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# Letters

## CAB Responds

Due to the fact that there has been some concern over the content of Judy Tenuta's act on Friday, September 18, 1992, I would like to clarify the role of the College Activities Board at RIT. First of all, it is not the intent of CAB

to program events that are demeaning to anyone based on their sex, race, religion, culture, creed, or sexual preference. The opinions of any artist are not a reflection of the beliefs of members of the College Activities Board, but at the same time we have no right to censor a performer.

It is our hope to program events that will appeal to a large majority of the RIT Community. If there are any concerns about CAB programming,

please feel free to present them to the Board. Our office is open from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Monday through Friday, room A402 in the Student Alumni Union. We look forward to contributing to a well-rounded social environment at RIT, and welcome any ideas or concerns that are brought to our attention.

Bill Maxwell  
Coordinator,  
College Activities Board

## ReproFile



Every morning, seven days a week, just after the coffee is poured and just before the dog comes in, I kick start my brain for the day ahead. Religiously, I read the morning Democrat and

Chronicle. I've maintained this routine for eight years, in four different places, with six different newspapers. When it comes to news, I get pretty revved up. The newspaper has been my greatest educational tool and I'm not sure where I'd be without it.

The news never ceases to keep my attention. There are no storylines for civil wars exploding overseas. There are no character plots for world leaders. There are no stage props or backdrops in Third world countries. For the most part, I trust the authors of these spine tingling tales to be telling the truth. I count on their accuracy, their descriptions, their first humanistic impressions, and I count on their ability to collect the hard-line FACTS! I learn from the morning paper, and I believe it's the most worthwhile thing I do for myself.

However, occasionally my sleepy eyes fall upon a piece of crude copy. Unfortunately this experience has been more of a rule than an exception with reading the Democrat and Chronicle. Straight up, I'm not an avid fan of the D&C, and there is no daily alternative. Continually I have discovered, by reading other sources, that the D&C has misconstrued, misrepresented, and misquoted material. Perhaps I wouldn't mind if it didn't know, but considering myself a member of the Rochester community and RIT's educational community, their

"stories" influence my perspective, and my learning environment. This bothers me a great deal. I feel cheated and misguided! I lose faith in what I believe to be "the truth." As they say, don't always believe in what you hear?

Ever since Watergate, every investigative reporter's dream is to crack the BIG story! RIT fell prey to such dreams during the "scandalous RIT/CIA connection." For months the D&C writers milked the RIT community for all it was worth in the name of "news." RIT is undoubtedly newsworthy, but page one? The writers' bias and slants need not be the primary factor to put RIT on page one! Facts should be the sole support for such overt displays of "news." The reported stories about RIT and the CIA often cast unnecessary dark shadows on our community, shadows that do not belong where educational enlightenment begins.

More recently, the D&C did a follow-up story regarding the RIT/CIA connection; the story was written regarding the decisions of the Research Oversight Committee. The writer chose to connect this directly to the RIT/CIA stories for the sake of "news." The writer connected the story in such a way by misquoting a member of the Committee, Steve Schultz. The writer's interpretation is far different than what Steve intended by his statement. The facts were deliberately shifted, I believe, to give the story a bit of "umph." News is not as interesting as gossip. So while RIT is experiencing changes for the better, others looking from the pages of the D&C will still view RIT as a scandalous entity. This bothers me because I know better.

It is understandable that no writer can be without bias, but good reporting is achievable. I read other newspapers and news magazines just to keep balance. There is an endless

amount of information available to us, for readers to disseminate between news and gossip. We're fortunate our freedoms allow for such an ample free press. It is important that publications, and the media understand their role, as informants and educators, and to follow through with the facts, allowing readers to form their own opinions!

It's a game of quality verses quantity, there's always more smut than there is fact! Unfortunately, readers seem to eat it up, and thus publishers continue to run with the less than educational coverage. What sells is the bottom line! The presidential race is a prime example. I've always wanted to know what the Quayles look like at breakfast! I've always wanted to read Hillary Clinton's homework in college! Meanwhile, back to the news...what is Perot's economic strategy?

The pen is a double-edged golden sword. A daily newspaper holds more current information than any broadcast, and more details about our everyday than any history book. It shapes the way we think, and it is a direct reflection of our time. We manipulate the media with our causes, events, and personalities; and the media manipulates our last opinion. As much as I hate the media hoopla, I believe it is the best thing we have going.

So I've renewed my subscription with the Christian Science Monitor, subscribed to Newsweek, and am seeking out the most recent copy of the Congressional Record at the library. Somehow I'll get the facts straight.

Christina  
Fajano



## How Does The Government Work—The Issues

Once again an election year is upon us. However, don't we have some sort of election every year, and, why aren't these elections as important as this particular one? Americans today have a slightly distorted view of politics and how they should function. This can be seen as we watch particular interest groups poll and support their candidate.

The President is the singular representative of our nation. He serves as our foreign ambassador and liaison overseas. His main function should be to represent the views and interests of the United States of America. However, in recent years this has been grossly distorted by the media and campaigns of the parties.

For example, Pro-Choice/Pro-Life is not an issue in the presidential race. Roe v Wade delegated the power to legalize abortion to the states, not the federal government. Too many people have placed this issue at the fore-

front of the campaign. The President does not have the power to overturn or influence this decision. It has already been made, and now it is the responsibility of the states.

If we are going to vote for president of the United States, we have to keep in mind his duties and responsibilities—foreign policy and relations. With the advancement of Europe toward a common economy, the United States must acknowledge advancement toward a global economy. Our president should be able to grasp the reigns of our nation and drive us toward this goal, thus re-establishing the United States as a world economic power.

Our Congress, as opposed to our president, creates the laws and decides our domestic policy. Congress is a demographic representation of our nation. This is why some states have more Congressional representatives than others. They are our voice to the rest of the nation. It is our responsibility to express our views and opinions to them.

We should not concern the

presidential election with domestic policy. In past years and more recently, some presidents have attempted to pass several domestic policies, however, they never made it past Congress. These policies may have benefited our economic condition, however, for one reason or another they were blocked.

We as Americans have to educate ourselves in the ways of our political system versus believing and following the all-to-often distorted image presented to us by the media. Listen to the candidates and what they say. Review their records and question their platforms. Evaluate each candidate and their ability to perform in their position. Can they do their specific job?

When you enter the voter's booth this year remember for whom, for what, and why you are voting. Make sure that they are representing your views. But most importantly, make sure they are the most qualified person for the position they are running for. Your vote will make a difference.

—TIM MCMANUS

## Voting By Process Of Elimination

Ross Perot has been hinting at returning to the election. He should not, even though he has a lot of good ideas. Twenty cents from every tax dollar goes towards paying interest on the national debt. Not only is the president and Congress not correcting this, but they are making it worse with each passing day. Perot is right in his assertion that first and foremost, this country needs to eliminate the deficit and begin to reduce the debt. If there were no national debt, we could all receive a 20% tax cut without any reductions in spending or any cuts in the military.

Unfortunately, although Perot's message is right, the messenger is wrong. Perot has shown time and again he does not have the temperament necessary to be president. He would not be able to work effectively with Congress and a president who cannot work with Congress is a president who cannot get things done.

At least Perot has a message addressing real issues, more than can be said for the Bush campaign. A large portion of Bush's message is about nebulous items such as family values or is negative campaigning against his opponents. He also wants us to believe he has all these great plans to cure the country's ills. Why has he waited until now to implement them instead of dur-

ing his first term? At the end of the Gulf War, he had one of the highest popularity ratings of any modern president. Instead of using that popularity to push his programs through Congress, he tried to ride the crest of his popularity back into the White House.

In January, during his State of the Union address, he outlined a number of plans to revive the economy, even though he was still denying we were in a recession. He enumerated plans he said he would push through Congress. He did. However, when they went through Congress, an income tax increase for the most wealthy Americans was added. For that reason, Bush vetoed the package, even though it included his economy revitalization plans.

So now we are to believe he has a plan to solve the economic problems, even though he has said he will not even reveal his plan until next January. In addition, after breaking his promise to not raise taxes he is now promising to make an across the board tax cut even though most economists agree this will not stimulate the economy and will only serve to increase the national deficit. Bush made his priorities very clear when he said, "I will do anything to get re-elected."

So where does that leave us?

Clinton? I will be the first to admit Clinton would not be my first choice as president. In fact, if I could, I would reverse the ticket, putting Gore as the presidential candidate. However, contrary to what the Republicans would have us believe, legally avoiding the draft, nor even hedging on answering the questions surrounding it, is reason to disqualify a candidate for presidency.

Clinton seems to be more in touch with America than does Bush. Bush was utterly amazed a few years back when he went into a supermarket and saw a bar code scanner. He had never seen one before. He has been in the White House for eleven years now and obviously has been quite insulated from the public. Clinton has been saying that this is exactly one of the things he would attempt to eliminate as president. He believes the president and members of Congress need to cut back on all of the limousines, catering, and perks that separate them from the rest of America.

Clinton may not be the best choice, but the others are definitely worse. He has the potential to do a decent job and I, for one, am willing to give him that chance rather than go with a definite like Bush, whom I know will be four more years of the same.

—STEPHEN L. SCHULTZ



## Four Of Your Cars Are Missing

Imagine waking up one morning showering, and then eating breakfast. It's a humid summer day and your plans are to go out and visit friends in your car, your first car, the car you worked for a year to buy. You go outside and it's gone. You think, "Maybe I parked it somewhere else. Maybe it was towed." But you know it is gone. You know it was stolen.

Car theft, in the nation as well as in Monroe County, is on the rise. In the United States, it is said a car is stolen every minute. Fortunately the rate is not that high on campus, but there does seem to be enough car thefts on this campus to warrant attention.

In 1991, nine vehicles were stolen from campus. At this point in 1992, four vehicles have been stolen. It is speculated that these cars have been stolen, in most cases, by people who are not students of RIT to be stripped down for spare parts. So far, however, Campus Safety has a 100% recovery rate in locating stolen cars. Unfortunately, many of the cars have had belongings or stereos removed prior to being located.

Cars are being stolen from parking lots where many faculty, staff, and commuting students park. The lot that seems to be most visited by car thieves is J-lot. This lot is located to the west of the Imaging Science building. Cars in J-lot have been stolen in the middle of the day.

Though cars are stolen mainly in this area, this is not the only area from which cars are being stolen. A recent graduate wrote a letter to REPORTER documenting how his car was stolen from D-lot, next to the Ice Rink. His car was recovered but the belongings he had planned to take home are still missing. His reasoning behind writing the letter was to inform the RIT community that there is a problem of car thefts on this campus.

On the Crime Watch bulletin board on the RIT VAX network, a message was left concerning a woman who had her car window smashed in S-lot. The person who wrote the bulletin was not willing to believe that no one saw or heard the car window being broken. Unfortunately, the request for assis-

tance did not bring forth any new evidence.

I spoke with Richard Sterling, Director of Campus Safety, regarding the increase in auto thefts. Mr. Sterling has been working in his present position at RIT for four years. He seemed very concerned about the thefts of vehicles that have been occurring on campus recently. Sterling points out that there has been a rise in car thefts at many universities around the country. He is working with other campuses who are encountering similar problems to find a solution.

One of the actions that has recently been undertaken is the Campus Safety bike patrol. This program is an attempt to increase the amount of patrols through the lots. Another program is the Criminal Activity Reduction Effort (CARE). This program, also implemented by Campus Safety, encompasses the patrol of parking lots, crime analysis in identifying the areas that car thefts and other crimes are taking place, and surveillance by undercover agents of Campus Safety. This program also includes notifying the RIT community of the crime problem on campus.

FACT, Fighting Against Crime Together, is a program to help in crime prevention by getting students involved in crimes like auto theft. This effort is to assist students in identifying problems and reporting these unusual activities to Campus Safety.

Over fifteen thousand vehicles are registered with Campus Safety each year. This includes students, faculty, and staff. In addition, the campus sees over two thousand visitors a day. Though Campus Safety has a 100% recovery rate, this problem is still not one that we can all live without. It is a great task to monitor all persons to assure that there are no car thefts but through a combined effort that includes campus safety and the community as a whole, the problem can be corrected.

If you see a car being vandalized or stolen do not confront the persons. Call Campus Safety's emergency line at x3333 or TTY at x6654.

—JEFF GAMBLES

## Priorities & Objectives, Part I

Are You RIT's #1 Priority? Maybe...

*This is the first in a multi-part feature on the Priorities and Objectives Committee.*

It was a money thing. Well, that's how it started out, anyway. Rooted in the very origin of the Priorities & Objectives Committee was the fact that despite all of the tuition dollars, government grants, donations, and parking fines the Institute was raking in, it still was not enough to cover the anticipated costs for the coming years. For the first time in 21 years, RIT was going to lose money. Big money, too.

It was during the fall of last year that RIT's budgeteers realized that the Institute was in for some serious fiscal trouble. The economics of the situation were depressingly simple. As operating costs for the school had increased steadily during the late eighties, the incoming revenue was going the other direction. Owing to decreasing government aid, the bad economy and, primarily, a decline in new student enrollment, RIT faced a deficit of \$6 million for this 1992-93 academic year. As many of you already know, this bad scene was averted by the administration's decision to freeze salary and wage increases for all faculty and staff, implement across-the-board budget cuts, and reduce plant services such as the frequency of window cleaning. However, this was just a quick fix that could not be expected to extend into 1993-94 and later years where conditions were expected to get much worse.

The Priorities & Objectives Committee (POC) was the creation of Thomas Plough, Executive Vice President and Provost. Plough's intention was to have the committee recommend to the new RIT President actions that should be taken in order to avoid the impending financial maelstrom. The Committee would form its strategies and recommendations by collecting data from administrative and departmental sources, as well as soliciting input from the entire RIT community. That is what happened this past summer.

Since its first gathering in March, however, the POC has realized a dramatic change in its own objectives. With the combined effect of 175 more students this fall than anticipated, the Trustees appropriating \$1 million from



the endowment towards the budget, and an additional \$700,000 from the State of New York, RIT is OVER budget for the 1992-93 year by around \$2.5 million.

With the immediate financial crisis resolved, the Committee has been able to alter its goals somewhat. Instead of having to zone in on cost cutting measures for next year, the POC has been able to expand its original purpose and is focusing on providing scenarios and recommendations that would enable RIT to remain financially healthy by "making RIT a more attractive place for students, both in the quality of the academic programs and in the quality of student life."

The POC is not charged with creating a strategic plan for RIT. That is the job of President Simone and the rest of the seventh floor. The role of the Committee is to perform the research, information gathering, and brainstorming necessary to make recommendations to the Institute from which a strategic plan may be formed.

To this end the Committee has spawned five subcommittees in order to organize the tasks. They are the Academic Programs, 1993-94 Budget, Quality of Life, Revenue Enhancement, and Everything Else subcommittees. There is some interesting stuff being looked into here. The possibility of double majors, the termination of obscure programs (to save money), executive perks, developing an effective advising system, improving the student living environment, and an all campus debit card are just some of the topics being given thought to.

The POC will present its findings and recommendations in a report to President Simone on October 15. Before that time they plan to release to the RIT community in a series of mailings, the working outline of their report, and the entire reports from each of the subcommittees.

—MARK NATALE

## Around the Campus

### Brain Storms At Breakfast

President Simone will begin a Liberty Hill Breakfast Series and a Faculty Colloquia Series this fall, designed to foster dialogue across RIT and the Rochester community on significant issues. Dr. Barry Culhane, Student Ombudsman, will organize the series. The series will be held monthly and will include presentations with discussions to follow.

### "We Need A Strategy"

RIT will begin a comprehensive strategic planning process this fall that will provide a road map for this university over the next 10 years. "This will be the single most important activity at RIT in the next year," said Dr. Simone. Simone plans to appoint a strategic planning steering committee from throughout RIT. A symposium on major issues is expected to be held in December to provide an opportunity for campus-wide input. Drafts will be distributed throughout campus and a second symposium held in late Spring. A revised draft document is expected to be completed by September.

### 1,359 Down, 13 To Go

RIT has been ranked as the 14th best university in the North according to *U.S. News & World Report's* sixth annual "America's Best Colleges" special report. In the northern region, RIT finished tied for first in academic reputation and fourth in financial resources in the regional university category, however, it ranked seventy-sixth in student satisfaction, second worst in the top fifteen schools. The 1,373 four-year schools included in the study were ranked according to a system that com-

bined statistical data with the results of an exclusive *U.S. News* survey of academic reputations among college presidents, deans and admissions directors, resulting in a record 62% response rate in 1992.

### NTID's Life in Photos

NTID Division of Public Affairs (DPA) invites NTID and RIT students and faculty and staff members to show off their amateur photography skills during fall quarter to help celebrate the 25th anniversary of NTID. The photos, collected as part of the "NTID's Life in Photos" campaign, will be featured in the 25th anniversary issue of *Focus* magazine, to be published in March, 1993. RIT community members are encouraged to photograph people related to NTID in classrooms, at outdoor play, in meetings, residence or dining halls, gyms, labs, or anywhere on campus any time of day or night. Photos can be black and white or color and DPA will exchange film for the rolls of film handed in. The deadline for submitting entries is Monday, October 26. For more information and a complete list of guidelines, contact Katie Schmitz at x6813 (TDD), KLS4344@RITVAX, or Beth Pessin at x6748 (Voice/TDD).

## In Addition...



RIT painting and illustration students had an unusual opportunity to make their creative mark—in a BIG way. Sponsored by the Patrick Media Group of Rochester, the result of a project to make a billboard design around a community-oriented theme went up September 23 at the corner of Monroe and Meigs St.

Kellie Mc Cann/REPORTER



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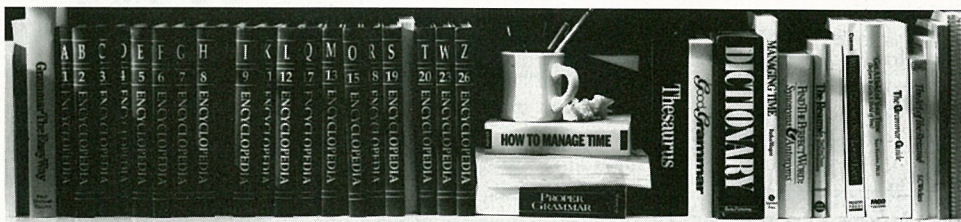


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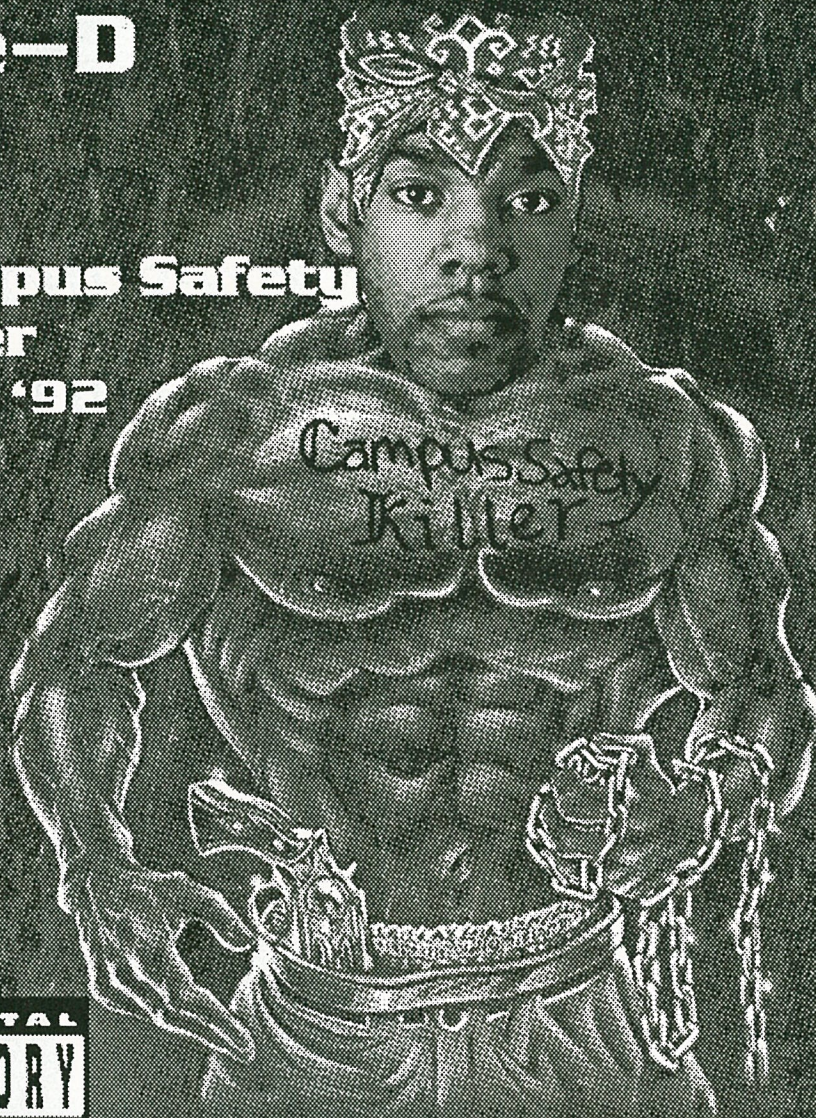
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## Ice-D

### Campus Safety Killer Tour '92

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## RIT Student Hits The Big Time

In a press release in early September, *REPORTER* magazine has learned that one of it's own is leaving to pursue a career in the music industry. In his first release, Ice-D blasts the Campus Safety department with "Campus Safety Killer", which D calls a, "Shout out to the pinheads who gave me all those @#\$\$-ing parking tickets and who used to tow me!" Also announced at the conference was the launching of

the Ice-D/ K-Yze and the Trouble Tribe concert. When asked about not being allowed to participate at Lollapalooza 2 this summer D had this to say, "I don't think I was ready. I owed so much money in parking tickets that they kept towing me over to J-lot and I could never find my ride anyway." Immediately follolwing the press conference, the hall was stormed by angry Campus Safety officers who called for a

ban on the album and refuse to jump-start anymore cars until demands are met.

-JT



# R·I·T

The Congressman Frank Horton Distinguished Speaker Series at RIT presents:

*Remarks by* **Former President  
Gerald R. Ford**

October 28, 1992  
7:30 p.m.

**Rochester Institute of Technology**  
Clark Gymnasium

In the heat of the 1992 presidential campaigns, RIT Student Government presents former U.S. president Gerald R. Ford, who has joined others in calling for release of the Warren Commission data on John F. Kennedy's assassination.

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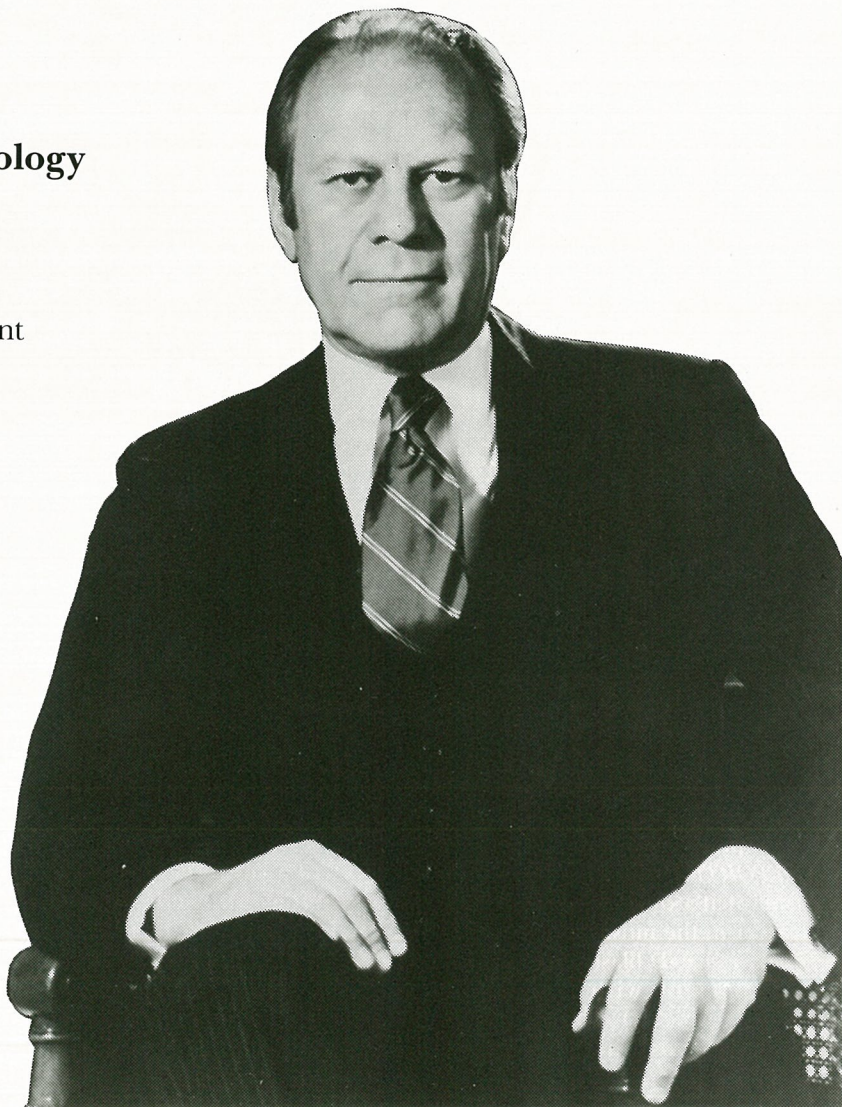
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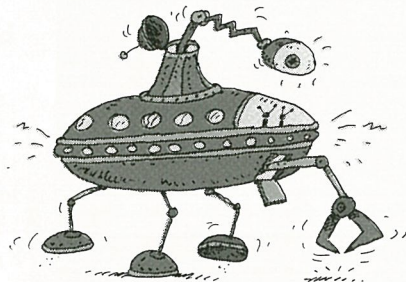
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# The Eye Of A Cyclone



That's how Elaine Spauld describes herself, and I'd say that's pretty accurate. As Associate Vice President of Student Affairs, she is involved in many academic support programs—Freshman Seminar, International Student Affairs, Horton Day Care, advisor to REPORTER magazine—just to name a few. There's little doubt in my mind that almost every student at RIT hasn't at least heard the name Elaine Spauld before, now it's time to put a face with that name.

With a bachelor's degree from George Washington University, and a master's degree from Georgetown University, Elaine Spauld moved back (she is a native Rochesterian) to Rochester from New York City in 1976 when her husband came to RIT to get his MFA. At that time she was hired as an adjunct professor of liberal arts.

Following that job, she worked in the Special Services department of Student Affairs while working on her Ph.D. at

University of Buffalo. When the position of Associate Vice President opened in 1984, she got the job and has been there ever since.

So for eight years now Dr. Spauld has been an "eye of a cyclone", whirling around the office of Student Affairs, and after eight years she's still content to be here. "I believe I have the best job on campus." It is quite evident why she feels that way, Dr. Spauld, unlike the typical administrative image, has direct, personal contact with dozens of students weekly, and enjoys what she refers to as the "pulse of the place", created by the students, faculty, staff, and administration.

Once weekly, Dr. Spauld teaches Freshman Seminar in the Red Barn. Currently, approximately 80% of all incoming freshman are required to take this course. Freshman Seminar is meant to teach team building skills, and introduce new students to the college and to each other. Dr. Spauld feels strongly about this program because she remembers her early college years as a time of homesickness.



"There was a lack of a personal level of caring." Not so with Elaine Spaul, she would like to see every academic program adopt the Freshman Seminar requirement.

Each week, Dr. Spaul also works with 41 students independently through the Institute Opportunity Program, an outreach program to help minority students. Following my appointment with Dr. Spaul, I had a brief moment to meet a student in the program. It was her birthday and Dr. Spaul congratulated her as if they were old friends. That made me realize that Dr. Spaul really does make a difference in the education of these students who have "enormous potential".

When I asked her about President Simone, Dr. Spaul was honest to say that she really hadn't had a chance to sit down with him and talk, yet, but somehow I just know she will soon. She said that Dr. Simone is "affirming a confidence that things before only dreamed about can now happen." She would like to start by making "RIT more than just an academic experience." Making it a "place where people care, a place where students have a high level of respect and responsibility."

Not only does Elaine Spaul work this hard on campus, but she is also very highly involved in the Rochester community. She works with city schools, fighting drug abuse there, and a woman's center. Three or four nights a week you can find her lecturing or giving presentations around town. And when she finds the time, she does work for the Democratic Party. Yet, above all else, every day and every night she is also a mother to her son, who's almost nine, and her daughter, who's almost thirteen.

With all Dr. Spaul is responsible for, she won't be reaching out to you, she just doesn't have time. But if you take the time to reach out to her, she'll be willing to listen. "What I see, I appreciate. What I hear, I appreciate." So if you have any concerns that just aren't being addressed, or maybe you want to find a compassionate ear in this endless sea of bricks, remember Elaine Spaul. I'm glad I got the chance to interview her, because she also interviewed me.

—KRISTIN FOLEY



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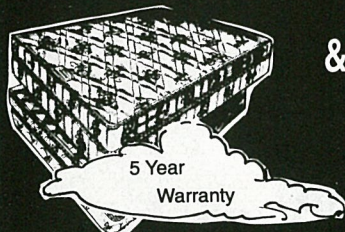


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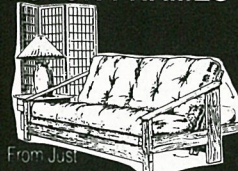
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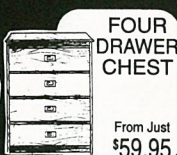
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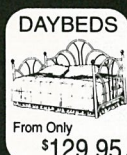
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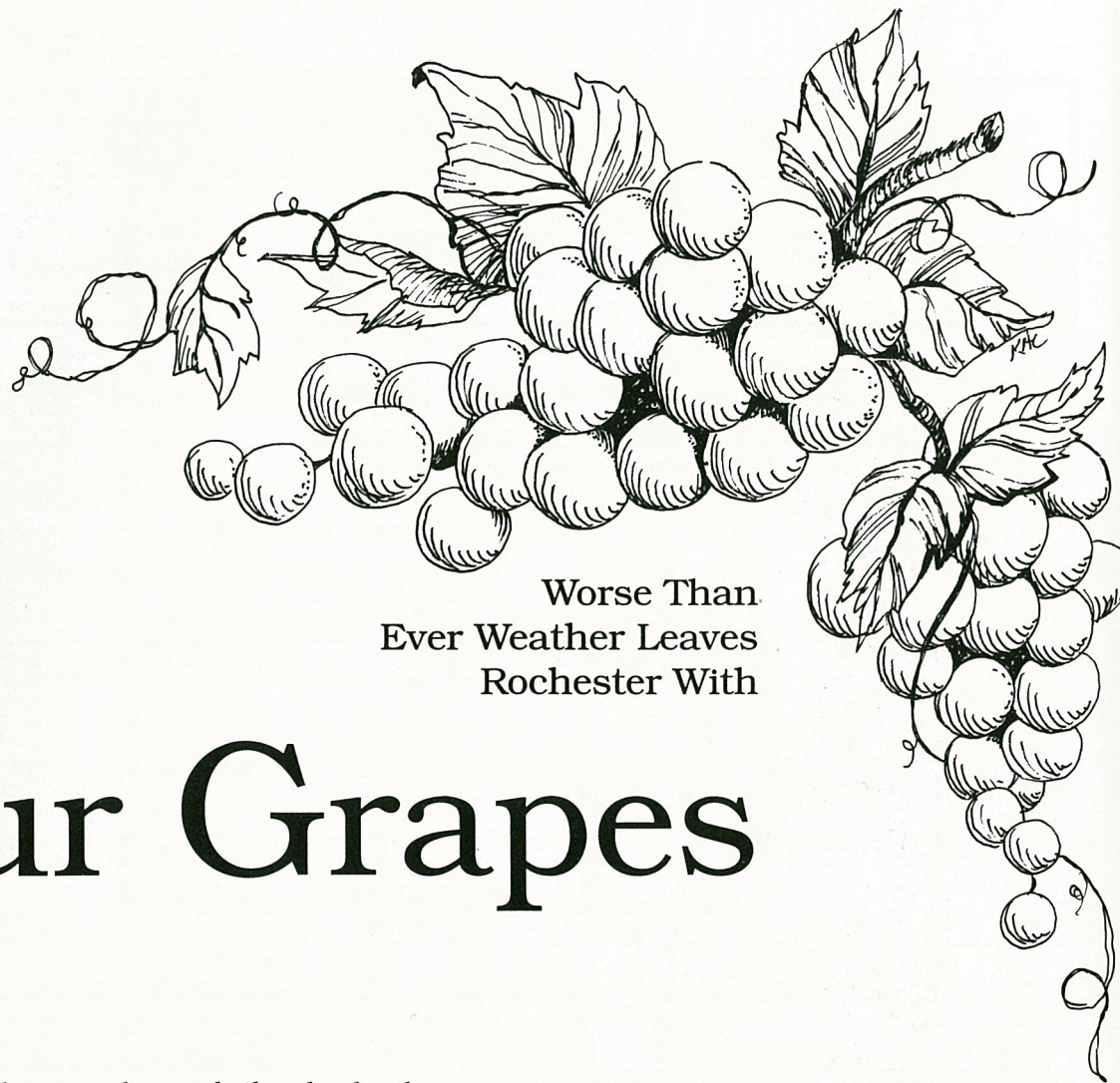
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# Sour Grapes

**T**he rain, the wind, the clouds, the cold; oh what a summer in Rochester! Knowing all too well how bad weather can affect a community, after being on co-op in South Florida during Hurricane Andrew, this writer was looking forward to returning to Rochester for some relief from destructive weather.

Unfortunately, like many other returning students, I arrived at RIT to find that Rochester had one of the coldest and wettest summers on record, and that if the weather patterns remained the same, the fall would not be much better. I thought, "Great, yet another year of rain and cold at RIT, just what I need." However, I learned that this year was different, the rain and cold was not only causing annoyance and inconvenience to me and many others, but much more importantly, it was also causing substantial economic losses in the Rochester area, primarily to the agricultural industry.

Rain and sometimes cool summer weather is not all that uncommon in this area but the major difference that occurred this summer was the consistency of the bad weather. The summer of '92 was the tenth wettest

and coolest summer in Rochester since records began in 1829. In the months of June, July, and August, 12.46 inches of rain fell upon the Flower City and not once did the temperature go above 90 degrees. In fact, the average temperature this summer was 65.5 degrees due in part because this summer was one of the cloudiest summers ever, with less than 50 percent of possible sunshine compared with a normal 70 percent.

"From a business standpoint, it [weather] has been terrific," says local meteorologist Kevin Williams. Williams does weather for Channel 8 News, writes a weather column for the Democrat and Chronicle, and is president of Weather-Track, a weather consulting firm for business and industry. Being one of the craziest summers in Rochester history kept a weather professional like Kevin Williams very busy. Williams stated that what was really kind of interesting was that even though 12 of 14 summer weekends had some rain, major events like the Lilac Festival and the Corn Hill Arts Festival had gorgeous weather. Williams also stated that farmers in Wayne and Livingston counties were most affected by the weather, with almost 20 inches of rain this summer alone.





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*Penfield Center farmer Richard Hamann has lost about 50% of his crops due to the unusually cold and wet weather this summer.*





*This undersized melon on Richard Hamann's Penfield Center farm should have been ready to harvest three to four weeks ago.*

Erik Kunkel/REPORTER

It is estimated that due to the cold and wet summer, a 30 to 70 percent vegetable-crop loss is projected for this year in Western New York. In Ontario County alone, a report compiled by the Ontario County Food and Agriculture Council of crop losses for July shows that 100 farmers have suffered crop losses of 50 percent or more and 250 have lost between 25 percent and 50 percent of their crops. The crops that have been most impacted in Ontario county are; potatoes, a 95 percent loss; grapes, also a 95 percent loss; and red kidney beans, an 80 percent loss of those beans planted in heavy soil. Even those crops that remain are of a lower quality and will not garner the same prices as they used to.

All across the region; in Wayne, Cayuga, Monroe, and Seneca counties, crops appear to be two to five weeks behind in development and many have even drowned or become diseased as a result of flooded fields. Wegman's Consumer Affairs Department reports that although farmers have been devastated, consumers should not be horribly affected by the weather of this past season. However, they did relay that the availability of good products has been low but that should be more short term than long term. They did say that consumers have had an increase in cereal prices but that was due to the weather in the Midwest and did not have anything to do with our local season. In a related area, Jim Willmot of the Cornell University Cooperative Extension of Monroe County says that consumers who grow plants and crops at home have suffered losses because of flooding but those with good drainage will be okay and will be able to regrow.

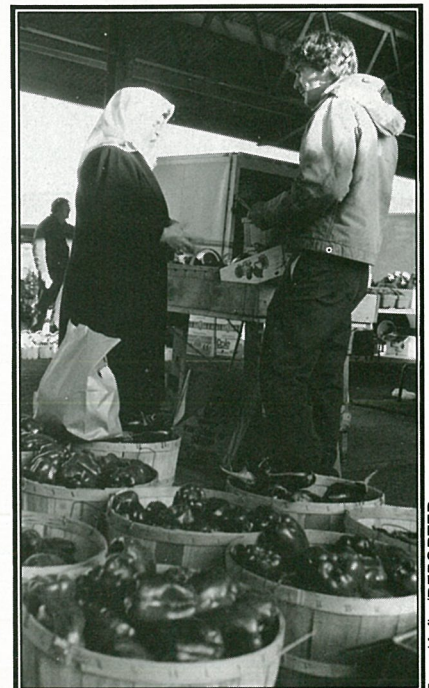
Grapes, the life blood of the region's tremendously important wine industry, have been affected by the dismal weather of the sum-

mer but in a rather unique way. The crop size is normal but the problem with the grapes at this point in time is that they are two to three weeks behind in development which in itself is not very good news for growers and wine producers. A real problem could result if the sun remains behind the clouds and cold temperatures persist. In this case, experts predict that the grapes will not produce enough sugar.

One of the major players in the local wine industry is Canandaigua Wine Company Inc. They report that if the grapes produced this year have a sugar deficiency, they should not be substantially affected. Due to an excellent grape growing season last year, they have a large supply of stored grapes that they can blend in with this year's grapes. However, the main concern of Canandaigua Wines is that if the grapes of this season turn out to be extremely dreadful, they might not have an ample supply for next year's season. For Canandaigua Wines the rain and cold has helped them in one way, more people are taking winery tours to get out of the nasty weather.

Already, help is on the way for local farmers from the government. On September 18, Congressman Frank Horton (R-Penfield) announced that farmers in Wayne, Cayuga, Monroe, Ontario, and Seneca counties are eligible for low-interest loans to cover crop damages suffered due to inclement weather. These loans were initially authorized when the Secretary of Agriculture designated Wayne county as a "primary disaster area". Because their counties border on Wayne County; Cayuga, Monroe, Ontario, and Seneca counties are also eligible to apply. Said Horton, "These loans should better enable farmers to meet the expenses incurred

*Randy Brongo (right) of Brongo Farms in Spencerport, makes a sale at Rochester's Public Market. Brongo has lost 50% of his crops due to foul weather this summer. He says that the crops which have survived are ripening 3-4 weeks late.*



Evan Kalika/REPORTER



during this disastrous growing season."

The big question that most farmers and Rochester area residents in general have been asking lately is "what caused this terribly unseasonable summer?" The answer is not so simple because many factors affect our local weather. The main reason was that the jet stream dropped further south allowing cooler and wetter air to come into our area. According to meteorologist Kevin Williams, the summer pattern of weather was generally autumn-like in



Evan Kafka/REPORTER

nature. Frequent rain, overcast skies, and cool weather combined to make summer very characteristic and feel much more like fall. In addition, there are three other possible causes of the unseasonable weather, not only in our area but also all over the world.

First, there is the El Nino which every few years develops in the Western Pacific. The El Nino is a huge pool of warm sea water that expands eastward in the Pacific and heads toward Ecuador, in the process throwing the jet streams off course and disrupting weather patterns across half of the planet. The El Nino which developed around Christmas time last year is breaking up but has been connected to the massive floodings in Latin America, the droughts in Africa and the warm winter North America had last year.

Second, there are the effects of the volcanic eruption of Mount Pinatubo in the Philippines. It erupted last June, and we are finally beginning to feel some of the effects of it now. Throwing over 20 million tons of ash and gas into the stratosphere, Mount Pinatubo is expected to scatter sunlight across the planet and could possibly lower temperatures world-wide.

Finally, there is the controversial issue of greenhouse gases. Measurements by scientist have shown that the worlds' average temperature has increased one degree fahrenheit over the past 100 years and if the build up of these so-called greenhouse gases continues, the

world's average temperature could possible jump three to nine degrees in the next 60 years. Snow in the Middle East, unbelievable droughts in Africa, and a very high number of tornadoes in New York State this past summer, illustrate how the weather all over the world is just a little bit crazy these days.

To put things in perspective, some good things did come out of the dismal weather of the summer. Relating to crops, there was one bright spot among the devastation, apples. Although they may be of poor color, the Agricultural Statistics Service reports that the apple crop of this year in our area is actually larger than it was in 1991. Malls and movie theaters did a booming business this summer and although attendance was down ten percent at New York's State Parks, tourism in our area was not affected in a major way.

Karen Pailler, Director of Public Relations for the Rochester/Monroe County Convention and Visitor's Bureau could not provide concrete statistical data relating to tourism because studies on tourism in our area are done yearly. She did say from what she has heard that the weather had an affect on local people traveling but did not really affect people coming into the area. In addition, like meteorologist Kevin William's said, the major festivals that take place in Rochester had great weather. Finally, Pailler said, from what she has heard around, that occupancy was up and down this summer but that is common and overall tourism was not affected in a major way. She did say that we will not know the statistical impact until the beginning of next year when the report on tourism comes out.

The past summer has shown the local area how vulnerable it is to the weather and how brutal mother nature can be. The winter is up for grabs according to meteorologist Kevin Williams, because there is no direct correlation between the "bummer of a summer" and next season's weather. But, if the cool and rainy weather pattern persists Rochester could be in store for one heck of a winter.

—KEVIN WALSH

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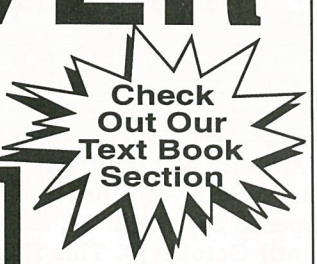
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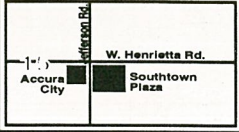


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Fast forward to today. The one who got away is now played by Robert Redford. He and an all star cast including Dan Aykroyd, Sidney Portier, and River Phoenix are a motley bunch of computer genius misfits running a rather unusual business. When they are hired by a government agency for big money, they think that all of their problems are solved. Like all movie characters who think that they can get something for nothing, they are sadly mistaken as the case turns bad and all of their lives are threatened.

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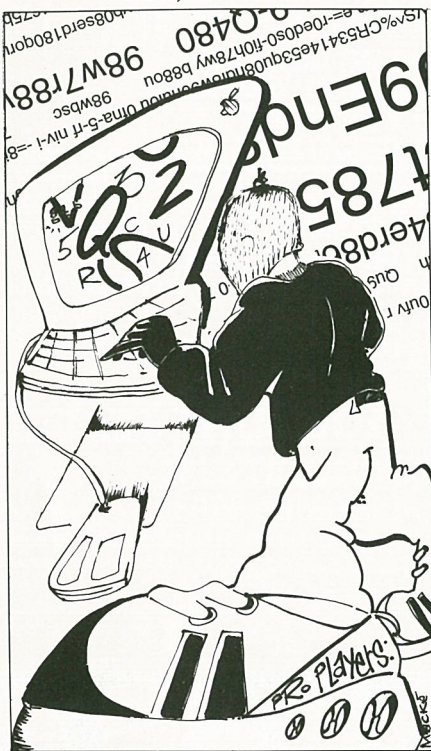


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enemies as well as the authorities, they try to undo what they were originally hired to do, and find themselves in the

strange world of espionage which has become confusing due to the new world order.

Unlike most other action films of this caliber, there is no question where the characters get their intelligence. In other films, I have often been bored by mediocre people suddenly being transformed into super-geniuses when the time seems right in the story to get them out of trouble. This story makes sure that you know that these people have the background to pull off what they are doing.

I thought that the casting was very good. The actors played well off of one another's superb talent. One unfortunate exception, however, was actor Ben Kingsley. This fine actor of *Gandhi* fame played a person who was supposed to be from New York City. He seemed to have a great deal of trouble keeping his accent consistent, and his normal voice kept slipping through.

Overall, I thought that *Sneakers* was a movie with a truly interesting and unique story line. The characters had realistic strengths and weaknesses and didn't win all of the time just because they were the heroes. The story had drama, humor, and action in just the right amounts and was, in general, a good way to spend an evening.

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—TAMARA MOXHAM

## GALLERY SYMPOSIUM

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"Astonish Me! The Impact of Alexey Brodovitch"—this new gallery exhibit opened September 14, and continues until October 8. This first show at Bevier Gallery has been very exciting thus far, with guest lecturers who knew Brodovitch, and some beautiful examples of his work. Today CIAS, along with William A. Reedy Memorial lectures and Eastman Kodak, will be offering lectures, walking tours, and a panel discussion.

First in the series of events was a lecture September 18, at the Carlson Center in the Imaging Science building. Speaking to a standing room-only crowd were Dr. Joanne Szabla, Dr.

Margaret Lucas, Roger Remington, and guest lecturer Frank Zachary. This lecture was the first time many students got the chance to meet and hear the new dean since her hiring in June 1992. She felt that this exhibit acted as a parallel to the merging of the five colleges, and that as we celebrate Alexey Brodovitch, we should celebrate ourselves. "Just as Brodovitch challenged designers to new boundaries, we at RIT too push designers to the edge."

Today's symposium begins at 9:00 a.m. with light refreshments. At 9:30 a.m. Dean Lucas will give welcoming comments—those of you who missed her on September 18 should

not miss this opportunity. At 9:45 a.m. there will be presentations of the panel speakers and a panel discussion will form. The speakers include Sharon Helmer Poggenphohl, Gregory Heisler, and Bob Cato. The discussion will be moderated by Barbara Hodik and Roger Remington. This afternoon Bob Cato will be narrating gallery talks and concurrently, there will be a round table discussion including CIAS graduate students and faculty.

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—KRISTIN FOLEY



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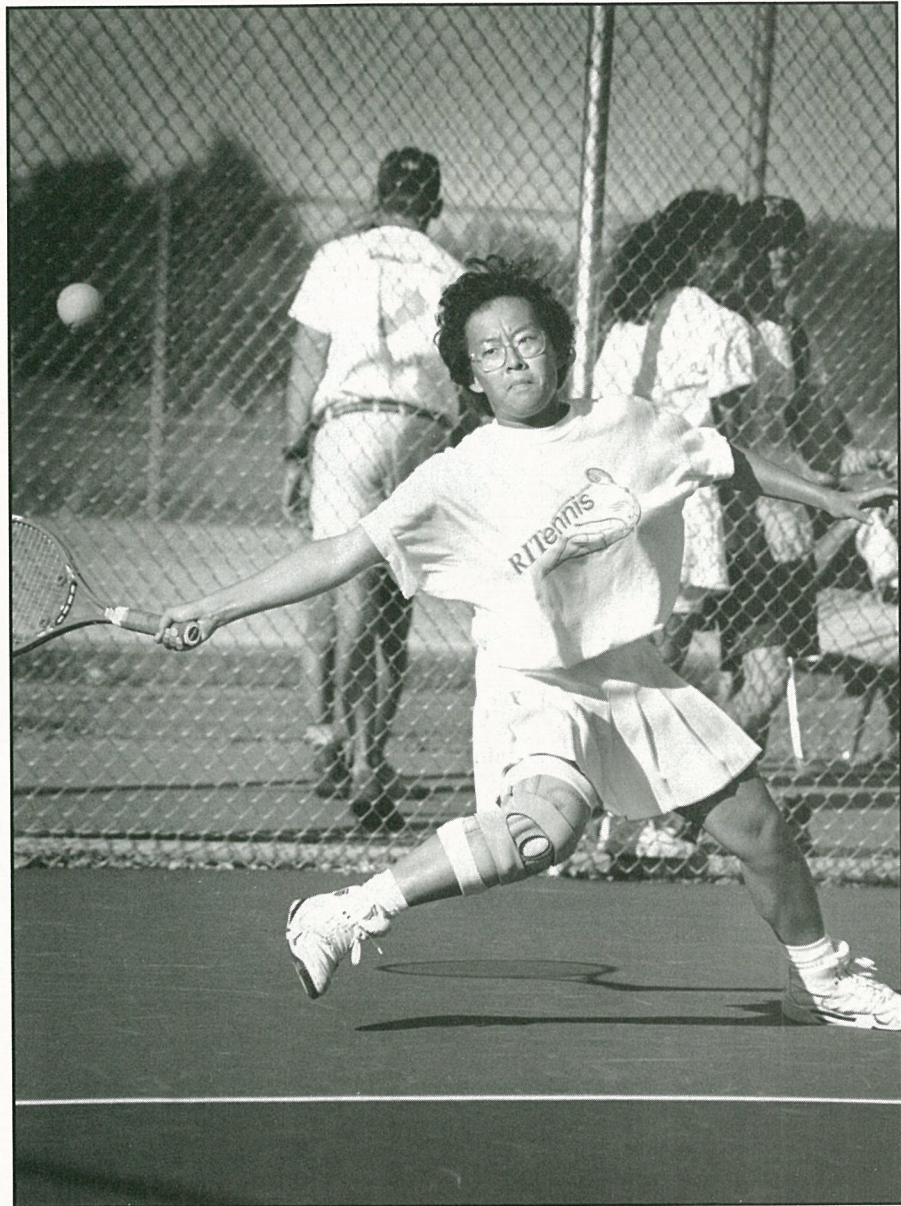
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## Let There Be Lights

The RIT Women's Tennis team traveled to William Smith last weekend to compete in the Empire Athletic Association Championships. Going into the weekends events the team had a (2-2) record. In the singles competition, RIT's Michelle Shields and Debbie Bianchi dominated their opening matches, winning 10-5 and 10-3 respectively. Karen Fuller lost a close match to Clarkson's Laura Grazen 9-10. Both Shields and Bianchi lost their second round games to Saint Lawrence players. In the doubles competition, thanks to some hard playing and a good draw, all three of the Women's Doubles won their opening round games. Kathy Chen and Michelle Shields beat Bordonaro and Marangoly of RPI. RPI's Jennifer McBride and Mary Jo Kestner fell to Karen Fuller and Debbie Bianchi 10-4. Kristen Heslin and Jennifer Cerniglia handled Dattit and Grata of Alfred. The Tigers did not fare as well in the second round of competition. Each group of doubles met and lost to the second seed. RIT ended the weekend with five points tied for fifth.

Monday the Tigers hosted St. John Fisher. This would turn out to be one of the closest outings for the Tigers so far. Kathy Chen, Michelle Shields and Debbie Bianchi all found wins in their singles round competition. Kristen Heslin took Sharon Harvey into the tie breaker set only to be thwarted with a 6-7 loss. Things were tied up at 3-3 going into the doubles competition. Who ever could take two out of three would go home the victors. RIT started on the right track as Kathy Chen and Michelle Shields routed their doubles opponents in the first match 6-1, 6-0. Debbie Bianchi and Karen Fuller lost their opening set, but came back strong to win the second set and send the match into a tie breaker. It was about this time that Kristen Heslin and Jennifer Cerniglia were taking their doubles opponents into a tie breaker, after winning their first set and losing the second.



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*Kathy Chen, RIT's first singles player, stretches to return a serve against St. John Fisher on Monday.*

It was also about this time that it started to get dark out. Players were having a hard time seeing the ball as the sun's rays sank below the horizon. "Hit 'em up high, they can't see them," and various other comments began to echo across the courts. I was amazed that the players could see, never mind hit the ball.

RIT, since the loss of the Bubble, has no way with dealing with games that last into the night time. Our courts do not have any lights, and this places a large strain on the players. Coach Nealon would really like this to be changed. St. John Fisher's coach

wanted to conceit the match to RIT because he did not want his players getting hurt, but the players on both sides wanted to play on.

After Bianchi and Fuller lost their tie breaker set, it all came down to the last set of the third doubles match. Kristen Heslin and Jennifer Cerniglia battled their opponents and the darkness to win the third set 7-2. When asked for comments about the matches, coach Nealon responded with, "It was a cliff hanger. It was a heartbreaker for them, but it was great for us."

—TODD L. MICHAUD



# RIT Men's Soccer Headed for NCAA's



Kellie Mc Cam/REPORTER

*After blocking a shot on goal, RIT goalie Doug Kaufman, is crushed by UR's Chris Williams on Sept. 23. Despite attempts made by the Yellowjackets, the Tigers won the game when the tie breaking goal was scored during the last 40 seconds.*

Three goals. Three headers. Two victories. These statistics are what bring our RIT Men's Soccer team to an undefeated overall record and a fourth place ranking on the Intercollegiate Soccer Athletic Association (ISAA) Gatorade Men's soccer poll.

The first header came in RIT's triumph over the University of Rochester Yellowjackets on Wednesday. Attacker John Ilijevski took control as he utilized his speed to battle his way through UR's defenders putting a low ball across the field. Senior Rob Morley, in making the far-post run, made a dive to put it in the net to put them up 1-0. Just minutes later, the

Yellowjackets answered as John Plezia broke up the defense to tie the score. The victory came in the second half as senior Chris Fay headed the ball in off of sophomore Kirk Sinkins' cornerkick with just 40 seconds to go. Final score, RIT 2 UR 1.

On Saturday, the Tigers' went at it with the Rensselaer Engineers. RIT controlled both the defensive and the offensive end as they put off 17 shots as compared to RPI's 5. The sole goal came with 27:26 to spare in the second half. Junior John Im took advantage of an indirect kick by chipping it over RPI's defense as Jason Rich headed it home to complete the play. The

Engineers broke away from the defense in an attempt to counterattack but was stopped short as senior goal tender Doug Kaufman came through with the save to record his first shutout.

The Tiger's outstanding aggressiveness all-around have brought them to a 3-0 EAA record and a 6-0-1 overall. This week, the men's team sees their next EAA bout at Hobart on Wednesday, and will have the home-field advantage on Saturday verse Skidmore. Good Luck Tigers.

—AIMEE ZAKREWSKI



# A Day In The Life Of Women's Soccer

It's 7:25 a.m. on a Saturday morning and through drizzling rain, eighteen female athletes gather in the lower lobby of the ice arena. They pull their gear out of the wall locker and bring it to the lobby, awaiting the bus. However, as is often the case, the bus was improperly scheduled and so they must wait for over half-an-hour before departing.

After a stop for breakfast, the bus heads out for the long trip down to Ithaca. As they start to get near, the coach walks down the aisle waking the players up so they are awake upon arriving, and also giving time to give a pre-game talk. With the extended delay before departing, the team has little time to prepare before the game and must suit up for the game as fast as possible.

Although the weather has cleared up, the prolonged rain, combined with a poor drainage design, has left a small lake along the touch line near the fan bleachers. Field conditions are wet and muddy and the turf tears easily under foot. The players go through their stretching and warm-up drills, and by now, water has begun to accumulate in spikes and socks alike.

The game begins. With two players recently quitting the team, the RIT bench has few players on it while Ithaca College's bench is quite full. On the field, the ball has quickly become water-logged and it is not long before the ball finds its way into the middle of the lake. Leaving a wake behind them, two players charge into the lake to try to gain control of the floating soccer ball. Many splashes later, RIT emerges with the ball and tries to bring it upfield, but Ithaca intercepts and works the ball right back down into RIT territory. It was a common sight during the first half.

Ithaca dominated the game during the early going. They scored early with a well placed shot that eluded RIT goal keeper, Sandra Lewis. They also converted on two direct kicks when RIT players were forming a wall

to defend their goal and Ithaca passed the ball to wide open players in front of the net. Before the half ended, Ithaca scored a fourth goal as a change of direction shot went in when Lewis slipped on the wet ground.

The goals were not the only problem for the Tigers in the first half. A collision in front of their net sent defender Maria Wordhouse flying, landing on the shoulder she had separated the previous week. She was taken out of the game in considerable pain. RIT sent in their last substitute as players, once taken out of the game in the first half, are not allowed to re-enter the game until the second half. Fortunately, RIT was able to complete the half without a further need to substitute.

Four goals down, tired and wet, many teams would lay down and die. The Tigers did not. They played considerably better in the second half and through a combination of their improved play, and some second string substitutions on the part of Ithaca, they were able to take an attack to Ithaca. The second half was fairly even, with both teams generating good scoring opportunities, but neither team able to get it past their opposing goaltenders. The game ended with the same score as at half-time, 4-4.

The players changed out of their wet clothing and piled back onto the bus for the return trip home. Another meal and long drive later and the bus pulled back to the ice arena, almost twelve hours after the day began.

The Tigers' took their 3-4 record to Geneseo this past Tuesday and will then face Brockport, at Brockport, on Saturday, October 3, at noon. The Tigers' next home action is Saturday, October 10, versus Nazareth. The game begins at 2:00 PM on the varsity soccer field.

—STEPHEN L. SCHULTZ

## Up & Coming

### Men's Soccer

**Sat. Skidmore**  
**2:00**

**Wed. Ithaca**  
**4:00**

### Women's Soccer

**Sat. at Brockport**  
**12:00**

**Wed. at William Smith**  
**4:00**

### Women's Tennis

**Sat. Alfred**  
**1:00**

**Mon. Brockport**  
**3:30**

### Men's X-Country

**Sat. at LeMonye**  
**Invitational**

### Volleyball

**Fri. at Juniata**  
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**Sat. at Juniata**  
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