Women's Leadership Breakfast asks: What is your passion?

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Tuesday, March 7th
Babson Leadership Program hosted "The Role of Women in Global Entrepreneurship" leadership event. The event included a keynote speech and panel presentation and began with an inspirational breakfast with Barbara Barrett, President and CEO Triple Creek Guest Ranch and Mina Sherzoy, President and founder, Afghan Women Business Association and WOMAN Non-Governmental Organization. While the breakfast was intended to be a prelude to a larger event, students, college administrators, and guests left with more than a fulfilled appetite.

Barrett and Sherzoy were asked one question: "what is your passion?" Through their areas of expertise, the perspectives were vast. Both shared that inspired women to challenge their limitations and to explore questions that make life fulfilling.

Barbara Barrett began her interest in entrepreneurship at a young age when she supported her family, including her five siblings, by teaching people how to ride horses. From this foundation Barrett is now CFO of Triple Creek Guest Ranch, a Relais & Chateaux property. In addition to this successful role she is chairman of the Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy and a member of the US-Afghan Women's Council and Defense Business Board, a member of the Council on foreign Relations in New York, a Senior Advisory board member of Harvard's Institute of Politics and is on the board of the Center for International Private Enterprise.

As the keynote speaker of Tuesday’s event, Barrett spoke about her vision for success and how she developed as a leader. Coming from a background of hard work and determination that developed into a successful career path, she was asked the question: "how do you push yourself when you come from privilege?" The answer was told in one word: passion. No matter what your background, or place in the global arena the driving force of all accomplishments comes from the same place, one’s heart. She and the other women present at the event stressed the importance of fulfillment in their lives.

Mina Sherzoy shared an inspirational view of her life's path was changed by one visit here. Originally from Afghanistan, Sherzoy came to the US in 1979 with her family in exile of the Russian invasion of her country. Beginning in 1961, at the age of 18, she worked her way from the bottom up, to success in real estate.

As Bess speckled 25 years in the United States, finally she made a return visit to Afghanistan, her country, and proudly explained that she could not leave. The state of the country was one of proliferation and chaos. Four out of every five children born in Afghanistan die before they reach the age of five. Life expectancy is 26 years. Four out of every five children born in Afghanistan die before they reach the age of five. Life expectancy is 26 years. Life expectancy is 26 years. Four out of every five children born in Afghanistan die before they reach the age of five. Life expectancy is 26 years. Life expectancy is 26 years. Life expectancy is 26 years. Four out of every five children born in Afghanistan die before they reach the age of five. Life expectancy is 26 years. Life expectancy is 26 years.

The key to Sherzoy believes notices in education. She has established a center at the University of Maryland in which women can attend and train in business and management classes. She is also working as the Director of Women's Economic Development (WED), to provide micro loans to women along with training and management training.

Sherzoy’s dedication and belief are inspirational and exemplary. As Barbara Barrett stated in her address: "you’re the adults here now, you need to make the world better.”

USNA Leadership and Ethics Conference 2006

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The United States Naval Academy located in the quaint historic town of Annapolis Maryland, along the Chesapeake Bay is home to a brigade of over 4,000 Naval Midshipmen. After setting foot on the breathtaking 3500-acre campus spattered with ancient monuments and statues, antique cannons and missiles, and marble domes supported by colossal concrete pillars, one realizes that the academy is essentially its own city within the state of Maryland.

This was the first time Babson was invited to participate in the USNA Leadership and Ethics Conference that brings together the best minds in the practice and study of leadership to exchange ideas, experiences and methods with military and civil leaders. The conference was held in the USNA base from February 6th to 8th. Participants continue on page 3...

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Letter from Editor-in-chief

Letter of Apology to Figs Restaurant and Readers

Last week’s publication of “Can Discrimination Ever Stop” has raised distress, we are retracting the article. We would furthermore like to apologize to Figs restaurant and to readers for the lack of judgment in placing the article in last week’s issue.

The article did not reflect the ideas of the Free Press organization or Babson College. Reflective of one student’s personal interpretation, the story was misplaced in the News section and furthermore expressed a bias.

We apologize for any misrepresented statement of our standards at the Free Press. We offer a sincere apology to Figs restaurant, to our readers and to anyone affected by what we published.

Chris McCabe ’06 filled the hall. It was truly an even to be re-memorized! 

“Acoustic audiences” appear to be a new, live, energetic and entertaining phenomenon; our very own, Vice President Carol Hacker! Gorgeously decorated and breathtakingly filled, the hall was placed throughout Knight, food and refreshments were abundant, and the amazing sounds of pianist

Rebecca Soon Advertising Director

Annual Auction a Success

This past Tuesday, members and sponsors of the Senior Week Committee held the Annual Auction, a proceeds from which will go towards helping to fund the events of Senior Week. Thanks to donations from dozens of companies, individuals and even suites, the hard work of the committees paid off, and the event raised over $6,600!

The event included two parts: a silent auction held during the day in Reynolds and the live auction in the afternoon held in Knight.

The live auction was beautifully and professionally done, complete with a live, energetic, and entertaining auctioneer: our very own, Vice President Carol Hacker! Gorgeously decorated and breathtakingly filled, the hall was placed throughout Knight, food and refreshments were abundant, and the amazing sounds of pianist

Sincerely,

Vanessa Williams

From Student to Professional: How to Show & Tell Employers You’ve Got What It Takes

It is no secret that to be successful in the job search process, it is important to market yourself – your credentials, experience, and experiences. But, what is the key to “finding your dream job”? The answer: effectively communicate your diverse experiences will enable you to make significant contributions to an employer and presenting yourself in such a manner that an employer begins to view you as a colleague. In the interview process, you should be prepared to interpret each out-of-class experience and to show the significance of these experiences both to you (on a personal level) and to the organization you served.

The strategies below are designed to assist you in marketing your skills.

Examine and narrate your out-of-class experiences through the “lens” of your career goal. It is important to present additional experiences, but make sure you emphasize the experiences that most closely relate to the position for which you are applying. For example, if you participated in the theater club and are applying for a position as a journalist, it will be important to emphasize your oral communication/public speaking skills.

Convey what you learned as well as what you did in your job, internship, or activity. Even if your role was limited, you probably gained some valuable insights about a particular organization and working environment that can be communicated on your resume and during the interview process.

Quantify your actions whenever possible. The use of numbers to describe your experiences provides employers with valuable insights about your achievements and skills. Numbers can set context and suggest intensity of effort, diligence, and level of accomplishment.

Center the way your information impacts employers through sequencing and amplification. Place the emphasis in both your written and oral communication on “related experiences.” It is appropriate to mention additional experiences, but make sure you emphasize the experiences that most closely relate to the position for which you are applying and that you emphasize the skills that are transferable.

Take credit for your contributions. While it is important for the employer to see you as a team player, it is also important for you to take credit for the contributions you have made to the team. Be sure to choose your words carefully.

Take stock of occurrences that spotlight your personal attributes. Be prepared to provide examples to demonstrate your problem solving, project management, interpersonal skills, and so forth.

Dress the part. Your choice in clothing is important because it is part of your “packaging.” Dress for the position you want, not the position you have – jeans and sneakers are fine for the classroom, but suit up for the interview.

Following these suggestions can help you make a positive first impression. Good luck!

Source: Green, M.E. “From Student to Professional.” In Job Choices for Business & Liberal Arts Students 2005.
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were nominated and finally selected in a process of elimination.

From the Babson community, five student members (Ricky Bricoco '06, Scott Hapel '06, Suen Kawakami '08, Chris Meem '08, and Sherwin Parkhurst '97) and Doug Gorman, as an advisor, were able to participate. The theme of the conference was "Leaders of Character: Conflicts, Dilemmas, and Outcomes" and was discussed by several prominent leadership speakers who discussed numerous schools of ethical thought and argued in support of Aristotle's theory of 'moral education' and Kant's theory of deontological (duty-based) ethics.

These speakers, including Dr. Ephraim Kidd, Colen Rowley, and Paul McHale, spoke of what it means to have moral courage and act in an ethical manner. All of the speakers took different stances on the conflict of character, with accountability/responsibility of parties involved in moral dilemmas, and their relation to this.

"Kidder's speech resonated quite strongly with many people," he said. These topics were divided into four categories: 1) justice vs. mercy, 2) truth vs. loyalty, 3) short-term considerations vs. long-term (Investment), 4) individual vs. community. This framework is interesting conceptually because it sets the stage for a more engrossing discussion. Clearly, Kidder is an author of moral courage. Moral courage may be more difficult to achieve than physical courage according to the speakers. Kidder eloquently spoke of three things that must be present for a decision to portray moral courage: danger, respect of moral values, and endurance to stay the course with a decision despite pressures.

"When you have an idea, and when our third speaker, Colen M. Rowley, brought up the topic of whistle blowing, one of the students mentioned the possibility of Whistleblowers for military students this may represent an honor and not be something that was thought of, in the corporate world it is taken very seriously. The reason behind this, is because military students have already a strict honor code, and maintaining it by always telling the truth is highly regarded and understood. Nevertheless, in the corporate world, if you are known as a whistleblower, you will not necessarily be able to find a job easily, or have a good reputation. Therefore, in such a case, an action in the business world can put into play the question of how honest the individual is, which many would not be willing to risk.

Although the stories presented by the lecturers were insightful, the only lessons came from the midshipmen themselves. Discussion groups always followed the keynote speakers, and it was in these little debates where most of the interaction and exchange of ideas happened.

One question that was constantly raised throughout the conference was the difference between a manager and a leader. Managers seem to "pimp" while leaders "pull." Managers "light a fire under your butt" while leaders have vision. Managers "maintain status quo and keep the organization humming" while leaders have visions of the future. Managers don't need to gain trust while leaders do. Many of the speakers also started to gain the respect of their subordinates rather than impress their superiors. This distinction is very important when it comes to the business world. In today's world, it is not enough to be a manager; one has to be a real leader.

From a personal perspective, there were many take-aways that we each were able to bring back to Babson:

1. The topics discussed were wide and varied, but these are the concepts and ideas that stick with me most: the point that stuck with me was the importance and significance of "moral character" in leadership. As with everything, before anything can take place, we must have a solid foundation. I have definitely become more interested in improving upon this aspect of myself. This is also true for institutional leaders. For a leader to be effective, he or she must be a good leader. If a leader is not effective, then the organization as a whole will not be effective.

2. The discussion on the importance of trust was another important lesson. The more trust that is present in a relationship, the more effective that relationship will be. Trust is built through consistent actions and is earned over time. It is important for leaders to establish trust with their followers. In turn, this trust will lead to increased productivity and better decision-making.

3. The importance of ethical decision-making was emphasized throughout the conference. Leaders must always consider the ethical implications of their decisions. A leader who consistently acts ethically will earn the trust and respect of their followers, while a leader who consistently acts unethically will lose the trust and respect of their followers.

4. The importance of self-awareness was also highlighted. Leaders must be aware of their own strengths and weaknesses in order to lead effectively. It is important for leaders to recognize their own limitations and to seek out advice and support from others when needed.

5. The conference was an inspiring experience that allowed me to learn about the ideals of military leadership and reflect this approach with my own experiences and values of leadership from the civilian world. I thank Babson College for choosing me to represent Babson as an ambassador at the Academy and recommend this experience to any students who are interested in exploring leadership and military careers.

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Delatorro McNeal, professional speaker and best selling author.

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Serving the schedule of these men and women, as I was continuously impressed by their rigorous and demanding day-to-day agenda. As a matter of fact, I am now looking more into a pre-school program, thinking of starting our own intermediate level college business curriculum. As a result, my first time I thought about hitting the snooze button on my alarm clock for the eleventh time for that notorious 8:00AM Liberal-arts class in Malloy. I may stop to remember the midshipmen.

"My experience at the conference was an eye opening and mind captivating. The diverse representation of leaders from both military and civilian environments provoked many interesting and stimulating discussions centered on the differences in decision making.

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Kafe Kafe coffee and hot drink service dispensers are located across campus as seen in the picture above.
The Largest Student Run Business up for Grabs

Santigo Brizuela
Contributing Writer

I am proud to say that Kafe Kafe has become an important factor for the Babson community and the business has prospered in selling around 20,000 cups of coffee since its opening. It is now time to bid for Kafe Kafe and it is up to you to continue its growth and success. That's right, the student-run investment run business is up for grabs. For over two years, I have maintained a Kafe Kafe on campus. Now that I am graduating in May, it is time for me to pass the business into another Babson student's capable hands.

Kafe Kafe is a lucrative business venture with great potential. It's arrival here constituted the first and only non-Sodexo run coffee shop on campus. Product quality and convenience quickly produced a loyal customer base that fostered its exponential growth. In addition, the business has highly recognized accolades during Founder's Day 2004 from the Student Business Innovation Award.

The transfer of this business to a new owner is not one that can be lightly taken. Kafe Kafe has become part of the Babson community; and I strongly believe that the current owner's success will help sustain conservative growth stocks that are in healthy position for years to come.

Please contact me if you are interested in learning more about the business.

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Motley Fool Columnist Shares Unique Investment Thesis with BIMA

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Hewitt Heiserman, author of It's Earnings that Count (McGraw-Hill 2004) and contributing columnist at The Motley Fool (www.fool.com), was this week's featured guest speaker at the Babson Investment Management Association. Heiserman spoke about his original, unique investment thesis. "I believe it helps select conservative growth stocks that are in healthy positions for years to come.

Heiserman began the discussion by examining how the GAAP (Generally Accepted Accounting Principles) income statement has four structural components: earnings, fixed and working capital, expenses, and intangibles. Investments that have a high dividend yield and a high price-to-book are likely to be profitable in the traditional sense of the word even though their price-to-earnings ratios are deteriorating.

In order to alleviate these limitations, Heiserman proposes creating two distinct income statements: a defensive income statement where one company's free cash flow is fixed; and an enterprising income statement. "Your company's defensive and/or enterprising profits are not the same," Heiserman explained.

Enron, for example, had positive earnings growth under its defensive income statement, but once rejudged by Heiserman, both the defensive and enterprising income statements were negative. "Profit, funny, huh? The result, a 90% drop in Enron's stock.

Heiserman believes that his new system trumps Berkshire's theory that it really is earnings that count.

Heiserman attests his investment approach will not shatter any records or gain re- spective estimates of the company. Heiserman illustrated his rea- soning by comparing the performance of three different companies, each one company, after rejudging its income statement into the defensive and enterprising income statements, onto an Earnings Power Chart. The chart is divided into four quadrants: upper right quadrant indicates superior perfor- mance for both the defensive and enterprising income statements. Companies who fell in this category had average higher rates of return than the S&P 500. On the contrary, stocks of companies that fell in any of the other three quadrants dropped in price sig- nificantly.

Heiserman reiterated the importance of strength and conservative growth stocks. "A stock may be overpriced at $20, but it's company's defensive and/or enterprising profits are not worth the extra $20." Heiserman added.

Enron, for example, had positive earnings growth under its defensive income statement, but once rejudged by Heiserman, both the defensive and enterprising income statements were negative. "Profit, funny, huh? The result, a 90% drop in Enron's stock. "The key is to think outside the EVA (Economic Value Added) to the company.

Two readjusted income statements, one for defensive income statements, and another for enterprising income statements, each at a different point in time, will give investors a better picture of a stock's potential.

Putnam Voyager Fund

Manager speaks at BIMA

Alex Tureczak
Business & Technology Editor

This past week the Babson Investment Manage- ment Association welcomed former Putnam's Robert Ginting, Managing Di- rector at Putnam Investment and Portfolio Manager of the $10.6 billion Voyager Fund (PVOX), as its featured guest speaker.

Ginting, who joined Putnam a little more than a year ago, dedicated the major- ity of his presentation to the fund's investment strategy and why he believes screening for stocks through a mixed method of quantitative modeling and fundamental analysis will yield the highest returns for investors over time.

"I've realized using quantitative modeling and fundamental analysis approach work, not just in the market at that time." Ginting started.

"Therefore, I base our fund's investment strategy on combining the two methods and creating the best possible investment decisions. The focus of the investment business nowadays is on outcomes; on tactics, that is, what returns people are gain- ing," Ginting added. "But many returns may be based on short-term. Managers tend to forget the impor- tance of the process in getting those returns. One of my points is that you must always have a philosophy and a process. Investing without a model is like buying a ticket through a dynamic factory with a lit match; you might make it out, but you will still be an idiot."

"We [Putnam] have to come up with a process that will deliver growth over time. When people think of growth in investing they associate it with investing purely on mo- mentum. At Putnam, our view of growth investing is different. Our goal is to fig- ure out where the market has the growth of a company wrong. Buying a stock de- pends on a discrepancy be- tween what we believe the market is missing versus where the market is valuing the company. Once we identify that discrepancy we buy this stock and wait for the buying opportunity arises.

Throughout the event, Ginting also explained why he the perpetual talks of higher energy prices, in fact, were not a problem because the acceleration of the yield curve have no effect on the stocks he picks.

"I don't base my in- vestment strategy on current economic conditions. I stick with the philosophy we've de-

Developed was, everyone is still, is terrified of owing money. Since everyone asked how the airlines could survive with the huge spike in oil prices, we see a stock like American West Airlines gain 100% in price and the airline has to be thrown away. The company has to be doing some- thing right that the market is missing. This is our mix of quantitative and funda- mental research shows us." Ginting then went on to stress the significance of portfolio managers have on the lives of their investors. "Everyone tends to become arrogant when managing money, but this is real people's money you are man- aging. In the back of your mind you must realize this is someone's fishing trip, a new boat, or a vacation that you are capable of handling.

As a result, risk man- agement is top priority for a portfolio manager. "We can't tolerate making a decision and learn- ing about it the next day if we could have foreseen those dangers before making the decision," Ginting said, not worry about risk just as much as returns. In fact, the way to manage risk is to have opportunities to make returns; portfolio managers have to handle the risks associated with those opportu- nities." Sounds like some- thing every Babson student can relate to.
Discrepancy of Food Service from Sodexo

Herbie Wisburg
Opinions Editor

Have you ever gone to Pandi's and noticed that, wow, you feel significantly better? That extra smile of the cashier or the "you're welcome" of the person preparing the pasta really brightens your day. The people who work there have a better attitude and it improves the whole eating experience. In fact, the better personalities are almost as noticeable as the better food. Everyone I know who has gone to Pandi's likes it better than Trim and Reynolds.

Can that culture not be instituted in Trim? It is my understanding that Trim used to have a better culture under the old management, but since new management has taken over (about a year ago), there has been a drop in spirits among the workers, and, in return, among the students who go there. I would not mind the fact that the pasta has been sitting under a heat lamp for five minutes as much if the employees who refill it joked around a little. There are only two Trim employees I can point out as improving the overall experience. One, a man who wipes the cards with a smile and a kind greeting, and the most outgoing member of the staff, who may recognize from the vegetarian line. Both truly go above and beyond because, I assume, they genuinely enjoy their work, and, in return, they receive a better reception from students, who recognize the positive attitude and respond in kind.

For the employees that speak Spanish, if a student makes a genuine effort to start a conversation in Spanish, hold in the first ten amendments to the Constitution, Republicans are reverting to before the Constitution. Next, we will be declare Bush the monarch, embrace imperialism (as we were not already), and fight "For King and Country".

Racism is alive and well also. I am sure that racism against African Americans is still an issue, but I am referring to the new targets of unchecked racism, Arab and Muslim Americans. If you have been subject to such discrimination, I am sincerely sympathetic. I cannot imagine what it feels like to be labeled as a terrorist or traitor just because of your religious and cultural background. With the growing anti-Muslim sentiments comes the blurring of a line between the War on Terror and the War on Islam. I am undecided whether this is reversing the Civil Rights Movement or the Civil War.

The Golden Standard of the Double Standard

Tamas Erdos
Contributing Writer

Although I am not a big fan of George Bush or his cabinet, I've kept my views to myself and a close group of friends whose skin was tough enough to handle my rambles. However, the chain of events that unfolded recently caused me to scream. So hear it goes.

I come from Hungary, an Eastern European country, which switched back to democracy from socialism less than sixteen years ago. Our former prime minister Peter Medgyessy was forced to step down halfway through his term because of a political crisis mostly attributable to his talents of public speaking (or lack of). He was about to be impeached, but he decided it would be best for the country and its image if he resigned.

Now, I'm telling you this, just so you have a comparison to a situation that occurs on campus all the time. Students who are being held in a building by a lawyer, who is from the Democratic Party and happens to be the judge of the local area. If you were to ask him what he thought about the situation, he would immediately start taking the side of the teacher, the lawyer, and the judge.

I was, however, kind of surprised that he didn't even consider stepping down (let his resignation be rejected). I also stood in awe of the Democratic Party's inability to impeach him, or at least make him sweat, profoundly. I mean Bill Clinton was almost impeached for having sex with an intern. OK, I admit that the point was that he lied to his country about the circumstances of this largely irrelevant (politically, that is) event.

A tape about Hurricane Katrina is being played on public service. It is on the Associated Press (AP) website. I know you've probably had enough of Katrina (I know I had), but the tape is worth mentioning. On it, President Bush is informed about the probable impact of the hurricanes before it hits the south coast.

In an interview, the President reassures the public that he knows about Katrina and the government is prepared to deal with it. I find mind-boggling that the administration can have inconclusive results. But enough about him — in fact I like anyone who has been in a situation where he acted as a lawyer. I like a manly vice-president.

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OB should be Given It’s Due Worth

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Few of us awake each morning thrilled about the prospect of a day filled with IME, Finance, Strategy, Accounting, group meetings, etc... phew! I’m tired just thinking about it (and my MACC exam in less than 2 days). But we know how important it is, and if we’re smart, we’ll work hard for each stream knowing that we’ll only take out what we put in. Got to get that $40K a year’s worth!

But it’s not unique because of its impressive business curriculum, so most of us are here for IME and IME, as much as we might sometimes hate it while we’re there. The reputation of our degree is tied to the quality of what we do and employers have come to respect the work of Babson graduates time and again.

But the number one complaint from all employers has been that moral, ethical, and cultural related skills are simply lost on most Babson graduates. We’ve take the "Whatever it takes" mentality to an extreme that probably was not intended by whoever coined that phrase.

But I hold Babson responsible for most of that. Most students can sum up the importance that business professors put on ethical decision processes with one phrase: "Skip Day." Professors typically devote one day to discussing ethical decision making as it relates to their stream rather than incorporating it into their semester long curriculum, and then they explicitly state in the beginning of class that the material will not be included in the mid-term or final. In order to get a real education about how social goals and profits coexist we have to take specialty courses or general credits.

The only mandatory class we have that addresses less tangible aspects to a business than inventory and B&D is Operational Behavior, or better known as OB. Side Note #1: Ask a first semester junior what OB/TOM is, and the array of responses that you will get are simply hysterical.

The biggest obstacle stated by Babson graduates when entering the workforce after college is adjusting to corporate culture and building power-yielding relationships. Regardless of where you got your college education and what you learned while you were there, rookies in a company have it tough, especially when trying to effect any changes in the organization.

In light of this information, wouldn’t it seem as if a class that teaches us how to have influence as a new employee and understand corporate culture be incredibly valuable? Anyone that has worked anywhere, as a manager or an employee, can attest to the fact that the company organization, personal relationships, and corporate culture are right next to pay (if not above it) in importance. Side Note #3: If you’re someone that just thinks OB is pointless, good luck trying to be an effective manager or executive.

Given that OB is such an important subject, why does Babson seem to have given it such little attention? Not only is OB/TOM only 2 credits, but OB is only half of that! When schedules are as demanding as they are for each of us, prioritising obscure every minute, and you’d better believe that bringing up the bottom of that list is the class that is virtually given me already.

I don’t want my passion for what I believe to be an important course to be misconstrued, so let me throw in what has become a necessary disclaimer in many of our opinion articles. I absolutely think that Economics, Strategy, TOM, and other IME courses are extremely important and needed parts of our curriculum; they are the crux of what defines a business degree. But with the reviews from employers and alumni coming in, something has to be done to increase the OB and ethic related curriculum and the first step to getting students to take these subjects seriously is for Babson and its Faculty to take it seriously as well.

To that end, I’ve heard that the IME curriculum will be changing in the near future to include a larger focus on currently marginalized streams. I applaud the efforts of all of those that are attempting to make that change, because we really need it. Side Note #8: When students ask for more work, there must be something to it. I hope that this will begin a trend of social goals being incorporated into all streams, because the time when being socially conscious was the antithesis of making a profit is long gone.
**LIFESTYLES**

**I Sit and Wish I Was A Kid Again...**

**Manjari Rastogi**  
Lifestyles Editor

"Back in the day when I was young, I'm not a kid anymore because I have bills to pay and responsibilities for one, I had definitely stopped. Anyway, if you engage in activities that you enjoyed as a child it is amazing how you feel. I find that the extent of fun you're entitled to have by being a kid again really depends on the crowd you're with. If you're playing with a group of people who understand it, then we know, I recommend ruling out the "truth" option and find a place where you can have fun when it truly gets interesting.

**Have a Birthday Party at Chuck E. Cheese's.**

I'm not exactly sure but somehow I think the whole Chuck E. Cheese craze and never getting to hold my birthday party there. I believe. The perks of being the birthday kid are endless but the greatest souvenir is the infamous Sippy Cup For those of you familiar with it, it is basically a spill-proof drinking cup designed for toddlers. The shape of the Sippy Cup is in the form of a juv enile, but the greatest part is that it's one of the coolest. Chuck E. Cheese has one for every birthday party. So when your best friend holds his birthday party at Chuck E. Cheese, you can get your sippy cup with you and show him that he's not the only one who gets to have fun. If you're lucky, you may even benefit from a lap dance from Chuck E.

**And The Academy Award Goes To...**

**Sanat Hooja**  
Staff Writer

The 78th Annual Academy Awards were hosted on February 27th by The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences. Jon Stewart, best known for his political satire on "The Daily Show the News," was a perfect fit for the event. Stewart's name新车 is pronounced with what sounds like a Yiddish "sh" sound. He is known for his quick wit and sharp commentary on current events, which are often a mix of humor and social commentary. The event was held in Los Angeles at the Kodak Theater.

It was an exceptionally exciting night for some veteran actors such as Robin Williams and Reese Witherspoon who had received their first Oscar nomination this year. With "Brokeback Mountain" — a film about a passionate and secret relationship between two cowboys — sweeping top honors at other ceremonies, such as the Golden Globes and BAFTA, there was serious Oscar buzz about the film winning Best Picture. At the Academy Awards, the film took both Best Picture and Best Director for Ang Lee.

Inside the Kodak Theater, Stewart did his best to entertain this elite group of audience members. He addressed the audience on some of the occasions, especially during the mock political campaign footage segment, to show rivalry between the actresses nominated for the Best Actress Oscar. There were also various segments during segments of the show, one highlighting the real-life score of past films and another emphasizing film noir. Although these pieces were long, the biggest little repetitive, one could not help but notice the stress on the balance of watching films in the theater, a statement aimed towards anti-cinema.

By the end of the night there were no clear winners but there were only winners of all the awards. The visually stunning film, "Memoirs of a Geisha," received three Oscars: Costume Design, Art Direction and Cinematography. Although the film was a hit, the positive reaction to "The Da Vinci Code" was not significant. The film "Hustle & Flow," a huge win for the hip-hop community which has only won once before at the Oscars (Smith "Lose Yourself"), was considered a "Crash," winner of Best Motion Picture of the Year, as well as Original Screenplay and Film Editing. Critics praised this film for its "Brokeback Mountain" didn't win the top Oscar accolade, although it did win for Critic's Choice. The film's director, Ang Lee, was considered the favorite for "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon," but the film was not even nominated. Neither was the beautiful film "Amadeus," for which the Best Supporting Actor, Daniel Day-Lewis, was considered a strong contender. Some of the other nominees and films of the evening in attendance at the ceremony were "L.A. Confidential" and "The Piano." Both Reese Witherspoon and George Clooney took home Academy Awards. The critic of the evening praised the other nominees and films of the evening in attendance. "I'm sure that if I were a woman and mother of two, quoted her character, June Carter, from the film "Walk the Line," saying that she was just "trying to matter."
LIFESTYLES

THURSDAY, MAR. 9TH, 2006

Employment Challenges for International Students

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Babson international students face many challenges in the job or internship search. In addition to the usual challenges that a Babson domestic student faces, international students must comply with United States immigration regulations, and work with employers who may be hesitant to hire foreign individuals.

U.S. immigration regulations permit temporary employment for some international students only in certain circumstances. The regulations and application procedures for employment authorization are sometimes complicated and can change regularly. In addition, international students may sometimes seek employment with employers who do not have experience hiring foreign personnel, and do not have a clear understanding of the immigration requirements.

In an effort to assist and support international students with these challenges, on Tuesday, March 7th, International Student & Scholar Services and the Undergraduate Center for Career Development hosted its second Employment Authorization Workshop of 2006. The workshop was jointly presented by Deanne Ambrose, International Student Advisor, and Michelle DeRoza, Career Counselor.

The workshop began with an overview of Undergraduate Center for Career Development services, programs, and resources. The International Student & Scholar Services portion of the event focused on immigration regulations and the process for obtaining student employment authorization both before and after graduation, including On-Campus Employment, Curricular Practical Training, and Optional Practical Training.

International students are a valuable resource for the Babson community and can offer potential U.S. employers critical intercultural skills and a diversified workforce. The staff of International Student & Scholar Services will continue to coordinate informational workshops and is dedicated to supporting the international population at Babson and promoting intercultural awareness on campus.

Pene I & II went on their annual retreat this past weekend to Cape Cod. Jenny Estez '08, Jazzmin Flete '09, Jessie Diaz '09, Fabian Lopez '09, and Greg Price '09 get together to take a Pense Love picture.

Spotlight on Success: Michael Bloomberg

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Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg of New York City is a classic example of a person who struggled in the early part of his life and later triumphed above all of the obstacles that life threw at him. Bloomberg is one person who has decided to make a drastic shift in career paths from running Bloomberg, the major financial firm to becoming the Mayor of New York City, one of the greatest cities in the world. Bloomberg was criticized by many as having "purchased the election" because he spent almost $70 million on campaigning and set a record. He was elected to the office in 2001, won re-election in 2005, and the next election in 2009 will be a very important one.

Bloomberg began his career in the financial services sector nearly forty years ago at the age of forty-four with the then Salomon Brothers. After more than a decade Bloomberg lost his job due to a merger and then decided to become an entrepreneur in 1981. It was during this time that he started his global firm, which provides its clients with a multitude of business services. Bloomberg has grown to become one of the leading media outlets in financial services.

Mayor Bloomberg is also very dedicated towards giving back to the community and helping those in need. He has been credited by the Mayor's office for being on the boards of twenty different organizations such as "civic, cultural, educational and mental institutions, including: the High School for Economics and Finance; Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts; Metropolitan Museum of Art; Police and Fire Widows' and Children's Benefit Fund; S.L.E. (Lupus) Foundation and Prep for Prep."

Bloomberg is a graduate of John Hopkins University where he paid for his education on his own from loans and odd jobs, as a part-time waiter and parker. After earning his undergraduate degree, he pursued his MBA at Harvard Business School. Bloomberg still maintains a relationship with Johns Hopkins University as a member of Board of Trustees. He had a school re-named for him: The Bloomberg School of Public Health.

Today Bloomberg is living a dramatically different lifestyle than that of his parents and his childhood. He has homes, many of which are large mansions, in multiple different countries. The Mayor is very much dedicated to improving New York, reducing crime, and making it a safer and better place for New Yorkers and tourists alike. The desire and passion that this billionaire seems to exude is found in only the best of the businessmen. He has accomplished so much in his life thus far, and certainly will have quests to acquire much more. "I am what I am and, you know, I'm a very lucky guy."

Where are you going for Spring Break and why?

"Home, Southern California, to get the hell out of this weather." - Brett Gilbert '06

"Puerto Rico to get tanned, party and have sex on the beach (the drink of course)" - Kayla Watson '09

"I'm going home to Idaho for a rip-'rarin' time on the ski slopes!" - Laura Fredriksson '06

"I am going to Vancouver for spring break to see my cousins. But the real reason I'm going is to sell sandals to all of my relatives." - In-Ho Lee '07

"Vegas Baby. Haven't flown since I was in 7th grade so it's time to go to sin city and get married." - Cindy Lo '06

"Home to Texas because I miss it so much!" - Ali Shabah Lakhani '06

"Miami beach because it's not as expensive as going to Mexico or the Caribbean and I still get to enjoy the warm weather and sun." - Jose Cordova '06

"Aruba. It was the only place we could stuff 15 people into one villa and not be charged extra." - Aradhana Lobha '06

"California, to learn how to surf!" - Marie Frances Rivera '06

"Miami and then a cruise... because my boyfriend said so. I mean, because of warm weather, beaches, and hot people, of course." - Selena Lee '08

"Going home to New York because I don't have any money."

"I'm going to Miami for a Gatorcracker's concert."

"Jason Rager '07"

"I'm going home to relax and get away from Babson enjoy my family and work at my internship in New York."

"Old Kasuli '08"

"Punta Cana, Dominican Republic. Who wouldn't want to go to an all inclusive resort where you can lie on the beach all day and go out all night!"

"Jana Zielis '08"

"Home to Kansas because I don't have any money to go anywhere fun and expensive."

"Judy Sounesandith '07"
The Return of the Pink Panther
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If one were to judge a book by its cover, he or she would miss out on some of the greatest works in history because most of them had simple plain cloth covers. In the same way, if one were to judge "The Return of the Pink Panther" by its playful title (based on a classic film released in the 1960's) or by the cartoon character that has portrayed this image of the past decades, he or she would miss out on a lot. This is because this film is so much more: it is a hilarious comedy that combines classic slapstick humor with a great storyline and many modern elements. This film lets the audience explore French culture from the eyes of an American. Steve Martin simply outdoes himself as he takes on the role of Inspector Jacques Clouseau. He acts the part so well and with such conviction that one can actually uphold the performance to the grand standards of Peter Sellers, who, in my book, is the ultimate king of comedy.

This film uses all the stereotypes the world holds against the French and mocks them in a sardonic, but hilarious way. Everything from the small European cars to their impeccable formal dress code to their accent is turned into a joke.

However, if this film fails to humor you, there is always the one and only Beyonce Knowles to save the aesthetic component of the movie. She plays the role of Xania, a world famous and, of course, beautiful singer. She pulls off the role well, even though, in my opinion, she is not one of the highlights of the film.

Of course she is one of the main characters, but her chemistry with Steve Martin is somewhat off. The scenes where they are together always seem to be dominated by his presence rather than hers. Though her magnetic beauty is enough to keep the viewer from drifting away, this role prevents her from breaking out and receiving the attention she truly deserves.

Strange Fruit in Sorenson
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This year's Third Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Legacy Day featured a number of different events on campus including a panel discussion about business, hurricane Katrina and the state of King's dream, and an awards ceremony with a keynote address delivered by one of America's most acclaimed journalists Juan Williams. The day ended with the presentation of a mixed-media art installation by artist Kevin Sipp entitled Strange Fruit Hanging from the Tree of Life: Reflections of Bruno.

After a brief ceremony on the second floor of the Sorenson Center for the Arts (during which members of the BSU and AMAN stood side by side listing the names of people lynched in America), the viewers returned to the auditorium for an artist talk where Sipp shared his insights into art and spirituality.

Sipp began the talk with a discussion of his earlier works to let the audience gain a better understanding of the complex installation exhibited upstairs. He first showed an abstract painting of a mythological woman with horns holding a spear that metamorphosed into a microphone at the top. According to Sipp, the painting represents the conflict encountered by early female rappers who were expected to be violent and pugnacious, yet were simultaneously reduced to sexual objects. Other notable pieces include a twisted tribute to Miles Davis and a commemorative illustration of 16th century European philosopher Giordano Bruno.

From this premise, Sipp went into the inspirations behind his current installation in Sorenson. Strange Fruit Hanging from the Tree of Life: Reflections of Bruno is one of many tree-inspired pieces. Since the first came up with the idea when, after continuously passing by a dead tree trunk on his way home, he finally picked up the piece of wood and hauled it back to his place.

Sipp was compelled to create thought-provoking art dealing with the sensitive topic of lynching after he visited an exhibition in Atlanta entitled "Without Sanctuary." The exhibit showcased pictures of regular white Americans celebrating while black people are being lynched around them. The exhibition caused much controversy, and Sipp, realizing the significance of the topic and the reaction it sparked, decided that it could not be overlooked, culturally and artistically.

The first part of the title, Strange Fruit, refers to Billy Bragg's 1984 song about lynching. Interestingly enough, the song was composed by a Jewish man, a fact Sipp loves to cite as it highlights his idea of spiritual understanding. The last part of the title, Reflections of Bruno, is a tribute to the aforementioned Giordano Bruno who suffered a similar fate to his African-American counterparts. This was burned at the stake by the Catholic Church for his heretical views.

Bruno was a prescient philosopher who has long since been forgotten. He spread ideas of relativism and multiple, ever-expanding universes hundreds of years before Albert Einstein and others formalized these very notions. Isaac Newton listed Bruno as his favorite philosopher. However, Bruno also conjectured the possibility of their being multiple Christ, a notion that upset the Catholic Church and sealed his fate as an intellectual martyr.

Sipp is an extraordinarily well-read artist who makes profound thematic connections throughout his art. He can combine European philosophy with ancient Chinese or broken records and somehow relate the whole of his thought to rap music and DJ culture.

During the talk, Sipp talked about how he considers himself a very spiritual man, though he refuses to embrace one particular religion. Instead, he takes ideas and concepts from all religions and personalizes them to fit his ideas, a process analogous to his art.

The art installation is composed of an ornamented tree trunk bassed by sixteen cans (the number sixteen comes from the European tradition). Hanging from the tree are broken records and burnt out light bulbs. The records symbolize both the actual record of people lynched in America and, more abstractly, the fact that records (especially broken ones) are forgotten pieces of history thrown away years ago in favor of cassette and CDs. The light bulbs refer to the extermination of the people lynched.

The wooden head atop the tree has the initiate PMA on its forehead. PMA stand for Positive Mental Attitude, which Sipp got from his favorite band, a heavy metal group called Bad Brains. The ram skull on the ground is a reference to the scapegoat of Hebrew tradition used for the atonement of sin. The structure is peppered with recycled pieces and what most people would consider junk, Sipp uses these pieces on purpose, allowing onlookers to see the unexpected beauty found in old, broken objects.

Though much of Sipp's symbolism is determined a priori, the complexity of his structures allow for original and insightful interpretations. The installation is accompanied by a guest book where people can write down their thoughts. The installation will be up until April 4th. It is definitely worth a visit or two.
Dear Family & Friends

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How's everything going? I think everyone in my family and I are going to attend school in Paris after the New Year's break. Almost two hours of class every day seems to be more than what I would get at home. I have started to take business French every other week, every day. Each class, I have two hours of conference classes on French culture and 2 hours on the French regional economy and politics. Those are the subjects that I have been studying in France. Then, every Monday, Thursday and Saturday afternoons I have to go out at least for a few hours from my time here in Paris, ranging from getting lost to getting used to the different cutlery and ways of living in the 10th arrondissement. I have become more In love with the Chinese New Year. My roommate Courtney and I decided to walk to our destin

A Unique Third Culture

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Earlier in the day as I was walking down the streets of New York City, I couldn't help but notice the foreign words of languages that were passing me by as I headed to 36th and Lexington. A couple was walking by conversing in Hindi, the sound of giggles filling the air of a young girl jokes in French with her father, only to be followed by a woman dressed woman chattering away in Mandarin about her hectic schedule. As the increasing internationalism, it’s become a common thing to see people contributing their cultures to our everyday life. Even in our microcosmic campus of Babson College, it isn’t exactly a rarity to walk past international students talking in their native language. Add to that the student body, international students make up an impressive 26%.

But while many readers don’t realize that even within this group, there lies a smaller group of individuals, namely third culture kids. Coined in the early ‘60s by Ruth Hill Ussen, the term third culture kids refer to children who grow up outside of their home country and a sense of a “third culture” that is a fusion of their home and host cultures. The children in this culture are often raised in a foreign culture and spend a large amount of time in different countries. This allows them to learn languages, customs, and traditions from many different cultures, allowing them to be more adaptable to new situations. In this article, I will be discussing the experiences of third culture kids and how they adapt to their new environment. 

Good thing that ballet was good which kept us focused instead of minding the discomfort. The program also hosted a "Podus Sauris." We were invited to dinner at a Parisian restaurant where the Podus served was as the entrée. It took me a while to figure out where to stab the bits of bread without them falling into the pot of melted cheese, but by the end of the night, everyone became masters at skewing.

The first Sunday of every month, we can go to some of the major museums for free. So the first Sunday of February, my friends and I went to Musee de Pompidou, which is a modern art museum. The building itself is a real masterpiece. Not only do they have giant glass and steel windows but the elevators themselves remind me of those sliding tubes that you can find in water parks.

Speaking of water parks, I just recently become a member of probably the best gym that I have ever been to. It's called "Aquaboulevard." It is this huge inside and outside water park with slides and artificial beaches. They also have dance classes and cardio machines.

A lot of work to do in the months to come and I am planning on going to the Paris Rotaract club meeting next Monday and brainstorming ideas for Babson Free Press. It seems like there is a lot of snow in Boston now. The weather is a bit weird here because one day it’s cold and the next day can be warm. Updated me on anything or everything! I'm always looking forward to hear from you!

For the on other hand, giving my host country as an area I feel really suited right.

As a result of this unique experience, I have learned that third culture kids incorporated these different cultures that they encounter in their own unique way. Having developed a sense of belonging to everywhere and yet the same time now, third culture kids can be considered to be the "cultural chameleons," that simply choose to what extent they divuge background, depending on their environment.

We go by many names, third culture kids, global nomads, or even the term international citizens. Yet, I have a name, "Pouss." At the end of the day, a choice can be made whether to consider the experience as an identity or accept the unique culture and experience inherent within me. In conclusion, as the city of New York beckons, for the night is still young and there is still plenty of time for new experiences to be made.

The Myth about Thai Food

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Many people have wondered a lot about Thai food. Thai food originated from Thailand. Thailand is located in the Southeast Asian region, between Singapore and Thailand. Many people assume that Thai food is the same as "Taiwan food" but it's not! Thai food and Taiwan food are totally different. Thai food is more sour and spicy while Taiwan food is very soft and mild. In addition, Thai food is the mixture of Indian and Chinese food, which makes Thai food very authentic. The ingredients of Thai food can be categorized into sour and spicy. Due to the lack of original Thai ingredients, a lot of Thai food in America is modified from the original. The flavor is changed to fit the "Tansis'" taste and Chinese taste.

A lot of Babson students love to order Thai food, but many people are scared of getting a stomach ache from the food. The reason why some people get sick is because you are not used to some of the ingredients.

Now many of you might wonder whether you should try to eat Thai food or not? Don't worry, most of the Thai food in America is modified so that Western people can eat it without getting any food poisoning. But Thai food can be incredibly delicious, and in my opinion it's the most authentic and unique foods in the world.

Recommendation Dish: Pad Thai Country Style, Nua Pad Nam Marn Hoi (Pried Beer with Oyster and rice), Pad Nan Mai (Thin Noodle with Pork and Thai special Sours)

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Beavers Get Down to Business in Busy Winter

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When beaverswsw.org was asked if beavers hibernated they responded with a firm, "Definitely not. Beavers have an active life all winter long, even when they're hibernating in the North." Well, look no further. The 2005-2006 Beavers didn't have to shoot hoops, swim, ski, or skate under any ice in (the North). Instead, they fought hard every week to provide Baboon SuperFans with the typical oho, oho, oho, no oh's, no "no they didn't" that fill every Baboon winter sports season.

Ice Hockey
First and foremost, congratulations to the Men's Ice Hockey team. Last Saturday the team opened off the season with a second seed showing in the ECAEast SemiFinals. Unfortunately, Baboon Hockey lost to a superior team out of the tournament in the semifinal match surrendering the game to the University of New England College. The game, though, was not at all representative of the teams involved.

Overall, the team finished with 17 wins, 10 losses and 9 ties. Offensively, Sophomore last year, followed by a first-place 200 butterfly performance in the NEWMAC championships. In addition to these achievements, Lynch has also set numerous school records in swimming and has applied her talent to the soccer world at Babson as well.

Women's Swimming capped off their regular season with a record of 3-11. Wins included November sweep of Regis and Simmons colleges, and a late January win versus Norwich. The NCAA III Championships begin in Minneapolis, MN this weekend on Thursday.

Men's Swimming finished their season with a 7th place finish in the NEWMAC Championships at Wheaton. Race finishes included a 5th in the 200 free relay by Freshman Philippe Noetling, Freshman Thayer Glasscock, Freshman Ryan Kline, and Junior Captain Mike Stroman, a 5th in the 200 medley relay, a 6th in the 400 medley, and a 6th in the 400 free relay. Baboon finished the season 1-13 with their win over Goshen College on February 2nd.

Alpine Skiing

Congratulations to Sophomore Meg Lynch for becoming the first Female in Babson history to win three individual swimming conference titles!

John Gevered led the team with 14 points, followed by the help of assistant coach Senior Lindsay Sisco at 16. Between the pipes, Senior Craig Wiener and Freshman Skyler Blackman posted strong records, saving 90.6% and 93.3% of opponents' shots respectively. Alpine Skiing finished the season with 2 recorded shutouts, both huge 5-0 and 7-0 games. Their only loss occurred last Saturday in the Semifinal game vs. NEC.

Congratulations also goes out to second-year coach Jamie Rice who was recently named the ECAC East Confer- ence Coach of the Year. To say the least, Coach Rice played a huge role in leading the team to its 16th win season.

One of the most positive statistics have been Baboon's Athletic Webpage is that of all the 10 losses this season 8 were as a result of games against teams in the nation's top 20. Here's to taking down the top 20 in the nation 06/07!

Swimming & Diving

Women's swimming team also set some team sailing with some huge performances. Sophomore Meg Lynch of Holmdel, NJ was recently named the NEWMAC Female Swimmer of the year, the first in Baboon's history. Lynch has matched this honor with winning a conference title in the 200 individual medley.

March Madness Meets Intramurals

Joshua Nepoli
Staff Writer

March madness is here, and things are getting crazy. It's playoff time for Babson Intramurals, and there is no better way to warm up to the NCAA Men's and Women's basketball tournament than to root on our fellow classmates as they strive for IM immortality. The regular season provided a lot of excitement on all fronts, sending 14 undefeated teams to the playoffs.

Basketball opened up post-season play on Monday, boosting a league high 5 undefeated teams. This made for some great first round action, pitting the 4th seed Baboon Celts against the 5th seed Tin Cup for what would turn into a battle of epic proportions. Tin Cup, led by their sophomore point guard,94, and the sharp shooting Freshman Kyle Ramm. In the end it wasn't enough, as previously undefeated Tin Cup fell to the Celts 84-75. The road to the finals doesn't get any easier for the 5-0 Celtics as they meet the top seeded Bus Drivers in the semifinals.

In volleyball we have a first round match up of two undefeated teams, as top seed Yellow (3-0) takes on Allison Harden, and team Monster (3-0). With three of the four teams holding onto undefeated records, we are sure to see some great play.

After a heated and much debated week 4, Dodgeball finally sorted out its playoff landscape, bringing three undefeated teams to the dance. We'll House You (a.k.a. our favorite RA's) sit atop the 8 team field with a hefty 4-0 record. We encourage you all to come in and see what may well be our most entertaining playoff tournament.

Indoor soccer has proven to be a season full of surprises, and the playoffs have been no let down. After getting off to a hot r"0-2 start, Skins made a huge turnaround winning its last two games by a combined score of 24-3 to sneak into the playoffs and a number 6 seed. They continued their impressive play Monday night, upsetting 3rd seeded Ball Shaggers in first round action.

In the individual tournaments the competition has been tight as well. Raquetball is coming to a close with Glenn Kaplan taking on Adam Litman in the final round (date TBA). Over in squash the 18 man field has been slimmer down to five, with the semi-finals to be determined.

Best of luck to all of our athletes, and we invite you all closet fans out there to come cheer on your friends. Just remember, our goal is to provide a competitive atmosphere while encouraging participation and sportsmanship for all of you. Participation is our main goal, so feel free to cheer on your friends and encourage your team, but remember why we're all here and go easy on your referees. They are the ones that provide you the opportunity to be out there.

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Upcoming Home Games:

March 11
1 Men's Lacrosse at Utica 1pm
11 Men's Tennis at Colby 12pm/4:30pm
11 Men's Skiing at USCSA National Championships at Sugarloaf
13 Men's Lacrosse vs. Plymouth St. 1pm
13 Women's Swimming NCAA Division III Championships in Minneapolis, MN
13 Men's Lacrosse at Wesleyan 3pm
14 Women's Lacrosse at Bates 4pm

Spring Break
25 Baseball at Wheaton 12pm
25 Men's Lacrosse at Norwich 1pm
27 Baseball vs. Framingham St. 3pm
28 Baseball vs. Suffolk 3pm