Babson MBA Goes on Murderous Rampage

Murder/Suicide

By Gardner Boulmoy
News Editor

At 7:50 PM on Thurs-
day, November 30, John T. Lin, a Babson Graduate student, pulled out a .45 caliber handgun in the Financial District of downtown Boston and began to open fire.

Police said that the inci-
dent began when Lin was plan-
ning to kidnap his estranged wife's ammy, William F. Kahn.

After Lin approached Kahn and began to harass him, Kahn went to notify a police officer, Donald M. Lee, who was working traffic detail.

Kahn told the officer Lin was disturb-
ing him and asked for assis-
tance. Lee was then escorting
Kahn back to his Saab when Lin
ran past them, turned, and shot
Kahn in the chest.

After seeing Kahn collapse, Lin immediately found cover and attempted to return fire.

It is unclear whether Lin and Lee exchanged gunfire.

Lin then began to flee on foot from the scene when the offi-
cer radioed for assistance. Of-
cer Jonathan Stratton, a highly trained K-9 officer, heard Lee call and joined in the chase.

While running from Lee and Stratton, Lin turned and fired twice, injuring Stratton in the chest and left side. Lee stopped pursuing Lin and began to help Stratton.

Doctors said since Stratton was wearing a bullet-
proof vest he survived the shoot out.

Witnesses say they saw Lin slowly step into a down-
town alcove and fire one shot.

Police found him in the alcove with a single gun shot wound to the head. He was later declared dead on arrival at a local hospital.

Police suspect Lin commit-
ted suicide. The Associated Press reported that Police also found Lin’s “sophisticated” gun in his hand with two full clips of live ammunition.

The police’s search of Lin’s car turned up three boxes of hollow-point ammunition, a tape cassette recording, and a pair of handcuffs. On the tape, Lin stated he was angry with Kahn but did not mention killing either himself or Kahn.

National and local news agencies have been carrying the story every since Thursday night.

Friday morning the Boston Herald’s front page read, “Like a War Zone” Cop shot, 3 killed in Hub shootings,” referring to witness quotes regarding the shooting spree. The Boston Globe’s front page read, “2 Dead, officer wounded in downtown shootings.” Both newspapers continued to run stories on the front page for the next two days to provide insight into Lin’s past.

Local television stations, after first breaking the story a little after 8:00 PM, ran updates every half-hour. They also carried the press police conference live at 11:00 PM Thursday.

Once Boston police con-
firmed that Lin was a Babson stu-
dent they contacted the college’s Public Safety Office. Ray McNearney, the Babson College Chief of Police, made the ar-
rangements for the Boston Police Department’s investigative unit to arrive on campus at approxi-
mately 1:30 AM. After a thor-
ough search of Lin’s Woodland Hills apartment, police said they found no evidence that he was keeping the gun there.

Impact

Better Than Ezra to Play Babson

By Lara Maish
Staff Writer

If you haven’t heard al-
ready, Better Than Ezra is com-
ing to Babson’s Knight Audito-
rium on December 9, 8:30 pm.

The cost to you is zero, thanks to the Student Gover-
ment Association.

Opening for the main event is Dalweed and Eve’s Plumb.

Just who is BTE and where did they come from, you ask? Well, in this group: a grumpy, hard-
rocking trio from the heartlands of Louisiana.

Kevin Griffin provides gui-
itar and vocals with Tom Drummond on bass and Cary Bonmecce on drums.

When asked to classify their music, frontman Grif-
fin replies, “You like it or you don’t.” I mean, these days la-
bels like “alternative” seem inap-
propriate.” One thing the group definitely possesses is a keen mus-
ical intelligence that understands the beauty of the simple, perfect hook.

BTE’s debut release en-
titled Deluxe has been described

John T. Lin’s Apartment Building at Babson: Woodland Hills #2A

as “kinds like a car wreck in which Creedence Clearwater Revival runs over R.E.M.” One of the band’s personal favorites is, “Morrissey meets the Replates in a dark alley.” We’ll just call it rock-n-roll and be done with it.

Better Than Ezra was originally formed by Griffin and Bonmecce in 1988. They became a hit on their local circuit in Baton Rouge where members were at-
tending Louisiana State University. BTE drew sub-
stantial crowds at area clubs, and opened for a handful of national acts, such as the Pixies and Di-
inosaur. However, as bass-
ist Tom Drummond ex-
plains, “We’re deter-
minded not to fall into the trap of being a bar band; there’s only so many times you can hear ‘play some-
thing we know’ before you give in.”

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Legal Update: Nannis, Almeida, Weissman

By Gardner Boulmoy
News Editor

Michael Nannis, the Babson freshman charged with rape, has been allowed by the col-
lege to return to room and finish the semester on campus.

Many students who have seen Nannis back on campus as-
sumed he was dropped by the District Attorney’s Office.

This, however, is not the case.

After speaking with Detective Deborah Orskey, the lead investigator with the Wellesley Police Department in this case, she made it very clear that the investigation is still pend-
ing and the rape charge has not been dropped.

Many students, after be-
ing told the charges had not been dropped, were quite surprised. One anonymous female student said she felt “uncomfortable” with Nannis back on campus.

Another female student shared the same concerns and asked why the college did not continue to keep Nannis off campus until the issue was resolved.

Joseph Ford, the Dean of Students, said, “We made our own internal investigation and

Thomas J. Butters, Almeida’s attorney, said he is currently being held at Providence Hospital in Holyoke, MA.”

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ABC’s as Easy as 123

By Jeff Bosch
Contributing Writer

The Academic Records and Re-engineering Team has introduced a new program that will allow students to find out their final fall semester grades early as December 29th, rather than waiting for the Registrar’s office to send them out in late January. The program is basically a phone line system in which each student, by specific phone number, can access a voice-automated system that will tell the student his or her grades. You can call as many times as you want. The system has six phone lines so Richard Bentley, the Undergraduate Registrar, doesn’t predict any major delays in your ability to access your grades. He predicts

"Official printed grades are mailed to students only after all course grades have been received and processed."

the average phone call to the system will be about five minutes. The only downer to the system is that if for some reason the system goes down, students will not be able to call as often as they need to get the service that the computer would give them due to security problems.

The special access to your grades is as follows:
1. Have a pen and paper ready, your ID number must be given to the Registrar’s office and
2. Dial (617) 291-4033, 3. Select option #3, 4. When prompted, enter your nine digit student identification number (usually your social security number). Note: If you do not know your birth date, MMDD 6. At this point the system will respond with a list of your courses and your grades (if available). If you have any other questions please feel free to call the Registrar’s office at (617) 239-4519.

Full grades will be available until January 29th when Winteression grades will be posted. Winteression grades will be available until replaced by Spring grades, etc.

This new technology will not replace your official printed grades that are sent to your home address. Official printed grades are mailed to students only after all course grades have been received and processed by the Registrar’s Office. This is just the start of a series of new programs the ARR is implementing to help the students of Babson cope with the high anxiety of finals and then grades. By next April they hope to have on-line registration up and running for the fall semester as well as the ability to change PINs and Student ID numbers. In the future, Mr. Bentley suggests that students will be able to go on-line from their home to log into and register for classes still based on a lottery system. Students will also be able to plan what courses they should take for a specific major, and access their academic records. He also adds, "By April the level of interaction will be much greater. When you go on-line to register, the computer will be programmed to reject a request to take a class if the student has not completed all of the required pre-reqs in a specific major."

The technology and information capabilities are phenomenal. The access times to be here at Babson, and the best is yet to come.

Lin’s Rampage Has Impact on Babson
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Last Summer, Fred Bowen, a resident assistant and commuter, had a confrontation with Lin. The incident over the summer began when Lin supposedly came up to the help desk demanding Bowen copy software to some disks. Bowen said Lin became aggressive when he told him that school policy prohibited him from copying the software. Bowen told Lin that if he did not leave he would call Public Safety. Someone then stepped between the two and ended the confrontation without incident. Bowen said after the confrontation he, "didn’t feel threatened by the him, but was pissed off by his attitude."

Graduate students who took classes with Lin said he always seemed to be in a hurry. One student who had two classes with Lin and wanted to remain anonymous described him as, "always a little strange. He had an attitude problem. He tried to beat the system...get his MBA without working hard. Another anonymous classmate of Lin’s said, "John was one of those classmates who was just a little different. You wouldn’t want to do any group work with him. He was always a little off." When asked whether they were surprised Lin could commit these crimes one of them responded, "not really...mean...if I had to pick someone to do this to Babson, it would be him."

Many Undergraduate students were unaware of the incident but were horrified after hearing the news. Theodore Beaurr commented, "the shootings at Ohio State. However, I do think that these three incidents (Almeida, Nannis, and now Lin) will have a seriously negative impact on the future of Babson College." Craig Derryberry, the Student Government President, was surprised when he heard of the incident. "Unfortunately I cannot comment...I will have to refer all inquiries to Liz Alcock as Public Relations." When an anonymous faculty member was asked to comment on Lin’s previous infractions at Babson they said, "What is it about Babson that is attracting students with a total lack of respect for human life? Are we attracting people that don’t think about others? Who is interviewing these students? It makes me nervous to be teaching a group of students that might have a troubled individual among them.

On Friday Sandra King discussed the matter with an informal meeting with the Free Press and the Wesleyan Tuesday. The first question asked by a local reporter, while referring to the three serious felony charges Babson students have faced within the last three months, was whether Babson was going to institute some form of "psychological evaluations" before students are accepted. Sandra King dismissed the suggestive question with a laugh and replied, "it’s just a run of bad luck...I don’t think that’s the issue."

Babo Blotter

Police Log November 29, 1995 through December 6, 1995 During this time period the Department of Public Safety responded to 124 calls for services.

Nov. 29
6:27 pm Motor vehicle towed from handicapped parking space in Coleman lot.

Nov. 30
8:36 pm Assisted Boston Police Department detectives with investigation.

10:32 pm Public Safety transported a student who was having an asthma attack to the Health Center.

Dec. 1
12:24 am Noise complaint at Keith Hall; music was turned down.

11:14 am While admitting a student to his room, the officer observed a number of college signs in the room and suite. Signs were taken back to Public Safety.

Dec. 2
12:35 am Noise complaint in Putney Hall area; checked but

Dec. 4
9:00 am Fire alarm in Nichols Hall found to be a water alarm.

Announcements

Financial Aid

The time is approaching to apply for financial aid. We would like to make you aware of some of the changes that have taken place. Students who applied for financial aid in 1994-95 will be sent instructions at their home address before Christmas. This information can also be obtained at the Office of Financial Aid.

The Financial Aid Form formally processed by the College Scholarship Service (CSS) has been replaced by the Financial Aid Profile Service (PROFILE). This form will provide more information to the Office of Financial Aid, and should allow us to provide better service to the student body. All students who filed the FAF in 95-96 will receive a pre-printed PROFILE application form, mailed to their home address in early January. After completing the form and mailing it to CSS for processing, they will receive an acknowledgement form.

All students who filed the Federal Application Form (FAFSA) in 95-96 will receive a renewal FAFSA, mailed to their home address by the Department of Education in early January. When this form is completed and filed, the student will receive an SAR as their acknowledgement. Check the SAR for accuracy and make corrections as noted. Sending the SAR to the Office of Financial Aid will expedite the application process.

Product Design Fair

The First Product Design Fair at Babson College will take place on Tuesday December 19, 1995 from 10am - 12 noon in Trim 208. Come see the creativity of Babson's students. It will be held by Professor Dave Rafti and MBA students in the Product Design and Development course. This will be a time to see products that students have designed for several companies.
Wintersession Course Offerings

By Jeff Bosch
Contributing Writer

During Wintersession '96 Babson students will be taking different and interesting courses, not usually offered during regular semesters. Wintersession starts on January 2nd and goes until January 19th. There are five courses to choose from which students can choose from. There are three, 4-credit courses: 1. Contemporary British Stage in London 2. Reasoning, Critical Thinking, and Communication, 3. Intensive Advanced German taught in Germany. There are also two additional courses: 1. Creative Fiction Writing, 2. The Vietnam Conflict, 3. Law in America History, 4. Japanese Business, Culture, and Language, 5. The Internet for Pros and Profits. 6. choosen by the Right Presentation: Choosing and Implementing the Correct Media for Presentations, 7. Eating Philosophies, and 8. The Bicycle: Vehicle for Societal Change.

The deadline for registration for the Wintersession '96 is December 13th. You can register by going into the Registrar's office which is located in Nicholas. Fees are $500.00 for 2-credit courses and $2,010.00 for 4-credit courses. Students who wish to live on campus for winter session can do so for an extra $370. Winter Applicants are admitted to Wintersession without examination or formal application.

The enrollment for the Contemporary British Stage and the Intensive Advanced German courses is maxed out however all the other courses still have openings. Many of the courses require prerequisites; you are encouraged to call the registrar's office to find out what they are. Most of the 2-credit courses meet for 1.5-2.5 hours a day 4 days a week however the 4-credit courses meet 4 hours a day 4-5 times per week. The Exchange and Library are also open to serve you as always.

Two Freshman shared their course experiences with the program. Talal Kanafani, stated "There is a lot of variety." He later added when he asked if he was going to participate in the program, "It is very interesting, but I am going home." Another student, Rob Bowes, said, "I don't think anybody should have to study during a study break." The opinions vary strongly the support students will give the program, but one thing is for sure, Babson has offered the community some very interesting choices.

Legal Updates

SA&G Relives Its Accomplishments

By Ron Sanger
Production Manager

Craig Dereherry, Bob Saunders, Lynn Santopietro, Adam Train, Steve Lubelczyk, and Jay Cloutier, students hear these names that do they really understand what jobs they performed? According to the Student Government Association (SGA) Constitution, these individual are in charge of the organization that must "represent, promote and preserve the interest of the student body." They are the executive board of the student who are elected to act as a bridge between student interests and the school's administration. In effect, they are expressions of everyone's viewpoints.

Having been elected last year, the board this year is working to meet student expectations. Part of that expectation involves the leadership of the dorm residents and bringing student concerns and ideas to be evaluated. These representatives, though crucial in the chain of getting things accomplished, would be without direction and purpose if the executive board did not exist. Craig Dereherry, president of the SGA, said, "We have worked very hard to increasing the voice of the students by keeping the student reps more interested and increasing attendance." He continues, "I think the House of Reps is having a great semester," and this attitude is why he gives the SGA's social events and House student fees which have been passed into the control of Adam Train, the vice president of finance. Train would normally receive the money as needed, but this year he convinced the school to pass complete control of the funds to the SGA so that the interest could be taken advantage of. Train claims that "interest revenue will reach a projected total of $1,100 in 1997." This additional revenue has enabled the SGA to not charge for a single event, including the upcoming Better than Eara concert. In part, he says, "We have carried a cover charge such as the $6 Sampler's concert admission fee last year." After "improvement" that Train says he has made is with the separate budgets. He says that the biggest funding typically goes to the Babson Dance Ensemble and the Babson Players so the availability of funds for other organizations is limited. Now, these anticipated expenses have a different budget and according to Train do not take away from the funds for other programs such as the one made for 239 Beaver Street.

Jay Cloutier, the vice president of communications, has also been working on improvements though he admits, "...I'm a lot of stuff is subtle." Cloutier's main accomplishment is building connections with Wellesley, Regis, and Babson's other colleges. "We've been benchmarking each other socially," exclaims Cloutier, and, "everyone (Wellesley, Regis, and Bentley) is looking to take advantage of the relationships." All planning process. The relationship is maintained through a contact sheet, Brian O'Connor, who plays a dual role by being involved in both the SGA and DMB. Jay feels that this year's SGA is "pretty much at the same level as last year's highly regarded organization.

Equally positive is Bob Saunders, the executive vice president who "...personally has not heard any negative aspects of the SGA." Saunders oversees everyone else and is involved in the Public Safety and Alcohol advisory boards. This involvement, in addition to the Traffic Court oversight, has expanded the SGA's role. Other than social events, SGA can take advantage of expanded. Saunders' "My position is to be more informative," said Bob. "We feel the correct feedback." His main goal for the next month that the board will be in office, to get the publicity out there and make appearance has been scheduled for today. Butter's did not say what issues the court will be dealing with.

David Weisman, the Babson junior charged with Assault and Battery of a Police Officer, has changed his plea to guilty. -"David Weisman, the Babson junior charged with Assault and Battery of a Police Officer, has changed his plea to guilty. Weisman has also agreed to pay all court costs related to the incident. As punishment Weisman will serve one hundred and fifty hours of community service. Babson Police Chief Ray McCartney, said he was 'satisfied with the outcome of the case.'"
Better than Ezra to Perform

By Dan Root
Staff Writer

The phone rings a few times and nobody answers. The message can be left on the voice mail system. Or can it?
The voice mail system became inoperative on Friday, November 17, at 11:00 PM. The problem with the voice mail system was noticed by most students soon after it occurred. Most felt that the problem occurred during a critical time for most students. Jason Scyngurra stated, "It showed me how dependent I am on voice mail messages; it was impossible for me to effectively contact other people. Consequently, the goals that we as a group had established were not met." Bobson's voice mail system is manufactured by Sentgent of San Jose, CA, and refers to its redundant system. A redundant system includes a "mirror image" of the software that runs simultaneously to ensure a secure system backup. The Babson Voice Telephone Company, who administers the voice mail system, began to seek signs of trouble around 7:00 PM. On November 17, the telephone office tried to fix the problem by applying a power supply to the system. According to the system status three times, the voice mail system crashed altogether.

Mary Lou Duncan, Manager of Babson Telephone Company, stated that this was a highly unusual occurrence. "The Sentgent engineers couldn't explain why this happened," Because of this occurrence, Babson was forced to replace the original processor and software. The processor change was a $486 from a 286 and the software was changed to the most current software available. Mary Lou Duncan stated, "This processor needs to processes 18,000 to 21,000 telephone calls per week day."

Before the system was working, the Babson Telephone Company received no more than one-hundred phone calls complaining about the problem every day. During the time when the telephone company was closed for the holidays, Babson's Public Safety fielded all of the phone calls from students regarding this problem. Mary Lou Duncan said, "That a tremendous amount of cooperation was performed by public safety."

Finally, at 7 PM, on Saturday, November 25, the system was back up and in normal working order. Mary Lou Duncan stated, "I am very pleased that we were able to turn everything around in such a small time frame."

Voice Mail Goes Down

Babson Professor Wins Cable Ace Award

By Gardner Boulay
News Editor

Babson College Professor Renee Holbs has recently won the Golden Cable Ace Award. Professor Holbs won the award for her authorship of a documentary television series on media literacy. The series, entitled "Ace TV," deals with two forms of television: non-fiction and "reality." Essentially, the goal of the program was to teach kids how to watch TV and make media literacy a more seriously studied issue.

Professor Holbs' competition included AE&E's Biography, HBO's Fairy Tales for Every Child, and Ted Turner/CNN's program Native Americans.

As part of the prize, Professor Holbs was flown out to Los Angeles for the live show and asked to receive her award on national television. Unfortunately, Professor Holbs could not make a speech at the ceremony because the series' official sponsors had to make the speech.

The Golden Cable Ace Award is the highest award given by the entire cable industry. The winner of the award represents the industry's best "public initiative" piece of the year.

Letter to the Editor

It was kind of my good friend Cord to mention my latest sculpture, "Signal" in the Arts and Entertainment section of the November 9 Free Press. I am pleased to say that the statue is a gift from me to the students of Babson in recognition of both their achievement and dedication in heightening awareness of the arts at the College. The Board of Research provided the funding to get it to the plaster positive stage that now resides at Central Purchasing. These were able to continue in financing the arts at Babson and I am looking for funding from a generous alum

Letter to the Editor

The Babson Free Press

Editor's Note: This letter was sent to President Glavin.

Dear Sir,

This past Friday evening, my husband and I decided to have a pizza at the local Pizza Hut. It was very crowded with a group of students from your school. However, they were a group of well-mannered, quiet students. They were a great group and a real credit to Babson College. I hope they did well at their cross-country meet at Williams and, I hope that none of the other students were misplaced. Well it give one young man a ride to the motel after he was left at Pizza Hut. Congratulations on a fine group.

-Karen Tavola
Little Twerps:
None of us think on our own

Dummitt, is wrong with my school? I was told that Babson would make me a leader. A leader is someone who thinks on his own. A leader makes decisions. Babson does not create leaders. Sure I may seem like a leader. I am lucky enough to be Editor-in-Chief of the college paper, and fortunate enough to be President of my class, but I do not feel like a leader. I do not think on my own. None of us think on our own. We do what we are told and none of us think twice about it.

This past week many members of the community received a letter via e-mail stating that you are not to speak to the media about the murder involving an MBA student. Also, members of the Free Press were asked to leave the area of Woodland Hill, while investigating. Why? Because all members of the community were told to revere all questions about the incident to College Marketing and the Public Relations department.

You see, we, the students, are just the little twerps that are controlled by the college. The "big gun" - now they are the decision makers. They feed us information that they want us to know and filter out all the information that may harm the image of their empire. After all, don’t they tell you the news...the Free Press does.

Last week I received a package of news clippings. It was a bound document that had all outside coverage of the college. This document was titled, News Clips, Fall 1995. This document had no clippings of the Adam Almeida incident, the David Weissman incident, or the Nannis incident. Last time I checked, attempt of murder, assault and battery, and rape were all considered news. Granted not all of the above students have been convicted, but all have been charged, and all have been featured in the outside media, including the Globe and the Harvard. So you tell me why they were not included in News Clips, Fall 1995.

MURDER has hit the Babson Community: bad for image, but still news. Did we hear about this from College Marketing or Public Relations? No. In fact there was not even a press conference or any offering for counseling services to those who were affected. If I remember, a press conference was held when we were given 30 million dollars. A student in debt. BABSON cares about human life. Do they care so little that not even a word was given to students about the death? What about those who knew him? Has he murdered, but does this mean his life means nothing?

We were told about the 10 million dollars. We were not told about the murder. So...do you think freely? Information is given to all of us, but we do not choose what information is given to us. They say they want us to protect our image. Hey, I am a Babson student. I do not want my college’s image to go down the tubes. College Marketing has withheld information from students. By doing so, they have opened the door. When a student finds out information, it is imperative that the information is correct. We all know, that the media may not have all the facts. Keeping that in mind, I think that College Marketing should not tell us, the students, the truth of the matter, before any of us saw it on TV- before the rumors started. Unfortunately, none of us were told. A leader would have been told. Moreover, a leader would have made his own opinions. A leader would have made the decision whether or not to talk to the media. Unfortunately, we are not leaders. We were not given the choice. We did not make a decision. I did not think on my own.

Lawrence P. Ganti
Editor-in-Chief

Spin Doctors

What do you think of when you hear the words "public relations"? Most intelligent people would think of a group of people who deal with the outside media; they would deal with the bad, and the good. Public relations is the department that should state the school’s official opinion on an issue, good or bad. At Babson, public relations means something else.

Here, the public relations department is controlled by the College Marketing Department. This causes some interesting conflicts to pop up. When Babson is in the news for something that may hurt the school’s image, who is giving the official statement? Someone who will tell it like it is and then attempt to offset the bad press with something positive, or someone who will try to hide information from the outside world so that the school’s precious image isn’t damaged. I was shocked, when Sandra King, Director of College Marketing was the person who was fielding questions from the press in regards to the John Lin incident. How can this person be expected to do anything but lie to protect the school’s image? I’m sorry Babson, but the Weissman, Almeida, Nannis, and Lin incidents may not be a string of bad luck, they might have something to do with the Babson environment. An environment that does not put more and more pressure on us the students.

I’m sorry to say, but Babson might have actually contributed to the amount of violence that occurred on campus this semester. Will this get out to the outside world? No, Sandra King would probably twist this around and say that we have some minor damage, but it’s sporadic and not representative of Babson community. WRONG! Sandra, look at the campus on a Sunday morning, it looks like a war zone; light polls broken, BabTelCo cars flipped over, and three Babson students sitting at either Newton Wellesley Hospital, or in a jail cell. Babson cleans everything up by the time you get here on Monday, so don’t see the real Babson, the Babson that I wake up to every Sunday.

I think that the Babson image is being hurt more by not telling the public what is going on. Rumors are spreading, and the College looks like they are hiding something. I believe that the good will outweigh the bad, but you can’t hide the bad; you take it in stride. So what type of picture is the outside world getting? A picture of a student killed or a picture of a no show? No, it is filtered through the eyes of someone who gets paid to put a spin on everything. Someone gets paid to market the school. Sandra King should let the public relations department do their job and do some damage control after something bad happens. Instead she distorts the information she gives to the public, and does it all with a smile. I have never met anyone who can look you in the eye, lie, and smile at the same time, who wasn’t named Bill Clinton, better than our own Sandra King. Maybe her business card should read "Director of Propaganda." Next time something bad happens, I hope Sandra King will not tell everyone to keep their mouths shut, but rather let everyone express their opinion and practice something which she obviously has never heard of, FREE SPEECH!

Brent C. Larson
Managing Editor

Special Thanks

This past semester as Editor-In-Chief has been quite the learning experience. Last year when I was elected, I had no idea of the amount of work and dedication that would be put forth. I am happy to say that the Free Press has reached new heights. I would like to take this time to thank all of the dedicated staff for all their hard work. The long hours sure paid off and I greatly appreciate all your contributions. Our first semester is over and we made it! As a final note, I would like to thank the friends and family for their support with me. A special thanks to Rebecia. Without your love, patience, and support I would be lost.

Thank You, Larry
He Said: The Danger Zone

By Steve Giove
Staff Writer

If there is one thing that I have learned after reading all of Victoria Seckel's articles, it is this: Victoria, you have no concept of what your partners' desires and needs are! You talk as though you want to benefit your fellow gender by using your wit and charm, but not once have I ever read in one of your articles a rational thought. Oh, and by the way — JFK Jr.? Check your research again, hon.

If there is one thing, above all else, that men and women should understand, it is that they are two separate species. Men and women have vastly different wants and needs. This is where our problems lie. It is what causes us to jump up a wall against the other. Men and women need to accept that the two are different and must stop trying to change the other.

Too many times, men and women give in a relationship what they would like to receive back. This will never work. What a man desires is not a relationship, a woman may not and vice versa. What you really need to do is take a closer look at your partner. Find out your partner's needs first and build from there. You need to be open with each other and you will never be able to provide for your partner.

Above all else, men need to feel trusted and accepted. Women need caring and understanding. While men yearn for approval and encouragement, women long for validation and reassurance. It is important for a man to be appreciated and admired, while a woman needs to be given devotion and respect.

Understanding these differences can make a world of difference.

Ladies, think about these differences before you try and give your man some constructive criticism. Men take things a little harder, they are very sensitive. You may feel as though you are helping a situation by lending a simple suggestion, but all men hear is "I don't want to hear it."

"Men's brains were not designed to comprehend a woman's thoughts."... the approval of what you are doing or "I can't trust you to get something done on your own." What you may think is not much of a big deal could be a major blow to a man's ego. Also, learn to understand that when a man has a problem, he feels compelled to try and solve it on his own. If you try to help your man through a tough situation and he rejects your efforts, try not to be offended. He needs you to trust him that he can get through it on his own. He needs to feel like he overcame his obstacle without help. Girls, it may sound silly to you but it is very important to us guys.

Men, try not to feel responsible if a woman is bitching about her day. Don't feel as though it is always your fault. Most of the time she just needs to vent. Also, it is natural for women to talk about their problems with others. If your woman is caught in a dilemma, don't feel as though you are doing her a favor by leaving her to deal with it. That's what we want, not them. Give her someone to talk to. Make time to hear what she has on her mind. In the same respect, be sure to mostly listen — don't try to solve her problem for her, that is not what she is looking for. Many times, she just needs someone to hear what she has to say, maybe even listen to your opinions. Like I said before, there may not even be a solution; she may just need to vent her frustrations. All you have to do is give her the respect of being there and listening. Try a little tenderness; it goes along way.

Whatever this all comes down to is communication. Let's face it. Men's brains were not designed to comprehend a woman's thoughts. A woman's brain was not made to understand how a man thinks. Forget trying to second guess the other — you will usually be wrong. If you have a question, ask.

Have a great winter break!

She Said: Feminist Forum

By Victoria Seckel
Staff Writer

Now that we have all almost survived the semester, and finals are upon us, I look back to my previous columns to see what I have learned. For, in every thing we do we must learn something, or it was a waste of time. I have learned that this campus is not yet ready for a new age feminist, and that I must keep on trying to enlighten you males and females. I also have learned that this campus is even more male dominated than before, threatened by a lone female who has the nerve to speak her mind. Not even a single female has written to challenge what I have written. (After all, not even I can speak for the whole female population, although I try.) This campus is a place where just let things slide by. Sure, we can all talk a good game, but how many of us are really so anything about it?

I'm not sure of the reason for all this reflection, perhaps it is the fact that the holidays are upon us, with the new year just around the corner. A time for personal appraisal, reflections and promises to start the new year right. I've already made one resolution to learn to accept the fact that most males just want one thing and to use this information to my advantage to get ahead in life. Sure, this sounds terrible, but let's face it. For the most part, many of us can say it's true; that we have experienced this attitude one time or another in our lives.

I could have spent the last two paragraphs answering your sorry excuses for letters to the editor (real getting off seeing my name in print, even though I have nothing worth while to say). And as far as Mr. Giove is concerned - get a life and think of your own damn column. But, I decided not to honor you with my response. Everyone is cashing in on my idea because they are too lazy to think of something cool on their own. Anyway, I actually do have something worthwhile to write this week, so I shall get to it.

This year has been a turning point for me. I think I tried to make this term as easy as possible for me. You can be sure that I have tried hard to make my work a real priority. This is the year I have been able to get a little more out of life outside of school. I have had the opportunity to take a few classes that I am really interested in. I have also been able to get involved in some extracurricular activities that I have never done before.

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Customized Education or what?

By Shiv Singh
Staff Writer

Let me create a scenario for you. Imagine that you are sitting in a classroom, being browbeaten by a professor. You are not only sitting in the classroom but you are also sitting in a certain class. A friend comes down next to you, and you pour out your woes to him. He sympathizes, tries to look depressed and then proceeds to explain how things are different in his class. He happens to be taking the same course but with a different professor. Half of his class is destined to get As, and they have skipped the chapter in which you have had difficulties. You look at him confused. Something is wrong and you know it.

Why should such huge differences exist between different sections? Now don’t tell me that it doesn’t happen, it does, and we all know it. Do not misinterpret me, I am not attacking a class, a professor, or anyone in particular. I am just attacking the system. I have a great classes and great professors. But, the system is wrong and the system needs to be changed.

When I sign up for a class, I expect to get an understanding and education in that class that is the same as someone else who has the same class, but happens to have a different professor. I take it for granted that we are getting the same education, that what we are learning is the same and handwriting teaching styles it really doesn’t depend which section we are in. I am wrong though, very wrong.

Unfortunately, which section you are in can make a full letter grade difference. While letter grades should not matter because it is the education that counts, it is difficult to ignore them because our society gives them so much undue importance. Maybe I can deal with that. Maybe we can all deal with the letter grades by working twice as hard as the friend in the next class. But that still does not solve the problem.

What about the education point? Don’t tell me, I know you are going to say that each professor has to follow a syllabus. Yes, I understand and appreciate that. It sounds wonderful in theory, but in reality, we all know that the professors have a great deal of freedom with which to work. The question that really comes in, is whether that is right or wrong.

It works both ways to come to think of it. It is a double edged dagger. One that we must not let kill us whichever way we hold it. While a professor ought to follow a syllabus to the letter so that everyone taking the course get the same education irrespective of which professor they have, the professor ought to have the freedom to bring in his own personality and teaching style into the class and teach the concepts the way that seems best for him. So which is right and which is wrong? That I suppose can be considered the question.

In my eyes it is a question with a logical answer though. A professor who happens to be the only person among a specified course should and obviously does have the freedom to teach it exactly how he may please. When it comes to courses such as core requirements which are taught by multiple professors, a definition of what must be taught and a grading scale to collaborate that definition must exist. A professor by right, I am sure should have the freedom to teach the course anyway he or she may please so long as he or she uses a common syllabus and a common grading scale. The easiest way to do it would be to have a common exam for the course at the end of the semester. Does that make logical sense to you? It really does to me. What is best about it is that it would lessen the cribbing that goes on about so and so has a bad professor or so and so has a tough professor or so and so is so lucky because so and so has an easy professor. So you get the point I am making. The system is flawed, it needs to be remedied. Here’s my solution. Anyone got a better one?

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So You Want to be a Tradesman?

By James Forsythe
Contributing Writer

It's 6:12 in the morning, and you're standing on the platform getting to get on the train. In 27 minutes you will get off that train to fight your way onto the subway, where you will do the same thing all over again, that you will be standing at your booth overlooking the golf pit. It's 9:45 now, you're in the corner, and it's 10:30 you've had your first call. The rest of the people are peacefully going about their pre-market duties. You're at work. Half an hour the entire floor will erupt. Hundreds of phones will start ringing. People everywhere will start yelling. The floor will erupt from the furious screaming of the chaotic traders. We all hate the exchange. We all hate the term dictionary defines the word exchange as, "to give you money, society has classified the place where this happens as an exchange.""

"I give you money, you give me money, society has classified the place where this happens as an exchange.""

"pits. We have all heard the terms of "runner," "clerk," and "trader." But do you know what those terms mean? You do know that when you place an order, you are entering into an exchange where you get coffee? What exactly do those jobs entail? What does the competition on an exchange, and would like to enlighten you a little on this anonymous subject. First, I need to tell you what is actually being traded, and I will describe the "pits." Then, I will explain as best I can what the job titles of a runner, a clerk, and a trader mean. This should give you a perspective of how a margin will be handled.

Throughout the world, there are commodity exchanges, which are places where people trade commodity futures and futures options. Okay, what are commodity futures? To redeem their definition, according to the American Heritage Dictionary, are something useful that can be turned to commercial or other advantage, especially agricultural or mining products. So what are commodities? gold, oil, gas, orange juice sugar, silver, cotton, cocoa, coffee, corn, hogs, beef, chicken, lumber, etc. Now we'll talk about the futures. The Hand Book of Financial Market Institutions states, "Futures or forward contracts are the purchase or sale of a specific quantity and quality of a commodity for delivery at some specified time in the future." In layman terms that says: because a lot of these commodity items are available now at a low price, they must be sold immediately or they will not be fresh when you go to the store to buy them. Mining companies to take advantage of the nature of the orders. They are the ones who stand inside the pit yelling at each other, while scribbling numbers. They bid and with whom onto cards. The phone handles the influx of orders to buy and sell from the floor. They pass the orders to the 1-3 phone clerks per booth. After writing the order down on an order ticket, they pass it to the phone. Next they take it to the phone. The phone then proceeds to push his/her way to the outskirts of the pit, and the order is given to the ring clerk. The ring clerk must then read the order and decide if it is close to the market. If it is close, they will either hand it to the trader or if it is right on the market, they may verbally tell it to the clerk. Once filled, the order is given back to the ring clerk who gets it to the runner, who then takes it to the booth for the phone clerk. The phone clerk quickly times stamps the order again and puts it in the fill. The orders are time stamped because there are time limits on how long a trader may have to fill the order. Some orders must be filled within one minute from the time the order is given to the trader on the phone. This process goes on all day long. Sometimes it is non stop for hours at a time. And, often when it is very busy, clerks will be on three phones simultaneously with three phones on hold as the phone rings. Sounds like fun doesn't it? Not to discount the traders, they are often given the responsibility of filling orders to buy and sell at slightly different prices at one time. They have to do this while accurately recording the information for clerks to confirm. If one mistake is made, it can cost thousands of dollars. A clerk who had been running for 6 months thought that he could handle the phones. He had gone over to the pit to talk with the trader and the phone rang. He quickly answered it and took an order. Then, he turned it over to Russell (the trader) who filled it. I called the customer back to give him his fill of the goods, but no one wanted to sell to not buy. I immediately yelled to Russell the problem and he caused a huge loss of $5,000. It's now 2:45. Your throat is starting to yelp. Paper is everywhere and about an inch thick on the floor. You realize that you are hungry — you were too busy for lunch. But you stand there. It's quiet. The phones have stopped ringing. The clerks are silently confirming trade totals with customers. Most of them have left. Another day done. But tomorrow it starts all over again. Next time you pick up the phone, remember the price of oil, I hope that you picture how much work went into arriving at that price. It's not the efforts of a group of old men sitting around a table bickering. It's the combined effort of the clerks talking to each other, scribbling numbers, and building those orders to the pits. It's the work of the traders yelling the orders to the clerks in the pits. There are no contracts, no written agreements. There is only the verbal passing of information between individuals. Yet billions of dollars change hands every day in and day out.

To Buy...Or Not to Buy

By Daniel J. Keefe
Business Editor

The big question on everyone's mind is: "Why buy a PC now?" With all the advances coming out, at a rate that makes your head spin, would you not prefer to wait for something better and cheaper?

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Not necessarily. It is true that the Personal Computer market changes at very quick rates. When I purchased my 75 MHz Pentium, less than a year ago, I thought I was right on top. Today, 8 months later, the popular model features a 100 MHz Pentium, with 16 megabytes of RAM, and at least a gigabyte on the hard drive. I should also mention that the more advanced, and more expensive, system features a 133 MHz Pentium. What's the problem? My point is that the advances never stop. It is an endless cycle. Sooner or later you have to just jump in and get your feet wet.

When shopping for your personal computer, I would only consider three things: hard drive memory, RAM, and speed. Hard drive memory is probably the least of the considerations. Most new PCs on the market offer at least 1 Gigabyte of memory, which should be plenty. Personally, my PC has a ridiculous amount of applications software and the system does not even use up half of the available memory (it has an 850 megcap). RAM memory (workspaces) is an important consideration, as well as an expensive one. Luckily, most systems these days are planning around 16 megabytes. You will find that although most systems offer 8 to 16 megabytes of RAM, they are designing the systems for future expansion. The manufacturers, in planning for the addition of more RAM, are making the systems very upgradeable. This advantage in that your new purchase will not become obsolete too quickly. Which brings us to speed (your computer's speed). The Business Week article of 12/11/95 offered this break-down of current prices:

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As you can see there are subtle differences in features and price. All I can say is plan ahead. As each new system comes out, you will see the same old rings done on the pricing ladder. Your best bet is to choose a system that is planning around 16 megabytes. This will ensure that your system will last longer and be able to handle whatever the future throws at us.

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The Bungalow Press
The Dow Jones Industrials Seemingly Have No boundaries

By Mike Tinkham
Staff Writer

I have been following the financial news, as always, and I have been finding that my attention is caught by what is going on with the Dow Jones Industrials. What is going on in our nation's markets anyway? The Dow Jones Industrials seemingly have no boundaries as of late, yet none of the other indexes are climbing as high. The only exception is the Dow Jones Transportation average which has risen over the past several weeks by more than ten percent. However, the Industrial average has grown by more than thirty percent this year. So, does this effect your investing? Some investors would see this as a time of prosperity and invest heavily. Yes, some investors would become speculators and either hold or sell out of the market until they were more comfortable. I believe that there is a good chance of being cautious, especially in dealing with one's finances, but I am not over cautious to the point where I will miss key opportunities. I was investigating a survey conducted by a temporary employment agency, named Manpower, and I began to look at all of the markets in relative terms. This survey was conducted across the country and questioned thirteen thousand companies on what their hiring would be like for the upcoming year. The results predicted a lower expected hiring rate than last year. Although most companies expect to be hiring new employees, they also expect to downsize within that same year. At first this made me nervous in relation to what the Dow Industrials have been doing. If the Industrials are so bad, then why is there a slow down in hiring? What is the tradeoff for a good stock price? My first impression was a false sense of prosperity among the Industrials leading investors through a blizzard of paper that blanketed every square inch of the way. Even after further investigation, I found out that this survey was not exactly uniform. The midwest part of our county does not expect sizable downturns such as other parts that had been reported. The Midwest, in particular, is predicting a nineteen percent increase in hiring over the next year. With that, I then went back to the financial markets.

The NASDAQ, AMEX, and all of the local stock markets, as well as the appropriate indexes (CPI, GDP), indicate a fair amount of growth over the past year. Nothing as spectacular as the Dow Industrials have demonstrated, but nothing to turn a cautious investor away from investing. The best course of action, the one that has worked for me, is to be cautious but not cynical. Pick your stocks carefully. One key distinction to make during a time of uncertainty, such as the future of the Dow Jones we are now experiencing, is to lay out the terms you are looking for yourself. Do you want to hold for a longer term investment, or go for a quick capital gain? At this time of the year, I would say investigate those companies who have had a profitable nineteen ninety-five and see what their earnings' reports do to the price of their shares. Microsoft and Motorola were two of the best stocks to buy this time last year due to their annual net earnings reports. However, if you want a bit more piece of mind and less risk, you might consider researching perspective companies for the better part of a year. Find out how they have done and what their quarterly reports looked like. If you think a company has been managed well over the time period you have been tracking, put some money into it and see what happens. Of course you should always consult with your broker and make sure you read the Babson Free Press Stock Report, there are some great issues there and a lot of money to be made. If you pick a good stable company, usually the worst you can do is break-even in the event that the market conditions of your stock threw a curve at you.

With the way the political system is working, and how uncertain the future is for most government programs, we can rely on no one else but ourselves as financial planners. It seems that lately our leaders are basing their courses of action on personal animosity rather than the good of the country. For whatever reason the Dow Industrials have risen. A number of reasons have been raised on Wall Street Prosperity of the stocks that make up the Industrials and blue chip stocks, and a high anticipation of continuing prosperity, is just a few. Consumer prosperity, although, is one that is not supported by the CPI. We must still concentrate on not the why or how, but how and where should we put our money. The smart investor will plan in the event of all possible outcomes of the market. Let's say the Dow drops and things are not as prosperous as they seemed, try to pick a stock that is strong and not so volatile as to be affected by a downturn. Perhaps look to one of the other exchanges that have remained constant and have not been along for the Dow's upward trend. Make sure you layout a blueprint of what you are looking for (long or short term gains), and compare this to where the market is and what stocks fit your plan. Most of all, remember that being cautious does not mean being scared. It just means do your homework and research the companies you like. I hope that you are all prosperous for the end of this fiscal year and have a great winter break. See you next semester.

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Faculty Profile: Jo Ann McManamy

By Ross Sanger
Production Manager

Since January of 1989, Professor Jo Ann McManamy has taught Organizational Behavior courses at Babson College. "I stress that getting along with people in an organization is important and will influence your success," explains McManamy. This lesson has resulted in grateful phone calls from past students who might have initially dismissed her class as frivolous. One such student, Emma Yates, said, "OB is by far the most important class I have had at Babson." This enthusiasm is generated through a careful evaluation of what Babson students value in a classroom experience, a subject McManamy may be an expert on. She has dedicated countless hours investigating which teaching variables result in the most favorable class.

For her dissertation, McManamy evaluated 354 students in the classes of 1996 and 1997. She had these students rank a 4-point scale of teaching attributes. The 10 highest rated variables are shown in the included table. As you can see, effective communication outranked fair evaluation and thorough subject knowledge, to be the most highly regarded determination of excellence. Based on these results, Professor McManamy is fine-tuning her fully enrolled class to be both more interesting and to enable students to remember more of what they learn. She was taught organizational behavior on a pure lecture basis and doubts that she could recall anything that was taught. Now, she is working to ensure her students do not have the same experience.

McManamy hopes that students will learn a lot from her class, but specifically wants students to understand that people have different viewpoints and can use that knowledge. In addition, she feels that people are generally unaware of how decisions are made before they go through an organizational behavior class. For this reason the professor apparently agrees with Emma Yates when she stated, "It's [OB] the most important course anyone could take." She tries to communicate this importance by encouraging her students and recognizing effort on the part of students since it is so encouraging.

Professor McManamy teaches at both Middlesex Community College as a full professor and here at Babson part time. Being a part time professor at Babson has its disadvantages, but she has been able to overcome the obstacles for her students. Students have, at times, had to meet with the professor in the library or at the Exchange rather than in a permanent office. Also, the professor has had to distribute a home phone number as opposed to the more common on-campus extension to answer questions. This semester, Neal Thorndike's office was available for her use enabling her to hold standardized office hours.

Organizational Behavior classes taught by Jo Ann McManamy are held every Tuesday and Thursday from 1:40-3:15 and 3:25-5:00. Students often consider the class both useful and fun since McManamy believes that, "Humor is a great facilitator of learning." Organizational Behavior is a required course for students and is typically taken junior year. There is no organizational behavior major, but interested students can learn more by taking additional classes such as Human Resource Management or Psychology of Leadership.

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Beaver Fever: Participating

By G. B. Silvers
Staff Writer

After attending Babson for three and a half years, I have become quite accustomed to individuals telling me that they have no time to participate in various activities. I have to be honest and state that during my first two years at Babson I responded with the same answer many times. It seems only logical that the less things one is committed to, the better their life will be. Although

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this may seem logical, it is not always true.

Many individuals tell me that they do not have time to participate in many things, but it is not physically possible until they get more time. Well, if you have not figured this out yet, then let me be the first to tell you: You will never have enough time to do everything you desire unless you make it happen! I have heard both elders and peers continually
tell me that they eventually will have the time to do what they desire. I have one question to ask these individuals: When will you have this time? (After your death?)

It may seem as if I am taking a pessimistic view, however in actuality, this view is quite optimistic. The truth about life is that there are no dilemmas that exist. The only dilemma in life is death, because life no longer exists. As long as we are living human beings, we have the capability of overcoming any challenge regardless of difficulty because we are living. If you take time worrying about the dilemma of death, then your life will end before you took advantage of living it. I believe for that reason that there is nothing at Babson, or in life, to worry about except hurting other individuals. If you are able to not worry about anything else, then you will be able to maximize your experience in your social and your classroom experience.

As you approach your final exams and long winter break, I hope that you will take time to make sure that you are maximizing your experience at Babson. Even if you are a senior, just as myself, there are many great opportunities that still exist to take advantage of. The next time someone asks you to attend something, or participate in some-
thing, I recommend you fully evaluate the possibility of taking a few hours away from your ordinary plans. In addition, I will wish you the best of luck in finishing the semester with one final note. I am continually asked how I can possibly have a smile on my face seven days a week. My answer (which I hope you will think about) is that I never know which day might be my last.

G.B. Silvers and Friend showing their Beaver Pride!!

Sigma Kappa News

By Sangita Kuba
Contributing Writer

Sigma Kappa Sorority would like to congratulate their six new initiates: Caryn Dupuis, Karen Frasceoto, Julie Lundin, Michelle McLaughlin, Erica Wales, and Vanessa Walton were initiated on December 3, 1995. This high number of initiates resulted in a nomination for an award from Sigma Kappa's National Council for initiating 100% of those women who pledged during a formal rush period. This pledge class deserves appreciation. They have been one of the most enthusiastic and sincere group of women, and we are lucky to have them as a part of our sisterhood.

Sigma Kappa has had an eventful semester. We started off the semester by having one of the most successful rush periods that we have had in the past few years. As the semester progressed we participated in two philanthropies: selling lollipops for Alzheimer's Disease and co-sponsoring a blood drive with Theta Chi.

In addition, we had a visit from our national President, had a formal with Kappa Kappa Gamma, celebrated our 121st Anniversary as a national sorority at the Theta Lambda chapter of M.I.T., and revamped the workings of the sorority.

The semester concluded the re-education of our chapter officers and improving our pledge program to benefit future sisters. We improved relations with our alumni sisters by hosting an Alumni Tea during homecoming weekend. They in return have secured positions on our advisory board to help improve the proceedings of our chapter.

We are looking forward to next semester because our recent successes have proven that we can uphold the standards of Sigma Kappa and be an asset to the Babson College campus. We are holding an officer training retreat upon our arrival from break, and have rush workshops planned for the following weekend. These workshops will enhance the future pledge classes and the future leaders of the sorority. Anyone interested in becoming part of our growing chapter, please keep an eye on your mailbox for an informational packet. Happy Holidays from the sisters of Sigma Kappa!!!
Morning in paradise. Gabe often resorts to throwing things, while Marcus enjoys a well placed sarcastic comment.

Marcus' idea of a good time usually involves a book and, on a wild night, some cocoa. Gabriel, on the other hand, will stop at nothing to ride that perfect social wave.
Twas the Night Before Finals...

Twas the night before finals, and all through the college, The students were praying

For last minute knowledge, Most were quite sleepy, But none touched their books, While visions of essays Danced in their heads.

Out in the avenues, A few were still drinking, And hoping that liquor Would loosen up their thinking.

In my own room, I had been pacing, Anticipating finals I soon would be facing.

My roommate was sleepless, Her nose in her books, And my comments to her Drew unwelcome looks.

I drained all the coffee, And brewed a new pot, No longer caring That my nerves were shot.

I started at my notes, But my thoughts were muddy, My eyes went abead, I just couldn’t study.

“Some pizza might help,” I said with a shiver, But each place I called Refused to deliver.

I’d nearly concluded That life was too cruel, With futures depending On grades had in school.

When all of a sudden, Our door opened wide, And Patron Saint Put It Off Amblide inside.

His spirit was careless, His voice was swallow, All of a sudden, He started to hellow.

“On Cliff notes, On crib notes On Last Year Exams. On Wingit and Slingit And Last Minute Cramps.”

His message delivered He vanished from sight, But he hinted to laugh Two outside in the night.

Your teachers have pegged you So just do your best. Happy Finals to All And to all a Good Test.

-Taken from the Internet.

Features

Weekly World News: Hatching Humans & Fetishes

By Skip
Dean of Detergents

This week the Dean issues a severe nucrce watch. There’s no need to panic yet but there’s some loony tune running around my building drawing little pictures of men’s genitals on all my desk tops. His latest artwork was in 10k, last row, second seat down. This pecker head has literally doodled in every room in the joint including the men’s rooms (that’s how I know he’s a guy). This practice is simply not acceptable in the Dean’s domain and I would appreciate any info leading up to identifying this wacko. If you have any leads, simply drop a note under my door “Center of Janitorial Studies,” 307 Tamasso Hall. Discretion is assured, of course, and hopefully we’ll get this nut out of the classroom and into therapy where he belongs. And speaking of nuts, will the gentleman who left his rubbers in 209 please come and pick up the goofy lookin’ things up. Good God, we’ve got some real humdingers running around the place.

Anyway, it’s off to England we go for this week’s pregnancy news flash. A rare affliction known as Setting Syndrome has been uncovered by Dr. Anthony Hotte. This rare disease causes the body of a very young female to scurry up a tree, build a nest, and sit in it just like a bird. According to Dr. Hotte, setting syndrome is caused by the extremely high level of hormones produced during pregnancy. The odd thing, however, is that the woman knows what she’s doing a little weird but is powerless to stop it. “They build eerie little structures out of soft material and settle down and brood in them just like a bird,” stated Hotte. One of his patients, Allison Feeder, will sit in her nest for up to 14 hours a day. The amount of time spent in the nest will actually increase as the delivery date nears.

Setting syndrome was first discovered back in 1975, when shrinks working in an obstetrical clinic came to work one day and found three of their patients had all built giant bird’s nests and were sitting in them. Upon further inquiry it was dis- covered that millions of women worldwide were also affected by the strange disorder. According to Hotte, curing the rare syndrome is basically impossible. He does want his patients to know that they need not fret and that it’s a simple medical imbalance that they’re experiencing. As soon as the baby is delivered the patient goes back to normal. I can only thank God that the human cinder press of a sister-in-law of mine never got it. I don’t think there’s a tree in the state that could hold the big ape.

Couch-A-Thon

By James Molnar Coordinating Writer

Over the weekend, Theta Chi held in annual Couch-A-Thon charity fund-raiser. This year Theta Chi sponsored the Ronald McDonald House of Boston, high and the brothers endorsed another day on the couches. By Saturday, the combination of the rain and cold had gotten the best of some brothers, but several remained until the end at 6pm. When the event was finished, Theta Chi had raised over $4000.

Anyway, while on the subject of love and marriage, I’m proud to announce that I booked Kimberly Anderson of Cleveland is going to tie the knot with 3 armed super shortstop Masatta Shaw (sp). Cupid’s arrow struck just in the nick of time, as Kim was actually thinking of having her middle bobs removed. That is, of course, until she met Mustafa. The groom to be is currently tearing up the baseball diamonds in the Dominican Republic, and because of his two gloves and one throwing arm is considered by many to be the best defensive shortstop in the world. I personally hope that this marriage doesn’t screw up Mustafa’s quest for the big leagues. I mean that Kim does sound quite a handful.

Anyway, before leaving the wizard called in here last August, to run housekeeping but it was under his tutelage that the department started to take on all the characteristics of “E-Trip.” Amongst other blunders, students upon going to class would find buildings locked, unmanned, and in complete darkness. Rumor has it “Hollywood” is going back to a “Monte Sex” training camp to be reprogrammed. It makes perfectly good sense here, I mean, at least they know enough to leave the lights on for ya.

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Public Safety Accepting Toys for Tots

By Chris Keenan
Co-Features Editor

There are people in this country who cannot afford to buy toys for their children during the holiday season. These people are having a hard time making ends meet and are trying to make Christmas something special for their families. In the past, an organization has helped these people receive Christmas gifts for their children. This organization is called Toys for Tots.

Toys for Tots is an organization which collects new, unwrapped, non-violent toys for 165 charitable agencies, who in turn distribute the toys to the needy families. In the past, the United States Marines have been some of the biggest supporters of the Toys for Tots program. Last year an edict came from President Clinton stating that the defense department could no longer solicit donations. Since then, Toys for Tots has been trying to find new ways to get donations so that there will still be toys under the tree for those who need assistance.

For the past five years officer Bill Burke has been an ally of Toys for Tots on the Babson campus. When asked why he helps, he simply responds, “I love Christmas.” Officer Burke hales to see people go without on Christmas. When Chief Ray McKeen told him: over as the New Chief this year, he felt that this program was an asset to the Police Force at Babson College. According to Officer Burke, Ray is behind this effort 100%.

This program may seem that it is only geared toward the staff of Babson College. However, the goal of this program is to get the whole community involved. Everyone is encouraged to bring a new unwrapped toy down to Public Safety and drop it in the box. If you do not have time or the ability to go out to a toy store and go shopping for a toy, you may also donate money donations to the cause. When monetary donations are received, Officer Burke takes the donation and buys toys for the drive. If you are having a hard time finding the right gift to do this, Toys for Tots is especially in need of gifts for boys from the ages of 1 to 12.

While Officer Burke runs the Toys for Tots campaign, all of Public Safety backs him up in this worthy cause. According to Officer Burke, everyone in the Public Safety office does their part to make this toy for success. Toys for Tots has always been impressed by the way Babson College comes down to Public Safety and donate a toy to this cause, so that children that might not have gifts for Christmas will get them. Officer Burke says participating in this program, “Makes me feel good.”

Staff Profile: Stan Park

By Chris Keenan
Co-Features Editor

Many changes have taken place in Trim Dining Hall over the past summer, but one thing has remained constant: Stan Park. Stan Parks has had a contract on Babson College since 1986 and has no plans of leaving.

Stan happened upon Babson College almost by accident. In 1986, he worked at a Prep school that he had been at for four and a half years. At this time, he felt, “It was time to move on.” When Marinoff offered him a transfer to any school within our district, he chose Babson College. He chose Babson because the director at that time had a working relationship with Mr. Parks and Stan wanted to work for him again.

Since then, Stan Parks has become the Operations Director and rectified immediately. Mr. Parks feels that both the students and Babson College are the customers of the food service for Babson College. Simply stated, he is second in command to Carl Cirt- ton, the Director of Food Services. Stan Parks’ responsibilities include: menu development, the staff of Trim Hall, customer service, recruitment of employees, and the production of the food. Meat meals is when Stan’s biggest responsibility comes. He is out in the dining room making sure that everything is running smoothly and trying to eliminate problems before they actually arise.

Another major responsibility of Stan Parks is the comment board. He is one of the people who reads the comments, responds to them, and tries to implement the changes that he suggests. While the comment board is one way of giving comments, Stan Parks says, “You should approach us directly with your comments.”

Mr. Parks feels that this is the best way for the students’ problems and concerns to be addressed immediately. A lot of times, according to Mr. Parks, the concerns that are raised on the comment board can be addressed by the dining hall staff directly.

Weekly Horoscope

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Do not listen to what the critics are telling you about what to buy for Christmas presents. Your tastes are just as good as anyone else’s. Remember, everyone appreciates a gift that comes straight from the heart.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): The elves are being very kind to you this holiday season. Everything that is going right for you, and the future looks even better. Don’t forget to thank the people who are making December a great month for you, January will be an extremely bad month.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): As final approach, you are letting the stress of doing well on these last exams pass. However, if you take some time for yourself, you will be better prepared to do all and study for your finals. Remember, everyone else is going through the same thing and they are more than happy to talk about it.

Pisces (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Be wary of flying during the holiday season. Your hopelessly bad luck that occurs whenever you fly will be heightened over Christmas. If you must fly, don’t check any luggage, or you may not be seeing your things until after January 15th!

Taurus (Apr. 20-May 20): Unwanted suggestions will become very stressed during finals. You will want to get in many floaters as they annoy your belongings as well as other people. Don’t listen to group’s go for it! You never know, this person could end up being the person you are destined to marry.

Gemini (May 21-Jun. 20): The fast approaching holiday season is a good time to act on those feelings that have been growing about another person. Don’t listen to group’s go for it! You never know, this person could end up being the person you are destined to marry.

Cancer (Jun. 21-Jul. 22): A close friend will give you a gift this holiday season. Be aware you will be surprised by asking everyone you know if they sent it. The turning of the New Year will reveal this Santa, and this person may even become your new love interest in the coming months!

Leo (Jul. 23-Aug. 22): Beware of roommates as they become very stressed during finals. You will want to get in many floaters as they annoy your belongings as well as other people. Don’t listen to group’s go for it! You never know, this person could end up being the person you are destined to marry.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sep. 22): A close friend will give you a gift this holiday season. Be aware you will be surprised by asking everyone you know if they sent it. The turning of the New Year will reveal this Santa, and this person may even become your new love interest in the coming months!

Libra (Sep. 23-Oct. 22): It is time to get busy making that Christmas wish list. Everyone is waiting to hear what you want for Christmas, especially your family. As long as you don’t make the list too big, you have a very good chance of getting everything on your list, including the person you’ve been flirting with all semester!

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): An opportunity will arise this holiday season to travel. Think carefully about the pros and cons, because going on this trip may affect the rest of your life. Delay this trip until after January 15th or you will return home with nothing but heartache.

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"What would you get Larry Ganti for Christmas?"

Jason A. Sisto '96 "A bodyguard for his car."

Tracy Hayes '97 "Clear contacts so he won't look psycho anymore."

Kerri-Lee Klett '97 "A new roommate."

Jay A. Rivera '99 "A really big, huge, gigantic..."

Michael Kingsley '97 "Who is Larry Ganti?"

Peg "Another day of the week, so he can get it all done."

Randy Freeman '98 "A zipper for his mouth."

Ryan Greenberg '99 "A real parking space."
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**The Swedish Economy**

By Jörgen Fleriberg

Contributing Writer

With an area of 450,000 km² (174,000 sq mi), Sweden is one of the largest countries in Western Europe. However, its population density is relatively low. At the beginning of 1994, Sweden had 8.9 million inhabitants. Like other small industrialized countries, Sweden is dependent on international trade to maintain its high productivity and living standards. In 1993, Sweden's exports were equivalent to one third of Gross Domestic Product (GDP). About 80% of total exports still consists of industrial products. The most important export destination markets are in Western Europe, and almost half of the Swedish exports go to the European Union (EU).

Although Sweden is a relatively small country, its economy is unusually diversified. Traditional industries based on the two most important raw material resources iron ore and wood still play an important role, but the engineering industry and various high-tech sectors have grown in size. Few other countries of Sweden's size have their own aviation and nuclear power industries, as well as two domestic automobile manufacturers, an advanced war material industry, a state-of-the-art telecommunications industry and two major pharmaceutical groups.

The shift from positive to negative growth led to a rapid decline in inflation. Interest rates still remained at high levels, though. The combination of high interest rates and low inflation resulted in widespread price drops in a number of asset markets. High real interest rates also helped further weakening of industrial profitability. The result was a sharp fall in capital spending. At the same time, rising unemployment and skill shortages and a high level of indebtedness triggered a higher household savings ratio. Overall, this meant a sudden and dramatic drop in demand from the private sector.

"Few other countries of Sweden's size have their own aviation and nuclear power industries..."*

In addition, government consumption fell. The Swedish economic downturn was so deep and long-lasting largely because of the trend of domestic demand. During the 1990-94 period, net exports contributed positively to GDP.

After the negative trend of the past few years, the Swedish economy is now in the on its way to recovery. The competitive position of Swedish industry is strong, among others things due to the decline in the value of the krona late in 1992. Fiscal And Monetary Policy

The recession of the past few years has led to a dramatic worsening of government finances. Tax revenues have declined while expenditures have risen sharply. In 1989, Sweden's public sector showed a financial surplus equivalent to 5.4% of GDP, the largest among the 24 members of the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD). By 1995, it was showing a deficit of 13.4% of GDP, the largest among the OECD countries. This sharp deterioration in government finances was one important factor behind the growing lack of confidence in the Swedish krona late in the summer of 1992. By the autumn, this site became acute. Sweden's non-socialist coalition joined forces with the largest opposition party, the Social Democrats, to develop a reform package aimed at improving public finances. It included higher excise taxes and lower transfer payments to households.

In the past 120 years, except for brief intervals during the interwar period, Sweden's currency was pegged at more or less fixed exchange rates. On November 19, 1992, the central bank was forced to abandon fixed rates and let the krona float freely.

Because of this shift to variable exchange rates, monetary policy became more pegged than free. The Riksbank's market operations are now aimed at meeting an inflation target. This is defined as an annual 2% change in the Consumer Price Index with a maximum deviation of one percentage point. After Sweden switched to variable exchange rates, the krona immediately fell by 15% against the dollar. Swedish interest rates also fell. This trend coincided with a decline in interest rates elsewhere in Europe, but it also indicated that inflationary expectations had diminished. Inflation has now reached a very low level in Sweden, both in historical and international terms. Early in 1994, the CPI was rising at an annual rate of less than 2%. This is a remarkably low figure, especially in light of the sharp decline in the value of the krona.

Finally, Scott Mason, a Babson student, says: "...of all the places in the world I've traveled to, Sweden has the most beautiful women."

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**A Business Career Hint**

By Eugenii Mitrokin

International Business Editor

Take a glance through international press editions and the statistics on underdeveloped and emerging markets, foreign investments, and international joint ventures. It may not even take a junior high school standing to see that these are the fastest growing businesses of the world economy, and the most challenging and interesting too. Most of the opportunities in the business world are ready to be developed, which provides the most enthusiastic entrepreneurs with a vast, challenging field for unfolding.

Doing business internationa-...lly allows an individual to see opportunities in different countries at the same time. For example, European and Asian banks operate around the world and around the clock. They see opportunities in the United States, other regions, as well as their home land. Combining such opportunities in a business leaves a rich portfolio for a future of successful business. There is a small chance of somebody else being aware of the exact same business. On the other hand, an American bank, who primarily operates in the States, sees the exact same opportunities as some other thousand other American banks.

But, don't forget that most of the business opportunities around the world are yet to be discovered and developed. That's where entrepreneurial spirit comes to play. Being an entrepreneur is not a job, it is a personality. If you are one of those people who cannot live without something new happens every day in your life, then you have surely a reserved seat in the international trade theater. Many people relate entrepreneurship with opening a local business. International business field needs much more entrepreneurial spirit, drive, and creativity than any local business, because only them can produce results that represent 2/3 of the world population have opened their economies for international trade.

Finally, I have a little suggestion for all of you who consider entrepreneurship as a career. Go back home for Christmas, think about all the ideas that once thrilled you, and bring them back. You might think, you will never be capable of implement-...
Investing in Successful Economies

By Jamie Donadio
Staff Writer

Every investor is aware of emerging economies and their potential returns. However, not all of these developing economies are positioned for rapid growth. Investors looking to discover an emerging economy to invest in are faced with the difficult challenge of choosing the right asset at the right time. Those who can accomplish this will reap the benefits, while those who cannot will be disappointed.

To help investors make the correct decisions, David Roche of Independent Strategy has developed an index of success to help pinpoint which economies are poised for success, as well as those economies that still have room for improvement. The index gauges countries both qualitatively and quantitatively five areas. The first of these areas is cultural factors. A country's score in this area is determined by how much desire to grow there is amongst the population. Another area is public policy, which judges how well government policies encourage investment, as well as how a country spends its money. A third area is domestic economy, which measures the savings and investment rates within the country to assess its ability to sustain growth. This area also takes into consideration a country's dependence on foreign investment. External adaptability determines if the economy is open enough to allow for global trade and investment. The cost of labor within the country is a factor in determining its score for this area. The final area that a country is rated on is social factors. These assess if enough government resources are allocated to improving infrastructure and human capital.

Using the above criteria, each country is given a score that can be used to predict how soon a country's economy will begin to expand. A score over 100 on the index means that a country has a very good chance of restructuring its economy successfully, and is close to achieving that goal. A country that scores above an 85 is on the right track, but still needs more improvement. A score below an 85 does not mean that a country is destined for economic failure, but that it must redefine its strategies for economic restructuring.

On average Eastern Asia received the highest scores on the index, with all countries scoring above 85, except the Philippines. The top eight scores of the countries indexed are found in East Asia. Singapore and Hong Kong both scored well over 100, indicating that they have finalized a successful economic turnaround, and have reached a mature state. Each region then performs to this point: Singapore in East Asia, Sri Lanka in South Asia, Chile in Latin America, Slovenia in Central Europe, and Ukraine from the former Soviet Union. Tunisia in the Middle East, Portugal in emerging Europe, and Zimbabwe in Sub-Saharan Africa. Most countries outside of East Asia received scores below 85 on the index, while Saudi Arabia and Oman were very close to that mark.

If you are looking for an emerging economy that is poised for growth to invest in, one tool that you can use to help you decide is this success index created by David Roche. His index suggests that the East Asian countries are best geared for a successful economic restructuring at this point, while Central Europe, Latin America and the states of the former Soviet Union are trailing behind, but not out of the race. One area to avoid, according to the index results, is Africa, which must improve drastically before any expansion of the economy can result.

Source: Economist September 1995

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Economic Profile: Egypt

By Alberna Djongova
Staff Writer

Located at the crossroads of the Middle East and Africa, Egypt has fascinated travelers for thousands of years. Its stone monuments are scaled to gigantic. Of the seven wonders of the ancient world, the Giza pyramids alone endure. Superlatives continue to the present: Egypt has the highest dam, the largest textile mill, and the oldest university. Nowhere else are the masterpieces of Islamic art and architecture to be seen as in Cairo, the capital city of a thousand miniatures, great "Mother of the World." The Arab Republic of Egypt, in the northeastern corner of Africa, which is bounded on the north by the Mediterranean Sea; on the west by Libya; on the south by Sudan; and on the east by the Red Sea, the Gulf of Suez, and the State of Israel. With a total of 368,650 square miles, it is a country of the Middle East and North Africa region. Egypt, with a population of 55 million (1991 est.), is the most populous country in the Arab world and the second most populous on the African continent. Ninety percent of the people live in Cairo and Alexandria, the two major cities. The work force of the country is engaged in agriculture, doubled in the last 35 years and, if this rate continues, it will double again in the next 25 years. The language of most of the population is Arabic. English and French are spoken by most educated Egyptians. The paper currency is Egyptian pound, which official currency rate is US$1 = 4.407 Egyptian pounds. The country's industry is predominately agricultural. The country is one of the world's leading producers of cotton and is famous for the high quality of its long staple variety. Other cash crops include potatoes, tomatoes, corn, rice, wheat, sugarcane, and beets. Land prices are extremely high because of the shortage of arable land, and output of food is not sufficient to meet the needs of a rapidly growing population. Nearly 65% of the country's foodstuffs are imported. Although Egypt has expanded its private sector in recent years, industry remains centrally controlled and for the most part government owned.

The present government remains committed to its cooperation with the US. The government is attempting to raise the standard of living and to improve the lot of the average Egyptian. The economy is the country's most pressing problem. Thus, the government has emphasized domestic economic development, self-sufficiency in agricultural production, the need to curb population growth, and other measures aimed at strengthening the Egyptian economy.

The country's industry suffers from a chronic shortage of materials. In terms of mineral resources, Egypt has few. Primary minerals include iron ore, phosphate, gypsum, salt, and limestone. Oil forms the backbone of the country's economy and contributed roughly 40% of GDP in 1990. Egypt's economy was hardly hit by the drop in world oil prices during the 1980s, but is slowly recovering. Exploration for new petroleum sources continues, particularly in the barren Western Desert.

The country's primary trading partners include the United States, Japan, and the European Community (EC) countries. The US assists Egypt's economic development through both official and private channels. Between 1970 and 1989, official US economic assistance totaled approximately $15.7 billion.
Privatization+Solution for Emerging Economies

By Emre Gunalp
Staff Writer

High unemployment level, low purchasing power, and weak currency are the predominant similarities that show up in the analyses of emerging economies. Probably, the most important one of them is the inflation rate, since it has unfavorable impacts on the interest rates, the value of the domestic currency, the employment and income level. In brief, the inflation rate is the issue that makes emerging countries similar. In many of them the inflation rate is above 100%, compared to the 0-15% figure in developed countries. Although emerging countries are capable of implementing the same monetary and fiscal policy tools developed countries do, they are unable to reduce the inflation rate below 50%. Here comes the question: "What is then the difference between developed and emerging countries causing high inflation in the latter?"

The role of the government in the economy is probably the most significant difference between emerging and Western countries. When government contribution to the economy is high, the role of the private sector is low. As a result, the government has a balanced budget, there is no problem. However, almost all of the emerging countries had budget deficits before they started privatization. A budget deficit means that the government cannot pay the salaries of its workers, and this causes long strikes, as we observed in many emerging countries. This government then starts to finance its activities with debt or with overtime on the printing press the central bank now has to print excessive amounts of fiat money. Therefore, they financed their activities with the monetary system by printing excessive amounts of fiat money. For instance, the public debt in Turkey, which is the debt of the state economic enterprises, is 58% of the inflation level. Therefore, the inflation rate is under control, there will be less fluctuations in the interest rates and in the value of the currency. The lower the inflation rate, the stronger the purchasing power will get. In addition to these favorable influences, the increasing role of the private sector will eventually lead to growing exports. With more exports, the foreign exchange reserves of emerging countries will get stronger will stabilize their currencies.

Former communist Poland experienced hyperinflation, weak foreign exchange reserves, negative GDP growth at the beginning of 1990s after the country took the road to market economy. So far more than 1000 government enterprises have been privatized through actual sales and over 1200 liquidated. The mass privatization program launched this year will lead to the privatization of the large and medium size state enterprises. The private sector now represents more than 54% of GDP and employs 60% of the Polish workforce. Since the privatization started in Poland, inflation level has declined from 250% in 1990 to 30% in 1994. Inflation is estimated to be 22% in 1995 (See Graph).

The foreign exchange reserves of the Central Bank of Poland have been increasing significantly. In 1994, official reserves grew from 4.3 billion to 6 billion. Reserves grew additional 4.6 billion during the first half of 1995. While GDP was experiencing negative growth in 1990 and 1991, it expanded by 5% in 1994. These figures prove that the privatization with the proper fiscal and monetary policy can produce very favorable outcomes in the economies of emerging countries.

Therefore, almost every emerging country in the world is privatizing its state-owned enterprises. Of course, this process takes time. However, we can expect that the funds of some emerging countries which are privatizing their government-owned enterprises will play in a significant way in the global economy.
Biggedy-Bam! Mallrats Soundtrack Review

By Josh Kimmelman
Staff Writer

Uh-oh... A soundtrack. The movie was great, but does the music complete? Let's go to the song-by-song analysis...

Artist: Bush
Song: Bubbles
Pretty good song from a pretty good band. A bit faster and angrier than their usual stuff. Lyrics like "It's a shifty life, just to bring me down" owe a lot to Nirvana, as well as the musical style. Sanderpore vocals and post-grunje fuzz guitars, mixed in with some decent hooks. Such a cute name for a deliciously ugly song.

Artist: Ween
Song: Susanne
Picture Buddy Holly with obtrusive guitar pedals, and there you have it. I'm not saying it's a 50's power-pop rip-off, because that is no easy feat. Ween does here what they always do, and they do it great. It's a simple song that just sticks in your head even when you argue with your girlfriend. Add the campy keyboard-driven bridge, and you have another winner.

Artist: Spoon
Song: Seventeen
No wonder they call themselves Spoon. They rock up any emotion that this otherwise good song could present. Here's a band that listened to too many Pixies albums, especially the singer, who has a striking resemblance to Frank Black. There's something missing from this one. Maybe it's the lyrics when he sings "la la la la la la la la" over and over during the chorus. This is a disappointment from a great band.

Artist: Elastica
Songs: Line Up
Cool intro. I dig the symbolic moaning and groaning, what else could you expect from three beautiful female British punksters. Doesn't pack as much punch as their hits, but it chugs along at its own leisurely pace. It makes you wanna spit on the radio, and the best part of it is that Elastica probably wouldn't mind. I wish I could understand what they're saying. Just goes to show ya that there is a language barrier between us and the U.K.

Artist: Wax
Song: Mallrats
Hmmm... Would this be the title track? This is the first time I've seen a song named directly after the film. But bad is the song isn't asexceptional as the concept. It's either typical indielockrock boredom, or it sounds as if they were bored when they recorded this. I do like the hook: "Damaged goods and no receipt." At least they didn't relabel the song to the movie. At least.

Artist: Belby
Song: Broken

Tanya Donnelly should have been in the movie, dammit! She always sounds good. She's got such a sweet, sugar-coated voice, and it really rings through on this one. Belby's like Mix 107: not too hard, not too soft. A very muffled-sound distortion layers over the pop melodies to create pure indie bliss. One thing though: it would sound great if it was faster.

Artist: Girls Against Boys
Song: Cruise Your New Baby
Fly Self

Good song, good song. Strong bass, grungy guitar riff, and raspy vox. Kinda like if Kurt Cobain sang for the Jesus Lizard. Can't tell what to make of the lyrics. There's so much rough-edge to the singing that it's hard to make out the words. No matter, just sit back and listen closely to the double-sided bass.

Artist: All Song: Guilty

OK OK OK, I'll try to be unbiased about this one... damn, I can't help it. It's an awesome song! Just what you would expect from the kings of pop (power pop, that is). The new shiny-polished sound is good; even the vocals, which sound more like ex-singer, Dave Smalley (now the frontman for Goodbye Happy). There's a good thing, though. You'll sing this one in the shower.

Artist: Archers of Loaf
Song: Web in Front

Artist: Thrush Hermit
Song: Hated It

Well, not exactly. I'm trying to find words to describe this song differently from the other pop songs on the album, but you can guess what the song is like. Uptempo guitar rock. "Don't step on a crack if you love your mother." At least they offer some good advice.

Artist: The Goops
Song: Build Me Up Buttercup

Good! I was beginning to lose interest. Fast and catchy. The Goops take a melody suitable for a 70's ballad, and add some velocity and ferocity. The females' bouncy rhythm works nicely here. I like the background vocals and the wickedly fun guitars. It sounds like a song that you swear you've heard before. Keep an eye on this band in the future.

Artist: Squirrel
Song: Social

Like their name, this band plays "in-your-face glow-in-the-dark" rock. Another fast and catchy track, owing a bit more to the Ramones. Sounds much like Doc Hooper or Black Train Jack. It's sort of a non-West coast punk thing. Loud and fun, what rock and roll should be! Artist: Sublime
Song: Two Joines

"I smoke two joints in the evening! I smoke two joints at night! I smoke two joints in the afternoon, it makes me feel alright! I smoke two joints in times of peace! And in times of war! I smoke two joints before I smoke two joints! And then I smoke two more." Need I say more?

Artist: silverchair
Song: Stoned

Well, whataya know? Another song about the fine herb. OJ, Fraser's pick hat, so you know it's good. If you know silverchair, you know what to expect. For those of you who are yet to be enlightened, silverchair is good (maybe you should also know they refuse to capitalize their name in print). Pounding, just absolutely pounding drums fuel this Aussie band's irresistible force of wall-crashing guitars and powerful vocals. And the lyrics, well, you're probably too rock-starzed to now hear them anyway but you can estimate what the song is about from the title.

Buy it? Skip it? Well, keep in mind that you have the hilarious sound bytes from the movie thrown in there. It makes for great sound events on your computer. Use the fifty-fifty rule: if at least half of these songs interest you, get it. But be careful, because if Hay and Silent Bob find out that you skipped it, they might get you high and eat you.

Wille "Samuel" Prout
Graduating June 4, 1992
Killed May 28, 1992
Cleveland, OH

If you don't stop someone from drinking drunk, who will? Do whatever it takes.

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The Babson Free Press
Screw 32 Review

By Jenn Zweig
Staff Writer

The invasion of the West Coast continues as Bay Area favorites Screw 32 recently stopped in town to play at The Rat. The turnout was huge considering it was cold, rainy weeknight. The band was in good spirits; sporting new shoes (Vans, of course) and bright Manic Panic-dyed Grant now has green hair.

Doug's turqoise, and Jimminy's is the color you get by combining lights and darks in the wash. Like many bands, Screw 32 is better live! Andrew from the band with unrehearsed energy and antics. He hip-hop-hops across the stage, somehow managing not to arrange himself for trip and fall down. He also likes to crack jokes which border between geekdom and mockery of a kinder word for smartass.

Grant, Jimminy, and Doug follow Andrew's dynamism with synchronized jumps and spread-legged steps. Otto hooks up the rambunctious crew with a mix of crashing cymbals and snare drum.

In many ways, Screw 32 is like early SNFU or Youth Of Today. They are a hardcore band (straightedge?) that plays high energy, anthemic music with choruses that are simple, catchy and non-offensive. Part of Screw 32's likability stems from their appearance and interaction with the crowd. First, the guys look and act like their fans. All members dress accordingly to the chain wallet, beanie, and baggy pants uniform. Second, Screw 32 will unexpectedly seek aid from their fans; beware of sudden stage dives or a microphone in your face to help with the chorus lines.

"...Jimminy's the color you get by combining lights and darks in the wash."...

Well, surprise, you actually can. From the first track on, Black Grape's debut picks up exactly where the Monday's last hit album Full Pile Thrill & Bellsweeps left off. I'm not even going to mention the Monday's last album, which is the way it should be. Nobody should ever bring up that piece of tripe ever again.

For the neophytes unfamilial with the Happy Monday's style, think of what would have happened if a second-rate form of the Rolling Stones joined up with a second-rate incarnation of Sly and The Family Stone. Disco rock? No thanks. It might be a little, late for that sort of thing now, seven years too late, actually. Yet, with today's upsurge of happy poppy malnertarian party rock (Hootie and the Blowfish, anyone?), Black Grape might be set to become what the Happy Mondays tried at but failed. It's worth picking up, if you're into that sort of thing. Personally, I'd wait for the band to repeat history, self-destruct on another chemical binge and then pick up the album when it hits the bargain bin. Ta.

Black Grape aka Sly and The Family of Rolling Stones

By Cris Concepcion
Staff Writer

You know, I think I've been doing this little column on British indie bands too many times. Why? Because I've finally gotten tired of having to explain the entire recent history of British indie music from 1988 on, just so anyone reading this can actually put the review in context. Okay, so suffice to say that back in 1988, a band called the Happy Mondays revolutionized the industry by popularizing the merger of dance and rock music. They would have been the next big thing behind New Order and The Cure if not for the fact that they self-destructed on a hedonistic trip of heroin and ecstasy.

Until recently, the Mondays and the little crop of wannabees they inspired, like the Insipiral Carpets and the Soup Dragons, went from The Next Big Things to nothing more than the trend questions and had-in-jokes. The Happy Monday's lead man, Shaun Ryder has rehashed most of his old crew and recreated a band in the Monday's image, calling themselves Black Grape.

I bought their album, It's Great When You're Straight into my stereo with a bit of skepticism. If the recent comebacks of other alternative British bands have been an indication (Stone Roses, anyone?) this wasn't likely to be impressed. But if you can't go back to 1988, again.

On the flip side, Bonded for the Nineties: Goldeneye

By Cris Concepcion
Staff Writer

A Soviet chemical weapon plant goes up in flames and the saboteur is making his getaway... sort of. In actuality, the saboteur is chasing after a plane that is careening down a runway without a pilot. He doesn't catch it however, and so the plane falls off the runway, beginning a merc movie action season that's been less than exciting to say the least. Questions have arisen about whether James Bond, with his Casanova ways and Cold War purposes have a place in the politically correct, post-Soviet Nineties. These suggestions are proven wrong, however, as the latest Bond vehicle, Goldeneye updates the Bond myth for current times.

Indeed, the movie is a Bond story for the Nineties. The villains are a seamy conglomeration of international mercenaries who follow the tried-and-true path of seeking world domination, but with a different twist. They've seized a secret weapon called Goldeneye, that's designed to wipe out the electronics of any given city. Ains Goldeneyle at New York City or Tokyo and you'd cripple the world financial markets. In a new world where information is power, Goldeneye is a frighteningly appropriate weapon.

The revisions don't stop there, though. Partnered with Bond as the almost obligatory love interest is a Russian female computer programmer who actually pulls her weight throughout the entire movie. In addition, for a newer, more sensitive age, Bond actually lets some sort of emotion pass through his normally glib, competent mask. Yet, don't come in with the expectations of finding Bond being completely the same. He's still indulging in his martini and sexual innuendos, and all of the gadget freaks will still have fun with Q's catalogue of quirky bombs, guns, and Sharper Image wet dreams.

After all, what is Bond without his classic trademarks? The man himself has changed little, and Pierce Brosnan carries all the charm and style that Tim Dalton (and in some cases Roger Moore) could never muster. It's merely his on-screen presence that's changed, and it's not like he, or his storyteller, doesn't know it. In a junkyard where he meets his designated villain, a former team-mate gone rogue, one gets the sense that plot is laying it on a bit thick in terms of symbolism and metaphor. Having Bond meet his nemesis in a New Russia, and have it turn out to be an old friend is ironic enough, but to have it occur in the harrowing landscape of discarded cold-war icons is plain overkill. Yet, what is Bond about, if not overkill?

The Babson Free Press wishes you, your family, and your 3rd grade teacher a Happy Holiday Season. The next issue of the Free Press will be available February 1st, 1996.
Who's Life is it?

By Kevin Black
Staff Writer

Money, Money and more Money. The covers of his CD is splattered with it. He's making plenty of it. **Do or Die** by AZ, released late October, is as stylish as a Lexus and as new as a baby. The result is money and fame.

AZ came on the scene after his release of his hit single "Sugarhill," featuring Miss Jones. This single has been playing ever since the summer and the tape followed in the fall with new found mass appeal. "Sugarhill" hit the top of the charts within weeks and on the album, the remix was created by the well known producer Pete Rock of Pete Rock and C.L. Smooth.

AZ was recognized on the single, "Life's a Bitch" released by fellow Queens Bridge rapper Nas. As a result, AZ has become one of the newest, rising rappers in the industry.

In addition to "Sugarhill," other songs on his album have that interesting yet alluring effect. "Rather Unique" talks about his unique style and the unique life that he has lived. In the song, "Do or Die," he talks about what he must do in order to survive and live the American dream. The video for "Do or Die" expresses these feelings as well.

In his video, AZ sips champagne and counts his money. He reflects the old type style gangster with a new twist. Money, Murder and whatever else you can get in his mouth that he reflects. Now, AZ is living a life that is a little different, but is still about the music.

Look out for AZ because he is rising to the top of the rap game and he is too "Unique" to pass up.

Sharper than Ever

By Kevin Black
Staff Writer

First, there was the Wu-Tang Clan, then A Tribe Called Quest, followed by Outkast, and now AZ.

AZ is the genius, Legend Squared is his new album and the genius is another sword on the mantle of the Wu-Tang Clan. It was released last month and is expected to do just as well or better than the previous ones.

Gza the Genius is new and quite cut out of the ordinary. The cover of the album displays a chess game in which the Wu-Tang Clan has several alterations with other class. On the back of the album, a message from Gza is inscribed that warns about the record labels in the music industry.

In addition, Gza songs are not numbered, therefore you must listen to all of the songs to find your favorites.

As odd as it may seem, this is the Genius's second album. His first album did not come under Wu-Tang Productions. It was produced by Cold Chillin'. His first album, ruined. From the genius is filled with illusive and hype rhymes but it does not have the same effect as his current album is having at this point. Released during the late 80's, Genius had only one hit single called "Pass the Bong."

His recent album was anticipated by several Wu-Tang Clan fans. According to Pat Walsh and James Cates, two rap fanatics. I knew the genius was next on the list, but the question at hand was the time of its release.

Even though this release was anticipated, Rakkwon the Chef was still on the warpath, reprising and are the results of selfishness and greed. The business must meet the master plan to control the world. Each day is blind to indications of his plans they decay...I want to answer the world's culture and feed them to the children."

All Ages Album Defies Time

By Jenn Zweig
Staff Writer

After listening to **All Ager**, a compilation of Bad Religion's years on Epitaph (spanning 1982-1992), there's no doubt these guys are the finest, fastest, loudest and most relevant hardcore punk band in the world.

All ages documents the years that shaped Bad Religion and consequently, punk rock as it's known today.

The new album contains 22 classic songs, plus unreleased live tracks from European bootlegs. Favorites include "You Are (The Government)", an angry live version of "Do What You Want," and a young, but raw Gaffin singing "Were Only Gonna Die.

All Ages is worth buying for the CD booklet alone. The cover is a collage of authentic flyers from past shows created by some of LA's best underground artists. It is a wise glance back into time to read over such legendary line-ups as Social Distortion, Bad Religion, Minutemen, and the Abandoned. The inside of the booklet contains original lyrics, sheets written by the masters themselves (Gurewitz and Gaffin).

Unlike most punk bands, Bad Religion has cerebral kick. Lead Singer Greg Gaffin, a professor of Paleontology at Columbia University many times focuses on the degeneration of today's society.

I'm a 21st century digital boy, I don't know how to read but I get a lot of my way, my daddy is a lazy, middle class intellectual, my mummy is an outlaw, she's so ineffectual. (21st Century Digital Boy)

Man's problems are self...

Though Bad Religion has been around for over ten years, they continue to be as vital to the music scene as they were when their first EP came out in 1981. Thanks to Bad Religion, puns not dead—it just got smarter.

Graphics

Color Overheads
Color Scans
It is full of color,
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The Babson Free Press
High Fidelity

By Chris Conception
Staff Writer

In the recent spate of movies and books about today's hopelessly kids, the slackers and derelicts and chronically alternative, you get a lot of wittty conversation

Arts & Entertainment

High Fidelity

by Josh Kimmelman
Staff Writer

About two weeks ago, I attended the Amin East Conven- tion in New Brunswick, N.J. It was chaos. None of the scheduled events or screenings went on time. I went to a friend's lunch, which got stolen. Vendors in the selling area were getting twisted by the cops for selling begged. All these disasters, plus a guy dressed like Captain Harlock walking around. I was beginning to question if my $25 registration fee was worth it.

It was about 3:00 a.m. when we jumped into the Dragonball Z party in the Hilton. My companion, Will, had a strange resemblance to an old, friend of mine when I was like three years old, back in elementary school. So, we headed down to the big screen in the main ballroom and waited in the darkness to see "Macross: Do You Remember Love?"

There had been some lame screenings at the convention so far, but I had heard that it was number four on the internet newspaper "Top Ten Animes of All Time," and I thought it was worth a shot.

However, it was the fact that I used to watch Robotech, the English translation of Macross. During the mornings, cartoons that drew me to special screening. Even though it was in a back room in back sailing, I still have vivid memo- ries of getting up at 5:00 a.m. to watch Robotech in my pajama.

In my childhood, I would go to the movies to watch Rick Hunter and the SDF-1 battle off the Zentraedi aliens. Mom would tell me "Mommy sings her songs of peace, of love, and that to see cool-as-hell Veritech fighters light up the sky, not to mention gun-guarding my mom. I haven't seen this stuff since age 9, so I knew

Since his breakup with Charlie, Ms. Donaldson (split-up no. 4 at the all-tine free), Rob believes that what you are like doesn't matter as much as what you do like. What's the point of jumping into bed with someone if you're not going to them? The Robotic Orchestra, his music collection is composed exclu- sively of Jullio Iglesias recordings! It doesn't help that his shallow, tastes are backed up by his co- workers, Barry, and Dick. Yet, when Rob runs into Laura again, he begins thinking that maybe life as an episode of skirringsomething, with all of the domesticity and kids and long records that it entails, might not be so bad after all.

Laura's dad dies, the trio instantly draw up "Laura's Dad's Tribute List- Top Five Pop Songs about Death." They are so far into their musical collections that there's nothing else they can talk about. Yes, if this was all there was to the book, it would be a simple tale told about idiot's not significance. I'm

When things start to change for Rob, when he starts to believe that people who own Tina Turner records are actually ok... until, you know, important things start to become inter-

Spoiled endings make for unread books and unseen films, so I'll stop the plot sum-

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Office of Career Services

OCS SEMESTER WRAP-UP

Employer Feedback

"...students with meaningful internships and MCFEs have an edge as it reflects valuable real-world exposure and experience" Hewitt Associates, Chan Manhatten, Digital, Lerner Brothers

"...completion of Intermediate Accounting (among finance majors) is critical to a corporate finance position" Chase Manhattan, Sanders/Lockheed, Digital, Teradyne, Bayshon

"...surprised at the lack of proactive company research" John Hancock, Data General, Frito Lay, Motorola, Putnam Investments, Kellogg Sales Co.

"...Communication skills were superior, very poised and professional" Fidelity Investments, Arthur Andersen LLP, UTC/Pruitt Whitney

"...very accomplished, goal-oriented individuals" Peterson Consulting, Merrill Lynch

TIPS

GPA is important as it is used by firms as an indicator of achievement. Students with lower GPAs should be prepared to demonstrate significant extra-curricular involvement (athletics, activities, job).

Involvement in campus activities is valued by employers as it demonstrates leadership and an ability to interact with others. Get involved. Meaningful work experience is an integral component of career development and is highly valued by employers. Seriously consider a summer internship.

DECEMBER GRADUATES

Complete the Post-Graduation Survey!!! (Even if you have not secured full-time employment)

REGISTER FOR RECRUITING - If you have not yet participated in the on-campus recruiting program, you must register with OCS.

JOB MATCH - OCS will update a voice-mail system weekly with immediately available employment opportunities. To register for JOB MATCH, complete a Post-Graduation Survey at OCS.

JOBS BULLETIN - This bi-monthly publication provides Babson alumni with current employment opportunities. A complimentary 6-month subscription is provided to December graduates. If you would like to subscribe, complete a Post-Graduation Survey at OCS.

A variety of career development resources are available to Babson Alumni. Please stop by OCS to learn more!!

EMPLOYMENT HIGHLIGHT - Immediately available!! Opta Food Ingredients, Inc. A rapidly growing, entrepreneurial, public company (NASDAQ: OPTS) has a position available as a Marketing Assistant. Reports directly to the Director of Marketing. Responsibilities: Assist with targeted direct mail campaign; assist with creative strategy and market research; develop, update point of sale materials; prepare reports on key industry developments, competitive updates; assist with trade show planning and execution; maintain database; provide administrative sales support to national sales force. Superior visibility. Excellent benefits including stock options, insurance programs. CONTACT MAJORS ONLY. See OCS for further details.

SENIORS

REGISTER FOR RECRUITING BEFORE WINTER BREAK!!!!!!!

Some resumes (J.P. Morgan) will be collected immediately after you return from Winter break. If you have not already registered you will miss out.

Complete the Post-Graduation Survey if you have secured employment.

Review the list of Spring Recruiting Schedule before Winter break. Review ACE database to schedule informational interviews during Winter break

Get a jump on corporate research, cover letter and resume preparation

LOOK FOR THE "SENIOR SERIES" NEXT WINTER

Dress for Success, Wine Tasting, Your Financial Future, Diner with President Glavin

LOOK FOR THE "JOB SEARCH CRASH COURSE" - A 1 1/2 hour workshop (For those who actually believe they can find a job in 1 1/2 hours)

JUNIORS

Noteworthy internships this week:

Conners Inc., an international leader in the manufacture/sale of athletic footwear is offering a paid marketing internship for the spring semester to work 20 hours per week. Responsibilities includes assisting the public relations staff with the research of projects. Interns will also review consumer and trade publications. If you are self-motivated and a dependable individual who has strong communication skills, this is the internship for you.

LeDare Corporation, a high-tech networking equipment producer is looking for individuals who are MIS as well as Management majors. If you are interested is working over the winter break (Dec/Jan), the spring semester (10-20 hours) or full time in the summer here is your opportunity. Responsibilities will include documenting the manufacturing process. (Excellent for operations management enthusiasts). You will also acquire TQM skills and a knowledge of manufacturing software and process technology.

REGISTER FOR SUMMER INTERNSHIPS!!!

Consider self-assessment exercises - Myers-Briggs, Strong, JVIS

Develop a network of contacts for next summer - alumni, family, etc.

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Multi-Cultural

Is Babson Closer To Finding Another AHANA Coordinator?

By Adrian N. McCoy
Multi-Cultural Editor

The AHANA community here at Babson is raising the question of how they might welcome another Muslim student. Then, after Shanda Calhoun’s departure there was speculation in the AHANA community that Babson would be searching for a replacement. This speculation was not correct. So, the members of the AHANA community have taken it upon themselves to help make a difference on this campus.

The responsibilities of the AHANA Coordinator have been redistributed to other people in both Undergraduate Admissions and the Office of Campus Life. Although these responsibilities have been redistributed to others, the effect is not the same. The AHANA Coordinator position should be the responsibility of a person of color.

Some minority students have a hard time relating to someone that is not considered to be a minority. The problem is that the two people handling the job of the AHANA Coordinator’s position are not capable. The problem is that it does not make sense to redistribute this work to two people who already have full plates, when hiring someone else would be much more efficient.

How does Babson re-engineer a away a position that was more conscious of her role in becoming a more spiritual person? She is content in the fact that spirituality is something she’s doing now, at home, and is not just handed down through some divine power.

The African Methodist Church has been one of the many programs growing in Babson, especially in Portland. This church has a high level of standards, especially in the areas of church, theology, and other spiritual elements.

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Knowing that she is due to pray to Mecca five times a day makes her so helpful and appreciated by minority students. The AHANA Coordinator was there to answer questions. That person helped make multi-cultural programming as smooth as possible. The AHANA Coordinator was there to listen and to provide comfort in those situations. Do we ever face extreme difficulty for multi-cultural students to handle. This person was a liaison between the administration and minority students.

In the year and a half that the position was filled, many positive changes were made in the AHANA community. The AHANA organizations were more focused and were aware of each other. There was a conscious effort to support one another as well as the programs that were sponsored by each organization.

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The AHANA community also hopes that the Babson community will begin to support AHANA activities more because we all have a lot to learn from one another.

Spirituality Comes to the Forefront

By Jaynell Grayson
Contributing Writer

Spirituality seems to be a more important role in the lives of many young people today. We are living in a time where people are often in a state of confusion, which is a common problem. This is because of the lack of direction that many young people have. In the most recent edition of Essence Magazine, there was an article that caught my attention.

The title of the article was "Many young people are turning to spiritual and religious affiliation to provide them with support during the trying times that are living in." The article was on the rise of spirituality and religion amongst the members of Generation X. It mentioned the fact that religion is gaining appeal because of the troubles facing this generation of people.

It has been thought by many that this generation of people has lost their way. "Generation X." This article also showed that the spiritual peace that young adults are searching for does not have to be found by conforming to one certain church or belief. There was a college student in this article that had decided to go on a spiritual journey. This student could not decide what religion she wanted to be associated with.

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A Letter from Give

The Give office would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all members of the Babson community for your participation in this year’s Hunger and Homelessness week. A special thanks to the following groups who sponsored events: ALAWA, AAP, Babson Christian Fellowship, CAB, Cardinal Key, Class of ’97, Crackshank Volunteer Fund, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Sigma Phi Epsilon and Helen Bickford of Public Safety for her donation of supplies for the spoon decorating event. The week was a tremendous success and many groups such as Project Bread, Sage House, St. Andrew’s Food Bank, Operation Overcoat and the United Way benefitted from Babson’s participation.

Give feels very proud to be associated with such an incredible community. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,
Karen M. Kasa, Director, Give Nicole Jensen, GIVE Intern Jon McGowan, GIVE Intern Jeannette Prince, GIVE Intern

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Holiday Corner

Whether you celebrate Christmas, Chanukkah, or Kwanzaa, the Free Press staff would like you to know that we hope your Holiday season is filled with love and happiness.

Remember, there are always people who are less fortunate than yourself. Try to spread a little Holiday Cheer to those who are not able to enjoy what you have.

Happy Holidays

The Babson Free Press
Good Luck to the Babson Sports Teams During Winter Break. Make us Proud to be Babson Students by Winning Frequently and Often. Show Your Beaver Pride

Onorato On Deck

By David Onorato
Sports Editor

Oh, what a glorious time of year. I just wanted to thank all of my teachers for assigning every paper and exam for the semester in the same week. What more could go wrong? I have four finals next week. I am sick, I missed Rudolph the other night, and the New England Patriots are 5-8.5. Who could have predicted the outcome of this horrendous season? Last Sunday's loss to the New Orleans Saints virtually shot down any play-off hopes for the Pats. Apparently, over the off-season, the Patriots' defense forgot how to tackle and the receivers forgot how to catch. Making matters worse, there is still three Sundays of football to be played. I had expected to be celebrating a Patriot clinching of a play-off spot this Sunday. Instead, I will be studying for my Intermediate Accounting final. (Did you read that Professor Turner?)

Well, with the Patriots down and out, I must focus my attention on the most exciting sports team in America, the University of Massachusetts Minutemen men's basketball team. As a resident of Central Massachusetts, I have been subjected to taunts by obnoxious people from the Boston area saying, "Nothing matters west of Rt. 495." Well, the UMASS Minutemen matter and I am happy to say I am proud of them. They have three huge wins under their belt (Kentucky, Maryland, and Florida) and I can't wait for this Saturday. UMASS faces Boston College in what is being dubbed, "The Battle of Eastern Massachusetts versus Western Massachusetts." UMASS is not only playing for themselves, but for the students of UMASS (who have often been unfairly belittled by Boston fans), and the residents west of Rt. 495. Go! Go! Go! Go UMASS! GO UMASS!

Did anyone catch the women's gymnastics finals on TV last Saturday? This sport is getting ridiculous. The top gymnast in the competition was from Romania and she was twelve years old! Twelve! Not only that, she was about two feet nine inches tall and she weighed something like thirty-nine pounds! If I were to have a baby girl today, I would start her on gymnastics immediately and by the summer Olympics in the year 2000, at age four and a half, she could be ready to compete! Ridiculous! These are just girls, they should be playing hopscotch with their friends instead of performing a triple jump on a four-inch beam in front of a television audience of millions.

Well, enough ranting and raving for me. It is the Christmas season and I should be in a jolly mood. I want to wish everyone Good Luck on their finals and "Merry Christmas!" See you next year!
A Hurricane Hits Publishers Hall

By David Onorato
Sports Editor

On Monday, December 4th, residents of Publishers Hall were treated with a visit by "Hurricane" Peter McNeeley. Why would "Hurricane" Peter McNeeley, a boxer who fought Mike Tyson in front of a global audience of 1 billion, come to Babson College? Well, it all started a few months ago when Brian Dowd, a Pub resident, got a hold of the "Hurricane's" telephone number and left a message on his answering machine as a joke. Little did Brian expect a return call from the man who wraps his opponents in a "cocoon of horror." After this call, "Hurricane" and Brian developed a friendship over the phone and it was arranged that the "Hurricane" would visit Publishers Hall last Monday.

The "Hurricane" is best known for his brush confidence and the outrageous remarks that he often makes. What McNeeley lacks in eloquence, he makes up with heart and determination. He was pushed into the limelight this past August when he faced Mike Tyson in Tyson's first bout after being released from jail. The "Hurricane" lost in the first round by disqualification.

During the day of his expected visit, many of us were skeptical about McNeeley's promise to visit. This skepticism was put to rest at 10 pm when we heard the "Hurricane's" raspy voice in the hallway. Enraptured across the back of his jacket was his namesake "Hurricane." He brought pictures for all of us and a few tapes of his past fights. The first fight that we watched was his last, the Michael Sam bout at the FleetCenter. As the FleetCenter erupted in boos for McNeeley (he is not loved around these parts) he mentioned tongue-in-cheek, "I make as much money off of the boos as I do the cheers!" The "Hurricane" did mention that the boos did hurt him a little bit but that he wasn't going to let that keep him down. After the Sam fight, we put in the Tyson fight. We proceeded to watch this fight about twelve times (it wasn't too long), each from a different angle. The "Hurricane" mentioned, "In four months, I got one lousy sentence out of Mike Tyson. He said, 'You jumped on me dirty ol' white boy.'" As we erupted in laughter we also winced in pain at Tyson continuing to wall on our visitor. After watching the tapes, the "Hurricane" signed each and every picture for over thirty students. He then allowed us to take individual pictures with him and the belt that he won in his last fight. According to Brian Dowd the night was a success, "You have to respect the man. He came here without the camera so it obviously wasn't a publicity stunt. He truly is a nice guy."

I was extremely impressed with McNeeley's attitude and over-all kindness. He didn't bother about the public's animosity toward him and it seems that he is striving to regain their love for him. He isn't bitter about the public's animosity toward him and it seems that he is striving to regain their love. Climate, what's important is that the Tyson fight did not change McNeeley, as a man.
Sports

Athlete of the Week
Michael Klingsley

Favorite Movie: Ace Ventura
Favorite TV Show: Sportscenter
Favorite Music Artist: The Artist Formerly Known As Prince
Favorite Movie Star: Jim Carrey

McDonald's Vs. Burger King- McDonald's
coke Vs. Pepsi- Coke
Hobby- sitting at Publishers waiting for Peter McNeeley

Hockey Gets Jump on ECAC East

By Jeff Patterson
Staff Writer

Babson's own ice hockey team, who still needs to secure that elusive (I refuse to use Beaver) has gotten to off to a good start. Super
Tom Field got the season off on a rousing start against Trinity with a "bang-bang-bang" goal in front of the net, with Griff Brackett and All-Americans candidate Dave Woodward assisting. Tom suffered an unfortunate injury later in the game, and hopes to return later this month. Babson eventually built a 4-1 lead, with Matt Burke, Paul Napolitano, Mackie MacLeod, Jerry Ambrose, and Tom Field (again before the injury) leading the charge. However, thanks to a few fortunate bounces, Trinity was able to force a 4-4 in this season opener. Anyway, Babson actually won this game in overtime, and was screwed by one of Don Koehrs's relatives who refereed the game. Ask me for more details, always try to keep the four letter words to a minimum.

Westleyan visited the Babson Recreation Center, the following afternoon. This game did not quite remain as a Babson win. Tim Herlihy led the way with a hat trick, and first-year forward Steve O'Leary turned in the game of his life. The Foresters had a 4-3 lead in the final minutes of overtime, with Dave Woodward assisting. And let us not forget that Dave Hoffman made his season debut against the Foresters.

Southern Maine was the next team to feel Babson's wrath, as a 5-2 decision was taken last Friday. Matt Burke, Griff, and "Napa" led the team in this one, and Joe Perryman returned from a pre-season injury to make his season debut. However, many team members felt the overall performance was less than high quality, so they came out determined against arch-rival Salem State. Babson held the lead for most of the game. An apology is issued to Salem State, in case they were upset. Salem State tied the contest just twice, but Griff battled a ribcage injury to score the game winner in overtime, sending the Vikings back to school with a 3-4 win. Mike Foster appeared in this, his second or third contest, and worked the crowd throughout.

The team visits UMass Boston Saturday for a game against the other undefeated team in the conference. Next will come two holiday tournaments, the Codfish Bowl at UMass Boston and the: . . .

Men’s Basketball Off to a Good Start

By By Onorato
Sports Editor

The season that we all have been waiting for has finally started. The Babson College Men’s Basketball team opened up their season in style on November 17th against Suffolk in the first round of the Babson Invitational Tournament. The offense erupted from the start and after a few minutes, it was obvious that Suffolk was no match for the Bears. With a barrage of threes from the guards and steady inside play from the front-court, Babson took a commanding lead and never looked back as they scored over 100 points in the rout. The second game of the tournament was almost a copy of the first, as Babson crushed Anna Maria en route to yet another BCIT championship. Bryant Richards was awarded the tournament MVP for his impressing play.

The third game of the season matched Babson up against the Columbia Lions of MIT. The crowd was large and on edge due to the fact that Michael Klingsley, Babson's junior point guard, needed only 21 points to reach the 1000th point milestone. With the help of Rory Gardner and Glenn Witzkowski, Babson once again jumped on top. As Babson was routing the Engineers from Boston, the spotlight was on Klingsley. He scored his 1000th point to a tremendous ovation and the game was stopped to give him the game ball. (See Athlete of The Week for more details.)

Babson did not fare as well against Division I opponent Harvard in their next game. The Bears did not shoot well and Harvard was too strong for Division III Babson. The only good thing that came of this blow-out was a hilarious picture in the Boston Globe of Brian Dowd and Billy Dagboves being posterized.

Coming off this loss, Babson met a tough WPI team in Worcester. Behind Michael Klingsley’s 26 points, the Bears rolled to their third win in four games. Two nights ago, Babson suffered their first severe let-down of the season against Springfield College in Western Massachusetts. After juming out to a 30-12 lead, the Beavers fell apart and let Springfield Jack into the game. At one point, Babson failed to get over half court seven times in a row. Springfield handed Babson their second loss.

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