

# Graduate School Commencement Exercises

FRIDAY, MAY 19, 1995

# Welcome

A most cordial welcome is extended to relatives, friends, faculty members, alumni, administrators, and staff members who gather here to celebrate the 1995 Commencement Exercises of the Bryant College Graduate School.

## **Order of Exercises**

#### **Academic Procession**

The audience is requested to remain standing through the Invocation.

#### The National Anthem

#### Invocation

Rabbi Lawrence M. Silverman Bryant College Jewish Chaplain

### Presiding

Dr. William E. Trueheart President of Bryant College

### International Flags

The display of international flags was originally created as a gift from Priscilla Angelo and her husband, John Eng-Wong, friends of Bryant.

The flags represent the countries of our students, faculty, and alumni body.

To welcome our new alumni from other cultures, graduates from foreign countries are invited to exchange their native flags with the president.

### Convening the 1995 Graduate School Commencement

Dr. Gregory T. Parkos '50 '88H Chair of the Board of Trustees, Bryant College

### **Conferring of Honorary Degree**

**President Trueheart** 

#### Citation

Patrick J. Keeley Professor of English

### Honorary Degree Recipient

Thomas M. Chappell

### Trustee Escort

John S. Renza Jr. '70

### **Hooding of Honorary Degree Recipient**

Dr. Michael B. Patterson Vice President for Academic Affairs/Dean of Faculty

### **Commencement Address**

Thomas M. Chappell

### Presentation of Candidates for Graduate Degrees

Michael B. Patterson

### Introduction of Candidates for Graduate Degrees

Dr. Anne C. Parish Director of Graduate Programs

### Presentation of Diploma Cases

**President Trueheart** 

### Alumni Greetings

John S. Renza Jr. '70 Trustee and Past President Bryant College Alumni Association

### Presentation of Graduate Student Faculty Award

Recipient: Introduction: Professor Thomas C. Powell Dennis Racine '95MBA

#### International Students Greetings

Fulya Ozen '95MBA Turkey

### The Bryant College Alma Mater

(audience invited to join in)

#### Throughout Our Lives: An Anthem for Bryant College

Bryant College, Black and Gold; Your arms embrace us, young and old. Though we be near; Though we be far; We will remember throughout our lives. Knowledge, learning, work and play; Our minds will grow from day to day. All that we learn, All that we know, Always will be with us through our lives.

What's to come is still unsure; But memories will long endure. Strong in our hearts, Strong in our minds, Strong and undying throughout our lives. Dear companions, classmates, friend; Who knows where you and I will end? Dear for a term, Dear for a year, Dearest of all lasting through our lives.

Alma Mater, hear our song; From sons and daughters thousands strong. Day after day, Year after year, You will be with us throughout our lives.

Composer: Richard Cumming, Adjunct Professor of Music

### Adjournment of the 1995 Graduate School Commencement

Gregory T. Parkos

#### Benediction

The Reverend Philip Devens Bryant College Protestant Chaplain

#### Recessional

Please remain in place until the platform and faculty leave the Commencement area.

#### Marshalls

Chief Marshall Graduate Marshall Faculty Marshall Platform Marshall Professor Phyllis Schumacher Professor Eugene Amelio Professor Sam Mirmirani Professor Kathleen Simons

### College Mace Bearer

Professor Wallace Wood

Reception Sponsored by Office of Alumni Relations

The entire assembly is cordially invited to attend a reception on the plaza in front of the gymnasium immediately following graduation exercises.

Soloists: Don Wilson '95MBA, and Christine Gagne '96

# Honorary Degree Recipient



Thomas M. Chappell

Doctor of Business Administration

Co-founder with wife Kate, and president of Tom's of Maine, a company producing a line of all-natural personal-care products; developed a business environment where 'when you listen, you learn, you affirm, you support'; author of *The Soul of a Business: Managing for Profit and the Common Good*, a book about ethical and profitable business leadership in the 1990s; strong advocate for volunteerism, both personally and professionally; recipient of many awards and honors on behalf of Tom's of Maine; active in the Episcopal Church of Maine, the Dean's Council for Harvard Divinity School, and the WGBH Overseers Committee; graduate of Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut and Harvard Divinity School.

# Master of Business Administration

The 1995 Bryant College Graduate School Commencement honors certified graduates and degree candidates who have been scheduled to complete course work by August, 1995. Honors are tentatively calculated as of the fall semester, 1994. Craig S. Adamz Joseph Attilio Balducci Bryan F. Barrette\* Paul A. Beaudoin Susan Jean Bergstrom Manoj Ka Bhaiya Robert Stephen Blackmar Saijai Boonyachotima Bruce A. Caldwell Debra Lee Campo Blake William Campos Andrew F. Capes Paul Arthur Carlson Normand G. Caron III\* Jose J. Carro **Bruce Andrew Charleson** Daniel P. Ciullo Simone Clemente\* Robert William Coia Michael J. Connor Jacqueline Feix Costantino\* John S. Costantino\* Danny M. Crane\* Gail E. Creighton\* Douglas J. Cunningham II Jan Joseph Czajkowski Kristin Lee Daly, Honors Patrick Michael Daniel Lawrence R. Delhagen Jr. Christine V. Desrochers Edith DiDomenico Luca Di Fede\* Claire Kilduff Duckett Laura Ann Dwyer\* Alan R. Dyer Angela Eichenseder David P. Ferrucci Cheryl Ann Ficarra\* Michael F. J. Fitzpatrick Michael M. Fontaine

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Karin Schindler Michele Lee Scott William Carl Secher\* Barbara Simpson Nardacci, Honors\* Denise Marie Soucy Richard M. Sparks Timothy R. Spooner Richard Theodore St. Jacques Patricia J. Steere\* John Eric Sundberg Kent Maurice Swift Maureen T. Sylvia\* Lisa Rose Szynal Todd Nicholas Teixeira Holly Jean Tomase Karl Vilbig\* Howard E. Wahl Jr. Jeffrey R. Wall David Christopher Way Susan Celeste Wheeler Deborah A. Wilde Donald Peter Wilson David Raymond Winberg Pamela A. Woodward Xinyu Wu

<sup>\*</sup> August Candidate

# Master of Science in Taxation

John Fitzgerald Breggia Paul H. Bruce David J. Bussius Todd E. Catlow Patrick Thomas Chekal Marjorie A. Connelly, Honors Laura Ann Da Fonseca. Honors Elisa DiVito-Herpst Deborah A. Doonan Patricia Marie Dowling Tammy J. Duxbury\* Carl B. Fisette\* Brian D. Friend S. Scott Gauvin William M. Grenier Charlene Mary Iwuc Denise Mary Lavoie W. Albert Martin Jeffrey M. Marwell

Caryn E. Mitchell\* Matthew J. Murphy, Honors\* James Normand Nadeau **Edward Gerald Noel** Bernard M. O'Connor Mary Lou Pereira, Honors\* Robert Alexander Perillo Mark J. Provost\* Mark R. Provost\* Daniel Joseph Rubiano Glen T. Silverman Michael Joseph Smith Lisa M. Stabile\* James J. Taylor James W. Trant Jr. Glen J. Valeff Colleen A. Vuono Steven Salvator Wedegis Mark C. Woods Edward F. Yazbak, C.P.A.

# Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study

Gail M. Alves Ann B. Chiodini, C.P.A. Gregg S. Hannah Robert D. Michaud\* John Joseph Natalizia Wayne A. Seemungal Brian Douglas Smith\*

# Alumni Charge

Commencement is not an ending, but a beginning. Your relationship with your Alma Mater will not end today, but rather evolve into a new form. In Latin, Alma Mater means "fostering mother" and alumnus meant originally "foster child."

Your relationship with your parents doesn't end the day you leave home; rather, as you gain your independence, your ties with your family become centered around mutual respect, affection and moral support. So it is with your relationship to Bryant College. As you move out with hope and courage into your careers or further education, you will want to maintain close ties with your Alma Mater.

The vehicle for maintaining these ties is the Bryant College Alumni Association. Through this organization you will be able to stay in touch with the friends you have made here, at class reunions and at local alumni chapter events. You will also be able to utilize the resources of Bryant College as you develop your career path. You, in turn, will become a resource for the College. Our alumni serve on various College committees, curriculum advisory councils, and on the Board of Trustees. We also help to maintain and advance the excellent reputation of this school through volunteer efforts on behalf of admission, career development, educational programs, and fund raising. Through the Alumni Association, you play a significant part in enhancing Bryant College's ability to attract quality faculty, administration, and students.

So today the Alumni Association extends to you an invitation to begin a life-long relationship with your Alma Mater. Stay in touch. Let the Alumni Office know where you are, and what your latest accomplishments are. Get involved with local alumni chapters. And through your individual support and work with other alumni, help keep Bryant College an outstanding institution for future generations. Your efforts will help insure that years from now you will still be able to point with pride to your graduation from Bryant College.

We extend to you and your family and friends our congratulations and our warmest welcome to a proud Bryant family.

Bryant College Alumni Association

# Academic Heraldry

The history of academic dress worn today dates back to the universities of the Middle Ages. A statute of 1321 required the wearing of gowns by all scholars and clerics. Probably the warm gown and hood were practical in the unheated buildings.

Students at most American universities were caps and gowns daily while in residence until after the Civil War. These varied in design until they were standardized by the American Intercollegiate Commission in 1895. While the academic costume code has been modified over the years, the general characteristics of the initial requirements still prevail. The uniform system of academic heraldry serves to indicate the level of degree, the field of study in which it was earned, and the institution by which it was granted. The gown for the bachelor's degree has pointed sleeves and is designed to be worn closed. The gown for the master's degree has an oblong sleeve and can be worn open or closed. The gown for the doctor's degree has bell-shaped sleeves with black velvet facing down the front and three bars of the same across the sleeves. However, these facings and crossbars may be in the color distinctive of the subject to which the degree pertains. At Bryant College, the president and the honorary degree recipients wear gowns especially designed and trimmed in the College color of gold.

The academic hoods are lined with the color of the university granting the degree. The border of the hood is in the color of the discipline in which the degree was earned. For example, colors associated with different subjects include: light brown (or sapphire blue) for commerce, accountancy, business; copper for economics; light blue for education; peacock blue for public administration; purple for law; and white for arts, letters, humanities.

The length of the hood varies slightly for bachelor's and master's, and doctor's degree. Today, the hood for those receiving bachelor's and master's degrees has been replaced by the mortarboard or cap with long tassels in black or in the color appropriate to the subject. It is often the tradition of the candidates for degrees to wear the tassel on the right front side before the degree is conferred and to shift it to the left when the degree is awarded.

# The Harriet C. Jacobs Memorial Mace

The College mace is carried at Commencement exercises and at other College celebrations. Crowned in gold, the mace has the two dominant emblems of the institution: the seal of the State of Rhode Island and the seal of Bryant College.

### The President's Chair

The President's Chair, a gift to the College from Priscilla Angelo and her husband, John Eng-Wong, is used on ceremonial occasions. It is a walnut Victorian style gent's chair copied from an original French design from the period of the College's founding in 1863. The carved crest top includes the Bryant College bronze seal.

# **Bryant Medallion**

The Bryant medallion is worn by the president during academic ceremonies such as Commencement, Convocation, and the bestowal of honorary degrees. One side of the medallion bears a likeness of the College seal, the other, the names of all Bryant College presidents. The formal installation of presidents is marked by the presentation of the medallion by the Chair of the Board of Trustees to the president.

# The Bryant Seal

The Bryant seal represents the educational mission of the College and its worldwide implications. The central symbol is an ellipsoid globe with quills on each side to signify the traditional emblem of communication in business. In the center, behind the globe, is a torch symbolizing liberty, the spirit of free inquiry, academic freedom, and learning. The Archway, forming the background for the globe, torch, and quills, is a College landmark affectionately remembered by thousands of alumni. The Latin motto expresses the purpose of the College: "Educando Dirigere Mercaturam" – Education for Business Leadership.



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