

Editors' Note

We are pleased to present the inaugural issue of the *Bryant Literary Review*, (BLR). The inception of BLR began at the end of the last century, when Professor Jeannette White and a group of students published *Surge*, a literary magazine containing the work of Bryant College students. Since that time an increased interest in poetry, fiction, and the arts has given birth to the idea of creating a national journal. The result is BLR.

We owe much thanks to the Bryant Arts Association, and to our contributors for helping the magazine get started and believing in the success of the project. We also thank the hundreds who submitted material, but whose work we could not publish at this time. Thanks, too, goes to the local Rhode Island newspapers, *The Woonsocket Call* and *The Pawtucket Times*, as well as Bryant College Academic Affairs, Institutional Advancement, and the Department of English & Humanities for their generous contributions.

Please enjoy our first issue!

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