

Alumni Newsletter

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A Blast from the Past



Well, friends, it's that time again! **Bryant's Reunion Weekend 1990** will be better than ever. This year's theme will be, "**The Hands of Time,**" celebrating change. **June 8, 9, and 10** are the dates to remember. We will start off this year's event Friday with an Early Bird Seminar on Estate Planning, followed on Saturday with such workshops as "Time Management" with Bill Phillips, "Parenting Skills for the '90s" with John Winters, a discussion with Rosemary D'Arcy titled, "Time for a Career Change," and a talk with Professors Pat Keeley and John Jolley about their team-taught humanities course.

On Friday evening, a Welcome Home Reception will be held by the **Classes of '45, '50, and '60** for all early arrivers. The **Classes of '65 and '70** will sponsor an All Alumni Clam-bake with entertainment. Delicious foods such as steamers, clam chowder, clamcakes, corn on the cob, BBQ chicken, baked potatoes, and watermelon will be served. The 50th reunion dinner for the **Class of '40** will be a soothing delight to the soul with plenty of good food, conversation, and piano accompaniment. A Reunion Cabaret party, sponsored by the **Class of '85**, will kick off a fun-filled weekend for our young alumni.

Anyone for a Sunshine Breakfast on Saturday? That's exactly how this beautiful day will begin, to be followed by the Alumni Association Annual Meeting. The All Alumni Picnic will begin around noon. Entertainment at the picnic may include banjo playing musicians, caricature photos, magic shows, and class photos. Sounds like fun? You can bet it will be! The **Loyal**

Guard Luncheon will also be held on Saturday. As we all know, this is Bryant's oldest and most honored alumni group. We salute this year's inductees and privileged members. Saturday evening, A Classy Affair, the all alumni dinner and dance, will be sponsored by the **Class of '80**. Good ol' oldies will be heard as well as the top 40 hits of today. So bring your dancing shoes and be ready to dance the night away!

There will be plenty of recreation for you sports and fitness buffs at Bryant Reunion 1990. The tennis courts will be available on Saturday for those of you who love this sport. Faculty/alumni softball and volleyball challenges will be held throughout the day. The **Class of '86** will sponsor a kick-ball game and keg gathering in the afternoon. Tours of the campus and its new Nautilus center will be a highlight for those returning for the first time. The College bookstore will be open for browsing or bringing home a small remembrance.

President and Mrs. William E. Trueheart will hold a special reception for alumni award recipients, their guests, and Alumni Association Executive Board members at their home during the early evening on Saturday.

The weekend activities will draw to a close on Sunday with ecumenical services and a Farewell Brunch.

How about sharing a suite with friends? All participants are welcome to stay both nights in the dorms. Make plans to join in the fun and celebration of Bryant Reunion 1990!

*Inauguration
Festivities*



Carol Word Trueheart unveils the Presidents' Walk marker which was funded and dedicated by the Alumni Association



Helen (Sito) Bochenek '34 speaks with President Trueheart during his inaugural brunch

Reserve Today!

Deposits for the Montreal trip are due by March 7. Don't delay! \$100 will hold your spot for round-trip air transportation, hotel accommodations at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel, enter-

tainment, dining, dancing, shopping, touring, and more. Total for the August 11-13 trip is \$298. We don't want to leave without you, so make your check out to **Bryant College** and mail it today.

Alumni Mentors

Think back to when you were a college student. Did you have questions about your chosen career? Doubts about whether it was right for you? Anxieties about interviewing? To help, the GAC and the SAA are co-sponsoring a new program which will assist current Bryant students, both graduate and

undergraduate. Each alumnus who participates will be matched to a student with a similar background and career goal who needs guidance. The amount of time spent together will depend on the needs of the particular individuals. If you are interested in becoming a mentor, please call Melissa Walker at (401) 232-6040.

*Young Alumnus
Plans Ahead*

It is not unusual for someone to include charitable giving when estate planning. But it is unusual when that someone is only 36 years old! **Steven Townsend '76, '80MBA**, chairman and chief operating officer of Cornucopia Natural Foods in Coventry, RI, has arranged the first major planned gift by a young

alumnus in Bryant's history. He hopes this sets an example for other alumni to follow suit. We salute Steve for his generosity and foresight, and encourage alumni of all ages to consider Bryant College when planning their wills and estates. For information on our planned giving program, contact David Wahl at (401) 232-6173.

Chapter Events

Florida Chapter members are busy planning their March 1990 events. For details, call Jill Nosach at (401) 232-6040.

Chicago Chapter members will be gathering on April 16. For more information, call Melissa Walker at (401) 232-6040.

The **Worcester Alumni Chapter** has elected its new officers for the 1989-1990 term. The officers are **Kay Kingsbury '55**, chair; **Andrea O'Neil '85**, co-chair; and **Alan Cooper '69** and **Doug Stone '78**, vice chairs. Other committee members are **Peter Leasca '49** (former chair), **Charles Kingsbury '56**, **Dominic Manduca '49**, **Blain Marchand '83**, and **Sherri Sigel '89**.

During February, the **Worcester**

Chapter will sponsor a tax and investment program. This event will be coordinated by **Peter Leasca '49** and **Kay Kingsbury '55**. For inquiries please call Kay at (508) 756-3607 or Melissa Walker at (401) 232-6040.

"Will He Get My Letter?" A discussion of Bryant Professor Judy Barrett Litoff's three-volume set of books based on thousands of World War II letters from around the world will be the topic on Tuesday, March 6, when **Worcester Chapter** members get together with Judy.

The **Worcester Alumni Chapter** and the **Newport County Alumni Chapter** will come together and host a tour of the Astors' Beechwood Mansion on May 19. The tour will include shopping and dinner. Watch your mail for details!

Spread a Little Sunshine

Retired faculty member **Arthur Kemp Smith** is in ill health and would appreciate your notes of cheer and

nostalgia. Professor Smith resides at One Westgate Road in North Attleboro, MA, 02703.

SAA Notes



Our hats are off to volunteers: **Scott Pierson '83MBA** and **Dave Shultis '84** for making our Second Alumni Roundtable Series for students a huge success! Students benefited from the informal discussion on interviewing techniques. The event was held on November 27, 1989, and was co-sponsored by the **Graduate Alumni Council** and the **Student Alumni Association**.

Rotunda aglow at Festival of Lights. This annual multid denominational holiday celebration was co-sponsored by the Student Alumni Association and the Office of Student Activities.

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- May 23 GAC Luncheon Speaker Series V — Chief Economist at Fleet National Bank Gary L. Ciminero, "The Report Card on New England's Slowdown: How Real, How Serious, How Long?"
- May 25 Graduate Commencement
- May 26 Commencement

June 8,9, 10 REUNION '90

- June 9 Annual Meeting of the Alumni Association
- June 16 Boston Chapter Harbor Cruise
- Aug 11 Montreal Trip

For details on calendar events call (401) 232-6040.

GAC News

The Graduate School Alumni Businessperson of the Year Dinner will be held on April 14 at the Holiday Inn at the Crossings in Warwick, RI. For details, call the Graduate School office at (401) 232-6230.

Don't miss this year's Speaker Luncheon Series. Delicious food and provocative speakers combine to delight alumni. Check the calendar for dates, speakers, and topics. The time is 12:15 p.m. at the Turks Head Club in Providence, RI. The cost is \$16 per person per luncheon; \$84 per luncheon for a table of six; \$14 per person per luncheon if you sign up for three or more sessions.

The GAC will host an alumni networking reception at City Lights in Providence on Wednesday, March 28, at 6 p.m. There is a \$10 cover charge for hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. All Bryant alumni are invited to drop by after work to exchange business cards and chatter. For more information on these events call Donna Harris at (401) 232-6040.

Calendar

- Jan 23 Newport/Aquidneck Island
Chapter Networking
Reception
- Jan 24 Boston Chapter evening with
the Boston Classical
Orchestra at Faneuil Hall
- Jan 31 Hartford Chapter Reception
at the J.P. Morgan Hotel
- Feb 10 Minority Alumni Conference
- Feb 14 GAC Luncheon Speaker
Series II — Rhode Island
Congressman Ronald K.
Machtley, "Congressional
Activity for Small Business
Development"
- Feb 14 Reception for Bryant
Graduates employed by Old
Stone Bank in Providence, RI
- Feb 15 Alumni Association
Quarterly Board Meeting
- Feb 27 Boston Chapter Basketball
Reception at Bentley
- Mar 6 Worcester Chapter Reception
with Bryant Professor Judy
Litoff
- Mar 11 Sarasota Chapter Brunch
- Mar 12 Florida Chapter Event
- Mar 13 Florida Chapter Event
- Mar 21 GAC Luncheon Speaker
Series III — Attorney at Law
Raul L. Lovett, "I'm OK,
You're a Phony" — Workers'
Compensation Issues
- Mar 28 GAC Networking Reception
- Apr 14 GAC Dinner Dance honoring
the Alumni Businessperson of
the Year
- Apr 16 Chicago Chapter Event
- Apr 18 GAC Luncheon Speaker
Series IV — Save the Bay
President Trudy Coxé, "The
Environment: An 80s Review
and an Agenda for the
1990s"
- Apr 26 Alumni Association
Quarterly Board Meeting
- April Boston Chapter Comedy
Club Event
- May 5 Athletic Hall of Fame Dinner
- May 19 Worcester Chapter and
Newport Chapter tour-
Astors' Beechwood Mansion

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*Mini Annual
Report*

Building on a solid base of support from alumni, parents, faculty, staff, friends, trustees, corporations, and foundations, which was developed over the past several years, the Bryant Fund experienced its most successful campaign year in history with a total of \$1,189,978 in cash and in-kind gifts

from 7,244 donors. This represents an increase of 14% in dollars over the highest previous amount. Including government grants, the grand total was \$1,718,341, an increase of 38% over the previous year. Individual alumni contributions of all types account for \$460,611 of this total or 38.7%.

Total Alumni Giving

