



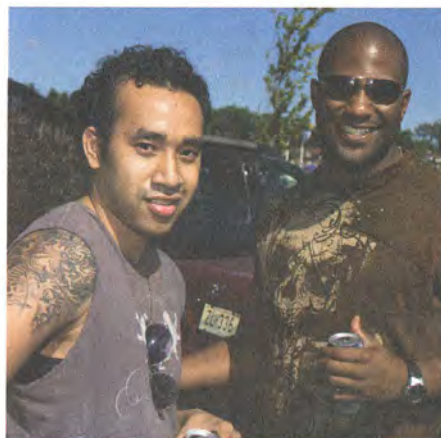
Celebrate your college years at Bryant's biggest alumni party

THERE IS NOTHING QUITE LIKE SEPTEMBER AT BRYANT.

Do you remember the day you moved into the residence hall and met your first roommate? Or, if you commuted, when you drove around looking for a parking space before class? What about meeting that faculty member whose passion for teaching brought you to new heights in your academic pursuits? When you were a student, something happened at Bryant that changed your life forever. Reunion @ Homecoming is the occasion to relive those magic times.

Steve Berman '68 met Susan Heine-
mann '68, the woman he would one day
marry and start a family with, at a Beta
Iota Beta fraternity party in 1966. They
dated as sophomores at Bryant College
and attended classes on Benevolent Street
in Providence, just around the corner
from Brown. They often went to Louie's
on the East Side to grab a bite and relax
with friends. "I was one of the lucky
guys," he says. "A lot of the Bryant girls
dated Brown students."

Though the Bermans lived in Georgia
from the late '70s up through a couple
of years ago, Steve stayed connected to
Bryant and made the trip to Rhode
Island at least once a year to visit his
alma mater – and often a sporting event.
"College and college sports are big in the
south," he says. "I was thrilled when
Bryant got a football team, and even
more so now that the Bulldogs are going
Division I." Since the Bermans moved
back to New England, Steve is the



Alumni Association welcomes close to 1,000 new members

Bryant's Alumni Association became 938 members stronger when the Class of 2008 participated in the undergraduate and graduate Commencement ceremonies in May.

The breakdown of the 938 students in the Class of 2008 is as follows:

College of Arts and Sciences

B.A. in Applied Psychology	14
B.A. in Communication	40
B.A. in History	1
B.A. in Liberal Arts	2
Concentrations:	
Global Studies – 1	
History – 1	
B.A. in Liberal Studies	3
Concentrations:	
Economics – 2	
History – 1	
B.A. in Sociology	8
Concentrations:	
Sociology and Service Learning – 5	
Sociology and Social Research – 3	

College of Business

B.S. in Business Administration	641
Concentrations:	
Accounting – 115	
Accounting Information Systems – 2	
Applied Actuarial Mathematics – 13	
Computer Information Systems – 22	
Finance – 156	
Financial Services – 11	
Management – 121	
Marketing – 201	
B.S. in Information Technology	8
B.S. in International Business	37
Concentrations:	
Computer Information Systems – 1	
Finance – 9	
Management – 17	
Marketing – 10	

Graduate School of Business

Master of Business Administration	134
Master of Professional Accountancy	16
Master of Science in Information Systems	18
Master of Science in Taxation	16

Congratulations graduates, and welcome to the Bryant alumni family! Make sure the Office of Alumni Relations has your correct mailing and e-mail addresses so that you continue to receive *Alumni Bulletin*, *Bryant Magazine*, and notifications to events happening in your area. Call (401) 232-6040 or e-mail alumni@bryant.edu. Register on the online alumni directory at www.bryant.edu/alumni, and take advantage of the more than 40,000-strong Bryant alumni network across the United States and around the world.



Big men on campus

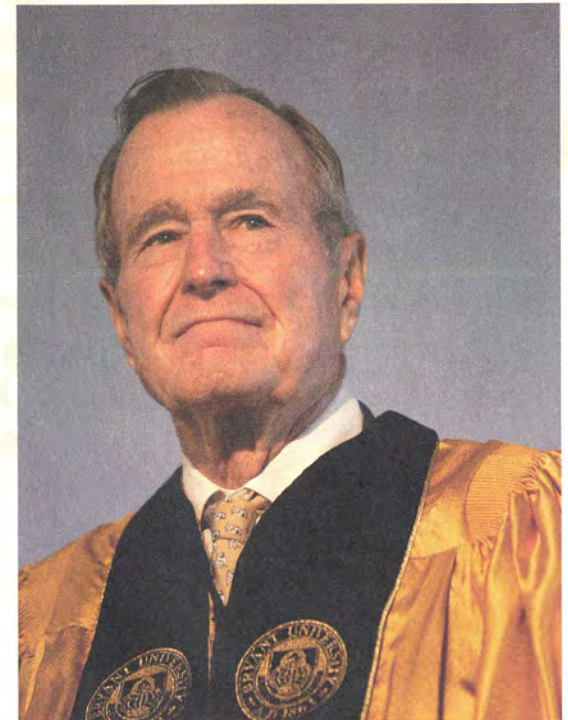
The Bryant community was treated to a variety of high-profile speakers on campus in the spring semester. On February 28, former President Bill Clinton visited Bryant to campaign for his wife, Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton; on April 24, David McCullough, noted historian and best-selling author of two Pulitzer Prize-winning novels, spoke about presidential personalities; and on May 17, former President George H.W. Bush received an honorary degree and served as the undergraduate Commencement speaker.



President Clinton spoke to about 2,600 people on campus about his wife's plans for the economy, health care reform, and making college more affordable. This was the first time a U.S. president visited Bryant University.



Author David McCullough was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for his books *Truman* and *John Adams*, the latter of which was adapted for an epic miniseries that aired on HBO® this spring.



President George H.W. Bush, wearing his Bryant Bulldog tie, prepares to give the keynote address at the 145th undergraduate Commencement on May 17.

Where in the world ...?



Have you noticed what's missing in this picture? Bryant's Archway was removed the week after Commencement to begin the restoration process funded by the Class of 2008's Senior Class Gift. Students raised more than \$30,000 for this project.

John Metcalf, senior project manager at Bryant, assures us that Bryant's most enduring symbol is in excellent hands. "DeAngelis Iron Work in South Easton, Mass., is taking good care of the Archway," he says. "Their niche is ornamental restoration, and they've done great work at Harvard, Yale, Brown, and Dartmouth." The Archway will be returned, in its full glory, before the start of the fall semester.

Bryant is continuing to upgrade many of its existing structures and will construct new facilities throughout the year. A full list will appear in the next issue of *Alumni Bulletin*.

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ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

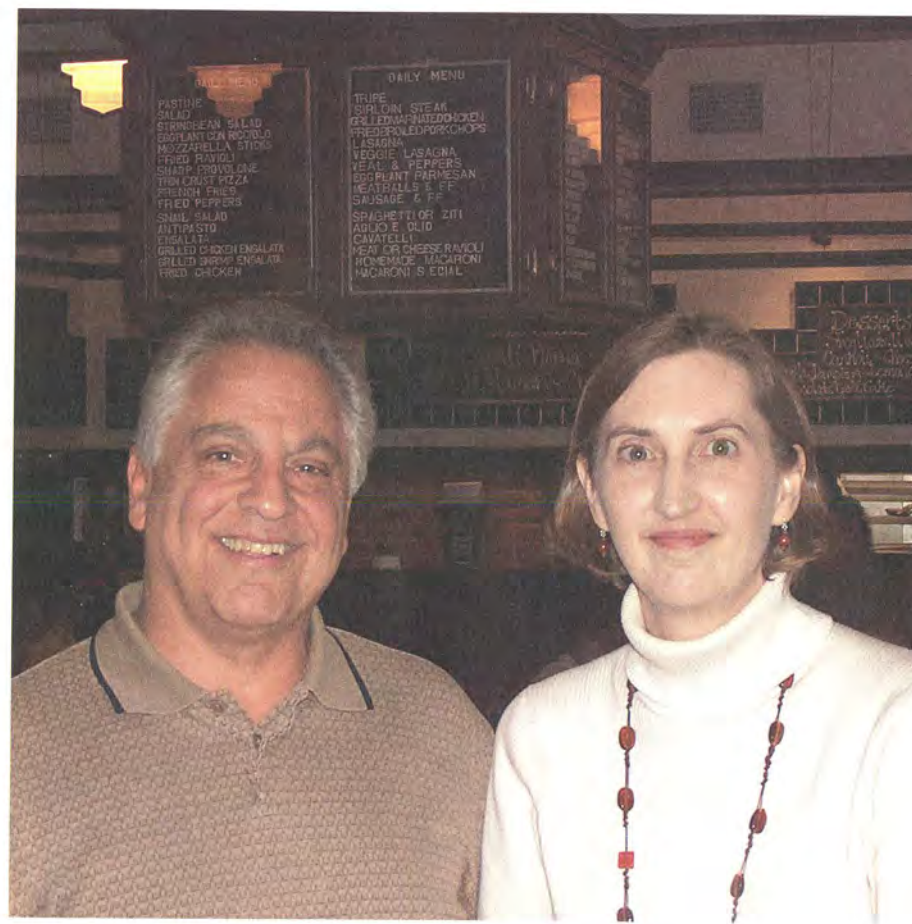
Leadership in hospitality – It's all in the family!

Since 1924, Rhode Islanders have been dining at Angelo's Civita Farnese on Federal Hill in Providence's "Little Italy." It's a lively, family-run restaurant with plenty of atmosphere, unbeatable prices, and old-world charm. Because of its open seating arrangement, on any given day you could be seated next to complete strangers, local politicians, or national entertainers – and that's part of the appeal.

Angelo's owner and manager, Bob Antignano '72, is the nephew of founder Angelo Mastrodicasa. From his uncle, Antignano learned the value of making customers and employees feel appreciated, which has helped the popular restaurant become a state landmark. From his alma mater, Antignano learned how to focus his business decision-making skills.

"I loved math, so when I decided to major in accounting, Bryant was the perfect choice for me," he says. "Bryant taught me to put things in logical order. I learned how to assess situations in order to make the best decisions."

Because he was a 1972 graduate, Antignano attended Bryant at both the



Bob Antignano '72 and Valerie Ann Leduc '03

Even though she had more life and work experience than most other students in her classes, Leduc found a way to connect. Her natural leadership abilities led her to excel in and out of the classroom. "The

area but also nationwide. I credit all of my employees for our success. We are a family here and all of our decisions affect everyone working here."

Recently, Antignano and Leduc

"In keeping with family tradition, we care about our community."

Because he was a 1972 graduate, Antignano attended Bryant at both the Providence and Smithfield campuses. He was the first member in his family to attend college and lived at home with his parents while taking morning classes. "That freed up the rest of the day to play varsity baseball and intramural hockey and basketball."

As is the case with most athletic young men, sports played a significant role in his college life.

"I studied hard so I could play," says Antignano. But it wasn't all just about having fun. "Being co-captain of my team taught me to become a leader and has helped me throughout my life," he says. In May 1990, Antignano was inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame at Bryant and still keeps in contact with many of his teammates.

Today, Antignano leads his team at Angelo's with the help of Valerie Ann Leduc '03, vice president of operations. Leduc also was the first member of her family to receive an undergraduate degree and began her coursework a little later in life than "traditional" students.

She worked full time in the hospitality field while attending classes at night. She was also busy serving on many different boards and engaging in other volunteer work.

abilities led her to excel in and out of the classroom. "Through my contacts, I was able to help one student get her first professional job in the hospitality field," she says. "Developing and growing these relationships with the younger students has been very gratifying."

In 2003, Leduc received a business administration degree concentrating in management with a minor in legal studies. She considered continuing on to law school, but the world of business held a stronger draw. She will receive her MBA from the University of Rhode Island in May 2009.

Antignano and Leduc share similar leadership styles that allow them to work well together, maintain loyal employees and customers, and stay successful despite being in a very competitive industry. Both agree that their Bryant education gave them the skills, drive, and decision-making capabilities to keep them moving in the right direction.

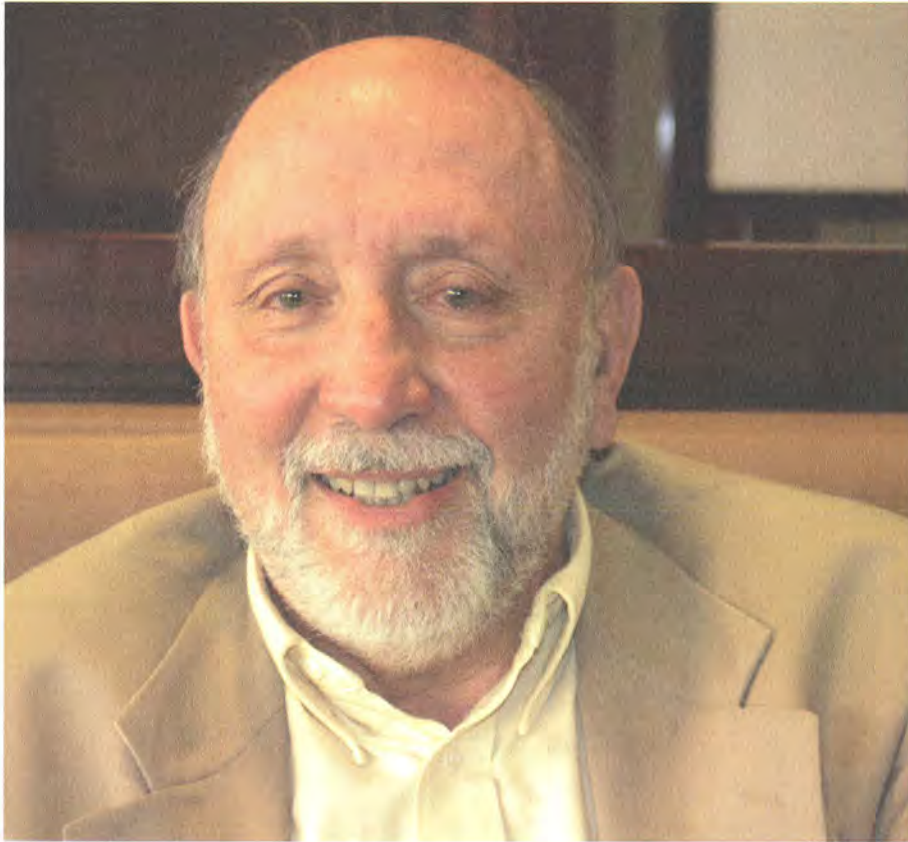
Over the years, the restaurant has received many accolades and honors. In April, Angelo's received the "2008 National Jeffrey H. Butland Family-Owned Business of the Year" award from the United States Small Business Administration. "I couldn't believe it and still don't believe it," says Antignano. "It's great to be recognized – not only in the

Recently, Antignano and Leduc found a way to instill their strong work ethic in younger generations by getting involved in the New Hope Diner Project, a collaboration between the Rhode Island Training School and local and national organizations to restore vintage diners. Students at the Training School learn marketable construction skills as they restore the diners. Bryant's Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) organization members are teaching the Training School students to draft a business plan for the diners, raise money for restoration, interview for jobs, and learn other basic business skills.

Angelo's Civita Farnese will lease and operate the diners, and Antignano and Leduc will give the students lessons from the trenches on how to work in and operate a restaurant. "It's not about the bottom line for us," says Leduc. Adds Antignano, "In keeping with family tradition, we care about our community."

Uncle Angelo would be proud, and Bryant is too.

Professor Joe Ilacqua celebrates 40 years at Bryant



What is most amazing about Economics Professor Joe Ilacqua's 40-year career at Bryant isn't that he's stayed in one place for four decades – it's that he continually changes his methods to ensure students get as much out of his classes as possible.

"I've always liked the learning atmosphere at Bryant," he says. "The

And Ilacqua puts to good use all the tools at his disposal. Though technology is constantly changing, it punctuates the finer points of supply and demand in his classroom.

"I use a tablet PC and DyKnow™ software to encourage student engagement and interaction," says Ilacqua. DyKnow Vision® allows more collaboration in class because students receive the notes the faculty member creates, freeing them up to participate in discussions. Students are empowered to lead class and share their work with him, which, according to Ilacqua, is essential for students in the principles of economics courses.

"Many students coming into the economics principles courses presume that it's going to be difficult, they won't understand it, and they won't like it," he says. "I spend most of the principles classes trying to disavow them of their preconceptions."

Helping students view things differently is part of the teaching process, says Ilacqua, and the environment here on the 420-acre campus certainly helps. "Moving to Smithfield allowed Bryant students to develop more interests,"

and more to be determined as the world continues to evolve."

But one thing that hasn't changed is the Bryant students – and that's great, according to Ilacqua. "I'm always impressed with how involved Bryant students get," he says. "From the student strike back when Harry Evarts was president to the protests about the Vietnam War in the '60s and the Kent State massacre in 1970 to the many organizations and clubs existing today that serve a particular purpose, Bryant students are inherently concerned with what is happening in our world."

As are Bryant's faculty. This summer, Ilacqua is planning to participate in an organized seminar in southwest China with History Professor Judy Barrett Litoff. Though this is not the first time these two professors have collaborated – they've traveled to Russia and Ukraine many times over the years and teach the class "Cultures and Economies in Transition" together – it is the first time they've been to China.

"We're going to be discussing economic development in the emerging economy in China," says Ilacqua. "That promises to be very exciting."

This energetic and engaging professor has no plans to retire anytime in the near future. "I love teaching at Bryant,"

atmosphere at Bryant," he says. "The culture here is to encourage a professor's entrepreneurial approach to teaching his or her classes."

students to develop more interests," he says. "This space allows for a large library, gym and workout facilities, athletic fields and courts, a recreation center,

near future. "I love teaching at Bryant," says Ilacqua. "I can't wait to see what happens in the next 40 years!"



Bryant's U.S.-China Institute is raising funds to help China's schools recover from the May 12 earthquake

From relief efforts to rebuilding, there is a tremendous need for aid in the Sichuan Province of China as families and villages struggle with widespread devastation and loss after the May 12 earthquake.

Bryant invites you to make a gift to aid the people affected, with 100 percent of the contributions given to those in need. Gifts designated to this relief effort, payable to Bryant University, can be mailed to Bryant University, 1150 Douglas Pike, Box 40, Smithfield, RI 02917 (note China Relief Fund on memo line).

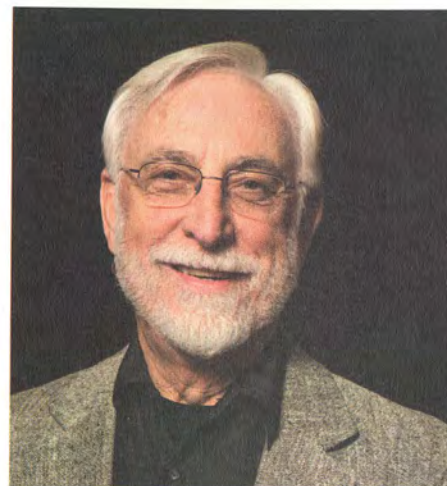
New members of the National Alumni Council



Kelly Durga '93



Tony DeQuattro '67, '74 MBA



Robert Landry '55



John LaRocca '70



Brian Levin '06



Jennifer Parkhurst '97, '07 MBA



Carol Shibley '73

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
NATIONAL ALUMNI COUNCIL

and Carol Shibley '73 as new members.

The NAC represents Bryant's 40,000 alumni and is the voluntary leadership arm of the Alumni Association. The Council continuously strives to strengthen the alumni network by reinforcing the relationships alumni form with each other and the University through such programs as the Regional Alumni Networks (RANs) and the Class Steering Committees.

For more information on the National Alumni Council or how you can get involved, contact President Ray Grigevich '91, '00 MBA at raymondgrigevich@cox.net.

The National Alumni Council (NAC) welcomes Kelly Durga '93, Tony DeQuattro '67, '74 MBA, Robert Landry '55, John LaRocca '70, Brian Levin '06, Jennifer Parkhurst '97, '07 MBA,

Bryant runs in the family

Every year, we hear of graduates whose parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, or siblings are also Bryant alumni. This year, meet two of our newest legacy families. In the photo at left, Paula Welch '08 (South Windsor, Conn.) poses with her sister Maureen and parents Carol (Grills) Welch '78 and Joe Welch '78. In photo at right, Jared Neilan '08 (Portsmouth, R.I.) stands with maternal grandmother Loretta (Cardosa) Monteiro '44. Neilan's paternal grandmother, Margaret (Patenaude) Neilan '48 is also a Bryant alumna.



REGISTER ONLINE!
www.bryant.edu/homecoming

REUNION @ HOMECOM



FRIDAY

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WELCOME HOME TO BRYANT!

Alumni Welcome Tent

Bryant Pond

**5 p.m. until the end of the fireworks
(around 10 p.m.)**

The Office of Alumni Relations welcomes you home to Bryant! Be sure to stop by the Alumni Welcome Tent, located by the Bryant Pond, to join other alumni and current students in one of Bryant's newest traditions – the Bryant Fires and Fireworks. Complimentary light refreshments will be available.

Homecoming Buffet

Salmanson Dining Hall

5 – 7 p.m.

See what college dining is like now! Join current students for a special Homecoming Buffet dinner in the newly renovated Salmanson Dining Hall. If you've

SATURDAY

13

A FUN-FILLED DAY ON CAMPUS FOR ALUMNI, FAMILY, AND FRIENDS!

Alumni Volunteer & Leadership Breakfast

Heritage/Papitto, Bryant Center

8:30 – 10 a.m.

Fuel up for a full day of networking with classmates and friends! Volunteer leadership is the foundation of the Alumni Association's work on behalf of Bryant and its alumni worldwide. Ron Deluga, professor of Applied Psychology, will start the morning off with an energetic discussion of leadership and the skills you need to succeed in life and your chosen profession. The breakfast is included in the Bulldog Pass.

Alumni Registration

Tent outside Bulldog Stadium

Reconnect with Career Services

Administration Hall, Unistructure

10 a.m. – 12 noon

Before or after your campus tour, stop by the newly renovated Amica Center for Career Education to learn more about services for alumni. Sign up to participate in the Alumni Career Link, an online database resource for both students and alumni.

Campus Walking Tours

Admission Atrium, Unistructure

10 a.m. – 12 noon

(tours depart on the half-hour from 10 through 11:30 a.m.)

The Bryant University Admission Ambassadors will guide walking tours of the campus. The tour will provide alumni with an opportunity to see the physical transformation taking place on Bryant's campus.

Student Leader Alumni Reunions

South Dining Hall, Bryant Center

10 a.m. – 12 noon

Calling all former student leaders! Don't miss this

dents for a special Homecoming Buffet dinner in the newly renovated Salmanson Dining Hall. If you've purchased a Bulldog Pass for the weekend, this buffet is included; otherwise, you can purchase a dinner ticket at the door.

Comedian, Eric O'Shea

Janikies Auditorium

8 p.m.

Get ready to witness not only a comedy show but also an EVENT! O'Shea's unique humor, expressions, and high-energy show is unlike anything you've ever heard. This event is FREE for alumni and sponsored by the Student Programming Board.

Bryant Fires and Fireworks

Bryant Center Patio

9:30 p.m.

Get together with current students, faculty, and staff to fuel the support of our student athletes. The pep rally will commence with President Machtley lighting the Bryant Fires and a thunderous fireworks display over the Bryant Pond.

Tent outside Bulldog Stadium

9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Stop by to pick up everything you'll need for Reunion @ Homecoming Weekend, including a schedule of events, campus map, your nametag and, most importantly, your Bulldog Pass. The Alumni Relations staff and other campus staff members will be on hand to assist you with anything you may need.

Information Session: Choosing the Right College For Your Children

Room 2C, Bryant Center

10 – 11 a.m.

There can be much stress associated with the college admission process – but with good information and planning, it can also be a positive journey of discovery. If you have children nearing the college age, you'll want to attend this session with Michelle Beau-regard, director of admission at Bryant. Alumni, spouses, and teenagers are all invited.

10 a.m. – 12 noon

Calling all former student leaders! Don't miss this opportunity to reconnect with or meet current members of the organizations you participated in while at Bryant. This reunion is co-sponsored by the Center for Student Involvement.

Following these reunions, join current student leaders in Bryant's new homecoming tradition – the Parade! Student Organizations will march through campus ending at the Bulldog Stadium just in time for the big game.

Alumni games - Various Locations

10 a.m. (tentative – check in at Alumni Registration tent for complete schedule)

Alumni take on students and each other in baseball, softball, men's and women's lacrosse, flag football, Ultimate Frisbee, and more!!!

Alumni Reunion Barbecue & Celebration

Tent in Parking Lot

11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Bryant's family event of the year! Gather with classmates, families, fellow reunion-goers, and the wider

Hotel Accommodations: Smithfield/Lincoln Area

Comfort Suites

(5 mins. away)
1010 Douglas Pike
Smithfield, RI 02917

(401) 231-6300
or (877) 424-6423

*\$118.99 per night
(includes hot/cold
continental breakfast)*

Courtyard Marriot

(10 mins. away)
636 George Washington
Highway
Lincoln, RI 02865

(401) 333-3400
or (800) 321-2211

*\$119 per night
(Full breakfast available
at \$10.95 + tax)*

Fitness area and pool

Hampton Inn & Suites

(5 mins. away)
965 Douglas Pike
Smithfield, RI 02917

(401) 232-9200

*\$119 per night
(Breakfast included)*

Fitness area and pool

Quality Inn

(5 mins. away)
355 George Washington
Highway
Smithfield, RI 02917

(401) 232-2400
or (877) 424-6423

*\$99 per night
(includes continental
breakfast)*

Please call the hotels directly and mention that you are attending the Bryant University Reunion Weekend to receive the group rate.

For a list of additional hotels in the area, please visit the Reunion @ Homecoming Web site (www.bryant.edu/homecoming).

Take the Saturday Shuttle!

Parking on campus is tight.

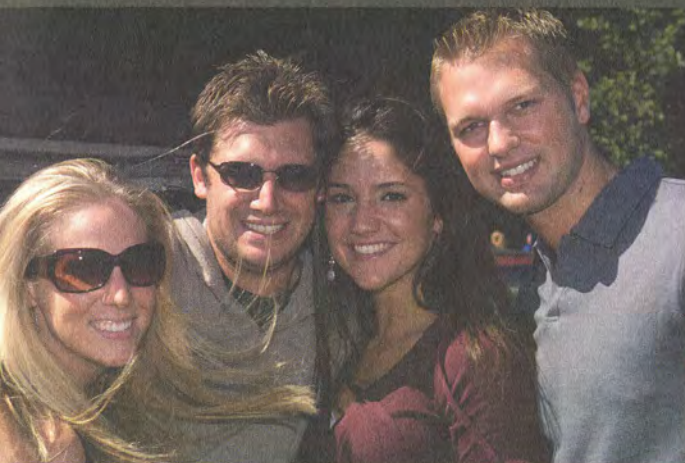
Bryant has more than 3,300 students. Why not get chauffeured door-to-door without the hassle of looking for a parking spot?

Routes will repeat every half hour.

Route 1: Courtyard Marriott and Quality Inn
– both on George Washington
Highway (Rte. 116)

Route 2: Hampton Inn & Suites and Comfort Suites
– both on Douglas Pike (Rte. 7)

ING 2008: SEPTEMBER 12-14



Bryant community for this Homecoming favorite. Enjoy socializing and networking at the "Reunion Village." For the kids, there is the Bulldog Fun Zone, which features carnival food, caricatures, roving performers, and much more! The barbecue is included in the Bulldog Pass; however, reservations are requested.

Loyal Guard Luncheon – 50th Reunion

Tent in Parking Lot

11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

11 – 11:30 a.m.

Cocktails and mingling

11:30 a.m. – 12 Noon

Induction Ceremony for the Class of 1958

12 Noon – 3 p.m.

Served luncheon and reunion celebration

Join President and Mrs. Machtley at the Loyal Guard luncheon as we celebrate the Class of 1958's induction into the Loyal Guard in honor of their 50th Reunion. President Machtley will also honor those attending from the Classes of 1938, 1943, 1948, and 1953 with special recognition.

The Chace Wellness Center Pool

11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

The pool will be open for swimming. There will be a lifeguard on duty, but parental supervision will be required at ALL times for children under 12.

The Football Game: Bryant vs. Merrimack

Bulldog Stadium

1 – 4 p.m.

Cheer on the Bryant Bulldogs as they take the field against the Merrimack Warriors for the annual Homecoming game.

Childcare

Bryant Center, 2 A & B

3:30 – 9 p.m.

Childcare will be provided by the Smithfield Y.M.C.A. Pre-registration is required for childcare and is included in the Bulldog Pass. Snacks and dinner will be provided.

Post-Game Alumni Celebration

Dinner/Dance

SUNDAY

14

Memorial Service

Stepan Grand Hall, Bello Center

10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Join classmates, family, and friends as we remember our departed Bryant alumni. The service will include a continental breakfast, a candle-lighting ceremony, and special recollections from alumni about classmates, particularly those lost on Sept. 11.

The 8th Annual Shawn M. Nassaney Memorial Cross Country Race/Walk

Bryant University Cross Country Course

1 p.m.

To register for this event or to find out more information about the Race/Walk or the Shawn M. Nassaney Foundation, please visit the Web site at www.shawnmnassaney.org.

1953 with special recognition.

After the Luncheon, the Class of 1958 is invited to take an escorted tour on a motorcoach to the East Side Campus, where they can reminisce about their Bryant years in Providence.

The "Loyal Guard" comprises all living alumni who have celebrated upwards of their 50th year of graduation from Bryant University (Classes of 1900+). The late revered Dean Nelson Gulski inducted the 50th class into this prestigious segment of the Alumni Association for many years at their reunion.

Tailgating

Reserved area in new parking lots

**11 a.m. – approximately 2:30 p.m.
(end of halftime)**

Connect with your classmates in the Tailgate Area of the parking lot (the commuter lot). Parking spots are limited so be sure to register to receive a parking pass. On campus, just follow the signs to Tailgate Parking. Individuals who wish to consume alcohol must be 21 years of age. Local, state, and federal laws will be in effect and enforced as necessary during Reunion @ Homecoming.

Remember when the tennis courts were near the MAC? Well... they've been moved. The area is now a parking lot, and it will be reserved for organized groups of alumni (class reunions, clubs, sororities, and fraternities) who want to tailgate prior to the football game. Advance registration is necessary, and parking passes will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis. Register for all reunion activities, including Tailgate Parking, at www.bryant.edu/homecoming, or call (401) 232-6040. All passes will be mailed by August 31, 2008.

TAILGATING

Post-Game Alumni Celebration

Dinner/Dance

Tent in Parking Lot

4 – 7:30 p.m.

After the game, kick back at the Alumni Tent for a casual night of great food, reconnecting with classmates, and dancing. Buffet dinner and cash bar provided. Don't miss this opportunity to join all of the classes who are back for Reunion. Admission to the dinner/dance is included in the Bulldog Pass; however, reservations are requested.

Homecoming Concert

The MAC

8 p.m.

The Student Programming Board will host their annual Homecoming Concert. Please be sure to check the Reunion @ Homecoming Web site (www.bryant.edu/homecoming) for updated information regarding the headlining act and ticket sales.

www.shawnmnassaney.org



Save With the BULLDOG DAY PASS!

Pass includes unlimited access to Alumni Tents and other venues for lunch and dinner festivities, football game ticket, and childcare.

Register early for a chance to win prizes.

The first 100 Bulldog Day Pass purchasers will be entered to win an 80GB iPod Classic or one of ten 1GB Bryant University Alumni Association flash drives. The drawing will be held September 1, 2008. Winners will be notified by e-mail or phone, so be sure to include all information on your registration form!

Get in Gear!

Get Bryant hats, t-shirts, bumper stickers, and more!

The Bryant University Bookstore, located on the second floor of the Bryant Center, will be open during the following times:

Friday, September 12 8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Saturday, September 13 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

The bookstore will also have a tent in the Alumni Village area on Saturday, September 13, from 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.

****All alumni will receive a 10% discount on Bryant memorabilia throughout the weekend.**



ALUMNI EVENTS

2008 Alumni Achievement Awards



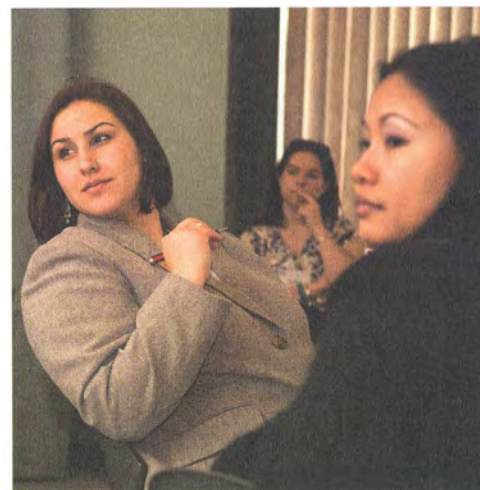
Bryant's annual Alumni Achievement Awards and Leadership Weekend brought more than 100 alumni together for a celebratory dinner and ceremony on Friday evening, April 11. Saturday workshops included honing leadership skills, engaging alumni in the life of the University, and strengthening Bryant's alumni networks throughout the world. Mini reunions





networks throughout the world. Mini reunions for the Student Senate, Student Alumni Association, Multicultural Student Union, and media organizations were also held.

Nominations are now being accepted for next year's Alumni Achievement Awards, which will be presented in April of 2009. Visit the Web site at www.bryant.edu/alumni, and click on "get involved" for nomination forms and a description of the awards.





Alumna's wedding guest list included many Bryant alumni

(L-R), Adam Haddard, Jessica Julius '04, Matthew Striebe '04, Devin DaSilva '04, Stacey Hemmer '08, Brian Renzi, Heather (Hernon) Renzi '04, Nicole Meunier '04, Anthony DeiCicchi '05, Nicole Lorenzo '04, and Shannon Meimeic '04 show alumni pride at the Renzi wedding on August 25, 2007.



Gathering at a benefit concert in San Diego are Felicia Brann '88, Bettianne Flanders '93, and Joe Emma '90.



What happens in Vegas ... Enjoying the Nevada RAN event at McCormick & Schmick's on April 24 are:

1st ROW (L-R): Bob Sousa '81, Sean Nixon, Monique (Auger) Nixon '03 MBA, Laura Jenson '03, Takoohy "Queenie" (Kenoian) Reizian '55, Vincent Reizian

2nd ROW (L-R): Angela "Obal" Dortch '02, Stephanie Inman '03, Gary Russell '96, Shannon (Noto) Russell '96, Robert Tyburski '93, Mark Juraschka '01, Matthew Putvinski '95, Karen (Thorn) Putvinski '94





More than 50 alumnae members of Phi Sigma Sigma and Alpha Phi Kappa sororities gathered in Providence for a reunion this past April. They are pictured with the current sisters under "their tree" in the Rotunda during a visit to campus for lunch followed by campus tours.



Ezenwayi Amaechi '04 (center) with former classmates at the PawSox annual alumni and family event in Pawtucket. Alumni's children enjoyed a baseball clinic taught by members of Bryant's NE-10 conference champion baseball team, followed by a cookout before watching the PawSox crush the Buffalo Bisons.



Women's soccer alumni gathered on campus in April for an annual game against Bryant's current varsity players followed by a barbecue with friends and families.



The Amica Center for Career Education and Bryant's Office of Alumni Relations teamed up to offer a special seminar for alumnae seeking to reenter the workforce. Author Carol Fishman Cohen presented an interactive workshop based on her book *Back on the Career Track*.

STAFF SPOTLIGHT



***"I really have loved
working here."***

Betty Cotter, director of health services, retires on June 30 after 22 years at Bryant

Chances are good that if you met Betty Cotter while you were a student at Bryant, you were feeling a bit under the weather. There's no doubt, however, that her soothing, caring manner, as well as her medical expertise, helped in your recovery.

As director of Bryant's Department of Health Services and a nurse practitioner, she led a staff of five other nurse practitioners, a physician, health educators, and support staff to attend to the health and wellness needs of the entire community.

"The Department of Health Services is about more than just helping those who are unwell," Cotter says. "We have established a campuswide program at Bryant to educate students, faculty, and staff on good nutrition and exercise choices."

The department has done a stellar job with treatment and education. With a

100 percent surveyed satisfaction rate for the last 15 years under Cotter's leadership, the health services staff knows how to deliver.

Part of this proficiency stems from Cotter's ability to plan and implement medical protocols, quality improvement programs, and risk management assessments.

"In the early '90s, I coauthored a grant with then Dean F.J. Talley seeking funds from the U.S. Department of Education to establish the health education program at Bryant," she says. "It's always been a priority to educate as well as serve the community."

To further advance her knowledge in the field of health and wellness in college-aged individuals, Cotter established and chaired a group of 18 colleges and universities in the tri-state area.

"I wanted to form this consortium so that directors of college health centers

in the area could meet others in the field and develop strategies to meet current and anticipated needs," she says.

Now that she's retired, Cotter has no plans to slow down.

"My husband, a Providence school teacher, is also retiring," she says. "We plan on doing more bike riding, hiking, ocean kayaking, and bird watching." When not engaging in their favorite outdoor hobbies, Cotter and her husband also plan to take more trips to Michigan to see their grandchildren and volunteer for their church.

Though she will keep busy, she will miss Bryant, she says.

"I really have loved working here," she says. "The students are wonderful and so appreciative. It's been great to see Bryant grow and the students along with it. The campus is such a peaceful, caring place, and I'm happy to have been part of it for 22 years."

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Those Bryant alumni who have never had to struggle through Latin classes (i.e., most of us) may not realize that there is a difference between the words "alumni," "alumnus," "alumna," and "alumnae."

Those who know the different terms may still struggle to figure out which

one is correct in a particular situation. The Office of Alumni Relations has provided this guide to help you understand how you relate to your alma mater.

If you have any questions or if you would like the answers to any other Bryant-related issues, e-mail alumni@bryant.edu (reference "Ask

Tina" in the subject line), or drop a note to: Ask Tina, c/o Tina Senecal '95, Bryant University, 1150 Douglas Pike, Smithfield, RI, 02917-1284.

Examples of proper usage

Alumnus

If you are male and you graduated from Bryant, you are an alumnus.

Alumnus refers to one male.

Example: Tom Taylor is an **alumnus** from the Class of 1963.

Alumna

A female Bryant graduate is an alumna.

Example: Professor Mary Lyons is an **alumna** of Bryant. She received her M.B.A. in 1987.

Alumnae

Two or more females who graduated from Bryant are alumnae (pronounced alumnee).

Example: Melissa, Leslie, Tina, and Paula are all **alumnae**, and employees, of Bryant.

Alumni

Alumni is the masculine plural; however, it can also refer to a group that has both men and women.

Example: Dave, Paul, and Mark are **alumni** of Bryant. John, Angie, Katie, and Nicholas are also Bryant **alumni**.

Alum/Alums

This is the slang term we use when it's too taxing to remember the rules.

Example: Helen is a Bryant **alum**. I saw a group of **alums** in the basement of Koffler looking for the bowling alley.

Bulldogs' biggest fan and goes to games often. He and Susan will be at Reunion to cheer on the Bulldogs and meet up with former classmates.

When alumni, including the Bermans, talk about their time at Bryant, they describe their connections with people. Whether you gathered at Louie's, The Library, The Comfort, O'Brien's, Ron's Spaghetti House, or 'Rente's, you had a good time because of who you were with – your classmates, friends, and faculty.

Another alumna who'll head to campus for Reunion is Alexis Furer '83, '85 MBA. She was involved in Hillel and the Bryant Players and was a TEP sweetheart. She remembers going to the Haven Brothers in Providence for a one-of-a-kind, late-night burger or hot dog. The student center was in the Koffler Building, and the guys in public safety would drop by the res hall to watch "Hill Street Blues" on Tuesday nights with the students.

A New York resident, Furer is looking forward to Reunion because being on campus with other alumni brings her back to those days when she didn't have a care or responsibility in the world. "For six years, Bryant was my home away from home," she says. "I want to transport myself back to the way life was then and talk about life."



Bryant sweatshirts and t-shirts," says Furer. "She calls them 'vintage'!" (Reunion's also a great opportunity to replace those old Bryant tees at a 10 percent discount!)

Mark Giganti '88 has a plan similar to Furer's for Reunion. "I want to recreate Spring Weekend in the fall," he says. "I want to pretend I'm in college again, red cup in one hand, shooting the breeze with like-minded individuals." Giganti lives in California and hasn't been back to Bryant as often as the Bermans and Furer, though he has visited the campus since the new construction. Like Steve Berman, he's excited about Bryant's move to Division I sports. "I think it's fantastic that Bryant's sports program is forward-moving, much like the rest of

two young children to his alma mater. With the Bulldog Fun Zone near both the football stadium and the alumni tent, his family can find plenty of activities to do together. Jaro was active in school as a member of student government and the Delta Chi fraternity and participated in intramural sports. "I want to see firsthand how much the school has grown and support its current direction," he says. "I'd like to be part of moving Bryant to the next level."

Barry Ringelheim '68 agrees. "I was on campus in April for the Alumni Leadership Weekend and had interesting conversations with a lot of alumni, administrators, and faculty," he says. "I am impressed with Bryant's growth and look forward to staying involved, which

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port myself back to the way life was then and talk about life experiences with other alumni." Furer is considering bringing her 16-year-old daughter to see Bryant, especially since she's shown some interest in attending her mother's alma mater. "She's stolen all my old

forward-moving, much like the rest of the school," he says. "I want to see the Bulldogs on SportsCenter someday."

For Marc Jaro '93 of Florida, Reunion @ Homecoming signals his first trip back to campus in 15 years and an opportunity to introduce his wife and

look forward to staying involved, which includes attending Reunion."

The bottom line, says Furer, is that alumni are pleased with Bryant's development. "When I was a student, no one had heard of Bryant College in Smithfield, Rhode Island," she says. "But they have now, and that makes me very proud."

Join other alumni at Bryant's biggest alumni event, and find out how much you all still have in common! A full schedule of events is in the center spread of this issue.



Knowledge is **POWER**

Want to get more news about Bryant more often? Sign up for the monthly **Alumni Connections E-Newsletter**. Find out about discounts to conferences and executive continuing education classes at Bryant, prestigious speakers on campus, and ways for you to share your vast knowledge with students. Send an e-mail to alumni@bryant.edu to sign up now.

Calendar

REGIONAL ALUMNI NETWORK EVENTS

New events are added weekly. Check online at www.bryant.edu/alumni/events for the latest events in **your** area.

Bridgeport, Conn.

Saturday, July 12, 2008
Bridgeport Bluefish Game & BBQ
5 p.m. BBQ
6:05 p.m. Game Starts

South Windsor, Conn.

Thursday, July 17, 2008
Bellini's Italian Eatery
5:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Twin Cities, Minn.

Thursday, July 24, 2008
Location TBD

Salt Lake City, Utah

Friday, August 1
Location TBD

Highland Park, Ill.

Saturday, August 16, 2008

REGIONAL **ALUMNI** NETWORKS

San Juan, Puerto Rico

Senior Send Off
Sunday, August 17, 2008
4 p.m.

San Francisco Bay Area, Calif.

Tuesday, September 23, 2008
Location TBD
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Los Angeles, Calif.

Wednesday, September 24, 2008
Location TBD
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

San Diego, Calif.

Thursday, September 25, 2008
Marriott Del Mar
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

New York, New York

ADDITIONS

NOTICES RECEIVED BETWEEN 3/1/08 AND 5/31/08

1986

Carter Matthew to Lora (Deyoe) '86
and Steven L. Kennedy '86 on 2/23/08.

1987

Kyla Michelle to Monique (Roy) '87
and Lawrence G. Desormier on 10/12/07.

1989

Logan Marie and Ripley Elaine
to Jacquelyn (Fitzgerald) '89
and J. Christopher Valerio on 2/15/08.

1992

Jack Robert to Joy (Tierney) '92
and Bob Nenna on 9/07/06.

1993

Jacob Phineas to Holly and David B.
Kaplan '93 on 10/23/07.

1994

Collin Phillip to Beth (Barton) '94
and Thomas Green '93 on 3/24/08.
Max Stephen to M. Elizabeth (Moos) '96
and Wayne R. Prunier '94 on 9/28/06.

1995

Olivia Grace to Tarra (Kiamos) '96
and Kevin Andrews '95 on 3/12/08.
Joel Matthew to Michelle (Barbato) '95
and John Casale on 2/28/08.
Cole Jeffrey to Rebecca L.
(Baker) '95 '01 MBA and Jeffrey B.
Collemer on 4/22/08.

1996

Julie Ann to Jennifer (Lorenc) '96

2002

Jacob Clarke to Sarah (Newell) '02
and Joseph Silva '02 on 12/16/07.

PARTNERSHIPS

NOTICES RECEIVED BETWEEN 3/1/08 AND 5/31/08

1980

Steven K. Schlamp '80 to Dorothy
MacDonald on 11/24/07.

1985

Lisa Castellucci '85 to Christopher Girardin
on 12/22/07.

1990

Michael A. Pelletier '90 to Heather J. Tassis
on 10/27/07.

1992

James B. Goldstein '92 to Denise Kenny
on 11/11/07.

1996

Rebecca M. Clow '96 to Albert Pratte Jr.
on 10/06/07.

1997

Rhonda M. DelSignore '97 to Joel P.
Mulligan on 10/20/07.

1998

Rosemarie Laurenzano '98 to Bryan R.
Sumpter on 2/16/08.

1999

Lindsay Germano '99 to William Matthews
on 4/14/07.

Monica S. Pellegrino '99 to Daniel C.
Pearce on 8/18/07.

Highland Park, Ill.
Saturday, August 16, 2008
Chicago Symphony Orchestra
Ravinia Festival
1 p.m. Lawn picnic
2 p.m. Concert

New York, New York
Thursday, October 2, 2008
Roosevelt Hotel
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

The Office of Alumni Relations is working closely with volunteers in various Regional Alumni Networks to plan events for the fall and spring semesters. If you would like to assist in planning an event in your area, please contact Melissa Frank at (401) 232-6041

**Black & Gold Golf Tournament
Supporting Bryant Athletics**
July 30, 2008
Crystal Lake Country Club
Burrillville, RI
For more information, contact
Jason Sullivan at (401) 232-6072
or via e-mail at jsulliva@bryant.edu.

Reunion @ Homecoming
September 12-14, 2008
Bryant Campus

Alumni Leadership Weekend
April 18-19, 2009
Bryant Campus

**Online registration available for all Regional Alumni Network events
at www.bryant.edu/alumni-events**

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1998

Aron Christopher to Christina (Carmona) '98
and John Moss on 2/26/08.

Siena Marie to Janine (Champigny) '98
and Nick D'Ambrosio '98 on 10/17/07.

Nicholas Robert to Stephanie (Zanfagna)
Ganim '98 and Robert Ganim '03
on 3/12/08.

Mackenzie Grace to Rebecca (Thayer) '98
and Jeffrey Mortimer '98 on 4/15/08.

Nicholas Ryan to Brooke (Synott) '98
and Christopher Bishop on 12/04/07.

1999

Carys Christine to Scarlett (Langway) '99
and Stephen Bowling on 11/19/07.

Jenna Morgan to Leigh and Scott Farber '99
on 3/21/08.

2000

Maeve Brigid to Deirdre and William
Cady '00 on 4/14/08.

Ryleigh Jordan to Erica '00
and Terry Nadeau on 2/27/08.

Monica S. Pellegrino '99 to Daniel C.
Bearce on 8/18/07.

Pamela Thompson '99 to Brian Neely
on 1/06/07.

2002

Christopher W. Bianchi '02 to Anna Cukier
on 9/29/07.

Sherri A. Rogers '02 to Timothy M. McGraw
'02 on 9/22/07.

Mary D. McGregor '02 to Jonathan T.
Flynn '02 on 12/22/07.

2003

Jennifer L. Crisafi '03 to Philip Liggett
on 9/29/07.

Nate Dotson '04 to Linda Akwara
on 6/23/07.

2004

Michelle Reis '04 to Michael Aniceto '04
on 7/21/07.

Rebecca E. Tan '04 and Warren Noyes '04
on 10/13/07.

2005

Amy L. DaCosta '05 to Joshua A. Mossman
on 8/25/07.

2007

Lori Ann Andrade '07 to Matthew R.
Kachanis on 10/20/07.