Detention center proposed as neighbor

Bryant has joined its neighbors in opposing a private Maryland developer's proposal to build a federal detention center adjacent to the campus.

The developer's proposal is part of the competition to build a privately run detention center for the U.S. Marshals Service, which is seeking a site within an hour of both Boston and Providence. If the developer's proposal is accepted, he anticipates that the 440-bed facility could be built and operating at full capacity in 18-24 months.

Homeowners living adjacent to the campus began to voice their opposition to the proposal almost immediately. Approximately a dozen residents who said they were speaking for many of their neighbors contacted Bryant. They called seeking more information, to let the College know of their intended opposition, and to seek Bryant's support in their attempt to fight the development.

Bryant issued a formal statement opposing the proposal because of three principal concerns: it would jeopardize the perception of Smithfield as a "safe and desirable" community in which to live and work; it would jeopardize the development of the corporate park on Route 7; it would create a perception of Bryant as less safe to parents and students. The latter could be a serious detriment to the well-being of the College, Bryant said.

The College is "strongly urging the appropriate authorities to reject this site as the location for the detention center."

The detention center would be located southeast of the campus on 38 acres bounded by Routes 7 and 116. It would house a combination of people awaiting trials, criminals awaiting sentencing, and witnesses in protective custody. Males and females, adults and juveniles would be served by the facility.

Funds for the facility are coming out of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, which authorized the USMS to enter into contracts with private enterprises for the housing, care, and security of persons held in custody.

Plans for the facility were unveiled at Bryant by James MacDonald, president of Bridge St. Acquisition Corporation, of Greenbelt, MD and Florence/Atlantic Corporation, of Bethesda, MD. The company will develop the facility and then lease it to the USMS, which will have it managed by Pricor Incorporated, of Murfreesboro, TN, MacDonald said.

MacDonald also released his proposal at a work session of the Smithfield Town Council the night before he presented it on campus. Later that day, he also presented it to the Chamber of Commerce in Northern Rhode Island. There was no indication before his presentations that the site was being considered for such a facility. Bryant learned first of his intent in a news story in the Providence Journal.

The site is one of four still being considered by the USMS. The others are in New Bedford, MA; Wareham, MA, and Central Falls, where the zoning board has already approved plans for a similar facility.

At press time, Smithfield was trying to determine if the town council or the zoning board should consider the proposal. Reportedly, Smithfield's zoning codes prohibit penal institutions in the town. Thus, it would take council permission to build the detention center. Whichever board has jurisdiction, it would require a public hearing.

Tuition, fees set for 1990-91

Bryant announced on March 8 its day school tuition and room and board fees for the 1990-91 academic year.

The new fees: tuition and fees, $9,865; room, $2,690 to $3,969, depending on accommodations; board, $2,327 for the 19-meal plan. Students living in Dorms 14-16 and eating on the full-meal plan, therefore, will pay $15,690 next year.

As always, announcement of the new fees was made in a letter to parents and students from the President. The letter linked Bryant's growing reputation for providing a superior education to the strategic planning process. That process, endorsed by the Trustees, has charted pathways that are moving Bryant "dramatically forward among the nation's highest quality institutions," President Trueheart said.

Bryant's "paramount objectives," the President said, have been to transform the College into an internationally recognized residential college; to prepare students to compete successfully in an international environment; to ensure mastery of business concentrations; to provide exposure to the liberal arts and sciences, and to ensure reaffirmation of the College's academic excellence through continued national and specialized accreditations.

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BRYANT’S BUSINESS

You can get healthier at Bryant

More and more employers are recognizing the benefits of healthy employees. The growth in health-risk reduction programs is positive evidence.

Bryant has hardly been immune to this development. Employees at the College have a doctor’s bag full of opportunities to get a little healthier.

The annual Health Fair in April may be the most visible and popular opportunity on campus. (See separate story on it in this issue.) If you do nothing else but have your blood pressure checked there, you have taken a major step toward improving your health.

AIDS Awareness Day also has become an annual opportunity to find out more about this disease. (See story on it in this issue.) But the AIDS Task Force, in cooperation with the human resources office, also has been operating an ongoing education program for employees. And the office has an award-winning video, “Decision for Life,” geared particularly for college students and young adults, which is available for you to borrow for viewing at home.

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“Great progress” has been made towards fulfilling these objectives in the past four years, he said. Among this progress: adding 19 full-time professors; installing a state-of-the-art learning/language lab; providing 1,200 internship opportunities; integrating international programs throughout the College and curriculum; creating the Koffler Technology Center; building the Bryant Center, and installing a fitness center and new health services facility.

“As we continue to chart Bryant’s future,” he said, “other noteworthy enhancements will be completed.” Among them: adding 15 additional professors; opening 34 new senior townhouse units; instituting an honors program for juniors and seniors; establishing more exchange programs with foreign colleges; expanding the internship program worldwide, and adding new foreign language offerings.

To achieve Bryant’s objectives for excellence, “we will continue to focus intensively on institutional fund raising,” the President said, “but cost sharing by present and future students is also essential.”

The new tuition and fees reflect “a portion of those shared costs,” he said.

Because college attendance for some students is not possible without financial aid, Bryant has made fund raising for scholarships a high priority, the President said. Scholarship gifts during the current academic year total more than $263,000.

The President said also that “we will redouble our efforts to ensure that no deserving student will be denied access to a Bryant education, and to make certain that it will remain affordable and increasingly valuable in the future.”

Bryant has participated in the “Great American Smokeout,” an annual American Cancer Society event, for several years. It is designed to accent the dangers of smoking and highlight ways to stop. The Cancer Society’s video, “Fresh Start,” is always available through the Office of Human Resources for anyone interested in quitting. The video features a 21-day stop smoking program, which coaches smokers through the first three weeks of quitting.

TAP (The Alternative Program) always offers a few non-credit classes that are geared toward making you healthier. The classes include aerobics (beginners to advanced), lifesaving, yoga and dancing.

The Health Services Office also does its part in helping to keep employees healthy. You can check your blood pressure and weigh yourself anytime during the work week.

Alcohol Awareness Weeks have been held on campus to make everyone more aware of the dangers of alcohol abuse and also to introduce alternatives to drinking. Included in the fairs have been controlled-drinking experiments that demonstrated the loss of motor skills caused by the use of alcohol. Weekly Alcoholic Anonymous meetings are also held here.

Dennis Dooley

This year the Nautilus/Fitness Center opened its doors with 16 Nautilus machines and three Lifecyclees. You can take off fat, build up muscle or both. All for per-semester fees of $50.

Bryant also offers mental health services through Blue Cross and Blue Shield. The coverage provides for the diagnosis and treatment of mental disorders and illnesses. There also are confidential counseling and referral services available through The Providence Center for Counseling and Psychiatric Services.

Because Bryant is so healthy and fitness conscious, the Blackstone Valley Chamber of Commerce recognized the College last fall with a health award. The award acknowledged employees in the Blackstone Valley area who have significantly furthered the awareness and participation of fellow employees in healthy lifestyles and a positive work environment.
New faces

Audrey L. Earley, of Smithfield, comes to Bryant from the United Way, where she was an administrative assistant. She also has held positions in health-related fields. She attended Community College of Rhode Island.

Eileen B. McAuliffe, of Greenville, also attended CCRI, where she earned a certificate in the clerk-typist program. Experienced in office procedures and word processing, she has held positions at Firemens Mutual Insurance Company and Mine Safety Appliance Company.

Stacy B. Drake, of Warwick, comes to Bryant from Kiawah Resort Associates, in South Carolina, where she was a marketing assistant. A 1987 graduate of LeMoyne College, she holds a BA in English/communications and also holds a literacy certificate for adult education through the Charleston County Schools and the Laubach Literacy Program.

Rita M. Geoffroy, of North Scituate, comes to Bryant with more than 15 years of secretarial experience. Previous employers include Victoria Creations, Dryvit Systems, Fleet Credit Corporation, St. Francis de Sales Rectory, the RI National Guard, and the Environmental Protection Agency.

Janet L. Proulx, of North Scituate, comes to Bryant with 12 years experience for two public relations agencies. She was the office manager with LMS/Barrett for seven years, and served as group secretary for five years with Creamer Dickson Bassford/N.E. She holds an associate's degree in secretarial science from Johnson and Wales.

Stacey Drake
Marketing Production Coordinator, CMD

Rita Geoffroy
Secretary to Directors, Corporate Development and Foundation Relations

Janet Proulx
Secretary/News Bureau Assistant, Office of Public Information

EC teleconference to explore 'sensitive issues'

Bryant hosts on Wednesday a satellite conference that will look at some of the more troublesome and politically sensitive issues in the European Community.

"The Making of Europe — 1992: People, Taxes and Money" runs from 2 to 4 p.m. in the MRC Lecture Hall. The teleconference will be interactive with a variety of experts from Europe and the US answering questions. Among the topics:

- Opening the market for people flows;
- Building a European financial market;
- Taxation: Will national differences in tax rates be a stumbling block?
- Monetary policy and the common currency: necessity or a pipe dream?

The teleconference also will show how language, culture, and standard practice differ across countries.

Call ext. 6236 to reserve a seat. The teleconference is part of a series, Europe '92, the New American Challenge, sponsored by the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business and the Commission of the European Communities with Oklahoma State University.
...Professor Ed Popper continues to gain national media attention. U.S. News and World Report is the latest publication to use comments from him. He was quoted extensively in a story in the March 5 issue headlined "Where there's smoke, a look at rival marketing strategies for cigarette companies...

...Professor Michael Filippelli addressed students in the career education program at Smithfield High School on career opportunities in accounting late last month...

..."Aging Life Cycles" was the topic professor John Jolley discussed with residents at Highland Court, a retirement center, earlier this month...

...Professor Phyllis Schumacher presented a paper earlier this month at a statistics seminar sponsored by the computer science and statistics department at the University of Rhode Island. Her topic: "Analysis of the Length of Successive Runs in a Markov Chain."

...Professor Burt Fischman was keynote speaker to the Credit Professionals of Rhode Island at its dinner last month. His topic: "Management Problems and Solutions."

...Assistant alumni director Jill Nosach moderated a workshop on merchandising and member services for alumni at a professional development conference in Boston last month...

...Bryant's annual Phonathon year has ended. And the paid student callers dialing for dollars have raised more than $241,000 in pledges. The pledges were made over 17 nights, said Nancy Haverstock, annual giving director. This compares with 51 nights of calls for last year's Phonathons, when volunteer callers raised $175,000. "I attribute the tremendous success to the paid student caller program we implemented this year," she said. "I know that made the difference."
Reminder on smoking policy

All Bryant employees, students and visitors are reminded that they are expected to abide by the mandates of Bryant's smoking policy. It was adopted in October, 1986 to comply with the Rhode Island law on smoking in the work place and the College's intent to provide a healthy, comfortable and productive working and living environment for everyone. Reprinted here is the part of the policy designating smoking and/or nonsmoking areas.

SMOKING-PROHIBITED AREAS
- Any area in which a fire or safety hazard exists.
- Common Areas, including elevators, stairwells, waiting areas, and restrooms.
- Shared Work Areas.
- Classrooms, Conference Rooms, Laboratories, and Auditorium. (A short smoking break may be provided during meetings lasting longer than one hour, if requested by smokers.)
- Athletic Complex - exception, see: Hallways
- Food Preparation Areas.
- Dormitory, Social and Study Lounges. For exceptions, see below.

DESIGNATED SMOKING AND/OR NONSMOKING AREAS
- Dining Rooms and Nondormitory Lounges: At least three-quarters of the seating area will be set aside for nonsmokers. Any area where smoking is permitted and will be a single area on the periphery of the nonsmokers' area. Where space is limited, dividers will be erected.
- Library: A designated enclosed-smoking area has been assigned within the Library.
- Bryant Center: Smoking prohibited except in designated areas. Smoking is permitted in the 2nd floor Main Lounge in designated areas, and the 1st Cafe Area in designated areas.
- Salzman Dining Hall: The designated smoking area will be to the left upon descending the stairs, under the low ceiling area.
- Student Dormitories: Dorms 14 and 15 main floor Social Lounge smoking areas to be designated.

NO RESTRICTIONS:
- Hallways and the Rotunda: Initially, there will be no restriction. However, this policy will be reevaluated in the future.
Exception: When the Rotunda is used as a dining area the three-quarters seating for non-smoking will apply.

OTHER
- Private Offices: May be designated "smoking permitted" or "no smoking" by the occupant. However, the occupant should refrain from smoking in his or her office when a nonsmoking employee or visitor is present. He or she should also show a sensitivity to the needs of non-smokers.
By the way...

by Gloria Yahn

- Peter Mandel of the President’s Office, and his wife, Kathy, will be moving to Paris in the spring. They have an East Side apartment for rent and two small cars for sale. Call Peter at ext. 6385. And by the way, Peter and Kathy, best of luck!

- A personal and warm welcome to Janet Proulx. Janet joined Bill Rupp and me in the public information office earlier this month. It certainly is a pleasure to have you here, Janet.

- Doreen Rose, financial aid, and her husband, Steve, thank the Bryant community for their show of support after the death of Steve’s father.

- The Office of Planning and Institutional Research reminds everyone that today is the deadline for all surveys of administrators to be returned to that office.

- Evelyn Dvorak, of the development office, tells me her daughter, Allison’s, fifth-grade class was selected to represent Gordon School at the annual Middle School Choral Festival held at the Lincoln School.

- The PC-TAXCUT seminar will be held this Wednesday in the Koffer Center. You can walk in anytime between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. and Richard Fontaine will help you polish your tax information and show you how to use a menu-driven tax program.

- Bryant hosts on Friday another New England Regional Computing Program (NERComP) conference. The subject of the day-long conference is “Networking on the College or Corporate Campus.” NERComP is an association of 63 New England colleges and universities. Contact Joe Guay at ext. 6196 for more information.

Pension plan reports results

- TIAA-CREF reported in late February its investment rates of return for 1989. The results:
  - TIAA surpassed the industry average for the 41st consecutive year with a total net return of 10.53 percent.
  - The CREF Stock Account had its highest rate of return since 1985, posting a net rate of 27.9 percent.
  - The CREF Money Market Account consistently outperformed Donoghue’s All-Taxable Money Fund Average.

- TIAA’s 1989 results also represent the ninth consecutive year that TIAA performance has exceeded 10 percent, the pension system reported. TIAA assets at year’s end totaled $44.4 billion, up from $39.8 billion a year earlier.

- If it was a mutual fund, the CREF Stock Account’s performance would have ranked it among the top third of growth and growth-and-income mutual funds, which have similar investment objectives. Stock account assets, invested in 2,400 companies, totaled $37.6 billion at year-end 1989, up from $30.8 billion a year earlier.

- CREF’s money market account consistently yielded up to one half percentage point more than the Donoghue average in 1989. At year-end, the account had total assets of $1.9 billion.

If it’s spring, it’s also golf season

Put away those skis and grab the old clubs and spikes if you’re a Bryant golfer. It’s time for the golf league to tee off again.

- The eighth golf season begins April 24 and runs for 18 weeks (except for the week of July 4). This year the 32-member league is gathering at East Greenwich Golf and Country Club every Tuesday. Tee times are 3:35 to 4:45 p.m.

- Herb McLaughlin is serving as the golf league’s president this year. He has already scheduled the annual banquet for September 15 at the Foster Country Club.

Health Fair ‘90 April 10

Health Fair ‘90 at Bryant on April 10 can “help yourself and others to make healthy choices.” That is the theme of the annual event this year. The Health Fair runs from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Papito Dining Room.

- More than 20 participating organizations will offer cholesterol and dental screenings, blood pressure readings, body fat analyses, and other information to help you make healthy choices.

- Among the Health Fair participants: Planned Parenthood, the Samaritans, the Rape Crisis Center, the Anorexia and Bulimia Society, the American Cancer Society, Rhode Island Project AIDS, Substance Abuse Services, the American Diabetes Association. There also will be information on nutrition and sports medicine and a fitness demonstration.

- Refreshments will be served all day courtesy of ARA.

‘AIDS Awareness Day’ Wednesday

- Bryant’s second annual AIDS Awareness Day is Wednesday.

- Among the day-long event’s activities:
  - an information table in the Rotunda with a Rhode Island Project AIDS representative and members of the College’s AIDS Task Force distributing AIDS and safe-sex brochures and condoms;
  - a 7 p.m. performance by safe-sex activist Suzanne Landolfi;
  - handouts of literature in the cafeterias;
  - faculty discussing in classes various aspects of the disease or showing AIDS videos.

- All activities are open to the entire Bryant community. For more information, call health services director Betty Cotter, chair of the task force, at ext. 6220.