

ALUMNI Bulletin

A RESOURCE FOR BRYANT COLLEGE ALUMNI

Calendar

MARCH 1

President's Cultural Series:
Bellevue Cadillac swing band
Bryant campus, 8:00 p.m.

MARCH 29

Women's Summit
Bryant campus, 8:00 a.m.
Men's Lacrosse vs. Merrimack
first-ever home game
Bryant campus, 3:00 p.m.

APRIL 5

Trustee Speaker Series:
Jerry Greenfield of Ben & Jerry's Ice
Cream, Bryant campus, 8:00 p.m.

APRIL 8

Athletic Fields Grand Opening
Bryant campus

APRIL 11

President's Cultural Series:
Pianist Piers Lane
Bryant campus, 8:00 p.m.

MAY 6

Northern Rhode Island Special Olympics
Bryant campus

MAY 19

Graduate School Commencement
Bryant campus, 4:00 p.m.

MAY 20

Undergraduate Commencement
Bryant campus, 10:00 a.m.

JUNE 2

Class of 1995, Reunion 2000, Off-campus

JUNE 3

Reunion 2000, Bryant campus

JUNE 14

World Trade Day, Bryant campus

National Alumni Council Meeting

A meeting of the National Alumni Council was held on January 7, 2000. President Dick Capobianco '53 provided an overview of the Alumni Association's strategic plan. He stressed the purpose of the Alumni Association, which, in part, includes efforts to:

- expand alumni involvement
- aid in admission recruiting
- create Bryant College "ambassadors"
- create and maintain avenues of communication with alumni
- offer professional, personal, and educational development
- encourage alumni financial support
- increase alumni networking opportunities

During the next three to five years, the Association's Executive Committee will review, refine, and develop recommendations on the implementation of the plan.

Alumni involvement is key to the success of the plan. With that in mind, two committees have been formed to meet alumni needs:

Ray Grigelevich '91 will chair the Benefits and Services Committee, which will assist the Office of Alumni Relations in developing products and services that benefit alumni.

Dana Bradley '92 and Ron Cioe '67 are co-chairmen for the Community Service Projects Committee. This committee will develop a prototype service project which other chapters can replicate. The committee will also review the development of a procedure manual for launching similar events.



Ray Grigelevich '91, Dick Capobianco '53, Ron Cioe '67, and Sol Solomon '64 at the first NAC meeting of this century.

Births

Sydney Alexandra adopted by **Newton III '77, '78** and **Bobbi Buckner** on 6/2/99
Emily Evans to **Michael R. '79** and **Wende Brandt** on 9/28/99
Katelyn Elizabeth to **Cindy (Kolle) '79** and **Terry Hancock '80** on 9/30/99
Joshua Aaron to **Nancy (Gredus) '81** and **Steven Cadwallader** on 5/9/99
Delaney Ruth to **David T. '81, '82MBA** and **Kathleen Dold** on 5/3/99
Hayley Lynn to **Roberta (Gilbert) '82** and **William J. Brennan III '82** on 6/1/99
Marie Catherine to **Joseph R. '82** and **Donna Menhart** on 6/9/99
Kate Alexis to **Philip E. '83** and **Donna (Rousseau) Cummings '89** on 5/30/99
Matthew Gregory to **Jessica (Valpey) '83** and **Gregory Evers** on 5/18/99
Tristan James to **J. Brian '83** and **Lisa Rice** on 8/5/99
Natalie Ann to **David A. '84** and **Denise Shultis** on 7/26/99
Jacob Luke to **Mark A. '84** and **M. Catherine Spooner** on 4/23/99
Alexander James to **Jennifer (Sydney) '85** and **Neal Goldman** on 4/8/99
Jonathan Irving to **Judi (Morrison) '85** and **Harry Mitchell** on 10/20/99
Emilia Elizabeth and **Rebecca Rene to Elizabeth (Plawski) '85** and **James Novitsky** on 9/10/99
Nathan to **Bernard G. '86, '88MBA** and **Joane Dumont** on 11/6/99
Alexandra Mary to **Vaughan A. '86** and **Gina Marecki** on 6/11/99
Mara Ann to **Deborah (Sheftic) '86** and **Michael Pasquarella** on 9/8/99
Julia Maureen to **James D. Jr. '86** and **Susan Riley** on 4/29/99
Michael Jason to **Donna (Esposito) '86** and **Jason Yong** on 3/30/99
Caroline Brewster to **Josee (Cardinal) '86** and **David Young** on 5/24/99
Alyssa Maria to **Maria (DeRita) '87** and **David Ferreira** on 6/27/99
Jackson Riley to **Pamela (Jamicky) '87** and **Christopher Johnstone** on 8/15/99
Amanda Jane to **Lori (DiStefano) '87** and **Norman Nye** on 8/8/99
David William to **Ann (Belanger) '88** and **Joseph Guyotte** on 2/23/99
Erin Kathleen to **James E. '88** and **Kathryn (Jiranek) Kelley '90** on 8/3/99
Kenneth George Jr. to **Kenneth G. Sr. '88** and **Joanne Loux** on 8/6/99
Avery Paul to **Deborah (Davis) '88** and **Leif Martinson** on 5/8/99
Griffin Zachary to **Robert S. '88** and **Sherie Milas** on 10/25/99
Lindsay Gene to **Kristen (Bryant) '88** and **Dan Patterson** on 7/24/99
Michael Ryan to **Paul N. '88** and **Sheri (Uhrich) Rossi '90** on 5/27/99
Sarah Elizabeth to **James B. '88** and **Stephanie Veglas** on 6/19/99

Alumni Networks

BOSTON CHAPTER

President Ron Machtley will speak to Boston alumni about the campus expansion and the many exciting changes in Bryant's future. Watch for your invitation, but mark April 18, 6:00 p.m. on your calendar in the meantime. The location, in Boston, will be announced. E-mail Bob McCaffery '88, Robert.McCaffery@LibertyMutual.com, with questions.

HARTFORD CHAPTER

On November 11, thirty-four members of the Hartford Alumni Chapter met at "On the Border" restaurant in Rocky Hill, Conn. Attendees' class years ranged from 1955-1998. Dale Aldieri '82, a financial planner with the Wadsworth Investment Company, spoke on "Financial Issues in the New Millennium."

RHODE ISLAND CHAPTER

"Let me win. But if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt." That is the credo for Special Olympics, a nonprofit organization that provides sports training and competition for individuals with mental retardation.

For the past 19 years, Bryant's campus has been the site of the Northern Rhode Island Special Olympics. Rhode Island alumni are asked to get involved with this heartwarming event. You'll put in a few hours and get back an immeasurable amount of satisfaction.

Save Saturday, May 6, on your calendar, and call the Office of Alumni Relations at 401-232-6040 for details.

CLOSE FRIENDS AND HOT WHEELS

Phi Sigma Nu brothers Charles Boklan '73, Bob Perry '77, and Buzz Waltman '76 decided that the November 13 Bulldogs' football game was the perfect opportunity for a mini-reunion. It was also a chance for Eric Foehr '77 to take his 1967 Pontiac GTO convertible for a spin.

Eric's ride boasts a low compression 400-cubic-inch engine, and automatic on the column. Eric has spent the last ten years restoring this car to factory specs with original parts. He won third place at a Pontiac Oakland Club International car show. All of that is impressive, but it's the car's color that is especially cool – black and gold, of course!



There must be others of you out there who have special cars to show off. How about a Bryant car show at Reunion? If you have a classic, antique, exotic, muscle, or rod car, truck, or motorcycle, bring it on by.

Call the Office of Alumni Relations for details on the car show, or if you'd like to follow Phi Sigma Nu's lead and organize a mini-reunion at an athletic game on Bryant's campus.

Alumni Day

Bryant alumni returned to campus to share career advice and insights with current students. Mark McAuley '02 and Pamela Robillard '01, SAA Alumni Day co-chairs, organized the November 5 event.

Many thanks to the Alumni Day participants who generously gave of their time:

Richard Carriere '82, '87MST
Financial Consultant
Salomon Smith Barney
Providence, R.I.

Ronald Cioe '67
President
The CO Agency
Warwick, R.I.

Austin Clark '73
Marketing Representative
Koch Hydrocarbon Co.
Greenwich, Conn.

Ralph Gigliotti '94
Senior Accountant
Sullivan & Company CPA's, LLP
Providence, R.I.

Judith Pontifice Higgins '73, '84
Judith P. Higgins, CPA
Cranston, R.I.

Jeffrey Hodgdon '69
Owner, President
Hodgdon-Noyes Buick, Inc.
Arlington, Mass.



Mathematics professor Chester Piascik, Kyle Kadish '00, and Austin Clark '73, a marketing representative for Koch Hydrocarbon Co., chat during Alumni Day.

Jonathan Kaplan '68
Superior Court Judge
State of Connecticut
Rockville, Conn.

David Leigh '54
Senior Partner
Bailey, Moore, Glazer & Schaefer
Woodbridge, Conn.

John Morin '82
John Morin, CPA
Nashua, N.H.

Michael Ricci '84
Corporate Controller
American Power Conversion
West Kingston, R.I.

John Ruggieri '78
Senior Vice President/CFO
A. T. Cross Co.
Lincoln, R.I.

David Sterling '62
Secretary and Corporate Risk
Manager
The Hartford Group
Hartford, Conn.

David Trenteseaux '79
Senior Vice President, Materials
Management
Hasbro, Inc.
Pawtucket, R.I.

Joseph Zukowski '84
Director of Public Affairs
Bell Atlantic
Boston, Mass.

Births

Jack Michael to **Victor A. '89** and Coleen Antico on 8/8/99
Cassandra Helena to **Jose B. '89** and Kristin Gonzalez on 6/12/99
Emily Erin to **Sherrie (McDonald) '89** and Guy Habrat on 9/28/99
Max Allen to **Pamela (Rankl) '89** and George Lindley on 5/19/99
Allison Rene to **David M. '89** and Melissa Pfahler on 7/27/99

Veronica Rose to **Paul E. '89** and Joanna Piscitelli on 6/24/99
Connor Ryan to **Sherry Ann (Molloy) '89** and Kenneth Williams on 5/24/99
Alex Matthew to **Robert M. II '90** and Cheryl (Darney) Arnemann '92 on 8/16/99
Jenna Lynn and Jack Michael to **Judith (Digan) '90** and Shawn Bator on 7/8/99
Andrew Steven to **Eric D. '90** and **Tracy (Robinson) Bell '91** on 9/7/99
Joseph Robert to **Karen (Russo) '90** and Robert Cavanaugh on 1/18/99
Stephanie Corine to **Patricia (Holtmann) '90** and **David M. Dowling '99MBA** on 3/4/99
Michelle Rose to **Anne (Day) '90** and Thomas Gaudet on 8/25/99
Lindsay Hope to **Traci (Leopold) '90** and Shaun Keady on 5/29/99

Elizabeth Ann to **Kevin '90** and **Suzanne (Fonner) MacDonald '90** on 5/18/99
Erin Kathleen to **Howard W. '90** and Lynn Mason on 11/17/99
Brendan Dean to **Gail (Simpson) '90** and **Stephen M. O'Connell '90** on 4/21/99
Julia Ann to **Rebecca (Rausch) '90** and Robert Paliwodzinski on 6/13/99
Sarah Elizabeth to **Kevin D. '90** and **Diane (O'Sullivan) Pickering '91** on 8/11/99
Joseph Michael to **Michele (Stepnowski) '90** and Michael Perry on 6/6/99
Allison Rachelle to **David H. '90** and **Rachelle (Preece) Rapoza '90** on 5/18/99
Troy Joseph to **Keith F. '90** and Molly Sliney on 5/17/99
Lauren Barbara to **R. John III '90** and **Lynn (Rist) Stack '91** on 5/20/99

Reunion 2000

CLASS CHAIRS

1935	Rudolph Bigda	1985	Robert and Theresa (Woloszynski) Matkowski
1940	Ed Schroeder		Vivian (Ligas) Normandean
1950	Al Herman Robert Wales	1990	Donna Benell Susan (Bush) McCarthy
1955	Kay (Barker) Kingsbury	1995	Todd Nelson Michelle (Barbato) Pelosi
1960	Paul and Ruth (Hettinger) DeLomba		
1965	Richard Battista Robert Brooks John Paitakes		
1970	Ralph Dean Jack Renza		
1975	Corey Durling Bridget Mahon Patricia Moran		
1980	Joe Calabro		

ALUMNI AWARDS COMMITTEE

Richard A. Capobianco '53
Michelle L. Comeau '02
Robert J. McCaffery '88
Dr. Keith B. Murray
Todd D. Nelson '95
Solomon A. Solomon '56, '64
Burton J. (Buzz) Waltman '76

Births

Timothy George to **Neal N. '91** and **Julianne (Paul) Beliveau '94** on 8/24/99
Mackenzie Lynn to **Andeen (Tarrant) '91** and Kevin Fischer on 9/1/99
Hillary Elizabeth and Allison Hannah to **Susan (Wyllie) '91, '96 MBA** and Michael Gallagher on 5/20/99
Gretchen Willow to **Gregg W. '91** and **Jennifer (Remmes) Gilbert '91** on 11/14/99
Meghan Elizabeth to **Deborah (Anderson) '91** and **Shawn F. Gogan '91** on 9/1/99
David Alexander to **Lawrence E. '91** and Lisa Jasper on 4/22/99
Emma Jayne to **Heidi (Verrill) '91** and Robert Pickett on 4/16/99
Nicholas Charles to **Kirsten (Kirousis) '91** and **Ross S. Yanco '92** on 8/2/99
Steven Joseph to **Martina (Romanoff) '92** and Steven Connelly on 3/14/99
Ari Jacob to **Jill (Colborne) '92** and Joshua Lander on 6/15/99
Caroline Paige to **Kirsten (Nelson) '92** and Scott Meizen on 5/25/99
Sara Emily to **Daniel P. '92** and **Lisa (Leonard) Pascarella '95** on 8/17/99
Vincent Michael to **Michelle (Lata) '92** and **Michael D. Savino '92** on 8/5/99
Daniel Matthew to **Margaret (Morgan) '92** and **David R. Sawyer '94** on 10/22/99
Emma Catherine to **Albert J. Crisfield '93** and Leigh Martin on 7/10/99
Anthony Steven to **Steven P. '93** and Theodora D'Angelo on 3/9/99
Sarah Madison to **Maria (Acampora) '93** and **Matthew N. Loitz '93** on 10/22/99
Gillian Ellen to **Andrew F. Jr. '93** and **Kimberly (Schubert) Margonis '93** on 5/16/99
Rachel Virginia to **Jason P. '93** and **Kellie (Ziolkowski) Morey '93** on 4/23/99
Bryan Joshua to **Alison (Falcone) '94** and Bradley Armell on 6/8/99
Hunter Michael to **Michael A. '94** and Lisa Clements on 9/13/99
Madison Lee to **Lisa (Rudio) '94** and **Michael C. Coughlin '94** on 6/26/99
Paige Allynn to **Craig A. '94** and **Jill (Storey) DiForte '94** on 6/11/99
Qari Ismail to **Shahiran '94** and Nor Fazura Mohd. Hanif Jaafar on 5/28/99
Abigail Victoria to **Jessica (Perkins) '94** and **Matthew W. Sprague '94** on 7/11/99
Ashley Nicole to **Sandra-Jo (Connors) '95** and **Thomas R. Boehm '95** on 5/27/99
Jordan Enuma to **Matthew S. '95** and **Tenaya (Dean) Desaulnier '95** on 10/30/99
Katelyn Marie to **Daniel M. '95** and Gayle Ardito on 9/18/99

Note: Due to space restrictions, marriages will appear in the April issue of the Bulletin.

Save the Date!

REUNION
JUNE 3



As you can see from the above announcement, Reunion is now only one day. The change, a more time-efficient schedule, is in response to alumni suggestions. For the many alumni who live out-of-state, this new format will allow you to enjoy all of the activities and not interfere with

travel plans. Please note that the 5th year reunion will be held off-campus. There will be no housing accommodations on campus, however, we will provide a listing of hotels in the surrounding area.

Join us for the reunion celebration of the century!

Spotlight On . . .

Ed Razzano '90

Manager

Creative Services/Catalog Marketing
Universal Music Publishing Group
New York, New York

Have you ever found yourself humming a song you heard while watching a television commercial? Or, as you're watching a movie, decide you have to have that great soundtrack? That's the power of music and in Ed Razzano's case, it's also a job well done.

Ed matches the songs Universal owns to client needs. When Target needed a song to use in its commercials, the retail merchandiser's ad agency called Ed, described the commercial's story line, and Ed searched for just the right tune. He recommended Petula Clark's "Sign of the Times." He pitched "Strangers in the Night" for a Scope mouthwash commercial. And for *Three Kings*, a movie starring George Clooney, Ed got the chance to pitch a song for the closing credits. It had to be popular around the time of the Gulf War and have a message that jibed with the movie's premise. "In God's Country" by U2 came to Ed's mind and that's the song you'll hear at the end of that movie.

This job combines Ed's love of music, his creativity, and his marketing degree. "I get paid to listen to music," says Ed. And if that isn't enough, he often gets to know the celebrities behind the music, such as Carly Simon or Diana Ross. About the priceline.com commercials starring William Shatner singing the "Freebird" song Ed placed, Ed says that "it's endearing to watch Bill sing because he enjoys it so much." Bill? Uh, we'd prefer to call him Captain if that's o.k.

BRYANT'S NEW LITTLE MAG

The *Bryant Literary Review* is a journal of poetry, fiction, creative non-fiction, art, and photography. More than 600 submissions were received from all around the world. Selected works will be published in the inaugural May 2000 issue. If you'd like to purchase a copy, send a check for \$8, payable to Bryant College, to The Bryant Literary Review, Faculty Suite F, Bryant College, 1150 Douglas Pike, Smithfield, RI 02917. Call Professor Joe Urgo with inquiries, 401-232-6386, or e-mail him at jurgo@bryant.edu.

YOU SPOKE, WE HEARD

More than 900 Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Connecticut, and New York alumni responded to our invitation to join local alumni chapters. We're thrilled, of course, but we think there are a few procrastinators. You there, nibbling on the chips before dinner, did you forget to mail that form today? Not to worry; it's not too late. We'll be waiting to hear from you.



ALUMNI-ADMISSION ASSOCIATION

Think about your career and the many ways your Bryant education prepared you for your accomplishments. Share those experiences with prospective students who are in the process of choosing a college. Volunteer to talk to high school students at their school, at an open house, or call scholarship recipients. Call Michelle (Barbato) Pelosi '95, assistant director for Volunteers and Events at (800) 622-7001, or e-mail her at mpelosi@bryant.edu. Spread the word about Bryant College!

THE WOMEN'S SUMMIT AT BRYANT COLLEGE

Women and Business in the 21st Century:

Shaping the Future

2000

SAVE THE DATE
Wednesday,
March 29, 2000

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, CALL (401) 232-6565.

Alumni Association's Strategic Plan

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The Alumni Association comprises all Bryant alumni. The National Alumni Council (NAC) represents the gender, ethnicity, and demographics of the regional chapters, student leaders, staff, and members-at-large. In January 1999, NAC voted to create and implement a strategic plan for the Alumni Association that supports the College's initiatives.

What this means to you

Simply put, the Alumni Association's goals include getting Bryant alumni more involved with their alma mater. The first step of such an action plan is to identify the College's strengths and weaknesses, as well as identifying the demographics of the alumni base. Here are highlights of what we have learned from your responses to an alumni survey conducted by an independent consulting firm in 1998.

Historically speaking

Bryant's biggest challenge is that, despite its 136-year history, the present campus in Smithfield is 28 years old. In college years, that's considered young and not enough time for multiple family generations to have developed strong ties to the campus. Bryant alumni are primarily first generation college graduates so there

is no allegiance of family legacies encouraging children to attend their parents' college. Additionally, a Bryant education has long been considered a transaction, a four-year rung on the career ladder.

That's not to say, however, that Bryant graduates never look back. Overall, alumni are proud to be Bryant graduates. As students, they found lifelong friends in their fellow classmates. They have a high interest in alumni events and services.

Strategic Plan Goals

The primary goal of the alumni association's strategic plan is to reinforce the connection between Bryant and its alumni. Objectives include increasing the number of alumni volunteers and the recognition of those alumni, and developing events, programs, services, and benefits for Bryant alumni.

The details

In the next issue of *Alumni Bulletin*, Dick Capobianco '53, Alumni Association president, and Judy Mastronardi, interim director of Alumni Relations, discuss specific goals that will engage alumni, strengthening resources for graduates and the institution.



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