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# BRYAN

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#### A momentous announcement ...

# Bryant College becomes



ffective August 25, 2004, Bryant College will become Bryant University. The College's Board of 2004. Prior to the board vote, the change in status was endorsed by Bryant's National Alumni Council and had received a favorable response from a clear majority of alumni, students, faculty, and staff.

"Becoming a university will allow us to further develop global initiatives especially for our graduate school as well as our undergraduate programs," says Ronald K. Machtley, president of Bryant College. "Whether it is attracting international students, incorporating a global perspective into the overall academic curriculum, or pursuing new business partnerships abroad, Bryant is

focused on preparing our students to meet the challenges of the global economy and better position the institution to serve a more international and diverse population."

"This is the logical next step in the continued development of our institution," says John D. Callahan '56, chairman of Bryant's board. "This change further reinforces the transition Bryant has already made to broaden its undergraduate and graduate curriculum and enhance the academic and technological resources on campus."

And yet even in the midst of change, the Bryant mission statement - the historic focus on business preparation as well as our core values - will remain the foundation for Bryant's future.

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# President Machtley gives keynote address at 141st

#### Commencement

Like a well-oiled machine, the planning and execution of Bryant's 141st Undergraduate Commencement on May 22 rolled forward. The class of 675 seniors enjoyed a variety of Senior Week activities and looked forward to graduation day. Then, at the eleventh hour, the unthinkable happened. Scheduled speaker Millard Fuller, founder and president of Habitat for Humanity International, was forced to cancel his Bryant engagement due to an urgent personal emergency.



At the end of his Student Charge, Benjamin Waldron, of Greenfield, Massachusetts, urges everyone to pledge to vote in the upcoming election.

# Distinctive education – academic excellence in business, liberal arts, and technology

Our high-quality curriculum with its business core will continue to drive our progress as an outstanding provider of higher education. Bryant's educational experience is a unique fusion of business, liberal arts, and innovation of technology.

### Student-centered learning community – the character of success

Bryant's small and supportive environment is an important part of the Bryant experience. That's why the Bryant University undergraduate population will remain approximately the same size, with about 3,000 students in a primarily residential college environment. Bryant will continue to support numerous opportunities for students to participate in a learning community where most people know each other by name. Our goal is to be focused on the growth and development of each individual student.

### Global and diverse experience – expanding the world of opportunity

For years, Bryant has incorporated a global perspective into the overall academic curriculum for both undergraduate and graduate students. As Bryant University, we will place strong emphasis on expanding the international presence of our Graduate School through a global federation of partnerships in Asia, Europe, and South America. Our undergraduates will benefit from the increased prestige of the Graduate School, and we will continue to enhance the position of Bryant by serving a more international and diverse population.

A team is being put in place to help organize the myriad details of this change, and each department has named a point person to categorize the inventory of materials that will be affected. Information about these point people, as well as background about the transition, is available at web.bryant.edu/~change. The Web site also features the most up-to-date news and developments about the transition.

#### Recent Alumni Trustee



Andrea Barbosa '04

Andrea Barbosa, of Somerset, Massachusetts, has been appointed to the college's board of trustees for a three-year term. The announcement was made at Bryant's 141st Commencement ceremony on May 22, at which Barbosa received a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with a concentration in marketing, summa cum laude.

As an undergraduate, Barbosa was a Presidential Scholar and enrolled in the Honors Program. She was elected to Beta

Gamma Sigma during her junior year. She served as Editor-in-Chief of the *Ledger* yearbook, an Orientation leader, and secretary of the Student Programming Board. She participated in numerous college activities and was a member of the Bryant Marketing Association, the Communication Society, and the Student Alumni Association.

#### AROUND THE CORNER

Aug 9	Victory Day
Aug 28	Residence halls open for new students
Aug 28-30	Bryant Experience
Aug 29	Residence halls open for returning students
Aug 30	Classes begin (graduate and undergraduate evening)
Aug 31	Classes begin (undergraduate day)
Sept 1	Convocation 1 to 3:30 p.m., MAC
Sept 6	Labor Day
Sept 17-19	Homecoming & Reunion 2004
Sept 19	4th Annual Shawn M. Nassaney Memorial Cross Country Road Race/Walk

#### MEDIA SPOTLIGHT

Bryant continues to garner attention in the national, regional, and local press.

Bryant's name change to University was the subject of an article in the *Providence Journal* on May 25. The story also ran in *Providence Business News, The Observer,* and *The Call,* and aired on WJAR TV-10, WLNE-TV 6, and WPRI TV-12. The announcement was also carried by *UBDaily,* an online report of higher education news published by *University Business.* 

**World Trade Day,** held May 27 on campus, was the subject of feature articles in the *Providence Journal* on May 28, and in *Providence Business News* on June 7.

**Professor Judy Barett Litoff** was a guest on 93.3 radio's "Vital Women." The program, which focused on the experiences of American women during World War II, aired on Memorial Day. Litoff was also profiled in the June issue of *Rhode Island Monthly*.

**Amy Hanson '04,** of Blackstone, Massachusetts, was featured in an article on Bryant's 141st Commencement that appeared in the *Providence Journal* on May 23.

A special Commencement ceremony on May 19 for graduating seniors **Steve Dube**, **of Cumberland**; **Mike Florest**, **of Franklin**, **Massachusetts**, **and B. J. Gagnon**, **of Rochester**, **New Hampshire**, received wide coverage.

The three students – members of the World Series-bound baseball team, could not attend graduation ceremonies on May 22 because it also happened to be the day of their first game in Montgomery, Alabama. The *Providence Journal*, *The Call*, and two local television stations covered the ceremony.

**Judith Clare**, director of career services, was quoted in *Providence Business News* on May 17 in an article on college grads and the job market.

#### Summer guests for July/August

June 24 - July 2

Max Good Basketball Camp

June 30 - July 1

Jostens Yearbook Workshop (350)

July 2 - 11

Lindy Hop Dance Retreat (185)

July 6-10

Huard/Light Football Camp (500)

July 12 - 19

Real Institute Teacher Workshop (35)

July 13 -17

Offense-Defense Football Camp (350)

July 13 -17

Offense-Defense Lacrosse Camp (40)

July 17 - 31

EF International Language Camp (325)

July 18 - 22

Point Guard Basketball Camp (125)

Iuly 18 - 22

MADD Team Spirit Leadership Retreat (125)

July 22 - 25

MA Centers (1,000)

August 1 - 5

Player's Choice LaCrosse Camp (125)

August 1 - 4

Youth to Youth (400)

August 7 - 12

New England Yearly Meeting (700)

August 9 - 13

Max Good Basketball Camp

August 12 -15

N.E. Chinese Christians (325)

August 12 - 15

Big Picture (300)

## Fidelity, Bryant look ahead to the future



Pictured are (I-r) Barbara Gregory, associate director/academic internship coordinator; Judith Clare, director of career services; Jennifer Parkhurst, staffing consultant at Fidelity (and a 1997 Bryant graduate); and Joseph McCarthy, professor of finance.

In March, a number of Bryant faculty and staff were invited to tour several of Fidelity Investment's primary businesses in Boston. The day's itinerary included a stop at the Fidelity Center for Applied Technology as well as the Chart Room — a display of hundreds of wall-length charts that track important trends within the financial services industry. A visit to the Capital Market Trading Floor included a brief overview of Fidelity's history by Susan Keats, vice president of corporate archives. Ellen Wilson, Fidelity's new executive vice president of human resources (and a Bryant alumna), joined the group for lunch.

One and all were intrigued by demonstrations at the Fidelity Center for Applied Technology, a working laboratory that serves as a resource for the exploration, innovation, and collaboration of advanced technologies that address important business challenges.

#### PEOPLE

#### New Faces



Eric Goodrich Application Technical Support Analyst Information Technology



Patricia Farhat Financial Aid Assistant



Kenneth Person Assistant Director Facilities Administration & Planning

#### Changes at Bryant

Kenneth Barr Senior Application Developer Information Technology

Jeanne Cournoyer Admission Assistant Undergraduate Admission

Paula Doyle Accounts Payable Supervisor Controller's Office

John Drew Senior Assistant Director Admission

Richard Gamache Custodian Lead Nights Physical Plant

Bill Gilmore Assistant Director Facilities Operations & Services

Gregory Gurney Facilities Engineer

#### Photos Not Available

Mildred Arciniegas Secretary South Providence Business Center

Gregory Borges Carpenter Physical Plant Kimberly Henderson Public Safety Officer

Lorraine Letellier Support Services Assistant

Natalie LewiSirgool Assistant Director Intercultural Center Christina Richard Secretary Athletics

Diane Laliberte Painter Physical Plant

# For business students, proof is in the (ETS) pudding

Bryant students know their business, as indicated by scores from the Education Testing Service (ETS). Students who took the ETS Major Field Test in Business – a test that represents proficiency in overall business knowledge – placed Bryant College at the 67<sup>th</sup> percentile when compared to other institutions that administered the field test. That's up from the 48<sup>th</sup> percentile in 2001-02 and the 64<sup>th</sup> percentile in 2002-2003.

Tom Dimieri, director of the Office of Planning and Institutional Research, attributes the jump in business scores to the fact that students are taking the exam more seriously. "If they do well, they know they can include that information on their resumes. Their scores on the ETS also give an approximate idea on how they'll score on the GMATs and how well they might do in graduate school."

Of the 583 Bryant graduating seniors who took the test, four students placed in the top one percent nationally, including Daniel Smith, of East Hampton, Connecticut, who earned a score of 199/200. In addition, eight Bryant students placed in the top two percent and four in the top three percent. In summary, 32 Bryant seniors scored in the top five percent nationally and 61 scored in the top 10 percent.

The ETS Major Field Test in Business, administered by business schools nationwide, is a test that measures knowledge of core business concepts in eight areas including quantitative business, finance, accounting, marketing, legal and social environment, economics, international issues, and management. In particular, Bryant seniors excelled in their knowledge of quantitative core business concepts. Their scores placed Bryant at the 77<sup>th</sup> percentile of scores nationally. A total of 24,715 students representing 259 institutions have taken the test nationwide since February 2003.

"The great thing here is that we want our students to get to see how they stack up against the whole country," says David Lux, dean of undergraduate studies. "We know they are great, and we tell them that. Still, something like these ETS results let our students benchmark themselves and get external validation as well.

"What's really worth noting," continues Lux, "is that our students are successful across the board — it's not just one or two students who stand out. As you go down the line — the top 1 percent, 5 percent, or 10 percent — our graduating seniors are ahead of the curve."

And high scores on the ETS bolster Bryant's academic reputation. "Results like these show us we're on the right track and headed in the right direction," adds Lux.

All seniors are required to take the ETS Major Field Test in Business, which is coordinated at Bryant through the senior capstone course – BUS 400: Business Policy.

# Bryant to welcome global community of scholars

Bryant will host the Academy of International Business – Northeast USA Conference October 7-9, the first time this prestigious event will be held on campus. Established in 1959, the Academy of International Business (AIB) is the leading association of scholars and specialists whose mission is to create and disseminate knowledge about international business and policy issues. The AIB boasts 3,000 members in 65 different countries around the world.

Professor of Marketing Alphonso Ogbuehi is conference chair. "For Bryant to be chosen to host this event is an honor," says Ogbuehi. "Our selection validates our standing as a quality institution dedicated to excellence in business education, particularly given our new thrust into international business." The timing of the AIB conference is optimal, notes Ogbuehi, because it coincides with the launch of the International Business major and Bryant's move to university status. "By hosting the AIB, we have an opportunity to demonstrate our global reach as a university by the number of participants who will be traveling from as far as Japan and Taiwan," he says. "Their presence on campus is a significant event given their high profiles in the international business arena."

The conference is sponsored by Bryant's John H. Chafee Center for International Business and the Office of Academic Affairs. For more information, visit the conference Web site at web.bryant.edu/~aibne, or contact Professor Ogbuehi at 232-6254 or aogbuehi@bryant.edu.

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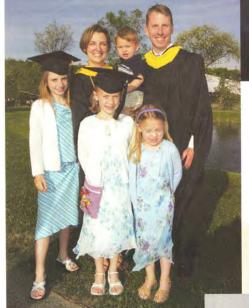
With little chance of securing another speaker literally hours before Commencement, Bryant President Ronald K. Machtley decided that this unexpected turn of events presented a unique opportunity for him to speak from the heart to the "brilliant, successful Class of 2004."

So, following the Baccalaureate Service at 5 p.m., a reception for the soon-to-be graduates and their families at 6, and a dinner for honorary degree recipients and trustees at 7, President Machtley began to write his speech. On Commencement morning, he was still writing. After attending the Annual Commencement Breakfast at 8 a.m., he returned to his office to print out a final draft. With only minutes to spare, he donned his Commencement regalia and processed to the Commencement platform, reading and making minor changes while he walked. And then, speaking from the heart, he delivered his speech to an appreciative audience.

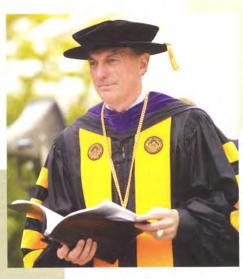
"I grew up in Western Pennsylvania – in a small town where steel mills and coal mines were king," he said. "As one of five children, we saved for milk – not for college. Neither of my parents went to college – my mother died when I was in the fourth grade. I never could have imagined that one day I would be here officiating as president of this great college and giving the Commencement address."

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Ebenezer Mills-Robertson of West New York, New Jersey, walks through the Archway. He served as editor-in-chief of *The Archway*, Bryant's student newspaper.



MST recipients Renee and Jeff Wadovich of North Kingstown with their daughters (l-r) Jamie, 9; Jodie, 7; and Heidi, 4; and son Tanner, 20 months



President Machtley reviews his Commencement speech.



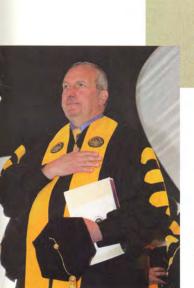
Nicola Bulgari, vice chairman of the Bulgari Group, receives an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters.

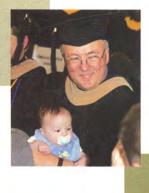
Rachel Harper, of Holden, Massachusetts, remembers her father, who lost his battle with cancer last year.





Bryant's Blended Distance Learning MBA Program gave students from the Naval Undersea Warfare Center the opportunity to earn their degrees while working in Newport, Hawaii, Washington, and Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Among the graduates are (l-r) Christopher Hildebrand, Marcus Lepore, Alan Chhor, Kevin Lowther, Alex Reina, Gary Weiss, John Hamilton, Bill Hurley, Romeo Velasco, and Patrick McCarty.





Development's Dave Greenan '73, sits with his grandson Andrew William Greenan, while waiting to receive an MBA.

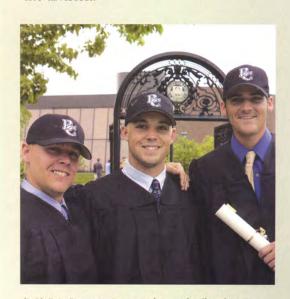
Graduate School speaker Frank J. Williams '86 MST, Chief Justice of the Rhode Island Supreme Court

# Early graduation for three Bulldogs

It was the day their families had waited for. Graduation. But three Bryant seniors were unable to attend Commencement on May 22. They were members of the baseball team, and Bryant was scheduled to make its first appearance ever in the NCAA Division II College World Series in Montgomery, Alabama. The first game just happened to be May 22 – graduation day.

So Mike Florest of Franklin,
Massachusetts, Steve Dube of Cumberland,
and B. J. (Brandon) Gagnon, of Rochester,
New Hampshire, were treated to a
special ceremony on May 19. Before an
appreciative audience of family, friends,
team members, and Bryant staff, the
students – in caps and gowns – processed
through the Archway and into the
Admission Office Atrium to the strains
of "Pomp and Circumstance." They were
joined by President Machtley, Chairman
of the Board of Trustees Jack Callahan '56,
and Vice President for Academic Affairs
V.K. Unni.

It was a fine send-off for the players, who won their series opener but lost their second game to the top-ranked team in the division.



(L-R) B.J. Gagnon, Steve Dube, and Mike Florest

Honorary Degree recipient Susan L. Farmer, president and CEO of WSBE-TV Rhode Island PBS





Andrew Eisenhart, of Pittsford, New York, is one of three Bryant students commissioned as second lieutenants in the U.S. Army.



President Machtley urged students to take risks and make exciting contributions to this world. "In my life, I have learned that to be able to make a difference, you will have to take risks. Risk means not being afraid of change. It involves commitment, and obligations, and following through on one's word. And, sometimes, like today, it means letting go."

Honorary degrees were awarded to Nicola Bulgari, vice chairman of the Bulgari Group since 1984, and Susan L. Farmer, president and chief executive officer of WSBE-TV Rhode Island PBS since 1987 and president of the Rhode Island PBS Foundation.

Advanced degrees were awarded to 145 students at Graduate School Commencement on Thursday, May 20. Frank J. Williams '86 MST, Chief Justice of the Rhode Island Supreme Court, gave the keynote address. He stressed the importance of ethics and civility in personal and professional lives. "Seek to restore, promote, enhance, and maintain respect for all citizens of the world," he said. "Have the courage to walk your own path because, as Sir Winston Churchill said, 'Courage is the first of human qualities because it is the quality which guarantees all others.'"

# EDC launches two new programs

Bryant's Executive Development Center (EDC) offers two new business programs this fall, and it's not too early to register.

The first – Six Sigma – is a quality improvement process, driven and supported by top leaders in successful organizations such as General Electric, Honeywell, and American Express. This disciplined methodology uses data and statistical analysis to measure and improve a company's operational performance. Companies that achieve Six Sigma status have enjoyed an organizational shift necessary for continuous improvement, efficiency, and increased profitability.

The EDC's new Business Management Certificate program will train managers, new executives, and aspiring leaders in the art of negotiation and influence, effective communication, critical thinking, marketing essentials, finance and accounting, organizational change management, and leadership. The Business Management Certificate combines business theory with practical learning applications to develop these skills across a spectrum of disciplines.

Both programs are available to individuals, groups, or entire organizations. For more information, call 232-6323, or e-mail acerilli@bryant.edu. Visit the EDC Web site at web.Bryant.edu/~edc.

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# Orientation features virtual welcome for students, parents

Unlike most colleges and universities, Bryant College holds its Orientation program for new students during the last two weeks of June. As a student-centered learning community, Bryant is concerned with the success of each and every student. Early Orientation is just one of a number of programs that begin during the admission process and continue throughout the freshman year to help students achieve first-year success. All are designed to help students adjust to their new environment and accelerate their transition to college life.

Since his inauguration in 1996, Bryant College President Ronald K. Machtley has never missed Orientation. His welcoming remarks at the beginning of each session reflect his feelings as both a college president and as a parent of a son and a daughter who have graduated from college. At various events throughout each session, he tries to meet as many students and parents as he can. It's part of the personal touch that Bryant is known for and

will continue to be known for as it becomes Bryant University on August 25.

On June 21, President Machtley left for an eight-day trip to China to explore opportunities to expand the international presence of Bryant's Graduate School, as well as undergraduate programs. This meant that he could not be on campus for the final two Orientation sessions. So, with the help of IT staff, arrangements were made for a virtual Orientation welcome. On June 24, President Machtley was beamed in live from the U.S. Commercial Service Office of the U.S. Embassy in Beijing. On June 28, he spoke from the Embassy's sister office in Shanghai.

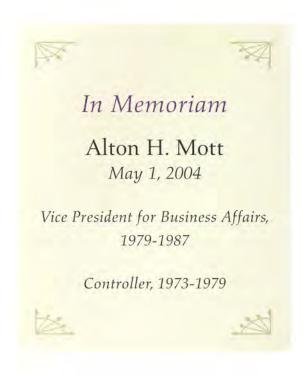
The videoconferences were viewed on the jumbotron, a media wall with nine video monitors, in the Grand Hall of the George E. Bello Center for Information and Technology.

# community/performance

Approximately 100 artists from around the world converged on the Bryant campus June 4-6 for an international community arts conference – the first of its kind in New England.

Titled "community/performance: arts and politics of the everyday," the conference explored the myriad issues that arise from the terms "community" and "performance." From Shawn Womack's dance-theater solo, "I'm no Beauty," to a roundtable discussion on the pros and cons of "No Child Left Behind" legislation, the event offered participants the opportunity to network, exchange creative energies, and examine the function of community arts in the social sphere.

Petra Kuppers, assistant professor of performance studies at Bryant, served as conference director. For complete information on the conference, go to http://web.bryant.edu/~gallery/conference or e-mail pkuppers@bryant.edu.



# GOOD SPORTS

## Bryant wins first Presidents' Cup

After completing the best sports season in school history, there's one more trophy to add to an already crowded trophy case in the Chace Athletic Center. For the first time in the 19-year history of the Northeast-10 Conference, Bryant has been awarded the Presidents' Cup trophy, given annually to the institution that compiles the most points based on the placement of each of its programs that compete in league championships. Points for cross country, indoor and outdoor track, and golf are awarded based on placement in respective conference championships.

"To win the Presidents' Cup is a true testament to the long hard work that our coaches and student-athletes put in, as well as the support from the faculty, staff, parents, alumni," says Athletic Director Dan Gavitt. "The institutional commitment from President Ron Machtley and the entire campus all played a key part in Bryant earning this award."

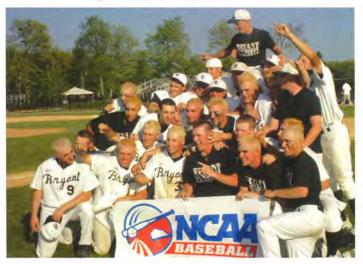
For two consecutive years, Bryant finished second to Bentley College, and



before that, had not finished in the top three since 1988 and 1989. But this year, Bryant was able to stake claim to the prestigious cup by finishing first overall in women's competition and second in men's. The Bulldogs earned top marks as regular-season champions in field hockey, volleyball, and women's tennis. Bryant was crowned Northeast-10 tournament champions in volleyball, men's golf, and women's tennis.

"This was a goal that was set close to seven years ago, and to see it become a reality is truly special and something Bryant can be very proud of," says Gavitt.

### Bulldogs compete in World Series



The Bryant baseball team recently completed its most successful season in the history of the program with a school record 40 wins and a trip to the NCAA Division II World Series for the first time in the school's history.

Cruising to a 20-7 conference record, the Bulldogs earned the top spot in the NCAA Northeast Regional. Armed with one of the region's best one-two pitching combinations of Stephen Sloan '05 and Mike Florest '04, the Bulldogs sailed to their first-ever regional title with wins over Dowling, Caldwell, and another win over Dowling

in the final to earn a trip to the College World Series in Montgomery, Alabama.

The Bulldogs motored to an impressive 11-3 win over Rollins College in the series opener. Rollins came into the game ranked third nationally. Sloan, a First Team All-American, shut down the Rollins offense and Ryan, a Third Team All-American, chalked up three hits at the plate.

The win over Rollins was the team's 40<sup>th</sup> of the season, but it would also be the last. The Bulldogs dropped a close decision to Grand Valley State 5-2 in the second game of the series and closed out the season with a loss to the nation's No. 1 team and defending national champion Central Missouri State University.

Even with the loss, Bryant stole the hearts of Montgomery baseball fans. Trailing 14-3 in the ninth, senior B.J. Gagnon stepped to the plate. Playing in his 200<sup>th</sup> career game and for the final time in a Bulldog uniform, Gagnon pulled out all the stops to conclude his career by blasting a solo home run to left field – his first homer of the season.

Along with the appreciative cheers of the crowd, Gagnon was greeted at home plate by all of his teammates. It was a fitting end to the season for the Bryant Bulldogs. Working together as a team, they achieved something that few can ever claim – a chance to play in a World Series.

# TV studio and radio station to have \$2.5 million home

Ground has been broken for Bryant's new television production studio, a \$2.5 million addition to the Koffler Technology Center that is slated to open late in 2004.

The television studio will serve as a training ground for students enrolled in Bryant's communication degree program or those who minor in communication. Students will have access to state-of-the art equipment and technology costing an additional \$500,000. The studio will not have the capacity to broadcast, but programming will occur in conjunction with cable television stations.

The soundproof, 3,000-square-foot studio will have a control room, rooms for editing and support, and a "green room" where on-air staff and guests can relax or prepare for a program. Equipment storage areas will also be constructed.

In addition to the construction of the tv studio, the Koffler Center will be renovated, with a portion designated to be the new home of WJMF, Bryant's radio station. The radio station will include a brand new, all-digital broadcast studio, a production studio, and office space.



View of new entrance to the Koffler Center

# Students teaching students

It's a "site" for sore eyes. Students at the Warwick Career and Technical High School teamed up Bryant students from the Verizon-Bryant College Telecommunications Center to create a highly functional Web site for the high school. The Web site unveiling was the culmination of a 12-week training program in Web site design and virtual tour creation.

The high school students will now have the opportunity to learn more about Web site design, virtual tour creation,

and technology consulting through a number of summer internships offered by the Verizon-Bryant College Telecommunications Center.

The project was funded by the Rhode Island Technology Council (RITEC) through a grant provided by the Verizon Foundation's \$100,000 Educational Initiative Program. The project was led by Debbie Lopes, program manager, and supported by Bryant student employees in the center who assisted with development and delivery.

### World Trade Day

By 2050, is it estimated that there will be 8.8 billion people in the world. The old (60+) will outnumber the young for the first time in history. A severe water shortage will affect billions of people.

These were some of the staggering statistics shared by Erik Peterson, senior vice president of the Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington, D.C., at Bryant's 19<sup>th</sup> annual World Trade Day on May 27. Titled "Trade Dynamics in Asia," the conference attracted nearly 500 business people to campus. Policy experts, diplomats, academics, business leaders, and government officials addressed issues and offered strategies for strengthening trade relationships in China, Japan, and other Asian countries.

Peterson's keynote address, "Looking Out to the Year 2025," identified the seven forces that will shape the world through the year 2025 and beyond. These include population; natural resources such as food, water and energy; technological innovations; education; global economic integration; conflict; and governmental leadership. The presentation has received rave reviews from professionals

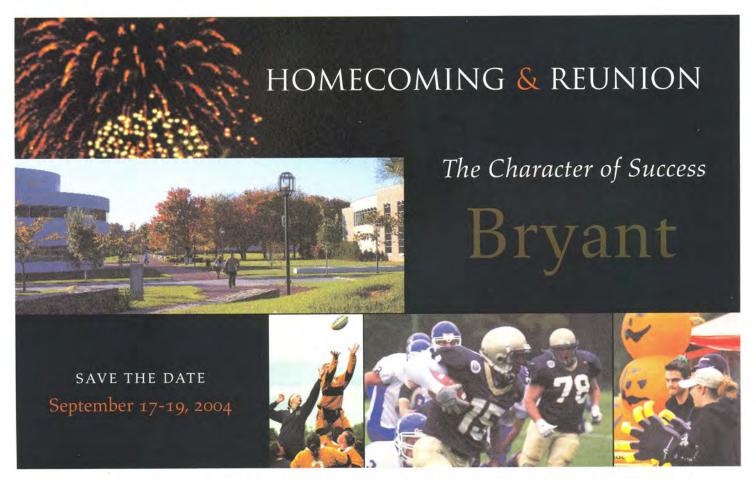


(L-R) Ambassador Richard Fisher, vice chairman, Kissinger McLarty Associates, and Donald Sweitzer, senior vice president of global business, development and public affairs, GTECH Corporation

in a variety of industries. (Go to www.7revs.org for more information about the organization.)

Ambassador Richard Fisher, vice chairman of Kissinger McLarty Associates, Washington, D.C., and former Deputy U.S. Trade representative, spoke about the global implications of China's ascendancy. Ambassador Fisher is the brother of Michael Fisher '67, who served on Bryant's board of trustees from 1992 to 2001.

GTECH Corporation was the primary sponsor.



Make plans to attend Homecoming & Reunion 2004 on the weekend of September 17-19. There will be good food and plenty of activities for all ages. On Saturday at 1 p.m., cheer for the Bulldogs as they take on the Assumption Greyhounds. Visit www.bryant.edu/homecoming for a full schedule of events. Register online and find out which of your classmates will be attending reunion events. See you in September!