BRYANT LOOKS AHEAD

By Colin Kelley

Bryant College is changing all around us. Much like a flourishing forest, Bryant is home to many living organisms that grow and develop. The evidence of Bryant’s growth is apparent all around us. Whether it is the new buildings, developing a curriculum, new faculty, or cultural enhancement, students are met with a vibrant, growing community.

In an interview on Friday November 30th, President Machtley expanded on some of these changes. Most are part of a strategic plan for the Bryant Community. This strategic plan has a long-term time range with sets of measurable goals comprising the time between now and 2010. The 2003 timeline has four distinct segments that are currently being implemented. The first segment is Enhancing Our Academic Reputation. This includes addition of new faculty. Machtley stated, “25% of our current faculty have all been added in the last couple years.” “These include people from the top schools in the nation.”

Another aspect of growing academic reputation is the addition of new resources. The new Wellness Center is an “outstanding facility,” President Machtley enthusiastically said, “This center will help keep healthy bodies as well as healthy minds.” “We anticipate classes to be held in the center also; aerobics, scuba, intramural water polo, and many more are possibilities.” The new Career Services, Admissions, Human Resources, and Financial Aid offices are all important contributions to the improved campus infrastructure. The cornerstone of the new facilities is the George E. Bello Center. The new library space created is already drawing attention for its unique architectural style. The facilities that will be available to students are “second to none.” The technology, classrooms, trading rooms, and café all will contribute to the building’s attributes. In a joint venture with Cox Cable there will also be a television studio constructed on campus, possibly in the old library space in the Unistructure.

The second segment is a Student Centered Learning Community. This includes “augmenting the learning experience with professional development.” Freshman next year will have “Cyber Portfolio” with examples of coursework, internships, and volunteering work. Machtley added, “Class sizes will remain small.” and we hope to integrate the Freshman Success programs into the dorms as well.”

The third segment is Advancing Globalization and Diversity. This segment includes integrating the Chafee Center for International Business into the curriculum. Additionally, the Multicultural Center has a new director, and will be providing exciting new intercultural programs. Lastly, International Business is being added as a minor.

The fourth segment is Integration of Technology. Machtley indicated that this involves “current faculty recommending innovative applications” of technology such as wireless palms, etc.

There will also be a wireless classroom in the Bello Center.”

President Ronald Machtley adds Machtley. The extended use of Banner, Blackboard, eRecruiting, and eRegistration systems are all strides in the right direction.

There are many other changes taking place at Bryant that supplement the four main segments of the Strategy.

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PROVIDENCE MAKES MONEY AGAIN (SORT OF)

...but New York takes center stage

By Asa Williams

Money has named its “Best Places to Live” this year, and Providence has made the list again. Well, in a way.

In light of the September 11 terrorist attacks, Money shelved its more common rankings and decided to turn its spotlight on New York and celebrate what makes it such a great hometown. As for Providence, well, it’s one of six “alternate” cities, all of which were selected “inspired by New York.” Also returning from last year’s selections are Portland, Oregon and Sarasota, Florida. The other three “alternate” cities are Ann Arbor, Michigan; Austin, Texas; and Missoula, Montana. Factors in these selections included great educational, low crime, and low property taxes, but most importantly Money looked for “a strong sense of community.”

Providence’s statistics include personal and property crime risks below the national average, a lower-than-average unemployment rates; plus median home prices, and annual property taxes, and utility costs all ranking in lower levels. On the education front, spending per pupil is above the national average, and Providence’s student-teacher ratio places it in the top 25 among cities.

Returning to New York, Money interviewed outgoing New York City mayor Rudolph Giuliani and some A-list New Yorkers including Mike Piazza, Al Roker, and Susan Sarandon for their special report. “Today, Manhattan teems with commerce and culture. The other boroughs have enjoyed an unprecedented renaissance of safety, convenience, and just plain livability,” Giuliani says. “It is a great city, reborn. And the tragic events of September 11 only proved what I’ve said all along—that New York City is the strongest, bravest, best city in the world.”

Money’s Suzanne Woolley, the writer, explained what was behind this move. “For those of us who live here,” she says, “September 11’s vicious attack brought to the surface a fierce love of our city.” She later goes on to say that as the events transpired, “a living community” and its importance emerged for its people.
Human Wreckage
By Nancy Beausoleil

Imagine a death where no one respected the life of the deceased. Imagine a death where the body lay strewn amongst rubble and because it was not visible to the naked eye, no one honored the body with a burial. Imagine these kinds of deaths considered so insignificant that their passing is rarely recognized.

You would think that after the savage multiple murders on September 11th, we would be much more compassionate and understanding of the diversity surrounding us. But we are not and we continue to consciously kill the life around us. The deaths I talk about here are the deaths I hear about and see every day on this campus. I am talking about the verbal abuse, the rampant ridicule that has a single purpose – to kill and main the human spirit. We address every aspect of physical abuse and every aspect of sexual abuse, but verbal abuse runs rampant on our campus and in our lives, no matter where in the world we are. Many people use it as a means of control or power when; in fact, verbal abuse is a sign of weakness, cowardice and self-loathing. The really sad aspect is that it is acceptable to us and to society, in general. There are people in the media who get paid millions of dollars to publicly ridicule any target for entertainment purposes.

Remember when you were growing up and someone called you a "name"? The standard reply was “Sticks and stones may break my bones but names will never hurt me”. How wrong those words of “wisdom” were then, as they are now. The words of abuse we use are more precise at killing than any gun or knife or other instrument of physical destruction used. And how ironic is it that the very essence of the human spirit is what we rely on to keep us united against our enemies and to move us forward in technology, medicine and education. It is the pioneering aspect of the human spirit that put that cell phone in your hand and that PC in your home. Why do we continually try to destroy, starve or neglect that which is the key to our future and to our lives? Aren’t we shooting ourselves in the proverbial foot with every syllable we utter? If you are a faculty member, have you ever publicly addressed one of your students with words meant to blunt their spirit? If you are in administration, have you ever addressed your staff with condescending words? If you are a coach, do you use verbal abuse to control your players and shame them into action? If you are student, have you ridiculed someone for an unacceptable IQ, skin color, religion or culture? Why do we allow these killings to permeate our lives and accept them, yes accept them, in a rather unconscious fashion? Many of us, believe that if the ridicule comes from a person of authority, we must sit there and take the abuse out of respect. We do not deserve this from any human being under any circumstances.

Consider the walkways on this campus. Now picture bodies strewn along the walkways, as they are the physical representation of everyone who has been the victim of ridicule, the victim of this abuse. There would be so much wreckage that no one would be able to pass. Bodies would cover every inch of these sidewalks, a visual reminder of the deaths we cannot see or, more likely, choose not to see. Our words of destruction are efficient killers and the flow of hate is so powerful that many human spirits never recover from this trauma.

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Unlike the saving practices of physical medicine, the wounds of verbal abuse are allowed to fester into a life-threatening infection that kills our trust and self-belief.

If you truly believe that your words of “hate” do not have any impact or are an insignificant way to express your disapproval of a life, then you need to think again. You kill bluntly, painfully, pointedly objectively hatefully and thoroughly.

I had a conversation with a young man by the name of Shanel Anthony. We were discussing the events of September 11th right after they happened and he asked me a question that haunted me then as it still does today. He was observing our country united against these acts of killing and he was watching us as a community, put all our differences aside and stand united. He asked me, “So, Nancy, how long do you think it will be before we go back to hating each other again?” Shanel is a man of color.

So I ask you for the answer to his question because it truly lies in each of us. I also leave you with this challenge: The next time you search your arsenal of verbal abuse, poised and ready to maim your target, ask yourself if you are a strong person or a coward. A strong person chooses to build rather than to destroy and a coward, when it comes to the human spirit, doesn’t see the difference.

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A Weekend of Dreams

Although it wasn’t winter-like conditions outside, this past weekend was the SPB winter formal. This year’s theme was Hollywood Nights. Among all the glitz and glamour, guests enjoyed fine dining and dancing at the Viking Hotel in Newport.

Saturday SPB volunteered at the second annual Helping Hands. Being the holiday season it is a great opportunity to spend quality time with underprivileged children who do not have the chance to enjoy the holidays. The kids got to spend an afternoon jumping in an inflatable moon bouncer that was donated by SPB. It was a good time had by all and we all enjoyed spending time with the kids.

Once again SPB had a phenomenal attendance at the movies this weekend. Between 4 shows including an extra one added on Saturday night there was a total attendance of over 400 people. The Films Committee is now in the process of picking movies for the next semester. You’ll be sure to see some great box office hits on Bryant’s campus in the spring.

At Saturday nights event the audience was marveled by the wonders of the great magician Justin Kredible. Justin put on an amazing performance shocking and stunning the crowd with different tricks throughout the night.

Karate Club

Marisa Horta

The last tournament of the year was held in Nashua, New Hampshire. The team for Tokyo Joe’s Classic was Jarred Robitaille, Joe Durham, Belgario Contreras, and Francis Fraine. Joe took 2nd in beginner forms and first in beginner fighting. Beli took 3rd in beginner forms and Jarred took 2nd in intermediate forms and 3rd in intermediate fighting. The tournament was a great ending to a great year. This is the last article until the spring semester, so I hope everyone has a wonderful holiday season and hope to see you back in January. There will be winter season karate once a week. Good-luck in everyone that is belt testing this week. There will be a holiday party banquet on Tuesday December 11th. Take care, don’t drink too much over break, and remember to stretch.

Think Finance

By, Kristen Stein

The final Finance Association meeting for this semester was held November 13th. At this meeting an event called Careers in Finance was co-sponsored by the Office of Career Services and the Finance Association. The program consisted of five Bryant alumni who came to share their career paths and discuss various opportunities in the field of finance. The alumni who attended were Todd Carey, class of 2000, currently employed by Lehman Brothers; Matt Smith, class of 2000, currently employed by Fidelity Investments; Steven Franchetti, class of 1998, currently employed by New England Health Systems; and Richard Moore, class of 1998, currently employed by Morgan Stanley Dean Witter. This was an extremely informative occasion, and provided everyone with a good idea of the options available in the world of finance. Everyone walked away from the meeting with valuable advice from these finance professionals.

Another major event sponsored by the Finance Association was a trip to Fidelity’s Center for Applied Technology located in Boston. On Friday, November 16th, thirteen members of the Finance Association joined other students from both the Accounting and Psychology Associations, to learn about the latest technological advances that Fidelity has been working on. Such advances ranged from the latest in wireless communications and natural language recognition, to that of biometrics to insure the level of security at each individual workstation. You would never expect an investment firm to be developing such modern innovations, which just goes to show you how important the integration of technology in the business world has become.

Members of the Finance Association also attended their second Investment Club Seminar with Progressive Financial Strategies in Providence on November 28th. The Investment Club costs $10 per meeting and all the proceeds benefit the Amos House. The students that attended were able to discuss with Dave Brochu, Jill Schlesinger (President), and Executive Vice President of Progressive Financial Strategies) and other members of the club, the conditions of the stock market. They also participated in the voting of whether or not certain stocks from the club’s “virtual portfolio” should be sold, and what other stocks should be added. At the end of the year, the portfolio’s earnings are also donated to the Amos House.

Overall, November has been a very exciting month for the Finance Association. It was surely a perfect end to a very successful semester. For those of you who missed out, don’t worry, next semester looks just as promising!

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Ccreed's Weathered is Proof that Rock'n'Roll Lives On

By Maggie Grace

Released on November 20th 2001, Creed's third album Weathered is proving that rock music is still alive and strong. Lead singer Scott Stapp sings with a sense of earnest that makes each line sound like it might be his last. The guitars are loud, the drums pound, and amidst it all, Creed manages to include a "softness" to this record with songs of spiritual and personal realization. After the release of Human Clay in 1999, Creed solidified their place in the music industry as a talented, intelligent rock band. Though sometimes touted as an egomaniac, lead singer Stapp is the glue that holds this band together. All of the songs on the album are written as collaborations by Stapp and Creed bassist Mark Tremonti. As a team, the two have written some great material for this album. Together with drummer Scott Phillips, this promises to be another critical success for the band. The first single released from Weathered is the song entitled "My Sacrifice." The song is almost ballad-like and the lyrics, pared with Stapp's powerful voice, have made for an instant hit. This declaration of friendship is one of the most enjoyable "songs on the album. A great thing about Creed's record is that the tracks range from hard rocking songs like the inspired and harsh "Freedom Fighter" to the more mellow and subtle "Lullaby." Overall, Creed has accomplished what many critics were waiting for: Proof that they could rise to the challenge, and create an album on par with Human Clay, thus sustaining their musical credibility.

Dilated Peoples. New Album Expansion Team Delivers

By Maggie Grace

Released at the end of October, the sophomore album from LA's underground hip-hop group Dilated Peoples is taking the music scene by storm. The group signed with Capitol Records in 2000, nearly 8 years after their formation, and since then has wasted no time in producing what some call the most influential and anticipated hip-hop around. This album is 16 tracks of explosive music. And although the album was produced in a studio, there are times when you swear that these guys were just freestyling to a beat and actually made it happen to catch it on tape. Billboard has called the album "innovative" and "mind-blowing," something that you don't hear too often. The 3 guys of Dilated People's, DJ Babu, Evidence and Iriscience, are joined on Expansion Team by quite an impressive group of artists and producers. The Liks, Phil Da Agony, Black Thought of the Roots, J-Roce and Guru are just some of the collaborators on this record. With a video for their first single "Worst Comes to Worst" in heavy rotation on MTV, and increased radio play of the track, DP is quickly coming into the spotlight. The trio has toured with fellow West Coasters, Jurassic 5 and defended rapper Everlast in yet another lyrical feud with Detroit's very own Eminem. I loved this CD, it got a real fun vibe, and it is lyrically superior to a lot of stuff out there right now. I highly recommend that you go out and "expand" your horizons.

Echoes: The Best of Pink Floyd A Must Have for Floyd Fans Everywhere

By Maggie Grace

Now I am sure that there are a number of Floyd fans out there and forgive me if I don't do this justice. The new album Echoes is a "best of" album that has taken 26 of what producer James Guthrie deems the band's best songs, and along with Pink Floyd's input, has released a double album. Not being veered educated about Pink Floyd, I guess I can tell you from a solely musical perspective, this is a pretty good compilation. Instead of basing the album chronologically, the songs are arranged so that each seems to flow into the next. The recordings span over 20 years of the band's musical accomplishments, and includes the track "When the Tigers Broke Free" which appears for the first time ever on CD. Pink Floyd founder Syd Barrett contributed to 5 tracks on the album, even though he only remained with the group for a short time. Familiar tracks like "Money" and the ever-popular "Wish You Were Here" appear, but the album also contains more obscure tracks to please any Floyd fan. This compilation is a decent representation of what Pink Floyd has contributed to musical history.
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