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Holiday festival lights hearts

by Julie Rotondo
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"The sum of the good we share in our hearts is far greater than the evils that seek to divide us."

This was the feeling last Monday evening at the annual Festival of Lights in the Rotunda.

The nondenominational event started with a special holiday dinner for students in the South Dining Room in the Bryant Center. Students were serenaded at their tables by *Society Duo* and visited by Santa Claus. The tradition continued with the movie, "It's a Wonderful Life," in Janikies Auditorium.

The holiday ceremony was led by clergy of the Roman Catholic, Protestant and Jewish faiths. Music from the Bryant Community Chorus and soloist Kelly Parkins filled the air. They sang "Silent Night," "Walking in a Winter Wonderland," "Joy to the World," "White Christmas," "Eight Bright Candles," and "Wait, Little Shammas."

President O'Hara delivered a holiday message and began passing the candlelight. His flame eventually lit hundreds of candles carried by students, staff and guests. The candlelight illuminated and reflected off the dome overhead,



creating a festive but solemn atmosphere. Dr. O'Hara then lead a procession outside to light the College Christmas tree.

The ceremony was followed by a reception in the Bryant Center.

We want you for Anniversary

by Bill Rupp
Editor

"We want you!"

This message is brought to you by the 125th Anniversary Steering Committee, which I chair. It's simply a call for your help.

The final schedule of Anniversary events is coming into place. So, this means it will soon be time to form all the various Anniversary subcommittees that will be charged with actually planning and developing the individual activities and events.

If you are interested in chairing or working on one of the subcommittees, please contact me at the Office of Public Information. There will be plenty of work to do between now and September, when the Anniversary begins. But it can also be a lot of fun for all participants.

Indeed, the steering committee has been striving to come up with an Anniversary schedule that is very participatory. In other words, something for everyone. And fun.

The official dates of the 125th Anniversary are September, 1987 to June, 1988. It opens with a

formal academic convocation and closes with Alumni Weekend. In between are a variety of other celebratory, educational, advancement, and performing arts activities.

The mission statement of the Anniversary sums it up best. In part, it says that the year "will be a time of celebration, introspection, and education on the history, import, and impact of Bryant College on its community, its people, and the business world. . .

. . .the purpose of the Anniversary will be to renew and enhance support and increase awareness among all of Bryant's publics. . .

. . .The Anniversary will rededicate Bryant to its mission, and rededicate its alumni, students, staff, faculty, and the business public to Bryant's causes and goals."

Nelson Gulski, Trustee, alumnus, and former dean and acting president, has agreed to serve as honorary chairman. He also has been serving on the steering committee.

Thank you for your consideration. We really do want you. So give me a call at ext. 6121 or drop a note to me at Box 15.



Chancellor returns visit



President O'Hara helped to host a visit to Boston by Dr. Karl Tober, vice-chancellor of the University of Witwatersrand in South Africa, in early November. Tober (center) spoke on current conditions of higher education in the troubled nation, which Dr. O'Hara visited in August on a special assignment for the New England Board of Higher Education. John Hoy, president of NEBHE, is on the left.

Sweeney "hot" with news media

Bill Sweeney's economic forecasts always draw interest from the news media. If his latest forecast, for 1987, is any indication, the economics professor is a "hot" predictor.

Since mid-October, when his predictions were distributed to the news media by the public information office, Sweeney has been contacted by no less than one TV station, six radio stations, four newspapers, and Associated Press and United Press International. Items carried by AP and UPI generally multiply exposure dramatically.

Holiday greetings

President and Mrs. O'Hara wish the Bryant community a happy and safe holiday season, and extend their thanks to all for the many holiday greetings they have received.

UW, FCP campaigns end

A record number of Bryant employees and students contributed a record amount to the United Way and Fund for Community Progress this year. The campaigns ended in mid-November.

Howard Kay, chair of the UW campaign on campus, said that 291 donors contributed \$10,673 to the two funds, with \$8,848 of that total contributed by 236 persons to the United Way. Both the amount and contributors showed significant increases over a year ago, he added.

"None of this would have been possible without the planning and follow-through provided by the campaign cabinet, nor without the hard work and perseverance of the solicitors," Kay said. "To all of you, I extend my congratulations for a job extremely well done."

The campaign cabinet included Judy Clare, Ron Deluga, and Jan Lewis. Solicitors were Patti DiPrete, Cynthia Johnson, John Zeiger, Steve Soulos, Ron DiBattista, Gregg Carter, Steve Winsor, Madge Stetson, Lee Drury, Ken McKenzie, Father David Norris, John Winters, Pat Kelly, Jack Currier, George Tarapata, Sheila Low, Shirley Plante, Frank Widor, Denise Joyce, and Michael Fraleigh.

Contributors who gave through payroll deduction qualified for prizes awarded at a lunch-hour drawing. The top prizes, three front circle parking passes for one month each, went to Connie Cameron, Marilyn Isherwood, and Gaytha Langlois. Other prizes included theatre, ballet, and Bryant holiday party tickets, free Thursday buffets, Bryant ties, scarves, card cases and bookmarks, pizzas, and ice cream sundaes.

Fire safety classes

The public safety department is holding fire safety classes for all Bryant employees on December 30.

The classes will cover correct evacuation procedures and the use of fire extinguishers, and will be held in Room 276 from 9:30 to 10 a.m. and 10 to 10:30 a.m. Bob Gardner, director of public safety, urges employees who have not attended these classes before to attend.

Thanks

Stan Kozikowski, professor of English, his wife, Eunice, and their children extend a special thanks to members of the Bryant community for recent expressions of support on their behalf. "Your generosity and kindness have touched us deeply," he said.

New faces

Among the new administrators who are completing their first semesters at Bryant this month are the following:

Dr. Michael B. Patterson

The associate vice-president for academic affairs and dean of instruction came to Bryant from Babson College, where he was director of academic affairs and an assistant professor of management and organizational behavior. Patterson has taught also at the Air War College, and has filled several management posts for the Air Force Systems Command and Air Staff in Washington. He holds a D.B.A. from George Washington University, an M.B.A. from the University of Southern California, and a B.A. from San Diego State University, and has attended the Defense Systems Management College.



James M. Freedman

Freedman is the assistant director for corporate training and education for the Center for Management Development, a new position this year. His duties include arranging custom, on-site training and education programs and needs assessments for corporations and government agencies. He came to Bryant from Babson College, where he was director of consulting services. Freedman has worked also for Benedictine College in Kansas and the Peace Corps in Korea. He holds an M.B.A. from Bentley College and a B.A. from Holy Cross.



Heather S. Samson

The admissions officer came to Bryant from Wheelock College, where she filled two admissions office posts and was an academic advisor for over three years. She holds a B.A. from Wheelock. The native of Wethersfield, Connecticut is responsible for off-campus recruiting and the processing of applications.



Stacey C. Kaplan

The director of major gifts served previously as campaign coordinator for the American Heart Association in Rhode Island for five years. A graduate of Boston University, she has worked also as an advertising and public relations account executive. Her position includes identifying and soliciting additional major sources of financial support for Bryant.



Nadine Schiavo

Schiavo is the new resident director/resident programmer for Dormitory 15, the new freshman dorm. She came to Bryant from the University of Connecticut, where she was a head resident in the department of residential life for two years. Schiavo holds B.S. and M.A. degrees from Connecticut.



Linda M. Daniels

The assistant director of publications and advertising is a 1984 graduate of Brown University, where she was a writing fellow for two years. The Providence native worked previously as a reporter for the Southbridge (Massachusetts) News. Her responsibilities include copy writing and the design and publication of a variety of Bryant printed pieces and advertising.



Thanks to fasters

A thank you from Father David Norris, Roman Catholic chaplain, to all of you who contributed to the Oxfam America "Fast for a World Harvest."

Your donation of \$100 is being sent to Oxfam for their efforts to feed the starving and promote development worldwide, Norris said. You can still donate by sending your gift to the Campus Ministry at Box 27.

Denise Rodrigues

The human resources specialist worked previously for the Rhode Island Department of Economic Development's job development and training division, and for a private adult training and education firm in Pawtucket. She holds a B.A. in education from Rhode Island College, and has studied at Bryant and the University of Rhode Island.



Oops!

The December 1 issue of Bryant's Business carried a thank you from Jack and Edith Currier. It should have read that they thank the Bryant community for kindnesses extended after the death of his mother.

QUICKLY

... **Doug Jobling**, director of the SBDC, has been elected to the executive committee of the Association of Small Business Development Centers, which represents all colleges affiliated with the Small Business Administration. Jobling also chaired a panel on conflict of interest at the association's annual meeting in November in Puerto Rico. **Ray Fogarty**, SBDC assistant director, and **Steve Winsor**, program coordinator, attended that same meeting...

...Industrial Policy and American Renewal," a paper written by **Pat Norton**, Sarkisian professor of business economics, has been published in two journals: *Economic Impact*, a quarterly review of world economics by the U.S. Information Agency, and the *Journal of Economic Literature*, by the American Economic Association...

...The spring issue of the *Journal of Marketing for Higher Education* is publishing a paper by **Frank Bingham**, assistant professor of marketing. It is titled "Background and Practices Related to Educational Marketing Efforts"...

...Bryant's Protestant chaplain, the **Rev. Coryl Lassen-Willems**, has been appointed to the Diocesan Council of the Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island. The council governs the diocese between annual conventions. Her husband, the Rev. James Lassen-Willems, also has a new post. He is Canon Theologian to the Rt. Rev. George Hunt, Episcopal Bishop for Rhode Island...

...The United Nations has published a paper by **Praja Trivedi**, assistant professor of economics, as part of a book. The paper is titled "The Role of the Public Sector in the Mobilization of Domestic Financial Resources in Developing Countries"...

...**Nelson Gulski**, Trustee and former dean and acting president of Bryant, has been honored with a public service award from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The award recognizes distinguished public service and was given at the annual meeting of the AICPA...

CALENDAR

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15

Building Problem Solving Skills
Seminar
The CENTER
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16

**Management Skills for Secretaries
and Administrative Assistants**
2-Day Seminar
The CENTER
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17

Microcomputers for Secretaries
"Hands-On" IBM/PC Seminar
The CENTER
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18

**How to Recruit, Interview
and Select Employees**
2-Day Seminar
The CENTER
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Introduction to LOTUS 1-2-3
A "Hands-On" Approach
2-Day Seminar
The CENTER
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20

Bryant's Annual Holiday Party
Champagne Reception
Rotunda
6:30 p.m.
Dinner
Salmanson Dining Hall
7:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21

Eucharist
CMD Conference Room 4
Noon & 9 p.m.

Protestant Service
MRC Conference Room 1
Noon

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24

College Closes
3 p.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25

Christmas Day
College Closed

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31

College Closes
3 p.m.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 1

New Year's Day
College Closed

MONDAY, JANUARY 5

Wintersession classes begin

SPORTS

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7

Women's Basketball
New Haven
7:30 p.m.

Another Bryant all-American

by John Gillooly
Sports Information Director

Bryant has another all-American.

It's Diane Tedford, a junior from Dalton, Massachusetts, who finished 15th out of 200 cross-country runners at the NCAA Division II national championships in Riverside, California. She earned her spot in California by running third in the eastern regional meet.

Racing on a 5,000-meter course in windy conditions, Tedford ran a 17:42 to earn a spot with 24 other women on the U.S. Coaches Association All-America Team. Her finish also earned her a berth on the NCAA national women's team.

A Bryant cross-country runner who didn't fare as well as John Wilbur, a senior from Woonsocket. But that's because he didn't get a chance to run when the NCAA voided the controversial eastern regional competition in which he finished first when 59 runners ahead of him turned the wrong way on the course because of fan interference.

The story of the race eventually earned national newspaper coverage, especially when protests by coaches of runners who ran the wrong way led the NCAA to declare it a "no contest." That wiped out Wilbur's championship and berth in the NCAA meet.

Bryant submitted a letter of formal protest to the NCAA on Wilbur's behalf. Signed by Les LaFond, vice-president for student affairs, it said in part: "I believe that this action violates the NCAA standards of ethics and fair play. I believe that this is an injustice to an individual who ran the race in the proper manner and now finds himself being penalized for being right."

An assistant director of NCAA championships admitted that it is the responsibility of cross-country runners to know the course on which they are competing. But, she said, the presence of two unknown spectators in the middle of the course outweighed the usual requirement, and the NCAA was rejecting Bryant's appeal.

In voiding the race, the NCAA also disregarded the fact that about 200 other runners followed Wilbur the right way.

So, while it may not appear in any record book, Wilbur and Bryant will always know that he was the 1986 Division II eastern regional men's cross-country champ.

Holiday party reminder

Saturday is the day to party!

Bring your appetites and dancing shoes to Bryant's annual holiday event. It begins at 6:30 p.m. in the Rotunda with a champagne reception. Dinner and dancing follows in Salmanson Dining Hall. A sandwich buffet will be available at 11:30 p.m.

Come alone, bring a guest. But bring an appetite and a smile, and let's party.

By the way...

by Gloria Yahn
Assistant Editor

- Ray Fogarty, SBDC office, and his wife, Phoebe, hosted Ray's freshman mentor group last Saturday. After an afternoon of wreath-making, Phoebe served them the Fogarty's traditional holiday dinner. I'd say that's a nice way to get into the holiday spirit.
- Avis Hallam, President's office, is in the news again. And why not? She's not going to be a grandmother - she is a grandmother. Twin girls, they are! Kayla Rose, 4 lbs. 10 ozs., and Brianne Elizabeth, 4 lbs., were born on November 24. Both children are home. And if you hear any crying, don't worry. It's not the twins, it's Avis!
- Laurie MacDonald, computer information systems department, became a grandfather recently. Erica Elizabeth, 5 lbs. 10 ozs. was born on November 26. Erica's dad, Mitchell, is a Bryant alumnus, Class of '82. Congratulations!
- Elaine Notarantonio, marketing department, her husband, Ralph Charello, and their son, Derek, are expecting an addition to their family in May. We wish you well!