Continuing a Homecoming Tradition

Chinese tea tables another success

By Maddie Archambeault
Staff Writer

Bryant University has managed to improve its cultural engagement yet again. This year, the U.S.-China Institute in collaboration with the Department of Modern Languages has brought back the popular Chinese Tea Table. On Mondays from 4-6 and Thursday's from 2-4 any students or faculty members can come and share their questions and comments about any aspect of China and its culture. This program was shaped to be very informal and comfortable for everyone, void of lecture, formal clothing, or grading. The goal is to allow teachers to come and share information on this country, as well as to function as a tool for students to improve their language skills. There is no set topic so each meeting is really flexible. One can expect to find a group of five to ten people discussing anything from informal one-on-one conversations about Chinese grammar to group chats about Chinese current events to homework help. The options are endless.

This past Thursday marked the third tea table this year, another success. In attendance were some regulars, newcomers, and a few native speakers, including Mr. Kongli Liu, Mr. Liu, the Assistant Director for Academic Programs at Bryant, specializes in comparative education research, culture, and history. He also trained K-12 teachers, making him a great resource for those involved in the program. At the Institute, in addition to Liu, there are professionals in the fields of the environment, government, education, the economy, and international business. All areas are covered. Any questions brought to the table can be answered by someone there. At every session there are at least two native speakers, each with different specialties to help the students and teachers. Education is not the only thing drawing people to these gatherings. To lighten up the environment even more, tea from Beijing is provided, as well as assorted snacks. One student remarked, "The tea table is cool because you get to try actual native tea and the meetings help you get in the mindset of the Chinese culture." All of the students involved were enthusiastic about the program, diligently working on homework, talking in Chinese, and enjoying the atmosphere.

This immersion helps students and scholars of all levels strengthen their Chinese language skills, become immersed in the culture, work through homework problems, and get to know others with this interest in common. Since the U.S.-China institute began in 2005, it has been rapidly growing and now offers more opportunities for students to learn about the Chinese culture first hand in the tea talk, seminar series, Sophomore Experience Program, Study Abroad, and more. Even for non-fluent person, the program is a fun way to spend a Thursday or Monday afternoon! 

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By Alan Waters
Staff Writer

This year’s Homecoming, like all other Homecomings, was packed full of all sorts of events. The whole weekend we were blessed with beautiful fall weather, with slight clouds and sun to bring out all our alumni and students. Homecoming started off with an athletic bang like most years and ended with another convincing women’s soccer win. Athletics was not the only piece to homecoming however, as many classes came for reunions and events took place involving all types of Bryant faculty, staff, alumni and students.

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The Ronzio vs. Junction Debate
Team CSI: Smithfield

By Greg Hirshorn
Variety Editor

On the ground floor of the new Hall 17 you will find a Ronzio’s restaurant. Despite the fact that the tour was a bit too long and we kept colliding with other tour means they don’t allow alcohol,” that means it some students select to live in this area to downtown Newport, the Cliffwalk, and picked up consisted of this is almost a “campus tour type of community service component added to the Foundations for Learning (FFL) classes.

This is where the debate begins as to whether students preferred the departed Junction or the new Ronzio’s. In a poll conducted on the Archway’s website, eight out of ten students felt that Ronzio’s is better than Junction. Thirty-eight percent of students felt that Ronzio’s is better than the current Ronzio’s, 31% were indifferent, and 23% were upset.

Other things that happened when I heard the response around campus about Ronzio’s is the fact that people like the new Ronzio’s. There are also many areas where the old Junction did not do as well as the new Ronzio’s.

Give a dump”-Salve students have the option to attend meetings and enjoy special events such as Broadway plays, and trips to Boston and New York. We feel that this is important to the students’ educational experience and allow them to see the world outside the educational bubble.

Trends we like...

1. University hired Dr. Sarah Campbell as the Assistant Dean of Student Life.

2. A new mission statement and strategic plan will help with transition and offer fundamental skills to students.

3. John Lindsay comments that the “potential for greatness is phenomenal” for the students with the guidance of this department to help them. CSI is about getting students involved with the process of events and activities and being able to warn students of potential hazards without telling them what to do.

4. Ronzio’s and Junction have many items in common and yet there are differences. Both Ronzio’s and Junction differ in some ways. Here is a comparison of Junction and Ronzio’s.

Junction

- Popular pizza and calzone
- Younger population
- Extra charge

Ronzio’s

- Live pillars: involvement, leadership, programming, and collaboration
- Comfortable atmosphere
- Flatscreen TV

There certainly is a change in atmosphere already on the third floor of the Bryant Center. People are having fun and games and enjoying some new faces. There are certain librarians in this area that is relatively new, established in 1934 as an all-girls school. In recent years they have co-ed education and the student body remains predominately female, representing 65% of the population. Today, Salve has 29% male students.

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5. She lets herself go-Although the exterior of the facilities were breathtaking, the interiors left much to be desired. One building we were in featured three blue carpeting over the original floors and properly maintained walls, mixed with outdated and incomplete furniture selection. We have a theory that Salve took all the old suite furniture from Bryant and put it in their buildings.

Things we think...

1. All the news...that’s not fit to print. Considering Salve is a liberal arts institution, we were shocked to find its newspaper was nothing short of pathetic. Things we think are not always accessible to small clubs.

2. We liked the idea that Salve requires their students to do a certain amount of community service. This year, we will be involved with some type of community service component added to the Foundations for Learning (FFL) classes.

3. Salve offers numerous one credit recreation type classes in the fall semester. These range from golf to piano lessons, allowing students to better themselves, while still earning credit for something they are interested in. We think that could be successful at Bryant if the courses were geared toward the interests of our student population.

Give us your feedback: email us at campusjouros@gmail.com

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See you all next month.

Editorial Assistant Deegan Sage's door is always open to help you in your CSI needs.

By Sarah Campbell
Editorial Assistant

Where did Student Activities go you ask? Well it didn’t leave, it just made a trip to Student Involvement, commonly known as CSI, has replaced what students used to know as Student Activities. The office promotes and offers the same services to students it always has but now there are new faces running the show with new ideas and more resources available.

John Lindsay visited the former Assistant Dean of Student Life things got a little chaotic. Without some new faces to fill the position to Student Activities, certain projects followed downstairs to Student Affairs and other projects were shared by numerous offices.

The line of which office was doing what became very clarified for all involved with student life. As the institutions and changed, so did students and they were in need of a home away from academics.

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A night to remember

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President Machtley concluded before introducing his wife Kati for the invocation.

"During the dinner, following tradition, students sat with alumni and trustees to share their experiences at Bryant, recipients of endowed scholarships also sat with their benefactors to express the positive impact the generous donations have had on their lives. Following the dinner, Machtley introduced two students, Hannah Jorgenson '09 and Ray Savner '08.

Jorgenson recapped her trip to China with the Sophomore International Experience. "China was my first choice because I was not familiar with the language or culture," she said. The trip showed 28 students the cultural wonders of China, like the Great Wall, as well as the inner workings of large corporations over the course of 14 days.

Savner, a recipient of the Alfred Scholarship, expressed gratitude for his scholarship and how it has effected the value of his education and his time at Bryant.

The evening concluded with Machtley thanking everyone in attendance and encouraged everyone to head over to the Gala to show their support for Bryant.

The dinner portion of the evening hosted around 200 people in The Grand Hall.

Spring Break 2008


Departments of Public Safety Log

EMT CALL Medical Services Rendered SEP 24 2007-Monday at 03:53 Location: RESIDENCE HALL Summary: A report of a female with stomach pain. EMS was activated.

LARCENY-THIEF SEP 25 2007-Tuesday at 10:25 Location: RESIDENCE HALL Summary: Report of a stolen bicycle. The missing bike was recovered.

VANDALISM (AUTO) SEP 25 2007-Tuesday at 19:00 Location: COMMUTER PARKING LOT Summary: A student reports vandalism to his vehicle.

VANDALISM (RESIDENCE) SEP 26 2007-Wednesday at 13:50 Location: TOWNHOUSE Summary: A student reports vandalism to his property.

VANDALISM (AUTO) SEP 27 2007-Thursday at 16:04 Location: ROUGHFIELD Summary: A report of a possible stolen article. EMS was activated.

EMT CALL Medical Services Rendered SEP 27 2007-Thursday at 17:43 Location: DISPATCH CENTER Summary: A student came into the dispatch station with an eye injury. EMS was activated.

EMT CALL Medical Services Rendered SEP 27 2007-Thursday at 21:35 Location: CHASE-ATHLETIC CENTER / GYM / MAC Summary: A report of a stolen cell phone.

EMT CALL Medical Services Rendered SEP 28 2007-Friday at 02:46 Location: TOWNHOUSE Summary: A report of an intoxicated male. EMS was activated.

THIEF Larceny / Other SEP 30 2007-Sunday at 03:05 Location: HALL 16 LOT Summary: A report of an intoxicated male. EMS was activated.

THIEF Larceny / Other SEP 29 2007-Saturday at 22:12 Location: RESIDENCE HALL Summary: A student reported a stolen camera.

BIAS INCIDENTS None reported

To report a bias incident or hate crime, go to www.bryant.edu/bias or call the Bias Incident Hotline at 888-520-2007.

Bias related incident - a threatened, attempted, or completed action that is motivated by bigotry and bias regarding a person’s race or perceived race, ethnicity, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, or disability. Bias is reported only if investigation reveals sufficient objective facts to lead a reasonable and prudent person to conclude that the offensive actions were motivated, in whole or in part, by bias.
**Intern Spotlight: Stephen Corndell**

Concentration: Marketing/Management; Minor: Legal Studies  
Internship Site: Shaw's Supermarket, Inc.  
Location: West Bridgewater, MA; Summer 2007

What did you learn about the profession? It’s very busy, fast-paced! There’s a heavy workload because communication is tough when there are 200 stores with different managers and hours. They’re always hungry to communi- cate with them to figure out what stores are taking part in what program and why. There’s plenty of room for advancement so get to know the people you work with. You can get to know the people that own the store.

What were your major responsibilities? I was in the office with the Director of Vendor Relations (9th in line in company) and was in charge of all marketing for seafood and meats. I was expected to manage the store and most of the programs. I made radio commercials, POS, logos (used my legal background for this). I built several databases (historical to see what the product did at all different points and where it was in the advertisement which will help make money); another showed profitability on all food products and what did which they could be handled. We had to bring fresh food, we have to know how the food is made, and then they can order to order to order and handle the food.

Best Experience/ Memory: I went to WEEI to do a radio broadcast. I got a lot of work done and did a good job. I looked up to him because he’s 38 and the Director of Shaw’s, a major company. He included me in everything — he took me with him to business dinners — he showed me I was doing a good job just by doing those things. We went everywhere — it was awesome. I definitely want to do something like this over Winter Break.

What did you learn about yourself? I can handle tasks that people give me. That I need to be a leader, not a follower. At the end of the internship, I was looking for a leadership position. I can take initiative and get things done. If I want to run a business someday it’s going to be a lot harder than what I did this summer because that was one last aspect. When taking an internship make sure your boss keeps giving you work. You’re not learning anything if you don’t have anything to do — ask for assignments if they need help.

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Students Speak Out

If you could change one thing about Bryant, what would it be?

"I would change the student parking. I don't like how freshman have to park so far away." Stephanie Rochefort '11

"I would change the dining hall hours. I think it should be open earlier and later to help our athletes." Brandie Simmonds '11

"The relationships between organizations. A lot of campus has a negative opinion of Greek Life, and I wish that would change because we do a lot for Bryant." Christina Salvucci '10

"I wish they weren't expanding so much as they are. I was attracted to Bryant because it has a small campus." Eric Higgins '10

"I wish the library would stay open longer and that South had better hours." Morgan Buell '10

"I would like to have more space for parking that is closer to where we live, instead of C lot parking which is not close to the residence halls." Katie Wolper '10

"I would change the type of food offered at Salmo." Chermon Kerr '11

"I'd say, more variety of food at Salmo. Every once in awhile it will get into a rut and offer the same stuff over and over again it seems." Matt Galluzzo '10

Compiled by Maddie Archambault
By Mike Yakavonis
Copy Editor

Though sports teams should never look too far ahead in the schedule, the Bryant University Volleyball team (13-9 overall, 5-0 NE-10) has made a habit of reaching the NCAA tournament, something they are well on their way to doing again this year.

Take a look at the team’s successes over the past 12 seasons: nine NCAA tournament berths (including the last eight in a row), six visits to the league championship game, claiming four titles, and a streak of 37 consecutive regular season league victories between 2002 and 2006. All of these achievements have come under the leadership of Coach Theresa Garlacy, now in her twelfth season at the helm.

It is no coincidence Coach Garlacy has been involved in each of the Bulldogs’ NCAA tournament runs; the two-time NE-10 Coach of the Year had a career record of 312-127 entering the current campaign. That winning percentage (.710) is still climbing, as the team is currently tied with Bentley (6-0) for first in the conference.

This year’s unit is loaded with talent. Led by captains Tiffany Garry and Miss-Attins senior standout Lillie Groves, and defensive playmaker Delia Glover, the Bulldogs consistently field top performers at every position.

Coach Garlacy considers the team’s knack for scoring top results a major reason why the team has been so dominant.

“A major factor through the years has been recruiting the right kids,” Garlacy says. “To be on a team, you have to sacrifice a lot of things, and our players are willing to do that.”

That trend continues this year, with the Bulldogs adding five freshmen to the mix who have responded well in making an immediate impact. They include Adrienne Boss, a 5’11 middle hitter (MH) from Dracut, MA; Miranda Kohl, 6’0’ setter from Holt, MI; Caitlyn Kogge, a 6’3’ middle hitter from Enfield, CT; and 5’7’ Robyn Gardner from Longwood, EL, who holds down the libero (defensive specialist) spot. Rounding out the freshmen is Sherika Nicholas, a 5’6’ outside hitter from East Patchogue, NY.

A recent 4-game set in Pennsylvania pitted the Bulldogs against some nonleague opponents. Bryant finished the trip an even 2-2, and has since

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Bulldogs avoid upset, remain undefeated

Good teams get lucky. For the Bryant Bulldogs, luck was definitely on their side last Saturday afternoon. Despite some costly mistakes, the Bulldogs were able to avoid an upset against Pace University.

By Stephen Demers
Sports Editorial Assistant

Before a deafening Homecoming crowd of 3,317, the Bulldogs were able to improve their perfect record to 4-0 with a 22-19 win.

The Bulldogs got on the board midway through the third quarter, using an 8-play, 50 yard drive to get the Bryant faithful on their feet. Running back Lindsey Gamble capped off the drive with a six-yard touchdown.

A blocked punt and recovery at the Bulldogs' 18-yard line however, allowed Pace to slice into the Bulldogs’ lead. The Setters’ Josh Trumpey connected on a 40-yard field goal. Pace used that momentum to take the lead in the second quarter. After a short Bulldogs’ punt, the Setters started their drive on the Bryant 46-yard line. Five plays later, Pace sat atop the scoreboard with a 10-7 lead.

The score stayed that way until the fourth quarter. Bryant started the fourth by completing a 57-yard drive begun in the third quarter. Quarterback Charlie Granatell scrambled and found Ryan Buckley in the back of the end zone to put Bryant ahead, 14-10.

A series of miscues, however, helped put Pace right back in the game. After holding Pace to a three-and-out on their next possession, the Bulldogs gave the ball back when Lindsey Gamble fumbled on his own 27. Pace quarterback Roy Gepp took advantage of this by finding Mike LaSella in the end zone to put the Setters in front, 17-14.

On the ensuing kickoff, the Bulldogs Jerell Smith fielded the kick

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Impressive start for men's rugby

By David Nelligan
Staff Writer

The Bryant University Men's Rugby team kicked off its season with a big win two Sundays ago against Franklin Pierce. The Bulldogs return this year with a veteran squad, graduating only four seniors last year, and have the largest rookie turnout they have seen in years. Bryant is in a new division this year and are looking to return to the Championship they have been absent from since 2002.

Bryant led off the scoring early in the game on its first possession with passes from Zach Glynn and David Nelligan to Matt Meher for the try. Franklin Pierce had difficulty keeping the ball and moving it down the field, allowing Bryant to battle back for another try by Glynn. The Bulldogs only hit one of two PAT attempts, ending the half up 12-0.

The second half would mimic the first with dominating force by Bryant's forwards, with seniors David Craine, David Ingham, and Ryan Gomlan. With the forwards playing well, it set up the back line to move the ball swiftly down the pitch for two more tries, hammered in by senior Kevin Bowker and junior Mike Carabello. The Bulldogs played stellar defense against Franklin Pierce, maintaining control of the ball for most of the play and not allowing a single score by the other team. Ross Therrien, Cory Nolan, and Lenny Losquadro also played well in the big win for Bryant.

The Men's Rugby team was at it again this past Sunday with their second game of the season coming against Rhode Island College. Bryant was looking to extend their record to 2-0 and make a big statement to the rest of the teams in their division, and they did just that. In their meeting last spring, the Bulldogs only beat the tough ruggers of RIC by one point and were expecting another tough battle this year, but to their fortunate surprise, RIC was no match for Bryant.

In the first possession, Bryant put in a quick try to take the lead 5-0 and would continue the scoring with a 25-0 run to end the first half. The Bryant coach said after the game, "The team was playing perfect rugby; they won the majority of the screens, hit all their passes, and did everything we went over in practice in the week leading up to the game. It was a complete team effort out there, and that's what it takes to win rugby matches."

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in the end zone, stepped over the goal line and then back, trying to take a knee in the end zone. He was flagged for a 15-yard penalty, and the Bulldogs were awarded the ball at the Pace 11-yard line. Three plays later, Cranell would push across the goal line to give the Bulldogs a 20-19 lead. Bryant successfully went for the two-point conversion, and that secured their lead.

Face would fail to get a first down on their next possession and the Bulldogs would run out the clock, giving the Homecoming crowd a reason to celebrate.

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Women's volleyball

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rattled off wins against Southern N.H.,
Bridgeport, and Saint Michael's. Offensive
offense was powered by Wilmington's
Garry, who just last week vs. Shipspebrook
broke the school record for career serv­
aces, and Grevea, an outside hitter and the
the team's kill leader, averaging nearly four a
point. While Geonotti recently
the team's strongest defenders, "as competitive
player as they get."

A major factor though the
years has been recruiting the
right kids... to be on a
team, you have to sacrifice
lots of things, and our
players are willing to do
that.

-Coach Theresa Garlacy

Atkins, a junior, anchors the
defensive side of games, posting 362 digs per game.
A dig by the way, for those not up to speed on
their volleyball terms, is recorded when a
player absorbs the impact of a spike from the
other team. Together with fellow junior
Glover, they form "the one-two punch on
defense," as Garlacy notes.

Not to be forgotten are sophomores
Geonotti and Morgan Wood. They are
already fixtures in the lineup and have the
numbers to back that up. Wood roams the
middle and is the leader in blocks and hitting
percentage. While Geonotti recently
notched a career high against Southern
New Hampshire.

Coach Garlacy values her captains' leader­ship,
and applauds their ability to lead both on and off the court. The two "back up what
they say to the team in the locker room and on
during their telecasts. One
of the many things that
the TV players have to
be aware of and do is
know how to act when under the
September pressure." He also added that, "you can't win
if, for the Bulldogs. Come and support this
powerhouse at their next home game
October 17 and
the previous decade of dominance is
certainly is a matter of when, not
just a matter of if.

"I am pleased with the team so far. We are
constantly improving and developing a bit
each match. That's what we're hoping for -
to peak at the end of the season as we head into
the playoffs.

"Reaching the playoffs and ensuing NCAA
tournament are certainly a matter of when, not
just a matter of if."

-- By Stephen Demers
Sports Editorial Assistant

Ten DiPrete's Diet Tips for the week:
The Importance of Eating Breakfast

When starting your day, don't forget to have breakfast!
Too many individuals go throughout the first half of the day
without any nourishment. They go to lunch and
then end up overeating with the majority of their calories
coming later in the day. In ways that is not good for
"fast" notice that one is literally breaking the fast from the
night before. After sleeping for approximately 8 hours (at
least we hope you are sleeping 7-8 hours) and most likely
not having had anything to eat since dinner the night be­
fore, it is time to nourish yourself! Think of your body as a
car. You cannot go very far without adequate fuel. Your
body is the same way. Starting the day running on fumes
will only make things worse and may cause you to feel
moody, lack concentration, and then crash. This certainly
is not a great way to get the day going.

Try some of the following for breakfast:
- Whole grain cereal with low-fat or skim milk and
a piece of fruit
- Bagel with peanut butter
- Egg white omelet with veggies and cheese; two slices of wheat toast
- Oatmeal
- Yogurt with granola and fruit
- Cereal bars

For more information, please contact the Office of Health
Education at ext. 6703.

ASK THE COACH!

I have been increasing my cardio and doing a lot more sit-ups to lose the fat
around my waist but it isn't working.
What should I do?

The body will not lose fat in any one area even if you intensify work to that area. More
sit-ups and abdominal work will help you get in better shape but unfortunately your
body doesn't selectively burn fat in that area. You need to examine you total calorie intake and
adjust your eating habits. I suggest that you keep a diary of all the foods and drinks that
you consume in one week. Also the times that you take in all food and drink are critical in
this examination. You can stop by the fitness department and have your diet analyzed if
you're interested or Jen DiPrete to go over you diet diary and we will see if we can make the adjustments that
may help you achieve your goals!
## Top Dogs

### Manny Rodriguez

**Year:** Junior  
**Sport:** Men’s Soccer  

Why this dog was picked: Manny Rodriguez picked up a rebound following an overtime penalty kick and redirected the ball into the net to give host Bryant University a thrilling 3-2 double-overtime men’s soccer win over Saint Anselm Tuesday evening at the Bryant Turf Complex. Bryant’s record is 7-4-0 overall and 4-4 in the NE-10.

### Kim Rich

**Year:** Freshman  
**Sport:** Women’s Soccer  

Why this dog was picked: Freshman Kim Rich (Lancaster, Mass.) scored the game-winning goal and added an assist as second-ranked Bryant University stepped past visiting Bridgeport, 3-1 in non-conference women’s soccer action Sunday afternoon at Bulldog Stadium. The win kept Bryant unbeaten after 14 games as the Bulldogs improved to 12-0-2 overall.

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**Waters Way: Playoff Preview**

With this year’s exciting finishes in baseball, it looks like this October will be an other great year of playoff baseball. Though the American League was all wrapped up before the last week of the season, there was much more drama in the National League. Even in the American League, it was not decided until the last weekend of the season who was going to finish with the best record in both leagues, guaranteeing a team home field advantage throughout October. In the end, cold Colorado Rockies and the San Diego Padres. I will give credit to both teams, they battled like it was game 7 of the World Series, which was in my eyes the best way to begin the playoffs. Two dirt dog teams battling each other with no one else that never quit attitude that is sometimes lost in professional sports. I in fact was one of those terrible fans who after seeing the two run blast in the top of the 3rd inning by Scott Hairston, went to my son and said “what a game” - I could not wait for the playoffs to begin.

The next thing I know, I wake up to find that the Rockies went bananas in the bottom of the 13th and scored three runs off one of the best closers ever to pitch in the majors, Trevor Hoffman. The winning run was scored by Matt Holiday, who flew home on a very shallow sacrifice fly by Jamey Carroll. I once again said to myself, “damn, I cannot wait until the playoffs start.”

So with that being said it is time for me to give my predictions for the first round of the playoffs. I will briefly break down each divisional series and give my reasoning behind why I see these teams advancing.

**Colorado Rockies vs. Philadelphia Phillies**

This match-up looks to be a good one and the first on the block. After a memorable Monday night thriller, the Rockies had to fly to Philly and get ready to do battle against the NL East’s best teams. I can’t help but agree that this will be a tough series, like all series in the NL, but you cannot doubt the powerful Phillies. Even though when you compare their statistics the Rockies have some clear advantages, I see the major factor as being exhaustion. I see Philly using that to their advantage and making the Rockies pay before it is too late. I see the Rockies making a run but have to give the edge to the Phillies.

### PHILLIES IN 5

- Chicago Cubs vs. Arizona Diamondbacks
- The Cubs have the pitching and the tradition behind them to make certain people believe this could be their year. The Diamondbacks do not want to hear it, however. This could be their first round and series ending with the Rockies.

**Cleveland Indians vs. New York Yankees**

Yes, Cleveland has been great, but come on, we are talking about the Yankees here. The team that flat out knows how to get into the playoffs each year no matter what. Even though they are the enemy, they are one dangerous team in October. I think this is finally the October that Alex Rodriguez proves his worth; he has mean he has had the Yankees here, the team that any other team would fear. The team that can expose the other bullpen will take this series. In my opinion, I have to go with the Cubs. I think they will pull it together and use the threat of the curse to their advantage, at least in the first round. **CHICAGO IN 4.**
Showing Facilities Some Respect

By Greg Hinchorn

Staff Writer

One reason why I chose to attend Bryant was due to the immense facilities that the university offers. Whether it be the gymnasiums or the quality of the music halls, students love that Bryant offers such a high quality of life. It is a great university and a great place to attend. However, the beauty of the campus is only good if it is maintained to its highest level.

Garbage cans have been a major issue on campus. People tend to leave them full and do not take them out. The facilities have a very hard time keeping up with the garbage cans. I have seen the garbage cans in my dorm last the entire weekend, and there was no one in the valley to clean them up. The garbage cans need to be cleaned up more often.

Another problem is the boxes in the dorms. The facilities staff tries to keep up with the boxes, but it is very hard for them to do so. There are too many boxes in the dorms. The facilities need to have more time to clean them up.

In conclusion, I think that the facilities staff does a great job. They try their best to keep the campus clean, but they need more help.

Sedating Positive Light on Salmo

By Michael Adams

Staff Writer

Most people, including many writers before me, have hated Salmo. There are reasons, of course. Today, I sit in my room imaging that I might write a whole article on the subject of Salmo.”

I have not even mentioned the toughest job, which may be the most overlooked one. That the maintenance crew performs. Picture what the Bryant maintenance people do around 3:00 AM on a Saturday. That time should include a university littered with beer cans, empty boxes, and God knows what other messes from the previous night. Somehow, by the morning, the campus is clean and ready for students to return.

I do not know how this is done because cleaning up that much is a great amount of effort, yet it is done in a very small amount of time.

This is where I feel students can pitch in and not make such a mess when they are out and about enjoying their weekends. The garbage containers on campus are not just there to collect garbage. The second people are finished drinking their beer, it is necessary that it may be at the time, throw your empties can in a built in. It is good to think about how much work you would save the facilities staff if you were responsible and decided to throw your empties can in the garbage can when you are done with them.

One specific instance I can think of where the facilities crew would be helpful is the situation when students are asked to pour out a drink by a DPS officer. You can pour your drink out, but leave the empty can in your hand. The empties can should not be left.

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The View of the Dregs: "Let's Talk About You." Sorely Lacking English Skills

By Kelly Drew

Assistant Opinion Editor

I'm not sure exactly when it happened, but I'm fast becoming certain this horrific event co-occurred with the advent of internet and mass social networking. In a worldwide wave of asynchronous sexual unrest, it quickly infected teenagers, preteens, and even adults—more and more of us believe our rise.

I'm talking, of course, about the rise of lackadaisical spelling, grammar, and punctuation. Our generation is currently responsible for posting on Facebook walls with misspellings such as "lolz 2 the 4 all" and "wshing hands and in Papers with phrases like "im imperative to realize, that everyone has the ability to do good on essays," it's hard for me to write these poorly constructed sentences even as examples. It sickens me that much.

I love to write and create stuff usually with a few simple words. I have a lexicon that makes some people go "huh?" after I speak, I get the "Word of the Day" in my email inbox, for Christakes. In essence, I'm a big fan of English. I find myself placing less and less emphasis on the basics of language— an emphasis that seems to me. I'm gladly pronounced that the English language isn't always perfect. Get over it. It's not perfect, but that's the beauty of it. It's not perfect, but that's the beauty of it.

It's a quandry to hang out with people that age with me and listen to them talk—there's a distinct air of savvy about them and our conversations convey those opinions and feelings. I often hear myself say "to be honest, I hear an audible error flowing forth from my friend's mouth, because a few want to correct them and help them learn, I don't want to comment on the inane things we only care about building her self esteem. If it's down (when it comes to grammar, etc.). I save that side of the discussion for other people's papers, a service I gladly provide. Because, I'm sure it's the only thing that I'm not doing, I hear an audible error flowing forth from my friend's mouth, because a few want to correct them and help them learn, I don't want to comment on the inane things we only care about building her self esteem. If it's down (when it comes to grammar, etc.). I save that side of the discussion for other people's papers, a service I gladly provide. 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A small primer:

1. "You're" = contraction of "You are"
2. Your = personal pronoun plural "Your" = possessive pronoun
3. It is = "that" or "this" as an adjective, "a good boy" well = to use as an adverb
4. "I'm doing well" = to use as an adverb

I hope that helps and that you enjoy the last few pages a bit more enlightened. Write on!
Simon Says: What's Your Sex IQ?

By Toby Simon
Staff Writer

Throughout my four years at Bryant I've spent a good deal of time talking with students about various issues. There are some commonly asked questions about sex that both men and women ask. And it's clear from these conversations that the topic is definitely a point of discussion on this campus and across America.

A few years ago a nationwide survey by the Kinsey Institute (at the University of Indiana at Bloomington) indicated that most Americans know little about sexuality, contraception, and sexually transmitted infections (STIs). It thought it might be interesting for our readers to test their Sex IQ. Here are the questions and below are the correct answers.

True or False?

1. Petroleum jelly, baby oil, and hand lotion are okay to use as lubricants for a condom.

2. Sexual orientation (whether homosexual or heterosexual) determines a person's risk for infection with HIV.

3. A woman can become pregnant during her menstrual period.

4. All women have a "G" spot, an area of heightened sensitivity in the front wall of the vagina.

5. Douching after intercourse, or at any time, is unnecessary and may be harmful.

6. Failure to achieve orgasm is not necessarily a sign of decreased sexual desire.

7. Young women and post-menopausal women who are not sexually active do not need regular gynecological exams.

8. When men experience erections while sleeping, it's because they are having erotic dreams.

9. Heterosexual men may have sexual relations with other men without considering it sexual activity.

10. Penis size is important for sexual performance.

*Survey by Kinsey Institute.

Here are the answers.

1. False. Oil-based products corrode latex rapidly, making it permeable by the AIDS virus and other microorganisms, as well as sperm. Half the people in the Kinsey survey thought an oil-based lubricant was okay. Only water-based lubricants, specially designed for use with barrier contraceptives are safe.

2. False. Sexual behavior, not orientation, determines the risk for sexually transmitted AIDs. Both men and women can be infected and can transmit the virus. High-risk sexual behavior is defined as unprotected intercourse (oral or vaginal) with an infected person. Intravenous drug use is another means of transmission. Half of the respondents in the Kinsey survey believed that anal intercourse itself was the cause of AIDS.

3. True. Though it happens rarely. Especially in teenagers who are taking the release of an egg may be irregular. Furthermore, sperm can remain alive in a woman's fallopian tubes for up to three days. For greater protection against pregnancy, people should practice contraception at all times of the month.

4. False. The "G" spot was named after Ernst Grafenberg, a gynecologist who first described it. Research has been inconsistent; however, many women do report that they emit some fluid when they have an orgasm. Some women have speculated that this fluid comes from the G spot.

5. True. The vagina cleanses itself naturally of its own secretion. Half of the respondents in the Kinsey survey believed that anal intercourse itself was the cause of AIDS.

6. False. The average erect penis is five to seven inches long, and its size may be affected by temperature and body fat. The average erect penis is five to seven inches long. The vagina can accommodate both large and small penises, and size is relatively unimportant for female sexual response.

7. False. Beginning at age 18 (or earlier if they become sexually active), women should have an annual gynecological exam and Pap test to detect cervical cancer; as well as a breast exam for breast cancer; both exams should continue for a lifetime.

8. False. Erections during sleep are normal, but men who are awakened while they are experiencing one should report the erection to a doctor. Women, too, can experience sexual arousal during sleep.

9. True. At least one in four men has had sex (to orgasm) with another man, whether he identifies himself as gay, lesbian, or bisexual. The majority of these men think of themselves as heterosexual; most Americans believe that same-sex experiences are rare. It's estimated that one in five American women has had sex (to orgasm) with another woman.

10. False. Penis size varies but is not an indicator of sexual appetite or performance. The average erect penis is about four inches long, and its size may be affected by temperature and body fat. The average erect penis is five to seven inches long. The vagina can accommodate both large and small penises, and size is relatively unimportant for female sexual response.

How'd you do? Talking about sex in the Archway is not intended either explicitly in the material, or implicitly by its distribution, to the end of promoting sexual activity. Why? Because it's not. Now, you may have heard this statement many times. But it's true. It's time to focus on the real issue of how to address intimacy in a respectful and responsible way.

Sexual desire is a natural and healthy part of human life. However, it's important to remember that sexual activity should always be consensual and safe. The Archway is committed to promoting respect and understanding in all aspects of sexual relationships.

School spirit all the way!

One of our favorite memories from Homecoming Weekend was the annual Pep Rally. Who doesn't enjoy seeing President Machtrey ride out to the center of the pond to light the bonfire while the football team chants "Ronny!"

Thanks for all the great feedback.

We appreciate so many people checking out our new website and enjoying our Kickoff Event last Friday. We can't wait to start seeing your comments and feedback! Don't forget, the address is www.bryantarchway.com.

Get an observation? We'd like to hear it. E-mail us: bryantarchway@gmail.com.

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Bulldog Flicks: The Kingdom

By Michael Pickowicz
Staff Columnist

I am sure if you have been watching television lately, you have seen an advertisement proclaiming "The Kingdom" as having the most suspenseful 30-minute ending ever. With a promise like that, how could I not see for myself? Does "The Kingdom" live up to the hype, or are the ads just promoting the last 30 minutes to hide the other 90?

"The Kingdom" is an action movie that takes place in a post-9/11 timeframe. The movie starts off with a horrible attack on an American compound right outside Saudi Arabia, leaving hundreds of innocent men, women and children dead. To get to the bottom of the attacks, the US sends a group of four FBI agents to Saudi Arabia, led by Agent Fleury (Jamie Foxx). As the team tries to understand the source of the attack, the terrorist group begins to plan another attack that will put an end to the scoping Americans.

On one level, I really applaud this movie for trying to bring a little realism to the action genre. It respects the idea that some of the Middle Easterners are terrorists and that some of them have appreciation for justice. The process of finding the terrorists behind the attack is not just a rush in and blow them up, but more of a CIB approach.

Going in expecting an action movie, I found the first half of the movie to be somewhat slow. I do have an open mind however, so I was willing to accept this as an investigation movie, in hopes that the pieces came together in the end. The problem was, they didn't. All the evidence and clues lead them nowhere, and few even come into play in the end, which made me wonder what the real point of this movie was.

This all leads to the 30-minute finale, which throws out any realism the beginning of the movie showed. Is it exciting? Is it thrilling? If sure its! The issue is that this kind of action belonged more in a "Die Hard" movie. It just doesn't fit with the rest of the movie, which took a more realistic approach. Another issue is the camera, which is constantly shaking and cutting from character to character, even when no action is going on at all.

So the advertisements were right, the last 30 minutes were insanely suspenseful. The problem is this wasn't the kind of movie "The Kingdom" came across as up to that point, and I felt it took away from all the other characters and the overall point of the movie. Sure, violence only leads to more violence, but I felt that the movie could have shown that without seeming like two different movies. While "The Kingdom" has some much appreciated realism and a cool 30 minute action scene, nothing really fits together in the end. "The Kingdom" gets 2 1/2 Bulldogs out of 5.

Jennifer Garner, Ali Sulivan, Jamie Foxx and Chris Cooper (left-right) star in Peter Berg's new film "The Kingdom."
Great observation Emily! I have also noticed a steady, however more excessive as of late, increase in the amount of geese since my first season here. Last year, we discussed the goose problem. We have been wading past their normal radius from the pond and over to the area closest to the library. Many of these adventurous geese making their way almost all the way to the Hall 1 and even on the Haselden commons. I could understand why they would want to go toward Hall 1 since it is right on the way to Hall 14. Chances are they would be up in that area to hang out, watch a show, or even get something to eat by the fire, while all chewing on some pizza at “The New Function.” But the real question is why on earth would these geese go so far out of their way just to cross over a few football fields. After all, there must seem like the Great Wall of China to those little geese. A few days after spotting their flock, brainstorming, and some quick research, I came up with some awesome solutions for Bryant’s pecky bird problem. My first assumption was that the paint-off that the geese was a result of that nasty pond – which is another subject unto itself. Another great idea I came up with for the reason why the geese are making their way through the grassy areas is if the grass is too long. I might be wrong, but I see a lot of birds who are just scratching at the surface of the ground for bugs and small critters. One big idea why these geese are attracted to our campus is the nice green grass way they get to poop on. But none of these problems have easy or simple solutions. So what is Bryant Police doing to help guide people toward Hall 17, so there is no need to cross over? Police Maj. MacGheen will sign off on those being yanked out. So far I ran out of my fabulous ideas but Yahoo up for some solutions. Apparently there are some people out there who called “Geese Police.” Pane is sometimes referred to as police leave everything alone. But since there are only things I ever thought could be hand picked were things, fruits and vegetables, etc. It looks like Bryant is also in luck, because they are located in Hollowell, New Jersey. The Geese Police are flexible; they say they control “schools, universities, parks, playgrounds, golf courses,” and residential communities, just to name a few. I would say Geese Police and Bryant are the match since Bryant’s campus has at least one of all of these.

Bryant TV shows off to fast start

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about a large Cuban family who has made the move to the United States, with the sugar and rum business built and run by the father, Pancho. The fate of the family business comes into question, setting off a huge feud between Pancho’s biological son Frank, and his son-in-law, Alex. The show is as much about family rivalry as it is about togetherness. "Cane" premieres on the 25th and airs Tuesdays at 10 PM.

"Desperate Housewives" also returns for its fourth season on ABC. Television’s favorite suburban soap opera returns with a new twist on Wisteria Lane, as are the twists and turns of this ad-dicting comedy/drama. This season is bound to be an eventful one, as life on Wisteria Lane is never dull. Viewers will find out the fate of Edie, Lynette will continue to fight her deadly disease, and Bree will find that hiding her daughter’s pregnancy is going to be harder than she thought. The fun doesn’t stop there; Wisteria Lane will also welcome its first gay couple, as well as a former occupant who moves back in with her new partner.

"Ugly Betty" is back full-throttle for season number two with new crush, and hopefully an answer to what happened in the summer. "Ugly Betty" is the story of the father of Charlie’s baby, Wilhelmina gets a new bodyguard, and still plans to marry Bredford. Amanda deals with the shocking news that Frye Sommers is her real mother by eating... a lot. "Ugly Betty" is on Thursdays at 8 PM.

NBC’s most popular drama "Grey's Anatomy" is back for its fourth season, minus Isaiah Washington. Washington played Burke, who last season called off his engagement to Cristina. Washington will not have a replace. Instead, McSteamy and Dreamy are fi-nally together. George and Callie are married and happily since George began an affair with Izzy.

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Also new to ABC is the much talked about "Pushing Daisies." "Daisies" main character Ned has an incredible gift; he is able to bring things, including people, back to life with the touch of his finger. He uses this skill to help private investigator Emerson Cod solve murders by bring-ing the victims back to life long enough to find out who killed them, then they collect the reward. Things get complicated when his first love, Marnie, is murdered, and he brings her back to life to solve the crime but then refuses to touch her again, so she can stay alive. "Pushing Daisies" has a unique, somewhat complex plot, but still has the prime time feel to it. This season, "Daisies" premiered October 3rd at 8 PM.

NBC returns this season with hit shows such as "The Office." Last season’s biggest excited viewers when Jim finally asked Pam out and she said yes. Though Jim must end things with Karen who, as seen in the premiere that aired on the 2nd, he now wants to get back with Pam. This season is bound to bring back lots of laughs, and interesting to see how Pam and Jim handle their relationship in their work environment, now that the students are reported in rumors and any other scandalous news by the mysterious and un-known Gossip Girl. Like all teens, they thrive off each gossip, but the biggest question in their minds is who is who among each other. We will have to wait and see. But rather, they wonder, who is Gossip Girl?

This fall season is sure to have its stresses. There will be many opportunities to study for, papers to write, and books to read, but when there is extra time on your hands, lie down in your extra-small sized bed and watch some TV. One of these shows this season is bound to grab your attention, and just as Professor Sharon advised while napping for her "Life's Introduction to Communication class, “take your head out of your damn books and watch more TV.”

Two Birds and a Microbrew

By Joe Donaney and Ryan Daley

Beer Enthusiasts

Hi, we're Joe and Ryan. We like good beer, and we're sure many of you of legal drinking age do too. Unfortunately, we often see too much other college students drinking fudgy beer only because they're drunk. That's why we decided to write this column -- to provide you with an oppor-tunity to educate yourself about the endless amount of superior microbrews out there. But it's im-portant that you drink responsibly, and only drink if you're 21 or older.

It's still October and will be for at least another month or so in the beer world so we chose to taste another autumn brew -- Erdinger's Oktoberfest Weizen. It's an exceedingly frothy hefeweizen (pronounced "hef -- ah -- vite -- zen") made by the world's largest beer producer. It's got a traditional wheat flavor, though the spices overshadow the anticipated lemon tinge. Whether or not you like unfiltered wheat beers (Joe's not particularly a cloudy beer kind, it's still worth a pint to see what these are.

It certainly has a milky core -- after all it is an unfiltered, all-natural, never pasteurized hefeweizen (the literal German translation for the word is "yeast"). Because it's bottle-fermented, it's substantially carbonated and lathery and even the most careful pour gives it a decent sized head. It also emits a small hint of banana on the nose, along with a heavy fermentation scent reminiscent of mom baking bread on a crisp au-tumn afternoon.

The brewery itself was established by Johann Kibel, an Erding, Germany native, in 1886. In 1890 the brewery changed ownership over to the Stadmaier family, and in 1930, it was bought by the malt factory F.W. Otto AG of Hildesheim who had a wheat beer production at the time of about 66,000 gallons per year. Ten years later, the brewery was renamed Erdinger Weissbrau and today during its peak the brewery produces upwards of 215,000 gallons per day!

Although it is a little pricey, we'll say it again -- try this beer. It's not your typical hefeweizen but will certainly please your palate. It's practically the total package -- no pun intended seeing the label's pretty cool.

Cost: $10 / 6pk

Alcohol Content: 5.5% / 5
Summer Concerts Galore

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This past summer, I had the opportunity to attend four concerts with a variety of flavors. As an avid music listener with a very wide breadth of tastes, I looked forward to the summer for the chance to see some of my favorites play live.

The first concert I attended this summer was held in Montreal, Quebec (Canada), and featured Damien Rice. For those of you who don’t know him, his most recent album is titled “O” and “9.” His music could be described as Irish folk music, but don’t let this seemingly boring genre dissuade you. If the lyrics of his songs don’t clue you in to his upbringing and Cornish roots, they wouldn’t necessarily associate with “folk” music, then his amusing anecdotes and provocative jokes between songs at a concert could certainly do the trick for you. If you don’t believe me, check out his lyrics to my favorite of his songs, “Rootless Truth,” which he performed live. If the lyrics, though he himself is from Ireland and primarily sings in English, our group had the difficulty of deciphering his French for his short segments in the audience. Rice did an excellent job improvising on his own songs and keeping the crowd engaged.

From Irish folk music, I found myself hopping genres a bit to see another of my favorite bands, the Dis­patch’s reunion concert in New York City at Central Park’s Rumsey Square Garden. A group of friends and I made a weekend of the trip and had the amazing opportunity to watch the band play in a benefit concert to aid in relief for Zimbabwe and specifically for the Hip-Hop generation, which has long been recognized for its activism in promoting awareness of global issues, but this reunion concert was certainly a Janis Joplin-inspired experience. Between songs, the band had interviews with citizens of the area, and the leading activists of the surrounding area displayed on a large screen behind the set. Since we were sitting in the nosedive section and the sound was a bit loud enough to be drowned out, the reason for the concert demonstrated that the video clips and the music were. This was my first opportunity to see this band play live, and it was certainly not an experience to be missed.

Perhaps the concert I’ve been most anticipating for this summer, to Xavier Rudd claims the third concert of my summer. Born in Australia, Rudd is a multi-instrumen­talist who can play four different types of guitars, three didgeridoos, the stom box, harmonicas, the djembe, akina, a slide harmonica, ankle bells, and several types of drums—all within the same concert.

With that said, you can imagine how impressive it was for this performer live. He is surrounded by so many instruments on stage that it is nearly unimaginable how he manages to perform vocally at the same time. His music has an Aboriginal flavor along with some definite indications of rogue. The middles of the concert were held in Central Park’s Rumsey Square Garden in North Hampton, Massachusetts, and it really allowed for all the concert-goers to get involved with the music. He was energetically dancing for three hours or so simply tapping his feet to the music. No one left this concert disappointed.

Sadly, my summer was about to come to an end, but I couldn’t return to school without going to just one more concert. During August, I was the lucky enough to catch one of the last four tickets available on the day of the show. James Taylor, who has been performing in Wallingford, Connecticut, for a number of years, performed a real kickback to our parents’ era and aside from children dancing, there’s just no way you could find a baby-sitter, my brother and I. I certainly felt like the youngest people there. It was the most refined concert I’ve ever been to. Through the summer, I’ve only had two times out of my own comfort movie-theater-like chair was to give the performer a standing ovation. Taylor, even after forty-plus years of standing, is still a must-see who genuinely enjoys performing as much as he does making music.

This concert was probably my favorite of the summer.

I look forward to seeing more and varied and unique concerts in the coming months. I believe that all audiences can find something that they enjoy, whether it be a video game concert or a concert featuring four artists whose parents could not afford to see DIS­count. Whichever concert you choose to attend, know that you will no longer be able to watch music this summer, unless you are a card-carrying member of the band. It was the most amazing show of the summer, and I know I’ll be attending again next year. My only complaint is that the audience was a bit loud enough to be heard above the music. The video clips and the music were. This was my first opportunity to see this band play live, and it was certainly not an experience to be missed.

I’m not one to read a lot of books over the summer, but his one struck my fancy, so I decided to write a review about it. For those of you who do not know who Yvon Chouinard is, he is the founder of Patagonia, a world-class outdoor clothing company with an enormous customer base. The main title of Chouinard’s book is based on Chouinard’s employee benefits philosophy in which he would let his employees go skiing, hiking, biking, etc. as long as they got their work done. This philosophy, along with many others, governed the meat of this book. In the beginning, Chouinard details how he started from making climbing equipment in California. With his work being available as early as the sixties, he says that as long as they got their work done.

The second edition of the book details the growth his company experienced, as well as some stories Chouinard mentions toward his clothing. It wasn’t all sunny days for Patagonia, as Chouinard tells of times when major agreements had to make some really big decisions. It was a point where sales and profits not as strong, and operational costs were building. Patagonia was forced to lay off a number of employees, something Chouinard had never anticipated to do. This downhill slope in Patagonia’s history opened the author’s eyes to a sustainable way of doing business. That was, to be not in business to make money, but to further the world through environmental causes.

These company values and philosophies have been a large part of the work experience, employees, and life. Towards the end of the book, Chouinard mentions his business philosophies, which are very different than the stereotypical busi­nessman values. He talks about the differences in philosophy on distribution, productivity, and saving the environment, very interesting in its own right. To detail a few differences with Chouinard’s company, he is not only worth a little more than a day’s salary, but he also was a self-less employee care so they could work more efficiently. Secondly, the author states that he is not a company that focuses on one target consumer to test your product and push it to the market. He also states that some consumers that aren’t your target fall into place.

All in all, this book was one of my favor­ites, and I strongly suggest it to anyone who has not read about a different kind of business and how it grew to be so incredibly popular. His philosophy should be taught throughout the business world, because it truly is another way to do business: environment first, customers second, and money third. Happy reading!
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