Mosbachers to share podium at Commencement

A husband-and-wife team will share the speaker's podium at Bryant's undergraduate Commencement May 16. Robert A. Mosbacher, who heads President Bush's re-election campaign, and Georgette P. Mosbacher, a cosmetics entrepreneur, are the speakers for this year's event. They also will receive honorary doctorates along with:

- Henry Louis Gates Jr., the Harvard University professor recognized as the most notable scholar of African-American studies in America;
- Cornelius E. Tierney '58, a general partner at Ernst & Young and the Washington-based national director of its public-sector practice;
- Clarence J. Jarvis '36, president of Jarvis Knitting and Conrad-Jarvis Corporation, of Pawtucket, and a longtime College volunteer and supporter.

Robert Mosbacher is the former secretary of the U.S. Department of Commerce, a post he resigned to head the Bush campaign. His government service has included posts with the National Space Council, the President's Export Council, and the Economic Policy Council.

An independent oil and gas producer until 1989, Mosbacher served as chair of Mosbacher Energy Company in Houston.

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Visiting executives rub shoulders with students

Six business leaders visited Bryant in March to share "real world" insights with students. The Marjorie Burgoyne French Memorial Visiting Executives Program brought to campus Guy Snowden, chair and CEO of GTech Corporation; Mary Brennan Lukens, deputy director, U.S. Small Business Administration; David Patterson, managing director and COO of PW Group; Matthew Bristow, vice-president, The Stanley Works; Thomas Tanury, chairman, Tanury Industries; and Robert McCabe, president, Narragansett Electric Co. Seated are Snowden and Lukens. Standing (l-r) are Patterson; Bristow; professor Jack Keigwin and his wife, Beverly, who funded the program; Tanury; McCabe and President Trueheart.

(Additional photo on page 3.)

Retired Textron chief to address Grad School Commencement

The retired head of one of Rhode Island's leading corporations speaks and receives an honorary doctorate at Bryant's Graduate School Commencement May 15.

Beverly F. Dolan, the former chair, president and CEO of Textron, Inc., will deliver the address. He also will receive an honorary doctorate at the late-afternoon ceremony.

"Bev" Dolan has been recognized also as one of Rhode Island's leading citizens. He was named Outstanding Citizen of Rhode Island in 1986 and Ocean State Person of the Year in 1987. Dolan rose through the executive ranks at Textron after the corporation bought the E-Z-Go Car Company, a golf cart manufacturer, he founded with his brother. Among his Textron positions: president of the Homelite Division and vice-president of operations. He was named Textron president in 1980, CEO in 1985, and chairman a year later.

Dolan has been involved in a variety of community service activities, including the Rhode Island Hospital. He holds a BS from the University of Georgia and has studied at Harvard University.

(Look for more information on Commencement and Dolan in future issues of Bryant's Business.)
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He has served also as co-chair of the Republican National Finance Committee, chair of the President Ford Finance Committee, and chair of the Bush for President campaigns in 1980 and 1988.

Mosbacher has been a trustee for the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, a director of Choate School, chair of the Fund for America's Future, and a member of the board of visitors of MD Anderson Hospital, University of Texas Cancer Institute. He holds an honorary doctorate from Washington & Lee University, his alma mater.

Georgette Mosbacher is the former CEO of La Prairie, Inc., which was sold to the Beiersdorf cosmetics firm in 1991. She still serves as a consultant to La Prairie while planning a new cosmetics and skin care firm. She has been a vice-president for licensing for Faberge, Inc.

Mosbacher's community activities have included serving as a director of the Houston Grand Opera, on the executive committee of the American Hospital in Paris, as a director of the Susan G. Komen Foundation, as a member of the Statue of Liberty/Ellis Island Committee, and as a member of the boards of MD Anderson Hospital, the Center for Strategic & International Studies, and Child Help USA. She holds a BS from Indiana University.

Gates was recruited by Harvard to rebuild its African-American studies program and to direct the W.E.B. DuBois Institute. He has been described by the Boston Globe as "one of academe's hottest and most controversial properties." The Globe said also: "Gates--Skip to his family and friends--writes theoretical tomes for scholars and pop-culture essays for The New York Times. He edits anthologies, writes forewords, gets black plays produced on Broadway. He jets around the country, lecturing on African-American literature, on multiculturalism, on black identity. He jousts with educational conservatives such as William Bennett and Allan Bloom. When 2 Live Crew, the black rap group, needed an expert witness to help them beat an obscenity charge in Florida last year, they called Gates."

Gates has taught also at Duke, Cornell and Yale Universities. He earned a BA in history from Yale in 1973. His MA and PhD degrees in English language and literature were earned at The University of Cambridge, England.

A prolific writer, Gates has won a variety of prizes and awards, including the American Book Award in 1989 for "The Signifying Monkey." He also has edited a host of black literary works and has been awarded five honorary degrees. Gates spoke at Bryant in February as part of Black History Month.

Tierney, a CPA, has been involved exclusively in government accounting, auditing, and financial management for 30 years. He has held executive positions with legislative, executive, and regulatory federal agencies. He has been an auditor and consultant to agencies at all levels of government, including the General Accounting Office and the Office of Economic Opportunity. As an Ernst & Young national director, Tierney is responsible for planning, policy development, training, and client and business development with all public sector organizations. Tierney is active in many professional organizations, including the American Institute of CPAs and the Association of Government Accountants (AGA). The AGA recently gave Tierney its highest award for service.

Tierney has taught at Georgetown University, and he has written many professional articles and books. In addition to his Bryant degree, he holds an MBA from Suffolk University.

Jarvis has been one of Bryant's most supportive and distinguished alumni. He has served on the alumni council, as a class fund drive and giving-club chair, and as the Bryant Fund's national chair. Under his leadership, the Bryant Fund topped the $1 million mark for the first time ever.

For his service to Bryant, Jarvis received a Distinguished Alumni Award in 1987. An excellent Bryant athlete, he was inducted into Bryant's Athletic Hall of Fame last year. The Nautilus fitness center in the MAC bears his name. Jarvis was its principal benefactor.

(For additional information on Commencement, the speakers, and the honorary degree recipients in future issues of Bryant's Business.)

Well Fare

The "Fitness Challenge," a self-help exercise competition, begins tomorrow (April 14) as part of Bryant's Good Health Benefit (GHB) program.

Originally planned as "Steppin' Out 2," a walking competition, the restructured "challenge" includes walking and exercising at your own pace and on your own time. Participants will meet with a GHB educator four times over eight weeks, beginning tomorrow between 12:30-1:30 p.m. in MRC Conference Room 3.

Packets explaining the challenge will be handed out at the first meeting. Subsequent meetings will chart progress and register points (May 12), celebrate the end of the challenge and give out awards (June 2), and provide follow-up (June 30).

Register for the competition in human resources. There is a $5 fee. Supervisors are encouraged to allow flexibility in scheduling so that employees may attend GHB.

Golfers swinging into season

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The Bryant Golf League is teeing off again--this year at the Firefly Golf Course in Seekonk, MA. Tee-off times are 3:30 to 5 p.m. each Monday.

An extra month of golf has been added to this year's season. It drives (no pun intended) the seasonal rate to $220, which can be paid in five installments due the first of each month through August 1.

For more information on the league, call Marty Andrews at ext. 6262.
Tanury chair meets students on their turf

Sharing some of his corporate experiences with Bryant students in March was Thomas Tanury, chair of Tanury Industries. He spoke in professor Ted Gausch’s class in the Dorm 15 lounge as part of the visiting executives program.

Sorority to “rock ‘round clock” for diabetes

Theta Phi Alpha sorority will “rock ‘round the clock” in the Bryant Center next week (April 21-22).

Fifty-seven sisters in the sorority will take turns rocking in five chairs for 24 consecutive hours to raise money for the American Diabetes Association of Rhode Island. The “Rock-a-Thon” begins at noon Tuesday.

Then on Wednesday at noon, the sorority will auction off the five rocking chairs to the highest bidders.

“Auctioneer” F. J. Talley will preside.

The chairs have been donated by Cardi’s Furniture.

Send contributions to Theta Phi Alpha at Box 2164 by next Monday (April 20).

Sketches, oils on exhibit

A collection of 14 sketches and oil paintings by Rhode Island artist Joan McKenzie, wife of Brett McKenzie, is on exhibit in the president’s office.

Landsapes and horizons make up most of the black and white sketches and colorful oil paintings. The art work will remain on display until May.

McKenzie has trained at the Newport Art Museum, Rhode Island School of Design, and the Vermont Studio School. She worked as a sculptor, specializing in clay and porcelain animals, until the mid-eighties. Since then, she has worked exclusively to record Rhode Island landscapes on paper and canvas.

McKenzie, of Little Compton, exhibits often in the East Bay area, and she is a founding member of an artists’ cooperative, Sakonnet Painters & Gallery. She has published drawings in Yacht magazine, and a collection of her drawings has been reproduced as notecards and holiday greeting cards.

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...A paper by professors Frank Bingham and Charlie Ongley, “The Impact of Countertrade on the Purchasing Function,” has been accepted for publication in the Business Journal...

...West Educational Publishing has released the first three textbooks in a series of four textbooks authored by professor Chester Puscek. Their titles: “Applied Calculus,” “Applied Mathematics,” and “Applied Finite Mathematics,” all for business and social and natural sciences...

...Registrar Tim Cartwright served on a panel for The College Board’s regional meeting. The presentation dealt with “College for Grown-Ups: Attracting the Adult Learner”...

...Career services assistant director Judy Clare has been appointed to the board of directors of the Women’s Center of Rhode Island. Clare volunteers weekly at this Providence shelter for women...

...CMD corporate training manager Jim Freedman addressed the eighth-grade class at Riverside Junior High School last month. His topic: “Personnel Management”...

...Student employment director David Brooks has been honored by the National Student Employment Association for his service in the field. Brooks serves as NSEA's president...

...Accounts payable supervisor Connie Laprade has been appointed to two boards: the Woonsocket Zoning Board for a five-year term; the Woonsocket Education Financial Advisory Board for three years...

...The CMD’s Nonprofit Management Certificate Program has received an “exceptional program award” from the regional chapter of the Association for Continuing Higher Education (ACHE). The non-credit program, a cooperative effort with United Way of Southeastern New England, is managed by CMD assistant director Barbara Slater...

...A paper by professor Betty Yobacco, “An Empirical Test of the CAPM using Ex Ante Data Inferred from Value Line Forecasts,” was presented at the annual meeting of the Southwestern Finance Association in San Antonio last month...

...Professor Jay Reedy will present his paper, “The Counter-Revolutionary Critique of Political and Economic Individualism,” at the New England Historical Association meeting at Assumption College next week...
By the way...

by Gloria Yahn

- Evelyn Dvorak of the development office tells me her daughter, Alison, has been accepted for admission to the Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth. A seventh-grade student at Gordon School, Alison will attend a three-week residential course at Hampshire College this summer. Nice going, Alison!

- Westward ho! Evelyn Deragon of the post office will soon be moving to the Dallas-Fort Worth area, where everyone pronounces their Rs. Her last day is Friday. Goodbye and good luck, Evelyn!

- Jessan Dunn DeCredico of the English department will present a poetry reading Wednesday (April 15) at 7:30 p.m. in the Papitto Dining Room.

- Jack Rubens of the finance department thanks everyone in the Bryant community for their expressions of kindness and support after the death of his father.

- Abbie, daughter of Priscilla Lundblad of the publications office, recently modeled in a fashion show at Lincoln Mall. A two-year member of the John Casablancas Model and Talent Agency, Abbie modeled prom gowns. Her other modeling assignments have been at department stores and boutiques in Rhode Island and Massachusetts.

- As most of you probably know, Bob Riendeau has been hospitalized for several weeks. At Rhode Island Hospital, he is recuperating from a quadruple-bypass operation and stroke. Anyone wishing to contact or visit him can do so daily from 4-8 p.m. in Room 8A of the rehabilitative unit.