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## RIT receives \$500,000 from science foundation

RIT is the lead university in a \$500,000 initiative, funded by the National Science Foundation, that will produce instructional support material for software engineering and make it available on a newly created Web site.

Mike Lutz, RIT software engineering department head, is collaborating with faculty from Georgia Tech, Texas Tech



Mike Lutz

University, Drexel University, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University and the Milwaukee School of Engineering to develop the Web site focusing on four areas in undergraduate software engineering curricula development—design, quality, requirements and process. Co-op and graduate students from RIT, Georgia Tech and Texas Tech will assist in the project.

Known as SWENET—The Network Community for Software Engineering Education—the project's Web site will be an online repository for software-engineering support material used by academia and industry for course development and training related to software engineering, computer engineering and computer science. The material will also be helpful for other universities developing undergraduate programs in software engineering.

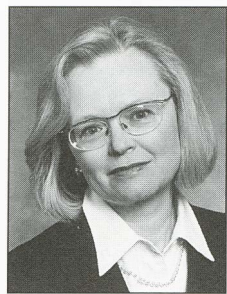
"SWENET will become a rich mine of useful information and tools to help accelerate the adoption of software engineering in academia," Lutz says.

Resources available will include lectures, PowerPoint presentations and other tested material. Users will choose, at no cost, specific material that can then be modified to meet individual needs. A rating system will allow users to evaluate and post comments about material on the Web site.

SWENET will be formally launched when representatives from the six participating universities meet at the Conference on Software Engineering Education and Training Feb. 19–21 in Charlotte, N.C. Currently in the preliminary stages of development at [www.swenet.org](http://www.swenet.org), the Web site will likely be hosted by RIT. The project is initially funded through November 2003. ■

## Student Affairs honors outstanding staff

RIT's Division of Student Affairs honored 20 employees for length of service and presented its annual awards to distinguished faculty and staff members during a recognition brunch last month.



Anne Coon

Anne Coon, assistant dean in the College of Liberal Arts, won the Award for Promoting Learning Outside the Classroom. She joined RIT as a member of the Learning Development Center, and worked to

establish a chapter of the Golden Key National Honor Society at RIT. In addition, Coon co-taught the Student Leadership Seminar for two years and also coordinated LDC's career decision program.

"We sincerely appreciate Anne's countless efforts to collaborate with staff and faculty within Student Affairs in our mutual goal of providing quality instruction and services to students," says Linda Kuk, vice president for student affairs. "We want to recognize the extra hours of energy she has provided to students as a teacher, mentor and administrator. She is an outstanding faculty member recognized beyond the College of Liberal Arts for her dedication and commitment to students."

The Innovation in Program Award was given to the First Year Enrichment/Wellness Coordinating Team. Members from the Center for Student Transition and Support include Robin Diana, associate director;

Mariama Boney-Padilla, coordinator for diversity education and multicultural programming; and John Weas, assistant to the vice president for student affairs. Members from the Student Health Center include Cassandra Jordan, director; and Mani Ehbali, former health education coordinator. Members from the Center for Human Performance include John Buckholtz, assistant director for wellness; Thomas Connelly, experiential education coordinator; Dugan Davies, associate director for wellness; Robert McVean, RIT men's basketball coach; Louis Spiotti, director; and Janice Strine,



First Year Enrichment/Wellness coordinating team

National Technical Institute for the Deaf faculty member; and from the Center for Campus Life, Michael D'Arcangelo, director.

Staff members on this team created and launched the First Year Enrichment and Wellness Program for traditional first-year students. The program incorporates transitional issues for students and provides resolution- and problem-solving skills to aid in their development. The program also promotes learning on all levels of personal, academic and social areas of wellness.



Cheryl Phillips

"The team devoted countless hours, energy and hard work this past summer to designing the curriculum, writing the textbook and selecting instructors," says Kuk. "We sincerely appreciate their dedication and

commitment to providing RIT students with this excellent program."

Cheryl Phillips, administrative assistant, Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs, won the Excellence in Service Program. Phillips, an RIT employee for nearly 20 years, started her career in the Center for Residence Life and moved to the Center for Campus Life. She eventually became assistant director of Student Orientation Services and coordinator of campus information and reservations.

"Cheryl is the glue that holds our division together," says Kuk. "She is masterful at coordinating the activities of the vast majority of services within our division and is a key player in orchestrating communications between myself and the directors—not a simple task. She is great with the students and has an incredible ability to set people at ease and get to the heart of a situation. Those who know Cheryl understand why she is truly deserving of this award." ■

## Senior housing proposal survey coming soon

After 20 years of operation as a site for student housing, the Racquet Club apartments may give way to a senior housing facility. RIT recently decided to make the land site available for new development; the idea of senior housing quickly emerged as a strong option, says Peg Cass Ferber, associate vice president for finance and administration.

To help determine the plan's feasibility, a survey will be sent to RIT alumni, faculty/staff and retirees. Campus members will receive the survey via e-mail; alumni and retirees will receive hard copies in the mail and can

respond either electronically or by post.

A local developer and Planning Plus, a Rochester-based health-care organization, designed the survey to determine the level of interest in such a facility as well as amenities desired.

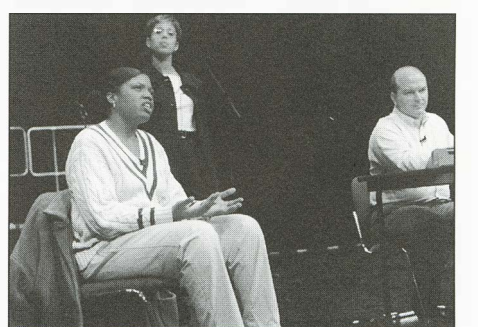
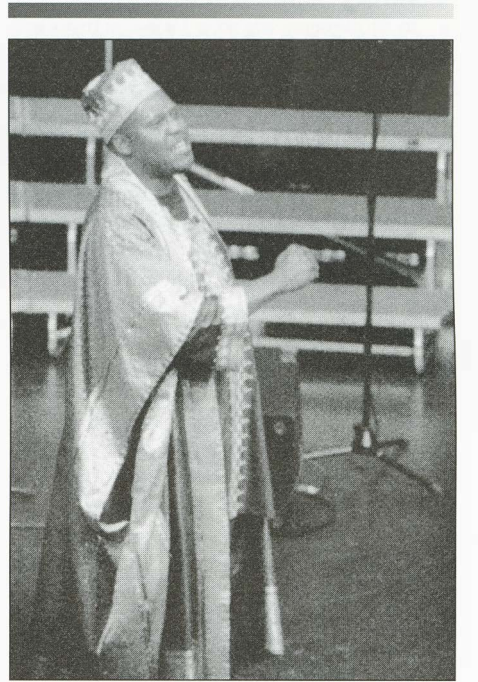
"We hope everyone can take a few moments to complete the electronic survey, which will be forwarded to each of you soon," says Ferber. "We view senior housing as a connection to lifelong learning." She notes that the Athenaeum, RIT's academy for learning after 50, is adjacent to this site and is expected to remain as an important complement. ■

## New York state grant boosts NTID program

The New York state Department of Education has awarded National Technical Institute for the Deaf's Center for Arts and Sciences, in cooperation with Monroe #1 BOCES, \$900,000 to operate the third year of an educational-interpreting program.

Initially awarded in 1998, the grant for the preparation of educational interpreters is designed to improve and expand the quality and quantity of interpreting services and personnel for pre-K through 12th grade settings in New York. The latest funds will be used to implement new interpreter-preparation programs at Corning Community College and LaGuardia Community College, and to implement professional-development activities for more than 800 working educational interpreters throughout the state.

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**WHY WE CAN'T WAIT...** RIT's Ingle Auditorium was filled to capacity Jan. 15 as the Institute community celebrated Martin Luther King Day with a unique program. After an opening by the Gospel Ensemble, Keith Jenkins, top, RIT's assistant provost for diversity, wowed the crowd with his recitation of "Why We Can't Wait" an excerpt from one of Dr. King's legendary speeches. Immediately following, actors from the Cornell Interactive Theater Ensemble treated the audience to a dramatization demonstrating the power of diversity and finished up with a Q&A and audience discussion, shown above.



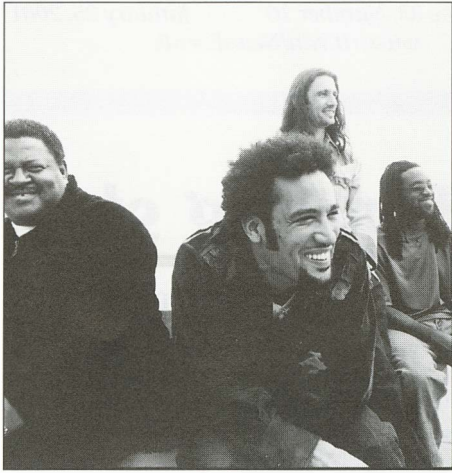
**WORLD-CLASS UNIVERSITIES MAKE IT HAPPEN...** New York Gov. George Pataki (at podium) and Sen. Charles Schumer (third from right) called a Jan. 22 press conference to lay out their plans and hopes for a Center of Excellence in Rochester in micro-optic systems technology. Speaking of industry, government and university collaboration, they noted it would take the inventiveness of universities to "make it happen." Said President Albert Simone, "The strength and the lifeblood of the center is in this collaboration. The universities will provide the front-end research in microsystems, photonics and related technologies that will be the basis for new commercial applications and prototyping devices." Industry partners, led by Eastman Kodak Co., Xerox and Corning, have raised \$45 million to move the center forward. Schumer, who stressed the need for "critical mass in top-level research," said, "Rochester is taking a huge step towards becoming the unparalleled center for optics research in the world." Left to right are Assemblyman Joseph Morelle, Simone, Don Keck (Corning), Sen. George Maziarz; far right, Rochester Mayor William Johnson and Monroe County Executive Jack Doyle. Also in attendance were Congresswoman Louise Slaughter and Assemblymember Susan John.



## CAB winter concert features Ben Harper

Ben Harper and the Innocent Criminals will rock RIT's Clark Gymnasium at 8 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 10, as the winter-concert event featured by the College Activities Board.

Harper and his band earned worldwide acclaim upon the release of *Steal My Kisses*



Ben Harper and the Innocent Criminals perform at RIT Feb. 10.

off their current record, *The Will to Live*. Following the release of previous albums, *Welcome to the Cruel World* and *Fight For Your Mind*, Harper and his band were able to move their acoustic sound from small coffee houses and college hangouts to larger venues based on the groundswell of fan attention.

Harper's touring schedule has taken him and his band throughout the United States and Europe, both as a headliner and with a diverse group of artists, including Pearl Jam, Dave Matthews Band, Spearhead and Luscious Jackson, as well as legends like John Lee Hooker and Gil Scott-Heron.

Tickets for the RIT performance—\$10 for students, \$15 for faculty/staff and \$20 for the general public—are available at the Student Alumni Union candy counter and game room, and in the CAB office. Visa and MasterCard accepted. For more information, call the game room at 5-2239. ■

## Study abroad options increase significantly

"An international experience can be a vital and exciting part of an undergraduate education as well as an important competitive career advantage in a global economy," says Stanley McKenzie, provost and vice president for academic affairs.

Following the provost's plans for creating more international experiences for students, RIT's study abroad options have increased significantly in recent years.

A new program debuts next June at RIT's American College of Management and Technology in Dubrovnik, Croatia, that will bring together RIT and ACMT faculty and students in art history, environmental science and policy, political science and science/technology/society courses.

Along with the new program, the Study Abroad Open House held on Jan. 24 highlighted a broad and growing menu of study abroad opportunities for RIT students. These include summer programs with RIT faculty in St. Petersburg with courses in Russian art, history and culture, a language-and-culture program in Germany, and a biology course in the Galapagos Islands.

RIT's partnership with Syracuse University allows RIT students to study in London, Strasbourg, Florence, Madrid, Hong Kong and Zimbabwe while retaining their RIT status and financial aid during the summer quarter and regular academic year. And the College of Business's arrangement with Sheffield Hallam University in England offers an active option for business students.

Another addition to these expanding opportunities for international experiences will be the invitations sent in March to upper division students with a 3.5 GPA or better to apply for Fulbright Scholarships.

Students interested in exploring study abroad opportunities should contact Larry Belle at 5-2527 or lwbcad@rit.edu. ■

# Cuba to become classroom for RIT students

It's a land long considered off-limits, but next month a group of RIT photography students and faculty members will travel where few Americans have gone before.

On Friday, Feb. 23, the group will head to Cuba for a weeklong excursion. The trip is part of the curriculum for Photography in Cuba, a special-topic course offered this quarter for the first time in the College of Imaging Arts and Sciences. Denis Defibaugh and Dawn Tower DuBois, who teach the course, first discussed the idea a year ago.

"We thought that it would be a great opportunity for students to visit a completely different culture," Tower DuBois says.

Initially it seemed unlikely the idea would work. Without diplomatic ties between the United States and Cuba, taking students there appeared too risky. Defibaugh and Tower DuBois researched the idea further and discovered a handful of American colleges and universities that



Denis Defibaugh captured a sample of life on the island during last summer's planning trip to Cuba. Images include a young girl playing in the streets of Old Havana.

have successfully offered educational opportunities in Cuba. That information helped to reassure RIT administrators, who granted their approval.

Next, organizers were required to seek formal permission from the U.S. govern-

arrive is a landscape that resembles a previous era. Many landmarks offer striking examples of art-deco architecture, and most of the cars in use are more than 40 years old. Plenty of people who live in Havana work the streets seeking tourists, looking to exchange a variety of services for money. Defibaugh thinks it may become a case of culture shock for the students.

"The infrastructure of the city is aging, and the conveniences that we're accustomed to simply aren't there," he says.

The group will consist of 15 photography students. Stephanie Wratten is the only graduate student among them. She lived in Asia for a while and says she's looking forward to comparing the two cultures.

"Cuba has a particular draw, in part, because you're not supposed to go there," she states. "Besides that, I'm interested in experiencing other cultures. I'm hoping that my photos will really highlight the interaction between the people and their surroundings."

That's the primary goal that faculty members have established for the trip. Time in class is spent studying the history, culture, literature and art of Cuba, which is designed to help students prepare their focus before they actually arrive there.

The group says it will be anxious to share the results of their trip with everyone. Plans are to display the best photos in the School of Photographic Arts and Science sometime this spring. ■



Another image by Defibaugh shows a worker at the Habana Cigar factory.

## Bioethicist's talk to explore values

Bioethicist and author James Buchanan will present "Emergent Hope: Environmental Values and the Information Age—A Systems View" at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 1, in Webb Auditorium, James E. Booth Building, as part of the Caroline Werner Gannett Lecture Series.



James Buchanan

Buchanan has published widely on subjects ranging from Chinese philosophy to the ethics of biotechnology. A former Gannett Lecture Series director, Buchanan holds the Adamson Chair in Ethics and Society at Xavier University in Cincinnati.

The lecture, free and open to the public, will be interpreted for the deaf. A reception will follow the event. Call 5-2057 for more information. ■

ment. After applying to the Department of the Treasury, the college received a two-year license for travel to and from Cuba. The instructors also were awarded a faculty-development grant to help finance their research for the project. The assistance allowed Defibaugh and Hector Sanchez, a fourth-year photo student, to go to Havana in August and begin laying the groundwork. The pair met with member of Fototeca, an international organization of photography, and the marketing director of Habana Cigar.

What the group will find when they

## Smithsonian photo curator speaks Feb. 8



Merry Foresta

The chief caretaker for one of our country's most treasured photo collections is coming to RIT. Merry Foresta, senior curator of photography for the Smithsonian American Art Museum, formerly the National Museum of American Art,

will share her insights as part of the Charles Arnold Lecture Series.

Foresta's presentation, "By the Numbers," will address various aspects of caring for the Smithsonian's photos. In addition to the museum's permanent collection, she has looked after many special exhibitions, such as *Secrets of the Dark Chamber: The Art of the American Daguerreotype* and *Perpetual Motif: The Art of Man Ray*.

Foresta will speak at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 8, in the auditorium of the Chester F. Carlson Center for Imaging Science. The event, sponsored by the School of Photographic Arts and Sciences, is free and open to the public. ■



**A GATHERING AT THE CROSSROADS...** The RIT community celebrated the grand opening of the newest addition to campus, the Crossroads Building, Jan. 15. Faculty, staff and students attended the daylong event, which included raffles, giveaways and live entertainment. Shown here, Vanessa Welser, left, enjoys her lunch with Janelle Jones, and an impromptu magic act performed by Chris Wilkinson. Crossroads was developed with a "marketplace" feel in mind, complimented by the open kitchen and food prepared in front of the customers. Other building highlights include the Print and Postal HUB and the Office of Alumni Relations.

## RIT observatory offers spectacular views Feb. 2

Come view the moon, Venus, Jupiter, Saturn and the Orion Nebula from RIT's observatory from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 2, weather permitting.

Especially interesting is the Orion Nebula, a huge cluster of a few thousand stars that hold clues to planet formation. As far as stars go, these are teenagers, that is, less than 1 million years old. (For perspective, Jupiter took 10 million years to form.)

Astronomers will be on hand to help visitors use two large, fixed telescopes or several portable units. The observatory is located at 645 John St.

Cancellations due to cloudy conditions or poor weather will be posted on the Web site [www.rit.edu/~ritobs](http://www.rit.edu/~ritobs), or on a recording at 5-6824.



## Kurinec appointed head of micro-e

Santosh Kurinec, professor of microelectronic engineering, has been named department head effective March 1.

"I'm excited to lead this program, already with a highly acclaimed international reputation, into the new millennium," Kurinec says, listing as goals increased enrollment, outstanding undergraduate and graduate teaching and state-of-the-art doctoral-level research.



Santosh Kurinec

A member of RIT's faculty since 1988, Kurinec has conducted extensive research for semiconductor industries on specialty materials for microelectronic devices and microsystems. She is currently researching inte-

gration of novel devices with CMOS, funded by the National Science Foundation. She holds a patent for a method of fabricating ultra-high resolution three-color screens and has published five encyclopedia chapters on electronic devices and over 50 research papers.

A native of New Delhi, India, Kurinec received undergraduate, graduate and doctorate degrees in physics from the University of Delhi. Prior to joining RIT, she was a scientist at the National Physical Laboratory in Delhi and taught at Florida A&M University/Florida State University in Tallahassee.

Kurinec succeeds Lynn Fuller, microelectronic engineering department head for the past 19 years, who continues as Motorola Professor of microelectronic engineering.

"Lynn's vision and determination to develop the discipline of microelectronic engineering at RIT has had a major, positive and lasting impact on the Kate Gleason College of Engineering and RIT," says Harvey Palmer, dean. "The program is strong and the facilities exceptional, thanks to his leadership, dedication and perceptiveness."

"Santosh brings invaluable skills to the job," he continues. "She's a first-rate scholar and a fine teacher committed to excellence in undergraduate instruction. She will work tirelessly to foster team spirit and consensus-building among the faculty and staff. She's the best possible choice to succeed Lynn Fuller."

RIT was the first university in the United States to offer an undergraduate degree in microelectronic engineering and currently has the only undergraduate program in microelectronic engineering to receive accreditation from the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology. ■

### Teenage suicide forum

A forum on teenage suicide and depression prevention will be held from 1 to 2 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 26, in the Gosnell Building, room 1250. Staff from the Center for Youth Services will discuss signs, symptoms and treatments for depression. The Physician Assistant Student Association is sponsoring the event.

### Chinese New Year gala

RIT, in conjunction with several Rochester-area organizations, will celebrate the Year of the Little Dragon on Saturday, Jan. 27, starting with a cultural show at 5 p.m. in Clark Gymnasium. The Chinese New Year gala continues with a Chinese buffet immediately following at 7:30 p.m. in the Grace Watson dining room. Ballroom dancing begins in Clark Gym at 9 p.m. Tickets are \$6 for RIT students with I.D., and \$8 for all others. For more information or to purchase tickets, e-mail cksrla@rit.edu.

## Pasto co-op award celebrates first recipient

Julie Leiston, a fourth-year student in the polymer chemistry program, is spending winter quarter researching the kinetics of emulsion polymerization as the first recipient of RIT's Daniel Pasto Co-op Fellowship Award.

Daniel Pasto received a B.S. in chemistry from RIT in 1958 and went on to earn a Ph.D. from Iowa State University. A well-known physical organic chemist and author of several textbooks, he was a professor at the University of Notre Dame. He died in 1999, leaving \$100,000 to RIT's chemistry department.

"Our faculty decided that we should use Dr. Pasto's endowed fund to create an award for undergraduate students interested in conducting research," said assistant professor Massoud Miri, who chaired the award committee. The student researcher receives \$2,500, and spends one quarter working full time on a selected project. The fellowship will be awarded to at least one student per year.

The fellowship provides an unusual opportunity for an undergraduate, who normally would not have this kind of intense, hands-on learning experience. Miri said it's especially

helpful to any student planning to work toward a graduate degree and, ultimately, a career in science.

Leiston, a Spencerport native, worked with Andreas Langner, professor of chemistry, on the research project. She's a member of Alpha Chi Sigma professional chemistry fraternity and received the chemistry department's physical chemistry and polymer chemistry awards.

Leiston has also done research work with chemistry professor Marvin Illingsworth since her freshman year, and last summer, she worked at the University of Akron conducting research with a faculty member there.

After graduation in May, Leiston plans to



As RIT's first Daniel Pasto Co-op Fellowship Award recipient, Julie Leiston did research work with Andreas Langner.

go on to graduate school and, ultimately, to become a professor of chemistry/polymer science.

"I'm not looking to win a Nobel prize," she said. "I'm just looking to educate and fuel others' interest in chemistry." ■

## Alpha Sigma Lambda nominations due

Eligible students are encouraged to apply for membership in RIT's honorary society, Alpha Sigma Lambda.

Students must be full-time, matriculated seniors in four- or five-year programs with a minimum 3.4 cumulative grade point average and must graduate by the end of fall quarter 2001. Active membership and leadership for one full year in at least two Institute activities, organizations or committees is mandatory. To apply, students should submit a short statement detailing their leadership contributions, as well as faculty- and advisor/coach-recommendations for an activity in which the students held leadership roles.

Nominees are judged on the basis of scholarship, active participation and contributions in academic and co-curricular activities.

Nomination forms, due Feb. 27, are available at the Student Affairs office, room 2410, Student Alumni Union, SAU information desk and the circulation desk of Wallace Library.

For more information, contact Frank Lamas, associate vice president, Student Affairs, 5-2268 V/TTY. ■

## NTID grant

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The activities, which include 45 workshops, on-line courses, distance learning, and lending libraries will be delivered by 70 trainers/mentors at approximately 30 different locations. When the training is completed, each interpreter will be better prepared to successfully achieve permanent certification in New York state.

The first two years of the grant were used to create four regional sites for professional development of educational interpreters. These sites located interpreters, developed training materials, and assessed the knowledge and performance of 75 percent of interpreters.

The five-year project is the first of its kind. Although several states require some type of certification for their K-12 interpreters, none has undertaken a training and assessment project of this scope. ■

## Partnership results in new photo course

The School of Photographic Arts and Sciences (SPAS) is teaming up with Epson America Inc. to combine digital and traditional imaging into one course.

Under this new partnership, announced Jan. 19 in New York City, Epson will provide imaging equipment that will allow SPAS to teach photography digitally, beginning next fall. Instructors can then shift their educational emphasis to encompass both analog and digital technologies.

"This partnership will launch a revolution in photographic education as we set a new standard for all photographic education," says Bill DuBois, photographic arts chair. "We no longer view digital photography and

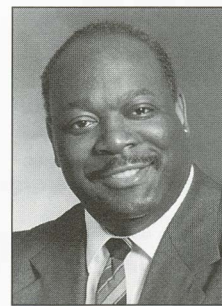
imaging as separate entities."

One of the primary benefits of digital imaging is the immediacy. Computer-generated and edited images printed on ink jet printers offer greater efficiency in learning by helping students to immediately identify changes in contrast and quality.

The first phase of the partnership will include establishment of the Epson Digital Output Lab for research in professional digital imaging. Eventually, workstations throughout the school will be fitted with cutting-edge digital technology. The company also plans to offer a grant program to fund research on ink jet printing-related theses. ■

## Ward oversees RIT apartment operations

Howard Ward has been named RIT's director of apartment operations within the business services department in the finance and



Howard Ward

administration division, announced William Batcheller, department director.

This position marks a return to RIT for Ward, who worked for several years in the Center for Residence Life and was director of that department for nearly three years.

He left RIT in 1990 to serve as vice president for student affairs/dean of students, and subsequently executive director for community relations and advancement at Ohio Northern University.

In his new position, Ward is responsible for the overall operations and management of RIT's five apartment complexes housing approximately 3,400 students. However, Ward believes that his job goes much farther.

"Having worked in higher education for 22 years, I have a vested interest in our students," he says. "I'm interested in examining the roadblocks that our apartment students may encounter that affect good service, and finding creative ways to remove those roadblocks."

In addition, Ward will oversee demolition of Racquet Club apartments, in addition to several construction projects including the next phase of University Commons, a senior citizen development on campus and a proposed College Town, complete with upscale shops for students. He will also manage the construction of six Greek housing units that are expected to be operational by this fall.

"I will also make a point to be active in campus diversity initiatives, and serve as a resource for faculty and staff and liaison with Rochester-area organizations that may impact our community."

Another goal Ward has set for himself is to find non-traditional ways for apartment students to become actively involved at RIT.

Apartment students are encouraged to contact Ward at 5-6011 with any suggestions or comments. ■

## Space real-estate developer speaks at RIT Feb. 6

The founder of the first company planning an outer-space real-estate development venture will visit RIT for a presentation, 4-6 p.m., Feb. 6.

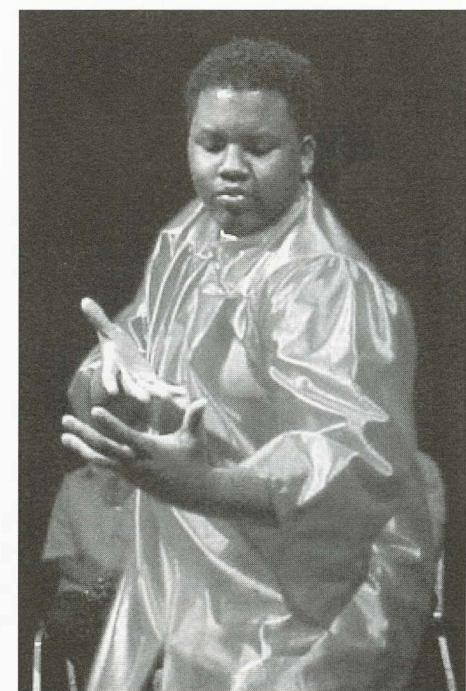
Gene Meyers, president of Space Island Group Inc. of West Covina, Calif., will present an overview on planned outer-space "mixed-use" development projects, including space-facility construction, potential commercial and tourism uses, financing and sponsorship possibilities, and employment opportunities.

Meyers anticipates launching his firm's first shuttle in 2004 and completing construction of a space station in 2007, with additional stations to be subsequently built.

Sponsored by RIT's hospitality and service management department, the presentation will be in the Xerox Auditorium, James E. Gleason Building. A reception will follow in Henry's restaurant, George Eastman

Building, room 4125.

RIT's College of Applied Science and Technology offers the world's only university-level course in space tourism development, now in its second year. For further information, call 5-2867. ■



POETRY IN MOTION... RIT's Minority Alumni Advisory Committee hosted a scholarship award ceremony to recognize several RIT students for their academic excellence. One highlight of the program was "Poetry in Motion—Off the Page and Onto Our Hands," a presentation of inspirational poems performed in American Sign Language by NTID students. Chris Coles, shown here, was one of the Poetry in Motion performers.



**Art awards presentation**

Honors are going out to some of the best young artists in our area. The Scholastic Art Awards will be presented on Saturday, Feb. 3, in the Webb Auditorium, James E. Booth Building. A ceremony saluting winners from the middle-school level begins at 11 a.m. High-school honors will be presented at 1 p.m. Both ceremonies are free and open to the public.

More than 1,300 works of art from across the 10-county Rochester-Finger Lakes region were entered in this year's event. Winners are eligible to compete at the national level. All artwork will be on display throughout the College of Imaging Arts and Sciences from Jan. 29 through Feb. 21.

**Part-time, grad forum**

The Offices of Part-time and Graduate Enrollment Services are hosting an information forum for adults interested in starting or continuing their education on a part-time basis. The forum runs 2-4:30 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 4, in the Carlson Building. For more information, call 5-2229.

**Packaging science career fair**

Twenty-four companies will be represented at the 11th annual Career Fair, hosted by RIT packaging science students, 9 a.m.-noon and 1-3 p.m., Feb. 7, in the Center for Integrated Manufacturing Studies building. Students can learn about career and co-op opportunities in the packaging science field, which annually has an estimated 5,000 openings worldwide.

Also during the fair, a representative of International Paper, based in

Memphis, will present "Careers in Packaging," at 10:30 a.m. in CIMS, room 2240.

**RIT hosts EMS conference**

RIT Ambulance will host nearly 400 emergency medical services personnel for a national conference Feb. 9-11. The eighth annual National Emergency Collegiate Medical Services Foundation conference, held on the RIT campus and at an area hotel, will provide educational, professional and medical information relating to EMS issues on college campuses and across the nation. A presentation and demonstration of flight medicine by Mercy Flight Central, including a helicopter landing on campus, will be the highlight of the conference on Feb. 11.

**Philharmonia joint concert**

Take a musical break from your weekend errands and check out an inaugural joint concert by the RIT Philharmonia and the Brighton Symphony at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 11, at Council Rock School, 600 Grosvenor Road, Brighton.

"The concert is devoted to Russian music, with works by Modest Mussorgsky, Nicolai Rimsky-Korsakov and Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky," says Michael Ruhling, RIT music professor and Philharmonia director. "It's the first in what is hoped will be an annual joint program of these two orchestras."

In addition to the orchestral pieces, the RIT Philharmonia String Quartet will perform a movement of Dmitry Shostakovich's Second String Quartet.

For more information, contact Ruhling at 5-2014 or mergsl@rit.edu.

**RIT inventors honored in Feb. 8 ceremony**

True to RIT's expertise and strength in applied research, RIT's invention statistics grew markedly in year 2000. Honoring the 153-strong list of principal and co-principal investigators (PIs), the Office of Grants, Contracts and Intellectual Property will hold its annual program and reception from 3 to 4:30 p.m. on Feb. 8 in Xerox Auditorium, James E. Gleason Building.

The growing number of RIT faculty and staff who develop ideas culminated in over \$78,000,000 in proposals last year. Stanley McKenzie, provost and vice president for academic affairs, will discuss and commend these RIT successes during the public event, which is sponsored by the Office of the Provost.

An array of sponsors worked with the proposals and projects, ranging from IBM, Xerox, Eastman Kodak, Hewlett-Packard, Fuji, Canon, Boeing, ITT, Gunlocke, ENI Technology and Microsoft to the Environmental Protection Agency, Smithsonian, NASA, the United States and the New York State departments of education, National Institute of Justice, National Science Foundation and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Stand-outs among the university-wide projects, whose PIs will speak at the event, include RIT Innovators for the Upstate Alliance for Innovation/PI Donald Boyd, associate provost for outreach programs; Life Histories of Deaf Americans/PI Gail Kovalik, grants coordinator, National Technical Institute for the Deaf; and Bringing Internet2 to RIT/PI Diane Barbour, chief information officer and vice president for information technology services.

Marjorie Zack, director of grants, contracts and intellectual property, will discuss the

"importance of partnerships" for RIT and talk about RIT's wide-ranging PIs and their funded projects. The office has created a multimedia production, which will feature some of the PIs.

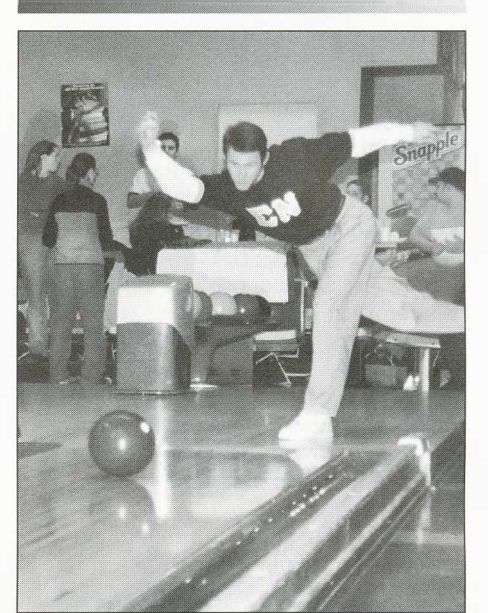
Boyd will discuss the Upstate Alliance project to promote innovation among two cities and three universities, as well as announce the RIT innovators nominated by their colleges to take part in the two-year NSF-funded project.

Kovalik will give a multimedia presentation, showing some of the stories collected for a first-ever publication on the life histories of deaf Americans.

This project's proposal is pending with NEH.

Barbour will talk about Internet2's impact at RIT. The research underway at RIT resulted in the proposal accepted by NSF to approve RIT's entry into Internet2. This high-speed research network expands opportunities with other research groups around the country.

A reception follows in the James E. Gleason Atrium. All members of the RIT community are welcome. ■



**STRIKES, SPARES AND FUN...** More than 200 students, faculty, and staff participated in the National Technical Institute for the Deaf bowling tournament held Jan. 13 at Olympic Bowl. The annual event, which began in 1989, pits students against faculty/staff. This year's winner, with a high score of 1570, was a student team whose members included Barbara Trozzo, captain, Jen McLaughlin, Tasha Goodrich, Stephanie Hurwitz and Matt Pocci.

**RIT men's hockey ranked first, ready for playoffs**

The RIT men's ice hockey team is enjoying an outstanding season, posting a season-opening 15-game winning streak en route to the No. 1 ranking in the nation.

RIT achieved the No. 1 ranking for the first time this season after beating Plattsburgh, 8-2, on Jan. 6 at the Plattsburgh Cardinal Classic Tournament.

The Tigers have won all five in-season tournaments in which they have played, including a 4-3 win over Division I Air Force at the Radisson Air Force Classic in December.

The Tigers have been led all season by the scoring of brothers Peter and Mike Bournazakis.

The duo ranks 2-3 in the country in scoring. Peter ranks second with 2.64 points per game on 18 goals and 19 assists, while Mike is third in the nation at 2.60 points per game. Mike is the team's leading scorer with 10 goals and 29 assists. One of his top performances came in the Tigers 4-2 win over Fredonia on Jan. 13, when he netted a hat trick, including the game winner with 1:06 left in the contest.

RIT's power play has been a huge key to the Tigers success so far this year. The team is clicking at almost 50 percent on the main advantage—the best power play in the country.

Senior defenseman Jerry Galway and



Junior Brian Armes has helped the RIT men's ice hockey team to a 15-0 start and No. 1 ranking in the nation.

sophomore goalie Tyler Euverman have anchored the Tigers defense.

Galway also ranks among the leading scorers in the nation with 11 goals and 17 assists for 28 points. Euverman has a .917 save percentage and is allowing just 2.28 goals per game.

While the Tigers are off to a hot start, the bulk of RIT's ECAC West Conference schedule still lies ahead. Perhaps the biggest game of the year will be on Feb. 17, when the

Tigers host arch rival Elmira in a game that will likely decide home ice advantage for the league playoffs.

"It's nice to have the No. 1 ranking," says Coach Wayne Wilson. "But we still have to stay focused on our goals. One was to win all five tournaments that we played in this season; we've accomplished that. Now we just want to win home ice for our league playoffs." ■

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**IN YOUR FACE...** Cathy Dittmar, College of Business staff assistant, shares a special greeting with Stelios Zygliopoulos, assistant professor, at COB's Spirit Day. "Dr. Z" was among 10 faculty members to offer his face to the "Cream the Faculty" pie toss. Students and staff were invited to purchase a chance to toss a cream pie at their favorite instructors. Proceeds from the event support the 2001 class-gift program.

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