Babson Freshman Charged With RAPE!

By Gardner Boulmay
News Editor

At around 7:30 AM on Friday, November 10, officers from the Wellesley Police Department arrested Michael Nannis, a Babson College freshman, for the suspected rape of an eighteen-year-old Regis College freshman.

Nannis was arraigned on one count of aggravated sexual assault in the Dedham County District Court on Saturday, November 11. Since he was unable to arrange counsel prior to the hearing, the court entered a plea of not guilty automatically. Nannis was released that afternoon for $1500 cash bail.

The alleged rape occurred at approximately 2:30 AM on the morning of October 21, the day of the Harvest Ball. Allegedly, Nannis sexually assaulted the female in a friend's room on Babson's campus. According to an article published in the Wellesley News on November 14, witnesses said they saw Nannis and the victim partying together at both Regis and Babson College earlier that day. Witnesses also reported seeing Nannis and the female student kissing at the Babson party.

After the party, police believe Nannis told the alleged victim he wanted to have sexual intercourse with her. She told police she refused to engage in intercourse. Then, Nannis supposedly forced himself upon her. Police have said that none of the forensic test results have been returned from the lab as of Wednesday afternoon. Intoxication has also been ruled out by the Wellesley Police Department.

Detective Deborah Ordway, the Wellesley Police Department's expert in sexual assault, is conducting the ongoing investigation into the case. Detective Ordway said that after speaking to witnesses, the police had enough evidence to obtain the arrest warrant without waiting for the forensic test results. Nannis was then arrested on Friday morning. "Nannis was cooperative when placed into custody," said Wellesley Police Chief, Thomas O'Loughlin.

Marina DeCosta, Nannis' roommate, said, "Michael was a really great guy. He wasn't the type to go out and look for trouble." Two of Nannis' next-door neighbors responded similarly when asked about his character. "I never had a problem with the kid. He was very easy going...no problems," stated John Riggs. Nannis' other neighbor, Mark Carriere, said, "[he] seemed normal." DeCosta also said that Nannis had come by their room to pick up his things after being released from jail.

Ms. Maria King, the Vice President for Marketing at Babson, did state in the Wellesley News article that Nannis had temporarily lost his housing until the issue was resolved. Joseph Ford, the Dean of Students, when asked about the charges, stated, "This is a very serious issue. I cannot comment on his [Nannis'] specific judicial situation that has decided he was non-violent sexual assault case before. In that one case, the accused students were exhaustively cleared.

On the night of November 4, in a totally unrelated incident, some Babson students said they witnessed Nannis brutally assaulting another student on campus. The Emergency Medical Technician who attended that night stated, "I responded to a call for an unconscious person on campus. When I arrived, the victim's injuries appeared to be serious." As it turned out, one of the victim's eye sockets was fractured due to blunt force trauma. According to the Wellesley News article, the Babson Public Safety Office is seeking a criminal indictment against Nannis for assault and battery with a dangerous weapon and mayhem.

Dean Ford did say the college was, "very concerned about Michael Nannis, the victim, and the Nannis family...When we think that we aren't any different [from other colleges], it's a foolish thing," because, unfortunately, Babson still has to deal with these same "sail crimes."

Student Center... Ready in 1997?

By Dan Root
Staff Writer

The students at Babson College are going to be living in a community with some brand new features. New building construction is under planning and includes the construction of the Donald W. Reynolds Center, a theater, and a chapel. David Carson, Director of Planning, stated, "The purpose of the project is to draw the Babson community [faculty and students] together." The construction is to begin, at best, March of 1996. If everything goes as planned, the completion of these three buildings would be September of 1997.

The two story campus center, which will be connected with the new theater, will be located next to Hollister Hall. The Chapel will be encircled by trees but in a location near the new theater and campus center, placed on a hill. The proposed reducing red tape

By Gardner Boulmay
News Editor

In case you didn't know, Babson is undergoing some major changes. In 1993 Babson College spent a tremendous amount of money improving and remodeling the Graduate School of Business curriculum. After the enhancement, the school was faced with a tough financial decision. Should the college raise its already comparatively high tuition rates or should it cut back, and down-size college services? As it turns out, the school did neither. In the Spring of 1993 President Glavin announced his plans to launch an exploratory task force aimed at studying whether a complete overhaul of the school's administration was the answer to this economic pinch.

This task force, named "The Babson College Reengineering Design Team," was composed mostly of the college's cabinet members and a few upper level administrators. They reported directly to the President and were responsible for analyzing and shaping the most fundamental questions concerning reengineering. By July 1994, the first Design Team was prepared to present its findings to both the Board of Directors and President Glavin. The Design Team, knowing President Glavin's reputation for making significant decisions quickly, developed a 10-year plan for implementing reengineering. First, since Babson's remodeling of the Graduate School's curriculum, the college needed to offset the costs. Second, since the college's strategic educational plans only indicated a similar "remodeling" of the undergraduate curriculum, the need to cut costs and save for the increased spending was immense.

Reengineering, in its most simplistic form, is Babson's commitment to increase the quality of student services and reduce red tape by physically changing the administrative arrangement within the college. A summary of the Babson College Reengineering Design Team's final plans on launching reengineering begins by saying, "Tired of standing in lines, being bounced around from office to office to get signatures, and finding nobody there after 4:30? We continued on page 2"
Fire Extinguishers for Everyone: Babson Says Safety First

By Chris Keenan
News Editor

You wake up at 2:00am and hear that annoying buzzer of the fire alarm waking the entire building. You look out the window and see that it is snowing and you have a big exam at 8:00am that morning. You consider staying in bed, but decide to get up anyway and wait out the alarm with your neighbors. As you walk out the door, you realize that this is not a false alarm, there is an actual fire in the trash can across the hall. You go to pick up the fire extinguisher outside the room and notice that the protective glass is broken. You squeeze the handle to put out the fire, but nothing comes out.

The preceding scenario demonstrates what most Babson students consider the impossible.

The fact is that there are fire extinguishers on this campus which are emptied every weekend, yet there are no fires for them to be used on. The fire extinguishers are not the only fire equipment that has been damaged at Babson College. In the past week alone, there was one fire extinguisher vazeeed and discharged in Publishers Hall and a smoke detector had been vandalized in Piets. There were two pieces of broken glass from protecting fire equipment in Forest, one on a pull station and one on a fire extinguisher cabinet. Broken glass was also found on an extinguisher cabinet in Park Manor North. The week before that, there were five incidents of broken glass on a pull station, two incidents of broken glass on a fire extinguisher cabinet, and a discharged fire extinguisher, scattered across the campus.

Ray McKeary, Director of Public Safety, feels that the students should "stop playing with your own safety. This is no child's play." Today, Thursday November 16, McKeary has a meeting scheduled with Dean of Campus Life, Joe Ford, to suggest his solutions to this campus problem. McKeary's first proposition is a solution to the fire extinguisher situation. McKeary suggests that there is a fire extinguisher attached to the wall outside of their room, the students inside of that room would be responsible for that fire extinguisher. If the fire extinguisher is ripped off the wall while the student is in the room, it is his or her responsibility to find out who did it and report it to Public Safety. McKeary feels that there is no reasonable way that a student will not hear a fire extinguisher being ripped off of the wall outside of his room.

The second solution that McKeary has proposed is that a fire extinguisher be placed in everyone's room. These extinguishers would be part of the regular equipment that every student signs for as they move into their rooms. Monthly, these extinguishers would be checked to see that they are in working order or that they are full. If an extinguisher is found to have been vandalized and discharged, the occupants of the room will have to pay for the refilling and be subject to hefty fines for the damage.

According to McKeary, this would not be the first college to do something like this. This policy has been successful at Holy Cross. The rational that McKeary uses is if "one extinguisher is emptied, the whole house is fined and the dollar amount to each student is minimal. If the fine is assessed to a suite, then the fine becomes more substantial." There is one concern with this suggestion however. The legality of this must be checked with Babson's own fire expert Norman Hudson.

Regardless of the outcome of the meeting with Joe Ford, McKeary wants to see the fines for fire violations increased substantially. McKeary's goal for this project is "By the end of next semester I would like to see the (extinguisher situation) end."

How BIG is the Sexual Assault Problem?
The Campus Speaks:

Survey of 50 random students

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Reengineering: Reducing Babson's Red Tape

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you heard you...! Our goal? Improved customer satisfaction (being students, parents, and employers) at a reduced cost.

Mr. Richard Cherkersian, a member of the Undergraduate Advocacy Team, described reengineering by relating it to corporate downsizing: "Colleges and universities, like many businesses and corporations today, are being challenged with how they do business. We have to analyze the business process every step of the way, asking ourselves, 'What is the value added to the student here?'"

"The Undergraduate Advocacy Team is designing a way to remove the Administrative, Curricular, and Academic Affairs of students," so they can have a single point of contact to answer questions or make decisions, said Mr. Cherkersian. "There will be no more going from department to department. It should be a 'one stop shopping' kind of idea."

Ms. Lewis, the Director of Reengineering, stated that currently ITSS is "building the technology" to run the envisioned on-line systems. Some simple examples include an on-line registration procedure (available to graduate students in March and undergraduate students in April), access to your financial records, control over your biographical data, information and registration on a variety of school related functions (Semes-

ter at Sea), and Drop/Class of classes. Mr. Cherkersian gave the Add/Drop example as follows, "After reengineering, if a student was interested in dropping a class they could simply go on-line and do it electronically from their own room, without having to run all over campus getting people's signatures." "Ninety percent of routine business can be done by computer or phone," said Ms. Lewis.

Unfortunately, since the college is also trying to cut its costs, it is expected that some fifteen to twenty positions will be eliminated. Babson is making an effort to retain all current employees by either permanently closing certain positions after an employee retires, or reclassing employees in different departments.

Instead of one large design team, the exploratory task force felt it would be more feasible to divide students into smaller groups to work on different aspects of the project.

"The bottom line is reengineering gives students more control over his/her information without bogging them down in administrative red tape and office nightmares..."
A Model of Sexual Abuse

DEFINITIONS:

MUTUAL sexual activity occurs in an atmosphere of mutual caring and respect. This could include activities ranging from kissing to sexual intercourse.

PERVASION of a reluctant partner is when men or women try to persuade a partner to move to new levels of sexual activity. There is nothing wrong with persuasion if it happens in a context of respect for the other person's limits and caring about the other's feelings.

EXPLOITIVE sexual activity is when one person "uses" the other. This occurs regardless of the partner's feelings, desires, or needs. Emotional blackmailing or threats may occur.

SEXUAL harassment differs from exploitation in that there is usually a threat of physical or emotional harm and/or verbal abuse if the reluctant partner does not agree.

SEXUAL assault is any form of forced (overly or by threat) sexual activity including rape. Legal definitions of sexual assault vary in each state.

RAPE is defined in (Mass.) as "penetration against the victim's will of a bodily orifice (vagina, anus, or mouth) by a penis or other part of the body or by an object."

SEDUCTION occurs when one person is coaxed into agreeing to have sex. Seduction involves no force, implied or otherwise.

Campus Center is for Real

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sizes of the buildings will be 38,000 square feet for the campus center, 17,000 for the theater, and 3,500 for the chapel.

The campus center, which will be formally named the Donald W. Reynolds Campus Center, will be financed through a donation by the Donald W. Reynolds Foundation which has a projected cost of $7.9 million. This building will include student run business spaces, a campus store, convenience and retail stores, a food court, meeting rooms, and a game room.

The theater, through a second floor connection to the campus center, will seat 450 people and will be complete with a large movie screen, a stage for performances or lectures, and a rehearsal reception room. Babson received a donation from Rick Sorenson, an alumnus of Babson College, contributing to the construction of the theater. According to David Carson, the theater is expected to cost around $5.2 million to $5 million.

When asked about the new buildings added to the Babson community, a student responded very favorably to the idea. She felt that a movie theater was a great idea and the new campus center sounds like a great place to relax. John Reale stated, "It will give the students more resources for social events and will give them more school spirit." Another student mentioned that these will become great additions to Babson's campus and should provide a good comfortable setting for everybody.

Semester at Sea

By Lara Maish
Staff Writer

Semester at Sea, administered by the Institute for Shipboard Education and academically sponsored by the University of Pittsburgh, is a global studies program that takes 400 to 500 students, from colleges and universities across the United States and abroad, around the world each fall and spring semester. A wide variety of multidisciplinary course offerings will greatly enhance any student's course of study. Courses offered are accredited by the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Pittsburgh and are fully transferable to the student's home institution. Faculty are selected from institutions across the U.S. and around the world. All faculty have extensive resident international experience in order to augment their on-board coursework. Each class has an in-country field component requirement that the student must integrate into their coursework during the course of the voyage. Activities in port include home stays with families, exchanges with local universities, travels to sites of historic, cultural and religious significance, and independent travel to experience life in the cities and rural areas. Port visits range from three to six days.

In addition to the undergraduate community, approximately 600 senior participants join each voyage. Most of these seniors are of retirement age, particular interest to them. Housing for senior participants is separated from the student area and an adult coordinator is part of the community that develops on board and for them, the educational environment of Semes- ter at Sea is a unique alternative to other forms of travel.

Semester at Sea uses the U.S. Queen, an 18,000 ton converted cargo vessel that has been fully equipped as a floating university. It includes classrooms with closed circuit and audiovisual capabilities, a library, theater, campus store, student union, and cafeteria. It also includes a pool, basketball and volleyball courts, and a weight room, providing for a truly maritime campus atmosphere. A student life staff provides on-board activities, programming and support for the student community. Cabins are available in double and triple occupancy for students, and single and double occupancy for senior participants.

There are two voyages each year; spring voyages depart in late January and return in early May, while fall voyages depart in mid-September and return in mid-December. The Fall 1995 voyage departed from Vancouver, B.C. on September 13, 1995 and swung Japan, China, Hong Kong, Vietnam, India, Egypt, Israel, Ukraine, Turkey, and Morocco, returning to New Orleans, La. on December 21, 1995. The Spring 1996 voyage will depart from Nassau, Bahamas on February 3, 1996 for Venezuela, Brazil, South Africa, Kenya, India, Vietman, Philippines, Hong Kong, and Japan, returning to Seattle, Wa. on May 13, 1996.

The recent lifting of the Vietnamese trade embargo has allowed for the inclusion of this country on the itinerary. Semester at Sea students will be among the first U.S. students to have the opportunity to visit Vietnam when the Queen is blocks in Ha Chinh Minh City. Educational exchange opportunities will enable students to learn about Vietnam's culture, gain insight into its political climate and witness the economic transformation that is underway.

Without financial aid, the cost of the program is $11,380 for standard accommodations, including tuition, room, board, and passage fare. Financial assistance is available. Students who qualify for aid on their home campus can often use that aid, combined with additional grants from the program. Furthermore, assistance can be available to those students who have not qualified for the traditional forms of financial aid. Additional information may be obtained by contacting the institute at 811 William Pitt Union, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA 15260 phone: 412-684-7490 toll-free: 800-834-0195 fax: 412-684-2298 internet: address shipboard@usi.ise.pitt.edu
A Letter From the Parents' Council

As Co-chairs of the Babson College Parents Council, we extend all parents a warm welcome to the college for 1995-96. The overall objective of the Parents Council id to help students make the most of their Babson experience and then make the best career decision possible upon graduation. Deborah and Roger have made a personal commitment to participate in making Babson's Parents Council the best it can be. The Clark's live 500 miles away from Babson in Pennsylvania and they find the distance does not prevent a parents participation in the council. They encourage you to join and they send their sincere thanks to all parents who are already members and especially those parents who were able to attend the annual once-a-year dinner on Friday evening of Family Weekend. Communication is done by phone calls and letters. Deborah Clark is frequently at Babson College and you may contact her at Alumni Hall telephone (617) 239 - 5590. Pat North is the Parents' Programs Coordinator at Babson College at (617) 239 - 4581.

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Public Safety responded to 472 calls during the week ending 11/14/95.

November 9, 1995
2:00am Public Safety officers responded to a noise complaint in a Hill residence. Upon arrival it was found that a party had left their stereo on and gone out for the night. The stereo was turned down.

November 11, 1995
1:19am A number of students went to Public Safety to complain about a suspicious odor coming from a residence hall room. They believed that it was the odor of a controlled substance. Public Safety officers investigated.

8:18am Acting on a complaint received from Wellesley police, Public Safety officers advised the contractors working on the Olin Graduate Center to stop working as they were in violation of the "Blue Laws" working on a state holiday.

November 13, 1995
Public Safety officers assisted a student in gaining a restraining order issued from the Dedham district court.

During the week Public Safety made 1898 trespassing to the Health Center.

Campus Calendar

Friday November 17, 1995
7:00pm Babson Recreation Center, Ice, Babson Men's Ice Hockey vs. Trinity
8:00pm Staake Gymnasium, Babson College Men's Basketball vs. Suffolk University

Saturday, November 18, 1995
4:00pm Babson Recreation Center, Babson College Men's Ice Hockey vs. Wesleyan

Sunday, November 19, 1995
5:00pm AIDS Dance-A-Thon at the Hynes Convention Center
9:00pm Catholic Mass in Triniti 207-208

Tuesday, November 21, 1995
8:00pm Staake Gymnasium, Men's Basketball vs. MIT
8:00pm Staake Gymnasium, Women's Basketball vs. Pine Manor

Saturday, November 25, 1995
7:00pm Babson Recreation Center, Public's Basketball vs. Lake Forest
8:00pm Knight Auditorium, Organ Society Concert

Tuesday, November 28, 1995
7:00pm Staake Gymnasium, Women's Basketball vs. Curry

Wednesday, November 29, 1995
3:00pm OCSL, Long Distance Job Search Workshop
6:00pm Trim 201, Lifestyles Seminar

Thursday, November 30, 1995
7:00pm Staake Gymnasium, Women's Basketball vs. Spring field
8:00pm Knight Auditorium, Babson Dance Ensemble

Nighttime Munchies??

Now at Roger's Pub fulfill that hunger by having something from their new food menu.

Every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday night.
9:00pm - 11:30pm
No Means No, Always!

It is unusual for me to read articles prior to their printing and comment on them, but it is ironic that Viktoria Seerket concludes that she has options in which she has sex with. The irony is so profound that I do not have this choice a few weeks ago. According to a national health organization, rape is the fastest growing crime in the U.S., and 1 in 4 girls are victims of sexual assault by the age of eighteen.

Since the early eighties, young men have been told time and time again that no means no. Movies have been made that depict the story of a young girl being raped. Education and seminars have been designed to teach men that no means no. Yet, 1 in 12 college men surveyed by health organizations had committed acts that met the legal definition of rape. How many of you think that rape and sexual assault are not a crime that exists at Babson? According to a survey of fifty random students, when asked the question how often do you feel sexual assault happens per week on the Babson campus, answers ranged from less than 1 a week to 200 per week!

It may be sad, but it seems that wherever you go, there will be people who don't understand that no simply means no. 59% of male college students believe that women provoke rape by their appearance or behavior. How does a woman provoke rape? Do they where a bandana that reads "no means yes, feel free to have sex with me"? I don't think so. The saddest thing is that the majority of this campus is oblivious to the fact that Babson is not immune to acts of sexual violence. In the 1990-1991 academic year there was one reported incident of rape. In the 1994 there were two reported incidences of rape. This year, only ten weeks into the fall semester a report has been filed for rape. Babson is not immune to rape.

The Babson Free Press statistics for reported incidents. We cannot forget that out of 100 rapes, only 10 are reported. And for those of you who think that rapists are mentally disordered, only 5% of convicted rapists have a clinical mental disorder. There are some of you who are still skeptical about rape. Well, consider this: you are a parent, and your daughter is wearing a very tight mini skirt, tank top, and red lip stick. She comes home after a party in tears and tells you that she was raped. Do you care what she is wearing? Do you care about her makeup? No, you care about her and what has happened to her. Could your daughter have provoked the rape? I don't think so.

Lawrence P. Ganti
Editor-in-Chief

Dear Viktoria:

In response to "Feminine Forum," Viktoria...sweetie, we have to talk. I, being a CUNNING LINGUIST, feel obligated to correct you on your improper use of "Fellatio." I refer to your statement: "I have this friend who doesn't believe in giving fellatio," as a misquote. What does she expect to receive it? This is incorrect context...standby to learn something...

Boys have a Penis and Girls have a Vagina. Only males can receive fellatio, your friend cannot, unless of course your friends is a transvestite who prefers to be called "she." In addition, maybe you should read some of the masterworks of Marquis de Sade. There you would learn the true notions of oral sex and Dominant/Submissive relationships.

If you wish to keep on indiscriminately bashing the student body and people in general, you should at least do it in those subjects that you address.

-Dan Keefe

I take public criticism very seriously. To press me into action is to go over the boundaries of logic and civility. Ms. Seerket has, unfortunately, crossed these boundaries. Although I repudiated the desire to answer to Viktoria's drivel last week, I cannot abide by her continuing unprompted attack on more evolved human thought.

Let me begin with Viktoria's treatise on oral sex. Perhaps, if she actually understood the meaning of fellatio, or even knew how to spell it, we would be able to glean her premise from it. However, all we, as readers, end up learning from the ever-dominant and ever-sexual Ms. Seerket, is that her frigidity and lack of self-confidence prevent her from enjoying, what I must assume is, unfulfilling sex.

Let it be understood, I feel much pity for Viktoria. I have no desire to belittle her in any way. However, when a person steps up and assumes a role of leadership, and then proceeds to spout paranoid, inflammatory, contracting lunacy, something must be done. Ms. Seerket, you have labeled yourself as strong and yet you make a point of portraying yourself as an over-compensating bitch. You speak of dominance, and then you name yourself after a lingerie retailer to obscure your identity. You speak of the necessity for males and females to understand each other's sexual needs, yet advocate jumping from partner to partner. (From my experience, some commitment is necessary to truly understand a partner's needs and desires. To assume that a lover can skip from partner to partner and still understand his or her partners as individuals, is to underestimate the intricacy and the art of the sexual act.) And, let us not forget your criticism of "whiny girls." I think the contradiction there is self-evident. So, it turns out that men are jerks. Hmm. I would not in-
sult Ms. Seerket here and speculate that this theory is not based on any type of research. As a matter of fact, I, to show my good will, will assume that Ms. Seerket is speaking from years of experience. I believe that men have been jerks to you. (As a matter of fact, I could be easily convinced that your parents repeatedly dropped you on your head as a small child.) However, it is hard to believe that any action taken against you, short of those criminal, is not simply a justifiable response to your abrasive person-ality.

Ms. Seerket, I have no desire to convince you to stop writing your article. I merely ask that you present it honestly. Ti- tling it the "Feminist Forum" or the "Feminine Forum" is mis- leading. Simply call your article "The Mad Ravings of a Self-Doubting, Sexually Repressed, Intellectually Challenged, Enter Female." Your writing will still be poor and your arguments shoddy, but at least you'll earn some respect for being honest.

Alvin Loshak

The Babson Free Press

To the Babson Community:

We regret that the flags at Horn Library were lowered to half-staff on Thursday, November 7th, 1995, in memory of Professor Nancy Carlson, who passed away on Saturday, November 5, 1995. Professor Carlson was a dedicated faculty member and an inspiration to all who knew her.

Director of Public Safety


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“BISO ... ONE WORLD ... ONE SOUL.”
He Said: The Danger Zone

By Steve Gieve
Staff Writer

"I come not to bury Viktoria, but to praise her — well sort of." Anyone who has been reading the opinions section of the Free Press has undoubtedly come across Viktoria Seeker's comment "Feminist Forum." From what I hear around campus, it has caused quite a stir. Well, as I believe that no topic should be one-sided, I have come to give an alternate view. From now on, I will also have a weekly column here in the opinions section, giving my views on sex, relationships, and the like. It is due time that someone else takes that first step into the "Danger Zone." First off, by no means are my intentions to retaliate against the views of Viktoria Seeker and her male-bashing ways. I am indeed a guy, but I am not about to write weekly articles slandering women. Unlike "Viktoria," I am putting my name on the line. Don't get me wrong. I have the utmost respect for the views set forth by "Feminist Forum," and I intend to read the article by Walter Zemrock in last week's edition, but unfortunately all I could see was a personal ad — all that was missing was his telephone extension. Walter, I commend you for trying to put the "good guys" on the score board, but I don't think much justice was done.

She Said: Feminist Forum

By Viktoria Seeker
Staff Writer

I love Babson, because there is always someone who cries about generalizations whenever you make a definitive statement. Of course I generalize, or else I wouldn't have anything interesting or shocking to say (in response to my not-so-secret column basher Dan Keefe). I am promoting feminism, more specifically independent, strong, opinionated women. The responses to my column are just more proof that men are scared of women like me. You may find it a common courtesy to hold the door for me, but in my eyes I feel like you are trying to be overpowered. There's nothing wrong with holding the door once in a while, if you get there first, but don't assume you have the right to all the time. And in response to his second whine... I mean complaint, I am here to learn. I happen to have a 3.7 GPA, and I've never even borrowed a book for a class. Yeah, that adds to men's fear of me. I'm intelligent, and I'm also a woman. I am here to have fun, experience, and enjoy — while also kicking some academic ass!

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"...all I could see was a personal ad — all that was missing was his telephone extension."
You Have Self Respect, You Don’t Know It.

By Shiv Singh
Staff Writer

I have been doing my own share of brooding concerning the self respect issue. This morning in the shower I was thinking about it. By the time I was dressed and ready for the day I had decided that I did indeed have self respect. But what about everyone else? Do we all respect each other and ourselves? An answer to this one was tougher to find.

Then it hit me like a lightning bolt from the sky as I was making my way through breakfast. Of course we all have a certain degree of self respect, otherwise we wouldn’t be at Babson in the first place. The very fact that we can go and tell someone (especially if that person is from Bentley) that we are from Babson, and be proud of it shows that we have self respect. And that is just one instance. We are basically proud of ourselves. But if we all have self respect then what is the problem?

The problem is not one of self respect at all. To hell with self respect, excuse the language, but we are discussing the wrong thing. We are not getting to the root of the problem. We are just skimming the surface, in fact, without digging in. What we should really be discussing is our identity. What we lack and what most of us don’t have is an identity. Our identity, logically speaking (like Spock would say) is that we are the business type. But that is really not enough. That is just on the surface and is based on the fact that we are in a business school.

The more important questions are: who are we? Who do we stand for? What is good and bad to us? What are our morals? What does it mean to be what we are? Finally, what do we want to be like? Having self respect is not the issue, we all have that, nor is the fact that we are the “business type,” the questions are the who and what ones that are important.

What is growing up really about? Growing up is about finding answers to these questions that seem to have no answers. Acts of vandalism and stupidity are signs of the growing up process. It shows that the person is still a child, in an adult playground and does not know the rules. That child tries to create his own rules which obviously don’t work. It takes a while but finally he grows out of it, grows out of it to grow up. He grows out of it by finding and discovering his identity.

Growing up is finding your identity. It is about finding what you want to stand for and what it means to stand for that. Creating your identity is about deciding who you are and who you are for. It is like molding yourself into whatever shape you feel like. Yes you get it wrong sometimes, nor everyone gets the right shape that they want perfectly on the first go. These are the people who either appear before the judicial board or get Fiji or just drop out of college, or in our case commit acts of vandalism. But then they are the children of the adult work who needed to be treated like children. Most learn, some don’t and don’t change for the rest of their lives. But that has nothing to do with us.

On another footing while we do have self respect maybe we don’t have enough of it. Why do I say this? The reason is because of that other business specialty school not far from us. Yes, I mean Bentley. What I have difficulty in understanding is why we do always compare ourselves to Bentley. When I complain about the food, someone says: that it is better than the food at Bentley. When I grumble about the computer lab I am told that it is better than the labs at Bentley. Whenever I say or do anything, it is compared to Bentley. Why Bentley? It is generally understood that we are a better business school than Bentley, at least by US News and World Report.

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So we ought not to be comparing ourselves to Bentley. If we want to get any further on and improve we have to first believe that we are on power with the UPenns and the Harvards of the world. That is the first step. Only then can we get better. Forgive Bentley, I want to know what we are like in comparison to Wharton and the Harvard Business School.

I think it is an issue of confidence. Confidence and self respect in my eyes are two separate issues. I can have self respect and not be confident. I can be confident without self respect (in that case it would be baseless confidence). I believe that here at Babson we do have the self respect and with good reason, but I feel that we don’t have the confidence to equate and race against the Harvard and UPenn’s of the world, and I think that is wrong. Very wrong. After all, you don’t stand a chance of winning a race if you are not running.

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Philanthropy and Greeks: SigEp Not The 1st

By James Molnar
Staff Writer

In the past, as well as the present, the Greek organizations at Babson have been consistently involved in philanthropic activities. In last week's issue of The Babson Free Press, Eddie Gaines, a member of the Sigma Phi Epsilon colony, wrote an article that briefly mentioned Greek philanthropic activity. Although his article was somewhat factually incorrect, he raises an issue that the Babson community often forgets about, Greek philanthropy.

Over the years, the fraternity and sorority communities at Babson have come together to take part in various philanthropic activities.

The award for outstanding philanthropic activity was established to recognize the efforts put forth by individuals and organizations at Babson College. Eddie Gaines' article mentioned how the SigEp colony was the first Greek organization presented with this award. SigEp was not the first to win the award; consequently, Eddie's article illustrates the need for the Babson community to better familiarize itself with this award.

The award for outstanding philanthropic activity has gone to several individuals and organizations in recognition of their philanthropic accomplishments. It was first presented in September of 1989 to three Greek organizations: Theta Chi, Zeta Beta Tau, and Kappa Kappa Gamma, in recognition of their collective efforts to build a playground. It was presented again in December of 1989 to Theta Chi Fraternity for their Couch-a-Thon charity fund-raiser.

The complete list of winners is as follows:

- 1989- Theta Chi, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Zeta Beta Tau
- 1988- Kappa Kappa Gamma, Thetar K Club
- 1991- Ira M. Hirsch
- 1991- Andrea Dobias
- 1991- Juan Fernandez, John Lambricht
- 1993- Lynn Karkowsk
- 1994- Amy Thomas, John McGowan
- 1995- Vito Polistano

All of the winners are listed on a plaque that can be found on the second floor of the library.

Throughout the year, Greeks will be participating in philanthropic activities. Last month the Theta Chi/Sigma Kappa blood drive collected 77 pints of blood, a new record for Babson. Theta Chi will also be having its annual Couch-a-Thon charity fund-raiser in early December.

- Kappa Kappa Gamma had success with its haunted house and is continuing to increase their commitment to philanthropic activities. Thus, I encourage all members of the Babson community to lend their support to all of the upcoming philanthropic events.

The brothers and sisters from the various Greek organizations, can provide you with information about any upcoming events. Awareness by all members of the Babson community will help foster the success of the Greek sponsored philanthropic activities. Furthermore, it will provide members of the community a chance to find out about the Greek's on campus and experience a significant part of Greek life that is usually forgotten.
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Weekly Horoscope

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Don’t get too worked up this week when the parental units get on your case about school, your personal life, and what your planning to do with the rest of your life. Instead, go home, get a good (and free) meal, and worry about your grades really later. You can then return to school and your parents will think that you’ve helped your life, and they will get off your case.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): As the semester starts grinds on, you’re realising that you have been having TOO much fun so far. Don’t worry, start doing a little more homework and your grades will show your hard work. Then, when you go partying on weekend ends, you’ll feel a lot less guilty.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): The pressure to “grow up” is especially strong this week. Don’t worry about it, one more carefree week is not going to be the end of the world. Instead of worrying, do something you haven’t done in years; play tag, have a mud fight, or if your feeling really adventurous and carefree, play hide-and-seek!

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): The changing season has brought a lot of problems to romance in your life. The bliss you were experiencing is over for now. However, when the weather settles down to its winter season, you’ll find the romance in your life blossoming once again.

Pisces (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): You have been feeling left behind as every one you know seems to be having a lot more fun than you are. However, they’ve learned that life is what you make of it. So go out and seize life, you’ll find that your enjoying everything around you and actually having fun.

Aries (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): This is the week to broaden your taste buds. Eat foods that you would normally pass up. You never know, you may discover a liking for some unique foods! The 18th will be a fulfilling day for you.

Taurus (Apr. 20-May 20): You have been hibernating from the world. Events do happen outside of the world of Babson. Take time to watch the news, or read a newspaper. This increase in knowledge will be very beneficial in future months.

Gemini (May 21-Jun. 20): Your superstitious ways are beginning to annoy those people close to you. Relax, your good luck does not depend on wearing a particular pair of socks, or getting out on the “right” side of the bed. The 20th will be lucky, without needing to go through your usual morning superstitious routine.

Cancer (Jun. 21-Jul. 22): This week a friend passes you in a position that is not favorable to you.

Compiled by
Bob Culcote

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Jason A. Sisto ’96: When the feminine person (ie. the woman) cooks, cleans, does laundry, etc. while I gather and hunt.

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Business

The Practical Portfolio: A Virtual Investing Opportunity

By Michael J. Furey Staff Writer

As of Friday November 17, stocks closed mixed for the day, but the Dow industrials set a new high of 4870.37 by gaining 6.14. Gainers led losers 5 to 4 and trading was on the slow side. Despite the small gains made overall, several tech issues have performed very well the past two weeks. Needless to say, I wish we could have included more of them in our portfolio.

When this section originated, I advised investors that putting too much money into one stock or sector could be hazardous to a portfolio. Although this remains true, I would like to add that there are exceptions to this. The goal of the smart investor should not be to rack up as many big gains as possible in the shortest time span, simply because it is unrealistic. Rather, they should look to achieve solid gains on their overall portfolio year after year. Although this requires a great deal of patience, it is relatively easy to do and in the end it will prove to be very rewarding.

However, I must admit that many new investors are not starting off with twenty five grand and are unable to create a balanced portfolio right away. In fact, most people probably are not even close. To those individuals I would offer the following advice: if there are two or three companies that you are interested in that are all in the same sector and that sector is proving to be very profitable and it looks like there is a great deal more room for growth, by all means go for it.

It case you have not guessed what I'm talking about, it is the tech sector. Actually, I should clarify that a bit more: companies within the tech sector that are involved in anything that relates to the Internet. This past year, stocks prices of companies such as Quarterdeck, Ascend Communications, and Accent Software have skyrocketed due to the increasing popularity of the Internet. To give you an example, within the past year we could have purchased Quarterdeck Corp. for a mere $1.88 a share; last Friday Quarterdeck was trading over $35. An investment of $2,000 would now be worth over $37,000! Despite most people predicting either a market crash or a correction, companies that offer Internet-related products or services are only just beginning to grow. In my opinion, we should go as far as to say that the Internet will prove to be one of the most important things created in this century. The potential, as well as the profits will be unlimited.

As far as our portfolio is concerned, it was a mixed week. Watson Pharmaceuticals sported three points during mid-week trading, setting a new fifty-two week high of $50. WATS is currently trading just below that level at $49.25. Pfizer's price movement was strong early in the week but it lost most of the gains made by Fridays close. Periphatics rally in the week of this life by gaining two points after a fairly sluggish two weeks. On the downside, MedCath got pummeled, losing almost four points this week.

BUTS AND SELLS

I added 120 shares of Price T. Row to our portfolio last week at a price of $3.50 per share. I was unable to get a better price for this article but I will be sure to include it next week.

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We currently have $4535.5 in our money market fund. The new balance is a result of the purchase of Price T. Row

NOTE: I would like to add, in last week's paper, I predicted that ESS Tech would probably suffer a price correction due to the stocks sudden, sharp increase in price. Based on that theory, I dropped ESST from our portfolio.

In that same issue, I stated that Clarivoyance was not my forte. Sure enough, I was wrong as ESST plummeted over eight points last week.
This Computer Will Self-destruct on Jan. 1, 2000

By Daniel J. Keeffe
Business Editor

HAPPY NEW YEAR...Your computer is about to CRASH!!!...No, it's not the new year, but our writing partner about crash...This situation may, however, be what many businesses will be facing come New Year's Eve, in the year 2000. There is a glitch in most systems that may not react too well to the new Millennium.

The problem is the dating system in most software programs. They express the year in a two-digit numerical form, for example, 11/16/95. The computer interprets this as November 16, 1995. Come January 2000, the date will be expressed as 01/01/00. This will be interpreted as January 1, 1000. This will not be good for your credit card or driver's license expiration dates. In addition, interest rates and due dates could be affected, causing a number of problems. This problem is a direct result of the software programmers who have cut corners to save money. For years, programmers have...

"By 1999, 90% of business software will fall."

...been saving on memory by avoiding the "2000" problem. A consulting firm, Gartner Group Inc., suggests that 20% of business software will fail this year. By 1999, 90% of business software will fail. If companies do not plan ahead, they could be paying billions of dollars to fix the problem later. I am sure it will come as no surprise that many software companies are scrambling to knock-on solving this little, world-wide problem. There are some experimental software programs, being developed. They

Traveling Blues? Cheer Up!

By Michael Tinkham
Contributing Writer

Well, it's just about time to start booking our flights home for winter break. Actually, the well-prepared college student has already done all of the preparations. I have many friends here at Babson, and at other colleges around non-Massachusetts residents. I spend an hour every day in my car commuting, therefore, I have no common frame of reference to discuss what the ramifications of traveling great distances to and from college for the next several weeks. I have researched the airline industry in order to gain some insight to what students may be experiencing at the hands of the friendly skies. The response that I received was just about uniform, expensive! However, there are some alternatives.

The last thing that a struggling college student needs to worry about is the added expense of going home to see his or her family. The first thing that came to mind was traveling by train. However, I disregarded that idea immediately for two reasons. First, the train is limited to those students who live within the continental United States. This does not help the international students here at Babson. The second reason comes from my own personal experience. My father recently used Amtrak to go to Florida to visit family. Unfortunately, the railroad will never gain him as a customer again. Amtrak will not.

"We need to realize that what the customer wants will help to influence how a product or service is developed."--

do not live in the United States, or live across several states, the railroad is not the most practical in terms of time. The experience that my father had got me interested in discount airlines though. I am sure that most of us have heard of Southwest, and there is another here at Babson. The company's commitment to customer service and claims of low cost are a model case study on pricing efficiency and shifts toward high quality customer service. I discovered that there are fourteen discount airlines across the United States.

The perpendicular underlying issue in this is, the demand for airlines is created by society, and our need to get places fast, comfortably, and inexpensively. This gives an advantage to the airline industry because we need them. However, once the discount airlines are introduced and the demand for an inexpensive flight goes up, then the consumer has a slight advantage. We need to realize that what the customer wants will help to influence how a product or service is developed. Consumers are beginning to show the airline industry that they want less costly flights, a trend that has now begun in that
companies just prefer a larger company. However, the discount airlines will help keep the prices in line. A short lesson in supply and
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The Real Cuba; an Economic (Not Political) Perspective

By Albena Djongova
Staff Writer

The island that is now the Republic of Cuba was discovered and claimed for Spain by Christopher Columbus on his first voyage to the New World in 1492. Havana, the capital of Cuba, vividly echoed its varied history.

Cuba, about the size of Pennsylvania (54,200 sq. mi.), is the largest island in the West Indies and lies on the northern boundary of the Caribbean Sea, about 90 miles south of Key West, Florida. Including the Iles of Youth and some 1,600 adjacent keys and islets, Cuba accounts for more than half of the total West Indian land area. The country's spectacular natural beauty has earned it the name Pearl of the Antilles. Except in the mountains, the climate is semitropical or temperate.

Cuba's population is 10.7 million (July 1991) with a density of about 240 persons per square mile. Life expectancy in 1991 was 73 years for males, 78 years for females. Spanish is the national language. The paper currency is the Cuban peso (C$) with an official fixed exchange rate: C$1 = US$1.

For much of its history, Cuba was one of the more prosperous countries in Latin America. Under Castro, however, highly centralized economic control, flawed policies, and corruption have slowed economic growth. The state owns and operates most of Cuba's farms and all industrial enterprises. State farms now occupy about 70% of farmland, peasant cooperatives account for about 20%, and privately owned farms—10% of Cuba's agriculture. Castro's efforts to diversify the economy and reduce Cuba's dependence on sugar exports in the country international trade have not been successful. Sugar continues to account for about 75% of export earnings. Within the Soviet-led Council for Mutual Economic Assistance (CEMA), which Cuba joined in 1991, Cuba has specialized in the production of sugar by-products and, to a lesser extent, light industry, electronics, pharmaceuticals, and biotechnology. Today, the country ranks second only to Brazil as a cane producer and is the world's leading sugar exporter. Sugar, in turn, is Cuba's chief source of foreign exchange. Tobacco has traditionally been the country's second-largest agricultural export. Other important crops include coffee and citrus.

Cuba has considerable light industry. Under Castro, electrical power, food processing, and cigar production have increased substantially. There has been only modest growth in the chemical, petroleum, textile, and metallurgy industries. The country has two large oil refineries and is constructing a third. Cuba's mining sector accounts for a significant part of export earnings. The country's nickel reserves are the fourth largest in the world.

Until 1989, the former Soviet Union and the countries of Eastern Europe provided the bulk of Cuba's import needs for food and raw materials, as well as massive amounts of foreign aid. The collapse of communism in Eastern Europe and the former USSR deprived Cuba of its lead trading partners and sent the economy into a free fall.

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Green Day and the Riverdales

By Jenn Zweig  Staff Writer

If you've ever been to the Centrum in Worcester, it's overwhelming. The place is huge. Security is also a pain. It takes two exits, one elevator, and three guards to get backstage, which makes it more like a maze of endless grey corridors, than a plush place to kick back.

Already on stage are the Riverdales. Their songs are simple and catchy, with added sure fire pop. Many people compare them to the Ramones, which they feel is a compliment. With the music thundering, everyone is having a good time; kids everywhere are crowd surfing and dancing in their chairs.

However, when the Riverdales get off stage, the atmosphere is not gay. "That was the worst crowd ever," mutters lead singer Ben Friend. "A bunch of jocks and meatheads." Green Day try to remain indifferent, but Mike Dirnt giggles, "I bet their dads are all cops."

Someone laughs, "What did you expect?" After all, punk rock is mainstream, the alternative to alternative." Ben ponders this for a moment, recalling the era of Screaming Wessele (his former band that lasted from 1986-94). He knows the days of playing small intimate smoke-filled venues are over. "The drummer of Green Day doesn't seem to mind. "Hey, what song is this (playing on the intercom)?"

"As he strains to listen for the non-existent music, he is distracted by what's being put on the "designated" catering tables.

When asked if they at least enjoy the traveling, Dan, the bassist of the Riverdales, claims, "There's usually not much time to go explore. It's a constant schedule, a continuous process of loading and unloading, and getting to the next destination." Ben continues, "It's a job like anything else. Some people pick up a briefcase, I pick up a guitar."

Green Day don't seem as jaded. Rather, they look bored. Mike and Billie Joe sit cross-legged on the floor, taking turns picking at the carpet. Billie Joe runs his fingers through a mop of freshly-dyed magenta hair. He shows us his new tattoo, which happens to be the Riverdales logo (punk rock local 27).

Finally, it's showtime. During the set, Mike heads back to the microphone and Billie Joe instructs the crowd to watch out for one another, "When someone falls down, pick them up! And no, I'm not saying this because I have a kid now, okay?" Yet, the crowd still thinks it's "punk rock" to trample one another.

Green Day play songs from all four albums. They interact with the crowd as much as possible, even if it only means flashing a spotlight into the nosebleeds or spilling water on the front row.

For Green Day, it's just a matter of time before the inevitable comes, the momentous encore. This time Mike and Billie Joe return first, with half caps pulled low over their faces. They sing the first-ballad song "Dominating Love Slave." Later, Billie Joe runs out to join them, only now, he has no clothes on. With his guitar strategically placed, he is perfectly at ease. He sings "When I Come Around." Last, before saying good-bye, Billie Joe snarls at the crowd. He turns around and flexes his buttocks. Backstage, in a towel, he shrugs his shoulders, "I had to give them something to remember."

The Babson Free Press will not be published for the next two weeks due to the Thanksgiving Holiday break. A new paper will be distributed on Thursday, December 7. This will be our final issue of the semester.
Arts & Entertainment

Oasis: Morning Glory

By Chris Concepcion
Staff Writer

A month ago, I wrote a review that described Oasis' last Boston concert. I said it was an ultimately disappointing affair with a great beginning but lackluster ending. I wrapped it up by implying that while the band's versatility into an interesting new direction, it's nothing that seems to capture the magic of their debut Definitely Maybe. Now, after giving myself a month to digest the sophomore effort of this hot British band and ruminating over just what songwriter Noel Gallagher is trying to accomplish, I can pretty much say that while I like what the band has done on this album, I earnestly hope that they don't keep it up. Here's a little back-

package of anthems about the rock and roll life, with its women, its parties and its drugs. Of course, the press took notice and the rest is history.

Now, with Morning Glory, the brush boasting and attitude have been replaced with a sort of smug sense of competence. Noel gets more into songs like "Wonderwall" and "Cast No Shadow" which play off his love for the acoustic guitar. While he has scripted a couple of fine unplugged tunes, the next Eric Clapton he's not. Other songs like "Roll With It", "Hey Now" and "She's Electric" don't pursue any new territory for the band, and if nothing else, foot in the door and more relaxed than most songs on DefinitelyMaybe. Even the album's highlights, "Don't Look Back In Anger", "Some Might Say" and "Champagne Supernova" can hardly compare with Definitely Maybe. Perhaps the greatest song on the album, "Live Forever" scores this time, "Supersonic" and "Slide Away." In the end, however, Morning Glory is a better overall album than Definitely Maybe. The first album was a series of extremely intense rock songs, but the second album has less of a hard rock vibe. While the album doesn't seem to be the same old story, the music is more relaxed and the sound is more polished. In many ways, the faster, kinetic tunes of Definitely Maybe might not have been the best songs on the album, but they had the band apart from the rest of the pop, obscurely elegant outfits out there. It's still good guitar rock with enough hooks to keep you singing along with it for months afterwards, but it's not their best.

Voo Doo Glow Skulls...

By Jenn Zwag
Staff Writer

The Voo Doo Glow Skulls are Frank (lead vocals), Ed (guitar), George (bass), Jay (drums), Joe (trompet) and Brodie (trumpet). The troupe formed recently after what they asked how would they describe their music. Frank (bass) says, "Nerdcore!", Ed (drums) says, "Crazy, punk rock" and Jay says, "Shit- ska!"

Indeed, it's hard to put the Voo Doo's music into words because what they create is sheer madness; a tumultuous ocean of dancing and out of control pogos. (If you don't know how to shake, you will in a matter of seconds.) Besides playing fast, the Voo Doo's mix it up with a splash of diversity; loyal to their roots, a few songs are written in Spanish.

Last weekend, the Voo Doo's played at Mama Kin to promote their new album Firma, available on Epitaph.

In a nut shell how did you all meet?

Jerry-Well, they're all brothers (George, Ed and Frank), so that's how they met.

Frank- We knew we wanted down town players in the band. So we auditioned Brodie, Joe and Joe.

Ed- We're all from Riverside (CA), so we pretty much know each other from high school. Are there any new bands from So. Cal to look out for?

George- There's this band called Suta Jelly Beans. They've got a punk ska sound, but they're real young, and probably won't tour for a few more years.

Ed- Guatemalan are rad. They're not new, but are super good friends of ours. We've known them forever.

How's life been, since switching to Epitaph?

Ed- EP's all right. People shun it, like it's some major label with a rich guy at the top, but it's not.

Frank- And we've been on both ends of the deal, there is a rich guy ripping the bands off. Brett (owner of Epitaph) really spreads the wealth. Epitaph sends out so much promo and gives money to all sorts of zines. I've had kids come up to me on tour and say that it's Epitaph (buying ads), that keeps their 'tunes going.'

George- Yeah, it's a total family. The people who work there are like you and me, no one walks around in suits and ties.

Ed- When we were in Cleveland we walked down to see us and to make sure the tour was going alright.

Frank: Do you feel guilty or innocent?

Frank- I think the evidence pretty much leaned towards him.

It's like saying, "Chew, [Oh] did I chew with a km in, no, with a km in, no, with a km in."

Jerry- We're so used to home where people just go off.

Ed- Yeah, at home, shows are more of a social event. We go to hang out and meet people. It's something to do, it's not necessary to check out a band. What's up with the rivalry between the East Bay and LA?

George- The scenes are mixing a lot more, LA is not one big bad. Ed- Bands from the Bay Area tend to be more PC. They write about controversial issues and sing about the stuff that bothers them.

Frank- Down here, we don't worry about all that.

Ed- Yeah, we just want to have fun.

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Les Miserables

By Adam Dorfman
Staff Writer

The struggle between good and evil. Imagine if you will, the Les Miserables story, the Victor Hugo novel and one of the most successful Broadway musicals of all time, applied to the big screen in the setting of World War II. Claude Lelouch directs the masterpiece of his career in this semi-autobiographic story of his family's struggle to free themselves from the oppressive Nazis.

In the history of mankind there has not been a more miserable time period than the German occupation of France between 1940 and 1944. Misery is the general feeling created through the times, but emotions emerge out of the story that can be described as generosity, greed, courage, cowardice, and compassion.

I think it is inherent for French films to have compassion as a trademark. There is something in the water in France (or perhaps the wine) that causes the chemical chain reaction of compassion in filmmaking.

The film is about two French families who suffer the cruelty of war and of evil, but who find hope, friendship, and love in the end. It stars Jean-Paul Belmondo (a big star in Europe) as Henri Fortin, who is the modern Jean Valjean. A character who runs the gambit of being a criminal to a hero. Fortin transforms from a convict, a boxer, a thief, a mower, a thief, a hero, a businessman, and finally a war hero. Fortin represents the duality of human nature and the struggle between good and evil.

Fortin runs into the Zimian family: Andre (the father—a theater critic), Elaine (the mother—a famous ballerina) and Sandy (the daughter—an intelligent young girl). The Zimians are a super-class educated family. They are desperately fleeing Nazi persecution of Jews. Fortin helps the family to escape to Switzerland in exchange for reading that transcends generations. I thoroughly enjoyed Les Miserables. It left me feeling the same way I felt the first time I saw Cinema Paradiso. By the way, the movie Les Miserable is three hours long and in French with English subtitles. It is playing at the new Kendall Square Theater (617-494-9800) (a beautiful new theater in Cambridge near MIT).

This is the best movie I have seen this year and I highly recommend it with four stars.
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Onorato On Deck
By David J. Onorato
Sports Editor

In last week’s edition of Onorato On Deck, I boldly predicted a Patriots win on Sunday. Drew Bledsoe and company must have read that column at Joe Robbie Stadium and did just that, pulling off a huge victory against arch-rival Miami. Last year the Patriots faced the Minnesota Vikings on this very same week. They rallied from a 20 point deficit and beat the Vikings in overtime, turning their season around as they rolled over opponents for seven straight victories. Will this Miami game serve the same effect as the Minnesota game and kick off a Patriot winning streak that will catapult them into the playoffs? I think it will. Drew Bledsoe is finally returning to old form, and the defense is playing with every passing day. The offense is starting to gel as they are causing turn-over after turn-over. The defense is looking strong and the emergence of potential Rookie of the Year candidate Chad Greenway along with the other starters looking stronger every week and with six important games remaining until Christmas, the season is suddenly looking bright.

Let us talk about Curtis Martin for a moment. I wonder what will happen to Curtis after this year. Will he follow in the footsteps of past Patriot rookies running backs John Stephens and Leonard Russell? Stephens and Russell both had amazing rookie seasons only to fizzle each year thereafter. The last I heard of Stephens, he was charged for sexual assault. As for Russell, he is bouncing from team to team looking to be “the man” as he did here in New England. I strongly believe that Martin is of a different mold than these two players because of his winning attitude and strong religious beliefs. He is a class-act and has already become a leader on this team after ten games. Curtis Martin is a “Bill Parcells type” of player and he will be handling the pigskin for years to come. As of this printing the Boston Celtics are 1-3 and have shown more changes in personality than Sybil. M.L. Carr must wonder which team will show up on any given night. Will it be the team that lost to the Chicago Bulls within the first five minutes of the team that handled the impressive Phoenix Suns with ease? The problem with the Celtics is their obvious lack of a “go-to” guy. As much as I love him, Dee Brown is not a “go-to” player. Do you remember when Larry Bird would receive the ball on every play with his back to the basket about 15 feet away? He was deadly from this position. He would either score with a fall-away, make an incredible spin move for a lay-up, or kick the ball out to an open player for an easy jump shot. The Celtics need this kind of threat on the offensive end if they are looking to compete in this league of Karl Malone’s and Hakeem Olajuwon.

Just a reminder to all of you on the On Deck fans out there — tomorrow night is the opening game of the men’s basketball season here at Babson. They play Suffolk at 8:00 p.m., in the Babson Invitational Tournament. If they win (which is a good chance) they will move on to Saturday’s champion game against the winner of the Framingham State-Anna Maria game. This weekend provides the opportunity to show your Babson spirit and to see some incredible basketball action at the same time. Hope to see you at the tip-off.

Women’s Basketball Seeks Top Spot
By Josh Einberg
Contributing Writer

Having come off a disappointing season and losing Barker to graduation, new scorer Michele Marten, rebuilding has to be the theme for the girls varsity basketball team this season. In a job that is sure to be challenging, Coach Judy Blinstrub went out and recruited ten freshmen who got their first taste of collegiate basketball when the team won a scrimmage over UMass Amherst on Tuesday.

Last year a critical loss against WPI kept the Beavers from advancing to the NCAA Tournament which includes the top eight overall teams. Instead, they played in the ECAC’s, a tournament for the top five teams who did not make the NCAA’s. This proved to be a psychological setback; the same team that had felt they belonged in the top eight, was only one of their four ECAC matches. On a brighter note, the team was able to reach third place in the New Eight Conference and go 19-8 in the regular season. However, with no banners or trophies to show off in the year that followed, the 2002-2003 season was eye on the horizon.

The team has added a new look for this year with every single player returning. The Beavers went 65-46, and if anything, demonstrated to themselves they can win. “After our scrimmage today I think we’ll do fine. Before I felt a little excited, but everyone played great. We’re looking good,” exclaimed McBride.

Probably most disturbing for team leadership is losing Morgan Martin. While Martin has graduated, it is safe to say that last year, the girls will have to improve on the few bright spots to get back to the ECAC finals. Their average was 118, above their away games, an average of 137.

Team leadership is going to be a big factor this year because the majority of the team are freshmen and sophomores. “We’re real young. We only have two seniors and one junior this season. It’ll be about putting it all together. I think we’ll see a lot of teams if the upperclassmen take leadership roles,” said coach Blinstrub.

The freshmen, whose point-guard is the only returner, include Shannon Campbell, Leslie Demaio, Tara Greco, Eileen Harr, Lindsay Fitch, Amber Hoesch, Carrie Justason, Jackie O’Leary, Christine Pineault, and Dakora Riley. Junior Kim McBride remarked “The upperclassmen are going to step-up and be role models.”

Their youth was not a factor on Tuesday, the 15th of November when the girls scrimmaged against UMass Amherst. The Beavers won 65-46, and if anything, demonstrated to themselves they can win. “After our scrimmage today I think we’ll do fine. Before I felt a little excited, but everyone played great. We’re looking good,” exclaimed McBride.

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We are a lot bigger with them in the lineup and I don’t know when they’ll return,” explained coach Blinstrub.

There are, however, strong returning players who contributed last year. On top of the list has to be center sophomore Beth Giovanni. As a freshman she was second to Merten in scoring, with 282, and rebounds, with 134. Next come fellow captain senior guard Maureen Fleming and Cara McNiss. Fleming is a guard who led the team in assists, 115, and 82. McNiss’ leadership as captain will be key. McBride, a forward, will have to battle underneath and draw fouls to capitalize on her 6’5” free-throw shooting. Sophomores Jen Khoury and Eileen Connolly did not see as much action last year, but they have experience to become forces this year.

They still have a tough road ahead of them. Clarkson, Wheaton, and WPI are the top three teams that Babson must beat to have a successful season. Clarkson moved into the New Eight Conference this year replacing Brandeis. Wheaton and WPI were the only Eight teams to beat Babson last year in the regular season. In addition, critical injuries have plagued the young team early. Six foot sophomore center Christine Armonstrotz and 6’2” freshman Shannon Campbell are both out.

The Washington Redskins were Super Bowl champions in 1988. Name the M.V.P. of the game and the running back that rushed for over one-hundred yards, contributing to the loss-sided victory.

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**Sports**

Swimming and Diving: Just Splashin' Around

By Christopher Dickinson
Contributing Writer

Last Saturday at the Morse Swimming Center, a.k.a. Babson's very own retractable done swimming complex, the Babson Beavers' men's and women's swimming and diving teams hosted W.E.I. Ever the gracious host, the Beavers provided their opponents with their Gunderson and granola bars in an attempt to quench their thirst and hunger during the three hour meet. Aside from that single random act of kindness, Babson played the role of rotten guests as the men's team won 136-69 and the women won 118-79. The men improved to 2-0 on the season, while the women picked up their first win of the year and are now 1-1.

The meet began auspiciously enough as the duo of Bryan Adams and Bonnie Raitt sang the national anthem. Rosanne Arnold threw out the first water molecule while holding her crocheted in typical ballplayer style. The crowd of 62 could not contain themselves after this abominable act, so the start of the meet was delayed 12 seconds as the security guards were forced to install chain link fences to hold back the rabble-rousing spectators.

The first event of the meet was the women's 200 yard medley relay, which was won by the Babson foursome of Erin "I need a little" Lavoie, Katie "Coach, my shoulder doesn't hurt" Shea, Vivian "What's a" Tia and Gwen "Are you going to eat that candy?" Olimski. (For those of you who are unfamiliar with a coed swimmeet, the men and women alternate events.) In the men's event, the team of Joe "I'm taking a" Nappi, Brian "I'm about to" Bloom, Michael "Sleepy" Conlon, and Diego "the Bouncer" Alcala took first by crushing the team of Tommy "Whooping Cough" Boland, Steve "I just peed one" Bodin, Tyler "I don't look like Patrick" Ewing, and Chris "Go sleep in your own room" Jenkins by one tenth of a second.

In the 1000 yard freestyle, which is the event comparable to pulling an all-nighter ("it kicks your butt"), Francois "Marshmallow Woman" Martigue and Julie "Where's the Penguin?" Byrne took 1-2, while Ivan "I have no alarm clock" Rodriguez, Dan "Our mascot is a sheep" Lavigne, and Eric "I'm finally 21" Walgreen swept the men's event.

In the 200 yard freestyle, Jennifer "I'm loud and obnoxious at 6 am" Williams, Sara "Goose Queen" Harris, and Marianne "I'll teach you Chinese" Sullivan finished 1-2-3 for the women, while Nappi, "Coach, do you mean sexually?" Thomas, and Matt "Fuzzy Gravy" Flannan finished 1-2-3 for the men.

The "MCI-AT&T Long Distance Challenge event," the 50 yard freestyle was won by Olimski for the women and Jenkins for the men. In 100 yard individual medley, Tia captured first, followed by Lavoie and Nicole "Can I take your Coonie. For the men, Boland and Rob "Dude man" Ullevig took first through ninth. Now seems like an appropriate time to thank Alpha Kappa Psi for their vocal support, and, for the record, the guy with the gray face was not with them.)

Babson divers Lisa "Want some" Caicedo and Rebecca "Nice goggles were in my mouth" Jurin put on a masterful display of being on the 11.00 news. In the 3-meter dive event, national Mike "You in" Alcala, and Nick "I am so going to win" and again victorious with an impressive display of twists, turns and flips.

In the 100 yard butterfly, Tony, Harris and Alice "I sleep during movies" McAllister caterpillarized their way to the line in impressive fashion, and for the men, Condon and Jenkins finished first and third respectively. (In the 500 yard freestyle, also known as the "half-all-nighter," Martigue, Sullivan and Byrne swept for the women, and Nappi, Lavigne and Walgreen swept for the men.

In the final individual event of the meet, the 100 yard breaststroke, Shea finished first, while Lavoie and Byrne took third and fourth. For the men, Bloom, Bodin and Conlon swam to a 1-2-3 finish, but not before a little "lightning storm" from the boy from Kansas. Evidence of this was the boy trying to simulate the storm that manhandled Dorothy and Toto.

The long awaited last event, the 400 yard freestyle relay brought the long day to an end. For the women, the team of Williams, Sullivan, Chevace and Harris finished first. In the men's event, the team of Rodriguez, Ullevig, Walgreen and Jenkins took first, while the team of Ewing, Pline, "I spilled my bubblies!" Kalpas, Lavigne and Nappi finished second and in the process outstruck the powerful foursome of Alcala, Tony "Primetime," Figueuroa, Flament and Boland by two tords of a second.

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