**Hurley leaves Bryant OCE Office**

By Bridget McLean  
**Contributing Writer**

Rich Hurley was a shining star in The Office of Campus Engagement. He helped create and develop programs that transform the lives of students at Bryant. His work touches all students here at Bryant, whether through First-Year Orientation, Linked through Leadership programs, the IDEA program, or even just the new Fisher Student Center. Rich Hurley had a hand at developing them all. If you did not get the chance to meet him while he was here, you probably had seen him waiting for his iced tea at Dunkin’ Donuts, or swiftly walking through Fisher. He will be greatly missed by his staff and the students and faculty who got to know him during his eight years here.

**What are your plans post-Bryant?**

I am going to be the Associate Director for the Student Resource Center at New York University in Manhattan. I am going to be working in the Student Resource Center and my mission is to afford all students at the university the information, resources, and experiences in order to succeed at their time at NYU. I am going to be working with commuters and transfer students who come into the university and there are over 20,000 off campus and commuter undergraduate students in that population. A team of other professionals and me will be managing their commuter student government, their leadership opportunities, and their major programming. They have commuter assistants who guide students in a mentorship opportunity, and we will work with all of their service opportunities and their faculty-staff collaborations. It is more about creating resources and programs and fitting the needs of the commuter and transfer students. I will get the opportunity to manage Weeks of Welcome in our department, which is about 500 programs in one week, and Senior Week. This will be the first thing I will be doing there, being able to be more involved with the programming involvement side in the students’ experience at NYU.

Do you think it will be challenging going from a small university to such a large university?

Yes. I think one of my fears is that here at Bryant I can see the impact of the work easily in some way, shape, or form. I can connect with every single first year student when they come to the university through

**Pi Sigma Epsilon takes Houston!**

By Sidney Logan  
**Contributing Writer**

The Pi Sigma Epsilon chapter went to Houston, Texas this past week to attend their National Conference. They competed in various competitions throughout the week including: a recruitment fair challenge, Top Silver presentation, case study competition, and a sales competition. They competed against the top business students in the nation, and came home with a first place trophy in the recruitment fair challenge.

They came out on top by presenting a comprehensive recruitment strategy that consisted of selling their chapter in a James Bond themed presentation. Throughout the week the chapter also attended general sessions that were focused on professional development, and even held their own general session where they gave advice to smaller chapters on how to grow their membership.

The Bryant Chapter was a finalist for the William H. Harris Top Silver Chapter award. Top Silver standing is a prestigious level of achievement. Chapters work hard throughout the year to reach accreditation standards in order to attain this level of prestige. The presentation consisted of the students bringing together all of the accomplishments they made while following a strict guideline. They then made this presentation to a panel of judges that consisted of corporate sponsors from various companies.

The Pro-Am Sales competition was held on Friday the 17th. The students were tasked with the challenge to sell CUTFCO Knives to a Texas meat manufacturing company called Northbourne Foods. The students were given a prompt with information, and were able to be matched up with corporate sponsors to have one-on-one coaching sessions with them before the competition. After the event there was a networking reception where the students that competed were able to speak with the companies that were corporate sponsors. The corporate sponsors were very impressed with the students and the competition.

The case competition was also another challenging competition that the Bryant student’s participated in. They were given a case on Thursday the 16th, and were given 24 hours to come up with a comprehensive analysis of the case and a recommendation of the case, and then present this to a panel of judges. The case that the students were given involved Pepsi Canada and their Ultimate Taste Challenge. Pepsi was given a recommendation by a consultant in order to showcase this challenge successfully, and the students were supposed to research this and advise them whether or not the plan would work. The prompt said the consultant recommended that they set up a virtual tasting between Pepsi and Coke. The Bryant students did not look at this as effective and instead recommended that they set up a music festival with some of the music artists that have previously worked with Pepsi. They received great feedback from the judges for this creative approach.

The conference gave the students a chance to attend presentations by corporate sponsors, who dedicated their time to the well being of the organization. Corporate sponsor Ed Albertson presented on his experiences as a Partner for Carew International and how the sales profession has changed in the modern age. The Founder of the Tom James Company, Spencer Hays, also spoke at the convention on his experiences at Tom James.

With the guidance of their alumni advisor, Brian Andersen, Bryant’s Pi Sigma Epsilon chapter was able to make an impact in the competition. Their alumni advisor was able to lead them to being successful in these competitions and gave them advice for their professional careers. Brian Andersen was rewarded for all of his hard work and dedication to the Bryant Chapter by receiving the prestigious award of Top Alumni Advisor. The work of the Bryant Chapter, with the help of their advisor, did not go unnoticed. The name Bryant University will not be forgotten among the members of the conference.
Insight into fall 2015 OCE changes

By Allie Miller
News Editor

As the school year is starting to wind down for most students, Campus Engagement is working hard to create the special events that make the Bryant experience so unique. This department is busy year-round creating some of your favorite campus events. In the midst of this busy time for Campus Engagement, Judy Kawamoto, Director of Campus Engagement met with me to talk about this truly unique operation on campus.

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Sulmasy named first Provost at Bryant

By Molly Funk
Editor-in-chief

Glenn Sulmasy of the United States Coast Guard Academy has been named Bryant University’s first provost and chief academic officer, a position that became effective in March 2015. As our first provost, I thought it necessary to sit down a get to know Provost Sulmasy, and learn what his role really means.

Sulmasy is an expert in international law and national security, with career experience in academics, law, and government service. According to his LinkedIn profile, Sulmasy taught at the University of Connecticut School of Law in the fall of 2014. He also taught for almost fourteen years at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. This academic resume is just as extensive: he attended the US Coast Guard Academy for his undergraduate degree where he studied pre-law, played varsity football, and was active in the Political Affairs Association. He then attended the University of Baltimore School of Law where he was a student fellow at the Center for International Law, and the President of the International Law Society. He earned a National Security Law degree from University of California School of Law, Berkeley. In 2007, and degree in National Security and Human Rights in 2008 from Harvard University Kennedy School of Government.

Check out our website, bryantarchway.com for the full interview Thursday April 30th!
By Kati Machtley
Director of the Women's Summit

Some time ago Aubrey Waz had asked if I would write an article for this section of the Archway. While this article was written at the end of the academic year, I have been thinking about this topic ever since last fall, and have finally gathered my thoughts enough to compose a short essay for Featuring Feminism. I have been the Director of The Women's Summit at Bryant University for the past 19 years. The mission of the Women's Summit is to provide professional and personal development and financial empowerment for the women and men who attend this educationally enriching conference each year. Each year the Women's Summit Co-chairs, the Program Committee, the Web Committee, the Logistics Committee Guest Relations Committee, faculty, and staff all work together to provide an empowering learning experience for the attendees.

Growing up in the 50s and the 60s in a more traditional area of Middle America, feminism was not spoken about in the house where I was raised. It was not talked about, but feminism was being practiced every day. Women were going to school and working in order to achieve their goals, and they inspire me to do the same. My mother, who was a schoolteacher, was one of those women. My father also had a good job, and as a result of their hard work, my sister and I were able to attend a good elementary school which my sister and I attended.

When my son was in high school he took an English class that had a section on women's literature. Because I was teaching composition, I was encouraged to name some of the assignments that he brought home. I enjoyed reading short stories such as "The Yellow Wallpaper" and other literary works that opened my eyes. One of the most interesting revelations occurred one night when he told me that there are three groups of people who have been discriminated against in America. They are, Native Americans, African Americans and women. "To me this was a profound statement. The fact that he understood all this at 16 seemed pretty advanced to me, but in my education those topics were never discussed.

After working at Bryant University for 19 years I have had the privilege of mentoring and encouraging hundreds of students both professionally and personally. I cheer them on at many athletic events, artistic, academic, and musical endeavors. It is so gratifying to be a small part of their lives while they are here and to watch them as they become young adults who have achieved success and are launched into the real world. Many overcome challenges and obstacles in order to achieve their goals, and they inspire me to do the same.

As the director of The Women's Summit, feminism now has new meaning to me. While I am not an expert, I believe that I advocate for women's rights on the grounds of political, social, and economic equality. I would also seek to establish equal opportunities for women in education and employment with equal pay. I also feel that men are a part of this equation, and appreciate President Machtley's support and that of the Bryant Community over the years. Feminism has a wide spectrum of beliefs and outcomes. Everyone has different views about feminism, and each person is free to adopt those aspects of feminism which they find meaningful. We are so fortunate to live in a country where we have the right to so many freedoms. There is still work to be done. Continued leadership is needed for forward progress in advancing women, and narrowing the wage gap.

Did you know that librarians and professors are not the only ones who think that knowing how to do some darn good research is an essential skill for you to have? Did you know that your future employers are interested in hiring employees who have strong information literacy skills? You remember what information literacy means right? That pesky term that you might hear when librarians come to your classroom or your professor is asking you for credible and scholarly sources. Information literacy is the ability to know what kind of information you need, how to look for it, how to evaluate its worthiness, and how to add it to your papers and projects and build upon it and finally how to give proper credit. The differences are often not always clear and this can lead to some bad habits. I have talked to many women who have written up that information originally. So who else cares that I know how to do this stuff you ask? …

The Association of American Colleges and Universities is an organization that is concerned with what all are learning in college and how you and I might be learning things that are not of the largest world. One way that the organization keeps track of the relevance of what colleges are teaching and its relationship to the professional world is through a survey put out to business and nonprofit leaders. The survey asks employers to rate the importance of particular skill sets for their new hires. Things like effective communication, the ability to work in teams, and critical thinking always rise to the top. But you know what else is up there? Information literacy! That’s right, 68 percent of the business leaders in the survey thought that information literacy is a “very important” skill to have. And, just to be clear, this doesn’t mean the ability to Google something and tell your boss about the top three links you find, but you all know that.

So the next time you are working on a research paper or project for class, remember that you are building essential skills that your future employers will be seeking. You are becoming a more articulate person with each well done annotated bibliography you submit. You are expanding your horizons with each citation you create (without EasyBib). And, you’re making the library staff so proud!

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I could answer this for hours. First and foremost I was a student, and in that role, the people that made the biggest impact on me was the faculty. They were mentors, they were role models, they really guided me, and helped me. Then subsequently there were the people who said, “You can do the work that we do” and that transformed my ability to be involved and engaged in this community, they want to make a difference, they want to be able to make a difference, whether it’s in themselves, their peers, or in the community.

As a Bryant student, did you ever think that you would be back? No, when I left I said I would not come back because I had such a great experience here and I didn’t want to tarnish my good experience with me. I really want to do that, and worried about that. But then, I was at Roger Williams, I knew I needed my next job to be in either higher education or something similar. When I applied for the job at Bryant was posted and it was in both leadership and community service. I’ll tell you why I came back, the reason I came back was thinking, you know, that I knew that as a student here was drastically different, to the point where I could come back.

Instead of one department the changed, the students at the school had changed, and there was only one staff member left in the department that was still here, Karen Missassez, and I love her. It’s so necessary to say, I was so happy to be able to work with her. The Vice President of Student Affairs at that time, Dr. Aiken and the Assistant Dean Judy A. Kawamoto, said something to me that made me want to come back. They told me they wanted to transform student life, and continue to transform student life on campus. Those words were the beginning to do something different. Everything was different, but that the core of Bryant was the same. The really amazing things about this university were all the same but we grew and transformed to be better.

What do you love about Bryant and what is your favorite memory?

What I love about Bryant is that I think we come together very well. Whether it’s homecoming, The Fight of Lights, The Spring Weekend Concert, or whatever it might be, we really do come together. I love that I can pick up the phone and call any faculty and staff member and ask a question, which is very rare. I love that I get to work with students who want to make a difference, whether it’s in themselves, their peers, or in the community, they want to make a difference, they want to be able to do good things. The personal connection that you are able to have is really amazing, I think.

My favorite memory as a student was graduation day, getting to walk through the archway. With no doubt in my mind it was memorable, I saw all the students, the families, everyone just coming together, doing something that we had never been able to do. And they were all smiling, and happy to be there.

New athletic facility

By Stephanie Johnston

Anyone wondering what all the commotion is that is going on out in the commuter lot? It is the construction of Bryant University's new Strength and Conditioning Center. The project began this semester and will continue to be under construction until July so it will be fully functional once fall sports arrive back on campus next year.

Intended to be the 10,400 square feet, the building is being designed by Cutler Associates, an architecture company based out of Worcester, Massachusetts. According to the company's description, the structure will feature large glass exterior windows the whole height of the building. All sports teams will be able to use the new gym for training instead of the Java which is currently the center of athletics. Pressler

Overall, the Strength and Conditioning Center is a small step in the continued growth of Bryant University’s twenty-two Division 1 Athletic teams. The switch to playing for Division 1 in the Northeast Conference and being an FCS school is one that Coach Pressler has always been a part of.

Concluding, the Center will be the biggest step Bryant University has taken to improve and support its athletes from a financial standpoint since the move up in competition.

The fight for democracy

By Michael Young

Contributing Writer

Two student movements for democracy that seem unconnected, brought together students from Taiwan and Hong Kong. Taiwanese students occupied the Taiwanese Parliament opposing a new trade agreement with China, while Hong Kong students occupied Central, the major financial district in Hong Kong, to protest against China for taking back the democracy they promised.

On June 21, 2013, the Taiwanese government passed the Cross-Straits Services Trade Agreement (CSSTA) with mainland China without by-passing the Legislative chamber and named the movement “Sunflower Movement”. Started from March 18, 2014, the occupation lasted 23 days, until government agreed to re-review the CSSTA on April 10, 2014.

On September 26, 2014, Hong Kong students went on the streets once again to protest against mainland China and received considerable support from Taiwan.

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A happy return of Hong Kong to China by the British in 1997, Hong Kong was allowed to maintain its own government, currency and most of its political system. This arrangement was known as “One Country, Two Systems”. According to the CNN, the Chinese government also promised Hong Kong that it will be able to elect their own government, with a selection of its own people in 2017, however the promise was taken back on September 4, 2014.

Beijing officials announced that Hong Kong’s legislative election in 2017 will only consist of candidates chosen by the Chinese government. Mainland Chinese newspapers also published articles saying that Hong Kong will never be independent and will always be manipulated by China (with no exaggeration).

This resulted in the peaceful movement called “Occupy Central.” Protestors were to take over the financial district in Hong Kong for just a short period of time, so that the leaders of the movement would get a chance to voice their opinion to government officials. However, speakers from the government suspended multiple conferences and as people started to become impatient, this peaceful movement exacerbated into violent conflicts between the protestors and the police force that lasted over a month.

On September 3, 2014, Police brutality resulted in the “Umbrella Movement” and this is when students also decided that they have to help Hong Kong students fight against what happened to them six months ago. Students went on the streets, occupied highways, and camped near government buildings. The Umbrella Revolution lasted for almost three months and ended on December 15, 2014. However, the Hong Kong government did not follow up on this issue, and cultural repression continued. Hong Kong and mainland Chinese people, the Umbrella revolution is slowly coming back.

As Hong Kong students continue to fight against China’s capitalist power, Taiwanese students continue to defend their country from Chinese pressure, as both countries became more united than ever. 
By John Logan  
Business Editor

Brendan Varney, a junior international business student, speaks to us about the new iOS application “Orbit Marketplace,” which he and his team have been working on. It has been on the iOS store since April 14th.

J: What’s the best way to get in touch with the team at Orbit Marketplace?
B: You can visit our website: www.orbitmarketplace.com. We are available on the iOS App Store for free. Any suggestions from our early users will go a long way in making sure future updates are catered to their needs. Also, we’re in the process of hiring for the summer so if anyone is interested in working for a startup, please get in touch with me at bvarney@bryant.edu!

B: Orbit Marketplace is a location-based marketplace app that allows users to set up a profile/store, follow other people, sell items, and discover items being sold around them. It has an in-app chat system, so there is no need to give out any personal information like phone number or email. Users can also rate other buyers & sellers, so it adds a level of trust and safety unlike craigslist, which is anonymous. There’s also a unique feature called Wishlist. The point of Wishlist is to send you a notification once an item appears that you currently are unable to find or cannot find within a certain price range.

J: How do you think Orbit Marketplace can become profitable and what is your vision for Orbit’s future?
B: Our focus first and foremost is the user experience. It is important to us that Orbit is safe, fun and easy to use for our users. As of now we charge businesses on Orbit a small fee for having an “online store” and other features. For individuals it is free to set up a profile/store, follow other people, sell items, and discover items being sold within a certain price range.

J: How do you do your gender actually make this app?
B: Vrinda was in charge of early iOS & Android development. She crafted the early prototype and design. We received some seed funding from family, friends, and a couple of angel investors, which helped cover expenses that came along the way.

J: What is your role in all of this and who else is part of the team?
B: I joined the team in December. I am officially the Marketing and Digital Media Coordinator. The founder is Amaan Udhas, a good friend of mine. I met him at Bryant when he was also freshman in the IB program, but he transferred to Northeastern University his sophomore year. We have two more team members, Kimberly Healy and Vrinda Badami. Kim is also a junior at Northeastern, she is the Associate Director. Vrinda is a junior at Penn State, and is our Webmaster. She helped develop the framework for our app and some of the key design features.

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B: You can visit our website: www.orbitmarketplace.com. We are available on the iOS App Store for free. Any suggestions from our early users will go a long way in making sure future updates are catered to their needs. Also, we’re in the process of hiring for the summer so if anyone is interested in working for a startup, please get in touch with me at bvarney@bryant.edu!

By Gore Simervil  
Contributing Writer

As you might have heard the pay gap between men and women are in intense debate in the news recently. It stands to raise the question as to why in the workplace this is even much wider for women of color. According to the numbers, still see women as being secondary to men in the workplace.

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) is the nation’s leading voice promoting equity and education for women and girls. Since its founding in 1881, the AAUW have examined and taken positions on the fundamental issues which plague our country such as educational, social, economic, and political. The AAUW along with other groups supporting women rights have examined the gender pay gap over the past couple of decades, and have found that if this trend continues at the same slow pace as it has done for the past fifty years, it will take 44 years, or until 2058, for women to finally reach pay equal to men.

AAUW’s research proves that irrespective to the level of qualification, jobs done by women pay less than jobs done by men. Within the last few decades, women have made strides to break through the glass ceiling of unreachable jobs. Women are now holding positions in jobs that were previously only held by men yet are experiencing a pay discrimination. Research shows that on average in the United States, women make only 77 cents for each dollar that men do.

The gender pay gap consists in almost every congressional district according to recent statistics. In states such as Louisiana, the women are paid just 66 percent of what men are paid. The most equal pay equality takes place in Washington, D.C. where women are paid 91 percent of what men are paid. The pay gap is even much wider for women of color. According to the AAUW, Hispanic women make just 54 percent of a white man’s earnings and 90 percent of a Hispanic man’s earnings. The smallest disparity is found between Asian American women who maintain an average of 90 percent of men’s earnings.

I asked current Bryant University student, sophomore Angela Melchinomo who is majoring in Actuarial Statistics, a field primarily consisting of men of what she thought about the gender pay gap between men and women. “It has been on the news a lot lately and it is surprising that in this day and age it is still a prevalent issue. I’m not sure about how I can make a difference but I am aware that people in charge such as the CEO’s of these companies or policy makers need to step in and demand change. I just hope by the time I enter the workforce this issue will be resolved.”

To fix this issue CEO’s need to start stepping in. Women cannot simply wait for the gradual change to occur. Companies need to monitor and address the pay rate. Salary audits need to be done to ensure equality. Policy makers as well need to step up to push for change. The Equal Pay Act needs to be updated to force companies and employers to create equal opportunity for all employees.

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The companies have raised a combined total of $1.2 billion from venture capitalists in 2014, according to CB Insights. The companies have been part of a digital technology onslaught of young companies transforming an industry with innovations.

The three young Madison, Wis., companies focused on bringing digital technologies to the grocery industry. Largely unchanged for decades, grocers are starting to see an onslaught of young companies transforming an industry with innovations.

As he makes his way through the store, Hansen, 65, scans bar codes from milk, cheese, mushrooms and other items as he puts them into his cart. The app keeps a running total of his selections, automatically applies discounts and allows him to speed through a special check-out line.

“I just hate the electronics, but the money savings I like,” Hansen said.

The shopping app Hansen used is made by Fetch Rewards Inc., one of at least three young Madison, Wis., companies focused on bringing digital technologies to the grocery industry. Largely unchanged for decades, grocers are starting to see an onslaught of young companies transforming an industry with innovations.

“More and more transactions are moving online and you can see the beginnings of store owners starting to realize they should change their strategy,” said Jeremy Neren, founder and head of business development at GrocerKey Inc., a Madison startup that partners with stores to help them sell online and deliver locally.

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New “food-tech” companies, many headed by young, tech-savvy entrepreneurs like Neren, are driving the transformation. Such companies raised more than $1 billion from venture capitalists in 2014, according to CB Insights. The companies have technologies for delivering groceries, ordering food, tracking inventory and doing other tasks. Others have created replacement products such as eggs, meat and leather.

Instant messages can feel trite and impersonal, but new apps can make it easier to express emotions beyond a text or emoji.

Facebook recently opened up Messenger to app developers, and there are already more than 40 ways for people to show their feelings with the click of a button. Want to make someone smile or laugh? Send a GIF or e-card. Feeling old? Create a selfie with wrinkles. Got the urge to show your feelings with the click of a button? The social media platform now offers a tool to help people voice their own GIFs using a camera and filters such as “drunk,” “cool blue,” “strobe” and “smile.”

Concert pianist Bob Taub knows firsthand how music can sway people's emotions. Taub is the president and CEO of MuseAmi, a New Jersey company, that also created a Messenger version of its app called MuseAmi.

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There are also plenty of apps on Messenger meant to make people laugh. As GIFs became more popular online, Camoji founder Carlos Whitt said that the company saw an opportunity to create a tool that would allow people to customize their own GIFs using a camera and filters such as “drunk,” “cool blue,” “strobe” and “smile.”

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Bryant baseball perfect over the weekend

By Chris McCormick
Contributing Writer

The Bryant University baseball team hosted an in-conference four game series against Mount St. Mary’s over the weekend. The Bulldogs (14-16, 6-2) swept the Mountaineers (6-24, 4-8) in an impressive fashion. With gorgeous weather in Smithfield this weekend the Bulldogs received a great amount of support from the Bryant students and local fans.

On Friday the Bulldogs swept the Mountaineers with a combined score of 25-5. The Bulldogs scored three runs in the first inning which led to the Mountaineers only scoring a single run in the third inning. Wilcox’s strong eight innings on the mound the Bulldogs brought in senior Alex Lagos to close out the game with a scoreless top half of the ninth.

Saturday featured a double header for the two teams. The first game was decided by one run and featured a walk-off double by Mullen, which lead the Bulldogs to a 10-9 victory. However, the win did not come easy for Bryant, as they had to battle back from a fairly large deficit in order to claim the win. They trailed by six runs in the sixth inning with a score of 8-2 in favor of Mount St. Mary’s until the Bulldogs battled back over the course of two innings eventually tying it up in the bottom half of the seventh inning. Sophomore Matt Albanese was the spark on the day for the Black and Gold going 3-4 at the plate and scoring four runs for his team.

The second game of the double header was a smooth 6-1 win for the Bryant Bulldogs. Junior Bobby Rinn, who had already homered in the first game, was dialed in all day going 2-3 knocking in a pair of runs and launching his second homer of the day for the Bulldogs. James Karinchak also went the distance for the Bulldogs, pitching all seven innings, striking out six Mount St. Mary’s batters and only allowing one run while walking a single batter.

On another gorgeous afternoon the Bulldogs played their final game of the series, and once again winning in quite an impressive fashion. The Bulldogs gave up six runs in the first inning but were able to claw back at the Mountaineers lead and eventually run away with the game for a 14-9 victory. Buck McCarthy added to an impressive weekend with three hits and three runs batted in. A key to the victory was freshman Justin Snyder. Snyder had a budding task of starting against the Huskies. The decision paid off for one inning, as UConn went down in order, but Snyder ran into trouble in the second. After an error and two walks loaded the bases, two singles drove in three runs for UConn, and Snyder was pulled after just 1.2 innings. None of the runs were earned.

The Bulldogs would pull within one in the third inning after two consecutive doubles from junior Bobby Rinn and senior captain John Mullen, but that was as close as they would get. The top of the fourth inning was one tale for the Bulldogs, as must make mistakes led to five runs for the Huskies. Junior Jimmy Davitt was only credited for one earned run, but he threw a pickoff attempt into center field and later balked home a run. Bryant made two more runs were earned enough to place them in a tie with Sacred Heart atop the NEC rankings. The Bulldogs have now beaten the Mountaineers an impressive 22 straight times. With roughly a month left in the regular season, and most of the games against conference teams, the Bulldogs look to win their third straight NEC title as well as their third straight NCAA tournament berth.

What it takes to be a Bulldog football player

By Juliana Uczuc
Contributing Writer

Saturday April 18th marked the day of the Bryant University Spring Football game at the Bulldog Stadium. For athletes and non-athletes this is a fun and lively event; however, not many people know how much goes into practicing and conditioning, not to mention the pressure that the football players have on their shoulders. Players have to survive winter runs and spring practices to prove that they deserve to be on the team or even deserve to be a starter. Winter runs consists of waking up at the field at 6:30 am to go through rough workouts to test and improve agility, endurance, and mental ability. Workouts entail sprinting, cone drills, and weight lifting just to name a few. This takes place for five long weeks, three time a week. After the players tried to prove their physical skills, they have to try and prove their on-field presence which are where spring practices come in. Spring practices are when the players come out on the field to establish a presence on the field, so they have a little bit easier than the offensive line players who have to memorize over fifty plays.

Defensive line coach Benyard Jones, was nice enough to sit down and talk about the importance of winter runs and spring practices. He mentioned how the main reason for off-season and winter runs is to develop strength and agility in players and that it “develops their mental toughness to help overcome adversity”. And then he went on to discuss how spring practices influence coaches and that it is “critical to the development of your team and it gives you a chance to see how the winter practices have made, but it also looks at your younger players that didn’t play much during the season”. Coach Jones also spoke about the difference between a freshman player in the fall and a sophomore year player at the end of the spring season. The biggest difference that he noticed was the level of experience that a player has. Each repetition they take during their career helps to shape them and develop them into the person you hope to see on film. An important reason to junior, no matter what year they are to senior, has to work just as hard and not slip. Between the Spring Football Game and after summer session is when the players find out where they stand; however, upperclassmen still need to work just as hard and not slip. Between the Spring Football Game and after summer session is when the players find out where they stand; however, upperclassmen still need to work just as hard and not slip. Between the Spring Football Game and after summer session is when the players find out where they stand; however, upperclassmen still need to work just as hard and not slip. Between the Spring Football Game and after summer session is when the players find out where they stand; however, upperclassmen still need to work just as hard and not slip. Between the Spring Football Game and after summer session is when the players find out where they stand; however, upperclassmen still need to work just as hard and not slip. Between the Spring Football Game and after summer session is when the players find out where they stand; however, upperclassmen still need to work just as hard and not slip. Between the Spring Football Game and after summer session is when the players find out where they stand; however, upperclassmen still need to work just as hard and not slip. Between the Spring Football Game and after summer session is when the players find out where they stand; however, upperclassmen still need to work just as hard and not slip. Between the Spring Football Game and after summer session is when the players find out where they stand; however, upperclassmen still need to work just as hard and not slip.

Bryant has released the football schedule for the 2015-2016 season. The opening season game is at the Bulldog Stadium against American International on September 5th.
NBA playoff reform starts

By Taylor Persechini
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The NBA playoffs have started. The top eight teams from the East Conference and the top eight teams from the West Conference are now competing for the championship. This year’s playoffs will be similar to the previous years in deciding which teams are playing in them; however, with new commissioner Adam Silver that could soon change during the offseason. A proposal has been made to replace the top eight teams in each conference with a new system where the top overall 16 teams compete, regardless of conference.

The main reason behind this possible change is that almost every year there is at least one team that misses the playoffs with a record better than that of a playoff team from the other conference. In the most recent years the Western Conference has been a lot stronger than the Eastern Conference. This season, the Oklahoma City Thunder had a better record than Milwaukee, Boston, and Brooklyn, all Eastern Conference playoff teams, but finished as the ninth seed in the west. If the proposed changes were enforced this year, then Oklahoma City would be in the playoffs and Brooklyn would miss the post season. In the past, there have been years where multiple teams were left out of the post season due to their conference being more competitive.

The fact that the playoffs would include the best 16 teams in the NBA would be very appealing to the league. Playoff basketball is supposed to be the best games played all year due to higher stakes and more competitive matchups. Thus, it would make sense to play the best 16 teams. Rather than having the team with the best overall record play against one that had the 18th or 19th best record. The new format would also benefit the higher seeds from the stronger conference since in the current set-up they play better teams throughout the entire post season. Those matchups would be more likely to require more games to decide who moves on to the next round. On the other side of the league the top teams of the weaker conference would probably play less games, meaning more rest for their players, fewer injuries and giving them an edge in the finals.

However there are aspects which would complicate this possible rule change. The fact that teams play teams from the other conferences only twice a season but play four games against teams within their own conference creates issues of using team’s records in comparison to others. Since teams don’t play the same schedule, to definitively say that a team from one conference is better than a team from another based on their records becomes impossible. If the NBA were to create a new standard for determining who gets into the playoffs, it would probably have to go hand in hand with a new scheduling system for games. Currently, games between east and west coast teams lead to higher prices for tickets since they are rare. Therefore, increasing the amount of those games will lead to a loss of revenue. These added complications and possible loss of profits could persuade the NBA against accepting the new rules.

The concern that one division becomes too competitive could be solved with the salary cap that was recently agreed upon during the lockout in 2011. With the salary cap, teams will have to pay a luxury tax for exceeding the cap, thus, teams won’t be able to afford having multiple highly skilled players. If more top skilled players are on different teams, more teams (such as local market teams) could afford better players, ultimately creating a more competitive league overall. If the NBA feels like the new salary cap agreement will solve this problem then they might be discouraged from creating anything new, or at the very least, put the decision off for a later year.

Overall the league will decide on the option that it believes will create the best product which is quality playoff basketball games. They will weigh whether or not the current system or a different one will result in games that people will rather want to watch and that players feel is fair to them. By addressing these two concerns the will achieve a happier league and more viewership that will lead to higher revenue. Discussing this issue will begin once this season has finished.

Red Sox week two recap

By Pat Curran
Staff Writer

The Red Sox went three and three during week two of their young season. They won their home opener and won their first three series in a season for the first time since 1992. However, the pitching staff, especially their starting rotation, made this a largely forgettable week.

Newly signed Rick Porcello has a terrible 6.63 ERA and other newcomer Wade Miley isn’t faring any better with a whopping 10.57 ERA. The very scary issue with Porcello is the fact that he has given up five home runs in three starts. Porcello came to Boston with the reputation of a ground ball pitcher. Ground ball pitchers aren’t supposed to be giving up more than one home run a game. The only starting pitcher with a decent ERA is Joe Kelly who has done well on the young season as he is 1-0 with a 2.13 ERA. Changes needed to be made if the rotation does not improve soon.

It is very surprising that the Red Sox are sitting at 7-5 on the season considering the number of starters in the lineup who aren’t producing. The highly touted prospect Mookie Betts is hitting a pedestrian .204 with two home runs and eight RBI. Slugger David Ortiz is hitting .225 with two home runs and 4 RBI. However, the most disappointing player has been first baseman Mike Napoli. Napoli is hitting a disappointing .148 with no home runs and one RBI. This one hits especially close to home for me as I predicted in the beginning of the season that Napoli would hit forty home runs. There is still plenty of time for Nap to turn it around and signs are showing he’s starting to figure it out as he’s picked up six hits in his last ten games.

For all these things working against the Sox, they are still over two games over .500 and sitting tied for first in the AL East. Hanley Ramirez has figured out a way to be a reincarnation of Manny Ramirez as he has already managed to hit five home runs and put a hole in the wall of the Green Monster during batting practice. Xander Bogaerts has hit .326 on the season and has gotten on base at a forty percent clip. Bogeys also had a walk off single against the Orioles on a Friday night thriller at Fenway. Brock Holt is also hitting .480 on the season and has proven to be the sparkplug that this team needs.

The Sox headed to the Trop for three games starting Tuesday with the aim to face the Blue Jays for a three game weekend series. So, all in all, a key upcoming week for the local team.

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Pictured top left: Matt Albanese (front)
Top right: Cole Banio at bat
Bottom left: Zach Wood
Bottom right: Coach Owen
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HHS head: Feds will continue building on ObamaCare successes

By Sylvia Burwell
MCT Campus

For more than a century, American leaders have struggled to find ways to extend quality, affordable health care to everyone. We made progress for the elderly, the under-served and children, but for many Americans, the goal remained unattainable.

Nathan Auldridge knew that truth too well. He was a senior in college when he started experiencing double vision and severe vomiting. He was diagnosed with a life-threatening brain tumor and had to undergo a craniotomy and six weeks of radiation. The treatments were successful and he was declared cancer-free in 2006. But as a cancer survivor, Nathan found that a new health struggle was just beginning. In addition to having a pre-existing condition, he had developed narcolepsy.

He was suddenly very difficult to insure.

In 2013, Nathan worked with special needs adults, a job he was passionate about but that didn’t provide health coverage. So he found a plan on the private market for $159 a month with a $5,000 deductible. Still, with coverage his prescriptions and medical expenses were more than half of his yearly income of $20,000. He was able to get by only with help from his family.

But five years ago this week, Nathan and millions of Americans like him, found hope in a new law, the Affordable Care Act. The law increases the priority of health care for the first time, and it can be confusing. They may not know whom to call or where to go when they are sick. They may not think to take advantage of free preventive services that can detect cancer early or help keep their diabetes under control.

“From Coverage to Care” is about empowering people to take control of their own health. It focuses on three priorities: connecting people to the care they need, teaching them how to understand their benefits and their bills, and giving them the tools to make healthier decisions for healthier lives.

If you would like to learn more about how to take control of your health or how to help others, we have created a number of resources, including videos and printable materials, at the website From Coverage To Care.

Five years ago, we laid the foundation for a historic transformation in our health care system. Today, it’s paying off, for consumers, businesses and our economy. And we will continue to build on that foundation, to ensure that everyone has access to affordable, quality care and knows how to use it. Americans deserve no less.

The many college veterans across the world will never forget freshman year at college. Some may like to forget about the freshman year experience, but overall it’s a time filled with expectation, some anxiety, and wonderful discoveries of who we are as young adults in today’s society.

College is much different from high school. You might decide to commute, live on campus, and have off campus housing. The freshman year experience will definitely make a lasting impression on you and the most dramatic kids are those living far away from home. The biggest question going into the first fall college experience is what can you expect as you head off into the world of higher education? The first thing freshman notice is the workload. Assignments will be heavier and more intense than you have ever experience. The major challenges of college tasks are the large volumes of reading, the short deadlines, and the overwhelming writing that is required in almost every single class. Students presented with this brand new workload are affected with the feeling of doubt, frustration, and possibly loneliness.

Making a lot of new friends is definitely the key to getting through your freshman year in one peace. Always be yourself, don’t strike a pose or play the role of somebody you are not. Make friends who relate to you, believe it or not your college friendships will last the most satisfying and long term of your life.

24 hours a day you are on your own. Live life to the fullest and enjoy this newfound freedom, but in reality freedom always comes with responsibility. It is ok to kick it and hang out with your friends till 3 a.m. eating popcorn, having a great time. Self-Discipline is the number 1 key to having success at the college level, preparing for your future in the real world. Be sensitive to your own gravity. If you are attracted to a certain study, do all you can to find out about the subject of your focus. The beginning of the self-definition process is freshman year. Going to college is about getting your degree to become successful in an already tough job market and finding out who you really are as an adult in today’s society.

Technology changing the climate debate

By Orange County Register
MCT Campus

This year could well go down in history as the moment when technology transformed the debate about climate change.

Instead of an argument about “the science” indicating “anthropogenic global warming,” the really intractable disagreement concerns the policy, what, if anything, our public officials should require of us as a result of their interpretation of the science.

While Americans have argued over the policy, worsening an already unimaginative and stagnant political climate, our best technologists have begun to lay the groundwork for scientific advancements that can upend stale debates about capping emissions and the like.

For years, the problem with solar power was straightforward: Our technology could not absorb, or store, enough energy from the sun. Now, however, thanks to the likes of Elon Musk, those days are all but over.

Together, through Tesla and a separate company called SolarCity, Musk and his cousin Lyndon Rive have achieved advancements in solar cells and battery storage sufficient to attract the attention of some of America’s biggest companies. Wal-Mart wants to use their technology to power its huge stores, and Apple wants to use it to go completely “clean” in its energy use.

But wait, there’s more. Thanks to technology, superficially outlandish ideas that could revolutionize climate policy are now headed from science fiction to science fact. Musk’s “hyperloop” idea for ultrafast mass transit is now in the hands of a crack team of experts who are taking their company public this year.

Elsewhere, the scientists our government cares about most have broached the idea of tweaking our climate the way Google’s Nest thermostat keeps a handle on your Heating, Venting and Air Conditioning. In a study sponsored by the CTA, NASA and the Department of Energy, the National Academy of Sciences has called for experiments in geosemengineering until now, seen as a kind of last resort.

Officeholders and officials should be on notice. In light of these developments, the climate policy debate of the rapidly approaching future isn’t about how we need to live, but how we want to live.

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Unfriended: enjoyably stupid

By AJ Beltis
Staff Writer

Unfriended is the kind of horror film that gets you wondering if its absurdity is intentional or not. My question – does it matter? The movie is entertaining. Some will say it is ridiculous and stupid, others will say it has legitimately terrifying scenes. I saw a bit of both, and found myself at the edge of my seat with intense anticipation, as well as drawing the attention of every moviegoer in the theater as I laughed along with some of the death scenes. Add that up, and I’d be lying if I didn’t say I would recommend this movie to people.

In a highly original approach, Unfriended takes place almost entirely on the computer screen of high school student Blaire. On the anniversary of her classmate Laura’s suicide, she Skypes with her boyfriend Mitch and their four friends. The friends recount the events that caused Laura to take her own life, which all trace back to the backlash and bullying that resulted following an embarrassing video that went viral.

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But let’s backtrack for a second. The whole concept of Unfriended is completely absurd. The idea of conveying an anti-cyberbullying message to a teen audience by hacking their computers and possessing their bodies to force them to commit suicide is incredibly stupid. One scene shows Blaire and her friends facing an immediate threat, to which Blaire responds by taking a five minute diversion from the horror to bring us a head-scratching Chat roulette scene. And then we have some funny scenes, which include Laura’s spirit posting a meme after killing one of the teens.

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Students eager for Special Olympics’ return to Bryant for 35th consecutive year

By Jennifer Cormican
Contributing Writer

Get ready Bryant Students! It is that time of year again! The Rhode Island Special Olympics Day of Games! For the thirty-fifth year the Northern Islands and Olympic Games are back at Bryant. This event, held annually, is one of three tournaments as well. The Special Olympics committee needs your help, and the more help we have the more smoothly the day goes for the athletes and those supporting them. There are all sorts of volunteer jobs to do, such as grilling hamburgers and hotdogs for the spectators and athletes, or timing the various track and field events that happen, or simply being there at the finish line to cheer for the athletes. No matter what your skills or interests, there will definitely be something for you to do.

This year the games people who are challenged compete in a wide variety of athletic events, everything from soccer to track and field, to tennis and more traditional Olympic events, such as swimming. Here at Bryant, our event is focused on track and field, but there is an exciting volleyball tournament as well.

How can students at Bryant help? Volunteer, that is the best thing for people to do because of the massive planning and execution that happens on this day (Saturday, May 2). The Special Olympics committee needs your help, and the more help we have the more smoothly the day goes for the athletes and those supporting them. There are all sorts of volunteer jobs to do, such as grilling hamburgers and hotdogs for the spectators and athletes, or timing the various track and field events that happen, or simply being there at the finish line to cheer for the athletes. No matter what your skills or interests, there will definitely be something for you to do.

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Renowned speaker, actress, author and philanthropist Oprah Winfrey spoke about what it means to live a meaningful life in the annual "Harry's Last Lecture on a Meaningful Life" on Monday, April 20. Before giving the lecture, Winfrey met with The Stanford Daily and shared why she wanted to participate as this year's Rathbun Visiting Fellow.

The Miscellany News
Vassar College
Last Saturday, April 11, Sustainable Hudson Valley met at Vassar for its Spring Conference to discuss building the region's "blue economy," addressing questions about how to make the Hudson Valley's water system more sustainable through improving efficiency, reducing usage, reduced contamination, and increasing access to waterways. This conference was timely, given California's Governor Brown Executive Order B-29-15, issued on April 1, limiting water consumption because of the state's severe ongoing drought.

The University Star
Texas State University
University officials overhauled their approach to sexual misconduct investigations in August 2014 in response to federal mandates and pressure. Changes in the Title IX policy and procedure have likely increased the number of sexual misconduct reports and investigations, said Gilda Garcia, chief diversity officer and Title IX coordinator.

The Heights
Boston College
Men's hockey head coach Jerry York saw his salary decrease slightly in the 2014 fiscal year. York received a total compensation of $626,593 in 2014, a two percent drop from his $638,975 payment from 2013. This is following a 20 percent jump in York's salary from 2012.

THE POETRY CORNER

At the Lighthouse on the Bay
By Florence Widmer

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