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Reunion @ Homecoming – Something for everyone

September 23-24 is a great time to be on campus – it's bursting with vibrant foliage and bustling with student life. We invite you to reconnect with old friends, make new ones, and see how the University has transformed at Bryant's largest annual celebration: Reunion @ Homecoming.

If you arrive on Friday, head to the Rotunda in the Unistructure for a welcome reception with a hearty buffet and alumna and assistant softball coach **Aubrey Mable '14** on guitar. The evening will also feature a wine tasting and a hypnotist/comedian.

MEANINGFUL EXPERIENCES

"We are still in the infancy stages of planning our 25th Reunion on Saturday," says **Maryellen (Devlin) Cullity '91** account manager at Clafin Company and one of the chairs of the Class of 1991 Reunion Committee. "But I'm hoping to motivate as many '91 grads as possible to attend. It's such a nice way to spend time with old friends. Some of the words floating around as we brainstorm that might be recognizable to others in our class are: Country Comfort, Super Giants, Keystone Light, and Mad Dog 20/20."

SEE FULL SCHEDULE OF EVENTS ON PAGE 4

If your class year ends in a "1" such as Cullity's, or a "6" such as **Class of 1986 alumnus Evan Koppel's**, your class has been working on your special reunion year party. Koppel, regional sales director at United Airlines, hadn't been back to Bryant until last fall, when he enjoyed a campus tour led by classmate and vice president for Bryant's University Advancement division, **Dave Wegrzyn '86**.

"**Greg Stafstrom '86** recruited me to help out, and we're reaching out to as many classmates as possible for our post-game party outside the Comfort."



Former women's basketball player **Bethany (Connealy) Wandyes '96** is much more familiar with Bryant's transformation. As senior associate athletic director, she's experienced a lot of changes first-hand. She hopes that most of the Class of 1996 will come back for Reunion and see for themselves. "We haven't all been together on campus for 20 years... WOW! The time goes quickly. Reunion is a great excuse for all of us to carve out time to get together and reminisce."

TAILGATING, FOOTBALL, AND CULTURE

All alumni are invited to tailgate before the Bryant Bulldogs vs. Central Connecticut Blue Devils football game. If you want to park your vehicle in the reserved tailgating section, make sure to register and pay early, since the passes always sell out.

Looking to take in some of the culture Bryant offers? The U.S.-China and Confucius Institutes at Bryant are sponsoring WaterFire Saturday evening. Board the shuttle to Providence, take in the award-winning Bryant University Dragon Dance Team, and sit under the tent while enjoying authentic Chinese appetizers.

All of the reunion years have "Events" tabs for their classes through the Bryant University Alumni Association official

Facebook page. Head there now to find out what's in the works and to contribute to the discussion.

"If you haven't been back to Bryant since graduating, you are missing out," says Cullity. "The campus is more beau-

tiful than ever, and what better setting to reconnect with old friends and spend quality time with them. 'Quality time' means something different to everyone!"

Register for Reunion @ Homecoming now by going to www.bryant.edu/reunion or call (401) 232-6040. A special registration form for Loyal Guard members (Class of 1966 and all previous graduating years) is on Page 2 of this issue. Register before September 1 to receive special discounted prices.

RALPH AND BARBARA PAPITTO:

An enduring influence on the Rhode Island community

Ralph R. Papitto '47, '87H and **Barbara A. Papitto '83, '85 MBA, '97H** have used their Bryant degrees to run businesses and organizations that have served to advance and enrich the Rhode Island community for decades. Throughout their careers and ongoing dedication to promoting the public good, both have

maintained a connection to Bryant, as well. Between them, the Papittos hold five Bryant degrees, along with prestigious honors from several other academic institutions across the region. Since graduating *magna cum laude* with a BS in accounting, Ralph earned the Distinguished Alumnus Award in 1982

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NAC CORNER

This issue is all about Reunion @ Homecoming (aka Alumni Weekend) – reminiscing, reconnecting, and reliving your Bryant memories with a trip to campus September 23-24, 2016. Everyone is welcome, and this year we celebrate the classes ending in 1's and 6's with special parties and fun activities.



BRYANT UNIVERSITY Alumni Association

Since I graduated in 1981, so much has changed on Bryant's campus – spaces like "the pub" in Koffler have been repurposed, and new construction surrounds the pond. A campus tour will help you get your bearings, and you will quickly see why Bryant continues to attract top students to its outstanding campus. And of course there is football – a great way to enjoy a New England afternoon in September – complete with a pregame reunion tailgate.

I'm fortunate to be back in Smithfield often – recruiting for my company and as a member of the National Alumni Council. I encourage you to find ways that you can be involved with Bryant as a graduate, and if you haven't been back to campus in a while, I hope you will take advantage of this special weekend.



Marissa Crean '81 National Alumni Council member

CAMPUS VISITS MADE PERSONAL



Alumna Lina (López) Laffitte '88 (far right) visited campus from Puerto Rico with her father, Fernando López, daughter Denise Laffitte, niece Tatiana López who is a prospective Bryant student, and husband Gaby. Lina's brothers, Alfonso López '90 (Tatiana's father) and Luis López '91 also graduated from Bryant.

Be sure to contact the Office of Alumni Engagement if you plan to visit.

Whether living near or far, alumni are encouraged to come to campus and tell us about their Bryant experiences. Email alumni@bryant.edu with your expected visit date.

Alumni webinar series announces fall schedule

The Office of Alumni Engagement continues to present a series of webinars on timely topics, led by alumni experts. You'll find a section for webinars on the Careers section of the alumni website (alumniconnect.bryant.edu/careers). Choose "Career Coaches" in the left sidebar.

- This fall, the webinars are:
 - Wednesday, October 5 – Taking the Entrepreneurial Plunge** with Jay Weinberg '85
 - Wednesday, November 2 – Body Language: The Secret to Building Executive Presence** with Diane (Kelley) Wilbur '88
 - Wednesday, December 7 – Employee Engagement in a Changing Work Landscape** with Lenore Uddyback-Fortson '90

Topics in planning stages are: Developing your elevator pitch; planning for retirement; making "work at home" work; etc., all led by alumni. If you have an expertise you'd like to share with alumni through a webinar, please contact Robin Torbron Warde, director of alumni engagement, at rwarde@bryant.edu with the subject line "Webinar Expert."

LOYAL GUARD REUNION @ HOMECOMING REGISTRATION

FIRST NAME	MAIDEN NAME	LAST NAME	CLASS YEAR
STREET		CITY	STATE ZIP
PHONE NUMBER	GUEST NAME	GUEST'S BRYANT CLASS YEAR	

Friday, September 23

6-9 p.m.: **Welcome Reception and Wine Tasting**

Saturday, September 24

9:30 a.m.: **Alumni Service of Remembrance** | Machtley Interfaith Center

Loyal Guard Luncheon | Stepan Grand Hall, George E. Bello Center

10:30 a.m.: **Reminiscing**

11 a.m.: **Induction of the Class of 1966 and honoring 55th, 60th, 65th, 70th reunions**

Noon: **Served Luncheon and Group Pictures**

2 p.m.: **Shuttle Tour of East Side of Providence**

WaterFire | Downtown Providence

6-9 p.m.: Includes access to VIP tent, appetizers, and transportation to and from

Friday

Welcome Reception

Number attending: _____ x \$20 per person = \$ _____

Saturday

Loyal Guard Luncheon

Number attending: _____ x \$25 per person = \$ _____

Shuttle Tour of East Side

Number attending: _____ = Complimentary

WaterFire Providence

Number attending: _____ x \$20 per person = \$ _____

Check Enclosed for \$ _____

Please make checks payable to Bryant University, and mail to: Bryant University Alumni Engagement Office, 1150 Douglas Pike, Smithfield, RI 02917-1284

If you wish to pay with your credit card, please call Alumni Engagement at (401) 232-6040 with your credit card handy. Thank you.




GET SOCIAL

Bryant alumni, parents, students, faculty, and friends engage with the University - and each other - by participating in vibrant discussions through the University's social media channels.

The 25,000-plus Bryant followers across Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Instagram, and YouTube are kept up-to-date through stories, photos, video, and other digital content that illustrate and highlight the Bryant experience. From alumni news, faculty highlights, and student features to athletic recaps and announcements of upcoming events, Bryant's social media accounts provide a thorough view of everything happening on campus and beyond.


In each issue of *Engage*, we'll offer a sampling of some of what we've overheard online.


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 **Robin Torbron Warde**
Director of Alumni Engagement at Bryant University

Reunion 2016 Registration Open

Plan to return to campus September 23-24, 2016. Registration is officially open. Reserve your hotel rooms, check out the schedule, and plan to come back to campus. Visit www.Bryant.edu/reunion for all your links.


 **BryantAthletics**




♥ 405 Likes
bryantathletics - Your 2016 NEC Champs!


Find Bryant Alumni on LinkedIn, Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter by searching **Bryant Alumni**


www.Bryant.edu/social

 **Mascot_Tupper**
Bryant University



♥ 199 Likes
mascot_tupper Look at this...all the comfort of grass, none of the allergic reaction!

 **Ronald Machtley** @BryantUprez • Jun 11

 Yahoo, Jr. Brandon Bingel (Royals) & Sr. Robby Rinn (Pirates) go in the baseball draft today with Matt. 11 drafted in three years by majors!

 **Bryant University Alumni Association**

From our Welcome Class of 2016 receptions in the major cities to our Alumni Travel Program in Portugal and Spain, we are likely hosting an event near you! Be sure to check bryant.edu/alumnievents for the latest event postings and pictures.



REUNION @ HOMECOMING

Register online:
www.bryant.edu/reunion



REGISTRATION/CHECK-IN FOR REUNION @ HOMECOMING

Pick up your registration materials and name tag. All alumni who register in advance will receive a special reunion welcome gift and discounts.

FRIDAY, September 23

Alumni Office in Unistructure

4–6 p.m.

OR

SATURDAY, September 24

Registration Tent near Tailgating Area

10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Bryant Champions for Philanthropy Dinner

(by invitation)

Stepan Grand Hall, George E. Bello Center

6–9 p.m.

Dinner and a salute to Bryant's Champions for Philanthropy award recipients.

International Business Alumni Panel and Reception

Heritage, Fisher Student Center

6–9 p.m.

Alumni Game - Women's Lacrosse

Track and Turf Complex

7 p.m.

Former WLAX players gather for a friendly game.

Hypnotist David Hall

Janikies Theatre

8–9 p.m.

See Boston comedy hypnotist David Hall perform, with the audience as part of the show.

Bryant Bonfire and Fireworks

Fisher Student Center Patio

9:15 p.m.

Join students and fellow alumni for a pep rally around the pond followed by fireworks.

Saturday, September 24

Alumni Welcome Breakfast and Interfaith Service of Remembrance

Ronald K. and Kati C. Machtley

Interfaith Center

9-10:30 a.m.

Join us for a complimentary welcome breakfast prior to the annual Interfaith Service of Remembrance, where you're encouraged to share memories and celebrate the lives of Bryant classmates who are no longer with us.

Reunion and Tailgating

Reserved area in the parking lot.

No vehicles longer than 20 feet.

10 a.m.–Halftime

See "Tailgating" box for information.

Friday, September 23

Alumni Welcome Reception and Wine Tasting

Unistructure Rotunda

6–9 p.m.

Join other alumni for a welcome reception, featuring a hearty buffet, Aubrey Mable '14 on guitar, and cash bar. A special wine tasting with alumni experts and hypnotist will highlight the evening.

Reunion and Tailgating

A special section of the parking area has been set aside for you to gather with classmates. Register early to bring your car in the tailgating section for \$25, or park elsewhere and join your friends – each major reunion class will have a private tent.

Register for all reunion activities, including Tailgate Parking, at www.bryant.edu/reunion or call (401) 232-6040. Leave your car at the hotel and take the shuttle to campus!

Tailgaters: Can it!

Bring aluminum and plastic rather than glass bottles as a safer alternative. Thank you for your cooperation.



2016: SEPTEMBER 23-25



Loyal Guard Induction Ceremony and Luncheon - Class of 1966

Stepan Grand Hall, George E. Bello Center
10:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

The Class of 1966 will be inducted into the Alumni Association's Loyal Guard. The Classes of 1946, 1951, 1956, and 1961 will also be honored. See registration form on p. 2 for details.

Alumni Games: Baseball, Field Hockey, and Men's Lacrosse

Various

9, 10, and 11 a.m.

Former Bryant athletes take to the fields for friendly matches in each sport. Check with coaches for additional teams and times. Games are free, but register to have lunch in the Black & Gold reception area for a small fee.

Memorabilia Tent

Bulldog Stadium

11 a.m.-4 p.m.

Show your Bulldog spirit! Don't go home without a keepsake from the Bryant Bookstore. Registered alumni receive a 15% discount.

Reunion Lunch Options

Bulldog Stadium

Food and beverage concessions are available in the Stadium.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Get Reacquainted with Bryant's Campus:

Tours leave every half hour (10, 10:30, 11, 11:30) from the new Academic Innovation Center, adjacent to tailgating area.

Choosing the Right College: Find out how admission offices at all colleges review applications and get insiders' tips for helping your student stand out at any college he/she applies to. Open to alumni and family members. 10:30 a.m., Fisher Student Center, Room 1

Football

Bryant vs. Central Connecticut

Bulldog Stadium

1-4 p.m.

Cheer the Bulldogs to victory on our home turf. Reunion Class parties see blue box below.

WaterFire Providence

Downtown Providence

6-10 p.m.

The U.S.-China Institute and the Confucius Institute at Bryant University will be hosting a tent with Chinese appetizers. The Bryant Dragon Dance Team will perform. (Shuttle from Bryant and sponsored hotels available to registered Reunion participants – advanced registration required.)

Sunday, September **25**

Bryant Alumni Motorcycle Run

Smithfield Campus

10 a.m. - Registration outside new

Academic Innovation Center

10:30 a.m. - Kickstands up

Accommodations

Lodging in the area fills up quickly, so please reserve your accommodations now. Visit www.bryant.edu/reunion for a complete list and rates. Mention Bryant Reunion for special rates.

In Smithfield/Lincoln:

Holiday Inn Express

(401) 231-6300/(877) 424-6423

Hampton Inn & Suites

(401) 232-9200

Courtyard by Marriott

(401) 333-3400

All Seasons Inn & Suites

(401) 232-2400

In Providence (no special rate is available at the following):

Renaissance Providence Hotel

(401) 276-0010/(800) 468-3571

Providence Marriott

(401) 272-2400/(800) 937-7768

Providence Biltmore

(401) 421-0700/(800) 294-7709

Omni Providence

(401) 598-8000/(800) 937-8461

Courtyard Providence

(401) 272-1191/(800) 321-2211

Individual Class Gatherings, Saturday, September 24

We want you to enjoy the energy of Reunion @ Homecoming, and a few special programs are in the works. Our shuttle will circle continuously among campus, Parente's, Blackie's, The Last Resort, and area hotels.

5th Reunion – Class of 2011

Class party at The Last Resort, 3-5 p.m.

10th Reunion – Class of 2006

We'll see you on campus and later at Parente's for a class party, 3-5 p.m.

15th Reunion – Class of 2001

After the game join everyone from your class at Parente's, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

20th Reunion – Class of 1996

Relive the '90s with your classmates and the Class of 1991 inside the Rotunda with a live band, 4-7:30 p.m.

25th Reunion – Class of 1991

Relive the '90s with your classmates and the Class of 1996 inside the Rotunda with a live band, 4-7:30 p.m.

30th Reunion – Class of 1986

Join friends on campus for the day and enjoy a special class reunion under a private tent next to the former Country Comfort from 4-7:30 p.m.!

35th Reunion – Class of 1981

Join your classmates in the former "Pub" inside the Koffler Center, 4-7:30 p.m.

40th and 45th Reunions – Classes of 1971, 1976

Hop on the shuttle and join your classmates in DOWNCITY Providence under the tent at WaterFire, 6-9 p.m.

50th and Loyal Guard

See box above and registration form on p. 2 for more information.

We can help coordinate on or off campus space and food for your class or special group. Contact us at alumni@bryant.edu and put Reunion Plans, Class of ____ in your subject line.

Reunion year classes are on Facebook!



Classes that end in a "1" or a "6" will find more specific information about their class reunions on the Bryant Alumni Association Facebook page (www.facebook.com/bryantalumni). Click on the "Events" tab, and contribute to the discussion.

Post photos, suggest activities, and encourage others from your class to join you.

Stay safe, and let Bryant be your designated driver



With all the new construction on campus, parking is a challenge. Get chauffeured door-to-door on Friday and Saturday!

Routes will run continuously among the area hotels:

All Seasons Inn & Suites – Smithfield
Courtyard Marriott – Lincoln
Hampton Inn & Suites – Smithfield
Holiday Inn Express – Smithfield

For added convenience, from 8 p.m. to closing, the shuttle will stop at Blackie's, Parente's, and Last Resort.



YOUR GIFT COUNTS

EXPANDING THE WORLD OF OPPORTUNITY

THE CAMPAIGN FOR BRYANT'S BOLD FUTURE

REUNION-YEAR GIVING HELPS PROPEL THE CAMPAIGN

Agrowing tradition at Bryant is one that is long standing at most universities: giving back in honor of your class reunion.

If your class ends in 1 or 6, this is your year – we expect classmates from the classes of 1946 through 2016 on campus this September 23-24, 2016.

Participation by some classes is already well underway. Among these efforts, a challenge initiated by **Jeff Barovich** and **Brian Terkelsen** of the Class of 1986 hopes to reach a \$50,000 goal to endow a scholarship.

Jeff Fryer '91, the parent of a student in the Class of 2019, is helping his class increase its participation en route to an endowed scholarship as well. Jeff and his wife **Kimberly '92**, are donating \$1,991 for every 20 classmates who give. Other classes, including the 35th reunion class of 1981 have lofty goals as well.

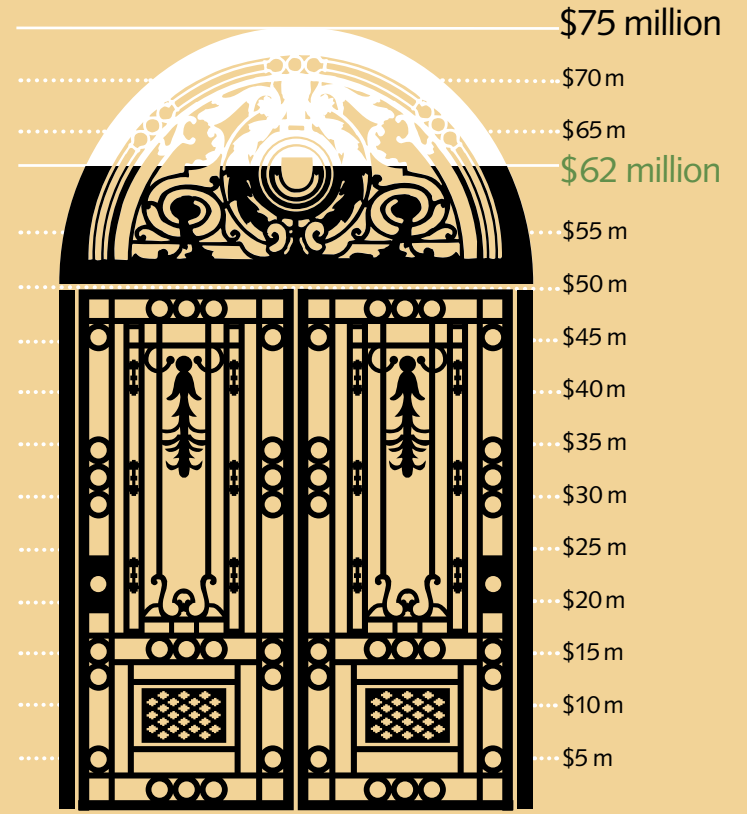
Why do alumni give? Many give in recognition of the top-notch education received at Bryant as they commemorate this celebratory year; others give in the spirit of friendly competition, as classes strive to post the highest class-gift participation rate. Most important to the majority of reunion donors, however, is supporting current and future generations of students.

You may be asking: Why should I give? As is the case at many of our peer institutions, tuition covers only a portion of the cost to educate undergraduates. The Bryant Fund – annual donations from alumni, parents, and friends – makes up the difference.

Please take a look at the reunion class giving campaigns at opportunity.bryant.edu and help your class make its mark.



David C. Wegrzyn '86
Vice President for
University Advancement
Expanding the
World of Opportunity:
The Campaign for
Bryant's Bold Future



STRENGTH IN NUMBERS:

Crowdsourcing boosts participation

As a nonprofit educational institution, Bryant University relies on the generosity of our alumni, parents, friends, and corporate partners to create an unmatched learning environment. Our

newest digital tool to enhance alumni engagement and philanthropy is ScaleFunder – an online crowdsourcing/crowdfunding platform. Alumni participation is important as it figures in to national rankings, including *U.S. News & World Report*.

ScaleFunder was first used in Bryant's successful effort for Giving Tuesday, an international day of philanthropy held each year on the first Tuesday after "Black Friday."

Among other helpful tools, ScaleFunder suggests giving levels that have meaning, and provides instant feedback on how the campaign is progressing toward its goal.

This platform allows us to reach out to alumni for donations to departments, programs, or groups on campus that resonate with them or in honor of their class years.

Recent examples of Scalefunder campaigns are:

- The March Challenge was a competition among young alumni from every year back to the Class of 2010. The Class of 2014 brought in the most gifts.
- In May, the Class of 2016 Class Gift exceeded its goal, with the ScaleFunder page adding to the traditional methods of generating senior gifts.
- Throughout June (and part of May), the Reunion Challenge put the 1's and 6's in competition with each other, going back to the class of '71. Alumni volunteers helped spread the message.
- 19 Bryant teams have run a ScaleFunder page. Particular successes include Women's Rowing exceeding their goal of \$5,000, and Men's Tennis raising more than \$17,000.

The crowdsourcing platform has brought in gift amounts from \$1 to \$5,000, and more than 700 individual gifts from alumni, parents, friends, and fans.

To see what projects are underway and what fellow alumni are supporting, visit opportunity.bryant.edu

To propose an idea for a crowdsourcing campaign, contact Steve Luttge, Director of the Bryant Fund, at (401) 232-6442 or sluttge@bryant.edu, subject line: Scalefunder project.

SCHOLARSHIPS TO COMPETE FOR THE BEST

Arthur and Carole Sukel: Grateful alumni model three ways to give

Arthur Sukel '60 and his wife **Carole (Oliner) Sukel '59** deeply appreciate the role Bryant University has played in their lives – and their philanthropy affirms that gratitude. They give to the University in three distinctive and important ways – through ongoing annual gifts that place them on the Bryant Leadership Council; the establishment of a \$50,000 endowed scholarship; and, most recently, with a bequest intention of \$100,000 that will be added to their scholarship fund.

Current or former foster children are the ideal recipients of the Sukels' endowed scholarship.

"We met at Bryant and married 12 days after I finished my classes," recalls Arthur, who majored in accounting and finance after three years of U.S. Army service. "And Bryant definitely set me up for success in my career."

"As I look back," says Carole, "I see my years at Bryant as among the best in my life. It was where I learned who I was and who I wanted to be. It was a very special time in a very special place."

Carole completed Bryant's secretarial science program and worked with advertising giant Young & Rubicon and ITT before becoming a full-time mother and homemaker. Arthur spent 23 years in various financial roles with CBS, Inc., also earning a Master of Business

Administration degree from Fairleigh Dickinson University. He later became an executive with CBS Publishing, ultimately purchasing the magazine business and reselling it as part of a group of savvy investors.

The Sukels' annual giving, endowment gift, and bequest intention all support *Expanding the World of Opportunity: The Campaign for Bryant's Bold Future*. Increasing access to a Bryant education through student scholarships is one of the pillars of the campaign. The Carole and Arthur Sukel Endowed Scholarship will be awarded to a Bryant undergraduate enrolled in the College of Business who has significant financial need. Preference will be given to a student who is or has been a foster child.

The Sukels became aware of the significant challenges some 400,000 U.S. foster children face through the work of a nonprofit agency in their Florida community. Though 84% of foster youth want to attend college, only 20% do so and less than half complete their studies and earn a degree.

"Foster children don't have the backing of their parents or the finances they need to attend college," explains Arthur. "We can't give them parental support, but we can help with the cost. The scholarship is a good way to thank Bryant for the opportunities we received as a result of our education."

CREATING A CAMPUS FOR SUCCESS

Campaign co-chair comments on Bryant's growth

When **Bill Conaty '67** came back to campus for the dedication of the Conaty Indoor Athletic Center on May 14, he found a crowd of grateful student-athletes and University leaders. The new 80,000-square-foot facility, made possible by a gift from Conaty, reveals not only Bryant's emergence in Division I athletics but also the strategic growth articulated by *Expanding the World of Opportunity: The Campaign for Bryant's Bold Future*. The milestone was the perfect opportunity to reflect on the capital campaign and on Bryant's momentum.

"I think the success of athletics adds to personal pride and makes individuals want to come back," says Conaty, who is co-chair of the campaign with **Michael E. Fisher '67**. "And it helps in the capital campaign, because people want to contribute to that success. People want to be part of a winning team."

Campaign contributions from alumni have already gone to work creating new scholarships, enriching academic programs, and supporting advanced facilities.

"The beauty of the campaign is that people can actually see things happening,"

Conaty says. "They witness the transformation. Both on the academic and the athletic side, things have moved along in a way where people see a final product."

The balanced growth Conaty speaks of has continued to drive the University's rise in the rankings. "Both the academic standards and the athletic standards have risen exponentially under President Machtley's leadership," Conaty says. "The combination of business and liberal arts is terrific, because it broadens one's perspective. When you unite the two, you've got something really special."

Over 40 years in the corporate world with GE, Conaty has seen in his fellow alumni a consistent motivation to succeed. "I've met lots of Bryant alums who have done extremely well," he says. "It's been a real standard trait for Bryant folks to excel."

The campaign will position the University to continue that success for years to come. "The capital campaign has everything to do with Bryant's future," Conaty adds. "We've got more alumni involved now than we've had in a long time. And that has contributed greatly to the growth of the school."



Bill Conaty '67 poses in front of the new Conaty Indoor Athletic Center.

Expanding the World of Opportunity: The Campaign for Bryant's Bold Future is the largest fundraising effort in Bryant's history. The \$75 million campaign will generate the resources the University needs to achieve the transformative goals of Bryant's Vision 20/20 strategic plan and rise to new levels of excellence and national prominence.

STUDENTS

Endowed scholarship honors parents' sacrifice

When **Eileen Cioe '69** was considering how to support *Expanding the World of Opportunity: The Campaign for Bryant's Bold Future*, she determined that a scholarship honoring her late parents would be deeply meaningful. Increasing access to a Bryant education through student scholarships is one of the pillars of the campaign.

"My siblings and I were first generation Americans," explains Cioe, whose parents were Italian immigrants. "My father was a mailman and at one point, all three of us were enrolled in Bryant at the same time. That was definitely a financial burden and could not have been easy for my parents."

Cioe recalls her mother's response when she learned that many of their classmates were living off canned soups. "She cooked and fed hundreds of students over the years! I think my Mother's dream was to feed the entire world Italian food."

Cioe leveraged her bachelor's degree in secretarial science and a master's degree in economics and sociology from the University of Memphis into a diverse and rewarding career. She first worked in leadership positions for state and regional transportation agencies in New England and Atlanta. Her career focus shifted when she became a Certified Financial Planner. Today, Cioe is a financial services representative with MetLife Premier Client Group of Florida.

Seven years ago, both of Cioe's parents died just hours apart. "We were orphans within hours," says Cioe sadly. To honor their parents' memory, Cioe and her brother, **Robert Cioe '73**, established the Joseph and Brigida Cioe Endowed Scholarship, to be awarded to a full-time Bryant student from Rhode Island studying Finance.

"We'll never forget the sacrifices our parents made for us... I always wanted them to be proud of what I could accomplish....I give back to Bryant to honor them."

-Eileen Cioe '69

The scholarship is now fully funded, thanks to a final donation from Cioe and a match from her employer. She used the minimum distribution from her IRA to make the gift – a tax-advantaged and philanthropic strategy she often suggests to clients.

"We'll never forget the sacrifices our parents made for us," says Cioe. "I've been very successful in business and always wanted them to be proud of what I could accomplish. It's about not forgetting where you come from. I give back to Bryant to honor them."

Annual scholarship will help Bryant students pursue human resource management

Frank Reis '69 and **Mary (Thornton) Reis '69** have been partners in life and their careers since meeting as Bryant students and marrying six months after graduation. They both majored in Bryant's teacher education program and served as presidents of their respective fraternity and sorority. For more than a decade after graduating, they both taught in Providence, RI, high schools and earned master's degrees in education.

When Frank enrolled at a doctoral program at Ohio State University, they relocated and their career paths shifted from teaching to higher education administration. While pursuing his degree, Frank worked as an intern in the human resources division of the university, beginning a career path in that specialty area that would span several decades in higher education. Mary stepped into higher education as a program director at Cuyahoga Community College.

"We both used a variety of finances to get through many years of school," explains Frank. These included student loans, the G.I. Bill, and employment. "We wanted to give back to Bryant by helping other students who are in the same position." To do so, the couple established the **Dr. Frank W. Reis '69 and Mary A. Reis '69 Partners in Scholarship Fund**, in support of *Expanding the World of Opportunity: The Campaign for Bryant's Bold Future*. Increasing access to a Bryant education through student scholarships is one pillar of the campaign.

Their pledge will create an annual scholarship for a Bryant student in good academic standing with demonstrated financial need. Preference will be given to students with a concentration in Human Resource Management – a nod to the field where Frank excelled.

"We credit Bryant with the strong start to our careers," says Mary, who also notes the many life-long friends they still cherish from their years at Bryant.

"My undergraduate degree really launched the academic side of my career," adds Frank. "Bryant did that for so many people. Hopefully others will come forward to help support today's Bryant students."



Steven '69 and Lily Cowen hold Bryant close to their hearts

J Steven Cowen '69 always knew he had received a first-rate education at Bryant, but when he was pursuing his MBA he realized how favorably it compared to other schools. "While in study groups with other students, I would often say 'Wait a minute – you didn't learn this in undergraduate studies?' With my superior education from Bryant, my MBA studies were, as they should be, an amplification and deeper understanding of the investment, economic and financial fields," he says.

Though separated from Bryant by years and miles, the San Diego, CA, resident uses technology and travel to continue to cultivate his Bryant connection. Cowen takes an active role in the Bryant community by supporting recruiting efforts, being a Bryant leadership donor, mentoring students, and cheering on the Bulldog athletic teams.

"Once you graduate from Bryant, it becomes a part of you," he says. "I have watched the University and its reputation grow, and I wanted to be a part of developing the Bryant tradition."

SUPPORT ACROSS THE COUNTRY

Though it may seem difficult to support Bryant from California, Cowen and his wife, Lily, have been able to do it easily, he says. "She supports my passion for Bryant, and in turn, I support her dedication to the protection, humane treatment, and preservation of many types of animals, including three rescued kitties who enjoy a life of luxury at our home."

The founder of Cowen & Associates, a financial planning firm, was approached by Bryant when the University was starting a concentration in financial services about 17 years ago. He was happy to provide his

expertise, which in addition to his MBA includes a master's degree in financial and tax planning. He most enjoys the opportunity to interact with students.

"I am so impressed each time I talk with them," he says. "Bryant students are smart, mature, and passionate, and it gives me great pride to offer them my mentorship and advice." He serves on the Archway Investment Fund's board and makes an effort to speak to the classes whenever he is on campus.

CONTINUE THE MOMENTUM

Despite the distance, Cowen enthusiastically supports the University's many programs. "I am very pleased with the direction and progress of the University," he says. "I want to use my experience and knowledge to help continue the momentum."

In April 2009, Cowen received the Nelson Gulski Service Award for his record of exemplary and longstanding volunteer service to the University. Since then, he has continued his dedication to Bryant. Always an athlete, he has donated directly to the football and baseball teams, and this summer, he hosted a patio party at his home, which included three local Bulldogs and Coach Pressler, to celebrate the Bryant men's lacrosse team's successful season.

Cowen is fond of pointing out that at Bryant, the student-athletes have an outstanding graduation rate. "I like to brag that at Bryant, not only do we have student-athletes graduating *cum laude*, such as football player **Taylor Janoskie '16**, but we have student-athletes such as lacrosse player **Kyle Mummau '17** who tutor other, non-athlete students. At most other colleges, it's non-athlete students tutoring the athletes!"



Steven and Lily Cowen always make time to meet students receiving their scholarships when they visit campus. Here, they're shown with Bulldog football player Taylor Janoskie '16.

A LEGACY ENSURED

In addition to supporting athletics, Steven and Lily have participated in *Expanding the World of Opportunity: The Campaign for Bryant's Bold Future* with a three-part gift: A scholarship, an endowment, and a bequest. They support an annual scholarship and are building an endowment to sustain it in perpetuity. In addition, they have included a bequest to Bryant and are members of the 1863 Society. Through their unending support and devotion, the Cowens have ensured their Bryant legacy.

Berta Hysell: Beloved former advisor will be celebrated in NYC reunion



Berta Hysell remains close to her former students on Facebook. Find her at [Roberta MacNab Hysell](#)

When Berta Hysell began her 19-year Bryant career in 1977, her job was to recruit students of color, raise awareness of diversity issues on campus, and work with the students of color attending Bryant to help them achieve their goals.

In her trademark warm, caring – and forthright – way, Berta was a strong advocate for diversity, tirelessly campaigning for opportunities and resources. She was also a go-to person, someone on whom students and staff could depend for guidance. What made Berta so special was that she knew

who needed which kind of guidance and when. So you knew that when you went to Berta, she was as likely to hug you as she was to hold you accountable – but she was always fair.

Berta, thankfully, has not changed. Technically, she's retired, but that implies she's not working, which is far from the reality. In her hometown of Charlottesville, VA, Berta runs her antique business, which she started with her husband, David, who passed away several years ago. And – no surprise – Berta is co-chair of

her senior center's diversity committee. Among other activities, she's also on the Jefferson Health Council, the Senior Statesmen of Virginia, and is working on an oral history project with Charlottesville High School. She also takes courses in history, philosophy, and "whatever I don't know anything about."

"She took the time to sit and listen. She was always there, and that is no small thing."

**–José Gonzalez '89, Ph.D.
Professor of English
U.S. Coast Guard Academy**

To honor her many contributions to diversity initiatives at Bryant, a scholarship for multicultural students was established in 2006 with donations from many students who were impacted by her. Now, with over \$60,000 raised, the Berta Hysell and Friends Multicultural Scholarship awards two scholarships each year to deserving multicultural students.

This fall, Bryant's Office of Alumni Engagement is honoring Berta Hysell's 80th birthday with a weekend celebration highlighted by dinner at Sardi's on October 1. (More details on the weekend online)

We invite former students and friends to join in the festivities. In addition, alumni and friends have pledged to increase the scholarship endowment to \$80,000 in honor of Berta's 80th year.

If you're interested in attending the gathering on October 1, or contributing to the scholarship endowment, contact Robin Warde at rwarde@bryant.edu or (401) 232-6253 or register to attend online at alumniconnect.bryant.edu/Berta.

Ralph and Barbara Papitto: An Enduring Influence on the Rhode Island Community

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and received an Honorary Doctorate in 1987. Barbara served on the University's board of trustees from 1987-96, remains an active honorary trustee, and was presented with her own Honorary Doctorate in 1997.

This long relationship continues with a new highlight, a \$1 million gift from the Papitto Foundation in support of *Expanding the World of Opportunity: The Campaign for Bryant's Bold Future*. This capital campaign, the largest in Bryant's history, looks to provide top-tier resources for students and position Bryant for strategic growth and success for years to come. The comprehensive plan is organized around four key priorities: scholarships to compete for the best students, innovative programs to enrich learning, resources to cultivate a global perspective, and facilities to inspire excellence.

"Barbara and I are pleased to help propel Bryant forward at this exciting time in the school's history," says Ralph. "We are enthusiastic about the leadership and momentum at the University, and we desire to play an active role in taking Bryant to the next level. The Campaign has already made great progress, especially visible in the launch of Bryant Zhuhai, carrying the Bryant tradition into China."

Ralph is an expert at bringing organizations to the next level, and has several times grown businesses and taken them public. He got off to a fast start after college, with positions at Ernst & Young and Arthur Anderson & Co. With an eye for financial statements and a respectful emulation of established business leaders, Ralph founded Glass-Tile Industries at 29, making hermetic

"Barbara and I...desire to play an active role in taking Bryant to the next level"

—Ralph Papitto '47, '87H

seals for the semi-conductor industry, a particularly well-timed service for a new industry. The company rapidly grew to 300 employees and executed a public offering. His next venture was Nortek, Inc., which grew to conduct \$1.5 billion in sales, with 14,000 employees across 34 states, going on to become a NYSE-traded company. After retiring from Nortek in 1990, Ralph took over American Flexible Conduit Company, renamed it AFC Cable Systems and made it his third successful publicly traded business. AFC found its success by creating an effective product and promoting multiple

uses for it. The company is still doing business from its base in New Bedford, Massachusetts and several plants across the U.S.

As much as Ralph has enjoyed professional success, the Papittos wanted to do something more. Both Barbara and Ralph have put their business acumen to work with a community-focused nonprofit project called Read to Succeed. The service is dedicated to helping children in grades 4-8 improve classroom performance and reading proficiency, and is particularly effective in reaching those with a drive and appreciation for academic success. The program has an immediate payoff in elevating literacy levels in public schools, combined with the long-term benefit of helping students attend college.

Read to Succeed requires participants to read six books per year and demonstrate comprehension through a basic review exam. Successful students are awarded with a certificate of completion and a \$1,000 fund invested with Wall Street firm Alliance Bernstein. The assets can be withdrawn when the students attend college. The Papitto Foundation covers all of the costs, making the program completely free for participating families.

In recognition of service to the state, Ralph was inducted to the Rhode Island Heritage Hall of Fame in 2016, the highest civic honor for Rhode Island residents. His professional career, his work through the Papitto Foundation, and his long commitment to higher education made his candidacy undeniable. In the words of the organization, this accolade is for those who have "made significant contributions to their community, state, and/or nation." In the arenas of business and philanthropy, efforts in the Papitto name have certainly played a role in shaping state history for more than half a century.

"It was an honor to be recognized by the Rhode Island Heritage Foundation for my philanthropic work," says Ralph. "And I'm very glad to continue that work by supporting Bryant and its mission during the capital campaign."

On the foundation of a Bryant education, the Papittos have demonstrated remarkable longevity, remaining lifelong fixtures in Rhode Island's business landscape with a significant presence in the state's nonprofit community.

CLASS OF 2016:

Paying it forward by endowing a student scholarship

The Class of 2016 is raising money for an endowed scholarship to provide future generations of Bryant students the opportunity to attend the University.

"It is our responsibility, as new alumni of Bryant, to help other students, just as others helped us to find our paths of success here," says **Brian Cadigan '16**. "For me, donating to the senior class gift is a way to pay it forward. My experience at Bryant has been nothing but exceptional. I would not be where I am today without the people I've met or the experiences I've had at Bryant."

Since 2008, eight senior class gift campaigns have raised a total of just under \$300,000. Senior class donations have established eight scholarship funds, including one benefitting students participating in the Sophomore International Experience.

As impressive is the number of seniors in each class who contribute. The Class of 2009 was the first to exceed a 50 percent participation rate. Each class since has raised the bar. The Class of 2015 set an all-time record with 64 percent participation in the Class of 2015 Bryant Community Scholarship for a student in need who has demonstrated a high level of involvement within the Bryant community.

The Class of 2016 topped that, hitting 67 percent participation.

"Many students do not understand that it's not how much they give back, but the act of participating in giving," says **Hanna Williamson '16**.

"Bryant is a unique place with the opportunity to discover your passion and become a lifelong learner. As a Bryant student, I have been given countless opportunities to find my own success, inside and outside of the classroom. I want to give other students the opportunity to have as great an experience as I have had at Bryant.

It all starts by paying it forward."



INCREASING ACCESS TO A BRYANT EDUCATION

Endowed fund will help Bryant's Catholic students nurture their faith

When **Siro DeGasperis '57** was a business administration student at Bryant, the campus was located on the East Side of Providence. DeGasperis was a Catholic student from Schenectady, NY, and every Sunday he walked for blocks to attend Mass at a local parish. Recalling how much his faith meant to him – and realizing that today's Catholic students might want additional opportunities to enhance their faith and spiritual development – he and his wife have established the Siro '57 and Roberta DeGasperis Catholic Students Endowed Program Fund.

Their \$75,000 gift will support *Expanding the World of Opportunity: The Campaign for Bryant's Bold Future*. Developing and sustaining new programs to enrich student learning is one of the pillars of the campaign. The program fund will support a multi-pronged approach to support Bryant's Catholic students enrich their faith.

The gift will create a source of continuing funds to build and strengthen students' leadership skills and character; provide student service learning opportunities to build a stronger community; and support educational programs or academic courses that focus on the teachings of the Church and Catholic faith.

The DeGasperis' gift complements a \$100,000 donation they made to name a community gathering room in the Ronald K. and Kati C. Machtley Interfaith Center. It also reflects a deep



The DeGasperis Catholic Students Endowed Program Fund will enrich student learning.

philanthropic commitment to their faith. They have funded construction of a Catholic church in Guatemala and sponsor a Catholic school there. They also have supported the church where Siro was baptized and parishes where they live in Palm Beach County, Florida.

DeGasperis enjoyed a 34-year career with United Parcel Service, retiring in 1993 as vice president for international and domestic public affairs. He credits his Bryant education and experience with building his confidence and cultivating his public speaking skills. "I relied on my faith and prayers to get me through some tight spots," he notes. "If students take heed and take advantage of their faith and attend Mass, they can find that God will help them too."



JOHN HAGAN '86: Being the leader people want to follow

John Hagan '86 has carved out a singular niche in the competitive world of executive recruiting. As the managing director of Savage Partners in Hartford, CT, he specializes in building effective management teams for technology companies backed by venture capital and private equity firms. The company has established a reputation as the go-to firm for helping clients recruit world-class talent for software, e-commerce, mobile, and internet-enabled businesses.

Hagan has interviewed hundreds of candidates seeking senior leadership positions. His observations about what's important in a new hire and building a team are insightful and apply to any industry.

"The most important trait in a new hire is personal values...by a long shot," insists Hagan. "A true leader needs to be an exceptionally

"A true leader needs to be an exceptionally hard worker. Leaders need to be fair, honest, and have the ability to connect with people..."

—John Hagan '86

hard worker," he continues. "Leaders need to be fair, honest and have the ability able to connect with people on a deeply personal level that shows they truly care. If they do that, people will follow them."

With an enviable record of successful ventures, Hagan also knows what it takes to thrive as an entrepreneur.

"Successful entrepreneurs need to have tremendous perseverance and a blind belief that their vision of the future is correct. They will encounter many nay-sayers along the way and if they spend too much time listening to them, they will ultimately get discouraged and quit."

What do graduates entering today's workforce need to know? "I have three



children in college right now, and I give the same advice to them," says Hagan. "The world is changing so rapidly and what you think is the status quo today will not be in a very short period of time. You need to keep your eyes and ears open to what is going on so that you can adapt quickly to an ever-changing market. Take risks, trust your instincts and speak your mind as there is a good chance your current boss isn't as in touch with what the future holds as you are."

John and his 1986 classmates will celebrate their 30th Reunion this year.

DAVID TACELLI '81: Taking ownership to accomplish goals

Dave Tacelli's multifaceted career in the semiconductor industry has kept pace with that sector's explosive growth. With rapid technological development, the industry's contribution to the U.S. economy grew 265 percent from 1987 to 2011. Government sources peg the industry's contribution to the U.S. economy at more than \$65 billion.

During his 28-year tenure with the former LTX Corporation, Tacelli held diverse executive positions including business manager, controller, director of customer service, director of manufacturing, vice president of operations, chief financial officer, and executive vice president.

"True leaders have to have conviction in their vision and be unafraid to make tough decisions."

—Dave Tacelli '81

Recognized as an effective change agent and proven leader, Tacelli became the president and chief executive officer and piloted the company through a merger and acquisition phase that spanned ten years and doubled the company's size and market. In 2014, the company changed its name to Xcerra Corporation. It is the parent company for four powerful brands in the semiconductor and electronics manufacturing industries, with headquarters in Norwood, MA, and a global sales and support network.

As Xcerra's president and CEO, Tacelli is shaping the company's vision and strategy. His success is built on a lesson he learned early in his career. "My first job out of college was working as a financial analyst for a very large company," recalls Tacelli.



"Every time a decision needed to be made, the responsibility was pushed to someone else because no one wanted to take responsibility. This lack of ownership caused many delays in work getting done. I vowed that when I was in a position to make decisions, I would not pass the buck to anyone else and I would make the decision and live with the consequences."

That commitment to lead well and act decisively is integral to Tacelli's management style. "The successful leaders I've been around never fear making a tough decision," he explains. "Tough decisions can be confrontational and unpopular. But true leaders have to have conviction in their vision and not be afraid to make decisions that will support that vision."

Tacelli has encouraging words for graduates entering the workforce. "Some young people think they need to have all the answers right out of college," he says. "That's not the way life works. You are always in a learning mode, no matter how long you have been in the workforce. Don't be afraid to ask questions and learn from those around you."



NETWORKING AT ALUMNI EVENTS



May 4 | New York, NY

Alumni and former football players gathered at The Harp in New York City for an update on Bryant and athletics. Coach Marty Fine posed with football alumni who attended including: Back Row (L-R): **Charles Argast '14, John McDermott '14, John Tashjian '10, Bryan Wood '08, Nicholas Sengotta '12, Randall Angel '11**; Middle Row (L-R): **Robert Wallace '14, Ralph Squitieri, Coach Marty Fine, Charles Granatell '08, Anthony DiNaso '12, JP Scott '06**; Front: **Sean Bergin '08**



May 19 | Warwick, RI

Bryant continued its professional development breakfast series with faculty speakers this spring. Pictured here is Trustee Professor of Management Mike Roberto speaking to a packed alumni audience about building and leading a highly-successful team.

KERRY BENSON '87: Inspiring creativity fuels this leader

The best advice **Kerry (Amaral) Benson '87** ever received came during her first job. "Don't ever bring me a problem without thinking about the solution," Benson recalls hearing from the head of her department at one of New England's leading ad agencies. "She was frustrated that I had the audacity to walk into her office and waste her time with a problem without ideas on how to solve it. I never forgot it and have passed it along to many others."

Benson learned the lesson well and has forged an exceptional career in the world of advertising – where problem solving is both expected and prized. She has worked with top national clients in financial, telecommunications, insurance, fashion, cosmetics, and food industries. For more than a decade she has been a leader at Hill Holliday, the 13th largest advertising agency in the U.S. with 650 employees and offices in Boston and New York City.

"Good leaders inspire people to think creatively."

–Kerry Benson '87

As executive vice president and managing director, Benson successfully combines business acumen with creative ingenuity to direct integration and talent strategies agency-wide. She also oversees several national accounts, including Bank of America, LG and Liberty Mutual. At Hill Holliday, she's helped develop award-winning campaigns including work for Dunkin' Donuts and Liberty Mutual's long-running Responsibility. What's your policy? campaign.

In a fiercely competitive industry, Benson says leadership must "make people feel comfortable, not on-guard. Leaders find ways to motivate people. Good leaders inspire people to think creatively."

Benson's perspective on how to be successful is straightforward. "Always keep the company's best interests at heart," she advises. "Check your ego and do what's right for the business, not your personal gain. Even if you can't see the value in doing so right away, it will pay off in the long run."

Benson encourages college graduates entering the workforce to "take the long



view. Be patient. You may feel like you're not moving ahead fast enough, but stick with it and you're likely to make up time later on. The best career paths aren't always linear."

"Make every experience count," she continues, echoing that early lesson. "Eventually your experiences, even the bad ones, will add up to a unique perspective that only you can provide. Don't be afraid to take risks and make mistakes."

Benson, who has hosted an alumni networking panel at her company and spoken on campus to students, has been an inspiration to alumni entering advertising. Joanne (O'Brien) Rietta '89 (Santa Monica, CA) credits Benson's visit to campus when she was a student for launching her own career.

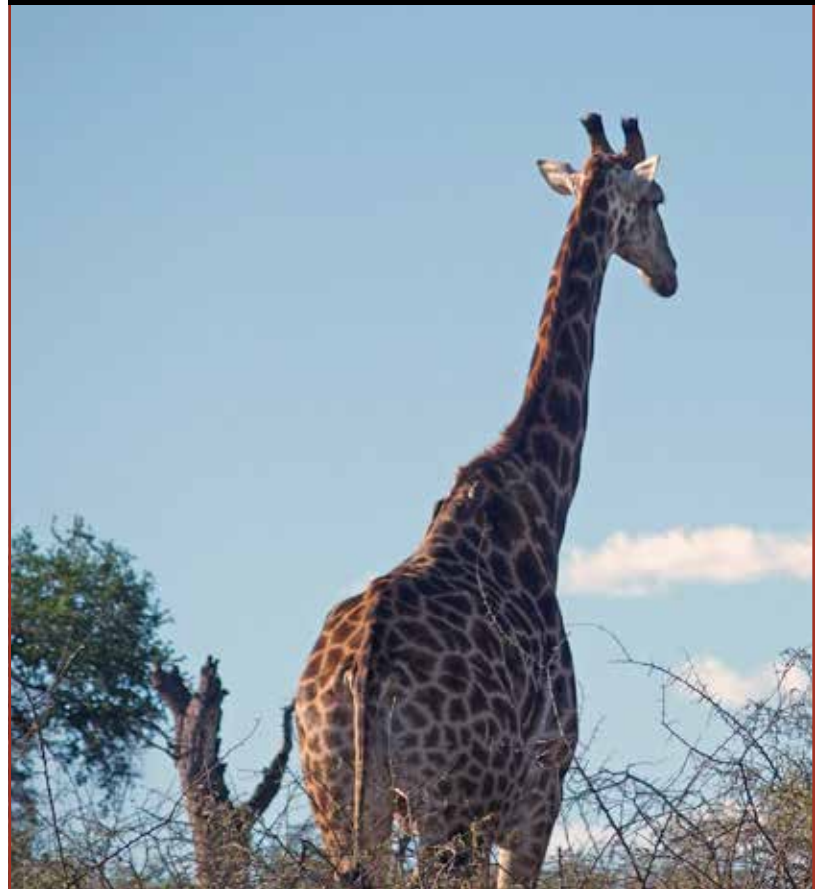


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South Africa

July 7-23, 2017

Journey to the southern tip of Africa to a country that defies comparison. No other destination offers such a spectacular combination of scenery, cities, and amazing wildlife sightings. One day you're out on the savannah, spying on leopards and lions; the next, you're sipping a crisp chenin blanc and feeling the breeze off the Indian Ocean.

Eastern Europe

December 2017

We're going to explore the Christmas Markets of Budapest, Vienna, and Prague in December 2017. Check online for dates and details.

Visit www.bryant.edu/alumnitravel or contact **Kathleen Brown** at (401) 232-6041 or kbrown@bryant.edu for more information or to register.



June 4 | Portsmouth, RI

Bryant's largest off campus annual event opened the Newport Polo Season this June, among the more than 200 attendees, **Glenn Bradfield '79, '86 MBA**, **Corinna Britten**, **Tammy Medico**, **Tom Medico '82, '87 MBA** posed for the camera.



June 15 | New York, NY

Bryant's **Wall Street Council** hosted a gathering at the Kimberly Hotel in New York City in June to provide members with an update on the Finance program at Bryant, and to encourage members to become active mentors to Bryant students. For information on **Wall Street Council** membership, contact Susan Detri-Souve at sdetri@bryant.edu.

With more than 70 Alumni Programs around the globe each year, we can't run all the pictures we would like to highlight in Engage. Photo albums from all events are located on [Facebook.com/BryantAlumni](https://www.facebook.com/BryantAlumni). You can view Bryant's photo albums without a Facebook account.



CALENDAR

July

Boston, MA
July 20, 6-8 PM
Revere Rooftop
Welcome 2016 Reception

New York, NY
July 27, 6-8 PM
Dockside Welcome
2016 Reception

August

Atlanta, GA
August 4, 6-8 PM
STATS, Networking w/
alumni & students

Martha's Vineyard, MA
August 13, 5-7 PM
Reception @
Harbor View Hotel

San Juan, PR
August TBD, 5-7 PM
Senior Send-Off at the
home of Jennifer Garity '94

Matunuck, RI
August 25, 6:30 PM
Reception, 8PM Show
Sister Act @ Theatre by the Sea

Flushing, Queens, NY
August 29, 5-7 PM
Hospitality Tent,
7 PM Performance &
Matches Start
US Open – Opening Night
Arthur Ashe Stadium

September

Bryant Campus
September 10, 9 AM
Shawn Nassaney '98
Memorial Race and
Reception

East Quogue, Hamptons NY
September 10, 4-6 PM
Reception at the home
of Eric Bertrand '94

Bozeman, MT
September 10, 4 PM
Bryant Football @
Montana State

Dorchester, MA
September TBD, 6-9 PM
Tasting and Reception
@ Boston Winery

Bryant Campus
September 23-24
Reunion @ Homecoming

New York, NY
September 27, 6-8 PM
Honors Program Reception
@ TBD

New York, NY
September 28, 5:30 PM
Yankees vs. Red Sox
@ Yankee Stadium

October

New York, NY
October 1, 6-9PM
Berta Hysell's 80th Birthday

Providence, RI
October 5, 5:30 PM reception,
7 PM show
Wicked @ PPAC

Chicago, IL
October TBD 6-8 PM
Catch up w/ Coach Pressler

Denver, CO
October TBD 6-8 PM
Catch up w/ Coach Pressler

Providence, RI
October 20, 6-8 PM
Networking Reception at
MARCUM

Hartford, CT
October 22, 3 PM
Pub Hop for Hope

New alumni events are added weekly. Check alumniconnect.bryant.edu/events for the updated calendar and to register. Check www.bryantbulldogs.com for athletic contests in your area.

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Notices received from 5/12/16 to 5/24/16

2001
Kimberly Pike '01 and Joseph Quintero
on 12/27/14

2011
Laura Hathaway '11 and Matthew Lane '11
on 10/17/15

Melissa Allen '11 and Joseph Iaquinto '11
on 9/26/15

Maggie Roche '11, '12 MPAC and Tom Allin '11
on 9/12/15

Melanie Unwin '11 and Steven Siek '11
on 8/10/14

ADDITIONS

Notices received from 5/12/16 to 5/24/16

2001
Kara April to Kimberly (Pike) '01 and
Joseph Quintero on 5/6/16

2002
Griffin Thomas and Grayson Lawrence
to Kaitlyn (Spinelli) '03, '09 MBA and
Christopher Pitarich '02 on 5/15/16.

ALUMNI WEDDINGS



August 10, 2014 | Brewster, MA
Melanie Unwin '11 and Steven Siek '11



September 12, 2015 | Newport, RI
Thomas Allin '11 and Maggie Roche '11, '12 MPAC



October 17, 2015 | Sharon, MA
Laura Hathaway '11 and Matthew Lane '11



April 9, 2016 | Greenville, SC
Jasmine Safford '13 and Colin Blakeney

To view more full-size wedding photos and to see names of all alumni in attendance, please visit [Facebook.com/BryantAlumni](https://www.facebook.com/BryantAlumni)

Submit your "Partnerships" and "Additions" to the Office of Alumni Engagement by emailing alumni@bryant.edu or enter a class note through our online directory at www.bryant.edu/alumni. Send wedding photos that feature a group of Bryant alumni to alumni@bryant.edu. Resolution of photos should be "print-quality" (generally 300 pixels/inch).

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