Get ready for Homecoming Weekend!

Vanessa Williams
News Editor

This weekend Babson will host its annual Alumni Weekend and it will receive its very first Homecoming King and Queen. The weekend includes a series of events ranging from career oriented discussions to an outdoor foam party and other exciting events. The weekend kicks off Friday with a Pep Rally in the Quad at 5:30 and the Homecoming parade begins at 11:30am on Saturday. The Homecoming King & Queen will be announced during the halftime of the women’s soccer game at 12:45 pm this also. Look for Malibu’s Mysticky Jewlery exhibit on the upper fields at the New England Harvest Festival Saturday and early Sunday. A schedule for the Homecoming weekend events is listed to the right.

“La Promesse”

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Culture—Commerce—Conflict, a global film series featuring works directed by Jean-Pierre and Luc Dardenne began on September 15th with the film “La Promesse,” 1996. Every year the Arts and Humanities division hosts a film series designed to foster discussion of the humanities.Just as the Babson community is a mix of students, faculty and staff, the film series is designed to foster discussion of the humanities.

The film portrays the life of Igor, a 15-year-old boy born into a life of crime and poverty. His father makes money by bringing immigrants into Belgium and has them work for him with false work permits. While helping his father with his usual operations, one of the workers is killed. Igor finds the man minutes after the fall and attempts to save him but ultimately fails. The only way in which he is able to help the man is by fulfilling a promise. The man asks Igor to promise to keep his wife and infant child safe after he is gone. The movie follows the boy’s struggle to evaluate the person he wants to become. He may either continue the life that his father has made for him, or choose to fulfill the promise. Through Igor’s quest for self he encounters others which must also learn to take a risk in stepping beyond what is comfortable and expand their cultural boundaries.

Promises are only one of the 99 countries in the world, and that we must be aware of our role in the global community.

B.E.I. holds its conference on entrepreneurship inviting back several alumni to talk about their experiences in the entertainment industry.

Babson Spirit Evening

Events on the Quad: games, food, contests etc.

Saturday 10 AM
Alumni Athletic Games (Various locations)
Interactive Industry Panel Discussions focusing on entrepreneurship, financial services, and technology.
10:11-11:30 a.m. — Olin Hall
Women’s Rugby vs. Stonehill (lower fields)
11:00 AM
Parade
Join the first ever Babson Homecoming Parade! Each organization can decorate a vehicle of their choice and participate! President and Mrs. Bare foot will be the grand marshals of the parade.
12:30-3:00 PM
New England Harvest Festival
Food and Barbecue.
12 Noon
Women’s Soccer vs. MIT—(Upper fields)
Homecoming King and Queen crowned at Half-time!!!
1:00 PM
Men’s Rugby vs. BU—(Lower fields)
3:00 PM
Men’s Soccer vs. Salem State—(Upper fields)
Entrepreneurship: “Mind Matters: A Learning Lab for Entrepreneurs” (Olin Hall)

4:30 PM
Balgame under the tent
Watch the Red Sox on a big screen under the tent!
Balgame food will be served!

16PM-2AM
Loans in Knight Auditorium
Come on up for an authentic Laun! Beverages will be served for those with proper ID. Order graduates and alumni invited!

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NEWS

THURSDAY, SEP. 22, 2005

What Can the Chapel Do for You?

The Rev. Dr. Thomas P. Sullivan
Director of Spiritual Life and Volunteer Programs

Do you want to learn about other people and their religions? Are your parents divorced or getting a divorce? Has someone you love died? Are you looking for a place to study and grow in your faith? Would you like to reduce stress in your life? Would you like to have a quiet place to reflect or pray? Do you want a group of people who share your background? Would you like to attend some programs that are not "the same old stuff"?

You can do all of these, and more, at the Glavin Family Chapel. Named to honor the family of past Babson president William Glavin, the Galvin Family Chapel opened in the fall of 1997. Our goal in the Spiritual Life program, started in the fall of 1998, is to make students, faculty, and staff from all religious traditions (as well as those from no particular tradition) feel welcome at Babson. We host a variety of fellowship groups, events, and speakers, and we are ready to work with you to support your spiritual questions, your tradition, and your needs.

Every week in the chapel a variety of events occur: Gentle Yoga meets every Monday from 12:00 until 1:00. Monday nights we hold a more formal yoga class at 8pm. On Thursday afternoons at 5:00 pm you can attend Vinyasa Flow Yoga (Power Yoga). Students, staff, and faculty members can attend a Candlelight Meditation in the Chapel on Thursdays at 7 pm or Prayer Break on Tuesdays at 7 pm in Reynolds 245. Both provide a quiet time and reflection as a break from the hectic lives we share here at Babson.

We also hold regular worship and prayer times for several religious traditions: Roman Catholic Mass weekly at 7pm on Sunday, 5 on Mondays and 1:05 pm on Thursdays; Jewish Shabbat once a month (Sept. 23rd is the first) at 6pm on Friday; Protestant Praise and Worship Service on Sundays at 9:30 am, and Protestant Holy Communion on Wednesdays at 5:15 pm. The Prayer Room, on the ground floor of the chapel, is available for daily Islamic prayer. We host several holiday celebrations for a variety of traditions throughout the school year. This fall we will celebrate Diwali for Hindus, Ramadan for Muslims, Hanukkah for Jews, and Christmas Vespers for Christians. As we learn of other groups who have holidays, we can work with you to create a celebration for those days.

At the beginning of each month look for our Chapel First program. For September, we participated in the Student Affairs Carnival. For October, we will sponsor a Report to the Community by students who taught entrepreneurship on South Africa through our internship program this past summer. On November first we hold our Multifaith Memorial Service, where students, faculty and staff who have lost a loved one share a moving service of remembrance. And on December 5th we hold our wildly popular candle-making event, again in Reynolds, to celebrate the symbolism of light in a wide range of religious traditions.

Each of our staff of six advisors to Religious Communities (Buddhist, Catholic, Protestant, Jewish, Hindu, and Islamic), as well as the Director of Spiritual Life, is available to you for counseling, discussion, and questions. There are several active student associations that meet at the chapel (Hillel, Babson/Olin Catholic Association, AMAN, Babson Islamic Organization, Babson Christian Fellowship), and we offer a support group for members Divorced and Divorcing families, as well as a grief and loss group at different times throughout the year. Watch our website or call the Chapel for information about support groups and other events.

Step by the Chapel to say hi, pick up a brochure, ask your RA, or call us at x3093. We look forward to meeting you!
The Ten Worst States...In the United States

Will Pearse
Lifestyles Editor

While researching the ten best states in the United States, I found it blaringly obvious that there were several states that were so far away from the running that they should have some honorable mention for being bad. Honestly, I thought it only right to tell the world about these ten bad states. Please note that this listing is only in good fun as every state is a winner in my heart.

1) Missouri – The Show Me State
Their state's saying is kind of dirty. On top of that, I bet that about 40% of the population of the US could locate them on a map. That's not saying much because the half of those people live in Missouri.

2) Florida – Sunshine State
Having Disney World, Miami, Busch Gardens, Florida Keys and Universal Studios does not make Florida a cool state...Oh wait, I guess it does.

3) Wyoming – The Equality State
Its state flag is a buffalo, I don't like buffalos.

4) Maine – The Pine Tree State
No explanation needed.

5) Ohio – The Buckeye State
Let's try, Oh-Oh.

6) Texas – The Lone Star State
Texas mide the list of worst states because I wanted to upset people from Texas. If state pride could be inherited, every Texan would have that gene.

7) Connecticut – The Constitution State
The real reason why anyone goes to Connecticut is when traveling from Boston to New York City, or vice-versa. It will say, it does have some nice suburban areas, but suburbia doesn't really attract tourists.

8) New Mexico – Land of Enchantment
It could never be as cool as Old Mexico.

9) South Dakota – The Mount Rushmore State
South Dakota is not much better than North Dakota. I would have put it in the number one spot but I figured it was closer to the equator and was probably a little warmer.

10) North Dakota - Peace Garden State
I have never met anyone from North Dakota nor plan to in the near future. Not only was North Dakota never discussed in AP US History, I have never heard of any thing occurring there in the news. I would imagine it is a pretty boring place but I have nothing to support that with.

Teacher celebrates National Talk like a Pirate Day, September 19th.

The Ten Best States...In the United States

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Every once and a while, when I visit trim, my friends and I sit down and discuss such important things as the weather, sports, and things pertaining to fourth grade hockey. On an even more rare occasion, we will argue about what are the best states in the U.S. I usually win the arguments because, yeah, I'm cool like that. I felt it was my duty to share with you which states rock.

1) Colorado – The Centennial State
Aspen, Steamboat Springs, and Denver; enough said.

2) Massachusetts – The Bay State
Okay, I am a little bias to Mass, because I was born and raised here but it is still considered the fourth slot. We have had such great historical figures as John Hancock, the Kennebunk, and Samuel Adams. Also, it is a strong center of education, easily with some of the best schools in the country, such as our own institution, if not the world.

3) Illinois – The Land of Lincoln
Illinois has a lot of really important exports like soybeans, wheat, Kenne West, and Perrier. Chicago is an awesome city. What can I say, they make good pizza. Also, Chicago has a strong organized crime center.

4) New York – Empire State
New York wins the second round one the grounds that it is home to New York City. Not only is NYC the leading center in banking and finance, Sin City was the best comedy of all times.

5) California – The Golden State
California, or as the cool kids call it, Cali, is quite definitely the number one state. Cali is number one because the GDP is higher than every other state and most countries. Not only is the state landed but it is the home of great places as Hollywood and the Playboy Mansion. Plan, how could you not like the state with shows as Beverly Hills 90210, Laguna Beach, and the OC.

Unusual Observations

Will Pearse
Lifestyles Editor

For unknown reasons, I am always that kid that notices weird and unusual things. I think that I probably notice these things not because I have some type of gift (or curse) but rather others simply just do not open their eyes and look around. For instance, last night while watching Nip/Tuck I made the comment that the doctor's son looks suspiciously like Michael Jackson. But, I am not here to talk about the quality programs that Fox FX provides, so I will get back to my point.

I have seen things that I notice that really bother me. Specifically, when heading to Trim during the main course known as lunch time from 12:45 and 1:00 the traffic getting into the door is always backed up. No, it is not that there is an unforseeable door to people ratio; it is simply the fact the people usually only use one side of the doors.

There are doors to the haven that is Trim. Why is it then that people usually use one door? I told someone this and they said, "Well, they don't use the other door because people exit out that door". I think it is simply confusing for the people. The door is not just not right? There is just something about this water's taste. Is it because it comes from a well, is it cold, I don't know. All I know is that the school probably doesn't use water softeners, and the water could not be harder unless it was on an AP physics test.

Another thing is that I noticed how the school had cross walks painted on the streets at the end of the year only to have them torn up by the construction.

Recently I have become fascinated with the wooden artwork that into the woods between Reynolds and the Park Manor. I would love to say that piece has a very interesting shape and look. I wanted to go to the artist's explanation of why it was, it was during sundays. If you have not seen it yet, I would seriously check it out. I doubt that you can miss it, as it is the only artistic formation in the woods around.

Also, has anyone else noticed that Kurt Blassi has his head in the mural in Seamen. I do not mean that it is a bad thing because I really do like Kurt Blassi, he is one of the nicer faculty members on campus. I just think it is kind of interesting that his head is on the dollar bill painting.

Another thing is why are there metal pieces on every campus all over? There are a few near the library and another in front of Park Manor South. I think that it is a big interest in keeping the grounds looking very nice and prim and yet we have large existing metal things. I would have thought the school would paint them or spray that they would paint it, but I think a painted would do nice, maybe something like a baby blue. Whatever the case, I've missed these things in the past. I am sure you will notice these things in the future.

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Meetings are at Mondays at 6:30 in Trim 201
Renowned Harvard Professor Speaks to B.I.M.A.

Alex Tureczak
Staff Writer

In a jointly sponsored Banneker Investment Management Association (BIMA) and Stephen D. Cutler Investment Management Center event this past Thurs-
day, John Y. Campbell, profes-
sor of economics at Harvard Uni-
versity, and President of the
American Finance Association, to-
ed a lecture to members of the BIMA about fi-
nancial research, hedge funds, and performance metrics.

A founding partner of Arrowstreet Capital L.P., located in nearby Cambridge, MA, and member of the Board of Di-
rectors of Harvard Management Company, Campbell provided insights into his research and teaching of financial theories to Harvard PhD students complementing his hedge fund management.

Campbell said, "Many of my grad students think of innova-
tion as a major determinant in the future of the hedge funds.
Trends in regulation can also play a large role in the market.
We tend to hire these individuals and leverage our resources through them. At Arrowstreet, we take a proactive approach and integrate them with the structure of our fund. We've been through many times where we've believed a new approach developed by one of our students was very appealing, but actually turned out to be less effective."

Campbell also discussed the recent departure of long time manager of the Harvard Management Company, Donald E. Posner. "His leadership has helped build the Harvard endow-
ment from $2 billion to more than $24 billion. Under Jack, the
Harvard endowment has beaten the median institutional endow-
ment by more than 9%. It will be very hard to replace a Jack Posner."

As for the hedge fund indus-
ty, Campbell said, "The problem is the short-term mentality in the hedge fund world. Free cause
managers to roll the dice and therefore close one fund prematu-
inely in order to open up a new
one. This strategy does not maxi-
mize investment opportunities for its investors."

"At Arrowstreet we invest gradually over time. The lack of volatil-
ity the past two years has skewed market rewards for some hedge fund managers because volatil-
ity presents opportunity. But I believe these quiet times won't last forever."

While topic of discussion at the meeting was the financially related, a lighter side
evolved when Campbell described the naming of his hedge fund company came about. Campbell said, "It is typical for a hedge fund to be named after the street in which it is located on." While walking down the main road in which his offices are located on, he glanced at the names of num-
erous crossroads and found one that stuck: Arrowstreet. And thus a hedge fund was born. Campbell has recently co-
authored the book, "Strategic Asset Allocation: Portfolio Choice for Long-Term Inves-
tors."

E-mail Productivity

Prescott Saul
Staff Writer

If you go to Babson, this article applies to you. You
know that email account they
gave you when you came
here? You know, the one with
only 50MB of email space?
That's enough for about ten last-minute e-mails, and even
if your professor (or the person sending them) offered you a
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So what happens when you don't have time to delete files or
better yet — what happens when you need a copy saved forever?

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NASA Unveils Plans for Return to Moon

Christopher Cecchetti
Staff Writer

NASA on Monday un-
veiled its plan to achieve Presi-
dent Bush's vision of bringing human beings to the moon, and possibly eventually, Mars. The plan's a
draft. NASA Administrator Mike Griffin revealed that the plan will cost at least $104 billion over the next 13 years, an average of just under $9 billion a year. The
project is broken down into three major parts, the crew ex-
ploration vehicle (CEV), which is scheduled to replace the space shuttle after its 2010 retire-
ment, and the new heavy lift rocket, which will be used to bring the CEV to orbit, and a new heavy lift rocket capable of landing on the moon. Despite all the
development to be done, the finished product won't be much more capable than what the US has done with Apollo and the Space Shuttle.

The plan is widely being called "Apollo on steroids" — and rightfully so. Crews will launch to the moon in capsules very similar to those used by Apollo astronauts, and land on the moon's surface in craft bearing a striking resemblance to the tutorials of the 1960's and 70's. The costs, however, are equally as large. The CEV, while three times larger than an Apollo-era capsule is still smaller than a space shuttle, all for the rock-
down development price of $5.5 billion. The crew launch vehicle that will cost an estimated $4.5 billion to develop will not be much more than a $75 million dollar Falcon 9 rocket, designed and sold commercially by PayPal founder Elon Musk's Space Exploration Technologies.

The heavy lift rocket is planned to be the largest ever rocket ever designed and built, but I believe they'll be lucky to keep development costs below $10 bil-

Public Safety Fire Tip

Do Not Use Plastic or Expansion Cords Under Carpets

They can become worn, damaged and then ignite the carpet on fire.
Kim Jong-Il May Have Cool Hair, But His Demands Are Unreasonable

Once again, North Korea has lost all credibility when it comes to negotiations. After Monday's agreement on nuclear disarmament, North Korean officials stated that Pyongyung would not follow through on the terms of the agreement unless the US was to give North Korea a light-water reactor to provide the country with adequate power. One official stated that "Without this physical guarantee of the (light-water reactor), our position is not to even dream of us giving up our nuclear deterrence."

Immediately, countries involved in the talks started to announce their positions. Russia and Japan professed outrage that North Korea would jeopardize the new agreement. Sergei Lavrov says, "The text was very carefully agreed upon and it was the subject of very difficult compromises." Condoleezza Rice originally refused to take a stance on North Korea's claims. She then said the United States would be "ignoring" North Korean threats. Ignoring? Condoleezza Rice, the top diplomat of the most powerful country in the world, is now two years old.

Having said that, I have absolutely zero respect for Kim Jong-II. He is a crazy ruler who would sacrifice the betterment of his people in the hopes of developing weapons of mass destruction. For years he cut off all negotiations with the US and kicked out weapons inspectors. In the agreements, North Korea agreed to stand by the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty and to give up all nuclear programs in exchange for recognition by the US. This was a pledge from the US and South Korea that there will be no nuclear weapons on the Korean peninsula, and help with the energy problem in Korea from the other five nations involved, including the possibility for a light-water reactor negotiations after all the other provisions have been met.

What is worse, the North Korean people are starving and the US is not offering additional aid until North Korea complies with nuclear regulations. There are an estimated 6.5 million North Korean citizens that are starving. The agreement reached Monday seems fair to North Korea and the people who are starving, yet Kim Jong-II refuses to cooperate with China, Japan, Russia, South Korea, and the United States, even after an agreement was reached. Under these oppressed conditions, I would not be surprised if the people overthrow the government.

North Korea is using its nuclear weapons for so much political pull as it can, but the truth is, we do not even know if they exist. While it is possible that during the three-year absence of inspection officials, North Korea was able to find newer or advanced, nuclear core for a bomb, it is certainly not a fact that they did. In fact, if they had the weapons, Kim Jong-II would probably be a lot more aggressive in his foreign relations.

 Mutually assured destruction is a great bargaining chip, especially from a lunatic. I was never really scared of Saddam Hussein, but Kim Jong-II with nuclear weapons keeps me 27 at night. Do not let his funny hair and shortness fool you, he is a very dangerous person capable of unappeasable things.

Not Another Close Election

When I first heard that the German Parliament was calling for Schroeder to step down last semester, I did not know what to think. Germany is the largest and very possibly the most powerful country in Europe right now. If the European Union hopes to recover from the battles surrounding the constitution over the last several months, it needs Germany.

While its economy is currently suffering, Merkel, the head of the Christian Democratic Union Party, says she is the only one who can unite the country. In order to improve Germany's situation, all parties seem to agree that strong leadership is critical. Last year, Parliament was about to be dismantled by President Kohler because it was deadlocked on many important issues. Merkel says that under her leadership, that kind of event will not occur. She charges Schroeder with being the cause of the ineffectiveness of the German Parliament over the course of his tenure, even from the standpoint of an American, the biggest push for Merkel is her steadfast support for the United States.

Schroeder, in return, attacks Merkel, saying that she has failed to bring about change in the leadership of Parliament. He also has hinted that she is more of a divider than one who unites. It seems like a reasonable assumption seeing how Merkel is trying to establish a coalition against Schroeder, breaking up the current liberal alliance. He claims that under his strong leadership, Germany will be able to strengthen their economy and standing in the EU.

Whatever ends up happening in the elections, it has to happen quickly. The German stock market is one of the largest in the world, and if the conflict is not resolved, the market might take a swan dive. I cannot imagine the EU being able function without Germany having at least a functional government. In the past, the Parliament has been involved in many important national and continental economic decisions. For those of you who invested in international markets, you understand the implications of this show of weakness on the part of Germany's government.

So what do I think? Who would I like to win this battle over the legislature of Germany? I say that Schroeder would be a much more effective leader, even with all of the red tape of the Parliament and the fact that he does not have a majority. It is not that I think that Schroeder is a great leader, although he does not seem to be that bad, but there are a lot of German officials who are dead-set against the CDU, Merkel's party. Quite frankly, I am scared of any party that wants to make the government more religiously oriented.

US Debt to China Swells Under Bush Administration

Chinese Express


**OPINIONS**

**NCAA Against Native American College Mascots**

Marianne Abrams  
Staff Writer

There is now a great deal of controversy over the NCAA’s decision regarding Native American representation in college sports. The National Collegiate Athletic Association has ordered eighteen teen colleges and universities to change their team names and mascots. Among these are The Seminoles of Florida State and The Fighting Illini of The University of Illinois.

The organization has not given a clear definition of what it considers hostile and abusive to Native Americans, and many are questioning the claim’s legitimacy.

Organizations who are concerned with Native Americans and their representation in society have much more meaningful avenues of action available to them. It would be far nobler to rally for increased social and political rights for Native Americans. Native American communities could also benefit significantly from monetary assistance. Instead, NCAA is divesting funds to such things as fighting legal battles with the resistant schools. In demanding that the colleges and universities forgo their team titles and logos, they are also creating considerable damage to the schools’ finances.

If a school complies, they must change stadium appearance, uniforms for players, cheerleaders, and the marching bands, and memorabilia that they sell to promote college unity and team spirit. If a school does not follow through with this unreasonable edict, they will be barred from post-season play, losing massive sums of money. An alternative course of action is to protest to the ban would be to use the legal system’s courts to wage war with NCAA. Florida State is one of the schools that has successfully taken this path, and is now no longer on the list of schools affected by the decision.

However, the financial resources used for court battles or changing logos or not playing games could have been used far more efficiently to improve the actual lives of Native Americans. NCAA could impose a reasonable tax on the use of Native American titles and images, an action far less disruptive to universities and far more beneficial to Native American communities and tribes.

The idea in itself is noble: addressing discrimination against Native Americans. There are a number of tribes who thoroughly agree with the ban, and would even advocate stronger action. I am not a Native American so maybe I have no right to personally judge whether mascots and team names are offensive. Nevertheless, it all seems a little bit ridiculous, and the quest for political correctness in this situation is unbearable and illegal. Why doesn’t the NCAA ban Notre Dame’s use of “Fighting Irish,” especially if Fighting Illini is so blatantly offensive?

There must also be a handful of religious groups somewhere who are opposed by the University of Arizona’s Sun Devils and Duke’s Blue Devils, so these names could ultimately be forced into retirement. Animal rights activists would surely complain about the exploitation and slaughter of animals with team names like University of Michigan’s Wolverines and University of Florida’s Gators.

Where will the NCAA draw the line if the enforcement of this decision is accepted by the nation? Is it its hope to right the egregious wrongs committed on Native Americans by this nation, the NCAA is missing the mark, and harassment of colleges does not appear to be a fruitful solution. There needs to be more cooperation between the NCAA and universities, and goals to create actual improvement and growth need to be set.

**Ugrabh Decision Making Board Brings Desired Change**

Herbie Weissburgh  
Opinions Editor

Like most people at the school, when I receive the mass e-mails about the progress of the Undergraduate Decision Making Board (UG DBM), I do what I do with most U格s e-mails, I skim it, then off to the deleted items folder it goes. It was surprising, then, when I went to the weekly Student Government Association meeting and listened to Patti Greene, the Dean of the Undergraduate School, discuss the changes that have been made by the board over the past year.

I would like to congratulate everyone involved, professors and students alike (and Rob Major) for their accomplishments. It seems like almost every reasonable complaint that my friends and I had about scheduling, Foundation Management Experiences, or Intermediate Management Experience have been rectified. My only complaint is that I will not be able to reap the full benefits of the actions of the committee.

All of you freshmen out there should go to each member of the committee and thank them personally for all of the improvements to the curricula. I honestly feel that it is an amazing improvement, especially taking into consideration the fact that the course has been in existence for so long and you still are able to learn the same amount in your time at Babson with less inconvenience.

With the continuous improvement of the Babson reputation and student body, it is important that the curriculum improve as well, and I credit Dean Greene, the UG DBM, and anyone else involved for their ability to appreciate that and do something about it. I was talking to several other representatives and senators in SGA after the meeting and everyone seemed shocked at the sheer effectiveness of the board and the quality of the results. I wish that all of the organizations, commissions, and departments at Babson could run that well. Maybe after they are done with revamping the system, the UG DBM could move onto reforming other parts of Babson College.

I think that Jocelyn Chao deserves a word of recognition. She has spent a good deal of time over the past year representing the student interests on the UG DBM, a commission made up of mostly faculty. Pat Cahill will now be serving as the primary student representative to the committee. I hope he can do just as good a job.

The high school students who will be coming to Babson in the next few years have to know how lucky they are, and probably will never know. So I thank the board for their work for them and hope to reap some of the benefits as well.

*It is just so hard to please everybody.*  
Judge Roberts
Kate Watson:
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Frank Vasello's outdoor installation is featured above. It has been interpreted as a boat, cradle, and bowl-like structure. Vasello encourages all to look at nature as an art form.

Manjiri Rastogi
Arts Editor

At 4:30 PM on Wednesday, September 25, 2005, students, faculty and staff alike gathered for wine, cheese and at the opening reception of "Better Nature," an art show promoting the outdoor installations of artists Frank Vasello and Megan Cronin. The artists have created their own creations and marked their place in the woodwalled area in the middle of Seyloule Campus Center and Park Manor Central.

Vasello is from Provinceton, MA and earned his degree from Massachusetts College of Art. In addition to teaching indoor and outdoor artwork, Vasello is an entrepreneur who runs his own restaurant called "Bali Beach" in The Cape.

Vasello refers to his outdoor pieces as a personal response to his life. He tries to help others appreciate "nature's trash" by employing those things in his art creations. He claimed he can see a connection in doing so at Balsan due to our extremely well kept and manicured campus. Nonetheless, Vasello managed to gather together various items to create his piece. He emphasized that his motive never includes the conveyance of a particular message; instead, he likes to leave his artwork up to personal interpretation. His piece has been described as a boat, bowl, cradle and canoe and Vasello loves it. He predominantly loves the idea of spontaneity. In other words, he never starts out with a set idea of what he would like the end product to look like. After making this boat-like sculpture, he decided to throw in the unimportant element of cradled shells. He has no real reason for doing so other than the idea of spontaneity.

When asked what he would give to aspiring artists, Vasello responded "Take a course in grant writing." a remark which I clipped at first. Vasello went on to explain that it is extremely important to balance out the creative classes he took at school with business courses because the industry income is not very high. Cronin, originally from Marblemount, MA is currently pursuing her graduate degree at Maine College of Art. She has been featured around the New England area for several years now exhibiting at the Fuller Museum (Brooklin, MA) and The Clark Gallery (Lincoln, MA). She originally started out as a graphic designer but moved to the jewelry and metalsmithing field.Cronin is particularly appreciative of the fact that nature is unable to be subclassed by architecture. For example, two roots will come up through pines and mold will occur in buildings. Unbeknownst enough, Cronin's art has a lot to do with the botanical imagery. When asked why, Cronin expressed that she grew up in the suburbs near water and recently moved to Brooklyn, NY. After being immersed in city-life, she realized that she felt an absence of the water as the possibilities seemed endless there. When asked if she felt her artwork was subtle and hidden away, she responded "Some won't see it and others will." Instead, she wanted to spread the idea that people need to devoted a little effort to see it. She went on to say that perhaps something might grab attention and draw them in towards it so what like a treasure hunt. I truly relates to this perspective. I love the idea that there is so much beauty all around the world and it requires one to be receptive to see it all.

A group of first year MFA students were sketching Vasello's work today as part of a required creativity stream. Professor Mary Pibaed, Chair of the Painting and Humanities Division, directed that she wanted her students to experience "en plein air," French for "in the fresh air. I really liked the idea that these students were required to have a creative experience with nature, and believe students should encounter a nature and art more frequently.

A Review of "Y Tu Mama Tambien"

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Life – what is it? What does having life mean? Is it a gift or a curse? Do we have control over it or does it control us? These are just some of the questions that "Y Tu Mama Tambien" makes you wonder, but does not answer, making you come up with your own answers.

Directed by Alfonso Cuaron, and starring Diego Luna, Gael Garcia Bernal, and Maribel Verdu, the film reminds us that life is not a straight road; it has many bumps and curves along the way. However, how one deals with the obstacles along the way shapes their experiences and teaches them something about themselves and about others.

One could argue that the film features three main characters around which the film revolves, focusing on their individual lives and experiences. However, Cuaron introduces each character in a unique way: he employs silence to capture the audience's attention and then proceeds to reveal the character's specific past, present and future. I found each character's story particularly intriguing and was impressed with the way Cuaron was able to build off the story's plot. His particular style is able to grab the stories of the characters and then attributes a certain importance to them, creating a parallel in the story line.

Cuaron's style is almost poetic as it evokes sense of serenity to keep us calm and passively accept the sexually provocative and socially shocking acts which occur on screen. The film actually seduces you and forces you to live a fantasy that even you may refuse to accept.

The quality of acting in the film is absolutely excellent. Diego Luna is particularly impressive as he plays the charismatic idiot and prevents us from descending into a political mess. Similarly, Bernal and Verdu give great performances, each doing justice to their roles and contributing to the film's evident success.

One must understand that to fully digest that delicious dish called "Y Tu Mama Tambien," one must not judge the movie as it slowly unfolds. One must wait until it completely unfolds because it shows itself in a very real, yet dreamy and blurry view of emotions that we all feel at one point of time or another but fear to accept.

Although this film is about life, it is not about its meaning – it is about the fact that it is so significant; it is about friendship but not its glory, and it is about how we deal with the side of us we reveal to the world.

All things considered, I would like to give this film an excellent film which leaves a sweet yet bitter aftertaste to your mouth because it forces you to consider innumerable questions you may never want to answer.
Experience Roma and Its Amazing Food, Art and Culture

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First Week in Roma

That afternoon I had my first authentic Italian experience at the home of our landlord. His young children, Giovina and Eugenio, attend a local International school and appreciate the opportunity to practice their English. In broken foreign languages, accompanied by many hand gestures and charades, we shared stories of our home cultures. After an hour of bonding with the young ones, the fashionably dressed mother, Christina, invited us to stay for lunch. We gladly agreed and the elegant meal, in honor of our landlord’s 55th birthday, unfolded.

We ate with real silverware. We had an exquisite three course meal consisting of blended orange juice, fish soup, fresh salad, and fried white fish and topped off with a cake of chestnut jam and Chantilly cream with the strong coffee I have come to love. We laughed at how big everything is in America and how we have four types of milk to choose from compared to their simplistic blends in reasonable sizes. My roommates and I have plans to share the preparation of a meal with just the teenagers at our place sometime next week.

I made it through our first week of classes, managing to navigate the bus and train system to be relatively on time. Each of my professors seems to be an expert in their field and their less than perfect English skills endeavor rather than frustrating. I began reading Dante with my literature class and the break from numeric analysis is so welcome I cannot even describe it. I read about the Roman Forum for one history class, then visited the site with my professor and listened to a lecture while gazing at the actual ruins.

The next morning I met on the bridge of Castel St. Angelo to learn about important Popes through the ages. I arrived around nine in the morning and the rays of sunshine over the Arno River, just past the sleeping city, formed such a picturesque moment. Local residents were walking their pet dogs or strolling to work in a relaxed manner so uncharacteristic of everyone at home.

My roommate continues to impress in the kitchen, being the creator of my birthday dinner. My friends accompanied me to find all the local nightlife in honor of my big day. Each new morning I look forward to chatting with the coffee barista in Italian and eavesdropping on the locals during my bus ride each afternoon. Overall, I am settling in just fine to this big city, fully appreciating each moment I can experience! It is a new culture. Immersion is the name of the game, and quite the learning experience that it is!

A Week up North

The Alps rose gracefully in front of us and behind us the Dolomites of Superga, housing the crypt of Kings and Queens from days gone by. Below the mountain, a week end of local gourmet foods, cappuccinos created by a friend and me, carbonara penne for a leisurely Sunday afternoon, and angoliotti with truffle filling crafted by the old ladies of the village earlier that day (I can not neglect to mention the bicerin, a local drink made of chocolate calda, a dash of espresso and topped with a touch of cream, which we tasted at the most authentic café in town, appropriately named Al Bicerin).

The wonderful weekend with friends in the North of Italy was flanked by train rides of picturesque scenery and new Italian friends. It is funny, once they all learn of our apparent lack of language skills, its almost endearing as they help us along with pronunciation and certain vocabulary words.

Fun highlights include a Carnival party hosted by the school, entitled Mardi Gras for you English speakers. My roommates and I stopped for the most authentic masks we could find, Venice in the North being the headquarters of such celebrations so we could dance the night away. Our afternoon in Frascati was an approach to Roman culture and laughter. Three of us girls discovered a local hill town, infamous for its production of regional white wine. We talked with shop keepers, indulged in a noteworthy antipasto buffet and explored the Villa Aldobrandi grottoes and the endless fountains.

Rome is starting to feel like home, I can navigate the bus system with increased ease and even conduct relatively long conversations with locals. It seems that my friends and I have been here together for years, and we add to the number of Italian people we know daily.

Experience of Pope John Paul II's death

The experience of Pope John Paul II's death has made me realize how integrated I have become into Italian culture. The faces of people on the bus have changed to a slightly more somber composite and greetings of love have held an increased significance. The changes would only be noticeable to those already familiar with the faces of the Italian people we have the privilege of interacting with daily. Non-relevant musicians who play their instruments for tourists around the rock have posted small signs that read, "In his honor we remain silent."

Even dinner at the Hard Rock Café, temporarily satisfying our longing for American culture, is unusually quiet. The music videos flash before our eyes, and the waiter explains that the volume is muted also in memory of the Pope. The recent events have impacted every area of our life here. Buses more crowded, certain small shops are closed, and devoted followers flock to the city from all corners of the world. Select friends of mine waited in line for two hours to see the procession and special liturgy as they moved his body from the Vatican to St. Peters.

Others have trodded to the sacred site at all hours of the morning to join the five to six hour wait in order to pay their respects. The Pope honored his memory in his own way, but we students and the millions of other pilgrims in this city, remember fondly the honorable life of Pope John Paul II.

Diversity Spotlight

Office of Academic Services

The Class of 2009’s theme for Orientation was "It’s Possible. At Babson." This is a theme that we believe keenly defines our entrepreneurial character and shapes our interactions with each other. The collective opening celebration of the school exemplifies this and reminds us that Babson, it is possible to embrace each other, our differences, and our connections. In the Office of Academic Services, we work diligently with student input to foster an environment that is open, engaging, and replete with diverse learning opportunities. We care so much about the diversity and perspectives you have to offer that we encourage you to take any interest we advise you through independent research projects, language courses, and class events, to name a few.

From a big picture point of view, we sincerely hope you feel our office is committed to the celebration of diversity and similarities of our values as human beings. Our College defines diversity as broadly as possible and everyone is welcome to the table at Babson. While we believe Academic Services and the students we work hand in hand with are mutual assets to each other, we also fully encourage you to take advantage of the opportunities available in places like Campus Life, the Chapel, and Student Affairs. Take it a step further and think about what’s possible at Babson. It’s possible to sit next to someone and realize you may share differences and similarities. It’s possible to open your mind and be blown away by one conversation or interaction. It’s possible to expand the traditional ways of approaching the world by realizing that you may do things differently and arrive at the same outcome as your teacher, boss, or friend. At Babson, it’s possible to just be you.

ATTENTION First Year Students: The deadline to sign up for Dinner at the Hard Rock Café and the show, Shear Madness is this Friday, Sept 20th. Please come to Academic Services in Hollister Hall to RSVP and pay only $20 for dinner, a show, and transportation.
Intro to Florence

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I absolutely love this city. Florence has been the place of my life for us. The city literally comes alive when the sun goes down, people close up shop, and you can pull down your credit cards for a few hours. We walk around wide-eyed and amazed (with our purses securely in two hands of course) at all the bright lights and people from over that cross the streets.

Tonight we found a quaint pizza place where literally six diners are placed as a place for $3. Afterwards we spent the bulk of our meal money on gelato, a resident favorite of the night and our downfall.

On a slight sugar high, I expended some effort to talk to the cafe (cashier) about our group and where we were from. He detected the Spanish influence in my vocabulary and马上 replied.

Our professor's name is Sara; with no "h" she takes over and speaks out. Pretty much everyone Italian, she wouldn't speak a word of English to us, even化工 in English, I could not understand her, perfectly intelligible for being a few minutes late. She expected utmost politeness from us here, which I think is good training especially for those foreign Americans.

Last night we had another welcome cocktail in this city at an up and coming club bar, filled as place to discuss the arts, society and local events. We rented out the building and took many photos of the unique decor. Many people came and one guy even allowed the group to celebrate like 1980 in the club with him! I was in bed a little before midnight but reminded the group that pretty soon, my home is on the way, and everyone is all invited to the celebration.

So, in our Fodor's guide of 25 can't miss places, the Ponto Vecchio is one and the Duomo is another. We definitely pass by both of these places daily, on our way to classes across the Arno or buying books and other sundries. I still can't believe that I live in such a magnificent place. We eat lunch around the school with meal tickets that are as good as cash. The school gives us a book and then we are free to eat at any local places in the city with these certificates. It is so fun to venture out from class in the morning and find a new lunch spot, sometimes returning to the same cafe with a hundred and avoiding the tourist area because of their unreasonably high prices.

Next, I have to describe this ancient palace which the program threw our first dinner inside. It was amazing: we wandered from room to room simply looking at the ceilings and ornate decor throughout. And the vernacular design is breathtaking. To set the context a little, we walk around like it is just a second nature, so we got haunted and so thirsty for water our second night in the city.

We are greeted into this amazing palace and ushered through several rooms of appetizers and fruit cocktails. Then we take our seats at the linen tablecloths and the event begins. First course is bread with olive oil, followed by rice with cheesy sauce (does not sound that good, but trust me I could eat it forever. I think there was spinach also.) Second course was penne pasta like I have never had before, rich tomatosauce with ingredients that invigorated the taste buds. A chicken dish with spiked potatoes and another cream sauce absolutely filled us up. To top it off, the tiramisu was complimented with coffee.

This was all served by black tie waiters who served us individually with piping hot dishes by the way. The tiramisu was creamier than anything I have had before. Started the other side of the Massimago, I think we were all in a food daze for several hours afterwards.

San Gimignano.

Sunday in Florence

I had the most wonderful Sunday today in Florence. It began with a breakfast in the stairway in the oldest hotel in Florence (Porta Rossa) which we now consider home. The waitstaff is so friendly and makes the best cappuccino in town. I wrote another entry in my journal so that I can capture every memorable moment here and then ventured out in the city. Yesterday was a little bit of a washout in the weather but filled with people, locals doing errands and tourists seeing the sights. Seeing the city begin to wake lazily the morning after was such a welcome change. A few street cleaners moved out of my way and the postcard vendors were unloading their trucks. As the fog lifted, I walked down the familiar streets to San Lorenzo's 1426 church.

Mass was entirely in Italian, which I nearly forget until they began. I practiced my pronunciation by reading aloud the scriptures at the group and trying out some of the songs with beautiful chords in the background. We passed the "Peace" and when the sermon continued a few too many complicated sentences, I was able to gaze at paintings by Bronzino and pulpita by Donatello. It was truly a spiritual experience.

I stopped for a coffee in another familiar cafe and people watched with the regulars. One gentleman started to strike up conversation but I had to politely tell him "No, non parlo italiano ma studia in scuola per tre settimane qui." I spent the beginning of the afternoon in Casa Buonarroti, a museum owned by Michelangelo's descendants and slightly off the beaten path. After reading the biographical novel about his life, I appreciated seeing the marble statues and intricate drawings come to life. I have to force myself to keep walking into some of these art museums because the paintins are so captivating.

For lunch I met a new friend, Lauren from UCLA, at a Chinese restaurant. She and I love walking around town and talking about the new experiences we are having.

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On Monday, September 12, 2005, after 6 years of planning, Mickey Mouse and his friends opened its door in Hong Kong. With the price of US $37.80 for adults and US $29.90 for children, the theme park has a total capacity of 44.94 for adults and US $32.00 for children on weekends, visitors could enjoy the different rides and attractions.

The new Disneyland is expected to generates over $60 million revenue as well as to increase employment opportunities. It is over 10 minutes by light rail from the international airport and 24 minutes from Hong Kong.

My cousins who live in Hong Kong already visited the Disneyland, and they said it was a very different experience from other Disneyland throughout the world. They said they could feel the Chinese influence throughout the park, even though Mickey Mouse and his friends do not dress up in Chinese traditional clothing. For example, the luxury hotels do not have four floor because the number four sounds like word for death in Cantonese.

For those of you who love the color green, you would not be able to find any green hats because green hats are known to be unlucky in Chinese culture. For those of you who are very fond with International food, they offer dozens of food outlets offering almost every region of China, as well as cuisine from Southeast Asia, Japan and the West. For sure, you will not get hungry.

Personally, I think this Disneyland would be a great place for family and children throughout Asia to visit during holidays. Due to the recent terrorist, tornadoes, and other warnings, the Asian tourism industry has been affected. Consequently, this new Disneyland should increase the number of visitors. Some people have argued that this Disneyland will not go further than its first year because of what has been going on with the Disneyland in Japan; however, I do not agree with that.

I think the Hong Kong tourism industry has been doing a fairly good job in marketing the new Disneyland as well as Hong Kong itself. Visitors will not come only for the Disneyland, but they would also want to come for the taste of Hong Kong. There are many opportunities for tourists to enjoy the taste of Hong Kong, and one of them is through the Disneyland. So what are you waiting for? Do not have any plans for holidays? Book a ticket to Hong Kong and visit the latest Disneyland and this amazing city.

The Latest Hong Kong Disneyland

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Babson Women’s Soccer Notches Another ’W’ in Saturday’s Match.

Dave Barner
Sports Editor

Coming into Saturday’s match against Bridgewater State College, the Babson College Women’s soccer team was 3-1 with only 2 goals scored against them. Their previous match did not fair too well. They had just come off a 2-0 loss to Bowdoin, in which they played solid defense and offense, but just missed the two unlucky plays. It was clear to see at the beginning of Saturday’s match that this team was going to be focused and determined like never before.

The weather couldn’t have been better for the match. It appeared clear and sunny, with a slight breeze. These conditions were absolutely what Babson wanted for a great day of soccer.

The match opened up with fairly even play through the first 10 minutes. The ball remained close to the midpoint, with occasional breaks to each net. It was clear that both teams were trying to figure out the potential open spots in the other team’s defense.

In the 21st minute of the match, it looked like Babson had found open hole in the Bridgewater State defense. Midway through the drive, though, a Babson player was tripped, leading to an indirect kick very close to the goal. The team almost made good use of this opportunity, sending a ball over most of the defense, off of a head of a Babson player, landing just to the right on the net. With this drive, it was clear that the Babson team was gaining in offensive strength, and would hopefully have more drives to come.

On the other side of the pitch, it seemed as if Bridgewater’s offense was at similar strength to that of Babson.

Unlike Babson, though, the Bridgewater team seemed to be finding a lot of trouble in staying onside. Their great drives were always broken up by Babson’s defense, keeping their players in check.

With 5:27 left in the first half, the Babson defense showed its strength in an amazing stop against the Bridgewater offense. It seemed as if the tenacity of Babson’s offense rubbed off on the defense, as the scoreless match was kept in tact.

In the 44th minute of play, Babson found itself in the midst of another scoring opportunity. Similar to their last big drive, Babson drove the ball up the left side of the field. Following this, there was a pass to the middle, and a quick shot to the left of the opposing goalkeeper. Somehow, the Bridgewater goalkeeper managed to slap the ball down, and save her team from the immediate shot. Fortunately, though, Babson First Year Ingrid Osterholm was first to rebounce the ball, kicking it straight to the back right corner of the net.

At the end of the first half, Babson found itself up 1-0, taking the lead against the Bridgewater team.

The Beavers held on to secure the win over Bridgewater State College in the 1-0 win, out shooting Bridgewater 19-12. The team heads to Franklin, Mass. on the 22nd, with a series of 2 home games versus MIT, Tufts, and Bates following. For a complete list of games for the Babson Women’s soccer team, and any of the rest of Babson’s teams, please visit www.babson.edu/athletics.

Babson Sophomore Nikki Stier makes her way to Bowdoin’s net on route to their 1-0 victory.

Babson Men’s Soccer Takes Care of Business Saturday

Dave Barner
Sports Editor

The Babson Men’s soccer team has a problem. They seem to be missing a word in their collective dictionary: procrastination. Saturday’s game was clear evidence of this fact in their 2-0 victory over rival Brandeis.

Before Saturday’s match, the Babson Men’s soccer team successfully completed 3 shutout victories, losing only one game to Williams. In each of their wins, the team worked to produce shutout wins, needing only 1 or 2 goals to seal their matches.

With the first blow of the whistle to signal the start of the game, Babson seemed to jump all over the Brandeis defense. The first score of the match came only 1:17 deep into the game. At the final point of a strong Babson drive to the net, Babson Junior Gregg Robinson relayed a pass into the upper left corner of the Brandeis net.

During the first half, it was hard to find any real heavy drives by the Brandeis offense. They seemed to be bogged down by off sides calls and the attentive Babson defense. With 19:50 to go in the first, the first potential shot by Brandeis was set up nicely. Unfortunately for them, a handball ruined their chance, and sent the ball back in the other direction.

Following this play, Babson sent a return drive toward Bowdoin’s defense. Here they managed to power a shot toward the right of Bowdoin’s goalkeeper. Just barely, the keeper tipped the ball and saved a goal, but couldn’t hold on to it. The ball bounced around the box for a few seconds, eventually being rebounded again by the Babson offense and missing to the right of the net.

In the 33rd minute of the game, an indirect kick gave Brandeis another opportunity to score. With a great save by Babson goalkeeper Chris Necklas, though, the game remained in Babson’s hands with a 1-0 lead at the half.

The second half proved to be one of great defense for Babson. Coming off a strong performance in the 1st half, Chris Necklas continued his great run between the posts with a mere 3 saves (4 total in the game) to keep his team in the driver’s seat.

Babson’s Tim Winn later tacked on a second goal in the 90th minute of the match to give the Beavers the 2-0 win and their fourth victory of the season.

Babson next heads to Springfield for a one game road trip, followed by a home game versus Salem St. or the 24th at 3pm.

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First Year Ingrid Osterholm drives downfield in Babson’s 1-0 win versus Bridgewater State.

Sports

Intramurals Launch Intense Competition

Shawn Hawthorne
Staff Writer

Week one started a rivalry that should continue throughout the season in Intramural Puck Hockey. Why you ask? Simply because there are only two teams in the league, they will play one another every week for bragging rights and of course, a nice 2M Champion t-shirt.

Prime Time took the short end in week one losing to The Gooses in a tough 4-3 match up. Alton Horowitz and his gang on Prime Time will try and average the loss in this coming week’s game.

Week one of 3v3 Basketball also saw the favorites immediately being their ’A’ game as the Goodfollas and defending 5v5 champions. The Dynasty, rolled to solid victories over 13C Noodles and the Raiders, respectively. The Goodfollas, led by Ben Drumel, Dana Wallman, and Albin Wade might be trouble for Alvaro Longino and the rest of The Dynasty if they make it to the playoffs.

Outdoor soccer’s favorites and victors in week one, The Trapper Jun’s III, had a small score to week two as their goals. Tom Anderson fall apart early to let the first four shots in the goal from the 2:0 invaders on Mon. night. Amit Singh of the Invaders, even managed to blast a shot right into the broad basket of Anderson who let it go between both his arms and through his legs in the goal.

Other first half goals for the invaders from Samvvea Gill, who netted twice early in the game, and Daniel Ristepo. However, Trapper Jun’s were able to settle down as Kevin Guy stepped up the hustle throughout the remainder of the first half, scoring once, and assisting on a Marc Cassella goal.

The teams entered the second half with the invaders at the score of 4-2. The tough defense, conditioning, and two-way style play of the Jun’s simply outmatched the international style of the Invaders. Goals by Ben Drumel, Dan Wallman, and Norton, as well as a second by Cassella finished off the Invaders throughout the second half. The final score of 6-4 sends the Trapper Jun’s into week three with a 2-0 record.

Intramurals are open to all students, and to register, scores, schedules, and highlights are posted on our website within the Babson Athletics home page.