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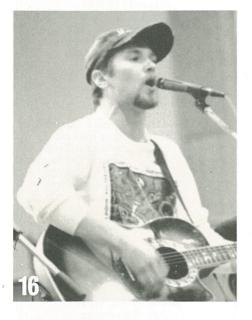
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editorial

every day...

Every year as Earth Day approaches there is always a reemergence of the proenvironmental attitude. The closer to Earth Day we get, the more we here about it. But I wonder if it's all just talk.

Has Earth Day turned into a day where fanatics preach and everyone is forced to listen and nothing is done? Has it turned into just another fad? Or, is Earth Day a reemergence of awareness that a generation has brought about?

Maybe if we look at Earth Day as the one day designated to emphasize the importance of the earth, its resources and the damage we have done to it, then we can start to think that every day is Earth Day.

What affect has all of this environmental awareness had on us? Everywhere recycling programs have been started. There have been efforts to convince people to carpool or to use public transportation. Even at RIT we are asked to recycle. Also, there is an effort being made not to use the paper that we would then have to recycle. Examples of this would be the Bursars' messages by VAX and the College of Imaging Arts and Sciences attempt to send messages via VAX rather that individually putting a copy in everyone's mailfolder.

I believe that the greatest influence Earth Day has had on me is that it has kept me informed. I am conscious of many different ways that we damage the environment every day. If I stop to think what consequences my actions may have, than Earth Day has been effective.

Christine Koenig Editor-In-Chief





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One Step at a Time

The third annual "Celebration for New Life" took place last Wednesday, lauding the work of individuals involved in the various 12 step recovery programs provided by the Interfaith Center. A wide array of people gathered to express their appreciation of Campus Ministry's efforts as well as share fellowship with those who once shared a self destructive lifestyle. Support groups available through the 12 step programs include alcoholics anonymous, narcotics anonymous, overeaters anonymous and gamblers anonymous. ALINON, NRNAON and ACOA were also represented at the function.

This year's celebration was dedicated to the memory of Father James Sauers who was one of the originators of the New Life event. The Right Reverend William Burrell made a special appearance along with a number of faculty members. Singing, reading and having fun were the driving forces behind this uplifting multi-denominational gathering. Undoubtedly looking forward to a time when such an event can be done under more friendly auspices. In the meantime, ordinary miracles will have to suffice.—Willis White

THEY HAD A LOT OF BALLS...

The Rochester Juggling Club ended its annual Juggling Festival last weekend with a touring juggling group from Los Angeles, CA called Clockwork. Rick and Jack, who made up the duet, impressed the audience with their skill at juggling almost anything, especially strange objects. The team has traveled throughout the world, including Europe, the United States, and even Batavia! Amid flying pins, HUGE tracts of spheres, balloons, flowerpots, and the occasional butter knife, Jack and Rick provided the atmosphere with a comical, light-hearted tone which

•Drawing the most beautiful woman in the audience, Christine, while juggling three pins at the same time. (The portrait turned out a little...primitive.)

•Audience participation in a test of reflexes. •A syncopated flower

CLOCKWORK



pot sequence in which Jack and Rick even hit each other with their pots to a rhythm.

•A "volunteer" named John standing in the middle of a path of flying pins without getting clobbered.

•Jack leap-frogging over Rick's shoulders while the two juggle five pins.

•Jack solving a Rubick's Cube. (dazzling!) spread throughout the audience rapidly. The two showed their talents quickly as they made their pins flow through the air as smoothly as liquid, sometimes even using their feet instead of their hands.

Although the two made the occasional blunder, any mistakes were smoothly covered over with a crooked smile and humor. In fact, many mistakes were incorporated into the show. The grand finale took Rick three tries, all of which involved falling off a six-foot tall unicycle, but the audience laughed all the more.

The show ended with Rick balanced on the unicycle, juggling two cans of Spam and an apple, with a knife clenched between his teeth. While still juggling, Rick threw the apple high into the air and impaled the apple on the knife. The audience, already impressed with his holding five huge balls at once, was amazed.

Rick and Jack, who label Clockwork as a comedy-juggling show, thanked RIT for housing the festival and also thanked the coordinator, Greg Moss and the Rochester Juggling Cub for making the act possible. Most of all, they thanked the audience, who left satisfied and well entertained.—*Kevin Levick*



NEWSWORTHY

Seeing the Light

On May 2nd, find out what Imaging Science is about when the Center for Imaging Science (CIS) hosts an open house for students, staff and faculty from 12 pm to 2 pm. Tours of the facility and research demonstrations will be presented as well as informal talks with the CIS faculty. Remote sensing, morphology, digital image processing, color science, medical imaging, astronomy and other imaging fields will be discussed. Register to win one of five free CIS t-shirtts. Food is provided. Contact Gaylene Mitchell x7140 for more information.

Lights , Camera ... Technology!

The Information Technology (IT) program is all wired up for today's (April 28) second annual IT Exposition. The imaging oriented show will last from 9 am to 6 pm. Big bosses in attendence include AT&T, Digital Design Solutions, Media Play, Silicon Graphics and Computer Science House. For further information on the exhibits contact Dower Chin at 359-2407 or A'isha Ajayi at 475-7281.

NEWSWORTHY

Spring Fling Thing

Awright, kiddies, here's the Spring Fling schedule like I promised you:

The Greeks are the first on the ball with Greek Week starting on Apr. 30th and running until May 6th. Included in the festivities are Game show night, starting at 7pm on May 4th, the Greek Row Carnival, May 5th from 12pm-5pm, and the Greek Olympics, which takes place on May 6th.

But there's more fun yet. The Allistonians will be performing at the Ritz on May 5th, from 5pm to 7:30pm. And there's a taco bar!

But don't stick around stuffing your face with guacamole too long, or you'll miss the Mighty Mighty Bosstones in the Frank Ritter Ice Arena, also on the 5th, at 8pm.

Right after the Bosstones, head out to the sports field and be bedazzled by a spectacular fireworks show.

If you miss either concert or the fireworks, you'd better have a good reason. How's this: the Carnival will be happenin' in m-lot, from 2pm to 11pm on the 5th, and 10am to 11pm on the 6th. And don't miss the RHA Block Party on the 6th. Whew!

-BH

Unhappily Ever After

THE GLASS MENAGERIE

It seems that most movies and plays begin and end happily. You know how it works. An example? Girl is happy. Freddy tries to kill girl. Girl kills Freddy. Girl is happy. It seems that the people who write these scripts always have things turn out great for them. My problem is that I have had difficulties which have lasted longer than Hoop Dreams (running time three hours). Therefore, sometimes there must be plays about hard times. Plays about things that did not turn out right. My realization is not stellar nor unique. Tennessee Williams' came upon it early in the 1940's and the idea was not unique then. He did write a play about it and titled it the Glass Menagerie. If you go to the GeVa Theatre and you pay your two bits (there are really low special student rates but you knew that) you can see this play.

The play takes place roughly in the 1940's. It's the tale of a broken family, the Wingfield's, whose father left early on. The children have grown into their early twenties but have yet to move out. The son, Tom, goes to work everyday at a warehouse to support the household but has dreams of traveling the world. He writes poems on the job and has a shady night life. Tom's sister, Laura, is extremely shy and limps. She doesn't do very much except listen to records and play with her "glass menagerie," what her mother calls her glass collection. The mother, Amanda, is from the south and works hard trying to sell magazines over the phone. None of the characters, except Laura, attempt to live in the present. Their lives are all what they remember or what they dream of. It seems as if there are two stories within one. Tom is attempting to come to terms with the idea of doing exactly as his father did. While Laura tries to break free from her shyness.

The acting is first rate. The veteran cast is headed up by Davis Hall as Tom and Barbara Pflaumer as Laura. The cast is rounded out by Glynis Bell (Amanda), who has appeared several times on Law and Order, and Billy DeMichele, better known as 'Max' on Guiding Light, plays the role of a gentlemen caller.

So if you want to see a great play at a low cost I recommend this one strongly. The Glass Menagerie will be playing through May 14.

-Patrick Gaynard

Hell's Nice This Time of Year...

The new BBC-movie Priest is already considered one of the most controversial films of the year, proclaimed as pure celluloid "evil" by a lot of concerned citizens, the majority of whom haven't actually seen it. I myself waded through upwards of fifty righteous, sign-toting individuals outside the Little Theatre who told me I was going to Hell just for buying a ticket. Imagine my surprise when, after being completely engrossed for 105 minutes, I realized that Priest is actually one of the most positive religious films to surface in years.

Instead of presenting an anti-Catholic viewpoint and leaving it at that, Priest seems more interested in the insurmountable burdens that are placed on the clergy, such as the

rating: AAAA (out of five) now playing at the Little Theatre, 340 East Ave.

all-consuming need to be infallible and morally superior to their congregations. Priest also isn't as much of an essay on the fallacies of the church as it is a look at the problems that result when ancient traditions are unable to resolve modern-day troubles — and how wellmeaning servants of faith often become trapped in the middle.

A t the story's center is Father Greg (played with conviction by Linus Roache), a young priest who is assigned to a parish in a lower-class area of Liverpool. Father Greg is eager (to the point of being naive) in his quest to make a difference in his community, but quickly realizes that his status brings with it more conflicts and troubles than he imagined. He is taken in by the mentor-like Father Matthew (Tom Wilkinson), a booze-swilling, free-spirited padre with a good heart and kind soul — but no regard for his vow of celibacy. Soon after, he is confronted in confessional by a 14 year-old girl who insists that she is a victim of incestuous sexual abuse — yet he is unable to break the confidentiality of confession, and thus unable to do anything to help. To top it all off, Father Greg must also come to terms with his concealed, blossoming homosexuality — as well as his refusal to forgive his Catholic lovers for their "sins."

With that plot synopsis, it's safe to say that Priest is obviously not for all tastes. But ironically enough, those who are most likely to be offended may actually be its intended audience: many of the film's complex theological dilemmas (as well as some unexpected, ultra-droll humor) may ultimately be lost on those unfamiliar with Catholicism. Politics and controversy aside, Priest remains a stirring and optimistic parable about otherwise ordinary people struggling to rise above normal human frailties, and the importance of staying true to one's personal faith and spirituality.

—Josh Slates

-Chris Conroy

Greetings Video Viewers!

This week I bring you into another film that features Charlton Heston. This time he appears as Taylor, an American astronaut who volunteers to take a place on a deep space mission.

When the ship lands at its final destination, he and his crew discover they are in a wasteland.

According to their ship's computers (which gave the information slightly before the ship sank in an inland sea) they were hundreds of light years from Earth. By Earth time, they had been traveling for about two-thousand years—making them the last surviving members of the twentieth century. Taking the limited supplies that they salvaged from the sinking ship, they set out across the wasteland.

After traveling for three days across the most god-forsaken land imaginable, they come across their first signs of intelligent life—a group of humans foraging in a field. Before long, this group of humans is attacked by a band of gun wielding, horse riding gorillas. Taylor is wounded and captured and wakes up in a cage sometime later. Not being able to talk, he cannot defend himself against the treatment he receives. In this world, humans are the lower life forms that are experimented upon and abused. Two of the chimpanzee scientists (played by Roddy McDowall and Kim Hunter)take a liking to him, mostly as a very gifted human.

From there the story begins to twist and turn into political and scientific intrigue and becomes a race to prove the two scientists theories before the they are imprisoned for "cointific bereau"

"scientific heresy."

The film is very well put together and quite enjoyable to watch. Story wise, it is superb. Rod Serling (the creator of the Twilight Zone and Night Gallery) and Michael Wilson wrote the screenplay based on a novel by Pierre Boulle. The award winning makeup makes everything just that much more believable, especially for a film from 1968. Add to all that the wonderful acting by Heston and you have a truly classic sci-fi film. For those of you who want some food for thought, I highly recommend this film. If you enjoy some good action, this is a good choice too. All in all, I give it a 9 out of 10.

Until we meet again ... enjoy the videos!

Reporter

NEWSWORTHY

Student Art & Craft Show

On Monday, May 15th, from 10am to 3pm, students from RIT's School for American Crafts will be displaying the results of ten weeks of hard work and imagination. The Spring Quarter Walk-Thru will be held in the James E. Booth building. The students' work will include wooden furniture, textiles and woven pieces, jewelry, glass works and pieces, ceramics, metal and sculpture. This is a great opportunity to go see some of RIT's talented artisans, and possibly arrange a purchase from a future famous artist. The Walk-Thru is free and open to the public. -BH

"Players" Present Pajama Game

The RIT Players will be staging a production of The Pajama Game on Fri. and Sat., May 5th & 6th, at 8pm, and Sun., May 7th, at 3pm in Ingle Auditorium.

The Pajama Game takes place in a 1950's pajama factory, where a romance is complicated by a factory-wide strike for a 7 $1/2\phi$ salary raise. Admission is \$5, or \$4 with student ID Tickets go on sale in the SAU lobby on May 1st. The Sat. performance of The Pajama Game will be sign-interpreted. —BH

NEWSWORTHY Men's Lacrosse

Sport Notes

RIT wrestling coach, Earl Fuller, will be retiring this year. Look for the write-up in future REPORTER issues.

REPORTER is currently looking to fill the Sports Editor and sports writer positions for next year. If interested, please contact Aimee Zakrewski at 424-8191.

Congratulations to the men's lacrosse team for clinching at least a share of the EAA championship and an invitation to compete in NCAA competition.

What's going on with RIT's club sports?

Look for an update in next week's REPORTER !!

Upcoming Home

Sporting Events

Softball vs. Hartwick(2), Sat., 4/29

2:30pm

Skidmore (2), Sun., 4/30 1:00pm

Lacrosse vs. LeMoyne Wed., 5/3 4:00pm

Men's Lacrosse Headed to the NCAAs

The men's lacrosse team, headed by coach Guy Van Arsdale, claimed their eighth victim of the season, defeating SUNY Cortland in an easy 14-5 lead.

The Red Dragons looked tough at the start of the game, scoring the first goal with less than a minute gone by. RIT wasted no time answering minutes later to tie the game. This scene went on for the entire first period, with RIT edging for a 3-2 lead. In the second period, the nonsense would stop as the Tigers scored six unanswered goals, including four back to back within a three-minute span, sporting a 9-2 lead at the half.

After the intermission, coach Van Arsdale was able to mix it up and play his reserves for some fresh legs. Backed by the strength of RIT defenders, John Brady, Pete Salvadore and Erik White, several goals were scored including one from Brian Madigan, Rich Michaels, Adam Stevens and Brady took it all the way to put one in. Brady also held Cortland's

leading scorer, Dan Pupke, to a mere goal. The Tigers finished the game with a 3-2 victory and one step closer to the national competition.

Once again, leading scorer Matt Hunt headed the team with two goals and two assists. Teammates Rob Michaels and Pat McCarthy each added three goals. Kurt Utzman played a solid game in goal recording ten saves. Next, the Tigers face Elmira and have a home bout versus Keuka College on Wednesday. Good Luck Tigers!!!

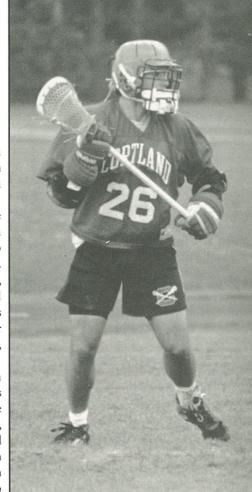
SOFTBALL Defeats Top Teams

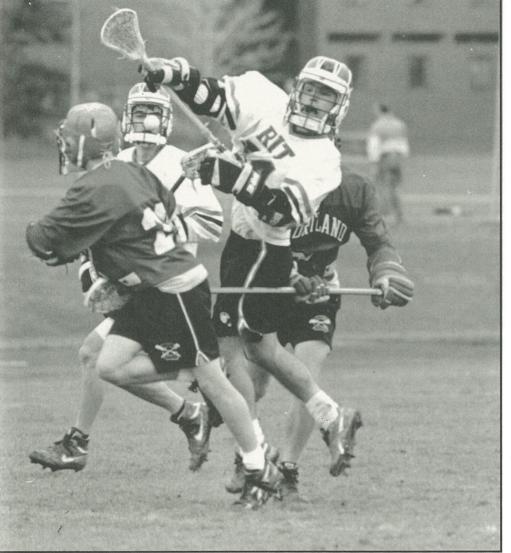
This past week, the Lady Tigers split with SUNY Geneseo and SUNY Binghamton, two of the top teams in the New York State Women's Collegiate Athletic Association (NYW-CAA) league.

RIT defeated the Geneseo Blue Knights in a tight 2-1 decision. Darcy Hall and Jewel Mack each scored for the Lady Tigers with Danielle Nowak and Sue Traynor bringing them in. In the second game, it was Geneseo 3-2 with Heather Surdak and Melania Rex each batting 2-for-4 with an RBI apiece.

With two games against SUNY Cortland cancelled due to field conditions, RIT was able to rest and focus on taking Binghamton the next day. Binghamton was to be one of their top competitors, holding a 19-4 record with losses only to the top teams in the nation. But the Lady Tigers would not hesitate to hand them their fifth loss. After losing the first game in a 5-3 bout, RIT pounced back to gain a 11-10 victory. Surdak lead the team batting 3-for-4 and scoring three runs.

Holding a record of 11-10, the Lady Tigers are looking to head towards the New York state competition in May. Good luck ladies!!!





JAMES CHENG

men's tennis Takes 5th Place

The men's tennis team, coached by Larry Lays, placed fifth in the annual Marketplace Invitational, going 2-1 for the weekend.

Their only loss came from SUNY Oneonta defeating the Tigers 5-0. They took their wrath to the squad of Penn State-Behrend claiming a 5-0 victory and the next day doing the same to crosstown rivals St. John Fisher with a 3-2 win.

The Tigers, on the winning edge, will look to place in this years EAA competition, which begins this weekend. Good Luck Tigers!!!

GOES 2-2

This past weekend, the men's baseball team traveled east to take on Hartwick College and Renssalaer Polytech Institute. The Tigers defeated Hartwick (3-2, 3-2) in both games but fell to the Engineers the next day (11-0, 7-6).

Earlier in the week, RIT split with the St. John Fisher Cardinals. After losing in the first game 11-4, RIT retaliated to defeat their rivals 4-3. In the win, Shawn Randall went 2-for-4 including a double, bringing in two runs and scoring one. Teammate Todd Macko added RIT's only other run.

Next up for the Tigers is a trip up North to St. Lawrence and Clarkson University where they hope to improve their record.

ATHLETE of the WEEK

Pat McCarthy

Pat McCarthy, a senior from Scotia, NY, was named Athlete of the Week after a threegoal, one-assist performance in a 2-8 men's lacrosse win over Alfred University.

The 6-foot-3, 180-pound midfielder scored two of his goals in the final six minutes of the game as the Tigers emerged from an 8-7 deficit for the win. He also had a goal in the first quarter that gave RIT a 2-1 edge.

"Pat has been a steady for us all season, but Saturday was a real breakthrough," said Coach Guy Van Arsdale. "When we needed it, he found a way to get the ball in the net. He scored at a time when we were having trouble manufacturing our offense."

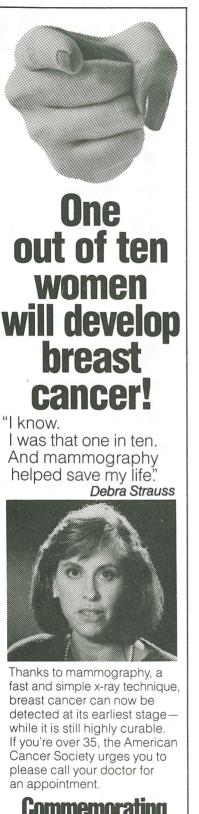
McCarthy chipped in two assists in a 16-14 win over Ithaca College. He is third among RIT scorers with 10 goals and six assists. The Tigers (8-1) are ranked sixth in the latest United States Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association (USILA) poll and have clinched at least a share of the Empire Athletic Association (EAA) championship with a 5-0 record.

A transfer from SUNY-Morrisville,

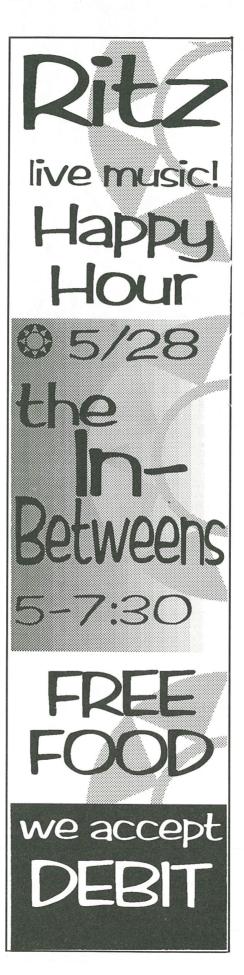
McCarthy was an Academic All-American

and currently has a 3.33 cumulative grade

point average as a management major.









•The In-Betweens The Ritz

•Tragically Hip/ The Rheostatics Auditorium Theater

SATURDAY, APRIL 29

•Jamie Notarthomas Milestones

MONDAY, MAY 1

•G-Love & Special Sauce Horizontal Boogie Bar •Hector/ La La Land Milestones

TUESDAY, MAY 2

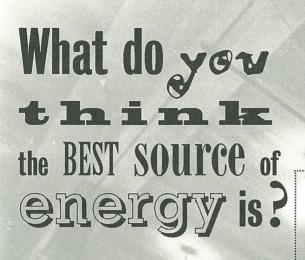
•The Cranberries/ Grant Lee Buffalo (sold out) Auditorium Theater

FRIDAY, MAY 5

The Allistonians The Ritz
Blues Traveler/ Xanax 25 SUNY Geneseo

WITR is proud to announce "Battle Of The Bands." This event will be held in the Residence Hall Quad on Saturday May 6, 1995 from 12 noon to 6 p.m. Listen to WITR for further information.

on the street



"Solar Energy" April Neale 2nd year Biology -

"Snickers Bars" Kim Davis 2nd year Industrial Engineering

"Pepperoni Pizza"

Rob Harrington 3rd year Criminal Justice

"The only source of energy- the sun, which

everything else is derived from" Paul Heaney Electric Grand Prix Corporation

"Solar energy, hands down"

Bill LaBine Renewable Energy Specialist

"The sun" Rose Statt-Hanscom Nature's Second Sun, Owner

"**Natural gas"** Troy Burgess Physical Plant

"I don't know, I'm always tired." Paul Schiffmacher 3rd year Medical Illustration

"Solar"

Sean Harris Juggler

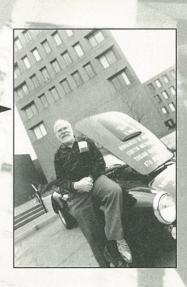
"Tofu & Bean Sprouts" Tully Gehan 3rd year Mechanical Engineering

"**My girlfriend**" Patrick Galley 3rd year Finance

"**Beer**" Nathan Cahill 3rd year Applied Math

Compiled and Photographed By Kurt Brownell







In a steady rhythm they flow. A band of prospective students and their parents shuffle across the concrete campus of RIT. A brief stop is made insule of the residence halls. Then, down to the tunnel system where Nate's eatery and The Corner Store are seen; and out again to complete the tour.

Every weekday, twice a day, this scene is repeated. The dining, shopping, and living facilities, are shown to those interested in attending RIT sometime soon. The residential side is included in the tour because all first-year students are required to live in the residence halls.

Tour groups though, do not walk around

unattended. Even in a pack of wolves, there is a leader. The person who leads the tour group has a title a bit more noble than lead dog; that person is the Student Ambassador. There are five Ambassadors employed by The Center for Residence Life.

Although Student Ambassadors are usually seen as tour guides, the role they play is larger than that. Carla Di Lella, Coordinator for Student Services at The Center for Residence Life. heads the program. Di Lella explains:

"They are a liaison between Residence Life, prospective students, and parents. The Ambassadors are there to give personal and customer service answers, that [Residence Life] staff unfortunately don't necessarily have to sit down with every single visitor...just to give them all the information they need to make a good decision whether [or not] to come to school at RIT.

Making the choice to attend one school over the other can be difficult. Often there may be certain points about one particular college that aids the decision. The Student Ambassadors at RIT try to make that impact individually. Luis Serrano, an Ambassador since October, provides his approach:

"I try to make my own style. I remember the Student Ambassadors at other

fie burning candles

schools weren't realistic, so I don't avoid anything. I want to be politically correct but also realistic... a personal touch of comedy works to break the ice so people will ask questions."

Occasionally curiosities about the institute may develop overnight. For those situations, housing is available. The reason for this is, not because the student is so puzzled, but because a deposit has been paid for an extended stay. The rooms are located in the Baker C residence hall. The person who oversees the guests is Aisha Holmes.

Holmes is the Student Ambassador for guest housing. This situation is slightly different than taking the interested individuals sightseeing on campus. Holmes describes a standard work day:

"A typical guest coming in would arrive on a Thursday or Friday. I'll meet [the students at the Residence Life office]. I'll try to meet the parents, escort them to their room, and let them settle in. Then, I would take them on a tour of the residence halls if they want one...but usually those students who come on the weekend usually know people at RIT so they don't need me to take them on a tour." are fortunately understanding. The impact of the tour is usually heard through the feedback of the group. Di Lella says that after each tour, evaluation forms are handed out. Although, "not a very large percentage" are returned, those that are, "are always positive."

When students arrive on a foreign campus for a tour, the Student Ambassador is usually the first actual student they have contact with. Holmes offers her opinion on why prospective students enjoy her role as an Ambassador:

"There is a certain amount of nervousness taken out because I'm not so much a sales person as I am someone who can answer questions rather than an administrative person... it's just more relaxed." One of the primary reasons students hold the Ambassador position, Di Lella states, is for "a better connection" between the students and the leaders.

Being in command of approximately fifteen to thirty people for an average of 45 minutes can be demanding. Besides tripping while walking backwards, which has happened, the Student Ambassador must also be sure everyone receives all of Government position is actually a prestigious on-campus job. Di Lella explains her desire for the open positions:

"What we're looking for is the creamof-the-crop, a student who possesses leadership skills, excellent customer service and communication skills."

Serrano adds: "It's fun, highly respectable, and looks good on a resume."

It is sometimes thought that the more difficult a position is to acquire, the less it is worth the effort. Perhaps that may be true for some jobs, but becoming a Student Ambassador does have its advantages. Holmes shares what she enjoys about the position:

"I definitely enjoy meeting different people... from all over the United States. I tend to like talking to them and making connections."

The students and their parents or relatives who visit, probably do live throughout America. But, once a day they come together to visit RIT to make a critical decision; where to attend college. To meet and greet these visitors are five students who represent RIT during their stay, they are the Student Ambassadors.

left to right:JILL suhrie,LINDA bourque,AMY sandstrom,CHRIS winters,LANI masonis

An additional difference between the guest housing and common Student Ambassador, is that the housing Ambassador must "tidy the room and take out the linens" Holmes says.

Perhaps removing bedding and keeping up the appearance of the room is a fair trade for giving less tours to the visitors. However, the more sights shown, the greater chance for a disaster. Serrano recalls a brief scare while showing a group the residence halls:

"I once had a group bigger than ten people and I was showing them the fifth floor from the tunnels. I had to divide the group up, leaving one group while getting the next group. When the elevator stopped on the first floor, I thought for a little while that I had lost them...but I forgot I left them in the basement!"

When errors such as that occur, people

the information about RIT. Add to that, a workweek of fifteen hours, involving correspondence with the students after they have left through letters, telephone, and most recently e-mail, these demanding duties are included in the drawbacks of the position. Essentially, it takes a special breed; no wolves allowed.

With two positions available in the fall, Di Lella is beginning her search. Because the Student Ambassador position is not an ordinary job, such as stuffing plastic bags with canned goods, certain criteria do exist. A student interested must be nominated, and may be nominated whether curious about the position or not. The student must also be in "good academic standing", which is probably not a matter of opinion. Also, there are reference checks, and a required essay.

What sounds more like a Federal

In a clark, brick room Photographs by *James* Chengwritten by *Chris* McGarthy



April 22, It was People were taking a stand for the dving earth. For the first time in history, an Earth Day was celebrated. It was almost a year after humans saw their first pictures of the earth, rising over the moon's horizon. These pictures forced people to think about how small this earth is and the importance of preserving it. Activists sprang up all over the country, groups formed to project a strong voice for nature, and public interest began to rise. The time for recklessly destroying our planet was coming to an end, but then, as now, we had a long way to go.

It was April 22, 1995. The day was miserable. That cold Rochester wind was blowing the light rain under everything. Most of the tables in the field behind Greek Row were empty and quite damp. On stage, the band had stopped early because its instruments were getting too wet and the performers were getting cold. That was the beginning of the 25th Anniversary Celebration of Earth Day at RIT.

Damp, cold, and frustrated, the members of the Student Environmental Action League (SEAL) huddled around and made the decision to move the event into the ice rink, the secondary location decided on in case of inclement weather. By the time the moving was finished, it was almost 3pm, and another couple of vendors had left. Everyone who was helping move the event was wet and tired and brought down a little by the way the weather had driven the majority of a crowd away. But the volun-

teers kept trying, and before long, the event was up and running again.After an enlightenspeech ing about the state of environmental concern in Congress (not as high as it should be) and what it could lead to for the Adirondack Park area. the second band of the day, the Inbetweens, got up on stage and rocked the people that came out 16 APRIL 28, 1995

to Earth Day. Soon after that band finished, Egypt Iowa took the stage and entertained the small crowd until the end of the event.

As the remaining visitors filed out of the ice rink, members of SEAL. Community Service Club House (CSCH), and others began to fold up the tables that had already been moved three times before and loaded them onto the waiting truck. That was the end of the 25th Anniversary of Earth Day at RIT."The day did not turn out as well as we had hoped," was the general feeling voiced by many SEAL members. A lot of hard work was put into this event and it seemed to have many of the main workers a little down that the earth itself had proved to be the one thing totally uncooperative. On the positive side,



WHAT DO A SEAL, THREE BA HEMP, AND THE WEATHER ABSOLUTELY NOTHING, EXCEPT ON EARTH DAY



Alone, no one can do much to change how things are done and how they are expected to be done. But, if many people get together and voice their common opinion that there are problems and that there must be something done about them, then a true difference can be made. The way this Earth Day went for members of SEAL brought them closer to being a solid group that can make an even bigger difference in the future.

The events in Rochester on Earth Day, Saturday, April 22, commemorated the 25th anniversary of the environmentallyconscious day. An Earth Day celebration at Genesee Valley Park, sponsored Greenpeace, by helped to raise money for the Protect A Clean Environment

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Erica Green, SEAL president and head of the Earth Day committee, mentioned that "more people turned out than we expected" based on the circumstances.

"What this day really did,"

according to Chris Rafalik, "was bring us all closer together as a club and as friends." Looking at the event in that way makes it seem like it touched on the deeper meaning of Earth Day, at least for everyone involved in the planning, set up, and damage control of the event. In order to actually make a difference in the way people look at the planet and how we affect it, we all must work together. group. This group has done its share of things to save the planet, and is involved in environmental issues relating to the salt mining in the Genesee Valley. Many other events throughout Rochester raised public awareness, including RIT's own Earth Day. It is "a two day festival and energy fair... sponsored by RIT, Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation, and the New York state Energy Research and Development Authority," according to the Democrat and Chronicle.

What about plans for another Earth

Day celebration like this for next year? "Not one of this scale, not next year, maybe in another five," was the answer that some SEAL members had. Official plans for anything done next year will be discussed at future SEAL meetings. Anyone interested in becoming involved with the organization is encouraged to show up at the meetings on Mondays in the Alumni Room of the SAU (across from Ingle Auditorium) from 4:30 to 5:30 pm. Anyone who can't make the meetings and still wants to help out can contact Erica Green via E-mail at ESG0875 or by placing a note in the SEAL folder in the RITreat.

"Planning something like this Earth Day is a lot for one club to do," says Chris Rafalik. That is very true, without the help of all the other organizations involved things would not have turned out as well as they did. All of these helping organizations are given credit on the back of the 25th Anniversary Earth Day t-shirts that SEAL was selling at the event to help cover the costs of putting it on. "Without all the help, nothing could have happened," was the general feeling among the



members of SEAL.

No, this Earth Day celebration wasn't all that it could have been. If the weather hadn't gone bad, it probably would have been much closer to what SEAL had hoped for. All things considered, though, it went pretty smoothly. There were people who showed up at the event. Some of them even stayed the whole time and thoroughly enjoyed the bands that played. The members of SEAL, while not totally thrilled about the turn out, were

happy that it actually happened and that people enjoyed it.

On the other hand, there are many issues that need to be addressed outside of RIT, and even outside of Rochester itself. Many companies continue to damage our environment every day. Of course, a major polluter that we all know about is the fuel industry, especially petroleum. These fuels put carbon, sulfur, and many other acid rain form-

ing, ozone depleting substances into the air. They pretend to be reducing the pollution and making cleaner fuels, but come on now; petro-fuel is petro-fuel, no matter how you advertise it. The petroleum industry is one of the richest in the world, and is able to manipulate bad press and public opinion with a measly couple of million dollars. The scary part is that we have cleaner and safer alternatives that everybody ignores because petroleum is what we have always used, so why change now?

Let me clue you in. If we stopped using petroleum right now, we could have a much cleaner world in a couple of years, and in the future our atmosphere would be full of delicious air. Now the problem is how are we going to run our cars, drink soda in our favorite plastic cup, heat the house, lube the old jiffy, and all of our other favorite petroleum things? Well, an easy answer would be to use bio-mass fuels. These fuels, which come from a variety of plants (some better than others), do not burn off carbon or sulfur. That would mean no acid rain and no ozone depletion. Another good thing is that all plastics made with bio-mass are biodegradable, one of the major concerns of our day. Henry Ford and Thomas Edison built a car made entirely out of bio-mass plastics and fuels in their labs in Ft. Myers, Fla. Even then, those brilliant men knew how bad petroleum is, and that alternatives must be used.

Another contributor to the destruction of the environment is the paper industry. Everybody knows the stories about the millions of trees being cut down, and the harm that this causes the atmosphere, but trees continue to fall. Luckily, the computer age



has decreased the amount of paper that we use, and there are many regulations that require replanting. Although these steps are being taken, we really don't need paper from trees. We can use fibers from any plant in the hemp family to produce stronger, cheaper paper. Most of these plants take two to three years to reach paper maturity, whereas trees take fifty. Due to hemp's small roots, the acreage would be much less compared to trees for the same amount of paper. As we move farther into the computer information age and our demand for paper decreases, let's choose hemp instead of deforestation.

Earth Day represents something very important to us that we should all understand. The issues of environmental concern are something that most of the world can agree on. With problems of religious wars and political unrest facing humanity, the environment can be something to bring everybody together. We all must live on this earth, so why should some people be able to destroy what is not ours? Be aware of your impact on the environment and make wise decisions when the earth is involved. Be kind to the planet and remember the Earth Day cliché, "Every day is Earth Day!" ◆

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RTICE girls like to Ruck too... Cockless Roaches

Last spring, Karen Cordingley came to RIT from Brockport where she played women's rugby. She wanted to start a team at RIT with the help of her friend Kim Laraby, a graduate student. Karen began putting flyers up to get interested players. Sure enough, after just one season of gathering females with enough spirit to play, RIT had a women's rugby team. That year, the team learned the sport, its techniques, and ended the season with as many wins as they did losses. Quite impressive considering it was a new sport for most of them. One year later, the RIT "Cockless Boaches" are still going strong. Their

One year later, the RIT "Cockless Roaches" are still going strong. Their numbers have grown to a roster of 25-30 girls, ranging in ages from 18-25. Although the season for rugby is over, that doesn't end their dedication and love for the game. Being recognized in the national organization of USA Rugby and the New York State Rugby Union, they continue to travel to other schools for games, as well as host their own. Their main competitors, who are also all club teams, consist of Geneseo, Brockport, Buffalo State, University of Buffalo, and Potsdam. The team is trying to compete out of state as well.

Along with winning their games. the women's rugby team has other responsibilities which they take seriously. They have an executive board consisting of President Karen Cordingley, Vice-President Rachel Goldseth. and Match Secretary Kelly Fogarty. They participated in this year's Love Day along with the men's rugby team and received letters of thanks from the children they helped. As a recognized RIT club, they are trying to get more involved in the RIT communitv.The games already drawlarge crowds. but the team always welcomes extra support. Fall season sees themin black and green playing many tough games. For those who aren't familiar with the game, it is quite an unusual yet sport. interesting There are 15 people at a time on the playing field, which make up the pack and the wing. The game itself consists of two 40 minute halves, with no substitutions. One referee is on the field watching the game while two line judges man the sidelines. Although the girls say it is not that rough a sport, they do admit to some bumps and bruises. "It really is a great sport," says Katie

Zabel, a member of the Cockless Roaches. "During the game, it gets a little rough, but later on that night you go out and have a great time with the same people."

And isn't that what the game is all about? As I asked a few members of the team why they were on it,

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just said, "Because it's great!" There are no restrictions as to who can and can't be on the team. You don't need to be an excellent athlete or even know the rules to

part of it. The on the team are willing and more than qualified to teach anyone who wants to learn how to play their game. All you need to be a good player is self-motivation and team spirit, as well as a desire to get out and do something different. Says Zabel, "I never played a contact sport in high school. I played softball and track, but nothing like this." All the members of the team are taught the right ways to help protect themselves so they don't get hurt during games, which is something of great importance. Everyone is to required wear mouth and guards. before each game there is a check of all players to make sure that they are wearing the proper shoes, and don't have fingernails grown too long. This year, the girls are becoming more organized and determined then ever.

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Two or three times a season. the men's rugby team videotape their game, and there is a mandatory meeting in which they all come to critique the playing. This is how they find out what needs to be worked on. The team spends more time running and going to the gym, instead

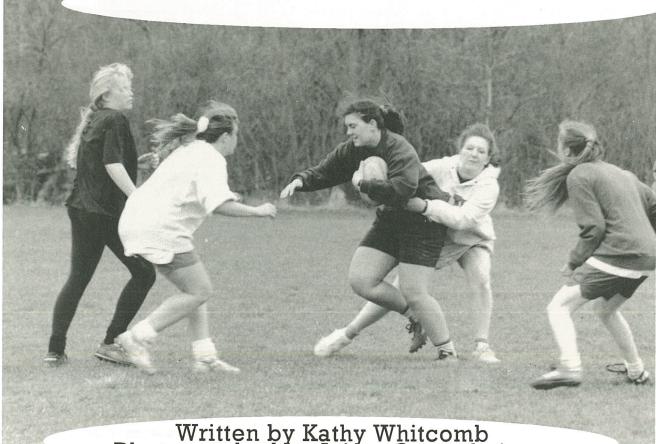
of practicing techniques that they already have down. They have a tournament in Brockport coming up on the 29th of April in which they will compete against Geneseo, Brockport, and Buffalo State. The first week in August, the team will be attending the Can-Am tournament in Saranc Lake. It is a tournament that gathers rugby players from all over the United States and Canada. The team alumni weekend. known as Stubum, is coming up on May 5,6, and 7. They have two games, one for the men and one for the women in which all the rugby alumnus come back to play. In the evening, there is a banquet in which awards are given out, consisting of Most Improved Player, Most Valuable Player, and others.

"It really is a bonding experience," says Karen Cordingley, the

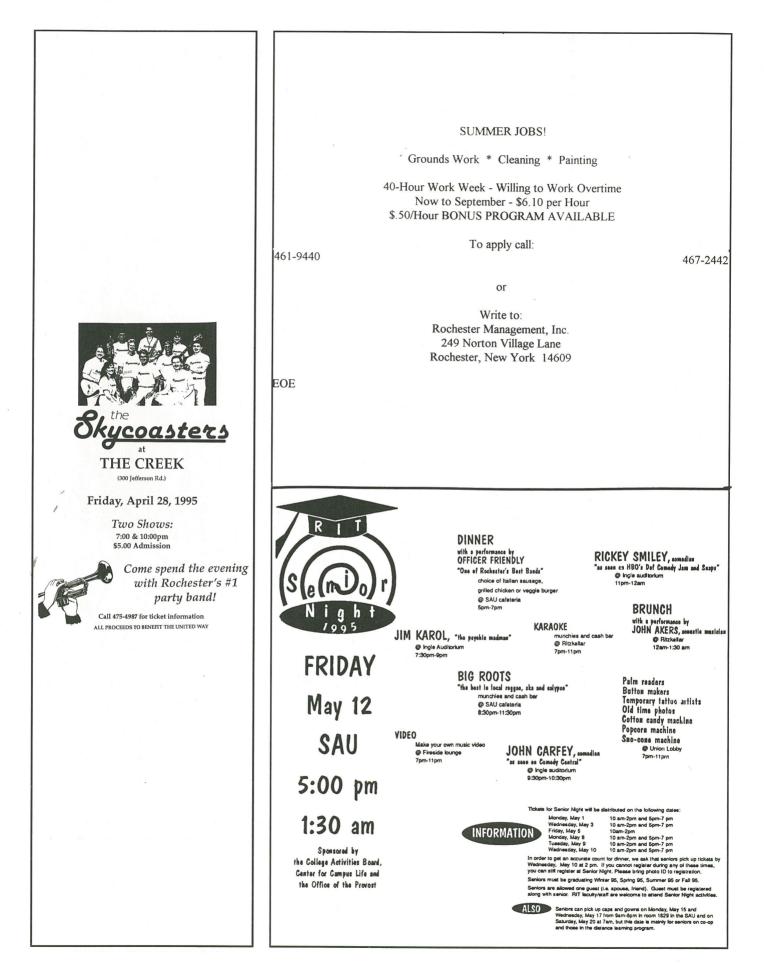
Cockless Roaches' president. Everyone earns nicknames and are all very close. On Friday nights before the games, you can see them getting psyched at their happy hour parties, and the next day at the games. "One funny time I remember," recalls Zabel, "is during a game we all had to switch into positions that we weren't used to playing. And our old coach used to tell us, that 'if you don't know what you are doing, just lay down'. So, I wasn't exactly sure what to do, so I laid down - but so did practically our whole team. There we all were, laying down on the field!"

Information about the games or any special events is posted on the rugby board downstairs in the SAU, next to the Student Employment Office. Thev are

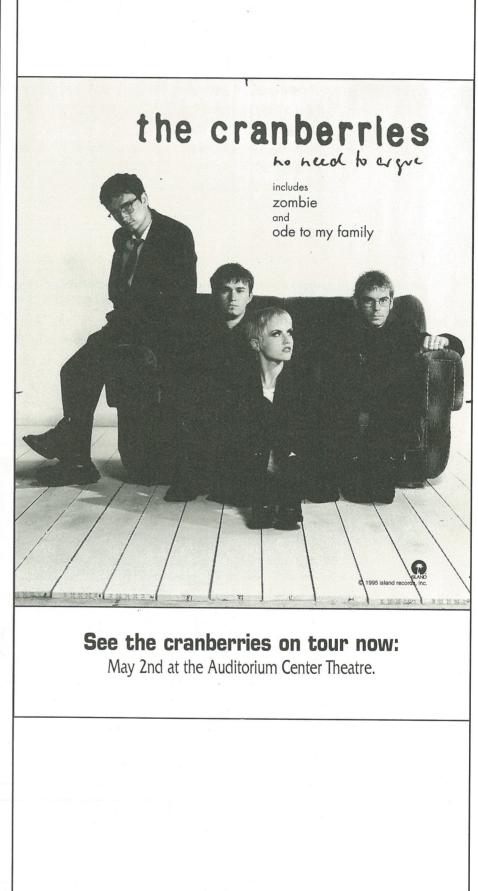
ALWAYS looking for new players, and anyone is welcome to join at anytime. The practices are Monday through Thursday, from 5:00 PM to 6:30 PM. There are heari. n g impaired players on the team, and thev have no problems with communication. An interpreter attends practices just in case help is needed. Anyone interested just show up at practice, "dressed to kill."

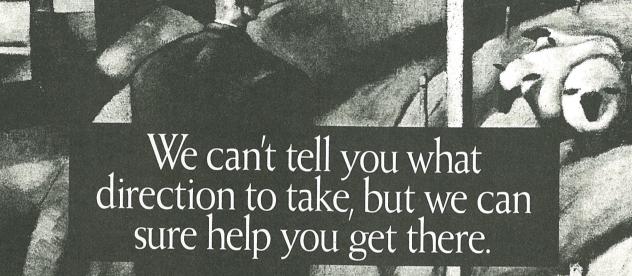


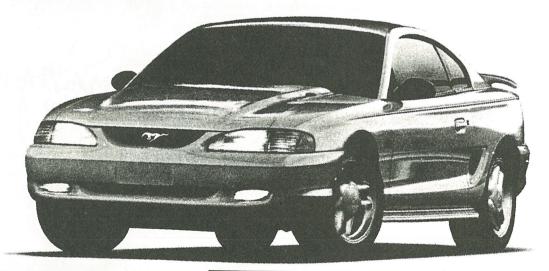
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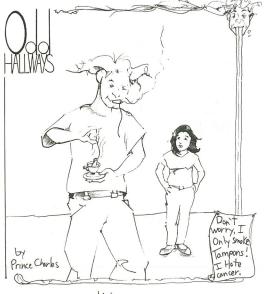


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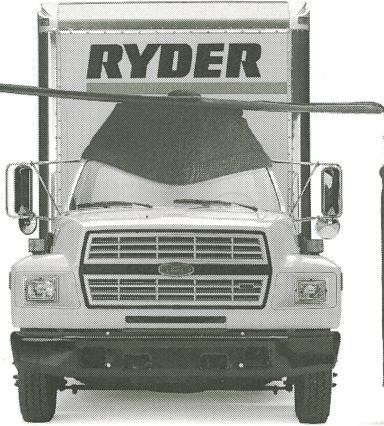
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• Phi Sig, hope you all have a great Spring Weekend!

• CONGRATULATIONS, to Ethan Hutten, for the Grand Prize winning "ESSAY" in the 1995 Student Writing Contest.

• If you see Molly Gregas today, congratulate her on winning the

"Creative Writing" Grand Prize in the 1995 Student Writing Contest.

• Congratulations to the Honorable Mention winners: Thomas Sousa, Amy Kielon, and Craig Filek.

• Happy Founder's Day AXD! TKE

• Sidehow, Roach, Cap, Skirt, Beaker, and Trip, Way to Step it up. Awesome Job! your BRO

• K in 145 C-Perkins! COON,COON!!! LOOK AT THE COON!!! HOW 'BOUT THAT WHOPPERTUNITY!?!?!?

• KYLE - Thanks for our Tuesday Lunches & B.K. Attacks. But I don't think we're going in the right direction. Oh well - Do it while we can ! God Love Ya, Karen

• ZETA Sigma Delta!!! May it live on forever!!!

• AMC 60 You did it Great Job!! Put SNOW BALL!

• ZTA Three Muskateers!!! PHI SIG - who?, The Ritz - when? Smoke what? Love you #103

• GET PSYCHED GREEKS!!! GREEK WEEK '95 IS COMING!!!

• TKE would like to thank pickie NYQuist for jamin on Easter weekend!! Good Luck Guys!!

• TKE BOYS!! I Love you all and here's to a great Spring Picnic!! Luv Ness

• MISS EDITOR-IN-CHIEF!!! You are doing a wonderful job with the magazine and I'm glad it's finally over - you know what I mean!!! Luv you, your roomie!!

• THE BULLDOGS MISS JERSEY -(NOT THE *!#@!*# STATE.)

• To my big sister, Wendy... You've been so busy lately, and I hope you are doing good. Keep up the good work. ZLAM - YLS.

• Urine, Berk and Couch Potatoe in evil effect for Spring Quarter, watch out ladies!!

• My Little Grape Nut!! Keep on Smilin' Luv - Your little fruit loop!

• Lucy, I miss you at airports. Could I have an extra smile and a kiss? Niko

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Schedule of Events

Friday, April 28

- Talisman Movies: Murder in the First 7 & 9:30 pm Webb Auditorium • Booth Bldg • for more info, contact CAB, x2509
- TGIF in the Ritz: performance by Brendan MacNaughton and the In-Betweens• 5 7:30 pm free wings SAU Ritskellar
- Info Tech Expo '95, This is our 2nd such event... bigger and better than last years • displays • Special speakers • 9 am to 6 pm • SAU • Fireside Lounge • for more info, call Elissa x2529
- **Skycoasters:** All proceeds benefit United Way *The Creek* shows at 7 and 10 pm sponsored by government affairs for more info, call Cindee Gray, x4987
- 11th annual fundraiser for United Way: 5K Run/Walk/Rollerblade marathon 12:15 1:30 pm Administration Circle

Saturday, April 29

- Women's Rugby 11 am field behind Ellingson hall new players welcome for more info, call Karen at 359-0509
- Softball: vs. Hartwick (doubleheader) 2:30 pm
- Volleyball Tournament: OCSA looking for teams to compete in tournament April 29-30 8 am 5 pm ticket price: \$15, sold in OCSA office for more info, contact OCSA at x6680
- Talisman Movies: Murder in the First 7 & 9:30 pm Webb Auditorium • Booth Bldg • for more info, contact CAB, x2509

Sunday, April 30

• Softball: vs. Skidmore (doubleheader) • 1 pm

Monday, May 1

- Learning Development Center presents: "Exit Test Preparation" tips for English Composition students • Bldg 1 • Room 3367 • 1-2 pm • for more info, call x6682
- To publicize your event to the entire campus, send the name, date, location, time, contact person, phone number, and any other pertinent information to Donna Burke, Center for Campus Life, SAU, Room 1324 (x2864) by 4:30 pm fourteen working days before the issue in which you would like it published.
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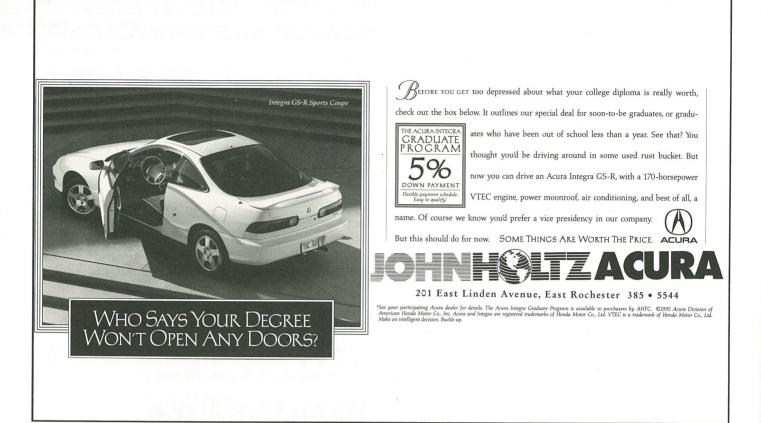
- Baseball: vs. Oswego (doubleheader) 1 pm
- Imaging Science Open House: Faculty, staff, and students invited to visit the CIS demonstrations, videos, and free pizza 12-2 pm CIS Bldg Lobby
- Housing Selection: Remaining Single and Double Deluxe Sign Up 3 pm Grace Watson Lobby (You must have filled out your application by April 24th)
- Senior Receptions: NTID, College of Science, College of Liberal Arts hosted by Dr. and Mrs. Simone honoring baccalaureate and master's degree candidates 3 4:30 pm Liberty Hill
- Senior Receptions: College of Business, College of Engineering hosted by Dr. and Mrs. Simone honoring baccalaureate and master's degree candidates 5:30 7 pm Liberty Hill

Wednesday, May 3

- Men's Lacrosse: vs. Keuka 4 pm
- Senior Receptions: CAST hosted by Dr. and Mrs. Simone honoring baccalaureate and master's degree candidates • 3 - 4:30 pm • *Liberty Hill*
- Senior Receptions: CIAS & CCE hosted by Dr. and Mrs. Simone honoring baccalaureate and master's degree candidates 5:30 -7 pm Liberty Hill
- Residence Hall Lottery, STEP I: registration for any student not signed up for housing for 1995-96 • 11 am - 2 pm • Grace Watson Lobby
- Learning Development Center presents: "Exit Test Preparation" tips for English Composition students • *Bldg 1* • *Room 3367* • *1-2 pm & 2 - 3 pm • for more info, call x6682*

Friday, May 5

- Talisman Movies: *Higher Learning* 7 & 9:30 pm Webb Auditorium • Booth Bldg • for more info, contact CAB, x2509
- **TGIF** in the Ritz: performance by *The Allistonians* 5 7:30 pm SAU Ritskellar for more info, contact the CAB, x2509
- Mighty Mighty Bosstones: tickets on sale at Candy Counter 8 pm Ice Arena • for more info, contact the CAB, x2509
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