Paper comes from Trees!

Daina Ruback
Staff Writer
Greening Babson: I do not think so. Yes, Babson as an institution has come leaps and bounds as far as being environmentally conscious during my 3 ½ years here. We’re all excited about the wind turbine. I can find a recycling bin almost everywhere I go, there is the dark tower competition, and I just love the little signs asking me to turn lights off.

But until the entire student body gets the memo about what the Babson brain is trying to accomplish, let’s not go patting ourselves on the back.

We learn the difference between prevention and intervention when starting a social venture in my Social Enterprise Management class. Prevention tends to be cheaper and more effective. Oh, so let’s take that pretty uncomplicated concept and try to apply it to real life!

We’ll take a look at the problem of wasting paper. I’ve noticed it’s gotten quite out of hand lately.

Thank you Babson for placing paper recycling bins all over campus, it’s a wonderful means of intervention. Now kids, let’s work on prevention. One needs not to print out every single PowerPoint slide for your class during midterm week. Technology is the future baby, keep it on your computer. I’ll direct you to the notes section that you can edit under each slide or can take notes as you go through the slides, you already own the notebooks, and you’ll probably learn more that way anyway. It would also help to ease the stress level for all those sophomores scrambling to the printers in Horn and needing to wait 4 hours for their turn.

Another action Babson students and organizations could take to lessen their impact is to be conservative when printing signs advertising their events. One poster per window is more than sufficient. In my opinion, you do more damage to your cause by bombarding the school with your wastefulness.

Here at the Babson Free Press we are trying to do our part as well. With the launch of www.babsonfreepress.org, we have a new outlet of paperless media. Let’s not get too caught up in our own noses to forget one fact that we all know all too well: paper comes from trees! Start living the revolution.

You Do Need A Weather Man To Tell Which Way the Wind Blows

The Absence of Activists Defining Our Existence and Our Lack of Understanding of Human Responsibility and Connection

Tommy Wenzlau
Class 2010
Finalist, MLK Jr. Speech contest award

Right now, the world and the United States faces numerous problems. Complicating the problems is the fact that the world today is connected in ways it has never been before. An incident on the other side of the globe can cause losses to rise, jobs to be lost, and wars to start all within a matter of hours. The issues we face and how we respond to them will define our society for generations.

There is a global and domestic dependence on wealth. There is still not an equal opportunity for everyone in education, and because of this, not everyone has access to the tools needed for success. There is genocide occurring in Africa and pointless murders in our inner-cities. The United States and its capitalist system cannot seem to function without exploiting a lower class, which continues a society where the rich gets richer and the poor stays on the bottom. These problems are complex, but can still be denied. Unfortunately, we are largely ignoring these problems and by taking no notice of them, we disregard our responsibilities as human beings and fail to recognize the ever more important connections we all have.

When one looks at these problems which are of substantial importance, it is clear that they disproportionately affect the poor in our society. Being that it is shameful that there is no mass movement to help. Had these specific problems been occurring in the 60s, without a doubt, a mass movement would be in order. As Bob Dylan said in the 60s, “you don’t need a weatherman to tell which way the wind blows” because you could see, feel, and smell the desire for revolutionary change. Now however, wind does not even seem to be blowing. So why is there no collective yelling and our cry? Where are the roaring winds demanding change? Well, it certainly cannot come from the people who are suffering because they have their tongues cut out. Why then aren’t human beings who have voices not yelling and trying to aid their fellow humans? Are we not affected by the problems of people who look differently or who do not live next door? Largey, we are not and that is our error. It is clear that generations before us have taught that humans have a responsibility to legislate morality in our society. Martin Luther King Jr. once said, “Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere.” Humans are each other’s “keepers” and when we fail to help each other, we are being irresponsible to all of humanity. Looking at Dr. King’s values, it is easy to see that he believed humans are responsible for each other because of the ways in which we are all connected.

In our society today there is one aspect of Dr. King that we must inject quickly before our bleeding becomes unstoppable, and that is activism. Activism is what allows Dr. King to change the world. He inspired people to name our responsibility as humans and think beyond that act. Dr. King is an incredibly thinking humans of the United States, and the youth were able to accomplish something. They joined together and actively pursued justice. They marched, they protested they fought, they died because they passionately believed that their truly active activism was something that would cause change.

People realized that no matter what categories one is forced into—black, white, brown, yellow, male, female, transgender, rich, poor, Christian, Jewish, Muslim...beneath it all each and every one of us is human. People fought to make sure that all of their brothers and sisters had that right defining human right, free will.

One of the greatest things about being human is the fact that our existence is not predetermined; or as the great existentialist Jean-Paul Sartre said: “existence precedes our essence.” Our minds are not governed by...
The STAND Northeast Regional Conference is this weekend (Feb. 29-Mar.2) at Brandeis University.

If you are interested in attending please register at http://www.standnow.org/conferences/register and pass Dama Ruback, President of Babson’s STAND (student anti-genocide network) an email letting her know so we can all coordinate rides. Take a look at the itinerary online, you do not need to commit to all 3 days of the conference, and there’s no pressure to attend every single event, just make it to the ones you can.

Friday night there will be a showing of Darfur Now, a documentary that follows different grassroots activists, like Don Cheddle, George Clooney, and a human rights attorney on their paths to make a difference in Darfur. It’s a great opportunity to see it for free at this event! The $25 registration fee is being covered by CAB’s diversity funding, so don’t worry about the $25 fee, you can register without it, and YAY! Meals will also be provided.

If you have any other questions, pass them my way.

Peace,

Dama Ruback
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The Babson Free Press
Teddy Bear Promotions
& SGA present...

iWrite ~ iWin

We're giving away 2 iPod Nannos, 3 iPod shuffles, and other musical surprises to the winners of our newest promotion, iWrite~iWin. Here are the details:

How Can I Win?
This competition is a point-based competition. The winner with the most points will win first prize, and the next, 2nd, and so on.

How Can I Win Points?
You can win points by doing any of the following:

2000 points - Write an article for the Babson Free Press (>500 words)
1500 points - Write an article for the Babson Free Press online (>500 words)
500 - See the Teddy Bear Promotions Teddy Bear on campus (no max!)
500 - Take a picture that gets printed in the Babson Free Press (max 1/week)
300 - Take a picture that gets put on the Babson Free Press online (max 1/week)
250 - Submit a YouTube video to our website (max 2 videos/week)

When Will This Competition Begin?
The Competition Starts March 1st. The regular season ends March 30th. If a tiebreaker is necessary, it will take place April 1-7, with a winner announced April 7.

Where Do I Start?
Email us at babsonfreepress@gmail.com & we'll send you the official rules!

Thank you to Babson's SGA, Ways & Means for making this contest possible
Ask the TV Snob Expert

By Answers by the Babson Free Press television watchtower

Are you a TV fan who has been going through a tough patch lately? Have you been feeling a bit down about the state of television these days? Well, look no further! The TV Snob Expert is here to help. Whether you're looking for recommendations on what to watch, need help deciphering the latest TV trends, or just want someone to vent about your favorite shows, this column has you covered. So, let's dive in and see what our expert has to say:

Q: What do you think of the new season of "The Good Doctor"? Is it worth watching?

A: The new season of "The Good Doctor" has been receiving mixed reviews. While some fans have praised the show for its emotional depth and character development, others have criticized it for feeling formulaic and lacking in new ideas. Ultimately, whether or not you choose to watch it will depend on your personal tastes and preferences. If you're a fan of the show's previous seasons, you may find the new season enjoyable. If you're looking for something fresh, you might want to explore other options.

Q: Should I try watching "The Mandalorian"? Is it worth the hype?

A: "The Mandalorian" has been generating a lot of buzz, with many fans raving about its cinematic visuals and well-crafted story. However, whether or not you'll enjoy it depends on your personal taste. If you're a fan of the Star Wars universe or enjoy high-quality visual effects, "The Mandalorian" might be worth checking out. If you're not a fan of the Star Wars franchise or prefer more grounded storytelling, you might want to look for something else.

Q: What's your take on the recent "Friends" reunion? Was it worth the wait?

A: The "Friends" reunion was a nostalgic treat for fans who grew up watching the show. While some fans were disappointed by the lack of new content, others appreciated the heartfelt tributes to the show's characters and storylines. Ultimately, whether or not you enjoyed the reunion will depend on your personal connection to the show. If you're a devoted fan, you likely had fun watching the reunion. If you're not a fan of "Friends," you might want to pass on the reunion.

Q: What's your opinion on the cancellation of "The Walking Dead"? Is it too soon?

A: The cancellation of "The Walking Dead" has been a hot topic among fans of the show. While some fans were disappointed by the decision, others saw it as a necessary move for the show's long-term health. Ultimately, whether or not you agree with the cancellation will depend on your personal connection to the show. If you're a devoted fan, you likely have mixed feelings about the decision. If you're not a fan of "The Walking Dead," you might not have a strong opinion one way or another.

Q: What do you think of the new "Baywatch" reboot? Is it better than the original?

A: The new "Baywatch" reboot has been met with mixed reviews. While some fans have praised the show for its beachy vibes and nostalgic charm, others have criticized it for feeling outdated and lacking in originality. Ultimately, whether or not you enjoy the reboot will depend on your personal taste. If you're a fan of the original series, you might want to give the reboot a chance. If you're not a fan of the original series, you might want to avoid the reboot.

Q: What do you think of the new "The Office" reboot? Is it worth watching?

A: The new "The Office" reboot has been generating a lot of buzz, with many fans excited to see the original cast back together. However, whether or not you enjoy the reboot will depend on your personal taste. If you're a fan of the original series, you might want to give the reboot a chance. If you're not a fan of the original series, you might want to avoid the reboot.

Q: What do you think of the new "Fuller House" reboot? Is it a good continuation of the original series?

A: The new "Fuller House" reboot has been receiving mixed reviews. While some fans have praised the show for its nostalgic charm and familiar characters, others have criticized it for feeling derivative and lacking in originality. Ultimately, whether or not you enjoy the reboot will depend on your personal taste. If you're a fan of the original series, you might want to give the reboot a chance. If you're not a fan of the original series, you might want to avoid the reboot.

Q: What do you think of the new "Star Trek: Picard" reboot? Is it better than the original series?

A: The new "Star Trek: Picard" reboot has been generating a lot of buzz, with many fans excited to see the original cast back together. However, whether or not you enjoy the reboot will depend on your personal taste. If you're a fan of the original series, you might want to give the reboot a chance. If you're not a fan of the original series, you might want to avoid the reboot.

Q: What do you think of the new "Game of Thrones" prequel? Is it worth watching?

A: The new "Game of Thrones" prequel has been generating a lot of buzz, with many fans excited to see the original cast back together. However, whether or not you enjoy the reboot will depend on your personal taste. If you're a fan of the original series, you might want to give the reboot a chance. If you're not a fan of the original series, you might want to avoid the reboot.

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A letter to the Prospective out there: We've Got Spirit... How 'Bout You?

A Babson Student
Contributing Writer

In deciding which college to attend, students face a myriad of choices. Large school or small one, rural or urban, public or private institution, in-state or out-of-state, and many more. One choice that does not appear high on many students' lists but should be whether the school has spirit. Does your institution of choice take pride not only in its academics, but also in its clubs and sports? Is pride dictated by the number of students that attend an event or the amount of money dictated to a club?

This aspect of college may seem menial, but I assure you that it is not. School pride will play a large part in the next four years of your life. Whether it is at a national football championship game or a Division 3 swim meet, school pride will form and mold these memories. School pride will dictate your involvement in, dedication to, clubs and organizations.

In short, your curricular life will be influenced in large part by the amount of spirit and pride that your school displays. School spirit can have a very small school a large school atmosphere of excitement. It can motivate a team losing by 20 points to mount a huge comeback. For many, myself included, it can make or break a college experience.

I am a cheerleader here at Babson. Promoting school spirit is my job. I am expected to support our sports and instill pride in our student body. However, I have found that it is a daunting task if the students are not receptive. It is discouraging to have to cheer with no positive feedback. We expect a response when we say "Yell right!" If we don't receive one, it is not only sad, but embarrassing.

Just as no response can be disappointing, enthusiastic response can be uplifting, and even invigorating. Our men's basketball team had been having a dismal season. The Beavers increased their losing streak with each successive game. But then the rest of the campus returned from Winter Break. At our first home game with everyone back, it was like watching a completely different team. Their plays were more synchronized, their defense was amazing, and a few key players dominated the backcourt. They played phenomenal and won. While the win cannot be attributed only to the crowd response, it definitely helped lift their spirits.

Just knowing that people believe in you can really make a difference, both in academics and in curricular life. In choosing a school, I advise you to pay attention to this seemingly insignificant factor. Choose a school that will lift you up and not tear you down. Choose an institution where you will be supported and nurtured, so that you can grow to your full potential. Choose a place that has the ability to inspire and motivate. Choose a school with spirit!

Bernoulli Center News

Toiletry Drive Sponsored by Women Giving Back
Feb. 25th to March 14th

Please donate your unused toiletries to those who cannot afford them. There will be a box set up in Reynolds by the information desk for drop-offs. All items will be donated to Volunteers of America where then can be distributed to local homes in Boston.

Friends of the Homeless
Friday Feb. 29th 9-12:00PM

Please join us this Friday at Friends of the Homeless of the South Shore. Volunteers will be sorting clothes, furniture, and cleaning rooms within the full potential. If you are interested please e-mail Justin Unger at junerger@babson.edu

Wellesley and Needham after school programs
Monday and Wednesday Feb 25th,27th 3:30-6PM

Volunteers will work with children ages 5 to 13 helping with homework and doing after school activities.

Harvard Square Meals
Thursday Feb. 28th 4:45-5:30PM

Work with various community members to prepare, serve and clean-up free meals served to almost 100 patrons. If you are interested please e-mail Jean-Marc Nicolas at jnicolas@babson.edu.

*If you are interested in any of the programs listed please contact Josh Stevenson at jstevenson@babson.edu extension 5565 and sign up.
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Web Recommendation of the Week: 8aWeek
(besides www.babsonfreepress.org)

Tired of Wasting Time on Facebook and Losing Track of Work-Time?
Behold, the best invention since the introduction of drag-and-drop dis-
tancing Web2.0: 8aWeek. These familiar with Mozilla's Firefox extensions will have most likely seen this extension already. Here's a breakdown of a few terms, and 8aWeek:

Mozilla Firefox: The better version of Internet Explorer. Firefox allows the user to configure and excite their online browsing experience. Why is it better than Internet Explorer? Well, the first to add tab browsing, customizable browser interface, and extensions.

Extensions: Extensions are similar to Mac widgets. Tab browsing, literally, extensions can perform neat tricks within your Mozilla Firefox browser. An example of an extension is the "IE tab browsing" widget. This extension transforms a tab in Firefox into Internet Explorer. Why is this helpful? Many web designers need to test their creations in both formats, as many users across the world are split between the two and the future.

8aWeek.com: 8aWeek.com is one of these extensions for Mozilla Firefox: is the main purpose? To save you time. Here's how it operates: When you browse the internet, it logs the time that you spend at each site. Spend an entire Saturday afternoon on Facebook? It logs that. Waste time browsing the ridiculous YouTube viruses? It logs that, too. So, where 8aWeek is most helpful is what it can do with this log. Essentially, with 8aWeek, users can create a list of "Forbidden sites". My top two are, you guessed it, Facebook and YouTube. With this list, 8aWeek can forbid you from visiting these sites when you don't want to be distracted. It allows the user to allocate a specific amount of time each day that she/he wants to visit these sites.

Here's an example: My restricted browsing time is set to 30 minutes each day. This means that I can only visit Facebook, YouTube, Google Video, and Buzz if I want to 8aWeek for a maximum of 30 minutes each day. After 30 minutes, a message pops up telling me to log off these sites anymore. It even blackouts the page so I can't avoid it. If you are in the middle of something very important, and are mad at 8aWeek for cutting you off the sites, you are allowed to hit pause for a maximum of 10 minutes (the default).

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tunity for you to get an edge up on the competitive entry-
level workplace. Many students have found internships and jobs because of this event!

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Include your resume for serious consideration.

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GREAT UPCOMING EVENT
Do you use Facebook, MySpace or Linked-In?
Do you know how to use them to make yourself look GOOD to an prospective employers?
Come find out the best ways to utilize these services:

Facebook, Linked-In, MySpace, Managing your Digital Identity, Monday 3/31. Details Below! DINNER PROVIDED!!!

UPDATES:
Morgan Stanley Women's Leadership Day — Contact info updated — see below

All postings can be found in Babson Career Connections through the Portal, under 'Smart Tools/Personal'. You will see a link there & it will take you to the new postings. When you are completing your profile, please make sure that your 'Close Your Eye' is correct. If it is not, let us know!

OPPORTUNITIES OF SPECIAL INTEREST:

MONSTER.COM DIVERSITY LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

Included below you'll find an invitation to apply for a national leadership program. Our administra-
tion has partnered with Monster.com to champion this exciting program and we recom-
mand that you check out the online application. The weekend programs are held during the summer and are FREE to accepted students. You'll find the basic facts below, but if you have further questions, please speak with your career advisor at www.MonsterDLP.com. The online program application is open to rising college seniors, juniors and seniors from now until May 30th, 2008. We think you should check it out today.

WHAT: The Monster DLP is the nation's largest leadership oppor-
tunity for college students of di-
verse background. It is designed to increase the amount and scope of professional opportun-
ties available to students after graduation. It is presented by Monster.com and sponsored by Procter & Gamble, and other 20 industry-leading company.

WHEN: The unique weekend events are hosted across July and August in 9 major U.S. cities. Check the website for details on each program location and date at www.MonsterDLP.com.
WHERE: Atlanta, Baltimore, Chicago, Dallas, Los Angeles, New York City, Philadelphia, San Francisco and Orlando
WHO: Participants network with 60+ industry leaders, 300 student-leaders from campuses nationwide attend, and a highly trained workshop leaders, career mentors and group facilitators help orchestrate the event.

In addition, you could be one of the 20 students selected to attend the "WIN" Conference, sponsored by Morgan Stanley

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UPDAT ED CONTACT INFOR-
MATION & DEADLINE!!!

Make a difference faster
Morgan Stanley's Sophomore Undergraduate Women's Day Thursday, April 10, 2008 - Fri-
day, April 11, 2008
Morgan Stanley's Undergradu-
ate Women's Day will commence on the evening of Thursday, April 10 and continue through the
day of Friday, April 11.

The purpose of this event is to provide current sophomore female undergraduate students an introduction to Morgan
Stanley and its Summer Analyst opportunity in Finance, Global Capital Markets, Human Re-
sources, Investment Banking, Investment Management, Op-
portunities, Prime Brokerage, Sales and Trading, Securities

Lending, and Technology.

(They'll be updating the blog with one new recommendation EACH DAY.)

I'd be happy to host your pick, if you find some-
ting cool. Send it over to drerner@gmail.com and I'll
make sure you get credit for it. Until next time, enjoy this brand new, exciting web ex-
perience!
Babson Free Press

Smile

It's now time for a Babson Blast from the recent past, in honor of a fun surprise we have for you in next week's issue!

Written last semester by Robin Mills, Co-Editor-In-Chief

And still applicable!

This summer I spent a few weeks in NYC with a friend, and one day he and I went to Trader Joe's to buy some hummus and some fruit for home-made sandwiches. I have to admit that my friend is the most frustrating person I know, and I often find myself yelling at the end of an aisle waiting for him to make up his mind about something or other, him running around the store like an indecisive woman. I suppose the look on my face said it all. That's when a woman in some beautiful African garb and head-dress passed me and exclaimed, "Smile, it can't be that bad." And I smiled, because I knew that it wasn't that bad.

Yesterday in my Harry Potter and Politics class, I realized that Babson students still like to complain about the quality of life on campus. It's amazing, the school won't turn into a party overnight, but the efforts to take student opinions to heart are extremely obvious. Have a little gratitude, duhes. If you aren't happy on campus, move off campus; my apartment in Natick is cheaper than a tiny dorm room. If you don't like what Babson spends money on, first get the facts straight about what Babson spends its money on, and then do something about it. There's a class for that, even. If you don't like the way the shuttle runs, plug in some positive suggestions to make it better. We all know who to blame, so let's just not get upset by it.

The act of complaining alone will get nothing done, and you will remain unhappy. Perhaps the philosophy of finding happiness may not be a profitable thing to analyze, but most certainly could benefit from it at Babson. Maybe in complaining you will have something to talk about while you avoid doing your schoolwork, but you'll still have to "shrug, start up, the same sad prospect find, and wake to all the griefs [you] left behind," according to Alexander Pope in The Love Letters of Abelard and Heloise. The point being that while it may be fashionable to bitch, the cost is your fault alone and no one else's. Don't get me wrong, I'm not oblivious to the difficulties that come with trying to make change. It can be frustrating to see the situation in Darfur continue.

Gillette, SGA VP of Communications, to get involved with this. If you're interested in knowing what other committees you can get involved with, hit up David Bring, SGA President, for details. Obtain a little perspective, darlings. If something really and truly bothers you enough to affect your very happiness, then you really and truly ought to care enough to do something about it beyond surfing on someone's Facebook group. If a good healthy vent session is all you need before being able to brush your woes aside, then write for the Free Press. You may even be surprised as to who may contact you to help further solve your problems. Faculty, staff, and some pretty well-known administrators just love to read their copy of the Babson Free Press every week to see what students are writing about. And if there's something gripping you that requires more dedication to fix than just an article, then put in the effort and be dedicated in fixing it. You may need to meet with people in OCL, Housing, Academic Services, or perhaps a Dean, but setting up meetings with these people is possible and effective. And might I suggest that if you find red tape in one area or in speaking with a certain person, go talk to someone else.

Dave Yarus, your SGA president might have a great idea as to which on-campus organization can help you, who sympathizes with your anguish, or what may already be in works without you realizing it. Dean Hanno is extremely supportive and available at his coffee hour every Thursday in Reynolds. Finally, if you're still having problems enacting change, you can always protest. I'm kidding. I know how Babson students feel about that. But in all seriousness, do try to take it into consideration that whatever you may think is super bad about your life, it really can't be that bad.

Smile.