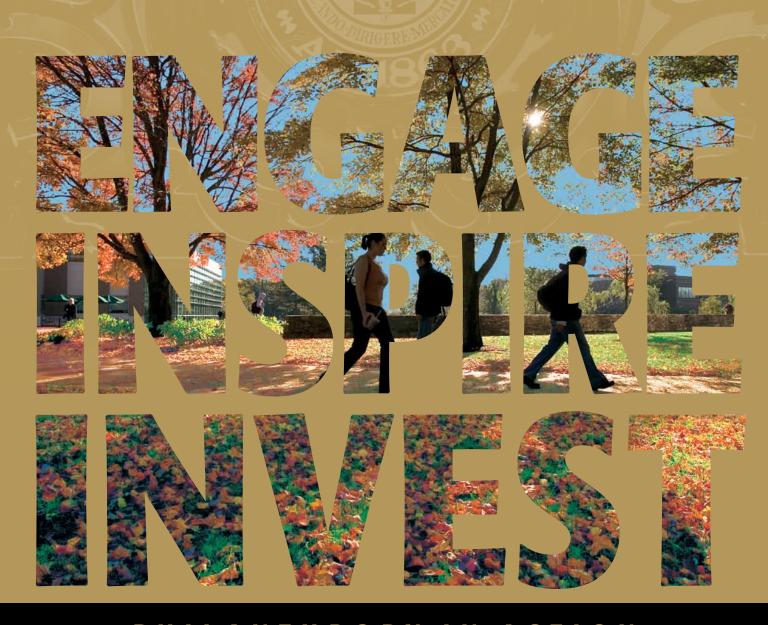
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A new scholarship celebrates the lifelong influence John S. Renza had on a generation of students.



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### ENGAGE. INSPIRE. INVEST.

Every year, thousands of alumni, friends, parents, faculty, and staff participate in the life of Bryant University in these ways and make a profound impact on our students. They make a difference by becoming active members of the Bryant community and by generously giving back.

Our accomplished team of faculty and staff takes great pride in educating and mentoring the promising students who give meaning to our campus. Alumni and friends also give back to the University in transformational ways—they share their expertise through internships and by hiring Bryant graduates for positions in leading organizations around the world. Others contribute by returning to campus to speak to a class of students.

Many members of the Bryant family contribute philanthropically by making gifts each and every year. The power of their contributions is manifested in every facet of the University—from the students who are supported through annual and endowed scholarships; to our world-class faculty, academic excellence, and curriculum enhancements; to our innovative technology and stunning contemporary facilities. Over the years, giving back through philanthropy at Bryant has transformed our campus and enriched lives, one student at a time.

We offer our deepest thanks to each of you who has contributed, and to the people and organizations you will read about in this issue of *Bryant* magazine. They have made a difference for Bryant in countless and meaningful ways, and their generosity has empowered our continued advancement. The dedication of these leadership donors truly exemplifies the Bryant "Character of Success" that inspires all of us.

As I look to the future, those who give back and help Bryant to compete as a leader in higher education will become increasingly important. I look forward to celebrating our continued successes together.

Sincerely,

Ronald K. Machtley

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President

Throughout his life, the late John S. Renza '43 distinguished himself in a number of roles—as a Bryant student, an alumnus, a World War II Army veteran, a teacher, a cherished husband, and a proud father, grandfather, and greatgrandfather. He devoted himself to the field of education and tirelessly served his community.

Professor of Accounting
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a generation of students:
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he was a role model."

- GEORGE BELLO '58, '96H



"Mr. Renza was always so impeccably dressed that it didn't seem right to see him knee-deep in snow," says Bello. "I offered to dig him out and loaned him my shovel in case he got stuck on the way home."

Bello graduated with a BSBA in accounting and went on to become executive vice president and controller of the New Yorkbased insurance company Reliance Group Holdings, Inc., and his mode of transportation improved greatly. Now retired, he currently serves as a Bryant trustee. He also chaired the University's first comprehensive, successful capital campaign, The Campaign for Bryant: It's About Changing Lives, and donated \$5 million—the largest gift in Bryant's history—toward the George E. Bello Center for Information

BY JANET PROULX

At Bryant, he was a beloved professor of accounting and mathematics from 1945 to 1968 and served as advisor to Phi Sigma Nu and Sigma Lambda Pi fraternities.

His influence—for many—has endured a lifetime. George Bello '58, '96H can attest to that.

Bello was 22 years old when he began attending Bryant on the GI Bill. The Marine Corps veteran drove an old Dodge with bald tires and kept a shovel in the trunk in case he got stuck—often the case in the winter on the steep hills of the East Side campus. One afternoon after a heavy snowstorm, he noticed his professor stepping gingerly through the snow toward his car.

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#### **ACCOUNTING FOR A REMARKABLE LIFE**



"John Renza is the person who meant the most to me during my time at Bryant."

- GEORGE BELLO '58,'96H



and Technology, a cornerstone of Bryant's campus transformation.

Bello gives back to Bryant because it has been so important to his personal success. He credits his former accounting professor John Renza with providing the motivation.

"John Renza is the person who meant the most to me during my time at Bryant," says Bello. "He was extremely intelligent and would explain problems thoroughly. He had a forceful personality, but he was a great motivator—and a gentleman. For me and for many others, he was a role model."

Forty-one years later, Renza returned the shovel to Bello at a Bryant Leadership Council Gala. It was, of course, in perfect condition.

### Remembering an esteemed professor

Mike Fisher '67, chair of Bryant's board of trustees, was flat broke when he attended Bryant and relied on scholarship money and part-time employment both on and off campus. He's never forgotten the assistance he received, or the education that prepared him to take on the demands of the business environment. Today, he is an inspiration to others by giving to his alma mater, financially and in other ways.

Fisher studied accounting with John Renza from 1963-64, and, nearly 50 years later, still feels his professor's imprint.

"John Renza taught with style," says Fisher. "He was exceptionally knowledgeable and demanded the very best from his students, but his humor was such that no one was intimidated by him. Everyone (as in *everyone*) had great respect for him." Fisher recalls that Renza was among three professors who were considered very dapper dressers on Bryant's East Side campus. There was a courtyard area between several buildings that housed classrooms, and Professors Renza, John McCabe, and Thomas Manion would walk through the courtyard on their way to classes. "Students would actually applaud their spiffy attire—great suits, great ties, and in Renza's case, bow ties," he recalls. "We whistled, hooted, and hollered, and the three always laughed as they passed through."

Fisher says there is no doubt that Renza had a positive lasting impression on him as he worked to build an extremely successful career in financial services after graduating from Bryant, finishing his career as managing director of Barclays Global Investors. "John Renza set a model of professional carriage that I have always admired and respected," he says.

"He served as the right kind of beacon for students like me."

Another of Renza's students, John H. Joyce '53, came from a long line of educators including his grandfathers, who were school principals, and his mother and an aunt, who became teachers. Limited educational opportunities for young black men in the South prompted his parents to send him to live in Providence with relatives.

The tenacious student cleared a number of hurdles to graduate from Hope High School. Joyce worked at a fruit and vegetable store 46 hours a week, which is where he met a customer—a doctor—who recognized the young man's potential and work ethic and encouraged him to think about Bryant. He did, and a partial scholarship helped bridge the gap between his earnings and tuition.

At Bryant, Joyce thrived. "The school was terrific academically," he says. "I can't begin to tell you what a joy it was to attend classes. I often wished I had six to eight hours to study every day."

He counts John Renza among the expert faculty who inspired him to succeed. "Renza was an extraordinarily talented

professor," says Joyce, "He had a way of teaching in which he absolutely inspired you to want to learn day after day."

Joyce learned well indeed. After graduation, he enjoyed success as an accountant and a tax auditor, and later founded and operated his own businesses in New York and New Jersey. In 2009, he received Bryant's Alumnus Champion for Philanthropy Award after establishing a charitable gift annuity that will endow

"My dad's family came from Italy, and he was the first one to attend college," says Jack. "He just couldn't believe the opportunity that had been presented to him."

When it came time for Jack to apply to college, there was only one school to think about. "My father told me career-wise, there was no better place for me than Bryant, where, he said, I could study accounting and also be a teacher."

Jack graduated from Bryant in 1970 with a BS in Business Administration. (His brother, Gerald Renza '80 MBA, and Jack's son, John Renza III '06 MBA, are also Bryant graduates.) Forty years later, Jack, a Bryant trustee, is preparing to retire from Kahn, Litwin, Renza & Co., Ltd., a regional accounting firm he co-founded. It's time to pass the torch to younger people, he says.

### Of romance, war, and commitment

Marie (Teigue) Renza '43 enrolled at Bryant in the fall of 1939 and met her future husband John later that year. With just eight students in the Bachelor of Arts in Commercial Education program, they quickly came to know each other well and eventually started dating. The pair participated in a number of campus organizations, Greek life, and social events. They also became two of the first members of the Bryant Service Club, which boosted the morale of alumni and students serving in World War II by sending care packages and letters.

When his deferment expired in 1943, John was drafted into the Army and assigned to the Combat Engineers of the 158th Battalion. His Bryant business education made him valuable in the area of support services, and he was sent to Camp Maxey in Texas for additional training as a stenographer. Rejoining his outfit, he headed to England in April 1944. Stationed just outside of London, the battalion was part of D-Day operations, though John remained relatively safe because of his assignment. On June 6, 1944, the Allied invasion of Nazi-occupied France began, and he and his comrades arrived in Normandy and moved quickly through France, Belgium, and Germany, where they were caught up in the Ardennes Offensive, also known as the Battle of the Bulge.

In the rush, John abandoned all his personal belongings, including a Christmas package from the Bryant Service Club. Months later he wrote to thank the students for the package and described how the hand-knit sweater they sent





a scholarship to benefit accounting or finance students with significant financial need—and good grades.

John Joyce believes in opportunity, and he has never forgotten how a little financial help—and a pivotal professor's inspiration—helped him along the way.

#### In his father's footsteps

When he was in high school, John S. "Jack" Renza Jr. simply could not understand why his father preferred to teach accounting at Bryant when he could have been a CPA, made lots of money, and possibly started his own business—a family business in which Jack could have been a part.

"I'm a professional educator, not a professional accountant," the elder Renza would reply. "It's not about money—it's about what I do. I change people's lives." John felt a kinship to Bryant and also possessed a loyalty that could not be shaken, which probably harkened back to the day when Bryant's president, Henry "Harry" Jacobs, offered Renza a teaching position.

He has no plans to give up his second job, though. He's been teaching accounting at Community College of Rhode Island for 35 years and is still passionate about his students.

"Funny, it turned out that I did exactly what my father told me I would do," says Jack, "and I've never regretted a moment of it."



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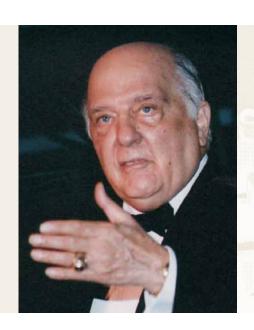
- JOHN H. JOYCE '53





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JOHN S. RENZA '43Professsor of Accounting



Left to right: Renza in a yearbook photo from 1943; Accepting the Key to the University in 2009; a Bryant classroom in the 1940s; and with his Sigma Lambda Pi brothers in 1948 (first row, second from left).

"John and Marie enriched so many lives, including many members of the Bryant community."

JUDY BARRETT LITOFF
 Professor of History

survived because he was wearing it the day his unit moved out.

John was discharged in 1945, and it was Marie who picked him up. They were married two years later and celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary in 2009 with their three children: John Jr. '70, a Bryant trustee; Jane; and Gerald '80 MBA; three grandchildren: John III '06 MBA, Gregory, and Lauren; and two greatgrandchildren: John IV and Grace.

### **Inspiring students again**

In 2009, John was surprised when his letter to the Bryant Service Club surfaced among 1,400 letters in library archives that had been sent to students in the Bryant Service Club by alumni and students fighting overseas. The correspondence, which survived a move from the East Side campus to Smithfield, contained heartfelt thanks for the letters, candy, cigarettes, and handmade scarves and sweaters, and often included candid descriptions about day-to-day life in the war.

John inspired Bryant students again when he and Marie participated in an

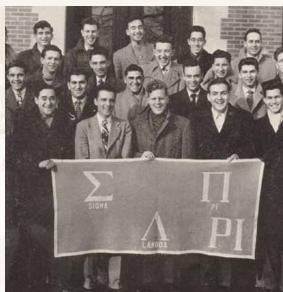
independent research project spearheaded by Professor of History Judy Barrett Litoff.

Litoff and eight students presented their findings at the 25th annual conference of the National Social Science Association and reprised their presentation for the Bryant community in April 2009. In the audience were John and Marie, who listened to their story titled, "Johnny Came to College to Get an Education—He Found Romance Anyway: The Unconventional Wartime Story of John and Marie Teigue Renza."

Litoff, whose relationship with the Renza family spans 35 years, will never forget John and Marie's smiling faces as they watched the documentary. "Bringing students and alumni together for research projects of this type is a 'win-win' situation for everyone," she says. "John and Marie enriched so many lives, including many members of the Bryant community. It was a privilege to work with them on this project."

Janet Proulx is a writer/copyeditor in the Office of University Relations at Bryant.





### THE JOHN S. RENZA SR. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

John S. Renza's decades-long involvement with and service to Bryant influenced a generation of students with his demanding but always motivating and transformative teaching. The establishment of **The John S. Renza Sr. Memorial Scholarship** will ensure that the values, academic excellence, and integrity that Renza embodied remain a living legacy at Bryant University.

Attending college is one of the most transformational experiences in a young person's life, and for some, it is the generosity of others that makes the greatest impact on their years of study. Scholarship gifts make a significant difference for many students by closing the gap between the full cost of a private university education and the family's ability to pay. For many scholarship recipients, it is a gift that lasts a lifetime.

At Bryant University, endowed memorial scholarships such as The John S. Renza Sr. Memorial Scholarship provide an opportunity to create a lasting legacy and honor a life. Friends and family members have responded with generous gifts totaling \$75,000 toward the \$150,000 goal.

"The scholarship is a testament to my father's life," says John S. "Jack" Renza '70. "Our entire family, including my sister, Jane, and my brother, Gerald, is thrilled because it will help many students in perpetuity.

"Our dad, if he were here, would appreciate that this scholarship will change people's lives."

If your life was changed in any way by Professor Renza, please consider making a gift that will keep his legacy alive and help Bryant continue to transform lives — just as he did. For information, please call Deborah Guthrie, executive director of development, at (877) 353-5667 (toll free) or e-mail dguthrie@bryant.edu.

"The scholarship is a testament to my father's life..."

- JOHN S. "JACK" RENZA '70



# BY GIVING

BY CATHERINE MEMORY

alking through the Archway. Cheering on the sports teams at Reunion@ Homecoming. Catching up with old friends at Parente's. Hiking up the hills of Bryant's former East Side campus in Providence. Bryant alumni share a unique campus culture with special traditions. First among them is a commitment to service and giving back. Ten alumni and friends who are connecting with the next generation of Bryant students through inspirational scholarship gifts shared their perspectives on how this distinctive quality of character develops.

Still in his thirties, Eric Bertrand '94 doesn't look like the stereotypical philanthropist or university benefactor, if there is such a thing. He achieved success early in life, and he's continuing to build his career. After a stint in investment banking, he was a partner in a private equity and venture capital firm, and then launched his own consulting firm, EJB Capital Management, in New York. Never content to merely hold down a typical job, he continues to acquire private companies ranging from a 20-store, eye-care chain to a UPS reseller to a television commer-

cial production firm. "I keep pretty busy," Bertrand says modestly.

Entrepreneurship is in his genes. His grandfather worked as a plant manager and launched an early video game company with Eric's father. As a child, Bertrand and his friend created a company to sell produce from their farm. At the age of 16, he opened a hobby shop specializing in comic books, baseball cards, and coins. "My grandmother would watch the shop while I was in school," he explains. He credits sports and becoming an Eagle Scout with helping to develop his leadership skills early. To Bertrand, leadership means being part of a community, and community involvement leads to giving back.

"I was very involved at Bryant," he says. His collegiate co-curricular activities included Bryant Student Senate, the board of directors for BryCol (a student-run company), the Finance Association, and the Rhode Island Student Senate. "At Bryant, these various communities I was involved in introduced me to people from many types of backgrounds, and this taught me to adapt and interact with all different types of people," says Bertrand.

As a young alumnus, Bertrand maintained his connection to Bryant through



## BACK

active participation in the Regional Alumni Networks (RANs). He recently served as a member of the National Alumni Council, was a student mentor, and had occasion to hire a Bryant graduate at EJB Capital. Last year through the Bryant Partners in Scholarship program, Bertrand began supporting an annual scholarship—even though he had never received a significant scholarship himself. "As you are able to build your career, establish yourself, and become a leader,

you have some responsibility to give back," says Bertrand. "You can always give back more as you establish yourself more. It's important to give, to do what we can to support the Bryant community."

In giving back, Bertrand enriches his own relationship with Bryant. For him the scholarship is part of the alumni experience, in that he gets to meet and mentor his scholarship recipients. "It has been fullfilling to keep that relationship going," says Bertrand.

"As you are able to build your career, establish yourself, and become a leader, you have some responsibility to give back."

— ERIC BERTRAND '94

### A textbook case

In many ways the résumé of Eric Slater '10 bears an almost uncanny similarity to that of Bertrand—the mentor and scholarship donor who shares his first name. At Bryant, Slater was vice president of the Collegiate Entrepreneurs' Organization (CEO), a student ambassador, a Senior Class Committee member, a member of the Accounting Association, and on the Dean's List. In every way he seems like the ideal student whose picture and bio might grace the pages of an admission brochure. "But I wasn't always the best academic student," admits Slater. "I just worked as hard as I possibly could." He's not kidding. As a first year student in the CEO, Slater helped organize a charity event involving thousands of carved and painted pumpkins which he drove to Boston Common in a rented, 24-foot truck. "I was involved with so many things and working so hard, but I wasn't recognized very much," Slater says. "Then I got the scholarship [from Eric Bertrand]. It motivated me. I realized if you work really hard, eventually good things will come to you."

Slater credits three professors— David Beausejour, Michael Lynch, and Stephen Pascarella—with inspiring him

### SCHOLARSHIP AS

Legendary insurance executive Ernest E. Stempel '98H got to know Bryant when his son, Neil '84, was a student. Recognizing the quality education Neil received, and aware of the importance of actuarial mathematics in the insurance industry, Stempel was instrumental in securing funding to establish Bryant's actuarial math department in the mid-1980s. His personal foundation, the Ernest E. Stempel Foundation, has funded scholarships for actuarial math majors since 1999. As Neil says, "Dad was very supportive. He saw that the degree opened a lot of doors for me."

Working directly with American entrepreneur Cornelius Vander Starr, (for whom Bryant's C.V. Starr Financial Markets Center is named), Ernest Stempel joined the organization that would become American International Group (AIG) in

1938, while attending law school at night. After serving in the U.S. Navy during World War II, Stempel was appointed by Starr to manage the company's Bermuda-based operations, later becoming chairman of the Bermuda companies that rapidly grew during his time in charge. He also developed AIG worldwide life insurance operations, most notably in the Far East, and became a director and trustee of The Starr Foundation, AIG's philanthropic arm.

A hard-working, successful, yet unpretentious man, Ernie, as everyone called him, felt a personal affinity for Bryant. Neil, now a Bermuda-based data security officer with ACE Insurance Group (a global company headquartered in Zurich), majored in computer and information

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- ERIC SLATER '10

to go into accounting. "Accounting is unbelievable," enthuses Slater. "You can do anything with it." After graduation, he secured a job as an analyst for the paper manufacturer RockTenn, a Fortune 500 company. He's also in the process of starting his own business. "I came to Bryant with a passion for entrepreneurship, and I am young, so why not give it a go?" Slater says. A confidentiality agreement prohibits him from discussing the details of the new venture at this time; however he can say that his father and a fellow alumnus from the Class of 2010 are collaborating with him. And who better to offer them advice than Eric Bertrand? Slater talks to Bertrand on the phone every week, and he has visited Bertrand in his office in New York. "He's a great guy," says Slater. "He's giving me advice on graduate schools and my career path."

To Slater, receiving the scholarship was about so much more than tuition relief or debt reduction or even mentorship—it reinforced a commitment to community and service. "There's something about the community of Bryant

## systems at the University, and his father became a very involved parent.

Since the senior Stempel's death in 2009, Neil, his brother Calvin, and their sister Diana Bergquist have managed the family foundation. "My father came from rather humble beginnings, and he strongly believed that a solid education was the key to achieving a better society," says Bergquist.

Like her father, Bergquist supports Bryant and is on the Parents Council. Her son Philip, will graduate from Bryant in 2013. "We like the business and liberal arts programs, and the fact that the students are so diverse," says Bergquist. "Everyone at Bryant has been friendly, gracious, welcoming, and helpful beyond what I could ever have anticipated."



"My father, [Ernest E. Stempel, left], strongly believed that a solid education was the key to achieving a better society."

- DIANA BERGQUIST

University," muses Slater. "Everyone is very motivated. I'm working really hard now to get to where I want to get, and I'd love to be the person who comes back to help someone and give back to the Bryant community the way Eric Bertrand did."

### The economics of education

Earned in the fall of Slater's senior year, the scholarship from Bertrand cut Slater's tuition bill by one quarter. Slater had received minimal grants, so he was very grateful for such significant financial assistance. Clearly, just one person and one gift can make a substantive difference in a student's life.

At Bryant, tuition only covers about two-thirds of the total cost of education. The financial support of alumni and friends is essential to making Bryant the dynamic, engaging living and learning community that it is. And given today's challenging economic climate, students' need for financial assistance is only growing. "One of the startling realities of higher education today is that we may soon see increasing numbers of parents who are struggling to send their children

to college while still paying off their own student loans," says James Damron, vice president for University Advancement at Bryant.

In the 2009-2010, academic year, nearly 80 percent of Bryant undergraduates received University-funded grants and scholarships, including almost \$1.5 million raised through the contributions of alumni, parents, corporations and foundations, and friends.

"We are deeply committed to keeping the cost of private education affordable," says Damron. "Bryant has a long tradition of fiscal responsibility, cost containment, and providing generous financial aid to needy students." Across the country, more and more colleges and universities are reallocating funds—taking from facilities, programming, and staff salaries—to support financial aid needs. Philanthropic priorities may shift as well in response to the economic downturn—shifting from bricks and mortar projects to shore up scholarships.

Bryant currently offers 85 endowed scholarships to students. A handful of these were created by national corpora-

tions such as KPMG and ARAMARK, regional businesses like Cranston Print Works, and even entire alumni classes such as the Classes of 1942, 2003, 2009, and 2010. However the lion's share was started by individual donors. Donors lacking an endowment-size contribution participate in Bryant's popular, annual Partners in Scholarship program with a minimum contribution of just \$2,500 per year for four years. Since its inception in 2000, the Partners in Scholarship program has benefited more than 200 students.

Despite, or perhaps even because of, today's challenging economic times, Bryant alumni and friends are rallying to provide scholarship support. "I have talked with many alumni who attribute their success to their Bryant education, and their ability to complete their degree to Bryant scholarships," says Damron. "Whether they graduated in the 1950s or the 1990s, they remain grateful for the helping hand that Bryant extended, and they want to help students today enjoy the same opportunity for success."

### SCHOLARSHIP AS

An accomplished athlete, Joy Voke '88 played out of the number one spot for both singles and doubles for Bryant. But her most significant college memory isn't winning a tennis championship trophy. It came afterward when Bryant's director of athletics thanked her personally for representing Bryant. "It just made me feel really proud to be a part of Bryant," says Voke. "That was a special moment. I realized it was not just about me but about everybody else too"

After a visit to campus this spring, Voke was inspired to support an annual scholarship for a fellow student-athlete.

She went on a tour with President Ronald K. Machtley and was impressed by the way he greeted everyone he saw by name. It was a small detail that reminded her of how she had run her telecommunications company, RNK Communications, for 12 years. "We were a family. We were a team. We respected one another," she says. "I felt that same experience at Bryant. People are friendly and happy, and there is a lot of positive energy."

Voke credits her experience of playing sports at Bryant with giving her the confidence to start her own business. She sold her company two years ago and is currently at

# "When you write a check for scholarships, you know your money is actually going to do something for the student, for his or her future, and for the world." – JOANNA LAU '97H

### **Trustee investment**

Joanna Lau, president of Lau Technologies, is serving her fourth term as a Bryant trustee. She's not an alumna, but she

Joanna Lau '97 H

believes in Bryant and is a regular contributor to the annual Trustee Scholarship Fund. Lau knows firsthand how powerful scholarships can be.

Her father died when she was just 16. His last words to her mother were "make sure the children are in school." Soon after, Lau's mother immigrated to New York from Hong Kong with Lau and her seven siblings. Lau worked for one week in a

Chinatown factory, and that experience solidified her commitment to furthering her education. "But coming from such

a big family, I had to be on my own," explains Lau. A National Merit Scholar, Lau attended the State University of New York (SUNY)-Stony Brook. "I received multiple scholarships and loans, otherwise I would not have been able to afford it," says Lau.

Lau's first job after college was with General Electric. As a computer programmer, she worked on Boeing 767s, F15 fighters, and simulation software. She took a 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. shift training people on the factory floor. After eight years at GE she moved on to Digital, but she didn't stay long. At the age of 30 she seized the opportunity to acquire foundering defense subcontractor Bowmar/ALI. Twenty-three Bowmar/ALI employees joined her to start Lau Technologies, which 20 years later is a

home enjoying more time with her young son. Through the scholarship she funded, Voke hopes to help Bryant attract top students. "We're creating new leaders in the world," she says. "We want the brightest, most well-rounded kids to come to Bryant and make a difference."

"We're creating new leaders in the world."



successful, employee-owned company producing facial recognition systems for surveillance and e-commerce, as well as digital imaging, and contract electronics manufacturing and services.

In 1997, Lau was invited to speak at Bryant's Commencement, where she also received an honorary degree in recognition of her achievements in business. Shortly after that, President Ronald K. Machtley invited Lau to become a trustee. "Ron walks the talk," says Lau. "His approach is if you believe in what I do, then you will give money. He is a man of action." That's why Lau became a trustee.

According to Lau, virtually all of the trustees give to the Trustee Scholarship Fund, as their finances allow. "My fellow trustees are very dedicated," she says. In Lau's view, a scholarship is an investment in an individual student's future and an endorsement of his or her educational institution. "When you write a check for scholarships, you know your money is actually going to do something for the student, for his or her future, and for the world," says Lau. "At Bryant, we hold ourselves accountable to make sure we graduate students who will be able to find a job."

### **Coming full circle**

"It's not like it was 30 years ago when we could fund our own educations 100 percent by working," says Michael Ricci '84. He and his wife, Michelle Ricci '91 MBA, met at the restaurant they both worked at during their high school and college years. Mike went to Bryant; Michelle had wanted to attend Bryant but couldn't afford it so she decided on the University of Rhode Island. Later she would earn her MBA at Bryant, and that degree was funded by her employers.

An information technology project manager, Michelle worked for Brown University for 15 years and is currently a consultant/independent contractor. "What I loved about Bryant was that I could apply what I was learning directly to the work that I was doing," Michelle says. "The Bryant MBA definitely opened doors for me, and I advanced pretty rapidly. Brown really valued the Bryant MBA."

Her husband agrees that Bryant's reputation helped him to make connections in his field of accounting. "During the recruitment process, I met a lot of Bryant alumni when I was interviewing with the Big Eight accounting firms," he



Michael Ricci '84, Michelle Ricci '91 MBA

### SCHOLARSHIP AS

Ever since they graduated almost 25 years ago, Erik Constantino '86 and approximately 10 of his closest friends from Bryant have met in New Haven a few times a year for pizza. They also like to play golf together. But their annual golf reunion is not your average duffers' weekend. In the last 10 years, they have organized a benefit golf tournament that has raised \$100,000 for a variety of children's charities, as well as the Jason Constantino Memorial Scholarship at Bryant. Eight students have benefited from this scholarship since 2000.

Constantino's first and only son, Jason, died from meningitis before his first birthday. That year, Erik's friends asked if they could dedicate their golf tournament to Jason. The night before he was to set foot on the golf course, Constantino was shocked to learn that they had set up a nonprofit foundation in Jason's name and had already arranged for the scholarship at Bryant. That first year almost 70 Bryant alumni traveled from as far away as Texas, California, and Colorado to participate. Last year, 100 participants came. "I just couldn't believe they would do this for Jason, for me, for my family," says Constantino.

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### - MICHELLE RICCI '91 MBA

says. Upon graduation, Mike took an entry-level position with Peat Marwick, now KPMG. After eight years he moved into private industry, joining the Rhode Island-based company American Power Conversion (APC) as a manager in its finance group. In 2007, APC was acquired by the French conglomerate Schneider Electric, and Mike is still there as vice president for finance. "It's been a good run," he says. "Bryant provided me with a foundation of knowledge that I could leverage in my career, and Bryant provided me with access to opportunity."

The Riccis have two sons—the elder is 16, interested in business and college bound. "Of course we're encouraging him to look at Bryant," says Michelle. "If he chooses to have the Bryant experience, it will be a great choice, but in the end it will be his choice," adds Mike. After working in higher education for so many years, Michelle is well aware of the cost, but she admits she views it differently

now that it's going to hit her own pocketbook. "It's incredible," she says. "How do these kids do it? Mike and I were lucky that we were able to fund our educations and come out pretty much debt free. When I see what these kids are taking on for an education—if we can make a little bit of difference, we will. It's something to help a young person not have to take on so much debt," she says.

The Riccis have funded an annual scholarship since 2003. "The experience of giving has been very positive for us," says Mike. "We're passionate about education and motivated to give back. That doesn't give Bryant an automatic entitlement to our contribution," he explains. "We're supporting Bryant because it has shown a commitment to developing knowledge and character. And the Bryant of today is even better than the Bryant we knew."

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and heartwarming."

– SHANNON DUNNIGAN '93, '97 MBA

A wealth management advisor/investment specialist at Northwestern Mutual Financial Network, Constantino keeps a photo in his office of the first scholarship recipient alongside his wife, Katie, older daughter, and some friends. "Not a day goes by without thinking about Jason," he says. "Initially it was a very dark time. Ten years later much good has come of it. I'm humbled by all the people who are so kind to open their pocketbooks. I think as we all get older it is part of a legacy we leave behind. Helping a child in need will hopefully encourage him or her to pay it forward."



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— ERIK CONSTANTINO '86 (far right)

### SCHOLARSHIP AS

Shannon Dunnigan '93, '97 MBA endured two tragic losses during her college years. Her mother, a single parent, died of throat cancer shortly after Shannon's Delta Zeta sorority sister Kristen Hatch was killed by a drunk driver. "I learned a lot of life experiences at a very young age," acknowledges Dunnigan. Yet her college memories are marked by a fondness for Bryant. Community service with her Delta Zeta sorority features prominently. "I remember going caroling at a local nursing home and doing car wash fundraisers for Gallaudet University for the deaf and hearing-impaired," she says.

Dunnigan worked five different jobs, took out loans, and received a number of government grants and scholarships to cover her undergraduate tuition and living expenses. She was honored to be one of the first recipients of the Kristen Hatch Memorial Scholarship. Dunnigan explains,

"It was extremely poignant to me because of my close relationship with Kristen. It showed me that there are people out there who will lend a hand. And that some good can come out of a tragic event."

Since graduation, Dunnigan has stayed involved with Bryant serving on the National Alumni Council and, for the last 17 years, contributing to Bryant's Annual Fund. Dunnigan works as the CEO of RadarFrog.com, a division of GateHouse Media. "I think the opportunity to have an education like the one I had at Bryant was pretty crucial," says Dunnigan. "When I go to campus today, I see how driven the students are, and it is so encouraging and heartwarming — I think back, might I have been deprived of this? I see the potential of today's students. To empower someone is pretty powerful."



### David Beirne's Deep Roots in Bryant Lacrosse

BY JOHN CASTELLUCCI

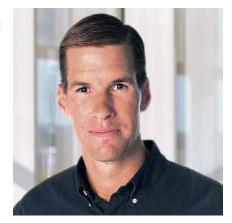
hen David M. Beirne '85 played lacrosse at Bryant, it was a club rather than a varsity sport, with no locker rooms and a playing field, nicknamed "the quagmire," where the mud sometimes got six inches deep.

Now the Bulldogs are a varsity team in Division I. They have a world-class coach, Mike Pressler, who led the 2010 U.S. National Lacrosse Team to win the gold in the World Championships in Manchester, England, this July. They play on a state-of-the-art, all-weather, synthetic turf field in the winter and carefully manicured turf in the spring.

And they have a world-class locker room, thanks largely to Beirne, a venture capitalist and former executive head-hunter. He generously funded almost half the cost of the \$2.7 million renovation and expansion that include new locker rooms at Bulldog Stadium.

The \$1 million donation Beirne made to Bryant a year ago demonstrated the importance of "leadership giving," the practice in philanthropy of securing a significant contribution from individuals whose caring and personal commitment then inspires others to contribute.

It also illustrated the power of loyalty to one's alma mater and the value that



David M. Beirne '85

Beirne, who was lacrosse club captain, places on ties to the team.

Asked whether the experience of playing lacrosse at Bryant had anything to do with his gift to the university, Beirne answers, "Absolutely. It was clearly a factor."

"Some of the best friends that I have in the world," he says, "are guys who played lacrosse with me at Bryant."

John Hagan, a former lacrosse club teammate, was recruited by Beirne as a partner in Ramsey/Beirne Associates, the executive search firm Beirne started just two years after graduating from Bryant.

In 1997, after 10 years as a headhunter for Ramsey/Beirne Associates, Beirne

was recruited to become a partner at Benchmark Capital, which made a name for itself providing financing for Silicon Valley startups and inducing the online auction company eBay to hire Meg Whitman as its CEO.

Now Beirne, 47, is semi-retired, a limited partner at Benchmark Capital.

He spends time with his sons, Tucker, Matt, and Tim, and coaches high school and youth lacrosse in their hometown of Aspen, CO. With his wife, Terry, he devotes himself to two major causes—eradicating cancer and financing higher education through charitable giving.

His activities in the latter category have proven a boon to student athletics at Bryant.

### **Making a statement**

Before the locker room addition was built, the men's lacrosse, field hockey, and the visiting football teams shared a locker room in the stadium. The women's lacrosse and soccer teams shared with the softball and cross country teams in the Chace Athletic Center.

The football team had a locker room at the stadium, but it couldn't be used in cold weather because the pipes would freeze, according to John Ruppert, Bryant's senior associate athletic director. To get ready for practice during the winter, Ruppert says, Bryant football players



put their gear on in their rooms in the residence halls.

Now the football team, the women's soccer team, the field hockey team, and the men's and women's lacrosse teams have dedicated locker rooms under the stadium bleachers. Each locker room has dozens of oak lockers, a slot for the nameplate of every student athlete, a flat-panel television, and a digital projector with a drop-down screen so they can view video of opposing teams and critique their own performances.

Each locker room has an equipment storage area with high-capacity shelving, a white board for mapping out team strategy, and a clock tied into the scoreboard outside on the field.

Every locker room is heated and air-conditioned, Ruppert says, so it can be used throughout the year.

Beirne is justifiably proud of the locker rooms, which were ready for use in the fall of 2009, just in time for Pressler's third season as coach.

"We've now built a locker room that is one of the top Division I locker rooms in the country," says Beirne. "It's a great facility and it's allowing Pressler to train his team, to give them the resources they need to be successful and also to recruit world-class players."

According to Ruppert, every prospective student athlete gets the grand tour.

"When you bring them into a locker room that is top-caliber, it's a statement:

"We've now built a locker room that is one of the top Division I locker rooms in the country. It's a great facility."

DAVID M. BEIRNE '85

'We care about the sport, we care about the players,'" Beirne says.

### A strong future

The locker rooms came up when Pressler was recruited as lacrosse coach by Athletic Director Bill Smith and Bryant President Ronald K. Machtley four years ago, but they weren't the major issue, Beirne says.

That was taking the Bulldogs from Division II to Division I, where there is greater prestige and tougher competition. The men's lacrosse team finished 10-5 and 12-5 during their first two seasons in Division I, a record that Beirne regards as encouraging. "We beat Yale last year; we beat Army, which made it deep into the NCAA playoffs. So already we can compete at the highest level," he says.

As an athletics program transitioning into Division I, the Bryant men's lacrosse team cannot compete for a championship until 2011. Despite that drawback, the

University managed to snare Zack Greer, a former Duke University lacrosse player who, in 2008, led Division I in goals scored.

"Zack Greer could have gone to Syracuse, he could have gone to Virginia, he could have stayed at Duke," Beirne says. "He came to Bryant knowing he couldn't play for a national championship."

Greer played for Pressler at Duke University in 2005 and 2006. He then played for Pressler during the 2009 season at Bryant.

A larger-than-life-size poster of Greer graces the entrance to the Bulldogs' new locker room. Ruppert says it was designed to be part of the addition. "You walk in the locker room now and there is a 10-foot likeness of Zack Greer on the door," says Beirne.

It serves as a testament to what has been and what's to come for all the women and men who are lucky enough to call themselves Bryant athletes. And with alumni like David Beirne pledging loyalty and support to the University through leadership giving, Bryant students will have unparalleled access to the facilities and technology they need to make a difference on campus and throughout their lifetimes.

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### GIVE BACK, MAKE A DIFFERENCE

PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) sponsors an annual summer institute at Bryant that introduces rising high school seniors from around the country to the accounting profession.

BY DAVE CRANSHAW '08MBA

or Bob Calabro '88, tax partner at PwC and a Bryant Trustee, being a member of the work force is more than just fulfilling a job responsibility.

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"We expect our employees, regardless of level, to give back to their respective communities," Calabro says. "It provides them with an opportunity to use the skills and leadership experiences they gain at PwC to make an impact beyond the four walls of our office. It also makes employees more well-rounded, giving them a better perspective of the world we live in, and opens their minds to think more broadly and more creatively," he says.

One of the many ways Calabro gives back to his alma mater and the community is through the PricewaterhouseCoopers Accounting Careers Leadership Institute (PwCACLI). The annual, weeklong summer program at Bryant introduces Latino/a and African American rising high school seniors to the accounting profession, as well as to the role they will have as corporate citizens.

The idea for the institute surfaced when Bryant faculty members approached Calabro about creating an immersion program to increase diversity at the University and within the accounting profession.

"This goal aligned perfectly with PwC's early outreach for diverse students," says Calabro.

Earlier this year, Bryant received a \$150,000 grant from PwC for a three-year extension of the summer institute. The

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donation brings PwC's investment in the program to more than \$500,000.

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### 'Our next generation'

PwC's commitment to Bryant and the PwCACLI goes beyond sponsoring the summer institute for high school students. A scholarship fund established by Calabro is supported annually by him and a group of PwC partners who are Bryant alumni. The PwC Endowed Scholarship Fund supports participants of the PwCACLI who go on to attend Bryant.

"I know firsthand the caliber of students who graduate from Bryant," Calabro says. "We need to continue to foster the growth and development of these young individuals."

Fellow PwC Partner Kent Goetjen '77 adds, "It is crucial to reach future students who have the ability—but not the

resources—to contribute to the future of the accounting profession."

Jeannette (Landon) Mitchell '96 believes supporting this scholarship is one of the best ways she can say thank you to her alma mater and ensure future students have the same opportunities she had. The PwC partner credits Bryant with teaching her the skills and connecting her with PwC, which helped launch her successful career.

In addition to their support and active participation in PwCACLI, Mitchell, Calabro, and Goetjen have also been heavily involved in PwC's recruitment of Bryant students through the University's Amica Center for Career Education. In the last five years, PwC has hired nearly 200 Bryant graduates for full-time positions and accepted more than 150 students as part of its internship program.

"As a firm," Mitchell says, "we encourage early investment in top students to lay a foundation for the future of what will become our next generation of accounting, tax, and advisory services professionals."

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- KENT GOETJEN '77



In addition to experiencing the ins and outs of the accounting profession, rising high school seniors in the PwC Accounting Careers Leadership Institute learned the importance of teamwork and giving back. Smiles filled the room as the participants presented bikes they had assembled to underprivileged children.

### 'The future is in great hands'

Among that next generation is Francisco Davila, a rising high school senior from Puerto Rico, who was one of the 46 students to attend the sixth PwCACLI at Bryant this summer.

In just one week, he developed relationships with students from around the country, interacted with professionals from PwC, and learned about opportunities that await him in college and

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- JEANNETTE (LANDON) MITCHELL '96

beyond—through a possible career in accounting. "It was one of the best weeks of my life," he says.

His confidence was sky-high and rightly so. On Sunday morning he arrived at Bryant and met his teammates. On

Monday, they learned how to read a company's annual report and built bikes for underprivileged children. On Tuesday, they listened as PwC professionals and Bryant professors discussed the ins and outs of accounting. On Wednesday, they showed their ingenuity by building a bridge out of paper and tape that supported 10 reams of paper, and on Thursday they visited the PwC offices in Boston.

On the last day, Davila was part of a team that—in front of a full room of family members, friends, Bryant professors, and PwC executives—demonstrated what they learned by presenting a report analyzing the financials of Papa John's. Before leaving, he introduced his parents to Calabro, who applauded the 46 rising high school seniors from around the country for their efforts.

"The future is in great hands," Calabro told the students, their parents, family members, and friends.

In its first five years, nearly 200 students have participated in the program and more than half have gone on to apply for admission to Bryant. Some are preparing to take their skills to PwC. "This fall, we have full-time employees who participated in the first year of the PwCACLI beginning their careers at our firm," says Calabro.

### 'Bridge the gap between dreaming and achieving'



Cristine Cox '11

One future employee might be Cristine Cox '11, who has been a recipient of the PwC Scholarship the last three years. After her first year at Bryant, the accounting concentrator served as a

counselor for PwCACLI. She says she is proud to participate in a program that helps allay some of the anxiety high school students might have about college.

"They get to see that college is within their reach," says Cox, who has interned the last two summers at PwC. "They learned that going to college will help them attain their goals and bridge the gap between dreaming and achieving."

Lookman Buky Folami, Ph.D., associate professor of accounting and director of PwCACLI, says the institute is beneficial for both the high school participants and the counselors. The Bryant students learn to appreciate the positive impact they can have on others, he says, while the high school participants gain an introductory



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- CRISTINE COX '11

knowledge of accounting, experience living on campus, and interact with members of the Bryant community and professionals in the accounting field.

"We hope the high school participants learn more about accounting and the many career opportunities that are available to them within the profession," says Folami. "At the same time, we want the counselors to use the opportunity to sharpen their interpersonal and leadership skills, as well as gain an increased appreciation of what it is like to be a role model."

### 'My responsibility to give back'

For Johnny Wells '10, his participation in the inaugural PwCACLI in 2005 was a springboard that ultimately led him to enroll at Bryant. While pursuing

his Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with a concentration in accounting, Wells served as a PwCACLI counselor for three years.

At the beginning of last year's institute, his final one as a counselor, he informed the five students in his group that the PwCACLI teams he'd counseled the previous two years had all placed in the top three. He wanted them to match that success. Pumped for the challenge, his group of high schoolers, many of whom were pondering business theories for the first time, confidently adopted the name "Better Than You."

Wells spent the next week, guiding them through the fundamentals of the accounting profession and preparing them for the final presentation—their analysis of a publicly traded company.

The group studied department store giant Macy's history, its auditor's report, and examined financial indicators such as the price-earnings ratio and dividends paid.

Living up to its name, the "Better Than You" team captured top honors as judged by a panel of PwC partners and Bryant professors.

One of the students in Wells' 2009 participant group had such a great experience he recently joined the Bryant community as a member of Bryant's Class of 2014.

"I appreciate everything that PwCACLI, as well as Bryant, has done for me," says Wells, who is enrolled in Bryant's Master of Professional Accountancy program. "I feel as though it is my responsibility to give back in an effort to help other students. It is gratifying to help students who are trying to improve their skill sets for the future."

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- JOHNNY WELLS '10

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### A TRADITION BEGINS: THE 2009 CHAMPIONS FOR PHILANTHROPY



Last year, the University launched a new tradition honoring "Champions for Philanthropy" at the Bryant Leadership Council Gala dinner, a signature event for those who donate \$1,000 or more

Those who were honored have given more than money to Bryant: they have contributed their time and their talents as well. This is certainly the case with Gordon and Ursula Riblet P'97, honored as Outstanding Parents 2009. They have been devoted ambassadors and gracious support-

ers of Bryant for more than 15 years, advancing the mission of the University through their roles as committed parent advocates. Their passion for philanthropy is a legacy the Riblets have passed on to their son, Marc Riblet '97, who supports Bryant as well.

Outstanding Alumnus 2009 honoree John H. Joyce '53 has demonstrated generous leadership support of Bryant through the years. He has never forgotten the scholarship he received as a student and its impact on his future successes as an accountant, a tax auditor, and later as the founder and operator of his own businesses in New York and New Jersey. Joyce established a charitable gift annuity with Bryant that will endow a scholarship to benefit accounting or finance students with significant financial need, giving opportunities to students, like Joyce, who otherwise may not be able to pursue their passions at Bryant.

Bryant's longtime friend and neighbor Fidelity Investments was honored as Outstanding Friend of the University for its many contributions in the areas of student involvement, educational initiatives, leadership, and philanthropic support. Since Fidelity moved across the street from the University, the firm has sponsored countless events and campus programs. The company has also enriched Bryant's curriculum and student organizations by providing notable speakers. All these efforts have helped to ensure that Bryant graduates are well prepared to take on critical roles in financial fields.

The 2010 Champions for Philanthropy were recently honored at the Bryant Leadership Council Gala on Friday, October 8. Visit www.bryant.edu/ giving to bryant to read the citations for this year's honorees.

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### THE BRYANT LEADERSH

### PRESERVING A GATEWAY TO SUCCESS



As operating partner and sector strategist at Strategas Research Partners in New York City, **Nicholas Bohnsack '00** has diverse responsibilities. From research and advisory work across various economic sectors to daily operations of the firm, he wears a lot of hats as one of three partners in this small strategy, research, and advising company.

"Starting our own firm has been, as you can imagine, both rewarding and challenging,"

he says. "But the flexibility I have to pursue any project that will benefit the business is appealing, and Bryant's focus on entrepreneurial thinking provided me the foundation to do this." Bohnsack stays involved with Bryant in numerous ways, including serving on the advisory board for the Archway Investment Fund, which allows students to gain invaluable experience by investing in the stock market.

David Louton, professor and chair of the Department of Finance, nominated Bohnsack for the Young Alumni Leadership Award, which he received in April 2010. "Many alumni wait decades before reconnecting with their alma mater, but in a very real sense, Nick never completely left us," says Louton. "As a member of the Archway Investment Fund Advisory Board, he has shared the ownership of the planning process for the annual Financial Services Forum and is committed to making it a positive learning experience for students and professionals alike."

Bohnsack credits luck and the wise people around him for much of his success. "I've partnered well – in marriage; in business," he says. "At the heart of prosperity is knowing that you can't do everything yourself. You must put yourself in a position to capitalize on opportunities as they present themselves."

Because he appreciates that the opportunities afforded him through his education and that close relationships he formed with his former professors were a gateway to his career achievements, Bohnsack donates generously to the Bryant Financial Services Forum. "Nick's influence as a role model for Bryant students is immeasurable," says Louton. "He is young enough for them to imagine themselves in his place, and done well enough to really give them something to aspire to. That is a powerful combination."

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### IP COUNCIL 2009-2010

### **1863 SOCIETY MEMBERS**

The 1863 Society recognizes those individuals who name Bryant in their will or trust, or through a life income plan. Through their generosity, the 1863 Society members create a wonderful and enduring legacy at Bryant.

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### INVESTING IN BRYANT – THE 1863 SOCIETY



When **Robert L. G. Batchelor '56** and his wife, Ruth, sat down to plan their estate shortly after he retired in 2001, they knew that Bryant would be included. "I always told people that I enjoyed a successful 45-year career in public accounting because of Bryant," says Batchelor. "I wanted to ensure a permanent give-back on the basis that my education was very good to me."

The more than 100 members of The 1863 Society who have named Bryant in their estate plan have that in common —the desire to share

their good fortune and leave a legacy gift to the University. Formed in 1999, The 1863 Society, named for the year Bryant was founded, recognizes individuals who remember Bryant with a bequest or life income plan, such as a charitable gift annuity or charitable remainder trust.

Batchelor's estate plan provides for a generous gift to Bryant. He and his wife also sponsor an annual scholarship to help relieve some of the financial burden current students may experience. "I hope that we can assist future alumni in achieving their career goals—the same way I was able to," he says.

Mrs. Hope C. Talbot, widow of **Roland P. Talbot '39**, also sponsors student scholarships each year by way of a fund the Talbots set up through the Rhode Island Foundation. Although Mrs. Talbot is not an alumna, she remains involved in her husband's Bryant scholarship designation and often meets the student recipients. "I've met quite a few students over the years," she says. "They are always very appreciative of the assistance they get."

The generosity of Bryant's alumni and friends helps the University remain one of the nation's premier educational institutions. If you are interested in including Bryant in your estate plan or have already named the University in your will or trust, please contact Kim Butler, associate director of Planned Giving, at kbutler5@bryant.edu or (401) 232-6251.

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- ROBERT L. G. BATCHELOR '56

### THE BRYANT LEADERSH

### The Parents Council sets new record in 2009-2010, raising \$104,314

### PARENTS COUNCIL: SHARING THE JOURNEY



From lugging boxes and crates on Move-in Day to cheering as students pass through the Archway at Commencement, families of Bryant students are there to support their sons and daughters through their distinctive college experience. To fully share in the journey, many families choose to participate in The Parents Fund for Bryant, a part of the University's annual giving program with contributions designated for the Douglas and Judith Krupp Library Fund.

Daniel P. and Jeannine Lenehan P'13, parents of Sean M., are members of the Parents Council. They believe that in order to build programs, facilities, and have a strong pool of well-qualified applicants for admission, parents need to make a commitment to invest in Bryant. "Our investment has wonderful, long-reaching effects," they say. "We want employers from all around the country to instantly recognize the Bryant name and associate it with the best of the best academic institutions. Bryant cannot do this without our support and the support of other parents."

The Lenehans also appreciate the opportunity to attend special events, and to meet and talk to board members, investors, and the greater Bryant community: "We are very 'tuned in' to the opportunities that are available for our son and, when he is home, this makes for wonderful, fun, and robust conversations at the dinner table. That, in and of itself, is priceless."

Jeff and Susan Lagarce P'11, who joined the Parents Council during their son Tim's freshman year, agree that it is great way to remain connected to the college experience. "Through involvement in this council, parents are able to participate in a most meaningful way," they say. "We feel strongly that the funds raised through the Parents Fund are a key investment in the future of Bryant University."

Money raised by families like the Lenehans and the Legarces has an immediate impact on the life of students. Through the Douglas and Judith Krupp Library Fund, the University has the means to provide a learning environment that merges traditional library services with cuttingedge resources and Web based interfaces and technology.

For Information about the Bryant Parents Council, please contact Susan Detri-Souve at (401) 232-6173 or sdetri@bryant.edu, or visit www.bryant.edu/bryantfund.

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- DANIEL P. AND JEANNINE LENEHAN P'13

### **PARENTS COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Parents who make annual gifts of \$1,000 or more are members of the Parents Council, and play an integral role in strengthening Bryant's reputation through philanthropic support, admission outreach, and special event participation.

#### **Chairman's Society** \$50,000-99,999

\*Mr. and Mrs. Lars Bergquist

### **President's Society** \$10,000-24,999

Mr. and Mrs. William Pappas

### **Dean's Society** \$5,000-9,999

Dr. Elaine Notarantonio and Mr. Ralph Charello

\*Mr. and Mrs. Bruce L. Schindler

### **University Society** \$1,000-4,999

- Dr. and Mrs. Stanley Baran \* Mrs. Elizabeth Bodell
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- \*Mr. and Mrs. David A. Caron
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### P COUNCIL 2009-2010

### CORPORATIONS/FOUNDATIONS

The support of corporations and foundations plays a vital role in many of the University's programs and projects, and has increased Bryant's national prominence. We are grateful for these sustained partnerships and the continued support of Bryant's core mission.

#### **Founder's Society** \$100.00+

Anonymous (1) Coca-Cola Enterprises, Inc. Edna B. Kilcup Trust Mary P. Oenslager Fund, NYCT Office of Chinese Language Council International (Hanban) Schwab Charitable Fund The Champlin Foundations

#### **Chairman's Society** \$50,000-99,999

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Amica Insurance Company Fidelity Investments Fred M. Roddy Foundation, Inc. Jutras Woodworking, Inc. Riblet Foundation Trust Stepan Charitable Foundation

#### **President's Society** \$10,000-24,999

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### **Dean's Society** \$5,000-9,999 Barclays Capital, Inc.

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Grade A Markets, Inc. Granoff Family Foundation Hamel & McAlister Inc. HB Communications, Inc. Hinckley, Allen, & Synder, LLP J.R. Group, Inc. KPMG Foundation Lerner, Ladds & Bartels, Inc. National Grid Service Co., USA Navigant Credit Union RI Economic Development Corporation Royal Bank of Scotland Group, LLC Sensata Technologies Smith Barney Charitable Trust

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### **University Society** \$1,000-4,999

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### **FY 2010**

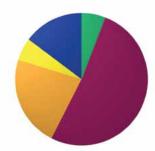
### Distribution of Support



■ The Bryant Fund	\$1,545,153
Designated Program Support	\$916,296
Facilities	\$493,973
Library and Scholarship Endowment	\$341,935
Gifts-in-kind	\$110,149

#### **FY 2010**

### Giving by **Constituency**



■ Alumni	3,700
Parents	1,593
Friends and Other	1,041
■ Corporations/Foundations	437
Students	400

## SPOTLIGHT ON: FACULTY

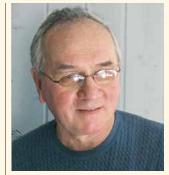
Bryant faculty bring real-world expertise to the classroom, challenging students to discover their passions — and a great deal about themselves.

### MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP TO HONOR MARKETING PROFESSOR

Beginning in 2002, **Joseph A. Ouellette** could be found sharing his 40-plus years of experience with future marketing professionals as an adjunct professor at Bryant. He brought real-world knowledge into the classroom and was an inspiration to those he taught.

On May 12, 2010, Ouellette died at age 73. He is survived by his wife of 21 years, Demetra (Courtsunis) Ouellette; a daughter; and four sons.

He spent a lifetime committed to higher education. After serving as a submariner with the United States Navy from 1954 to 1958, Ouellette earned a B.A. from the University of Maryland and an M.A. in English Literature from American University. While working for IBM as a leader in new product development and international marketing, he taught at Northeastern University in Boston. He continued his marketing career



Joseph A. Ouellette

with Digital Equipment Corp., and later Hewlett-Packard, for several years prior to accepting a professorship with Bryant.

To honor his memory, the Department of Marketing at Bryant and Ouellette's family have established a scholarship fund in his name. The Joseph A. Ouellette Memorial Scholarship, which will be awarded this fall for the first time, helps support a Bryant student pursuing a degree in marketing. Donations to the fund can be made by contacting the Office of Development at (877) 353-5667 or (401) 232-6250.

### CORRECTION

In the last issue of Bryant, Professor of Accounting Kathy Simons' and Professor of Mathematics Robert Muksian's names were misspelled. We also should have noted that Assistant Professor of Marketing Sukki Yoon had several papers accepted for publication in academic journals based on his research. Professor Elizabeth Yobaccio holds a D.B.A. In "A Teachable Moment," her degree was listed incorrectly. In the Campus section, the name of New England Institute of Technology president Richard Gouse was incorrect.



Edinaldo Tebaldi, Ph.D., is an assistant professor of economics in the College of Arts and Sciences.

### PBN NAMES TEBALDI TO "40 UNDER 40" LIST

Whether he is presenting objective economic analyses and forecasts to the Rhode Island General Assembly or to members of the New England Economic Partnership (NEEP), convening a forum where Rhode Islanders who have a stake in jump-starting the state's troubled economy can brainstorm, or mentoring a Bryant University economics major, **Edinaldo Tebaldi** is guided by a desire to help people and organizations make smart, informed decisions.

For his efforts, Tebaldi, an assistant professor of economics in the College of Arts and Sciences at Bryant, was recently named to the *Providence Business News* (*PBN*) "40 Under Forty" class of 2010. The winners were selected based on career success and community involvement. "All are young professionals who have made a commitment to making a difference on a local, national, or international scale," the newspaper reported.

Tebaldi also is the recipient of eight awards for teaching and/or research excellence. He is the author or co-author of 16 research papers published by some of the world's most respected scholarly journals.

The world outside of higher education recognizes Tebaldi's work as well. He is a former consultant with The World Bank, where he evaluated CrediAmigo, one of the largest microcredit programs in South America, and analyzed development in northeast Brazil. Since 2008, Tebaldi has served as Rhode Island forecast manager for NEEP, conducting economic analyses and forecasts for this regional organization. His findings have become an important resource for civic leaders, elected officials, and area media.

In fall of 2009, Tebaldi approached colleagues at Bryant with a proposal to convene interested Rhode Islanders for a day of thoughtful and informed discussion and brainstorming. The proposal grew into "The Rhode Island Economy: Beyond the Problems to the Solutions," which drew nearly 200 researchers, opinion leaders, elected officials, and other policy makers to campus in early March. To view various Webcasts from this event, or to download a white paper based on the ideas that came out of the forum, visit www.bryant.edu/RIeconomics.

#### **FACULTY NEWSMAKERS**

National and local media often call on Bryant's expert faculty to comment on the news of the day. Here are a few recent examples of University professors sharing their expertise:

A Rhode Island company that manufactures industrial vibrators for the construction and manufacturing industries has made itself memorable, Professor of Marketing **Keith Murray** tells *The Providence Journal*. "The best strategy in a competitive marketplace is to break from the pack," says Murray. "They've taken something risqué and made clean fun of it. I'm going to remember these guys."

Finance Professor **Peter Nigro** offered the *Christian Science Monitor* his perspective on the financial reform debate taking place in Congress in an article that appeared in newspapers and on news Web sites across the country.

Nigro's comments also appeared in a *Providence Business News* (*PBN*) article about new rules regarding overdraft protection. In it he says that he expects banks to "do anything to encourage

customers to sign up" for such protection. He added that "the absence of overdraft protection could force people to learn the importance of budgeting and living within their means."

Another *PBN* article reported The Downtown Improvement District's expenditure of about \$60,000 to enhance the landscape of downtown Providence, RI. Do such initiatives bring in customers? Yes, Professor of Marketing **Elaine Notarantonio** tells the newspaper. Such improvements, she says, "create a welcoming atmosphere where people will come to spend time and money."

Commenting on what the BP oil spill disaster can teach finance executives, Trustee Professor of Management **Michael A. Roberto** tells CFO.com that "when red flags appear, there is a powerful human tendency to discount the risk, particularly if we're not sure we have a solution." CFOs, he says, typically have "a more independent view of the business than most other executives" and can offer an "objective second set of eyes."

According to the *Christian*Science Monitor, in the year since

### **BRYANT WELCOMES NEW FACULTY**

Bryant appointed six faculty members to positions this fall. They join the 40 percent of the University's tenured and tenure track faculty who have been welcomed to Bryant within the last five years.

**Christopher D. Briggs**, Lecturer, Economics; Ph.D., University of Connecticut

Mara Derderian, Lecturer, Finance; MBA, Bentley University

José-Marie Griffiths, University Professor; Ph.D., University College London

Sandra Potter, Lecturer, Marketing; Ph.D., Fielding Graduate University

**Christopher W. Reid**, Assistant Professor, Science and Technology; Ph.D., University of Guelph

Michael E. Salzillo, Lecturer, Mathematics

Learn more about these talented scholars and mentors at www.bryant.edu/newfaculty2010.

Michael Jackson's death due to a prescription drug overdose, very little has been done to change the rules and regulations governing such drugs. Legal analyst **Ron Washburn**, who teaches legal studies in Bryant's Department of History and Social Sciences, was interviewed for the article

and notes that, "More and more instances are arising where an individual can see multiple doctors and get multiple prescriptions to either use or sell."

To stay up to date on Bryant faculty in the news, visit <a href="https://www.bryant.edu/newsroom">www.bryant.edu/newsroom</a> and join the Bryant RSS feed.



Keith Murray, Ph.D.



Peter Nigro, Ph.D.



Elaine Notarantonio, Ph.D.



Michael A. Roberto, DBA



Ron Washburn, J.D.

## SPOTLIGHT ON: CAMPUS

World-class technology and facilities, stunning architecture, and purposefully designed events and activities create a campus environment like no other.

### INTERFAITH CENTER NAMED TO HONOR PRESIDENT MACHTLEY AND WIFE, KATI

On October 8, the Bryant Board of Trustees honored President **Ronald K. Machtley** and his wife, **Kati**, by dedicating Bryant's award-winning Interfaith Center in their name.

"Naming a building for a sitting president and his wife is not a traditional step for a university to take," said Thomas A. Taylor '63, former chairman of Bryant's Board of Trustees and currently an active honorary trustee. Often universities will wait until after a president has departed, but Taylor says the board was unanimous in wanting to recognize Ron and Kati's distinguished service at this time: "They have accomplished so much in advancing Bryant during their fourteen years of leadership. We felt that naming Bryant's stunning Interfaith Center in their honor was especially in keeping with their faith and character."

"Placing Ron and Kati Machtley's names on the Interfaith Center, a landmark nondenominational spiritual facility, serves as an enduring tribute to the pivotal contributions they have made to



President Ronald K. and Kati Machtley

Bryant," said **Michael E. Fisher '67**, chairman of the University's Board of Trustees.

Fisher notes that the Machtleys' guidance has dramatically transformed the Bryant campus with the addition of the George E. Bello Center for Information and Technology, the Elizabeth and Malcolm Chace Wellness and Athletic Center, and the Interfaith Center—an arc of buildings that symbolize the education of the whole person in mind, body, and spirit. "This dedication recognizes nearly 15 years of leadership and the Board's anticipation of their continued service," he says.

Designed by the internationallyrenown architectural firm Gwathmey Siegal & Associates, which also designed the Bello Center, the 10,000-square-foot Machtley Interfaith Center provides the University and its visitors a place of worship, reflection, and gathering.

The Center's design was recognized with a 2010 Honor Design Award from *Faith & Form* magazine/The Interfaith Forum on Religion, Art and Architecture.

For its use of sustainable materials, the project received a Building of America Award from *Construction Communications* magazine.

### In memory of Joan Jutras

In addition to Gwathmey Siegal & Associates, the construction was completed with the help of Jutras Woodworking. Before the completion of the project, **Joan Jutras**, mother to the three brothers who own Jutras Woodworking and two daughters, fell ill and passed away. In her memory, the company donated all of the free-standing woodwork in the Interfaith Center, including the exquisite radius doors and wood panels in the building's chapel and meditation rooms.

"My mother was a very religious person. Her faith and her family were everything to her," says **Paul Jutras**, co-owner of Jutras Woodworking. "To us it felt like a very appropriate way to honor the memory of a wonderful woman."

In recognition of their donation, a plaque in memory of Joan Jutras can be found in the Interfaith Center vestibule.



 $The \ Ronald \ K. \ and \ Kati \ C. \ Machtley \ Interfaith \ Center \ was \ designed \ by \ Gwathmey \ Siegal \ \& \ Associates.$ 



Bryant's collegiate Dragon Dance Team celebrates Chinese New Year.

### U.S.-CHINA INSTITUTE HOSTS FALL EVENTS

Established in March 2005, the U.S.-China Institute provides students and faculty with broad global perspectives and experiences, and offers China-related services and events to businesses and the local community. Some of the events include:

### The Bryant Moon Festival

This year's Bryant Moon Festival featured an art troupe from a northern province of Inner Mongolia. The artists performed music and dance of Mongolian heritage such as Changdiao and



Dancer from Mongolian art troupe

Humaj, accompanied by a string instrument native to that province. An exhibit featuring the people and life of the Chinese grassland was also on display.

### **China Seminar Series**

The U.S.-China Institute will again offer a seminar series this fall. The speakers include a historian, business journalist, Chinese comedian, and an environmental scientist. The seminars are free and open to students, faculty, staff, and the general public.

### **Chinese for Business Professionals**

A Chinese for Business Professionals class will be offered again for 10 weeks in Smithfield, RI, and Providence. Please contact Denise Schwerin at (401)232-6884 for further information.

### Golden Jasmine Chinese Film Festival

Monthly screenings, featuring original Chinese films by the new generation of Chinese film makers, will introduce authentic Chinese culture, society, and people to American audiences.

For more information or to register for an event or program, visit www.bryant.edu/uschina.

### ANNUAL CAMPUS CAMPAIGN SUPPORTS SCHOLARSHIPS

One of the ways Bryant stands out from other schools is the strong sense of community throughout the University. From faculty to support staff to administration to public safety, everyone on campus has the same goal —to help students achieve their educational dreams. Bryant's annual Campus Campaign allows members of the University community to directly impact students whose families are facing financial challenges.

The Campus Campaign for the 2009-2010 academic year raised \$83,967.56 with 272 donors and 44 percent participation—a powerful statement by members of the Bryant community.

Students like **Daniel Abad '12** (Merrimack, NH) and his family understand firsthand the rising cost of higher education. Through the support of a Campus Campaign scholarship, which is funded solely by faculty and staff donations, Abad is able to focus on his studies instead of worrying how to make ends meet.

"It is nice to tell my dad that I was awarded this scholarship that is supported by the Bryant community," says Abad. "Not only is this University giving me a great education, but it is also generously supporting me financially. It truly makes a difference."

President Ronald K. Machtley lauds this year's donors for making a commitment in the face of turbulent economic times. "Their generosity is going directly to people who are wonderful ambassadors for Bryant, ensuring students have the financial resources to continue their education," he says. "We are raising money to help wonderful, academically superlative students."

### NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION AWARDS BRYANT \$534.000 GRANT

The National Science Foundation (NSF) has awarded to Bryant a five-year \$534,000 grant to support research on the effect of climate change on marine life in Narragansett Bay. It is the largest award for sponsored research ever received by Bryant.

"With the recent expansion of Bryant's laboratories, the interest in our environmental science program, and the addition of the biology major, this grant comes at a most opportune time," said Vice President for Academic Affairs José-Marie Griffiths.

Dan McNally, associate professor of environmental science and project director for the grant, agreed. "The grant is huge for Bryant," he said. "It enables us to add key pieces of highly specialized analytical equipment that are necessary for ongoing faculty research. In addition, our environmental science and biology majors will have access to the same kind of equipment they will use in graduate programs and throughout their careers."

McNally, along with faculty colleague **Julia Crowley-Parmentier**, Professor **Gaytha A. Langlois**, and their students frequently travel to Prudence Island to research the effects of climate change on the coastal ecosystem. Their research will benefit immediately from the grant.

The award is Bryant's share of a \$20-million grant made by the NSF through EPSCoR-Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research and supports the work of nine Rhode Island institutions.

### AROUND AND ABOUT BRANT

### SPOTLIGHT ON: CAMPUS (CONTINUED)

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

This year, Bryant welcomed four members to the Bryant Board of Trustees. Each trustee will serve a three-year term and is eligible for two additional terms.

### Chris W. Bodine

Bodine is the former President-Health Care Services of CVS Caremark Corporation, retiring from his post in 2008 after serving the company in various executive roles for 24 years. Prior to joining CVS, Bodine held several operational positions at J.C. Penney. During his 36-year career in retail and healthcare, Bodine was recognized as an industry leader. In 2005 Mass Market Retailers magazine named him as a "Top Retail Merchandiser," and Drug Store News chose him as one of "Five People Who Make a Difference" in retail.

In addition, Bodine is active with the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation and the American Heart Association, and he is a member of the board of Bishop Hendricken High School, Warwick, RI.

### Todd G. Carey '00 MBA

Carey is a Vice President for J.P. Morgan Private Bank in Boston, which he joined in 2008 after serving as a principal at the venture capital firm Battery Ventures in Waltham, MA. He also spent five years as an investment representative with Lehman Brothers in Boston. Before beginning his finance career, Carey was a professional baseball player, spending time with the Pawtucket Red Sox and the Norfolk Tides, farm teams for the Boston Red Sox and the New York Mets, respectively.

No stranger to campus, Carey supports the Bryant University Archway Investment Fund; works closely with professors **David Greenan** and **Kenneth Sousa**, and their students; and has been a guest speaker at events sponsored by Bryant's Finance Association and the Honors Program.

### Christina Shaw '10

Shaw graduated from Bryant in May with many accomplishments. She was recognized with the Benjamin Banneker Academic Excellence Award, a prestigious honor given to a student with a GPA of 3.5 or better.



Christina Shaw '10 (left), the Recent Alumni Trustee on the Bryant Board of Trustees, with Shontay Delalue King, director of the Intercultural Center.

At commencement, Shaw received the George J. Kelley Award, which is given to the graduate with the highest GPA. She was an Intercultural Center student assistant, Beta Gamma Sigma vice president, Senior Advisory Council member, Development and Alumni Relations intern, to name just a few of her activities. Her hard work in the classroom and in the Bryant community left quite an impression. In May, Shaw was appointed as the Recent Alumni Trustee on the Bryant Board of Trustees.

Shaw, who earned a degree in management, is now a project

analyst for the Multicultural Sales & Service Team at MetLife Auto & Home in Warwick, RI.

### George A. Vecchione '06H

President and CEO of Lifespan since 1998, a New England health care system with four hospitals in Rhode Island—Rhode Island Hospital, The Miriam Hospital, Emma Pendleton Bradley Hospital, and Newport Hospital —Vecchione began his career in health care as the assistant director of finance at Mount Sinai Medical Center in New York and held executive positions at The New Rochelle Hospital Medical Center and New York Presbyterian Hospital and Health System in Manhattan. Among Vecchione's honors and awards, he received the Regent Award from the American College of Healthcare Executives in 2004 and a Lifetime Achievement Award from Quality Partners of RI in 2008. In addition, he was recognized as United Way's Man of the Year. In 2006, he received an honorary degree from Bryant.



Chris W. Bodine



Todd G. Carey '00 MBA



George A. Vecchione '06H

### **ACADEMIC PROGRAMS GROW**

Bryant offers more than 80 areas of study to students in the College of Arts and Sciences and the College of Business. The array of programs provides students with an understanding of the latest theories and the opportunity to apply them through engaged learning. For the 2010-2011 academic year, Bryant has added the following degree options:

### **Biology Major**

The Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Biology offered by the College of Arts and Sciences provides students with a basic understanding of the breadth of the biological sciences, the development of hands-on laboratory skills, and opportunities for a structured laboratory or field research project. The new program is designed to meet the science requirements for admission to medical, dental, and other professional schools specializing in the health and biomedical sciences, as well as preparing students for positions in a variety of professional research-oriented, biological specialties.

### BSIB Concentrations in Entrepreneurship, Accounting

Bryant's Bachelor of Science in International Business (BSIB) program is one of the few in the country that offers concentrations in business functions. As a result, students have both broad exposure to international business, as well as a depth of understanding of a particular field of business. This year, the College of Business added entrepreneurship and accounting to the concentration offerings for the BSIB degree, expanding opportunities for



Students work with faculty to develop laboratory skills in the biological sciences.

graduates from this distinctive program. (The other BSIB concentrations are computer information systems, finance, management, and marketing.)

### Concentration in Human Resource Management

Human resource managers have the unique responsibility of engaging a talented work force for the success of a business, whether small or large, corporate or nonprofit. This new Bachelor of Science in Business Administration concentration in Human Resource Management, offered by the College of Business, will prepare graduates to identify staffing needs, recruit and train the best employees or independent contractors across the globe to fill these needs, and maintain high performance and job satisfaction within the work force.

There were also a number of new minors and other areas of study added to the curriculum this fall, including a **Film Studies Minor**. For a full list of Bryant's areas of study, visit www.bryant.edu/areasofstudy.

### LULLI JOINS NATIONAL HR BOARD

**Linda Lulli**, associate vice president for human resources at Bryant, began a three-year term



on July 1 as a member of the board of directors of the College and University Professional Association for

Human Resources (CUPA-HR). The organization provides global leadership to more than 12,000 higher education HR professionals at nearly 1,700 institutions.

Lulli brings 23 years of volunteer leadership and human resources management experience to her new role. She has been active in CUPA-HR's Eastern Region, serving on the board for 12 years in various capacities. She also served as chair of the association's conference program committee in 2009 and currently serves on the legislative issues committee. Lulli has also presented at several CUPA-HR chapter, regional, and national conferences.



### STARTUP WEEKEND AT BRYANT

This fall, would-be business owners and entrepreneurs gathered at Bryant for Startup Weekend, a forum for entrepreneurs committed to bringing budding business ideas to life.

The event was led by Marc Nager, founder of Startup Weekend, and sponsored and hosted by Bryant University. **Cary Collins**, trustee professor of

Cary Collins, trustee professor of entrepreneurship, and the entrepreneurship program at Bryant, were integral in bringing this program to the region. Additional sponsors for the event included Brown University, Johnson & Wales University, Providence College, Rhode Island School of Design, and the University of Rhode Island.

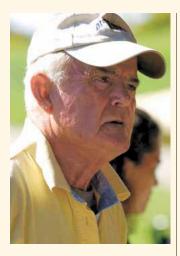
The inaugural New England Startup Weekend was held at Bryant, October 15-17. Entrepreneurs attended the 54-hour event to build their nascent companies and projects. Guest entrepreneurs and business speakers were videoconferenced into the George E. Bello Center's Stepan Grand Hall at various points throughout the weekend.

New England Startup Weekend is part of a national program begun in 2007 that has grown into a series of "entrepreneurial ecosystems" held across 25 countries. More than 115 Startup Weekends have helped to launch 550-plus new ventures. And, according to the organization's Web site, 36 percent of the startups launched at the events are still alive after three months.

For more information visit www.StartupWeekend.org.

## SPOTLIGHT ON: ATHLETICS

Today's teams, athletes, and coaches continue a tradition of athletic excellence as the Bulldogs enter their third year competing at the Division I level.



### GOLF COACH ARCHIE BOULET HONORED

Since 1964, Bryant has dominated the New England Division II golf scene, and more recently has made a name for itself in Division I. For all of those years **Arthur** "Archie" Boulet has led the team as coach. With former and current players in attendance, the long-time coach was honored with a tribute at this year's President's Cup Golf Tournament reception at the Newport Country Club.

As Athletic Director **Bill Smith** said in his speech honoring Boulet at the event, the Bryant golf team has had a storied history marked by impressive accomplishments. In addition to 31 NCAA tournament appearances, Boulet's teams have won 10 national top-20 Division II

finishes, 11 New England Division II titles, an ECAC all-division title, and four New England all-divisions titles.

Among his players, Boulet counts 23 Division II All-Americans and seven New England Players of the Year, as well as 24 players who became either head pros or assistant pros at golf courses across the nation. Even more impressive is Bryant's dominance of the Northeast-10 Conference: Since the conference began sponsoring a men's golf championship in 1981, Bryant has captured the Northeast-10 Conference title 20 out of a possible 26 times.

Boulet has won many individual coaching honors, including NE-10 Conference "Coach of the Year" honors 18 times and recognition at both state and New England levels. He is a charter member of the Bryant Athletics Hall of Fame, and was named the Words Unlimited Coach of the Year in 1991 by Rhode Island's sportswriters—the only recipient of that award associated with golf.

These accomplishments continue as the golf team has begun to compete at the Division I level. The 2008-09 season saw the Bulldogs take the New England Championships as a Division I program in its first year. This past season, senior **Jason Thresher** took the overall individual title

### PRESSLER LEADS TEAM USA LACROSSE TO VICTORY



After nearly two weeks of grueling competition at the FIL World Championships in Manchester, England, Team USA walked away with the gold. Led by Bryant head lacrosse coach **Mike Pressler**, the U.S. won the championship match with a 12-10 victory over Team Canada.

Pressler wasn't the only participant with Bryant ties in the championship. He was joined on the field by former Bulldog assistant coach **Matt Zash**, who scored four goals in the Championship game. Former Bryant captain **Zack Greer '09MBA** finished as the leading scorer for silver medalist Team Canada. And **Evan Roberts '11** played in the tourney for Team England because of his dual citizenship.

For more about Bryant lacrosse, visit www.bryantbulldogs.com.

at the tournament, the first of three wins on the season, before being named Bryant's first-ever Northeast Conference Player of the Year.

"As a coach, Archie's impact on the athletic program at Bryant can surely be gauged by all the trophies the team has garnered," Smith said. "But trophies and awards can't measure that for nearly half a century, Archie Boulet has changed the lives of countless Bryant students. His efforts have been—and continue to be—a labor of love."

Boulet begins his 47th year as golf coach this fall as the Bulldogs enter their third year of a four-year transition to full Division I membership.



Check out Bryant
Bulldogs fall sports
schedules at www.
bryantbulldogs.com



## LAX PLAYER HEADS TO THE MAJORS

After one of the most impressive careers in Bryant men's lacrosse history, MBA student and 2010 captain **Andrew Hennessey '09, '10MBA** (Wading River, NY) will be a rookie once again. This time, he will be playing as a professional, selected by the Denver Outlaws,

the 11th overall pick in the 2010 Major League Lacrosse (MLL) draft. A second-round choice and third overall pick for the Outlaws, Hennessey, a faceoff specialist, fills a big hole for Denver.

"I am certainly not surprised about Andrew's success at the faceoff X over the last four years at both the Division II and Division I levels, and without question, Andrew will again be dominant at his position at the professional level," said Bryant University and Team USA head lacrosse coach Mike Pressler.

Capping an extraordinary career in 2010, Hennessey left Smithfield, RI, as the program's all-time leader in faceoff winning percentage with a .684 success rate (824-of-1204) after leading the Division I ranks in the category each of the last two seasons. He owns four of the

top-5 spots in the Bulldog record books for single-season faceoff winning percentage, and ranks second in Bryant men's lacrosse history with 345 career ground balls and a pair of 100-plus ground ball seasons.

Hennessey's selection marks the Bryant lacrosse program's second-consecutive year with a MLL draftee, after 2009 captain Zack Greer '09 MBA was selected third overall by the Long Island Lizards. Hennessey also becomes the sixth Bryant athlete to be drafted into the professional ranks of his respective sport, joining Greer and a quartet of baseball players (Pat McKenna, 2009, Detroit Tigers; Doug Johnson, 2002, Colorado Rockies; Glenn Tatro, 1991, Baltimore Orioles; and Keith MacWhorter, 1976, Los Angeles Dodgers).

#### BRYANT TRACK COACH COMPETES AT EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS



Men's and Women's Cross Country/Track & Field Coach **Stephanie Reilly** recently represented Ireland at the European Athletics Championships in Barcelona, Spain, where she competed in the 3,000-meter steeplechase. A three-time Irish National Champion and former collegiate stand-out at Providence College, Reilly ran an excellent race, finishing 10th in her heat at the championships.

#### A WINNING TEAM: JEFFREY DOPPELT '73 AND THE BLACK & GOLD

Bryant's transition to Division I means that the Bulldogs are often on the road, traveling around the country to meet top-ranked opponents. Although being the home team has its advantages, playing away gives far-flung alumni a chance to catch a Bryant game close to their homes.

This is the case for Jeffrey
Doppelt '73. A varsity baseball
player when he was at Bryant,
Doppelt relishes the chance to get
out and see a game near his home
on Long Island. Last season he
caught the Bryant-St. John's
basketball matchup and lauds the
Bulldogs baseball team as "the best

team that no one has ever heard of"—though he notes that after a win against Virginia Tech and a close game vs. West Virginia, the secret may be getting out.

"It is a thrill for me to live vicariously through today's Bryant teams," Doppelt says. "Moving to Division I is a huge step for Bryant. It is great to see how far the athletic program has come."

To support the sports initiatives at his alma mater, Doppelt, a Vice President-Investments/Financial Advisor at Merrill Lynch in New York, became a member of the Black & Gold Club and donates generously to the University's athletic programs.

Black & Gold funding enhances every aspect of Bryant sports and, in recent years, contributions like Doppelt's have touched the lives of the 500-plus students involved in 22 varsity athletic programs each year. The Black & Gold Club also supports resources such as the NCAA CHAMPS/Life Skills initiative, a strength-training and conditioning coach, facility improvements, as well as opportunities for preseason and tournament play.

"I want to do what I can," says Doppelt. "It is a real high to relive my experiences and help a new generation of players."



# SPOTLIGHT ON: STUDENTS

A student-centered culture and purposeful academic and co-curricular programs prepare graduates to make a difference throughout their lives.

#### **WELCOME CLASS OF 2014**



On Labor Day weekend, the Bryant community welcomed the Class of 2014 to campus. Here are some facts about the University's newest students:

Total students: 850 Multicultural: 14 percent
Resident students: 823 Average SAT scores: 1135
Men: 60 percent Average GPA: 3.34
Women: 40 percent Class rank: top 24 percent

The new class is made up of 10 percent international students and includes students with some pretty interesting histories.

- The non-U.S. country with the greatest number of students in the class is India with 16.
- A Kuwaiti student is sponsored by the Embassy of Kuwait's Cultural Mission.
- One student appeared in Pirates of the Caribbean and One Hour Photo.
- In sports, the basketball team will have its second Australian player and an "elite runner" from the United Kingdom is a member of the class.
- One student carried the Olympic torch at the Beijing Olympics.

## SENIORS NAME RI'S NEW TRANSPORTATION HUB

It is one thing to be praised for your ideas in the classroom, but it is quite another to have them become part of a state's infrastructure and likely last for generations. This is what happened for a group of Bryant seniors who recently helped the Rhode Island Airport Corporation (RIAC) name its new multi-modal transportation facility at T.F. Green Airport. RIAC reached out to students attending Rhode Island colleges and universities to assist in branding the facility.

The winning name, INTERLINK, was submitted by marketing majors from the Class of 2010 as part of a course taught by Jean **Murray**, a lecturer at the University. Seniors Justin Andrews (Spencer, MA), Jameson (Jack) Antonowicz (Sandwich, MA), Jacquelyn Parr (Marlborough, CT), Pat Sargent (Salem, MA), and Brittany Beckerman (West Hartford, CT), with help from Mara Chapin (Chicopee, MA) and Hillary Smith (Dracut, MA), chose the name because it "speaks to the action of what the intermodal does. The word Link acts as both a noun and a verb." The system will link travelers to different modes of transportation, including roadways, railways, and the airway.

Kevin Dillon, president and CEO of RIAC, says that Bryant students' efforts provided his company with a baseline to work from as it brands the new facility. "These talented Bryant University seniors researched the project and presented creative ideas for a name and tagline, but also went beyond the requirements and offered a logo and sample marketing recommendations," he says.

A prize of \$1,000 was awarded to Bryant's marketing department, and will be donated to the Professor Joseph Ouellette Scholarship Fund. RIAC took the Bryant proposal and worked with its creative agency, Providence, RI-based RDW Group, to create a final logo, tagline, and graphic treatment for the INTERLINK regional transportation hub. The students and Bryant University will be recognized at the formal INTERLINK opening events this fall.



#### INTERNS IN THE CITY

Every summer, Bryant students venture out to explore their passions and gain practical experience at internships across the country and abroad. Here is a sample of students who hit the Big Apple for academic internships this summer:

An on-air contributor for Bryant TV's morning show, **Margot Becker '12** (Franklin Lakes, NJ) continued to learn about the television business as an intern for the makeover show "What Not To Wear" on TLC. She worked with stylists, shopped with the hosts, prepped sets for filming, helped "contributors" (women undergoing makeovers), and went "on set" to work with the crew as needed. Communications major

**Nick Bonadies '11** (Leonia, NJ) interned with Evins Communications Limited (ECL), a Madison Avenue-based public relations

and marketing company. In addition to media research and event execution, Bonadies helped Maker's Mark Bourbon, an ECL client, acquire media coverage for events and promotions in New York, Boston, and Atlanta.

Thomas Butler '11, who is studying both finance and management at Bryant, was a summer analyst for Goldman Sachs. He worked in the Financial Accounting Services Department on a number of different projects including an effort to reduce the firm's exposure and risk in regard to foreign exchange rates.

At UBS financial services, **Stephanie Del Mistro '11** (East
Williston, NJ) researched insurance annuities, generated
mutual fund proposals, and
gained hands-on expertise with
the company's financial planning software. "I am constantly
communicating with financial

advisers, asking questions, and trying to absorb everything that is thrown at me," she said.

#### Arielle Nicole Katz '11

(Marlborough, MA), the Class of 2011 co-chair was one of six event coordinators at Shiraz Events. "I have done everything from creating editorial production timelines for Shakira's fragrance launch to running a silent auction at the Stonewall Community Foundation awards show and dinner, to the event production for the Amazon.com Holiday 2010 product launch. I'm always busy!" she said.

Marketing major **Christopher McKay '11** (South Glastonbury,
CT) worked with the senior vice president of marketing for
Atlantic Records, where he helped handle the day-to-day activities of promotions and tours for artists such as Jay-Z, T.I.,
Ryan Star, and Wynter Gordon.

# DOID TO THE PARTY OF THE PARTY

President Ronald K. Machtley gives a high-five to Senior Class Gift co-chair Christopher Lussier '10 as he reports on fundraising progress.

#### **SENIOR CLASS GIFT TRADITION**

Pratik Parikh '10 (Garfield, NJ) talks enthusiastically when looking back at his four years at Bryant. During that time he served as a resident assistant, was inducted into Bryant's chapter of the national leadership honor society Omicron Delta Kappa, and was a member of the Multicultural Student Union —filling the role of president as a senior. His education at Bryant has led Parikh to pursue a Master's Degree in Governmental Accounting and, next January, begin working at PricewaterhouseCoopers.

He couldn't think of a better way to give back to Bryant than by taking part in the efforts of the Senior Class Gift Committee, which set out to raise money to establish an endowed scholarship. "I thought that by joining this committee, I would be able to make a positive impact on the students who will be attending Bryant in the future," he says.

Through the work of the committee and the generosity of the

members of the Class of 2010, nearly \$41,000 was raised for an endowed scholarship. The class also set a new participation rate record of 55 percent, which tops the record set by the Class of 2009.

Parikh is just one of the many students who have participated in the Senior Class Gift tradition at Bryant throughout the years. Since the 1960s, hundreds of students have started their commitment to give back to their alma mater before graduation. Gifts to the campus over the years include WJMF Radio Station (1979), lighting and benches along Alumni Walk (2001), and funds to renovate the Archway (2008).

As **Jessica Bolton '10** (Belgrade Lakes, ME) notes, the Senior Class Gift program helps establish a foundation that can be built on as students become alumni. "The generosity displayed by our classmates shows we are a strong class and that we will continue to give to Bryant and support future students," she says.

#### GRADUATE EMPLOYMENT SUCCESS



Over the past several years, Bryant graduates continue to demonstrate a competitive advantage in the marketplace. The Classes of 2007-2010, from both the College of Arts and Sciences and the College of Business, have enjoyed a stellar employment and graduate school placement rate despite the economic decline. More than 96% of graduates are employed or enrolled in graduate school within six months of Bryant Commencement.

## SPOTLIGHT ON: ALUMNI

With more than 40,000 alumni worldwide, Bryant graduates come together as a community to lead and support the University as it welcomes the next generation of students.



Planning committee co-chairs Stuart Brenner '64 and Tom Celona '69 present President Ronald K. Machtley with the 2010 President's Cup check.

### PRESIDENT'S CUP 2010: PRESIDENT'S SCHOLARSHIP

The economic climate has affected millions of families across the country, making the expense of college a challenge for many. The President's Scholarship Fund at Bryant works to alleviate some of the financial burden.

To support the Fund, Bryant hosts the President's Cup Golf Tournament every June. This year, the event drew 200 golfers and volunteers to Newport Country Club, and raised \$118,827 for Presidential Scholarships. In

total, the annual outing has raised \$518,000 since its inception.

David Olney '82, who has been involved with the tourney from the beginning, says the event is an easy way to raise funds for Bryant students while enjoying time with old friends. "I have enjoyed participating over the years in such a worthy cause," he says. "I can personally understand that students need aid through scholarships." Olney was able to attend Bryant through some assistance, and is now the senior partner and chief

investment officer at Berkshire Property Advisors in Boston, MA.

New this year, Olney and other golfers took advantage of a unique opportunity at Hole 1 on the course. As an additional fundraiser, they could "buy a drive" from members of the Bryant golf team (all of whom participated in a stellar season, see pg. 34), improving the scores of many foursomes. The event continued into the evening with a post-tournament reception, and silent and live auctions. More than 150 sponsors contributed

to the success of the tournament through auction and raffle prizes, cash sponsorships, and hole favors.

For the past five years, **Stuart Brenner '64** and **Tom Celona '69**have been invaluable to the success of the tourney by leading a committee of Bryant alumni and parents in planning the President's Cup. For information about next year's event, or to inquire about sponsorship, contact **John Garcia '02**, assistant director of annual giving, at (401) 232-6557 or jgarcia@bryant.edu.





The President's Cup Golf Tournament drew 200 golfers and volunteers to Newport Country Club.



## 30 YEARS OF CELEBRATING ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT

In 2011, Bryant will celebrate 30 years of recognizing alumni achievement. Nominations are now being accepted for the 2011 Alumni Achievement Awards, which will be celebrated on Bryant's campus Friday, March 25, 2011. Awards were first presented in 1981, and since that time, over 100 alumni have been recognized for their leadership in business, the community, and their service to Bryant.

For 2011, a new category recognizing outstanding achievement by a graduate school alumnus has been added to the undergraduate awards for Distinguished Alumnus, Young Alumni Leadership, the Nelson J. Gulski Service Award, and the Distinguished Faculty Award. Award criteria and nomination forms for the Alumni Achievement Awards can be found online at www.bryant.edu/alumni via the link for "Programs and Events." The deadline for nominations is December 1, 2010.

In addition to the awards ceremony, the winner of the inaugural Alumni New Venture Competition will be announced at the dinner. Alumni entrepreneurs and small business owners are invited to submit business plans by December 1, 2010, for the first annual Alumni New Venture Competition. Team presentations for the finalists will be held on Friday, March 25, prior to the Alumni Achievement Awards ceremony and dinner.

More information may be found at www.bryant.edu/alumni.

## BRYANT ALUMNI NAMED TO "40 UNDER FORTY" LISTS

Providence Business News recently named five members of the Bryant community to the 2010 class of "40 Under Forty" winners.

They are: Lelani S. Bonner '06, director of training & marketing, Rhode Island Small Business Development Center, dedicated to promoting entrepreneurship and strengthening small business in Rhode Island; Kevin M. Ricci '94, CISA, MIS, director, Lefkowitz, Garfinkel, Champi & DiRienzo P.C., a Providence-based regional accounting and business consulting firm; and David C. Sweet, a 2005 graduate of the Executive Development Center's Professional in







Kevin M. Ricci '94



David C. Sweet



Dan O'Brien '03

Human Resources Certification Program, and director of administration, Pannone Lopes Devereaux & West LLC, counselors at law. Economics Professor **Edinaldo Tebaldi** also made the *PBN* list (see page 28).

The awards, presented annually since 2005, honors 40 Rhode Islanders under the age of 40 who excel in their fields and in their communities. Nominated

by their peers/staff, the nominees are evaluated using three criteria: career accomplishments, professional expertise, and community and charitable involvement.

The Hartford Business Journal named **Dan O'Brien '03** one of its "40 Under Forty" 2010 winners. He is the founder of überdog, an award-winning dog daycare in West Hartford, CT.



## Class Reunion Giving

Your class reunion marks a time to reflect on your experience as a Bryant student, and to recognize the transformational role that experience has played in your life. Bryant's Offices of Alumni Relations and Development have launched a **Class Reunion Giving program** to support student scholarships, a key part of the reunion activities led by the Class Steering Committees.

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Class Notes is a great place to share news about professional and educational accomplishments and other special events in your life. Keep Bryant University informed of your latest endeavors by submitting information online through the Class Notes page at www.bryant.edu/alumni. You can also send an e-mail to alumni@bryant.edu or call (877) 353-5667.

#### 1947

**GEORGE SUTCLIFFE** of Greenville, RI, recently regaled the Johnston Historical Society with tales of his experiences as a fighter pilot during World War II, including one of the wildest air battles over Normandy. On June 14, 1944, "Sut" was returning to base when he realized 40 enemy aircraft were coming up fast on his squadron's tail. After 18 minutes of high-speed dives followed by tight spirals upwards, Sutcliffe, left behind by his comrades, tried to battle his way to the clouds against the odds. He was one of three pilots interviewed for an episode of Dogfights, a partly animated History Channel series. After the war, Sutcliffe went on to start an insurance firm and raise a family.

#### 1962

MIKE MEROLLA of Sandwich, MA, ran for a seat on the Sandwich Board of Selectmen this spring. Merolla, a chiropractor with four grown children, has been involved in community activities and civic boards in New Bedford, including chairing the New Bedford Red Cross for eight years, and founding and serving as president of AID Center, a private organization to help former prisoners find housing. His latest bid for elected office was unsuccessful.

#### 1970

JOHN RENZA JR. of Scituate, RI, was inducted into the Community College of Rhode Island's Hall of Fame in April. Managing partner of Kahn, Litwin, Renza and Co. Ltd. and longtime CCRI faculty member, Renza was the first certified public accountant to join CCRI's full-time faculty in 1975. He has undertaken

leadership roles, including serving as co-chairman of the inauguration of the president, chairing the college's Budget and Resource Committee and the "Imagine" capital campaign. Renza is involved in a number of professional associations and also provides volunteer support to more than a dozen community and educational organizations. He is an honorary trustee at Bryant University and serves as a mentor to the Year Up organization.

#### 1972

A July 4th story in The Sun Chronicle, Attleboro, MA, chronicled native son MIKE DIRENZO's travels to photograph slices of life in the United States. DiRenzo, now of Port Jefferson, Long Island, NY, enjoyed photography as a hobby until the digital photography revolution, which coincided with a mid-life career change. Earning a master's in education, he began teaching, which allows him to spend his summers shooting photographs. His awards include a 2009 gold medal from the Photography Society of America, and he's been named Photographer of the Year by the largest photo club in the New York Metropolitan Area three times.

#### 1973

**SANDY (BLAIR) REDDIG** was featured in a recent *Columbus Dispatch* story about portrait painting thriving despite being maligned by some as elitist or outdated. She is a portrait artist, based in Grove City, OH, who works in oils and pastels.

WAYNE YETTER MBA has been elected to the board of directors of SDIX, a leading provider of biotechnology-based products and services for a broad range of life science, biotechnology, diagnostic, and food safety applications. Yetter is currently chief executive officer of ProActive for Patients Media, Inc., an early investment stage company providing a physician-to-patient messaging system to increase patient adherence to medication therapies. Yetter has had a 30-year career in the pharmaceutical industry.

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HARRISON DAY has been named New England sales representative for Dama Jewelry Technology Inc. of Johnston, RI. He brings to Dama more than 30 years of experience in the jewelry industry at companies in Rhode Island, Massachusetts, New Jersey, and New York in areas including findings, packaging, and beads.



**KEVIN LAVALLA '78** remembers the moment he decided what his career would be."I was in high school, and I knew that some day, I would advise people and companies about how to grow their business,"he says. True to his vision, the entrepreneur is co-owner of Lavalla & Brown LLC in East Greenwich, RI, which specializes in helping law firms build their practices.

The knowledgeable mergers and acquisitions professional has worked for several companies, including such firms as Dun & Bradstreet, State Street Bank in Boston, and Veronis Suhler Stevenson in New York City.

"I was working at Veronis, arranging mergers and acquisitions in the media industry, and had just completed the largest merger I had ever done," says Lavalla. "It seemed like fate when Bryant called for the first time asking if I would donate."

A few short years later he formed the Kevin M. Lavalla Partners in Scholarship at Bryant that provides scholarships for deserving students. "It pains me to hear of young people who cannot afford a college education," he says. And Lavalla is not the only one who contributes. "I'm very proud of my two sons," he says. "Last year, they chose to forgo Christmas presents so that I could increase the amount of scholarship money offered."

#### 1976

PAUL LEFEBVRE MBA '86 has been appointed Treasurer of the Board of Directors of Pawtucket Credit Union. He has served as a director since 1999 and previously held the position of chairman of the credit union's supervisory committee. He is the controller at Carpionato Properties, Inc.

#### 1982

#### ANDREA (PASSANISI) KING, CPA,

has been named to the 25-member Advisory Council of the Connecticut Society of Certified Public Accountants (CSCPA) for 2010-2011. King is finance director for the State of Connecticut Probate Court Administrator in West Hartford. She will also chair the CSCPA's Student Outreach and Career Awareness Committee for the coming year. She resides in Glastonbury, CT.

#### **GARY VIERRA MBA '87** of

Cranston, RI, has been promoted to first vice president of BankFive in Fall River, MA. Having joined the bank in 2009, he oversees risk management, and compliance and audit. Vierra, who has 28 years of banking experience, also is involved with the Boy Scouts of America and Junior Achievement.

#### 1983

JEFFREY LEMKIN opened his latest restaurant, Daddy's Beach Club, on historic Nantasket Beach in Boston's South Shore this spring. He serves the New Haven-style thin crust pizza of his Connecticut childhood. The establishment features a full bar and live musical entertainment. CEO of Daddy's Ventures Inc., Lemkin also owns and operates Daddy's Dogs, Nantasket Beach, and resides in Hull, MA.

#### 1985

ROBERT SINGER has written a book, Library of Connecticut Collection Law Firms, which was published by the Connecticut Law Tribune. Singer holds a JD from Western New England College and a MS in Taxation from the University of New Haven.

MARIO SOLARI JR., CPA has been named to the 25-member Advisory Council of the Connecticut Society of Certified Public Accountants (CSCPA) for 2010-2011. He is a senior managing director for PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Hartford Office. He will also chair the CSCPA's Financial Institutions Committee for the coming year. He lives in Farmington, CT.

#### 1986

RIVA CLARK, credit & collections manager for bkm Total Office in East Hartford, CT, a provider of total office solutions to meet evolving work place needs in corporate, educational, and healthcare environments was recently promoted to purchasing agent for the Audio Visual Solutions department. She also is a member of the Board of Selectmen for the Town of Marlborough, CT.

**PAUL TECCA** has been hired as director, product management, SCM solutions by Virtify, Inc., market leader in Enterprise Content Compliance software solutions for life sciences. With more than 22 years of experience designing, developing, implementing, and integrating enterprise systems for companies in a variety of industries, he spent the last nine years in product management and engineering roles at Perceptive Informatics, which provides clinical software solutions to the biopharmaceutical industry.

#### PATRICIA ZELLER MBA, of

Cumberland, RI, has been appointed vice president, group insurance trust, for BankNewport. She is responsible for the management of the bank's group insurance trust activities, including the development and implementation of strategies, policies and procedures, and business development. Zeller previously worked at Sovereign Bank of Providence and Citizens Bank in Providence. She is also a Certified Financial Planner.

#### 1987

#### TIMOTHY COGGINS of Rumford,



RI, has joined BankRI as senior vice president and team leader in the commercial banking division. He has

more than a decade of banking experience, having held senior positions with Sovereign Bank and Fleet Bank. For 10 years, he ran a successful retail business with offices in three states. In his role at BankRI, Coggins will be responsible for developing new business relationships as well as managing a group of commercial lenders.

JOHN COUILLARD has been named commercial loan officer at The Citizens National Bank, a community bank with branches in Putnam, Thompson, Killingly, Brooklyn, and Woodstock, CT. His responsibilities include commercial lending, new-business development, and branch assistance. Couillard, who lives in the Oakdale section of Montville and will work out of the bank's main office in Putnam, has an extensive background in branch banking and business development.

#### **CHRISTINE (RIVERA) GARCIA**

of Norwalk, CT, a certified public accountant, has joined Grill & Partners LLC, certified public accountants and business advisers, with offices in Fairfield and Greenwich, as a senior accountant. She brings nearly 20 years of experience to the company, which was founded in 1984 and specializes in providing tax and accounting services for high-net-worth individuals and closely held companies.

#### 1988

Honored for his 13 years as a Deep River, CT, volunteer firefighter,



JOHN BAUER was recently named Citizen of the Year by the Deep River Rotary Club in Connecticut. Each

year the club honors a person who has voluntarily contributed time, energy, and talent to make the community a better place to live. Bauer is a partner with Mahoney Sabol & Company, LLP, of Essex, CT, a regional professional services firm. A CPA, he specializes in wind energy, SEC compliance, and closely held businesses.

JEFF LAKE has joined Proofpoint, the leading provider of e-mail security, e-mail archiving, and data loss prevention solutions. As vice president of federal operations, he will drive the company's growth in the public sector. Lake is responsible for directing the overall strategic growth of the U.S. federal government team including sales, business development, marketing, and technical operations. With more than 20 years of technology and security experience, Lake has held several leadership positions in technical sales, consulting, and operations for companies including Fortinet, Inc., CipherTrust, Lancope, and Oracle. Previously, Lake was a commissioned U.S. Army Military Intelligence officer, holding a top secret security clearance.

#### 1989

The adventures of **DAVE CLAYMAN** of North Providence, RI, and his 1991 Toyota Camry, were featured in a recent Providence Journal story. The car, which Clayman transformed into a July 4th special that he lined in taped red and white stripes, appeared in the Chatham, MA, Independence Day parade. This is Clayman's everyday car, the one to which he adds seasonal colors as the year goes by. Clayman is a serious collector of antique trucks and owns Common Good Trucking, which specializes in cleaning out junk from peoples' houses, garages, and storage units.

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**DAVID CAPRIO** of Smithfield, RI, has been promoted to President and CEO of Children's Friend & Service, Rhode Island's oldest provider of child welfare, family support, mental health, and youth development services. Caprio has been with Children's Friend for the past decade in key roles, including finance director, associate executive director, and was appointed executive director in 2007.

JAMES PARKS, president of and wealth adviser for Parks Wealth Management (PWM) in Ridgewood, NJ, was featured in a story on North Jersey.com about the Family Index Stress Test, an exclusive Parks Wealth Management Group tool designed to see where a customer's portfolio may need changes to get back on firm financial footing. In addition to PWM, Parks is a registered securities principal with LPL Financial, a registered investment adviser, and an independent broker/dealer. He has been recognized for providing exceptional client service as a member of LPL's Patriot's Club, comprising the top 9 percent of LPL's 12,000-plus independent investment professionals. He holds the designations of Certified Financial Planner (CFP) from Boston University; Accredited Estate Planning Professional (AEP) and Accredited Investment Fiduciary (AIF).

#### 1993

KARA (KELLY) DEROSA of Stratford, CT, has been promoted to region division chief counsel for the Discrete Automation and Motion and Low Voltage Products divisions of North America at ABB, one of the world's leading engineering companies. ABB helps customers to use electrical power effectively and to increase industrial productivity in a sustainable way. DeRosa earned her JD from Quinnipiac in 1998.

#### 1995

**CHRISTOPHER GOOLGASIAN** CFA, CPA, CAIA, has joined State Street Global Advisors, the investment management business of State Street Corporation, as a senior portfolio manager in the Multi-Asset-Class Solutions group in Boston, MA. He will be responsible for developing and implementing multi-asset-class solutions for defined benefit, defined contribution, and endowment and foundation clients. He joined State Street from Pyramis Global Advisors, where he was an institutional portfolio manager.

#### JOSEPH MACCHIARELLA

recently accepted a position with the 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division located in Schofield Barracks, HI, as strength manager. He recently was employed at 8th Special Troops Battalion as adjutant. He reports that the new post means he's moved from managing a battalionsized organization to a brigade.

#### 1996

RICHARD VOGLER, senior financial adviser, has become an Ameriprise Platinum Financial Services® adviser based on the success of his financial services practice in 2009. Vogler, with an office in East Hartford, CT, is one of approximately 15 percent of the 10,000 Ameriprise financial advisers to achieve this status.

#### 1997

**DAVID ZIELINSKI** has joined MFC Global Investment Management (MFC GIM), the asset management arm of Manulife Financial Corporation, as a director and product manager for the firm's U.S. fixed income area. He most recently was a vice president and senior product engineer, global fixed income, at State Street Global Advisors. He began his career with MassMutual Financial Group as an investment analyst, and later worked at Babson Capital Management as an investment analyst in quantitative management.

#### 1998

BILL EVANS of Wolcott, CT, launched a bid to challenge U.S. Rep. Chris Murphy, a Democrat, to represent the Fifth District. He ended his campaign as a petitioning candidate without endorsement from the party establishment in June, supporting a candidate in the Republican primary that was to decide who will challenge the incumbent Democrat in November. In 1995, Evans founded Phoenix Marketing, a company specializing in the sale and marketing of licensed sports products through retail outlets as well as wholesale distribution, and now includes stadium sales, charity fundraising, and most recently, the online retailing of sports merchandise.

#### **DOMINIK WELLMANN** of

Hampshire, United Kingdom, is now director, Civil Aviation for Serco, one of the world's leading service and outsourcing companies. Serco runs scientific establishments, provides traffic management systems, operates railways, protects borders, detains offenders, supports the armed forces, runs major administration processes, and maintains facilities.



As the Rhode Island market executive for U.S. Trust, Bank of America Private Wealth Management, **GLEN MARTIN '81,'87 MBA, CFP**, leads a team of professionals who focus on helping clients develop strategies aimed at building, transitioning, and protecting their wealth. To reduce the impact of market fluctuation and to minimize risk, he emphasizes the importance of strategic planning and diversification.

A member of Bryant's National Alumni Council, Martin uses a version of this investment tenet to explain to clients that a contribution to their alma mater is a lowrisk, high-reward proposition. "Look at a donation to Bryant as a means of diversifying your portfolio," he explains. "You'll be proud and pleased with the return."

As a student at Bryant, Martin built the foundation to be a lifelong learner. "Education broadens one's skills and enables you to think differently," he says.

By continuing to support Bryant as an alumnus, he ensures current and future students have the same opportunities he did.

"I donate to Bryant," Martin says, "because I can see the difference it is making, not only in the facilities, teaching staff, and programs, but also in the quality of students who will have an impact on our world."

#### 2001

**BRAD ABEL** recently completed the



requirements for his Certified Property Manager® designation. He oversees the ongoing manage-

ment of commercial properties for clients at Eaton Partners and is responsible for tenant relations, maintenance, leasing, budgeting, analysis and reporting for the portfolio. Eaton Partners is the only provider of property management services in New Hampshire that now includes two CPM® certified professionals—the industry's highest level of professional training and certification.

#### 2002

#### **ROLAND SCHECK MSIS '03** has

been promoted to vice president at Citizens Bank, Providence, RI. Scheck is a risk manager in the credit risk infrastructure department. A resident of Brooklyn, CT, he is a member of the Global Association of Risk Professionals.

#### 2003

**DANIEL LIPPEL CPA, MSA**, has been made a partner at Allen C. Schneider & Co. LLP in Manhattan.

#### 2004

#### MIKE YOUNG MBA'07 of



Warwick, RI, has been promoted to supervisor at the CPA firm of Sullivan & Company in Providence. He

joined the firm after graduating. Certified as a CPA in 2008, Young is a member of the accounting and auditing committee of the Rhode Island Society of Certified Public Accountants.

#### 2005

#### KRISTEN (HARMON) STONACEK

of Stamford, CT, has been promoted to the custom marketing research team as an account executive at InsightExpress, a leading digital marketing research firm. In her new role, Stonacek is responsible for developing and solidifying client relationships by gauging their business issues and providing thoughtful consultation on research design. Prior to joining the firm in 2007 as an account manager, Stonacek worked for Chadwick Martin Bailey.

#### 2007

MICHAEL EDWARDS of Holliston, MA, received a Juris Doctor degree from the Roger Williams University School of Law in May. Edwards was a member of the Roger Williams University Law Review and the Honors Program. He worked as a law clerk at the Law Offices of Brown, Sherry, & Geller (Liberty Mutual Insurance Co.) in Raynham, MA. He also served as a research assistant for Rhode Island Superior Court Judge Stephen J. Fortunato, and was a law clerk for U.S. District Court Magistrate Lincoln D. Almond and Rhode Island Superior Court Judge Edwin J. Gale. He was an intake intern at the Office of the Rhode Island Public Defender in Providence. He now is a law clerk with the Connecticut Superior Court.

#### 2009

DANIEL CZARNY of Jersey City, NJ, is sales manager for MCST
Preferred Services, a premier temperature-controlled logistics provider serving the frozen and refrigerated foods industry. MCST Preferred Services is a division of Preferred Freezer Services, head-quartered in Elizabeth, NJ, and providing full-service refrigerated warehouses in the United States, China, and Vietnam.

#### MALLORY MUSANTE is the

founder and lead designer of Musa, a company that sells hand-painted shoes. Her one-of-a-kind, high-heeled, women's leather shoes are available via the company's Web site, Facebook, and Twitter. Her shoes are traversing the blogosphere via a blog she launched and titled 'The Sisterhood of the Traveling Shoes.'

**DANIEL QUINN MST** of Fall River,



MA, has been promoted to supervisor at the Providence, RIbased CPA firm of Sullivan & Company.

He has six years of public accounting experience. Prior to joining the firm in 2004, he spent 10 years in operations in the transportation industry. Quinn is a member of the Rhode Island Society of Certified Public Accountants.

#### 2010

KYLE MORSE of Cranston, RI, was one of three Rhode Island students awarded a scholarship to pursue a career in the information technology field, having demonstrated scholastic and leadership achievements, according to Tech Collective, Rhode Island's Industry Association for IT and Bioscience. Morse, who is also an active member of the Rhode Island Air National Guard, received a \$1,000 Lighthouse Computer Services/Tech Collective Scholarship.



**JESSICA REATEGUI '10** of Wethersfield, CT, will spend the next two years working with at-risk youth and their families as a Peace Corps volunteer in Ecuador.

She developed a passion for working with adolescents through the classes and projects she was involved in as part of her sociology and service learning minor at Bryant. Last spring, she traveled to the Dominican Republic to work in a local community. Closer to home, she mentored students at the CVS Highlander Charter School in Providence, RI, and worked with children through the Community Renewal

Team in her home state of Connecticut. Reategui was also part of a team of students who created a college application manual for seniors at Providence's Metropolitan Regional Career and Technical Center.

"My courses allowed me to work with at-risk youths, and I really found a passion in that," says Reategui, who would like to start a nonprofit organization or a charter school one day. "I believe that pursuing opportunities in higher education can be the solution to many social problems."

#### IN MEMORIAM

ANNE (MORAN) CAFFREY '35 January 26, 2007

MARY (TRENCH) MOLLOY '36 September 8, 2009

OTTO J. KUBELLE '37 December 5, 1994

ZELMA (LITTLE) HUBBARD '40 June 9, 2010

HOWARD C. BLACKWAY '42 July 22, 2010

MARY S. CHEEVER '44 February 22, 2010

ANNA (GREENFIELD) STAIRMAN '45 May 13, 2010

LYDIA (FREITAS) CARVALHO '47 February 17, 2010

ERNEST P. BACKOFEN '48 June 4. 2010

ROBERT L. LITTLEFIELD '48 July 11, 2010

RICHARD D. BENNETT '49 April 21, 2010

GERALD CARLIN '49 June 7, 2010

ARTHUR L. DAWSON JR. '49 May 11, 2009

RAY M. DE VRIES '49 July 19, 2010

ROGER A. DION '49 June 11, 2010

ANDREW G. MOSTECKY '49 June 9, 2010

VIRGINIA (COLOZZI) PROULX '49 July 14, 2010

ALVIN HERMAN '50 July 17, 2010

ELIZABETH (FLUGEL) HILL-SWEET '51 July 16, 2010

DONALD B. KIFF '51 April 29, 2010

U. FRANCIS (BOB) FLORIAN '52 May 21, 2010

ROBERT F. LEBLANC '52 June 4, 2010

OTTO W. OLSON JR '53 June 2, 2010 ROBERT R. REYNOLDS '57 May 30, 2010

JOSEPH P. HOLDEN '58 July 17, 2010

ROBERT B. MOOREHEAD '58 May 28, 2010

LOWELL E. CHAPMAN '59 November 12, 2008

MARIE (CROSS) CROWLEY '60 September 21, 2006

PATRICIA (ROSSI) SHEA '60 May 27, 2010

ROGER W. SPRING '60 January 30, 2005

JOSEPH J. ROE '61 January 9, 2007

DAVID R. THOMPSON '61 March 1, 2009

ROBERT A. SILVA '65 May 10, 2008

ROBERT E. FISH '68 July 9, 2010

HERBERT G. FISHER '69 May 21, 2010

ROBERT P. LAMBERT '70 May 28, 2010

DAVID S. MUKAMAL '70 June 20, 2010

DAVID E. KNOBLOCK '76 July 18, 2009

CARLTON E. BURNHAM JR. '79 February 12, 2010

EDWARD J. JENKINS JR. '85 August 7, 2009

THOMAS BLAKE '86 June 20, 2010

MARK A. CHAMPAGNE '88 May 19, 2010

TIM M. JOHNSON '89 MBA October 16, 2009

HEIDI (VELLECO) DIDONATO '91 June 1, 2010

STEPHEN C. WASSMUS '01 July 9, 2010

TYLER W. CHAPMAN '07
July 5, 2010

ROBERT D. WALES '50, a member of the Bryant Board of Trustees, died on May 18, 2010, at the age of 81. After a tour of duty in the Army, Wales graduated from Bryant. He spent 36 years in various executive international positions with Standard-Vacuum Oil Company (a joint venture of Mobil and Exxon), including serving as president of Mobil Oil Philippines. Wales was integral to the success of Bryant's first capital campaign, *The Campaign for Bryant: It's About Changing Lives*. After his retirement in 1987, Wales was a consultant for a number of companies, including Caribbean Petroleum and American International Golf Centers, a company which he owned jointly with AIG and the Jack Nicklaus organization.

PAUL G. ARPIN, SR. '87H, an honorary degree recipient and long-time supporter of Bryant, died on June 12, 2010, at his home in East Greenwich, RI. Arpin was the owner and chairman of the Arpin Group, the fourth largest global moving company headquartered in the United States. A D-Day survivor, he returned from WWII in 1945 to rejoin the family business as a third-generation partner. Arpin was also a generous contributor to the Rhode Island Community Food Bank and was named its 1997 Partner in Philanthropy.

LILLIAN KOFFLER, 99, formerly of Providence, died on June 11, 2010, in Palm Beach, FL. She was the wife of the late Sol Koffler '70H, former Bryant trustee and founder of the American Tourister Luggage Company. Bryant's Koffler Center and Communications Complex is named for her family, as is the Koffler Rotunda in the University's Unistructure. In addition to their support of Bryant, Koffler and her husband's philanthropic contributions are recognized with a number of named spaces, including buildings at The Miriam and Hasbro Children's Hospitals in Providence, RI, among others.

WILLIAM B. SWEENEY PH.D., professor emeritus of Bryant, died on August 4, 2010, at his home in Bristol, RI. He was 75 years old. A graduate of Providence College, the University of Connecticut, Clary University, and the University of Sarasota, Sweeney taught economics at Bryant for 42 years, retiring in 2007. Among his many civic commitments, Sweeney was a member of the Rhode Island Economic Development Corporation and the Rhode Island State House Foundation.

WALLACE "WALLY" WOOD PH.D., 72, died at his home in Dighton, MA, on July 4, 2010. A U.S. Air Force veteran, Wood taught at Bryant's Providence campus, and later when the school moved to Smithfield, RI, for more than 42 years. In 2002, he was named the Computer Educator of the Year by the International Association for Computer Information Systems. He also served as Vice President of Academic Affairs at Bryant. He was also a member of the Dighton Finance Committee and the Rehoboth Congregational Church, where he served on the Board of Trustees.

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