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Steve's Bagels Moves into Vernon

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NEWS EDITOR

A new addition has been made to on-campus dining options at Trinity. Since the closing of Goldberg's Bagels in the spring of 2018, the kitchen space in Vernon Social has remained empty. However, this fall 2019 semester, the breakfast and lunch restaurant Steve's Bagels will occupy the space. The decision to replace Goldberg's and provide students with another on-campus dining option was made at a forum open to the community regarding potential improvements that could be made to Vernon Social. The Office of Student Activities, Involvement, and Leadership (SAIL) led this meeting

and spearheaded the decision to make the addition.

Nikia Bryant, Director of SAIL, had a chance to meet with the owner of Steve's Bagels, Steven DiGiorgio, a University of Hartford Graduate. Bryant said, "[Steven] is excited to be a part of our community. He was very receptive to the idea of hiring students to work for him and showed great interest in developing a service similar to Door-dash, where food would be delivered to students' rooms. During the Vernon open house in July, he also brought copies of his menu so students could see the types of food available at Steve's. From what I understand, we'll have a modified

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Football Team Looks Ahead to Fall Season

MATEO VAZQUEZ '21
SPORTS EDITOR

As students are beginning to come back to campus, many student athletes have already been at Trinity preparing for their upcoming season. This fall is promising for the Bantams, as it could be the second time that the football team wins the NESCAC four years in a row. Previously, this has only been done by the Bantams during the 2002-2005 season. While this is definitely going to be a tough goal to achieve, it looks as if the team is more prepared going into this season than they have been in the past. The team is already in a great position, as they still have 59 returning letterwinners and 13 starters from last year's squad, not to mention the stellar recruits that have yet to show their talent in the upcoming season. The Bantams left an impact on the NESCAC last year as they sealed their third conference win and finished the season ranked second in New England and 30th in the nation.

An essential part of this team is that they are well balanced on both offensive and defensive fronts with the ability to perform a variety of effective plays at an extraordinarily high level. On the offensive front, the team has a fantastic line, featuring two great quarterbacks to compliment their receivers. The combination of speed and agility no doubt raises the bar for other NESCAC teams and separates them from the rest of the competition.

Unfortunately, the team has lost Max Chipouras '19, a talented running back as well as a NESCAC co-offensive player of the year

during the 2018 season. This loss, however, is just another opportunity for the Bantams to rise to the challenge and the opportunity for another player to showcase their talent.

On the defensive side of the field, the Bantams have made enormous strides in the level of performance and execution of plays on the field. The defense finished the season fifth in scoring and ninth in passing. Overall, they were third in the nation in total defense. Although the team did lose a few seniors on their defensive squad, the team has relatively the same lineup of

players with the exception of a few new players to the squad, allowing the team the opportunity to grow and build upon their achievements from last year.

This could be one of the best seasons yet for the Bantams. As fans have seen throughout these past three conference winning teams, each coming season the team is building upon past accomplishments. This fall, the path to victory will be a long one. As usual, the Bantams will face Tufts in the first game of the season where they hopefully get what could be their 23rd consecutive season-opening win.



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Trinity welcomed the Class of 2023 this past weekend. Read more about new student programming on page 4.



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Tripod Editorial

The beginning of the academic year is one of the most beautiful and exciting times at Trinity. Going into both my senior year and my fourth semester as editor of the *Tripod*, I would advise first-year students just getting adjusted to college life that becoming actively involved in clubs and organizations at Trinity is one of the most rewarding ways to find enrichment and a sense of purpose in college. The first article I submitted to the *Tripod* was—admittedly—not the paper’s shining example of journalism, but I have been able to grow and learn as a writer in the intervening years. Trinity College boasts over one hundred and fifty clubs that students can join, but with about 2,200 students, this suggests that a large number of students have to be actively engaged to keep all of these organizations in process. However, often at Trinity, it is a small number of students keeping organizations afloat. The *Tripod* is an extremely short-staffed organization, with a limited number of contributing writers and editorial staff.

The *Tripod* receives articles from members of the community throughout the week. They come from a variety of outlets; in response to emails we send to those who have expressed interest in contributing, through online submissions via our website, and any other means. The students that write the most each semester are promoted to section editor, who suggest different topic ideas to writers, edit arti-

cles, and utilize our graphic design program, Adobe Indesign. The *Tripod* functions best as an institution when all different facets of campus life are represented in its stories. The only way to achieve this, however, is to encourage a high level of student participation. The *Tripod* is the major outlet for students to voice opinion, engage in dialogue, and report on the issues that face our campus community. If you have any interest in writing, or a future career in journalism or communications, this is the perfect time to join in and have your voice heard. Submit an article on our website or shoot us an email at tripod@trincoll.edu. It was the best decision I ever made as a student at Trinity.

Because the student body at Trinity is small, and the number of students engaged in club life is, unavoidably, even smaller, I am constantly interacting with leaders of different organizations on campus that are reported about in the paper. Because campus is so small, it can be difficult to achieve the *Tripod*’s function as an unbiased source of information regarding Trinity. Additionally, the *Tripod* staff is entirely self-taught. Some of us have aspirations of entering the world of journalism, but my own passion for working on the paper is driven by my belief that it serves a necessary outlet on this campus, whether it is seen or unseen to certain members of the community.

The *Tripod* staff is dedicated, but we are also not

professionals. There is no compensation for contribution, and the *Tripod* is instead driven by our commitment to providing the campus with a school newspaper. As I said last semester, we are always trying our best, but with classes, other clubs, and jobs, the *Tripod* is not always what some anticipate or demand it to be.

The *Tripod* is seeing an unprecedented number of seniors. Many of us are entering our sixth semester with the publication. We are hoping to publish a *Tripod* that covers thought-provoking, interesting stories that shed light onto daily life at Trinity as well as a well-designed, twelve page paper. Despite this, the *Tripod* still faces its own challenges. We struggle with a small staff and difficulties mastering our graphic design program.

In my own capacity as editor-in-chief of the *Tripod*, I hope to provide quality content that students, alumni, and other members of the community read and enjoy. As a former editor-in-chief once said, the quality of a campus newspaper can often reflect the current stability of an institution such as Trinity. I’m looking forward to embarking on another semester of providing a publication that addresses the issues, quesitons, and ideas facing Trinity College.

-GMR

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4:30-6:00
Gates Quad
(outside of Mather)

NEWS

Vernon Social Gets Goldberg’s Replacement

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version of his typical menu, so, he wanted to know what types of food students would want. He has good, positive energy and I think he’ll make a great campus partner and addition to Vernon Social.”

Dean of Students Joe DiChristina said the decision to bring Steve’s Bagels to campus was made based on student feedback. “Last year, SGA did a survey that came out in December which gave us feedback to bring food back into the location. We talked about Chartwells being able to do it, but, Chartwells was unable to offer anything during the summer when we have a lot of people on campus... Steve’s Bagels offered us 12 months of service, so we could satisfy students during the nine months they are on campus.SAIL held an open house where Steve had a chance to meet with students and get a lot of information about student behavior. This was an opportunity for him to interact with students, which helped him set this all up.”

Vice President of Finance and Operations Dan Hitchell said, “Steve’s Bagels will not be part of the meal plan since it is an outside vendor, but Steve is aware of that issue, so we talked about being attentive to the prices of the food. Steve is aware of our desire to be attentive to prices, especially on the weekend. During Saturday and Sunday brunch time,

specials may be offered”

The cafe has a New York deli-style menu, serving options that range from specialty sandwiches and salads to bagels and pastries. The shop’s original location was in Ridgefield, Connecticut and was recently expanded with the opening of a second location in Manchester, Connecticut in 2018. Steve’s Bagels also offers catering and is available for delivery through GrubHub. DiGiorgio hopes to expand his business even further, saying in a 2018 *Journal Inquirer* article, “to really do well in the business, you have to have multiple stores.” DiGiorgio added that he’d like to be able to open a new location every other year on average.

Steve’s Bagels on the Trinity campus is expected to have similar hours to the shop’s Manchester location. These hours are from 7am to 3pm on weekdays. However, according to the open forum led by SAIL, potential additional late-night hours may be available for students on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays.

When asked for a comment on the opening of a third location in Hartford on the Trinity College campus, staff at the Ridgefield shop were unaware of the expansion and did not provide comment other than that they had no affiliation with the newest location of Steve’s Bagels. The breakfast and lunch location will be open on Sept. 11 for students.

Trinity Alums Meet Million Dollar Trustee Challenge

BRENDAN W. CLARK ’21
MANAGING EDITOR

In June, Trinity College reached its objective by getting more than 2,000 individual donations in support of unlocking \$1,000,000 in a matching donation from members of the Trinity College Board of Trustees. Those 2,000 were part of a broader constituency of 7,898 alumni/alumnae, parents, and friends who together gave to Trinity within the past year. The campaign required 7,000 donors by June 30 and exceeded that objective by 898 donors.

Director of Annual Giving Dominique Matteson spoke with the *Tripod* regarding this campaign, indicating that she was grateful for the “commitment and dedication of our trustees and the support of alumni and friends.” The monies raised go to support Trinity’s greatest need—the annual fund—which is unrestricted and helps to support the operational needs of Trinity and of its students.

Matteson indicated that within the 7,898 total for the past year, there were 1,000 “new” donors, defined as those who “have not previously given or have lapsed in their giving.” Matteson noted that this was a strong indicator for Trinity’s success and added that while nationwide alumni participation is going down, at Trinity this “makes for a strong year” and is a positive indicator of strong alumni engagement at the college.

This year also saw Trinity reach 30.4% alumni participation in all



7,000 DONORS BY JUNE 30
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categories compared to 28.5% the previous year. Those percentages count giving across all aspects of Trinity life: sport team endowments, annual fund giving, and restricted gifts for departments, among others. This campaign comes in advance of Trinity’s Bicentennial and its Comprehensive Campaign, which is set to launch soon.

The level of alumni participation, according to an article from June in *Inside Higher Ed*, suggests that “overall giving to educational institutions declined for the first time after four years of growth by 1.3 percent to 3.7 percent.” While donation totals remain high, a new study from the Blackbaud Institute indicates that “individual alumni giving rates have declined.” The report further projects that the individual decline will continue.

The *Inside Higher Ed* article also suggests that a myriad of factors may have contributed to the decline in individual donations. Brian Flahaven, a senior advocacy director at CASE, added that “the passage of the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act... eliminated the need for

many middle-class people to itemize their deductions.” That change in itemizing policy may partially account for the noticeable change in individual donations.

Trinity also saw an 8 percent increase over its previous year’s donor number—6,820—which was the “largest increase of any school in the NESCAC,” added Vice President for College Advancement Michael Casey. Casey also indicated that he “appreciated the trustees’ leadership and responsibility” in leading this campaign and in making the funds available to support it.

In a Jul. 2 story on Trinity’s website covering the campaign by Tess Dudek-Rolon, Matteson added that the “passion [of alumni] is clearly reflected in this year’s giving results and by the 115 alumni who stepped forward to give their time as new fundraising volunteers.” Matteson emphasized that giving any amount is a significant aid to the college, as donor numbers are factored into “rankings.” Thus, said Matteson, “it doesn’t matter the amount: every dollar makes an impact.”

The College Campus Safety Report, Summer 2019

Saturday, June 1 <i>Study Away Campus, Trinidad</i>	Wednesday, July 17 <i>Study Away Campus, Trinidad</i>	Monday, August 5 <i>On Campus</i>	Wednesday, August 14 <i>Crescent Street</i>	Saturday, August 17 <i>Northam Archway</i>
Sexual offense (fondling) that occurred on April 29 was reported. Referred to Title IX Coordinator.	Sexual offense (fondling) that occurred on April 29 was reported. Referred to Title IX Coordinator.	Harassment (sexual). Referred to Title IX Coordinator.	Drug use violation, 1 student involved. Disciplinary referral issued.	Larceny-other theft from individuals. This case is open.

Incoming Students Learn about Hartford, Diversity, and Campus Resources during New Student Orientation

GILLIAN REINHARD '20
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Trinity College welcomed its new students, including 17 transfer students, nine Individualized Degree Program (IDP) students, and 582 members of the Class of 2023, a group of students lauded by Vice President for Enrollment and Student Success Angel Pérez during the Aug. 30 President's Convocation as one of the most competitive and diverse classes in the school's history.

To acclimate these incoming students, the Office of Student Activities, Involvement, and Leadership (SAIL) organized its New Student Orientation (NSO). The orientation saw widely recognized annual events such as the class photo, Friday night carnival, laser tag at the library, and weekend block party on Vernon Street. New Student Orientation, however, also saw important new additions to programming and training of orientation leaders, the upperclassmen student volunteers who lead individual orientation groups.

According to Orientation Chair Kate Lucas '20, each year, orientation is slightly different and sees changes throughout the weekend of events as well as in the lengthy



KATE LUCAS

New Student Orientation (NSO) leaders pose for a photograph in Vernon Social.



NICK CAITO, TRINITY COLLEGE OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Members of the Class of 2023 undertook a series of activities as part of New Student Orientation prior to the start of the new academic year.

planning process before new students arrive on campus. Lucas worked alongside orientation chairs Danyel Hudson '20 and Connor Wilde '21 throughout the summer to ensure that orientation was a success. One of the most recognizable changes of New Student Orientation was the adoption of a theme, "On the Sea with 2023." As explained by Lucas, this was a fun way to engage students with a nautical theme and provide merchandise such as laptop stickers and t-shirts. This theme, also a play on the name of the SAIL office, was inspired by other colleges that also utilize orientation themes. Additionally, orientation groups were organized under the different nautical flags.

Lucas also noted positive changes in commitment to diversity training and credited the work of Vice President for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Anita Davis for allowing orientation to address important topics of diversity and inclusion.

Incoming students and upperclassmen student leaders partook in DiversityEDU courses, which engaged with microaggressions, identity terminology, and multiculturalism on college campuses.

Additionally, the 2019 NSO gave incoming stu-

dents more opportunity to be introduced to and explore the resources offered by the Center for Student Success and Career Development. Also present was an emphasis on introducing students to Hartford during NSO. During training, upperclassmen orientation leaders went on a walk of Hartford and reviewed the resources the city offers, particularly to first-year students.

While President's Convocation and the signing of the book remain some of Trinity's oldest traditions, new students also participated in a variety of more recent events on campus, such as the annual candle-lighting service, the weekend block party, and A Night of Wellness, a new event hosted by Bantams in Balance. Throughout the weekend, new students were introduced to campus and the resources available to them, such as the Center for Student Success and Career Development, the Bantam Network, and the city of Hartford. New Student Orientation was organized in the months leading up to the event by the SAIL Office, the orientation chairs, as well as thirty-six orientation leaders in collaboration with several offices throughout campus.

Intercollegiate Update: News on Nearby Campuses

Yale University

A former Yale School of Medicine professor, Eugene Redmond, was found to have sexually assaulted five students who worked with him on research according to a recent report released by an independent investigator commissioned by Yale. According to *The Yale Daily News*, Redmond was also found to have been involved in at least eight sexual misconduct incidents with undergraduates, several recent graduates, and a high school student over a period of more than 25 years. Redmond was found guilty by a University-Wide Committee on Sexual Misconduct in July 2018. As of the Aug. 20 *Daily News* article, Redmond's case was still pending disciplinary action. The *Daily News* reported that the independent investigator, former United States Attorney Deidre M. Daly, found 13 of the accounts to be "highly credible" as a result of similarities in their descriptions. All five of the assaults involved the sharing of a bedroom in Redmond's St. Kitts research facility at his request. Yale is in the process of instituting new policies in response to the report.

Colby College

An outside investigation has confirmed the existence of fraternities at Colby College after several months of investigation. The findings indicated the existence of as many as four secret Greek organizations operating on Colby's campus. Dean Karlene Burrell-McCrae, in an email to Colby students on Thursday, Aug. 15, noted that 21 students had been sanctioned as a result of their involvement. *The Colby Echo* reported that, despite the elimination of fraternities and sororities in the 1980s, the existence of secret Greek-letter organizations had continued. Burrell-McCrae noted that "President Greene...and many others have made clear our commitment to permanently eradicating underground fraternities and secret societies." In an effort to reach that objective, Colby College hired a "private investigator, Jonathan Goodman...in order to shed light on the exclusive organizations" according to the *Echo*. After interviewing 37 witnesses, Goodman concluded that EA, DKE, and ZETA were "completely disbanded," despite the fact that several DKA and PHI members remained "active at Colby."

Wesleyan University

Associate Professor of Molecular Biology and Biochemistry Michael McAlear filed a lawsuit against Wesleyan University over several student-created posters distributed across the campus in November 2016 according to *The Wesleyan Argus*. The posters, which also named Professor of French Andrew Curran and Professor of Art David Schorr, implied that the three men were sexual predators. In his suit, filed in Middlesex Superior Court on June 12, McAlear denied the sexual misconduct allegations against him. The *Argus* reported that "the University failed to defend [him] by not taking sufficient action to identify or discipline the students involved in the poster campaign." The poster campaign was organized in 2016 in response to several University failures concerning incidents of sexual assault and harassment, which included "the lack of transparency in the dismissal of former Associate Dean of Students Scott Backer during the 2016-2017 school year," reported the *Argus*. The University, in its response to McClear's complaint, argued that he does not provide the four "essential elements of defamation per se."

OPINION

Churchill to Change: How Trinity Moves Forward

ALEX DAHLEM '20
MANAGING EDITOR

The start of a new school year, especially in college, is an exciting time. However, given the state of campus relations at the end of last semester, there is also a feeling of dread in the air. Although many different groups within the student and alumni bodies are anxious and maybe even angry, the discomfort resonating throughout the Trinity community is a good sign. It is a sign that we are starting to acknowledge each other's unique stories and backgrounds and how, when we bring ourselves together, we can start to address institutional issues that have plagued Trinity since its inception.

The Churchill Club debacle was a revelatory moment for Trinity as an institution. It exposed

importantly and unfortunately most painfully, it exposed the fundamental racial and socio-economic differences between us, the student body. The pain and emotion that so many on our campus wore proudly and openly during last semester made us understand our own personal journeys on a very unique level.

Although many in the Trinity community continue to feel unfulfilled by the outcomes of last semester, we have to recognize that tackling our campus issues can be the start of a larger movement that addresses similar racial and socio-economic issues in the Greater Hartford community. We should not stop with Trinity. Instead, we should take our voices for justice out into the community and use our dynamic perspectives to help the great-

are also prevalent at Trinity. The near-racial homogeneity of different fraternity houses, sorority houses, and cultural houses on Vernon

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Street is a solemn reminder that even though we may all take classes together, our student body and alumni groups are still extremely divided. These divisions undoubtedly contributed to tensions surrounding the approval of the Churchill Club, a controversy that is striking at the core of our history and future as a college.

Many students spend four years in Hartford without recognizing the deep inequality that shapes the economic and social landscape of the region. And, to be fair, Trinity was never in a position to assume a proactive role in embracing Hartford. Historically it has been a place and a city where students come in order to get somewhere else. If Churchill tensions have taught us anything, it is that Trinity's most recent

ture role in the region. Everyone on campus, no matter race or economic situation, should feel either pressured or inspired to try and

understand why different groups of students are so angry.

Instead of thinking about the Churchill

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Club controversy in a vacuum, Trinity should use that energy to do something that it has not done on a large scale: be a regional leader for positive change. If we as students can start to realize that the issues and representations of inequality on campus that were so prevalent this past semester are the exact same issues plaguing the Hartford metropolitan area, then we can begin to produce students who are much more aware of their potential to be social change makers in the region.

“If Churchill tensions have taught us anything, it is that Trinity's most recent reckoning could be a blessing in disguise for the college's future role in the region.”

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A data study by the *CT Mirror* found that metropolitan re-

gions in Connecticut are among the most racially and economically segregated in the country. 27 percent of top-earning households in Connecticut live in neighborhoods that are predominantly white and wealthy. The nationwide average is 10 percent. Additionally, poor residents in the greater Hartford region are just as likely to live in poor and predominantly minority neighborhoods as those in Detroit

and Philadelphia. In short, the Hartford region, like Trinity, is geographically small and painfully split by race and economic background. Taking action on campus to tackle stark divisions could be a useful experience for fixing much more widespread and ingrained regional inequalities. This would be the perfect time for Trinity students to make that transition.

Yes, while I hope that our campus community can rid itself of inequality amongst the student body, we must strive to learn a valuable lesson about how some of those same issues are effecting the Hartford region, the country, and even the world, and then feel inspired to be a part of a solution. Trinity is a small place, but a humble perspective can lead to big change.

the willingness of professors from all different parts of campus to use politically active students and proxy issues as weaponry in decades long intra and inter-departmental feuds. It exposed our administration as donation-hunting elites who seem perpetually afraid of picking sides on issues that matter deeply to students. However, most

er surroundings.

As we all know on some level, Trinity is an economically and racially polarized community. In addition to having a significant number of students from “the 1%,” Trinity also gives millions of dollars in financial aid money every single year. Racial divides (which unfortunately often mimic economic divides in America)

Media Over-Hypes Centrist Democratic Candidates

AIDEN TUREK '20
OPINION EDITOR

It wouldn't be hyperbole to claim that the 2020 campaign began as soon as Trump collected enough electoral votes to win in 2016; the collective weight of our 45th President's actions in office have boosted the importance of the upcoming election—it matters a lot to a lot of people, and news reports'20 about 2020 are being eaten up left and right. The field is still overflowing with candidates, a welcome change from the last election cycle's surprising, even suspicious lack of challengers to Hillary Clinton's bid for the White House. Consider the 2015 Democratic debates: Clinton, the clear frontrunner, against the popular insurgent Sanders, and the forgettable Senators Webb and Chafee, and Governor O'Malley. 'Forgettable' is not inaccurate if one considers polling at the first debate in October, 2015, which on aggregate put Clinton clearly ahead at 43%, Sanders at just 25%, whereas Webb, Chafee, and O'Malley each scored below a percent. The following debates polled much the same as the

first, with a clear majority for Clinton with Sanders behind, never able to go above a third. These debate polls were fairly off the mark when it came to the primaries, however, with Clinton only narrowly winning Iowa before losing by a large margin in New Hampshire, carrying the primary election by a relatively small margin, and having lost in 23 states. This result came amid a series of scandals involving the DNC Hack, the unwelcome influence of Democratic superdelegates, and the imbalance of SuperPAC money between Sanders and Clinton, all of which suggest serious media overrepresentation of mainstream, centrist politicians in the Democratic party, despite popular grassroots rebellion. And this is happening all over again. Most news syndicates, such as the New York Times and CNN, report on Biden's polling advantage, with the Times putting him at a confident 28%, well ahead of Warren at 17%, and Sanders at 15%. CNN's polling shows Biden's lead is only growing from an initial

22% while all other candidates stagnate or collapse, claiming that Biden more than regained the ground lost to Kamala Harris after her well-aimed attack on the former Vice President. These seemingly conclusive results stand in stark contrast to the Monmouth University poll released at the close of August, which showed a three way tie between Biden, Sanders, and Warren—indeed, it is the only major poll not to show Biden in the lead, marking it as a clear outlier. The Monmouth poll's sample is considerably smaller than other polls, earning it some amount of criticism, and yet the problem is, in my mind, not so much one of sample size as sample bias—polling over-represents, and media coverage merely confirms, a centrist bias. While most media coverage lists in small print that these polls are preliminary, there is a clear suggestion that they can be trusted—lest these polls would not be publicized at all. These caveats were progressively dropped in 2016, however: the media tended to inflate Clinton's support—which, it can be argued, led to widespread surprise at her

loss—while downplaying the outside bet of Sanders. The clear disparity between debate polling, and the smaller margin between general polling and election results, implies an inborn bias towards conventionalism and centrism, perfectly embodied in the persons of Clinton and Biden. The regular average that put Clinton ten points ahead Sanders inspired a dogged belief in her victory, which played into ridiculously confident polls showing Clinton's lead over Trump: the New York Times, which now shows Biden twice as popular as his nearest competitor, Elizabeth Warren,

of the media in centrist candidates, be they Clinton or Biden or anyone else, plays its part in damning Democratic prospects—the media voting before the people is to put the cart before the horse. All this instructs us in several points. First, major liberal media outfits should refrain from elaborate prognostications based on invariably unpredictable polls. It is perhaps wiser to use polls for the names, not the numbers, given that, as with 2016, polling is itself not always valid, and even when it is—in showing Clinton ahead of Sanders, for instance—that fact should never be taken and

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predicted an 85% chance of Clinton's victory in 2016. For Democrats to make the same prejudiced mistakes again, as it seems is happening, may well doom Democrats to another electoral loss. Exuberant self-confidence on the part

blown out of proportion, as is occurring in no insignificant amount of reporting. There's a discordant tone in publicizing polls while also throwing out caveats to the effect that 'it's too early to tell'—you can't have your cake and eat it too.

Decriminalization: Mayor Pete May Have a Point

DANIEL NESBITT '22
OPINION EDITOR

Recently, Democratic presidential candidate Pete Buttigieg unveiled a detailed and comprehensive proposal to address the mental health and addiction crises that currently plague our country. While his proposal contains many varying policy ideas, the one that stands out is the decriminalization of all drugs. While many other candidates have endorsed legalizing or decriminalizing just marijuana, Buttigieg has extended this to all

decriminalization of all drugs. Decriminalizing all drugs is, without a doubt, great public policy, and is demonstrably the proper course of action in combatting drug addiction in the U.S. Within the legal framework of decriminalization, the purchase, possession, and consumption of drugs is still technically illegal, however only noncriminal sanctions such as fines or treatment requirements can be imposed. This, in turn, allows drug addiction to be treated as an issue of public health rather than criminality. Decriminalization has

criminalized in Portugal with a great deal of concomitant positive effects. For example, as one study found, “treatment programs—both in terms of funding levels and the willingness of the population to seek them—improved substantially.” As a result, the number of cases of HIV/AIDS, hepatitis B, and hepatitis C decreased dramatically in the years following decriminalization. In addition, drug-related deaths also decreased substantially. A decrease in drug-related deaths would be a welcome sight following multiple years of decreasing life expectancy in the United States, due in large part to drug overdose fatalities. Furthermore, as a direct consequence of decriminalization in Portugal, the drug prevalence rate, “which [measures] how many people have consumed a particular drug or drugs over the course of their lifetime,” decreased for nearly every substance among youth ages 13-18. In addition to the nu-

merous and significant public health benefits, decriminalization would also have a substantial impact on the system of mass incarceration. According to the FBI's Uniform Crime Report-

that few respondents supported the decriminalization of substances such as LSD, cocaine, heroin, and meth (18%, 16%, 13%, and 15%, respectively), while 59% supported the decrimi-

“With a decriminalization scheme that retroactively applies the new policy, myriad persons would be free of the limitations and constraints of a past felony conviction.”

ing system, drug arrests accounted for approximately 15% of all arrests in 2017, with a total of more than 1.6 million persons arrested. With a decriminalization scheme that retroactively applies the new policy, myriad persons would be free of the limitations and constraints of a past felony conviction. Unfortunately for Mayor Pete, decriminalization of all drugs will likely be very difficult to sell politically. For example, a 2016 poll of registered voters found

nalization of marijuana. When asked about legalizing drugs for recreational use, marijuana was the only substance found to have greater than 10% support. Before you arrive at a conclusion about the decriminalization or legalization of all drugs, I implore you, consider this question: should the government have the right to infringe on your bodily autonomy and decide what substances you can or cannot put in your body? My answer is an emphatic “No.”

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drugs. While I in no way support Pete Buttigieg for the Democratic nomination, I strongly and vehemently support the

had major success on a national scale, the prime example of this is found in Portugal. Beginning in 2001, all drugs were de-

FEATURES

Class of 2020 Pursues Summer 2019 Internships

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This summer, members of Trinity's Class of 2020 held internship positions all over the country and all over the world! This article features three seniors who explored their passions and broadened their liberal arts educations through summer internship experiences.



Left: Rachel Scheub '20 learned about the Joslin summer internship through a Trinity alumnus.

Rachel Scheub '20 spent her summer as an intern at the Joslin Diabetes Center located in Boston, Massachusetts in the pediatric/behavior/outcomes section under Dr. Lori Laffel. Scheub, a neuroscience major, says it was at an on-campus talk given by Trinity alumnus Doctor Peter Amenta '75 in 2016 where she learned about the summer program at Joslin. After accepting a position at the center three years after that talk was given, Scheub reached out to Dr. Amenta who has become a "valuable mentor and role model" to Rachel as she gets ready to graduate and embark on her own career path.

One of Scheub's main responsibilities during her internship at Joslin was working on a project that analyzed teenager's attitudes towards a text message intervention system. She describes the intervention as a text message reminder for

teens ages fourteen to seventeen diagnosed with type I diabetes to check their blood glucose levels at certain self-selected times. Scheub was given the task of analyzing teens' recorded interview responses on the text message intervention in order to "find barriers and benefits of the text messaging system, how these perceptions impacted use of the system and the patients' glycemic control, and areas of improvement for future interventions."

Additionally, Scheub had the opportunity to shadow different departments and observe and contribute to group therapy sessions for adults who have a type I diabetes diagnosis during her summer internship. She gained a greater understanding of how type I diabetes impacts the daily lives of patients by listening to their personal stories, and she was able to contribute to group therapy sessions

by brainstorming discussion themes with a social worker at the center.

Scheub says that another meaningful part of her internship experience at Joslin was witnessing new patients be insulin trained and learning about how healthcare providers calculate changes in care regimens because she was "able to gain valuable clinical experience," and it helped her to solidify her own personal interests.

However, Scheub says that the most meaningful part of her internship was the work she did in the pregnancy clinic under Dr. Florence Brown where she learned how pregnant women with gestational diabetes are treated because it solidified her interest in pre-natal care. Scheub says that "these women worked extremely hard to manage their disease toward healthy babies, and it was inspiring to witness Dr. Brown guide them in their care."

Right: Lukas Kaminski '20 with Alan Flint, his manager at RR Donnelley.



Lukas Kaminski '20, RR Donnelley

Lukas Kaminski '20 is an economics major with a "knack" for sales who spent his summer as an Enterprise Sales Intern at RR Donnelley, a communications company that offers business services, marketing solutions, commercial printing and more. Kaminski, who describes himself as "money and progress motivated," says that he is attracted to sales because of the opportunities to build relationships and establish a personal brand by creating solutions for customers. He also enjoys the research that is involved in a sales role and likes to work with customers individually to see if he can achieve long-term dream clients.

Kaminski admits that a sales position is not traditional for an economics major, but he believes that his Trinity educa-

tion helped him to gain perspective on the importance of applying efficiency to everything business-related, in addition to a perspective on solutions to save money for all parties involved in a deal.

Before starting his internship at RR Donnelley's Manchester, CT office, Kaminski attended a formal training program in Buffalo, NY. This program helped prepare him for his daily responsibilities and changed his original pessimism about the role due to a prior belief that print is an outdated industry. He quickly learned that print is one of the biggest industries today.

Kaminski's daily responsibilities included prospecting projects by doing research on industry trends to decide what companies might be a good fit. He would then

record the contact information for these companies and make cold calls to potential clients. He says that his favorite part of his internship experience is when he was actually able to connect with someone on a cold call. Kaminski also did a lot of account management work in an application called Salesforce, a sales resource that is used by many companies that he might potentially work for in the future.

Kaminski says that the most challenging part of his summer internship was his unfamiliarity with the industry. He says that it was difficult to implement solutions when he didn't know the products very well. However, Kaminski rose to the occasion and had confidence in everything he did, always pushing himself to "sell better."

Emma Ghiglione '20, MBA Tour

Emma Ghiglione '20 worked as a Marketing and Events Intern at the MBA Tour in Concord, Massachusetts, a company that hosts national and international events to facilitate the MBA and Business Master's application process for prospective business graduate students. As their Marketing and Events Intern, Emma was responsible for promoting MBA Tour events by creating social media posts, designing and launching Facebook Ads, and doing graphic design work for various posters and advertisements.

Ghiglione describes her internship as a positive learning experience and says that she "felt integrated the instant I began to work there and never felt like an outsider." Her co-workers were friendly and taught her many new skills during the three months that she was there, making her internship an enriching educational experience.

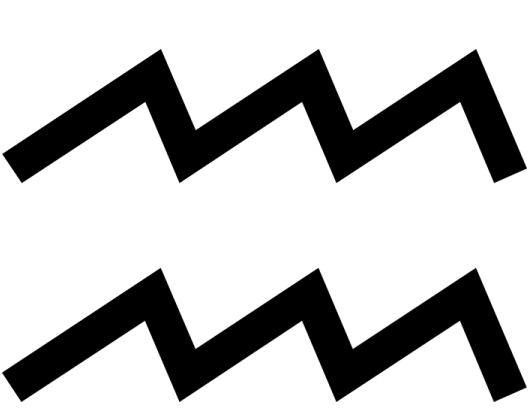
Ghiglione says that one thing that surprised her during her internship was

learning "how remarkable an opportunity working at the MBA Tour is." She says that a position at the MBA tour is great fit for someone who loves to travel since employee's attend the company's events, providing them the opportunity to travel internationally.

One challenge of the internship position was that many of the MBA Tour's events took place in the summer months, so the employees were doing a lot of traveling. Ghiglione says that this made it difficult to coordinate projects and communicate ideas.

Emma feels that her Trinity education prepared her for her summer internship experience by teaching her "discipline and dedication" and says that during her three years at Trinity, she has transformed into a "hardworking student" who is "passionate" about her work and "always eager to excel." She says that her "interpersonal skills, creativity, and vision of teamwork were extremely beneficial" during her internship at the MBA Tour.

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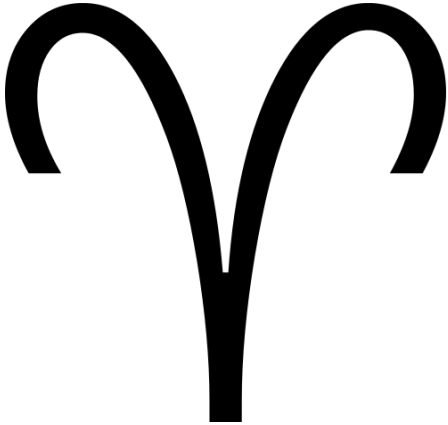
Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)

Your dorm room is the perfect place to express yourself. Show everyone how unique you are with fairy lights and a tapestry or a barstool flag.



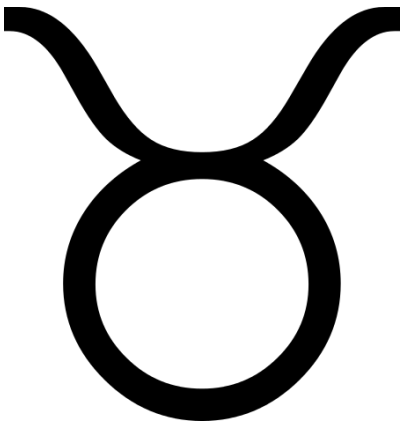
Pisces (Feb. 20- Mar. 20)

Confidence is key this week. Your new fake ID won't work unless you believe it will.



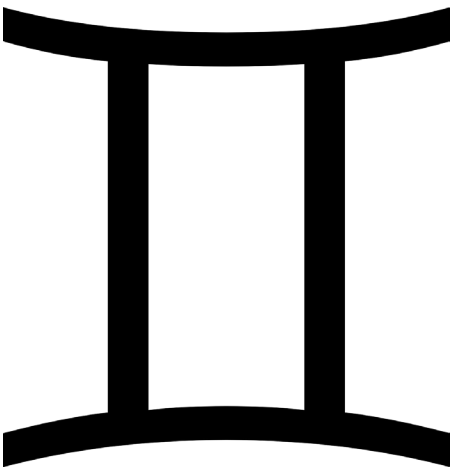
Aries (Mar. 21-Apr. 19)

Now is the time to establish yourself as the cooler roommate. Make it you by hosting a party every night.



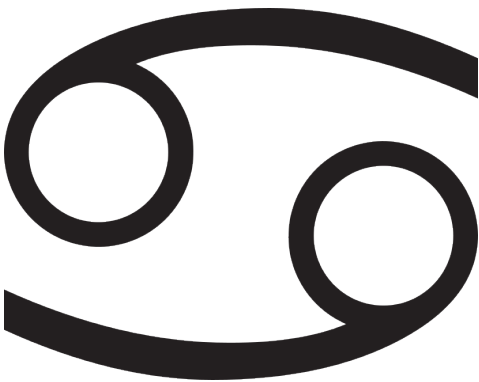
Taurus (Apr. 20-May 20)

Going out the first night of classes is always a good idea. The best way to make a first impression in class is by leaving half-way to throw up.



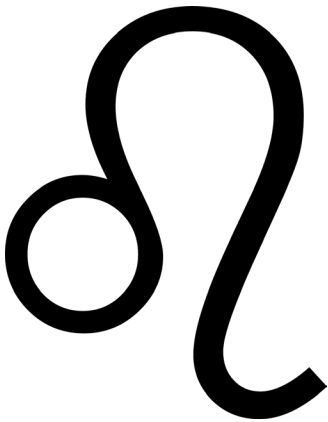
Gemini (May 21- June 21)

The class of 2023 is unique in Trinity's history. It thankfully includes the fewest number of Geminis ever!



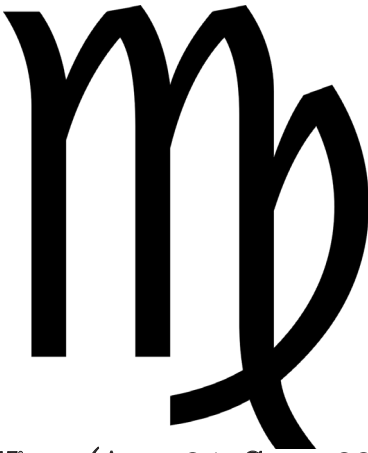
Cancer (June 22- July 23)

Mars is in your communication quadrant this week. Drunk texting your high school ex can only go well.



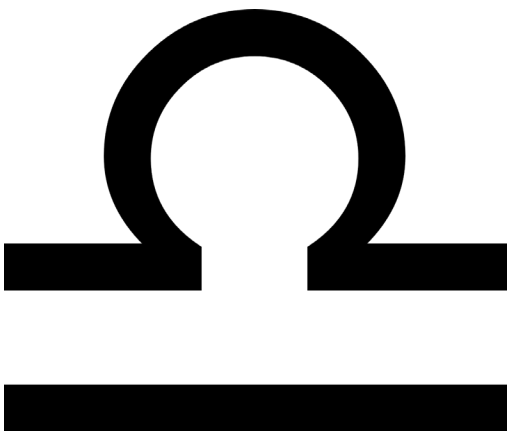
Leo (July 24- Aug. 19)

You'll be in a productive mood this week. Unfortunately, not for the rest of the semester, but oh well.



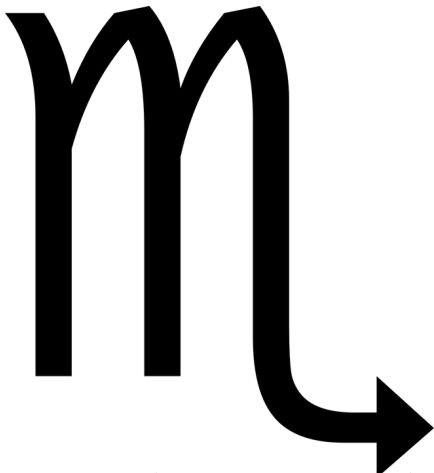
Virgo (Aug. 24- Sept. 22)

Don't push yourself too hard this semester. Do some self-care and skip your 9am at least once a week.



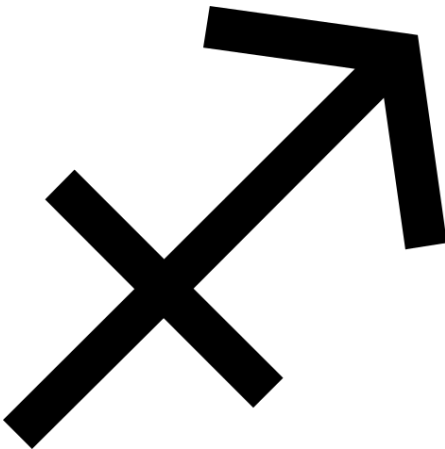
Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Mercury might not be in retrograde, but Mather is. Beware the mainline.



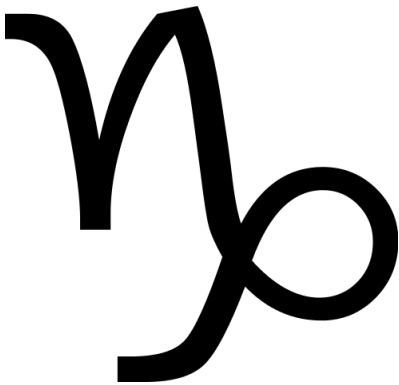
Scorpio (Oct. 23- Nov. 22)

It's a lot easier to change your major now than to fail Econ 101.



Sagittarius (Nov. 23- Dec. 20)

This is your week. Order a tier three meal at the Bistro. You deserve it!



Cancer (June 22- July 23)

Watch out for fake news this semester. The *Tripod* is notorious.

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Arts & Entertainment

Summer Slaps: The Best (and worst) of 2019

LIZ FOSTER '22
A&E EDITOR

Summer 2019 saw A\$AP Rocky go to Swedish prison, Lil Nas X break a record for the longest-running number-one single on Billboard, and the XXL Freshman list...well, I'll let Lil Mosey's "freestyle" speak for itself. A lot happened, so I'm here to simplify the smorgasbord of summer slaps.



From top left to bottom: Jaden Smith's *Erys* and Taylor Swift's *Lover*.

POP

Summer 2019 saw the return of pop after the genre took a backseat to hip hop in the past years. In mainstream pop, Lizzo's "Truth Hurts" soared its feminist positivity, Taylor Swift's seventh album, *Lover*, brought its weakest singles in "You Need to Calm Down" and "ME!", but did provide cute, bubblegum hits like "Lover" and "Cruel Summer." An early summer EP Miley Cyrus' *She is Coming* is rich in wavy, trappy pop smashes like the wistful "D.R.E.A.M." and empowered "Mother's Daughter."

Kim Petras' *Clarity* is a trap-influenced pop record that reflects the German artist's impending takeover of the genre. Petras commands sugary, bubble

gum soprano vocals with the confidence of an industry mega on her first full-length record. Songs like "Do Me" and "Meet the Parents" reflect sexual empowerment, "Icy" and "Clarity" lay the artist's confidence out on the table, and charming bangers like "Got My Number" and "Personal Hell" mesh her talent with the classic tones of pop music with a taste of sticky trap-rap beats. Though not a perfect album, *Clarity* lays the groundwork for a bright future for Kim Petras.

My hot-take-favorite of summer is Jaden Smith's July release: *Erys*. Yes, it is the name of his last album spelled backwards and yes, it is unoriginal and at

times boring, but I'll be damned if some of these songs aren't slaps. With Norwegian producer Lido at the helm, "K" is one of the album's standouts. The song starts with a crooning Jaden who lost his girl even with his wrist "bust down," but switches to a quicker, braggadocious tone ending in his nothing how he just "killed Coachella." "Noize" is another song to salvage from the wreckage of backward SYRE with its Tesla and DMT name-dropping lyrics. *Erys* as a collective seems to rip and pull from the trap-adelic sound populating rap, but there's too much charm in Jaden Smith's distorted vocals for me to care.

RAP

In rap, Denzel Curry's *ZUU* is a stellar follow up to his 2018 release *Ta1300*. Singles "SPEEDBOAT" and "RICKY" set a high bar for the album which arrived hand-in-hand with Curry's embarking on the G59 Records Grey Day tour. *ZUU* has several highlight tracks like "WISH" and "CAR-OLMART" which feature snappy production under Curry's booming vocals. For fans of rap who want to spice up their music library, I cannot recommend *ZUU* enough.

A\$AP Ferg's latest release, *Floor Seats*, showcases the rapper's old

and new talents with his craft. He teams up with Asian Doll and Rico Nasty for two songs, blending their powerful female energy with his traptastic sound. On "WAM," Ferg and MadeinTYO create a charming, bubbly sound as the latter raps about a girl who is "a pro with the neck" in the duo's icy, clever word play filled track. "Pups" by Ferg and "get home ASAP" Rocky features the sample of the summer. As a song, it's a classic trappy banger, but at the 1:17 timestamp, the song warps into a nifty sample of Sheck Wes' "Mo Bamba" after Rocky calls out "man I got these hoes..."

feeling like Mo Bamba!" before spiraling back to the Frankie P produced beat.

YBN Cordae's debut *The Lost Boy* gave hope to the rising class of rap. With snappy flows and clever word play, the album infuses old school charm with a newer, jazzy influence on some tracks. With storytelling and well crafted sound, Cordae shows promise on his freshman piece. His performance of "RNP" with Anderson.Paak on the Tonight Show is particularly excellent as the two artists ebb off of each other's flow.

With their Death Grips meets NeverShoutNever sound, 100 geecs released the debut *1000 geecs*, with whirring, chipmunk tweaked vocals and complex, synthy breakdowns complete with obscure grinding and clanking noise. The album isn't for everyone, but for those who like the works of JPEGMafia, GFOTY, or other PC music-esque artists, check out tracks like "hand crushed by a mallet" and "745 sticky."

I've already extended beyond my allotted word count, so below is an abbreviated list of random but excellent singles:

- "Jesus is the One (I Got Depression)" by Zack Fox ft. Kenny Beats
- "Baguettes in the Face" by DJ Mustard ft. YG, Tyga, A\$AP Rocky, A\$AP Ferg
- "Fuck it I love you" by Lana Del Rey
- "XXXTC" by Brooke Candy ft. Charli XCX and Maliibu Miitch
- "Cash Shit" by Megan Thee Stallion ft Lil Baby
- "Money in the Grave" by Drake ft. Rick Ross
- "North" by Clairo



Denzel Curry's *ZUU*, a follow-up to 2018's *Ta1300*.

Drinking through a Wet, Hot, American Summer

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A&E EDITOR

Summer is only at an end in the most formal sense. Mother nature’s been out of school for years and it’s far too early to usher in the cider and pumpkin spice. From music festivals to Bob Mueller’s testimony, 2019 gave us a lot of reason to drink, and whether you had a hot girl summer or a sweaty boy summer, you probably found yourself celebrating with a drink

sight, canned wine was as inevitable as the ennui of a first bite of Mather food after a long summer. Canned wine has made vino more portable than ever, no more broken corks and broken dreams. Canned wine is perfect for a day on the quad or your next family function. It should be noted that Danny Devito pioneered drinking wine from a can in the mid-2000s, the fact that it took this long to come to market is thus remarkable, and I am just

result of my longstanding rivalry with the South, I don’t usually go in for “sweet tea,” but I will gladly lay down my arms for an ice cold twea. As long as you’ve got a twea in hand the summer in your heart will never die.

An unexpected late entry into the drink of the summer battle royale is the “Spaggett’.” Haling from Baltimore, this beverage alone has disproved all of President Trump’s vile comments about the city. The drink, which was detailed in a recent *Epicurious* article, is both simple and worldly. It starts with a classic Miller High Life, the “champagne of beers,” then an ounce of Aperol, and lemon. Spagett is the great equalizer bringing the pretentious and played out Aperol Spritz down to earth in union with the venerable and egalitarian High Life. If it’s above 70° you may very well see me on Crescent Street with

one of these baddies. What more could one sunburn associated with a depleted ozone lay-

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“Supreme Court Justice John Roberts declared that there truly ‘ain’t no laws when you’re drinking claws’ in a remarkable 8-1 ruling.”

in hand, so I offer an ode to the drinks of summer 2019. These are only some of the many drinks that made an iconic summer, we only had room for the best of the best and apologies are owed to Narragansett, Naturdays, the G&T, fight milk, the Daytona Corona, etc. etc. No list of this summer’s beverages would be complete without highlighting the work of the fine folks over at White Claw. We Bantams have been long-time followers of the Claw, but 2019 has seen the hard seltzer brand reaching new heights and an unexpected foray into the legal field. Supreme Court Chief Justice John Roberts declared that there truly “ain’t no laws when you’re drinking

as ashamed as any wine-maker that this trend took so long to arrive. To avoid the embarrassment of not seeing this trend coming I would like to make two predictions for next summer’s most innovative and inevitable drinks: canned vodka and spiked oat milk. Mark my words. According to 1948’s Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR), it’s not summer without margarita pitchers and who am I to run afoul of international law? Margs are by all means a human right, whether classic, frozen, or guzzled by the pitcher surrounded by your coworkers, everyone can enjoy this tasty tequila treat. The margarita is the undisputed happy hour champion as every-

want except a tall cool glass of Grey Poupon? Chic, elegant, and insisted upon by our corporate sponsors, there is no better way to finish a long summer day than with a tumbler full of Dijon’s finest. This refreshing “beverage” pairs equally well with a Rolls-Royce or a ham sandwich. Snooty and disgusting, a glass of premium French mustard is quite frankly the best distraction from rising global temperatures and the blistering

er. Try it neat or on the rocks, or for a sustainable twist, why not try a reusable metal straw with your Grey Poupon. We all drank many drinks this summer, but let us recognize these all-stars for their contributions to the last summer of the decade. Who knows what the roaring 20’s will have in store: a Juul tonic, an edible Solo cup, maybe flying beer, just know that you can always return to the *Tripod’s* A&E section for the latest updates.

“According to 1948’s Universal Declaration of Human Rights, it’s not summer without margarita pitchers and who am I to run afoul of international law?”

claws” in the majority opinion of a remarkable 8-1 ruling and America has never been the same since. Justice Clarence Thomas made the one dissenting vote, we at the *Tripod* encourage Clarence to lighten up. Yes, I must admit, I too thought that both wine and canned goods had gone about as far as they could possibly go. Perfectly good, but without much room for innovation, boy, was I ever wrong. In hind-

one outside Boston knows. Grab a pitcher next time you’re out with friends or the next time you turn on MSNBC. You’ll need it. Of course it would be a dereliction of duty to leave the great and honorable “twea” off this list. Classic or flavored, brand name or homemade, sipped by the can or by the bag, twea is the greatest hybrid since the Prius. This caffeinated crowdpleaser is always the right choice for summertime debauchery. As a



Managing Editor of the *Tripod* Brendan Clark '21 after drinking one White Claw too many on Nantucket is immortalized on @Chadtucket.

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This Week in Sports...

New England Sports Basking in Recent On-Field Success

JAY PARK '22
NEWS EDITOR

As the 2019-2020 school year comes into full swing, it is important for us to look back at the wonderful year we have had – not just as students of Trinity College – but also as residents of the greater New England area. A region known for its excellent coaching with regards to various sports, as well as a superb ability to consistently recruit new players, this previous year contained many causes of celebration, along with sources of heartbreak.

At this point, the New England Patriots seem to be perennial Super Bowl contenders, and with defensive mastermind Bill Belichick and superstar system quarterback Tom Brady at the helm, it is not hard to see why. The Patriots blew past the Los Angeles Rams, 13-3, in the lowest scoring Super Bowl in history. Coming into this game, many expected running back Todd Gurley, quarterback Jared Goff, and the 30-year old maverick head coach Sean McVay to steal the show. But it was wiser – and more defensively-minded – heads that prevailed. Coach Bill Belichick somehow found a way to shut down the second-highest scoring offensive in the National Football League, holding them to a mere field goal in all 4 quarters. Slot receiver Julian Edelman received the accolade of Finals MVP, catching 10 passes for a combined 141 yards. Although the loss of Tight End Rob Gronkowski dealt a big blow to the Patriots offence, they ought not be counted out for that reason alone. With the return of

Brady on a new contract, as well as the return of wideout Josh “Flash” Gordon, the future is still looking bright for the Patriots as they work for their 7th Super Bowl, which would break the tie with the Steelers with the most Super Bowls by any franchise.

In the world of baseball, the Boston Red Sox successfully won their fourth World Series Title in 15 years, beating the Los Angeles Dodgers in five games in a historic series of games, with Game 3 going for 18 innings, a World Series Record. Red Sox left fielder and first baseman Steve Pearce won the World Series MVP award, being instrumental in tying up Game 4 of the series at 4-4. While this year may not be going favorably for the Boston Red Sox, this team can relish in the fact that they are still the defending champions, as well as being one of the powerhouses of the American League.

But like Icarus, too much of any one thing can never be good. If the Sun represents success, as is the case with the Patriots and Red Sox, the ocean must represent disappointments, just like the season experienced by the Boston Celtics. In an Eastern Conference that seemed to be blown wide open by the exit of LeBron James, many speculated it was time for the Celtics to have their chance at the spotlight once again. With superstar Kyrie Irving spearheading the offense, along with rising players Jayson Tatum and Jaylen Brown, things appeared to be looking

up for the Celtics, who were now chasing their 18th championship since the league’s founding (although one must take into consideration the fact that there were only eight teams in the burgeoning

years of the league). But even from the beginning, it seemed as though there was a disconnect between Kyrie and the rest of his team. Their season ended as expected – disaster. They were nearly swept

by the league MVP Giannis Antetokounmpo, who led his team to the Eastern Conference Finals. Let us hope that this year holds more in store for Trinity’s favorite New England sports teams.

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Coming Up for Bantam Sports:

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Men’s Golf: Bill Detrick Invitational @ Newington, CT
Men’s Soccer vs. Clark Univ.
Women’s Soccer @ Union (N.Y.)

Sun.

Men’s Golf: Bill Detrick Invitational @ Newington, CT
Women’s Soccer @ WPI

