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Top 10 reasons you need to attend Reunion @ Homecoming

The largest on-campus event for alumni, Reunion @ Homecoming is a day of family – or adult – fun and networking. From campus tours and tailgating to football and lobster, Bryant has a variety of activities on campus for you to enjoy.

You may be saying, “I see my friends from Bryant all the time...I don’t need to go to Reunion to do that!” While this is undoubtedly true – college friends form life-long bonds – what you and your friends don’t usually have at your gatherings is Bryant. The place where it all began. Here are 10 reasons you should be at Reunion @ Homecoming on September 12–13, 2014.

10. Dunkin’ Donuts. It’s worth the trip! If you graduated before 2011, you might not have known that there is a DD right on campus, in the former Bryant Center, now the Fisher Student Center, which was transformed in fall 2013. You might be surprised at all of the changes on campus. Take a tour led by current students and share your memories with them.

9. Tupper. An English bulldog with a fierce visage but gentle temperament, Tupper, Bryant’s first official live mascot, is now part of the fabric of the Bryant community. He’ll high-five for treats and can most often be seen with a ball in his mouth. There will never be another first official live mascot, so make sure to get your picture taken with him.

8. Record-breaking athletics teams. The Bulldogs nabbed the conference title in six sports this spring – baseball, golf, men’s lacrosse, women’s lacrosse, softball, and men’s tennis – which netted Bryant the Commissioner’s Cup for the first time. Come and watch the students play alumni athletes in baseball, softball, or men’s or women’s lacrosse. Cheer your fellow alumni on to victory.

7. Class years 4’s and 9’s. For class years ending in a ‘4’ or a ‘9’, this is a special year. The Class of 2009 is having their 5th Reunion, while the Class of 1964 will be celebrating 50 years as Bryant graduates – and everything in

between! If you fall into this category, we will have special tents on and off campus for you to gather and reminisce with classmates. See schedule on pages 4–5 for more information.



6. Football. It’s Bulldogs versus the Maine Black Bears. Last year, the Black Bears took the victory from the Bulldogs in Maine. How will Bryant fare at home? The Bryant Dawg Pound is among the most loyal and rabid fan base around. Join them to root for the Dawgs and be part of the action.

5. Free expert advice. Maybe you weren’t wired to be “all play, no work” for a weekend – we get it. There are a couple of brief seminars offered – Choose the Right College for Your Teenager and Develop Your Business Plan. Bryant’s Admission Office will share a couple of action items that could be the difference between “Congratulations!” and “Wait listed,” while entrepreneurship faculty show you how to get your new business idea on paper so that it gets noticed.

4. Golf. The Reunion Weekend kicks off on Friday with golf outings at Crystal Lake Golf Club in nearby Burrillville. You can sign up solo, as a pair, or a foursome. We can match you up with others needing partners. Proceeds from the registration benefit scholarships and the Black & Gold Baseball Fund. Crystal Lake is close to Wright’s Farm Restaurant, which might get you thinking about those French fries. You should win your golf match in time for an early dinner.

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Blue-ribbon Bulldogs

In only the second year of full Division I eligibility, Bryant University’s student-athletes broke conference and school records.

In an unprecedented spring season, the University saw six of its teams advance to the NCAA tournament on the heels of a record-setting Northeast Conference Championship titles in golf, men’s lacrosse, women’s lacrosse, softball, baseball, and men’s tennis. Men’s lacrosse went on to win two games in NCAA play, beating Siena at home and Syracuse in the Carrier Dome.

The first school in conference history to win six spring championships, Bryant also secured its first NEC Brenda Weare Commissioner’s Cup.

Two men’s lacrosse players are headed to the majors, as are five baseball players, including RHP Kevin McAvoy, who was chosen in the fourth round by the Boston Red Sox – the highest pick (#134) in Bryant’s history.

In another first, Ultimate Frisbee, a club sport, earned a trip in the Division III college championships in Westerville, OH, where they finished in ninth place. Tournament play followed a season in which the Bulldogs placed second in the New England regional competition.

Keep up with the latest Bulldog news at www.bryantbulldogs.com.



The Bulldogs Softball team closed the books in Norman, OK, Saturday, May 17, on an historic season with a 10-6 loss to Hofstra University. The Bulldogs won their first Northeast Conference title under first-year head coach Shayne Lotito, and made their first appearance in NCAA championships.

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WHAT'S NEW

New alumni website features dramatic improvements

Alumni Engagement, in conjunction with University Relations, is pleased to announce the launch of the updated Bryant alumni website.

With improved design and functionality, easier navigation, and a framework that will adjust to whatever device you're viewing on, the Bryant alumni website now aligns with the University's strategic plan to more easily engage with our alumni.

Bryant's in-house designers, who created the main Bryant homepage, also designed the new Bryant alumni pages, ensuring a more seamless integration between the two sites. The result is a better user experience.

"The alumni website now meets the needs of Bryant graduates from all decades," says Robin Torbron Warde, director of alumni engagement. "We have been monitoring Google analytics, as well as user feedback, and we knew that an upgrade was necessary." Alumni visit the website most often to register for alumni programs like Reunion @ Homecoming or for networking

events. Other popular areas include 'how to get involved' links to career resources, the library, and instructions for obtaining academic transcripts.

The website's responsive design means that whether you're on your smartphone, iPad, laptop, or desktop, the contents adjust to fit your screen. "Increasing use of mobile devices for internet access means that this type of responsive design is no longer a luxury, but rather a necessity," says Warde.

While the site is easier to use, there is still a security component built so that alumni contact information is password protected. Most of the alumni website is open to anyone who is exploring or looking for general information. Alumni who want to use the online directory to find classmates must be registered users. There is an easy sign-on process, and the alumni staff are happy to walk you through the steps.

>> Check out the website by going to alumniconnect.bryant.edu.



The new alumni website is seamlessly integrated with the Bryant homepage and is easily navigable.

BY THE NUMBERS | COMMENCEMENT



622
COLLEGE OF
BUSINESS GRADS



1,305
SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS
ABOUT GRADUATION

132
COLLEGE OF
ARTS AND SCIENCES GRADS



147
GRADS WERE
DOUBLE/TRIPLE MAJORS



Regional Alumni Network (RAN) and other alumni events



March 15 | Naples St. Patrick's Parade

Another banner year for carrying the Bryant banner! 80 alums marched in the 36th annual Naples St. Patrick's Parade. Meet the Parade Committee (L-R): **Ashley (Bridges) Segar '04**, **Peg and Ray Melillo '64**, **Patricia (Long) Castelli '65**, **Ron Cioe '67**, **Rose Marie (Maculan) '59** and **Tom '61 Powell** and **Peter Castelli '65**.



March 19 | Hartford Wolfpack

Classmates **Peter Haas '88**, **Todd Howe '88**, and **Ed Whalen '88** reminisced about life at Bryant while cheering on the Hartford Wolfpack.

March 15 | Ft. Myers Red Sox Spring Training

Peter '93 and **Carey (Melluzzo) '93 Geaglone**, with daughter **Ashley** and son **Michael**, were among the 75 or so alumni enjoying the Red Sox Spring training game and cookout.

CATCHING UP WITH...



Robert Pertuso '75
FBI Special Agent (retired); Owner, RK International Security and Investigative Services

There probably aren't too many Bryant alumni who were G-Men, but the Class of 1975 has at least two – Robert Pertuso is one, but if we told you the other...well, you know. Jeff Lampinski '78 also enjoyed a 25-year career in the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Pertuso worked for 26 years as an FBI special agent investigating white collar crime, organized crime, counter-terrorism, and foreign counter-intelligence. His famous cases include President Ronald Reagan's firing of 11,345 air traffic controllers in August 1981; the investigation of the 1979 murder of Federal Judge John "Maximum" Wood; the "Pizza Connection" case – the longest criminal jury trial in federal court history; and the investigation of the 9/11 terrorist bombings. He received eight letters of commendation from FBI directors during his service.

In 2004, Pertuso was featured in a Discovery Channel episode of The FBI Files about his investigation of a home invasion robbery gang known as the Home Invaders.

It may seem a like a career stretch from his bachelor of science in accounting degree, but Pertuso's first assignments focused on financial institution and investment fraud, a good fit for his education, which includes an MBA from Suffolk University in Boston.

Pertuso and his wife, Karen, who was also an agent, formed their own PI agency, RK International, in 2004. Based in Grosse Pointe Farms, MI, they concentrate on corporate investigations that include travel outside the United States, which they both enjoy.

Since 2006, Pertuso has served on the advisory board of the St. Frances Cabrini Clinic, the oldest free medical clinic in the United States. He previously served on the executive board of the Detroit Chapter of the American Society for Industrial Security and as an officer of Knights of Columbus Council 12121.

He plays golf and, expecting to retire in 2016, hopes to visit Ireland and Italy to pursue his ancestral research hobby.

Pertuso thinks fondly of Bryant, noting that auditing was his favorite course and that he still remembers stealing a quiet moment by the pond.



Micaela Maynard '08
Academic and Community Coordinator, Irwin W. Steans Center for Community-based Service Learning, DePaul University

Micaela Maynard '08, academic and community coordinator for DePaul University in Chicago, had visions of her post-collegiate self armed with a closet full of stylish power suits and a large corner office. Enrolled at Bryant initially as a marketing major, Maynard realized that her true calling might be very different than she previously thought after her first sociology elective.

"In Dr. (Sandra) Enos's 'Social Problems' class, I was engaged in service learning for the first time," she says. They explored many topics, including the penitentiary system, and had the opportunity to tour a medium security prison. "Seeing firsthand how vital visitors, loved ones, and support systems are to the rehabilitation process was eye-opening," she continues. "Based on this new knowledge, a classmate and I created a publication that clarified and aggregated inaccessible and confusing information. Now loved ones can more easily visit their incarcerated family and friends, which will ultimately help reduce the recidivism rate. It was life-changing, and I will never forget that experience."

Increasing interest in her sociology and service learning classes led Maynard to an internship with the National Campus Compact office, which focuses on increasing social responsibility within higher education institutions. "This was my first exposure to career possibilities in higher education and social justice, and it introduced me to the AmeriCorps program, in which I volunteered my first two years after graduation."

Maynard has expanded on her prison system class project in her new home town of Chicago during her free time and helps teach a class focused on restorative justice practices inside a maximum-security prison. She also uses her business acumen, consulting with small businesses and nonprofits, on business and strategic plans. In her day job, she helps to create mutually beneficial relationships and opportunities for DePaul students and community partners.

"Hearing about students' transformative experiences during their time at community organizations is one of the best parts of my job," she says. "When they make the connections between themselves and others, they are forever changed."



James Estey, MAT
Associate Professor, History

"We were a commuter campus. Students held jobs that paid for a quality education at an affordable price," recalls History Professor James Estey, MAT, describing what set Bryant apart in 1964. That was the year he began his teaching career at Bryant.

Hired by Bryant's legendary Nelson Gulski '26, '76H, '92H, Estey was one of three members of the History and Social Sciences Department. To put this into perspective, he has been teaching at Bryant for one-third of its existence – 50 out of 151 years!

Don't let his long tenure fool you, however. He's not content to rest on his laurels and rely on old lesson plans. Estey believes that, as a non-U.S. history teacher, he should visit the parts of the world he's lecturing about. "I've been on a number of trips in the summer to many countries in Africa, as well as Japan, China, Russia, and Great Britain," he says, explaining that Bryant offers history courses based on all of these areas. These courses, says History and Social Sciences Department Chair Gregg Carter, were all created by Jim Estey.

Since he first started his teaching career at Bryant, Estey says the University has developed a more global focus, offering the Sophomore International Experience and other initiatives that help students see their education through the lens of an international perspective.

"We couldn't have a respectable history program without that global perspective. These offerings, along with a choice of more than 30 different history courses that explore many facets of history, a senior capstone project and seminar, and internships, attract students to the history major at Bryant," says Estey.

"International students also strengthen Bryant," he says. "Before diverse students became part of our classrooms, we spoke about other cultures in terms of statistics. Now we also learn about the world through personal connections with our students from around the world."

In case you were wondering, Estey shows no signs of slowing down. Blessed with a loving family, good health, and a nurturing faith community, he plans to continue his meaningful and rewarding work at Bryant.

View additional RAN event photos at www.bryant.edu/alumniphotos



April 3 | New Jersey Greenhouse Golf

Alumni gathered on the virtual greens to catch up, practice their swings, and share golf tips. (L-R) **Brian Ix '10, Anthony Marchionda '10, Rita Williams-Bogar '76, Tiago Machado '10, Donna Harris P'03, Stephanie Kirk '10, Douglas Boyle '80, Paige Lacasse '10, and Stephen Tesoriero '81.**



April 8 | Dallas Reception with Coach Fine

Coach Marty Fine invited Dallas area alumni to always be on the lookout for potential Bryant Football recruits. Some of the guests pictured are (L-R) **Anne Cairo, James Cairo '64, Mark Cheng '04 MSA, Christie Cheng, and Mark Harrison '93.**



April 10 | Houston Petroleum Club

Alumni guests enjoyed a breathtaking view of the Houston skyline from the elegant Houston Petroleum Club. Pictured standing are (L-R) **Ed Magro, Steven Hill '71, Marcus Lindsey '08, Gerry Berard '80, '95H, and Fred Lowery '67.** Seated are **Nat Milo, and Melissa Farina '01.**

REUNION @ HOMECOMIN

Register online:
www.bryant.edu/reunion



Friday, September **12**

Annual Alumni Reunion Golf Outing

Crystal Lake Golf Club, Burrillville, RI

11 a.m.–noon registration

Cost per player: \$125

Visit with friends and former classmates and enjoy an afternoon of golf at Crystal Lake Golf Club, just 11 miles from Bryant. Registration fee includes 18 holes of championship golf, a cart, boxed lunch, and a gift to scholarships.

Baseball Alumni Golf Outing

Crystal Lake Golf Club, Burrillville, RI

11 a.m.–noon registration

Cost per player: \$130

Join baseball Coach Steve Owens and baseball alumni from various years as they compare their skills with a bat to those with a golf club. Proceeds from the outing will benefit Black & Gold Baseball at Bryant. Registration fee includes 18 holes of golf, a cart, boxed lunch, and post-golf gathering at Parente's.

Alumni Welcome Reception and Wine Tasting

6–9 p.m.

\$20, adult; \$10, 14 & under; Free, 4 & under

Join other alumni for a welcome reception, featuring a hearty buffet, Pat Cottrell on guitar, and cash bar. Dieter Kamm '88 and Mike Carabellese '09 will lead a wine tasting at 7 p.m.

Bryant Champions for Philanthropy Dinner

(by invitation)

Stepan Grand Hall, George E. Bello Center

6–9 p.m.

Dinner and a salute to Bryant's Champions for Philanthropy award recipients.

Bryant Field Hockey vs. UMASS Lowell

Track and Turf Complex

7 p.m.

Bryant Bonfire and Fireworks

Fisher Student Center Patio

9 p.m.

Join students and fellow alumni for a pep rally around the pond followed by fireworks.

Saturday, September **13**

Alumni Memorial Service

Ronald K. and Kati C. Machtley Interfaith Center

9:30–10:30 a.m.

Families and friends are invited to join us as we gather to remember the lives of Bryant alumni who are no longer with us.

Registration Opens

Registration Tent in Alumni Village

10 a.m.

Pick up your Reunion @ Homecoming packets and, if you preregistered, your special Bryant gift.

Reunion Tailgating

Reserved area in the parking lot.

No vehicles longer than 20 feet.

10 a.m.–1 p.m.

Join classmates for informal gatherings adjacent to Bulldog Stadium. Please note that all alcohol consumption in the tailgate section will end when the football game begins. Preregistration for a \$20 tailgate pass is required to park a vehicle in this section (see online reg form for details). Each tailgate pass includes one football ticket.

Tailgating

A special section of the parking area has been set aside for you to gather with classmates and tailgate prior to the football game. Spaces are limited, and advance registration for a \$20 pass is required. Tailgate parking passes will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis and will be mailed in advance (see online reg form for details). Register for all reunion activities, including Tailgate Parking, at www.bryant.edu/reunion or call (401) 232-6040.



Tailgaters: Can it!

We're asking tailgaters to reduce the number of glass bottles they bring to this year's Tailgating Reunion. Aluminum and plastic are safer alternatives. Thank you for your cooperation.

Alumni Village

Various tents in the Alumni Village will be open for you to meet up with friends and relax in a casual atmosphere. Barbecue fare and beverages will be available for purchase. Special areas are reserved for 20th, 25th, and 30th Reunion classes.

BRYANT 2U

Get Reacquainted with Bryant's Campus:

Tours leave every half hour (10, 10:30, 11, 11:30) from the Admission Office in the Unistructure.

Choosing the Right College: Find out how admission offices at all colleges review applications and get insiders' tips for helping your student stand out at any college he/she applies to. Open to alumni and family members. Fisher Student Center, Room 1

Develop Your Business Plan: Want to get that new business idea on paper in a convincing format? Join our business plan boot camp and position yourself for growth. Enter our New Venture Competition for up to \$50,000 in prizes. Fisher Student Center, Papitto

Alumni Games – Several varsity teams will hold alumni games. Watch for news from the coaches of baseball, softball, men's and women's lacrosse, and soccer. Games are free, but there is a \$10 fee to enter the Black & Gold Tent.

Loyal Guard Luncheon on Saturday

Join members of the Class of 1964 as President Machtley inducts the 50th Reunion Class into the Loyal Guard. All alumni from 1965 and earlier are encouraged to attend.

Cost per person:
\$25 for luncheon only
\$8 for football ticket

9:30 a.m.

Memorial Service (Machtley Interfaith Center)

10:30 a.m.

Reminiscing (Stepan Grand Hall, George E. Bello Center for Information and Technology)

11 a.m.

Induction Ceremony for members of the Class of 1964

12 p.m.

Served Gourmet Luncheon and Group Pictures

4 p.m.

Post-Game Celebration (Alumni Village)

5:30 p.m.

New England Lobsterbake featuring a delightful menu. Cost per person:
\$50 for Reunion Dinner Lobsterfest
\$35 for dinner without lobster
Price will increase September 1.

Bryant class years are social!

Find a Facebook page dedicated specifically to your class by searching "Bryant Class of _____."

Post photos, suggest activities, and encourage others from your class to "like" the page so that you can be involved in YOUR Reunion.



G 2014: SEPTEMBER 12-14



Memorabilia Tent

Bulldog Stadium

11 a.m.–4 p.m.

Show your Bulldog spirit! Don't go home without a keepsake from the Bryant Bookstore. Registered alumni receive a 15% discount.

Bulldog Fun Zone

Bulldog Stadium Area

Noon–4 p.m.

Kid-friendly games, performers, and great activities for all ages including a 9-hole mini-golf course, bungee jumping, and 24' rock-climbing wall. Also bead art, photo pens, and custom pennants. Football game ticket required to enter stadium area.

Reunion Lunch Options

Bulldog Stadium/Alumni Village

Various vendors will have food for purchase in the stadium and Alumni Tents areas.

Football

Bryant vs. U of Maine

Bulldog Stadium

1–4 p.m.

\$8 adult

Cheer the Bulldogs to victory on our home turf.

5th Quarter Party

Alumni Village, in the parking lot

4 p.m.

Plan to kick back after the game, reconnect with your classmates, and enjoy hors d'oeuvres while student disc jockeys from WJMF spin some nostalgic tunes. There will be special tents for the Classes of 1984, 1989, and 1994 – and reserved areas for any group of more than 50 alumni.



Stay safe, and let Bryant be your designated driver

Parking on campus can be tricky. With more than 3,200 students – most of whom have cars – trying to find a parking spot can be a challenge. Get chauffeured door-to-door on Friday and Saturday!

Routes will run continuously among the area hotels:

- All Seasons Inn & Suites – Smithfield
- Courtyard Marriott – Lincoln
- Hampton Inn & Suites – Smithfield
- Holiday Inn Express – Smithfield

For added convenience, from 8 p.m. to closing, the shuttle will stop at Parente's, Blackie's, and Last Resort.

Alumni Reunion @ Homecoming Lobsterfest Dinner

Alumni Village

5:30–7:30 p.m.

\$50 adult; \$35 w/o lobster

Enjoy a traditional New England Lobsterfest on campus featuring a broad array of regional favorites. Non-lobster and vegetarian options available. Price increases September 1.

Major Campus Event

Chace Athletic Center

8 p.m. Ticket required

Join students and other alumni on campus for something wicked fun and entertaining, but Student Affairs is still reviewing options

Sunday, September 14

5th annual Alumni Motorcycle Run

Bryant campus

10 a.m. check-in. Ride leaves at 10:30 a.m.

\$15 per person

Join other alumni riders on a scenic, motorcycle ride through northern Rhode Island and eastern Connecticut, ending with lunch at Blackie's Bulldog Tavern. Register for this event at: bryant.edu/alumni-events

Accommodations

Lodging in the area fills up quickly, so please reserve your accommodations now. Visit www.bryant.edu/reunion for a complete list and rates. Mention Bryant Reunion for special rates.

In Smithfield/Lincoln:

Holiday Inn Express

(401) 231-6300/(877) 424-6423

Hampton Inn & Suites

(401) 232-9200

Courtyard by Marriott

(401) 333-3400

All Seasons Inn & Suites

(401) 232-2400

In Providence:

Renaissance Providence Hotel

(401) 276-0010/(800) 468-3571

Providence Marriott

(401) 272-2400/(800) 937-7768

Providence Biltmore

(401) 421-0700/(800) 294-7709

Omni Providence

(401) 598-8000/(800) 937-8461

Courtyard Providence

(401) 272-1191/(800) 321-2211

Bryant Fund

MAKE A GIFT IN HONOR OF YOUR REUNION

Your Bryant education was life-changing, creating boundless opportunities.

Today's Bryant Fund provides direct support to the University – changing lives through scholarships, international experiences, faculty support, curriculum development, and more.

Celebrate your reunion and create opportunity through a gift to the Bryant Fund today.

Visit bryant.edu/giving to learn more.

Individual Class Gatherings Saturday, September 13

We want you to enjoy the energy of Reunion @ Homecoming, and a few special programs are in the works. This is what we know so far:

5th Reunion – Class of 2009

Dedicate your class gift at noon, and join a 2000's party at Parente's, 5–7 p.m.

10th Reunion – Class of 2004

We'll see you on campus and later at Parente's for a 2000's party, 5–7 p.m.

15th Reunion – Class of 1999

After tailgating, join everyone in a private tent at Parente's for a live band, 3-5 p.m.

20th Reunion – Class of 1994

Your first major reunion. Join friends for casual reserved tailgating, and, following the game, for a Reunion Lobsterfest in your reserved tent in Alumni Village.

25th Reunion – Class of 1989

We have a special tent for you in Alumni Village, and a reserved area in the tailgate section. Join your classmates for a New England Lobsterfest dinner following the football game.

30th Reunion – Class of 1984

Join friends on campus for the day and enjoy a Lobsterfest dinner in your reserved tent in Alumni Village.

35th through 45th Reunions

We have lots of space in the main alumni tent. We'll help you reserve a table for classmates and your Greek brothers and sisters.

50th Reunion and earlier

Please refer to the "Loyal Guard" section on page 4.

We can help coordinate on or off campus space and food for your class or special group. Contact us at alumni@bryant.edu and put Reunion Plans, Class of ____ in your subject line.

It's time to review your insurance needs.



Bryant alumni may save on auto, home, and life insurance while benefiting from Amica Mutual Insurance Company's award-winning service.

And Amica provides financial support to the Bryant Alumni Association based on the number of alumni who participate in this program. It's a win-win!

Call **Amica at 800-459-4000** to take advantage of the great insurance values for auto, home, and more. Mention that you are a Bryant University alumnus when you call.

Don't forget your long-term care needs. More than 70% of adults over 65 will need some type of long-term care – it's best to prepare. All alumni, their spouses, and extended family members are eligible to participate in the Bryant Alumni Long-Term Care Insurance Benefit, which includes discounts on some products and a long-term care specialist who can help design a customized plan.

Contact **Linda Thalheimer (Linda@longlifeplanning.com)** for more information.

The Bryant Alumni Travel Program



Sicily | March 7–14, and 14–17, 2015

Sparkling seas, majestic mountains, ancient ruins, and amazing architecture are just a few of the sights to behold in Sicily. Visit ancient temples. Climb the winding roads to the living volcano, Mount Etna, search for smoking craters, and enjoy the wide variety of Mediterranean cuisine, including a wine and olive oil tasting at a local cantina, on the slopes. Of course, there is also leisure time for independent sightseeing excursions, shopping, or relaxing. Take the optional four-day Sorrento extension and visit the gems of southern Italy. Sorrento, Positano, and Ravello are on the extension itinerary.

London and Norwegian Fjords cruise | August 20–30, 2015

With deep inlets carved into the landscape where mountains fall to the sea at sheer angles, Norway takes your breath away. On this Norwegian cruise, you will see some of the world's most awe-inspiring natural wonders, coupled with captivating Nordic culture. You will make your own arrangements to arrive in London by Thursday, August 20, 2015. After a two-night stay at the four-star Cavendish London in the heart of Mayfair and parallel to Piccadilly in Central London, the group will be transported to Southampton on Saturday, August 22, to balcony staterooms on the Celebrity Eclipse. During the course of your Norwegian Fjord cruise, you will stop at ports throughout the region.

Visit www.bryant.edu/alumnitravel or contact **Kathleen Brown at (401) 232-6041 or kbrown@bryant.edu** for more information or to register.

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3. Wine. We'll have not one, but two alumni wine experts to guide you through a tasting of some of their own personal favorites. What makes a good pairing? How can you tell a really good wine? Or maybe you need to start with the basics – red or white? You'll have fun, learn something, and drink excellent wine. Sounds perfect.

2. Lobster. Back by popular demand, Reunion @ Homecoming Lobsterfest features a

broad array of regional favorites. Prefer something less shellfishy? We are also offering steak and other options, including vegetarian.

1. Meet, greet, and reminisce. Maybe you lost touch with your Bryant friends. Life and work often get in the way. You can be sure that everyone at Reunion has at least one thing in common: Bryant. You can meet new people and connect with former classmates in a safe, fun, family-friendly atmosphere. For the kids (or the kid in you), there's

mini-golf, bungee jumping, rock climbing, and bead art. Whether you were here during the Machtley years, the bowling alley years, or the East Side years, you shouldn't be surprised at how much you all can share with one another.

Don't wait, register now online at bryant.edu/reunion. You can check the attendee list any time to see who's adding their names next to yours.



Our College of Business is ranked among the nation's top 10 according to College Factual as reported in USA Today. "If you're looking for a deeply personalized degree, Bryant is for you," the ranking says. Read the story at bryant.edu/news



Regional Alumni Network (RAN) and other alumni events



April 12 | Bulldog Connection

More than 100 student-athletes benefited from advice of alumni panelists. Alumni athletes pictured are (L-R) **Laynie Sadler '07, '09 MBA; Brendon Collins '02; Macy Mitrovich '13; Andrew McLarty '06, '07 MBA; Chad Valenti '07, Melissa Wright '02, Jordan Copes '05, and Saddi Williams**, who was also a featured speaker. Moderator **Steven Cowen '69** is standing.

April 23 | Raleigh

A small, yet enthusiastic group of alumni gathered in Raleigh at Oro restaurant. Pictured are (L-R) **Amanda Lovie '11, Jenna Jeffrey '11, and TJ Burke '13.**



April 24 | Charlotte

Ed Magro, **David Almonte '09**, Alana Almonte, **Michael Ziobrowski '07**, Terri Marascio, and **James Marascio '93** were among the lively alumni touting the virtues of southern living at Ruths Chris.

Greetings from Jay Weinberg '85, National Alumni Council Vice President



Dustin Goldstein, National Alumni Council president, talked in the last issue about the powerful network of Bryant alumni worldwide as well as the many opportunities for connection – among ourselves and with the University. Many of our efforts involve person-to-person contacts – through networking receptions and dinners, sporting events, and professional development programs. Others rely on our communication streams – *Bryant* magazine, *Alumni Bulletin*, and our monthly e-newsletter, *Beyond the Archway*. Increasingly, we are reaching alumni through social media. On LinkedIn, the Bryant University Alumni Association has more than 7,500 members and our Alumni Association Facebook page has 5,300 plus “likes.”

But we can do more. . . .

James Tilotson '00 recently wrote to the Alumni office to say, “I am pleased President Machtley makes it up to New Hampshire once in a while and am glad there are places in New Hampshire that host Bryant Alumni get-togethers. Just wish there was anything to do with Bryant somewhat near me, as I live next to the Canadian border and have not been back to Bryant since my graduation, or to any official alumni events.” (Editor’s note: Coos County, NH, boasts seven Bryant alumni).

We can’t be everywhere, but we can do more to reach alumni where they live and work. The Alumni Association is willing to host gatherings in smaller

markets where fewer than 100 alumni live. For example, we recently held a dinner in Bloomfield Hills, MI (near Detroit), bringing together eight alumni, spanning classes from 1953 to 2008.

Help us initiate a dinner or reception. Contact us, and we’ll work with you to survey the population in your area and suggest a date and format that might work.

We can also reach you virtually. This summer, the Office of Alumni Engagement will be exploring a web-based networking product that brings alumni together in real time with each other or with students. We are also planning to roll out a series of webinars for professional development.

So, stay tuned. Your Bryant University network is important to us – and we want to help you maintain and expand your personal and professional ties. Don’t hesitate to contact any of the NAC leadership, Dustin Goldstein '95, president; Glen Martin '81, '87 MBA, vice president of membership; or Jay Weinberg '85, vice president of alumni networks through alumni@bryant.edu. We look forward to your ideas and suggestions.

— JAY WEINBERG '85



Fifty years ago...

Fifty years ago in the news, the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., received the Nobel Peace Prize, Nelson Mandela was sentenced to life imprisonment for sabotage against the apartheid government, and teenage girl hysteria hit a new high when the Beatles appeared on the Ed Sullivan Show.

If you like muscle cars, you may remember that 1964 was the year the first Mustang rolled off the assembly line in the Dearborn, MI, Ford factory. If you like boxing, you’ll know that this was the year Joe Frazier won a



gold medal at the Olympics and that Cassius Clay knocked out Sonny Liston and won the world heavyweight title – then changed his name to Muhammad Ali. Rock and roll aficionados will recall that the Rolling Stones released their first album 50 years ago.

Bryant’s Class of 1964 celebrates their 50th reunion year at this year’s

Reunion @ Homecoming. If you graduated in 1965 or earlier, join 50th Reunion Committee members (*above left to right*) Betty (Coray) Calise, Peter Calise, Ray Melillo, Margo (Drotter) Melito, Gene Simone, and Arnie Stairman for a day of reminiscing. This includes a memorial service in the morning, a served luncheon,

and other activities. See details on p. 4 of this *Alumni Bulletin*.

Fill out the registration form below or call or email Donna Harris to register or with questions (401) 232-6375 | dharris@bryant.edu.

We look forward to seeing you there.

LOYAL GUARD REUNION @ HOMECOMING REGISTRATION

FIRST NAME	MAIDEN NAME	LAST NAME	CLASS YEAR
STREET	CITY	STATE	ZIP
PHONE NUMBER	GUEST NAME	GUEST'S BRYANT CLASS YEAR	

Saturday, September 13

9:30 a.m.: **Memorial Service** | Machtley Interfaith Center

Loyal Guard Luncheon | Stepan Grand Hall, George E. Bello Center

10:30 a.m.: **Reminiscing**

11 a.m.: **Induction of the Class of 1964**

Noon: **Served Luncheon and Group Pictures**

Post-Game Alumni Celebration | Alumni Tent in Parking Lot

4 to 7:30 p.m.: **Post-Game Alumni Celebration and New England Lobsterfest**

Loyal Guard Luncheon

Number attending: _____ x \$25 per person = \$ _____

Reunion Dinner Lobsterfest (5:30 p.m., Alumni Tent Village)

Number attending: _____ x \$50* per person = \$ _____

* Price will increase to \$55 on September 1.

Dinner without lobster option:

Number attending without lobster: _____ x \$35** per person = \$ _____

** Price will increase to \$40 on September 1.

Check Enclosed for \$ _____

Please make checks payable to Bryant University, and mail to: Bryant University Alumni Office, 1150 Douglas Pike, Smithfield, RI 02917-1284

If you wish to charge with your credit card, please call Alumni Engagement at (401) 232-6040 and have your credit card handy. Thank you.

Partnerships

Notices received from 3/12/14 to 6/16/14

2006

Nicole (Cushion) '06 and Joseph Guilmartin '07 on 7/13/13

2010

Nicole (Breslin) '10 and Joseph Martin '10 on 5/10/14

Elizabeth (Schwartz) '10 and Anthony Messina '10 on 3/15/14

2011

Naomi (Kamiya) '11 and Roman Ward '08 on 4/26/14

Additions

Notices received from 3/12/14 to 6/16/14

1991

Adrianna Carolyn to Joanne (Giovanni) '91 and Darrell Morrison on 7/11/11

1994

Phoebe Lynn to Tracey (Keller) Keith '94 and Jonathan Keith on 6/19/14

1998

Hope Genevieve to Rev. Peter '92 and Nicole Roy on 4/6/14

1998

Jake Benjamin to Jay '98 and Tracy Hershman on 8/27/13

2006

Cameron Raymond to Courtenay (Chase) '06 and Clifford Gilbert '07 on 4/12/14

Submit your "Partnerships" and "Additions" to the Office of Alumni Relations by e-mailing alumni@bryant.edu or by entering a class note via our online directory at www.bryant.edu/alumni. Send wedding photos that feature a group of Bryant alumni to alumni@bryant.edu. Resolution of photos should be "print-quality" (generally 300 pixels/inch).

Calendar

September

Smithfield, RI

September 12-13
Reunion @ Homecoming Weekend

Smithfield, RI

September 14, 10 AM
5th annual Alumni Motorcycle Run & Blackies Lunch

New York, NY

September 18, 6-8 PM
Coach Pressler at the New York Athletic Club

Don't worry! The calendar looks light, but we have MANY more events still in the planning stages throughout the rest of the year. Check alumniconnect.bryant.edu/events for the updated calendar and to register. Check www.bryantbulldogs.com for athletic contests in your area.

CAMPUS VISITS MADE PERSONAL | Alumni Photos



Alfred North '80 and his wife Diane on holiday in Rhode Island from South Carolina.

Be sure to contact the Office of Alumni Engagement if you plan to visit.

Whether living near or far, alumni are encouraged to come to campus and tell us about their Bryant experiences. Email alumni@bryant.edu with your expected visit date.

Alumni Weddings



March 15, 2014 | Denver, CO | Elizabeth Schwartz '10 and Anthony Messina '10

(L-R) Ryan Ronan '09, Jaclyn Maher '10, Meghan Aloisio '10, Benjamin Healy '09, Kaitlyn Diana '10, Zachary Glynn '08, Raymond Mahoney II '10, Ross Therrien '10, David Nelligan '10, Anthony Messina '10 (Groom), Elizabeth (Schwartz) Messina '10 (Bride), Kelsey Roy '10, Holly Tyser '10, Corey Maloney '10, Jenna Poulin '10, Lisa McSharry '10, Mike '09, Joseph Pagliocco '10, Molly Magill '10, and Alex DiMario '10



July 13, 2013 | Bristol, RI | Nicole Cushion '06 and Joseph Guilmartin '07

(Left side) Ryan Conlon, Ethan Case '07, Katherine Furey '07, Albert Marchionne '07, Adam Mozill '07, Karinna Rousseau '07, Vanessa (Robillard) Klug '05, Jeffrey Timbas '07, Jeffrey Klug '06, Jennifer (Sciascia) Carioto '06, Megan (Banks) Timbas '07, Nicole (Cushion) Guilmartin '06 (Bride); (Right side) Anthony Cairo '08, John-Bryant Hauck '06, Colby Chevalier '04, Anthony Carioto '06, Chris Piselli '04, Kristina Hart '07, Eileen Hayes '07, Danielle (Schools) Owens '06, Heather Mack '07, Thais Schulman '06, Jacqueline Belanger '04, Christopher Mastrangelo '08, Melanie (Owens) Guiney '04, Alicia (Robbins) Chevalier '05, Vicki Hendrickson '05, Rebekah Sanborn '05, Joseph Guilmartin '07 (Groom)



May 10, 2014 | Lake George, NY | Nicole Breslin '10 and Joseph Martin '10

Across back (L-R) Jonathan Tosi '10, Sh'vawn (Simmons) Kinsey '10, Briana Wood '10, Brendan Colten '10, Jameson Antonowicz '10, Mark DeMelin '10, Krista Hoffmaster '09, Sarah Melley '10, Ryan McKay '10, Nicole (Breslin) Martin '10 (Bride), Ray Jones '10, Joseph Martin '10 (Groom), Nicholas Colongeli '10, Joseph Coletta '11, Curtis Ruckel '09, Derek Blunt '10, Sara Morgan '10, Cristina Connor '10, Nathan Olbrych '10; Middle Row (L-R) Devon McCarty '09, Kristen Carrier '10, Ross Therrien '10, Ashley Crawford '09, Barry Cashman '10; Floor Jacquelyn (Parr) Blunt '10, Kathryn Simoni '10, Lindsay Rankin '10, Scott Kinsey '10, Sarah (Costello) Olbrych '10



April 26, 2014 | Punta Cana, Dominican Republic | Naomi Kemiya '11 and Roman Ward '08

(L-R) Nicole Fleming '12, Ronnie Ward '05, Mitul Parekh '08, Amanda Tambling '11, Aniris Javier '08, Tony Basteras '08, Joseph Floridino '08, Anthony Bailey '08, Victor Bunaev '08, Girish Massand '08, Gabriella Rossi '12, Ermig Castro '11

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