Bryant No. 2 for most connected campus, what’s next?

By Bethany Thornton
Editor-In-Chief

Laptops, IP phones, two 100-inch Mitsubishi custom televisions, a communication studio in the final stages of development and an entire campus of wireless networking, what do all these have in common? These are just some of the reasons why Bryant University was ranked No. 2 in The Princeton Review's "Top 25 Most Connected Campuses".

Bryant is literally one step behind Reussner Polytechnic Institute which was named No. 1. In an interview with President Maclehey, he had this to say about The Princeton Review rankings, "It is a great achievement for the university, the IT team, the faculty and staff, it is truly a team effort."

He went on to say, "This ranking validates to the world how technologically advanced we really are." All that being said and it is important for Bryant to stay on top which will take further progress in the IT department to keep Bryant where it has worked so hard to be.

Upon meeting with Vice President for Information Services, Art Glotzer, he reassured the importance of staying ahead of the race.

He and President Maclehey spoke openly about the new ideas for further technological advancements on campus. The first, which is in the beginning stages, is the use of the Bryant campus as a testing ground for dual band cell phone

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The production of Radical Reader comes to Bryant

By Shannon Noonan

Forum discusses Bryan's social life

By Meghan Hanlon

An open forum was held on Wednesday, September 25 at 7 p.m. with Dr. Eakin, Vice President of Student Affairs, Robert Slos, Associate Dean of Students, Judy Kawamoto, Assistant to VP of Student Life and John Dino, Director of Residence Life, in attendance. The topic of the forum was around student life in general, but particularly about recent policy changes.

The forum was held on September 4 weekend raised concerns about managing events that occurred on campus. According to Dr. Eakin, the campus "tightened reins, which are just some of the reasons why Bryant University wa

It can be used as a form of primary history within classrooms. Radical Reader is the first book of its kind. The book brings documents and speeches of Radical Florida in the initial years of the movement. There have been other books which discuss specific issues but none that combine multiple documents dealing with freedom of individual's rights, gay rights, abolition of slavery, the suffrage movement, civil rights, child labor laws, and many more. Each document represents a set of radicals by radicals of their time. Tim McCarthy states, "All historical moves are good but Radicals are misrepresented. Our book the Radical Reader allows us to show that Radicals are a positive influence for the future."

Eugene V. Debs states, "When great changes occur in history, when great principles are involved, as a rule the work of the minority is right."

The minority are usually the first, which is the future will render the final verdict."

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Happy 20th birthday!

Did you know that 9 out of 10 people admit to making a treat from their child's bag? Now you know where some of that candy actually went after you came back from trick or treating.

The Archway has been coming down until one night, October 31. Because this night is the night of spooky happenings and bone chilling occurrences. The archway, with help from various Halloween related teams, has listed a few rules that students should keep in mind to enjoy a safe, but frightful night.

First, never stand in, on, or above a grave. This is especially important for students whose Halloween plans include visiting one of the three graveyards that are located around the campus.

Second, in the village or freshman residence halls and hear a strange noise, do not search for the cause of the noise, especially if the power has gone out.

Third, if any of your suitemates or friends start to speak to you in Latin and you know for a fact that they did not take Latin in high school, run from the room as fast as you can. Just remember that if you start how fast you run and how slow they move, they will eventually catch up with you.

Fourth, if the food appliances in your room start to operate by themselves, you should definitely be worried. Not only because no appliance can do this yet, but also because food appliances other than refrigerators are not allowed in the dorm room and they have to be possessed to get there in the first place.

If you have come across a monster that helped it meet another unfortunate death, do not check to see if it really is dead. Trust us when we say, it is not dead.

As a result, although many people will be dressed in their costumes, be aware of the ones whose props include chainsaws or other tools.

The archway hopes that you keep these tips in mind when you enjoy your holiday events this weekend. For those who have not already gotten their pumpkins, costumes, or decorated, do not worry, you still have a few days left!

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Bill Rancic, winner of the Apprentice speaks at Bryant University

By Meghan Hanlon
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After inviting him into their common rooms every Thursday night, Bryant University invited him to speak at the Trustee Speaker Series. Bill Rancic, winner of the first season’s Apprentice was introduced by President Maclehey to a packed audience in the Mac on September 25th.

The idea of bringing Bill Rancic to the campus came from Troy Byrd, Program Manager of the Global Entrepreneurship Program. Byrd approached Laurie Munger, Vice President for Institutional Advancement, who oversees the Trustees Speaker Series. For the next speaker, Byrd wanted to bring in an entrepreneur minded person and who better than the winner of last season’s Apprentice who had been an entrepreneur himself for most of his life.

After starting his entrepreneurship at the young age of 16, Rancic knew he was heading down the business path. Rancic cooked up a plan of making pancakes for his grandmother’s friend and quickly earned a booming business until his mother realized what was really going on when he was heading to Grandma’s house. This was his first grasp of capitalism, a path he would follow for the rest of his life.

Over 800 people attended the event and listened to Rancic share his experiences of the road he took that led him to winning the ultimate job as the Apprentice. In his speech, Rancic offered advice to the business minded community.

His first piece of advice was to "Know the figures in your world where you fit," a piece of advice that
Breast cancer awareness month

By Jenna Clifford  
Advising Manager

This October is the 20th annual National Breast Cancer Awareness month. While people throughout the United States are constantly working to find a cure for this disease that claims over 40,000 women's lives this year, October is a month where citizens and businesses can devote their efforts as well. This month, Bryant students and a variety of organizations are aiding in the battle against breast cancer.

Last Sunday, October 17, several Bryant students, including members of The Archway and Delta Zeta, participated in a "Making Strides" walk against Breast Cancer at Roger Williams Park in Providence. This five mile, non-competitive walk collectively raised over $60,000 in donations.

While students are actively participating in breast cancer events locally, many on campus student organized activities have been formed to support the cause.

Both Peer Ed and Big Sisters, are selling pink bracelets for $2 each to be donated at the end of the month. Each week in the rotunda outside of Salomonson or around the Bryant Center, students will also find Peer Ed tables promoting Breast Cancer and Prostate Cancer Awareness. At the tables, students will have the opportunity to decorate white paper bags in remembrance of loved ones affected by breast cancer or simply to help promote awareness.

Fifteen percent of diagnoses are at an advanced state when detected. Women whose cancer is detected early at a contained state, have a ninety percent chance of surviving five years compared to a twenty percent if the cancer has already spread.

To increase survival rate, while researchers are searching for a cure, funds are used to help programs to increase awareness and education as well as ensure that all women can get screenings regardless of income or insurance.

While October is quickly coming to an end, you can individually contribute to the cause by learning more and visiting The American Cancer Society website, http://www.cancer.org or http://www.ncbc.org/, the National Breast Cancer Foundation homepage, and look for more on campus activities, such as Relay for Life and The Great American Smoke Out.

Breast Cancer vigil in front of the Bryant Center.

Photo by Shannon Noonan

Team Bryant University walks to find a cure for breast cancer and raised over $800 to support the cause.

Photo by Bethany Thornton

Department of Public Safety Log

EMT CALL  EMT Call / Medical Services Rendered  
Oct. 18, 2004-Monday at 12:55 a.m.  
Location: RESIDENCE HALL  
Summary: EMT requested for a female with flu like symptoms. EMS was activated.

THEFT  
Oct. 18, 2004-Monday at 12:58 p.m.  
Location: RESIDENCE HALL  
Summary: A student reports a purse taken from her suite over the weekend.

VANDALISM  Vandalism (School Building)  
Oct. 19, 2004-Tuesday at 1:06 a.m.  
Location: ADMINISTRATION HALL  
Summary: A staff member came to DPS to report vandalism in a conference room.

EMT CALL  EMT Call / Medical Services Rendered  
Oct. 19, 2004-Tuesday at 11:00 p.m.  
Location: RESIDENCE HALL  
Summary: An EMT was requested for a student with an injured hand. EMS was activated.

ACCIDENT  Leaving the Scene / Unattended Vehicle  
Oct. 21, 2004-Thursday at 1:05 a.m.  
Location: JACOB’S DRIVE  
Summary: A reported hit and run accident. SPD notified.

VANDALISM  Vandalism (Schomb Building)  
Oct. 21, 2004-Thursday at 8:24 a.m.  
Location: BRYANT CENTER LOT  
Summary: A DPS officer reported that a university sign has been stolen. The sign was recovered.

VANDALISM  Vandalism (Residence)  
Oct. 21, 2004-Thursday at 10:24 a.m.  
Location: TOWNHOUSE  
Summary: Report of vandalism in the basement of a townhouse.

BIAS INCIDENTS  None reported this week.

FYI  Did you Know...

- Townhouse residents can trick-or-treat at townhouse L4 on Friday from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. The best costume of the night will win $25 gift certificate to Best Buy!

- On Monday, November 1, $500 deposits are due for anyone interested in skiing at Killington for the week of January 2-7.

- Budgeting packets are due Monday, November 1.

- The Bryant Singers will join Salve Regina University chorus on Saturday, November 6 at 8 p.m. The singers are renting a school bus and there are room for an additional 30 people who are interested in attending. This bus will depart at 5 p.m. If you are interested, reserve your spot by e-mailing emailbsingers@bryant.edu by November 2, nd Salve Regina.

- Seniors don’t forget to sign up for yearbook picture!

For questions contact The Ledger at x6048.

- Don’t forget to drop off your old cell phones for “Cell Phones for Soldiers”.

Take a stand against bias behavior

By Bethany Thornton  
Editor-In-Chief

While scoping out the DPS log in our last report, perhaps looking for an incident you or one of your friends were involved in, you may have noticed a new addition. Located at the bottom of the log is a heading for “Bias Incident reports”. While there were no bias incidents reported, we must note the importance of this addition to the newspaper.

For returning students, the events of the past spring semester are nothing new. For the newcomers, it is essential that you are aware of the reporting behind some special policies. During the spring 2004 semester, several incidents emerged which gave way to a review of the Bias Committee on campus. The committee includes eight members ranging from administrative through  

In public knowledge. This is not to say that anyone was naive in thinking that bias incidents do not occur, but rarely are they talked about or reported. As part of the committee’s dedication to getting the word out about reporting bias incidents, Judy Kawamoto, Director of Student Activities, contacted the campus paper in hopes that we would join them in their quest.

The Bias Committee has been in existence since 2001. Their overall main goal is to promote student awareness about bias incidents. Many students are unaware of what bias incidents entail and the committee is working hard to get the word out. While in an interview with Ms. Kawamoto, she made it abundantly clear that in order to prevent occurrences like those of last semester “reporting is key.”

She went on to say, “More reports of incidents is the only way to change a culture. We need to have a clear idea of what is going on within the Bryant community.” For this reason, starting in last week’s issue, we will be adding “A Bias incident report” at the bottom of the DPS log. The newspaper feels this is an extremely vital tool for the entire campus as we work together to fight biases and prejudices against others.

New students may be wondering what a bias incident entails or perhaps are not sure if something they feel is a bias incident is a bias incident.

According to the Bias Committee’s brochure, which you can pick up at counseling services among other places, “A bias incident is a threatening, attempted, or completed action that is motivated by bias and involving a personal real or perceived race, religion, national origin, ethnicity, sexual orientation, disability, or gender status.” A hate crime would involve violence, harassment, or vandalism motivated by any of the above.

If any of this sounds familiar to you or someone you know, Bias Committee is here to help. Call the 24-hour bias incident Hotline at 322-6920. Go to web.bryant.edu/bias, fill out a form and send it to Box 67 or email it to bias@bryant.edu.

Public Safety also has forms to fill out and can be returned to Box 67 Report incident in person to DPS or RD on duty at X 6001.

Bryant University takes bias incidents very seriously, so if you are unsure as to whether your incident is truly a bias one, it is better to report it and find out someone else’s opinion. Chances are if you think it is bias, it probably is, but it is better to find out one way or another.

The Bias Incident Reports’ “will be on every issue no matter if there are made or not. It is the hope of both the Bias Committee and the campus as a whole that the campus works together to maintain equality amongst the Bryant community. Make sure to check out the reports located at the bottom of the DPS log in the Campus News section of the paper.”
Bryant Connects as Number 2

integretion with voice over IP. In other words, a student can opt to either have the same number for their room phone and cell phone or all calls made to your room will be directed to your cell phone in which you can also pick up your messages.

Another feature of the dual band would involve the ability to make local on campus calls with your cell phone without being charged a fee for minutes used. Of course there are many kinks to be worked on, but those are still being thought through.

Currently the campus is in the process of implementing wireless surveillance cameras so that Bryant can remote cameras to multiple locations. Not only is this implementation an important technological advancement, but it will help increase security and safety which has always been a priority for the university. A poll done by campusdir.com has earned Bryant a dry campus, No. 1 ranking for "Top Ten Safest Campuses" even above the U.S. Air Force Academy at No. 7. 

Lastly, but certainly not least, the university is looking at putting two data ports in student rooms. The addition of a data port will allow students to stream video to their laptops. There will be a schedule of movies and times available at which students can access the movies on their computer for their viewing pleasure.

According to Art Gloster, he feels this ranking is only the beginning. "This has been a wise investment for Bryant. This ranking is our foundation for years to come, it will allow the school to grow. Being ranked No. 2 allows people to see how advanced we are because people can't see the network, but they see our ranking." But, even with all of this new technology, Bryant has a shot at a No. 1 ranking. Perhaps, but we will not know until next year, till then the administration is hard at work coming up with innovative ideas to keep us on top.
Extra funds available for university organizations

By Keri Minassali
Staff Writer

Last year, Student Senate decided on the need for an extra fund for Student Activities. The student activity fee is a minute fee taken from each student, due to needed additional funding this year, the fee was increased by $3. Student Senate previously spent all three years the fee will eventually reach $10 per semester. The progression starts with the first increase, this year, of $20, $10 next year, and the third year an increase by $5.

The process began last year as one of the Student Senate’s tri-goals, which are the three main goals to accomplish during a school year. Student felt a need for this increase to strengthen the quantity and quality of the continuously growing number of organizations at Bryant University.

The first step Senate took was to survey the Students, from November 17 through November 20, to determine if this increase was an interest of the student body as a whole. The survey had a majority voting yes to the fee increase. Senate’s efforts proved true and the long process of raising fees began.

After the Board of Trustees gave the okay for increased fees, the money from students’ tuition were allocated to a fund to be distributed amongst the Student Senate. These funds are to be usable by any organization as long as they have a purpose and reason for an increased budget.

On the different for the different organizations to receive any additional funds, each organization must fill out a packet as to why they need these funds. These packets are available in both the Senate and Student Activities Offices and are due on November 20. These packets are recollected, reviewed organizations must present their request increases in their budget to the Ways and Means Committee.

This Ways and Means committee is a sub-committee of Student Senate, which consists of two members from each class, one being a senator and the other being a student representative. The committee is also overseen by employees of Bryant University.

This group meets to revise and approve these requests, by organizations before passing them onto the Student Senate for final approval. During the organization’s presentation, the organization will present their ideas and fields questions. Once the organization is through, the committee will discuss and decide on what they believe the organization should receive. Once approved by both Ways and Means and the Student Senate, these additional funds will be added to the organizations budget for the upcoming years, until another change is needed.

Many students became concerned in the beginning of the year when the additional fees were not immediately available. Bryan Levin, treasurer of the Student Senate, explained, “This process was delayed because the senate was waiting for final approval for the transfer of funds by the administration. Though the funds were delayed further than original availability dates, the senate and administration working together were able to organize the funds and should have them fully allocated by the Thanksgiving Holiday. Any questions or comments can be addressed to the Senate members.”

Ways and Means and Student Senate not only are allocating the funds but any extra monies for the Student Activities fund but any extra monies they receive to a reserved account. Organizations are capable of retrieving these funds by going through the process of making a formal request. This has come to be known as a special request. Organizations must present their need for extra monies for a specific purchase or event to Ways and Means. This committee then reviews andpasses the recommendation on to the Senate. Senate must approve the request with a 2/3 vote. Once approved by both committees the organization receives the money which is not a permanent adjustment to the organization budget, it is only on a first come first serve basis.

Bryant University informs students about vandalism problems

By Emilie Lavio
Staff Writer

Breaking doors and windows in residence halls or killing cars by laying cans in the parking lots are not something students need to do for fun or to be vindictive towards others. These acts are malicious forms of behavior that are the common sight on Bryan’s campus.

Over the past few weeks, a rising number of vandalism cases have caused some concern. Both University and private property have been subject to cases of vandalism. In the first month of school from the time 41% of the campus opened through the month of September - there have already been 17 reported cases of vandalism. 10 of these cases involved automobiles in the school parking lots, and the remaining 7 were committed in the residence halls.

Students may be wondering what exactly is considered to be acts of vandalism. Vandalism is generally referred to as the destruction of "property damage". There are three basic types of vandalism; predatory vandalism, cooperative vandalism, and wanton vandalism. Vandalism of this type is causing damage to another's property for personal gain. Many obvious examples would include smashing a car window to steal the stereo system, tearing up a resident’s room to steal money, breaking a vending machine to steal food, etc. Other incidents of predatory vandalism that are occurring on Bryant’s campus.

The next type of vandalism that can be seen throughout the campus is vindictive vandalism. Such a problem occurs when a group or an individual acts out to express anger or hatred towards another group or individual. Keying an individual’s car after having a fight with that person is a common example of vindictive vandalism. Another instance that can be regarded as this type of vandalism could be the breaking of school property after a displeasing event takes place on Bryant.

A real example could be the coming to the minds of any ladies that live on the second floor of Hall 15. During the sprinkler system malfunction that took place several weeks ago, the floor length mirror hanging on the wall of the bathroom, on the second floor, was knocked to the ground and was of course repaired and the rest of the individuals living on that floor was fined for the damage.

It is vindictive vandalism that is taking place against Bryant University’s property. Students living where the incident occurs will eventually have to pay for severe damages if the person or persons committed the act are not caught or turned in. The final and most broad category of vandalism is considered wanton vandalism. Wanton vandalism can be considered a vandalism that is a result of carelessness resulting from the random destructions caused by individuals or groups. This is the most likely cause of the random acts of vandalism that may have been affecting many Bryant students in the recent weeks.

During the campaign, we are faced with many different types of vandalism. One being a senator and the other being a student representative. The committee is also overseen by employees of Bryant University.

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Bryant Students from left to right, Emanuel Holmes, Anne Callahan, Dan Raposo, Rohan Shah, Que Phipps, Wilberte Paul, and Symphonee Willoughby, sit center stage as they wait to perform their radical readings.

The future will render the final verdict.” Bryant’s teachers, students, and administration came to listen and see the first college production of Radical Reader at Bryant University. Seven Bryant students represented specific historical characters, which were chosen by Women’s Center director Toby Simon. Each student received their assigned historical figures which are displayed within the book, Radical Reader. These Bryant students were Emanuel Holmes who read the part of Frederick Douglass, Anne Callahan reading for Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Dan Raposo reading a piece by Eugene De Vito, Rohan Shah representing The Students for a Democratic Society, Que Phipps reading a piece by James Baldwin, Wilberte Paul presenting Robin Morgan, and Symphonee Willoughby reading Tony Kushner.

The editors and director Tim, John, and Lizzy preparing students prior to their performance.

The speeches affected her all around. Each person brought a new enlightenment to their life. Que Phipps explains how the readings bring a more humanistic insight. The students were increasingly open to new ideas and understood more after reading and listening to these pieces.

Every student who read or listened reacted differently to the individual experiences. Tim McCarthy said, “Everything which is discussed in the book still exists in our lives today. The difference is society has changed and we can find other people to talk to.”
Bill Rancic, winner of the first season of the *Apprentice* speaks at Bryant University

By Meghan Hanson
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Bill Rancic signing his books for interested candidates, would later help in the hit reality series. Early on, Rancic learned the importance of taking responsibility for one's actions. After paint from the flyers he created ran on to the very books he was trying to attract, Rancic spent a couple of very long days and nights cleaning the mess. Rancic learned that by taking responsibility for his actions it would earn him respect and enable him to move on to the next level.

Rancic later pioneered “Cigars Around the World” after searching through ideas of businesses that he could start. This time when Rancic made his flyers, he made sure that the paint didn’t ruin the market he was trying to attract. For publicity, Rancic wrote to local radio stations. A 5 minute interview turned in to a 30 minute one, and “Cigars Around the World” took off.

“While he was on his 15 week interview for Donald Trump, Rancic quickly realized that he needed to “be an individual on a team.” By this he means to work well with them, but at the same time separate yourself from the pack.

Another interview tip Rancic offered the audience was to simply be yourself. If you are genuine, have the hunger and passion, the interviewer will immediately spot it.

Currently, Rancic is working in Chicago on the Trump Tower a 90 story building, with 461 residential condominiums and 221 hotel condominiums. Rancic said that working with Donald Trump is “tough and demanding, but he is human” and Rancic feels that Trump has taken him “under his wing.”

Rancic also stressed knowing the fundamentals. From this new experience Rancic realized that while the money was greater, the fundamental were the same. To build a successful business, Rancic learned that he needed to build on the fundamentals.

Before speaking in the MAC, the GEP held a private reception for 100 students. During this reception, students were able to ask questions. The GEP, which was founded by Troy Byrd and David Marks, was officially opened on Bryant University on November 1, 2004. According to Byrd, the GEP was created to “organize and implement events related to entrepreneurship.”

With in the GEP is a student entrepreneurship program called CEO, Collegiate Entrepreneur Organization that hosts events and smaller speaker’s series. Troy Byrd serves as the advisor to this nationally recognized chapter. Members of the CEO attend weekly meetings, according to Byrd, “at least 100 students participate in the various events offered.”

Students have joined GEP because of the many opportunities and experiences the program offers. Sophomore Stephanie Asadourian joined hearing about the program her freshman year and attending the meeting. The program appealed to her because “of the networking opportunity it presents.”

An upcoming event that is part of the GEP is the Elevator Pitch competition, which will be held on November 9. In this competition participants have 90 seconds to present a business idea and attract the audience of venture capitalists. Bryant University holds their own Elevator Pitch contest that is open to all students on campus. About 14 to 15 students from the GEP will be attending a CEO conference in Chicago. During this conference, at least 5 students from all over the world will be presenting their own ideas in an even larger Elevator Pitch than the one put on by Bryant University.

Bryant University and Brown University co-sponsored the Entrepreneurial Extravaganza. Students across the nation came together and participated in the entrepreneur boot camp and listened to speakers such as Ted Turner and CEO of Jet Blue Airways, David Neeleman. Participants also competed in a case study and an elevator pitch competition.

In the April 2003 edition of Entrepreneur, Bryant University’s GEP was listed in the magazine’s “Top 100 Entrepreneurial Colleges.”

To Byrd, GEP is all about “having fun and creating opportunities” and is a great program for any one who wants to “create their own destiny.” He has plenty of experience to help any student who approaches him and is more than willing to help any student with whatever they want to do.

For those of you who were Apprentice fans, Bill Rancic said that “yes, Donald Trump’s hair is real” and that Omarosa was worse than she seemed on television.

Bill Rancic writing inspirational quotes during his signing.

Bill Rancic and Troy Byrd share a ride in the limo.

courtesy of GEP

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BLOOD RED SOX WORLD CURSE...BLAH BLAH

By Isabela Dias
Staff Writer

AHIII baseball! No one thinks of America's favorite past-time as a scary event. If we were to look at the history of the World Series we see that maybe there is something we should be scared about. I'm sure we have all heard of the "Curse" that hangs over the head of every Red Sox fan. People that aren't even superstitious enough to believe in this "Curse", also known as "The Curse of the Bambino", I don't know if people believe in it because they truly believe, or because they need something to add excitement of the sport of baseball. Well for all of you that have lived under a rock for the past 3 years I will explain what this "Curse" is and how many have lived to see it broken.

Basically, this is the Curse's Guide for Dummies; so pay close attention. Since 1918, the Red Sox have not won the World Series, this was the year many believe was the last year of true happiness for Red Sox fans. We can assume this was also the year the Red Sox were at the height of their baseball legacy, because the only team at the time that had five World Series wins.

One of the starters of the 1918 team was a young pitcher called George Herman Ruth, also known in Babe or the Bambino. In 1920 Red Sox owner Harry Frazee needed money to finance his girlfriend's play, Frazee decided to sell Ruth's contract to Colonel Jacob Ruppert of the New York Yankees for $100,000, (plus a loan collateralized by Fenway Park). Since the Yankees have acquired Ruth they have gone to win 26 World Championships, and are one of the greatest baseball teams in history.

While the Yankees were winning world championships, the Red Sox have only appeared in four World Series losing each time in the seventh game. This is why many believe that after the departure of Babe the "The Curse of the Bambino" was unleashed.

Finding evidence to support the "Curse" was difficult. That was just a little joke, it was actually the easiest thing about writing this article. You might all remember May 36, 2001 when Red Sox's Pedro Martinez beat the Yankees for the first time in over a year. The next day Pedro was a little big headed and said "Bake up the Bambino and let me face him. I'll drill him." After Martinez mocked the "Curse" it was the first time he was in the spotlight. His major league career.

Every time we see a sign with the year 1918 on it, we usually see a comina right after it. The comina simply symbolizes that in 1920 the Red Sox were expected to win. The comina is an example of the expectation that all the fans and even sport announcers had that the Red Sox would win a record in the World Series that looked something like this: 1903, 1912, 1915, 1916, 1918, 1920. The 1920 as we all know never happened, and we are all still waiting for the space after that comma to be fulfilled.

This brings me to my original question; do people really believe in the "Curse"? Win or lose will the curse keep going? Did this curse ever exist? It's been 83 years, is The Curse of the Bambino finally broken?

Cross Country
Klepado Captures Second consecutive NE-10 Title
After finishing seventh at last year's conference championships, the Bryant men's and women's cross country teams placed fifth and sixth respectively at Sunday's Northeast-10 Conference Championships at Saint Michael's College in Colchester, Vt. Paula Klepadlo captured her second individual title with a first place finish in 17:51 while teammate Holly Resende was 12th overall. Klepadlo was named the conference female runner of the year and first team all-conference while Resende earned second team all-conference. On the men's side, Caleb Paul placed 15th overall in 26:56 to earn third team all-conference honors. The team will be idle until Nov. 7 when the Bulldogs travel the NCAA Regional Championship at Franklin Park.

Field Hockey
2004 Season Comes To Close
Bulldogs Go 1-0 On The Week
The Bryant field hockey team learned the hard way to never stay at home on Wednesday and drubbed Ottawa 4-0 in a decision to UMass Lowell on Saturday evening to conclude the season at 12-7. Junior Samantha Sadler scored the game-winner against AIC. Sadler and freshmen Courtney O'Brien each netted five goals this season for the Bulldogs while junior Maureen Burns led the way with eight goals and six assists. Following Saturday's contest, head coach Kerri Smith named the captains for the 2005 season: Maureen Burns, junior Kerry Burke, and sophomore Michelle Dwyer.

Football
Bulldogs Capture Division II New England Title Last Week Led by the outstanding play of senior captains Dan and Dave Falicucci, the Bryant men's golf team captured the Division II New England Championship last week and finished tied for second overall for all divisions during the two-day championship match at the Captain's Course on Cape Cod. The Bulldogs finished with a score of 610 to finish tied for second with the University of Rhode Island and were only four strokes back of champion UConn. Bryant finished ahead of Dartmouth, Brown, Boston College, and Harvard along the way. Dave Falicucci was tied for fourth overall with a score of 148 while Dan Falicucci finished tied for sixth at 150. Bennett Smith and Jon Fenlon had a joint score of 146 in the win over New England. The Bulldogs dropped 2-1 Match at Pace on Saturday.

Men's Soccer
November 7, 2004
Bulldogs Drop 2-1 Match at Bloomfield
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Womenc's Soccer
November 5, 2004
Bulldogs Defeat Trojans 3-0 Saturday
The Bryant women's soccer team defeated Assumption 3-0 on Sunday as Jen Feldman netted the game-winner for the Bulldogs. Thursday's home match with Dominican has been cancelled as Dominican is required to make up a conference match that was postponed earlier this season. The Bulldogs are currently sixth in the conference standings and will return to action in the first round of the Northeast-10 Conference tournament this Sunday.

Women's Soccer
November 3, 2004
Bulldogs Drop 2-1 Match at Pace on Friday
On a wet and rainy Friday afternoon, the Bulldogs lost 2-1 to the Setters at the Pace University Field on campus. The Bulldogs were facing one of the toughest remaining opponents on the schedule, and they fell just short of pulling off the upset.

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Jay's Top 5 Teams

1. Miami Hurricanes
2. USC Trojans
3. Oklahoma Sooners
4. Tennessee Volunteers
5. Auburn Tigers

FedEx Orange Bowl: Miami over USC

Jay's Top 5 Teams

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PUMPKIN, PORK-SPINES & NCAA FOOTBALL

Welcome to the third edition of Jay's Predictions, and those who have been tracking my picks know I am doing fairly well. My Eagles are still undefeated heading into week 11 as the Patriots in the NFL. My MLB picks are doing fairly well and a few more weeks and the Sox then it will be perfect. Both the Sox and Cards will have a tough road but both are champions and are competing for the World Series.

Now its time for the Bowl Championship Series (BCS) Bowl Championship. For those of you who do not know what the BCS is, it is the computer ranking system that puts the "top two" college football teams into the national title game. Unlike me, the computer system scrambles up the title game every year (see Oklahoma). As of this week there are only seven undefeated teams remaining in the Top 25 of the Division 1-A football. Among those teams are last year's Co-National Champion, Southern California, Oklahoma, Miami, Auburn, Wisconsin and Boise State, SoCal and Oklahoma were all unanimous choices by experts to be in the national title game on January 4, 2005 at the Orange Bowl. These two top notch teams still have a long way to go but they have a great chance of getting to the championships. The University of Southern California is coached by former Patriots head coach, Pete Carroll, who is one of the top coaches in the NCAA. Returning quarterback Matt Leinart, is the captain of the defending champion and is making a strong case for the Heisman Trophy (attended to the top player in college football). He is among the top league lead­ers in passing and his is a great leader for the Trojans according to his teammates. Almost all the offense and defense are back this year and hoping to repeat as champions. Some are starting to speculate USC's chances of being champions again because their best receiver from last year, Mike Williams, is suspended for the whole year. Williams tried to enter the NFL draft at too young of an age. According to NFL rules, a player has to wait two full years at college cannot enter the draft. Along with Ohio State and Florida State, the Trojans are both ranked in the top 15. The Sooners also have some tough games coming up. They have gotten by one of their rivals, the Texas Longhorns, and now they have another tough team left to face. They will face one of their arch­ivals, Nebraska Cornhuskers on Nov. 13, and the No. 20 team, Texas A&M Aggies, but they should get by

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"Plan's for next year are already on a high and the team is going to continue to practice even though there season has ended and will continue until they are no longer allowed to practice. The team captains have already been chosen.

By Jason Gilbert

Upcoming GAMES
Men's Basketball
Friday, November 5 @ Maryland, 8:00 p.m.
Women's Basketball
Tuesday, November 7 @ CCR, 7:00 p.m.
Football
Friday, October 29 @ Bentley, 7:00 p.m.
Volley Ball
Tuesday, November 2 @ Stonehill, 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, November 5 @ SAINT MICHAEL'S, 7:00 p.m.

Tricks and treats in a season of field hockey
By Sam Tabatabai
Assistant Variety Editor

"The Bulldog's Women's Field Hockey Team has ended their season the earli­
er than everyone was thinking in 1999. The team lost eight of its essential players three of which were All-American to graduation last year. More than half of the current team are freshmen, 11 freshmen out of 21 total players, Coach Fichera continued. "If you have a team of so many freshmen they have to step up and play. There are a lot of games in the beginning of the season we would like to play over." This season's team had four seniors that stood out and led the team: Kristen Pata, Jamie Wall, Krista Gumbacorta and Michelle Lewis. Fichera continued, "Pata is the leader of goal keeping. Wall was All-American defense her junior year, Gumbacorta stepped up in the front and Lewis who missed much of the season due to an ill­ness still made a difference. All these women left their mark on the Women's Field Hockey pro­gram here at Bryant." The final record of the season was 5-11 conference games and 7-12 for the season.

Even though the team didn't do as well as they histori­cally do, the team still provided tough competition. "Our rivals are UMass Lowell and Bentley who are the best teams in our conference and for the last three years it has been us three in the final four. Against UMass Lowell we were down by two points but came back and went over time. We lost the game but it is incredible how much heart these girls have. Another great memory of the season was the game against CW Post, we went into overtime and we pro­duced to win the game. 3 times until they finally counted our goals." Fichera continued. "Our team has a lot of speed from how hard they push themselves in practice. The team also has a toughness that is necessary for this sport. These kids are truly tough. Another strength of ours is that we have the best crowd in the league. A lot of fans didn't understand how fast and fun the sport is when played correctly and what the whistle blows are for, but we got a good following. It makes the sport a lot more fun and its one of the great things about Bryant."
IM: The buddy list that ate Chicago

By Bryan Sergeant
Staff Columnist

I get confused very easily. There are just so many things that don't make sense. What first possessed man to eat something as ugly as lobster? How were the pyramids built? and possibly the most amazingly yet: Why are these people living in Connecticut whos insist they are Yankees fans, but then try to say they can be a Patriots fan too. Unbelievable! None of this makes sense to me, but I bet I am not alone in my confusion either.

Above all my other confusions right now there is one phenomenon that we all know and use: Instant Messaging. You can not walk through a dorm without the constant sounds of messages being sent and received. Baababing. Baubabing. In the name of all that is good, please make it stop!

Technology has made it possible for us to talk to anyone with a computer absolutely free. I talk to friends in California, New Orleans, and even Italy. Instant Messaging has saved me more money than I can imagine. For an arm and a leg I can call long distance to Italy, or for absolutely free...Baababing! I'll take it.

Remember though, all that glitter is not gold. Instant Messaging (IM) glitters but more like used溜 and precious gems.

IM Rule #1: IM to friends away. Good! IM to someone while he or she is sitting in the room right freaking next to you? Bad...and stupid. Honestly here folks, get off your butt, use those two things sticking out of your body and walk to see the person! It stupefies me to hear about people IMing their friends who live no more than a 3 second walk away, especially for an important conversation. IM has created a comfort level that is ruining us as a culture. We choose to sit alone on our computers and send impersonal, typed, abbreviated notes instead of looking the person in the eye and saying what you need to say. Any guy can be smooth and confident online with a girl. Any girl can be honest to someone she is pining off at when it is via IM. That is what happens, when you are face to face with your love interest, or object of aggravation? You choke. You realize that you are not that confident person and without the shelter of IM you can not ask a date to dinner or tell off the person you hate. If you can't say it in person, don't say it online. We are humans, not robots. Let's act like it. Pick up a phone or go see the person.

IM Rule #2: Seek help if you feel lost without your ability to IM.

Oh no! The network is down. We lost our connection!

No more IM! Now what will we do. How will I know what is going on around campus. How will we know what everyone else is doing?

Here is a solution at your computer when the network goes down. try reconnecting every two seconds in hopes that it will magically work. If so, you really need to relax. You need to get away from the computer for a while. I'm sure it won't miss you too much. Go on an IM vacation. If you feel the urge to IM someone to see how they are doing, just call them. I bet they will like that a hundred times more than hearing that annoying Baababbing!

We don't have these expensive cell phones with the over priced plans to not call each other. It's so simple and so hard all at the same time.

IM Rule #3: No more away message and profile wars!

Can we all just call a truce on this one? The away message and profile are fun aspects of Instant Messaging. You can put up a funny quote, a cute link to a website, lyrics, your phone number, where you live, anything you want really. But please do everyone in the IM world a favor, stop using the profile and away message to yell at us. That includes telling us why you think a certain presidential candidate is stupid. If we want to hear your opinion we'll ask you. If we haven't asked you yet it means we don't want to hear it when we IM you and you are away.

Also, the vague, insulting, mad messages that are obviously directed at someone you are mad at...those are just dumb. If you are angry at someone go deal with it. Talk to them.

Putting up a vague, angry away message with the angry yelling face next to what you say isn't going to solve anything. Along with the mad message not solving anything, as mentioned before, no one really cares. If you want sympathy, advice, or comfort from your friends just talk to them about your issues. It's not your duty to keep them in the loop or update them on every single thing you are doing. They should ask you. IM is a wonderful tool, but it should be used in moderation. Just think about how you use IM. If you think you are a tad obsessed with it or dependant on it, maybe you should work on getting away from IM. Eventually we won't be around computers as much once we are no longer students. At that point we will have to use phones and talk face to face. Why not start doing that now. It makes sense.

Baababbing!...Ok G2G, ttyl :)
The best and worst moments of the offset horror genre

By Christian Collard
Variety Editor and Features Writer

When ideas were being tossed around for the Halloween issue, we were excited to share our love for the B´yrd community. We’ve comprised a list of the worst and best horror movies of all time. Believe us, it was hard to narrow it down to just 3 of each, but we have done our best to separate the wheat from the chaff for you. Remember, these are our picks and don’t hold it against us if your personal favorite is not on the list. Odd’s you aren’t even aware of it.

Before we start the lists, we just want to validate our selection as being current horror critics who have sat through many, many movies (hundreds). Most of the time, we’ve gotten a good sense of what makes a movie horrid and what makes it a “good” movie. For whatever reason, Pete seems to like to collect these laughingly terrible movies on DVD and wane hundreds of dollars on them. I don’t even mind watching them, but I would never be able to justify paying that much money to watch them. And now on with the lists...

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1.) Hollister

This Clive Barker film is a true modern classic. It has everything from voodoo to zombie sex to a bathtub full of nails. It spawned several sequels. Hollister maintains the integrity of the series, but then things started to go downhill. The reviewer who has been sitting on this one for the past ten years has been reading a book titled The Back of the Dead. When a passage is read aloud the words awaken an ancient evil in the forest around them. The evil begins to control the trees and turn them into demons. Fortunately for horror fans, the only way to stop a demon is to dismember it, leading to a number of horrific scenes. The movie was followed by two sequels that are excellent in their own right, but tended to lean more toward horror/comedy than full on horror. Director Sam Raimi, who directed both of the sequels and has expressed an interest in directing the third in the Dead series, which should excite you as much as it does me after you’ve watched the original.

2.) Deader

The most possibly the greatest movie ever made, it is more dark comedy with zombies than horror. It was even directed by Peter Jackson of Lord of the Rings fame. Lionel attempts to win a local girl despirately in love with his domineering mother. While spying on her son and the girl at the same time, he is informed of a Samurian Rat Monkey that resides in a nearby zoo. Lionel cannot bring himself to destroy her to keep her locked in his apartment. He eventually escapes and infects many of his friends and family with the zombi plaque. The climactic scene involves Lionel cleaning a path through his apartment with a lawnmower, sending limbs flying and ripping in zombie blood, as he tries to save the girl he loves. Alternately hilarious (Lionel’s relationship to his zombie mother) and stomach churning (the previously mentioned lawnmower massacre), Deader Alive is highly recommended.

3.) Sushi Girl

A truly unique horror movie from the Italian movie mastermind Dario Argento, Suspiria was way ahead of its time in 1977. Outside of cult audiences, many have yet to discover this Italian horror movie. The mood, atmosphere, gore, production, camerawork angles, and best original score ever created for a movie (written by Brian Goode) all add to this movie’s unique style and intrigue. Suspiria, part one of a million-dollar trilogy (Suspiria is the second installment) is set in a small German town. Even if you didn’t like the movie, at least it had Jessica Biel in it. A little more than a ski-right top tank and ripped pants.

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3.) Evil Dead

Quite possibly the worst movie I’ve ever seen. It’s so bad, it became a hit. It was released on “20th Anniversary Special Edition.” It’s cheesy, low-budget horror flick about a small-town geek who arrives in New York City carrying his mutant, telepathic twin brother in the back seat (hence the movie’s title). Once Shane is in town, they’re seeking revenge against the doctors who surgically separated them against their will. The “normal” brother has to keep his basket-tied counterpart fed, and its appetite runs the gamut from hamburgers to hookers. Why they needed to make two sequels to this movie is beyond me. 70-something, and have as much to offer the viewers as the movie was released for approximately 70-something years. 70-something is a movie to watch if you want to understand such concepts as “plot” and “not boring me until I want to go grab a broken DVD into my skull.”

5.) Zombi

One of the many zombies of Zombie.

While often marketed as a sequel to Night of the Living Dead, this film has no connection with George Romero’s classic, other than the fact that it has zombies. While the movie is well known for its gore, it has been these scenes where the movie drags to an extent rarely seen. As the film begins, a seemingly abandoned boat drifts into a crowded waterway off the coast of New York. A story search reveals a rather peaceful zombie that ends up taking a large bite out of a police officer. The daughter of the missing woman, the boat and a journalist travel to the Caribbean to search for her father and find that the natives are rising from the grave. Now they must find a way off the island and warn everyone of the zombie menace that has risen from the grave.

If you’re a fan of solid horror movies or just plain awful movies, you hope that we will take your time and provide you with the effort to see a few of these. Happy Halloween!

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Dining Out with Joe and Rohan: FIRE + iCE

By Joe Hansen & Rohan Shah

Columnists

We would like to start by thinking all of our readers for the wide spread support we received for our first review. Countless people came up to us and wanted to know when we would try something new. It is your lucky day! To show our appreciation we will have a special gift for all of you. Read the end of the article and you will find what it is.

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Dining out with Joe and Rohan: FIRE + iCE

November 29, 2004

The Grudge will have your gripping you seat

By Samuel Tabatabi

There is nothing scarier than creepy dead kids, especially really, really, really creepy dead kids. The Grudge is a ghost story that is perfect for the Halloween season. It is recommended that you strap yourself into your seat tight and prepare to have your seat covered with your head. You may want to bring some band-aids for the kids seat because it will be very hard to take in while you are watching. Even though the story is complicated and mysterious, this is a very free ride. You will leave the theater with a feeling of anxiety and adrenaline. The Grudge constantly jumps around keeping the audience confused and excited.

Directed by Takashi Shimizu, the film is an English remake of the 2003 Japanese horror film Ju-on: The Grudge. In addition, there is a strong presence of Japanese culture incorporated throughout the story. The feature is practically a scene by scene remake but now starring Sarah Michelle Gellar. It even includes the original boy next door Yuya Oizuki. Gellar’s character is living with her boyfriend, Jason (played by James Marsden) in Tokyo, Japan. She is interning at a center for college credit, when she is sent out on her first house call because her coworker does not plan on showing up. Gellar discovers Emi, an old woman in a custanarian state induced by the haunted house. It was apparent that she was coming into mistak

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Then it is on to the next. Now this is where it gets really interesting. All of the victims are in glass bowls on ice: definitely not for the faint of heart. They offer an ever changing variety of meat. When we visited, aged sirloin, chicken, sausage, fish, shrimp, and even prawns were the available choices. After the bowl is plopped into the heavens with all of the goodies, simply heat over to the sauce station. There they offer 26 varieties of homemade sauces, but only 15 are available on a given night. They include a wide range, such as Greenbody Teriyaki, Peppercorn Brandy, Red Thai, and Mesquite BBQ. The sauces vary in the level of spiciness from mild to mild and three flames being the hottest. They provide cups to sample from the sauce. So, we headed straight for the market and picked up our bowl.

Red Thai, and Mesquite BBQ. The sauces vary in the level of spici

In the bowl, just put all of the items you would like in your meal. They have everything, from their freshly prepared paninis, to every vegetable. Rohan was in Vegan Paradise!

Dear customers,

You can try to make the extra bonus bucks. It’s not luck you are using to get what you want, it’s imagination and hard work.

Gemini (May 21-June 21)

Quick action is required to provide what’s needed and to make the extra bonus bucks. It’s not luck you’re using to get what you want; it’s imagination and hard work.

Cancer (June 22-July 22)

Make a change at home that you’ve been thinking about for a while. With a loved one’s help, you’ll be able to take action.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

It’s wise not to go around telling everybody everything. There are some who will do that with little or no provocation. You can listen, but don’t join in.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Are you doing what you love and getting paid what you’re worth? If not, it’s a great time to put in the correction. Every little bit counts.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Don’t go over budget, but do give yourself and a loved one a very special treat that you’ve always wanted to do. Be bold. There’s no time like the present.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

On your shopping spree, take care to find the best deals you can. Use common sense while you’re at it, and seriously stretch your money. You’re great at this!

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

You and your friends like to explore hidden meanings and possible outcomes. This is a good time to use your mind and think carefully when you are making decisions.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

You don’t even need to say a word; you both feel it. Don’t even try to overanalyze this situation. It’s time to take action.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

You can listen, but don’t join in.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

You will spot the perfect thing that you’ve been looking for, and it will be there, waiting for you. You will love it.

Senior Corner

Nothing Ducky about this Fundraiser

By John Collier

At this past weekend’s Parents and Family Weekend events the seniors held the first of many successful fundraisers. Already sitting on a healthy class account, the 11th Annual Duck Race floated in around $1,700 for the class. The Duck Race is an event held each year by the senior class. Parents can buy the opportunity to “purchase” little plastic ducks that are dumped into a pond on campus and float down under the bridge. Winners on the other hand are the finish line and the lucky ones in the pond to fish the ducks out. The year junior Matt Willis and freshman Ryan Shriver had the honor of winning in the ever so clean and “warm” water to declare the winners. The last item of the senior events was a mini 5K race. To go along with the tag of the event being in its 11th year, 11 lucky winners were given prizes. Prices ranged from $10 for a box, a weekend stay at Foxwoods, a cruise for 2 in Boston, a trip to a day spa, Bryant sweatshirts and gift bags donated by the Juniors. The fundraiser was an absolute success from all angles and senior class co-chair Kara Nagami couldn’t be happier. “We are off to a great start this year and I truly hope that every senior class can assure the senior class that this year’s committee is going to plan an incredible senior week that will never be forgotten. I truly have to thank my committee and the Jazzi ensemble for all of their hard work.” We can’t wait to see how these events in the near future will turn out as their terrific music that provided extra entertainment for the community and senior parents and families who were in attendance for the race.

Keep an eye out for more news and updates about the senior class. And as always, remember that this is an all senior related section to any seniors who has an important story or news can contact me at jcollier@bryant.edu to get their word out.