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# Alumni Newsletter

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**Alumni  
President's  
Message**



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**\$200,000  
Grant to  
Complete  
Language/  
Learning Lab**

**Alumni  
Relations  
Task Force**



Dear fellow alumni,

The Reunion '91 brochure was mailed to you with your *Bryant Review* last month. We encourage all of you to attend this outstanding annual alumni activity. Award recipients to be honored are: Professor Ron Deluga, Distinguished Faculty Award; Daniel F. Schmitt '73, Nelson Gulski Service Award; and Raymond Fogarty '79, Distinguished Alumnus Award. Our all-star lineup includes a keynote address by former *USA Today* Editor John Quinn. Send your registration in today!

We've also been very active in seeking out new Executive Board members for

the coming year. Our new members and our officers will be inducted during the annual meeting on June 8. This is your opportunity to come and meet your representatives and find out more about the Association and its programs.

Our next issue will contain information regarding our new board members and officers and also photos of Reunion '91. Perhaps you'll be in one of them! I look forward to meeting many of you in June.

Sincerely,

*Catherine M. Parente*  
Catherine Parente '78  
Association President



Bryant College is the recipient of a \$200,000 grant for the completion of our state-of-the-art Language/Learning Laboratory.

This grant was generated from the Davis Educational Foundation of East Bridgewater, MA, established by

Stanton and Elisabeth Davis. Davis is the retired chairman of Shaw's Supermarkets, Inc.

When the lab is completed, Bryant students will be able to become conversational in offered languages in half the time of conventional language instruction.



The Trustee Alumni Relations Task Force has been aggressively researching and compiling information on successful alumni programs and organizational structures at other institutions. Members will be reviewing this information carefully and making recommendations to the

Board of Trustees regarding improvements to alumni relations outreach, communications, and administrative efforts. The participants are very enthusiastic about this process and will be conducting focus groups with alumni to determine needs and areas of concern.

*Alumni  
Celebrate  
Americana!*

*June 7, 8,  
and 9, 1991*

**Reunion '91** is shaping up to be our best attended ever! An authentic Hawaiian luau...a country fair and picnic...a look at Manhattan nightlife...a stroll down Beacon Street...all this and more are in store for you as part of our Alumni Reunion activities on June 7, 8, and 9. We'll be transforming our Smithfield campus into a mini tour of the USA as Alumni Celebrate Americana! A special effort

has been made to bring back retired faculty from the East Side campus...housing will be available, and many of the activities are offered free of charge. For your convenience, you may register by phone and charge your Mastercard or Visa account. Simply call Donna Harris at (401) 232-6040 by May 17 with your reservation. We look forward to seeing you on campus that weekend!

*Students  
Teaching  
Students*



*Bill White '91 and Linda Screeney '91  
SAA/SF Conference Co-Chairs*

The Bryant College Student Alumni Association hosted more than 150 students and advisors from colleges throughout New England for the 1991 District I SAA/SF Conference. "Panes of Success" was the theme for the April 5-7 conference which used the glass dome of the Rotunda as a

metaphor for students educating themselves for success after college. The students attended workshops on leadership and special event planning. They concluded the weekend with a festive banquet and dance. The members of the conference committee were: Linda Screeney '91 and Bill White '91, Conference Chairs; Melissa Walker, Advisor; Steve Anderson '93; Sara Beaubien '93; Judy Carlson '92; Bill Crowley '93; Mike Deotte '93; Lynda Finn '92; Bettianne Flanders '93; Brian Flood '92; Cindy Gale '93; Vijay Khant '92; Jennifer Kitlinski '93; Tammy Mantie '94; Scott Mecca '91; Michelle Morelli '94; Billie Jean Noonan '93; Alex Osowski '93; Marguerite Phillips '94; Ann Picone '94; Gary Sanford '91; Sue Schiller '93; Kevin Shirley '92.

*Scholarships  
for Gulf  
Veterans*



Returning American veterans of the Persian Gulf war will find more than yellow ribbons waiting for them at Bryant. The College is offering 10 full-tuition scholarships. There will be 5 four-

year undergraduate scholarships, and 5 scholarships for graduate study in the MBA and MST programs. President William E. Trueheart said the program will "recognize those servicemen and women who put their lives on the line in the Persian Gulf."

*Are you  
looking for  
your  
yearbook?*

The *Ledger* Office has extra yearbooks available from selected years ranging from 1953-1990. The cost is \$20 for each yearbook.

If you are interested in learning whether your year is available, please call Donna Harris in the Alumni Office at (401) 232-6040.

## Chapter News

### Long Island



Michael Motschwiller '88 and Andrew Motschwiller '82 will host the first gathering of the Long Island Bryant alumni chapter in

August. The occasion will be a Send-off Party to welcome Bryant freshmen from Long Island to the Bryant family. It will also be an opportunity to meet old friends and make new ones.

The Send-off Party will be Saturday, August 24 (raindate, Sunday, August 25) at 1:00 pm at Mike's home, 3171 Elm Place in Wantagh. There will be plenty of food and fun.

Watch your mail for more details or call Melissa Walker in the Alumni Office at (401) 232-6040 or Mike Motschwiller at (516) 221-3769 or (516) 826-6464.

### Manhattan



Over 50 New York area alumni gathered at Cafe Society on January 25 to welcome President William

E. Trueheart. It was the first New York City event in almost 10 years. Hosted by Jennifer Proud Mearns '82, the event generated a steering committee and lots of enthusiasm for

future activities. Also attending were Trustee Patricia Sawyer, Robert Sweet '49, and George Bello '58. Future events will be coordinated by Mike Mahrlig '89, Dave Goodman '89, Andrew Graham '90, and Ken Kelly '70. Anyone interested in participating in the planning of these activities should contact Paula in the Alumni Office at (401) 232-6040.

### Boston



Boston alumni got the last laugh...and all the gourmet pizza they could eat at the comedy club Catch a

Rising Star on February 27. Lots of new faces got together to join host

Joe Fischer '83 for a mid-winter "beat the blues" alumni event. Boston area alums are already planning their next events: a Red Sox game and a freshmen welcome reception on August 11. Stay tuned for more details...

### Florida



On March 10, Sarasota area alumni gathered for the annual Alumni Brunch at the Palm-Aire Country

Club to chat with Bill and Carol Trueheart and Nelson Gulski '26, '72H. Also on hand were hosts Professor Wally Camper and his wife, Janet, and former Vice President for Public Affairs Gertrude Hochberg. Well attended, this event has become a tradition with our southern alumni... and on Monday, March 11, over 55 alumni got together at the Deerfield

Beach/Boca Raton Hilton for the second annual East Coast Florida alumni reception. Thanks to co-hosts Eileen Cioe '63, '69 and Steve Crowley '70 for their efforts on a smashing success...Special guests were Bill and Carol Trueheart and the 1991 Graduate School Businessperson of the Year, Neil Berman '73MBA. Plans are already underway for next year's event to be hosted by Robert '76 and Cheryl (Abrams) Levy '75 at the West Palm Beach Hilton.

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## *Graduate Alumni Council News*

### *Businessperson of the Year*

Neil P. Berman '73MBA has been selected as the 1991 Bryant College Businessperson of the Year. The award honors an MBA or MST graduate of Bryant who is the head of a successful company. Berman is the president of Stylecraft Co., Inc., of Cranston, RI, a jewelry manufacturing company.

Berman divides his time between Cranston and Boca Raton, FL, and was honored on April 20 at the Graduate School Awards Dinner at the Holiday Inn at the Crossings in Warwick, RI.

### *GAC Scholarships*

Two Bryant College graduate students have been chosen to receive the Graduate Alumni Council's Scholarships for the 1991-92 academic year. These scholarships are awarded each year to one or more graduate students who have completed at least six advanced courses and maintained at least a 3.5 cumulative grade point average. They are selected on the basis of financial need, work experience, and community activities. The recipients are Marilyn Bollengier and George F. Warner III.

Marilyn is a Projects Manager and Director of Human Resources at American Silicon Products in Providence, RI. She received her BA degree from Emmanuel College. At Bryant she majors in finance and has a 3.72 GPA.

George is pursuing an MST degree at Bryant and has maintained a GPA of 3.625. George also obtained his BS from Bryant in 1982. He is the tax manager for the firm of Lefkowitz, Garfinkel, Champi and DeRienzo in Providence, RI.

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## *Calendar*

May 2	Alumni Job Fair
May 4	Athletic Hall of Fame Dinner
May 5	Ooozball
May 15	GAC Luncheon Speaker Series
May 17	Graduate School Commencement Welcome Reception
May 17	Senior Night Fireworks
May 18	Undergraduate Commencement Welcome Reception
May 21	Alumni Association Board Meeting
June 7-9	<b>Reunion '91</b>
June 8	Annual Alumni Meeting
July TBA	Bryant Pawsox Day
August 11	Boston Freshmen Send-off
August 24	Long Island Freshmen Send-off
August 26	Annual Golf Tournament
August 27	Worcester Freshmen Send-off
Oct. 12-19	Switzerland Trip

For details on calendar events, please call Robin at (401) 232-6040.

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## *Alumni Continuing Education*

Are you interested in attending a workshop to hone your job-hunting skills? This is one of the topics being considered for a series of alumni continuing education programs.

The Alumni Association Executive Board is working with the Alumni Office and the Office of Executive and

Professional Continuing Education to plan this series for the 1991-92 year. If you have suggestions for series topics, please call Melissa Walker, Associate Director of Alumni Relations, at (401) 232-6040. Watch for your August newsletter for more details.

## *Small Business Workshops*

The Rhode Island Small Business Development Center's Downtown Providence office is sponsoring a workshop on "150 Ways to Cut

"Costs in Your Business" on June 12 in Providence. For more information please call the RISBDC office at (401) 831-1330.

## *World Trade Day*



The Rhode Island Export Assistance Center will sponsor World Trade Day on campus May 23. The

topic is The Pacific Rim - Focus on China and Japan: The Human Face of Doing Business." Call (401) 232-6407 for more details.

*"Do not turn  
the page until  
I tell you to  
do so...?!"*

The Center for Management Development is now offering a four-session review course for the Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT), which is administered at Bryant three times a year. The GMAT score plays an important role in acceptance into an MBA program. This course will help you to prepare for the GMAT by learning test-taking strategies and reviewing the various subjects areas covered by the test.

The sessions will be held on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. and taught by experienced faculty using official GMAT materials. The next session will run from May 4-June 8. The fee for the program is \$250, and includes the official guide to the GMAT Review book.

To register or find out about future offering dates, call the CMD office at (401) 232-6200.

## *Guest Editor's Note...*

Jill Nosach '86, Alumni Assistant Director and Editor of the Alumni Newsletter is on maternity leave. Jill, her husband John '85, and daughter

Courtney welcomed Nicholas Rudolph (named after both his grandfathers) on February 2, 1991. Congratulations to the Nosach family!