Bryant's got a brand new bank...

By Asa Williams

By now it is very clear that Fleet has extinguished the Sovereign lantern when it comes to banking at Bryant. What has occurred vis-a-vis the banks over the past few months seems to be an ironic turn of events, given what had occurred about a year ago. At that time, as we reported in an Archway issue last year, the former’s parent, FleetBoston Financial, in order to complete a merger deal, divested some of its other constituent BankBoston’s branches, including the one here at Bryant, to Philadelphia-based Sovereign Bancorp. Recently, while infrastructure construction was taking place, the Bryant branch of Sovereign Bank, New England was collapsed into the one near Lincoln Mall. Before the last semester was out, a new Fleet ATM was installed across from where the Sovereign ATM was; the latter would later be phoned out and removed.

“The switch was more of a decision on Sovereign’s part,” says Marc Furtado, Bryant executive assistant to the President, “having pulled out of Bryant, finding the service unprofitable, as they were not very interested in student accounts. 

A result, the only decision we had to make involved the selection of the new bank, between Fleet and Citizens Bank.” While Fleet does have an advantage over Citizens and Sovereign in geographical coverage, that was not the only factor that made Fleet the bank of choice here at Bryant: added Furtado, “Fleet also has a stronger interest in student accounts.”

On January 31, representatives from Fleet visited the Bryant campus to promote their bank’s special student and employee accounts. Although Fleet does have an ATM on site, said Greenville branch manager Sandra Carey, an actual on-site branch is not in the bank’s future plans, unlike the last two banks have had before. The reason may be that there already are three branches within close range of the campus, the Greenville branch being one of them. The other two are in Lincoln and Mineral Spring. A Bryant branch, Carey adds, “would be sort of redundant, given that [bankers] could already do so much with the three branches convenient to them, as well as by phone and online.”

Mission To Jamaica

By Adam Fontaine

That fine the streets, or the roads that are so full of pathos you have to constantly be careful to avoid them. This is how a vast majority of the people in Jamaica live. There are primarily two social classes in Jamaica, rich or poor. The rich live up on the mountainside in their large grandiose homes, the poor live on the streets, in the dump, or in little one-room shacks no bigger than a walk in closet.

Our purpose of going to Jamaica was to be one of assistance to those in need, to see how they live, to try if even for a day to make a difference in their lives, and to learn from them. Amongst all this destitution and hardship there is a bright wonderul light, this light is Monsignor Richard Albert. Monsignor Albert arrived in Jamaica in 1976 from the Bronx of New York. What he saw in Jamaica were people who needed help, and he was the one that was going to help them. Since 1976 Monsignor Albert has established centers for the poor of Jamaica, ranging from the sick, abandoned elderly to the hungry, uneducated children. All with one goal in mind, to make a difference.

Monsignor Albert gave us the opportunity to go to one of the five centers he has established since his arrival in Jamaica. The first full day we went to visit each of the centers to get an idea of where we would want to spend our time. We first went to Saint Monica’s Home for the sick, abandoned elderly. I have to be honest, what I saw here scared me. This was a place where people come to die. There are around 30 men and women who are elderly and are suffering from leprosy or AIDS. People with leprosy are many times, disfigured because of the disease, it is also common for them to be blind or deaf. The people at Saint Monica’s were very friendly, and it made them happy for us to just talk to them. Looking past their disfigurements was not an easy task, and I found myself uncomfortable. Later, I realized I was glad that I went. Disease is a reality of life for many people, and for them to be comfortable around you, you must be comfortable with them. Several days later returned back to Saint Monica’s. I was much more at ease and able to communicate more effectively with the people.

On our second day out in the missions, Jay and I chose to go to Christ the Redeemer, a human resource center for community outreach. Here, they offer educational opportunities for children, computer studies, woodworking, and tailoring. The schools in Jamaica are very small, and only accommodate the basic necessities. Jay and I had the opportunity to teach the children on the computers and to share with them about life in the United States. It was fascinating to see their faces when we told them about our holidays and shopping malls, much of what we take for granted, but things of which they have no concept. We also spent a large portion of time talking with the teachers, learning about the Jamaican culture.

We found out why the economy in Jamaica is so bad. On average people make between $30 and $50 (US) a week. However, clothing, food, housing, average around the same price as in the States. How are people supposed to live and (Continued on Pg. 3)
Craziness, Chaos, and Clarity
By Andrea Piccarelli
Editor-in-Chief Emeritus

The semester is off and running and it’s time for reality check for a few people. There is also one notable exception. First a common theme that has been discussed throughout the add drop period is giving F’s to those students who do not get their drop slips signed. As opposed to automatically dropping students, professors are suggesting giving them F’s if they fail to show up to class and get their drop slip signed. This is fine, but there is one little tidbit that I would like to point out to those professors proposing it.

Often times when a student is dropping a class, it is to add into one being held at the same time. This means that every student must find the professor at an alternative time to sign the drop slip. This has resulted in many gripes by students. In the past, professors were required to have five posted office hours a week. Many seem to have cut back and there are several who have no scheduled posted on their doors. Students complain that their emails and voicemail are going unreturned or they wait a long time for a professor’s service office hour and the professor never shows up. All these issues need to be resolved before anyone can consider changing how the drop policy works. If not, there will be complete craziness.

Now, Annark and South need to see more for most students? This one had to investigate for myself. South is in complete chaos. The entire set-up has changed. There is now a sign in front of the office that states working to ensure South is not doing exactly what Annark is doing.

If you want to get a sandwich, you should only order one side of the chips or cookies and you can only get soda. Apparently Annark would like to keep students gain the freshman 15. Many students turn to sandwiches as a healthy alternative, but what is the point when the rest of the meal is bad for you? Students can no longer have side salads, milk, fruit, low-fat chips or pretzels, etc. Not to mention, with a sandwich you are now only allowed to one salad at dinner and a medium soda. Is Annark having money issues, or are food portions being reduced, because someone wants a zero gap?

Now there is another issue adding to the chaos with South. The staff. There have been significant changes in the system at South. Certain food is now available in different lines. There are no signs clearly labeling which foods in which line and you are in the wrong one. The students are confused and thus for this confusion, Annark has verbally accosted an employee. This one, for the sake of journalism, I tried to find but was screamed at for getting in the way of building. The employee said, “my job is to do my job and do it in the most efficient way.”

We would like to see how to post the hours you are available to those employees from Annark who would like to see a good sign. Academic Records is located in the MRC. Tread on them.

Students should not be abused by Annark’s employees, especially since Annark cannot make an effort to hang any signs clarifying the changes.

The light at the end of the tunnel, the clarity among all this chaos and craziness. If you can survive lunch and manage to get your drop slip signed, at least you will be pleasantly surprised when you go to Academic Records. You walk in this office to find a smiling face. On the right there is a bulletin board with signs displaying pictures of each employee in office. The signs tell you who your person should speak to about particular issues. The food display keeps the hours that they are open. A refreshing change. The clarity is amazing. For those professors who would like to see how to pose to the hours are available to those employees from Annark who would like to see a good sign, Academic Records is located in the MRC. Tread on them.

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While at Riverton, we colored, drew pictures, read stories, and fed lunch to the children. It was a memorable day. Those children had nothing, but yet they never stopped smiling. All day Jay or I had at least one child on our arm or leg who would not let go. They simply wanted affection and for someone to pay attention to them. It was disappointing when it was time for us to go. The children repeatedly asked if we were coming back, it was hard to say no. I could write about my experiences in Jamaica for pages and pages, however it can never truly convey what we saw and experienced. I went on this mission because I knew I would be challenged. The living conditions and the poverty are unlike anything I ever imagined. To my surprise the people were very friendly and I never felt threatened. This was the greatest thing that I could ever have done... and I would do it again in a heartbeat.

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In other news, the Club will be hosting our annual Karate Tournament on March 24th in the MAC. If anyone is interested in advertising for that event please contact Brad Routhier at x4260 for details.

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**Finance Association**

By Kyle Cehancwicz

As the spring semester begins, it is time once again for the Finance Association to begin announcing its upcoming events. Our second annual trip, will be taking place sometime in the beginning of April. This semester, we will be hosting a trip to the Boston Federal Reserve and the Boston Stock Exchange. Below are some of the upcoming events. Meeting times are Monday’s at 4:30 in Papitto. (1st Floor in the Bryant Center)

02/26 – Bryant Students who own their own business

A. Meet several students that own an online business

B. How did they do it?

03/05 – Merrill Lynch

A. Entering into the Financial Services Business

B. Managing your money successfully

In addition I would like to welcome a new member to our executive board. Congratulations to all who competed. Everyone came out of the event a winner.

Weekend will be taking place from February 23rd to 25th. On Friday, February 23rd, Family Feud will be taking place in South at 8:00pm. On Saturday, February 24th, Battle of the Sexes will be taking place in South at 8:00pm. There will be a ski trip on Sunday, February 25th to Sunday River. Tickets will cost $35 each. The bus leaves at 5:30am and will be returning around 8:00pm. Sales times will be available soon. Remember the Titans will be shown on Sunday, February 25th at 7:00pm and 9:30 pm in Janikies. Admission is $1. Candy, soda, and popcorn are $0.50. The next Bingo will be taking place on Tuesday, February 27th. It is Spring Fling Bingo. If you’re going on Spring Break, come and win some prizes. This is a passport event.

SPB meet every Monday at 4:30pm in Rooms 2A/B in the Bryant Center. All new members are welcome. Any questions or suggestions call the SPB Office at x8118, email us at sbp@bryant.edu, or IM us at SPB Bryant. Check our website for up-to-date information about SPB and all our events at web.bryant.edu/~sbp.

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2001 Emerging Leaders Retreat

The first annual Emerging Leaders Retreat which was held at Camp Woodstock in Woodstock, CT. This retreat was designed to be a learning experience for some of our many emerging student leaders on campus—it was hoped that the retreat would bring student leaders from many organizations together and build lasting relationships.

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The Voice
Special Olympics meetings will be on Tuesday nights in Papitto at 9:30, John Bly

The Campus Improvement Committee

The campus improvement committee has a few basic objectives in place for the semester. Among them is trying to improve lighting in the village, grow some more grass, and try to have physical plant keep up the landscaping.

The Faculty, Staff and Administration Committee

By Brian Keenon
The committee has already begun acting on some of the issues brought forth by the student body. Among the issues presented to this committee was the process that is used by the college in deciding what classes would be offered along with the registration process itself.

Over the last couple of months, I have worked with a couple of the key players involved in the academic planning and registration. In looking at all that goes into the planning of classes a full year in advance, I was quite amazed with how smooth and efficient the process actually is, considering how difficult large numbers of students find it.

There are the obvious preferences of the ideal time slots students prefer. Dropping and adding classes along with not taking classes in the semesters they are intended for adds to the difficulties the staff faces. Those involved in the process take great pride in their work. The schedule is designed with the student in mind. One such example is the on-going consistency in getting students into all the classes needed to meet their graduation requirements.

I would like to compliment the staff on their commitment and efforts in making the process of class selection and registration as successful as it has become over the years. I’m looking forward to working with them for the remainder of the semester to make the system even better.

The committee is also looking for additional student members who are interested in joining our committee. For more information, please contact Brian at ex. 4282 or email me at Sportstar2001@hotmail.com.

With the Melting Snows

By Rev. Joseph Pescatello
Catholic Chaplain

I recently noticed that the daffodils are beginning to pop through the ground. This is a sure sign that spring is near (and I’m ready for it!).

In reflecting on this, I thought about what was happening under the surface. In order for the bulbs to begin to sprout, the external crust must break away so that the life within can blossom.

What is happening in nature reflects what is true about ourselves as well. In order for us to mature, we must let go of some of the past, of bad habits perhaps, and some crusty behaviors, so that we can develop our potential on various levels—emotionally, spiritually, and intellectually.

Growth is a conscious decision and requires decisive action on our part. Each year we grow older but it doesn’t mean that we mature unless we make a conscious effort to do so. Maturity requires us to sometimes take risks and allow ourselves to be challenged and stimulated intellectually, emotionally, and spiritually. It requires moving out of our comfort zones and avail ourselves to the support and challenge of others who care about us and those who act in a supervisory position for us.

For those who are Christian, the season of Lent—which begins with Ash Wednesday (February 28 this year), can be a time of growth and rebirth. The word “Lent” is derived from the Old English word for spring, “lencen,” the season when winter gives way to spring and nature bursts forth with new life. May this spring be a season of rebirth for each of us.

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Bi-Weekly Sports Update

By Luis Etherington

Men's Basketball - (8-14 overall; 5-13 NE-10) - 12th-ranked Saint Anselm had a 79-68 win against unranked Bryant Saturday afternoon at the Bryant Athletic & Recreation Center. Bryant had led by four with seven minutes left in the first half, but Saint Anselm took the lead for good with a 12-2 run, gaining a 28-24 lead with 1:42 left in the first period. Bulldog freshman Gouty Gaye led Bryant with 14 points, while sophomore guard Jon Wallace added 13 more points.

Women's Basketball - (10-12 overall; 7-11 NE-10) - Saint Anselm's women's basketball team came from behind Saturday afternoon against a tough Bulldog squad to win 86-55. Bryant had led by 11 points with two minutes remaining in the first half. Bryant, which saw a five-game winning streak come to an end, had three players in double figures as senior guard Heather Chase and freshman forward Lindsay Hermann both had 11 points, and senior forward Ali Curry had 10. They remain in ninth place in the 15-team league.

Men's Track - Senior Paul Brisson took first place in two events, leading Bryant's men's indoor track & field team to a first-place finish at the Wesleyan Invitational Saturday afternoon. Brisson accounted for two of Bryant's seven first-place finishes by taking wins in the shot put and the 35-pound weight. Freshman Antwanare Jones won the 55-meter dash, Junior Colin Kelley won the 400-meter, Jason Eddy won the 1,500-meter run senior Eric Narcisi won the 3,000-meter run, and the 1,600-meter relay squad of Antwanare Jones, Antwanare Jones, Pat Rafferty and Asia Williams also won.

Women's Track - Bryant's women's indoor track & field team finished third of six teams at the Wesleyan Invitational Saturday afternoon, taking first place in three events. Sophomore Melanie Butler won the shot put, Kelly Mc Clellan won the triple jump and the 1,600-meter relay team of Denise, Meagan Long, Kathleen and Aliana also claimed first-place.

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