Rhode Island grows... in more ways than one
By Asa Williams

2000 Census results for the state of Rhode Island, out since late last month, revealed an increase in the Ocean State's population over the past decade, as the state's current overall population was recorded as 1,048,319; up 4.5% from last count.

A major highlight of these Census results was, of course, Providence. The state's largest city posted a population of well over 173,000. That's an increase of some 8% over the last decade.

Providence's growth is also enough to propel it past Worcester as the second-largest city in the New England region, according to Vincent A. Cianci, the city's mayor. He credits, for the most part, Providence's lower crime rate and cost of living (in comparison to other cities in the Northeast). Cianci, however, also says that there is a downside to the Census report: the city's population was undercounted; he claims there are at least two hundred thousand people there.

Another major highlight is the growing diversity of this population, as the number of Hispanic Rhode Islanders nearly doubled since last count. Currently, 90,820 Hispanics inhabit the Ocean State, most of them in Providence, Pawtucket, and Central Falls; they account for 8.7% of the state's total population and a majority of all racial minorities (70.5% to be exact). On the whole, racial minorities now make up some 12.3% of the overall count, standing at 128,877, increasing by some 45%.

Growth in the state's population and the diversity therein may prompt political changes, given an increased number of voters. These changes include a realignment of political districts, including a redrawing of district lines and the political map. These changes will also be underway to comply with a 25% reduction of General Assembly seats.

The aforementioned Hispanic population also wants to be better represented in state government.

What other effects will this growth have on the state? For the answer to that and other questions, I spoke to Bryant economics professor William Sweeney. "As the state gains more people, they also gain more consumers," he says, "and this new consumption source will cause further economic growth in terms of added taxes and consumer expenditures. Although the population increase is small in comparison to states like Texas and Florida, Sweeney describes this growth in Rhode Island as "manageable." He explains due to the fact that Rhode Island is growing at a slightly below average rate, it has not experienced the congestion related to growth that plagued the faster-growing states.

He also says that increasing markets in government, business, labor, and housing indicate that economic conditions are more favorable. This development prompts more people to come to Rhode Island, and as a result, economic conditions become even more favorable. "One reason given by newcomers as to why they relocated to Rhode Island," Sweeney also adds, "seems to surround the state's quality of life. This," he says, "augurs well for the state in the first decade of the new century."

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How Does Bryant Recycle
By Cortney Kasuba

Ok, so you're taught to recycle from like kindergarten, right? But come on, all those bottles and cans pile up pretty quick, especially on those busy weekends drinking juice with your friends! What do you do here on campus to recycle? In the suites, there is a separate barrel for cans and bottles. How often do you use those barrels for cans and bottles? And then you throw them out with the rest of the trash, right? And there are no such barrels in the freshmen dorms or hall 16. So what kinds of recycling happen there?

In the Unistructure, there are noticeably three separate receptacles for paper, cans and bottles, and trash. I know that many students here consciously separate their trash to put them in the correctly marked bins. Many of you may notice that when these bins are emptied, they all go into the same big barrel. But then what? Well, rumor is that the trash later gets separated again by the people who bring it to.

I work in a faculty suite here on campus and I see the man from physical plant empty the trash almost every day. My faculty coordinator is so attentive about where the cans and bottles go and that there are no pieces of trash in the paper bin, and likewise no recyclable paper in the trash bin. I'm pretty sure that she doesn't know that it all ends up in the same barrel anyway.

So I'm going to find out where that bad quality grade goes after we deliberately toss it into that "paper recycling" bin! Keep an eye out for surveys in your mailbox about student recycling.

I plan to visit the RI Resource Recovery, specifically the Materials Recycling Facility, which is the Rhode Island headquarters of recycling, to see exactly what happens in the recycling process. I also plan to interview members from physical plant so we can get to the bottom of this issue! Also, during spring week, keep an eye out for trashcans labeled for bottles and cans to be recycled.

Earth Day is April 22nd! If you have any information about how Bryant recycling is done, please email me at ck1@bryant.edu. If you are interested in becoming a member of the Bryant Environmental Society, our next meeting is Thursday, April 19th, at 3:30pm in Nick's Place. See you there and happy Earth Day!

Join the
Bryant Environmental Society
in celebrating
Earth Day
on Friday April 20th
from 10-2 in the Rotunda
by bringing your empty cans and bottles to receive a small token of our appreciation and learn more about the club.
Phone Calling Campaign — During the spring semester, you may be invited to participate in this major telephone campaign. You answer questions that admitted students have about Bryant and encourage students to accept or to decline admission. Megan (Gorman) Hart ’99, has been an active participant in the AAC program for more than a year. Hart was a panel member during an open forum at an Exploration Day last March. She has also written letters to Bryant applicants who have not made a final decision on their views on a Bryant education and information about her current position at PriceWaterhouseCoopers.

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Editorial

By Adam Fontaine
Editor-in-chief

Recently, The Archway received a letter from a member of the Men's Track and Field Team. The letter was requested to print an editor to the editor in this edition. However, due to our printing policy we cannot print any letters that are not signed by the author. The content of the letter misled the reader that the college does very little in publishing the accomplishments and that The Archway overlooks their submissions. The letter also requests that in the future, "never to overlook the accomplishments of any Bryant College student." I found this letter and these statements to be very disturbing. I am not sure if the author of this unsigned letter was aware that currently The Archway has a staff of eight. It would be physically impossible for The Archway to cover all the events that take place on this campus. As far as The Archway overlooking their submissions, I find this statement false. Every submission that is received on time to The Archway is placed in the newspaper. Occasionally, we do make mistakes and submissions are left out. This is not intentional, and we apologize for any inconvenience that may have caused any organization or office on campus.

The Archway fully agrees with the Men's Track and Field Team that they deserve recognition for all they have accomplished. The wish of The Archway to improve our coverage of not only all Bryant Athletic teams, but all Bryant students, faculty and staff. I want to take the opportunity to invite anyone who is interested in writing for The Archway to do so. This year, campus happenings can be recognized and receive the praise they deserve. I have made countless attempts to encourage students to become active members of The Archway and all have failed. It is discouraging because we do not want to see our past issues turned into something that is other people. The experience alone is priceless, and it does wonders for your resume. No matter how many numbers you will deal with in the future, writing is an essential tool that you will use throughout your careers in business. In closing, if you have any ideas or interest in The Archway, please contact us, our email is archway@bryant.edu or call us at 622-7001.

Correction

In the last issue of The Archway, a letter in a response to an earlier editorial was printed in the forum section of the newspaper. The letter was incorrectly listed as being authored by President MacIntyre. The letter was written jointly by President MacIntyre and the Chairperson of the Women's Summit Committee, Kait MacIntyre.

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Web sites of the week: Rhode Island’s On-Line Corporations Database http://www.corps.state.ri.us/... search for information on corporation status, registered agent and address, initial directors, date of incorporation, address of principal office, and all activity history for both active and inactive business entities. The site to go for investigating a Rhode Island corporation or nonprofit.


...the Rutgers business librarians have put together a very comprehensive listing of Web resources organized by business topic.
**Women's Rugby**

By Christina Evon and Joanna Rockwood

Hello girls, we apologize for slacking all semester, however we finally found some time to make this issue! Due to the awesome weather this year our season has been cut short by two games. However we have managed to play two games and our record so far this season is 1-1. Good job in last week’s game, you all played awesome and there was some great improvement on the field.

We would like to thank everyone for coming out to support us at our Renier’s nights this semester. We truly appreciate the support.

We are also currently collecting books for our annual book drive, if anyone has any late donations call Stephanie Odell at 4505. Part of the proceeds will be donated to Special Olympics. Anyone interested in helping out with Special Olympics they are still looking for volunteers.

We would also like to welcome our new members this season...you girls are catching on quick! Our alumni are coming up Spring Weekend and they said they can't wait to meet all the new players. We would like to thank our new coaches this semester as you are doing a wonderful job! Thanks Chipper and Josh for all your help!

Congratulations to Gyro for being crowned the first Mr. Bryant, you were fabulous. Thanks to all of Beta for the support at our game the following morning! Hope to see you all out on our field more often.

This weekend we will be playing in the Beast of the East tournament in Portsmouth, RI. And our final game of the season will be Friday April 27th at 4:00 by the tennis courts. We will be playing WPI and hope to see everyone there. It's a fun way to start off your Spring Weekend.

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**The Bryant Entrepreneur**

By Brian M. Kerzner

Over the last month, the club has had a couple of speakers contribute their two cents to attending members. The first, Theo Kasamis, talked with the club about what he felt it took to become the creator of a successful business. He was followed two weeks later by Robert Smith who shared some of his insights as to what lead to many of the small business successes and failures that he has seen over the years from his experiences as a consulting business owner and through his work with the RISBDC.

While the year's end is growing near, we are hoping to have at least one more event in addition to a regular meeting and elections. Matt Carpenter, chair of the speaker committee, has done an excellent job through the semester bringing speakers in, trying to work out a tour of at the Providence Chamber of Commerce. If time should run short, it will be on the agenda for next year.

Active members of the club are ambitious with high expectations for the club next year. After becoming reestablished after several years, the potential for an Entrepreneur Club has become apparent. Expectations for next year include a full line up of enthusiastic speakers along with a few creative and challenging fund raisers. Interest in fieldtrips has also come up in conversation and is expected to be incorporated into the planning of the next two semesters. The Business Plan Competition, should be among the key focal points for the 2001-2002 academic year. It will be a wide competition for all who are interested.

On behalf of the club, I would like to wish everyone the best of luck with finals and all that follows! Life may be short, but is truly filled with opportunity. It begins with the vision and ends when the appropriate steps have been taken to make the dream into a reality. You can do it! Start today.

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**Delta Zeta**

By Michelle Whalen

Hey everyone I hope you all had a wonderful Easter weekend. The turtles are excitedly waiting for this weekend when our alumni will be coming to visit us. Also, on Sunday we are having our walk a thon to help support a new AIDS vaccine. We are sponsoring this event with the help from Terri Hassler who is a part of Bryant's faculty. Also, we would like to extend an invitation to any students or faculty who would like to walk with us. We would greatly appreciate your support and will be meeting outside the Greek Circle at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday and anyone is welcome to attend.

Sisters are accepting donations throughout the week and your support would be greatly appreciated. 'The turtles would also like to thank everyone that participated in the blood drive this week. On April 28th Delta Zeta will be returning to the Ronald McDonald House in Providence to participate in spring clean-up. Also, we are looking forward to helping out for the Special Olympics that will be held May 8th.

In other Turtle news, we would like to wish Dylan a very happy Birthday...she was such a champ. Also, I'm sure next week Bailey will be celebrating her birthday in a similar fashion..."Graci, Jericho, Warren, Jay, and Andy...Dispatch anyone?" Love, Risti. Phoebe would like to make a request that Kit should not be so violent at the next sisters party. However, Kit would prefer to argue that Phoebe got in her way. The turtles are also starting a new Tuesday tradition of kick ass sisters parties with an enticing theme entitled...STOP THE MADNESS!! "Pis I love you guys!" L&S Kit, Garrettte and Kacey, I wouldn't touch that with someone else's c***h and lips...L&S Zoey. Big, I went there I'm back and I brought you a t-shirt...L&S Kacey. Quinn-i's nice out...lets go sailing...L&S Angel. In response Quincsi says that she will meet Angel outside of Hall 16. Dr. Jaxesyn would also like to say that Phoebe's toe will be fine and that Jaeden needs to make an appointment soon! Graci would like to thank Tusk for quitting smoking with her...she couldn't have done without you! Kacey and Kacey, our "blue night" was so much fun, but I still can't figure out why "they" tasted so good...L&S Graci. Also, Graci would like to congratulate Kitt for her recent award from Mench, you should be so proud! And finally and announce to all Turtles, you know we did it right when they heard us all the way from Hall 14!!! That's all for now...thanks for reading.

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**Student Programming Board**

By James Corcoran

Spring Weekend is next weekend. Information about the weekend has gone out for everybody. Concert passes and guest wristbands will be available up in the SPB Office from 12-5 Monday to Friday this week and Monday to Thursday next week. They will also be available outside South from 5-7 on those days, except Friday, April 20th and Thursday, April 26th. There is a limit of one concert pass per student. Sales for wristbands will start on Wednesday, April 18th. There is a limit of one per student and they will cost $10. This is the final week of Spring Weekend.

Thursday, April 26

5:00 pm - Festive Meal in Salmanson with Justin Kredible the Magician entertaining the crowd while you eat. There will also be a Caribbean Band performing with Justin Kredible

8:00 pm - Video Dance Party and Beer Garden at the Bryant Center Patio. The rain location and time will be decided at 8:00pm in the Rotunda.

Friday, April 27

Rahzel from the Roots and Itchy Fish will be performing in the MAC. Doors open at 8:30pm. You will need a concert pass to attend. Look above for information regarding concert passes.

11:30 pm – Pasta Pig-Out in the Bryant Center Commons sponsored by BACH and Peer Education. The cost will be $3 for all you can eat pasta.

Saturday, April 28

1:00 pm – Field Events, Beer Garden, and Battle of the Bands, sponsored by WMUP, will be down by the Rugby Field. (Rain Location: MAC) Novelties will include Photo Key Chains, Henna Tattoos, Spin Art
Ben Harper and The Innocent Criminals

Arrive with an "Out of this World" Musical Experience with Live From Mars (2001)
By Maggie Grace

This new double album released by Harper and The Innocent Criminals is a great effort on their part to demonstrate the incredible talent that they possess. I have always believed that there are those bands that will always sound best when they are onstage without the help (or hindrance) of modern day recording tricks...there are no second chances, no studio effects. Just raw, in your face talent (or in some instances perhaps...lack of it). The artist is exposed to the fans and they either deliver or they don't. This album does indeed deliver some great music and gives people a chance to listen to an incredible band. Odds are that until this past summer most of you had not heard of Ben Harper until the band's single "Steal my Kisses" was released off of their 1999 album Burn to Shine. Now they arrive with over 2 hours of live music. Live From Mars is comprised of over 20 different live shows over the past year or so. It blends hard-rocking guitar with a more mellow percussion and acoustic centered sound. There is an increased amount of improvisation and musical experimentation that occurs when they are not confined to a studio. The songs are longer and with every transition there is a surprise awaiting the listener...sometimes Harper will stop in the middle of a song and let his band flex some of its musical muscle, while he improvises some new verse to a standard.

Another thing that impresses me about this album and the band is the intense emotional experience that occurs when you listen to them. Having seen them live in concert, I can guarantee that you will not come away from listening to their music without something affecting you. Harper & Co. blend a very acute sense of social awareness, with humor and passion that can only be called powerful. In a song entitled "Mama's Got a Girlfriend Now" Harper sings of a woman who was so sick of her dead-end situation and dead-beat husband that she turns to female companionship to find happiness. The sung is humorous and catchy without being cheesy or devoid of content. On a more serious note, The band addresses the issues of racism and the human struggle. In a song entitled "Like a King" Harper compares and contrasts the stories of Dr. Martin Luther King and Rodney King. He sings "Martin's dream has become Rodney's worst nightmare/how I wish you could help us Dr. King...A legal lynch mob like the days strung up from the trees-the LAPD." This then transitions into an inspiring track entitled "Till Rise."

It is refreshing to hear a band take advantage of their position of being in the spotlight and use it not just to entertain, but to offer up a commentary on social and political issues. Overall this is a grand effort on behalf of Harper and The Innocent Criminals...I highly recommend that you listen.

Spring Weekend

Frisbees, Inflatables, Giant Slide, Obstacle Course, and a Dunk Tank. Food will include Fried Dough, Cotton Candy, Sno Cones, and Del's Lemonade. There will also be a BBQ put on by a Ramark.

8:00pm - Bryant's Best in South sponsored by GAMMA. For $1 eat pizza from around the Smithfield area. Vote on who you think is the best.

8:00pm - Stevie Starr the Professional Regurgitator will be performing in South.

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Finance Association
By Jeremiah Fitzpatrick

Even though the year is drawing to an end, the Finance Association's Executive Board is planning to make this one of the best semesters in the club's history. Our President Kyle Cehanowicz and Vice President of Investments, Ahmet Celikyas have launched the club's Outreach Program as they recently visited Smithfield High School to talk with the students about opportunites in Finance. Kyle and Ahmet spoke and answered questions about both the Finance Association and Bryant College as a whole. The outreach program so far has proved to be effective as two students from Smithfield High School attended our last meeting with Morgan Stanley Dean Witter. At that meeting, former Bryant graduate Antonio Oliveira spoke about his career as an intern at Bryant and his current career as a Financial Advisor with the company.

The Finance Association has also been actively involved in trying to spur involvement in the Business Plan Competition. Winners of this competition will not only receive a great award to put on their resumes, but a cash prize as well. For more information on how to get involved contact Troy Byrd at (401) 232 6000 ext 20504 or David Moskhi at ext. 20505.

Our second annual trip will be taking place on April 30th. On that morning, we will leave Bryant and visit the Boston Federal Reserve and the Boston Stock Exchange. This trip will certainly be a success so members are encouraged to sign up, however our seating is limited. The Finance Association will also be hosting our annual dinner banquet on April 5th. Seats are still available for those interested in eating a great meal and hearing an exceptional speaker.

Meeting times are Monday's at 4:30, in Papito. (1st Floor in the Bryant Center). All are welcome at any time and anyone has any questions on how to get involved don't hesitate to contact me at jc2@bryant.edu.
Welcome back to the final article of Bryant Sports for the year. Sorry I missed the last edition of the Archway but that was me hobbling across campus with the crutches. Baseball and softball are in full swing (no pun intended) and tennis season is starting to heat up so let’s get into Bryant Sports. Unfortunately I have not received any of the sports reports for Men’s tennis or lacrosse, instead I just put their respective records down at the bottom. Credit Chuck Sullivan for Sports Reports

Baseball-(17-11 overall, 11-3NE-10) Senior outfielder Chris Carpenter (Warren, Mass.) went 3 for 4 and freshman pitcher Mike Florest (Franklin, Mass.) improved his record to 3-1 on the season as Bryant took an 8-2 win against American International Monday afternoon in Springfield, Mass. The Bulldogs trailed 1-0 after four innings, rapped 15 hits on the day and took advantage of an astounding nine Yellow Jacket errors. Six of Bryant’s nine starters finished with at least two hits. Look for the Baseball team’s next home date April 25th against Saint Rose at 3:30.

Softball-(9-29 overall) Bryant senior catcher Kelley Climo went a combined 5 for 7 with two runs batted in as the Bulldogs split a doubleheader against Molloy Monday afternoon at the Bryant Softball Complex. Bryant won the first game, 5-2, before falling by 4-3 count in 10 innings in the nightcap. Nicole Keene also worked a complete game in the circle for the Bulldogs, allowing just one earned run (two total) and striking out two without a walk. She improved her record to 7-13 on the year. Come watch the softball team this Thursday at the Bryant Softball Complex as they host New Hampshire College at 3:30.

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Tickets for this free lecture may be picked up at the Bryant Center Information Desk or reserved by calling (401) 222-6245 until 6 p.m. on the night of the lecture. Remaining tickets will be available at the door. A reception will follow to which all are invited.

**TUESDAY, MAY 1 • 8 P.M.**

**BRYANT COLLEGE**

This is also open to the public.

The Senate’s Faculty, Staff and Administration committee still remains focused on the goals set early in the semester. First on the list is the publication of teacher evaluations which the students of Bryant fill out at the conclusion of each semester. These evaluations have been entirely confidential since the college began using them for many reasons. While the committee continues it’s work on this issue, we are not overly confident that this is a chance that will be made some time soon.

However, the committee is more optimistic about the possibility of the publication of syllabi on line before the registration process. This serves a similar function to the teacher evaluations in helping students choose teachers and courses that would most benefit their personal learning styles and abilities. This will hopefully be a part of the negotiations over the summer. (Cont. on 7)
The Voice

(cont. from 6) The new computer systems have been mentioned several times in Senate meetings as well as other places. For those who haven’t heard much about it, it will be used for on-line registration next semester which should make life considerably easier in that regard. Additionally, students should be able to view their grades on line instead of waiting for them to get mailed. Our current email system will soon be replaced and payments will also be accepted on line in the near future.

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Towed Vehicle: A DPS officer observed a vehicle illegally parked in a fire lane. A check of the vehicle registration showed that the vehicle had numerous fines. The vehicle was towed.

Keg Confiscation: DPS officers were dispersing a large gathering when officers observed a keg at the rear door of a townhouse. The townhouse has been charged.

EMT Call

Drug Violation: Officers responded to a townhouse for loud music. On arrival officers observed several individuals smoking marijuana. Smithfield Police were notified. Charges will be filed.

Keg Confiscation: DPS officers observed a vehicle entering campus with a keg in the rear seat. The keg was confiscated and destroyed. Charges will be filed.

EMT Call

Vandalism: Officers observed a report from a student reporting that someone had broken the gas cover off his car. DPS is investigating, and charges will be filed.

It is that time of year. The due dates of papers are growing closer. Interviews are taking place every day of the week. Last minute resumes are being printed and sent to possible places of work. Time seems to be something you just don’t have enough of as the year’s conclusion draws near. The staff of Images, Bryant’s very own print shop, invites you to take advantage of our many services, some of which can’t be found anywhere else on campus!

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Fire Alarm: DPS officers responded to a fire alarm in a resident hall 14, first floor. Officers found an activated smoke detector, the alarm was reset.

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Towed Vehicle: A DPS officer observed a vehicle illegally parked in a fire lane. A check of the vehicle registration showed that the vehicle had numerous fines. The vehicle was towed.

Keg Confiscation: DPS officers were dispersing a large gathering when officers observed a keg at the rear door of a townhouse. The townhouse has been charged.

EMT Call

Drug Violation: Officers responded to a townhouse for loud music. On arrival officers observed several individuals smoking marijuana. Smithfield Police were notified. Charges will be filed.

Keg Confiscation: DPS officers observed a vehicle entering campus with a keg in the rear seat. The keg was confiscated and destroyed. Charges will be filed.

EMT Call

Vandalism: Officers observed a report from a student reporting that someone had broken the gas cover off his car. DPS is investigating, and charges will be filed.
“THE REAL NEW ECONOMY”

Editor’s note: R.D. Norton, who holds Bryant’s Norman Sarkesian Endowed Chair in Business Economics, has just published Creating the New Economy: The Entrepreneur and the U.S. Resurgence, a book one reviewer describes as ‘a deep and thoughtful explanation of what this New Economy is all about.’ ... The Archway has invited Professor Norton to describe the book in light of the recent troubles afflicting dot-com companies and their stocks.

Creating the New Economy has three themes. First, the New Economy is real. Second, its emergence around networked PCs propelled the U.S. resurgence in the world economy during the 1990s. Third, the PC revolution itself can be traced to entrepreneurs from the western half of the U.S.

As to the first theme, what does it mean to say the New Economy is “real,” especially today, when the very term “New Economy” is in disrepute? The key is to distinguish between the financial fads and fables of the dot-com bubble that popped in March and April of 2000, on the one hand, and the more lasting changes that made the 1990s a decade of vigorous economic expansion.

In particular, a surge in America’s productivity growth by about one full percentage point after 1995 testifies to the revolutionary effects of information technology (IT) throughout the U.S. economy. For perspective, a one-point rise in labor productivity (in round numbers, from about one percent to about two percent a year) means that the time it takes for America’s average living standards to double falls from 72 to 36 years.

That brings us to the second theme, the role of networked PCs as drivers of the U.S. comeback within the world economy. This idea has long been identified with Fed Chair Alan Greenspan, who actually explained his “weightless world” thesis a decade ago in a commencement address at Bryant College. More recently, Harvard economist Dale Jorgenson provided a ringing endorsement of the New Economy explanation for the U.S. productivity revival in his presidential address to the American Economic Association this past January in New Orleans.

The link between IT and the economic transformation is spelled out in the book around what I see as five hallmarks of the Information Age:

1. Digitization of all information in terms of 0’s and 1’s.
2. Moore’s Law: the doubling of capacity to process 0’s and 1’s every 18 months.
3. Packet-switching (the basis for Internet transmissions) as a digital alternative to traditional circuit-based networks.
4. Metcalfe’s Law: the value of a network increases with the square of the number of users, while costs rise only linearly.
5. Gilde’s Law: bandwidth doubles every six months, with the shift to fiber-optic cable, satellites, and now wireless networks.

What the digital revolution added up to in the 1990s was a fall in the costs of communicating 1 trillion bits (or 0’s and 1’s) from $50 in 1950 to 12 cents in 1999. When you realize that all those 0’s and 1’s represent not only words and numbers, but sounds, images, and video as well, the point starts to come through. To repeat, the evidence compiled by economists and researchers at the Fed makes it clear that the surge in productivity after 1995, breaking the U.S. out of a 20-year slump, is the result of such cumulative ‘advances in IT.’

How did all this happen? And why didn’t it happen in Europe, or Japan? The explanation offered in the book is the decisive importance of newcomers, acting as entrepreneurs, to overcome the emphasis on order and blast through the deep tendencies toward stagnation that afflict advanced, affluent economies. That is, U.S. cultural and geographical diversity create unique “breathing space” for new ideas.

In the regional realignment of the U.S. computer industry in the 1970s and 1980s, for example, outsiders who became entrepreneurial insurgents included not only immigrants, as symbolized by Intel’s Andrew Grove, but “provincials” like Steve Jobs and Steve Wozniak in Silicon Valley; Seattle’s Bill Gates, Paul Allen, and Craig McCaw; Honolulu’s Steve Case; and Austin’s Michael Dell.

These white, male, middle-class 20-somethings tended to have mainstream or privileged ethnic and social backgrounds, but to hail from the provinces, far from the origins and corporate power of U.S. computing in New York State and along Boston’s Route 128.

Then there is the ultimate outsider, Grove himself. Born Jewish as Andras Grof in 1936 in Hungary, Grove spent World War II as a child hiding from the Nazis. In 1956, after the failed Hungarian revolt, Grove emigrated to New York City. By 1985, he was running Intel, which since its creation in 1968 had grown to mid-size life with 20,000 employees. By that point, Intel had succumbed to the classic corporate myopia that kept the company from recognizing a sudden change in the business environment. The problem? Japanese memory-chip firms had overtaken Intel and other U.S. companies.

The essential ingredient, it turned out, was the capacity to view the problem through an outsider’s eyes. Grove recalls the critical conversation he had with then Chairman and CEO Gordon Moore (of Moore’s Law fame) in mid-1985: “...I turned back to Gordon and I asked, ‘If we got kicked out and the board brought in a new CEO, what do you think he would do?’ Gordon answered without hesitation, ‘He would get us out of memories.’ I stared at him, numb, and said, ‘Why shouldn’t you and I walk out the door, come back and do it ourselves?’” This they did, which is how Intel became the world leader in microprocessors, the high end of the chip game.

In short, the U.S. advantage in IT relative to its competitors was entrepreneurial boldness and creativity. It was as if there were two overlapping but distinct economies in the 1970s and 1980s, and the one that emerged triumphant after 1989 with the end of the Cold War as the New Economy was less “corporate” and more West Coast.

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As one observer put it last year, perhaps overstating it a bit, “About once in 100 years, something really big happens, and this is it.” I’m with him. Long live the real New Economy!