The Bryan Family

Featured in "Pistols and Petticoats"

—Bob Andrews '67

Only the popcorn was missing when the class of '74 presented its full-length feature film, "Pistols and Petticoats," as the entertainment at the 1973 junior-senior banquet. Rather than spending a large amount of money on entertainment for the banquet, this year's junior class decided to produce, direct, film, and act in their own feature film. The result was an original, refreshing hour-long extravaganza that delighted the enthusiastic audience.

Cheering the hero and booing the villain, the crowd was continually amazed at the balance between old movie cliches and new twists in the plot.

Nothing was missing: villain with a mustache (Jon Eisenback); tall, goodlooking hero (Dave Seera); pretty heroine with long flowing hair (Jackie Bright); and family of the heroine complete with a young, bratty brother (Nancy Nofsinger, Nancy Bugg, Kathy Ballard, Susan Waddell, and Mark Shaver). Action, horses, fight scenes, tying the heroine to the railroad track, pushing the hero over the bridge into the creek—they were all there. And the audience loved it all the more because they knew the people on the screen.

The Bryan college family can be proud that they can produce such creative innovations. Phil Ashworth '66, the director and junior class sponsor, filmed most of the action and helped the juniors with the 500 splices necessary to edit the flick.

The result was a grand evening's entertainment that would make outside, professional efforts seem amateurish in comparison. Bravo juniors!

ALUMNI HOMECOMING
OCTOBER 26-28, 1973
SAVE THE DATE
Forced Into the Bryan Family

My first thoughts of Bryan were not very rosey. I came to Bryan by force. The year previous to my coming to Bryan, I had had a high old time at a state school which was a misfit for me. My parents had made a promise that my failures like the ones that I had obtained at the state school. Bryan simply was a means by which Mom and Dad could keep an eye on me to prevent any more total failures like the ones that I had obtained at the state school. The only hope that I had was a promise that my parents had made when I entered Bryan. If my conduct and grades were satisfactory for two years at Bryan, I could transfer to the state school.

During my first year, I was persuaded to join the small, struggling band that was being formed, but other than the required functions and band I stayed as far away from Bryan College as possible.

Year number two found me a little bit happier because I was now acquainted with a few people and this was to be my final year away from state school! Everything seemed to roll along smoothly until fate brought my college career to a sudden halt. On October 31, 1969, as I was returning from a band concert at Bryan, I had an automobile accident that left me paralyzed from the neck down. An operation followed two days later left me paralyzed from the neck down with no promise of any recovery. My beautiful world had come to a screeching halt.

During the next three months while I was confined to a hospital bed in Chattanooga, there was not one week that passed without scores of Bryan faculty, staff and administration members, students and friends of the college visiting my room, sending cards and letters and doing any and every thing that they could to make my days a little brighter.

I began to make gradual progress until February of 1970, when I was able to manipulate a wheelchair, I was transferred to a hospital in Memphis for rehabilitation. My world had come to a screeching halt.

By the time I was released from the hospital and sent home for recovery. Once I got settled, I became anxious to return to Bryan. I had changed from a miserable student counting the days until I could return to state school, to a happy student in love with Bryan College.

This testimonial by Martin Collins, a member of the class of 1973, is one of four speeches that were selected for presentation at the commencement exercises on May 7 when 105 graduates were honored in the largest class to be graduated from Bryan College. Marty, who is also a graduate of Rhea Central High School of Dayton, Tennessee, is a business education major who plans to continue his studies in graduate school.
TRAVELING TROUPE PERFORMS IN FOUR CITIES

by Rachel Ross

Inspired by the leadership of Rachel Ross, assistant professor of speech at Bryan, the Bryan Hilltop Players introduced their Traveling Troupe as a unique feature of the dramatics club this year.

On three different occasions the group took the play, "Ten Miles to Jericho," to churches in the area. It was presented to the United Methodist Church in Dayton, the Central Presbyterian Church in Chattanooga, and on a weekend tour to North Carolina at the Mt. Carmel Baptist Church of Asheville and the First Baptist Church of Hendersonville. Following are the members of the Traveling Troupe: Charlie Hunnicutt, Fred Clark, Dave TROUPE secretary, Junior from Stanley, Virginia; Dorchia Roach, year of Hendersonville. Following are the members of the Central Presbyterian Church in Chattanooga, and on present to the United Methodist Church in Dayton, "Ten Miles to Jericho," to churches in the area. It was presented at the end of May.

"Ten Miles to Jericho," which takes its setting from the story of the Good Samaritan, portrays the wounded man in his encounter with the Priest and Levite who left him to die on the road.

This play with two other plays, "The Children's Story," which presents the compassionate attitude of a grade school classroom and "The War Prayer" by Mark Twain provided an evening's dramatic production at Bryan on February 17.

The three-act play presented this year, was The Curious Savage, brought by Dr. Mark Davis to the Bryan Hilltop Players as part of the drama club's production for this academic year.

RALPH W. HAYES '59 who has for the past eight years been associated with Brethren Christian Schools of Osceola, Indiana, is starting a new school, the Indian Hills Christian Schools for the First Baptist Church of New Philadelphia, Ohio. Ralph and his wife visited Bryan in March to bring four prospective students from Indiana.

RUSSELL LLEWELLYN '62 received the Ph.D. in clinical psychology on March 29 from the Graduate School of Psychology at Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, California.

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The officers for Hilltop Players this year were: Keith Patman, president, sophomore from Kensingon, Maryland; Bonita Spencer, vice president, junior from Asheville, North Carolina; Debbie Baker, corresponding secretary, junior from Stanley, Virginia; Darrell Roach, secretary, senior from Mayesville, North Carolina, and Patti Baker, treasurer, sophomore from Orlando, Florida.

The officers for next year are: Charlie Hunnicutt, president, senior from Flat Rock, North Carolina; Keith Patman, vice president, junior from Kensingon, Maryland; Ellen Sax, secretary, junior from Athens, Tennessee; Leslie White, corresponding secretary, freshman from Elida, Ohio; Connie M., and Nancy Adams, treasurer, sophomore from Bemidji, Minnesota.

Says Miss Ross of her first year as Director of the Hilltop Players: "This has been a most enjoyable year. We cannot say enough for the students who have been active in the club, their loyalty, faithfulness, and hard work have helped us to live up to our verse and motto: 'Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God' (I Cor. 10:31). We desire that the production of each play might be a means of using our talents to glorify God."
EDWARD '39 and JOYCE (HIRSCHY) '40 DE ROSSI have completed 28 years of missionary service in Peru under Baptist Mid Missions. Last year a new church, the Vista Alegre church, was organized and a new Bible school opened at Bryan, Lucy as a sophomore and Nancy a freshman. The church, the Vista Alegre church, was organized and a new church building is in progress.

LYMAN '49 and POLLY (PARDEN) '48 GOERING have been assigned as houseparents for the Baptist Mid-Missions children (3 of their own, among 17) of whom 11 are high schoolers at the BMM school next year. Lyman will also have the task of coordinator for the mission radio programs at Fortaleza, Brazil.

ED '48 and JANE (SUTTON) '49 LIEB have reservations to fly back to Brazil on July 11. Two daughters are enrolled at Bryan, Lucy as a sophomore and Nancy a freshman. The Liebs plan to expand their film ministry in Brazil.

Former Missionary Aviation Fellow-

JACK x'58 and LORA LEE (CLINGAN) x'57 SPURLOCK anticipate a July 9 departure date from Detroit to Nairobi, Kenya to renew “Wings of Calvary” flight. Jack and Lora Lee are packing in Simla, Colorado, for an August flight to the States from France in May and June (Hively) 54 with their other five children came at the end of June for a summer furlough including a visit to the Bryan Bible Conference. They plan to return to France in September.

DALE '54 and MARTHA (SHEFFIELD) '55 PAYNE visited Bryan with their children, Mark, Sharon, and Dean at the beginning of their furlough from Brazil. They were en route to St. Louis and Denver.

JOHN '54 and JOYCE (JOHNSON) '54 RATHBUN are packing in Simla, Colorado, for an August flight to Seoul, Korea with their four children.

ROGER and NAOMI (HILDEBRAND) '55 WALKOWITZ with their three boys completed their six months furlough to return to the Philippines from San Francisco on July 5.

PEARL RATHBUN '56 had further knee surgery in April to improve the use of her left leg. This has delayed her return to Cora.

JIM x'56 and Barbara PITTS now have 52 children at Children’s Haven in Akron, Monroe. Twenty are teenagers and the youngest was brought as a four-day-old baby boy this past winter. Nursery workers and another school teacher are needed for the fall.

WANTED: What’s happening in the

GEORGE '55 and Norma HABERER have been assigned to the Eastern Highlands District of New Guinea by the Association of Baptists for World Evangelism. Their ministry will be training of evangelists, pastors, and laitymen in a Bible school or through extension course. Their daughter, Sherry, will attend Moody Bible Institute.

Mrs. Charles Bailey
(Edwin Wing) x'54
Mrs. John Venderstreet
(Joyce Bartlett) x'51
Mrs. B. M. Barnard
(Edythe Higgins) x'36
Mrs. Charles Bailey
(Edwin Wing) x'54
Mrs. Mrs. Harry Barn
(Jean Tempest) x'54
Mrs. Mary Barnard
(Eddy Higgins) x'36
Mrs. Harry Barn
(Jean Tempest) x'54
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DAVID '61 and SHIRLEY (WHITENER) x'63 EGNER visited Bryan on a spring trip to Florida with their children. Dave continues his teaching at Grand Rapids Baptist College.

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