

## Alumni Newsletter

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### *Alumni Weekend June 5, 6, 7*

Come celebrate good times with good friends during the 20th anniversary celebration of Bryant's Tupper Campus. During Alumni Weekend you will have a chance to reminisce with old friends, tour the "new" campus, visit the East Side campus, gather with the Greeks, and party by the pond.

Special events for all alumni will be sponsored by reunion year classes throughout the weekend. Call Donna Harris at (401) 232-6040 for details.

For more than a year, a delegation of active alumni representing our diverse current and discontinued majors, three campus locations, and a variety of ages and backgrounds, has met to discuss the future of alumni relations at Bryant College.

The Task Force unanimously offered the following recommendations to the Board of Trustees:

1) The Bryant College Alumni Association will become a network of regional chapters with a geographically-based, task-oriented structure, replacing the existing Executive Board hierarchy and building a two-way association that will reap rewards for the College and satisfaction for alumni volunteers.

2) The new regional chapters will be chartered to fit the size, scope, and interest of the alumni community in any given area.

3) A National Alumni Leadership

**50th** Reunion Chairs: **Ed Ameen '42**  
and **Ed Alger Jr. '42**

**45th** Reunion Chair: **Bernadine McCrudden '47**

**35th** Reunion Chairs: **Carolyn (Girelli) Skeffington '57** and  
**Siro DeGasperis '57**

**25th** Reunion Chair: **Ron Cioe '67**

**10th** Reunion Chairs: **Sandy (Musumeci) Aldieri '82** and  
**Wendy LoSchiavo '82**

**5th** Reunion Chairs: **Tracy (Aldrich) Rhodes '87** and **Kerry Amaral '87**

Council will be formed to assist in setting the overall philosophy, policies, and goals of the Association.

- 4) The Association will foster four key priorities by acting as:
- A) a recruiting, retention, and admissions liaison;
  - B) a resource for career guidance and assistance;
  - C) a support system for annual and special fund drives;
  - D) a programming board for athletic, cultural, social, and educational activities to enhance A, B, and C.

5) To foster better and more timely communications, the College should increase the frequency of the *Alumni Newsletter*.

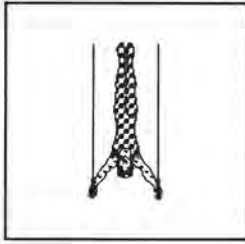
Director of Alumni Relations Paula Iacono '69 indicated that "the Trustees were very supportive of the innovative structure the Task Force has envisioned." She is "looking forward to an accelerated, aggressive alumni relations program."



*Ron Cioe '67*

### *Task Force on Alumni Relations*

## *The Balancing Act*



*The Balancing Act* is the next component of the Alumni Continuing Education Series. This program will provide

practical tips for balancing personal and professional demands by highlighting the coping skills of some of our busiest alumni. The program

will be held on Saturday, April 18, at 9 a.m. in room 2A of the Bryant Center. The cost of \$25 includes seminar materials and refreshments.

The Alumni Continuing Education Series was developed by the Alumni Association Executive Board, the Office of Alumni Relations, and the CENTER for Management Development. To register, or receive more information, please call Melissa Walker at (401) 232-6040.

## *Sign-up Now for this Year's Speaker Series*

Sponsored by the Graduate Alumni Council and the Alumni Association Executive Board, this year's Speaker Series will be held at the Holiday Inn in Providence, RI. Each breakfast will begin at 7:45 a.m. and cost \$10. To register, please call Donna Harris at (401) 232-6040.

Jan. 15 *Survival Skills for the 1990s*  
Pauline Middleton, consultant international business

Feb. 12 *Ethics in Rhode Island*  
James O'Neil  
RI Attorney General

Mar. 11 *America's Health Care Crisis*  
John Chafee  
US Senator

Apr. 15 *Region's Economic Forecast*  
Gary Ciminero  
Fleet Norstar Chief Economist

May 13 *Workers' Compensation*  
Frank Holbrook, E.V.P.  
RI Chamber Federation

## *Looking For a Job?*

Bryant College, as a member of the Alumni Job Fair Consortium, wants to help you with your search. Bryant is one of eight Boston-area colleges which organize the **Job Fair for Experienced Alumni**. Last year representatives from 51 New England companies met with alumni. This year the fair will be on Monday, April 13, from 4-7 p.m., at the Hynes Convention Center in Boston, MA.

Before the fair, professional career counselors from the member schools will present workshops on interviewing skills, job hunting in a tough economy, and working a job fair. Career counselors will also be available to critique your resume.

For more information, or to receive a registration form, please call Donna Harris at (401) 232-6040.

## *Business After Hours*

Mark Thursday, February 27, on your calendar now for the Business After Hours gathering at Cahoots Lounge in the Marriott Hotel in Providence, RI. Just look for the Bryant banner in the lounge.

Free hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar will be available starting at 5:30 p.m. The Graduate Alumni Council and the Alumni Association Executive Board members are looking forward to seeing you there.

## *Help for Your Small Business*

Bryant's Rhode Island Small Business Development Center (RISBDC) is sponsoring two programs that may be of special interest to alumni: *LOTUS/ASBDC Financial Management Seminar* on January 15 & 16; and *150 Ways to Control Costs* on

February 28. Both programs will be held on Bryant's Smithfield campus. For more information, please call (401) 454-2819. The RISBDC is funded by the US Small Business Administration, Bryant College, and the State of Rhode Island.

## Minority Alumni Event

The Bryant College Multicultural Student Union invites all minority alumni back for the third annual alumni-student event on Saturday, February 29. Manny Barrows '87 is working with the students to plan

another great session of networking and experience sharing with students and alumni. Come back to Bryant to celebrate Black History Month with us. For details, please call Melissa Walker at (401) 232-6040.

## Chapters

### Florida - East Coast



What better way to celebrate St. Patrick's Day than with Professor Pat Keeley? Pat will entertain us with stories

of Bryant's historic move to Smithfield in celebration of the 20th Anniversary

of the Tupper Campus. He may even grace us with a song or two. Join Pat, Bill and Carol Trueheart, and your fellow alumni on March 17 at 5:30 p.m. at the Deerfield Beach/Boca Raton Hilton, 100 Fairway Drive, Deerfield Beach. Don't miss this chance to get together with some of the 400 East Coast Florida Bryant alumni. To register please call Paula Iacono '69 at (401) 232-6040.

### Florida - West Coast



The West Coast Florida Alumni Chapter will be holding its fourth annual brunch at the Palm-Aire Country Club in Sarasota on Sunday, March 15, at 11:30 a.m. You are invited to join President William E. Trueheart, Dean Nelson Gulski '26, '72H, former Vice President Gertrude Hochberg, Professor Wally Camper, and your fellow alumni. For reservations please call Paula Iacono '69 at (401) 232-6040.



Washington, DC  
On December 3, Bryant Professor Judy Barrett Litoff and co-author David C. Smith from the University of Maine entertained alumni from both institutions with excerpts from their book, "Since You Went Away: World War II Letters from American Women on the Homefront" at the Sheraton Carlton Hotel. To hear more about the Washington, DC, Chapter, please call Paula Iacono '69 at (401) 232-6040.

## Revitalized Alumni Admissions Network



Eileen Chekal

Under the able direction of newly hired Volunteer Coordinator Eileen Chekal, the Bryant Alumni Admissions Network has been restructured and revitalized. According to Director of Alumni Relations Paula Iacono '69, "It is a vital volunteer role and one in which alumni across the country will be asked to participate as either regional coordinators, admissions representatives, or admissions adjuncts." Regional coordinators

will disseminate timely information to volunteers from their geographic area; admissions representatives will talk with potential students; and admissions adjuncts will host receptions for potential students and their parents. Iacono continues, "The program is appealing to alumni volunteers and extremely beneficial to the College." Areas of concentration for 1992 include Long Island, upstate New York, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, and Rhode Island.

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### *Festival of Lights*

On Wednesday, December 4, the Student Alumni Association and the Office of Student Activities co-sponsored the fifteenth annual Festival of Lights holiday celebration. This multi-denominational program is the official beginning of the season of peace and goodwill on the Bryant campus. College chaplains offered readings, and Rabbi Silverman lit the menorah for peace. Entertainer Dave Binder led a sing-along of holiday music. Bryant President William E. Trueheart and Bryant Trustee Walter C. Tillinghast '53, '88H also participated in the program.



*Bryant President William E. Trueheart lights the 15 foot tree donated by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sousa, parents of Kenneth J. Sousa '87MBA.*

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### *Mentors Needed*

The Alumni Mentor Program, which pairs successful alumni with interested students, is looking for alumni who work in either marketing, business communications, human resources, or management. Students trying to learn more about these fields are requesting your help. To receive a detailed brochure explaining the Alumni Mentor Program and an application, please call Donna Harris at (401) 232-6040.

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## *Calendar*

Jan. 14	"Financial Security"
Jan. 28	Mentor Reception
Feb. 12	Providence Breakfast
Feb. 29	Minority Reception
Mar. 15	Sarasota Brunch
Mar. 17	East FL St. Pat Party
Mar. 18	Providence Breakfast
Apr. 11	Admissions Day
Apr. 13	Boston Job Fair
Apr. 15	Providence Breakfast
Apr. 18	"Balancing Act"
May 3	Oozball
May 13	Providence Breakfast
May 15	Graduate School Commencement
May 16	Undergraduate Commencement

**June 5-7 Alumni Weekend**

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### *Nominations Please*

If you know of an alumnus who has distinguished him/herself in business, government, education, or science; or who has devoted countless hours to the betterment of their alma mater, nominate them for the **Distinguished Alumnus Award** or the **Nelson Gulski Service Award**.

Your Alumni Association is also looking for candidates for the **Distinguished Faculty Award** and the **Young Alumni Leadership Award**.

Award winners will be honored at **Alumni Weekend** June 5, 6, 7, 1992. For additional information, call Donna Harris at (401) 232-6040.

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### *Founder's Day*

On November 19, the Student Alumni Association hosted the first annual Bryant College Founder's Day celebration. The occasion saluted Bryant's 128-year heritage as an outstanding college of business administration. Bryant President William E. Trueheart opened the ceremony by outlining Bryant's impressive history. Greetings were extended to the Bryant community from the Town of Smithfield by Town

Administrator Anthony Simeone. Student Senate President Jamie Bergeron '92 presented a time capsule containing memorabilia from students, faculty, staff, alumni, and Smithfield to Alumni Trustee Steven Townsend '76, '80MBA. The time capsule was buried on campus and will be opened in 50 years. Bryant Professor Patrick Keeley concluded the program with an entertaining account of life on the East Side and Tupper Campuses.



*William E. Trueheart, Steven Townsend '76, '80MBA, Anthony Simeone, Patrick Keeley, and Jamie Bergeron '92*