do 10-60 hours of community service, go through Drivers Ed again, and possibly serve some jail time. For hitting a sign! That is just for an inanimate object. If someone hits a person or animal, the consequences multiply. They will receive a $400 fine, alcohol treatment, and possible jail time from 1-3 years, that is if the victim does not die. That would result in far harsher penalties.

Through this model, Peer Ed wanted people to realize that though you may get in the vehicle thing. “This won’t be too hard...my vision is only a little fuzzy,” anything can happen.

The factors involved are important to the state of mind. If a sober person with the equivalent blood-alcohol of .20 from the goggles is in this state of mind, if a sober person with the equivalent blood-alcohol of .20 from the goggles is in this state of mind, just imagine how people that are both physically and mentally impaired do this. This even takes into account a first hand what can happen if a person chooses to drink and drive. There are events that have been taught in Drivers Ed and in school systems are completely accurate with vision impaired, even if it is a little bit, it is impossible to be a safe driver.

Breast cancer awareness month

By Brigit Clancy
Assistant Variety Editor

Breast cancer is the most common cancer among American women, except for skin cancers. Breast cancer is the second leading cause of cancer death in women. In 2006, about 40,460 women will die from breast cancer in the United States. Death rates from breast cancer have been declining since about 1990, with larger decreases in younger than 50. These decreases are believed to be the result of increased mammography screening and improved treatment as well as increased awareness.

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. There have been several events on campus to raise awareness about this disease Pink-Out, Colleges Against Cancer focusing on "Breast Cancer Awareness Week. CAC put together a table with an array of materials about breast cancer. Fact sheets with helpful information and mammogram reminder cards were on display. The fact sheets listed several staggering statistics about breast cancer, such as several statistics listed above. Mammogram reminder cards were given out for students and faculty to send to loved ones. Mammograms are vital for early detection of a cancerous tumor. Both the fact sheets and the mammogram reminder cards were provided by the American Cancer Society.

This fundraiser ended up being a huge success for everyone. It was the second largest crowd ever at the football game, we ended up raising $2,455 and we definitely raised awareness of breast cancer.

Colleges Against Cancer (CAC) and Alliance for Women's Awareness (AWA) also advocated the fight against breast cancer last week during Breast Cancer Awareness Week. CAC put together a table with an array of materials about breast cancer. Fact sheets with helpful information and mammogram reminder cards were on display. The fact sheets listed several staggering statistics about breast cancer, such as several statistics listed above. Mammogram reminder cards were given out for students and faculty to send to loved ones. Mammograms are vital for early detection of a cancerous tumor. Both the fact sheets and the mammogram reminder cards were provided by the American Cancer Society.

T-shirts were sold with the saying “Save Second Base”. The saying “Save Second Base” was a team name a group of women coined when they participated in a Breast Cancer 3-Day 60 mile walk. Kelly Rooney, a victim of breast cancer, and her friends created the slogan. In honor of Kelly's memory, the Kelly Rooney Foundation was established. This foundation focuses on breast cancer prevention and the challenges that women (and men) face when diagnosed with breast cancer. For more information about the team, visit www.save2ndbase.com.

These t-shirts, which were made by CAC as a part of a kind design, sold out within days.

AWA is also sponsoring “Save Shirts to Save Lives”. Yoplait will pay you $1 for every shirt you’ll be wearing featuring a campaign for breast cancer research and fundraising. Donate pink lids to the Women’s Center, and ten cents will be donated to Susan G. Komen Foundation. For every pink lid they receive, we’ll donate 10 cents to Susan G. Komen for the Cure, up to $1.5 million. Yoplait guarantees a donation of at least $500,000. Yoplait states, “Working together, one lid at a time, we can get there. So, this is a chance for each of us to take part in the search for a cure. Doing your part couldn't be easier. Look for the pink lids on packages of Yoplait Original, Light, Thick and Creamy, Light Thick and Creamy, and Yoplait Smoothies. Save them and mail them in before December 31, 2007. Every lid collected can make a difference.” Yoplait has a large collection box for pink lids outside of the Women’s Center on the third floor of the Bryant Center. Pink lids will be accepted not only for the remainder of October, but also for the remainder of the year (until December as Yoplait does). Try Yoplait yogurt, it’s particularly the bottles with pink lids because it is a healthy snack and it is a way to help fight for the cure.

If these two events alone have made an enormous difference in the fight against breast cancer. Leveillee and “Pink-Out” has that even event's per­

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Students test drive a simulation of what it would be like to drive drunk using special glasses

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Students test drive a simulation of what it would be like to drive drunk using special glasses.
Halloween is one of the most widely celebrated holidays in the United States. No doubt many of you already have your costume or costumes laid out for a slate of weekend parties and celebrations. College students all over the country will gather to celebrate a long honored tradition. But how did that tradition start? How did Halloween or All Hallows’ Eve make its way to America?

All Hallows’ Eve, or Halloween as we commonly know it, is widely believed to have to have roots in the Pagan festival, Samhain, celebrated by the Ancient Celts of Ireland and Great Britain. Samhain marked the end of the harvest season and is also believed to have celebrated and marked the Celtic New Year. The Celts believed that on the day of Halloween, the boundaries of the living world and the dead overlapped and the spirits of the dead were free to come back and “haunt” the living. The festival was celebrated with bonfires and people wore masks and costumes to emulate the spirits.

It was not until the nineteenth century that Halloween became recognized in the United States. Irish and Scottish immigrants carried the tradition with them when they fled their homes during the Potato Famine around the mid 1840’s. The commercialization of Halloween into the tradition we know today did not happen until the 20th century. It is still believed by many to be the day when the dead can make contact with the physical world however, the traditions of trick-or-treating and costume parties have come to signify the holiday, in the United States at least. It is now the sixth most profitable holiday in the United States and cities all over the country celebrate with parades, festivities, and haunted houses. In the spirit of All Hallows’ Eve, the Archway has gathered up some information on local attractions and activities to help you celebrate the fullest this year.

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Counseling Services helps students work through their problems
By James King
Staff Writer

In recent years the issue of addressing mental health on college campuses has become of great importance. According to the American Psychiatric Society "nearly half of all college students report feeling so depressed at some point in time that they have trouble functioning."

They also report that suicide triggered by untreated depression is "the second leading cause of death of college students." The deaths of 34 people in the Virginia Tech Massacre have also inspired greater concern for mental health awareness.

The Archway met with the Assistant Director of Counseling Services, Heidi Spruce, recently to discuss the availability of mental health services on campus. Heidi Spruce is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and she's been working at Bryant for three years (this one being her fourth).

She defines the characteristics of a mentally healthy person to be, "someone who is well adjusted emotionally and able to tolerate positive and negative emotions at a developmentally appropriate level." She observes that it is difficult to be successful in academic and social activities if one's mental health is poor.

To address mental health issues Bryant offers Counseling Services. Counseling Services addresses issues including, but not limited to: self-esteem, relationships, body image, loneliness, family issues, eating concerns, grief, loss, depression, anxiety, alcohol/substance use & abuse, roommate issues, sexuality, time management, adjustment issues, identity issues, and sexual assault.

Counseling services are offered to "provide them [students] with a confidential and objective person to collaboratively solve around the issue they're having," according to Ms. Spruce. Counseling she says is offered on a one to one basis, but occasionally couples, groups, and family members also seek counseling.

People may not know if they need counseling, but she offered a few tips. By asking oneself's self how they are feeling and paying attention to changes in oneself (not feeling the best, distress, anxiety, etc) a student may be able to decide whether or not they need counseling, she says.

When asked about the stigma of seeking help, Ms. Spruce replied, "Counseling does not mean something is wrong; students may just need some things sorted out." The services offered by Counseling Services are completely confidential, she added, unless someone is deemed to be a danger to themselves or others.

She pointed out that there are no programs to enroll in and a student who seeks counseling may walk in at any time during office hours. Appointments she says are preferred however. The number to call is 233-6045 or Ext. 6045. If uncomfortable with calling directly she suggests that students talk to a faculty or staff member to help set up an appointment. The office can be found across from Suite H on the second floor of the Rotunda. It's a left up the stairs to the post office, followed by a right to Suite F, and then a left turn into the corridor of Suite H. Anyone seeking the office should see signs at this point. For weekend emergency or after 4:30 it is recommended by Ms. Spruce that you call the Department of Public Safety or contact a Residence Life staff member to reach one of the counselors.

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Halloween treats only, no tricks here

By Cristine Cox
Staff Writer

Halloween came early for a group of third-graders from the Ella Risk Elementary School in Central Falls, RI. This past Monday, October 22, 2007, Bryant University hosted a Halloween event for the children in the community — and what a time they had. The Multicultural Student Union (MSU), the International Student Organization (ISO), and the Delta Chi fraternity treated the group of about 70 and their teachers for a full day of fun on campus. The third graders made candy apples while learning nutritious facts about apples and the story behind Johnny Appleseed with ISO and they painted mini pumpkins with Delta Chi. Their creative minds wrote spooky stories with MSU after learning the history of Halloween and some little known facts about our favorite Halloween symbols. And best of all, they got their faces painted with haunted, spooky Halloween characters. They also got a tour of the campus and an inside look and sneak peak at college life.

“Do you have a library?” “Is your homework hard?” “Do you like it here?” “You live here?” are just a few of the questions the curious children had for their tour guides. The eager students were shown the Douglas and Judith Krupp Library, Chase Athletic and Wellness Center, Salmo, the Rotunda, and the Communication Complex. They joyfully ate bag lunches outside on the steps leading to the Unistructure. So full of energy at 9am in the morning, the students enjoyed the beautiful day and even gave advice as to what one tour guide and volunteer should be when she “grows up” and leaves college; they left around one o’clock that afternoon.

Although they did not dress in costumes and receive huge bundles of candy, these third graders gained much and learned a valuable lesson. Many of them expressed interest in going to college - even coming to Bryant - and continuing their education. Several want to be doctors, teachers, and other staples in society. Such ambition for 8-year-old! But it is the people who impact their lives the most that also inspire them the most. Each semester, MSU and ISO collaborate on one community service event; this year, Delta Chi supported MSU and ISO joined them to put smiles (and paint) on some shining faces. Reaching out to the community is a way to give back and make a difference in the life of someone else. So why not give it a try? Inspire someone. Treat someone to the sweetness of your kindness. Happy Halloween!

**OODS!**
In the October 19 issue of The Archway, the lead story headline “Bryant ranked 17th in the nation”, misrepresents the recent honor that Bryant received. The headline should have read “Bryant ranked 17 among the Best Universities-Master’s (North).” Universities are ranked and compared in accordance with their region, not nationally.

Byline: Staff Writer

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Students Speak Out

What do you think about Bryant going Division I?

"It is pretty cool and a great opportunity for our school to expand and be recognized around the country."
Lewis Koppelman '09

"It's a great accomplishment and will be a long transition but we're ready!"
Justine Poirier '11

"Well, as a senior it'll make homecoming that much more exciting. People will not only be excited to see me come back but also to see D1 teams come to campus."
Ramon De Los Santos '08

"I think it's going to be an awesome experience for the school and students but will be rough on the athletes for the next few years, which may also affect their academics."
Kaidin Ho '11

"It's going to be really exciting in the next couple of years."
Matt Galluzzo '11

"It's good because Bryant will get the recognition it deserves and also because I want to see our teams on ESPN."
Jose E. Batista '10

"It will feel good to see my favorite school on TV. Hopefully we will continue to strive to be the best possible."
Jose Samaya '10

"It makes athletes more interesting. In the long run it makes the school look more attractive."
P.J. Mattos '09

Compiled by Maddie Archambault
Waters Way: Division I Impact
By Alan Waters
Staff Columnist

Last Friday marked the second biggest news story for me since I became a Bryant student. As a freshman, I was here for the announcement that Bryant College was officially becoming Bryant University. I was actually lucky enough to be at the official press announcement since I was here on campus early for Cross Country. Last Friday, Bryant officially announced that it was beginning its five-year process to become a Division I sports program. This was the works for a while now and needed the approval of the Northeast Conference, known by many as the NEC. The NEC approved Bryant’s application and Bryant started the process.

By now I am sure many have heard about the process. If not, then make sure you read my two close sports writing friends Dave and Steve’s front page article. You will now know the method Bryant will be following to complete the transfer. My job in this article is to show the positives and the negatives of the decision and show both sides of the story. As an athlete here at Bryant, I can truly see both sides of the line. For some people it is an upsetting decision, but for others it is a major benefit. Keep in mind however, no matter what decision is made you will always have advocates as well as discouraged people.

We start with the positives in my mind. First and foremost we took advantage of a rule that is about to change. That is right; Bryant took great advantage of going Division I right in time. A week after Bryant submitted its application, there was a four-year hold placed on any new Division I schools. If you break it down, that means Bryant would have had another shot for at least nine years. People may not think we are ready just yet, but you cannot tell me in less than nine years we will not be.

Second, funding is increasing. By becoming Division I the athletic department receives a ton more funding for its athletes and programs. Scholarships increase and the entire athletic body can benefit from that. In my mind, the less of a financial burden on us students the better.

Third is the increase in athletic competition. For the past few years we have been dominating the Division II competition. I want to see how we can do against the next level. We will get to compete with schools that have been recruiting in Division I for years; imagine beating them! It would be great in my mind. As a runner, I have competed against Division I schools all along. It does wonders for our academic standards will improve with the move to Division I’

-President Ronald K. Machtley

As a disproportionate investment in hockey and basketball, notes President Machtley, “other athletic teams and students are not even allowed to use this athletic space.” As a result, no facility upgrades are expected in the near future.

Over the past few years there has been a tremendous increase in student attendance at athletic events. Bryant attracts on average 3500 people per football game, regularly outdrawing Rhode Island’s Division I schools are known for offering lucrative football, notes President Ronald K. Machtley, “other athletic opportunities and challenges for the university to continue academic and athletic success.

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Division I schools are known for offering lucrative scholarships to potential student-athletes. Currently, Bryant only offers scholarships to men’s and women’s basketball players. An increase in additional sports scholarships is a topic that the athletic department plans on exploring during the transition period.

Bryant student-athletes have always been held to high standards both in the classroom and on the playing field. The Northeast-10 is regarded as one of the best academic conferences in the country. President Machtley does not expect academic standards to change as a result of this move. “Our academic standards will improve with the move to Division I. Currently, our athletes have a higher graduation rate and SAT averages will continue to rise,” he said.

However, because Bryant is not championship eligible, over the next four years the university will have to fill its schedule as an independent school. Though Bryant will look to schedule games predominately against Northeast Conference opponents, this provides an excellent opportunity for the school to spark new rivalries. “We plan on expanding our geographical footprint by scheduling all athletic games with other Division I schools, such as Holy Cross, Brown, and Providence College,” said Smith.

Three other schools in the conference – Quinnipiac, Monmouth, and Long Island – have built or are building new basketball facilities. Quinnipiac’s TD Bank North Arena is an 18,000 square foot sports complex with a $52 million price tag accompanying it. Despite this fact, Bryant officials do not believe they need to upgrade current facilities in order to compete in this conference. "Quinnipiac’s new arena

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Women’s soccer prep for deep postseason march
By Michael Yakononis
Copy Editor

With a 1-0 road shutout over conference foe Merrimack and a 2-0 dismissal of Pace in the regular season finale, the team now turns its attention to the playoffs, beginning Sunday, October 27 when the Bulldogs host an opening round match versus UMass Lowell in the quarterfinals of the NE-10 Conference Tournament.

In their latest victory on October 23, the Bulldogs outshot Pace 25-4. Freshman forward Kim Rich provided all the offense, and sophomore goalkeeper Katie Mitchell combined with Jessica Neales to notch a school record 16 saves in the process.

Last year, the squad advanced to its first-ever league championship game, where they were edged by Merrimack. But they’ve been on fire since that setback, showing no signs of letting up.

The experience and outstanding leadership of senior captains Tricia Spada (M/F), Diane Paskel (F), and Lauren Childers (D) have without question contributed to the Bulldogs’ 18 national ranking in the Division II polls.

To say starting goalkeepers Jess Clark (7-2-2)
Two teams traveling in opposite directions

By David Giardino
Sports Editor

Bryant University's three-headed monster - sophomore Jerell Smith, senior Chris Peaks, and sophomore Lindsey Gamble - rushed for 282 yards as the Bulldogs obliterated a hopeless Saint Anselm squad 49-21 last Saturday afternoon. The win moves the #24 Bulldogs to 7-0 (7-0 NE-10) and puts the Bulldogs another step closer to a second straight Northeast-10 Conference title.

Gamble (52 yards, 2 touchdowns) capped a 71-yard drive in the first quarter with a 19-yard touchdown run, giving Bryant an early 7-0 lead. The score increased to 14-0 midway through the opening frame when Chris Peaks (95 yards, 2 touchdowns) found the goal line on a 1-yard touchdown, capping a 7-play, 7-yard drive. But Saint Anselm (0-7, 0-6 NE-10) answered back in the second quarter, as senior quarterback Nick Barese hit tight end Geoff Gamble with a tight end touchdown pass, giving Bryant a 14-7 lead at the half.

But the Bulldogs regained possession and promptly drove back down the field. Gamble's 17-yard touchdown run stretched the lead to 21-7. On the team's next possession, a Jerell Smith (135 yards) 83-yard run set up the Bulldogs for another touchdown. Following a Hawks turnover, quarterback Charlie Granate hit Jerell Smith for a 12-yard touchdown pass, giving Bryant a 35-7 lead at the half. Granate only threw 12 passes in the contest, but completed 10 of them for 126 yards.

The Bulldogs will possibly face as soon as next season.

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Incline Bench press: 3 sets of 8
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Leg extensions: 4 sets of 8

Day #3
Stability Ball Wall ball: 3 sets of 10
Dumbbell Shoulder press: 3 sets of 10
Upright rows: 3 sets of 10
Incline Dumbbell Press:
3 sets of 7
Lunges 3 sets of 10
Dumbbell curls: 3 sets of 10
Triceps dumbbell Press: 3 sets of 8
Stability Ball Crunches: 3 sets of 15

Log curls: 4 sets of 8
Triceps Extensions: 4 sets of 10
Dips 2 sets of 8
Log raises: 3 sets of 15

Club Spotlight:
Racquetball Club

By David Giardino
Sports Editor

The Bryant University Racquetball team is a Division II club in name only. The team is currently running away with first place in this division, and consistently competes with Division I powerhouse teams from across the country.

The club recently had their first meet of the season in Allentown, Pennsylvania. Bryant finished in second place, well ahead of the rest of the field, with only Division I rival Penn State finishing above them. Highlighting a strong showing was Steve Cornell, as he placed first for Men's Division II, as Ryan Lewis took third.

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Jessica Neales (6-2), both juniors, have been in a row. Eighth year Coach Chris Flint described this versatility as one of several critical components behind Bryant's unblemished record.

"We've faced some adversity with injuries, having had starters go down throughout the course of the season," Flint said. "That says so much about the depth of the team; if somebody goes down someone always takes her place. That's a huge factor in a year like this.

That depth could pay off in the postseason as no one player will be relied on to score. Though they may now be regarded as one of the teams to beat in the tournament, the Bulldogs are well aware that they face stiff competition from all corners.

"The thing about soccer playoffs is, it's one and done; it isn't a series. If you don't show up in our Conference, teams can make you pay," Flint said. In pursuit of the title, the Bulldogs will contend with a handful of teams that includes Saint Rose, who is also undefeated, Franklin Pierce, which has claimed the Conference title every year since they entered the NE-10 in 2001, and Merrimack.

But these girls welcome the challenge, already owning wins over Franklin Pierce and Merrimack during the season. Flint also cites a determination in every contest that never fades, even when they face an early deficit. "We've been down within the first ten minutes of some games, but we've shown the ability to battle back."

John Peck

Top Dogs

Chris Peaks

Year: Senior
Sport: Football

Why this dog was picked: Chris Peaks (Silver Spring, Md.) had 95 yards rushing and scored three touchdowns as the Bulldogs stayed undefeated on the season with a 49-21 over Samt Anselm on Saturday. The Bulldogs lead the Northeast-10 Conference with a 7-0 overall and conference record and play a non-conference game at Division-I Stony Brook this weekend.

Nicole Radzik

Year: Senior
Sport: Cross Country

Why this dog was picked: Bryant University senior standout Nicole Radzik (Sutton, MA) captured the overall individual title in the men's 5K race, finishing in a personal-best time of 18:23. She was named first team all-conference and women's athlete of the year by the Northeast-10.

Bulldog Bites

Field Hockey lands third seed in NE-10 Championship

The River Hawks of the University of Massachusetts Lowell claimed the top seed in the Northeast-10 Field Hockey Championship. UMass Lowell finished the season 16-2 overall and 15-1 in NE-10 action, resulting in the team's second regular season title in the last three years. Bentley College (15-5, 13-3, NE-10) received the second seed in the tournament after finishing with a 13-3 conference record.

Both the River Hawks and Falcons will receive first-round byes in the tournament. Bryant University (12-7, 12-4, NE-10) claimed the third seed over Stonehill College (15-5, 12-4, NE-10) due to their regular season victories over the Skyhawks. Stonehill will be the fourth seed in the tournament. Both teams will host quarterfinal contests. The Bulldogs will host No. 6 seed Saint Anselm starting at 7 pm. The semifinals and finals will take place at Lowell, Mass. this Saturday and Sunday.

Men's Soccer defeats St. Thomas Aquinas

The Bryant men's soccer team broke open a 1-1 game with four unanswered goals to defeat host St. Thomas Aquinas, 5-1 Monday afternoon in non-conference action. The Bulldogs, who outshot the Spartans 21 to 9 in the game, got goals from Taylor Saba, Sean Kaukas, Ryan Aspinall, Matthew Brown and Connor Moore in the victory. Neil Black picked up the win in goal, making two saves on the day.

Cross country competes in NE-10 Championship

The Bryant men's and women's cross country teams competed at the Northeast-10 Conference Championship on Sunday. The men's team placed fifth with the women's team placing ninth. Senior standout Nicole Radzik (Sutton, Mass.) won the overall individual title in the women's 5K race, finishing in a personal-best time of 18:23. She was named first team all-conference and women's athlete of the year by the Northeast-10.

Hall of fame nominations sought

Nominations for the Bryant University Athletics Hall of Fame Class of 2008 are now being accepted. Nomination forms can be found online at www.bryantb ulldogs.com. This year's class will be announced in October with the induction dinner scheduled for later this winter.

Mark your calendars

Football:
Saturday, Oct. 27 at Stony Brook 4 pm

Men's Soccer:
Sunday, Oct. 28, at Northeast-10 Quarterfinals TBA

Women's Soccer:
Sunday, Oct. 28 UMass Lowell (NE-10 Quarterfinals)

Field Hockey:
Saturday, Oct. 27 at Northeast-10 Semifinals TBA

Women's Volleyball:
Friday, Oct. 26 at Southern Connecticut* 7 pm
Saturday, Oct 27 at Pace* 1 pm
Tuesday, Oct. 30, at Assumption* 7 pm

Cross Country:
Saturday, Nov. 3 at NCAA Northeast Regionals @ Adelphi College, Long Island NY 10:00 am

* -Denotes Conference Game / Bold - Denotes Home Game
Waters Way

Bryant volleyball outduels Bentley

By David Giardino
Sports Editor

The Bryant University women’s volleyball team has rolled through their conference schedule this season, and snatched victory from defeat last Wednesday night, defeating Bentley 3-2 and taking over first place in the process. The highly anticipated showdown certainly lived up to its billing, as the two squads played competitive volleyball throughout the contest. The win gives Bryant sole possession of first place in the conference at 10-4.

The Bulldogs jumped out to a 2-0 lead behind senior Lilica Grecova, who added 21 kills and a career-best 27 digs in the game. Sophomore Morgan Wood and Julie Gonnotti added 13 and 11 kills respectively, as Bryant jumped ahead, winning 30-26 and 30-23 in the first two matches. It appeared the team would sail smoothly to victory, but the Falcons rallied to win the third game, 30-28, and narrowly edged the Bulldogs 30-28 in the fourth game. What appeared to be an easy victory now turned into the thriller that fans had anticipated, and the Bulldogs were in danger of dropping a heart-breaking conference loss at home.

Bentley pulled out to a narrow lead late in the fifth game, but the Bulldogs were able to hold off two match point serves by the Falcons. Freshman Miranda Kolb and Adrienne Ross came up with critical kills and blocks during the two points. The Bulldogs were able to pull ahead, and on match point Falcon Tori Piskulich was penalized for a setting error, giving Bryant an anticlimactic, but hard-earned victory. At the time the victory gave the Bulldogs a one-game lead in the conference over Bentley.

The Bulldogs are now taking their act on the road this week against conference foes Southern Connecticut, Pace, and Adrione. The squad then engages with some non-conference opponents (at Post University and at Philadelphia Science) before heading to the Northeast-10 Conference, which begins at Bentley on Friday, November 9.

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**ASK THE COACH!**

I have been under a lot of pressure with studying and I am finding it hard to get to the Fitness Center and get a workout in. My lifting has been suffering from this. What should I do?

It is important for you to be a student first and then focus on getting some exercise in order to relax from the pressure of the workload that you are under. Try making time to come in and exercise for the relaxation of enjoying some time away from studies.

Try different lifting exercises that focus on lighter weights and more of a variety of exercises, especially ones that you don’t usually do. Your body will feel refreshed after exercising and you will find it easier to focus on your studies afterward. Please try to remember that you will face many of these types of challenges long after you finish college, and it is important to find time for yourself to relax and exercise.

Submit your questions to Fitness Center Director Tim Brien via The Archway: archway@bryant.edu
Dormant Technology

By Greg Hairson

Every Tuesday and Thursday afternoon I have a class that meets in Lecture Hall I. For some who might not know, it is located at the corner of Third and Main. Before the class begins, I usually spend some time in the hall, reading and preparing for the lecture. There are also a few other students who are also in the hall at the same time, but they are in different rooms, as this one is set up for more of a lecture format with rows of tables and attached chairs for students to sit in. The room is also equipped with various holding events when there is a speaker, but there are also areas where this room needs some serious work. The technology is a main area that needs to be improved within this lecture hall.

When you look around the room, you would think that you were entering a room that was a part of a building in the new campus. In this room, a smart board, and a television are set up, and the problems begin along with the technology ever since the year 1995.

This is especially for a professor like me. For this course, the technology should be an issue. He puts time and effort into laying out an organized lecture.

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If You Can Read, You Can Bake!

By Michael Adams

Technology what?

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compriased of PowerPoint, video clips, sound clips, and other elements used to help the student learn and take something out of the class. But when the materials are prepared by the professor he or she should be able to plug them in and with the push of a few buttons have it ready to show the class.

It is boggling to me that there is no guide to the reading of this lecture hall, because they are there for a reason. Not once have I heard any of them function! The noise that fills this large room and in order to make the higher forms of technology stop working it is upset and there is clear in my eyes. So, now that you know the difference between between being the smartest person in the school and being the smartest person in your su.

In the belief that numbers mean something, I remain yours,

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of the thousands of bike stations throughout Paris and ride to where you need to be. When you’re at your destination you drop the bike off at the closest station, just like the zip car now seen in some American cities. So although this system is really meant to reduce the number of cars in the city, it is also a great way to ride off the super-sized mouse, take aux points and go where you please.

Vive la France!
Bulldog Flicks: The Heartbreak Kid

By Michael Pickowicz
Staff Writer

Before I begin, I'd like to dedicate this review to a little movie theater in Bedford, NH, which is being closed down to make room for the future. Outlet stores. It has been entertaining viewers for 40 or so years, and it's really sad to see it go. "The Heartbreak Kid" was the last of many movies which I had the pleasure of seeing there. The "Heartbreak Kid" is a romantic comedy about a man named Eddie (Ben Stiller) who has trouble committing to a relationship. Feeling pressure that time is slipping away from him, he starts to date Lila (Kimberly Elise) and the honeymoon reveals a question within a matter of weeks. Though everything seems perfect at first, the honeymoon reveals a side of Lila that Eddie wishes he knew before. While trying to avoid his new, crazy wife, he begins to fall for another girl and complications result.

"The Heartbreak Kid" is a movie that I felt, had great comedy aspects to it which, in the end, hurt the plot. The leads in the movie were excellent; Stiller plays a great tortured soul while Akerman is amazing as the psychotic wife. It's funny to watch the two play off each other and to see Stiller slowly lose his mind. There are also a lot of reoccurring jokes that refer back to many points in the movie. For instance, keep your eye on how much Lila eats after the scene where her mother inroduced. While the movie was funnier than most movies this year, I can't help but think that this plot has been done before. I know it's a remake, but I'm talking about a plot that is in almost every other generic romantic comedy. The boy and girl fall in love, but boy has a dark secret, thinking that hiding it will make things better, in fact it makes it worse. It's been done before (Eddie even has a comment in the movie about the situation being "classic") and it's a shame because it stopped this movie from being truly great. Another thing that bothered me was the very end. While it was unexpected and rather funny, I felt it took away from Eddie's character. Some of the humor felt like they did it for the sake of comedy and not the plot.

In the end, however, because this movie has so many jokes, both obvious and hidden, I still feel that I can recommend "The Heartbreak Kid" if you're looking for a good laugh. Sure, it's generic, like Taco Thursday, but like those tacos, that doesn't stop it from being good. I do, however, feel it could have been better. Also, make sure you stay until the very end or at least the credits for two additional scenes that are more than worth it! "The Heartbreak Kid" gets 3 1/2 Bulldogs out of 5.

Hi, you're Joe and Ryan. You may see us at a local bar sipping their PBR pitchers, but that's only because some of them have damn good deals. We really enjoy good, high-quality beer, and we're sure many of you do too. Unfortunately, we see most other college students drinking garbage beers because they're dirt cheap at the liquor store. That's why we decided to write this column - to provide you with an opportunity to educate yourself about the endless amount of microbrews out there. But it's important that you only drink if you're 21 or older, and do it responsibly.

While at the Horses Shoew Pub in Ryan's hometown of Hudson, MA, watching the Red Sox pulverize the Cleveland Indians in game six of the ALCS, Joe became intrigued by a peculiar tap among the 80 (that's right, we said “eighty”) on the wall. It was a mummy-looking fellow with a mask on, and a skeleton hand holding the head. We thought that it a tap can pique our interest as much as this did, surely the beer would too. It turned out to be Gritty's Halloween Ale - an extra special bitter with a 6% ABV brewed in the stucks of Maine - and we're glad we tried it. We gave this seasonal beer four out of five taps. What began in 1988 in Portland, Maine's Old Port, was a humble beginning to an amazing line of beers: Gritty McChiefs Brew pub. The brew pubs have expanded to Freepport and Auburn, but the beer and food at this fine establishment remains exquisite. The modest brew pubs remain welcoming to such a diversity of crowds, from pencil-pushers and fishermen to tourists, from townies to out-of-towners. We liked Gritty's Hal­ loween Ale a lot - it's spicy, crisp, delicately bitter, and full-bodied. It's dark red amber color makes you think it's heavy, but it hits the palate smoothly with a slight malty flavor that settles on the back of the tongue. It's luckily carb­ ated which leaves it with an unadorned smell that isn't бурдаемне. It has a wholesome finish of hops, that reminded Joe of an Irish carbomb. Designed and manufactured in Ringwood, Hampshire, England, the brewery itself has remained true to... Continued on page 15

Two Buds and a Microbrew

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A Long Way Gone: A Powerful and Compelling Tale

By: Zarana Khatrani
Assistant Campus News Editor

It seems that myads of genres go through phases with the public, as people tend to embrace certain types of books for a period of time and then move on to the next “hot” topic. I don’t know if this is a cyclical thing or if new genres are becoming more and more popular among the general population. Some well-known war pieces include Things They Carried by Tim O’Brien, Dogs of War by Frederick Forsyth, and Catch-22 by Joseph Heller. I have only read a couple of war novels in the past and to be honest, I did not initially have much of an interest in the topic. However, when a friend recommended another war novel to me, A Long Way Gone: Memoirs of a Boy Soldier by Ishmael Beah, I figured why not give it a try? I expressed that I had been a pretty quick read but nonetheless very moving. Indeed, was I right! Once I started the novel, I found myself looking for every opportunity to read it and avoid putting it down. I finished it in a day.

Ishmael Beah takes us through his childhood journey in a world of its own, filled with terror and rage. As a child, he witnessed the brutal conflictual civil war in the West African country of Sierra Leone. Beah gives details of the death of his nation, as well as his family and himself. During the 90’s, citizens of Sierra Leone found themselves in the middle of conflict between the Rebels (the Revolutionary United Front) and the Army of Sierra Leone. While running from one village to the next, Beah comes to learn that both his parents, as well as his two brothers, died at the hands of the Rebels, and Beah now finds himself alone, with no one to call his own.

At the age of thirteen, Beah was forced to leave his family in order to protect himself from the Rebels. As he points out, many children became soldiers and were dehumanized for the purpose of fighting the Rebels and making sure that each and every one of them was killed. During his three years as a soldier, he experienced many unfortunate aspects of war including drugs such as marijuana and cocaine, and murder of countless men, women, and children. Eventually, Beah is able to make slow progress towards leaving the country, and at the age of eighteen, reaches New York, his current home state.

A Long Way Gone is unquestionably a very depressing account of the horrors Beah faced at a very young age. I found it interesting that Beah wrote his story without much personal emotion attached. Maybe he did it to let the reader evaluate the circumstances for himself, or because he has acquired a strong sense like the characters and viewed it with a “it-is-the-way-it-is” attitude. Either way, Ishmael Beah’s story is a great read for anyone who enjoys fictional works filled with wartime stories. The civil war in Sierra Leone is an important part of history and should not go unappreciated.

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By Joe Domaney
Staff Writer

Hey Jarrod,
Believe it or not, late last spring semester, Residence Life adopted a penguin named Tobango. He certainly lives somewhere in the southern hemisphere. Nick Rodgers, the liaison between Tobango and Residence Life, told me they would like to give him a new home to make him happier. Tobango is a senior at Bryant University. Nick was saying he was hoping for Tobango to befriend our bulldog Tipper and possibly cross the path to the geese.

One of our students was bringing Tobango over to the pretty “lady friend” does not want him to accept any more. Tobango is unquestionably a pretty cute. However, Tobango won’t be alone for long. Nick was hoping to make progress toward adopting a “Comfort Canine,” which would be an excellent addition to the Comfort Suites as it would be great for long treks to campus. As for a gate, Jarrod, I am thinking that might not be such a good idea but I am sure there are tons of Yankee fans out there that would love to see the look on the excited Sox fans after jumping in the pond celebrating World Series win. Owls and Lambs will produce even more of a reaction on the way home than the pesky geese already make, so I wouldn’t like to see campus diversity expand on farm animals.

I do, however, love the idea of having a signature mascot for each hall!

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By Phil Weiss
Staff Columnist

Last week we went a bit over budget on our trip to Rome. So this week we scaled back and visited a more cost-effective establishment, Gator’s Pub located in North Smithfield. To say Gator’s is a local establishment does not begin to describe its authenticity. From some of our research, we’ve discovered that many Rhode Island politicians actually visit Gator’s Pub to get in touch with “the people.” Despite the fact that we were entertained, Jarrod’s left a lot to be desired, as we will explain.

Atmosphere—Walking into Gator’s is like walking into a bar scene of an early 1980’s movie. It starts off with the cigarette dispenser in the entry way and continues on with the red studded vinyl bar stools and tired wood paneling covering all wall surfaces. The bar is the focus at Gator’s as it comprises half the real estate. The crowd at Gator’s that night was comprised of many regulars we would have been more welcomed. A beautiful sculpture from Land in a Room was displayed at the bar and looking for a local flavor, Gator’s could be a consideration.

Service—TheConsidering the type of place that Gator’s is, the service was acceptable. Our waiter did forget to bring Mike a side salad, but apologized appropriately and then brought it out promptly. Overall he was attentive enough and did not add or take away from the experience. We felt if we had been regulars we would have been more welcomed to the staff.

Price—Gator’s is moderately priced. Most burgers and sandwichs are under ten dollars, and extraordinary range from ten to fifteen dollars. Basically the menu and prices were comparable to those at Parent’s. While the prices are reasonable, we feel you can get a better quality food elsewhere. If you are looking to deviate from the norm and are looking for a local flavor, Gator’s could be a consideration, if not for the food then for the experience. For those over 21, the bar is reasonably priced and would be a good place to go with a group. Gator’s is located at the Corner of Main St. and Victory Hwy. in North Smithfield. For more information visit their website at www.gatorspub.com.

The mother of this funny, and maybe someday a daughter or son. The one I wake up with on my mind everyday, the one I am proud to stand tall and then say...

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At the age of thirteen, Beah was forced to leave his family in order to protect himself from the Rebels. As he points out, many children became soldiers and were dehumanized for the purpose of fighting the Rebels and making sure that each and every one of them was killed. During his three years as a soldier, he experienced many unfortunate aspects of war including drugs such as marijuana and cocaine, and murder of countless men, women, and children. Eventually, Beah is able to make slow progress towards leaving the country, and at the age of eighteen, reaches New York, his current home state.

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The Paranormal: Believe it or not

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Do you believe in the paranormal? Many find paranormal occurrences difficult to believe, whether they believe in ghosts or not.

Paranormal is the scientifically unexplainable.

The paranormal is typically thought to be of ghosts, spirits, or other things. Host spirit or apparition is the energy, soul, or personality of a person who has died and somehow gotten stuck between this plane and the next. Most researchers believe that these spirits do not know they are dead. They are confused and under traumatic, unusual or highly emotional circumstances. Ghosts can be perceived by the living in a number of ways: through voices (auditory), sight (visual), smells (fragrances and odors), touch - and sometimes they can be just sensed. A haunting is a kind of "recorded" presence, often heard, seen, or felt, without any attempt by the ghost to contact the person. A paranormal event can occur and that there is quietness, eeriness, or it is just that there is great interest in the paranormal because it is unexplainable, especially for people who are looking for explanations of everything.

Paul Morana, a member of the class of 2010, recently completed a paranormal investigation of a historic burial ground and the streets once walked in the biggest city in New England. It was a tour de force. The city was not always the same, like a film or video. It is thought that the presence of certain people can trigger these recordings.

The paranormal is made of many more phenomena than simply ghosts and a haunting. Other such phenomena include: disappearing object phenomenon and extrasensory perception (ESP). Disappearing object phenomenon is a relatively common happening in which an object disappears from view and later inexplicably returns. For example, a person leaves keys in the car and then returns later to find, where they were always kept. When the person goes to get the keys, the keys are no longer there. (A thorough search shows no success in finding the keys. Later, the keys are found on the counter where they were originally kept.) Extrasensory perception (ESP) is (perception is) as telepathy, clairvoyance, and precognition) that involves mental phenomena.

DeGeneres violated an agreement with D'Lite Nutrition, having the number one album in the yeast. She reacted by saying, "I thought I had a new person (a girl) and after I left, I realized I had no way to contact this girl. I was not interested in contacting her at all, but having any way to contact the girl. "At this point in my career, I had a girl, right ear: "Sawyer." Morana thought, "Did that come from?" After I thought about it, Morana recalls, "I believe that some people have experienced extrasensory perception.

Kira Brantley, another sophomore, recalled an unusual event when SPF brought psychics to the campus. "When one of the psychics came on campus, she took a picture of the person, then turned a white sheet on the picture was the ghost of an old woman who had disappeared. She had never been seen in the ghost in the picture. Or, as some skeptics may say, did she just believe that there was an old woman in the picture?" Amber Deangelis, a junior, states that she believes in the paranormal. "There is more than meets the eye," said Deangelis. "Paranormal explains many events in my life while also leaving me with unexplained and unexplained experiences that she has had. "I see figures of people out of the corner of my eye but when I turn they disappear. Sometimes I get a feeling of uneasiness. This often happens when I am home alone."

DeAngelis experience disappearing object phenomenon and is a special case in the paranormal. Does a ghost or spirit come in contact with a ghost?

Recently, I went on a ghost tour in Boston to learn more about paranormal events that have occurred in the biggest city in New England. It was called a "Chip Tour." The tour began at the historic burial ground and the streets once walked in the North End. The tour guide, a nurse who is also a paranormal investigator, spoke about the many instances of paranormal activity she has observed.

Despite having the number one album in the country as reported from Billboard.com, Kid Rock managed to ruin a good weekend by getting arrested for alleged alteration of a Waifte House restaurant in Atlanta. The whole incident was due to a male customer recognized and excited about the appearance of a female from Rock's entourage. Reporters are still unclear of what exactly happened. Rock's lawyer said it was a case of mistaken identity.

After airing just two episodes, CBS has decided to pull the plug on "Viva Laughlin." After watching "Loving Lolly," Owen was about a small-time gamblers caught up in a string of circumstances. It is the first show to be cancelled this season. "I'm not sure it won't be the last."

Last weekend at the box office, a low-key horror flick "30 Days of Night" opened with a number one spot, taking in approximately $15 million in ticket sales. Last week's number one, "Tyler Perry's Why Did I Get Married," fell to number two, approxi-

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worth a reported $120 million and would allow Live Nation to use the Madonna brand on merchandising efforts. The deal is expected to be completed in 2014. Madonna has been with Warn Bros. for the past 25 years. Arthur Fogel, global music manager for the tour, said he was "very excited and committed" to the deal and about the ability to deliver on the economic model for both Live Nation, who manages the tour, and the business. Despite having the number one album in the country as reported from Billboard.com, Kid Rock

the original, classic style of the English pub brewery. In the basement under the main floor, a historic bar, called "The Old Green Door," is preserved. There, brick faced brew kettle said to be one of the biggest in the country, is used to brew ales and stouts. On the wall is a picture of - Sea Biscuit, Portland Headlight Pale Ale, McDuff's Best Bitter, Best Brown Ale, Black Fly Stout, in the top corner. The brewery has been open since 1995.

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