LEADERSHIP

Group tackles lack of female leadership

By Etzioni Boykin and Cindy Troupe

Seven months after a Princeton University committee released a report addressing the challenges facing female leaders on campus, students are still debating how to increase the number of women in elected positions at the University and improve their ability to lead.

The Steering Committee on Undergraduate Women’s Leadership released the report this year outlining some of the reasons women don’t seek elected positions, including lack of encouragement from the community and a scarcity of female mentors to encourage the students.

Among faculty and students, the lack of women in elected leadership positions on campus has long been a topic for debate. In fact, the problem has been critical enough that University President Shirley Tilghman formed the Steering Committee in February 2010 and called for a report. The committee is due to present its findings to the University’s Board of Trustees in April.

“Women are often relegated to lower-level positions,” said one female student. Yet the committee’s report states that women barely make up 10 percent of the student body and 8 percent of the faculty, indicating a need for more women in leadership positions.

The Steering Committee’s report said that it is important for women to have the opportunity to serve in leadership roles on campus and that the lack of women in these positions is due in part to the fact that women are not always encouraged to run for office.

But the point about lack of encouragement is not the only issue the report addresses. The Steering Committee also notes that women are often not given the opportunity to run for office because they lack the necessary experience, skills or time.

The report also calls for more women to be involved in the decision-making process on campus and for more women to be appointed to key positions that are currently held by men.

The report concludes with several recommendations, including the following:

- Encourage women to run for office by providing them with the necessary skills and experience.
- Create opportunities for women to run for office by setting aside time in the academic calendar for election campaigns.
- Provide resources to help women run for office, such as workshops and training sessions.

The report also encourages the University to hire more women in leadership positions and to provide more opportunities for women to serve in leadership roles.

SWEET TREATS

New fave sweetsens cupcake business

By Malina Callis

CAMPUS PARK, CA

At first, Balthus Rodricks dismissed the email that would change her life.

It was August 2010, and the Rodricks were running a struggling cupcake shop in Princeton. Balthus thought the email from the Food Network show “Cupcake Wars” was just another advertising play.

But the show, which had learned about the Rodricks’ cupcakes through an anonymous tip, proved to be a lot more than that for the family.

Now, a year later, they’re booming cupcake stroll where the sell up to 800 cupcakes in 20 different varieties per day.

On a recent Monday afternoon, customers lined up on Witherspoon Street to experience the new-famous House of Cupcakes. Several flavors had already been sold out, and customers crowded around to see what it was about.

“It’s phenomenal,” Balthus said. “So many people find us that don’t know we’re here. We’re busy right now.”

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ECONOMY IN CRISIS

Debt deal frustrates Princeton

By Yasmeen Vargas

CLAYTON, N.J.

Many lawmakers on Capitol Hill turned against each other during the debt-ceiling debate, but the public in Princeton was turning against them.

“They are like children, hiding around and crying,” complained Daniel Faber, a Princeton professor, as he left a town-hall meeting on July 30.

Last Monday, in an effort to avoid a possible credit default, Congress was finally able to reach an agreement to raise the debt ceiling in exchange for large cuts in federal spending. The final vote was delayed until Wednesday.

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Prof. talks economic woes

By Farah Amjad and Katherine Arciniega

WEESAKY, CA, AND CAMDEN, N.J.

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INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

Expired medicine sold in New York City stores

This article was reported by the Princeton University Summer Journalism Program. The investigation was written and edited by Katherine Arciniega, debido Faraj and Jenny Tang.

NEW YORK — Despite several recent high-profile lawsuits by New York State authorities, some New York City drug stores and pharmacies continue to stock expired medicines, a Princeton University investigation has found.

On Tuesday, 21 student reporters visiting more than 20 stores in Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens and the Bronx found dozens of expired or near-expired drugs on the shelves.

The Drug Enforcement Administration estimated that the nation’s drugstores sold about 683.7 billion prescriptions in 2010 and that Americans purchased 1.7 million prescriptions daily.

New York law prohibits the sale of any over-the-counter medications — ranging from infant vitamin supplements to anti-nausea medication to pain relievers — at several large chain stores, including CVS, Duane Reade, Rite Aid and Walgreens.

Though the vast majority of medications examined at those stores were not expired, New York law prohibits the sale of any over-the-counter medications after the date marked on the label as indicative of the date beyond which the content cannot be expected beyond reasonable doubt to be safe and effective.

In addition, most drug stores’ official policies require immediate disposal of expired medications from shelves. For example, according to the CVS website, “Disposal of medications will work only as long as they are handled. Taking them safely means storing them properly, reading all specific instructions carefully, and not using them after the recommended amount of time or expiration date.”

Lawmakers continue to look for improving areas with several major drug store chains. See EXPRESSED page 10

Economy to play role in 2012 elections

By Antonius Duvall

As the debt-ceiling debate unfolded last week, both Democrats and Republicans were aware that the controversy would frame the 2012 presidential election. In a recent Gallup poll, President Obama’s approval rating stood at 42 percent, down from a high of 68 per cent election page 1

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University reinvents EA after four-year hiatus

By Jessica Khaitkes and Soledad Mendez

BROOKLYN, N.Y. — After hints of the end, last week’s Electronic Arts laid off hundreds of workers at its Brooklyn studio.

This fall, prospective students of Princeton University will have the opportunity to plunge into a shadowy post of consumer as the University reinvents its annual summer journalism program.

Under the new plan, called “single-cause, single-cause action,” applicants will be allowed to apply to only Princeton and Stanford.

The University will respond to each early applicant with one of three responses: accept, reject or defer. Admitted students will still be able to apply to other schools in the regular decision process.

The change is not expected to affect the school’s overall admissions rate, which was 38 percent in 2011.

“The best part is that students who decided that Princeton is their first choice will get the same opportunity as if they applied early,” Princeton Dean of Admissions Janet Koplow said.

Princeton suspended its binding early-decision program in 2007 because Committee on Admissions officials were concerned it was creating stress for students at a disadvantage. But the University changed its mind in February.

The decision followed a site visit in January. See EARLY ACTION page 1

Businesses unfazed by new Oqoba on Nassau

By Stephanie Ramirez

SOMERSET, N.J.

Some college campuses have them. Pined just outside the campus gate, they’re waiting, tempting people with their mind-blowing pictures and alluring promises. Whether bought by other businesses or local freelance artists, they’ll always find them — chain motorcycle parts.

Recently, Oqoba opened on Nassau Street, modified See NASSAU page 1

DANCING THE AFTERNOON AWAY

Local residents enjoyed a performance in Palmer Square on July 30. For complete coverage, see page 2

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**Band entertains in Palmer Square**

By Rajan Eltont

On July 30, members of the Sandy Zi Band assembled in the Square to play a free concert in Palmer Square in Princeton. They performed covers of various music, including The Rolling Stones, Michelle Branch and Juan Santana.

The band’s drummer, Bob “Bubba” Buncombe, emphasized, “In order for band members to prepare for a gig, they are required to know all of the music they are going to play.”

At each performance, the band focuses on its different points. The particular performance focused on Sandy Zi Ballet, the lead vocals, and keyboard player. “It’s easy to spotlight names else where when you playing with people you enjoy. Eltonisfiedher.”

About 30 people attended the performance. Ed and Michelle Uttley, an elderly married couple, danced during the concert. Other audience members watched them. “That was the ranch.” Laura said after she finished dancing.

Also dancing to the music was Sandy Zi Ballet, the lead vocals, and keyboard player. “It was a great surprise.” Cathy Wininger, who was visiting from Pennsylvania, said. “Tell them I wish they could do this every day.”

For the band, the music is easy to perform. “It’s a nice time for people to relax, to go of their concerns, and interact with each other.”

**Concert unites residents**

By Jimmy Tang

Approximately 30 people of all ages gathered in Princeton’s Palmer Square on July 30 in a love for music and the living culture in the area. Among the spectators were two kids, young adults, and a few regulars, who were dancing on the maroon. “Not good enough for Nazima with the Stars.”

“Not only do we love these performances, we love the costumes.”

The Sandy Zi Band, for the third week in a row “there are different types of music, very every week.”

A woman, who was dancing on the maroon, on the Sandy Zi Band and had brought her performance with an original song “All That I Am.”

“I think the area is getting busier for the rest of the year.”

**No fatalities in car accident on Witherspoon Street**

By Jessica Khainsim

As pedestrians walked around Hinds Place on July 30 at approximately 4 p.m., they saw something out of the ordinary. Michael Goodwin, Robert Michael, John Chinchilla, and Joe DiPierro, crashed his white Cadillac into another car and then rolled over the Brinberg Street parking garage. It was a close encounter for many people. The square was resonated on a beautiful Saturday night. It was a miracle that no bystanders got hurt, witnesses said.

“Wow, that was scary.” The last person was walking five feet away from the accident, said Eileen Rocine, the garbage attendant.

An older gentleman blew the stop sign. The dot lin people, said Helen Stamp, a pedestrian from Princeton:

Before melding into the wall of the parking garage, Allie, who is a Torino driver by Brian Houser on Hullick Street, according to Princeton Borough Police Dep- artment spokesman Capt. Nick Burt.

Allie then jumped a curb at the intersection of Wil- liamson Street and Hullick Street and proceeded down a long walkway before striking the brick wall of the parking garage.

Hassan was not hurt in the accident. Allie went to Hullick Field Medical Center and all over New Jersey hospital. He is still in the hospital of Asbury County.

“There was severe damage to car.” Burt said, adding “that means measures workers had to use a lift to remove the vehicle from the garage.”

The relaxing environment, — location of the hospital, the combination of both, the comfort of the garage, was an attractive place of the dance in front of the stage, across few pedestrians people came to listen to the band.

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**Rumba meets rock**

By Nicholas Martin

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**Local rock group entertains crowd**

By Autumn Douglas

On July 30, a small group gathered in Palmer Square for a free concert. The band, Coburn Zia, a composer and singer, who has grown up in Princeton, has been playing concert for the past few years. Others, than has played with the band for seven years and has played the base without taking lessons since he was nine years old.

“My favorite things about the concert are the audience,” Coburn said.

In addition, Coburn added, “I played on six different groups.”

The band played many different music, including “Lallaloopy” by Anna Nikol and “Lay Me Down” by Mr- Zoon.

The Sandy Zi Band did have a sense of humor and sang along with. The band, Coburn, Whitman, and Ed Br- der.

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Former Obama aide offers insight into economic diverse 

Economy to play key role in 2012 elections

Princeton residents interviewed last week expressed a variety of opinions about whether Obama will or should lose in 2012. “Obama has done a lot,” said one Princeton resident, “but he’s gotten burned by the economy. When you can’t even take a balanced budget, how the hell is he going to expand on that?”

Others argued that Obama has a chance “as long as he focuses on growth and trade, there is a strong possibility that Obama will be reelected,” Mike Abbondanza, ’77, said.

Austin Geymus put it this way: “It’s been a shaky ride. Most of the problems haven’t been caused by him, . . . if there is a message of growth over time, it can work.”

Rector Piddila, ’19, wasn’t sure what would happen. “It all depends on how Obama is on certain topics,” he said.

Conservative political blogger Robert George said the situation was not looking good for Obama. “If the election was today, he would be defeated,” George said. However, he emphasized that the situation could change quickly, explain- ing, “The economy is the single most important fundamental driver.”

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ALIENS AT THE O.K. CORRAL

By Nicholas Moravec
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

On one hand, I thought that James Bond and Indiana Jones came in the same film, would score a success. It turns out, maybe not as much.

Set during the Gold Rush era, the movie “Cowboys & Aliens” follows the journey of Jake Lonergan (Daniel Craig), a man who has no memory of his identity. Lonergan finds himself in the town of Absolution, a small town that is not very welcoming to outsiders. Under the supervision of a ruthless cattle baron Colonel Valentine Oberholtzer (Jude Law), the town experiences an alien invasion. While the town resists, Lonergan at first, is unsure of what he is. He is the only hope of salvation from a technologically advanced, extraterrestrial race. As he slowly recovers, he begins to discover the alien’s motivations and the complicated relationship between different socio-cultural groups.

Overall, the film is tolerable, and not a complete failure. But the dialogue was an ultimate disappointment. The movie failed to avoid a script full of platitudes. Character development was terrible, cliched lines, such as Sheriff John Tipton’s encounter with Lonergan, when Jake says, “I wouldn’t do that if I were you,” as for the sheriff’s估计e-8 with a weapon. The line is a movie cliché that feels so antiquated as the first audio-plot in film. Another disappointment was the lack of character development, especially among some characters—the townspeople and the alien—seems to function only as targets for the bad and the evil. What saves the film from total failure is the execution of some well-written, traditional scenes against an alien antagonist. The movie illustrates the society of the Old West by clearly depicting the divisions between the cowboys and the Native American tribes. As a result of the alien invasion, these two different cultures find a choice but to stand together. Not only does this temporary unification happen between different races but also different individuals. For instance, in the beginning of the film, Lonergan and Oberholtzer have an antagonistic relationship. When they realize they must join forces to defeat the common threat—the alien—their relationship takes an important turn. They form an alliance.

Another aspect of the film that helps “Cowboys & Aliens” remains a bit of appeal to viewers is its impressive design of cinematography. The mood and tone of each scene is emphasized with dynamic lighting. By the same token, the movement and color elements of the camera capture the atmosphere of the Old West as well as the action-packed moments of this movie. Eminent producer and director Steven Spielberg collaborated with director Jon Favreau for this film. Spielberg once directed “J. Edgar” earlier this year. The movie was a box-office hit, and its success is owed to Spielberg’s skills in changing the dialogue into something more compelling. The director has decided to depart from this formula. Though this movie has its moments of originality and themes, it also can be perceived as cliché. But it definitely is not one worth staying in DVD for.

Despite Hollywood A-list, movie lacks ammo

By Autumn Clouden
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

The title speaks for itself. “Cowboys & Aliens,” set around the Gold Rush era in 1873, follows an amnesiac cowboy who enters a western town and has to help it defeat a mysterious alien invasion. Directed by Favreau, who’s also known for his mixed environment of old western and modern science-fiction, actor Daniel Craig portrays the inner coconutter, accompanied by an ex-chief of Harrison Ford as a tribune Colonel Valentine Oberholtzer, searching for his son, and Olivia Wilde as Ella, a strange woman, with a hidden past. This simple plot falls in the combination of over-the-top western, weak plot development, weak characters and a plot line buyer.

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The film is worth watching if you enjoy a film with a realistic storyline and a bit of artistic flair.

By lazy voy

I'm strange that the most memorable line of "Beginners" is all dressed to a dog?

Yes, with your people," says the main character Oliver, played by Swan McGregor. Oliver should not be doing out advice like he's the Dear Abby columnist. He has too many problems of his own.

Oliver is a failure at maintaining or even starting a relationship with someone other than the Jack Russell terrier Arthur. As a writing art, Oliver grossly off the importance that he is perpetually stuck in those awkward teen years. Though he's 36, he has trouble acting his age.

Oliver receives the shock of his life after his mother dies. First his slightly father Hal, played by Christopher Plummer, says he's gone. Then, Hal develops cancer. They both try their best to rekindle a relationship that was lost over the years. Oliver tries to be an understanding as possible as he watches Hal experience the life he's always wanted swinging movie nights, dancing at gay clubs, and even introducing his son to his much younger, Andy Giampa. Through Hal is terminally ill, he has a certain lust for life that Oliver lacks. After his father's death, Oliver becomes antisocial, ignoring his friends and only conversing with Arthur. His friends are as worried about him that they decide to drag him to a party to cheer him up. It's at this party that he meets a French actress named Anna (Mélissa Laureau). Their meeting is reminiscent of an old, silent movie, as Anna communicates with Oliver through a mirror-- pad since she has laryngitis. Their lack of communication will serve as the basis of their tumultuous relationship. Neither of them should even be getting into a relationship with each other, as Anna's four of committed newlyweds Oliver's lack of social skills. Since the movie is filled with talented actors, there is no complaint about the overall performance. But in many other typical independent films, the main character seems to be as this incredible journey to "find himself." The movie comes off as a cliché at it times to focus on a quirky and unsteady character who ends up falling in love despite all his difficulties. The film jumps from scene to scene in three different time periods, which includes Oliver's "troubled" childhood. Hal's last five months, and Oliver's relationship with Anna after Hal's death. The plot is probably nonlinear due to the fact that there has to be something in there to disrupt the audience from its bizarreness. However, this does not make the movie easily stimulating and fails to hold the viewer's attention. The movie isn't entirely horrible, as there are a few memorable and funny moments. But the fact that most of the scenes that made the audience laugh involved the dog is telling.
A decade of success

Through hard work and dedication, the students of the 2011 Princeton University Summer Journalism Program have made a valuable part of SIP's 10-year success story.

Despite our different backgrounds, we formed strong educational partnerships with the help of the counselors and directors. They were completely devoted to providing us with educational, social and professional opportunities. We thoroughly enjoyed the workshops, where we learned how to approach strangers, and became fluent in different styles of journalism.

We applied the knowledge and skills we gained to perhaps our greatest project of the program: the investigative article. Armed with maps and our notes, we dispersed throughout New York City to uncover unreported food products and medications in pharmacies. Though our reporting sometimes rattled feuilleurs, we displayed courage by confronting store managers and questioning customers about an important public health issue.

SIP was not only about hard work. We were able to enjoy a base- ball game together, while also seeing some classic American movies such as “Cowboys & Aliens” and “Beginners.”

To be sure, we could have used more sleep and less stress times to times. But in the end, as we faced the inevitability of returning to our day-to-day lives after SIP, we realized that it was more than just worth it. So, we all agreed to refrain from speaking about the dreaded end.

Nevertheless, this is not the end. SIP is a long-term commitment. Counselees not only help us with our college applications, but they also help us even after we are accepted into college by offering endless guidance and resources for internships. We learned this when SIP saw SIP alumni return to the program as counselors. The founders have never given up on their students. SIP alumni have gone on to write for and edit their college newspapers and intern at places like The New York Times and NBC.

All in all, we are extremely grateful to have been accepted into such a highly selective program. We know that SIP will continue to change our lives, and the lives of future stu- dents — for many years to come.

STAFF EDITORIAL

Condoms not the only protection

Soledad O'Brien

As Africa South of the Sahara faces a sexual and reproductive health crisis, the issue of condom use is not only a matter of personal choice, but one of public health. In fact, the latest data from the World Health Organization shows that only 11% of women in the region use condoms. This is a concern because of the high rates of HIV and other sexually transmitted infections in the region.

The lack of access to contraception and reproductive health services is a major obstacle to reproductive rights in the region. Women and girls in the region have limited access to sexual and reproductive health services, which can lead to unintended pregnancies and unsafe abortions.

In order to address this crisis, it is important to increase awareness about the use of condoms and other forms of contraception. This can be achieved through campaigns and education programs that encourage people to use condoms and other forms of contraception.

Furthermore, it is important to ensure that sexual and reproductive health services are accessible and affordable for all people. This can be achieved through increased funding for reproductive health services and the provision of quality services.

A failed intervention in Libya

On March 17, the United Nations Security Council adopted resolution 1973, which approved the use of armed force against Libyan military forces. The resolution called for a no-fly zone over Libya to protect civilians from air strikes on civilians and civilians in the areas of conflict.

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Absence education isn't enough

Jimmy Tang Hsia, C.H.L.

The Urban States has the highest rate in the industrialized world, according to the National Congress of State Legislatures. And naturally, the same study found that the states which do the best likely to complete their high school education, thus in- creasing their risks of living in poverty. The question then is: How can we help these students?

There is one measure that would help greatly: Increase the number of students who take sex education courses. There are currently 30 states that require schools to offer sex education courses, according to NCSE. But this means that 35 states do not require sex education courses. What’s more, according to a 2004 survey by the National Public Radio, about 30 per cent of schools that do offer sex education teach their students based on their teacher’s personal curriculum. The result is that

too many American teenagers never have a chance to talk to their friends or parents about sex education. Opponents of sex education often argue that exposing high school students too early in the discussion of sex might make them act before they are ready to practice it. But let’s face it: Figures show that students are going to have sex whether or not we discuss the issues. The statistics bear that out. In 1995, the National Center for Education Statistics’ National Center for Education and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention found that 75% of 16-19 year-old high school students admitted that they had sex at least once. According to that same survey, about 55% of these high school students who have had sex stated that they have used condoms. One reason why this number might be lower is the lack of sex education. According to a survey by Jonathan of the University of Minnesota, who studied 26 different states that provide sex education courses, found that the majority of the students who received their education in sex education courses were more likely to use condoms. However, in the midst of all of this concern for sex education, there is one group that has been left behind on the issue: the young people of color. The National Center for Education Sciences found that the census found that 30% of young people of color were living in poverty. The controversy surround- ing sex education students was when the young people of color were not included in the importance Auerbach held within their community. Even though Auerbach’s argument is logical, I still believe that the present system inside schools and the fact that the school is a public institution is crucial to the goal of reaching greater equality and justice. Publicly enacted sex education programs are intended to reach a wide range of students, and they are intended to reach all students, including those who are hardest to reach. The Constitutional right to education does not have to be ignored if the student is a member of a group that is traditionally excluded from education. Further, as long as there are student-made decisions about what the curriculum should include, it is not exclusive or discriminatory.

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Park 51 serves to further understanding

Rajee Eid Dhrissi

S ence we moved ‘Sharia’ painted in bloody red letters on the side of a wall, we realize how mar- velous and insightful New York City is. One of the worst attacks in Park 51, the much discussed Islamic place of worship in New York City, was a transformer. Speakers at protests organized by the United Nations on Aug. 15, 2010 came down on Park 51 in favor of justice and understanding against the construction and center continued to maintain the meaning of the Quran and their racial and ethnic identity. The event opened up wide discussion about freedom of speech and disagreement toward Islam. Brooklyn is the most diverse and thriving city, only about 50 people live in the neighborhood, but for the Park 51 project, many people from the community participated in the construction of Park 51, and I believe many of the arguments against it, including both at the press conference and on the Internet, are actually aligned with racism and big- otry toward Islamic people. The controversy surround- ing Park 51 serves to further understanding.

Shannon Lambert

I was at an evening high school English class at my new high school when I found out that the class would end after one hour. My new high school that this school and the English class are not very successful. I checked me most that many students did not learn much, and I spent many of my time learning how to guess my grades. It meant me realize that learning from other countries instead of just guessing my grade is not the best way to learn. The education system is in need of many ways. The education system is in need of many ways.

U.S. has a lot to learn

Jessica Morales

A MERICAN schools view at- titudes in sports as a form of entertainment, but they have no idea that certain students are deprived of these sports and study. Over the years, more and more students have been in the care of technology, and they can now use their smartphones or computers to access the internet and the social media. The number of students who use their phones in school has increased to 70%.

These phones are supposed to be prescribed to students with conditions such as Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder, depression, and anxiety. But surprisingly, some of these conditions improve or disappear when they use their cell phones. According to the Journal of Neurosciencs, 69% of students with serious emotional disorders use their cell phones, often in good health and don’t need the depression medication to get by. However, some students are still not allowed to use their phones during class, and they can’t compete with students who use them.

D eeply into the 2008 presidential campaign, Barack Obama promised to bring the United States back to the reliance to the tens of thousands of students threatened by deportation because their parents are undocumented or illegal. He invoked a phrase associated with the black farmer movement, translated in English as “Yes, we can’t.” That phrase was inspired by his message of hope that gave people the courage to finally be a solution to the in- justice that many people suffer, espe- cially for youth. It was in 2012, after the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that the law was unconstitutional, that President Obama announced the decision, and Obama has yet to keep his promise to some of the same people who helped push his victory.

The Dream Act, or Senate Bill 1615, a recently revived bipartisan legislation, addresses an overwhelming need to provide legal status for young people who have been in the United States for at least five years. Immigrant students have expec- ted to secure their future in society. Each year, parents bring their children to the United States in the hopes that they will get a college education and learn to lead a better life. Without the Dream Act, young people need legal status to have a chance to exist in society. DREAM Act allows young people to avoid deportation and obtain legal status. It is a dream for many young people. Despite four defeat, Operation Dream Act, introduced by Senator John McCain and introduced by Senator John McCain, has been reintroduced in Congress. Even if Obama has yet to keep his promise, his victory is still an ally for those who CAN(E) to refuse to act. Adi.}

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Marriage doesn't need government

Stephanie Ramirez

In June, New York became the sixth state to legalize same-sex marriage. The bill was approved on a 4-3 vote. The state now joins 26 others, with the help of four Republican legislators, to pass marriage equality. Senator Mark Grisanti, one of the four Republicans who voted in favor of the bill, said, "When you have a situation where a person, a human being, is a taxpayer, a voter, a citizen, and you work in this district and across this state, the State of New York, and those taxes go to support the great state that it is and the people who work in it on a daily basis, a marriage bill became necessary." While it is important to support and protect the rights of all individuals, including those in the LGBTQ community, the issue of marriage equality continues to be a contentious one. The question of whether marriage should be defined as a union between a man and a woman or whether it should be expanded to include same-sex couples is a topic of debate and discussion. As the debate continues, it is important to remember the importance of equality and the rights of all individuals to be treated fairly and with respect.
Conquering the invisible enemy of PTSD

Julian Marcuso

It was 2005, and at the age of 22, I was back in the states, recuperating from a 13-month deployment in Iraq and Afghanistan. I was still struggling with the aftermath of combat. My PTSD made everyday tasks seem daunting. I would often wake up in a sweat, heart pounding, and feel like I was reliving the horrors of war. I was afraid to go out in public, to socialize, or even to look at pictures of combat. I was terrified of the memories of my time in Iraq, and I was ashamed of my weaknesses.

I had been diagnosed with PTSD by a psychologist after my return from Iraq. She prescribed medication and urged me to seek therapy, but I was reluctant to open up about my experiences. I knew that talking about my trauma would be difficult, but I also knew that it was necessary for my recovery.

I started seeing a therapist weekly, and I began to understand the impact of my PTSD on my life. I learned that PTSD is a chronic and complex disorder that can affect every aspect of a person's life. I learned that PTSD is a normal response to trauma, but that it can become a disability if left untreated.

I also learned that there are effective treatments for PTSD, including medication, therapy, and trauma-focused cognitive-behavioral therapy. I started taking medication to help manage the symptoms of my PTSD, and I began to work with a therapist who specialized in trauma-focused cognitive-behavioral therapy.

The therapy sessions were challenging, but they were also empowering. I learned how to recognize and manage the symptoms of PTSD, and I began to see progress in my recovery.

I also started to engage in activities that I enjoyed, such as hiking, cycling, and reading. I found that these activities helped me to distract from my thoughts of war and to focus on my present.

I continued to see my therapist for several months, and I gradually began to feel more in control of my symptoms. I was able to go out in public, to socialize, and to enjoy the company of others.

I also began to share my experiences with others, both in person and online. I wanted to help others who were struggling with PTSD, and I knew that my story could inspire others to seek help for their own trauma.

I continue to see my therapist regularly, and I feel much better now than I did when I first sought treatment for PTSD. I am proud of the progress I have made, and I am grateful for the support of my family and friends.

I have learned that recovery from PTSD is a journey, and that there is no single path to recovery. I have also learned that it is important to be patient with oneself and to seek help when needed.

I hope that by sharing my story, I can help others who are struggling with PTSD to seek the help they need. I believe that recovery is possible, and that with the right treatment, anyone can overcome the challenges of PTSD.

I encourage anyone who is struggling with PTSD to seek help. There is help available, and there is hope for recovery.


**INVESTIGATIVE REPORT**

**Expired food, medications found in New York drug stores**

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In 2001, CVS was cited by New York State for having expired medications on its shelves. Although the company signed an “Ace star” agreement to correct the problem, an investigation in 2000 stated that it would “refuse from accepting expired (over the counter) medications and put in place procedures to ensure that all medications on the shelves are identifiable and removed from CVS stores.”

Then, between March and May 2000, the New York Attorney General’s office discovered that 141 New York CVS stores—about 60 percent of the stores it inspected—were selling expired drugs, infant formula, and eggs, some more than two years past expiration.

In November 2009, New York State reached an $873,000 settlement with the CVS chain at ending its sale of expired products. CVS had approximately 430 stores in the state at the time.

Rite Aid also has a history of stockpiling expired medications. A 2008 investigation by the New York Attorney General revealed that Rite Aid had expired medications on shelves in 43 percent of its Rite Aid stores visited.

In December 2008, New York State reached a $3.2 million settlement with Rite Aid, which had approximately 270 stores in the state as of the date of the settlement.

Despite these settlements, the Sunnyside supermarket investigation revealed that these chains, along with other drug stores, continue to sell expired medications in New York City.

For example, Summer Journal reporters found expired over-the-counter medications and vitamin supplements at Duane Read stores in Brooklyn, Manhattan, and the Bronx, and on the shelves of Duane Read in Brooklyn, Manhattan, and the Bronx in 2011.

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**Committee of faculty, students reports on female leaders**

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The committee met regularly until December 2001, when it selected three administrators.

Several of the women said they had not heard about the committee.

"We needed more students in this meeting," said Helen Haynes ’11, a former committee member and graduate student, when asked about some of the concerns about the committee.

The committee was too small in priority, as stated in its report. The committee was made up of five women, a majority of whom were not female.

Women who served on the committee said they had been encouraged to serve as a part of women’s advancement.

Women recommended strengthening peer-to-peer advocacy in several ways, the report stated. Such recommendations included strengthening mentorship programs for women, creating more gender-based stereotypes, and increasing media coverage of leadership training.

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‘Cupcake Wars’ winners enjoy newfound business success

CUPCAKES

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here before. . . . it was an absolutely crazy experience — yet it was a lot of fun at the same time.

Ruthie’s husband Ron, 48, acknowledged that at first he was surprised by the idea of starting a cupcake business. “I just thought, ‘cupcakes?’ I never really heard about the cake before,” he said. “She had this crazy idea in her head, and she found the plan.”

But the business did not flourish immediately for the BakeShack. The store opened just as the economy was beginning to struggle, and Ruthie and her staff were left wondering if customers would ever come calling.

An opportunity they could not refuse

The BakeShack, which is located at 4414 W. Grand Ave., has recently seen a surge in business, thanks to a recent feature on “Cupcake Wars.”

The BakeShack agreed to participate in the show after being pitched against another group for a spot on the show. After being challenged by a bakery from Chicago, the BakeShack created unique recipes like their tomato soup cupcakes. Despite its initial failure, Ron became a star on a night of competition.

“Ruthie has always been like this,” he said. “From the day one, she started running on the show.”

Today, Ruthie does not know who played the many-named character in the family’s cupcakes. But what she does know is that “Cupcake Wars” has helped her family reach its business in ways they had never imagined.

Since winning the BakeShack has seen its popularity skyrocket. The business is now able to add more shelves to their bakery to accommodate their new offerings. They also plan to begin offering new items such as cheese cupcakes, donuts, cake pops and pies.

They have been careful about accepting offers for mass production, however, because they want to keep control of their products.

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Hughes pulls his weight
Former rower makes splash as men's cox coach

By Jenny Choi and Lucy Toy

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