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College survives hurricane

Hurricane Gloria. She shut down Bryant for a day and a half, but fortunately left no major scars.

The hurricane swept through Rhode Island on September 27, causing massive power outages statewide and wreaking havoc on many coastal communities. But inland communities like Bryant suffered only the inconvenience of blackouts and the loss of numerous tree limbs or entire trees uprooted by the 70 to 80 miles per hour winds.

Anticipating problems, Bryant asked resident students within three hours of the campus to go home for the weekend if adequate transportation could be found. Most students left campus; approximately 700 spent the night in the MAC or gymnasium, where Bryant provided auxiliary power when the lights went out.

Power was restored to the campus by the afternoon of September 28, so the 150 to 200 stu-

dents remaining on campus that day could return to the residence halls that evening. It was not necessary to check in at the MAC for a second night.

Food service and recreation was provided in the MAC and gym, as the College tried to make the stay there as comfortable as possible. Student affairs, health, physical plant, and security personnel were on hand throughout the storm. All possible emergencies were anticipated.

Almost miraculously, Bryant did not lose a single plate of glass, even in the glass-walled Unistructure. The walls are designed to withstand winds in excess of 100 miles per hour; they obviously withstood Gloria's test.

A variety of trees on campus were not so lucky, however. It is hoped some take root again.

Parents' Weekend on tap

More than 2,000 parents are expected to attend this year's Parents' Weekend on October 18-20.

"Weekend in New England" begins Friday evening with a choice of entertainment. Shamus and Eileen, Irish folk singers, sing in Koffler Student Center. The Al Gentile Band, with a big band sound, play in the MAC. Marc Mazzarella shows off his bag of tricks in Janikies Auditorium.

On Saturday, there will be an arts and crafts fair, a Bryant Players' production titled "The Little Red Schoolhouse," a cross country meet, soccer matches, a Karate Club demonstration, a Bryant Dance Club performance, a reception for parents of resident assistants, and an alumni reception. The Parents' Association also has scheduled several Saturday morning activities, including an assembly featuring an address by President O'Hara and a Parents' Council meeting.

President O'Hara welcomes everyone to the campus in the gym Saturday evening, followed by a show by Jenifer Lewis, a dynamic female vocalist who returns to the campus for an encore performance. She sang the hits of famous black female vocalists last January in the Rotunda, to rave reviews.

Lewis is followed by various forms of entertainment across campus. Performances by Astonishing Neal, a master of hypnosis and ESP; Kelly Parkins and Rich Pavano, a blend of vocals and



Jenifer Lewis

keyboard; Grand Central Station, performing music from the '20s; and the Shittons, with their unique blend of favorites and oldies, will keep everyone hopping from one place to another.

Call the Student Senate at ext. 6271 for more information on individual events.



Forums to look at God/government

Bryant is co-sponsoring and hosting a series of four public forums in the spring that explores the relationship of church and state.

Titled "God and Government: On the Appropriate Role Between Religious Beliefs and Public Policy," the series brings to campus four outspoken public figures and a panel of opinion leaders in Rhode Island. It is being funded by Bryant and a grant from the Rhode Island Committee for the Humanities (RICH), a state program of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The speakers include Father Robert F. Drinan, Edwin B. Firmage, Dr. Paul Kurtz, and Cal Thomas. Dates of the forums are March 18 and 26 and April 2 and 9. Each forum begins at 7 p.m. in Janikies Auditorium.

Drinan, former five-term Massachusetts congressman, is the speaker at the first forum. He also will be questioned by a three-member panel. Drinan is now a professor of law at Georgetown University Law Center, and is the former president of Americans for Democratic Action. He is the author of a variety of books and articles.

Firmage is a great-great-grandson of Brigham Young and has served the Mormon church as a bishop and high councilman. He speaks at the second forum and also will field questions from a three-member panel. Firmage is a professor of law at the University of Utah College of Law and a former White House and Harvard Law School Fellow. He served as a visiting scholar for the United Nations at the arms control talks in Geneva in 1971.

The third forum is a debate between Kurtz, a philosophy professor and magazine editor, and Thomas, national spokesman for the Moral Majority.

Kurtz teaches at the State University of New York at Buffalo and is the editor of *Free Inquiry*,



Cal Thomas



Fr. Robert Drinan

published by the Council for Democratic and Secular Humanism. He also is the former editor of *The Humanist* magazine, a director of the International Humanist and Ethical Union, and the author of numerous books and articles.

Thomas writes and broadcasts a daily commentary for the political organization headed by Jerry Falwell; it is carried by more than 300 stations nationwide. He is a former NBC radio anchorman and contributing reporter for NBC Nightly News and the Today Show, and also writes a column for the Los Angeles Times Syndicate. Thomas co-founded the daily broadcast news service for Christian radio stations.

The final forum is a discussion by a group of panelists of the issues raised at the previous three forums.

Bill Hill and Joan Marsella, of the social sciences department, have organized the series, and were instrumental in writing the proposal for the RICH grant. They expect a large turnout for each forum.

All forums are open to the public free of charge.

Convocation features chairholder

Bryant's first Fall Convocation will be held October 16 in Janikies Auditorium.

To become an annual event, the convocation this year features the inaugural campus-wide lecture of Pat Norton, Sarkisian professor of business economics and Bryant's first academic chairholder. Convocation begins at 1 p.m. A reception follows.

Invitations have been distributed on campus, with an R.S.V.P. by Friday to ext. 6025. Among the guests expected to attend are Bryant's trustees, who hold one of their quarterly meetings that afternoon.

Party date set

It's Christmas party time! Well, not quite. But the party committee chaired by Eleanor Read has set the date for the annual Bryant Christmas party. And they want to announce it early so you can mark the date on your calendar.

The date for this year's party is December 20, from 4 to 7 p.m. That's a change in time because of a change in format. More details on this later, but the party this year is for the Bryant community only—no guests. Hot hors d'oeuvres will be served in the Rotunda.

Who's Who nominees sought

The Commencement Awards Committee is seeking nominations of students for the 1985-86 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges."

Nominations are due by October 15. Send them to Judy Litoff, chair of the committee, at Office 227 in Faculty Suite C. All nominations should include a resume that details a student's background, experience, and accomplishments.

Juniors, seniors and graduate students enrolled

in a four-year undergraduate or graduate curriculum are eligible for nomination. They will be considered based on their scholarship, participation and leadership in academic and extracurricular activities, citizenship and service to the College, and potential for future achievement.

Resume information should be as accurate as possible. Any serious misrepresentation will invalidate a nomination. The Committee will make the final nominations.

SPB debuts schedule

The first Student Programming Board presentation of the semester debuts tonight, and it can show everyone how to dress for success.

Titled "From Blue Jeans to Business Suits," the program brings Joan Anderson, editor of *Today's Woman* magazine and a fashion consultant, to Janikies Auditorium at 6:30 p.m. She will show everyone how to make the most of your wardrobe, and how to present the image you want to make.

SPB also plans to offer another brown-bag lecture in October, featuring a Bryant faculty member. Date and all details still were undetermined as of late September, but the SPB expects the noontime presentation to be as successful as the one last spring. That presentation drew scores of students to hear John Jolley, associate professor of social sciences, discuss the quality of life.

Other SPB programs planned this semester are Bryant's second Un-Homecoming celebration on October 31 - November 2, another film series, and a possible College Bowl competition in November.

Discover TAP

Learning first aid. Better defending yourself. Decorating cakes. Taking sight-seeing trips to Atlantic City or New York. Getting or staying in shape.

This is what can be discovered through TAP at Bryant. TAP (The Alternative Program) is offering a selection of inexpensive, non-credit courses for fun and self-development.

This fall's TAP program, which begins tonight, is the most extensive ever. It includes courses such as aerobics, racquetball, self-defense for men and women, CPR, and calligraphy. Two new programs featured this fall are "Fresh Start" and "Weight Watchers at Bryant."

"Fresh Start" is a straight-forward, no-nonsense

Campus campaign underway

The Bryant Fund Campus Campaign is underway! And according to Dan Barry, development director: "We're off to a good start."

The campus campaign began September 30 and ends October 18. "Participation" is again the key word, with Barry looking for at least 60 percent of Bryant's employees to contribute this year.

Co-chairing this year's campaign are Pat Keeley, professor of English, and Bob Reall, intramural director. Keeley also co-chaired last year's campaign, which set new records for participation and giving.

In-house participation is particularly important to the success of the campaign, adds President O'Hara. Many corporations and foundations, when considering a donation to Bryant, ask about the level of in-house participation, he said. This is a vital statistic to them.

"Remember, it is not the size of your donation," says Barry, "it's participation. So please return your pledge card today and help to get the ball rolling again this year."

Contributions can be made through payroll deduction.

A campus campaign party to thank all donors for contributions is planned for October 21.

quit-smoking program designed to help you stop smoking and stay off cigarettes. Taught by an instructor from the American Cancer Society, the course begins Tuesday from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. and runs for four weeks. The \$5 fee is refundable at the successful completion of the course.

"Weight Watchers" is an eight-week series of meetings that begins Wednesday. It is designed to motivate the overweight with support and to help them modify their behavior patterns. The fee is \$55 for staff and \$45 for students.

Even though TAP officially begins tonight, it's still not too late to sign up! But contact the Office of Student Activities at ext. 6160 as soon as possible.

QUICKLY...

...**Dan Barry**, director of development, has been elected a member-at-large of the Rhode Island chapter of the National Society for Fund Raising Executives...

...A senior nutrition major from the University of Rhode Island is working as an intern at health services. Call **Linda Schluback** on Tuesdays between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. during the fall semester for private nutrition counseling...

...**Howard Kay**, director of corporate and community affairs, has been named a representative to the legislative commission researching, studying, and evaluating the effects and impact of the use of tobacco on Rhode Islanders. The term runs until May 15...

... "Programming in VAX-BASIC," a book written by **Joe Guay**, director of academic computing, has been published by Addison-Wesley Publishing Company, Inc. as part of its series in computer science. The book presents an introduction to BASIC designed specifically for VAX computers. Guay also is co-chairing a conference on trends and developments in higher education computing to be held Friday at Worcester Polytechnic Institute. It is sponsored by the New England Regional Computing Program (NERComp)...

... "American Midwives, 1860 to the Present," a book written by **Judy Litoff**, associate professor of social sciences, has been reprinted in paperback by her publisher, Greenwood Press...

...**David Brooks**, assistant director of financial aid/student employment, has been elected Rhode Island representative for the Northeast Association of Student Employment Administrators. As state representative, he acts as a liaison between member schools in Rhode Island and the association, and helps member schools enhance their student employment programs...

...**Earl Briden**, assistant professor of English, and **Alan Olinsky**, professor of mathematics, have been appointed by President O'Hara to Bryant's Strategic Planning Committee. They replace **Bob Behling**, professor of computer information systems, and **Bill Haas**, professor of humanities, who served as charter members...

CALENDAR

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7

**Men's Soccer
vs. New Hampshire College**

Home
3:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8

**Women's Soccer
vs. Providence College**

Home
3:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9

**Entrepreneurship film and
lecture series:**

Start up your own business

MRC Lecture Hall

FREE

6:30 - 9 p.m.

Cheers

Student Center

9 p.m. - 1 a.m.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12

**Women's Cross Country
vs. Wheaton College**

Home
10 a.m.

**Men's Soccer
vs. St. Anselm's**

Home
1 p.m.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13

Eucharist

Rotunda

noon

CMD Conference Room

9 p.m.

Protestant services

MRC Conference Room

noon

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14

Columbus Day - no day classes

Monday Evening Division classes

are rescheduled to Tuesday,

6:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15

**No Tuesday Evening
Division classes**

**Women's Volleyball
vs. Brown University**

Home

7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16

World Food Day

Fall Convocation
Janikies Auditorium
1 p.m.
Reception follows

**Women's Soccer
vs. Plymouth State**
Home
3:30 p.m.

**Women's Tennis
vs. RIC**
Home
3:30 p.m.

**Entrepreneurship film and
lecture series:
Financing your own business**
MRC Conference Room
FREE
6:30 - 9 p.m.

**Phi Beta Lambda presents
Cheers**
Student Center
9 p.m. - 1 a.m.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18

PARENTS' WEEKEND

Registration in
Rotunda
4 - 9 p.m.

**Shamus and Eileen
Irish Folksongs**
Student Center
9 p.m. - 1 a.m.

**The Al Gentile Band,
big band music**
MAC
9 p.m. - 1 a.m.

**Marc Mazzarella,
Houdini-style magician**
Janikies Auditorium
9 - 11 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19

PARENTS' WEEKEND

Registration in
Rotunda
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**President's Address by
Dr. William T. O'Hara**
MRC Lecture Hall
10 a.m.

New England Arts and Crafts Fair
MAC
noon - 4:30 p.m.

**Bryant Players present
"The Little Red Schoolhouse"**
Janikies Auditorium
noon and 3:30 p.m.

**Cross Country
Men's & Women's Tri-State**
Home
1 p.m.

**Men's & Women's Soccer
vs. Springfield**
1 p.m.

Eucharist
Rotunda
5 p.m.

Official Welcome by
President O'Hara
Gym
8 p.m.

Jenifer Lewis show
Gym
8 p.m.

Astonishing Neal
Janikies Auditorium
9:30 p.m. - 1 a.m.

Kelly Parkins & Rich Pavano
Student Center
9:30 p.m. - 1 a.m.

Grand Central Station
Salmanson
9:30 p.m. - 1 a.m.

The Shittons
MAC
9:30 p.m. - 1 a.m.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

Eucharist
Rotunda
noon

Protestant services
MRC Conference Room
noon

Pension change?

As of October 1, if you are a TIAA-CREF participant you can now make premium allocation changes in your contract by calling toll free, 1-800-842-2252 (TIAA-ALC). Confirmation of your change will be made immediately, with a written acknowledgement to follow. Bryant will **not** have a record of your change.

This service is operational only for premiums due on and after October 1. Look for your personal notice from TIAA-CREF.

Reunion date set

The alumni office has set the date of the 1986 alumni weekend: June 6-8. Mark it on your calendar. Classes graduating in years ending in 1 and 6 will celebrate reunions.

Thanks

Judy Farrell, Bryant nurse, thanks the College for the donation to the American Cancer Society sent upon the death of her sister.