A Spoonful of Culture Helps the升学 Down

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Staff Writer

Never before has Buri Haas, Director of the Sorenson Center for the Arts, in the past eight years, or Professor Elizabeth Goldberg, witnessed a response to a performance like the one Monday night at Jean Paul Sampatu’s performance at the Sorenson Center. Some were there because it was required, others for the story, still more for entertainment and everyone else, well, simply missed out.

This photo workshop, one of the most heartfelt and touching shows many will ever hear before the opportunity for that matter, take part in. Even those who were simply required to be there, were hope- fully able to see the assignment to the true message Jean Paul Sampatu’s story conveys.

In an effort to combine on-campus activities and core curriculum, event planners are looking to schedule a performance that would both entice viewers and keep them aware of the events of the world, while better acquainting them with the mat- terial in their Arts/Humanities classes.

Professor Goldberg, As-

The View from Hollister 112

Dennis Hanno
Dean of Undergraduate

Greetings! I’ve been on campus for about three weeks and I’m pleased that I have already had the opportunity to see some of the various events on campus. One of my goals for my first semester is to attend as many events and activities on campus, so that I can learn directly from you about the Babson experience. I’ve attended Mudquakes, football games, events and other activities on campus, but you don’t have to be shy about it! Drop me an email or stop by my office sometime and I’d love to chat so that I can get to know you better. I’ll use this column in the Free Press to also communicate with you. I’ll tell you more about myself, share with you what my job entails, inform you about important events, and offer some of my thoughts about what you can do to get the most out of your Babson experience.

In a future column, I’ll tell you more about my back- ground, why I came to Babson, and how my first few weeks have been. However, in this column I’d like to share some of my views on what I consider the most impor- tant event for you on campus this semester. It is an event called Career Expo, which takes place next Wednesday, September 27. Why is it the most important? It’s likely that you choose to at-

end one of the world’s best busi- ness schools since you want a great career after you graduate. Career Expo is the best way for you to find out what kinds of oppor- tunities you will have with your Babson degree and how to go about landing one of them. More than 70 employers will be at the Expo and they are all looking to meet you! Should only jun- iors and seniors attend Career Expo since they are more likely to get the jobs? Absolutely not! I believe that it is even more important for freshmen and sophomores to attend Career Expo than it is for upper-class students. When you first arrive on campus, you probably have some ideas about how your stud- ies might ultimately lead to a career in a particular field, but these ideas are usually not yet well formed. The best way to help you find out what it will take to land a career in a particular field is to talk to those actually in the field. At Career Expo, you can do so with several fields at the same time. Employers like to meet younger students who are interested in finding out about their companies and what career options they have available. You have nothing to lose and every- thing to gain by spending a few minutes talking to them about their company. Since you are not really looking for a job yet, you don’t have to worry about impressing the company representa-

sistant Professor of English served as this event’s lead organi- niser and shared, “We brought Jean Paul Sampatu to campus in connection with courses in human rights, ethno-political conflict, as well as the foundation courses in Arts and Hu- manities and History and Soci- ety. HIS course is titled ‘Crisis Community and Identity’, and has a section devoted to the Rwandan genocide. Sampatu is a particularly compelling artist because he uses his music to promote peace and reconcilia- tion.”

Since 1977, Jean Paul Sampatu has been singing his message: one of love, peace and reconciliation. He believes that now, and among many other honours, he has received the Kora Award (the African equivalent of the Grammy Awards), and has been invited all over the world to colleges, ceremonies and other occasions to speak of his experience in the Rwandan Genocide tragedy. As a survivor of the 1994 Rwanda genocide, he has shared his story of the world about reconciliation and peace.

Connecting with Food

Rebecca Soon
News Editor

Colorful balloons, finger foods galore, free prizes, and a dimly lit environment made the evening not the typical night at Trim. Those who didn’t know beforehand the theme for the evening saw the 3MB email or seeing the posters on their dorm entrance susceptible to curiosity as they walked through the doors. As students entered the dining hall, they were met by the smell of food and the sight of delicious dinning options. The residents of Trim expressed their excitement for the event, which was a way to let students know about the great food options.

It's very important to get the most out of this Career Day. I'd like to help you with that (and reward you for reading this far!). Be the first freshman or sopho- more to send me an email invite and I'll sit down with you and two friends over lunch or dinner before the Expo to talk strategy. I can't guarantee a job, but at least you'll be well-prepared to make the most out of this great event. No matter what, plan on attending Career Expo on Wednesday, September 27, from 3 to 6 PM in the PepsiCo Pavil- ion. I'll see you there!

People lined up for couscous at Mina's vegan station.

Sahar, Student Man- age Team collaborated with Trim culinarians, staff, and students to create this event, attracting over 900 people to the dinner. Trim Student Managers and staff cooked, baked, and prepped food for the event, expressing, "I'm really glad that so many people came out. We're working to come up with ways to get students what they've been asking for, and tonight is just the beginning!"

Gretech Westgren, Trim Manager, exclaimed "I'm so happy to be working here this year because I already have received from many students. I love the part- nership that we have been suc- cessful in creating between the student body and staff here at Trim. I really look forward to seeing the student body come out and support us in our next event."
Dynamic-ally Aiding Safety on Campus

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Patrick Perugini, President of Dynamic Bicycles and a 1988 graduate of Babson College, has donated a pair of Dynamic Bicycles advanced-Smithies Polish Bicycles to Babson's Department of Public Safety to replace its current chain bikes. With Babson's officers routinely riding eight-hour shifts on bikes around campus, the department intends to use Dynamic's chainless bikes as their new standard equipment.

Dynamic Bicycles is the world's leading manufacturer of chainless bicycles. Rather than using greasy, maintenance-prone chains and external gear components, Dynamic's bicycles incorporate the latest technical innovations in the bicycle industry including internal gearing technology from Shimano and Dynamic's own innovative drive shaft. These components give Dynamic's bike a uniquely smooth ride, clean look and terrific performance. With all the gear components and moving parts fully enclosed, Dynamic's bike dramatically reduce maintenance and repair costs and they can be used in any weather or road condition. With their simplified and smoother shifting, these bikes also make bicycling more fun for more people. Plus, with no exposed chain, there is no more grease or cuts on hands and clothes.

Due to their ruggedness, reliability and ease of operation, Dynamic's bikes are used by a wide variety of riders, including bicycle commuters, Police departments, bike rental shops and recreational riders. Bicycle riding is still one of America's favorite forms of fitness, with more riders of bicycles than golfers, tennis players and skiers combined. Bicycling is also a great way to stay healthy and active at any age.

Perugini founded Dynamic Bicycles in 2004. With manufacturing operations in Taiwan and their headquarters in Holiston, MA, Dynamic sells its bicycles around the world via direct marketing as well as through premium retailers such as L.L. Bean and international distributors.

Above, From left to right, Officer Todd Jackson, Chief John Jackson, Patrick Perugini and Officer David O'Connor.

The Fortune 500 Perspective on Resumes

Rebecca Soon
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Seventy five students attended tonight's Resume Critique Night, an important step for anyone looking for an internship or a job. Held in Reynolds 241, the room almost resembled a speed dating event. Tables scattered the perimeter, and students were seated in various employers and alumni waiting there to review resumes and give experience-based feedback.

Attendees were able to spend 3-5 minutes getting feedback on this life-shaping piece of paper with the best of every industry from accounting, finance, and banking to technology, HR, consulting, and even tourism. Company representatives sat with students and went line by line over what prospective employers are looking for, and how to emphasize the most important parts of a resume.

For those that are interested in going on to get an MBA or other Master's degree, representatives from Babson's higher education were on hand to give their perspective as well. Organized by the Center for Career Development, this event attracted employers and alumni from prominent companies such as Ernst & Young, Fidelity, St. Paul Travellers, and Prudential/Coopers. Anah Sani '05, represented Liberty Mutual, and explained how he enjoyed participating in this type of event. He expressed, "It's really important that people take this process seriously at an early stage, and I was excited to see how many well-prepared and motivated students came through tonight.

For those that attended, the insight and information they were able to gather was incredibly valuable and worth the time. Tamika Moore '07 shared the following: "Before I came to the event I thought that my resume was fine. I had never really had any protests getting the jobs that I've held for. After having come tonight, I realized that there is so much that I can do to improve my resume and my positioning when I walk in to an interview." Some of those on hand to assist students took a very rhetorical approach, "breaking down" the mechanics of how a resume should be formatted and what word choices should be made. Others took the opportunity to address ways in which potential employers may view the overall picture of a candidate through the lens of their respective industry.

Moore went on to explain that, "the representative from Blue Cross Blue Shield took the time to go over some extremely valuable industry advice, which I would only really be able to garner through talking with him. It was a great opportunity for me to make contacts and get assistance even on my cover letter.

Career counselors were present throughout the evening to facilitate the event and even give their own critiques to resumes. Effie Parpes, Associate Director of Undergraduate Career Education, expressed that, "I am so grateful to the many alumni and employers that participated in this evening's event, and I hope that it was rewarding for those that were able to come."

If you missed this event, do not worry. There are many more opportunities throughout the year that focus on networking and tips and techniques, and students can always make an appointment with their career counselor to go over resumes or any other career-related issue. But the lesson is to start now, as you can only improve your own future by taking it seriously now.

What's cooking at Trim?

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What's for dinner? Ask the chef. That is, ask Trim Hall's Senior Executive Chef, Sam Manfield, our newest addition to the Babson community. Mr. Manfield graduated from the California Culinary Academy. He joins us with 26 years of experience as a chef as well as very enthusiastic attitude towards the dining industry. "Remember. Food is fun," from his 'Ask the Chef' website.

Mr. Manfield encourages all students to join him on the 'net to question him on anything Trim or food related. Do so, log onto www.babsondining.com and click on 'Ask the Chef.' As well as this open Q & A service, 'Ask the Chef' includes foo and dining trivia, recipes and other interesting facts. Babson dining, Sam Manfield to the kitchen and we expect (and know we'll positive) great things from him.

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happy.

I think we all would agree the highlight of this already remarkable performance was the invitation on stage to dance with Jean Paul and his friends. I, too, could be found on stage clapping and dancing to the songs of Rwanda. Many of the students in the audience joined Samputu on the stage dancing along, everyone truly enjoying themselves while learning a few new moves thanks to the Rwandan dancers. Alyssa L’Baasi, Class of 2010 said, “I really enjoyed how he got everyone into the show by letting us on stage. I had fun.”

In talking to Jean Paul after the performance, he shared three important points that he especially hoped to convey. First, Jean Paul said, as he did during the show, “We need to set a good example for the children... Children are our hope for humanity.” His immense desire to help children was clearly displayed after the show as some children from the audience approached him to talk. Jean Paul took to them immediately, speaking with them and even giving them contact information.

Jean Paul further expressed that he hopes every- one knows that it is easy to “take, take, take” but you need to be willing to give back just as much. This is one message Jean Paul repeatedly touched on. Finally, Jean Paul wants everyone to know that it is very important to have a connection with your ‘creator’ (or be close within your own spirituality). He encourages us all to ask questions like “Why is this happening?” He shares that eventually, you’ll receive an answer just as he did after the Genocide.

“You see, it’s not as important for Jean Paul to be here,” Jean Paul explains, “But for Rwanda, it’s so important. And of course it was so important to Babson as well. Hopefully, Samputu’s message will reach many and change the world, just as he touched so many in his amazing performance here at Babson.”

Experience on Campus—Great future job and references

Nicole Smith Staff Writer

You may have been offered federal work-study, or maybe you’re just looking for a bit of spending money, and you don’t have the transportation to get a job on campus. So you make the decision to apply for an on-campus job. With the right opportunities, which jobs will you apply for?

Let’s stop for a moment. Think about this. Everything you do on campus, i.e. classwork, clubs, sports, may be on your resume, but chances are that your future employer won’t be looking to see if you won or lost that soccer game your sophomore year. They will, however, be looking at your past experience, and they will be checking and double checking those references. With that in mind, take a look at the job descriptions on http://www.babson.edu/Offices/HR/Students/Job/ studenttutor@mr.cm.f. 

Sure you can get a cashier position at Starbucks and free BSC membership as a clerk, but look closer. An intern position dealing with international programs:

Student Intern, Global Program Services
Explore an excellent opportunity to support MBA and undergraduate level international programs while connecting with a job that you could continue with for your entire time at Babson, for more information or to apply, please contact Brennan via email at abrennan@babson.edu.

Or perhaps you’re planning on working with numbers, maybe you’re a finance major, you could start showing off your skills:

Student Tutor, Math Resource Center

Exhibit your fellow students in the Math department of Babson’s heavy work load. To request an application, please contact Professor George Reck at recke@babson.edu.

For other great experience, look into:

Technology Assistant III, Institutional Research

Assist the Director of Institutional Research in the creation and formatting of tables, graphs, presentations, and reports. Excellent Experience. For more information or to apply, please contact Anne Marie Delaney at extension 6481 or via email at delaneya@babson.edu.

Those jobs, as well as others posted on the student human resource site, provide you with an opportunity to get to know people on campus as well as make connections that could help you later on in life. Take advantage. For future’s sake!

Time to get to work!

Nicolle Smith & CDD Staff Writer

So yes, you are a member of the most innovative business education institution in the world. However, you want that high paying, impressive job you’ve been working for. You’re still going to have to put yourself out there. I include, of course, the dreaded resume.

Because of this generally typical feeling the Center for Career Development put together a list of tips to help you make yourself look like the best applicant for the job (and of course, you are!)

10 Tips for Writing an Effective Resume

1. Limit your resume to one page.
2. Write “Candidate for Bachelor of Science in Business Management”...
3. Include study abroad experience or colleges/universities from which you transferred.
4. For each experience you must include: your role/title, company name, location, and dates of employment.
5. Use bullet points to describe responsibilities/accomplishments. Be specific and quantifiable. Describe your experience through adjectives, numbers, and functions performed. Begin each bullet with an action verb in the correct verb tense.
6. Include FME, IME, and MCPE, if relevant, indicating that project is part of curriculum. Avoid acronyms (spell out or describe in bullet).
7. Highlight leadership roles.

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And the Winner is...

Congratulations to those of you who Connections Dinner in Trim on Wednesday.

The winners of the five prizes were:

Darnell Jeremiah – Snack Basket
Matt Chiasson – One Free smoothie a day for a week
Nick Horvath – Gift certificate to Pandini’s ($25)
Kayla Waisen – Pizza party for one
Sameer Advani – $25 to Jazzman’s

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Want to get something off your chest?

Write for the Free Press
Hail from England!
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Contributing Writer

All right, mates? I arrived in Manchester, which is located in the northern part of England. Here, people drink, even around noon. Most things are more expensive than Boston and it is typically more dangerous than Babson, of course.

But let’s not forget the good side. For instance, diversity: Babson boasts its diversity, but when it comes down to it, Babson is all business-minded people, unlike here. For example, if you take a peak at my suite, we have students majoring in material science, public policy and history. It is interesting to take a root in the talking business 24/7 and instead that with different people with various academic interests.

What’s more, not far from the Greater Manchester region, there is the beautiful Lake District, designated as one of the fourteen National Parks, and is the largest in all of England. Then, of course, there is Manchester United, probably what Manchester is most renowned attribute. Despite famous “David Beckham” leaving the team to Real Madrid, there are many fans all over the world. The fans are so many that you have to book the tickets well in advance. You won’t see any of the matches during this semester!

Once in your lifetime, you should visit England just to see how different it is even though they speak the same language.

INTERNATIONAL

Visiting the Axis of Evil, Or Is It?

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One of the most influential events in my whole life was my third visit to Iran. My father is Iranian, and we have family in Tehran, the capital. When we get a chance, my family and I endure the arduous flights, endless layovers, and debilitating jet lag to be greeted by our numerous, distant family.

My third visit was important because it was the first where there was more about my own family than my relatives from the trip. I visited Iran in 1993 and 1995, when I was five and seven years old. I loved seeing my cousins and aunts and uncles and grandparents.

When I visited Iran in 1999 at the age of twelve, it opened my eyes. I saw a world very different from my own American one, one that put more of an emphasis on family, kindness, and hospitality rather than on consumerism and financial gain; the Iran I saw was starkly different than the one depicted on CNN.

The first thing vastly different about Iran when compared to the United States is their mid-day eating customs. From about noon until three in the afternoon, the entire country shuts down. Shops close, offices lock up, and, except for a few unaware foreigners, the streets become virtually empty. This is lunchtime in Iran. People return to work around three and spend another three hours at there. This custom alone speaks volumes of the philosophy of the Iranian people and society. Can you ever imagine the people of America stopping all business, daily, nationwide, to go home and see their family, eat, lunch, and take a nap? It is equally challenging to imagine the Microsoft of the world telling their employees to take three hours off every day to go home.

As I walked the streets of Tehran with my cousins and aunts and uncles, I was puzzled. Where were the people burning effigies of our president? Where were the flaming American flags surrounded by throngs of men chanting “Death to America!” in the streets? It was then that it occurred to me what a slant the media puts on the information that it spoon feeds us, and how we, like high-chair-bound toddlers, gobble it all up and take it as gospel.

Another interesting aspect of Tehran is its communal feel. Tehran, although a teeming metropolis of more than twelve million, is broken up into many small communities. Every community has its own baker for bread, baker for pastry, butcher, grocer, and a corner shop where you can buy everything from ketchup to diapers to phone cards. Everyone in each store knows you and greets you as you enter, some may even have watched you grow up, much like I would imagine a small town in the United States to be. Even though Tehran is a very industrial city, it reminds me of what I imagined the Golden Age of America was, with its closely-knit communities and neighborhoods.

Traffic in Tehran is the most horrendous, chaotic mess of cars, buses, and taxis. You can get lost in the traffic. Just to give you an example, I will relate a story about highway traffic. One night, while on our way to a dinner party, we encountered some traffic on the highway. As we moved farther and farther into the quagmire of automobiles, the four-lane highway turned into a seven-lane parking lot. When we got to the source of the problem, we found that the police had shut down three of the four lanes in order to stop a traffic jam from spreading up the road. Despite all of the confusion, I only saw one car accident during my two-month stay. There must be some kind of magical aura about the drivers of Tehran. As long as they drive like maniacs, nobody gets hurt. However, as soon as one person thinks that it’s a good idea to drive sensibly, accidents occur.

No matter how many times I visit Iran, however, there is always something intriguing or interesting to amuse or amaze me. I especially enjoy bringing back this wealth of information to the United States and telling my friends of the adventures and misadventures I had during my visits to Iran.

Thai Military Takes Over Thailand:
“Not A Serious Thing”

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Early Wednesday in Thailand, martial law was imposed by the Thai military. Tanks rolled through the capital, and soldiers patrolling the streets and seen guarding certain essential facilities. Yellow flags could be seen on the bays of the soldiers loyal to the King. Schools, restaurants, and the stock market were all closed for Wednesday.

The army chief who has ascended to power in Thailand is General Sonthi Boonyaratkalin; he is acting under King Bhumibol Adulyadej. The general is a Muslim in the mostly Buddhist country of Thailand. Whether that will become an issue or if the coup will spiral out of control is left to the future. But as history dictates, there have been 17 coups since World War II. Nuttapon Hirunyasiri, a student from Thailand, claims that the coup "sounds serious, but it is not." He says that this kind of event is not normal, but it will be bloodless, or at least he hopes. Mr. Hirunyasiri confirms the media view that the coup is just to restore power to the King and prime minister.

A lot of the confidence in stability stems from the King. King Bhumibol Adulyadej has the longest reign of any monarch in Thai history. He also currently is the longest reigning monarch in the world. Nuttapon claims that the people are very loyal because he has done many things for Thailand. The King is seen as a semi-divine human in Thai culture. He is attributed to transitioning Thailand to democracy in the 50's as well as many rural development projects. Hopefully the strength of the King will allow this coup to be simple and bloodless.
Rupert Murdoch and His Myspace Vision

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It’s almost impossible these days if you turn on the television, read the newspaper, or even just read the conversations among people to not hear about social networking sites MySpace and Facebook. MySpace has become so popular that some have started labeling the technology behind it as part of the MySpace generation. MySpace.com was one of the first sites on the web that garnered tremendous popularity with the general public. Although today other sites, such as Facebook, Hi5, etc., have gained a remarkable popularity with many teens and college students, MySpace’s has continued to grow at a rate which was last estimated at over 100 million, is by far the largest.

Until July of last year MySpace was owned by Inter¬net company Interspace, but it was bought out by media behemoth News Corp., the third largest newspaper company in the world behind Time Warner and Disney, for $550 million. The company’s founder and CEO is chairman, with a membership of 100 million. Although many may view this as a sensible transaction for Murdoch, many don’t realize

the media-changing consequences of this acquisition.

With MySpace News Corp. will be able to track member profiles, which includes every member’s favorite movies, music and personal information. So if you’re still asking yourself what the future of the internet looks like, you’re about to find out. Well first in a purely financial aspect, News Corp. will be able to sell advertising space on the site. This is why it’s said that anything with a financial value can be sold on the internet. MySpace’s revenue model is essentially a “freemium” model, where users can create a profile for free, but if they want access to more features they will have to pay for them. In fact, the site already has a premium membership which was launched last year.

Secondly, if Murdoch is convinced that the holdings also include Fox Networks, Star Television Asia, Fox Sports and the job of the new company will be to help them in cross-selling their own products/services. For example, if someone is watching a MySpace video that features a U2, News Corp. potentially will sell advertising pop-up banners in U2’s particular page, when they have a concert in Madison Square Garden.

Taking it one step further, Murdoch’s plan puts down that one of his favorite movies is X-Men, produced by Twentieth Century Fox. In this instance, both the member and Murdoch can promote the movie intentionally and unin¬tentionally. If the member uploads the trailer to his Myspace homepage everyone that goes to his page will be forced, at least for 5 seconds, to watch the trailer. Murdoch can thereby increasing its adver¬tising reach. Now imagine that X-Men has gone for sale on DVD, MySpace could im¬mediately identify all its po¬tential customers and sell the DVD as an online movie download.

In essence Murdoch’s vi¬sion for News Corp., which his family owns a 30% stake in, is to create the ultimate interactive media company. MySpace of course investors may not fully appre¬ciate the company, in which people could buy anything inventors may face times by simply downloading them off, which would be pro¬vided by News Corp. and not Myspace. As a matter of fact, News Corp.’s vast holdings for the time being though Murdoch has commit¬ted $5 billion to invest in making News Corp. a leading interactive media company and as such, the company’s fis¬cal Financials on Wednesday the company announced possible $20,000 in student-loan debt, it is important to learn and manage your personal finan¬cial management techniques for the rest of your life.

In order to list of useful money management websites for college students is the website for Young Money magazine and provides an¬swers for almost any financial question a college student might have. Young Money magazine, written primarily by student journalists focuses on money, management, entre¬preneurship, and investing.

The website’s layout allows you to choose any one of many different channels or topics many college students might be interested in. The user can click on the con¬sumer issues channel and look for tips on how to use pre-paid phone cards or report online shopping pro¬blems. Click on the credit card & debit channel and links per¬mitting to establishing credit limits and check where your earning of what effect investing will have on your credit report will be.

Along with answers to many other financial questions students might have about their finances, the website offers tips on many issues facing young adults. Issues such as: getting out of debt, starting an investment portfolio, paying back student loans, budgeting, and saving.

One of the best fea¬tures of the website is a tab called calculators. It is placed on the top of the homepage and easy to find on any page. Clicking on the tab brings up links to 40 different calculators that you can use to track and maintain your finances. For example, the site offers calculators for auto loan comparisons, debt consolidation, retirement planning, cost of living, savings goals, salary comparisons, compounding interest, and ben¬efits of spending less.

In all, youngmoney.com is a Website for college students by college students. It is much more beneficial and easier to navigate than any of your typical personal finance magazines like Morningstar.com or bankrate.com If you are fi¬nancially aware, or feel like you are, then this website is a great stepping-stone for learning and mastering the basics of managing your money and becoming financially disciplined. To reach this website is website is finance.yahoo.com

Chesapeake Energy Attractive Valuation

Eric Scheelien
Staff Writer

Chesapeake Energy was traded on Wall Street as ranking number 30 in the Fortune’s 2006 list of 100 fastest growing companies. The Oklahoma City, Okla¬homa-based company saw profits increase 22% and revenues grow 74% with a stock return of 45% on aver¬age annual return for the last three years. The company ranked 46 on the 2005 list.

The valuation standpoint it ap¬pears to be extremely under¬valued. I was digging around the 2005 annual report and found something very inter¬esting. Chesapeake’s asset are hedged.

I would next like to discuss the tremendous value that we believe is embodied in Chesapeake’s stock. Using year-end and oil and natural gas assumptions, the asset value Chesapeake has built for itself is something that is truly eyeopening. When debt and other liabilites of about $7 billion are sub¬tracted, Chesapeake’s remaining holder value is $32.28 billion, or 50-60% fully diluted with no debt. Ts stock price has generally moved in tandem with the net asset value because, so I have full confidence in the market’s ability to keep up with the company’s steadily increasing NAV per share.

No discussion about value would be complete without the topic of risk mitiga¬tion. Chesapeake does not have a separate senior management team, is to create and deliver the highest risk-adjusted returns possible to our investors. I often believe that many investors do not appreciate the risk. Much risk there is in this in¬dustry and how we usually manage them was discussed. For example, in 2006 when natural gas prices were widely expected to decline to below $6 per mbtu by late summer because of this past winter’s record warmth, we hedged 71% of our 2006 natu¬ral gas production at $8.43 per mbtu, 36% of our 2007 natural gas produc¬tion at $9.10 per mbtu (exclud¬ing the gain on sales). So while on the books Chesapeake trades over book value as trading without book value at a 50% discount to Net Asset Value.

Some people may be worried about a hurricane de¬stroying natural gas rigs. Chesapeake doesn’t need to worry about that either. None of their rigs are anywhere near the coast. I also emphasize that Chesapeake’s assets are all high and dry onshore in the U.S. In a time of what is commonly known as the “greater hurricane activity in the Gulf of Mexico, many in¬vestment analysts believe that is of primary concern to hurricane seasons to come.” Management is also aligned with the company’s Chairman Aubrey McClendon has made numerous pur¬chases of Chesapeake stock this year upping his stake to 26,067,864 shares worth about 778 million dollars.

This is a great com¬pany with great management and at a price you really can’t ask for much more.

Disclaimer: Eric Scheelien is not a CPA and he owns shares of CHK.

Personal Finance Sites For College Students

Alex Turscz B&T Editor

Managing ones’ own personal finances might be a daunting task for many college students. With papers to write, exams to study for, the stress of homework, relationships breakdowns, and kegger party plans on their minds, many 18-22 year olds cannot sacrifice any more brain usage on worrying about money management. However, no one is born with such a skill, they are as their own personal fi¬nance manager. What is to follow will be a condensed list of some useful and relevant websites that are devoted to teaching collegiate men and woman how to manage, invest, spend, and save.

It might seem irrel¬evant if I write an article on personal finances to Babson students, especially if you believe that someone in your class¬mates probably can manage money better than your aver¬age adult. Nevertheless, we are college students and given the fact that the average col¬lege student graduates with $20,000 in student-loan debt, it is important to learn and manage your personal finan¬cial management techniques for the rest of your life.

Here are the list of useful management websites for college students is the website for Vivid Money magazine and provides an¬swers for almost any financial question a college student might have. Young Money magazine, written primarily by student journalists focuses on money, management, entre¬preneurship, and investing.

The website’s layout allows you to choose any one of many different channels or topics many college students might be interested in. The user can click on the con¬sumer issues channel and look for tips on how to use pre-paid phone cards or report online shopping pro¬blems. Click on the credit card & debit channel and links per¬mitting to establishing credit limits and check where your earning of what effect investing will have on your credit report will be.

Along with answers to many other financial questions students might have about their finances, the website offers tips on many issues facing young adults. Issues such as: getting out of debt, starting an investment portfolio, paying back student loans, budgeting, and saving.

The website features a tab calculated called calculators. It is placed on the top of the homepage and easy to find on any page. Clicking on the tab brings up links to 40 different calculators that you can use to track and maintain your finances. For example, the site offers calculators for auto loan comparisons, debt consolidation, retirement planning, cost of living, savings goals, salary comparisons, compounding interest, and ben¬efits of spending less.

In all, youngmoney.com is a website for college students by college students. It is much more beneficial and easier to navigate than any of your typical personal finance magazines like Morningstar.com or bankrate.com. If you are fi¬nancial aware, or feel like you are, then this website is a great stepping-stone for learning and mastering the basics of managing your money and becoming financially disciplined. To reach this website is website is finance.yahoo.com

Once on the finance homepage scroll down and click¬ing on the education link there is your College Center. Here you can take quizzes on your knowledge of personal finances, understand the basics of investing in Invest¬ting, read up on how to approach saving, and browse through a financial glossary. The site is easy to use, the information is vast, and there is a lot of information for a naive college

The last website fea¬tured is also ranked #5 on our list for the 10 best sites for students. FinAid.org is a great site to learn about fi¬nancial aid, savings, and loans. It offers rates and informa¬tion of financial calculators that are offered on the other featured sites. However, its extensive calculators for student loans can be inputted, cannot be used.

With so many websites out there it might seem daunting to find one that can thoroughly educate you about your own financial lives. Hopefully the sites we mentioned above can ease that burden.

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“American Vertigo”, a bold move by a daring intellectual What’s Up?

Justin Peagram
Opinions/Arts Editor

Few French intellectuals enjoy the same kind of “rock star” status in America that they do back in the Fifth Republic (the notable exception being Jacques Derrida, among a few others). This difference has less to do with the political antago- nism of recent times, and more to do with differing intellectual tastes. However, this does not dissuade the French from writ- ing about America — they simply never have the intention of publishing their books in En- glish.

Bernard-Henri Lévy, the famous French philosopher, activist, journalist, filmmaker, and aristocrat, tried a new formula with his newest book “American Vertigo: Traveling in the foot- steps of TCQveuleau”. He decided to publish it in America before France, a daring move and proved successful from a publishing standpoint.

The book was originally a series of essays commissioned by the Atlantic Monthly. Lévy traveled across America in the footsteps of Alexis de Tocqueville writing journal entries and philosophical musings along the way.

The first part of the book is an accumulation of his journal writings, edited and revised. The entries range from hilarious and enlightening to banal and con- descending. That said, his range is quite remarkable. He is just as much at ease talking to an exotic dancer in a Las Ve- gas strip club as he is debating Neo-Hegelian philosophy with Francis Fukuyama. The ability to combine social fluidity and intellectual rigor is perhaps Lévy’s (and the book’s) most original feature.

Also, Lévy’s celebrity status allows him to interview people and visit places that most people only dream of. His journal en- tries include interviews with John Kerry, Woody Allen, Bill Kristol, and Sharon Stone, and visits to Guantánamo Bay, Rikers Penitentiary, and the U.S.- Mexican border surveillance agencies.

Peppered amongst these memorable entries are more mundane observations about American life. At certain times, he seems to forget that his audi- ence is from the U.S. He mentions well-known trivialis and exaggerates the insights that these facets have on American identity.

The second part of the book is more succinct and makes up for some of the deficiency in the first part. In essence, this part discusses the more philosophical issues raised by his random ob- servations. Unlike the first part, he keeps the topics narrow, searching for depth rather than breadth. He discusses the Iraq war, the fundamentals behind American identity, and the rise of American imperialism. His critique of the latter topic is very original, straying from the typi-

cal French opinion on the sub- ject, which praises the Roman Empire analogy a little too far.

The writing is verbose and lyrical, a refreshing change from the serious prose of standard political expository writing. Lévy is extremely well read and the book is filled with literary and philosophical references that may prove daunting to many readers.

By following in the footsteps of Tocqueville, Lévy takes on the challenge of living up to the fa- mous author of “Democracy in America”. While this book falls short of defining the American political landscape as the latter did back in the 1830’s, it does offer some original, con- structive criticism seldom put forth by contemporary French thinkers.

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Thoughts on last week's shooting in Montreal

Justin Pogeam Opinion/Arts Editor

Last Wednesday, as I was diligently taking notes in my afternoon class, I received a phone call from my mother. Finding it odd that my mother, who knows my schedule and usually prefers talking to me at night, called me at this time, I decided to leave class and answer the phone. Though I couldn't hardly make out the voice on the other end of the call (for some reason reception always seems to decrease when you need it the most), I was able to discern certain words and expressions: shooting, Dawson (the school that my brother attends in Montreal), Jack is OK, many injured, death toll, city is going crazy, etc. After trying to call my mother back several times to no avail, I was finally able to talk to one of my father's close friends who informed me of the terrible events that had just unfolded in my home town. He reassured me that my brother was not directly implicated in the shooting, and that my parents, who escaped to the country home the day of the shooting, had made a rush trip into the city to pick me up.

At that point, I returned to class reassured that my brother was not hit by the automatic gun and that he managed to escape the building. Though many had been killed and if I happened to know any of the victims.

The official reports were no less shocking. Contrary to earlier reports of multiple killers, the police confirmed the identity a single shooter, a twenty-five year old man named Kimveer Gill. Gill pulled up to Alexis Nihon Mall (a building adjacent to Dawson College), parked his Pontiac Sunfire in front of the building, and began firing rounds from his semi-auto matic rifle on unsuspecting victims outside the college, before entering the main entrance and firing more rounds on students inside. Police, who were in the area on a drug related inves tigation, apparently reacted too late, and gunshots and a fire seemed to ring out as Gill took his own life by shooting himself in the head. In the end, Gill killed one person, Anastasia De Souza (18 years old), shot a total of eleven (eight critically injured) and wounded nineteen—two patients still remain in intensive care.

Dawson College, an English CECIP (junior college) catering to students between the ages of 17 and 23, is as eclectic as Montreal itself. It successfully manages to group together people of different racial, religious, and socio-economic backgrounds. This multiracial characteristic, as we now know, makes it a target for people looking to wreak havoc on society.

For Americans, this shooting is reminiscent of the Columbine massacre. Those two incidents have more in common than the simple fact that they both occurred in schools—indeed, this is a terrible commonality because Gill did not attend the school he targeted. In both cases, the perpetrators of those heinous acts shared similar cultural interests: they sported the infamous black trench coat they listened to death metal music and, all of them lived with their parents.

For people from Montreal and the rest of Canada, this event brings back the ghastly memories of the "polite techniques" massacre of 1989, when I de nied mass murderer Marc Lepine, upset that women were not "feminine" and "cute," began murdering fourteen young women before taking his own life.

In the next few weeks or even months, the media, the academicians, the experts, and the people who listen to these different groups, will all attempt to explain how and why this young man came to commit such acts of violence. Some will blame his parents. Others will place the burden on the harsh, exclusionary environment people who are "different" must endure throughout high school and college. There is a bolder, narrow thinking people will blame the graphic culture that this young man was submerged in; one that, at least according to the killer's own interpretation, promotes death, dis truction and an overall abhorrence toward life.

Some will argue more profoundly that people, and, though there will never be a con servative, especially among experts, people will eventually acknowledge the lessons learned and move on, not in a disheartening way, but in a genuine way that shows life is worth living for.

This incident will no doubt trigger certain political initiatives. In my opinion, tighter internet security should be at the forefront. Gill had a website where pictures of himself with his weapon were proudly displayed. This adds to the paranoia that he was condoned (though still prac ticed) by most Western governments, is there any circum stance that deserves exceptional treatment. But.

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Other than the practical issues, certain fundamental questions will also be examined by the more serious members of society. In this age of political correctness, where racial (and gender) identity is not to be discussed, can we, in this country of the free and the home of the brave, say that it is still considered (though still prac ticed) by most Western governments, is there any circum chance that deserves exceptional treatment.

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No French Word for "Entrepreneur"
INDIAN CRICKET: ATHLETICS, RELIGION, OR JUST OBSESSION?

This ground-breaking sport is not merely about the players, the playing pitch, a bat, or a ball. The most important asset of cricket is its devoted, hysterical, and endless numbers of fans. These people have truly made cricket what it is today. The future of cricket is sure to be greater than ever before as the sport is beginning to gain recognition around the world.

Cricket originated in England and ever since has caught onto multitudes of countries and societies around the world. There are two teams of 11 players and the playing ground is better known as the pitch. Each player possesses a unique skill whether it be batting, bowling, pitching the ball, all-rounders (players who excel in both areas), and one very experienced player who is the wicket-keeper (the player who stands behind the wicket to catch balls). Basically, the wicket is a set of three stumps that is placed at both ends of the pitch. The rules are a bit lengthy to explain but they can only be found on the internet; just Google "cricket rules".

There is an unbelievable amount of electricity and exhilaration surrounding the sport and it is definitely extremely unique. It is usually very difficult to guess the outcome of a cricket match until the very end. Having spent the early part of my life in India, as well as frequent visits over the years, I have definitely sensed that the passion Indians have for cricket is unparalleled by any other sport in any other country.

The more I have been surrounded and exposed to the sport of cricket, the greater the interest I have developed for it. My father is an exceedingly avid follower of the sport and as a result, I began to watch more and more matches and understanding its true deeper concept. Even at Babson College, there has been a Cricket Club initiated so that more students can be exposed to the sport. Scrammage matches are played on various days throughout the week at Webster Center. Everyone should partake in one match to enjoy the thrill of cricket whenever they get a chance.

Cricket also has had many controversies and scandals that have taken place in the past. None have been great enough and the game of cricket has emerged successfully and pervaded the controversies. Cricket is arguably a religion in India, and it is a very rare occurrence for religion to die down. The largest cricket tournament, the World Cup, is taking place next year in the West Indies. I feel that it would be a great ability for all cricket fans to experience watching an Indian match and expressing my patriotism without having set boundaries. Cricket has served a pivotal role in creating a sense of pride and unity in India as well as other countries over many decades and the love and passion that exists for this world-renowned sport is spectacular.

Dheeraj Kapadia
LIFESTYLES
Indian Cricket: Athletics, Religion, or Just Obsession?

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Waking up at 7am on that Friday morning, I knew that it was "Rocket Pitch Time". The night before, we had worked hard to perfect my presentation, focusing mainly on my delivery, since I would soon be presenting. I was not nervous, but was excited at the prospect of speaking to an idea that I believe in.

The first rocket pitch in the subject of "Foundation Management and Entrepreneurs (FME)" is an essential component of every freshman's Babson experience. It starts off with 20 groups giving 5-minute presentations to market their product to the entire class. The 20 groups are filtered down to 9 via an interesting entrepreneurial voting process. Being rather keen on not being filtered out, I worked hard upon my presentation, and on the day, felt quite confident of doing well.

The groups were chosen to present randomly, with Professor Mandel holding out a "random" hat, and Professor Stoddard and the two FME mentors Siliva and Andy picking a group number from it through Siliva faxed Prof. Mandel to take a few, too.

The product range presented was quite impressive; the range included tote bags, cups with the Babson logo on them, slippers, "Boston" 10 oz tea, door tags, institution-themed iPod skins, badges, a special mini pump, and much more.

The voting process was tense. Simply put, everyone was in a trap attention when the votes were being collected (though some claimed that the effects of a rather "wild" night bagged them down during the first few minutes of the votes being collected.) At the end of an exciting, action-packed and sometimes I would like to say Prof. Mandel told me to write that, but it is just me -- few minutes of vote collection, the results were soon out. Institution-themed iPod skins received the most votes, but it was followed closely by around 3-5 other groups that also received over 25 votes each, from the 50 legitimate voters present in the room. In addition, there was a tight battle at the bottom end of the table, with 5 groups firmly in the running for making it into the next round. Finally, one of the groups selling slippers scored through with one more vote than the other 2 trailing behind. It was rather dramatic.

The day ended with people who did not make it to the next round picking their favored group to join. A not-so-great end came when all students were given a nice farewell by the two professors, a farewell that was accompanied by a fairly large dose of homework.

Being in the group that got the most votes, I can confidently say that I enjoyed the experience. Having said that, I am fully aware that this is just a tiny rocket pitch, the real stuff comes later as the pitches get increasingly complicated and difficult to produce.

Still, it is nice to have it out of the way. I would like to end with a missing, possibly inappropriate swear word that describes with "itch" to cover my aggression, but I probably should not do that.

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Join us September 27th!
Temper the Optimism

David Nelson
Staff Writer

The Patriots are 2-0 and the last time the Patriots were 2-0, the fans were Rodney Dangerfield fans. In other words, they never got any respect. But this is what the Patriots are doing. If you go out and get a hot dog, you get a hot dog. They have allowed too many points and have struggled for their entire season. The defense has allowed too many points and the offense has struggled for their entire season.

The Patriots have had their moments, but they have also had their struggles. The offense has struggled for their entire season. They have been inconsistent and have struggled against each other. They have struggled against the Minnesota Vikings, who lost to the Patriots in overtime.

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Rugby Wins Home Opener

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The game started with a home game in a season that started with high school (you, high school). The Patriots did not do much of anything for free agency, deciding that they would rather gain extra cash than overpay on any one player. Don’t get me wrong, the Patriots economic savvy allowed them to form an organizational philosophy of team over the individual, an integral piece of the puzzle which made their three Super Bowl victories possible.

The reason why it has worked out so well for the Patriots has been to put more money to sign adequate backups who can really play cause they are the backups on their star players. New England players have got their rings and want to cash in and their backups want to be paid like starters. Connecticut is a state full of turnaround in the lockerroom, as we have witnessed a mass exodus of their veterans core.

You can’t argue with the results. Belichick and Paoli have produced, so I’m not calling out the team for the way they handled free agency, or the cap in general. All I am saying is don’t be surprised if what the Patriots do is to try any competitive edge over year keeps them from being a true contender. I think when the Patriots perform during the regular season against the elite
tiered teams will be a good indicator of their postseason potential.

Playoff football will be alive and kicking this January in New England and you never know what you might see. The team gets hot. Just don’t say you weren’t warned when, come February, everyone is going to be short and all those Patriot cups and red, white, and blue plasticware seem somewhat out of place at your Super Bowl party.
Intramurals are Back in Action and Reeking of Title Aspirations

Josh Nispeii
Staff Writer

Tell your neighbors and tell your friends, the excitement of IM never ends. Week one has come and gone, and the quest for the championship has begun. Once again, the screech of the whistle fills the air. The cold mist covering the green turf of the upper-fields is a welcome sight after a long, harsh summer of parties, making that cash, and sleep.

Basketball has opened up with a barrage of blowouts. Only three games were decided within 10 points. That didn’t stop NY’s finest from nearly blowing up the ball scene, nearly knocking off defending champs The Dynasty. The Return of the Dynasty was able to come back from an early deficit and end the night with a hard-fought 16-12 victory.

Out on the turf we have seen some impressive displays of athleticism from our RA’s as they copped off a 13-5 drubbing of the ironically named “Pillagers” in opening action of the 2006 Ultimate Frisbee extravaganza. Proper go out to The Dunedain in their more than solid victory, and as always Olivi played a technically sound game in their difficult, yet impressive 5-0 victory over Franklin. Look for an exciting matchup in week 2 as Olivi takes their shot at the red hot RA’s Tuesday night.

After two weeks of play we are beginning to take shape in outdoor soccer. With four teams remaining, the pressure is on for defending champs Skins, who lost an overtime heartbreaker to defending indoor champion Pepi Chulos in week two.

Monday night also brought us some exciting action in the late night game with a tie between the Free Agents and a highly touted graduate team in Calpinbra. The game was called after three minutes of sudden death overtime due to light restrictions on the upper fields.

It has been a great start to the new season. The supervisors and referees would like to thank all of the participants for their enthusiasm and adherence to the rules... for the most part. Remember, no cleats on the turf.

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Pat Macnara
Staff Writer

Ladies and gentlemen, the Patriots are 2-0. And ladies and gentlemen, I’m quite concerned. Over Patriots two dominating Super Bowl seasons (2003 and 2004), the Patriots did rarely win by a large margin. They just found ways to win. Look at the three Super Bowl games the Patriots have won: all by a total of just nine points. So one might look at these two wins, both by small margins, and both classic “grind em out” wins, and think back to the dynasty years.

However, I see a team that can’t put teams away. The Jets and Bills were supposed to be two of the worst teams in the NFL. The Patriots have struggled to put away both teams. Tom Brady is only completing 60% of his passes this season, and has already thrown two interceptions against two bad teams. His receiving core, as I talked about last week, is thin. It was quite nice to see Chad Jackson suit up, but he dropped an easy catch on a bomb thrown by Brady.

Again, Watson will continue to get double teamed by defenses as long as the Patriots show no real threats at the wideout position. We saw Kevin Faulk, the Patriots third running back, line up as wide receiver for several plays this past week. The Patriots are clearly desperate at wide receiver, and letting Branch go may have been the biggest mistake the Patriots have made in the past five years.

The New York Jets scored the last 17 points on Sunday. The Patriots had several opportunities to put the Jets away, but failed to score. The most notable time this happened was late in the fourth quarter, with the Patriots deep in Jets territory, Goatkowski lined up for a short, chip-shot field goal and it was blocked. This causes deep concern. No short field goal should be blocked that easily. Brady’s right leg was starting to put the game away. Brady appears to be missing his targets, as he had Watson wide open in the end zone, and threw it short. Brady already publicly displayed concern at a press conference when he said he was mentally affected by the absence of Branch last Sunday.

This week prove to be no easy task for the Patriots. They are heading home to face the Broncos, the team that eliminated them from the playoffs last January. In my opinion, the Patriots are not ready to face the Broncos. However, I also believe that the Broncos are not ready to play the Patriots. The Broncos have been playing poorly, as Jake Plummer has been quarterbacking poorly.

The “Double Bell” running back combination for the Broncos is very comparable to the Patriots’ two-headed monster. I think the Patriots have a better defense than the Broncos, and a better passing game when they do not struggle. The running defense of the Patriots has been very solid and should be able to stop the Bell force. The Broncos will continue to struggle on offense this year, and the Patriots should be able to grind out another win.

Am I concerned? Yes. Will the Patriots have a walkover? No. Will they win another Super Bowl? I will have to live this game out. Will they win another Super Bowl? I will have to live this game out. Will they win another Super Bowl? I will have to live this game out.

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