Violence Breaks out in Myanmar

Dina Rubash
Staff Writer

Almost two decades after the massacre of thousands of protesters in Myanmar (then Burma) at the hands of the ruling military junta, bringing international attention to the oppressive and cruel practices of this government, violence has again broken out in the city of Yangon.

For approximately a month now, protests have been held opposing the current junta. These protests have been led by Buddhist monks and sparked by a spike in oil prices which quadrupled the price of oil for this already economically challenged nation.

Tens, even hundreds of thousands of monks and civilians have bravely come together since August. For this entire period, the world has been on edge, wondering how the military government would respond, hoping for a change to non-violent participation and bringing about a peaceful resolution.

For weeks, the world’s dismay, Wednesday, September 20 began a violent repression of protesters in Myanmar, including the arrest of hundreds of monks and the use of tear gas and clubbing, even opening fire on the crowd.

Cleaning up their Act

Aishwarya Prahasanth
Staff Writer

With the Northwest Passage opening up, due to the melting of the Arctic ice pack, concerns have increased even more about global warming. Viewed as a good indicator of our changing climate, the Arctic ice pack was predicted to disappear completely by 2060. Now however, scientists say it is very likely that the ice pack will disappear completely by 2030.

People have been hearing talks about global warming for some time now, and yet we still fail to take it seriously in our everyday lives. If even this doesn’t ring a warning bell and compel us to act now, nothing will. I think countries around the world would do well to take a leaf from Iceland’s book.

For the past 50 years, Iceland has been steadily decreasing its use of fossil fuels. This tiny country has found a substitute that is both renewable and non-polluting- water. Iceland is covered with volcanoes, hot springs, and geysers. Using these sources of water, Iceland has managed to generate almost all of its electricity and heating through hydroelectric and geothermal energy.

While some people would think that Iceland has done all it could, the neighboring country is still concerned on its dependence on fossil fuels for transportation, industry, and industries. Not only is this expensive (Iceland pays $8 per barrel of oil), it is also polluting. In fact, Iceland has the 53rd highest greenhouse gas emissions per capita in the world despite having a population of only 370,000.

All of this has made Iceland come up with alternatives to their use of fossil fuels. One of them was the use of hydrogen as a fuel for vehicles. I thought this was very interesting and also logical. I mean, why are they doing it already aren’t they doing it with their heating and electricity? Also, with hydrogen as a fuel, there will be no longer be any pollution from vehicles. The only fumes from cars will be water vapor, which will react with the environment through the water cycle. Hence, the next step for Icelanders would be to base their entire economy on a resource that they have plenty of and will recycle itself naturally water. Using this idea, the government of Iceland has come together with a revolutionary project, one which aims to end the use of fossil fuels in their country in one generation! Already, preparations have been put in place to have hydrogen buses in Reykjavik. Iceland’s capital, early next year. Iceland’s interest in hydrogen-based fuels has created a flurry of interest among noted automakers including Toyota and General Motors. The first hydrogen cars will be introduced in 2010. Iceland is pioneering a path that is making others all over the world sit up and take notice. While Iceland certainly has the advantage with its available resources, surely other countries will also be able to do the same. Now all eyes are on Iceland. Their success could mean a complete change in our oil-based economy.
Unilever invites you to learn more about them. They will be on campus on October 9th, 5:30pm in Reynolds 244.

Police Log

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7:31 am Olin college student reported some males hitting baseballs on the pathway by the Olin College room in Publishers Hall. Report filed.


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8:12 pm Request for an ambulance at Olin Hall. Student who was ill was transported to NWH.

Friday 9/21/2007
1:55 am Request for an ambulance in Piets Hall.Student who was a foot injury was transported to NWH.
4:27 pm Report of a fire alarm in Bryant Hall. Alarm reset.
8:52 pm Report of a larceny from Priets Hall. Report filed.

Saturday 9/22/2007
1:44 am Report of a B&E in Canfield Hall with a TV stolen from the student's room. Report filed, under investigation.

10:08 am Report of a noise complaint in McCullough Hall. Found to be an alarm clock.


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Please join us to learn more about Axe and Career opportunities at Unilever.

Tuesday, October 9th at 5:30 in Reynolds 244

Barcode Fun Facts

Type any barcode into Google and it will find the product and information.

Barcodeart.com - Do it.

Barcode artist t-shirts, flip books - find them on the internet.

Wrigley’s gum was the first product to have a bar code scanned

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THE BABSON FREE PRESS

Babson Disappointments of the Fall Season
Amanda Medin
Free Press TV Consultant

Grey’s Anatomy (Thursdays, 9:00, ABC)
- Around this time last year, I would have been on my “best of” list, but after the vortex of suckitude that was Season 3, I don’t even know how this show got a fourth season (okay, so it does well in the ratings). Hopefully creator Shonda Rhimes learned her lesson last season when her tidal wave of critical praise turned into a tsunami of scathing reviews, and she will turn on the show this fall and bring Grey’s back to its former glory. Last season’s finale, though almost构思性, set the stage for a complete revamping of the show, and word on the street is that Rhimes is making some big changes in Seattle Grace. I, for one, will be happy if the George/Izzie romance is gone the way of Isaiah Washington, and never mentioned again. If any- one has the talent to pump the life back into this show (I’m starting with the heart, it’s Shonda, and here’s hoping it goes back on my best list next season.

Friday Night Lights premiere (Fridays, 9:00, NBC)
- After watching the second season premiere, I realized why sports mor- nes never make sequels. The lives of these small-town football players and their hopes and dreams have been realized and, as they over- come whatever is thrown at them, culminating in their win of the State Football Title is a great story, but how many small towns can that even happen before the concept gets tired? I love the Dillon Panthers and was as well as Buddy Garrity screamed, “The Panthers win State! The Panthers win state!”

19.5 hours of Reality TV
- Remember a couple years ago when Survivor and Who Wants to Be a Millionaire were the only rea- lity programs? You can thank your success for the most rapidly in- creasing trend in television today: using original programming in favor of cheaper pastures. Now I’m all for the occasional Project Runway or America’s Next Top Model, with “occasional” being the watchword. Reality is pretty much dominating the fall schedule however, with many networks establishing several nights of only reality. And really, who is actually going to watch 2.5 hours of Dancing With the Stars every week? At this rate, by 2010, original programming won’t even exist anymore! Reality is just the networks way of saying “screw you” to aspir- ing TV writers because they care more about money than quality. But then again, maybe it’s America’s fault for watching a glorified karaoke contest while Smug Seacrest force- feeds us product place- ment as opposed to tuning in to well-written, thought-provoking mate- rial, therefore leaving us with “The Pussycat Dolls Present: The Search for the Next DOLL.”

FOX’s entire Lineup - Other than House, there is no program on FOX’s schedule that looks remotely appealing. Their comedies are weak, their dramas are bad, and don’t even get that you can relate to.

Capricorn- You will be arrested for a white-collar crime. But, by effectively blackmailing the judge, you should be able to get out. Money may be your crutch, but I will say what others won’t. You really are that self-centered. If your goal is to effectively manipulate everyone around you, you are well on your way. If your goal is to make friends and get along, well... maybe you should adopt the last one.

Aquarius- You may think you are better or different than others. Well, you are different. Maybe, just maybe, if you actually fol- lowed through with, well, anything, then you might have a point. As it is, though, you can complain all you want. Until you get your hands dirty, no one is going to want to listen. Do not turn any of that person who sits on the couch all day criticizing everyone else while watching Fox News. A word of warning: they report facts.

Pisces- You are not a real Pisces. You may be emo- tion-driven, but you can be extremely overbearing. Listen to others. Foster relationships. You will be a happier person. Plus, you may actually make some friends.

Horoscopes
As read by Chief Astrologist: Herbie Weinburg
[Following are Herbie’s opinions and not that of the Free Press]

Aries- People may call you a jerk. You basically are. Embrace it. Go around and yell at people. If they get lucky, they just think you are crazy. Otherwise, learn how to run. We both know you are not about to win a fight.

Taurus- The expression may be “stubborn as a mule,” but let’s face it, who cares about a mule? The bull has horns. You may think of yourself as wise, but really, how smart can you be if your kryptonite is a red sheet? Gemini- With all the voices in your head, who needs any friends? You seem to be popular enough anyway, but if it doesn’t work out, go with crazy. It has always worked for you before. If it comes down to it, listen to Bubba. He’s the most understanding friend.

Cancer- You are completely imaginative and boring. Your favorite baseball team is long gone, and since you care so much about familial bonds, you’ll tell your friends heartily, Isissey.

Leo- OK, your majesty. Whatever you may say... You know that feeling that people are talking about behind your back? Well, they are. Be para- noid. Be very paranoid.

Virgo- Nerd! Do you think you could take a second off from analyzing absolutely everything to actually have a life? No wonder you’re a virgin.

Libra- Why are you here? I guess the world needs all kinds, but haven’t you realized that most people who go to Babson have strong opinions and try to get what they want? You’re eager to push over than Canada. Well, at least you’re easy. And yes, I do mean that ina nice way.

Scorpio- You’ll get [paid]. I hate you.

Sagittarius- Get it through your head. No one wants to have a conversation with you. Yes, they are avoiding you. Maybe it’s because of those incredibly long, boring debates you always seem to want to have. Dumb it down a little and people are generally stupid. Watch some movies like Dude, Where’s My Car and White Chicks. If that doesn’t make you stupi- der, all hope is lost. Find a good book, at least one.

INTERNATIONAL SPOTLIGHT CORNER

JIC “Japan International Circle” held the first event of the year. The Tokayoki Party was a huge success with a great turnout. Here is Masa Konakamura, editor of JIC—putting some finishing touches on the tokayoki.
Do You Even Read the Free Press?

David Barner
Senior Editor

Let’s be honest for just a minute. Just me and you. There’s something we need to talk about that I’ve been putting off for a while. We need to talk, just for a minute, about the Barbson Free Press.

I wrote for the Free Press since Freshman year, and over the 3 ½ years that I’ve been with the organization I’ve seen some things change and some stay the same. One of the things I think has always stayed the same is the very relevant question that is the title of this article: Do you even read the Free Press?

More important to this question, too, is how do you use the Free Press? Is it something you pick up to see what events have been happening on campus, what local sports opinions we have, or is it just to see if there still is a Free Press? Both positions are valid. In fact, there have been times that I’ve wondered whether our organizations were still operating on campus. It is one of the only tough problems that arise when you have 60+ organizations on campus. Can you expose your organization to the campus and make it worthwhile and value-adding Barbson community participant?

Over the years we’ve tried several approaches to become a Barbson organization on campus. We’ve sent writers out to cover events on campus, we’ve interviewed amazing visitors, and even tried to increase our exposure through Mario campa-

pgains and humor-intended advertising. We’ve ultimately tried to bring the Free Press back to what it was intended for: to be the voice of the student body.

Today, we’re finally tackling the same ultimate question, and more importantly questioning our mission as an organization. We aim to be the paper that most in the community look to for some reason or another.

Where do you come in? On October 16th we’re hosting the entire campus for an open meeting to discuss what the future of the Free Press should be.

Entrepreneur Sean Carter

to Release 2nd Album

Busy Hip Hop Year

David Barner
Senior Editor

Boe-A-Fella enthusiasts worldwide were giddy with excitement this week as the Def Jam President announced he would be releasing his newest release "American Gangster" on Tuesday, November 6. The album, inspired by the upcoming Denzel Washington and Russell Crowes film with the same name, is expected to contain a familiar side of the Brooklyn entrepreneur and MC that fans enjoyed during his Blueprint days.

The disc, which Def Jam states will be a different release than the actual movie’s soundtrack, looks to tell a similar story to that of Frank Lucas, an infamous 1970’s Manhattan drug smuggler, who is portrayed in the upcoming Hollywood movie. Def Jam, a press release from this week, summarized the concepts of the album’s purposes: “JAY-Z draws upon past experiences, speaking to the harsh reality of the drug trade still taking place in our nation’s cities. While not glorifying the Frank Lucas story, JAY-Z articulates the hue of a gangster’s life and stands as an example of one who chose to leave those streets behind to go on and become one of the most successful entrepreneurs of our time.” (Def Jam Site, Artist: JAY-Z)

The first single, titled "Blue

Career Expo-sed

Daires Roback
Staff Writer

Certainly no one can blame Barbson for scheduling Career Expo on an oppressive fall day. Nothing like that could just be fore- casted, but there was another glitch in the planning that I believe should be addressed. Before I dive in to what might be a touchy subject, I must address the credit in other sections, let’s say for those of you interested in non-profits, there are virtually no options in other sections. Next, Barbson is good at what it does. It is a world-class business school and Career Expo demonstrated that with the big-name companies and happy alums that chose to come here to recruit.

That said, I do not think Barbson necessarily lived up to its potential during Career Expo 2007. As a student, I’m now in CEIS and I am quite interested in what options are available to us. Currently, I am in the process of developing a business plan. Some options available to me were non-existent to the CEIS students.

So I wasn’t wholly surprised by the lack of socially driven organizations, though I did appreciate the two career treatment centers that were present. I was, on the other hand, a tad shocked by the seeming lack of any allegedly alternative companies. As I made my way through the crowds, shock, pain, did something shocking. I began to pick up on a trend. Are you concentrating in Accounting? Are you concentrating in Marketing? Well, no, unfortunately I’m not. Do you want to get into banking? Are you looking to be a consultant? Again, no. Now I know I am the minority, and I wouldn’t begin to pretend that Barbson should change its practices for me; the majority of

ATTENTION:
you could win.

Write the best caption (as determined by vote of the freepress staff) for Lashonda’s cartoon below and win an issue of the Barbson Free Press. The prize we’re talking about is comparable to a fridge. If not a fridge. Prize to be determined by the Free Press E-Board. Contest ends October 5th. Email submissions to freepress@barbson.edu. Open to all students, faculty and staff. Inappropriate submissions will not be considered.

Cartoon by Lashonda Cooks, ‘10

(Barbson Free Press, 2007, Contest Rules and Regulations are up at the Barbson Free press and may change at any point. Many will play. Few will win. We like to give out prizes, though.)
TAKEOVER

This Week's Shout-Outs

David Barner
Senior Editor

I'd like to first give a shout-out to Babson's BEI (Babson Entrepreneurial Initiative) for giving Babson some quality music over the past few weeks. Over down at the pub the organization has organized several bands to kick Rockn' Up a few notches or guitar licks, if you will. As a fun of good music, too, I can attest to the fact that none of these bands were your typical college band promoting their own music because they figured out how to pick up a guitar and a keyboard. These bands know their stuff, and it shows. Look out for BEI's bands every Friday night (Yes, Friday night) at the pub.

I'd next like to give a shout-out, and more of a thanks, to NASA Astronaut Suni Williams for her trip to Babson. The Needham native came to Babson to speak about her trip to space earlier this year in which she set the record for the longest trip into space by a female astronaut, as well as the longest space walk for a female astronaut. After her talk, Williams stayed to answer questions ranging from "How did you survive the rapid 15-minute climate changes of outer-space?" to "What was your favorite space food to eat?" Williams then participated in a signing, which was especially enjoyed by the kids in attendance, the future entrepreneurs of Babson.

I'd like to give a quick shout-out to the students at Babson's Student Financial Services Office at Babson. Bills, financial aid, meal plan changes, and health insurance questions can be confusing, but the great people at SFS have helped out a ton in sorting the sometimes convincing world of billing and financial aid out. Cheers!

To the students and staff involved in Babson's energy saving initiatives, much thanks and shout-outs. This change is no doubt going to help Babson educate students outside the classroom into becoming ethical and inspirational entrepreneurs.

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A frog giving the peace sign. Photo Courtesy of jwu2008 at flickr.com

Why? Because these people helped out and they deserve a shout-out!

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Expo-sed!

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students are offered a substantial number of options at Career Expo. But not one creatively inspired company? Not one that piqued my interest, or even made me tilt my head and go, "huh?" No, there were all pretty run-of-the-mill.

I can feel the winds of change here at Babson. Every day I am more impressed by the student body and what they are creating, thinking, and doing. Students are filling social entrepreneurship and enterprise, and human rights classrooms. The Babson Emerging Markets club is the latest example of this trend. The desire is there, but at the moment, the channels to pursue it are at most minimal.

Was I a little disappointed by Career Expo? Yes. Is it the fault of Babson or CDD? No. Was this a pointless rant? Maybe. I guess the point was to help acknowledge that traditional career paths are not the only way and that even traditional career paths are beginning to change. I would hope that Babson can help those looking towards an alternative career choice with perhaps some outlets for making our search a little easier, and a little less haggery.

Give a Shout-Out next week!

We're looking for people doing some good stuff on campus.

If you know of anyone shout us a message on facebook

Just search for the Profile: Babson Free Press

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Expo-sed!
Dear Babson Free Press

Dear Sir,

I feel really bad for you. When I worked at that drug store in high school, I used to only give one a day or two a week. It was pretty much pointless. My advice would be to do the opposite of what you think a good employee would do. Gossip. Make friends with whoever does the schedule and with the managers. Get to good hours and to be treated with respect has nothing to do with talent or work ethic. All employees are replaceable, so doing the monkey job will not be done by anyone. A friend, on the other hand is less replaceable. So gossip. Listen to everyone, nod, smile, offer help, and don't say anything bad about anyone. Socialize with the employees, and maybe they can pawn off hours that they don't want on you. It's what we call "networking" in the business world.

Ask. Always have questions about your job and the store. This makes your superiors think you care, and you learn a lot. For example, "Hey Barb, am I doing this right?" "Oh, yeah." Has Washington Mart always stocked the make-up next to the pet supplies? "How does our store do in financials compared to others in the district?" "Ask if you're not sure of something, ask people's names and if they have children... oh, pets! People love to talk about their pets. Ask about their pets. Gossip, ask, and finally, be aggressive! "Hey Barb, can I have some more hours? I need to feed my guinea pigs." Asking for more hours—crazy concept, eh? "Hey Barb, I WILL come in tomorrow at seven, not six thirty. Oh, and (Notice how that is not a question.) "Hey Stew, you're Barb's boss, right? I was just curious why Barb doesn't want me to come in at seven tomorrow. I can't make six thirty because of the bus schedule in from the boonies, but I could really use the hours to help feed my guinea pigs, ya know? And always smile, and be slightly patronizing, and if you're feeling really risky... give Stevie a wink!"

So, Gossip, ask, and be aggressive; these are the Do's. The only Do Not is this: Never under any circumstances, let anyone ever know that you are a competent or reliable worker. Competent, reliable, friendly human being is one thing. That, you can be. But never let them recognize that you, they can find easy ways to take advantage of you or walk all over you. Be the person that everyone wants to help; this requires being a tad helpless at times. When I worked on commission, everyone loved me and helped me reach the quotas that I needed my pay. I taught one of them how to sew. I talked to boys about another. I listened to them all talk about each other behind their backs. I may have even stayed at that job if it weren't a beautiful summer outside each day I was stuck inside, and a million-mile commute.

So, I hope you have learned something here today. This was priceless real-life experience that Babson may have even not been able to teach me after four years. It can be done by anyone, even biology majors. At our apartment, we mostly make brown rice with salads. Enjoy the state! Love, Robin. In conclusion, from part-time lamen to full-time lamen desk job, I can't imagine this advice needing to be altered much. I consider it good advice to her and to all. Instead of pretending to have guinea pigs, perhaps one might say "children." Perhaps the questions asked may have less to do with stocktaking shelves and more to do with accounting principles, but close enough. Personalized friendships with superiors may even turn into drinking partners or golf buddies, but the gist and the means are about the same. In the end, it's about having the confidence and the insight to recognize that while the work you do is meaningless and tiresome, the places you can get in the meantime, are slightly less abhorrent. Take this advice and run with it! Good luck all!
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October Forecast: Gloomy

Brandon Laquette

New that we're in, will we win? Climbing on Saturday put the Red Sox in back in postseason play after taking October (September too really) off in 2006. Despite our status as the division leaders, the wild card will be looking undecided, one can't help but look at the road ahead for the Sox as they face the team with a short one. As exciting as it is to be back in the hunt for another World Championship, I have a hard time getting excited about this team as it stands now.

The Power Ten: Week 4

By: Patrick McNamara and Brandon Laquette

1 New England Patriots
Number 1 offense (414.0 ypg), Number 1 defense (207.1 ypg), Number 1 team. Enough Said.

2 Indianapolis Colts
The Colts just went back to back at games to at least who lost last season; watch out

3 Dallas Cowboys
Offense looked solid and the defense has Bear's fans calling for Rex Grossman's head

4 Green Bay Packers
Hey, promised you that whoever beat a top three teams would snap this spot, and Green Bay deserves it

5 Pittsburgh Steelers
Allowing less than 10 ppg (5.7), the Steel team and its defense still need to roll through

6 Tennessee Titans
The Titans still have some questions in the passing game, but they play tough every game.

7 Houston Texans
Hanging tough with the Colts and an easy upcoming schedule (at ATL, Mia) put them in the TPT

8 Baltimore Ravens
The Ravens still have a lot to prove after outscoring their first three poor opponents only 68-63

9 Jacksonville Jaguars
Jacksonville fans are happy with the AFC North in the TPT. If they will then after being idle in week 4 is to be seen.

10 San Diego Chargers
Don't give up on this team just yet; they have played these tough teams and Kansas City's on deck to regroup

Knocking: Tampa Bay Buccaneers, San Francisco 49ers

With one in his last 5 starts, you have to wonder if he still has the magic we saw in 2004. The playoff schedule may allow for more off days this year, however, it will not be enough to start Beckett every game.

Season stats can make what is happening in Boston's bullpen. The stats will tell you that Boston has the best bullpen ERA in the American League, but I'll tell you that ERA is up near 4.00 in September. The stats will tell you Hideo Nomo is 3-0 in the AL with 170 wins. I'll tell you he's been shut down because he melted down in a critical game versus the Yankees. The stats will tell you Eric Gagne has been looking better his last three appearances. I would tell you he's a train wreck waiting to happen in 2006, and I would tell you to see him in October. Whatever package of other mediocre pitchers find their way off the playoff roster, it will be a crash spot with any slim lead later in October.

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