Vandalism Continues to Ravage Babson Campus

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CONSULTING EDITOR

Since the beginning of the 2002-3 academic year, approximately 48 separate incidents of vandalism have occurred on Babson's campus, including the breaking of 5 windows at one time in Piets Hall this past fall.

Public safety chief John Jackson stated, "The more vandalism we see in the residence halls, the more we will patrol the residence. A lot of students don't want to see (public safety), but if there is vandalism in that residence hall, we will be there." Vandalism is defined by public safety as the "intentional, malicious damage to real property." Since the beginning of the school year, windows have been broken, the umbrellas in the Reynolds outdoor seating area have been taken and damaged, and soda machines have been tipped over as just a few of the examples of vandalism occurring on campus.

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CAB Preparing "The Big Chill" For Next Weekend

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LIFESTYLES EDITOR

After a long vacation away, CAB appears poised to kick the spring semester off with entertainment, excitement and evenings full of enjoyment. Highlights of the weekend of "The Big Chill" taking place from February 20th to 23rd include a famous comedian, a semi-formal and a video game contest.

Debuting the weekend's events, famous comedian Mike Epps will be performing at 8:30 P.M. on Thursday, February 20th in King Auditorium. Epps found fame as a stand-up comedian on "Def Comedy Jam" and has appeared in hit movies in the blockbuster movies "Next Friday" and "How High." Opening for Mike Epps will be the comedian Robert Prince. "Following the success of Prince as the opener for Andy Dick two years ago, we were excited to have him perform once again," says CAB president Ed Nee.

Tickets are more available at the Reynolds information desk for $7. Dan Parker, vice-president of CAB offers, "it's going to be a great show and we recommended that you get your tickets early.

Rager's Pub will be alight following the performance and will be transformed into a "Winter Wonderland." First concerts will be given tickets to allow them free drinks for the evening.

On Friday, Babson's varsity hockey team will play NEC while the club hockey team will be pitched against SCSU in their last home game of the season. Shuttle will depart from Reynolds at 9:30 and 9:45 P.M. to transport students to the rink.

S'belle Chocolate is sponsoring winter weekend and will be on hand Friday evening. You must bring your Babson ID to both the varsity and club hockey games.

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Junior and Senior Students Begin Spring MCF Projects

Ali Watkins
Staff Writer

The Management Consulting Field teams have kicked off another semester with Boston area non-profit organizations and local businesses.

During the first two weeks of spring semester classes, students hosted visits from student project managers and company representatives to begin to identify goals and needs.

Since 1976, undergraduate students have been working with companies to fill recommended solutions to business challenges.

This semester, undergraduate students gain the opportunity to apply their classroom knowledge to real-world business situations through the semester-long consulting project.

The goal is to foster more students interested in business careers and give students the opportunity to get to know each other better," explained the firm of KPMG Partners.

One of the first events to fall under the initiative was last week's financial night at the movies. The event was jointly hosted with the investment-banking club. Event organizers were pleased with the turnout.

"This type of activity [interaction was excellent]. Students have always been encouraged," says finance department head Dr. Jennifer Rachel who helped found the initiative.

The "Barf" video game tournament is slated to take place on Thursday in Mech 101 from 12:00 to 4:00 P.M. with a $100 prize going to the winner.

That evening, "The Snowball" scenario will kickoff in Knights at 10 P.M.

"The semifinal was put off last year, but is now back by popular demand," says Parker. "A beer garden and food that's much better than Donimo's will be served during the evening."

Barefoot Unveils Babson's Strategic Plan to Trustees

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The goaless will be a showing of the Will Smith hit "Ali" in Sorenson at 8:30 P.M. This film is just one of many cultural performances that the Black Student Union is putting on to celebrate Black History Month. "Ali" is the life story about the boxing legend, Muhammad Ali, who strives to become a champ and yams for racial equality.

Last year was a huge success, and CBS hopes that this year's turnout will be even greater. "We have been working really hard on this weekend and we are sure that it's going to be a blast. We are going to have a real fun time at this event," said Fetter's friend.

"It's important to us to do a practice comparison and try to find the common thread in the programs that were successful," he said.

While no specific goals for the initiative exist, it acts as one part of an overall goal to increase school spirit and the competitiveness of the community. However, it remains to be seen how much of an impact the programs will have on students. Many students have not been aware of the initiatives through their individual professors seeking for input on future events, he said. But, if the lists are to be done.

Several other programs are also in the process of being revamped. Events may be held by Carolee, dean of student affairs, and will be more cohesive and integrated into the overall experience to a much greater extent.

The curriculum change from BOC to MCF and management curricu-

lum has been well publicized. The administration hopes that initia-

tives such as these will help make the upcoming changes more positive for the students involved.

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Friday, February 14th, partly cloudy.
Low 19 High 22

Saturday, February 15th, partly cloudy.
Low 8 High 18

Sunday, February 16th, partly cloudy.
Low 11 High 28

Tuesday, February 17th, partly cloudy.
Low 13 High 19

Wednesday, February 18th, partly cloudy.
Low 24 High 34

$5,000 Initiative Ongoing, Little Effect so Far
Louis Belott
News Editor

Since taking office last year, one of President Brian Barchard's top priorities has been to improve the social life on campus.

Last fall, Barefoot introduced a $5000 student-faculty initiative designed to encourage professors to spend time with students outside of the typical classroom setting. The nine academic divisions were each given $5000 and allowed to host different types of events with students.

Winter Weekend Events

Prepare to Get Started

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Games. Food-free promotions will include free chocolate bars, laundries and t-shirts and will be available throughout many of the weekend's events.

A "Hal's" video game tournament is slated to take place on Saturday in Garber Hall from 12 to 4 P.M. with a $100 prize going to the winner. That evening, "The Snowball" scenario will kickoff in Knights at 10 P.M.

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Last year was a huge success, and CBS hopes that this year's turnout will be even greater. "We have been working really hard on this weekend and we are sure that it's going to be a blast. With events ranging from a semifinal to a video game tournament, I'm sure there will be something for everyone to enjoy," Imparts CBS concert chair, Caleb Iscidov.
Lockouts: 71
Motor vehicle assists: 7

Saturday 2-1-03
9:47 P.M. - Report of a fire alarm at Pieta Hall. The cause was a faulty smoke detector; alarm reset.
10:57 P.M. - Detail officer at the Ice Rink requested an ambulance. A person with an arm injury transported to the Newton Wellever Hospital.

Sunday 2-2-03
1:27 P.M. - Report of a disturbance at Pieta Hall. Alcohol violations found in suite on the 2nd floor; no injuries; alarm reset.
2:10 P.M. - Report of a motor vehicle accident in the Trim Lot; no injuries. Accident report filed.
4:41 P.M. - Student requests assistance at Woodland Hill, possible broken ankle. Refused transport by this department. Driven to a hospital by a friend.
5:00 P.M. - Report of a motor vehicle accident in the Bryant Lot; no injuries. Report filed.

Tuesday 2-4-03
11:23 P.M. - Report of a noise complaint at Pieta Hall. RA contacted and reported that everything was quiet.

Wednesday 2-5/3
12:35 A.M. - Report of a noise complaint in Pack Manor South. RA called to check area.
12:50 A.M. - Report of a fire alarm in McCullough Hall. Facilities notified; alarm reset.
3:12 P.M. - Report of a fire alarm in the Academic Center; alarm reset.
4:00 P.M. - Report of a larceny from the Horn Computer Center; report filed.

Thursday 2/6/03
5:45 P.M. - Request for an ambulance at the Health Center. Student transported to NWH.
4:24 P.M. - Report of a fire alarm at the Webster Center. Alarm reset.

Friday 2/7/03
12:41 A.M. - Report of a noise complaint in Forest Hall; RA called.
3:38 A.M. - Student transported to NWH with facet injuries.
11:57 P.M. - Report of a fire alarm at Kheel Hall. Smoke detector activated; alarm reset.

Saturday 2/8/03
12:25 A.M. - Report of a fire alarm in McCullough Hall. Set off by cigar smoke; alarm reset.
12:49 A.M. - Report of a noise complaint in Pieta Hall, RA called to check the area.
2:09 A.M. - Report of a fight in Mcloughran Hall; report filed.
4:38 A.M. - Motor vehicle stopped at Bryant gate for hit and run accident in Needham. Needham Police have arrested the driver due to motor vehicle violations.
3:11 P.M. - Report of a fire alarm in Coleman Hall. Set off by burst popcorn; alarm reset.
8:00 P.M. - Student transported to NWH with a hand injury.

Sunday 2/9/03
12:22 A.M. - Report of a noise complaint in Bryant Hall. Officers checked the area and asked student to turn down the music due to complaints.
1:16 A.M. - Report of a fire alarm in Pieta Hall laundry room; alarm reset.

Babson College News Briefs
For Week of February 12th

AAP Phone-a-Thon
This week was the annual admissions phone-a-thon to contact accepted students. Several students spent time in Mudland Hall helping the AAP encourage students to choose Babson. The event gave volunteers five pizza and several raffle prizes.

Student Leadership Applications Due
Tomorrow
Student leadership applications for the following positions are due tomorrow: Residents Assistants, Peer Mentors, Judicial Board Members.

Babson College Public Police Log for February 1st-9th

Travellers to Hold Second Case Competition
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Travellers have submitted their research to the students of the case competition. Many students have poured over the cases, discussing the implications of each. The students have come up with their own interpretations of the cases, and have written detailed arguments for their positions. The students have also compiled a list of potential pitfalls in each case, and have included notes on how to avoid them.

Fall Semester Tries 15 Cases Before J-Board
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The J-Board will meet on Thursday, February 12th to hear the presentations of the 15 cases submitted by the Travellers. The J-Board will then vote on which cases they believe are the most promising, and will select the top 5 cases for further consideration. The Travellers will then present these cases to the J-Board again, and the J-Board will make a final decision on which cases to recommend for the next round of the competition.

Sorenson Center for the Arts Hosts Poet
On Thursday, February 13th, David Ferry, poet and translator, will speak at 7:30 P.M. in the Sorenson Center. Ferry has received numerous awards for his work, including the Academy Award for Literary Achievement from the American Academy of Arts and Letters. He is also the recipient of the Lambda Poet Prize, awarded for his contributions to the field of poetry. The event is free and open to the public.

FME Mentors, Peer Advisors and Women's Leadership Members
Last minute applications can be submitted through the end of February. The Mentors will meet with the students to discuss their academic and personal goals, and to provide them with guidance and support throughout the semester.

Undergraduate Admissions Video Being Shot on Campus
The office of Undergraduate admissions has been shooting footage around campus this week for their upcoming video. Today, footage was shot in Park Manor South lounge from 8:30 to 7:30 P.M. Also, they will be shooting footage from 7:30 P.M. until 6:30 P.M. on the Tyler campus, encouraging all students to come down. On Saturday, February 15th in front of Toremo from 1:30 until 3:30 P.M., more footage will be taken.

BEE and Olin Group
Invite Speaker
The Babson Entrepreneurial Exchange and the Olin Entrepreneurial Group will host speaker, "Dr. George N. Hatsopoulos on Tuesday, February 25th. Hatsopoulos is the founder, chairman, and CEO of Proteus, a company that develops membrane products for a variety of applications. A reception will be held at 5:30 P.M. followed by a reception. To register for the event, please visit www.babson.edu/entrepreneur.

Lindsey Alt for The Babson Free Press
Since the beginning of school there have been 48 incidents of vandalism, including this recently broken window on the Pieta stairwell.
"1000 Faces of Israel" Presented at Babson

JASON BRIDDERICK
Opinions Editor

On Wednesday, February 12, Israeli photographer Harel Stanton presented "1000 Faces of Israel," a slide presentation with music and a question and answer session. The presentation attracted a small audience of about 15 people who were taken on a virtual tour of Israel's geography and culture.

"It was very much by everything Stanton showed and had to say," said Jeff Greenberg '03, a student who has actually travelled to Israel.

Stanton began his presentation with a brief explanation of his work and outlined the areas he would present. The first portion of the slideshow contained pictures of Israel's geography, from the Golan Heights in the north to the resort of Eilat in the south and everything in between including the Negev desert and the Dead Sea.

The scenery was beautiful and serene. Sometimes the slides depicted scenes that were teeming with life, and other times the land seemed deserted.

Vandalism Continues To Plague Babson Campus

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Chief Jackson was quick to note however, "we are hoping someone comes forward with some information, that someone sees how senseless it was." In the meantime, the residents of Petz will most likely have to split the damage costs between them, unless anyone provides information as to who the vandals are.

Since students returned from break, the vandalism has not ended. Another window has been broken next to a door on the stairwell in Petz. The sine, height, and diameter of the broken double-paned glass suggests a "projectile" was used to break the window.

In order to try and curb the vandalism on campus, Chief Jackson is hoping to increase student/officer interaction. They want the officers to begin a community policing effort where officers will go to the dorms and speak with students.

"We're hoping that education will be one of the components. We're hoping very shortly a couple of officers will be assigned as liaisons to residence halls," Jackson continued.

The goal of the program is two-fold. First, they hope to be able to limit any vandalism problems in the dorm. Second, public safety wants to get to better know all of the students at the school. They want "to do things to meet as many students as possible, in a positive interaction." 

Chief Jackson believes both of these goals can be accomplished by having officers visit the campus dormitories.

He ended by noting, "I'm impressed by the caliber of students here, except for a few bad ones. I think people paint the campus with that image so we might have a bad reputation. But that's not something that can't be changed."
Student Government
Minutes for February 12

* Executive Summaries:
  - President: Liz Chamberlain
  - Student Dining at President Barefoot's house
  - Devising new advising program
  - Met with Pat Campbell from bookstore for SGA discount
  - Support video
  - Executive VP: Vin DelGuercio
  - Met with campus life to discuss soap dispensers and vandalism problems being fixed
  - Working on proposal for campus activities position
  - Traffic review board meets next week
  - Collecting feedback of new shuttle service from students

VP Finance:
- Rick Shaughnessy
- Ways and means committee meetings
- Business: Helen Cho
- Creative action plan to develop on campus student businesses
- Communications: Crystal Cohen
- Mass emails
- Updating email and attendance rosters

SCHEDULED BUSINESS
- Course change registration process discussion—Dean Mandel
- Sustainability and environmental initiatives

SPECIAL BUSINESS
- Make it similar to housing so everyone has an allotted time to register
- Make faculty bios easily available
- Make subjective feedback available for course or create message board
- Have campus support from staff while registering
- Group EMC clusters together when signing up
- Revise aesthetic layout and appearance for usability
- Form online registration committee to help revise program
- Form pre-registration program that ensures students have priority in that class
- NEW BUSINESS
- Have maintenance clear snow more efficiently
- Find storage space for organizations paid for by SGA
- QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, CONCERNS
- Put limit on speaker time
- Should there be a bus for Men's Basketball games at Clarkson? Yes.
- New shuttle times are a huge success
- ANOUNCEMENTS
- Sign up for Intranet focus group next Tuesday night 6-8 P.M. with food
- AMAN
- Outdoor club ski trip to meet snow—only $25
- Outdoor Club Pub night this Thursday
- BEE and Olm Entrepreneurial Club having speaker at 11m next week
- Beach Club snow tubing event was huge success
- Winter Weekend February 21st—The Big Chill
- Weekly meditations and yoga at chapel
- MOTION TO ADJOURN

Babson GOP Offers Internship Placement
WILLIAM BISHOP
STAFF WRITER

This week the Babson Republican’s are beginning to accept applications for their internship placement program. The program is being offered through the Reagan Institute, which is part of the Babson Republican’s campus leadership program. It is affiliated with the Leadership Institute, a non-partisan national organization.

The Institute is charged with the development and education of conservative leaders at Babson College. Through the institute, members are able to attend low to no-cost training in Washington, DC in areas such as broadcast journalism, public relations, and public policy writing.

Although Babson is widely recognized as a conservatively oriented campus, the Babson Republicans are striving to grow their membership and expose the school to conservative programs and speakers.

Co-chairman Duncan McIntyre ’04 was excited about the recent opportunity to welcome the State House Minority Leader to campus. “While that event was successful, we will work to bring additional speakers to campus,” McIntyre said.

Furthermore, McIntyre stated, “as Babson is a business institution, our speakers will focus their discussions on the impact of politics on the business environment.”

Regardless of one’s political affiliation, business is unquestionably and intimately linked to politics. “In order to be well rounded business people, we must be aware of the overarching global political picture,” said organization Secretary Todd Kwakwi ’04.

While there are a variety of recruiting firms with the internship program, the placements are primarily at conservative organizations. Students interested in public policy, public relations, communications, journalism or lobbying should consider applying to the program.

Some of the employers that seek interns through the placement service are: congressional and governor’s offices, The Heritage Foundation, The Cato Institute, the NRA and the White House Writers Group.

As many students have found in their internship searches, the job market is very tight. This program allows for students to be recruited by over 60 organizations that are actively pursuing interns.

Babson GOP member Stephanie E. Thelen ’04 feels that “being recruited by so many firms is a nice change over having to beg someone to look at your resume.” This opportunity is especially attractive for freshmen and sophomores who are still in the process of determining their career interests.

Interested students will have a brief interview to determine their suitability for the program. Accepted students will be supplied with the leadership institute’s application which, upon completion, will make them eligible for recruitment by employers.

Although acceptance into the program does not guarantee an internship, the program has been very successful in placing strong candidates.

McIntyre believes that the program “offers Babson students an unparalleled opportunity to work at some of the most influential organizations in Washington, DC.” The deadline for inquiries will be Friday, February 28th.

Students that are interested in the internship placement program or becoming involved with Babson GOP should contact Todd Kwakwi at tkwakwi@babson.edu.

ITSD Upgrading E-Mail

To Microsoft Exchange

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A solution to this situation will be a new restriction preventing an account from becoming too cluttered. As mentioned in a warning, individuals will not be able to create outgoing mail until they clear a required amount of their inbox.

There is also the complication of having a different mailing system that people may need adjusting to. The information technology support department is concerned with how to appropriately handle requests, and to help users with the migration as much as possible with minimal confusion.

Staff and faculty members should have been fully transferred to the new mailing system by the end of February.

With the exception of seniors, who would not obtain a large amount of benefit from the transition, the students will have access to Exchange most definitely by next semester: “It is tentatively projected to be carried out from April through the summer,” mentions Dharmil.

“Things should be perfect before we begin the migration of the students because this particular pool is so large. We want to make sure that everything is correct, and minimize disruption,” he added.

With the number of users the program has thus far, Exchange has been regarded as being relatively successful. “Overall, it has been relatively well-received,” reveals Dharmil. On that note, it is hoped that such success will continue until the transition is completely fulfilled.

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NATO Should Expel France and Germany

JASON BEDRICK
OPINIONS EDITOR

While it first appeared that France and its cohort Germany were little more than nuisances, it is apparent that they are also treacherous. No one should be surprised that France and Germany are working together, just think back to World War II. French President Jacques Chirac and German Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder have accused America of wanting to "go to war for oil," essentially accusing us of putting our economic interests above the lives of our soldiers and Iraqi civilians, while pretending to be protecting them, with weapons first by opposing the war.

However, the opposite is true. America is willing to risk the lives of its soldiers to defend America and the free world. France and Germany from Iraqi-armed terrorists using biochemical or nuclear weapons of mass destruction. This is a noble and just undertaking for which the rest of the world, though some may publicly condemn us, privately thank us. That especially includes those Americans living under a tyrannical despots who runs Iraq as a police state.

France and Germany have placed the whole world in danger because of their arms deals with Saddam and now they place us all in further danger through their refusal to aid NATO allies and to take action against Iraq.

The opposite is true for the motives of France and Germany. Indeed, it is these two petro-national states that have placed profit before principle. It was France who armed Iraq with the capability to destroy civilian in Oshirak that was destroyed by Israel in 1981. In fact, it was Jacques Chirac himself, operating as Prime Minister at the time, who oversaw the strategic deal where Saddam purchased the weapons of mass destruction in the mid-1970s. Chirac endangered the rest of the world for profit. Now, he's at it again.

France, one of the 16 members of the NATO alliance, has become the first member to invoke a clause of the mutual defense treaty in 53 years. Turkey, which shares a border with Iraq, has expressed fears of being attacked by Iraq.

France and Germany made every effort, including exercising their veto powers, to prevent NATO allies from providing Turkey with Patriot missiles, one of the most advanced and special-anti-chemical and biological warfare teams. They have been told that if they would exercise its veto power as one of the permanent members of the United Nations Security Council should the council try to militarily embargo UN Resolution 1441.

Senator Joseph Lieberman said that this is the "most substantial challenge" that NATO has faced since the Cold War, while Senator John McCain said that France and Germany are "failing the test" because of "flawed calculations" and "enemy action" by France and Germany.

France and Germany should be expelled from NATO. They are not true allies and their colors are showing. I don't know who I want to see France and Germany kicked out of any permanent member of the Security Council, it is just so ugly and scary.

After France's complicity with Germany during World War II, for which no reparations were placed, they most certainly do not deserve a permanent seat at the table. They are siding with the evildoers.

I actually have French blood in me which I usually don't think about, but I constantly remind myself that the Continent is far from a reason; namely that although France is home to one of the greatest military powers in the world, it is constantly, periodically, populating by the French.

France and Germany have placed the world in danger because of their arms deals with Saddam and now they place us all in further danger through their refusal to aid NATO and to take action against Iraq.

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Look beyond the numbers.
Sears Credit Division "Swipes" Profits

Corey Tanase

Sears, Roebuck and Company recently announced plans that it will aggressively attempt to bolster slacking sales and recover from its weak credit division. The credit division's rise in defaulted credit, coupled with a decline in same store sales, has led to a hefty drop in the company's stock price.

Two years ago, Sears made the decision to offer Sears credit cards that were of use only at their stores. What has occurred is that many of those purchases are coming under serious risk of default. Although the credit division of Sears accounts for 60 percent of their revenue, this division is coming under pressure to clean up its uncollectible revenue.

As of January 16, the uncollectible accounts have recently increased 40 percent. Moreover, bankruptcies among the credit card holders has increased 20 percent in the third quarter from year-earlier levels and rose again 26 percent more in the forth quarter. This is much higher than the 2.8 percent increase recorded nationwide for personal bankruptcies in the year ended September 30.

How can this bad debt be so much higher than the national average? Some believe it is because of Sears' lax credit screening process.

Another problem is that Sears refuses to write off delinquent debt after 240 days, while credit card companies write it off after 180 days. This means that Sears can claim revenues it knows will likely never come to fruition.

A solution recommended is to raise the interest rate charged to customers that use a Sears card. MasterCard usually charges between 12.9 percent and 21.9 percent, if that rate were to be increased too, customers experience a reduction in their normal credit or to one that offers bonuses like frequent flyer miles.

The bottom line is that Sears is losing money in its credit division. Not only is this division suffering, but also same store sales dropped 4.6 percent for December and 8 percent in January. The result has been unpleasant on its stock, which dropped nearly 9 percent a few days ago and has continued to slide.

Finally, the total asset-backed debt of the company has risen to 47 percent of the company's capital structure from a previous amount of 37 percent in 2001. If this trend continues, Sears will probably cut Sears' unused debt rating and alter liquidity arrangements.

White-Collar Jobs Exit at Accelerating Pace

Jack S. Phelps

Ross Perot's "big sucking sound" is at it again. The problem started two decades ago when American shoes, cars, and clothes began being manufactured in foreign nations the world round. Soon, more foreign workers started building our complicated electronics and processing our credit card receipts.

In the past few years, simple software code has been developed for US companies by cheaper labor in India and China. Expecting these jobs helped US companies cut their labor costs to pennies on the dollar.

Now, major financial and software institutions are exporting white-collar jobs that employ a major percentage of US workers, and which have been primarily responsible for rising wage rates among middle-level workers in the past few years.

Last year, Bank of America cut nearly four thousand of its twenty-five thousand tech and "back office" jobs, and is planning on cutting an extra one thousand more this year. These jobs aren't just getting cut because of slowing demand, either. The company is planning on offshoring those cuts with an extra 1,100 jobs at its India facility this year.

One of Microsoft's executive vice-presidents has urged his managers to "pick something to move offshore today." The company announced in November that it will be investing $400 million in India over the next three years, adding to its rapidly growing pool of IT jobs abroad.

Howard Packard now employs over three thousand IT workers in India as well. Additionally, brokerage firms like Lehman Brothers, Inc. and Bear, Stearns & Co. are now using financial analysts abroad to do the sort of number crunching they used to do for higher Babylon students for.

The new generation of foreign workers competing for our jobs are not just the traditional assembly-line labor force, either. Intel and Texas Instruments are using Indian and Chinese graduates and Ph.Ds to design new chips. At Microsoft's Beijing lab, about one-third of the non-American employees still have PhDs.

This sounds like a terrible dream for workers in the US, in Silicon Valley to become as dry as the famous Flint, Michigan after General Motors moved its plant south of the border. It is a risky prospect - Harvard University economist Robert E. Skidmore, a prominent free-trade advocate, said, "I still have faith that globalization will make us better off, but it's no more than faith."

However, it is important to note that good wages pouring into these economies opens up incredibly vast new marketplaces for global US businesses, from computer servers to retail. Few foreign companies can compete as well as ours on both a local and global scale, and that's a bonus.

However, displaced and out-of-work US workers will be in trouble if they don't find new jobs. For those that are well trained in different disciplines, this should be little problem. On the other hand, if people don't use their ingenuity to move up and stay ahead of the game, they will invariably end up being replaced by foreign competitors.

To help attract customers, the company purchased a large lit sign on the cheap. They planned to move it to the outside of the building, but were told that due to feasibility and safety issues, they will be unable to. They saw hope to place it elsewhere instead.

To attract more tourists and keep spending up, the company is also considering themed nights, such as a Hawaiian night or a poker night. COO Jocelyn Chao noted that they keep at least two people staffed at once, though frequently there are more around.

The company says its margins are "very, very" surprising considering the traditionally low margins on food, and the trouble some SME businesses have had breaking even off of food sales in the past. Overall, the business expects to manage about five to six thousand in revenues, and one to two thousand in profits after reducing its $13,000 loss.

All these profits will go to Harvard Church Meals, an organization that helps to feed Boston's homeless.

A pleased regular told me he comes to Café Norté because "It's a comfortable atmosphere, and everyone knows your name." Indeed, he seems to be enjoying himself, and Café Norté is truly just what Babson needs.

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Spring Break in Europe a Cheaper Option

MATT BOWELL
STAFF WRITER

Last year my friends and I went to Cancun for spring break. Honestly, it was the craziest and most fun vacation of my entire life. The total price was a little over $1000, and it was well worth it.

I am sure many of you are going to exotic islands this year as well, but not everyone who isn’t, Europe offers a more budget-friendly option with many of the same activities and much of the same excitement.

I booked a flight to France back in December. After doing some research in many instances, you can still find flights to London, Paris, and Amsterdam cheaper than you can to some parts of Florida. Airlines are messed up; it’s not a wonder many will not be around for long.

I locked up prices on www.airport.com, and the results I found were good news for all you European travelers who have yet to buy tickets either for spring break or for sometime before the end of the semester. You can fly from Boston to Paris for $286, London for $239 and Amsterdam for $250. My roommate is going to Richmond, Virginia tomorrow, and he is paying $600. What is wrong with the airlines?

Simply put, I do not know what is going on. I have done little research, and I am clueless. But what you know? These international prices are awesome for us spring breakers who want to leave the country.

So once you are in Europe, traveling around can also be very cheap. SPA travel has great deals on Euro rail prices, and you can easily travel to four or five cities in Europe throughout a week for about $200. The trains are actually a fun time and you get to see different cities and countriesides you wouldn’t have if you were traveling by air.

Amsterdam is fun if you want to see the types of things you have never seen before. On the other hand, London and Paris offer many educational aspects by day, and lots of parties at night. As a junior, I also have many friends studying abroad throughout Europe; therefore, I can use this as a way to visit them too.

I know Cancun and Daytona Beach sound very appetizing, but once you have tried it, other ideas such as Europe are just as enticing. In addition, you can take the field-back approach and go over with only a basic plan. You can be spontaneous and decide which cities you want to travel to after you get off the plane. Simply put, there are some options at a reasonable price.

Babo Develops Synergy With Creation of Olin’s Police

ANDREW BOFSEY
MANAGING EDITOR

As a senior, I have seen the law enforcement situation change many times over the last four years. However, until two weeks ago, there has only been one apparent policing agency on campus. Now, there is a new force to be reckoned with.

I have seen an Olin Police men’s weekend over the place during the last few weeks, as if to announce that something is happening. The first move towards the “orange” levels. It seems almost serendipitous that a vehicle specifically designed for the end of clean air worldwide could represent a fine cooperation dedicated to science. Even business people agree.

The Wall Street Journal had an article the other week about how many large city police are using hybrid cars to save money (I know Olin has more than they could ever use). Another force to have the environment. You would think that with the low rate of collision, Obo is the perfect place for a power source, replacing half the tank force with light armor would be possible, but perhaps I am wrong.

Of course, the main reason Obo is the only force to travel (there’s no name for Olin Police) exists to not protect the environment but rather the student population. However, as with most things from our rich little corner of the world, services come with a few extra perks.

Babo, like Obo, is used to on-shore alcohol policy. However, Obo works to prevent party fouls, rather than underage drinking. Party fouls are defined a little differently for people with ODD (Olin College Disorder). You must never use test tubes for shots, invent any nefarious technologies, while using the Obo bar, drink, or drink and Segway. From the Olin website, I also attribute to Obo’s ‘undrinkable’-esque. In case you are from the Midwest, as I am, “extreme” is short for prostitution.

Of course, the Obo truck is not appropriate for adventures such as these. Obo also has a 20-foot hydrogen powered purple lime, with a four-foot wing. It flies, swims, and fights terrorists. Leighton luge, the freshman Olin kid in "Exhibitions of Competitive Strategy" course, invented it. He is a genius.

Obo also provides a crippled delivery service. I have seen them dropping off crutches all over campus. Course Babo does this too, but not in a mpg. If you are lucky, Babo will also share their medically modified doughnuts with you. These were designed by Olin students marketed by KeVcoll enterprises. Revell states: "You can get your X-rated things."

A Babo entrepreneur founded KeVcoll in Obo, being guided by the out-of-the-box thinking of the Ollinetes, also found a loophole to the Babo cannot carry gun rule. Obo uses rocket launchers, taxers, sword canes, and genetically combined attacking dogs and cows (they attack, but only eat grass to save money). This was invented by Olline Anna Marie Rynning, also a genius, and marketed by Bilo. Babo entrepreneur also founded Bilo.

One reason I am truly grateful for Obo, is that they have a solar powered helicopter (to balance out the Obo truck). While used mostly for traffic reporting, it can also be used for transporting accident prone people such as myself to Newton Wellesley Hospital. While Babo has done a great job of transporting me there several times, there is just something about looking out of really high window that enjoy.

I must admit that while I would not have written this article if I had a car on campus, I do mean this article for entertainment purposes only. Babo has never caused trouble for me over the last four years. I have given Babo my campus card ticket and I have never had to wait to be let back into my dorm (I haven’t been locked out either). Also, to clarify the Babo Olin relationship, they are really the same organization (kind of like the trinity). I think that with Babo and Obo working together, we can all live through this semester.

MARK WAITING LIFESTYLES EDITOR

After watching Hollywood’s latest edition of "The Fast and the Furious" on the red carpet, we reply titled "Biker Boys," I’m convinced that Babo needs its own movie. Babo is one of the few forces to keep us out of our for fun shellshells and hit the road to next 50mph mile per hour. What better way to enhance our close knit community than by donning leather pants and tattooing our bodies with obscenities?

But seriously, is there anyone else on campus that owns a bike beside me? I haven’t seen any for at least four years. If someone can start a beach club here on campus, surely someone can start a motorcycle gang. We could even use alliteration to give it that extra boost so many organizations have on campus, perhaps something like, "The Fabulous Babo Bikers."

It is a known fact that motorcycle attract females. If guys here are so upset about the top sided ratio of girls to guys, why not turn all those frongs upside down with a set of hot wheels. I have found that going to the beach with an extra helmet is one of the best ways to meet superwomen. And for all the girls on bikes, there who we are to be noticed, I don’t know what could be more alluring than seeing a woman twist the throttle on a bicycle.

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Lifestyles Editor Mark Waiting ‘05 hopes that Babo’s students will join together to form Babson’s own motorcycle gang.

Babson Needs Its Own Motorcycle Gang

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Even Will Ferrell and George W. Bush Share Similarities

DAVID TOMMASO
Contributing Writer

Will Ferrell: comedian, movie star, former football player, and now even a marathoner. Or at least that's what Will Ferrell would have you believe if you pick up this copy of "Runner's World" magazine at a local store. On the cover is a cover story on how fast Will Ferrell can run a marathon, but much to my disappointment, it is nowhere to be found. However, I would not settle for this, I wanted to know how fast Will Ferrell was. I was able to find a couple of articles on his times. According to an article that I found on HighSchoolRunner.com, Ferrell ran the Stockholm Marathon last June and ran a 4:26:22. Not too bad I thought that in the November of 2001, Ferrell clocked in 5:01:36 in the famous Boston Marathon. The time is not too bad for someone like Will Ferrell, but nothing extraordinary.

The next part of our meal was the salad. There was a wide variety of dim sum offered, and all of the different kinds were very tasty. On the carts they had shrimp, steamed pork buns, shrimp dumplings, spare ribs, chicken feet, and much more. We have to say that there was not a single one that we didn't like.

The next component of the buffet was the hot food line. The hot foods line included rice, fried noodles, crab rangoon, fried dumplings, fresh spring rolls, and cashews, fried dumplings, sushi, tempura, and a few more items.

It was a nice mélange of foods but the quality of that part of the buffet was average. The part that we thought was the best was the dim sum.

The price was right; for the entire meal, which included the soup, hot food, and the dim sum, we paid only $8.00 each with tax and tip included. That's a very affordable and reasonably priced for a buffet in a New Jersey restaurant.

If you're ever in the Lexington area and have a craving for a good Chinese meal, I recommend the dim sum buffet at the Yangtze River Restaurant. For its delicious food, excellent service, and great prices, the both of us give it four out of five stars.

Despite being a potential safety hazard, these students rode Otis the elevator to the 28th floor of the Tower last Saturday. The elevator is notorious for being in a condition that it could break down at any second. Students Venture to Tame Maine Wilderness

KEITH WHITTLER
Contributing Writer

It started two Thursdays ago with a plan prepared as im- muneless as my favorite TIm's sandwich. With great variety, sights set high and compass pointed north, I put my stood in a now too tight to the gigue, home of the mules. Cool mas- cot Cobb.

I had to be at the beginning of my run and I was there. I was looking forward to the race. I was looking forward to a good time.

As for my running form, I am not too bad. I am able to run a marathon in under 4:30. I am not too bad for someone like me.

We just happened to be there on the day of the grand opening of its new dim sum buffet. For the price that we paid for lunch, the food was a steal.

The quality of the meal was good, the price was right, and the service was great. When you order a meal at this restau- ranteur, the first thing they do is ask you if you'd be order- ing off the menu or having the buffet. Once you specify the buffet, they ask you what kind of soup you would like to start off with.

Both of us had the won ton soup and we both thought that it was just okay. It was good.
JodiAnn Lewis recently spent a semester abroad in Florence. While there she was able to see such sites as Rome, Naples, and Pompeii, as well as have time to visit other countries like Spain.

London Fears Terrorist Attack in Future

VIRAL KAPADIA INTERNATIONAL EDITOR

On February 11th, the British government raised its level of security at certain locations throughout the city, especially at Heathrow Airport, which is the busiest in Great Britain. Troops and tanks were sent to Heathrow for security, as a threat was receieved for Lon-don and is believed that al-Qaeda is behind it.

According to the infor-mation, the British Police said, that they believe the attacks, if they come, might come at the end of this week, as the Muslim holiday Eid al-Adha ends. The police also stated that it has become necessary for the country to tighten se-curity, and this is the right time to engage in it. The latest time a measure like this was taken was in 1994, because the Irish Republican Army tried to bomb the Heathrow runways.

Currently there are approxi-mately four-hundred and fifty soldiers and almost a thou-sand police officers being sta-tioned at the airport. The Metropolitan police have not released a statement as to how long the troops will be sta-tioned here, as well as where else they have been stationed.

The police did say that the troops had been brought in for security because the threat was directed at the capital, and the local police would need assistance.

In a broadcast on the Brit-ish Broadcasting Corporation, also known as BBC Radio, Sheikh Omar Bakri Mohammed, a member and leader of the Islamic group al-Muhajiroun, said that the people should take precau-tions, as the al-Qaeda cells have warned them about going into government and finan-cial buildings in London, as they might be potential tar-gets.

The threat received against London is also believed to be of an attack by surface to air missiles, as well as poisons and chemicals. Some of the threats received are also di-rected against the US and the Middle East, and thus the US has raised the terror alert level to yellow to orange.

The state of alert was raised from yellow to orange by the US as a result of information that was found, relating to threats against the US, and some were specifically against New York. The threats seem to be an effort to alert the western world, and it seems as though al-Qaeda might be trying to use a strategy. The United Kingdom is one of the US's main allies in the fight on terrorism and Iraq. It seems to me as though al-Qaeda might be trying to use a strategy similar to that of "divide and con-quer."

I was called upon to scare the British public by this threat in the hopes that they will convince their Prime Minis-ter into refraining from partici-pation in the war. As a result he would be removing one of the US's major allies. It's possible that this is just another trick played by Osama bin Laden, to create a fear in the western world. Currently, it seems everyone is on edge, since we received the threat from al-Qaeda, and the United States is pondering a war against Iraq in a few weeks.

No Experience Compares To Four Months in Italy

JODI ANN LEWIS CONTRIBUTING WRITER

My experience in Florence, Italy was one that was truly memorable. I had the opportuni-ty to meet a lot of people from within the continental United States, travel, and embrace a culture that was totally different to the one that I used to. As I boarded the plane during August of 2002, I was both an-xious and nervous. I didn't know what to expect so many miles away from home. I figured that it could be nothing but great and I was determined to make sure that this was the case.

There was never a dull mo-ment in this city. There was al-ways something to do, whether it is going out to restaurants late in the evening for fine Italian cuisine, or going out for a night on the town at a local club, to visiting the local attractions such as the Duomo, the David, or the Uffizi Gallery.

My friends and I always found an opportunity to meet more stu-dents from other programs as we hung out at the local Internet cafes. From there, we'd try to get to places where the old met the new. It was where history converged with the present. It was where bicycles and vespas flooded the streets, a place where you could enjoy a gelato at gelateria, capuccino and panino (sand-wich) with your friends, or a frozen hot chocolate at the dinner that included three courses and fine wine- now that's Italian.

As I walked to class, I was overcome by feelings of ex-citement. I thought it was incredible that I felt as I traveled to areas with Italy such as Rome, Naples, and Pompeii, to name a few. Nothing, however, could top the excitement that I felt to meet a lot of people from Spain's well-known dishes - paella, a mixture of rice, chicken, veg- etables, and saffron, as well as other interesting things. To top it all off, the parties there didn't stop until 6 A.M. talk about living the high life.

Needless to say, we still had time to check out some outstand-ing artwork, which like Florence, Barcelona is also plagued with. The attraction that stands out most in my mind was Guadalupe's La Sagrada Familia, an extremely high-rise church that has been under construction since 1882.

I wouldn't say that there was much of a language barrier, because I could com-municate with those who spoke some English, and it helped that I had memorized some Italian. I was always friendly with the local shopkeep-ers that they would take a couple of euros to get two bottles of wine and give you a nice taste. I would speak to them in expanding your vocabulary. The staff in the program was good and they would always give me their opinions and that would help when they tried to hold conversations with the locals.

I'm extremely glad that I went abroad, it was definitely worth it. But I did choose the option that I would encourage others to consider as part of their college experience. The memo- ries and friendships that are formed will last a lifetime.

Discouraging Conditions in the Middle East

VIRAL KAPADIA INTERNATIONAL EDITOR

The conditions between Israel and Palestine in the Mid-east are at a point where we ex-pect anything more in terms of humane conditions.

In a recent issue of "Time Magazine" that included photos of the year, there were four pho-tographs of the people of the East. To me the four pictures depict scenes of horror that are part of the daily life of residents in Israel and Palestine. In this day and age, of the 21st century, such horrific and inhumane con-ditions exist, that nothing more can be expected.

The first picture shows two men, who are members of the al-Aqua group, which is part of Arafat's Fatah movement. The men are in aPalestinian street, close to where what seems like a residential building with the trees on a freshly painted street. The two men are masked with guns in their hand.

Second scene is a scene that can intimi-date any child, especially when they see scenes like those all over, where there are children sitting down people openly in front of where is probably a house, how can anyone be peaceful?

Every moment the residents in certain parts of Israel andPale-stine are wondering if they will be alive to see the next moment. With the increase in suicide bomb attacks, people are killed in mar-ketplaces, buses, and even re- staurants. Is there any place that is safe for the Palestinian people in this region? They cannot even go to their place of worship without the fear of being killed.

How can life carry on under these conditions, how can fami-lies have peace? The pressure does all this violence leave on the children who are faced with it everyday? The an-swers to all of these questions are ones that cannot be changed from the reality is.

The second picture shows three Israeli soldiers in a Pales-tine home. The picture shows this home, brought about by the soldiers' presence, is that they have converted it into a small, mountain stronghold. The three soldiers are in a position in which one is facing the back of the house, and two have guns aimed out through the sides of the front door. Many of these homes just as this has been converted, and families de-stroyed.

The third picture depicts an extremely emotional scene. A young boy, approximately four or five years old is sitting at the end of a stairwell, with an innocent, yet expressionless face wearing Mouse clothes.

There are many children in the US who could be similar, but the differences in this child is that he is sitting at the end of the stairs on which bloodstains from the murder of his father and grand-father are spread all over the stairs.

This image will probably be chilling to this generation. The Israeli army has taken away his family, and now he has nothing left. What a tragedy for this boy, and the Palestinian children from whom the love of their parents have been taken away. That's the point of this picture.

These children will grow up with even more hatred for the enemy, and the situation will not be able to improve.

The fourth picture is of a woman who was killed in a sui-cide bomb attack; she was one of the seventeen people who were killed. The picture shows her how on the ground with a bag around her wrist with the words, "Stop killing us, save your children." And the words, "Stop killing us, save your children are treated as just numbers.

All of these pictures create a picture in my mind, that shocks me. The first two images depict the attackers who con-struct to attack each other and what they do not want to know about the consideration of the other, and the last two pictures are of the victims of this hatred.

There are so many innocent victims who are affected by the attacks on holy Mouse clothes.

There are so many families, parents, friends, and other people who are lost, just because the governments cannot come to a peaceful solution that they can abide by for a long period of time.
Hollywood's newest blunder, "Biker Boyz," attempts to recreate the punk-rock atmosphere on two wheels with an African-American twist, but fails miserably. Director Roar Uthoff tried desper-
ately to reinvent his character approach to modern day motorcycle gangs with a few chintzy phrases and soundtrack, but failed miserably when he let
Halen Koller choose the soundtrack for a collection of a terribly trite screenplay, horrible cinematography and two-dimensional characters. This movie is a true steam-
piling pile of manure.

Kunal Anand '04 poses for a picture during training for the Winter Weekend Hale tournament. Anand is one of many students busy in preparation for what should be a heated battle.

Dave Perry to Speak to Babson Community

CHARU SHARMA
Arts Editor

This Thursday night, February 13th, at 7:30 P.M. in Sorenson Center for the Arts, the renowned poet and translator David Perry will be do-
ing a reading a volume from his latest distinguished book, "Of No Country I Know: New and Selected Poems (2000)."

Below is an excerpt from his poem entitled "Courteys," which was included in Irvin Malotky's 2000 New York Times article which was hon-
ing Perry's win of the coveted Rebekah Johnson Bobbit National Prize for Poetry award.

The poem is describing a man and a boy on a basketball court and is featured in the book "Of No Country I Know: New and Selected Poems (2000)."

"They're shooting baskets, amically and mildly.

The noise of the basketball, though startlingly louder

Than the voices of the two of them as they play,

Is peaceable as can be, something like meter.

This New Jersey native graduated from Amherst College and Harvard University as well as served in the US Air Force as a sergeant.

Currently, Perry resides locally in Cambridge Massachusetts and is the Sophie Chau Chantel Hait Professor of Emeritus of English at Wellesley College and a Visit-
in Professor in Creative Writing at Boston University.

Additionally, Perry has an impressive amount of presti-
gious awards under his belt. For the book he's reading from at Babson, he has won the Lenore Marshall Poetry Prize, the Blagden Poetry Prize from "Boston Book Review," the Rebekah Johnson Bobbit National Prize for Poetry and was a finalist for "The New Yorker" Book Award and the L.L. Winship/PEN New En-
gland Award.

Admission is free of charge and open to everyone. Stay after the reading for a chance to speak to David at a recep-
tion and book signing. Take a few minutes to visit the Babson Bookstore to skim through or purchase one of David's books.

Possible Valentine Venues abound in Boston

CHARU SHARMA
Arts Editor

This Friday is Valentine's Day and abs-
sence makes you, no plans? Here are some romantic suggestions to make your soiree d' amour really special. No matter what your love status, there is something for everyone. This year's arrow definitely won't miss if you spend the night at any of these ven-
es.

"Mateless in MA" 3rd Annual Valentine's Day Sip & See
Crecent Club at the Big Easy 1 Boylston Street Boston 617-523-2325 Sip and see hearts, just because your single doesn't mean you have to spend the night in your gilt or feel lonely. Grab your friends, go out and flirt at the Big Easy! When else can use those pa-
thetic pickup lines you heard from your exes for your own love life? All those cheeky hoochery girls have been sick of hearing and guys are sick of trying to actually come in handy. Over a thou-
sand people are expected and the party starts at 10:00. The night includes dj and dancing and an open
white chocolate martini and beer for the ladies in attendance. Tickets are $25 at the door and $20 in advance. Visit Bostoneventguide.com for more info.

"Friends with Benefits"
Finale 30 Dartmouth St, Cambridge 617-441-9979

"With its warm and friendly amb-
ience, this restaurant is perfect for the casual dater. Although it offers light meal arrangements and drinks, Finale is most known for its extraordinary mouth-watering dinner sets like Milk Chocolate Tea Drop, Creme Brulee and Coffee Connec-
tion. The beautiful presentations of the desserts are works of art in themselves and the prices average around $10 per dessert. With a confortable seating, dim lighting and good service Finale is sure to evoke good, romantic conversation, which makes for a suerst
t evening.

"What's your name again?" Wendy's
Oh, I was totally lobbing and any guy you can see in your date to Wendy's for Valentine's is better off shooting one liners at the boys. The third, for those blind dates, setups, and friends-of-a-
friend type affairs, a more casual, fun and laid-back evening is in or-
der.

Marche Movencpck Boston 1 Prudential Center 617-579-9700

How about Marche? Once owned the Esco't Center of the restaurants by a Boston Phoenix critic, Marche's unique, eclectic and fun environment might just be the best ice-
breaker to get things rolling.

Marche offers a open-air-seafood market place, which is as much eye candy as it is delectable cuisine.

And don't fret about moments if there's no chemistry as this exciting restaurant offers plenty of constructions like visiting different food "islands" and watch-
ing your food being prepared. The cuisine is simple, fresh and abun-
dant and décor is elaborate, beau-
tiful and stimulating. You won't
find any over the top mushy-gushy decor here, which makes it for an informal, off the cuff night out.

"Let's get serious"
Top of the Hub 1000 Boylston St, Boston 617-266-9001

Phone: 617-369-7775 A little romanticistic restaurant in Boston by CitySearch.com, it's easy to see why Top of the Hub would be the place to go for starry-
eyed lovers on Valentine's night. Consequently, it will be extremely hard to get a table for Valentine's Day, but minute but it's worth a shot.

An impressive fifty-two floor high on top of Prudential center, Top of the Hub offers spectacular panoramic view of Boston to every other restaurant pales in com-
parison. Elegant, classy and sophis-
ticated, described the famous ambiance the Top of the Hub prov-
ides Exceptional service, exquisitely pre-
pared food and live jazz mu-
ic make an unbeatable value mix for couples. Girls, dress formally and guys, bring a thick wallet.

"Just Friends" Le Gamin Boston 580 Tremont Avenue 617-654-8869

If you're spending the night with a good friend, a more intimate but also a livelier evening might make for a pleasant evening. Le Gamin is a reasonably priced French restaurant that is known for its ex-
cellent food and service. An added bonus is that it's located right in the middle of Boston's best nightlife, so you can maybe get your groove on at a club after or just chill in a local lounge.

Movie Listings for Framingham 16

Friday and Saturday February 14-15

About Schmidt, R 12:30, 3:30, 6:45, 9:45

Adaptation, R 1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 10:00

Biker Boyz, PG-13 9:45

Catch Me If You Can, PG-13 12:30, 4:00, 8:00, 10:45

Chicago, PG-13 12:30, 1:30, 4:30, 6:30, 7:30, 10:15

Dardevle, PG-13 12:00, 1:00, 2:40, 4:00, 5:20, 7:00, 8:00, 9:30, 10:45

Darkness Falls, PG-13 8:45

Deliver Us From Eva, R 1:45, 4:45, 7:45, 10:15

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Rugby Looks to Have Another Great Season

DOUG KOPCSO
Contributing Writer

After finishing the fall season as conference champions, 2nd in New England and 3rd in the Northeast, it seems there is no shortage of fan interest. With the game looking much more a whole for the Babson Rugby team, one can expect this season to be no different.

The team has a lot to look forward to this season. The senior class will be leading the team in the games with the younger players stepping up to fill the shoes of those graduating. The team is looking forward to the opportunity to showcase their skills.

The team looks to have a strong season with many returning players and a few new additions to the lineup. The team is looking to make a strong start to the season and continue their success from last year.

Men's Basketball Extends Win Streak to 52

MINH BUI
Sports Editor

Two conference games in the past week and two more conference victories for the Babson men's basketball team. A skiing game winning streak, the Bears took on theiona and won the Pride of Springfield College.

In their first meeting at Springfield, the Bears were down the score and came away with a win. This game would be no different as Babson dominated behind the three-point arc. The bombers began to fall early in the game and Babson had four consecutive three-pointers in a five-minute span to lead 25-16 lead. In the second half, Babson won by 52-30.

The Bears were on to win 75-61. When it was all said and done, Babson had 13 three-pointers with five of those coming from Jeff Hines Jr., who had a team high 22 points on 7 of 10 shooting.

Cutting to Tuesday, the last regular season game was played against WPI. Emotions ran high as it was senior night for Babson.

The Beavers were in a must-win situation to keep their spot in the upcoming tournament. The Bears dominated the game with a 26-13 lead in the first half and finished the game with 29 points in the second half. The game was over early as Babson had 62 points to the Beavers' 37.

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The Bears continued their winning streak against the Mount Holyoke College Lyons on Saturday. Babson dominated the game against the Lyons, 80-20, to stay on top for the full game.

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Winter Intramurals Kick Off with Slopes Still Open

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The first week of winter intramurals brought back some familiar faces from the fall. Five soccer teams have an excellent turn out with 16 teams. Week 1 winners included Jim, Yellow Fever, Wheelers, Grumpy Old Men, Boy, Thurber, Throttle and the defense.

The week's standout included John Boozier, 4th; Greg Garland and Matt Dobbs '05.

Indoor soccer, on the opposite, was quite strong with 13 teams playing on four courts.

In week 1, the winners included Sigfig, The Trexona, Brumia, Les Pachos, K2 and Turkish Power. The stars of the week are Ron Gage '03 of Sigfig, Dave Cimo '03 of Brumia and Ogren Glisic '03 of the Trexona.

This week's winners in 6 versus 6 volleyball were Shots, Slippery When Wet and Wheelers. Standouts included Kyle Miller '05 of Shots, Peter '03 of Slippery When Wet, Forker '04 of Slippery When Wet, and Anna Gutierrez '05 of Shots.

The weekly competition is the perfect way to begin the winter, offering a fun and enjoyable activity. The weekly contest is open to all students and begins every Sunday.

The first annual Wallabyball Night will be held on Thursday, February 9th from 6:30 to 9:30 PM. If you are interested in entering a team in this competition, please contact Andy Dutton at dutton@babson.edu.

Women Fall to Salem State

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