We're Sorry!

It has been quite evident, judging from campus reaction, that last week's Free Press parody issue was conceived by many as being tasteless and offensive. To those members of the Babson community who were upset at anyone responsible for the Free Press issue, a sincere apology. We must also deliver an apology to the administration, in regards to the extremely bad timing of this incident.

We realize in some instances that a simple apology may not be sufficient and that we will be asked to defend our actions. As new co-editor of the Free Press, I can only attribute last week's issue to a case of going a bit too far, in some instances, of attempting to get a laugh at the expense of others. In the process of putting last week's issue together, the staff of the paper in no way intended to be vicious or tasteless, however, in a few pieces, that's how the humor was interpreted. Our inexperience showed and with rightful repercussions.

Not all feedback was negative. Some members of the Babson community mentioned in last week's paper took it with a grain of salt. To those offended, I sympathize with you and can clearly see your point. However, we must remember that one of the greatest strengths of human character is the ability to laugh at oneself.

Although last week marked the installation of a new Free Press editorial staff, in no way was last week's debacle representative of the type of publication we intend to produce. Admittedly, we plan to be more liberal than past years and intend to introduce many new ideas and formats, while simultaneously producing a quality paper to properly represent Babson College. We're looking forward to a great 84-85 and hope that student input will be at an all-time high! Once again, I will take the opportunity to express, on the part of the Free Press, apologies to all those offended.

Sincerely,
Geoffrey P. Spillane
Co-Editor

Election Results

By Arthur Couture
News Editor

This year's student elections were marred with record turnouts and fierce competitiveness. Over 880 people voted or about two thirds of the undergraduate student body. Election results were very close for all offices but particularly in the office of V.P. Finance. The results of that race are still pending a recount next Thursday.

Although the race for Student Government President was not as fierce as that of V.P. Finance, this battle between President Elect Scott Root and his runner up Jim Sia had the highest voter turnout. President Elect Root took 434 of the 836 votes for 51.9% of the electorate while Sia took 420 votes for 48.1% of the student body. This ten percent difference translates into a mere 32 votes. This was definitely a good race.

The tentative winner of the office of V.P. Finance is Mark Rosen with 398 of the 787 voting. His opponent Ricki Nye narrowly missed the mark by 1% of the votes. The election is pending a recount next Thursday.

The position of V.P. Social Committee was won by Bill Qualy. He took the vote over Jack Blackshaw with 420 votes to Blackshaw's 344.

The position of V.P. Communications was taken by Chris Oates while the position of V.P. Licensing was taken by Mark Winnick. According to Student Body President John Skelly, not all of the votes have been counted for these two offices, but both of these offices were secured by approximately 70% of the vote.

Application Info

By Greg Hamer
News Contributor

Babson College received 1,614 applications for undergraduate freshman admission this year, the lowest number since 1977. This third consecutive decline (unbelievable, that is a time when a variety of colleges in the Northeast are reporting increases.

In spite of this trend, the quality of the applicants Babson has accepted remains on par with that of the last two freshman classes as determined by their mean SAT scores. Joseph Carver, Babson's Director of Undergraduate Admissions, states that a decline in the number of applicants was not unexpected. Demographic studies indicate that the number of high school graduates in the Northeast has been declining annually, and will continue to decline through the mid 1990's. Paradoxically, admissions officers at schools as diverse as Harvard and UMass-Boston are reporting increases in applications of 7% and 14% respectively. Brandeis has reported the most dramatic increase with 27%.

Uncharacteristically, unexpected upswings is a behavioral shift among applicants as, on average, each is applying to more schools than had been common before. This is forcing admissions offices such as Babson's to accept more applicants in order to meet their target class sizes. But, as Douglas Hartnagel, Dean of Enrollment Services at UMass-Boston has said, "I don't pay that much attention to application figures. The only thing that counts is who shows up on the first day of class."

In spite of their fewer numbers, Mr. Carver reveals that Babson has received less mediocre applicants this year. This has translated into a quality pool of accepted applications as reflected in their mean SAT scores which remained on par with those of the last two freshman classes despite the larger number used to calculate the mean. Still, he recognizes that as more candidates express interest in other schools by applying to them, demographics alone does not explain Babson's continued decline.

Several other factors which Mr. Carver mentions as affecting prospective applicants include increased competition, outside awareness of student dissatisfaction, and a housing policy that is at odds with Babson's image as a residential school.

First, Mr. Carver points out that competition with liberal arts schools has been increasing as they reposition themselves through improved management related programs such as economics and computer science. In lieu of this competition Babson's perceived specialization is viewed as a disadvantage because it requires students to "lay their cards on the table at the outset" in choosing their field of concentration.

Related to the second factor are Mr. Carver's comments on the causes of the 13.8% annualized increases in applications to Babson between 1973 and 1981. He comments, "This was a period of growth. In a way, Babson was doing a lot of things, programatically and administratively enhancing the institution and word of the enhancement got out and was heard. As a regional school, word disseminates easily to Babson's 30 traditional "feeder schools". These schools, from which Babson annually receives more than ten applicants, are located in the immediate eastern Massachusetts and Connecticut area. Today, though, he says, "Babson students don't feel that they are having as much fun as they should be, and it is getting out." He continues, "I don't really believe the student services area of our college is currently, or has recently received the amount of attention that an institution of this size needs to spend on that element."

Finally, Mr. Carver believes that there is a housing issue affecting prospective applicants. "When it comes down to quality matters, our campus looks good," he states, "but there are pieces where we're not putting our best foot forward. It's not housekeeping, it's philosophical. Students and parents perceive certain things when they look at Babson, such as that it is a residential school. Babson's policy of providing housing to only 72% of its students is a philosophical issue which is inconsistent with the way that it is perceived."

In conclusion, when addressed with the question, "what will happen to Babson in the coming years when demographic reality brings declines in applications to schools currently enjoying upswings?", Mr. Carver stated, "the quality schools will always survive."
Parody Issue Triggers Response

As Co-Editor, I take full responsibility for the publication of the Parody Issue last week. The unfortunate, timing, both with Parents' Weekend and with the arrival of the incoming freshmen on campus, made a poor paper that much worse. The paper clearly demonstrated how inexperienced the new staff is in selecting appropriate material. I am thankful that an incident such as this did not happen out in the real world, for at least here I may attempt to learn (the purpose of this school) from my mistakes with the aid of teachers and administrators. To my peers, I apologize to those of you whose personal integrity and character was either defamed or libeled in any way, shape or form. I hope that everyone will take this paper as intended: spirit of a parody, and not as an example of the future direction of the paper nor the capabilities of those who publish it.

Sincerely,
Paul J. Cuneo

Two weeks ago, an article entitled "Year In Review" was printed on Sports page. Due to the printing of the Parody Issue, a response was not possible until this time. The article sarcastically depicted athletic teams at Babson as a bunch of losers. To the Hockey Team, I offer my apology for taking the article seriously. Your National Championship could never be defamed in any way.

Sincerely,
Paul J. Cuneo

As the advisor to the Free Press listening to the reaction of the infamous "parody" issue, I think the campus needs to understand my role and what supervision I think the paper needs.

I did not see the issue before it came out -- the editor did mention a few articles she might want me to look at, but never showed me any. As advisor, I meet with a member of the staff after each issue is out, and give criticism and suggestions to improve future issues. Not only is the role of censor impossible -- the paper is put together late -- but the advice I give is often ignored.

Last Monday, it was an essay about the Free Press -- they should be responsible for what they print. That said, I am dismayed by some of what appeared. There were funny and witty moments, but too much was simply crude or crude. In part, the excesses of the paper are based on the burden of putting it out with only a few people, in part because students in general need to learn journalistic taste and ethics, and what constitutes responsible prose. The Free Press should be an irrevocable student voice, and step on a few toes -- unfortunately, the wrong toes were stepped on, and with a Mack Truck.

We need to come up with some system to curb the excesses of the paper without stifling (with, in fact, encouraging) controversy. One possibility: key members of the staff pay for independent study credits for work on the paper. The money would be used to hire an outside journalist to work with the students on Wednesday nights and other times. The student editor would still have the final say on what gets printed, but an outside person could provide professional guidance and teach journalism, and yet remain independent enough to avoid the taint of faculty or administration censorship. Students would still have their paper, but would also have the time to do a better job.

I want a paper that annoys people (for the right reasons), that gets the campus thinking and arguing, that can be both entertaining and informative. Though I wasn't happy with the parody issue, I'd be much happier if it was an out of context, the paper settled into safe blandness.

Responses welcome.
Sincerely,
Martin Tropp

To The Editors:

We are writing to offer our support to the total effect of the Parody Issue last week. In strict terms, Parody is defined by Webster's as a literary or musical work in which the style of the author is closely imitated for comic effect or ridicule. In this case the author is not an individual but the Free Press itself. Many felt the issue as we believe was comical and many felt it was a ridiculous example of a lack of responsibility and integrity. We feel that the issue as a whole has more to stir up this campus and get people motivated than any Founder's Day or Parents' Weekend that we can recall. In a strict sense all parody issues poke fun at individuals and organizations and we feel that it did a good "well-rounded" job in poking fun at many organizations and people. And although we and many others were not mentioned we were perfectly willing and fair game.

This is not and never was a concern to us because we have the right to participate in the formulation of the Free Press as all other Babson students do. We have the right to strike back at any comment just as hard as it was struck at us, hence the name Free Press. And although certain individuals and organizations were rather harshly treated, the overall effect was not to condemn organizations or individuals themselves but to stir up some controversy and get some emotion pumped into this campus where it is sorely needed. CLS is an excellent example of motivated people doing something to liven this place up. And although the Free Press' aim was not to denounce or advance any particular organization or set of values, the controversy it has stirred up is great. It's been so long since people have been able to talk about something controversial. Granted there are certain entities on this campus that are more controversial and liable to cause an uproar than others but how did you expect to drum up any criticism, emotion or humor by non-participation in a white playing fun on them.

If the Babson campus is concerned with the "snooty" in Odens, my guess is only one female present by the end of production night, why were there representatives from specific interest groups contributing articles or aiding in production. The Parody Issue more than any other is open season on any topic. At the same time the regular issues are open to criticisms, opinions and ideas in the editorial column. We are quite sure this issue will be the most popular ever and are glad to see it. Keep the pressure on, there's only 10% of the people that Babson awake at one time.

Quite Sincerely,
Gary D. Dewitt
John M. Carbone

Dear Mr. Spillane and Mrs. Cuneo,

I have, along with others, was appalled by this year's Parody Issue. I am sure that you have heard this from many in oral and written statements, but I would like to express my feelings anyway.

The headlines, articles, and photographs were done with no taste whatsoever. I do not know what writers are responsible for that trash, but I do know that you, as co-editors, are totally responsible for what was finally published.

You have disgraced myself as well as other Free Press staff who had nothing to do with your sick humor, and the Babson community. Prospective freshmen and freshmen visiting the campus Thursday and our parents here this weekend were amazed at what they thought was a typical representation of the school. I am ashamed to be associated with the Free Press, and regret the lack of responsibility and immaturity. I am pleased my name is not mentioned as being a contributor to the Parody Issue. Were you embarrased to sign your names?

I do not know you, Mr. Cuneo, but Geooff, you have let us down tremendously. I was not thrilled with the way the Free Press was run this past year, and felt that as co-editor I was treated with little respect. I was looking forward to a new editor, and thought that having two people sharing the position would be a great improvement. Obviously, you have been a let-down. Because of the lack of responsibility, among other primary qualifications a chief editor should have that the two of you have failed to show, I must resign from the Free Press staff.

I am anxious to see what actions are taken towards the editors of the paper as a whole. It is my suggestion that you step down from your positions as co-editors.

Sincerely,
Kimberley Johnson

First, I would like to extend my apology for all adverse comments or statements regarding athletic teams. I would like to bring to your attention the fact that the article was written as a parody so void a diatribe of the editor was put in the wrong
CLUB CORNER

Greek Council

This year the Greek Council will be sponsoring its first annual Greek Picnic on April 14, an activities which will be open to the campus will include:

Thursday April 12: Movie Night with the Film Society, 9:00 at Knight Auditorium.
Friday April 13: Happy Hour at the Pub. Fraternity Feud with RPM Disc Jockey.
Saturday April 14: Greek Picnic on the Back 40: 1:30-5:30 p.m. Games, Prizes and Fun!

Come celebrate with us and Sush's beer. Hope to see you there!

Class News

Freshman Class: Interested in getting involved in your class? Pick up your nomination sheet for class officers in Student Activities!

Juniors: Don't forget to sign up for our class picnic! Please send your meal ticket number to Box 671.

SJC

The Student Judicial Court is a forum through which any member of the Babson community may pursue a complaint against an undergraduate student. The purpose of the Court is to protect the rights of the Babson community and assure that each party receives fair process.

The Student Judicial Court is composed of 8 undergraduate students. At this time, the Court is seeking the new members to serve for the remainder of their stay at Babson. Applications are available at Administration Booth in Park Manor Central. All applications must be submitted to Box 2675 by Friday, April 20. Interviews will be held during the following week.

All interested undergraduate students are encouraged to apply. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Joyce Bell, Box 489.

Blood Drive

We want your help in collecting 300 pints of blood at our blood drive, Wednesday and Thursday, April 18 and 19, from 11-5 p.m. in Knight Auditorium.

“Buy it takes too much time and in too painful.” Nonsense!

Phonathon

Members of the Babson community are invited to participate in a phonathon to accepted students on Monday, April 16, 6-10 p.m. in Alumni Hall. This year the Admission Office is making an effort to contact all accepted students in a personal way. Our goal for the evening will be to contact the 300 students we have not been able to reach so far.

Participants may stay as long (or short) as they wish. We'll ask everyone to try to contact at least five to ten students and/or parents, answer their questions, and perhaps tell them of their experiences and impressions of Babson. Callers may even choose which students they call. Therefore, one could call all accepted students from his/her hometown or high school.

Current students can have the greatest impact on an accepted student's decision, however, we cordially invite and do need faculty and administrators to add their perspective and talk with parents.

There'll be plenty of refreshments. Perhaps even a toast in honor of all the marathoners of the day. Anyone interested in participating should contact the Admission Office, ext. 210 or feel free to just stop by Alumni Hall Monday evening.

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This year Founder's Day was dedicated to the memory of Raymond Kroc, a member of the Academy of Distinguished Entrepreneurs who passed away last January 14. While he was at Babson he told the audience at Founder's Day, "There are only two things that should mean anything, in my opinion, to people who want to get into business and serve the public. The first is work for applause, and the second is pride of accomplishment. Money has got to be put in a secondary position. You've got to work for something that you believe in, that you love." It is from the words of Mr. Kroc, and these great aspirational insights that we can gain inspiration and insight into the real business world on Founder's Day.

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Jon E. Carson accepts a special award from President William Dill.
A Babson Tradition

The Induction

Following the activities at Babson, the four distinguished entrepreneurs celebrated at a dinner in their honor at the Sheraton-Boston. Each entrepreneur was inducted into the Academy of Distinguished Entrepreneurs by President Dill. They then addressed the audience for the last time, sharing more thoughts and experiences.

The students at Babson are especially fortunate to have such a special program, and it is, as Prof. Timmons said, "something no other school in America has - and we thank you."

So, if you have a special bunny on your list, hop on down to the Babson College Bookstore and fill your Easter basket with cards from American Greetings.

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Flash to the Campus: RIDES NEEDED to Chicago after graduation (May 19) will share expenses. Call Jill at 431-8992 or send a note to Box 2456

Flash to Miss Jones: Filming of the sequel will begin tonight at 7:00. Please come to the studio prepared for new and interesting things.

Saturday Morning Directors

Flash to Babson Community: The Babson Standing Army wishes to thank all those who contributed to our efforts during the devastating snowstorm. Remember: We are looking out for your general welfare.

Sargent Hulka, Winger, Russell, Psycho, Murdock, Pace.

Flash to Forest Hall Trim Workers: The Forest Hall gym workers would like to salute Andy, Kesa, Rob, and Mike for serving us the slop. You guys have it real tough compared to us.

Flash to Jon: Bump, Bump, Bump, Snore!

Flash to Stephanie: Your accounting peers are pooling together to buy a gun with a "silencer" Get the picture.

Flash to Marybeth: Cape Cod Realtors are looking for you! Sunday nite Falmouth trips just have to be done again—Next Sunday! (So, where is Bellingham, anyway? !)

Flash to all Greeks: Get psyched for Greek week, April 9-14! Lots of fun things are planned. More into coming.

The Greek Week Committee.

Flash to Campus: Funk Out,Woman.

Flash to G.V.S.: Who was to know Sipping Brandy Alex anders and an attempt to sing at the piano bar would lead to a tour of Roxbury. Signed your slip- ping cohorts.

Flash to Donna: You were a drunken mess Saturday, but Donna still loves you.

-Midnight Writer

Flash to the Campus: Greek Week has just begun—get psyched.

Flash to the Campus: Have you signed up to give blood yet? Time is running out! Reserve those dates—April 16th and 19th— to the blood drive.

Flash to the Campus: Ride needed to Wyoming. Anyone travelling west (California, Colorado, Utah etc.) after graduation? Who wants someone to share expenses please call Jill at 431-8992 or send note to Box 2456

Flash to Rik: Did you have a good time with the "It's bag"—A girl outside the Asian Party.

Flash to Kodia: If it isn't so, then why is it?—Blaze

Flash to the world: If we don't have a Nuclear freeze soon, the human race will soon be history.

-Linda

Flash to Jeff M.: Oh, by the way Robin called, Beth called, Kathy called, Tammy called, Ruth called, Colette called, Jill called, Lisa called, Angela called, Robin called, Debbie called, Lynn called, Cecelia called and ch yew-your mother called! Don't forget to call her back.

Bottom of the basket: Goes to the extremely poor timing and content of last week's Free Press.
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McCl, Grads Hoop Champs

by Mark Akerson
Sports Staff

The long, grueling basketball season has finally ended and the champions have been crowned in each league. McCluggage II, as expected, rolled in Division I, while the Grads edged Coleman in the Division II championship.

In Division I, Forest edged McCluggage I by one point and McCluggage II beat North to send each team to the final. In the final game, Forest tried slowing the game down at the outset, but McCluggage II finally put its running game in gear and won easily, 62-42. Jeff Putulak scored 24 points and dominated the boards for McCluggage II, while Pete Delahanty played a great all-around game for Forest.

This McCluggage II team is the same North team that won the championship last year. So, ladies and gentlemen, one of the greatest dynasties in sports history has ended. Although everyone was out to beat this team, they rose to the occasion time and time again, and won the championship as I predicted. Many basketball buffs have called this team "the greatest intramural team in the country" and it is only appropriate that I list the team members: Jeff Putulak, Andy Cole, Paul Cunningham, Scott "Dude" Smith, Dave Poon, Jim "Ice" Ward, and finally myself. In the Division II final, the Grads edged out Coleman, 43-40. The game seesawed back and forth, and only timely misses from the foul line prevented Coleman from winning it all. This is the second year in a row that the Grads have won the Division II championship, and congratulations are in order. Bridges, Rimpas and Margolis pumped in 10 points each for the Grads, while Kevin Moynihan led Coleman with 15.

The 3 on 3 basketball tournament for the men will be played next week on Wednesday and Thursday night from 7 to 9. All teams participating should show up Wednesday at 7. The schedule is posted outside Donna Caruso's office in Peavy Gymnasium. This will be a double elimination tournament.

The ice hockey tournament begins next week and the schedule is as follows for next week:

4/16 Monday game 1 11:00 South/Central vs. Coleman/Pub 12:00 Bryant vs. McCluggage/Pitz.

4/18 Wednesday game 1 11:00 South/Central vs. Bryant 12:00 McCullough/Pitz vs Coleman/Pub.

Each team will play against every team twice, and the top two teams will play for the final.

Rugby Rips UV

By Bill Bocarreba
Sports Staff

With the R.U.R.C.'s traditional battlefield (the Back 40) 3 inches underwater, the team traveled to the wind swept fields of St. Sebastian's Academy in Newton, to face the fierce成 Catamounts of UVM. After running UVN's homecoming 12-8 last fall, the "cats" were out for blood on our parents' weekend.

The first half opened with tremendous scrumming on Babson's part. Led by Andy "I have a rip in my sleeve" Pappadimitriou and Bob "I'm a senior" Wahler, the scrummers dominated play, coming close to UVN's try zone several times, but not scoring. The few times UVN managed to get the ball in our end, Russ Mucklow kicked the ball out, but the price was high. Russell's shirt was dirtied for the first time in recent memory.

Babson started the second half with new momentum. With Kevin "He Man" Cough breaking tackles every time he carried the ball and Rich Freeman kicking superbly, the back started gaining ground. Babson could not crack the Vermont try line but got three points on a fine penalty kick by spiritual leader Nick Hathaway. Vermont countered with an excellent dropkick by former high school star Phil Lashio of Newton. Babson quickly responded with two more penalty kicks by Hathaway for a final score of 9-3. Babson's record stands at 2-0, and they will play Holy Cross at 1:00 this Saturday at the Back 40. Also, on Sunday, at 1:00 we will have the Alumni game, featuring such old heroes as Bill Anderson, Tim Donnelly, Charlie Harrington, Bob "BeeF" Brady and of course Ken Jasper.

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

This week's athlete of the week is freshman John Sauber of the Tennis team. Sauber posted a 3-0 singles record and a 2-1 doubles record to lead Babson. As noted by coach Serge Bebari, "Johann is a great addition to our already talented team." Sauber is from Maples, Florida.