

**FALL** — 1989

## BRYANT ENTERS NEW HOOP ERA

Basketball at Bryant College was ushered into a new era this summer with the appointment of the College's first full time basketball coaches.

Ed Reilly, an assistant coach at Holy Cross, Princeton and Brown over the past 10 years, was named the first full time men's coach.

Reilly succeeded Leon Drury, who had served as both athletic director and basketball coach for the past 11 years. Drury relinquished his basketball coaching responsibilities last spring for full time responsibilities as athletic director.

Ralph Tomasso, who as a part time coach, directed the women's basketball team to the last two Northeast-10 Conference championships, became the women's full time coach in June.

Reilly, a native of Providence, is a 1976 graduate of Holy Cross. A former Rhode Island schoolboy basketball star at LaSalle Academy in Providence, he was a four-year varsity player at Holy Cross.

He was selected the Bryant coach after a national search which produced 120 applicants for the position.

"I hope to bring new energy into the program," Reilly said shortly after his appointment in June. "I want to make the Bryant basketball program as respectable as the Bryant academic programs."



Ed Reilly



Ralph Tomasso

In three years as part time coach, Tomasso compiled an impressive 58-30 record. The highlight of the past two seasons have been victories in the title games of the Northeast-10 Conference tournaments.

In 1988 he was named Rhode Island Women's Sports Coach of the Year after leading the Lady Indians to the NE-10 title in only his second year of college coaching.

"A full time coach was a necessary step for Bryant if we wanted to remain competitive in the Northeast-10 Conference, said Tomasso. "Most of the other teams in the Conference have full time women's coaches.'

The full time status means Tomasso will not have to shuffle his schedule between Bryant and his teaching duties at West Warwick Junior High.

#### IN MEMORIAL **LAURA ANN CRENSHAW** 1969-1989



The entire Bryant community was saddened by the tragic death of Laura Crenshaw in an automobile accident on June 28 in New Haven.

Laura was a two-year member of the women's soccer team and a student athletic trainer.

## **Beldy Rolls to National Title**

Sophomore John Beldy gave Bryant its first piece of national championship hardware last spring when the 19-year-old Long Island resident captured the national collegiate individual bowling title at the Association of College Unions tournament in May.

Because bowling is not an NCAA sponsored sport, the ACU tournament is the only national tournament for the approximately 2,500 bowlers on the nation's 300 college bowling teams.

Beldy, who only started bowling four years ago, shocked the 32-man field at the national event when he finished 30 points ahead of his closest competitor following six games of qualifying and eight games in the championship rolloff.

"I knew John was going to be an excellent college bowler, but I never expected anything like this," said bowling coach Ken McKenzie.

Beldy had qualified for the national tournament by finishing second to teammate Scott Gonzalez in the regional qualifying tournament last April. The top two qualifiers from each of 15 regions around the country earn a spot in the national event. Beldy finished only seven pins in front of the third place finisher.

But once he was at the national tournament in Wichita, Kan., Beldy took advantage of the opportunity.

He finished seventh in the six-game qualifying tournament with a pinfall of 1,234. That earned him a spot in the eightman championship rolloff.

Beldy won six of his seven, one-game matches in the championship competition, earning 30 bonus pins for each victory. His best performance was a 279 in his sixth match. The effort moved him from third place into an 80-pin lead at the start of the final game. He stayed in front with a solid 200 game in his final string.



Seven of the eight newest members of the Bryant Athletic Hall of Fame join Bryant President Dr. William O'Hara at the induction dinner this past June. Front row, from the left: Sue Crisafi, Dianne Mott, daughter of the late Richard Mott and Denise Armstrong. Back row: Jim Silva, Paul Seymour, Scott Menard, Bob Hathaway and Dr. O'Hara.

## **Burke Named Volleyball Coach**

Mary Burke, who began the rebuilding of the women's volleyball team as interim coach last year, will be back as full time coach this year and is anxious to pick up where the Lady Indian spikers left off last season.



Burke

Burke was named head volleyball coach and assistant director of intramural sports this summer.

"I'm really excited about this season," said Burke. "Now that I have been named coach on a regular basis, we can begin making plans for the future of Bryant volleyball.

"Last year we showed steady improvement through the season, especially the younger players. Those players will form the nucleus of this year's team."

"It's still too early to predict wins and losses, but I know we will be a well conditioned, exciting team to watch."

Burke will have nine letterwinners back from the team that placed third in the Northeast-10 Conference last season. The Lady Indians posted a 5-3 record in 1988 Conference competition.

Heading the list of returning vets is Noelle Emmette, a sophomore from Ridgefield, Conn. She was named the Northeast-10 Rookie of the Year last season and also earned selection to the Conference all-tournament team.

Despite the return of nine veterans, the squad still will be young. Burke isn't ex-

pected to have a senior on the roster and only three juniors.

Juniors Lori McLaughlin, Ann Colo and Donna Herk will be the only players on the team with two years of collegiate experience.

Sophomore Heather Houle heads the list of several outstanding newcomers. Houle, a former high school basketball and volleyball star at Dennis-Yarmouth (Mass.) High, will be playing her first season of collegiate volleyball. She played a key role in the women's basketball team's drive to the Northeast-10 Conference championship last year.

# French Earns Third All-America Honor

Dave French, who led Bryant to four Northeast-10 Conference championships and national rankings over the past four years, closed out his brilliant collegiate career with



legiate career with French selections to three All-America teams in

Selections to three F June.

French, the outstanding male scholarathlete in the Class of 1989, was named to the GTE College Sports Information Directors at Large College Division Academic All-America team, the U.S. Golf Coaches Academic All-America squad and the national NCAA Division II All-America team.

It was the third straight year the Vernon, Conn., resident had been named an NCAA All-America. He was one of six players named to the first team. The previous two years he had been a second-team selection.

He also was one of only three players named to the Coaches Association Division II Academic All-America team, the second straight year he earned that honor.

French, however, wasn't the only Bryant athlete honored for his accomplishments last spring.

Three other golfers — Chris McCarthy, Bob Brown and Scott Trethewey — were named to the NCAA All-District team.

Sophomore Alex Fernandez was named the Northeast-10 Conference men's tennis Rookie of the Year. Fernandez posted a 7-2 record at No. 1 singles in his first season of collegiate competition.

### Bryant 3rd in NE-10 Competition

Bryant athletes finished third in the 1988-89 Northeast-10 Conference Presidents Cup all-sports competition.

Bryant teams collected 82 points in the 12-sport competition. Springfield captured the Cup with 91½ points. Bentley was second with 87½, followed by Bryant, Stonehill, Assumption, Quinnipiac, St. Michael's, Merrimack, St. Anselm and AIC respectively.

The third place finish marked the fourth straight year Bryant has finished among the top three in the Conference's overall standings. The scoring is based on 10 points for finishing first, nine for second, etc., in each sport contested by the conference

Bryant's six women's teams — soccer, volleyball, tennis, cross country, basketball and softball — collected 43 of the Indians' points. The total placed the Lady Indians second, only 6½ points behind Springfield,

in the battle for the women's all-sports championship.

Second place regular season finishes by the tennis and basketball teams helped the Lady Indians take second place honors. The women's basketball team also won the post-season Conference tournament, but the Presidents Cup scoring is based on regular season competition.

The women's cross country team also collected eight points for a third place finish and the volleyball team got 7½ for a third place tie.

The Bryant men finished third in the men's overall competition with 39 points.

The soccer and golf teams each collected 10 points for Conference championships. The other top men's finishes were a third by the tennis team and a fourth by the cross country team. Bentley won the overall men's competition with 49½ points.

## **Veterans Fill Soccer Rosters**

The good news is neither the men's nor women's soccer teams lost a lot of players through graduation last year.

The bad news is those few members of the Class of 1989 had played very im-



Hubler

For men's coach Lou Verrochi, this will be the first year of the ASA-Era (After SA). For the first time in three years, Verrochi will not have All-America Silverio "SA" Araujo in the lineup. Araujo set several Bryant scoring marks during his career, including most goals and most points in a season and most career goals. With SA in the lineup, the Indians posted a combined

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three-year record of 38-12-6, highlighted by last year's 14-2-4 mark. Araujo is one of five members of last year's Northeast-10 Conference championship team who graduated in June. The

other four - Dec McMullen, Paul Alderuc-

ci, John Donahue and Dave Montani — also were three-year starters.

So despite only losing five players from last year's 21-man roster, Verrochi is facing a big rebuilding program this fall.

"We can't expect any individual to fill the void created by SA's graduation," said Verrochi. "This year our scoring will be more balanced. We will need a lot of help from a lot of people if we are going to be successful."

Verrochi expects a lot of that scoring to come from three players who hit in double figures last year, sophomore Stephen Hearn and juniors Brian Latkowski and Stefen Lange. Hearn was the team's No. 2 scorer last year with 12 points; Latkowski and Lange had 10 each. Mike Bullen, a sophomore who missed several games last year with injuries, also should play a major role in the offense.

The defense should be in good shape with the return of sophomore goaltender Eric Hubler. He was the Northeast-10 Conference Rookie of the Year last season when he posted a 0.42 goals against average and 11 shutouts in 19 games.

Like Verrochi, women's coach Paul Ribeiro also lost his top scorer from 1988 through graduation. But Sandy Wilson, who set a Bryant career scoring record with 21 points last season, was the only senior on last year's roster.

Ribeiro will have four players returning who scored in double figures last season — juniors Priscilla Wong and Niki Taglione and sophomores Rachel O'Dell and Susie Carroll

Wong, who was the No. 2 scorer behind Wilson with 18 points last fall, was the team's top playmaker with 14 assists. Carroll was the Lady Indians' No. 2 goal scorer with seven while O'Dell and Taglione each had 6 goals and 4 assists for 16 points.

Senior Gretchen Jeffereys, who recorded four shutouts in her first season as a collegiate goaltender last year, is expected to be back in the nets again this year.

## **Fall Outlook Producing Smiles**

He isn't making any bold predictions, but coach Pete Glanz does a lot of smiling when he thinks about this year's women's tennis season.

"This could be a very good year for us," said Glanz. "We 7600

Bickell

have several good players who now have a few years of collegiate experience."

Glanz begins his fourth season as the Lady Indians' net mentor with seven players returning from a team that finished second in the Northeast-10 Conference last year with a 8-1 regular season record.

The top five singles players from last season are back, led by senior Kim Bickell and sophomore Patty Blair.

Bickell posted a 7-2 record against NE-10 competition and a 10-3 overall mark at No. 1 singles during last year's dual match season.

Blair was the Northeast-10 No. 2 singles champion. She won the title at the post-season Conference tournament after going 7-2 against Conference competition during the regular season.

Juniors Meredith Molnar and Amy Tucker and sophomore Allison Padget, who played three, four and five singles, respectively, throughout most of last season also are expected back in the lineup.

Women's cross country coach Charlie Mandeville hopes a mixture of veterans and newcomers will make the Lady Indians title contenders in the Northeast-10 Conference.

Senior Theresa Kelley and junior Diane Gracey should be the top runners once again. Kelley was a first-team All-Conference selection last year and Gracey earned second-team honors.

Jill Decker, one of the top schoolgirl runners in Maine last year, heads the list of promising newcomers. Mandeville also is hoping for strong performances from Jen Guisti, a freshman from Sharon, Mass., and Kristen Nelson, a sophomore who sat out her freshman year last season.

Men's cross country coach Harold Smith needs to fill the void created by the graduation of three of last year's top runners — Rob Eaton, Steve Duncan and Bryan DuBos. Juniors Scott Litchfield and Scott McIsaac, along with sophomores Greg Tyimok and Roger Stevens, are back, but Smith will need some help from newcomers.

## **Boulet Faces Rebuilding Task**

There aren't many coaches who would be happy after losing a pair of All-Americas, but Archie Boulet isn't an ordinary coach.

dinary coach.

Boulet, who has developed the Bryant



Brown

golf program into one of the best in the nation in Division II, begins his 26th year as the Bryant coach without two of the big reasons the Indians were one of the top Division II teams in the country the past two years.

Graduation cost Boulet the services of three-time All-America Dave French and 1988 All-America selection Chris McCarthy. Without French or McCarthy in the lineup for the first time in three years, Boulet has only three tournament-tested veterans in his 1989-90 lineup. But, the dean of the Bryant coaching staff thinks the 1989-90 Indians still should be one of the top Division II teams around again this year.

"We will miss Dave and Chris, but we still have the potential for an outstanding season," said Boulet. "It will take a lot of work by a lot of people."

Boulet still has one All-America in the lineup — junior Bob Brown. Brown earned the high honor in 1988 after finishing eighth at the NCAA Division II national tournament. Last year he posted the second lowest medal average on the team in the combined fall and spring seasons. During the first six weeks of the last spring season, he led the team with a 72.9 average in 16 rounds of tournament action.

Also back in the lineup are senior Dave Olender and junior Scott Tretheway. Tretheway posted one of the top four averages on the team last year — 79.0 during the fall and 77.7 in the spring. Olender checked in at 80.9 for nine rounds of tournament play in the fall and had a 79.8 average in the spring.

"Bob, Dave and Scott give us a good nucleus, but we are going to need help from people who don't have a lot of tournament experience," Boulet said. "We have some outstanding young players, so I'm looking forward to another good season."

## 1989 FALL SCHEDULES

	WOMEN'S VOLLEYBA	LL
SEPT	EMBER	
9	at St. Michael's	1:30
12	at S.E. Mass.	6:30
14	Eastern Nazarene	7:00
16	N.H. College	1:00
19	Sacred Heart	7:00
21	at Springfield	7:00
23	Bryant Invitational	9:00
27	Roger Williams	7:00
29	at Springfield Invitational	TBA
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2	at Merrimack	7:00
5	at Lowell	7:00
10	Quinnipiac	7:00
12	at Assumption	7:00
16	at Stonehill	7:30
18	AIC	7:30
19	at Bridgewater	6:00
23	at R.I. College	7:00
24	at Bentley	7:30
26	New Haven	7:00
28	NE-10 Tournament	TBA

	WOMEN'S SOCCE	ER
SEPTE	EMBER	
9	at St. Michael's	1:30
12	at Keene St.	6:00
14	N.H. College	3:30
18	at Babson	3:30
23	Plymouth State	2:00
26	at Assumption	3:30
30	at West Point	7:30
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2	at Providence	3:30
4	at Bridgewater	3:30
7	Merrimack	1:00
9	Stonehill	1:00
14	at S.E. Mass.	1:00
17	at Brown	7:00
18	at St. Anselm	3:30
21	Springfield	1:00
23	Quinnipiac	3:30
24	at Rhode Island	3:00
28	AIC	1:00
30	NE-10 Tournament	TBA
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1-3-4	NE-10 Tournament	TBA

	MEN'S SOCCE	R
SEPTE	MBER	
9	St. Michael's	1:00
13	R.I. College	3:30
19	at Lowell	3:30
21	Roger Williams	3:30
23	Bentley	1:00
26	at S.E. Mass.	3:30
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2	Northeastern	3:30
4	at Sacred Heart	3:30
7	at Merrimack	1:00
9	at Stonehill	1:00
11	at N.H. College	3:30
14	Assumption	1:00
16	Wesleyan	3:30
18	St. Anselm	3:30
21	at Springfield	10:00
23	at Quinnipiac	3:00
25	at Holy Cross	3:30
28	at AIC	10:00
31	NE-10 Tournament	TBA
NOVE	MBER	
2 & 5	NE-10 Tournament	ТВА

#### WOMEN'S TENNIS

SEPTE	MBER	
9	at St. Michael's	1:30
12	at Babson	3:00
16	Quinnipiac	Noon
19	at Stonehill	3:30
21	Assumption	3:30
23	Bentley	1:00
26	at Springfield	3:00
28	S.E. Mass.	3:30
OCTO	BER	
3	at AIC	3:30
7	at Merrimack	1:00
8	R.I. Grass Court	TBA
10	St. Anselm	3:30
12	R.I. College	3:00
14-15	at NE-10 Tournament	TBA
17	Salve Regina	3:30
19	Rhode Island	3:30
21	at New England Tournament	TBA

	MEN & WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY	
SEPTI	EMBER	
16 23 30	Bryant Invitational 1:00 at St. Anselm Invitational at R.I. College 11 a.m. 8	TBA
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7	at Tri States	11:00
14	at Easterns	1:00
21	at NE-10 Championships	TBA
27	at New Englands (men)	TBA
28	at New Englands (women)	TBA
NOVE	MBER	
4	at NCAA Regional	TBA

	GOLF	
SEPTE	MBER	
15-17	at West Point Invitational	TBA
22-24	at Yale Invitational	TBA
28	at NE-10 Championships	TBA
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1-2	at Toski Invitational	TBA
4-5	at ECAC Qualifying	TBA
9-11	at New Englands	TBA
14-16	at ECAC	TBA



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