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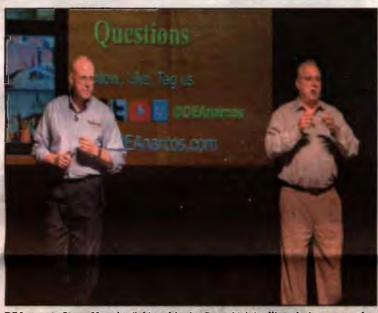
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#### The real men behind the Netflix show Inside Narcos share their story with Bryant this

Kaitlyn Graham Co-Editor-in-Chief

When asked if they had any regrets, their response was united and immediate; "That we didn't catch him sooner".

Javier Pena and Steve Murphy were two of the DEA agents who led the search for Colombian drug lord Pablo Escobar. After they assisted in his capture and assassination in December of 1993, the pair's story was turned into the hit Netflix original series Narcos. The show portrays the lengthy battle the DEA agents, along with the Colombian government, fought against Escobar and his accomplices.



DEA agents Steve Murphy (left) and Javier Pena (right) telling their story to the Bryant community this past Thursday (James Imrie)

Pena and Murphy spoke at Bryant as part of their series of presentations around the world. Last year they had 75 shows, and this year their stop at Bryant is part of their 90 show tour. Generally, their speeches consist of the history of the drug war in Colombia and their adventures searching the country for Pablo Escobar, accompanied by a slideshow of pictures to give first-hand examples of their experiences.

Before his death, Pablo Escobar was deemed the seventh richest man in the world by Forbes magazine. Escobar's team produced around 80% of the world's cocaine supply, and was able to smuggle it from Colombia to places where it was in high demand. These places were often in the US, mainly Miami where the use of cocaine was very common in the late 1980's. Escobar would pay men and women to smuggle the drugs across the border, and due to pre-September 11th

security, these transactions were often successful.

Escobar was (and still is) seen by some as the "Robin hood" of Colombia because of how he brought money into the country and provided jobs for men and women who wouldn't have had work without him. While this silver lining is seen by some, Escobar is considered one of the most dangerous and evil men in the history of narcoterrorism (the trade of illicit drugs). Pena and Murphy described the senseless deaths and pure violence he caused on those who didn't agree with him, recounting the deaths of their friends and fellow agents who fought to protect those harmed by the drug trade.

"How much do you think he paid for the murder an officer?" Pena asked the crowd at Bryant. "\$100."

Escobar was described as having no respect for any authority figure who thought negatively of him, and often would kill all the family members and friends of those who went against him. It is estimated by some that Escobar is responsible for 10,000-15,000 deaths during his years in the cocaine business.

The drug lord's death came after years of officers hunting him down, and while the actual group that killed him in his parent's house in 1993 was led by Colombian electronic surveillance operator Brigadier Hugo Martínez, Pena and Murphy are credited for their years of searching and nearly successful attempts at assassination. The pair turned down multiple negations and offers to create a show surrounding them before they received the Netflix offer, wanting to make sure that the creators of the show had the right motivations and methodology for describing what happened.

According to Pena and Murphy, "one third of the stuff on the show is true". Some of the other content is partially true, but there are bits of the show that are completely made up to create entertaining television. The show does hold true to parts of their personal lives, especially when showing how much of an impact the country of Colombia had on their lives in the long run. Murphy and his wife adopted two Colombian girls during his time working in Colombia, which is hinted at on the TV show when Murphy's character decides to adopt one child while

Some of the made up content in the show has created what Pena and Murphy deem are false ideologies about their personalities, including how Pena is portrayed to have helped "Los Pepes", a group of selfproclaimed "enemies of Pablo Escobar" that would perform murders and other acts of violence on those believed to be helping Escobar. Pena and Murphy, while making it clear which parts of their story are true and which are not, are pleased with the way the show came out, and admit to binge watching it together.

Steve Murphy and Javier Pena's presentation on their role in the assassination of Pablo Escobar gives the average person a glimpse into the importance of DEA agents in world safety. While they may not be able to go into specifics regarding the missions they were sent on or the best and worst parts of their job, Javier Pena and Steve Murphy definitely had a wild time chasing Pablo Escobar around Colombia.

### Wildfires rip through Northern California

**Bryan Hart Contributing Writer** 

In early October, a series of wildfires broke out in Northern California. Yet, it is not unusual for this area of the country to have wildfires because of the severe drought and dry air that plagues this region, but these fires have spread throughout the state unlike many

According to a recent article published on CNN, as of October 13th, the fires have destroyed 6,000 buildings and killed over 36 people. However, the death toll continues to rise "making this outbreak one of the deadliest in state history, according to the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection." These fires have spread so quickly that firefighters have been unable to contain them to the extent that they are usually able to. As of Friday, October 13th, the "Wildfires have burned more than 221,000 acres throughout California" and "17 wildfires remain."

This sort of destruction has forced

devastated by the fires. According to its Mayor Chris Coursey "More than 2,800 residences in Santa Rosa have been destroyed by wildfires." And "The number of destroyed structures in the state went up Friday by 2,200 to 5,700, Cal Fire said." Peoples' businesses and homes are being burnt to the ground and there is nothing they can do about it. Also, "Sadly, due to the fact that these fires are spreading so quickly the elderly portion of the population has been affected the most."

For example, "The Sonoma County Sheriff's Office identified 10 victims Thursday, and most of them were over 70. The youngest was 57, and the oldest was 95." These people are unable to evacuate their homes like the rest of the population and just have to hope that they get lucky with avoiding the fires. Even the younger portion of the population has had to evacuate their homes with little resources because of how quickly these fires are ripping

The article gives an example of a couple in thousands of people across the state to Yuba county who went through a traumatic evacuate their homes and abandon their ordeal in evacuating their home. "Mariano

belongings. Santa Rose has been absolutely and Christa Domingo saw the fire approach their fence Sunday night, and they drove away with only one emergency oxygen tank for Christa, who has lung problems, CNN affiliate KOVR reported. "She was thinking we had to pack up things, and I said, 'No, we don't have any time,' "her husband told the TV station. This is just one of many examples of how devastating these fires have been and how they are changing thousands of people's lives

> While these fires are occurring 3,000 miles away from Rhode Island, they are still affecting the Bryant community. There are many students from California who attend Bryant and these peers face additional stress to an already busy midterm session.

> For some of them, they cannot even stay in contact with their families because the fires have destroyed power grids and some areas have been without electricity for days. These fires will continue to have huge ramifications on thousands of people's lives.



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#### Department of Public Safety Log

VANDALISM (SCHOOL BUILDING) Oct 08, 2017-Sunday at 23:53 Location: RESIDENCE HALL

Summary: An RA reported the front door window had been broken in a Residence Hall.

EMT CALL EMT CALL / MEDICAL SERVICES
RENDERED Oct 09, 2017-Monday at 00:37
Location: RESIDENCE HALL
Summary: DPS received a request for a medical
evaluation on an intoxicated male. EMS was activated.
Patient was transported to Fatima Hospital for treatment
by Smithfield Rescue 3.

ASSAULT (AGGRAVATED) Oct 09, 2017-Monday at 11:35

Location: RESIDENCE HALL VILLAGE

Summary: DPS received a complaint of a student having been assaulted. Smithfield Police were called to take a report, one student was taken into custody for simple domestic assault.

THEFT (STOLEN PROP) Oct 10, 2017-Tuesday at 13:42 Location: OFF BRYANT CAMPUS

Summary: A Bryant student reported his Bryant issued laptop stolen from his vehicle. It is unknown whether it was stolen while parked on or off campus

THEFT (STOLEN PROP) Oct 10, 2017-Tuesday at 18:15 Location: RESIDENCE HALL

Summary: A student reported that since the beginning of the semester, items have been taken from their room.

VANDALISM Oct 14, 2017-Saturday at 08:33 Location: TOWNHOUSE CIRCLE Summary: DPS received a report of a handicap sign lying in the road.

ASSAULT AND/OR BATTERY Oct 15, 2017-Sunday at 01:37

Location: RESIDENCE HALL
Summary: An RA called regarding an assault that
occurred earlier tonight during a drug call.

### Hawaii judge blocks latest iteration of Trump's travel ban

**David Schmidt** Copy Editor



Hawaii's federal judge, Derrick Watson, takes a stand against Trump's latest travel ban (ABC)

On Thursday, hours before "Travel Ban 3.0" was scheduled to commence, the federal judge in Hawaii, Derrick Watson, blocked the ban on the basis of it being a "religious discrimination." This ban has been blocked on two previous occasions by federal judges, and though it has been revised each time with more explanations to the basis for it, federal judge Derrick Watson believes that "it lacks sufficient finding that the entry of more than 150 million nationals from six specified countries would be detrimental to the interests of the United States." This block a significant strain on the Trump administration, as this further delays the to the new order.

What does the newly revised travel ban entail? This executive order bans individuals from six Muslim-majority countries: "Iran, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria and Yemen from entering the United States for 90 days and all refugees for 120 days." Judge Derrick Watson stated that this ban "plainly discriminates based on nationality as it violates the 1965 Immigration & Nationality Act which forbids the discrimination in the issuance of immigration visas on the basis of nationality." This ban has been deemed unconstitutional and its implementation has therefore been temporarily frozen.

CNN Chief Legal Analyst, Jeffrey Toobin, has stated that the Trump administration "may have a better chance in the Supreme Court because the Supreme Court tends to be more conservative while courts in the region covered by the 9th Circuit tend to be more liberal." The travel ban states that if individuals from these

six specific nations have a strong tie to the United States, such as being closely related to citizens who reside in the US or being accepted by a US university, they will be allowed to enter the United States.

Individuals, including Judge Derrick Watson and Judge Theodore D. Chuang, are in opposition to the Trump administration travel ban as they believe the basis of the executive order is illegitimate. On the contrary, the Justice Department has said that it will defend the new travel ban as "the President's executive order falls squarely within his lawful authority in

seeking to protect our nation's security."

If this "Travel Ban 3.0" is approved by actions they wish to implement in relation the Supreme Court and put in full effect, many nations will be affected. The history of the US is primarily based upon refugees fleeing their native countries to build a new life in the US. America has been known to accept persons from different backgrounds- accepting as many as 70,000 refugees each year. If the United States refuses to accept these individuals who are in grave danger, the question of where these individuals will go for safety arises. Trump's main reason behind this travel ban is to protect the citizens of America from possible terrorist attacks from these six targeted countries. Trump deems this action necessary in order to improve the vetting procedures aimed to prevent possible terrorists that might enter the US.

The final decision of whether or not this travel ban will be enforced lies within the hands of the Supreme Court. Due to the recent rejections from federal district judges, the Trump administration must, once again, delay the enforcement of their travel ban.

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#### Top tweets of the week

"I had a very respectful conversation with the widow of Sgt. La David Johnson, and spoke his name from beginning, without hesitation!"

- Donald Trump, 10/23/17 (@RealDonaldTrump)

"And the inevitable place this was going all week, president arguing with a grieving widow in real time on Twitter with exclamation points"

- Benjy Sarlin, 10/23/17 (@Benjy Sarlin)

"To critics/skeptics of @BobCorker & @JeffFlake 1) Free Speech/Opinion is still valued in USA, 2) It's their job as a coequal branch to speak up"

Mark Preston, 10/17/17 (@PrestonCNN)

"Thank you to my dear friend @JeffFlake for your honorable service to the state of #Arizona & the nation."

-John McCain, 10/24/17 (@SenJohnMcCain)

"Still waiting for answers on Vegas. No, we aren't going to drop it."

-Tomi Lahren, 10/20/17 (@TomiLahren)

"It's #worldpolioday. Vaccines work. It's science."

Bill Nye, 10/24/17 (@BillNye)

"Sen. Kennedy on meeting with Trump: 'it was very positive, no one called anybody an ignorant [explitive] or anything like that."

-Pallbearer McLooOOood, 10/24/17 (@pdmcleod)

"I have been reporting on UK crime statistics for 20 years. President is completely wrong to link this rise in crime with Islamist violence"

-Daniel Sandford, 10/21/17 (@BBCDanielS)

"People who play drums in the subway at evening rush hour are really misreading the crowd."

-Miriam Elder, 10/23/17 (@MiriamElder)

### Trump divide trickles down to colleges

Teresa Watanabe and Rosanna Xia MCT Campus



Members of the UC Irvine College Republicans recruitng members during an on-campus event (LA Times)

UC Irvine senior Ariana Rowlands is buddies with Milo Yiannopoulos, the right-wing provocateur who has sparked campus uproars over free speech. She writes for Steve Bannon's Breitbart News. And she is unapologetically combative in campus culture wars. Leesa Danzek, a USC graduate, works for a centrist Republican state legislator. She favors moderation and inclusion and says shock-jock tactics will drive college conservatives away.

The two young women head opposing slates for control of the California College Republicans in its first contested election in nearly a decade.

The bruising battle, to be decided at the state party convention this weekend, mirrors the larger national struggle between GOP establishment insiders and insurgents inspired by President Trump.

"This election will determine the very future and soul of college Republicans — and maybe even the conservative movement as a whole," said Eric Lendrum, a recent UC Santa Barbara graduate who writes for the conservative online Millennial Review.

Long overlooked on California's overwhelmingly liberal campuses, college conservatives are now drawing national attention thanks to free speech dust-ups at UC Berkeley, UC Davis and Cal State L.A.

Campus conservative leaders said Trump's election boosted their numbers even if it intensified hostility toward them. At Berkeley, College Republican Troy Worden says he still gets doxxed, spat on and cussed out by fellow Bears—but now as many as 80 people come to club meetings that usually drew about 10 last year.

"Republicanism is becoming cool," said Brock Bauer, a UCLA sophomore majoring in financial actuarial math. "It's a counterculture. It feels like you're rebelling against your generation."

At a recent UCLA club festival, a stream of students ventured to the Bruin Republicans table, which was covered with buttons, pamphlets and "Socialism sucks" bumper stickers. Like a carnival barker, club officer Tyler Fowlkes called out to students to join UCLA's "premier right-of-center club," a haven on the leftist campus, complete with outings to a shooting range. "We even pay for the ammunition," he told them.

Rowlands and Danzek illustrate college Republicans' diversity and sharp disagreement over how to expand the campus conservative movement. Some clubs have decided against inviting Yiannopoulos, for instance, calling him a divisive rabble-rouser.

Danzek heads a slate called Thrive, which is seen as more moderate on social issues and better connected to the party establishment. She led the state organization, which supports about 70 campus chapters, over the last year.

Raised in Simi Valley with politically diverse friends, she aims to welcome all Republicans, along with independents and Democrats. She wants to connect students who hope to make a difference to jobs, internships, and helpful people.

She hopes to lead the state organization with Nick Steinwender, a junior at California Lutheran University, who is running as her co-chair and was elected student body president by reaching out across political lines. They believe in traditional roll-up-your-sleeves politics, and say they led College Republicans to reach more than 250,000 voters through phone banking and door knocking in the 2016 election cycle.

"I'm into welcoming more into the Republican Party, not giving them a reason to vote against us," Danzek said of their approach. "At the end of the day, if I can't convince you to be Republican, I can at least convince you not to hate me because I'm Republican."

She said Rowlands' in-your-face style isn't for everyone.

"There's always a fear of being associated with something that could hurt your career or your character to the public," Danzek said. "And many fear that...aligning with the most outrageous of the right side of the political

spectrum might negatively impact them."

Rowlands' Rebuild is more socially conservative than
Thrive, which it casts as a cautious defender of a status quo

that has failed to grow campus Republicans.

Rowlands said she decided to launch the insurgent slate after being told by a former CCR officer to work with college administrators, not defy them. She had just fought UC Irvine administrators when they tried to restrict her club after a Yiannopoulos appearance.

"The establishment doesn't want to ruffle feathers," she said. "We want to make a difference."

Rowlands' parents are immigrants from Wales and Mexico. She opposes relief for young people brought to the country illegally and abortion, and said she's fine with being "definitely the most hated person" on campus.

"The college administrators, the social justice warriors, they doubled down on their beliefs and they're taking out their anger for Trump on us," she said. "We're fighting and we're not going to give up."

At Rebuild's recent leadership retreat, workshops included how to fight back against college administrators.

The group's style is "responsible but loud activism with a clear message," Rowlands said.

On her slate are students good at headline-grabbing actions.

Noah Ritter co-founded College Republican chapters at Cal State Fullerton, his current school, and at Orange Coast College, where he organized a protest after news broke last year about an instructor caught on videotape telling a class that Trump's election was an "act of terrorism." He organized dozens of students to help force a recall election for state Sen. Josh Newman, D-Fullerton.

He calls the Rebuild slate "real activists who want to step up to the plate," as opposed to the usual "people who have networked their way and are friends with the current slate, then the year after that, they'll give it to their friends."

Relations between the two slates are tense. Rebuild has accused Thrive of using its connections with the state executive board to shut down voting at the CCR convention in April, when it looked like Rowlands would win. The election was postponed to Saturday.

Danzek says the state executive board was merely enforcing clear procedural rules.

Amy Binder, a UC San Diego sociology professor and the author of "Becoming Right: How Campuses Shape Young Conservatives," said national politics are forcing students to choose sides.

"No one is more provocative than Trump himself," she said, "and now students are in this position of having to choose whether to do what the president does, or having to make decisions to not be like the president."

The battle has caught many students in the middle. The UCLA, UCSD and University of La Verne chapters, for instance, have declined to endorse either slate.

Jonathan Rios, a GOP club leader at La Verne, voiced concerns about how a more provocative CCR would affect his kind of small, close-knit school, where conservatives enjoy good relationships with administrators and liberal classmates.

"I don't like where it's going," Rios said. "I think it's going to lead to a very one-sided organization that's going to exclude a lot of similar-minded students, perhaps like myself."

And Bradley Devlin, secretary of the Berkeley chapter, who recently pushed to impeach Worden as president to get away from pro-Trump "tribalism," said he plans to run for the job to bring the club back to "constitutional conservatism."

Some former College Republicans announced plans to start the Berkeley Conservative Society aimed at inclusive, "civilized" discourse.

Students across the state said they were disappointed by the infighting. Conservatives, some said, share common feelings of rejection by peers and pressure to mask their views from liberal professors.

"At the end of the day, you're a Republican," said Sara Garcia, a UC San Diego sophomore and GOP club officer. "We all have the same end goal: we want to show that we have a voice on campus. And we can't be doing that if we're arguing amongst ourselves."



Students listen to GOP congressional leaders speaker at a leadership conference in Irvine, California (LA Times)

### Business

### The weight of student loans on the economy

Student loan debt continues to hit record highs, how long until the bubble pops?

Hayley Wilcox Co-Editor-In-Chief

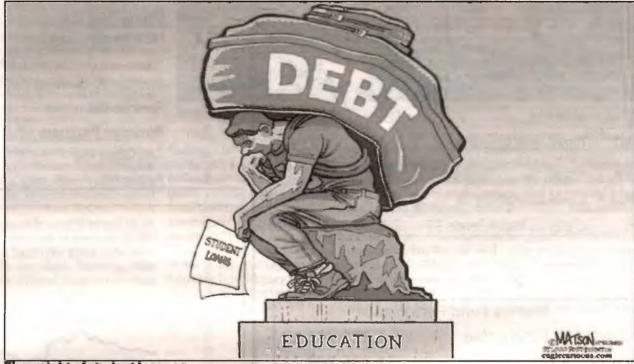
What may not shock you is that the US student loan debt has skyrocketed to about \$1.3 trillion. What may shock you is that student loan debt is the second highest debt category only falling behind mortgage loans, and holding a sum larger than credit card and auto loan debt individually. So what does this mean? It means that it holds the potential to be the reasoning behind the next financial crisis.

According to Washington College President and former Deposit Insurance Corporation Chair, Shelia Bair, "during the financial crisis of 2008–09, excessive mortgage debt collapsed consumer spending as more families opted to pay off debt. The same dynamic could be seen if the student debt bubble bursts". To put this into further perspective, more than 44 million Americans have taken out loans in order to fund their college careers, and in 2016 the default rate hit an all-time high as 8 million stopped paying loans summing up to about \$137 million. For Americans, 60 percent of these borrowers have no hope to pay off their student debt until their 40's. The average student in 2016 had \$37,172 in student loan debt, and the following report from Forbes details some more crucial stats:

Student Loan Statistics: Overview (As of 4Q 2016, New York Federal Reserve)

Total Student Loan Debt: \$1.31 trillion
Total U.S. Borrowers with Student Loan Debt: 44.2 million
Student Loan Delinquency or Default Rate: 11.2%
Total Increase in Student Loan Debt In 4Q2016: \$31 billion
New Delinquent Balances (30+ days): \$32.6 billion
New Delinquent Balances - Seriously Delinquent (90+ days): \$31 billion

Other than this 2016 data, 1.1 million Americans defaulted for the first time last year as well, and the total amount of student loan defaults grew by about 14% in the previous year. For first-generation college students, 90% of them do not graduate on time as they are multitasking with jobs in order to pay off their debt, working 20 plus hours a week on top of school. According to CNBC, not only is all of this taking a financial impact on students, but it has a mental grasp too, as 80 percent of the working class with student loan debt report it is the reason of "significant" or "very significant" stress, as highlighted



The weight of student loans (alivecampus.com)

in a survey of more than 3,000 Americans. Just how long does it take the typical American to repay all of their debt? According to a study from Wisconsin University as reported by CNBC, it takes 23 years for Wisconsin grads to pay off a graduate degree, and 10 years for the average American repaying federal student loans.

So, what do US degree-seekers do? Well for one, an evaluation of non-American repayment systems may shed some light. While the typical repayment period for US college students is only ten years, university goers in Sweden typically see a 25-year repayment plan with a gradual increase in payments throughout the years. In Germany, that plan reaches 20 years, and in England, it's 30. Even though the income inequality is much greater in Australia, the debt is not expected to be paid off until graduates reach a steady income level of around \$40K. But in the US, repayment plans can be found with a 12-page application, and when the need arises to revise the plan due to a shift in income, the paperwork needs to be completed again, and can take months for approval while

payments are still arriving in the mail demanding to be paid. According to Forbes, "There are over seven million Americans in default on their student loans already...over 20 million more Americans have little or no hope of ever paying down their loans...many will suffer irreconcilable damage to their credit scores, impacting their ability to get a mortgage, buy a car or get a job." Yet these student loan bills keep arriving in the mail no matter what a person's income bracket is.

So, the potential for a financial crisis is in the works perhaps. These large defaults are going to hit the US government's financial balance sheet hard as the loans are mainly provided by the tax payers. In the meantime, millennials are not spending, proving the lack of confidence they have in the economy. Fox says, "Student loan debt is thwarting the creation of small businesses and affecting job growth as college graduates opt for safe corporate jobs to pay back the loans."

Perhaps this is a conversation that needs more and more press, otherwise, college students of the now and later will pay the price in a sense that is quite literal.

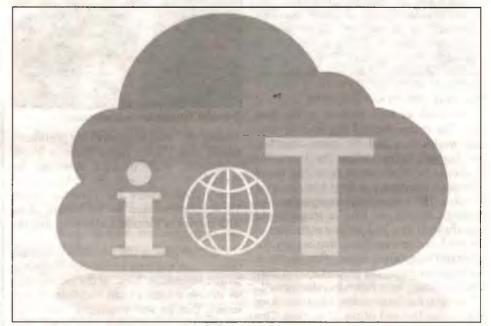
### The forgotten sector is poised for growth

Shayan Ushani Business & Marketing Director

Industrials have been a forgotten about sector until 2017 with big promises from the current administration in forms of reform, taxation, and regulation. So far this has held true with MMM and Caterpillar. Although there have been outliers to this with GE surprising the entire street by tumbling tens of billions in market cap. The company is going through extreme restructuring and is still suffering from debt payments and allocating capital to their higher profit business lines. Restructuring of a conglomerate of their magnitude is a tedious task that can span years, maybe even a decade, as we have seen with IBM. Although for certain deviations, the industry has been surprising for two quarters in a row. Another, relatively, forgotten about sector has been the Internet of Things. As cloud infrastructure, memory manufacturers, GPU producers, artificial intelligence, and virtual reality have taken the spotlight IoT has been forgotten about. Intel's venture capital arm was leading investments in small cap companies, but following lagging growth and losses from other ventures such as Cloudera it seemed like IoT may not have been so hot. Recently, this has all changed. The Internet of Things is poised for growth, and this is especially true for a specific sector – industrials.

Industrial IoT companies are factoring in high growth looking forward. CalAmp for example, has gained over 20% in the past six weeks and has a P/E of 220. That price earnings multiple may be ridiculous to some, but to some analysts it's worth it. For a smaller company it could be an acquisition target as they close bigger contracts, or their growth could fall short as we have seen for other smaller companies in attractive sectors like CyberArk in cybersecurity. Salesforce was laughed at for a long time by having a P/E over that of CalAmp, but it continues to innovate and surprise. IoT companies have been attracting many investors from Intel, analysts, but even Dubai's government. Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum of the YAE has launched the Dubai Internet of Things Strategy and Data Wealth Initiative. In the UAE's case it is to make the country a clean, 'smart' city that Google is also aiming to accomplish. This is another big push from the UAE as certain Middle Eastern oil rich countries realized that we have passed Hubbert's Peak oil. In fact, Saudi Arabia's largest oilfield may run dry by 2070. Saudi Arabia and UAE are looking to lead in high growth industries which involve blockchain, data science, eCommerce, and now IoT.

What is driving industrial IoT? As with most industries it is existing entities looking for wealth creation or saving costs. According to McKinsey Global Institute, IoT will



IoT "Internet of Things" (wtgcom.com)

generate \$11 trillion in economic benefit by 2025. HIS Markit, a market research company, also sees 75 billion smart devices by 2025. For some investors, IoT may still be a little risky, but there are plenty of companies driving the innovation behind it while spread out accounts from different industries. For believers in IoT semiconductors would be a big bet, as well as cloud services. Applied Materials and Intel would be a couple leaders for the former, and Cisco, Bosch, AWS, and Azure for the latter.

IoT is back bigger and better than ever. Some technologies are too ahead for their time as IoT may have been in 2015, but now is primetime for the growing sector with a lot of faces watching. Dell Technologies is going in big, investing \$1 billion over three years led by Ray O'Farrell, CTO at VMware.

### Bryant's Archway Investment Portfolio Weekly news: Archway's weekly performance:

Highest Per Share Holdings				
Ticker	Company Name	Share Price	Current Position	
GOOGL	Alphabet Inc	\$986.79	\$71,048.88	
EQIX	Equinix Inc	\$462.97	\$13,889.10	
SPY	SPDR S&P 500 ETF Trust	\$256.81	\$2,568.05	
GD	General Dynamics Corp	\$212.84	\$25,540.80	
ANTM	Anthem Inc	\$195.99	\$12,543.36	
TMO	Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc	\$194.18	\$14,563.13	
AGN	Allergan PLC	\$183.96	\$15,452.64	
BABA	Alibaba Group Holding Ltd	\$173.74	\$24,149.86	
IHI	iShares U.S. Medical Devices ETF	\$172.52	\$14,664.34	

Weekly Fund Performace		
Week Ago Fund Value	\$ 1,225,702.13	
Current Fund Value	\$1,236,708.71	
Weekly Change	0.90%	

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Weekly Winners				
1	Graphic Packaging Holding Co	6.42%		
2	Bank of America Corp	6.089		
3	Anthem Inc	4.669		
4	DR Horton Inc	4.339		
5	HCA Healthcare Inc	3.799		
	Weekly Losers			
1	Procter & Gamble Co/The	-6.279		
2	Hasbro Inc	-3.67		
3	Buckeye Partners LP	-3.64		
4	Alphabet Inc	-2.39		
5	Apple Inc	-2.39		



### Trump's net worth tumbles Rhode Island's 2018

Contributing Writer

According to Forbes, President Donald Trump's net worth declined to \$3.1 billion this year. The president got bumped down ninety-two spots to 248th place in the business magazine's list of wealthy billionaires. This collapse in the standings stems from his large stake in New York City real estate. His New York properties, including his namesake Trump Tower, account for most of his value. Yet, the real estate market in the city has taken a significant hit over the past year. The hit effects Trump in a direct manner. According to Bloomberg's Caleb Melby, three of President Trump's New York buildings did not meet their projected income estimates. With the commercial real estate market fall, the value of Trump's New York office tower properties dropped by as much as \$100 million in the past year. The reason behind this loss of value and wealth is a tad bit more complex. For Forbes' Kerry Dolan, the losses for Trump's real estate come from the battle between e-commerce and brick and mortar retailers. The e-commerce companies, like Amazon, appear to have a stranglehold over the industry. This profit is at the cost of the brick and mortar stores that occupy the space of Trump's real estate. With the brick and mortars down, the properties that they usually occupy have fallen in value as well.

The drop for the president's finances does not stop at the end of the New York City limits. Trump's spending during the 2016 presidential campaign helped to reduce his net worth. The president's spending to settle the lawsuit facing his namesake university contributed to his decreased net worth as well. Also, a fall in the value of some of the President Trump's golf courses and resorts added to the net worth woes. Not everything was down for the president though. The San Francisco office building he holds a minority-stake in increased in value over the past year. The Trump International Tower in Las Vegas, a hotel and condo tower, increased in value as well.



Donald Trump (lawandborder.com)

Among the other features to the president's wealth that Forbes noted includes brand businesses, such product licensing for items such as ties with the Trump name. Also included were his personal assets. These assets account for his planes, along with homes in Florida, California, and the West Indies.

The intrigue in the president's finances comes from the little knowledge the public knows about him. Some of the information we do know comes from President Trump stating that he was a rather wealthy man during the presidential campaign. This includes mentioning that he is worth \$10 billion in his financial disclosure statement for the 2016 campaign. Trump's decision not to release his tax returns during the 2016 election season was, and continues to be, an element to how little we know about his worth and economic dealings. There are even disputes among major financial news sources about the actual net worth of the president. While the emphasis in the media was on Forbes recent list, Bloomberg's list of wealthy billionaires has Trump at a lower \$2.86 billion in their June 2017 update.

### business plan competition

Hayley Berry Contributing Writer

Whether the Gateway course 'Global Foundations of Business' was last year, three years, or even just yesterday for some, Rhode Island hosts an event where the skills Bryant students gain and develop from this class can be used in "real life".

Rhode Island's Business Plan Competition was established in the year 2000 and is supported and sponsored by many corporations, investors, colleges and universities (Bryant University being among these as a pillar sponsor) and business entities and people of the like. In 2017, ..."it is the leading community supported business plan competition in the Northeast" which is a direct quote from the competition's website. But, what exactly is this 'Business Plan Competition'?

The Business Plan Competition is meant to be a way for new start-up businesses to pitch their companies, products, and ideas, while hopefully getting funding and their name out in the world as a result from the competition. The competition awards three start-ups a year, with the categories being: Entrepreneur, Student, and Technology. What do some of these seed businesses look like? The website has a vast section on all of their past winners, including last year's victors 'Response Technologies' who developed a plan to make fuel tanks explosion resist, all the while reducing the weight of the tanks, and decreasing their production costs.

Another notable winner came in 2013 when a group of college students from Brown, Yale and Northeastern developed an online store for 3D printed products. To learn more about past winners and their products, businesses, and ideas, search ri-bizplan.com.

The rules for this competition are rather lenient, and are as follows: an applicant must be 18 years or older, there is no limit of how many people can take part on a team, it must be original work created by the individual or team, already existing business may pitch a new business, however this intended business must conduct their operations in Rhode Island, as well as hire employees of Rhode Island residency. These few rules and regulations are not all of them, however the website lists rules with more specificity and also gives light on the process of moving on through the competition.

What can a start-up business gain from entering this competition? Although some details have yet to be posted on their website, thus far teams can be awarded: prizes, of which will be in cash, which can be expected to exceed \$200,000 in value. Also, any applicant who submits a thoroughly completed application to the 2018 competition will be awarded two consecutive months of no-cost working space at Sprout in the Rising Sun Mills campus of Providence.

The application process can be found on their website, along with all the information needed if interested. The Rhode Island 2018 Business Plan Competition is the ideal opportunity for anyone who would like to pursue Entrepreneurship, or has a start-up business or potential product idea. Perhaps some business plans that were conspired during the duration of the GFOB course, or even the Bryant IDEA program, can be brought to life by applying to enter this competition, whether it be on the individual level, or group/team level.

### Sports

### **Bulldogs at the Lobster Pot Tournament**

Lydia Paglierani Contributing Author

The Bryant Ultimate Frisbee team headed up north to participate in the appropriately named Lobster Pot Tournament in Portland, Maine. 18 teams were divided into four groups on Saturday with the top two teams from each group moving on to the championship bracket on Sunday. The Ultimate team is Division III and went head to head against much larger Division I schools. The A Team consisted of the top 20 players; one graduate student, three seniors, four juniors, seven sophomores, and five freshmen.

The first game was against University of New Hampshire, a strong Division I team that posed a challenge to start off the tournament. The Bulldog's controlled the game from the start while tempers flared on both sides. Nonetheless, the team remained calm and collected to close out the game with a winning score of 13-7.

Game two was against a local Division I rival, University of Rhode Island, a team that Bryant is very familiar with. The game started off with their feared zone defense, driving the other team backwards and forcing them to have some inefficient throws. Austin Kelson, Seth Lundstrom and Ryan O'Connor put forward a great effort by knocking down the Ram's passes, and throughout the game, offense was efficient and methodical in scoring points. After half time, the team switched to man to man defense, which displayed their hustle and athleticism. The team won the game with a final score of 14-10.

Game three, the last game of Saturday before the team went on to compete in the quarterfinals, was against University of Vermont. The team began the game with their zone defense and their front line, which consisted of Jake Roy, Zach Tuxbury, Alex Kenworthy, and Ryan O'Connor. The Bulldog's perseverance allowed them to win their third game with a final score of 14-11.



(Maine Ultimate)

Onto day two of the tournament, which was the quarterfinals, Bryant faced Boston College. Unlike their first three games, this one started off slow with the dogs down 3-1. As the game continued, their defense fought back to tie the game and took the lead right before halftime. Billy Gordenstein and Cameron Jack controlled the offense the whole game, putting their athleticism to work to get open for passes. Not surprisingly, the team closed out strong and managed to hold off the aggressive BC offense with another winning score of 13-9.

The Bulldog's have reached the final game of the tournament against Northeastern. The game started off with very close scoring but Bryant made a few mistakes and went down to 8-4. Putting obvious effort in, the Bulldog's really fought hard for this game, knowing how far they had come in the tournament, but they took their only loss leaving the score at 15 Northeastern and 10 Bryant.

This was the final fall tournament for the boys, placing second and leaving off on a strong note.

Stay updated with our Ultimate team by following their Instagram @crazeultimate and Twitter @BryantUltimate!

### Did the MLB lose when the Yankees lost?

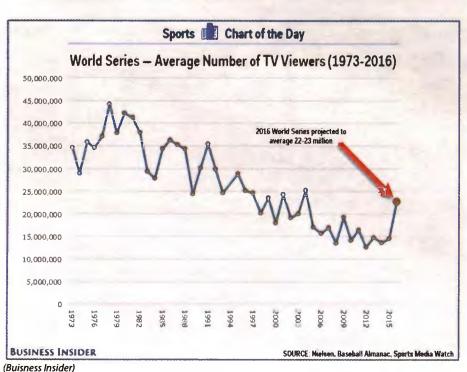
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On Saturday October 21, the New York Yankees historic postseason run fell short with a Game Seven loss to the Houston Astros, 4-0. This was an incredible run for the Yankees who were supposed to be in a "rebuilding year." A win on Saturday would have set up a New York, Los Angeles matchup in the World Series, which had the potential to be very beneficial for Major League Baseball as a whole.

Major League Baseball ratings overall have slowly declined over the past decade while sports such as the National Football League, National Basketball Association, and National Hockey League have been steadily increasing their growth in popularity as well as their revenues. With the NBA and NHL both starting in mid-October, playoff baseball faces a deficit in its viewing. Major League Baseball had the chance to get back to what we've known as "America's favorite past time," with a New York, Los Angeles matchup in the World Series.

Last year's World Series matchup between the Chicago Cubs and Cleveland Indians was the most watched World Series since 2004. The Chicago Cubs are known for their large market franchise which directly affected the viewing rate of this particular World Series. The New York Yankees and Los Angeles Dodgers are two of the most historic franchises in the MLB; not only are they know for their success in baseball, but they have also met eleven times since 1981 in the World Series, making them a well-known and respected rival in sports.

Studies show that large markets in sports, along with a well-known rivalry, generates nationwide press and sparks the interest of not only their fans, but various different groups of people that respect and enjoy the game. These two franchises which have appeared in a combined 59 World Series games, based off of statistics and facts, had the potential to produce an immensely large viewing for this World Series.





The Yankees were eliminated by the Astros last weekend (NY Daily News)

A loss of viewers has not only been a problem in the MLB, but in other sports such as the NBA and NHL. When big market franchises meet in a championship it draws more people in, boosting the ratings. In 2006, the Carolina Hurricanes and Edmonton Oilers met in the Stanely Cup finals, drawing very little mainstream viewers compared to when the New York Rangers and Los Angeles Kings met in 2014, breaking records for the number of viewers watched, in Game 2 with 6.4 million people.

If the Yankees were in the World Series, it would also bring in viewers rooting against them. Being the most successful franchise is sports history also makes them the most hated franchise in sports history, increasing viewer ratings.

No matter what the sport is, elite players gain a huge amount of attention during a team's successful season. The NBA ratings this last decade have been very high due to the superstar power in the finals. LeBron James has been in the finals seven straight years and attracts so many fans throughout the U.S. because of the type of player he is. Last season's finals generated the highest ratings with nearly 19.4 million viewers since Michael Jordan played in the 1990's.

The Los Angeles Dodgers who are officially in this year's World Series have some elite players such as Clayton Kershaw and Yasiel Puig who have the potential to spark a high interest in sports fans nationwide. New York's Aaron Judge, rookie superstar and winner of the 2017 home run derby, is another respected and well know player in the MLB who would have attracted a higher audience. Judge's presence alone is a nationwide interest due to his extreme success in the MLB in just one year.

History in sports repeats itself in the fact that big time players create big time attention. This statement could have been proven once again this year with a win by the Yankees in game seven on Saturday night. Fan, rival, lover of the game, or even a "hater" of the Yankees cannot deny the facts of their success and their interest in watching the Yankees fail, or once again win a World Series.

### World Series set - Astros v. Dodgers

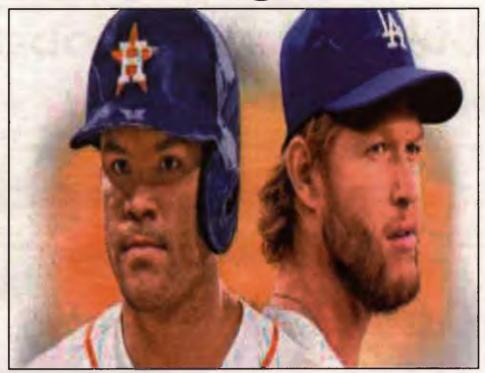
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With the Los Angeles Dodgers defeating the former World Series Champion, Chicago Cubs, in five games of the National League Championship Series, and the Houston Astros clinching their first American League pennant after battling the New York Yankees through seven games, the 2017 World Series has been set to start Tuesday, October 24 at 7:30 PM on FOX. On Saturday, Houston beat New York in a critical game seven of the ALCS, winning 4-0 thanks in part to AL MVP candidate Jose Altuve.

Los Angeles almost swept the NLCS against the Cubs, losing 3-2 in the fourth game of the series back at Wrigley Field. The next night however, the Dodgers poured on an offensive outburst, winning 11-1 to clinch their first pennant since 1988. Outfielder Enrique Hernandez was the main contributor, providing three home runs which included a grand slam. After the game, third baseman Justin Turner and outfielder Chris Taylor were awarded co-NLCS MVP honors for their efforts during the series.

After having lost three games in New York, the Astros were in a desperate, must-win situation for games six and seven. Starting pitcher Justin Verlander set the tone for game six, pitching seven shutout innings in what would end up being a 7-1 victory for Houston. The very next night, the Astros turned the ball to Charlie Morton to oppose Yankees starter C.C. Sabathia. Thanks to home runs from Altuve and designated hitter Evan Gattis, the Astros were able to overcome the offensive drought they had suffered during their time at Yankee Stadium. With Morton's five innings of shutout ball, followed by Lance McCullers Jr. pitching the remaining four, the Astros pulled out a series clinch with a 4-0 victory.

With the World Series set to start on Tuesday, the Astros will send Dallas Keuchel to the mound to go up against Dodgers' starter Clayton Kershaw. As the Dodgers have had the best record in baseball during the regular season, they will have home field advantage for the first two games of the series.



Jose Altuve and Clayton Kershaw look to lead their respective teams to a championshp (RealSports)

### Kaepernick and the NFL take a knee

Caitlin Breglia
Contributing Author



Roger Goodell and owners met to address anthem protests (NY Times)

There has been a huge controversy revolving around one of the biggest parts of American culture: football, our favorite Sunday afternoon pastime. We all know that one of the hallmarks of American culture is that before every game they play our nation's national anthem. Players all stand together with their right hand over their heart and honor our nation's flag. We have all experienced this whether at a professional sporting event or a youth game. One specific player in the National Football League, by the name of Colin Kaepernnick, decided to take a knee during the national anthem.

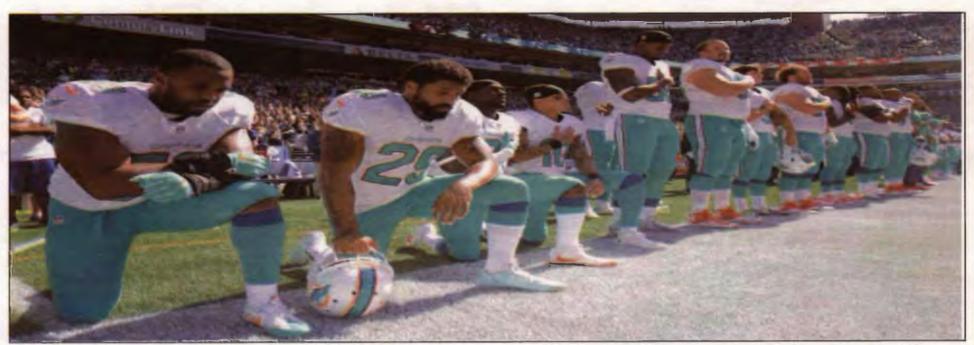
This silent protest spoke volumes and raised hell throughout the NFL and the American community. His kneeling was a protest against police brutality in the U.S. Some people, including the President of the United States, considered this act completely unpatriotic and disrespectful to our country, our flag, and the servicemen and women who protect our freedoms.

Although, many other players joined Kaepernicks' silent protest, many Americans were appalled. Kaepernick says "I am not going to stand up to show pride in a flag for a country that oppresses black people, and people of color." He preaches that this issue is bigger than football. As more people start to follow his lead and join him in solidarity, the crazier and more controversial the act became. Kaepernicks' one action is leading to not just individual players, but entire NFL teams kneeling in silent reproach.

The entire Seattle Seahawks team stayed in their locker room for the playing of the national anthem before one recent game. Their team preaches that "We will not stand for the injustice that has plagued people of color in this country," according to a team statement. "Out of love for our country and in honor of the sacrifices made on our behalf, we unite to oppose those that would deny our most basic freedoms."

That spoke volumes and even touched a 97-year-old World War II veteran named John Middlemas, who also knelt during the anthem. He said "These kids have every right to protest". The silent protesting is driving our President, Donald Trump, crazy. He spoke up and said that all protesting players should be fired. The more that Trump is criticizing the NFL, the more that owners and executives are supporting the players in the protests. On Sunday, Trump tweeted that "NFL attendance and ratings are WAY DOWN." Another tweet read, "Boring games yes, but many stay away because they love our country." This statement is just not true reporters say. In fact, NFL is the most popular televised sport in the U.S., regardless of the protesting.

NFL commissioner Roger Goodell addressed the national anthem protests with prominent owners and players during a recent summit meeting. They all shared different opinions and beliefs, however, Goodell didn't push players to stop kneeling for the national anthem. Donald Trump is still fighting and is outraged Goodell didn't side with him. He tweeted again "The NFL has decided that it will not force players to stand for the playing of our national anthem. Total disrespect for our great country!" Responding to this tweet was a retired NFL coach and football commentator. He says "As the leader of our country I think the president ought to invite some of these young men to the White House to hear their concerns."



(Sports Illustrated)

## Bryant Men's Rugby prove they are tough to match

Lydia Paglierani Contributing Author

On Saturday, October 21st, the Men's Rugby team took the field on their home turf against Saint Michaels (the Purple Knights), a small school from Colchester, VT. The sun was shining and the temperature was perfect, attracting a huge fan base from parents and class mates to set the stage for a huge bulldog win.

The match started off strong with Colin "Mugsy" Henderson kicking the ball across the field, bringing it very close to the Bulldog's scoring side and almost scoring, but Saint Michael's was able to hold them off for now.

About 20 minutes into the first half, the Bulldogs score two tries after Saint Michael's

holds a tough defense, and the conversion kick is good for an additional three points. The Bulldogs kicked it up, ran with it, and brought it home while Saint Michaels received a penalty and had their backs turned. This move kept the team motivated as the energy of the game increased tremendously; this allowed the boys to bring it home again after the Purple Knight's kick unintentionally brought it closer to the Bryant side ten minutes into the second half, Mugsy saw an opportunity to score with a wide-open field and no defending players in the way, catching the opposing team off guard and scoring yet another try.

In the mix of injuries, aggressive plays, and a huge effort put forward by the Bulldogs, a few yellow cards were dealt for not releasing after the tackle, but that wasn't enough to slow them down from playing hard. The final score was 43 Bryant and 0 Saint Michaels.

Be sure to keep up with the Men's Rugby Team via @Bryant\_Mens\_Rugby (Instagram) and @BryantMensRugby (Twitter).

## This Week's Scores

Football - Game October 21st Central Connecticut 31 Bryant 14

Women's Volleyballl - Game October 20th Central Connecticut 3 Bryant 2

Men's Soccer -Game October 22nd Bryant 2 Sacred Heart 1

Men's Swimming & Diving- Game October 20th
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Women's Swimming & Diving - Game October 20th Bryant 196 Providence 103

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### **Week's Best Tweets**

".@Bryant\_V ball sweeps Hartford in final regular season non-conference match"
-@BryantAthletics

"Alexa Rivera won two individual events in the 50 free and the 100 fly to go along with two relay wins in the first perfect night of her @BryantAthletics career. #NECPrimePerformer
-@necswimdive

".@\_BryantBaseball announces 2018 schedule, opens at Arizona on Feb. 16" -@BryantAthletics

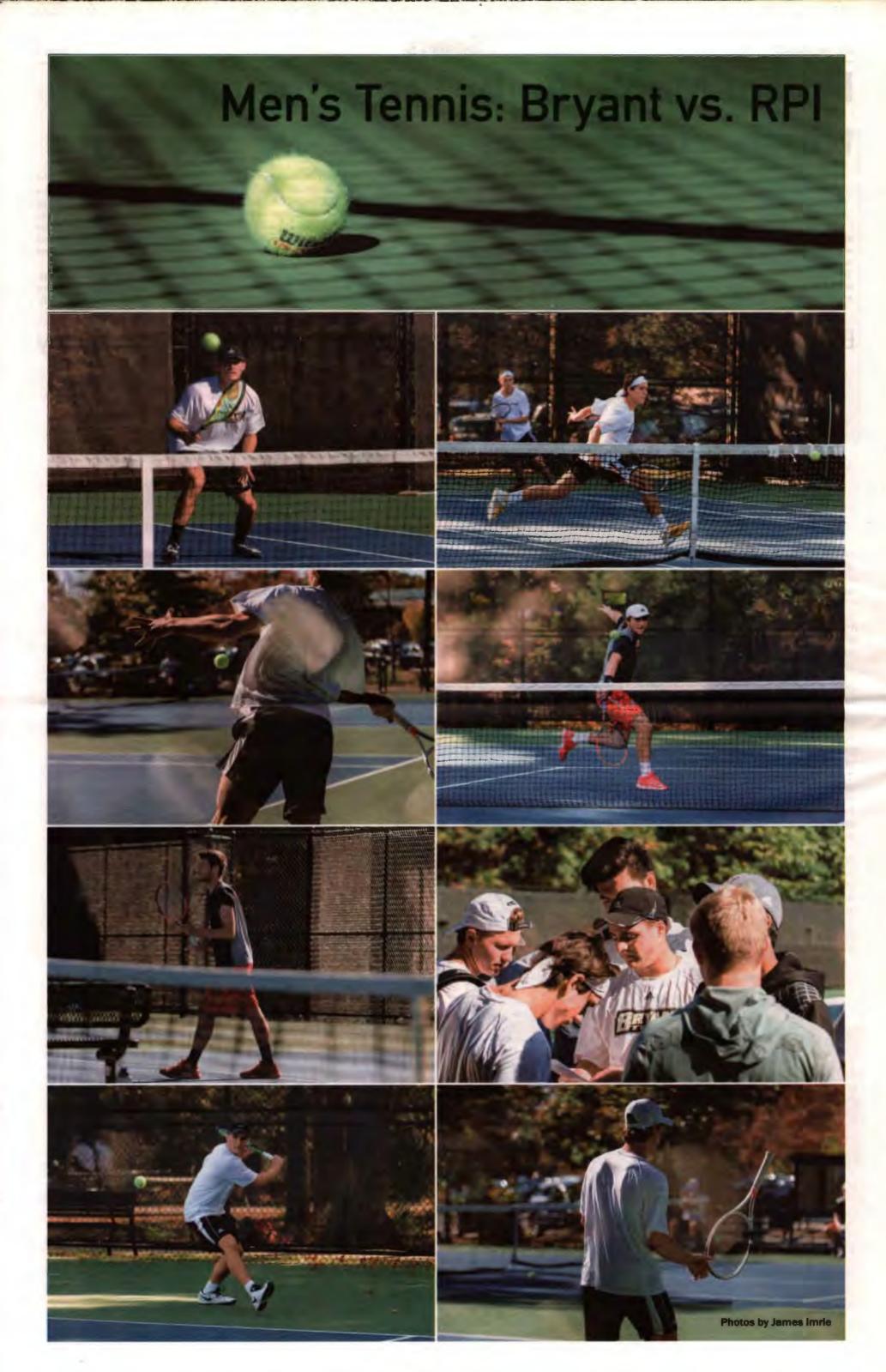
"Friday's game vs. Monmouth will be our Senior Day Celebration! The first senior being recognized is Grace Farrell from Milford, Pa!"

-@BrvantFH

"WLAX: Britton, Brown, Moss named as 2018 @

BryantWLax captains"

-@BryantWLax



# Opinion page 11

### Trump's tax plan is unsurprisingly dangerous for United States of America

**Chris Groneng News Editor** 

The President's actions towards reforming our tax system have been long premeditated. Since he entered the 2016 Presidential Election, in the summer of 2015, "The Donald" has muddled over the possibility that he could be the next Ronald Reagan of tax reform; introducing, passing, and implementing the largest change in the American tax system since the 1980s.

An ambitious goal, yes, especially since "The Donald", a Republican, has been unable to utilize a Republican-dominated Congress in any meaningful way to enact a single one of his major policy goals. The most notable of these failings being to attempt the repeal and replace of Affordable Care Act on three separate, embarrassing occasions in the last nine months alone. However, his tax reform aspirations may be an entirely different story, with a happy ending for very few.

The Trump Tax Plan, which was released in late September, looks exactly like the pinnacle of any GOP tax plan. It includes a 5 percent cut to the top individual income tax bracket, from 39.6 to 35 percent, while in addition doubling the standard tax deduction amount, which further decreases the amount of income an individual may make taxable to the government. Additionally, the plan favors large corporations - also known as the entities most capable of affording substantial tax obligations - lowering the corporate income tax rate from 35 to 20 percent, while also removing multinational corporations' obligation to pay taxes on overseas profits. The aggregate of these tax cuts is estimated to be \$1.5 trillion over the next ten years.

On the surface, to any laymen, this plan sounds nice. All the president is aiming to do is have people lose less money. And with that money, people will be able to spend more and thus stimulate economic growth through individual consumerism. Also, with corporations losing less money to taxes, they are able to use this newly freed up capital to produce more goods, provide more services, and issue more securities. But that's not what this does. This plan is nothing more than a tax break for the wealthy and for corporate America, which is unsurprisingly dangerous to the budgetary health of the American government.

If you are unfamiliar with how the government affords to operate (and I do not blame you if you are, as that is not the foremost thought on the minds of most Americans), it's due to taxes. According to the Congressional Budget Office, approximately 56 percent of all federal revenue is brought in through individual and corporate income taxes. In 2016 alone, that percentage equated to about \$1.8 trillion dollars in federal revenue. But as we know, the federal government isn't the federal government without a little overspending. And with a little overspending comes a little debt. By



President Trump with a smile (New York Post)

Last week, the Senate narrowly passed a budget resolution for fiscal year 2018, which neglected to significantly reduce government spending, while also paving the way for "The Donald's" tax plan to come to fruition without approval from congressional Democrats. A \$1.5 trillion cut to federal revenue over a decade, while federal expenditures are not expected to decrease and, if anything, increase as they usually do.

If you're thinking, "that makes no sense!", you're not wrong. The CBO is also skeptical, even in being generous. Barring any extraneous circumstances that may warrant even more unforeseen government spending - like wars, inevitable recessions, and fluctuating interest rates - the CBO estimates that the federal deficit will triple under the Trump Tax Plan, to \$1.7 trillion by 2027. The total debt amount that the government will be burdened by will nearly double, from \$14.7 trillion dollars in 2017 to \$27 trillion in 2027. And just when you thought it could not get any worse, under "The Donald's" plan, at the end of a decade the federal government will end up spending roughly 34 percent more than they're making in revenue.

At the very least, this plan is an unmitigated disaster. Proponents of it will point to its ability to increase overall economic growth in America as much as three "a little", they mean roughly \$600 billion in 2016 alone. percent, but many economists, such as Brian Riedl

of the Manhattan Institute, say that that amount of growth is recklessly optimistic and more than likely will not make up for the budgetary mess that the country will find itself embrolled inside of in a decade's time.

So, to review: The Donald's tax plan consists exclusively of tax breaks for the wealthiest Americans and corporations, and will plunge the American government into a trillion-dollar budgetary tailspin from which there is no foreseeable recovery.

Reforming America's tax system is one of the loftiest ambitions a sitting president can endeavor to strive toward during their tenure. With this ambition should also come the loftiest standards of benefit and virtue for all Americans. However, when a Republican such as The Donald gets the opportunity to drastically alter such an integral aspect of the government and the economy, it had to have been known that it could only go terribly.

Now we are faced with that terrible scenario, in which a man - whose only experience with taxes is dodging them at all costs - now has his tiny hands in the mixing bowl of tax reform. And with the wrong ingredients, the finished product could be much worse than we ever could've imagined.

### What is the true meaning of success?

**Kevin Cameron Contributing Writer** 

Throughout my educational career, and mainly since the start of this school year, ss or successful have been the topic of many family conversations. I am constantly told that I am on the path to becoming successful, but what does that really mean? What does success mean? Is being successful based on having a meaningful life or giving back to society? Is it about having the largest paycheck or retiring before forty?

The talk of success has expanded from conversations with my parents to a common conversation around the lunch table. Three people at the table came to a common understanding of success. Their definition can be summarized into one word, materialistic. It was all about the high salaries, fast cars, larges homes, and vacations. Their understanding of success is very close to the life of the one percent and the rich and famous. A few others at the table didn't have that same definition. One brought up the point that if you win the lottery you aren't very successful, but you can have a fast car, an amazing house, and go on countless vacations. She believed that success is directly correlated with happiness. She said that when you are successful you can do things that you are passionate about. However, one question tore her definition apart. Are all of those that are successful considered happy? Successful people aren't guaranteed happiness; therefore, we removed it from the qualifications of success. Other than money we started to become hard-pressed to find the meaning of success.

I checked a few different dictionaries to see if there was a single definition of success and I was surprised to see that there are a few common themes. One of the best definitions that I found was from Dictionary.com. This website defined success in a few simple sentences. The first definition is that success is the accomplishment of goals. The second definition says that success is having the most possessions and a high net worth. The third definition says that success is the number of awards received throughout a life time. The definition of success from the Oxford Dictionary is very similar: the first definition is having a purpose, the second definition is having worth, and the third definition is achieving goals. To be fully successful by these definitions, I should have the goal of receiving the Nobel peace prize and achieving it.

I am not like the average Bryant student, my idea of success is not the mainstream one. I do not base success purely on the salary someone is receiving for their work. Personally, I would love to have a meaningful life and work with the Olympic committee. I grew up in a very competitive family and the Olympic games are the epitome of competition. The idea of having some control over the Olympics makes me giddy. I would love to have a voice in the location of the games, designing the logo, or even assisting in the marketing plan. I understand that this comes with two issues. The first issue that I would run into is that most of the positions for the committee are voluntary. How successful can I be if my dream job does not come with a salary? As well as not receiving a salary, I will not be receiving any awards for the work that I complete. Does this mean that I cannot be successful because I only check off one of the three boxes?

### A fresh off the press Ask Archie

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You didn't forget about Ask Archie, did you? Let's hope not! So, here it is. You asked Archie your most pressing questions, so here are your answers!

Q: How do you suggest I get better at presenting?

A: Luckily for you, you cannot escape Bryant's many presentations. While you may not find that to be lucky, it means you have plenty of time to temper your presentation abilities throughout your time at Bryant. If you have not tried for leadership roles in the many organizations that run on campus, you are missing out even more on working out your presentation muscles. Some are more apt to presenting than others but there are also ways to practice on your own. If you are not a natural born presenter, perhaps you should not wing your PowerPoint presentations but instead practice in front of a mirror or your friends. The key to strengthening any skill is to practice but, quite honestly, over practicing for presenting is not suggested. After you work through your first couple of presentations, you will find them getting easier and easier.

Q: Which water fountain has the best water and where do you think there should be more "hydration stations" for more convenient water bottle filling?

A: This is a hard question to answer because some of the

"hydration stations" no longer display the status of the filter. While that would not change the flavor in a taste test, it definitely has a placebo effect on me. I try to avoid the red and yellow stations but nonetheless, it is still water and essential to living. There are mini-hydration stations at the water fountains in the library and there was just one installed at the Fisher Student Center near the Info Desk. You can normally tell which ones do not get used as much as they display how many plastic water bottles have been saved so the stations being installed now seem to be in more convenient/higher traffic areas. If I had to give a suggestion, it would be put more full-sized hydration stations in the library as I find myself wishing there were more there.

Q: During what season is Bryant the most beautiful?

A: Hands down, Bryant's campus is gorgeous in the autumn time. Do you not see the shimmering red and teeming orange views on campus? Enjoy some hot apple cider from the cafes and just take it all in because sooner than later, the leaves will be gone and the trees barren. On the other hand, give a few more weeks and a little luck from nature, we will all see blankets of snow cover the land. If you have class in the M rooms, you may be distracted if you sit near the windows. However, traveling to class during the winter is not always worth the views

you get to see before all the footprints ruin them. When the spring comes around, it is enjoyable to feel the warmth of New England as the trees start to become dressed once again. But still, nothing beats autumn in my opinion if you are trying to send a picture of the campus home to your family.

Q: How do I get more active on the Archway newspaper? A: The Archway newspaper is always looking for new writers! Our writers' meeting is every Tuesday at 5pm in 2C of the Fisher Student Center and we always have PIZZA. I began writing for the Archway so I could express my opinions. However, there are so many sections to delve into! Namely, there is news, business, sports, opinion, and variety. The news section ranges from student events to general current events around the world. The business section melds popular business innovations and updates with the dexterity of the next generation business students' writing ability. The sports section can cover everything between Bryant sports and professional sports so check it out to see your athlete friends and professional teams' successes. While most articles usually require the writer to not have a position on the topic, the opinion section allows the writer free reign to compose an article expressing their opinions. Last but not least is the variety section which

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### The key to an extensive network

Ryan Harris Opinion Editor

If you are not trying to expand your network right now, you are putting yourself at a big disadvantage for the future. By not being proactive on this aspect, you are losing the potential knowhow and wisdom you can receive from the professionals or professors that you happen upon. You can ask many of the leaders of today what was essential to their success and I bet they will mention the existence of a mentor or different role model. Although striving through challenges and struggles may harden your ability to problem solve and discover, an extensive network can allow you to seek out support when needed while also learning the thought process from a proven individual.

The professor in my International Business Practicum course, Dr. Andres Ramirez, highly suggests forming relationships with people older than us. In fact, he insists that is a must. This can consist of getting coffee together and talking about current news or it can just be sending updates about each other's lives and development through emails. Either way, if a connection is created, then you should keep up with them as they may have guidance to give or wisdom to share. You may also gain the chance of obtaining an opportunity if you put more effort into your network. Many jobs and internships derive from connections previously made as someone can vouch for you or have the ability to extend a position to you. While you cannot always expect something like this to spawn from a relationship, the possibility makes it even more valuable to retain the bond.

So, the question you may ask is, "What steps should I take to allow me to create such a network?" First of all, you should definitely have your LinkedIn profile updated and active as this will be a foundation of keeping in touch. Even if communication slowly fades away as time progresses, you'll both see how each other progress and find reconnecting points of interest depending on what you share on your account.

Second of all, there are many resources that Bryant University has that aid in initially forming these relationships. A very easy step to follow is to just visit your professors during their office hours to discuss coursework or current events that pertain to their subject. The Amica Center on campus also can connect you to past alumni or open professionals through job shadowing and other services. If you wish to further your connection to alumni, think about joining Bryant's alumnifire at www.bryant.alumnifire.com. This service connects you to professionals that you may otherwise not be able to connect to through LinkedIn and it can retrieve your profile details from either LinkedIn or Facebook to easily create your profile for the service.



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Lastly, if you wish to create an extensive network, you need to possess the hunger and willingness to do so. At career fairs and networking events, you cannot rely on the professionals to approach you and create the conversations. You cannot get the professionals to send you a "thank you" note after first meeting them. If networking is not your thing, you can develop your aptitude for it. A good method of bettering your networking ability is to continue developing your interpersonal communication skills. You can do so by mustering up the confidence to keep attending events that will allow you to network with others and actually going through with the networking. As for a tip when receiving a business card, you can write about the topics of your conversation after it has ended so you remember it for their "thank you" email. There are many different ways to keep your network plenty and alive but it requires work from yourself. Are you ready to shake some hands?

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## Variety

### A look ahead at "The Last Jedi"

Thomas Maranian
Variety Editor

With less than two months remaining until the launch of the next installment of the Star Wars Saga, true fans are anxiously awaiting what the fate of the Rebellion, The First Order, Jedi, Sith, and galaxy will be. The end of The Force Awakens left us off with much more to think about. Dozens of questions came to mind as the credits began. We were left to think about who Rey could be the daughter of, who Supreme Leader Snoke really is, and why Luke had a strange look of despair on his face when finally, he was discovered by Rey. With the heart breaking passing of Carrie Fischer, who portrays Princess Leia, we are also left to wonder what the fate of her character will be in this upcoming eighth film of the series. Hopefully all of our questions will be answered when it releases in December.



Under the guidance of Jedi Master Luke Skywalker (left), Rey (right) begins her a training (MovieWeb)

Hope. At this point, that is all that remains of the Jedi. There is always hope. "Rebellions are built on hope." This quote from Rogue One: "A Star Wars Story", was stated by Jyn Erso who sacrificed her own life to ensure the survival of the rebellion. She certainly left an impactful message for all audiences. With the threat of the Sith growing by the minute, the question of whether hope will be enough for our favorite characters to endure is ever present. As Luke states in the first trailer for the upcoming film, "It's time for the Jedi to end." This could be interpreted a whole number of different ways, but it sounds like someone is giving up. Perhaps in order to overcome the darkness, someone or something else needs to fight back. For so long have the Jedi been responsible for bringing balance to the force. Yet this might just be the time where the Jedi look to someone else to end the corruption.

As Snoke continues to manipulate and control his apprentice, Kylo Ren, who knows what power will be unleashed. One must remember that the Sith is comprised of a master and an apprentice. Never has there been a third member unless in secret. And if so, it always leads to conspiracy to kill off the master. The ending of the second trailer hints at something huge that could come to pass. If you have not seen it yet, it is best to keep it that way if you do not want a major spoiler invading your thoughts for the next two months of waiting.

There can be no light without darkness. Inside every one of us, there is a beast waiting to let loose. Just as there are two sides to ourselves, there is both light and darkness inside the Jedi and Sith. One side cannot really exist without the other. That is the whole point of the storyline. Thus far, the Jedi have always been the winning side at the end of all things. But with those victories come major losses and consequences. More than ever before, it seems that darkness might finally be enough to overcome the light.

Now trying to figure out who she is and more importantly, what she is capable of, Rey seems to be lost in her thoughts. She needs a proper teacher to guide her on the right path. There are signs that point to her being a Skywalker, a Solo, or even the extreme idea of being the descendant of Emperor Palpatine due to her unique fighting tactics. You will have to think this through for yourself. What is clear is that fans all across the world are getting incredibly excited for this movie, and thus, are making new theories by the day.

Whatever the case may be, Rey is definitely a powerful individual. We know this because without any prior training, she was capable of using advanced powers of the force. One might wonder how this is possible unless she is a descendent of someone who came from the midichlorians themselves (Darth Vader). If this were to be true, then she may just be a Skywalker, and therefore, Luke's daughter (one can only theorize for now). A powerful individual such as herself, Rey can possibly be a destructive force to the galaxy if not taught properly. In a world as big as hers, and with the threat of darkness surrounding her every move, will she prevail to lead the Jedi to victory, or will she be tempted by the ways of the dark side?

It definitely seems as though something bigger than the strength of the Jedi is at work for this story. Snoke is a very mysterious character. His true identity remains to be seen, and we do not know much about him, based on "The Force Awakens." His true intentions are not set in stone quite yet. He could want a whole number of things to happen. Like in all other Star Wars movies, the Sith are always looking for a younger, more powerful apprentice. It is quite possible that Snoke is trying to turn someone else to the dark side through Kylo Ren (hint hint). Much like Emperor Palpatine, who tried getting Vader to turn Luke back in the day, the same applies here. There are a lot of reoccurrences in the Star Wars story and it would not be surprising if something similar happens come December.

As the threat of the Sith continues to unfold, and the strength of the First Order continues to get stronger, the rebellion hopes to be victorious in the war. The question of whether they will be able to endure, stands out as some very important people are in danger of a fate that even the Jedi potentially cannot escape. Along with any war, chaos, destruction, and death always result. When all else fails, hope remains. Realization, vision, betrayal, and suffering have never not been in a Star Wars film, and they are bound to continue in this one. In the face of darkness, how will the light fight back? In the face of darkness, who comes out victorious and who will lose everything? At this very moment, all you can do is buy a ticket for the midnight showing. Make sure to be among the very first to see the new movie. Beware that if you are not, the internet is dark and full of spoilers!



In the eyes of darkness, will light be enough to prevail? (Slashfilm)

# John Lennon and Me: The Bryant Players' successful fall production

Lauren Malone Social Media Chair

This past Friends and Family weekend, The Bryant Players put on their annual fall show. The show choice for this year, John Lennon and Me, follows the life of Star, a thirteen-year-old girl who is a huge Beatles fan and is suffering from Cystic Fibrosis. Danielle Sturgeon, director of the fall show was incredibly moved and inspired by the story this show tells and had this to say about it: "John Lennon and Me is a really amazing story about a girl who is faced with a terrible, fatal disease ... She overcomes so many obstacles, but ultimately is faced with a tragedy, the death of her roommate. Throughout this, she maintains a positive and sunny outlook on life, which is really admirable."

The Players had about a month to put this show together. I was so impressed with how much they were able to accomplish in so little time. Everything about the show completely brought this story to life from the amazing acting, to the beautiful sets, to incorporating the music of the Beatles into the show. Monica Cable, another junior here at Bryant, played the role of Star and captivated the audience during the funny, lighthearted moments, as well as the scenes that had a more serious message to tell.

As the show focuses on the lives of sick children, the Players decided to use this opportunity not only to entertain their friends and family, but to raise funds for those affected by childhood illness. At each performance this past weekend, the Players collected donations for their Up 'til Dawn team. St. Jude Up 'til Dawn is an event held on Bryant's campus every year where students raise money for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Over the course of the weekend, the Players were able to collect \$377 to donate to the organization. Anyone who is still interested in donating to their Up 'til Dawn team

can do so at utd.stjude.org/BryantPlayers. The show was both funny and heartfelt, and I sincerely hope everyone who attended enjoyed it as much as I did. The cast, crew, and directors truly put on an amazing production, and I cannot wait to see what they have in store for both the winter show and the spring musical. When I sat down to talk with Danielle, she stressed the importance of supporting the arts here at Bryant. She stated, "The arts encourage us to think big, be creative, and live life outside the lines. Everyone can use the lessons we learn from watching stage productions. The arts strive to enrich the lives of others, and everyone can use that!"

If anyone is interested in getting involved with the Bryant Players, they meet every Tuesday at 5pm in the Music Conference Room in Fisher.



Danielle Sturgeon and the cast of "John Lennon and Me" (Bryant)

## The #MeToo movement and what it means for sexual harassment

Danielle Veith Contributing Writer

"Me too." These are the words that took social media by storm this past week, with nearly 8 million people on Facebook alone (and many more on other platforms) spreading them across the Internet like wildfire. The trend began on twitter, with American actress and activist Alyssa Milano writing: "If all the women who have been sexually harassed or assaulted wrote 'Me too' as a status, we might give people a sense of the magnitude of the problem." Since then, millions of people across the globe have been coming out of the shadows, revealing a dark part of their personal histories. Some tell their story; some simply add their voices to the exchange. And, while so many people have courageously chosen to reveal their experiences, there are so many more who have chosen to stay silent.

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If you've been sexually harassed or assaulted write 'me too' as a reply to this tweet.

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Suggested by a friend: "If all the women who have been sexually harassed or assaulted wrote 'Me too.' as a status, we might give people a sense of the magnitude of the problem."

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Alyssa Milano's post on Twitter that was a spark for the movement (CBS)

For many, it has been a difficult week. It is hard to scroll down Facebook and see one's friends, male and female alike, revealing something so serious and so heavy in such an everyday aspect. It is even harder to choose to admit something intensely private on such a platform, and those who posted the status followed it, or prefaced it with "The past few days have been full of inner conflict and deleted text, but..." For many who have divulged what has happened to them, there has been an outpour of love and support. Others, though, criticize the movement, saying it is far too revealing and personal to post on Facebook, where literally everyone you know (and even some people you don't) can see it. It is too uncomfortable, they say. This is exactly the point. It is supposed to be uncomfortable.

The thought of someone you know, have heard of, or you are close with feeling violated – physically or not – is supposed to make you squirm in your seat. It is supposed to be shocking; the movement itself is about making people realize just how deep this

problem runs in the veins of our modern society. I stayed up well into the night after creating my own #MeToo post, thinking: What if I am judged for this? Will people think I am a slut? Will they think it was my fault? Will they think I made it up, just to be part of a trending hashtag?

All of these fears that victims of sexual harassment or assault face are products of rape culture at its strongest. It is because these fears still run so rampant that we must speak out about the things which we are told to keep quiet, even if it makes some uncomfortable. Giving in to these fears and remaining silent only serves to perpetuate the stigma surrounding rape culture. This is why the Me Too movement started, and it is our duty as college students to not only join the conversation, but also pay extra attention to what it means for us.

This is not something we are safe from in the Bryant bubble – we are not exempt from the staggering statistic that one in four college-aged women report surviving rape or attempted sexual assault, and that men experience this kind of injustice as well. We are smart enough to have gotten into this school; I think we can wrap our minds around the fact that the absence of "no" does not mean "yes." We know that drugs and alcohol reduce one's inhibitions.

When judgment is impaired, it is the responsibility of your partner to respect your privacy and dignity, rather than taking advantage of the situation (and vice versa). It is 2017 – we have experienced massive advances in science, technology, and research. Why is this still an issue, and why are women and men alike still only just beginning to come out of the shadows? Would you really want to be the reason why someone posted "Me Too" on their profile? I would hope not.

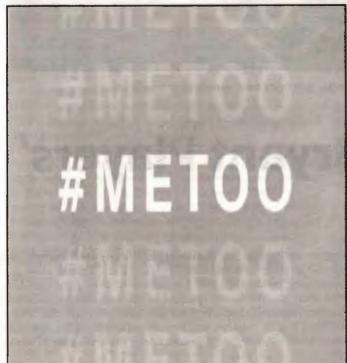
What if "me too" went from meaning "I have experienced sexual assault" to "I, too, have intervened to stop it"? What if the meaning changed to communicate the fact that you, too, have engaged in educational programs or bystander invention workshops? We create meaning every single day, whether or not we actively choose to, and the following is well within our capabilities; "me too" could come to mean that I, too, pledge to never act in a way that would make someone feel that they have been sexually assaulted or harassed, and I, too, take full responsibility for my actions.



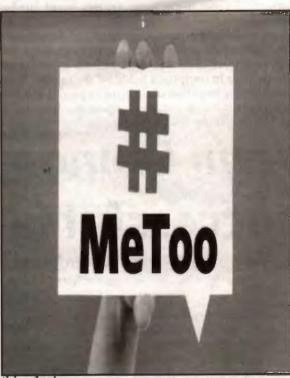
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This is an epidemic too big to ignore; too important to silence.

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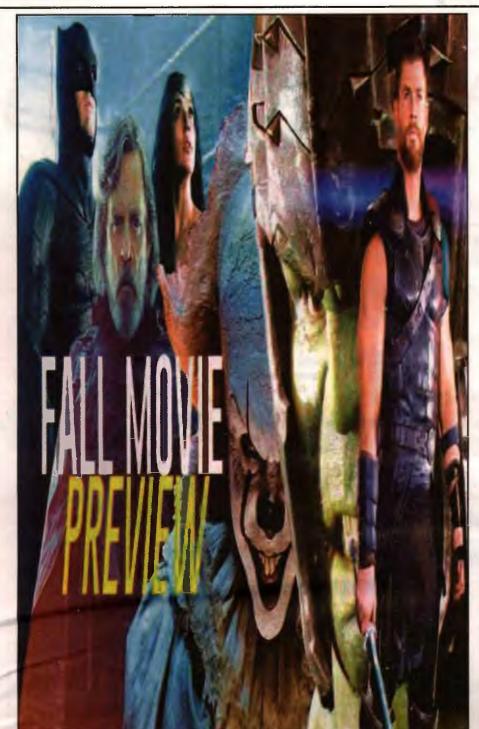


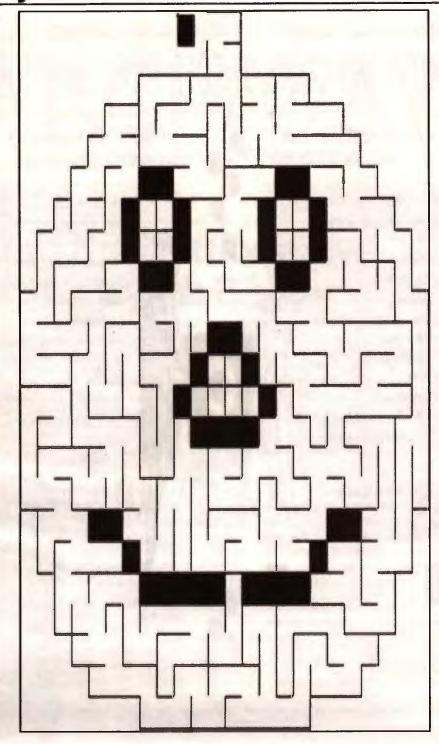


The #MeToo movement has reached 85 countries and over 1.7 million tweets so far (Well and Good, Twitter, Advertising Age)

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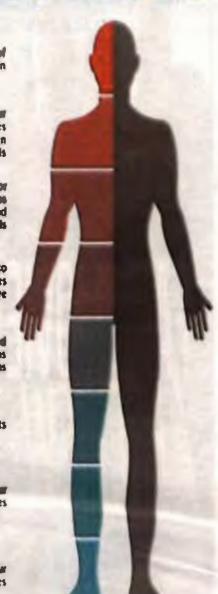


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