Anti-nuclear activist addresses graduates

Graduates at Bryant's 123rd Commencement on May 24 were urged to do "something else" besides work with their lives by one of the nation's leading anti-nuclear war physicians.

Dr. John O. Pastore, secretary of the Nobel Peace Prize-winning organization, International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War, said that members of the Class of 1986 should be proud of their Bryant education and the careers they have worked hard to enter. But besides work, "there is something else that should be done."

Dr. Pastore said that all new college graduates have an obligation to provide some "service" to their communities and the world, much as the 150,000 physicians in IPPNW use their medical expertise to try and help stop the nuclear arms race. He suggested a variety of options in addition to the anti-nuclear movement, among them fighting acid rain, improving race relations, opposing other prejudices.

"Responsible dissent is the strong right arm of democracy," Pastore said. "So exercise dissent... and disregard criticism when you exercise responsible dissent."

Pastore also spent a few minutes scoring the buildup of nuclear weapons, calling the arms race "the greatest public health threat the world has ever faced."

"Nuclear war would be the final epidemic," he said, making the fallout from accidents like the one at the Chernobyl power plant seem inconsequential in comparison. Through lobbying and education, IPPNW is working to make heads of state and other leaders worldwide fully aware of the immorality of the nuclear threat, he said. It is not to frighten people.

"We survive together or perish together," Pastore said at the College Track, where Commencement was held under cloudy skies.

Pastore also received an honorary doctoral degree along with Rosabeth Moss Kanter, a renowned scholar, consultant and author at Harvard Business School; and Nicholas W. Janikies, founder and president of Jan Co. Inc., one of Rhode Island's leading corporations, and a long-time friend of the College.

An estimated 5,000 people turned out for

Seniors take one last walk through the Archway. (Inset) Commencement speaker Dr. John O. Pastore.

Commencement, which was scheduled for the Track this year, rain or shine. With no rain, the ceremony actually was very pleasant, with temperatures held in the low 70s by the cloud cover.

A severe thunderstorm did punctuate the Graduate School Commencement late Friday (May 23) afternoon. It forced adjourning graduates and guests to delay their departures from the gymnasium while heavy rain, thunder and lightning swept through the area. Many simply enjoyed punch and cookies at a reception in the MAC while waiting out the bad weather.

The Hon. Bruce M. Selya, U.S. District Court Judge for Rhode Island and newly elected chairman of Bryant's Board of Trustees, addressed the graduate students. He replaced Dr. Pastore, who was asked to speak at the undergraduate Commencement instead when the original speaker, advertising executive Barbara G. Proctor, cancelled out on short notice.

More than 1,200 undergraduate and graduate students received degrees at the two ceremonies, which are held annually.
Alumni returning this weekend

Hundreds of graduates, particularly those from 10 reunion classes, return to Bryant Friday for the annual Alumni Weekend.

An evening barbecue under a tent on the lawn between the gymnasium and the Management Resource Complex kicks off the weekend. It is followed by a show with The Amazing Frank Santos, a hypnotist, and a jazz cabaret in the Rotunda.

Saturday morning activities include tennis and racquetball competitions; campus tours; an “open house” in Mowry Alumni House; several faculty-led seminars; and the Class of 1936’s 50th Year Reunion reception in the Trustees Conference Room, hosted by President O’Hara.

Saturday afternoon begins with the Loyal Guard Luncheon in Guiski Dining Room, featuring the induction of the Class of 1936; a 25th Year Reunion luncheon in Hodgson Library for the Class of 1961; and a picnic lunch under the tent for the Classes of 1941, 1946, 1951, 1956, 1966, and 1971. Luncheons are followed by a softball game matching teams from the Class of 1961 and the faculty; the 10th Year Reunion reception of the Class of 1976 in the alumni house; and tours of the Rhode Island School of Design Museum and Bryant’s former Providence campus.

Highlight of the weekend is the Alumni Awards Dinner Saturday evening in Salzmanon Dining Hall, at which 1986 Distinguished Alumni and Distinguished Faculty Awards and the Nelson Guiski ‘26 Service Award will be presented. A dance in Salzmanon follows, with music provided by the Glenn Jordan Orchestra.

The Class of 1961 also holds a separate 5th Year Reunion dinner in Room 386 A&B Saturday evening, with a dance in the Rotunda to follow.

Alumni Weekend closes Sunday morning with a religious service and a continental breakfast.

Bryant authors feted

“A Celebration of Bryant Authors” in mid-May feted four faculty members and an administrator who have had books published recently.

The faculty members are Bob Behling, professor of computer information systems; Judy Barrett Litoff, associate professor of history; Mary Lyons, associate professor of English, and Richard Smith, professor of mathematics. The administrator is Joe Guay, director of academic computing.

Behling was cited for an introductory textbook titled “Computers and Information Processing,” published by Kent Publishing Company. Advertised as “user friendly,” the book is designed for anyone teaching an introductory course in data processing or computer literacy.

Litoff was recognized for the paperback edition of her first book on midwifery, “American Midwives: 1860s to the Present,” published by Greenwood Press, Inc. as part of a series on medical history. The book examines the history of midwives after the Civil War, and has established Litoff as one of two American authorities on the subject.

Lyons was feted for “Report Writing for Business,” the seventh edition of a text she co-authored with Raymond Lesikar, of North Texas State University. Published by Richard D. Irvin, Inc., the book is written for college juniors, seniors and graduate students to help them, step by step, research, organize, and present business information in report form. The text was written completely on a word processor, and is brought up to date on this technology.

Smith was honored for the fourth edition of “Statistics: A First Course,” which he co-authored with John E. Freund, of Arizona State University. Published by Prentice-Hall, the book is considered one of the most successful introductory statistics textbooks ever printed, as evidenced by the scores of colleges nationwide using it.

Guay was cited for “Programming in VAX-BASIC,” a book that is part of a computer science series published by Addison-Wesley Publishing Company, Inc. The book presents an introduction to the BASIC language designed specifically for VAX computers.

George deTarnowsky, acting dean of instruction, hosted the reception in Guiski Dining Room. President O’Hara presented each author with a gift.
Conference to probe development & environment

The sometimes stressful relationship between economic development and the environment will be probed at a special day-long conference at Bryant on June 11.

Titled "Planning for Rhode Island's Development: Creating a New Agenda," the conference will examine especially the attention being given to growth management as Rhode Island's economy moves into a higher gear. It is being coordinated by Pat Norton, Sarkesian Professor of Business Economics.

Norton is bringing together Governor Edward DiPrete and people concerned with the real estate, environmental, and political aspects of future development. DiPrete will deliver the opening address. The presentations will focus on five issues: What needs to be saved? What needs to be built—and how? How to protect the dollar interests of landowners? How to coordinate private and public efforts and actions? How to improve communication at every stage?

Other speakers include Dan Varin, statewide planning director for Rhode Island; Robert Lemire, a well-known planner and author of "Creative Land Development: Bridge to the Future"; Trudy Coxe, Save the Bay director; Robert Bendick, director of the Department of Environmental Management; Richard Ferland, of the Ferland Corporation; Thomas Mulhearn, of the Rhode Island Association of Realtors; Anna Praeger, South Kingston town planner; and Nick Easton, Providence City Council president.

Also, several Rhode Island builders will present success stories. And the conference closes with a piece of "live theatre" as the audience submits a real problem to work out, and presenters work to fashion a consensus solution.

The conference runs from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Jankies Auditorium. For additional information, call Norton's office at ext. 6305.

Seniors give, give, give for game room

Bryant's Class of 1986 gave, gave, and gave some more to make its class gift the biggest ever pledged to the College.

Guy Gantoni, class gift campaign chair, reported at Commencement that $16,000 has been pledged by 390 graduates to outfit and decorate the new Bryant Center's social areas and game room. Both the amount and the number of donors are new records, surpassing the Class of 1985's year-old standards. They contributed $13,010 for "Nick's Place," the TV room in the Bryant Center.

The 1986 figures still could escalate, said Tony Piotti, director of annual giving, because almost 36 percent of the seniors were undecided about pledging in late May.

"Either way," said Piotti, "the Class of 1986 did a super job."

The money will be used to buy things such as slate pool tables, decorative lighting, inlaid backgammon and chess tables, and a library of board games. A direct-mail piece, phonothons, and personal appeals were used to raise funds.

Delta Mu Delta inducts new members

The Bryant chapter of Delta Mu Delta national honor society held its annual awards banquet in early April to honor 159 students inducted into the society for 1986-87. Among those inducted were four recipients of Delta Mu Delta scholarships.

The dinner, attended by almost 200, was held at the 1025 Club in Johnston. Inductees were presented with certificates by Professor Patrick Keeley, the society's faculty advisor, and President O'Hara, who spoke.

Anniversary committee wants your ideas

Planning for Bryant's 125th anniversary in 1988 is underway, with a steering committee already proposing a timetable, mission statement, and honorary chairman.

The steering committee now is looking for your ideas on how to celebrate the anniversary. For the committee wants the celebration to involve everyone, both in planning and implementation. It envisions it being highly "participatory."

The committee includes Professor Bob O'Connell, administrators Fred Kenney and Shirley Plante, alumnus Paula Iacono, junior Stacey DeBisschop, and co-chairs C. Ralph Adler and Bill Rupp. They plan to evaluate any and all ideas, and then mold them into a comprehensive schedule of events and activities.

But right now, what the committee wants more than anything else is ideas—lots of them. So contact any member of the committee with your brainstorm. They want too much of a good thing.
BRYANT'S BUSINESS SURVEY
Office of Public Information

A treat for you!

To assure that Bryant's Business provides useful, interesting, and entertaining information, we have developed this survey to gather your opinions and comments. Those of you who respond will become eligible for a raffle. A $25 gift certificate to the Kings Inn in Lincoln will be awarded. The drawing will be held July 7, by Bob Harrill, vice-president for institutional advancement.

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What would you like to see more of in Bryant's Business?

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What is missing in Bryant's Business?

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

We encourage you to communicate with us regarding your thoughts on how we can better improve Bryant's Business.

Please return your survey to the Office of Public Information, Box 15, by noon on July 7. Thank you for taking the time to give us your comments and suggestions.

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QUICKLY

...There is another graduate of the Graduate School on May 23 with a special Bryant tie: Frank Mancieri Jr., son-in-law of custodian Rita Picard...

...Chante Lee, professor of finance, spoke at the May meeting of the Rhode Island Real Estate Association. His topic: the real estate investment tax credit for restoring historic properties that produce income...

...Frank Pavao, admissions officer, led a session at the East Providence High School “college admissions seminar” in late April. His presentation: “Taking the Mystery Out of the Admissions Process”...

...Frank Bingham, assistant professor of marketing, has received a fellowship from the Direct Marketing Educational Foundation in New York City. It is one of 30 given nationwide to attend the Direct Marketing Professors Institute in June...

...Jim O’Neill, associate professor of English, has been named to the program committee of the Northeast Victorian Studies Association. It plans the group’s 1987 conference...

...Bryant’s economics and finance department was heavily represented at the 12th annual convention of the Eastern Economic Association in Philadelphia in mid-April. Among the papers presented there were one co-authored by Hsi Li and Terry Johnson, titled “Deposit Insurance Under Uncertainty”; one by Pedro Beade and Hsi Li, titled “The Methodology of the Mature Sciences and the Rhetoric of Economics”; one by Richard Spiveck, titled “The Determinants of Housing Maintenance and Upkeep: A Case Study of Providence, R.I.”; one by Bill Sweeney, titled “A Case Study Focuses Upon the Economics of the Nationwide Problem of Trash Disposal: the Quonset Point Project”; and one co-authored by Jeff Wright, titled “Comparative Behavior of Foreign and Domestic Manufacturing Firms in India and Brazil”...

...Doug Jablok, SBDC director, was a guest on WWON radio’s “Coffee An” talk show on May 22. He discussed the SBDC services offered at the Woonsocket branch at the Chamber of Commerce there...
CALENDAR

FRIDAY, JUNE 6–
SUNDAY, JUNE 8

Alumni Weekend

Friday
Barbecue under tent
between MRC and MAC
6 – 8 p.m.
The Amazing Frank Santos
Hypnotist
Rotunda
9 – 11 p.m.
Jazz Cabaret
Rotunda
11 p.m. – 1 a.m.

Saturday
Open House
Mowry Alumni House
10 – 11 a.m.
Loyal Guard Luncheon
Guiski Dining Room
11:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Picnic Lunch
under tent
Noon – 1:30 p.m.
Softball Game
Class of 1981
vs. the faculty
Softball field
1:30 p.m.
Open House
Mowry Alumni House
2 – 4 p.m.
East Side Campus
Reception and Tour
of RISD Museum
2 – 4 p.m.
Alumni Awards Dinner
Salmanson Dining Hall
6:30 – 10 p.m.
Dance
"Glenn Jordan Orchestra"
Salmanson Dining Hall
10 p.m. – midnight

Sunday
Religious services
Room 365 A&B
9 – 10 a.m.
Cafe Style
Continental Breakfast
Rotunda
10 – 11 a.m.
By the way...

By Gloria Yahn
Assistant Editor

- Loraine Cournoyer, central services, and her husband recently returned from the U.S. Naval Academy, where their son will attend beginning in July.

- When you return in the fall, you'll discover the absence of Dan Barry, director of major gifts. Dan has accepted a position as vice-president for Fund Consultants, Inc., in Providence. Maybe he'll stop by once in a while to play some "hoops." Goodbye and good luck, Dan!

- Speaking of goodbyes, Susan Klaiber, executive assistant to the president, is leaving August 1 to accept a position as a research associate with RMC Research Corporation, an educational research firm in Hampton, New Hampshire. Success and a fond farewell, Susan, you'll be missed!

- Since this is the last issue of Bryant's Business for the academic year, I'd like to thank all of you who submitted information for publication. I hope you enjoyed reading this column as much as I've enjoyed talking with and writing for you. This column is intended to give you, in a light-hearted way, some tidbits of news about your colleagues. If by chance it brought a smile to your face, that was my intent. See you in the fall. And by the way, have a great summer!

See you in September

This is the final issue of Bryant's Business for the 1985-86 academic year. Publication resumes again in September.

Until then, remember that Bryant's Business is your publication. So if you have any ideas that you think can improve the publication, please let us know. Send them to or drop them by the Office of Public Information.

Have a very enjoyable summer! See you again in the fall.

Bill Rupp
Editor & Director, Public Information
Gloria Yahn
Assistant Editor, Public Information Officer

Sophomore first federation scholar

Deborah J. Levin, a sophomore accounting major from Marco Island, Florida, is the first Bryant Faculty Federation scholar. She is shown here with Joe Ilaquae, federation president, and Pat Keeler, vice-president. The $1,500 scholarship was raised through a dinner dance.

New face

Name: Marilyn Serapiglia
Title: Data Entry Clerk
Department: Graduate School

It's time to play

Shed your triskedecaphobia and come out and "rock around the track."

It's Bryant's annual Play Day on Friday, June 13, beginning at noon. And wear your ducktails, saddle shoes, puddle skirts, and greaser jackets as Bryant goes "50's."

There will be games, a dance contest, softball, volleyball, a balloon toss, Joe's Jukebox, Bowser, and a James Dean/Sandra Dee Lookalike Contest. The menu includes steak, chicken, clambakes and chowder, hot dogs and hamburgers, chili, corn on the cob, salads, grinders, soda, wine, beer, watermelon, and brownies. Whooa!

So be there or be square! Rain date is June 20.