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## 'Up With People' update

You may recall a story Bryant's Business carried almost a year ago about a Bryant sophomore selling stock in himself to support his year of travel with the Up With People educational and service program for young men and women. He promised to keep his friends and stockholders informed of his adventures around the world with the troupe, which stages musical shows to promote international goodwill and understanding. Well, true to his word, John Cirello, a management major from Whippany, NJ, has done it. This is an edited version of Cirello's first report.

Dear Family, Friends and Stockholders,

It's hard to believe that my first semester as an Up With People student has passed. Although I've spent only five months on the road, I have gathered a lifetime worth of experiences.

We have traveled as far west as Tucumacari, NM, as far east as East Millonocket, ME, and as far south as Washington, DC. After two weeks at home for the holidays, we reconvened in Oslo, Norway, with a stopover in Helsinki, Finland. We will return to the US on May 5.

**(More than 50 shows and 10 "community-involvement days" are scheduled in Norway, Denmark, Germany, and the Netherlands, according to the schedule Cirello included with his letter.)**

Our day begins at 8 a.m. with meetings about local or international events, and social and political issues. We often have guest speakers from foreign countries, local businesses, and civic organizations.

The remainder of the day is filled with set-up, rehearsal, physical fitness, workshops, and community involvement. My community-involvement experiences



*The new public safety booth on Jacobs Drive*

## New, improved public safety booth open

*by Michele Rendeiro  
Public Information Intern*

You surely have noticed, but Bryant's new and much-improved public safety booth on Jacobs Drive is open for business.

Even though the official date for completion of construction is March 1, public safety officers have been using the new booth for several weeks. There are still a few construction details to work out, such as hanging vertical blinds on the windows, and smoothing out any last minute glitches. But the booth is definitely open.

Construction took six months and overcame many unforeseen snags. But the wait has been worth it. The new booth contains a work desk, a counter, a pay phone and a rest room. And there is enough space for at least two officers. Future plans for the booth include installing surveillance cameras.

Acting public safety chief Ralph Pace sees many plusses in the new booth.

The pay phone, for example, will help lost travelers. There is a much better view of what's going on around the officers, he said. And need much be said about having a handy rest room.

Another advantage to this building, said project manager Dennis Dooley, is that "it is self-sufficient." It has telephone and electrical lines separate from the College's in case of a power failure on campus, and it also has a back-up generator for emergencies.

This booth, unlike the old wooden frame booth, is constructed of poured concrete, which should resist any collision. Constructing the booth out of concrete did mean it took longer to build, because each phase had to dry completely before the next one could be started.

There are no plans right now for the old booth. But the stone in front of the old booth will be moved to the new one. Jacobs Drive also will be repaved when the weather cooperates sufficiently.

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have included visiting nursing homes, mental institutions, homes for delinquent boys, and hospital wards for AIDS patients. On occasion, we have visited local business facilities, such as a General Motors plant and the Ben & Jerry ice cream factory. I'm also serving in an internship program that includes recruiting and interviewing students interested in joining UWP for next year.

We all get together at dinner and begin our preparation for the show that evening. We entertain mostly in local high schools. But we have performed at the Kennedy Center, the Waldorf Astoria, and in a football stadium.

After each show, we split into three groups. Some of us attend the host-families reception, others break down the set and load the truck, and others conduct interviews. These groups rotate on a regular basis. Our host families usually pick us up about midnight. On travel days or free days, this schedule changes and we can generally visit with our host families or go sightseeing.

Sometimes the schedule can be



*On tour, John Cirello*

overwhelming. But our host families do so much to ease the stress--as well as to nourish our bodies and souls.

It is very difficult for me to compress so many wonderful and gratifying days into a short letter. I have written a detailed paper on my UWP experiences, which I will send to you on request. As each day passes, I am more and more grateful for the opportunity to be a part of this organization. And I thank you all once again for making it happen.

Most sincerely,

John (Cirello)

## ***Wanted: Commencement award nominees***

It's time to nominate seniors and December, 1990 graduates for Commencement awards. Deadline is March 18.

A typed resume of the nominee should accompany all nomination forms. Forms can be picked up at the Student Senate office, all faculty suites, the registrar's office, and the student affairs office.

Students are eligible for more than one award. Include personal reasons and refer to the experiences, background, and accomplishments that you believe qualify the student for the award. All information must be presented accurately. Any misrepresentation will invalidate the nomination.

Return all nomination forms to professor Phyllis Schumacher in Faculty Suite K.

## **Well Fare**

Good Health Benefit programs on "stress" and "walking as exercise" continue at Bryant next month. See the complete schedule below.

All employees are encouraged to participate in GHB programs

### **GHB program schedule**

March 13  
"Stress" Program I  
MRC Lecture Hall  
12 p.m. & 1 p.m.  
(One-hour workshop with brown-bag lunch)

March 27 - May 15  
"Steppin' Out"  
Bryant Center Room 1  
12 to 1 p.m. Wednesdays  
(8-week walking competition to promote exercise and team effort with a brown-bag lunch)

regardless of health insurance coverage. Look for payroll stuffers, sign-up sheets, and other announcements to keep you posted. Flexibility in scheduling is encouraged.

April 17  
"Stress" Program II  
MRC Lecture Hall  
12 p.m. & 1 p.m.

July  
"Back Care"  
Exercise Room  
(Programs for four groups held during the work day)

September  
"Self Improvement"  
Arris Dining Room (Fishbowl)  
12 p.m. & 1 p.m.  
(Health stop focusing on self-help with topics: first aid, self-care choices, nutrition, stress)

**NOTE: Employees may sign up for any program at the first meeting.**

## ***Cosby Show advisor speaks today***

Dr. Alvin F. Poussaint continues the Bryant Forum lecture series today at 4 p.m. as part of Black History Month.

The Harvard Medical School psychiatrist may be known best as a script consultant to NBC-TV's "The Cosby Show." Poussaint speaks in Janikies Auditorium on "workplace stresses generated by racial, ethnic and gender conflict."

In addition to being an associate professor of psychiatry and associate dean for student affairs at Harvard Medical School, Poussaint, 56, also is a senior associate in psychiatry at the Judge Baker Children's Center in Boston. He is active in consulting to the media on a wide range of social issues, and he is a prolific writer and author. Among Poussaint's works are the books "Why Blacks Kill Blacks" and "Black Child Care."

Poussaint holds degrees from Columbia University, Cornell University Medical College, and the UCLA Neuropsychiatric Institute. He joined Harvard in 1969, where he also has served as director of student affairs at the medical school.



## Tuition exchange scholars selected

Bryant has four new Tuition Exchange Program scholarship recipients: Gerard Cournoyer, son of Denise Cournoyer; Maura Farrell, daughter of Judy Farrell; Julie Robinson, daughter of professor Harry Robinson, and Scott Yagnesak, son of Edward Yagnesak.

Their two-year scholarships to attend one of the Tuition Exchange colleges will be equal to Bryant's tuition charge each year. Currently, TEP includes over 285 colleges in 46 states.

A lottery system was used to select the four from a group of eight applicants. President Trueheart did the honors by tossing into the air eight envelopes carrying the applicants' names and picking up the envelopes of the four winners at random.

TEP determines the number of scholarships each year. Bryant's total this year rose to four from last year's three. The number can go up or down each year depending on the number of students attending Bryant from other exchange program members.

For more information on Tuition Exchange scholarships, contact coordinator Carla Gardner at ext. 6013.



### Assembly for Hope

*Hundreds of students, faculty and staff gathered in the Rotunda in late January at an "Assembly for Hope." It was organized to show support in a non-political atmosphere for America's troops in the Persian Gulf, and to stress the need to support each other during the war. Hundreds of yellow ribbons bearing the names of troops serving in the Gulf were distributed and tied to railings and plants in the Rotunda.*

## Computing seminars kick off today

A spring-semester schedule of computing seminars for Bryant employees kicks off today with a session on "Learning to Use WordPerfect 5.1."

Sponsored by the academic computing department, the seminars focus specifically on getting the most out of software such as WordPerfect 5.1, Microsoft Windows 3.0, and Harvard Graphics. The seminars also will look at BITNET for worldwide electronic communications, electronic mail systems, and grammar and style checkers.

The kick-off WordPerfect seminar runs in two parts in Room 354: today and Thursday from 3:30 to 4:30. It repeats on March 20 and 27.

Other seminars are: "LetterPerfect" (Feb. 27 & April 11); "Text Boxes and

Graphics in WordPerfect 5.1" (April 2 & 3); "Editing Equations in WordPerfect 5.1" (April 17); "Grammar/Style Checkers Compared and Evaluated" (March 19); "Publishing Newsletters with WordPerfect 5.1" (March 20); "Microsoft Windows 3.0" (March 6 & April 4); "Using the ProComm Communication Package" (March 26); "BITNET" (March 28 & April 22); "Classroom Seating Charts with Student Grades" (April 16); "Harvard Graphics Screen Show" (April 9); "Harvard Graphics Draw Partner" (April 8), and "Student Electronic Mail Systems" (April 10 & 18).

Call Steve Frazier at ext. 6363 with questions on the content of each seminar. Register for each one by calling ext. 6196.

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...The journal *Constructing the American Past* will carry excerpts of professor **Judy Litoff's** book, "Miss You: The World War II letters of Barbara Wooddall Taylor and Charles E. Taylor." Also, Litoff was a guest at the Author's Forum at the National Archives in Washington, DC...

...Executive and continuing education dean **Tim Sullivan** has been elected to a three-year term on the executive committee of the National University Continuing Education Association division of business, industry and labor...

...Professor **Kumar Chittipeddi** addressed the 1990 International Council for Small Business conference in Washington, DC. His topic: "Legendary Entrepreneurship." Also, Chittipeddi is the new vice-president of the minority division of the U.S. Association for Small Business and Entrepreneurship, and he has been appointed the international liaison for the Academy of Management's entrepreneurship division ...

...An article by professors **Phyllis Schumacher** and **Alan Olinsky** has been published in the 1990 issue of *Collegiate Microcomputer*. The topic: "Illustration of Regression Results Using Simulation and Graphical Presentation"...

..."Effective Selling," a manual written by professor **Debbie Easterling**, has been published by Southwestern Publishing Company. Easterling also addressed the academic decathlon club at Charho High School on microeconomics...

...Professor **Peter Mini's** article, "The Anti-Benthamism of J.M. Keynes--Implications for The General Theory," has been accepted for fall publication in *The American Journal of Economics and Sociology*...

...After visiting Israel, professor **Burton Fischman** shared his impressions of the Jewish state and the Middle East crisis with the Bryant community earlier this month...

...Professor **Pedro Beade** presented his paper, "Close Encounters of the Real Kind: Roger Williams Among the Algonquians," at the 1990 convention of the Modern Language Association of America in Chicago...

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## By the way...

by Gloria Yahn

● **Jill Nosach '86** of the alumni office, her husband, John '86, and their daughter, Courtney, **have welcomed** Nicholas Rudolph as the **new addition** to their family. Named after both grandfathers, Nicholas weighed in at 6 lbs. 9 ozs., on February 2. Congratulations to the entire Nosach family!

● **Donna Marie Eisler**, admissions officer, has **changed her name**. She is now Donna Marie Koehler. She and Michael Koehler were married on Long Island on December 15. Best wishes!

● A **memorial Mass** will be celebrated for Dorothy Barcliff, **aunt of Carol Trueheart**, on Sunday (February 24) at noon in Rooms 2A&B in the Bryant Center. Her aunt died in December.

● **My son Neil** was one of six cross-country skiers invited to participate in the 1991 Special Olympic **Winter Games** in Syracuse earlier this month. I'm happy to say he brought home two bronze medals to add to his collection of more than 60. He sure does his Mom proud!



Archie Boulet

● **Kudos and congratulations to Archie Boulet!** He has been named "**Rhode Island Coach of the Year**" by the Rhode Island Sports Writers association, Words Unlimited. Archie will be honored at the 1025 Club, in Johnston, on Sunday (February 24) for leading the golf team to the New England and Eastern Collegiate Athletics Conference (ECAC) championships last year. The latter crown was a first for a Division II college. Tickets (\$15) for the dinner are on sale at the athletics office or by calling ext. 6070. Nice going, Archie!

## New Faces



**Paula D. Jacobs**  
Admissions Officer

Paula Jacobs came to Bryant from Becker Junior College, where she was an admissions counselor. She also has worked as an admissions counselor at Norwich University.

Jacobs holds a BA in English from Norwich. She is a certified swimming official and competitive swimmer and runs mini-marathons.



**Barbara Gregory**  
Assistant Director of  
Career Development

Barbara Gregory came to Bryant from Providence College, where she was assistant director of career planning for three years. Before that, she worked as a director of on-the-job training at the Eastern Orange County (NJ) Chamber of Commerce, as a director of alumni affairs at Millersville University of Pennsylvania and Mount Saint Mary College in Newburgh, NY, and as an elementary school teacher in Middletown, NY.

Gregory, of Slatersville, is active with the Northern Rhode Island Mental Health Center, the Rhode Island Women's Network, and the National Society Internship and Experiential Education. She holds an MA in education from SUNY at New Paltz and a BA in education from Mount Saint Mary.



**William F. Gilmore**  
Energy Coordinator,  
Physical Plant

Before coming to Bryant, Bill Gilmore was a senior project engineer at Walco Electric Company of Providence. He is a member of the American Institute of Plant Engineers, and the Illuminating Engineering Society of North America.

Gilmore has presented a paper to the Electric Power Research Institute and also has written several articles for various trade magazines. He holds a bachelor's degree from Texas Tech University.



**Lori A. Ross**  
Resident Director

Lori Ross came to Bryant from San Diego State University, where she was a residence hall advisor for four years. She also has been an industrial arts teacher in Clinton, CT, and an assistant hall director at Central Connecticut State University.

Ross holds an MA in educational technology from San Diego State and a secondary teaching credential and a BS in industrial technology from Central Connecticut State. She has been active in the Association of College and University Housing Officers - International.