Laundry Machine Vandalism
Results in Undetected Theft

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MANAGING EDITOR

On-campus laundry machi-
nes were vandalized in such
a way that students may "get
washes without being charged," according to Neil
Foley, manager of Auxiliary
Services and Babson OneCard
Services. The problem went
unnoticed for almost three
months.

Foley declined to state how
much money has been lost as
a result of the manipulation of
the machines, though he did
reveal that "every machine in
every dorm has vandalism
done to it."

The machines are owned
and maintained by an outside
company that Foley did not
wish to identify. A meeting has
been scheduled for today,
Thursday February 8th, at
which the company will likely
discuss the formulation of an
electronic remedy to the
situation with Foley.

A stopgap measure of plac-
ing metal conduits over ex-
posed wires in the machine's
"control unit" has proved inef-
fective.

"Crafty kids are going to be
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Olin Accepts
Student Applications

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NEWS CORRESPONDENT

The Olin School of Engineer-
ing has made considerable
progress in preparation for its first incoming class. January 15th was the deadline for students to hand in appli-
cations for the Olin Founders program. This program se-
lected 30 students to work closely with Olin faculty to
help develop the school's curricu-
um. Not only do the stu-
dents have a great curricu-
um but they help with creat-
ing the student activities.
It is these students who will
form the nucleus of the college's first class. They are ex-
pected to graduate in May of the
Fall of 2002. The entering
class size is forecasted at be-
ing between 100 and 125 stu-
dents. Of the total 650 people
who have started the applica-
tion process, only 500 students are expected to follow through to completion.

The next step for prospects after submission of the application is the Olin Partner Weekends, which will be held in the second and third weeks of March. Sixty candidates will attend each of the weekends. These weekends will be used as time for the Olin Partner prospects and the faculty to meet. It is from these students that the par-
tners will be selected.

The Olin School of Engineer-
ing has also made tremendous progress in terms of construc-
tion. The school recently had its "topping off ceremony.
This ceremony was held for the school's Stud-
edy. This ceremony, which begins when the steel gr
drainage construction, oc-
curs when the last steel grid
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The snowplows were out in full force on Monday afternoon and Tuesday morning as a large snowstorm dumped several inches across New England.

Winter Snowstorm Paralyzes Babson

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A major snowstorm swept
through New England from
late Monday until Tuesday
morning, providing a break
to students and faculty and a
messy cleanup for grounds
workers.

The storm dropped an esti-
mated 8 inches of snow on Bos-
nton, according to The Boston
Globe, and significantly more
in the surrounding area.

Chelmsford, Massachusetts
was reported to have received 12
inches. The heavy, non-stop
snowfall forced the decision
Monday evening to cancel
Babson MBA classes.

The same fate befell under-
graduate classes on Tuesday
when at approximately 3:30
A.M., a committee comprised
of Carol Hacker, Dean of Stu-
dent Affairs, Frank Aubuchon,
Chairman of Human Resources
and Wendy Baker, Director of
the MBA program and Assis-
tant Dean at the Olin Gradu-
ate School, decided to cancel
classes for the day.

"The school was closed based
on feedback we got from the
ground crew that they would
not have the grounds ready by
the normal opening day.
Aubuchon stated. "We consid-
ered even a delay, but they
did their best to make sure they
could get," he added.

Despite all classes being
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LIFESTYLES

Valentine's Day, a time of year when those who have someone special to share a love with, often shower them with gifts, while others love
them in other ways.

The Arts

For all the romantic out there, or just about anyone who has attended the Boston Symphony Orchestra, the
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Oprah Winfrey show talking about her date with Olin.

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cancelled during the day, the MBA evening classes were held as scheduled.

"A couple friends and I stayed up late watching a movie on Monday night, so I was really hoping not to have to attend classes on Tuesday," said Gabe Stalcup '03.

Hardly a soul could be seen most places on campus, as most students were content to stay in the warmth of their own rooms. Some, however, did take advantage of the weather by throwing snowballs and playing football.

The snowstorm provided a nice break from the daily routine for all students at Babson. It gave some the opportunity to catch up on sleep, while others caught up on work they had not been able to accomplish.

"The snow day was very beneficial in that I caught up on some much needed sleep and it provided a nice repose between two tough days of classes," said Chris Mason '04. Hardly a soul could be seen most places on campus, as most students were content to stay in the warmth of their own rooms. Some, however, did take advantage of the weather by throwing snowballs and playing football.

Sarah Dowd '03 noted, "While it was very cold outside, the snow added a whole new aspect to our football game. I definitely had a good time, but I was ready to get back into a warm place when we were finished."

The snowstorm began at 2:00 PM on Monday afternoon and the precipitation began to move at a feverish pace in the evening, making it tough for the grounds crew to clear paths. Members of the grounds crew worked into the night, making sure steps were cleared so that students would not accidentally slip and fall.

The voice mail message left by the school did not cause the tone on everyone’s phone to change to the familiar message waiting sound, but Babson Channel 9 and the snow cancellation hotline both conveyed the message.

The remnants of the storm are clear all around campus with snow drifts being piled nearly 10 feet high. The college stuck to its policy in the situation, putting out the notice to most major radio stations, leaving a voice mail for students, and notifying students of the decision over the hotline at x4636.

Olin Continues Preparation For Its First Year of Classes

School Accepting First Applications

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of superstructure is put into place. All of the officials who are present for the event sign the last girder and a fir tree is placed on it before it is hoisted into place. The officials that were in attendance for the ceremony were from the college and Hanscomb, Inc., the campus construction manager.

There was a safety incident at the construction site. One of the workers fell from the first level to the ground floor. He was taken to the hospital but was not seriously injured. Joe Hunter, Director of Communications offered a reassuring comment regarding the safety of the construction site.

We are very particular about safety and very safety conscious."

School Placing Focus on Solving Washer Theft

Babson Looking to Resolve Issue Quickly

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one building at risk of losing laundry services because of continued vandalism.

"The problem was first noted on January 3rd and 4th during a routine audit. "Normal sales growth on the machines continued until October 15th," commented Foley, "then decreased sharply."

Chief of Public Safety Ray McKearney stated that his office is investigating the matter but "does not have too much to go on."

"I would assume a lot of people know about this," he added. McKearney theorized that a small number of students that know how to alter the machines to provide free washes told others how to do the same.

"Crafty kids are going to be crafty kids," lamented Foley.

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New Challenges Face SGA During Spring Semester

BEN LEWIS  
Sensor Copy Editor

The Student Government Association (SGA) plans on addressing the issues of parking, academic climate, standing safety, and meal plan improvements in the coming semester.

Kelly Kapp, VP of Communications, outlined some of SGA’s successes from last semester. She said, “SGA pushed for the expansion of Trim parking lot because there were more students registered on campus than spaces available.”

SGA worked with both Carol Hacker, Dean of Student Affairs, and Shelley Kaplan, Assistant Vice President of Facilities Management and Planning, on this issue to get some short-term relief to the parking problem.

Christine Babson, Assistant Director of Undergraduate Career Education, added, “SGA has to find a way to let students know their class standing,” commented Kapp.

Christine Babson has expressed a lot of interest in wanting to know where they stand so SGA decided to implement this policy,” concluded Kapp.

This semester, SGA is working to encourage students using campus lighting and meal plans. Several students have expressed concern with the lack of lighting in some areas on campus at night.

“By having a committee whose sole responsibility is looking into the lighting issues on campus,” Kapp specified. “Shelley Kaplan is again helping us improve lighting on campus.”

With regard to the meal plans, SGA has also formed a committee that is working with Carl Citron, Resident District Manager of Sodexo Marriott, in attempts to improve students’ meal plan. “The committee is headed by James Babas and holds monthly meetings,” stated Kapp.

Kapp continued, “This is the same committee that enabled students to use meal cards at Reynolds between lunch and dinner last spring.”

Carl Citron was supposed to have already presented several meal plan options to the committee. However, Kapp indicated that Citron has been extremely busy and out of town, not allowing time for him to present meal plans to the committee.

Other items on SGA’s agenda this semester are working with CAB on Spring Weekend, which has already begun, and looking into the possibilities of Channel 9, Babson’s new television station.

“We want to find out more about the channel to see how it can be utilized for the community,” mentioned Kapp. “Perhaps we will be able to broadcast live sports events or other activities on the channel.”

SGA Minutes

February 7, 2001

The Student Government met with Tony Malagrin, the school’s new head of Facility Services, and his new staff. Mr. Malagrin introduced his staff members and explained the mission of the new facilities services department. He spoke about the steps that ARAMARK is taking to improve living conditions of the dormitories on the weekends. They also talked about the steps they are taking to improve the snow removal in the Trim Parking lot. Mr. Malagrin and his staff stressed that they are constantly looking for input from the students to help them improve their services.

The House also discussed the possibility of installing an air hockey table in the Reynolds Campus Center. The logistics of this addition are still being researched.

The SGA has also talked to a representative from the MFA in the feasibility of purchasing a new Beaver mascot suit. Initial research for this project is also beginning.

Next week’s SGA meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 14, at 6:30 in Trim 201-202. All SGA meetings are open to the entire campus; and we encourage the student body to participate.

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Letter to the Editor: Response to "Racism Is Redefined by Black History Month"

Perhaps you have been misinformed. Perhaps having never felt the burn of racism, you cannot understand the emotional pain of Black History Month. Perhaps you simply don’t know your history or perhaps this was just a cheap publicity stunt to boost viewership for The Black History Channel. Regardless of what the reason is, it is imperative that your comments be countered.

Black History month does not redefine or perpetuate racism. It does not celebrate or perpetuate racism. In fact, ignorance, fear, and hate are the only entities it perpetuates. Black History Month serves as a yearly reminder of why racism should not exist.

The point of Black History Month is to enlighten people of the value of Blacks in America. It has exposed a whole due to the fact that Blacks have been so repetitively left out of the history books that most Americans are taught from.

If you think that one month to celebrate the history of Blacks is racist, what do you think of the years that we have been learning American History where the only names of Black people in American History are X and possibly Harriet Tubman and Frederick Douglass. Well, let me enlighten you, that’s not America’s History. That is the history of one race – years.

There are so many myths in your article that it is evident that this one response is your article will not serve to enlighten you enough to cure your chronic case of ignorance. Sadly, your chronic case of ignorance is not exclusive to you. There are others that share your misinformed views, just as you do, and the others, is to read more and learn why, instead of now why.

Or speak with some Blacks to learn why they feel the way they do. The same is true when there is, there wouldn’t be a need for Black History month if people with their beliefs knew what Black History month is about in the first place (which is more than cornbread and fried chicken).

Furthermore, Babson’s pursuit of a diverse campus demonstrates their knowledge that to have a diverse campus that does not exist in a homogeneous campus, society, or world. Therefore they should be commended not condemned. Right now the only embellishment is a racist rant. Lastly, I leave you with these thoughts:

"The better man imports, "He who has not carried his burden does not know what it weighs.""

Ghandi stated, "You must be the change you wish to see in the world." Mahatma Gandhi.

"Nothing in the world is more dangerous than sincere ignorance and conscientious stupidity," voiced Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

D’Metrias Bannerman-Bolmes ’90.

Only Fear and Loathing Exist in Ignorant Thought

Michael Bernard
Executive Editor

It has been correctly asserted that a root of racism is fear, and that a root of fear is ignorance. Never have I been more enlightened than in the reaction I have witnessed to Managing Editor Sean Chappelle’s editorial, "Racism is Redefined by Black History Month," which appeared in the Babson Free Press today.

I have overheard many people discuss this article, as well as the discussion with Dave Chappelle in the midst of Chappelle’s comic act. The vast majority of the commentary has been derogatory towards Carnell, labeling him as ignorant, foolish, and as a racist. What I cannot understand is why people are having this reaction.

In an effort to read the ignorance and get a proper articulation for these accusations I will dissect Carnell’s editorial.

It is important to note that as the Executive Editor of The Babson Free Press, I have had the opportunity to read and study the word “racism” and I encourage you to address “Racism is Redefined by Black History Month.” Following published articles, you will find a letter in this issue; I will instead limit my analysis to the article itself and your letter.

I will begin by stating that I highly doubt that anyone who has any judgmental value on race is better than one that places a value on difference of race. Simply put, Carnell states that one should not be concerned with what race a person is in, but instead what they accomplish.

This is what it means to speak the truth about the world. Carnell sees the dominant group’s beliefs, and he is determined to correct them.

Many times subjective writing criticizes the normal course of thought or being. The reason is that widely accepted beliefs usually need no defense; they are taken as truth. This is where most disagreements and opinions that must be proven correct to show their worth, and whether or not they are correct in society’s eyes, are written with the intent of making something new fit with how we perceive ourselves.

The great thing about this article is someone stating an opinion without fear of punishment simply for expressing a personal opinion.

New ideas are thrown into the fray; if they pass the test they are accepted as fact. If a viewpoint fails to sway the populous the bias that does not value the new and the null theory is reinforced.

It is because we have this choice that people are free. By and large, we are the sole judges for what we accept personally and what we find good, and we can act according to these beliefs.

Richard A. Posner, in his paper is not simply a one-way lecture to its readers but should rather establish an understanding of the community that fosters communication.

What is the proper way of re-acting to an expressed opinion? I believe that open discussion is the proper way of expressing a fear or vengeance is the key.

People react differently to what is perceived as the pressure of a dissenter opinion; some try to have it expunged from the media and demand a retraction, others write cogenet rebuttals, some lodge protests, and others find indirect ways of exacting revenge against the individual that challenged their belief.

Surely there are multiple races, each having their own perspectives reacting to a controversial topic. I will only caution that we are biased when we simply take a side to be very goal-oriented when addressing this community.

The proper way of responding to Carnell’s article should be done so for the purpose of making a positive change to our community; too often people react by striking out, or otherwise reacting in such a way that attacks the opinions of others. I would assert that this is an incorrect approach.

Right and wrong cannot be decided when it comes to the personal opinions of individuals; as free people we may choose to disagree, but we should not build walls against people who have a different understanding of the world.

I do and will continue to support The Babson Free Press’s ability to support the varying views of Babson’s diverse community, and will continue to open-mindedly publish to our community’s views giving individuals the chance to respond and share.

Remember that by writing in our newspaper your voice is heard. I encourage you to come with a coherent, articulate, evidenced point of view. It is up to The Babson Free Press to share that view with the community.
Click to read article from title: Sometimes It Is Hard to Be a Republican

By SETH GINSBERG

CONTRIBUTING WRITER

If you asked a random person on campus what being "Republican" meant, or he probably wouldn't have any juxy, but his or her parents are in fact Republicans. For the benefit of the politically challenged here at Babson, I hereby submit this list of 15 ways of knowing if you truly are a Republican:

1. You have to believe that the nation's current 8-year prosperity was due to the work of Ronald Reagan and George Bush, but that yesterday's gas prices are Clinton's fault.

2. You have to believe that there is no such thing as a government that can achieve success all on its own.

3. You have to believe that government should stay out of people's lives. Yet, you want government to regulate only opposite-gender marriages and what your official language should be.

4. You have to believe that pollution is OK, so long as it makes you money.

5. You have to believe in prayer in schools, as long as you don't have to pray to Buddha.

6. You have to believe that a woman can be treated with decisions about her own body, but that large multinational corporations can make decisions affecting all mankind with no regulation whatsoever.

7. You have to believe that you love Jesus and Jesus loves you, and that Jesus shares your hatred of AIDS victims, homosexuals, and President Clinton.

8. You have to believe that society is becoming black America doesn't diminish your opportunity, and you still won't vote for Alan Keyes.

9. You have to believe that it's wrong to use a new firewire to spend $50 million dollars to attack Clinton because no other state has ever been unfair to their wives.

10. You have to believe that a waiting period for purchasing a handgun is bad because quick access to a new firearm is an important concern for all Americans.

11. You have to believe that the ACLU is bad because they defend the Constitution, while the NRA is good because they defend the Constitution.

12. You have to believe that the AIDS virus is not important because funding proportionate to the resulting death rate and that AIDS didn't become educated about it because if we just ignore it, it will go away.

13. You have to believe that biological teachers are corrupt because they teach the morals of the 19th century, but if they teach them the basics of human sexuality, but the Bible, which is full of sex and violence, is good reading.

14. You have to believe that Chinese communist missiles have killed more Americans than handguns, alcohol, and tobacco.

15. You have to believe that even though governments have supported the arts for right reasons, perhaps the great works of the Renaissance, our government should crush the arts in today's society. If all the rich, can afford to buy their own and the poor don't need any.

It's Time To Put Some Grue in Your Life

By NICK MARTENS

CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Ever since the 18th century, philosophers have been reeling over trying to figure out the reason for existence; the notion of a form of argument in which the premises give grounds for the conclusion in question is nonexistent.

The great Scottish philosopher, David Hume, claimed that it is not reasonable to justify predictions of the future based on their trends of the past, because the laws of nature as we know them could be at any moment to exist.

Our 20th century philosophers, such as Goodwin and Baudrillard, as by Estravas, conclude that induction can be justified in certain cases but it is unclear as to whether it is reasonable because first we need to set down valid rules for justification.

In order to back this up, he comes up with "grue." example. In order to define grue, we need an arbitrary time, "T," in the future, let's say June 2003. Now, for the definition of grue, it has to be observed by June 2003, or something that is the same object yet slightly different in color and condensation before June 2003. Goodman went on to use the example of the future fashions. All those fashions that have been observed thus far in existence have been green. Therefore, all emeralds that have been seen so far have also been grue.

So, we have only had experience with some green (or grue) emeralds and can believe that after June 2003 there will still be only green emeralds. Thus, all emeralds after that date will also be green if at that time "T" we unclove blue and the emeralds would become blue. I think that grue would be a good part of everyone's everyday life. In my mind, it is somewhat of a justification for existentialism.

Grue teaches us that we should expect nothing, and yet most of us are constantly spending our lives waiting for other people to reward us for all the worthless grueling.

Religion: The End of the World, Again

By DOUGLAS AMMEROHN

Opinion Editor

In seventh grade my mother pulled me into my Pastor's office because despite the various levels of brainwashing that I had undergone as a soon-to-be Christian - I still didn't care. Pastor Lynn was a real "nut job," of course. I feel no need to see a blueprint for it, hear the rhymes and reason.

It seems to me that if you bother to look everything is crystal clear: I'm going to die, I am accountable for my good things and bad things, and I am the one who determines my course in life. It is a time that people say that there are abstract things in life that we need and you won't have when you are dead, but I am not a pessimist because they don't want to face the reality of life's consequences, but I am not going to let you make it easy on me. I am not going to let the quality of life I am living be a lie. I hope so!

In the case of being a nut, I believe in God, an integral part of faith in society is just an extension of this lunacy. The charade that is currently running in society could not understand the events that occurred around them. People couldn't understand it, and I don't know why the volcano explode or "where do we get when we die?" Because humans felt that they had no control over these events, and they were "being" that planned and manipulated everything around us.

The creation of a "God" was used to control the people. Once humans believed in the power and abilities of "God" (or did you think that lightning was done by the "unseen" and "angry") it seemed justifiable than good things were happening people were good and bad things were happening people had been God's will. But then a person thought up the laws of "God" to make sure that nothing bad happened to the entrepreneurial and it was further stipulated that if you broke one of God's laws bad things will happen to you. But no one has any idea what these laws are. Because there are plenty of happy and successful criminals so they changed the laws on the fly to suit the people, and this is one secures after you die. Which, impossibly, one can prove with out working.

In my opinion, it seems rather odd how that all worked out.
LIFESTYLES

Simple Doesn't Have to Mean Barren

EILEEN CALLEN
Contributing Writer

No one said that living in a college dorm was supposed to be glamorous, but that doesn't mean that we have to nest ourselves in bare, expressionless atmospheres.

So you say you don't have the time or the money to play Christopher Lowell (for those of you who don't know, he is a creative interior deco-

rator on the Discovery Channel's great show)?

Well, both guys (yes, I said guys and girls should try to get some ideas about being creative from this article, even if you think that decorating is not "your thing." Your college living space is a great canvas on which to illustrate your uniqueness and originality, without spending a lot of dough. First off, I always follow two rules of thumb:

1) Always do your best to keep a clean area. Dust and dirt would ruin the image of any amount of decor. 2) Organization is key; it makes things look neat.

Get clutter! It's no problem if you have the right stuff. Put up shelves made from slate of wood and mounting brackets that you can get at Home Depot (or for under $5 each). These will display all of those random shot glasses and beer mugs that you never find a place for.

If you really wanted to get into it, you could either paint the shelves your favorite color cheaply, or you could lay a cloth over them. As long as Linens and Things carries plastic bins that fit easily under your bed for miscellaneous items and also versatile racks that would rest conveniently on top of your fridge to hold food and dishes. They also have throw throw pillows and three rugs to coordinate your room colors.

Some of the easiest and cheapest ways to add to those blank walls and ceilings are glow-in-the-dark stars, Christmas or summer lights, and postcards (trimming them adds depth) of your favorite celebrities, hobbies, animals, movies, and art. You need look no further than the mall for this stuff.

You can even make a college of your own pictures and put them in a poster frame. Craft stores (don't panic guys, al-

though not "cool", are great places for bargains. If you can manage to dodge the little old ladies in the sewing aisle, you will easily find great stuff like glass bottles, clear or colored, with Corks for under $6 that add an artistic touch anywhere. Add water and food coloring to enhance clear bottles.

Girls: false flowers will always add character and color to a room. They cost about a dollar a flower, though you may even find them cheaper, and will never wilt.

There are also picture frames, stencil equipment, and glow-in-the-dark paints. If you can find some nesting, it's fun to tack up your room near any corners and twirl around to create a 3D effect.

It's quick and easy to take a short, preferably a solid color, that you are not using and drape it around your window border with tacks to warm and alleviate shabbiness.

Start a quote wall for all of those goofy things that you and your roommate(s) would like to remember saying. Stick them up with post-it notes, and make sure to put up any pictures that may apply.

Save all leis that you collect at par-
ties to brighten your room. Place the sides of beer cases on your walls. Draw on your walls with glow-in-the-
dark paint. If you can afford it, get a black light.

Simple doesn't have to mean bar-
ren. Be original and add a personal touch to everything that you do. Al-
ways remember that a little effort goes a long way.

Don't let the only decoration in your lounge be a royal flush taped to the wall! It could happen to you, too.

STARRS"

How To Spice Up Your Valentine's Day

ASHLEY KEENAN

Valentine's Day, a time of year when those who have someone spe-
cial in their lives shower them with gifts, while others lock themselves in

WeCare: Ecstasy May Produce Long-Term Depression for Abusers

BRUCE TOFIAS, MD
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I view this weekly column as a chance to share thoughts and expe-
riences with those of you whom I have not been lucky enough to visit in my other carrier and feelings. Feel-

ing as though my primary audience is the student population, my mind frequently focuses on the things that I feel have the most potential to

affect your lives, both positively and adversely.

Unfortunately the news frequently brings to the forefront the most trou-

bling things, including drug abuse.

The recent death of a young man following a rave is most troubling. Designer drugs like ecstasy are hitting young people with reckless aban-
donment. The sales and manufacturing agents share anecdotal de-

scriptions of the fun and quality of their wares but none of the precau-
tionary information that is so neces-
sary. So, let's start from the beginning.

and analysis specifically what ecstasy is and what it does.

Ecstasy is a chemical. In fact it is in several chemicals, the most common being MDMA (methyleneoxy-

methamphetamine). It is in the amphetamines family. Initially it was synthesized by a legitimate drug company thinking that it had found an aptitude suppressant in the 1980s. Eventually, it was concentrated into a brand name and marketed from mainstream consideration.

Unfortunately, it is easy to manipu-
late in the laboratory in such a way where it is much of it is made. This means that the FDA is not over-

The FDA is not over-

The increased body temperature is amped up by the circun-

ences in which people use these drugs, which is often at raves or dan-

dances. In order to keep the temperature down may reduce some of the other consequences of this drug but can add to it as well.

Many people drink lots of water to

satisfy the increased thirst and high temperature. This helps with cool-

ing, but plain water may cause body sodium to decrease, leading to con-

sequences and death. One needs to drink fluids, but the sport drinks that contain sodium and other elec-

trolytes may be a better choice.

Increased body temperature have also been implicated in muscle in-
flammation, which may dig kidneys and may cause kidney failure, blood clotting abnormalities, high blood pressure, and death. Some of these maladies can be permanent.

It appears that the more you learn about things like MDMA, the less appealing they become. You can learn about this by having to suffer, or you can learn by seeking the advice of a friend or by see-

ing a friend suffer them.
Altered State Of Reality: Musings from a Knight Party

CHIP KOTZ
Staff Writer

What did you guys think of that killer show of new ice cream flavors? Hah, it looks like they cooked up some good stuff.

Oh, and by the way, I have to add this: one of the most original classics I ever saw. A couple of times this past year I've run into this shirt that went like this, "Park Manor North, We put the SUBSTANCE in substance free."

I thought that was funny, since I thought it was all those rookied faces. But I guess it was just an ice cream that put the substance in substance free, but oh well, I can ad

I don't know what to tell you though, other than that it was a pretty uneventful dance, except for the hot Babson girls wearing their all too revealing pajamas, I will have to admit, I was kind of excited!

The Boss Showed Just Who Is In Charge

TRICIA CUBELLIS
Staff Writer

What is it supposed to mean when you have to ask yourself, "Am I being too junior, or too cr@zy"? As far as I am concerned, crazy people just like to have fun and they are just people.

I don't find people to be crazy if they find pleasure in taking their 4-wheeler up the wrong hill or if they make a little havoc, if you will. Cars and SUV's have four-wheel drive for a reason, and that reason is not "bet

This Tuesday morning and afternoon, there were at least 15-20 people trying to kill themselves off, their cars, and some even purposely went off the cliff (as can be seen by the distinct fact that some few students drive vehicles equipped to handle the snow). These ill-equipped cars then tried to back out of their spots with little to no success. I realized a definite starting problem when I caught myself watching people try and try to scrape the ice off of old man winter. It was funny, too.

However, I did not think of the worst possible thing because of keeping me from enjoying myself. I like to think of it more as a way to have a little winter fun, I do not suffer from the same anxiety of being able to remove myself from a seemingly hopeless situation, also known as snow.

Instead, the recent snowfall reminded me of how much I love to do the snow. When I have the chance I go out and enjoy it. Despite the snow, there is still enough to do and enjoy.

As with my peers, however, I will not be doing so in the coming weeks of this year at least.

As such, I am left with only idle fantasies about what I could do all day while I have a long weekend. I have earned my way to the clinic, train, and market a traveling guide for zoos of koala, horse-racing monkeys.

Some might argue that donan
tion of self-worth charity for help in need should be the first consideration for those of us in need.

I would have to agree. "Mamnagamous Monkeys" Children's Hospital, should be opening in the Worcester County area sometime within the next couple of decades.

But what would be the point of making ridiculous amounts of money if it couldn't be spent on doing things that are fun?

As such, I present my list of things I plan on doing when I reach the promised pinnacle of financial success.

Top Ten Things I'll Do When I'm Fabulously Wealthy

1. Buy every manufacturer of cell phones. Build every factory producing cell phones. Finally, gradually reduce the price of every phone to $0.

2. Purchase and fire a baccalaurate missile at Yankee Stadium.

3. Hire a body double to handle my unexpected stage appearance.

4. Find NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue and XIFL fancee Victoria McMahon against each other in a pay-per-view steel cage match.

5. Defoliate the Pacific Northwest to get to the bottom of this crazy Bigfoot theory.

6. Post a public relations firm to rebuild Autonomia's reputation after that unfortunate Super Bowl halftime appearance with "NSYNC and Dojo.

7. Scuff when Babson solicits donations.

Transferring to Babson: Only Causes Headaches

VERONICA CONTO ANDERSON
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As a transfer student at Babson College, I have a slightly different perspective on this school from those of you who started here as freshmen. Those who have been at Babson their entire college career probably don't realize how easy matriculation into this establishment was.

For me, my transition is one that was, well, not as smooth as it could have been. In hindsight, it is downright humorous how my transferring to this school was so problematic.

Not only did I lose numerous credits, but as a former beauty major I must admit my understanding of the requirements for transfer can be quite a perplexing thing.

For instance, this past semester I discovered that all of my intermediate liberal arts courses are taken care of, but that still means upper level and foundation courses. I'm ready to take liberal arts courses with the seniors, but still must take my foundation with the freshmen. Hmmm.

I was never informed that my first semester as a transfer, my classes are chosen for me, not the other way around. Additionally, I was informed until 2 days before I ar

I wanted to request a friend with a who needed a roommate, and she wrote a letter requesting that she be placed with me, so I got that letter. I was full, not as new, and was given a freshman roommate sometime in July.

This would not have been a problem, except I was not in for tion that would be the fourth person. I had just arrived on campus. Here's the kicker, the trio was doubled up right across the hall from my friend.

So here I am, two days before I was to arrive at Babson, and I still had not received any information one to when in to or, whether or not I was required to attend orientation.

When it was two days prior to class orientation, I felt it was just a call (again). So I tried several different offices and rec

I finally arrive on campus and received the news, I was supposed to he

I was given the wrong combi

My network password was not working, so I could not get into my account in Domino, and therefore could not get my schedule, and for that matter, my room.

The bottom line: don't transfer here. And all we know you can

But these Babson girls "were definitely worth the trip. But are current Babson students just not up to par anymore?"
Dave Chappelle:

A Performance to Remember
February 2, 2001: Sorenson Center for the Arts

In Coordination with Morgan White, Jr.
C.K. Williams to Appear At Sorenson Center

MATT OLSON
The Arts Editor

For all the romantics out there, or people who like free admission, acclaimed poet C.K. Williams will be appearing at Sorenson Center’s Box Office on Thursday, February 8 at 7:30 P.M. as part of the annual Thompson visiting poet series.

Hailing from New York, New Jersey, C.K. Williams was born in 1936 and graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1959, which was the beginning of his formal graduation though not the end of his learning experience.

Williams does a great job of expressing his heart through his writing.

Since graduation, C.K. Williams has gone on to write more than thirteen volumes that have earned him such esteemed awards as a Guggenheim Fellowship, a National Endowment for the Arts Fellowship, a National Book Critics Circle Prize, and the Pen/ Voelcker Career Achievement Award.

Needless to say, C.K. Williams works are widely respected. Liz Rosenberg of The Boston Sunday Globe commented that “Williams neither spare himself nor the reader anything.” Edward Hirsch, last year’s Thomp- son Poet, of “The New Republic” said that Williams is “a force of disquietude...no other contempo- rary poet...has given us a more textured or preoccupied rendering of what it feels like to think—to try to think—through a situational or mental problem moment by moment.”

Some of C.K. Williams’ most fa- mous works are in the realm of “Mind,” “The Vigil,” and “Repair.” Commenting on “A Dream of Mind,” Peter Reaching of The Lon- don Sunday Times said, “It man- ages to embrace a range of human concerns.”

The New Yorker also reported that “Williams’ impressionist new poems are propelled by anxiety over guilt and loss, love and death.” Clearly, within each person’s heart lies stories of these qualities and also the yearning to also express them to others and the hear of them.

Williams does a great job of ex- pressing his heart through his writing, and it is through expression, and communication that people truly understand each other. The Sorenson Center for the Arts has once again arranged a great opportunity for the Sorenson Com- munity to experience an intellectually enriching time. It is great to see the arts take a more prominent place in this strictly business school.

Lifehouse’s New CD "No Name Face" Is the Best Album in Four Years

CHIP KOTY Staff Writer

Well let me tell you, I had a chance to go out and grab a new CD this week. I was sick of all the generic sounding music of this past year. I was looking for something refreshing, something new.

Well this is what I did; I went to the new releases section, closed my eyes and grabbed a random CD. Obvi- ously by the name of this article you can guess I grabbed the CD "No Name Face," by Lifehouse. Pearl Jam or Creed fans will find that lead man Jason Wade definitely sounds vaguely familiar, but he still adds his own touch to the music.

As a lover of music I have to say that it is very easy to look past this similarity and grow attached to Lifehouse for their own creative individualities. The CD features 12 tracks, led off by the radio-friendly track "Hanging By A Moment." This song has a great com- bination of heavy guitar riffs followed by touching verse. This is sometimes a hard thing to pull off, but this band that began back in 1996 shows us that they can do it and because of this are likely to be a musi- cal force for a few years to come.

The songs on this debut al- bare have true sentiment and are much more alterna- tive albums today. This is an album where you don’t have to find your hair to be lifted up by good songs, you can press play and let it take you for a ride. Other songs such as "Sick Cycle Carousel" and "Crying and Clatter" are excellent ex- amples of this great mix. As well, this CD is will be a fa- vorite of people who love meaningful and powerful music such as Live, Creed, Fuel, and, of course, Pearl Jam.

It definitely is not for all you Hip-Hop heads out there but if you want to have a party for yourself or have the blues because you don’t have a date for Valentine’s Day, this is the obvious choice for those times! There hasn’t been a CD that I would recommend this highly since the debut of Creed back in 1997, and look where they’ve gone!

That is not to say I don’t like this album, on the contrary, I don’t tend to like anything that has a theme such as rock, but I am sure I will be back next week telling you what to listen to or watch. Check back and let me know what you think of this CD. If you have been here I am interested in how far off you think I am.

Feel free to e-mail me at skoty@babson.edu.

Top Ten Selling Books

As of February 6th

1. "A Painted House" by John Grisham
2. "We Were the Mulvaneys" by Joyce Carol Oates
3. "Who Moved My Cheese?" by Spencer Johnson
4. "Dr. Bound" by Jerry Nielson, et al.
5. "Body for Life" by Bill Phillips
6. "House of Sand and Fog" by Andre Dubus
7. "Harry Potter Schoolbooks" by Kennworthy Whip- meier
8. "Constantine’s Sword" by James Carroll
9. "The Bible Unearthed" by Israel Finkelstein and Neil Asher Silberman
10. "The Red Tent" by Anita Diamante

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Nicholson Successfully Returns to Big Screen

Mike Connelly
Staff Writer

Jack Nicholson returns to the big screen after almost a three-year absence to star in Sean Penn’s new movie ‘The Pledge.’ Nicholson plays a detective who, on his last day on the job, discovers the dead body of an eight-year-old girl.

After making a promise to the deceased girl’s parents to find the real killer, Nicholson becomes more and more convinced that the death of the girl is a homicide that is connected to other child murders.

As Nicholson pursues this belief, he becomes more and more obsessed with finding the killer, so obsessed that it begins to control his entire life. Nicholson is not only battling his own obsession, but a relentless police force that wants to see the case promptly closed.

Nicholson is left to retire and pursue the matter on his own. The movie heats up as Nicholson’s obsession with finding the killer causes him to buy a gas station in an area where he believes the killer will attack.

Nicholson gives a great performance and many critics believe that it is the best of his career. ABC News Radio says, “Without a doubt one of the best performances Nicholson’s career” and Hollywood reporter says, “Nicholson more than delivers the goods.”

The film marks the second time Jack Nicholson and Sean Penn have made a movie together. The last one was the “Crossing Guard” made in 1995. The film is based on a novel written by Friedrich Durrenmatt.

A film reviewer for ‘Time’ magazine said the film is a “less familiar niche” and the ‘Crossing Guard’ got critical reviews, is receiving much more positive acclaim as a film-maker from the ‘Pledge.’

Penn was able to draw the viewer into this mystery and suspense while still keeping you wondering and guessing throughout the film. I thought the story line was weakens at the end, leaving the audience wanting more, but overall all felt that Penn took a tough story and produced a compelling film.

Nicholson gives a great performance as he steps out of some of the more crazy character roles he has played in the past for a more serious role.

Benicio Del Toro also gives a great short cameo appearance as an insane Native American from the police immediately want to pin the murders on.

The film over the past weekend dropped off the top ten in box office earnings, but if you have already seen some of the big box office hits like ‘Skatebob’ and ‘Traffic’ then ‘The Pledge’ is definitely worth watching.

Boston Play Bedazzles Honors Students

Justin Baum and Bradley Venne
Contributing Writers

What added benefits does a Babson College honor student receive? Well, besides all the journeys into self-discovery, there are some other more tangible benefits. A free trip to the theater and a free meal at the Hard Rock Cafe are just the first things this semester to which our group was treated.

In a little theater atop the TWCA in downtown Boston, we were treated to a comedic depiction of this nation’s history. The play entitled “The Complete History of America (Abridged)” proved to be a very entertaining theatrical production. In order to lower average total coast curve, the cast of three played the numerous roles of this extensive story.

As the play begins, our first history lesson titled “What Christopher Columbus may have been given credit for discovering America, he actually discovered many thousands of years before Columbus and was named Amerigo Vespucci.” For roughly these two hours, the audience was taken on a journey through the highs and downs of American history all the way up until 2001.

In addition, the actors chose to cover certain events extensively rather than trying to hit every detail. Some notable stops along the way included, formation of the bill of rights, WWI, importation to the cold war. Throughout each of these events, their use of anachronisms helped explain and make light of topics that might otherwise be drab. For example, they used Super Soakers to represent the wars of WWI and mentioned a game show format to describe the women’s rights movement.

In addition, the actors’ use of rap words and one-liners brought about several good laughs. For example, when saying something along the minute men of the revolution, they had two of the actors dressed up like “munchkins from ‘The Wizard of Oz’” said they were reporting as the minute (m-nite) men. They also shuffled around the letters of words like “George Bush” to be transparent game of American theater.

Chappelle Stirs Up Campus Controversy

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the issue of racism. A melee of jokes followed the conversation regarding the article, which might have eased the tension for most had they not been of such strong sexual context.

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By 10:00 PM, a few people could be seen leaving the auditorium. A group of subjects ranging from cartoons to news broadcasts and even to voice tones were used by Chappelle to showcase the disjunctions between the major races.

The already musing audience was again radically awakened when seemingly from nowhere another crack developed between Chapel and a young female who had spoken out from her seat in the back row challenging one of Chappelle’s sexist jokes.

He immediately responded with the straight accusation that she was a lesbian to the enthusiasm of many, mostly male, and the agitation of others.

Side talk and murmurs were now audible above Chappelle’s stage performance. Comments such as “this is really messed up” and “he has no clue where he [Chappelle] is” were heard.

It was obvious that Dave Chappelle, the insidious humorist, had torn a sacred curtain, at least in the minds of many Babson students.

Russian Russian Return to the Big Screen

MATT OLSON
The Arts Editor

Established in 1902, the German museum of Harvard University was host last week to an amazing Russian Concert Choir which presented insights into the Russian culture and the nation’s passion for musical expression. Beginning at 5:30 P.M. on Sunday evening, the performance lasted for just under an hour and received a standing ovation from a crowd hungry to hear more. The show was not simply one of sound, but one of sight as well.

The room in which the concert took place set the scene perfectly. Entering the Jordan Hall, various statues reminiscent of the Renaissance lined the sides of the walls. There were also miniaure carvings of people bordering the ceiling and archways of the main room.

After walking past sculptures, tapestries, and engraved descriptions of historical importance, there was a gilded door which stood ajar and resembled a metal door from several decades ago. Indeed this door jalousie later symbolized the choir’s stunning captivation of the audience for the entire length of the hour.

Irina Shchetina conducted the 16-member group with a spark that spread to all those watching her. Even the hairs on my arm stood at attention and seemed to join in the soaring sounds filling the room.

Further attention was given to time of brief pausing where (which were translated into English).

There was one story that told of the Russian children who would go from house to house singing and entertaining till who would listen with hopes of receiving a portion of delectable treats to stuff their bellies. Having been to Russia myself, I can attest to the artistic and theatrical skills that the children often learn at a young age.

Although sung in the Russian language, there was no lack on the part of the choir of communicating the message of their hearts. The songs carried themes of hope, joy, and God’s love for mankind. Smiles lit up the faces of the atones, suppressors, tenors, and even the traditionally slightly reserved basses.

Perhaps the most moving song was “Let My Prayer Be Ever Fervent.” Written by Chauskov in the early 19th Century, this piece was a hallmark of Chauskov’s work which began with a prolonged silence that was abruptly broken with acclamations of angels visitation and confession, the maker of the babe Jesus.

It has been said that “the only things the pierce the heart are true grief and true beauty,” and the Russian choir concert was showing off true beauty like it was going out of style. Thankfully, there’s much more beauty is to be had in the world, and I sincerely hope that you take it upon yourself to look for it in your daily walk as we invent the genre of the concert as such this truly could light your day.

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What made this play so enjoyable was the apparent cohesion of the actors. Their ability to play off one another’s leads created a nice flow, as well as the use of improv to carry the audience along the whole piece as a concert as such this truly could light your day.

With an original script and an enthusiastic cast, this is a must see for any connoisseur of American theater.
**Sports Beat**

The Inweekly on Sports

**Men's Basketball Remains in first**

After losing its first conference game to MIT, the men's basketball team came back with a convincing performance over navy. The men were led by Giles Westie '02 who recorded 19 points and 4 rebounds. The win marked a two-game losing streak for Babson. See Article on page 12.

**Women's Basketball Pounds Smith**

The Women's basketball team overcame 15 turnovers and a 10 percent shooting from the floor by forcing 22 Smith turnovers to come away with a 61-44 NEWMAC victory. The women were led by Ingrid Miller '03 who paced the team with 22 points and 5 rebounds. Next up for the women's team is Springfield at home on Saturday. See article on page 12.

**Ice Hockey Floor Skidmore 6-3**

A pair of goals from Rob Harper '04 and Bobby Weston '01 propelled the Babson College Ice Hockey team to a 6-3 victory over Skidmore. Babson got off to a quick start and scored a goal just 22 seconds into the game and 15 third period shots to secure the victory for Babson. The win caps a week in which the team went 2-0-1. The hockey team is now 6-4-3 in ECAC Conference play. See Article on page 12.

**Swimming and Diving Sweep Bridgewater State**

John Gillior's strong showing in the diving event followed by a good performance from the rest of the team helped the men's swimming and diving squad defeat Bridgewater State, 116-94. The women defeated Bridgewater State with a score of 129-108. The next meet for the men comes against Springfield on the 10th of February. The women are off until the NEWMAC championships on February 16.

Hines Nabs NEWMAC's Top Weekly Honor:

First-year shooting guard Jeff Hines was named New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference's Men's Basketball Player of the Week. This marks the second week in a row that a Babson player gained the honor after Giles Westie received it last week. Hines is currently 4th in the conference in scoring at just over 15 points a game. During the week he led the team at nearly 19 points a game, while helping them to a 6-0 record to start conference play.

**Join The Babson Free Press Sports Section**

Always wanted to write for the Sports Section or have any athletic results or performances that the Free Press is unaware of? We are always in need of any information that you might be able to provide. Please contact Sports Editor Vincent Frazunale at vfrzunale@babson.edu or write him an e-mail at vfrzunale@babson.edu.

**Ice Hockey Bombards Skidmore, 6-3**

The game was a seesaw battle throughout the first half of play. Babson managed to take the lead late in the half as Babson forward Giles Westie '02 shot six for nine, allowing the Beavers to take the 30-22 advantage leading into halftime.

Coast Guard attack the Babson basket aggressively in the second half, as they cut the deficit to six with 18:00 minutes left in regulation. Coast Guard pulled to 32-36, yet Babson would silence the Bears comeback with a 16-8 run. Lead by a Westie three-pointer, Babson would lead by as many as 29 in the second half, eventually claiming the 62-44 victory.

Westie went 8 of 14 for 19 points, James Sckey '03 knocked down 3 of 3 from three point range for nine points, as Joe Codell '03 and Jeff Hines '04 both added eight points. The Beavers also tallied an impressive 15 steals in the contest. This was the second time this season that the Babson defense has held their opponent to under 50 points.

Babson's previous meeting against Coast Guard resulted in a 61-60 win for the Beavers on January 13th. Babson's next home game is against WPI on February 16th, 4:00 PM, followed by a game against Springfield on February 13th, 7:00 PM.

**Babson Men Shipreck Coast Guard**

**Men's Basketball Team Pushes Record to 7-1 in Conference Play**

VIN FRAMULABO SPORTS EDITOR

The Babson Men's Basketball team held their number one rank in the NEWMAC at 7-1, 15-8 overall, on Saturday as they defeated Coast Guard 62-44. Giles Westie '02 led the Babson men with 16 points in the contest as the Beavers outdistanced Coast Guard in the second half of NEWMAC action.

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Babson College used a three goal third period to escape a tie with a 6-3 victory over Skidmore in ECAC Conference action on Saturday afternoon in Saratoga, New York. Babson goalie Greg Berard '02 made 33 saves in net, stopping 15 in the final stanza, to preserve the victory for the second straight period.

At the end of the first period, Babson had a 2-1 lead behind goals from Casey Zentner and Eric Bockbinder. Bockbinder's goal came on the power play 19:00 into the first period, giving Babson the lead for the first time. The momentum from the goal carried into the second period.

Just 1:07 into the second period, Bobby Weston '01 put his first goal of the year against Skidmore on the board, beating Skidmore goalie Jen Oston. The goal gave the Beavers a commanding 3-1 lead. Skidmore came back, however, scoring a power play goal 13:28 into the second period to tie it up on a goal from Chris Dunn with 3:17 left in the period.

In the third period, Babson was out shot 15-6, however, Babson came up big for Babson. Meanwhile, Rob Harvey '04 put the puck in the back of the net, breaking the tie with less than four minutes to play.

Skidmore was forced to pull its goalie, finding themselves down by 2 goals. Bob Harvey and Weston capitalized on this opportunity, scoring their second goals of the game. Babson's top two netters set the final tally up as 6-3.

Harvey and Weston each led the way with 2 goals apiece, while Bockbinder followed them with a goal and an assist. The team pushed their record to 11-5-4 on the season, 6-3-4 in the conference.

Next up comes rival Salem State, at home on Friday at 7:00.