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Pressler: The New Era of Lacrosse

By Stephen Demers
Sports Editor

The Bryant University athletic department announced over the summer the hire of former Duke University lacrosse coach Mike Pressler. Pressler replaces Rory Whipple, who left the program last spring after seven successful seasons. After the position became vacant, the athletic department went through an extensive search for a replacement.

Pressler's name was brought up when athletic director Bill Smith was discussing possible candidates with friend Joe Alberici. Alberici is the head coach at Army and served as an assistant under Pressler for nine years at Duke. Alberici mentioned that Pressler was looking for a coaching position.

"Anytime you have the NCAA Division I Coach of the Year express interest in your position you need to pay attention" said Smith.

At that point Smith, President Machtley and other members of the Bryant University community started an extensive interview process to ensure that Pressler was the right fit for the program.

"We talked to Mike Krzyzewski (Duke Basketball coach), the Duke President, the Duke athletic director, the ACC commissioner, and many other Division I coaches" said Machtley.

During the interview process both Machtley and Smith were thrilled with the response they received from their numerous sources.

"Everybody had positive things to say about Mike Pressler; his integrity, his character, and his ability to get the job done both academically and athletically" said Smith.

Academic excellence is a characteristic that the Bryant athletic department strongly encourages and Pressler has a long track record of coaching successful student athletes. During his tenure at Duke University, the lacrosse program had a 100 percent graduation rate. He will be looked upon to continue that commitment to academic excellence here at Bryant.

The hiring of Coach Pressler gener-

ated a lot of attention in the media, because of recent allegations against the Duke lacrosse team as a result of an off campus party. The dozens of e-mails that have been sent to President Machtley's office, however, have all been positive. Former athletes and colleagues of Pressler and Bryant alumni all sent letters of congratulations regarding this new chapter for the Bryant lacrosse program.

Pressler will certainly bring a wealth of knowledge to the Bryant lacrosse program. A three-time A.C.C Coach of the Year, Pressler's overall record stands at 229-102 in 22 seasons. After graduating from Washington and Lee University in 1982, he served as an assistant lacrosse coach at Army. He also served as head coach at VMI and Ohio Wesleyan before being hired at Duke in 1991. In 2002 he served as an assistant coach for the Team USA squad.

Since joining the Bryant University athletic department, Pressler has been impressed with the campus and athletic facilities, but most of all he has been impressed with the people.

"What grabbed me the most was the people. From President Machtley, to Bill Smith, to the other coaches, everyone seems happy to be here" said Pressler.

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Senate President welcomes Class of 2010

The following is a reprint of Student Senate President, Eileen Hayes's Convocation speech presented on Wednesday, September 6, 2006.

President Machtley, distinguished guests, faculty, staff, students and the most recent additions to the Bryant Community, the class of 2010... Welcome to you all.

Congratulations on making your first step towards your future and entering your freshman year at Bryant University. Take this moment to enjoy the accomplishments you have made and the path you have taken to get to this point in your life.

Today you sit in a room full of your classmates, some of you will become the best of friends, roommates, sorority or fraternity members, organizational presidents, executive board members, captains of your team and outstanding students in your classrooms, but most of all, each one of you has the opportunity to experi-

ence all that Bryant offers you. What an amazing chance that I have to be able see the potential power you all hold to carry on the traditions of Bryant as well as create new ones for the future.

It's in your class we instill Bryant's archway traditions, rotunda legends and many stories about the Bryant pond. It's

in your class we entrust to carry the bulldogs to victory, score that goal and make that winning touchdown. It's now in your hands to develop into leaders and uphold the characteristics and morals that Bryant values. Each year the incoming freshman class becomes more competitive, embraces a higher level of intellect and enters Bryant with an extreme amount of talent. Here is your second challenge, the first being your admittance to Bryant and now the second challenge is to uphold those standards that make your class stand out above the rest.

Look around the campus, as Bryant advances in technology becoming g the 2nd most connected campus in the country, constructing brand new buildings, developing majors, minors and student organizations, Bryant is continually giving you new opportunities they believe you will take and bring to new heights.

You will gather again in four years at the culmination of your education called commencement, where you will look at your classmates in a different light, knowing so much more about those around you, knowing so much more about yourself and holding onto your experiences while receiving a diploma. The strengths you bring and the high level of quality throughout your class will raise the bar and values of your education at Bryant for years after you are done. What then will you say about the advantages you took to learn the most from your professors and about the choices you made to benefit the Bryant community, your fellow students and your own personal future.

When I was young my mom used to take me to the park down the road, Gibbs Pond Park and we used to feed the ducks all the time. My favorite thing to do was to throw tiny pebbles

into the still water, it truly amazed me how one tiny little stone was able to touch one spot in the pond and somehow stretch across the entire premise. It became a strategy on how fast or hard, slow or gentle I put the stone into the water and what type of reaction I was able to see. In my three years at Bryant so far, I have been able to see so many students throw pebbles and create amazing ripples here that have made it a better place for you and me.

Let's not focus on yesterday or the choices you have made throughout high school, but celebrate today and tomorrow by making new choices here at Bryant. Today, you are given that rock, do with it what you will, put it down or strategize how fast, hard slow or gentle you will throw it, but please know the future is yours and Bryant is waiting for you to make your make and begin your own ripple. I wish you the Best of Luck and Welcome class of 2010.

Best Wishes,

Eileen Hayes
Student Senate President
Class of 2007



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Letter from the editor



Everyone has milestones in their lives: turning 16 and getting your driver's license, traveling the world, leaving home (possibly for the first time) to come to college.

For me, this is a milestone. What you're holding in your hands not only is the first issue of *The Archway* for the year, our Homecoming edition, but the first issue I've worked on as Editor-in-Chief.

Through the efforts of the entire Archway staff, we hope to meet the standards you've made for us. In recent years, the quality of *The Archway* has improved significantly especially with new layouts, masthead, and better stories. More importantly, past editors have strived to fulfill what you want from *The Archway* and I hope to continue this trend; without your input, *The Archway* would not have made it to its 60th Anniversary this year and you would not be reading this letter right now.

I'm looking forward to a great year, watch for changes made each issue and I encourage you to share your suggestions and opinions with me and anyone on *The Archway* staff.

Thank you and enjoy the year!

Lauren Cimino
Editor-in-Chief

The Suite Life

"When students are really in the comfort of Bryant's suites"

By Jennifer Fitta
Public Relations
Coordinator

When a student applies to Bryant, either as a transfer or a freshman, he or she must make the decision whether or not to live on campus. Normally, once the decision is made to live on campus, freshmen have two options for housing.

One being the four story co-ed dormitories, separated into two wings, which houses approximately 300 students each. These buildings, known as Hall 14 and Hall 15, are typically doubles, and are well equipped with a main lobby, recreation area, laundry room, vending machines, and social/study lounges on each floor. These buildings, excluding the Resident Assistants, are entirely first year students.

The second option is also a 4 story co-ed suite style building. Housing approximately 276 students, the suites of Hall 16 include a common room and private bathroom to be shared by eight residents. Like the first option, Hall 16 also offers a main lobby, recreation area, laundry room, vending machines, and is the location for Bryant's Health Services.

As far as transfer students are concerned, they are normally eligible to live in the village. The village consists of 13 Resident halls which hold approximately 90 students each. All of these buildings have the same design which is four suites to a floor that include a common room, three bedrooms, and a bathroom

equipped with a shower and two bathroom stalls. But, for incoming transfer students in the Fall of 2006 there is a much different housing option. Due to the growth and expansion of the University, 28 of Bryant's male transfer students will be spending the semester at the Comfort Suites located on Route 7 in Smithfield, RI.

This appears to be a last resort for Residence Life, as their purpose and goal is to house every student to the best of their ability. 30 students were



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notified in August and given the option to live in the Comfort Suites for the semester, commute, or defer. Out of the 30 students, 28 chose to accept Bryant's offer.

Many questions were raised: Why transfers? How will they get to and from campus? Guest Policies, and Meal Plans? But, after speaking with Residence Life Assistant Director Kristin Wodarski, they are taking significant action in making this process as simple and painless as possible for the students. "We feel we have done the best we can with a situation that is not ideal in order to provide safe, comfortable housing to our transfer students. The University

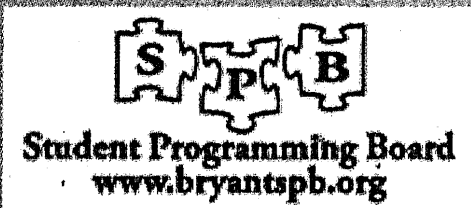
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Public Safety Announcement Speeding Vehicles on Ridge Road

The Smithfield Police Department has received numerous complaints about speeding vehicles on Ridge Road. This road parallels Douglas Pike and runs through a quiet, residential neighborhood. It is posted as a 25 mile-per-hour zone. Many motorists utilize Ridge Road to avoid traffic congestion on Douglas Pike, as they travel to and from North Providence. As a result, police presences and traffic law enforcement on Ridge Road has increased significantly and will continue throughout the school year.

The continued cooperation of Bryant University commuter students in ensuring the safety of those residing in this neighborhood and traveling along this roadway is greatly appreciated.

Come check out all of these great events and more this September and October!



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Date	Event	Time Location
September 15, 2006	Band: Warped (Red Hot Chili Peppers Cover Band)	8pm - South Cafe
September 16, 2006	Damian The Hypnotist	8pm - Janikies Theatre
September 19, 2006	Bryant University Scavenger Hunt	7pm - Meet @ South Cafe
September 21, 2006	Novelty Night: Spin-Art Frisbees & Personalized Keychains	9pm-1am - BC Commons
September 24, 2006	Movie: Pirates of the Caribbean 2: The Dead Man's Chest	9pm - Janikies Theatre
September 26, 2006	Band: Rainmarket	9pm - South Cafe
September 27, 2006	Comedian: Eric Nieves	9pm - South Cafe
October 5, 2006	Comedic Hypnotist Jim Spinnato	9pm - Janikies Theatre
October 15, 2006	Movie: Superman Returns	9pm - South Cafe
October 17, 2006	Band: Fivewise	9pm - South Cafe
October 24, 2006	Comedian: Matt Goldich	9pm - Janikies Theatre
October 26, 2006	Scary Movie Marathon	South Cafe
October 27, 2006	The Haunted Trail	9pm - Board in front of BC
October 31, 2006	Halloween BINGO	9pm - South Cafe

Facebook Expansion

Facebook expansions includes blogs, political discussion, and a News feed

By Jaritza Cortes
Campus News Editor

Facebook is one of the most memorable college past times. Originally started by Mark Zuckerberg of Harvard University, Facebook has become a huge success in the past two years. However, recent modifications to the popular website have some people deleting their accounts.

The network has been opened up to include not only colleges all over the country, but also high schools, corporations, non-profits, and geographical areas. Enhancements to the website have also given members the ability to join any group, create profile badges, and have "My Notes" blogs. An addition, on August 28th Facebook even allowed political candidates to become users, allowing general members to affiliate themselves with those candidates.

On September 1, 2006, Facebook added an "Election 2006 groups and candidates" feature. This allows Facebook users to add important issues they are concerned with regarding the 2006 election, in the same way that they add groups. Users can also search for candidates for senator, representative, and governor and add their support as if each candidate had a Facebook profile. Aside from all the criticism, this may be just the thing that our generation needs in order to be informed about the people who represent us.

The most recent change to Facebook, made on September 5th, was not welcomed like the other new features. "The

News Feed" and the "Mini Feed" are personalized lists of news stories which show on the home page every time a member logs on. It allows members to see what their Facebook friends have been up to throughout the day. Any changes to a profile, comments posted on a wall, new groups formed, and more, would show up on this wall of news and reveal what everyone has done and at what time.

The project manager, Ruchi Sanghvi, did not expect the reaction that people would have toward this new installment. Almost immediately after people started noticing that the Facebook actions they were taking were being recorded they began to retaliate. Nearly 750,000 members have protested, saying that the News Feed exposes things that are preferred to be private. Groups formed in Universities all over the country against the new changes.

In response to the popular opposition of the News Feed and the Mini Feed, Facebook added additional privacy options on September 8th. This allows members to control their information that might appear on the feeds. Mark Zuckerberg also wrote a memo to all members explaining the new feature and how their privacy settings could be modified.

So for those of us worried about our Facebook actions being known by all our friends just know that there are no worries. If privacy settings are put in place no one will have to know that you are stalking them and your Facebook addiction will be your business.

Bryant Throughout the Years

- 1863 Originally called Bryant and Stratton National Business College, Bryant was founded as part of a national chain of private coeducational commercial colleges.
- 1916 Harry Loeb Jacobs buys the college and merges it with the Rhode Island Commercial School, granting bachelor of commercial science and bachelor of accounting degrees.
- 1949 Bryant becomes a nonprofit, governed by a board of trustees.
- 1963 Bryant holds its first Women's Symposium.
- 1964 Bryant earns accreditation by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. Bryant becomes a four-year school and offers a blend of business and liberal arts.
- 1969 The new master of business administration degree program is introduced.
- 1970 Bryant breaks ground on the 220-acre estate in Smithfield, Rhode Island donated by Earl Tupper, president of Tupperware Corporation.
- 1971 Bryant moves from Providence, RI to the \$17.5 million campus in Smithfield, RI. Bryant now occupies 420 acres and 82 percent of Bryant undergraduates live on campus.
- 1973 Bryant opens the Executive Development Center, which offers adult students classes and certificate programs that provide a practical education to excel in business.
- 1988 The Rhode Island Export Assistance Center opens on the Bryant campus to serve regional businesses that conduct or would like to begin to do business abroad.
- 1994 Bryant's business programs receive accreditation by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) International.
- 1996 President Ronald K. Machtley takes office. The former U.S. Congressman and U.S. Naval Academy graduate leads Bryant to a new level of prominence.
- 2001 Bryant launches *The Campaign for Bryant*, the institution's first comprehensive capital campaign. The Elizabeth and Malcom Chace Wellness and Athletic Center opens. The facility rivals state-of-the-art, private fitness centers.
- 2002 The George E. Bello Center for Information and Technology is the highlight of the physical transformation of Bryant's campus. Designed by Gwathmey Siegel & Associates Architects, the Bello Center houses the Walter and Heidi Stepan Grand Hall, the Douglas and Judith Krupp Library, and the C.V. Starr Financial Markets Center.
- 2003 Bryant is reclassified as a Master's I-level institution by *U.S. News & World Report* and ranked in the Top 20 in its category in the Northeast region.
- 2004 Bryant College becomes Bryant University, with two colleges: the College of Business and the College of Arts and Sciences. *The Campaign for Bryant* successfully ends, raising more than \$35 million for new facilities, programs, and scholarships.
- 2005 The U.S.-China Institute opens on campus to enhance academic and business programs with Chinese academic institutions and foster trade between U.S. companies and China.
- 2005 The Communications Complex in the Koffler Building provides students with a state-of-the-art digital multimedia studio.
- 2006 Bryant offers new undergraduate degrees in Sociology and Applied Economics. The Graduate School launches the new Bryant MBA program.

Get Used to the Blue Cord

By Jaritza Cortes
Campus News Editor

This year Bryant was listed as one of the most connected universities in U.S. News and World Report ranking. Bryant offers wireless internet in almost any place on-campus and our frequent use of the school email, banner, and blackboard allow communication among students, faculty, and staff to happen instantly. However recent glitches in the schools newest hardware have had us connected to the wire- the blue internet wire that is.

This summer Bryant University decided to upgrade to the latest and the best wireless hardware offered by Cisco Systems Inc., WISM Controllers. This new technology was the best out there, allowing Bryant's Wireless internet service to make self-adjustments in order to fill dead spots where wireless internet might not reach. The WISM Controllers software was implemented over the summer and it looked as though Bryant would once again be the best in new technology. Unfortunately, as Enrollment Weekend neared, Network Operations started to notice that the supposedly great

software was not as dependable as it should have been.

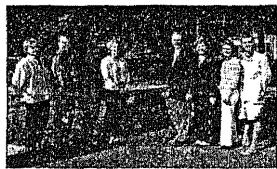
Rich Siedzik, the Director of Communication and Network Technology, explained how the glitch in the new software was a traffic problem. It was overlooked during the summer because there were not as many wireless internet users on campus as there were the week before enrollment. It was at that time that Cisco's new program failed; faculty, students and staff were forced to connect to their blue internet cord for service.

According to Joe Soffey, the Laptop Central Manager, customers of Cisco Systems Inc. worldwide experienced the same problem. Apparently the software was faulty but Cisco Systems worked around the clock to fix it and sent professionals to return our service back to a stable code. They returned our wireless service to its previous state and Bryant does not plan to go back to the new software until we are certain that there will be no problems.

In the meantime, wireless internet on-campus is not perfect so if you are having problems you are advised to plug into the blue internet cord for service.

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY LOG

EMT CALL EMT Call / Medical Services Rendered
 SEP 3 2006-Sunday at 23:28
 Location: RESIDENCE HALL
 Summary: a Female having difficulty breathing. EMS was activated.

ASSAULT Assault and/or Battery SEP 3 2006-Sunday at 23:39
 Location: TOWNHOUSE
 Summary: A reported assault one student required EMS for a laceration to the head.

EMT CALL EMT Call / Medical Services Rendered
 SEP 4 2006-Monday at 18:32
 Location: RESIDENCE HALL
 Summary: A 911 call reported student having a diabetic episode. EMS was activated.

LARCENY-THEFT From Buildings SEP 5 2006-Tuesday at 13:40
 Location: GEORGE E BELLO CENTER
 Summary: A DPS Officer was dispatched to the library to the report of a stolen backpack and laptop computer.

VANDALISM Vandalism SEP 6 2006-Wednesday at 08:32
 Location: RESIDENCE HALL
 Summary: A golf ball was thrown or hit through the stairway window in a Residence Hall.

EMT CALL EMT Call / Medical Services Rendered
 SEP 8 2006-Friday at 00:12
 Location: RESIDENCE HALL
 Summary: An RA requested an EMT for an intoxicated male, who had been vomiting. EMS was activated.

DRUG ACTIVITY Drug Activity SEP 8 2006-Friday at 01:46
 Location: RESIDENCE HALL
 Summary: An RA reported possible drug activity in

a Residence Hall. DPS responded and requested Smithfield Police. SPD has one student in custody.

EMT CALL EMT Call / Medical Services Rendered
 SEP 8 2006-Friday at 02:43
 Location: RESIDENCE HALL
 Summary: DPS was called for a reported person with difficulty breathing. EMS was activated.

TRESPASSING Trespassing On School Grounds
 SEP 8 2006-Friday at 22:15
 Location: CORNERSTONE LOT
 Summary: Large groups of individuals were attempting to sneak on campus through the woods. All were escorted off.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT Disorderly Conduct
 SEP 8 2006-Friday at 23:00
 Location: TOWNHOUSE
 Summary: A DPS officer reports having an issue with an intoxicated male. SPD requested to assist. One male student was arrested by SPD.

EMT CALL EMT Call / Medical Services Rendered
 SEP 8 2006-Friday at 23:40
 Location: TOWNHOUSE
 Summary: A report of a hand injury with amputation of a fingertip. EMS was activated.

TRESPASSING Trespassing SEP 9 2006-Saturday at 19:15
 Location: HALL 15 LOT
 Summary: A non-student was found entering the campus from the rear of the Hall 15 lot. Subject was transported to the ECS to await transportation off campus.

EMT CALL EMT Call / Medical Services Rendered
 SEP 10 2006-Sunday at 00:49
 Location: TOWNHOUSE
 Summary: Report of an intoxicated male. EMS was activated.

THEFT Larceny / Other (\$50-\$200) SEP 10 2006-Sunday at 01:04
 Location: RESIDENCE HALL
 Summary: A reported theft of a Pizza sign from a delivery vehicle and a cell-phone. Smithfield Police were requested for a report.

VANDALISM Vandalism (Residence) SEP 10 2006-Sunday at 02:01
 Location: TOWNHOUSE
 Summary: A reported broken window in the first floor bedroom of a townhouse. HVAC has been notified for temporary repairs.

STUDENT CONDUCT Student Conduct Violation
 SEP 10 2006-Sunday at 00:05
 Location: TOWNHOUSE
 Summary: A Student Conduct given to a student for setting off fireworks.

BIAS INCIDENTS None reported
 To report a bias incident or hate crime, go to www.bryant.edu/bias or call the Bias Incident Hotline at x6920

Bias related incident – a threatened, attempted, or completed action that is motivated by bigotry and bias regarding a person's real or perceived race, religion, natural origin, ethnicity, sexual orientation, disability, or gender status. Examples of these incidents include name calling, offensive language/acts, and graffiti/behavior.

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Org Spotlight: SPB

By Sarah Campbell
Editorial Assistant

This weekend marked the first major weekend of the semester for the Student Programming Board, one of the largest student run organizations on campus. SPB puts on four major weekends each semester along with a wide variety of other events every week for the entire campus to enjoy. The theme weekends chairs worked hard over the summer to accomplish a successful weekend to welcome students back to school or to Bryant for the first time. Kim Franklin and Shauna Yunits, the Theme Weekends Chairs for this year, certainly assisted in proving that SPB will be a great success this year with all of its dedicated members.

Events of Welcome Weekend included a comedian, ice cream social on Friday, a variety of outside events, and a mentalist on Saturday. The freshmen ice cream social on Friday, organized by the Recruitment, Retention, and Motivation Chair Kristen Fricione, attracted freshmen to the Hall 15 patio to socialize, get some free ice cream, and learn a little more about SPB.

Following the ice cream social on Friday, comedy chair Matt Buttaro packed Janikies Theatre by providing the campus with comedian Craig Baldo. Baldo has been featured on numerous television broadcasts and it certainly showed as he kept the crowd

roaring this weekend. Saturday was certainly fun-filled with a variety of events from noon until 4pm near the pond. Events included two inflatables, a Bungee Challenge, and Bouncy Boxing as well as other carnival type games with many prizes worth playing for. Students from all over campus joined the festivities

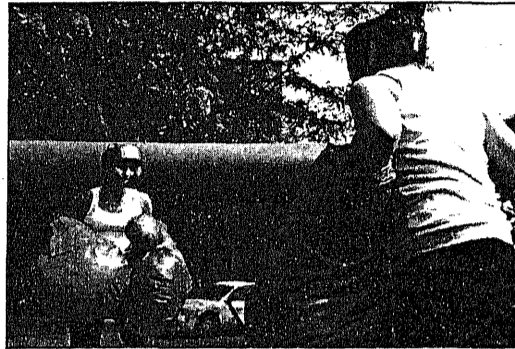


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Bouncy Boxing, one of the numerous outdoor events Saturday during Welcome Weekend.

to get some free food from the grill and to socialize with each other by the pond thanks to the great weather. The evening event featured a mentalist Scott Xavier who mystified the audience with his rare abilities and crowd appeal.

Sunday brought a large crowd to the Bryant Center lawn for an evening showing of the film *Click* shown on the big screen. Films chair Shannon Griffin attracted people to the showing with free popcorn and candy, give-a-ways, and a huge inflatable screen. Despite the chilly weather, students came out to see the

movie, armed with pillows and blankets.

Overall, it would have to be agreed that this weekend was a success, with attendance numbers reaching great heights as well as some great entertainment to welcome students back to campus. This weekend was just a sampling of what SPB is capable of for campus entertainment so

keep your eyes out for that distinct puzzle piece logo telling you about what is going on this week.

The Student Programming Board consists of eleven committees including advertising and promotion, bands and concerts, comedy, community service, films, late night, public relations, recruitment, retention, and motivation

(RRM), special events, theme weekends, and trips. The organization is always looking for new members to help plan events and is a great opportunity for anyone interested in the field or anyone who is just looking to have some extra fun. Check out their meetings on Mondays at 4:30pm in Pappito or go to their website at www.bryantspb.org to find out more about them. This organization is consistently growing and attempting new things and has earned its spot for this week's Student Organization Spotlight.

Comfort Suites

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has a good working relationship with the Comfort Suites, and their staff has been very helpful in accommodating our students' needs. The shuttle is still a work in progress as we assess ridership demands, but in general I think that the students are satisfied with what we have been able to offer them. Resident Assistant Randy Trickett, who lives at the hotel, is doing an excellent job introducing the Bryant resources and campus life to our new students. We look forward to these students finding their place in the greater Bryant community."

Bryant is still in the works of perfecting the plans for a free Shuttle system to transport students to and from Bryant. The residents of the Comfort Suites have been issued a permanent Resident Assistant and will have rotating RA's on duty, just as a regular residence building. Due to a policy of the Comfort Suites, these 28 students will not be able to have over night guests. Also, Bryant's Department of Public Safety does not have jurisdiction

over the area, so any issues will be addressed by the actual Smithfield Police Department.

The residents will still have an active meal plan, and are supplied with the hotel's continental breakfast each morning. The rooms are well equipped with two full beds, a refrigerator, television, and microwave. Also, unlike on-campus residents, they will be provided with the hotel maid service such as bathroom cleaning, bed changing, etc.

This situation is not uncommon to college campuses. With new expansions and renovations, institutions in the area such as University of Rhode Island, University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth, and Boston College, just to name a few, have been faced with similar situations. Residence Life has been reassured that this will only be for one semester and the new construction project is on schedule to have the new hall ready for fall of 2007. As for now, these 28 students will reside at the Comfort Suites and accommodations will adjust to what is most convenient for the situation.

Internship: Nicole Pesapane



When Nicole Pesapane '06 of Hauppauge, New York, walked into Bryant's

Office of Career Services office in the spring of 2005 to inquire about internships, she knew that she was interested in exploring a career in the entertainment industry.

Coincidentally, earlier in the day, alumnus Mike Greco, class of 1993 and senior vice president for programming and sales research at MTV, had called Barbara Gregory, associate director of career services, to let her know of the internship opportunities available at MTV. "MTV may be a creative industry, but it is also a business, so having Bryant interns who have a strong business foundation is a logical connection," said Mike.

Nicole goes to the "real world"

The connection was made. Nicole contacted Mike and went on to become an intern at MTV that summer. She worked in Mike's department with staff who oversee programming operations, scheduling, communications strategy, and competition tracking. She was excited to be working in an area that complemented her marketing concentration.

The first thing she observed was the level of complexity involved in managing a successful television network. It was a bit overwhelming at first, but it was a great learning experience, and she felt well prepared.

"I was a little nervous, but within a short period of time, I was able to relate what I was

doing to what I had studied in class," said Nicole. "Bryant's curriculum reflects what's going on-right now-in the industry."

A valuable experience

Nicole primarily worked in research, analyzing Nielsen ratings, a widely used system that measures data about what consumers are watching on TV.

She got involved with planning and promoting the 2005 MTV Movie Awards and also worked with the team that launched MTV's new television network, LOGO, a channel that features programming for gay and lesbian communities.

"This experience was a big advantage to Nicole," said Mike. "She will be able to apply what she's learned from her diverse experiences at MTV in whatever career she chooses."

For many students, an internship is their first professional experience. Practicing office etiquette, learning industry terminology, and working with all types of people gives students an edge in the competitive job market. "Employers want people who can hit the ground running," Mike said. "And this kind of real-world training gives them a good head-start."

A path for future students at MTV

Nicole's internship was not only a great experience for her, but her success and great work ethic impressed the MTV staff and opened the door for other Bryant students interested in the entertainment industry.

Last summer Gregory Kelly '07 of Rocky Point, New York, and Melissa DiScala '07 of Norwalk, Connecticut, went Big-Apple-bound to carve out their slice of the pie.

Study Abroad: John Manoni

Name: John Manoni '07
University: John Cabot University
Location: Rome, Italy
Partner: API
Duration: January 14 - May 14

Reason for going:

I had been planning to study abroad since I was in high school. The idea of living in another country and learning a different culture seemed very intriguing to me and I wanted to make sure I took advantage of it when the opportunity arose. It really gave me a wonderful perspective of the world around me and taught me more about myself than I could have imaged.

Best experience/memory:

My fondest memory was something that would occur every morning while I was in Rome. As I walked right outside my apartment I would have a clear view of the St. Peter Basilica in Vatican City. It was a spectacular sight to be living on the same site as a monument so historical and important to so many people around the globe. I felt very fortunate to be one of the few that can say that they have lived right next to one of the most impressive monuments in Rome.

Funny cultural experience:

On our trip to Palermo in Sicily my two friends and I had just finished dinner and went on a hunt for cannoli's. After searching through multiple bakeries that had been sold out of them for the night, we were beginning to lose hope in finding the desserts. Then we walked into a store and began to try and talk with the owner about what we were looking for. We were having a tough time communicating so he went in the back and grabbed his son who spoke English very well. The son ex-

plained that they had been out of cannoli's. But then his father jumped in and decided to make a fresh batch just for us while we talked about the current soccer standings.

How was the school different from Bryant University?

The main difference was the location. It was in the middle of a city so walking to classes was a totally different experience in itself. The classes were very discussion oriented and, since they were very small, it was easy to get involved in debates and discussions. Overall I enjoyed my classes very much. While I noticed my knowledge of subject matter had been increasing I hardly felt like I was doing much work at all.

How did this experience change you?

This experience not only broadened my outlook on the rest of the world, but also taught me valuable lessons that I was able to bring back to the States. The trip enhanced my spirit of independence and my ability to adapt to new situations. The best way to get to know yourself is to step outside of your comfort zone and try new things.

Would you study abroad again given the opportunity?

Studying abroad was the most amazing experience I could have gone through. I would do it again in a heartbeat and would recommend it to anyone. The trip taught me more about myself and gave me more of an adventurous attitude toward life in general. I am very envious of the people who are able to study in multiple locations. I plan to travel and backpack through Europe again once I have graduated in order to visit more places that I wish to go.



This page has been a compilation of submissions from various departments on campus.

Get a life...Off Campus

Area Shopping

Smithfield Crossing – By now most students have probably ventured out to this college student's haven. This plaza hosts everything from Target, Staples, and Linens-N- Things to The Gap, American Eagle, and Barnes and Noble. If you can't find it here, it may not exist. And, for those looking for an off campus bite, Panera, Uno Chicago Pizzeria, and Chili's just may fit the bill. Still not convinced? Getting there couldn't be easier. Take a right out of campus and take Rt. 295 South to Exit 7B.

Lincoln Mall – This newly revived shopping center is home to Stop and Shop, Marshall's, and Home Goods as well as another Target. Also, if driving 10 minutes to Chili's in Smithfield is just too far, Lincoln Mall has its very own. Lincoln Mall is also home to Cinema World. This brand new theater is great for catching the latest movies. Just take a right out of campus and a left at the light onto Rt. 116.

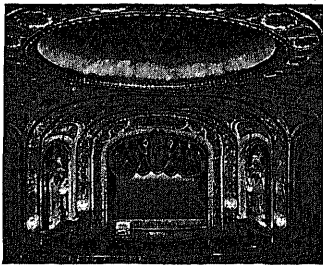
Providence Place – While the plazas provide students with the necessities, Providence Place Mall provides them with the rest. This high class shopping center is home to stores like Nordstrom, Macy's, J. Crew, and Abercrombie and Fitch. It is even home to restaurants like The Cheesecake Factory, Joe's, and Fire and Ice and two movie theaters. To find more store listings or for directions visit www.providenceplace.com.

Thayer Street – For those who prefer to stay away from the big name stores, try checking out Thayer Street on the East Side of Providence in the College Hill district. This age old street is lined with an eclectic mix of small shops, selling everything from shoes to music, and a few big names like Urban Outfitters and City Sports. If you get a little hungry from walking around, don't worry, there are an abundance of great restaurants in every price range. Thayer St. makes a great place to spend a leisurely late summer evening.

Entertainment

Cinema World, Lincoln Mall – This newly constructed theater is a great place to catch the latest box office thrillers. With a student ID tickets are only \$7 and on Tuesdays, all shows at all times are only \$5. Be sure to pick up the Cinema World membership card to get benefits like discounted snacks and free movies. Check out show times at www.cinemaworld.com.

Providence Performing Arts Center – For those who prefer live entertainment, PPAC is the place to be. This year's line up includes performers like James Taylor and Death Cab for Cutie, and Broadway hits like *Movin' Out*, *Wicked*, and *Lord of the Dance*. PPAC also offers discounted tickets on the day of the show with a student ID. For more information visit www.ppacri.org.

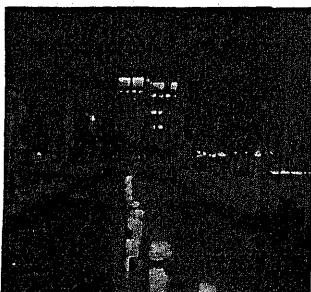


Nightlife – With Providence right down the road there is no need to worry about finding a way to spend your night off from the books. With an abundance of nightclubs and restaurants the choices are endless. Students throughout the state flock to clubs like Ultra, Hell, and Diesel on Thursday nights when they go 18+. And, restaurants like Andrea's, Joe's, and Fire and Ice offer great ambiance for an evening out.

Must See

Newport – This historic city is a must see for all RI students before they graduate. Take a ride down the world renowned Ocean Drive, home to some of the most amazing mansions, overlooking the ocean. For a little exercise, take a stroll down Cliff Walk. The ocean side path takes walkers along the cliffs on the Atlantic, offering great views of the front of the mansions. Make your downtown for some shopping and dining. Quaint shops and great restaurants line America's Cup Ave. Get out there and explore.

Wright's Chicken Farm – For those who are not aware, you haven't eaten in RI until you've eaten at Wright's. This area institution serves up a northern Rhode Island specialty; family style chicken. If you are lucky enough to get a table, get ready because the food comes hot and fast. Salad, fries, pasta, and roast chicken hit the table minutes after you sit down. Dig in; it's all you can eat. Wright's is great for big groups so get the floor together and experience the legend that is Wright's. Check out www.wrightsfarm.com for directions.



WaterFire – The work of award winning sculpture Barnaby Evan, WaterFire is known worldwide for its ambiance and sheer beauty. Throughout the summer into early fall, Waterplace Park and the river come alive with the light of the bonfires that float almost invisibly on the water's surface. From the basin at Providence Place Mall all the way to College Hill, stroll the walkways along the river, listen to the eclectic mix of music, take a dance lesson in the outdoor ballroom, grab a snack from the many vendors, or just sit, relax, and take in the ambiance. The event is free and the fires are lit at sunset and are stocked until midnight. Check out www.waterfire.org for a schedule of the remaining fires.

Compiled by John Crisafulli



10 Rhode Island "Things to Do" before you leave Bryant

1. Wright's Chicken Farm – You have to visit this Rhode Island institution and feast your fill on chicken family style. Gather the floor and head down to the farm.

2. WaterFire – There is no doubt that this work of art is a must see for every student in Rhode Island before they graduate. The best time to go is in the fall when the crowds disperse and the air is crisp.

3. Newport – Visit the mansions and stroll downtown to discover this world renowned port city. Soak up the history and culture. Try going down in the fall to catch the foliage and less crowds.

4. Thayer Street – This cultural melting pot is a great spot to people watch. Nestled amongst RISD and Brown University there is a constant college vibe and crowds of people.

5. Colt State Park – This park located in Bristol is often referred to as the gem of the State Park System and offers amazing views of Narragansett Bay. Picnic areas, bike trails, and fruit trees make up the landscape of this year round paradise. Pack up your books and spend the day lounging in the park.

6. Narragansett – Almost every Rhode Island student has found their way down to the coastal hangout that is Narragansett. A host of beaches and seaside clam shacks dot the land along scenic Rt. 1A. Narragansett is a great year round adventure.

7. Rustic Drive-In – Another Rhode Island landmark, located in North Smithfield, the Rustic is the last remaining drive-in movie theater in the state. The season runs into early October and is a great bargain for students. Seventeen dollars gets a carload of students in for a double feature. Check for times in the local paper and pile into the old hoopty for a night out at the movies.

8. Federal Hill – Get a taste of Italy at Providence's number one hot spot for Italian fare. Traditional restaurants and bakeries line the streets. Dine al fresco or be transported to another world inside. For the best pizza around make your way over to Casserta's.

9. Block Island – When spring rolls around take a break from the books and spend a Saturday or Sunday out on the island. Be sure to stroll down the main street and up Spring St. to the 250 ft. bluffs. For the full Rhode Island experience, take the ferry out of Galilee.

10. The Food – Who could forget the food? Rhode Island is home to many unique foods. Here are just a few. Del's lemonade, hot weiners, coffee syrup, dynamites, Gray's Homemade Ice Cream, and Pizza Strips or Party Pizza. We'll leave it up to you to hunt these specialties down.

Notice

Due to current ongoing construction at Fidelity Investments, we have been asked - for our safety - to kindly avoid using their roads for running or training. In the next few weeks, blasting activity will occur.

After construction is complete, our Fidelity neighbors will once again welcome anyone wanting to run on the roads in and around their campus. A notice will be sent to all students, faculty, and staff when it is safe to do so. Thank you for your cooperation.

Bulldog Bites

Hillery Appointed Cross Country Coach

Trish Hillery was announced as the new men's and women's cross country coach/ track & field coach. A graduate of Providence College in 1989, Hillery placed in the top 10 in all Big East Cross Country conference championships in which she competed. She continues to be an active competitor on the local racing circuit.

Cross Country Season Begins

The men's and women's cross country teams opened the 2006 season at the Connecticut College Invitational on Saturday. The Bryant men placed 20th overall in team standings while the Bryant women were 17th. Tom Casey led the way for the men, finishing 104th in 27:48 over the 8 kilometer course. Nicole Radzik led the women with a 43rd-place finish in 19 minutes, 56 seconds.

Women's Soccer Snaps Losing Streak

The Bulldogs snapped their three-game losing streak in a 3-0 victory over the Bentley Falcons on Tuesday. Amy Orzechowski scored an unassisted goal 3:32 into the game, her third of the season. Bryant made it 2-0 in the 51st minute when junior Stephanie Zalewski took a Casey Grange centering pass and buried it past the Falcons goalkeeper for her first goal of the season. Grange put the game away in the 83rd minute, scoring her tenth of the season off a feed from Tricia Spada. The Bulldogs are now 3-2 in the NE-10 and 5-3 overall.

Bryant Football Games Broadcast Online

The Northeast-10 Conference recently announced the launch of www.ne10.tv. This new partnership with Penn Atlantic provides live video broadcasts of various athletic events throughout the season. All 10 Bryant football games will be broadcasted this season with plans to broadcast conference men's and women's basketball games. Fans can also continue to hear the audio broadcasts of Bryant football games at www.bryantbulldogs.com.

Fall Intramural Season Starts Up

The fall intramural season begins September 19th and runs through October 31st. Outdoor Flag Football games will take place Monday-Thursday from 3 pm - 6 pm. Indoor Co-Ed Soccer games will run Monday-Thursday from 7 pm -11 pm.

Did You Know?

Bryant has led the Northeast-10 Conference in football attendance in five of the last six seasons including 2005. In five games last season (all wins), Bryant averaged 2,799 fans.

Gridiron Fever

By Chris Ficalora
Assistant Sports Editor

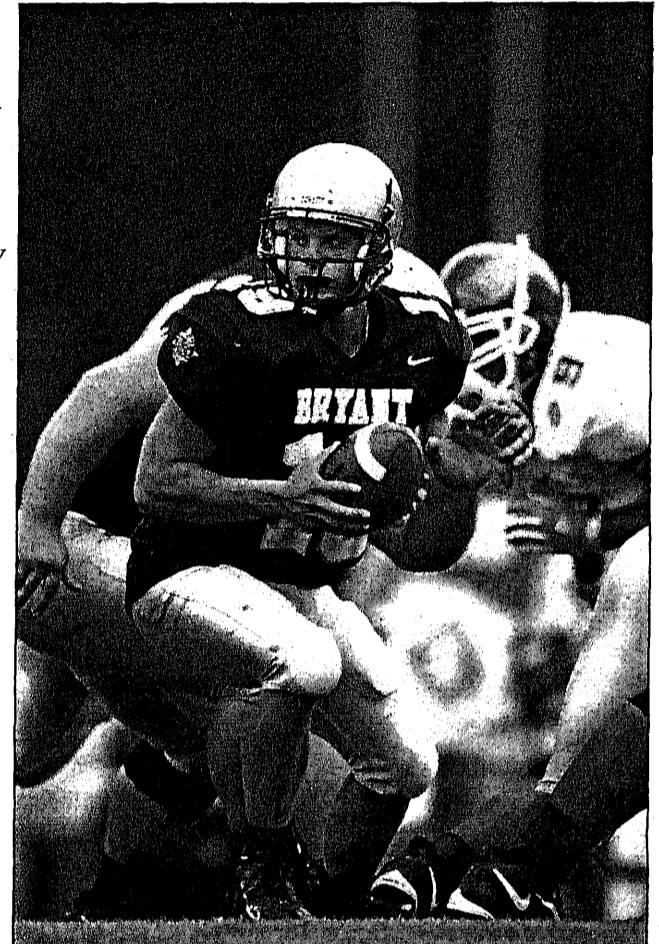
Writers later on that week for his incredible performance.

This past Saturday's game

on 25 carries and made one touchdown, which marked his 21st career touchdown, claiming the new school record.

In case you did not already know, the football team here at Bryant University is coming off one of their best seasons to date. They caught a tough loss to Southern Connecticut, 77-35, to finish last season 7-3, but "what goes around comes around."

The Bulldogs started this season off up against Southern Connecticut with a 49-20 lopsided win. Lorenzo Perry, senior running back, rushed for 190 yards on 33 carries with a record-setting four touchdowns. Quarterback Charles Granatell also hooked up with Kevin Anderson in the end zone. On the defensive side of the ball, Chris Wohlheter intercepted a pass and took it 75 yards, a school record, to the house. Let's not leave out senior Andrew McLarty, who had 13 tackles to help seal the deal. Bulldog Stadium also had a record high 3,820 attendants, the 10th most in Bulldog history. Lorenzo Perry also won the Gold Helmet award from the New England Football



Courtesy of Athletic Department

Granatell prepares to hand off to Perry

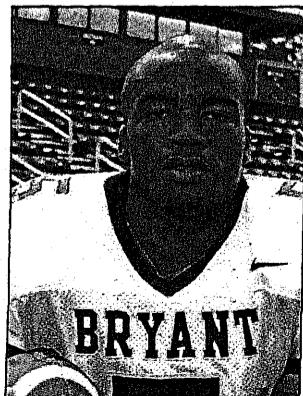
was, unfortunately, quite the opposite. "We didn't lose; we just ran out of time" said head coach Marty Fine. That's one way to look at the loss to one of the top teams in the conference, AIC. "We sorely miss the leadership from last year's seniors" said Fine. The 20-7 loss to AIC will mark the Bulldogs' fourth consecutive defeat at Springfield. Lorenzo Perry rushed for 132 yards

marked Fine with true confidence.

The Bulldogs are 1-6 against the Merrimack Warriors all-time, falling last season in a heartbreaking overtime loss of 41-40. Don't miss out this Homecoming game; the Bulldogs will need all of your support to make this season another success.

Top Dogs

Lorenzo Perry



Courtesy of the Athletic Department

Year: Senior
Sport: Football
Why the dog was picked: Rushed for 190 yards and a school-record four touchdowns in Bryant's 49-20 win over Southern Connecticut in the season opener back on September 2. Perry was named the Northeast-10 Conference Player of the Week and was the recipient of the Boston Globe Gold Helmet Award as the top player in New England. He had 132 yards including a 25-yard touchdown run last week against American International.

Casey Grange



Courtesy of the Athletic Department

Year: Senior
Sport: Women's Soccer
Why the dog was picked: Grange scored her tenth goal of the season Tuesday against Bentley and is closing in on the school record for goals in a season which stands at 13, set in 2001. She now has 31 career goals, just three shy of the all-time school record of 34.

Where the Red Sox Went Wrong...

By Stephen Demers
Sports Editor

Red Sox Nation has been in a deep depression as of late. Just two months ago the Sox seemed like they were headed toward another October of playoff baseball, but a series of unfortunate injuries to key players have completely ended any chance of the Red Sox making a playoff appearance this fall. It's easy for Red Sox fans to point to the long list of injuries as the reason for the Sox failures this season, but the organization's problems are much deeper than injuries. The Sox's troubles lie within the organization's front office.

After the 2004 World Series the Red Sox front office was forced to make a series of important decisions that would affect the organization for the next decade. Pedro Martinez, Derek Lowe, and other key veterans were all free agents. What should the Red Sox brass do? At the surface this decision seems easy; reward these heroes with long-term contracts and see if they can win another championship. The alternative was to turn the team over to a bunch of unknown minor leaguers named Kevin Youkilis, Dustin Pedroia, Jon Lester, and Jonathan Papelbon. Red Sox President and CEO Larry Lucchino believed that this was a no brainer. The Sox were the most popular team in professional sports. Losing Johnny Damon, Lowe, Martinez and others would only cause casual fans

to jump off the bandwagon.

Another portion of the Red Sox organization firmly disagreed with Lucchino. General Manager Theo Epstein felt that giving long-term contracts to injury-prone veterans was a dangerous proposition. There was no question that Damon, Martinez and others would excel during the first few years of their contract,

contract on the disabled list.

Unfortunately the Red Sox organization never truly made a definite decision as to what philosophy they would follow. While they let World Series heroes Johnny Damon and Pedro Martinez walk away and gave an opportunity to minor leaguers such as Kevin Youkilis, they also continued to sign high profile free

organization. Just this past off-season, *Baseball America* ranked the Boston Red Sox as the eighth best minor league system in baseball. This ranking was extremely impressive considering the Sox had been ranked twenty-first just the year before. The Sox had the opportunity to field a roster filled with top prospects including third baseman Andy Marte, acquired from the Atlanta Braves system, shortstop Hanley Ramirez, and catcher Kelly Shoppach. Sure the Red Sox would struggle for a season or two as the rookies gained experience, but the organization had the opportunity to build a dynasty around a group of young players.

Larry Lucchino and others feared fans would flock away from Fenway Park in droves if the Sox threw in the towel for the upcoming year. To keep Red Sox nation under control the Sox traded Ramirez and pitching prospect Anibal Sanchez to the Marlins for 32-year-old third baseman Mike Lowell and injury prone starter Josh Beckett. When the pink hat wearing Red Sox fans started to panic upon the departure of Johnny Damon, Shoppach was shipped away for centerfielder Coco Crisp. Finally, when catcher Josh Bard dropped a few Tim Wakefield knuckleballs he and pitching prospect Clay Meredith were sent to San Diego for 35-year-old catcher Doug Mirabelli.

While Mirabelli, Beckett, and Crisp have struggled this year for the Red Sox, Meredith, Ramirez, and Sanchez have all played important roles for their new teams. The Sox cannot continue to support both the youth movement philosophy of Epstein and the veteran philosophy of Lucchino. As the off-season approaches, Red Sox owner John Henry needs to make a difficult decision. Does he keep Epstein or Lucchino? It is now apparent that both cannot co-exist in the same organization if the Red Sox hope to remain a perennial contender.

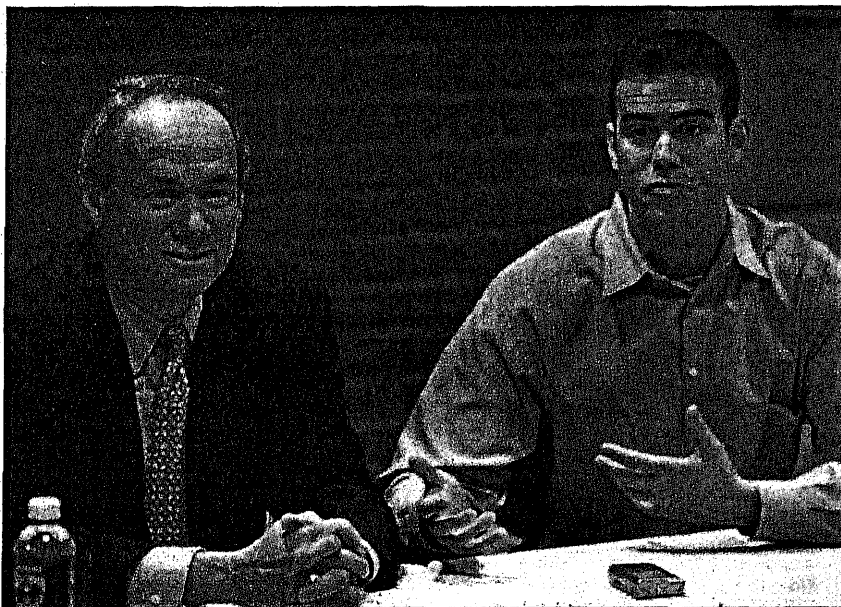


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Red Sox team President Larry Lucchino and General Manager Theo Epstein have conflicting philosophies that are hindering the Red Sox

but their past history showed that they would definitely spend much of the third and fourth years of their

agents such as Edgar Rentaria. I guess the front office figured they could please everyone by both continuing to sign big name free agents and promoting top prospects to the major league level.

All of this brings us to the 2006 season. During this past season both philosophies have converged and caused serious damage within the

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Mark Your Calendars

Football: Sat, Sept. 16 vs. Merrimack *
Homecoming Game 1:00 PM

Field Hockey: Sat, Sept. 16 vs. Franklin Pierce * 7:00 PM; Wed, Sept. 20 vs. Bentley * 4:00 PM

Men's Soccer: Sat, Sept. 16 at Saint Rose * 2:00 PM; Thu, Sept. 21 at Dominican 3:30 PM

Women's Soccer: Fri, Sept. 15 vs. UMass Lowell* 7:00 PM; Wed, Sept. 20 at Southern New Hampshire * 7:00 PM

Volleyball: Fri, Sept. 15 vs. Stonehill 4:00 PM, vs. Bridgeport 6:00 PM; Tues, Sept. 19 at UMass Lowell* 7:00 PM

Men's and Women's Cross Country: Sat, Sept. 16 at UMass Dartmouth Invitational

Golf: Sat and Sun, Sept 16-17 at Dowling College Invitational

Men's and Women's Tennis: Sun, Sept. 17 vs. Merrimack 11 AM (W), 3 PM (M)

Swimming: Meets Start October 20.

*- Denotes a Conference game

Lacrosse

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Pressler is taking over a very successful lacrosse program at Bryant. Since its inaugural season in 2000, the Bulldogs have posted a .652 winning percentage. They have also reached the conference championship twice in the last three years. Pressler, however, hopes to bring the program to the next level and oust Le Moyne College from its perch atop the Northeast 10. Le Moyne has posted a 62-2 record in the last four years and won two national championships.

Besides winning Bryant's first lacrosse national championship, Pressler hopes to continue the tradition of academic excellence at Bryant University. He will be holding all of his players to high standards when they are in the classroom.

"We expect a 3.0 team GPA or better and they (the players) should expect to hear that on a daily basis" said Pressler.

Pressler is looking forward to the beginning of tryouts and is going to treat everyone equally. He will be putting the athletes through a number of drills to determine who succeeds in various situations.

"I'm going to pick the guys who are deserving and earned it" added Pressler.

Once the team is in place Pressler is looking forward to playing pre-season games and leading the Bryant University lacrosse program in this new era.

Freshmen Speak Out

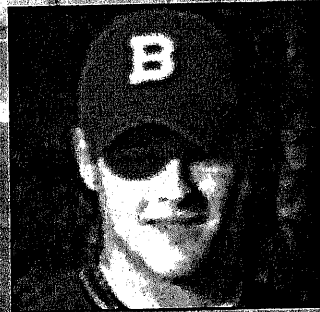
What are you looking forward to most about your first year at Bryant?



"Meeting lots of new people, making new friends, and hopefully making the Dean's List."
Jenna Lamy



"Doing well in school and meeting a lot of new people too."
Blyssa Albert



"Doing well in school, doing well in baseball, and meeting a lot of new people."
T.J. Magnell



"I'm looking forward to learning about business and meeting great friends."
Dantelle St. Jean



"I'm looking forward to playing some intramurals and learning about business management."
Mark Prew



"I'm looking forward to the parties and meeting guys."
Sara Marques



"Getting involved with sports and school and becoming part of Bryant."
Dave Nelligan



"I think I'm looking forward to intramurals, seems like there is a lot to do here."
Kyle Connolly



By Toby Simon
Staff Columnist

Simon Says: Katie Couric and the Evening News

To our new students: Welcome to Bryant and welcome to this first issue of *The Archway*! I'm Toby Simon and a regular contributor to the newspaper. I'm also the Director of the Women's Center. We're located on the third floor of the Bryant Center and our door is usually open. Do stop by to check out our resource library, films, or just relax in a newly furnished living room space. In my column I usually comment on relevant and timely topics that address women's issues but are ultimately concerns that affect men as well.

So about Katie Couric... She's been under the microscope for months now in anticipation of her debut as CBS evening news anchor. When the announcement was made almost four months ago, many of her critics said she'd never make it. And of course, the jury's still out although the early reports from a variety of TV ratings, have anchor Couric ahead of NBC and ABC.

Katie Couric may have broken the glass ceiling of evening news when she was tapped to anchor without a male partner, but she is still constantly judged by the same separate standards that other women face. Numerous studies have found that women are judged more severely and critically than men and that unconscious stereotyping creates far more obstacles for women who seek to advance in the workplace.

Many people questioned Ms. Couric's ability to be a news anchor and whether she had the necessary "gravitas" to do so. After all, she was transitioning from being a co-host of a daily show to being the sole news reader of a major evening news show. Hmm, as I recall, Tom Brokaw made the same transition many years ago but it lacked the hype of whether he had the right stuff to do the job. And when the newest anchors on ABC and NBC began their posts, the commentary surrounding their an-

nouncements was how their previous roles prepared them for the new jobs. There was no mention of their hair color, dangling earrings or fashion choices. And when there were news stories about these male anchors, they were always referred to by their last names, while Ms. Couric is almost always called "Katie" which some feel undermine her role as a serious journalist.

What Katie Couric is experiencing is a very public representation of what many women in the workplace face each day. As author Lauren Rikleen wrote: "Be serious, but not stern. Be approachable, but not perky. Be aggressive but not strident. Be sure to look good, but do not call undue attention to what you wear. And do it all perfectly, because you will be judged to a higher standard."

If we lived in a world free of gender bias, we wouldn't be having the conversations about Katie Couric becoming the first female evening news anchor. Some of you may think that gender bias doesn't exist any more since you haven't personally been affected by it. But most will agree that we have a ways to go. And we're working on it at Bryant. This year's Student Senate president is a woman. The editor of *The Archway* is a woman and many of the student clubs and organizations are headed by female students. This year's first year students are 47% female, up from 40% last year and 39% the year before. And that's definitely a step in the right direction for our own community. So whether you're a fan of Katie Couric, whether you're sick of hearing about her or tired of all the hype about her, remember that she is serving as a positive role model for women everywhere who are trying to navigate unfamiliar terrain. She's doing what many of us have been encouraged to do by our families: work hard and follow our dreams.

The Daley Soap Box: High Hopes for Class of '10



By Ryan P. Daley
Opinion Editor

Being the intrigued young adult and concerned citizen of the Bryant community that I am, I felt compelled to attend Convocation and hear Dr. Sissela Bok's talk. I sat amongst a group of freshmen in the rear corner, where the combination of Bok's dense Swedish accent, the MAC's brutal acoustics, and the surrounding freshmen's immature chatter impaired comprehension of Bok's address. The topic of Bok's speech, character and ethics, is ironically exactly that from which those around me would have benefited.

A gentleman to my right flirted with the females in the row in front of us from the moment I sat down, while the people behind, to my chagrin, incessantly passed notes. After a few minutes of the flirt's constant rousing, I'd had enough and politely requested of him to "Please keep it down, some of us are trying to pay attention." Thankfully he sat still, resorting to text messaging to keep him at ease. However, soon after my request, a gentleman behind me began to crinkle paper between his feet! I couldn't help but demand "Please show some respect!"

My advice to you, class of 2010: Don't be those kids. In the September 3 *Projo*, Mary Burke, head Bryant women's basketball coach, described the Bryant student population when she started working at the school in the 1980s: "There were probably 10 minorities on campus and 10 on the men's basketball team. The rest were nerdy business types." Bryant is backing away from the conservative business school it once was, comprised of those "nerdy business types," and becoming "more diverse" through an increased number of international students, sports players, and "liberal arts majors." I loathe generalizations, however I'm inclined to assume that with an increased number of "liberal arts" students, there will be an increase in the number of socially and politically concerned Bryant community members. I only hope I'm right.

I've been disgusted with the traditional apathy amongst the student body. I, along with a few select others, have grown tired of being the few students not required by a class who actually attends speakers, lectures, and other intellectually-stimulating school sponsored events. We have become disappointed by the lack of support for socially concerned student organizations such as Amnesty, Democrats, Republicans, PRIDE, AWA, Peer Ed, Bryant Helps, Bryant Builds, etc. The Environmental Society no longer exists, thanks to a lack of support by the student body! Intramural sports and comedians, however are flourishing with attendance.

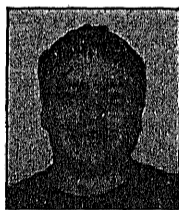
Why are a majority of students apathetic? Why is it that SPB fills South Dining Hall with a comedian or Janikies for Brad from MTV's "The Real World," yet a minimal amount of students care to listen to brilliant lectures about world politics or culture? I still don't know if this is simply a Bryant issue, or a dangerous problem we're facing across the entire nation; after all, in the last presidential election only one-third of 18-24 year old voters made the trip to the polls! What's the deal?!

We are at a University, and I'll be damn disappointed if I don't see more people attending events simply for the experience and not because they're required to go by their intro-level ECS or FFL courses. Last year each person here had the opportunity to sit in the same room and listen to the wisdom of a foreign president, a famous TV show host, an escaped slave, renowned authors, prominent politicians, legendary musicians... the list goes on. Take advantage of this stuff!

For a significant fraction of our community, this is your first time away from home. Don't use your naiveté as a pretext for immaturity; instead, embrace your new *modus vivendi*. Now's your chance to claim that cliché "independence" about which you hear so much. Attend speakers, write letters to *The Archway*, be vocal at Student Senate meetings, share your opinions with the Administration and most importantly, question their authority! They're working for YOU and I know they'd love to hear what you have to say.

I understand students are extremely busy, but I also know that a majority of you waste your time on Facebook, MySpace, watching TV, and playing video games every day. The trade off of an hour of *Grey's Anatomy* or *Halo* for a guest speaker or cultural show is worth it for the intellectual development you'll receive in the long run. Bryant is "expanding your world of opportunity" and you had better not sit back and do nothing! Get off your ass and start caring! I can't speak from a whole lot of experience, but from what I've seen in my experience so far, things are different in the "real world" and a bit of culture can sometimes get you farther than simply that which you've learned in the classroom.

Kennedy Uncensored: On Offending Others



By Brian S. Kennedy
Staff Columnist

Welcome to a brand new year at *The Archway*! I wanted to start this year off with a disclaimer. This article is just the first in a series where I will espouse my opinion on race, gender, and other controversial issues, so there is an extremely high probability that I will have "offended" someone either by the end of this column or in the coming weeks. I will simply pause to say "you have been warned," but I will encourage you to read everything with which you will disagree twice, since I will surely be on campus to discuss anything I write for *The Archway* in person.

It seems recently the most common responses to anything written or spoken are indignance or offense. This is because America has turned into a feminized society where the only politically correct response one can have to that which they disagree is to attempt to censor it because it dares to

offend some person's sensitivities. I look forward to the day the communists take over, so that instead of lying about the totalitarian thought-police slowly encroaching on our society, they will actually tell us what we can and cannot say under threat of death. That would at least be honest totalitarian rule instead of a subversive, deceitful pervasiveness of political correctness.

Political Correctness is two things: inversely proportional to common sense and the sworn enemy of free speech, and thus, Western society. There are only two forms of speech which I wish to censor: speech which causes immediate danger to those in the vicinity (such as yelling "fire!" in a theater where there is no fire) or hate speech, which I define as any speech which advocates taking violent or prohibitive actions against a certain person or group of people. For instance, I would classify "God hates fags" as something said which is stupid and would note the person saying it is an idiot; I would not however, prevent them from engaging in their foolishness. That being said, if that same person said "God hates fags" and then added "He commands us to beat them and hang them," I would

call for his swift placement into police custody for making a threat against a person or group of persons.

There is a difference between poking fun at stereotypes or making objective, researched statements and calling for people to be censored or harmed. The former can only hurt one's feelings, and feelings are such that walking in improper posture may be offensive to some. The latter actually calls for an action that, if taken, causes real physical harm to people or establishes unfairness in policy. Political Correctness is an example of the latter; it attempts to silence through censure and discredit a person because of the mere words that they state. Ex-Harvard President Lawrence Summers is a good example. His mere suggestion that empirical data supports the notion that, as a whole, men are better in the fields of math and science required him to make a massive string of apologies and ultimately led him to resign. Why you ask? This data got on the nerves of a few people persistently seeking to be offended. Because what Summers said was unpopular, he got censored. That goes against everything America stands for.

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Words of Wellness: Respect and Balance

By Jen Diprete
Staff Columnist

Here we are once again at the start of another academic year. Welcome back to all returning students, staff, and faculty, and a heartfelt "welcome" to all first year and transfer students along with newly hired faculty and staff. A special hello to all visiting alumni. Returning to your alma mater must provide you with a wide range of emotions.

For those of you who don't know who I am, my name is Jennifer DiPrete and I am the Health and Wellness Coordinator at Bryant. I will be sharing this column with Toby Simon, Director of The Women's Center. Many on campus seek me out for nutritional and fitness advice. Some contact me for information about better sleep habits. Others are looking for complete lifestyle changes. And then there are individuals who unfortunately meet with me due to poor decision making regarding alcohol, tobacco, and other substances. Much of what this column will address throughout the year will be a bit of health and wellness advice mixed in with my own take on what I observe in behavior, speech, attire and other trends that seem to be the focal point of the campus pulse.

The fact that it is Homecoming and Reunion Week-end evokes my own memories of college life and the amount of pride I have for my alma mater (Springfield College). Our college years tend to heavily influence our development as a whole. We begin to identify with many aspects of our surroundings, both immediate (residence halls, classrooms, cafeteria, etc) and locally (neighboring towns, shopping, food, dialects). One would hope that the sense of school pride that comes with being part of a community would translate into a strong level of self-respect.

How does self-respect fit into leading a well-balanced life? As we take a look at the five dimensions of wellness (physical, social, emotional, spiritual, and intellectual), hopefully it will become more apparent. One observation that has stuck out like a sore thumb to me is the amount of trash that at times is strewn throughout campus. I notice this most as I enter school in the morning on Friday's and Monday's. We have a Facilities crew who work tirelessly at keeping Bryant looking beautiful. It is disconcerting to see a number of beer cans, red party cups, cigarette butts, and other paraphernalia that is indicative of an active evening/weekend of events. Just this morning as I was walking to a class I teach, a student was smoking a cigarette in front of me (cough-cough) and just threw it on the ground, with a steady stream of second-hand smoke oozing from the tip. I asked myself, "is it too much to walk to a nearby ash tray and extinguish the cigarette properly?" Bryant University is where many of you live and call home. Take care of it! There are numerous receptacles throughout campus. Garbage that is not disposed of properly will undoubtedly attract flies, mosquitoes, and other varmints, THAT is unhealthy.

I chose to start with something small for the first article to illustrate that common sense actions, such as throwing out waste where it should be placed, are as strongly tied to living a well balanced life as is proper nutrition. As we welcome alumni back to a transformed campus, do your part in respecting yourself and your school. Your actions speak volumes to who you are and what you stand for. Wishing everyone a healthy and happy fall semester!

What Women Really Think About... Nice Guys



By Izzy Dias
Staff Columnist

Do nice guys finish last in the matter of winning a woman's heart? As a woman I comment to my girlfriends about wanting a man that is sensitive to what I am feeling, saying, and whatever; but is that what I really want? In movies it seems like the nice guys always get the girls in the end of the film. Is that how it is in real life? Do the nice guys get us later on in life? What happens to nice guys now when we are in our late teens and early twenties? Well, I can tell you this much, nice guys are usually surrounded by women; but only as friends. They listen to us complain about our idiot boyfriends, and we always tend to ask them, "Why isn't my boyfriend more like you?" The thing that gets me is that we never actually consider the possibly of dumping our bad-boys for our nice guy

friends.

Women always complain about their boyfriends but I think that this is something that we need to do as women. If there is nothing wrong with our man than something must be wrong with the relationship. That is when we start to over-analyze the relationship, finally ending it because something was obviously bound to go wrong. That is why nice guys finish last! If our nice guys are perfect, then they must be too perfect to be true.

To tell you the entire truth there is something intriguing about a bad boy. Bad boys keep us wondering, there is a sort of mystery there that sucks us in and we want to know more. One night while out with my friends there were two guys standing in the corner arguing; one of the guys didn't even say anything, he just turned and punched the other guy out. All of us girls were extremely turned off. "I mean, geez, did he really have to beat the crap out of that guy like that?" I said this out loud, but

what I was thinking was a different story. This is more along the lines of what was going through

"There is something intriguing about a bad boy."

my head, "Damn, his muscles looked really good right before he nailed that

guy in the face. He looks so good right now!" All my girlfriends agreed to what I said out loud but I am sure they would have agreed with my inner thoughts too.

In the end, do we end up with the nice guys who we go out with on a day-to-day basis and who we can talk to about virtually anything? Or do we go for the mysterious bad boys whom we would love to argue with, and who always keep us on our toes? I feel that, like in the movies, we want to have a fun and enjoyable plot so we go through a group of bad boys, but in the end we end up with one of the nice guys. Does that mean that nice guys finish last or first? Till next time on "What Women Really Think About..."

Multipartisan Hackery: CIA Interrogation

President Bush and the CIA have recently been criticized concerning the interrogation practices that they have utilized on certain terrorist suspects. People are questioning what exactly government officials should legally be able to do concerning the questioning practices and detention of suspected terrorists. Abu Zubaydah, a terrorist suspect captured days after September 11, 2001 had been subjected to being stripped, placed in a freezing room, and forced to listen to overwhelmingly loud music.



Conservative: Steven C. McKenna

Some people describe the interrogation on Abu Zubaydah as being too harsh or a direct violation of this man's rights. Yet, what I see is our government doing everything in their power to prevent another September 11th.

Our President has vowed to keep America safe and do everything that is necessary to ensure that America remains a free and democratic nation. With this commitment in mind, there are certain tools that are essential for our nation's success in combating terrorism. Using stringent and harsh interrogation techniques is certainly one of them. According to a *New York Times* article, one official stated, "When you are concerned that a hard-core terrorist has information about an imminent threat that could put innocent lives at risk, rapport-building and stroking aren't exactly at the top of the list." This only reiterates the fact that we must go to great lengths to combat these terrorists and receive the information necessary to protect America. We are dealing with a new enemy, one that is relentless and will stop at nothing to inflict misery and death on the United States. We must not forget that the intent of the terrorists is to hurt innocent Americans. If the CIA feels that a suspect has critical information that could possibly prevent the loss of thousands of American lives, why wouldn't they do everything within their power to receive this information? They are not violating any laws because all of the interrogation practices that are being used have been reviewed by the Justice Department and deemed legal. After all, terrorists receive training in how to resist interrogations and they are aware that concealing their horrendous acts is vital to carrying out their mission against the United States. According to President Bush, the strategies used in Abu Zubaydah's interrogation were very successful in gaining information "on key Al Qaeda operators to help us find and capture those responsible for the 9/11 attacks."

I believe wholeheartedly that people would have approved of these interrogation tactics on September 12, 2001. However, after five years, people have become more complacent and let the threat of terrorism slip into the back of their minds. We must rededicate ourselves as a nation to fighting the War on Terror and taking the necessary steps to protecting our country. I find it very ironic that members of the media are so quick to write full page articles on how suspected terrorists' rights might be violated through interrogation tactics, wiretapping or

"terrorist profiling" procedures at airports. Meanwhile by preventing the government from utilizing these combative tools it is only jeopardizing the safety of America. I believe Americans have the right to a safer country and that this safety may never be realized if preventive techniques like these are not deployed by government officials.

Liberal: Peter Connors

The recent CIA interrogation of Abu Zubaydah highlights a terrifying new dynamic in the US government's interrogation of detainees. Interrogations, when conducted by the military, have international treaty law to at least protect the detainee on paper. And certainly not to knock the Geneva Convention, one must admit that it has certainly protected many detainees and POW's held by militaries the world over.

But now our Executive Branch has taken up the burden of interrogation. With the advent of the "Memorandum of Notification," which was signed by President Bush on September 17, 2001, the CIA can now take over an interrogation.

While this may at first seem like a favorable move as one might assume that an investigation bureau would have more expertise than the military in interrogation and coercion, but they lack one dreadfully important piece: international treaties which dictate acceptable conduct. Such a loophole left the door wide open for the creation of the now widely known secret CIA prisons. These prisons, and the agents which work them, are accountable to no one except the Executive Branch.

As the Zubaydah case showed, once the CIA exercises their "notification" they can process a detainee as they see fit and all the FBI can do is complain to deaf ears. Coupled with the President's Fast Track Bills and Executive Orders, this Memorandum shines as a glaring example of the over-centralization of power in Executive Branch. It is now possible for the President to move militarily without Congressional interference, hold detainees without any public knowledge, and interrogate these detainees without holding to any international treaty standards.

All that becomes left for the President to do is put on a good Public Relations show for the media, convincing the people that this sea change in the balance of powers is either not happening and that our "democracy" is as safe as ever, or to paint a picture of power centralization being necessitated by terrorist threat. For a good example of such a PR display, take a look at his 9-11 memorial speech. Shameful.

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Prison Break proves to be a thriller that keeps your pulse pumping

By Greg Hirshorn

Variety Editor

Michael Scofield, played by Wentworth Miller, robs a bank and is sent to prison for his crime. This seems like another crime for which the penalty is paid, as the guilty party is sent to Fox River Penitentiary. The catch, however, is that the criminal, named Scofield, meant to get caught. You may ask yourself, why would someone do something with the intention of landing themselves in prison? The answer is that Michael wanted to get into Fox River to help his brother escape.

Lincoln Burrows, Scofield's brother, is accused of the assassination of the vice president's brother. Lincoln sits on death row awaiting his turn in the electric chair. The plot becomes even more interesting when we find out that Burrows did not actually kill the vice president's brother, but was being framed for a crime that he never actually committed.

Michael is given a chance to talk to his brother who is in shock when he hears about his brother's plan for a daring escape. The shock only grows when Michael takes off his shirt only to reveal a giant tattoo covering his entire stomach and back that has a map to all of the pipes in the penitentiary. At this point it is revealed that Michael was one of the people in charge of building the prison. If anyone would know how to escape the prison, that person would be Scofield.

Scofield's plan for escape centers on gaining access to the jail's infirmary, which he accomplishes by taking medication to knock his blood sugar out of balance. He then claims to be a diabetic in need of insulin. Through his daily visits to the infirmary he gets to know Dr. Sara Tancredi. The doctor takes an interest in Michael, as she sees him as a genuinely nice person.

In Scofield's complex process of gaining access to key areas he seeks the help of several of the other in-

mates. To add incentive for the other inmates he informs them of his plan and says that he will let them escape with him. The group of characters who do help him include; John Abruzzi, Benjamin "C-Note" Franklin, David "Tweener" Apolskis, along with others assisting him in the escape process. Each of these characters has their own stories behind them and individual reasons for wanting to escape, which serve as excellent subplots to an intense main plot going on at the same time.

The first season focused on the way that Scofield was planning his escape and the process that they went through to get out of the prison. Through the use of pipes inside the prison and a high wire connecting the infirmary to the outer wall, they scale their way out of jail.

While on the way out of jail, one of the members of the gang couldn't keep up. He revealed the secret that he has millions of dollars in family inheritance buried in a field in Utah. This fact only led to the potential for more plot lines in upcoming episodes.

The first season also introduced the problems Burrow's son was having when he found out the truth that his father was framed for the assassination. The government then framed Burrow's son, LJ, with a separate murder and so now LJ is also in major trouble.

Burrow's friend Veronica Donovan also helped in finding out the truth around this fake murder as she was the one who actually uncovered the scheme to stage the vice president's brother's killing so that a



Photo Courtesy of fox.com

Pictured above are some of the major characters on the Fox hit show Prison Break. Some of the characters pictured are Scofield, Burrows, LJ, Veronica, Dr. Tancredi, and Scofield's cell mate.

company could boost their profits and investors would benefit. Veronica is in the brother's home when she calls to report to the police that he is still alive. She is shot by the officers and it becomes apparent how serious the scandal is.

Once out of prison, the convicts go through a long chase with the officers, narrowly escape them, and head in their separate directions. The second season goes through the paths that all of the convicts are taking and the personal, as well as legal issues they all face. The main theme of course is the thrilling lives of the two brothers and how they avoid being caught through creative means, narrowly escaping their captors.

After having watched every episode, I am hooked on this show.

The show does a terrific job showing the mindsets of all of the characters as well as intriguing plot turns that keep you on the edge of your seat. So, eight o'clock on Monday nights you will find me watching FOX's Prison Break. With this show, along with Monday Night Football, Monday may be my new favorite day of the week.

Bonnaroo - Mud, Memories, and Music

By Pete Connors

Assistant Opinion Editor

- June 16-18, Manchester, Tennessee

At first glance, the Bonnaroo Arts and Music Festival may seem like a celebration of dirt, drugs, and debauchery, and rightfully so. But, as I came to find this last June, if you're willing to give it a chance, you can't help but be swept up in the high spirits and fantastic music.

As with any festival, half the fun is found in the road trip to arrive at the destination. On Thursday the 15th, I piled into an old Buick with two friends and began the 1,000 mile, 18 hour drive to a 600 acre farm in the middle of Tennessee. Keeping a rotation of about three hours driving for every six hours sleeping, we made the whole drive

without a substantial break. A combination of rude Piggly Wiggly Supermarket workers, watching the sunrise over the Blue Ridge Mountains, and listening to Neil Young's "Living With War" 45+ times made for an unforgettable trip.

I had no idea what was in store for me as we pulled into the farm that would house both camping areas for the 80,000 fans and ten stages for the bands, art exhibits, movie theatre, and comedy show. The camping areas stretched out in every direction. Campers were directed to park in different clustered villages and set up their tents right next to their vehicles. Each cluster had nearby outhouses, trailers containing sinks, food booths, and in some cases, shower trailers. Once we finished foolishly pitching our

tent directly under an oil-generator powered flood light, a mistake we reaped the consequences of later that night, we began the trek to the stages. The first thing to strike me was the dust that covered everything, which, in a day's time would assuredly become mud. I could already tell that my plan to experience the festival stone-cold sober may have been a bit presumptuous, but I would soldier on. We began our musical experience with the tail end of Ben Folds' set and rushed on to see Nickel Creek.

Already I could see a pattern forming; Bonnaroo makes it possible to see a great deal

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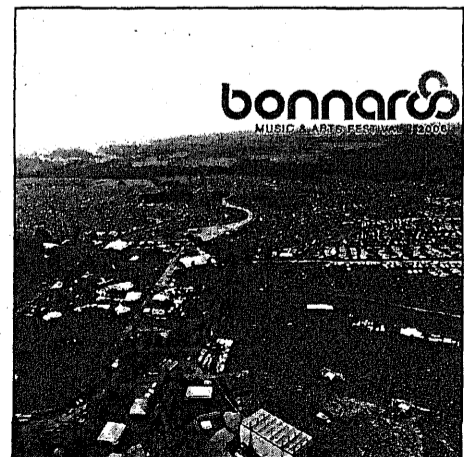


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A view from above lets you see the entire concert grounds

Ruth and Cobb Baseball biographies are an out of the park home run

By Greg Hirshorn
Variety Editor

Over the summer I read two excellent books about two baseball legends. The first was *The Big Bam: The Life and Times of Babe Ruth*, by Leigh Montville. The second was a biography on Ty Cobb entitled *Cobb*, written by Al Stump. These two books correspond well, as both divulge the history of baseball in the early 1900's.

The Big Bam begins with Babe Ruth at age seven or eight being sent away to boarding school. His family life as a child was not an ideal one, as there is next to no evidence of a mother in his life. His father owned a bar and spent most of his time at the bar instead of spending time with his son.

The boarding school Ruth attended was where Ruth was first exposed to the game of baseball. Early on, it was obvious that Babe was a phenomenal player, but just how phenomenal was yet to be seen.

The off-the-field exploits of Babe Ruth are well documented. The larger than life persona of Babe was matched only by his heavy drinking, eating and sleeping around while off the field.

On the field, Ruth started off as a pitcher for the Boston Red Sox, and a star pitcher at that. The only reason he was moved to the outfield was because of the need for his explosive bat

in the lineup every day of the week. Ruth would leave the Red Sox for the Yankees when the Red Sox owner was looking for some cash. This transaction remains one of the biggest mistakes ever made by any baseball team.

The numbers produced by Ruth cannot be described as anything but 'Ruthian'. His 714 career home runs put him at number three on the all-time list, trailing only Barry Bonds and Hank Aaron.

Babe was one of the most social, outgoing and kind people you could ever meet. Ruth became a national icon and was loved by an entire country for his monumental contribution to the game.

Ty Cobb and Babe Ruth were polar opposites when it came to their style of play. Cobb made his living through clean cut base hits and aggressive base running that have yet to be matched by anyone. Cobb was the most ferocious player to ever put on a baseball uniform.

Like Ruth, Cobb had a tragic childhood. His father was a politician who disapproved of his son playing of baseball. This took an emotional toll on Cobb. The death of his father emotionally scarred Cobb, as it was at the hands of his own mother. Late one night, Mrs. Cobb, thinking he was an intruder, shot her husband. Cobb would never truly recover from this event. He was hated by all of his teammates because of his overly

harsh manner when interacting with others.

His play was best noted for his extremely aggressive base running antics which horrified opponents. Cobb was noted for sharpening his spikes before games to cut up fielders as he slid spikes up into the bases. While Ruth had an entire nation mourning at his funeral, Cobb only had two former teammates show up at his memorial service.

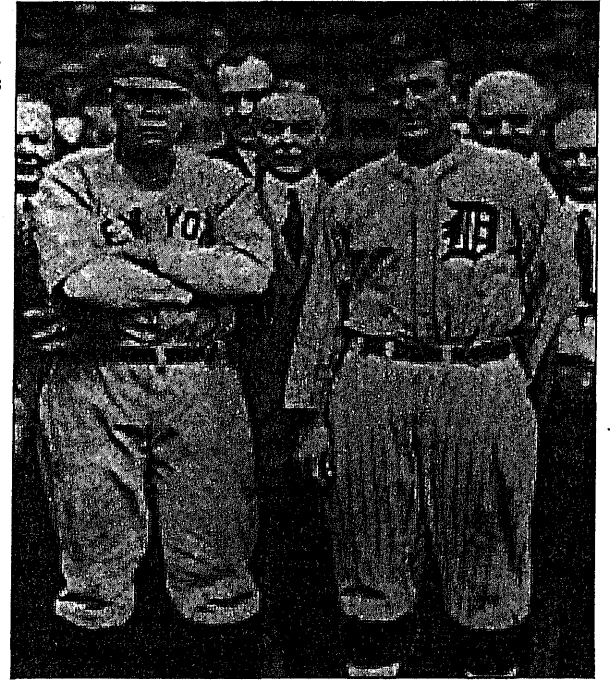


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A rare photo of Ruth and Cobb, as the two did not get along

While both books were superb, if I had to recommend one, it would be Montville's *The Big Bam: The Life and Times of Babe Ruth*. Leigh Montville is a Boston native and has other books out about Ted Williams and the 2004 Red Sox team. So, even if you are not a Yankee fan, I suggest you read this book just to further un-

derstand the kind of impact Ruth had on the game.

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of amazing artists, and the planners do a great job setting up the schedule so one can move from one set to the other in rapid succession. Unfortunately, this "see as many bands as possible" strategy means one will never get a great standing spot. I would keep this in mind for later in the weekend when bands would be playing that I wanted to be right up in front for. Robert Randolph and the Family Band was our next stop. I had never heard of the band before, but their jam band rock was one of the highlights of the weekend.

We then made it over to the main stage to see Trey of the super-group Oyesterhead play a deer antler wired as a synthesizer, a good example of the extremely strange and fantastical things one sees at Bonnaroo. This led up to Friday night's headliner, Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers featuring Stevie Nicks. I don't think anyone can truly appreciate how many hits Tom Petty actually has until one sees him in concert. He pumped out the hits one after another late into the night. At that point, I threw in the towel, but my friends stayed out to see "America's Radiohead," My Morning Jacket, Umphrey's McGee, and the Disco Biscuits headlining the late-night shows.

Saturday morning we woke around 9 o'clock, made some oatmeal on my camp stove, and got ready for another day of music and sun. We started out listening to the "voice of the angels," Aaron Neville, perform on the Main Stage with his brothers. After a half hour of the Neville's I grabbed one of my friends and went to stake my claim at the foot of the stage on which Damien Marley would be performing. An hour later, our perseverance was rewarded with a spectacularly energized performance by "Jr. Gong." Seeing him again later this summer was nothing compared to the energy I felt baking in the sun, surrounded by reggae fans, feeding off the huge amount of emotion that Damien and his band

members were pouring into the crowd.

After Damien, Beck's performance on the Main stage made for a great mellowing experience as the sun began to set and the crowd prepared itself for the musical experience Radiohead delivered after eating dinner on the stage as Beck performed. In my opinion, Radiohead's set really stole the weekend. The mix of haunting lyrics and overwhelming emotional resonance from the audience created an enchanting atmosphere. That night I would stay out to see the legendary Dr. John represent New Orleans's revival before crashing once again back at the camp site.

On Sunday, one of my friends and I hurried over to one of the smaller stages for an intimate, five song performance by Matisyahu. His beatboxing was extremely impressive, as was the mix of religion and social awareness found in his lyrics. We followed this up with a few minutes of jam rock with Bela Fleck and the Flecktones and a comedy act by the Upright Citizens Brigade. I returned with both friends for my second dose of Hasidic reggae as Matisyahu gave his full set on one of the larger sets. I thought his strength seemed to lie in the more intimate setting of the earlier show, but he still delivered a strong performance.

As the rain clouds began to slip in when the sunset, we made our way to the main stage for Bonnaroo's coup de gra; Phil Lesh and Friends. One of the members of the Grateful Dead, Lesh, is well versed in how to put on a jam band show. From forty minute renditions of "Fire On The Mountain", to an equally lengthy "Watch Tower", to smattering of covers, Lesh and



Photo Courtesy of Pete Connors

A picture of the tents set up at the concert during the festival

Friends put on a spectacular show. As much as I may have feared how my sober mind might react to a 20 minute drum solo, the spirit of the concert was more than enough to get me moving, even though the rest of the audience may have had a little extra help. As the rain began to fall we made a run for the car to begin the 16 hour drive home.

It was in that run that I saw the true smattering of people that Bonnaroo brings together. From dreadlocked hippies dancing in the nude to families passively enjoying the show, Bonnaroo appeals to all, and in my opinion, has something for everyone. So if your willing to spend \$250, live in the mud for three days, possibly catch Lyme disease (as I did), and have one of the greatest musical and communal experiences you could hope for, get ready for Bonnaroo 2007, I'll see you there.

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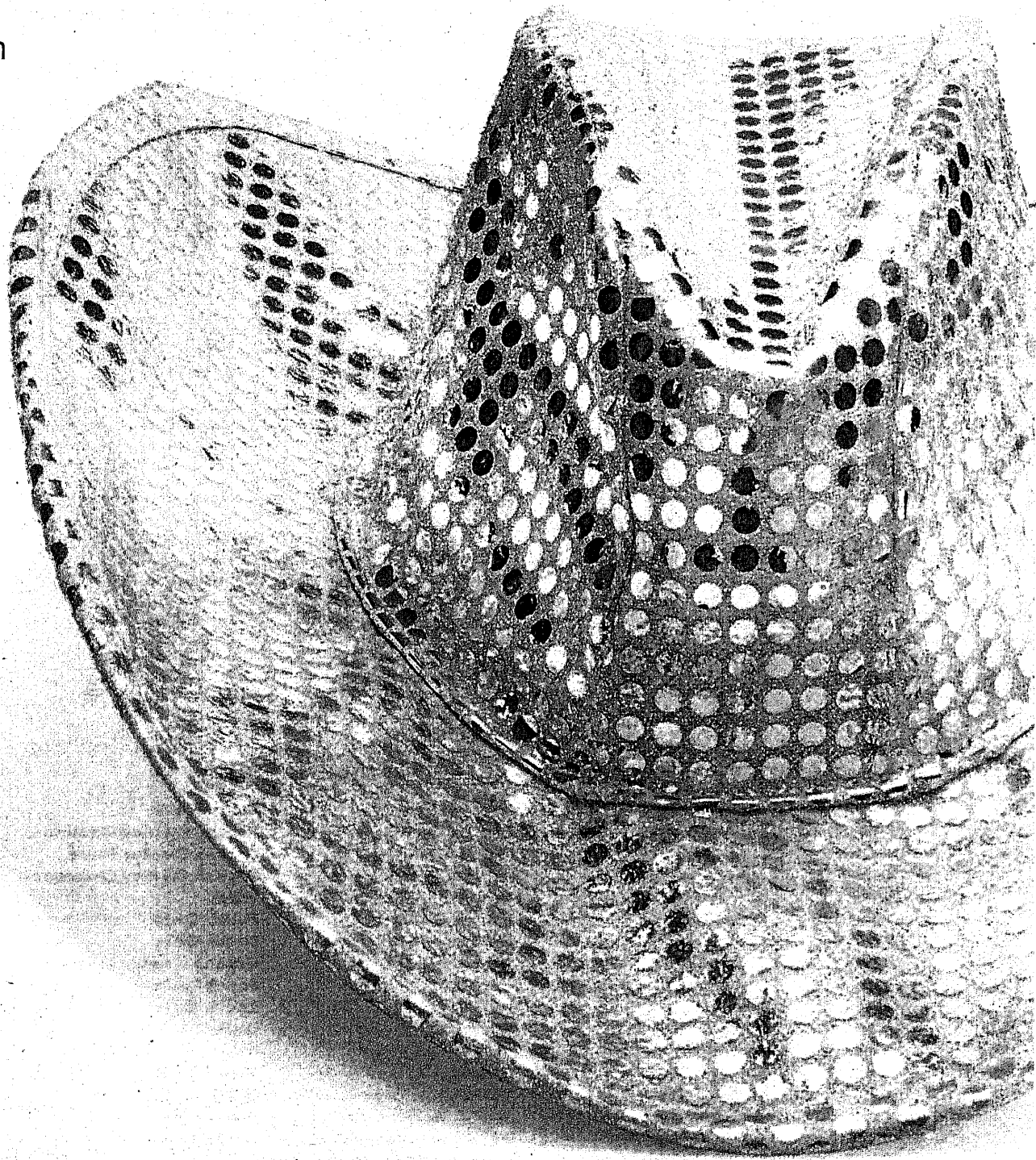
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Thursday	September 21	Novelty Night	Bryant Center Commons	10pm
Friday	September 22	Soccer Tournament	MAC	9pm
Saturday	September 23	Noche Caliente	South Café	10pm
Thursday	September 28	Comedy Showcase	South Café	10pm
Friday	September 29	Bryant@Night Event	Bryant Center Commons	10pm
Saturday	September 30	Karaoke	South Café	10pm
Thursday	October 5	Hypnotist	South Café	10pm
Friday	October 6	Theme Weekend	Halls 14, 15, 16	10pm
Saturday	October 7	Theme Weekend	Halls 14, 15, 16	10pm
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Friday	October 13	Basketball Tournament	MAC	9pm
Saturday	October 14	Midnight Madness	Main Gym	11pm
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Fri. & Sat.	October 20 & 21	Parents & Family Weekend		Call x6160 for information
Thursday	October 26	Bryant Idol Round 3	South Café	10pm
Friday	October 27	Pumpkin Carving & Crafts	Bryant Center Commons	10pm
Saturday	October 28	Ghost Story Event	South Café	10pm
Thursday	November 2	Bryant Idol Finals	South Café	10pm
Friday	November 3	Bryant@Night Event	Bryant Center Commons	10pm
Saturday	November 4	Karaoke	South Café	10pm
Thursday	November 9	Novelty Night	Papitto	10pm
Friday	November 10	Dodge Ball Tournament	MAC	9pm

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