Facebook Conquers Bryant University

By Brian Levin
Managing Editor

Two weeks ago Symphonee Willoughby, a freshman management major from Middletown Connecticut, didn't even know what the facebook was. "When I got here my friend made me sign up," she explained.

Yet in a week and a half's time Symphonee has confirmed dozens of friendships and is connected with some 700 people, more than a quarter of Bryant's population. "No, I am not addicted, I have heard that it is really addictive, for me it's just something you do when you are browsing on the computer," explained Willoughby.

When asked about her usage Willoughby sighed "Now I am going to sound like I am addicted, I check it whenever I check my mail, I would say about 5 times a day... damn I sound addicted."

While 700 people and 5 times a day may sound addicted, it is probably minor compared with many closet users here on Bryant's campus, who are not available for comment at the library's public computers where Willoughby was checking her facebook in the middle of the day. In fact a good percentage of Bryant students log on to the facebook.com every day.

This phenomenon which has embraced our campus and others across the country represents the biggest communication tool since AOL's instant messenger. Since its introduction to the Bryant Campus on January 12, 1,881 profiles have been created with an average of 42 friend connections each.

To accurately describe facebook is to say that simple programming, at least in comparison to other programs we use everyday like Microsoft's Office, meets almost unlimited features and uses in the college world. The program designed by Mark Zuckerberg, a student at Harvard University, fits almost seamlessly into our college lives.

All features are based off its primary use as a profile service. Here students can post a picture, and detailed personal information.

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The Dig-Out Begins!

Those who decided to return back to campus early to weather the storm with their friends instead of family, witnessed an all too common site, Facilities Management trying to stay ahead of the 2+ feet of snow that fell between Saturday January 22 and Sunday the 23. This picture was taken on Sunday when the school offered a bag lunch to early arrivals on campus. If you notice, these are the doors right outside Café-ala-cart in the Unistructure with 5 members of Facilities Management trying to clear the exit. The drifting was well over the 7 foot door way opening.

Opinion

See the points Greg Hirschorn and Bryan Sergant discuss head to head about President Bush and his administration.

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Mount St. Helens' surprises scientists

By Craig Welch
The Seattle Times
(KRT)

The rock was at least the size of a man's head, and geologist John Pallister cradled it as he would a newborn which, in a manner of speaking, it was. As late as a month ago, this beefy slab was in liquid form, a pulsating 1,500 degrees Fahrenheit and working its way up from five miles below Mount St. Helens to form a chunk of the region's most active volcano.

For Pallister, a research geologist at the Cascades Volcano Observatory, evidence of how quickly Mount St. Helens is evolving doesn't get more solid.

"It's hard to believe that several weeks ago this was lava flow in the middle of the Earth," he said.

Four months after the volcano stirred back to life, Pallister said, "We were anticipating a different event. "Figuring out what it means will take some time."

At 3:18 a.m. PST on Jan. 16, just 36 hours after geologists had walked along the surface of the new dome dodging vents emitting loud, hot blasts, a release of gas blew rocks and debris several hundred feet. It spread ash 8 inches or more thick inside portions of the crater and destroyed a few thousand dollars worth of instruments researchers had put there during their visit.

In its aftermath, the tremors at St. Helens have slowed. As the sticky, newest sections of the dome are protruding, they are being scraped so hard against the existing surface they are turned white as the friction wears down its surface.

"We would have anticipated a different event," said Seth Moran, a U.S. Geological Survey seismologist.

Volcanologists would not have been surprised if there had been a significant rockfall, a continuing hazard as sections of the new dome just higher and stretch more than a thousand feet to the side. The explosive release of gas suggested that St. Helens' plumbing is more finicky than first believed, that even slight changes in gas, or moisture below the surface, can trigger a new scenario.

"The question is, why now?" Pallister asked.

He wondered aloud if there was more gas-rich flow farther below trying to push its way to the surface.

In fact, one of the most predictable things about Mount St. Helens has long been the volcano's unwillingness to act conventionally.

It's a reminder, said Jon Major, a research hydrologist at the observatory, that "we've learned an awful lot about what we don't yet understand."
Burglars busted over winter break

By Bethany Thorston
Editor-in-Chief

While many students from Bryant went home to enjoy their winter breaks, a minority returned to campus to start their winter session. Unbeknownst to the returning students, they were not the only people to be found on campus. One week into the winter semester, two people, not from the Bryant community, were arrested for theft and charged with five counts of burglary. At approximately 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 4, 2005, DPS was notified of a burglary. Although, by definition, it is an illegal entry and a crime committed within, had taken place in one of the Bryant residence halls. The burglars consisted of forced entry and the theft of a student’s laptop. The night time on campus. One week into the winter semester, two people, not from the Bryant community, were arrested for theft and charged with five counts of burglary. At approximately 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 4, 2005, DPS was notified of a burglary. Although, by definition, it is an illegal entry and a crime committed within, had taken place in one of the Bryant residence halls. The burglars consisted of forced entry and the theft of a student’s laptop. At that time, DPS officers notified the Smithfield police. While an investigation ensued, DPS received a call about a suspicious car parked in the Hall 16 lot. DPS responded to the call and upon arrival, found a 28 year old female placing a laptop into a white Ford Explorer. Upon questioning, the young woman broke down and blurted out the blame on an older man. She gave the officers a description of the man. Due to the description, officers were able to identify the 41 year old male and locate him on campus. Officers found the gentleman, they noticed he seemed to hide behind a vehicle and then stand back up. While they questioned the man, a student came up and said he had seen the man place something under his vehicle. When the officers checked the vehicle, they found two laptops under-neath and one laptop inside the man’s vehicle. A cell phone and a box of jewelry were also among the stolen items. All items were returned to students.

Due to FERPA (Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974), DPS was not able to release the names of the students involved in the incident, however Andrew Tolmich, a junior and finance major was wishing to discuss his personal interaction with one of the burglars. According to Andrew, he encountered the male burglar just moments before he was apprehended by officers. Andrew, who is in RA in Hall 15, had just returned from his winter session class. He propped open his door prior to entering the bathroom and upon return, he saw a man exiting his room with a laptop in his arms. The man asked Andrew, “Have you seen the cleaning staff?” Not realizing who the man was, he casually said no and the man exited his room. Soon after, Andrew received a phone call from a girl within the building who claimed to have had a laptop and jewelry stolen. He immediately contacted DPS and was surprised to hear that DPS was in the process of apprehending the man. Although the burglars were both caught and charged for their crimes, Andrew still questions how the man even entered the residence hall, “I am not sure how he managed to get in. He doesn’t have a FOB. Maybe he used an emergency exit?” The man and woman were arrested, and are currently facing five counts of burglary and theft.

Department of Public Safety Log

EMT CALL
EMT Call / Medical Services
January 27, 2005-Thursday at 12:40 a.m.
Location: residence hall
Summary: A student reports falling in the rotunda on wet floor.

VANDALISM
Vandalism
January 28, 2005-Friday at 10:15 p.m.
Location: TOWNHOUSE ROADWAY
Summary: A facilities staff member reports that a light pole is down behind M-Block. Electrician dispatched to check for exposed wires.

EMT CALL
EMT Call / Medical Services
January 29, 2005-Saturday at 11:11 a.m.
Location: residence hall
Summary: An EMT was requested to check a possibly intoxicated student. EMS was activated.

BIAS RELATED INCIDENTS
Bias Incidents Reported
January 1-08-05 One bias incident has been reported to DPS.

**REMEMBER ALL UNIVERSITY FACULTY, STAFF AND STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO REGISTER THEIR VEHICLE ON CAMPUS. A PRINTABLE FORM CAN BE FOUND ON LINE AT http://DPS.bryant.edu OR AT THE DPS OFFICE.**
Bryant Students have a New Communication Tool

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steamlessly with AOL's Instant Messenger, another obsession of college campuses. Users create groups, which also helps to facilitate communication and allow individuals to meet people with similar interests. Groups at Bryant range from the Anti-Bush: Bring Back Monica Lewinsky special interest groups to a I Went to Public School...Bitch common interest group. Many Bryant University Students recognize teams, clubs, and organizations. Perhaps one of the facebook's more useful features is its Courses List. Utilizing this, students can contact, or get to know better, people in each of their classes... extremely useful for the night before a big test, or when checking out the girl two rows back that you can't seem to get a good look at in class.

"I get to see what high school friends at other schools are doing and can message them," Willoughby said, hitting on another of the facebook's key features.

As thefacebook.com moves its way up into Bryant students' favorite college related web pages, joining the ranks of rateyourprofessor.com, collegehumor.com, and others. Students gain more options for procrastinations, but also a better social network which will inevitably bring Bryant's community closer together.

What woman did you guys want to get with that lead to the creation of thefacebook? No, but seriously, how did it all get started? Why?

Mark Zuckerberg, a student at Harvard, had the idea last winter. He wanted to combine an idea for a universal online database with an interactive social networking interface. The idea was sort of an extension of the traditional college facebooks combined with terrible freshman ID photos and boring information.

Zuckerberg said, "After a few weeks of dedicated work and late-night dorm-room conversations with the other four guys who started the facebook with me, thefacebook was released at Harvard."

Thefacebook, while original and more successful, is similar to other profile services, and have thefacebook display an announcement similar to Google ads to all users of thefacebook at her particular school.

Can people remain a part of thefacebook after graduation?

Absolutely. We have a lot of alums on the network.

Besides expansion, do you have plans for new features?

There are a lot of plans for thefacebook in the future. We will continue to expand to as many schools as possible. Alongside general expansion, we will review and update the features that we have and add new ones. We are also planning on hosting some events on college campuses, most prominently a National Beirut Championship in February. Finally, we are partnering the site with another project called wirehog, which has already happened for students at a limited number of schools. For more information, check out www.wirehog.com.

Anything else? Maybe some insight into the poke?

Haha, the poke is whatever users make of it.

How many people are you friends with on thefacebook profile? Do you guys compete?

I think I have around 400 friends altogether. Nah, we don't really compete.

What kind of process is in place for starting up thefacebook at new schools?

Our criteria for choosing which schools to add is pretty simple: the more requests we receive from a school to be added to the network, the higher the likelihood we'll add it.

In Loving Memory of

Professor Earl F. Briden

who passed away Friday, January 28, 2005.

There will be a memorial service held on Thursday, February 10, 2005 at 3:30 p.m. in the Bello Center.

Bryant University's campus newspaper since 1946

The Archway, Bryant University's student run newspaper is now accepting applications for openings with in the Editorial Board and Advertising Department.

Positions available include:

- Assistant Editor of Variety Section
- Campus, Sports and Variety Writers

Applications are now available in the Office of Student Activities and in The Archway office (both located on the 3rd floor of the Bryant Center) and are due back by Monday, February 7th.

The Scoop

in the Bryant Center

- Cheaper then Stop and Shop
- Widest selection of drinks, snacks, and meals on campus
- Your favorite ice-cream flavors guaranteed to be there!
- Nachos!!
The Hallways in the Unistructure get an Upgrade

By Greg Hirshorn
Staff Writer

Have you noticed any changes while walking to your class in the Unistructure? Currently adorning the hallways are eleven new flat screen monitors. With some left over from the Bello Center, these monitors have permanently left storage, they ended up being unnecessary for Bello and the school decided they could be put to a better use.

Phoebe Butlin, Academic Systems Manager, stated that despite many students’ qualms, the project was inexpensive and the nominal fee incurred was worth its purpose. The screens are 21 inch LCD monitors which only required installation and wiring.

Due to a night club fire in Warwick, fire marshals have required new regulations for all types of structures. These new regulations include but are not restricted to the extinction of hanging large banner or signs indoors.

Because of this, the LCD screens are going to be used for interactive purposes. The administration has made it clear that they intend to use the monitors to better interact with students and in the future broadcast the Bryant Television station. When students were again asked their opinions, many seemed to have mixed emotions.

A member of the Student Senate, Kevin Martin ’06 reacted by saying, “As a Senator, I think the monitors are neat and versatile. It also increases advertising capability with new kiosk monitors.” He also added the feedback that he has received from other students. He says that he has heard nothing but good things about these new monitors and the slides in the Unistructure.

Lauren Ditino, a freshman, also believes these new monitors are assets to the Bryant community and says, “I think the monitors add to the technology on campus. Plus it is nice to be able to read about events while walking to class instead of in the studio to play what we call ‘the monitors’.”

Phoebe Butlin provided by Kiel DeGiovanni

Two out of the eleven new monitors around the Unistructure.

A New Face on Campus

By Kristina De Angelis
Staff Writer

Bryant University and President Ronald K. Machtley would like to welcome a new edition to the already prestigious administration. WJMF as the new Dean of the College of Business.

After gaining recognition as an university, Bryant has decided to expand its horizons to create a College of Business and a College of Arts and Sciences. With the new colleges, Triffis was needed to lead the College of Business while veteran Bryant Professor David Lux was appointed the position Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

Triffis’s academic background includes a doctorate in finance and economics from the University of Florida, a master’s degree in finance and accounting from Dalhousie University, Canada, and a bachelor’s degree in accounting from the University of New Brunswick. After 20 years in the academic world, Triffis joins the Bryant community. His academic positions include Dean and Professor of Finance for the School of Business at the University of Southern Maine from 1995 to 2002. He also served as associate Dean and Interim Dean at the University of Rhode Island Graduate School of Business, Rollins College.

V.K. Umni, Vice President for Academic Affairs at Bryant, had this to say about the new addition: “We are delighted to have an academic leader of Jack Triffis’s stature joining us at Bryant University. Jack brings additional strength to the academic enterprise here at Bryant. I expect that he will be enormous­ly helpful to me and to Dean Lux as we continue to drive Bryant’s momentum. Given his success in leadership, teaching, research, and business outreach, he is a great addition to Bryant.”

With many other impressive accomplishments, it will be a pleasure to welcome Mr. Triffis while wandering the grounds of Bryant University beginning July 1, 2005.

Spring 2005 Comedy Series

Bryant University SPB - www.bryantspb.org

Wednesday 9pm South Cafe

All events feature free food and some of the best entertainment around!

Bring your friends and come early for a great time!

Free!

First show: Bob Saget is Co-Sponsored with Good Evil, MST
"Hey, Ma! There's a 2nd Act Theatre at Bryant!"

February 16th - Bob Saget (left)
In-store ATV Comedy Tour and 2nd
Comedy Tour! "Show in Another Theatre"

March 23rd - Robbie Rist
Winner of the 2002 Boston Comedy Tournament. An interview on Comedy Central, NBC, and BET.

April 6th - Marko Eiger
Special guests on Chapman’s Show, HBO, and Oxygen Network.

May 2nd - P.J. Thibodeaux
Commercial Break Stand Up Comedy of The Year!
The Hangover: Drifting through Winter Break

By Justin Williams
Staff Columnist

Unlike most of the Bryant University community, I don’t winter break here at school. For the five weeks I was here, I practiced basketball at a low level, I was something like Shaw Kemp with eight less children. Now I know what you’re thinking. To respond, you are perverted, and you’re probably right.

With all the free time I had, I wound up in Smithfield, I’m sure you left me a glimpse of my college career being on course and not being a feature of your actual schoolwork. Without coursework to occupy my time, my mind was free to drift. Usually my drifting would get me into trouble; like when men ask their girlfriend how day was, and when they expect her to say “fine,” she wouldn’t. On Monday morning, remember how she hates her girlfriends, or how she thinks she’s fat. Once my girlfriend and I passed the 20 second mark, if the conversation didn’t turn relevant (and by relevant, I mean something that involved me) my mind would start wandering.

Of course I would end up getting in trouble when my mind would drift too far away and I’d make the Napoleon Dynamite face. Luckily I was on senior break, with no girlfriend to hold me back, I could drift at will. Here are some of my random thoughts I was able to jot down while drifting through winter break:

- Even the most die-hard Patriots fan will buy a Randall Gay jersey.
- IfRandall Gay of gay, it is a real shame that the word ‘gay’ cannot be used as its original root.
- I don’t care how old I get, whenever I hear an adult use the word “penis” or “vagina,” I’m going to laugh.
- The fastest I’ve ever driven in my life was after watching 2 Fast 2 Furious in the movie theatre. This is not because the movie influenced me, but because I wanted to get as far away from that debacle of a movie as possible.
- Every Lil Jon song seems to involve the killing or beating up of someone in a rich. If these punk haters know that Lil’ Jon and his Eastside Boys have problems of their own, why do they continue to approach him in the club? Is there only one person with a clue and all the others in the “kicked in football games” is no one ever says “After the ensuing class, I’m going to the bathroom.”

Has anyone fallen off harder than television history than the guy who played Steve Urkel on “Family Matters”?

- Why do they have the FBI warnings at the beginning of videos? Are we some modern day Paul and Jane ever looked at it and said, “You know what? I was about to but, maybe I won’t make an illegal copy of this movie.”
- If we are at a Business School, why does Bryant’s alcohol policy encourage us to make poor business decisions? I.e. I can only have a pint of hard liquor. The answer is to split a liter with my roommate to save a few dollars, we would be in violation of the rule anyway. Through a pat is approximately half one of liter. (Note: I spent 3 hours trying to convert pints to the metric system.)
- My girlfriend and I argued over how much I should have turned 22, I don’t know if I’ll ever be completely comfortable with parents.
- How come Iraq is better at counting votes than Florida.
- If we are all God’s children, then what’s so special about Jesus?
- I won’t even be able to have a drink together with my parents.

If Jamel Bond were a real person, he would have 434 transpirated diseases.

- Speaking of diseases, the pond half of you might jump in if the Patriots won the Super Bowl might have as many dis­ eases floating around in it.
- I would argue with you that the culture “ensuing” just assume it’s a solid random short sentence.

In today’s dating world it seems you can’t be a real person. he would have to run the police, otherwise I’m going to estimate came at a half of one liter. (Note: I spent 3 on the television screens, which statistic was put on this one piece of paper, person before you start making interviewing new prospective

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Similarly, if you act as an employer when accepting and rejecting dates and pay more attention to achievements and social status than personality and compatibility, you will end up employing a date that doesn’t interest you.

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If I were President of Bryant, the first thing I’d do is seal off each of the exits in the Unistructure and try to see if people would come. I’m going for Dome (starring Pauly Shore) fashion.

Speaking of the Unistructure, there has been a bigger waste of money in Bryant’s history than have two television monitors at every corner! For as you can’t see one, you couldn’t move two feet to the left or right to avoid it. With two screens, it gives Bryant stu­ dents additional opportunities to ignore the Bryant Daily.

With the money spent on the television monitors: Bryant could have at least had the option to charge every­ one for its electricity. Everyone could’ve done so many great wagon aner leaping off the building at the top of the building at the my te­ another building or gasp.

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Opinion

Point-CounterPoint: Tony D. Dumna

By Greg Hirshorn
Staff Columnist

Freedom?

It was a very dark day, a scary event that set the scene for years of war and anger to follow. This is nothing new, we have seen it before. The sad part of this situation is that it is going to take time. Even the most powerful people are not responsible for the country in which we live.

Freedom was a word that was overshadowed in the inauguration speech. To be exact the word 'freedom' was used twenty seven times in the President's speech. Bush made several references including one point during the speech; "The best hope for peace in our world is the expansion of freedom in the entire world." Now don't misunderstand what I am trying to say, peace in the world would be an absolutely fantastic thing. The word 'freedom' can have many different meanings and can be interpreted in many different ways and in this case the word is being put up to the definition that it carries in the eyes of George W. Bush.

Just as a reminder to everyone the war that was waged was named by the President operation 'Iraq Freedom'. On a positive note Saddam Hussein has been taken out of power. Now that he is gone a problem just as large has developed in Iraq. I would be interested to see how many Iraqis actually show up to vote on election day with the Sunni and Shiite committing violent acts on anyone who is somehow aiding the new policies of the United States in Iraq. Right now there are thousands of casualties for the leadership positions in Iraq. This may initially come off as a positive looking statistic but nobody knows who any of these people are.

These people are scared of campaigning for the fear of being assassinated by some people not wanting American ideas pushed upon their culture. So, in short your next door neighbor could be running for this position and you would not know about it until you show up at the polls, if you have enough courage to vote your mind in the situation. You are putting yourself into jeopardy by voting in an Iraqi election.

This is a prime example of what happens when George Bush decides to expand freedom throughout the world. When he says freedom for all he means freedom for some. This is not a positive but because of that now our troops are on the front lines dying and the future of the country appears to be sketchy at best. The part that I found the most shocking about this whole mess of a situation is that when asked if he would do anything different if he had a chance to redo the situation in Iraq his response was a defiant no. A man who gives a response like that has to have a few screws loose.

Another valid question is who is accountable for determining where freedom needs to be enforced? As scary as it is the answer to that question is the one and only George W. Bush. He is the President and there is no one that can tell him what he is doing is wrong because he is the top dog. Now that America is on a mission to enforce freedom to those who do not want it this is not a positive for our soldiers. We have to go back to the draft system. Countless troops are going to be killed on these "freedoms missions" and therefore less will enlist in the forces leading to the need for a draft.

So, who's next? Iran? Saudi Arabia? I do not know the answer to that but one thing that is sure of is that we are not going to win this. It will be an absolute bloody battle wherever we enter like the situation that is going on in Iraq. We need to gather the warning sign of disaster become clearer than ever. One thing is to be certain you should be afraid, very afraid, of the situation that looms ahead.

The Portfolio: The LowDown(n) on Investing

By Louis Abate & Pete Ziegler
Staff Columnists

Have you ever Overheard those two guys talking about how much cash they just made with the recent stock market gain? Did you get on board and ride with them?"Wow, how can I do that?" Well if you have, and want to learn the ropes you have come to the right place.

The two of us have been investing for a little over three years, and have been through our share of ups and downs. However, after the first year of rocky trading, our portfolios have continued to grow with impressive gains. While we share many of the same views about the companies, in which we invest our money, we share just as many opposing views. Sometimes Louis is right, and sometimes Pete is right; but in the end all that matters is that we come out on top.

There are many great investment opportunities out there, both long and short term, and we do not want to limit our thinking to the idea to start writing about investing and investment opportunities that may be worth investigating. As a result, we are taking a deposit of $500 to get a brokerage account up and running. There are a number of online brokerage sites that you can trade with, and the cost per trade is a nominal cost. We prefer to use Ameritrade since it offers live streaming, personal and product information display.

Ameritrade charges $10.99 a trade, but, Ameritrade will charge a fee if you don't maintain a minimum account balance of $25,000 or make at least the number of trades in your account over 6 months. Other sites include: Scottrade which charges $7 a trade and has no extra fees or charges, eTrade, which requires a $1,000 minimum and charges $19.99 a trade, Fidelity, which charges $7.95 a trade, and Charles Schwab and TD Waterhouse, which offer trades for less then $20.

The way we see it, an investment of $500 is not a substantial amount, and it is not if you are blowing it away on some thing that you would later regret. While investing $500 may not allow you to diversify into a number of different stocks which would be ideal, it helps a beginner to gain some invaluable experience. This investment will allow the newfound investor to become involved in researching specific stocks, following the stock performance and the market itself, while evaluating your investment choice from time to time.

Hopefully, a few months after making deposits into your account, you can get your hands on a habit of making detailed charts on the companies past stock performance. Yahoo!

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Bulldogs Bite: Weekly Athletic Scoreboard

MEN'S BASKETBALL
(13-6, 9-6 NE-10)
Red-Hot Bulldogs Winners of Six Straight, EDT, Monday, November 26
Bulldogs, 77-58, over Westfield State Wednesday and Host Southern N.H., 82-69, Sunday, November 18
Bryant improved its winning streak to six games with three wins this past week, defeating Pace (88-60), Southern Connecticut (80-47), and Franklin Pierce (68-56). During its current streak, Bryant has outscored opponents by an average of 20.5 points per game. Mike Williams needs 13 rebounds to move into second all-time for career rebounds at Bryant University. Nathaniel Sudlow has 857 rebounds entering Wednesday’s game at UMass Lowell. With 67 three-pointers this season, junior guard John Williams has matched his freshman total for three in a season. Williams currently leads the Northeast-10 Conference in 3-point FG percentage (.479) and three’s per game (1.72). He is second overall in the conference in scoring with 20.6 ppg. Bryant is fourth in the conference in scoring with 78.3 ppg, but more importantly, second in the conference in offense in scoring with 88.5 ppg and leading the NE-10 with a .504 field goal percentage defensively. The Bulldogs were ranked No. 10 in last week’s NEC Atheltic Poll.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
(13-7, 8-7 NE-10)
Bulldogs Drop Pair of Contests Last Week
The Bryant women’s basketball team, ranked No. 6 in last week’s NCAA Northeast Region poll, dropped two of three last week. On Sunday, Bryant was beaten 74-66 at the hands of the University of Massachusetts, while the Bulldogs fell to Southern Connecticut 75-54 with the lone highlight coming from senior Lindsay Hernandez who matched her 1,000th career point. The Bulldogs will look to rebound Wednesday when the team heads to UMass Lowell for a 5:30 p.m. game.

INDOOR TRACK
Cegarra Natches Win In Shot Put; Greigre Earns NCAA Provisional Qualifier
Sophomore Mosque Cegarra won the bitcoins shot put while sophomore Haifize Greigre placed second in the men’s 200 meter in an NCAA provisional qualifying time of 22.22 seconds. Greigre also placed second in the men’s long jump with a mark of 21 feet, 9 inches. Holly Reynolds was third in the women’s 5,000 meters in 19 minutes, 14.31 seconds while teammate Nicole Radzik was closed behind Resandes, finishing in fifth in 19:54.12.

LARGE TURNOUT AT HALL OF FAME DINNER
More than 140 alumni, parents, staff and students showed up at the beautiful Grand Hall in the Bello Center Saturday night as Bryant University welcomed four new members into its Athletics Hall of Fame.

Former volleyball standout Jennifer Carvalho ’98, baseball star Jason Eldridge ’99, men’s golf All-American Timothy Trethewey ’91, and longtime coach and administrator Bob Reall of Lincoln, R.I. were all honored by their former teammates, coaches and friends during the induction ceremony.

“These individuals join 45 other former student-athletes, coaches, administrators, and contributors who have been honored for their accomplishments,” said Director of Athletics Dan Gavitt.

KAREN HEALY
NEW WOMEN’S LACROSSE COACH
Karen Healy is a former standout lacrosse player at Syracuse University, has spent the last 20 years as an assistant coach at Bryant, replacing Wynne Lobel who resigned in January for personal reasons. Healy has extensive experience after serving as the Assistant Program Director at Boston Lacrosse, Inc., a Boston-based organization that provides free lacrosse for the youth in Boston’s historically underserved communities. Healy was a two-time second-team All-American at Syracuse University. She helped lead the Orange to three NCAA Championship appearances and earned Second Team Big East All-Conference honors during her senior year. After graduating from Syracuse in 2002 with a degree in African American studies, Healy was an assistant coach at UMass-Amherst for two seasons.

STUDENT-ATHLETES STAND OUT IN CLASS
A total of 143 student-athletes at Bryant University were named to the Student-Athlete Academic Honor Roll for the fall semester. Forty percent of Bryant’s student-athletes earned a 3.0 GPA or better during the fall semester, the highest amount in the last eight semesters. All twenty varsity sports programs were represented on the academic honor roll.

In addition, a total of 27 percent of Bryant’s student-athletes were named to the Bryant Dean’s List which requires a GPA of 3.2 GPA or better, with two student-athletes, Kristin Braga and Americo A. DiCaro, Jr., named to the Dean’s List in both indoor track and field during their season of competition. A complete list of Bryant’s Academic Honor Roll can be found at www.bryantbulldogs.com

By Shantel Palacio
Sports Editor

While all of Bryant took a much needed break from the detractors of finals this winter to be snug in their own homes, the Bryant University Bulldog basketball teams bared the cold, and even the blizzard, to put some heat on the court. Both the Men and Women’s teams ended their break shortly after Christmas to continue their season.

Despite several injuries, currently the men’s basketball team is ranked 6th in the North East 10 NCAA conference. The team is currently dealing with injuries Mike Venzke and A.J. Mahair, two scholarship players. Also, Chris Burns, who averages 13.5 points a game, fractured his cheekbone injury. "It pushes my face up. It’s hot and feels uncomfortable so I’m always adjusting it. The face mask took a while getting used to," Burns explains. "Coach and my teammates helped. They made it seem like I never left." Coach Good expressed sympathy for Burns and the other players. "Injuries are part of the game."

Great shape to not only the trainers who help treat us after every game," but also "because losses has brought the team together. We’re working together coming into training how to win." The top twelve changes, Tune-ups, and General repairs are available. Take a left turn out of 1348 Douglas Pike in Smithfield.

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- Physician Assistant
- International Business
- Communications
- Teaching
- Biomedical Sciences
- Molecular/Cell Biology
- Journalism
- Accounting
- Computer Information Systems

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PICK OF THE LITTER

By Shaun Liddy
Assistant Sports Editor

For anyone who has ever worn sports uniforms with pride, the phrase “practicing makes perfect” might sound too familiar. It seems it was mandatory for coaches and parents to drill this phrase into the heads of every 7 year old aspiring athlete all around the world. It has been through the efforts of the relentless practicing of shooting lay-ups and firing off foul shots that has certainly helped Bryant’s Men’s and Women’s Basketball Team come very close to playing perfectly.

For two athletes, however, one skill has come easily without the help of practice. If you were to ask the teammates of Lynne Zlotowski or Mike Williams, they would explain that their invaluable leadership both on and off the court has come simply as a natural gift.

For four years Lynne Zlotowski has defined the qualities of what a Bryant athlete entails. The endless support she gives to her teammates, the respect she shows her coaches, and the love she has for the game of basketball has earned her admiration from her teammates and the Bryant community. Whether running sprints at the end of practice, or getting the team excited before a big game, Lynne brings intensity and determination that is passed on to everyone around her. “She has coached me for the last 30 years and Williams’ mental and physical dedication is unparalleled,” -Mens Head Coach, Max Good

Beyond the Basics of Super Bowl XXXIX

By Greg Hirshorn
Staff Writer

It’s the day that America comes together for better or worse in front of their television sets. Americans are eager with anticipation to see who will become Super Bowl Champions. This year the Philadelphia Eagles will take on the New England Patriots.

The Patriots need to contain Donovan McNabb and make sure that he does not get too much time in the pocket. When McNabb is given time to stay in the pocket he gets a good view of the field and can identify which receivers are open. An added threat with Donovan is that while in the pocket, he has the capability to take off and run for good yardage. For those you whom are not football fans "the pocket" is the amount of space that the quarterback has to run as the defense is coming after him, while the guards are blocking on December 19 in a game that he sustained an ankle injury that he received on December 19 in a game against Dallas. It is hard to determine how Owens will play because he has not played in a game for eight weeks.

However, he has been practicing with the team throughout the past week. The Eagles have a tough road ahead, the challenge of redefining the Super Bowl Champion for the last 2 seasons. If the Eagles want to have a chance at winning this game, they have to come out with intensity and establish an early lead in the game. The Eagles will also need tight coverage on Tom Brady's receivers. The problem with putting pressure directly on Brady is that he's a skilled quarterback that maintains composure and doesn't fall victim to rushing his passes due to blitzing.

After failing short in the past two NFC championship games the Eagles finally won their conference this year to advance to Super Bowl 39. The fans of the Eagles are so crazy they had a jail built in their former stadium for fans who got out of control during the games. The fans of Philadelphia are ready, after a long drought, for their chance to finally win a Super Bowl.

An interesting point in this game is that when you look at the leaderboard for all the teams they are both very talented. The Patriots kicker is Adam Vinatieri and the Eagles kicker is David Akers. This may not be the underlying story of the Super Bowl but it is interesting to see how high a role a kicker can play in the success of the team. As a Patriot fans will recall, Vinatieri has kicked the winning field goal in each of the Patriots past two Super Bowl wins.

The halftime show for the Super Bowl this year is not expected to be as controversial as last years wardrobe malfunction. Paul McCartney will be highlighting this year's halftime show. Among others, Alicia Keys and Black Eyed Peas will be featured.
Senior Corner: Class gift events creating a buzz

By John Cullen
Columnist

February 18th marks the official beginning of the Senior Class Gift solicitation period. In order to create the buzz about this exciting project the committee has arranged two events dedicated to Seniors. The first event will be held Thursday, February 4 from 4-6 p.m. in Papitto Dining Room. This event is for students attending Tonk 05. This is the core group of seniors who will be soliciting the class for pledges towards the class gift. The second event is going to be a library endowment fund that will provide our library with new and updated books, journals, and magazines subscriptions and a new leisure reading section. For more information stay tuned in the next few months.

Friday's event is being held to get the network together again before the kick off gala on February 18th. The gala is free for all seniors to attend and will be held in the Grand Hall from 6-8 p.m. It will be a cocktail reception and program as well as music by the Bryant Jazz Ensemble. Alcoholic beverages will be available for students of legal age. Class Gift chair John Callen will be the emcee for the event and guests will include President Maskey, Laurie Musgrove and an alumni guest. The Network is expecting a large turnout that is estimated to be approximately 200-250 seniors. Don't miss out on the opportunity to spend some time socializing with your fellow seniors during our final semester! Invitations went out to all senior's mailboxes early this week and students are encouraged to RSVP to networkwork5@bryant.edu or call ext. 6539. Proper dress for both events is required.

The Senior Class Committee has also been working diligently on the Senior Gift Gala event. The event will be held on Friday February 11th from 8pm-1am. As usual, the event is being held at an undisclosed location. Tickets will be going on sale on Monday in the Rotunda. The committee is expecting this event to be even bigger and better than the first one, so be sure to keep your eye out for the table. Until next senior, good luck with your final semester and the job searches. As always if anyone has any senior related news they would like to see in the Archway please contact me at j1@bryant.edu or call ext. 4609.

Dining out with Joe and Rohan

By Joe Krieff & Rohan Shah
Columnist

Upon entering Smokey Bones in the Providence Place Mall, you will be greeted with a rustic decor and a long wait. In the 30-45 minute wait, we were not in the mood for our wings and we left the place 10 minutes later. After waiting a wait of only 30 minutes, we were seated after an hour and 15 minutes, we were not in the best mood. To compensate, they did have two waiters serving our table. The meal began with several appetizers: chicken wings, cornbread, spicy spinach and artichoke dip, and onion rings. The wings were "buff-a-que" (half buffalo/half barbeque) flavored. The cornbread was delicious and was served with a pecan butter spread, and the onion rings were enjoyable. The spicy spinach and artichoke dip, however, was very watery down. If the dip was refrigerated, it would have been much better. The restaurant also has two different barbeque sauces for those of you who like that kind of thing. One was a mustard-based and the other was regular. We recommend the mustard variety.

After waiting a whopping 35 minutes, we got our food. Joe ordered a sirloin steak and I ordered chicken with fries. At Smokey Bones you can choose from many sides which include creamy colo slaw, barbecue baked beans, french fries, mashed potatoes and gravy, fresh steamed broccoli, cornbread, and green beans. For an additional 99 cents, you have the option to upgrade to potato salad, onion rings, fresh steamed asparagus, or corn on the cob. The steak was just OK and the dipping sauce tasted rather fishy.

I ordered a veggie burger with mushrooms and onions. The veggie burger (for lack of better words) was one of the worse burgers one's taste buds could have ever been exposed to. The burger did not taste right and it also felt as though it had not been cooked correctly. Even a side order of fries seemed to be a daunting task at Smokey Bones. After only taking 2 bites of the so called veggie burger, the waiter was asked to take it back and their staff was kind enough to take it off the bill.

We think there are many better restaurants than Smokey Bones in the Providence Place Mall. Check out the Cheesecake Factory or American Bar and Grill, or our previously reviewed and suggested Fire & Ice.

Horoscopes

Aries (March 21-April 19) They say that a journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step. It's your luck day. You can find out where you're going, though, and head in the right direction.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) You're going on your shopping trip pretty well prepared, but don't get stuck in a rut. Be quick to grab a better deal, if you find one.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) Everything seems possible, and that's part of the magic involved in making dreams come true. Get specific, and get help.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) You have talents you haven't even tapped yet. Use them to beautify your home and impress everyone.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) You may feel like things are moving fast, but that's a matter of perspective. Others may think it's about time you made up your mind.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Looks like a flurry of activity at your house. Stay in control as much as possible, or at least steer the chaos the way you want.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You're already cute, but you can learn to be even cuter. This is really going to be a lesson you enjoy.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Hurry up to gather all the loot, but don't get reckless with it. If you're not careful, you'll lose it all just as fast as you got it.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Push a little harder to get the research done. Ask the pertinent questions, and a few impenetrable ones.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You're under pressure, but that's good. You work well in those conditions. It makes it a lot easier for you to make decisions.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You're being urged to try something you've never done before. And you don't have to do it alone. In fact, it's best if you don't.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) Luck has nothing to do with it. You're achieving more now through skill. Some of it comes from other people. Bring it all together.

Ruminations on College Life

By Aaron Karo
KRT Campus

At no other time does a college kid's classes become as noticeably winter break. At school, there are parties, boos, girls everywhere, you're out, you're back, you're on the move. The first few days of December rolls around and next thing you know you're on the couch for three weeks straight watching "Real World" reruns. Shoveling snow becomes my most exciting activity.

Remember in high school when you always complained that there was nothing to do in your town? You didn't have a car, you weren't 21 and you had curfew. It sucked. So now I have a car over 21, I have no curfew and, guess what? There's still nothing to do.

Break from school is always fine for "appointments." You get your hair cut, you go to the dentist, maybe even visit the doctor. That's because you get home and your parents are like, "Oh my god, you look terrible! I'm making you see some appoint- ments." I never understood the whole dentist thing. He's always metal hook! Also, how come when I go home for break I suddenly become "errand boy?" It's like my parents saved every single thing they had to do for when I came home. I walk in the door and there's so "Welcome home, son!" It's more like, "OK, we need milk, get the car washed, pick up your sister and mow the lawn." Why don't you do this stuff when I'm home? And isn't it weird being home and sleeping late? At school, you never really notice anything, but at home you're just waking up and your parents are coming home from work already. It makes you kind of think you're missing something.

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I wish he would uncover his car already... I can't wait much longer...
Cancer. Growing up I never understood what it was, in fact I had no clue. Although I always knew it was bad, real bad. I can remember seeing my aunt smoking cigarettes and asking her to stop because I knew that she would get cancer and I would miss her and her visits. It was a strange thing for a six-year-old to see. My family like mine, it was hardly unlikely. Long story short, I realize now that no matter who you are, you are connected to cancer in some form. Yet it's not until it comes into your inner circle that you truly recognize the pain and suffering cancer patients endure. I never understood; in fact, as it was happening in front of me, I didn't know what was happening. All I knew was that it was bad and that I should find a way to help out. Unfortunately it took the death of my best friend's mother to give me the motivation to help out. In high school, my best friend's mom was my second mom. She took care of me when my mom could not and she treated me like one of her own. She was the mother of three by birth but by choice she was the mother of a whole team. Throughout her battle with cancer, she never showed any fear, nor did she stop fighting. At her worst, all she cared about was making sure her daughters were going to be OK. She was one of the most remarkable women I have ever met. She was also one of my greatest teachers.

Before I met her I was like most teenage girls; I dreaded my mother. To me, my mom was some lady who thought she understood me, but I knew that she didn't and never could because I was growing up in the '90s. I didn't have all the answers but I knew my mom didn't either; we were just too different, and besides, I thought, I have my friends, besides my mother, I have made my own change. In fact, now I can't wait to talk to my mom because there are times when she's the only one who gets me. However, it wasn't until my best friend's mom had lost her battle with cancer that things really started to make sense and I realized my mom understood more than I thought.

I spent the days after her death in a fog. At the time, I was alone because my parents had taken their first trip to Europe. I can't even tell you what happened; all I know is that I laid in my parents bed just waiting for them to come home because I had never felt so lost or lonely before.

It was the first time since I was a kid that I honestly needed my mom and dad; they were the only two people on the face of the earth that could make me feel better. We had to be there for each other, better than ever. Fortunately, we had all lost a best friend. You see what I didn't understand about cancer is that it kills people. As silly and uneducated as that sounds, unless you really sit down and think about it, you may not understand that either. Cancer makes you sick or worse, it takes away everything you have. It is possibly the final chapter in your story. Possibly.

We can change this, and, if nothing else, we can change it. Relay for Life is an event done from heart to heart around the country to help raise money for the American Cancer Society. Relay for Life, to be held at Bryant University on April 22-23, is an opportunity for groups of people to walk or run to raise money for cancer. Come out and celebrate the possibility, the idea that things can and will change. A Relay for Life kickoff will be held in the Rotunda on February 9th, from 9:00 AM-2:00 PM. Don't be like me; don't wait until cancer gets too close to you that you have to lose a loved one to make you understand.

Understand now. Help Now! Volunteer to help on a committee or go door to door and spend the night listening to tunes, eating and walking around to raise money for a cure. Cancer won't wait for the perfect time. Cancer isn't waiting. Look into your inner circle that you can think of. There will be great prizes and cash giveaway all night long.

This Week's SPB Events:
Winter Weekend: Las Vegas!
Friday, February 4 - South Café Illusionist: Aaron Radatz - 9:00 p.m.
Come see an incredible illusionist show to kick off the weekend. Free Food!
Friday, February 4 - South Café Band: Stepanian - 10:30 p.m.
Come check out a 5-piece band with a style that is very similar to the Dave Matthews Band. Preview some of their music at www.stepanianband.com
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Summer at Bryant starts with Commencement and ends with students moving back Labor Day weekend. Throughout the summer thousands of people come and go using Bryant for all different types of programs and events. The Conference Office is looking for some outstanding individuals to help make it all happen.

The first big event for us is Commencement - two ceremonies, three receptions, over five thousand guests. It is the most important celebration we put together. Working in our office you will play in important role in the set-up and execution.

Once June starts we turn the campus into a conference center. Groups from all over the world use our facilities to learn, improve skills and come together as a group. Our office supports them every step of the way. From check-in to arranging meeting space, audio/visual equipment and come together as a group. Our office supports them every step of the way. From check-in to arranging meeting space, audio/visual equipment.

Thinking about taking a summer class? That's ok. Our office is open from 7 am - midnight almost every day and we need people that are open from 7 am - midnight almost every day and we need people that are.

Considering the foot and a half of snow on the ground around the Bryant campus and record breaking cold temperatures in the air, it may seem a little premature to be thinking about what bathing suit will be popular this spring. Yet, while we would not dare step outside without being bundled in scarves and jackets, fashion designers have had nothing but sandals and skirts on their minds. Designers unanimously have been awaiting the release of their summer line, which already has been perfected and is waiting to be sent to market. Though it may be a scary thought, the next trend to head to Providence Place they may no longer be selling winter jackets. Knowing about the upcoming season's trends and must-haves might make the transition a little easier.

The winter fashion shows in New York successfully completed, retail stores are lighting to stock their racks with the clothing that was showcased on the runway. Based on designs from Tommy Hilfiger, Marc Jacobs, and Oscar de la Renta, there were consistent themes which make it easier to predict the spring and summer trends. Without a doubt, the color white will be hard to miss this season. White is a color that evokes warmth and simplicity, and luckily will be abundant in this year's collection. White will be a prevalent choice, whether simply bordering outerwear for a big lift or shine, or a sequined cocktail dress for a more daring look.

BOLD prints featuring flowers and stripes will appear hand in hand with the upcoming trend of big skirts (from A-line to pouf). The timeless trench coat which pulls together any outfit was featured throughout the collections of Cole and Oscar de la Renta. Another option for a Spring jacket are blazers which were also a fashion choice this fall. The blazers designed for the Spring, however, are less form-fitting and more unstructured, which really represents the casualness of this year’s pieces. Look for the blazers in bright colors, or tweeds, to break away from the Winter blues.

The best part about the trends for the upcoming season is that if you don't have the funds to buy a new wardrobe, simple accessories can make your old outfits seem simile. For instance, wear your favorite lightweight sweater or dress with a leather or ribbon belt a few inches above the waist and it will look like a new outfit. To give life to your oldest pair of jeans, try replacing your old black pumps with this season’s two tone or flat detailed with shiny stripes and metallic bits.

Even with the spring collection adorning the walls of the Bryant University gift store, this time of the year is great for winter sales. Keep your eyes out for cropped fur and leather jackets, or sporty parkas, which you may be able to catch at great prices. Colored denim jackets covering a slimming pair of jeans continue to be the fashion favorites of the winter.

For those of you who are still trying to decide on a New Year’s resolution, not to worry, there is still plenty of time to enjoy the infamous New England winter (and hit the gym everyday). There’s no doubt that there will be a blizzard hitting Bryant any day now, so keep the Uggs handy but take note of these upcoming trends because bathing suit season is just around the corner.
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