

HEAD COACH

**Dr. Jon Sjogren • 27****15th year • Bryant '88***2004 ABCA Northeast Region Coach of the Year*

Now entering his 15th year as the head baseball coach at Bryant University, Jon Sjogren guided the Bulldogs to their finest season on the

baseball diamond in 2004.

Picking up his 300th coaching victory during the first week of the season, the Bulldogs proceeded to set a new school record with 40 victories and earn the school's first NCAA Northeast Regional Championship, earning a ticket to represent the Northeast at the Division II College World Series in Montgomery, Alabama.

At the World Series, the Bulldogs defeated third-ranked Rollins College in the opening round and closed out the year with a record of 40-17 and a No. 6 national ranking the final Division II poll - the highest ever in school history. As a reward, Sjogren was named the Northeast Regional Coach of the Year by the A.B.C.A. In February of 2005, Sjogren was named the Words Unlimited Rhode Island Male Coach of the Year by the Rhode Island Sports Writers and Media Representatives.

The winningest coach in school history with a record of 338-284-1, Sjogren has been named the Northeast-10 Conference Coach of the Year four times and has guided Bryant to five Northeast-10 Conference championships and four NCAA tournament championships. He won regular-season titles with the Bulldogs in 1998, 2000 and 2002 and claimed the league's tournament crown in 1999. Prior to 2004, Sjogren guided the Bulldogs to two other NCAA appearances (1998, 2002).

In addition, Sjogren has seen five of his players achieve All-America status under his direction, including standouts Stephen Sloan and Mickey Ryan in 2004. Sloan, the conference pitcher of the year, was a first-team selection while Ryan, a first-team all-conference selection, earned third-team all-America honors in 2004. Recently, Jeff Renga earned first-team accolades in 2002.

A standout player for Bryant from 1986-88, Sjogren stands as the only Bulldog to have won

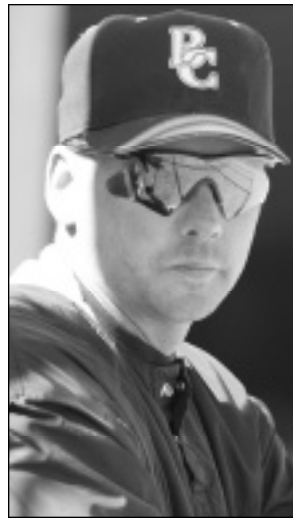
a conference championship and appear in an NCAA tournament as both a player and a head coach. After transferring from Florida Southern, where he was a member of the Moccasins' 1985 NCAA Division II championship team, Sjogren was the starting shortstop on Bryant's 1986 Northeast-10 championship team. He finished his career as a two-time All-New England selection and a three-time all-conference pick. He also led the Northeast-10 in home runs as a senior and had a career batting average of .370.

Upon graduation from Bryant, Sjogren spent two years as an assistant coach at the

University of Rhode Island before returning to his alma mater as head coach.

In addition to his coaching responsibilities, Sjogren is the chair of the Northeast-10 Coaches Committee, and the ABCA Northeast Region All-America selection committee. He has served on the NCAA Division II Baseball Advisory Committee and is also an instructor at a number of local camps and clinics.

Sjogren received an undergraduate degree from Bryant in 1988, added a master's degree from Rhode Island College in 1993, and earned a doctorate in education from Boston University in 1998.



ASSISTANT COACHES

**Jon Krot • 29****4th year • Eastern Connecticut '00**

Jon Krot begins his fourth season as an assistant coach at Bryant.

Krot came to Bryant after spending two seasons as an assistant at Central Connecticut,

where he worked with the Blue Devil outfielders and served as the team's hitting coach and recruiting coordinator.

Before joining the staff at Central Connecticut, Krot had been an assistant at Providence College, where he helped the Friars to the 1999 Big East championship and a trip to the regional final of the NCAA Division I tournament.

Krot has also served as the head coach for the Danielson American Legion and the Ledyard-Pawcatuck American Legion teams.

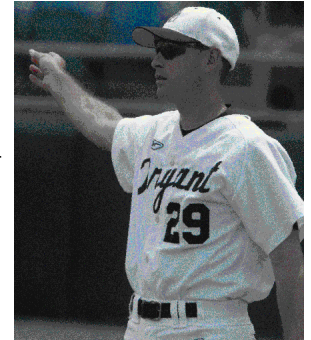
Krot was a standout as a player at Eastern Connecticut, where he hit leadoff and was the starting leftfielder for the Warriors' 1998 NCAA Division III championship team. Krot was instrumental in his team's run to the national title, hav-

ing been named to the NCAA Northeast Region all-tournament team.

Krot graduated from Eastern Connecticut as the Warriors' record holder in single-season (41) and career (74)

stolen bases. He was named MVP of the 1998 Little East Conference tournament after hitting .667 to lead the Warriors to the title and was a second team ABCA Division III all-region selection.

Krot graduated from Eastern Connecticut in 2000 with a degree in sports management.

**John Navilliat • 28****4th year • RISD '65**

John Navilliat is in his fourth stint as an assistant coach at Bryant College. He has served as the Bulldogs' hitting coach since returning to the Bryant staff.

Navilliat spent the 1986 season as an assistant to former Bryant head coach Earl Mathewson.

Before coming back to Smithfield for the 2000 season, Navilliat had spent six years as a hitting instructor and outfield coach at Providence College. Navilliat helped the Friars to two Big East championships and an appearance in the NCAA

regional finals.

Prior to his stint with Providence, Navilliat had spent six seasons as an assistant coach at Brown University.

Navilliat has been involved in amateur baseball since 1975, coaching in Little League, Babe Ruth and American Legion.

From 1982-85 he was an assistant football coach at Hope High School where he helped the team to the State Championship at Class C for 1985.

A graduate of the Rhode Island School of Design, Navilliat is a registered architect who works for Daughn Salisbury, Inc. in Providence. He and his wife, Rita, have one daughter, Jessica,

**Clay Field • 18****2nd year • Bryant '03**

A four-year member of the Bryant baseball team, Clay Field begins his second year as an assistant with the Bulldogs this spring. A native of West Kingston, R.I., Field was former

standout in baseball, football, and basketball at Bishop Hendricken High School. During his career at Bryant, he hit .331 in 83 career at-bats and drove in 14 runs. As a junior, he made five starts including a career-day vs. Assumption where he went 6-for-10 at the plate with a home run and four RBIs in a doubleheader sweep of the Greyhounds.