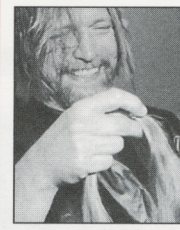




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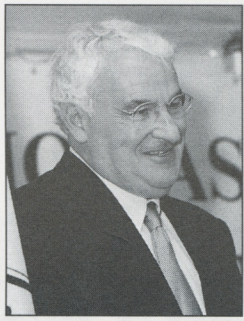
A SHOW OF PATRIOTISM . . . The Stars and Stripes proudly hung on a bridge over the Genesee River at this year's Stonehurst Capital Invitational Regatta, Oct. 14. For details about how RIT students have joined in the national effort to aid the victims of the Sept. 11 tragedy, turn to page 4.

RIT celebrates with college groundbreaking

Hundreds gathered on Oct. 12 for a kick-off celebration, including a building groundbreaking, for RIT's newest college, the B. Thomas Golisano College of Computing and Information Sciences.

"The college is an investment in the future, a future that will be greatly influenced by the latest computing technologies and the ability of people to use them,"

Golisano, chairman and chief executive officer of Paychex Inc. told an overflow crowd of students, faculty, staff, trustees and other guests. "This college is a tremendous community asset."



B. Thomas Golisano

The college bearing his name was created with a \$14 million gift

from Golisano last February. It formally launched July 1 with undergraduate and graduate programs in computer science, information technology and software



Breaking ground on Oct. 12 for the new complex that will be home to the B. Thomas Golisano College of Computing and Information Sciences are, from left, Walter Wolf, interim dean; Stanley McKenzie, provost; William Buckingham, chairman of the RIT Board of Trustees; Tom Golisano, CEO of Paychex Inc.; Albert Simone, RIT president; Joan Thomas, information technology academic advisor; Jim Vallino, assistant professor of computer science and software engineering; and Bryan Reich, information technology graduate student.

engineering, making it the only college of its kind in the nation. The college is also home to RIT's information technology lab funded by a grant from New York state, which works with industry and government partners in the development of emerging information-technology applications.

The college, RIT's eighth, enrolls about 3,000 students and has 65 faculty members. "We expect to grow even larger, both in number of students and programs offered," says Walter Wolf, interim dean.

RIT was the first university in the nation to offer undergraduate programs in information technology and software engineering

and, in 1972, one of the first to offer an undergraduate degree in computer science. In the past three years, RIT's first-year enrollment has risen 130 percent in information technology and about 40 percent in computer science and software engineering.

Once complete, the new-college complex will include a 120,000-square-foot, three-story addition to the College of Applied Science and Technology building, making a total of 177,000 square feet of classrooms, specialized and general-purpose labs, group-study and socializing space, and an atrium. The addition alone will be about the

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Annual Staff Recognition Awards honor top individuals and teams

RIT's fifth annual Staff Recognition Awards ceremony, held Oct. 17, honored three individuals and three teams for their outstanding work above and beyond normal job responsibilities.



Cindee Gray

In a formal ceremony in Ingle Auditorium, Dave Edborg, chair of Staff Council, along with Tina Nelson, vice chair of Staff Council,

RIT trustee Kenneth Reed, and President Albert Simone, honored winners Cindee Gray, Gina Williams, Mike D'Arcangelo, the Campus Safety Afternoon and Evening Shifts, Accounting, Payroll and Budget

Team and the Divisional Gardens Committee.

"These staff members were singled out by other staff, students, faculty and administration as having demonstrated exceptional dedication to their jobs and to the RIT community," said Nelson in her remarks to the audience. "These nominees truly are role models for all of us."

Nelson also commended this year's Selection Committee for accomplishing "a very difficult, almost impossible task with the utmost dedication and professionalism."

The winners are:

Cindee Gray, winner of the individual award for Excellence in Satisfying Customers, is "highly respected and appreciated by her colleagues and peers within RIT, which enables her to achieve consistently outstanding results," said Nelson. "RIT's event planning has taken on a new professionalism that our external visitors can see in action. There is simply no one who has worked with Cindee who would not describe her as someone who goes above and beyond the call of duty in everything that she does." Gray is director of community relations and special events.



Mike D'Arcangelo

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Gina Williams



MAKING ROOM TO STUDY . . . RIT trustee Bruce Bates and his wife, Nancy, accept a gift from RIT President Albert Simone, at left, at the formal dedication of the Nancy and Bruce Bates Science Study Center in the Gosnell Building. A generous donation from the Bates made possible the College of Science's new multipurpose learning center. The study room design includes the Loggia Wall, the brick artwork by celebrated German-American artist, designer and educator Josef Albers.

Dyer Arts Center grand opening, Oct. 26

The National Technical Institute for the Deaf will unveil the Joseph F. and Helen C. Dyer Arts Center in a special grand opening ceremony at 4 p.m. Friday, Oct. 26. The event, *A Celebration of Creativity, Community and Culture*, will include special recognition of the donors who have contributed to the arts center as well as a reception and invitational art exhibit featuring deaf and hard-of-hearing artists.

"The opening of the Dyer Arts Center is a milestone in NTID's history," says RIT Vice President for NTID Robert Davila. "This state-of-the-art facility will further NTID's national and international reputation as a center for technological and artistic expression and will enrich the educational experiences of our students for generations to come."

Among the donors who will be recognized during the opening ceremony are Joseph and the late Helen Dyer, who contributed the lead gift of \$2.5 million to fund the development and construction of the arts center; Elizabeth "Cookie" Williams, whose donation of \$500,000 funded

construction of the main gallery in the center—the Elizabeth W. Williams Gallery; and Ray Ohringer, who donated \$300,000 for construction of the center's Milton H. and Ray B. Ohringer Gallery.

The artists featured in the Dyer Arts Center's inaugural invitational exhibit include RIT alumni Chuck Baird, honorary

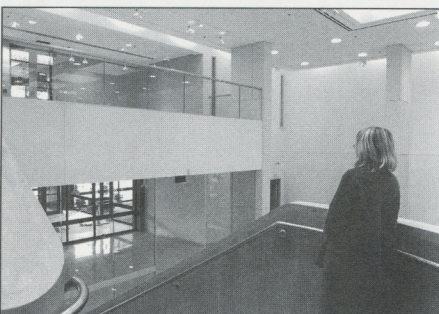
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EMBA in Business Week

RIT is again being recognized for its high quality of business education. The Executive MBA (EMBA) program in the College of Business has been selected among the "Best of the Bunch" in a recent survey conducted by *Business Week*.

RIT was ranked as a leader in the subject area of e-business. *Business Week* determined the rankings by surveying EMBA directors and recent EMBA graduates of 82 accredited programs from across the country. The rankings are available online at www.businessweek.com/bschools/.

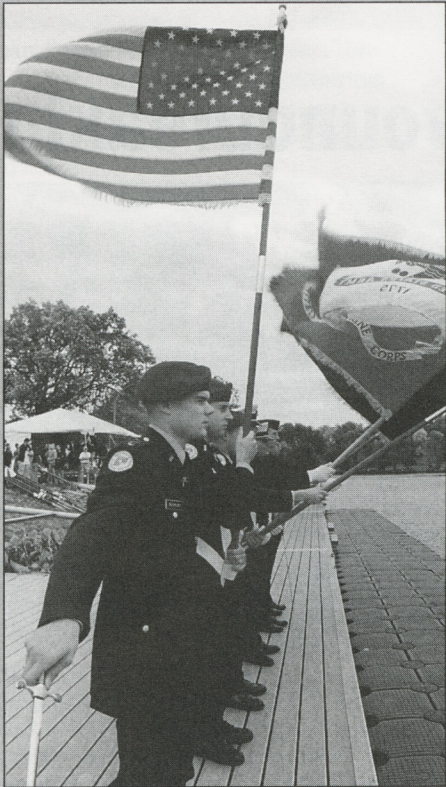
Earlier this year, RIT ranked at the top of an annual exit survey of recent EMBA graduates. That poll, conducted by AACSB—an international organization that accredits business schools—and the Executive MBA Council, found that RIT's program outperformed those offered by the nation's other top business schools. In judging overall performance, 92 percent of RIT's EMBA graduates rated the program as excellent. That compares to an average of 71 percent of students from all 38 schools participating in the survey. ■



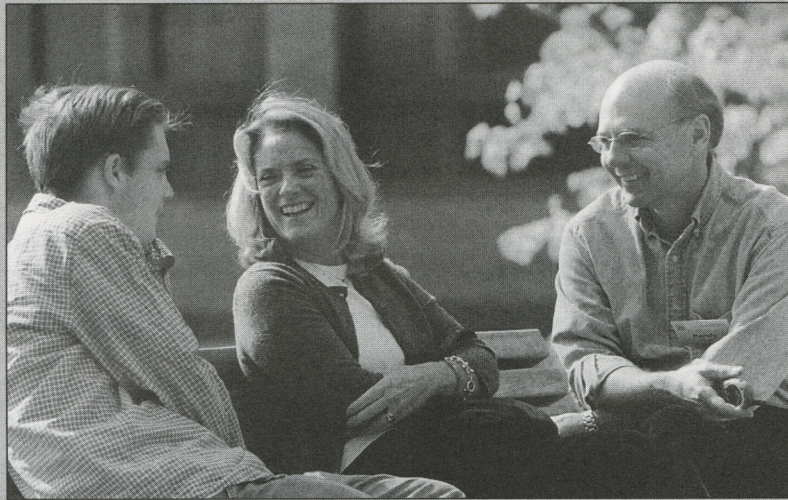
The new Joseph F. and Helen C. Dyer Arts Center will be unveiled Oct. 26.

Brick City Festival and Reunion 2001

RIT celebrated its spirit, Oct. 12–14, during this year's Brick City Festival and Reunion 2001—an RIT community celebration for alumni, family and students. The three-day event, which hosted more than 1,800 visitors to campus, featured entertainment, faculty presentations, networking receptions, reunion activities, campus tours and the Stonehurst Capital Invitational Regatta, and gave visitors the opportunity to see RIT's newest campus additions—new student housing, new landscaping and new buildings.



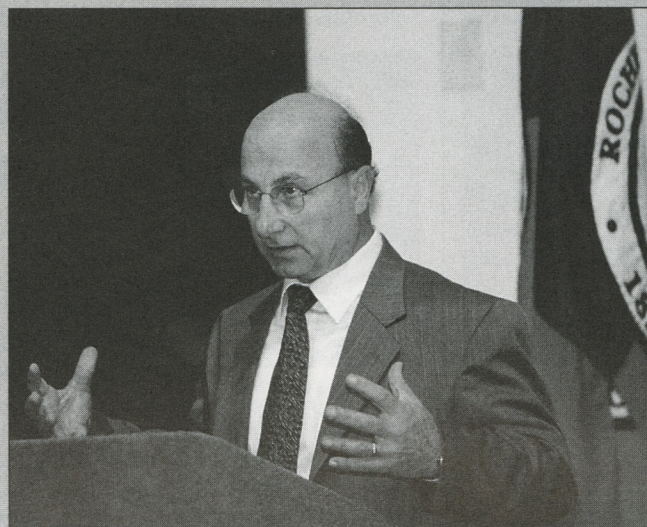
PRESENTING THE COLORS... Members of RIT and University of Rochester ROTC squads present the colors at the Stonehurst Capital Invitational Regatta.



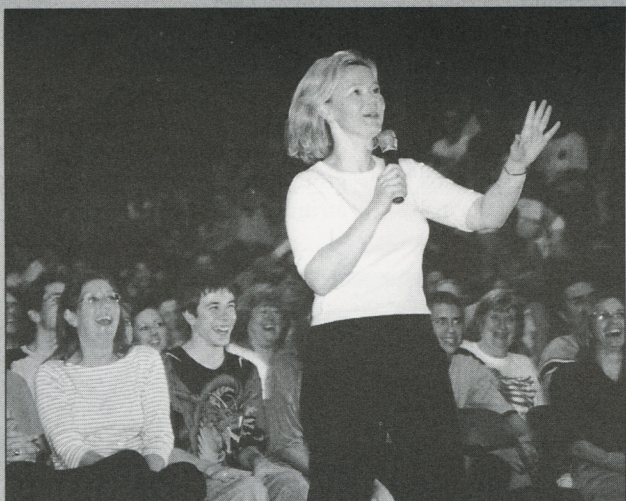
TAKING TIME TO RELAX... First-year engineering student Andrew Zioto, left, takes some time out of the busy weekend schedule to chat and relax with his parents, Mary Ann and Randy.



CATCHING UP ON OLD TIMES... Kay Del Rosso and Charles Darling chat at the Golden Circle Luncheon during Brick City Festival, Oct. 12. The luncheon, organized by RIT's Office of Alumni Relations, was the inaugural event of Golden Circle, a program recognizing alumni celebrating 50 years and beyond as RIT graduates.



A GLOBAL CRISIS ON HOME SOIL... Nabil Kaylani was on hand to discuss the recent terrorist events at an open forum for RIT alumni on Oct. 13. A reflection ceremony followed the panel discussion.



LAUGHING THE NIGHT AWAY... Comedienne Caroline Rhea performed for a crowd of students and parents in RIT's Clark Gymnasium on Saturday night. Rhea is a regular on Hollywood Squares and stars in Sabrina, The Teenage Witch.



KICKIN' UP THEIR HEELS... RIT alumni guests relax during Friday night's Kickin' Barbeque, sponsored by the Office of Alumni Relations and catered by Dinosaur BBQ.



IN THE DOUGH... The preschool set enjoyed some fall activities at Margaret's House while their families attended breakfast and lectures during Brick City weekend. Activities included making some "good enough to eat" trail mix and homemade applesauce—as well as creating some non-edible works of art.



SINGING PRAISE... RIT's Gospel Ensemble shared their joy with those who listened to their performance Saturday evening. The singers perform a repertoire of spirituals, modern gospel songs, interdenominational anthems and hymns.



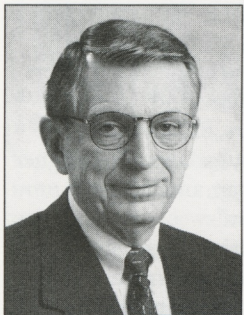
CHECK IT OUT... Kelly Benjamin, above left, a second-year microelectronic engineering student, shows her results to Cheryl Ross during one of the Saturday presentations. Ross visited her son, Jonathan, that weekend.

Eight distinguished RIT alumni honored at awards reception

The accomplishments of some exceptional members of the RIT community have once again been recognized. The Outstanding and Distinguished Alumni Awards were presented on Oct. 13 at the annual alumni awards and celebration dinner.

"Combined with their talents and abundant energy, these alumni members have built upon the strength of an RIT education to truly make their mark on campus and in their chosen professions," says Kelly Redder, alumni relations executive director.

The awards include the Outstanding Alumnus Award, given to a person who has excelled in serving the needs of the RIT community, and the Distinguished Alumni



Donald Boyce

Awards, which acknowledge the accomplishments of alumni in their career fields. This year's recipients are as follows:

Donald Boyce, Outstanding Alumnus, received his bachelor's degree in business

administration from RIT in 1967. He is the retired chairman and CEO of IDEX Corp., a manufacturing company headquartered in Northbrook, Ill., specializing in industrial products. Boyce serves as chairman of the board of Walter Industries, a diversified industrial firm based in Tampa, Fla. He joined the RIT Board of Trustees in 1999 and is also an active board member for several non-profit organizations. Boyce and his wife, Jeris, have four children and eleven grandchildren. They live in Lake Forest, Ill.

Tod Barber, College of Applied Science and Technology Distinguished Alumnus, earned a bachelor's degree in hotel and restaurant management in 1988. He has been an executive with Lettuce Entertainment You Enterprises Inc. for seven years and currently serves as vice president of the Shaw's division. Barber started his career in the restaurant business at the early age of 15. Three years later, he became the general manager of a Burger King that did \$1 million in annual sales. He lives in Chicago along with his wife, Cathy.

Joseph Lobo, College of Business Distinguished Alumnus, received his MBA degree in 1995 through RIT's Executive MBA program. He is the founder and CEO of JML Optical Industries Inc., which has been in business in Rochester for nearly 30 years. Lobo is a member of the RIT Board of Trustees and also handles committee responsibilities for the University of Rochester Medical Center, the Roman Catholic Diocese, and Visiting Nurse Services. He has also served as director and campaign chair for the United Way of Greater Rochester. Lobo lives in Irondequoit.



Outstanding alumni present at the ceremony included, from left to right, David Binning, Lou Anastos, Donald Boyce, Joseph Lobo and John Henion. Missing from the photo are Tod Barber, Martin Tomasi and Jere Osgood.

Jere Osgood, College of Imaging Arts and Sciences Distinguished Alumnus, earned his BFA degree in 1960 after attending the School for American Crafts, where he later served as a member of the faculty. Osgood has worked out of his own studio since 1957 and has exhibited his furniture designs throughout the northeast. His work has also been featured in various publications, and he was honored as a Fellow of the American Crafts Council for outstanding contributions to the field. Osgood lives in Wilton, N.H.

Martin Tomasi, College of Liberal Arts Distinguished Alumnus, graduated from RIT with his AAS degree in computer science in 1988 and a BS degree in professional and technical communications in 1990. He is the chief Web application architect for SAS Institute's strategic enterprise solutions division. His background includes software documentation and the application of new technologies to deliver supporting user information, Web site development and Web-based application development. Tomasi has volunteered for Special Olympics in New York and North Carolina. He lives in Cary, N.C., with his wife, Carole, and two children.

John Henion, College of Science Distinguished Alumnus, received an MS degree in chemistry in 1967. Since 1976, he

has been a professor of toxicology at Cornell University's College of Veterinary Medicine. Henion is also president, CEO and chairman of the board at Advance BioAnalytical Services Inc., where he is credited with establishing a new contract research laboratory. He lives in Trumansburg, N.Y.

Louis Anastos, Kate Gleason College of Engineering Distinguished Alumnus, earned his BS degree in microelectronics engineering in 1989 and joined IBM as a photolithography engineer. After a series of promotions, he recently became the program manager of the photolithography and metrology areas for IBM's new \$3 billion manufacturing and development facility in East Fishkill, N.Y. Anastos lives in Harriman, N.Y.

David Binning, National Technical Institute for the Deaf Distinguished Alumnus, graduated in 1981 with his associate degree in electromechanical technology. The following year, he joined IBM and is currently a senior lab specialist in the storage systems group. Binning is president of the North Carolina Association of the Deaf. He lives in Raleigh, N.C., with his wife, Andrea, and two children. ■

Terrorism course offering expanded

Responding to expected student demand resulting from the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on the United States, RIT's civil engineering technology/environmental management and safety department is expanding the number of offerings of the course, "Terrorism." This academic year, the course will be taught in both winter and spring quarters.

"Since the course has always been nearly full, it seems logical to make it more available," explains Maureen Valentine, department chair.

The course, one of six required to earn a certificate in emergency management, examines the history and patterns of terrorism, reviews specific terrorist incidents and how they were handled by local and federal organizations, discusses the role of the news media, and explores planning for and responding to potential terrorist threats.

"It's a technical course focusing on preparation and response related to terrorist incidents," Valentine says.

Introduced in 1990, the 24-hour certificate program was created primarily for emergency-response professionals such as firefighters, police officers, emergency medical workers, and city and town planners responsible for crisis-response plans related to man-made and natural disasters. Other courses include Emergency Operations, Emergency Planning and Methodology, Emergency Preparedness Laws and Regulations, Man-made Hazards, and Earth Science.

Course credits can count as professional electives in the safety technology bachelor's degree program or can be applied toward an applied arts and sciences or bachelor's degree in the Center for Multidisciplinary Studies, both in RIT's College of Applied Science and Technology. For more information, call 5-7318. ■



SHOWCASING THE GREEK COMMUNITY... Faculty, staff, administrators and students in Greek letter organizations turned out on Oct. 12 for the official grand opening of the six newest residences on campus. The program included a ribbon-cutting, formal presentations and tours of the houses, located near Riverknoll Apartments. Ninety-six students currently live in the housing development. Pictured, from left to right, are RIT trustee Mike Morley; President Albert Simone; Chris Cooley, president of Greek Council; Frank Lamas, interim vice president for student affairs; and James Watters, vice president for finance and administration.

\$300K education grant to fund Web resource for NTID students

The U.S. Department of Education's Fund for the Improvement of Post-secondary Education has awarded RIT more than \$314,000 for PROJECT SOLVE, a National Technical Institute for the Deaf Department of Research project that provides Web-based problem-solving instruction and guided practice in math-word problems for deaf college students and other learners with special needs.

The project addresses a critical issue facing many of these students—inadequate high school preparation and practice in problem solving and analytical

thinking.

The PROJECT SOLVE Web site provides a range of word problems presented in language typically found in college math courses. An optional help menu guides students through each word problem, providing support for a variety of ability levels.

PROJECT SOLVE offers college and high school teachers a platform for independent student assignments to practice and improve analytical thinking and problem solving skills without restructuring courses. The Web site collects data on each student's performance and

progress for evaluation purposes.

This three-year grant will build on the work of a one-year \$139,000 grant RIT received in fall 2000 to fund early development and testing of the Web-based project.

Ronald Kelly, associate professor, is project director and principal investigator, and Harry Lang, professor, is co-principal investigator. Both are faculty members in the NTID Department of Research.

For additional information contact Kelly at rknkp@rit.edu or Lang at hgl9008@rit.edu. ■

COB to study Web, new-product link

Does the Internet hold the key for needed improvements to the new-product development process? That's the focus of groundbreaking research to be conducted at RIT.

The Technology Management Center in the College of Business has been awarded a grant in excess of \$250,000 from SAP America to investigate the role of Web-based collaborative design systems in the new-product development process. John Ettl, RIT's Madelon and Richard Rosett chair and director of the Technology Management Center, and Victor Perotti, assistant professor of management information systems, will serve as the project's lead researchers.

"Our study will report on the experiences of North American firms and their adoption of these new systems," explains Ettl. "These will be critical findings as there currently exists no widely accepted standard of effective collaboration procedures for new-product development."

The 18-month study will be a jointly funded project, becoming the latest facet of an existing relationship between RIT and SAP America. RIT is currently a member of the SAP University Alliance, which provides schools with access to the latest information technology.

This is the first grant awarded to the Technology Management Center, which is dedicated to addressing the urgent need for a better understanding of information technology management and the successful application of new- and improved processes. ■

Common Novel lectures

Author Tessa Bridal will visit RIT to discuss her award-winning novel, *The Tree of Red Stars*, at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 30, in Ingle Auditorium in the Student Alumni Union.

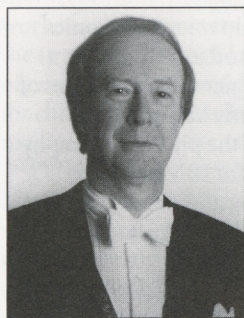
Bridal's 1997 work is the "common novel" being read this academic year by all RIT students enrolled in Writing and Literature I, a core requirement for undergraduates.

Bridal, born in Uruguay and now living in Minnesota, based her novel upon the oppressive military dictatorship that held Uruguay in a climate of fear in the 1960s and 1970s. The novel won the Milkweed Prize for fiction and was chosen as one of *Independent Reader's* five most recommended books for 1997.

The author's lecture is free and open to the public. For more information, call Sandy Woodruff Whitmore at 5-6928.

Series to bring RPO and world-class clarinetist

The second installment of RIT's 2001-02 Performing Artists Concert Series brings the Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra to campus, featuring conductor Christopher Seaman and principal clarinetist Ken Grant. The performance is set for 8 p.m., Friday, Nov. 2, in Ingle Auditorium, Student Alumni Union. Seaman will offer a pre-program presentation at 7:15 p.m. in Fireside Lounge.



Christopher Seaman

The program, "All Mozart," consists of the *Overture to Don Giovanni*, *Clarinet Concerto in A Major, K622 and Symphony No. 40 in G Minor, K 550*.

This year marks Seaman's fourth year as RPO music director. He is also the music director of the Naples Philharmonic in Florida. He has had regular engagements in North America, Israel, Eastern Europe, the Far East, Australia and New Zealand.

Abroad, his schedule has included concerts with all of the London orchestras; the major United Kingdom orchestras and the various British Broadcasting Corp. orchestras; and the symphony orchestras of Budapest and Prague. His recordings include performances with the Royal Philharmonic, the Philharmonic Orchestras and the National Youth Orchestra of Britain.

Grant, the Robert J. Strassenburgh Chair, joined the RPO in 1987 as principal clarinet after nearly 15 years in the same position with the Columbus Symphony. He was principal clarinet of the National Repertory Orchestra and spent more than



Ken Grant

six years as a substitute player with the Chautauqua Symphony. In addition, Grant has taught at Barker Central Schools, Capital University, Tidewater Music Festival, Otterbein College and Ohio Wesleyan University.

He is now an associate professor of clarinet at the Eastman School of Music.

Tickets—\$5 for students, \$10 for faculty/staff/alumni and \$15 for the general public—are available at the SAU game room and candy counter, and at the door on performance night. Visa and MasterCard accepted. For more information, call the game room at 5-2239. ■

RIT responds to national tragedy with outpouring of support

In the aftermath of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, the RIT community responded with willing hearts and open wallets.

Not only did students organize and flood campus blood drives immediately after the tragedy, many organizations set up fundraisers to help the victims and their families.

Included in RIT's philanthropic activities are:

RIT's purchasing department donated 300 blankets, bedspreads and bed pads from the recently donated Marriott Thruway Hotel to rescue and relief efforts in New York City.

The Printing Applications Lab in the Center for Integrated Manufacturing Studies printed several thousand U.S. flags that were distributed free throughout the RIT campus.

Student leaders in the College of Business organized a Hearts of Hopes fundraising campaign. Students sold paper hearts, now on display inside the Max Lowenthal Building. Within the first two days, the effort raised more than \$600, with a total of \$1,113 being raised over a two-week period for the American Red Cross.

The brothers of Kappa Delta Rho collected more than \$2,200 over a four-to-five-day period from passers-by to benefit the American Red Cross.

The sisters of Alpha Xi Delta sold ribbons for \$1 each to collect money for the American Red Cross disaster relief efforts.

RIT students living in the Nathaniel Rochester, Sol Heumann, Gleason, Fish and Gibson residence halls collected \$2,000 from fellow residence hall members to donate to the American Red Cross.

The brothers of Tau Kappa Epsilon and Lambda Alpha Upsilon camped out for three days and two nights next to Wallace Library to raise money for the NYC Firefighters and 911 Emergency Relief Fund. A TKE brother's father is a NYC firefighter who was in NYC at the time of the attacks. The fraternities also organized a \$1 admission discount for two nights at Club Red with \$1 from each admission also being donated to the fund. Close to \$1,000 was raised.

Java Wally's café at Wallace Library hosted "Poems of Healing," Oct. 4, an open-mic night for people to share Sept. 11-related poems. The event raised \$450, with \$350 sent to the local chapter of the American Red Cross and \$100 to the Service Employees International Union Sept. 11 Relief Fund to help victims' families and displaced service employees at the World Trade Center. Java Wally's donated free coffee for the event.

The Center for Residence Life organized



The brothers of Tau Kappa Epsilon and Lambda Alpha Upsilon raised money for the victims of the Sept. 11 tragedy.

Pie Your RA, a pie throwing fundraising event on Oct. 13. RA staff from Nathaniel Rochester, Sol Heumann, Gleason, Fish and Gibson residence halls, resident directors and resident life staff volunteered to have whipped cream pies thrown in their faces for \$1 each. The event raised around \$115 for the American Red Cross. ■

NTID to perform *The Diary of Anne Frank*, Nov. 8-11

The National Technical Institute for the Deaf Performing Arts will present the first deaf production of *The Diary of Anne Frank* at 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 8 through 10, and at 2 p.m. on Nov. 11 in the Robert F. Panara Theatre in the Lyndon Baines Johnson Building.

Directed by Bonnie Meath-Lang, NTID Performing Arts artistic director, this classic drama of courage features an updated script with new material from the restored diary.

"The emotional power of this young girl's coming of age in a world at war makes clear why *The Diary of Anne Frank* is the world's second most widely-translated book," says Meath-Lang. "To bring this work to life on stage, we've pooled the talents of a cast of deaf and hearing actors made up of RIT students and Rochester community members, Broadway set designer Narelle Sissons, costume designer Damita Peace Freeman, and lighting designer Joshua Liller."

Performed in American Sign Language and spoken English, all performances will be fully accessible to both deaf and hearing audience members. Ticket sales begin Monday, Oct. 29, at the NTID Box Office, located on the first floor of the LBJ building. The box office is open 10 a.m. through 4 p.m. weekdays and one hour before curtain during the run of the show.

Tickets are \$5 for full-time students, children and senior citizens, \$7 for all others. For reservations, contact ntiditx@rit.edu or call the box office at 5-6254 (voice or TTY). ■



Laura White and Jeff Pratt rehearse a scene.

"Wireless" locations abound on campus

Where can you go to get a cup of coffee, sit in a comfy chair and work on a class paper while "wirelessly" surfing the Internet for sources? Java Wally's, of course.

Wireless Internet access? Yes. Java Wally's at Wallace Library is one of several places on campus that offers wireless access to the RIT network. Other locations include Crossroads, the National Technical Institute for the Deaf learning center, the Education Technology Center and both floors of the CAST building. By the end of December, wireless network access will also be available in most of the Student Alumni Union.

"Expanding wireless access on campus to areas used by both students and faculty is essential to our goal of providing the RIT community access to information anytime, anywhere," says Emilio DiLorenzo, director of technical support services.

To access the wireless network, a

computer must have a wireless network interface card. This card most often fits in a computer's PCMCIA slot. For notebook computers that don't already have a wireless interface built in, ITS recommends the CISCO 350 card. Departments can purchase these network cards at a discounted price.

Wireless computing areas will soon be identified by posters with a blue dot similar to those that mark active Ethernet ports around campus.

For more information about the wireless project, contact Ron Stappenbeck at 5-2811 or resisc@rit.edu. ■

School psychology conference to focus on homework

RIT's school psychology program is sponsoring the conference, Using Research to Answer Practical Questions about Homework, on Nov. 9 in the Ingle Auditorium of the Student Alumni Union. Conference events will run from 7:45 a.m. to 3 p.m. and will include a keynote address by Harris Cooper, chair of the department of psychological sciences at the University of Missouri-Columbia and one of the nation's leading experts on homework as a teaching strategy. Coverage of Cooper's research has appeared in the national media, including on *ABC Nightly News*, *NBC Dateline*, National Public Radio, *The New York Times*, *Newsweek*, *Time* and other news outlets.

For fee and registration information, contact the school psychology program at 5-6701.



A BANNER EXPERIENCE...

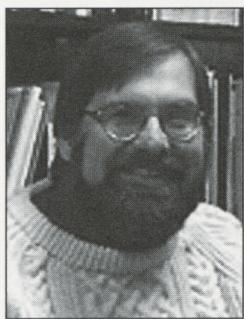
Members of Gamma Epsilon Tau, the national honor fraternity for graphic arts students, proudly displayed this nearly life-size keepsake from their trip to the Print '01 conference in Chicago. The students used various resources available at the event to turn a group photo into a full-color banner. Fraternity members hung it inside the College of Imaging Arts and Sciences to promote their open house.

Viewpoints

POEMS OF HEALING (published as an essay in the *Democrat and Chronicle*, Oct. 21)

This column presents opinions and ideas from your peers on issues relevant to higher education. We welcome response and hope "Viewpoints" inspires discussion among you, the RIT community. To suggest an idea for a column, e-mail to newsevents@rit.edu.

by John Roche, visiting assistant professor, language and literature department, College of Liberal Arts



John Roche

As buildings topple and bombs rain down, people naturally turn to sources that offer consolation and, perhaps, some measure of comprehension. A recent *New York Times* piece chronicled an outpouring of poetic responses

to the recent terrorist attacks—everything from poems left alongside flowers and mementos on sidewalks near the World Trade Center, to impromptu poetry readings nationwide. On Oct. 4, at the Java Wally's café in RIT's Wallace Library, one such event was held, a Poems of Healing open-mic reading to benefit the American Red Cross and the Service Employees International Union Sept. 11 Relief Fund, and also to give students, staff and faculty a chance to reflect on the meaning of the nearly incomprehensible events of a September morning.

Why poetry in a time of national mourning, shadowed by the twin specters of war and economic crisis? After all, Plato did not think poets trustworthy enough to participate in momentous matters affecting the polity, and he famously banned them from his imagined Republic. Down through the centuries, poets like Horace, Sidney, and Shelley have offered "apologies for poetry" that defended their profession against Plato's charges of deceit and untrustworthiness. The general line of their defense was usually that even though poetry utilizes fable, myth, and metaphor, it is true to the human heart.

I have always taken William Butler Yeats' oft-quoted paraphrase of Plato, "In dreams begin responsibilities," to be a reminder that the civic realm is built ultimately upon the longings and aspirations of its citizens. When, as on Sept. 11, governmental functions appear to cease to exist, people turn inward to their fears, and outward to their loved ones and neighbors. That is where the strength is found to rebuild.

We can see such emotional truth in responses to America's past crises by poets like Whitman and Melville during the Civil War, Millay during WWI, Levertov and Ginsberg and Lowell during the Vietnam War, and Snyder and Berry in the ecological crisis.

Perhaps the most famous of such poetic responses was Whitman's in "When Lilacs Last in the Door-yard Bloom'd," his answer to the twin calamities of Lincoln's death and the war that had preceded it:

Coffin that passes through lanes and streets,
Through day and night with the great
cloud darkening the land,
With the pomp of the inloop'd flags with

the cities draped in black,
With the show of the States themselves
as of crape-veil'd women standing,
With processions long and winding and
the flambeaus of the night,
With the countless torches lit, with the
silent sea of faces and the unbared heads,
With the waiting depot, the arriving coffin,
and the sombre faces,
With dirges through the night, with the
thousand voices rising strong and solemn,
With all the mournful voices of the dirges
pour'd around the coffin,
The dim-lit churches and the shuddering
organs—where amid these you journey,

With the tolling tolling bells' perpetual
clang,
Here, coffin that slowly passes,
I give you my sprig of lilac.

There is no obfuscation or equivocation in Whitman's lines. As if responding to Plato's charges, Native American poet Wendy Rose cautions us not to dismiss her poetical treatments as purely metaphorical: "When I speak of the bruises that rise on my flesh like blue marbles, do you understand that these are real bruises that have appeared on my flesh?" It is one of the tasks of poetry to expose such bruises to the healing air, and such an airing is the only thing that can keep such wounds

from festering.

It is especially important at this time to reflect on past treatments of minorities and immigrants, those, like the Japanese-Americans interned during WWII, who were thought of, despite the lack of any proof, as "alien" and "dangerous." Only such an awareness of other people's experiences and sufferings, which artforms like poetry are particularly suited to provide, can save us from repeating past mistakes. That is where the strength is found, not to lash out blindly, but to rebuild a civic community that is truly democratic and inclusive. ■

Staff awards

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Gina Williams, winner of the individual award for Excellence in Increasing Work Productivity, "is an exceptional member of the human resources team," said Nelson. "She has a deep understanding of human resources, is optimistic in the face of adversity, and a strong leader. Her attention to detail and desire to make improvements to process and product are second to none," Nelson remarked. One of Williams' most notable accomplishments this year has been



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the implementation of Institute-wide organizational charts on the human resources Web site.

Mike D'Arcangelo, winner of the individual award for Outstanding Citizenship Within the RIT Community, is RIT's director of the Center for Campus Life. "Under Mike's leadership, the number of recognized student organizations and clubs has increased each year, as has overall Campus Life programming and activities," said Nelson. "You can always count on Mike to fulfill his responsibilities and offer insightful and thoughtful suggestions. His knowledge of student development theory and his command of leadership theories and



Campus Safety Evening Shift

strategies is impressive, and he is an individual who exemplifies dedication to his work with students, faculty and staff."

Campus Safety Afternoon and Evening Shifts, composed of John Bopp, Kevin de la Sota, John Denome, Stacy DeRooy, Jim Entwistle, Jim Hauck, Bill Herbst, Art Killings, Mark Koehler, Mike Kozio, Brad Leeson, Greg Moon, Ken Pettis, Jim Pressey, Jim Schofield, Wayne Southerland, Idalia Vazquez-Schofield, Keith Webb

and Tony Yazback, are winners of the team award for Excellence in Satisfying Customers. According to Nelson, "whenever this team is called, whatever they are called upon to do, they respond with professionalism and dedication. In times of great stress, they never fail to go the extra mile. As numerous thank-you's and commendations attest, they help members of the Institute community in profound ways."

The Accounting, Payroll and Budget Team, composed of Christa Abugasea, Melissa Answeeny, Bill Bianchi, David Castro, Lyn Kelly, Gary Maccarone, Janet Marventano, Jane McGrath-Briggs, Beverly Murrell, Andrea Napoli, Janet Ortolani, Kerry Phillips, Mike Servé, Kitty Stappenbeck, Anne Stevens, Jackie Taylor and Sue Thatcher, won the

team award for Excellence in Increasing Work Productivity. This team of highly dedicated professionals determined a new, comprehensive training program for those



Accounting, Payroll and Budget Team

across campus who had acquired new financial management and reporting responsibilities with the implementation of Oracle Financial Systems. They responded by developing the Accounting Practices, Procedures and Protocol Workshop Series. In addition to producing the curriculum and all materials, they serve as instructors for the 15 workshops in the series.

The RIT **Divisional Gardens Committee**, composed of Marge Bricks and Kathy Carcaci, won the team award for Outstanding Citizenship Within the RIT



Divisional Gardens Team

Community. Last September, nearly 200 employees turned out to plant perennials, small shrubs, colorful mums and more than 1,000 bulbs. "The gardens filled the campus with color and life, but more than that, the enthusiasm and sense of community among the employees was incredible," said Nelson. "The gardens sit proudly as evidence of the beautiful spirit that Marge and Kathy continue to nurture. Their efforts only help to prove their true sense of loyalty to and love for RIT." ■

Dyer Arts Center

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exhibit curator; Rita Straubhaar; and Ron Trumble; Paula Grcevic, NTID associate professor; Morris Broderson; Charles Wildbank; and Carl Zollo, whose sculpture *The Split Cube* is at the entrance to the Lyndon Baines Johnson Building.

Baird's 1992 painting *Tyger, Tyger*, which RIT purchased and hung in President Albert Simone's office, has been photographically reproduced and will be unveiled at the opening ceremony.

The painting is significant to RIT in that the tiger is RIT's mascot, and the painting's depiction of sign language is symbolic of deaf culture on campus.

The 7,000-square-foot arts center will house NTID's extensive permanent art collection and host special exhibits and events. Visit the center's Web site: www.rit.edu/NTID/DyerArts. ■



RIT RESIDENCE HALLS NO. 1 FOR FIRE SAFETY... President Albert Simone, center, received a "College Fire Safety Award of Excellence" for RIT's "outstanding commitment to the safety of its students" from Sen. Richard Dollinger, right, at a ceremony Oct. 9 in Kate Gleason Residence Hall. "I applaud RIT for its trailblazing efforts in fire-safe housing," noted the senator, who has introduced a legislative package for college fire safety measures. RIT has ceiling sprinklers installed throughout the residence halls on campus. Rochester City Fire Chief Floyd Madison displays one of the sprinklers.

Marciniak sees opportunity in face of adversity

Hair today—gone tomorrow. For a well-respected staff member at the School of Printing Management and Sciences (SPMS), that kind of spirit represented an opportunity to help out some youngsters in need.

John Marciniak, technical service manager for SPMS, shed his long locks during a festive hair-cutting event on campus earlier this month. Marciniak, an RIT alumnus who has worked at the university for 21 years, donated the strands to Locks of Love, a not-for-profit organization that provides hair prosthetics for children who have developed long-term medical hair loss.

This selfless act comes as Marciniak faces his own medical challenge. Next week, he will have surgery to undergo a liver transplant. Realizing the extreme difficulty of caring for his hair during months of recovery, he decided to part with the one thing he is still able to share with other people.

"Even with the transplant, my blood will always be infected," Marciniak explains. "That prevents me from ever being able to be an organ donor for anybody else. All I have to donate is my hair, and I figured that could be of greater value to these children than anything else I could give."

Members of Gamma Epsilon Tau, a service-oriented fraternity from SPMS, have been working for months to coordinate the event. Students accepted monetary donations in Marciniak's name to benefit the Strong Children's Hospital. They succeeded

in raising \$2,000 for their cause.

"I can't think of a more fitting tribute to John's caring nature and generosity," says Eric Riznyk, fourth-year student and fundraising chair. "Though I have to admit, I thought it would be strange seeing him without all his hair. Actually, he looks really good."

Marciniak says his doctor expects him to make a full recovery after the transplant. He hopes to be back to work within four to six months. ■



John Marciniak displays the hair he donated to Locks of Love. The strands measured 14 inches long.

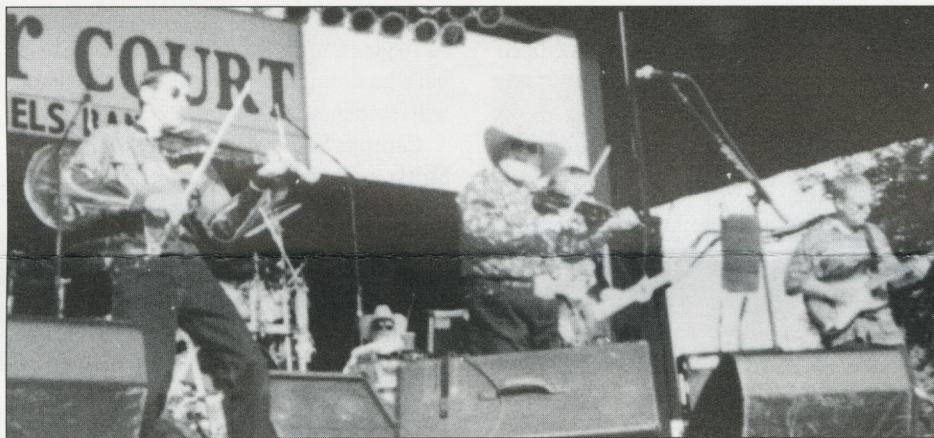
RIT student "fiddles around" with Grammy Award-winning musician

Ryan Jones didn't mind playing second fiddle to legendary country music artist, Charlie Daniels, at the New York State Fair in September. The fourth-year RIT student joined the Charlie Daniels Band for two shows, sitting in for a lively fiddle duet of *The South's Gonna Do It* with the Grammy Award-winning star.

"It was cool to look out at the crowd, with 10,000 people watching," Jones recalls. "It

Jones says, "and so my Dad got in contact with the manager and asked if I could sit in on a song. When my Dad called me, he said I've got good news and bad—the bad is, you're going to have to practice—a lot!"

"When I played that first time with Charlie, my knees were shaking so bad because I was so nervous performing next to a legend," he admits. "But I did get an 'A' in the course and won the John Phillips



Ryan Jones, far left, "jams" with legendary country music star Charlie Daniels, center, and his band.

was such a rush to be on stage and it felt like home because it was the first time I wasn't nervous playing with Charlie."

That wasn't the case a few years ago.

When Jones was a senior at Wyoming Area High School in Exeter, Pa., he chose "fiddle music" as his senior project, then heard on the radio that the Charlie Daniels Band was playing on tour at nearby Wilkes-Barre.

"What are the odds of that happening,"

Grant for reading, writing center

The New York State Department of Education, through the federally funded Vocational and Technology Education Act, has awarded RIT more than \$42,000 to fund a one-year project to develop the technical components of a Web-based reading and writing center for deaf students.

When it's completed, students will be able to use the Web center to work independently on lessons as well as consult teachers in real time. The center will consist of three components: the reading tutor, which will provide vocabulary and other assistance; the writing tutor, which will help students develop self-correction skills; and the Web homeroom, which will serve as a virtual meeting place where teachers and students can engage each other and interact on a personal level.

Simon Ting, instructional developer in NTID's instructional design and evaluation department, and Rose Marie Toscano, faculty member in NTID's liberal arts support department, are leading the project. For additional information, contact Toscano at rmtng@rit.edu or Ting at sktnmp@rit.edu. ■

Partnership helps improve teen health

RIT's human resources department has partnered with the University of Rochester Department of Pediatrics and Blue Cross Blue Shield of the Rochester Area in a pilot program to help improve teen health. If you are a parent of an adolescent, the American Academy of Pediatrics and the American Medical Association offer the following recommendations to help your teen stay healthy.

A yearly preventative "well visit" to the doctor offers teens and parents an opportunity to discuss health concerns, to reinforce healthy behaviors and to screen for preventable health problems.

Recommended guidelines for teen health care include screening and counseling about smoking, drug and alcohol use, good eating habits, exercise and stress, as well as discussions on physical, sexual and emotional health. Practitioners may use questionnaires to promote discussions between teens and family members, plus offer informational brochures with a list of professional sources if needed.

A practitioner should offer you and your teen an opportunity to discuss his or her health privately, without a parent or guardian in the room, for at least a part of the preventative care visit. Studies have shown that teens are most likely to discuss their concerns with a practitioner on a confidential basis.

Look for more information on quality health care for teens during RIT's fourth annual Benefits Fair, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Nov. 6-7, in the Fireside Lounge. ■

Provost Award for Excellence

Submit your nominations for the 2001-02 Richard and Virginia Eisenhart Provost's Award for Excellence in Teaching.

The award recognizes a faculty member with three years or less teaching experience who has made a difference in the climate of the college in such areas as model classroom teaching, campus leadership, pioneering teaching methodology, creative course development and instructional support. Nominations will be accepted until Dec. 10.

For more information, or to nominate someone, contact Susan Provenzano, 4012 Eastman Building, or e-mail stp1031@rit.edu.

Lecture on evil, Nov. 1

A talk on "The Evil Heart: Reflections on Radical Evil in Human Nature," will be presented by Rudolf Luethe, professor of philosophy at the University of Koblenz, from 4 to 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 1, in the Liberal Arts Building, Faculty Commons, room 1251. The lecture is part of a series in Ethics Across the Curriculum, consisting of talks and discussion organized by Wade Robison, the Ezra A. Hale Professor in Applied Ethics.

Self-Instruction Lab info.

The Self-Instruction Lab, located in room 3205 of the Lyndon Baines Johnson building, welcomes the entire RIT community to support their sign language learning. The SIL offers videotapes, videodiscs and CD Roms on basic sign language modules, fingerspelling practice, American Sign Language lessons, short stories sign in English and ASL, deaf culture and technical signs. Open Monday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, call 5-6336, e-mail bsm5558@rit.edu or log onto www.isc.rit.edu/~482www/sil.

Latest physics colloquium

The physics department colloquia series continues with "Student-Centered Activities for Large Enrollment University Physics" by Robert Beichner, professor of physics at North Carolina State University, at 1 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 1, in the Gosnell Building, room 3365.

New scholarship opportunity

Students from RIT's School of Printing Management and Sciences (SPMS) have a new opportunity for scholarship assistance. Pitman Company, a leading graphic arts supplier, has established the Robert Pitman Schmidt Memorial Scholarship through an initial endowment of \$50,000.

Selection for this scholarship will be based on a student's financial need and will be awarded annually. The program is the latest highlight of a 50-year relationship between RIT and the company.

"Their support for scholarships has been exemplary, and almost 300 students have benefited from Pitman generosity," says Frank Romano, SPMS chair.

For more information, call Deborah McKinzie Bristol at 5-2128.

Football sweatshirts for sale

Just in time for autumn, RIT's student chapter of the Institute of Industrial Engineers now has two styles of sweatshirts to go along with last year's wildly popular T-shirts reading "RIT Football—Undeclared Since 1978." The sweatshirts and T-shirts pay lighthearted tribute to RIT's last varsity football team, the 1977-78 squad that finished 0-8-1... and has been "undefeated" ever since.

Gray sweatshirts and T-shirts are available in a variety of sizes with orange or black lettering. Sweatshirts cost \$20 for regular and \$25 for hooded. T-shirts cost \$10. Proceeds benefit educational student travel. Orders can be submitted to iiewwww@rit.edu. More information is available at www.rit.edu/~iiewwww/football_shirts/.

Last chance: Friday recitals

The final Friday-afternoon music recital of the fall term will be held at 1:10 p.m., Nov. 9, in the Student Alumni Union, room A128, located near the game room. Peter Ferran, on clarinet, and Virginia Martin, on piano, will perform Saint-Saens' *Clarinet Sonata*. The recital is sponsored by the music faculty of the College of Liberal Arts. Recitals during the winter term will focus on trios.

RIT environmental health, safety head

Helen Revelas has joined RIT's campus safety department as manager of environmental health and safety.

Before coming to RIT, Revelas was an environmental engineer at Xerox Corp. She earned her bachelor's degree in environmental management and technology from RIT and was an intern with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation in their Division of Hazardous



Helen Revelas

Substance Regulation.

At RIT, Revelas' responsibilities include overseeing several programs on campus relating to radiation safety, confined spaces, respiratory protection, laboratory safety, blood-borne pathogens, personal protective equipment, machine guarding, proper decommissioning of equipment, air quality sampling, fire inspections and Certificate of Occupancy inspections, to name a few.

In addition, the environmental health and safety department responds to animal emergencies, chemical spills, fire emergencies, and faculty, staff and contractor injuries.

Revelas and her team are currently working on a hazardous waste compliance assessment to make certain that all RIT laboratories meet standards set by the Environmental Protection Agency.

According to Robert Craig, director of Campus Safety, "Helen has a passion for environmental accomplishments. She wants to do the right things for our environment and enjoys helping people understand why this is so important." ■

Influenza vaccination clinic

RIT's Student Health Center will hold a flu vaccination clinic in the Student Alumni Union lobby on Wednesday, Nov. 7. The clinic runs from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., or until the vaccine supply is depleted. Vaccinations will be given on a first-come, first-served basis. The fee is \$15 and is payable by cash or check.

For more information, call 5-2255.

Another open door at Counseling Center



Rhea Zweifler

RIT's Counseling Center recently announced the addition of Rhea Zweifler to its staff, according to Laura Cann, director of the center.

Zweifler, no stranger to RIT, worked as a community educator and

consultant for the Substance and Alcohol Intervention Services for the Deaf and has worked for the Monroe County Youth Bureau, Center for Youth Services, Rochester School for the Deaf and Hillside Children's Center.

"It's really wise for students to take advantage of the services that the Counseling Center provides," she says. "We count on faculty and staff to help students find their way here. Students can receive counseling for many reasons. Coming to counseling can be a courageous first step in learning to take on the responsibilities involved in achieving personal and academic success."

Although Zweifler addresses many concerns with students, she is particularly well versed in issues dealing with loss and grief, domestic violence and "everyday" concerns like relationship and roommate conflicts. ■

Allen selected as one of RBJ's 40 under 40



Jare Allocco Allen

Jare Allocco Allen, director of financial operations for RIT's Center for Integrated Manufacturing Studies, will receive one of this year's *Rochester Business Journal's* 40 Under 40 awards.

The annual awards program, now in its seventh year, honors professional and community leaders less than 40 years of age for service in their jobs and in the community at large. This year's honorees come from a range of

fields, from financial services to telecommunications to education.

Allen has worked at RIT since 1997 and is responsible for the financial oversight of CIMS, assisting with preparing annual operating plans and forecasts, approving financial transactions, reviewing contracts and preparing financial reports and analyses.

She has worked at Xerox Corp., KPMG Peat Marwick LLP, and Eastman Kodak Co.

Allen holds several positions on local boards including Ronald McDonald House Charities and Trinity Lutheran Church. She is currently pursuing a master's degree in finance at RIT.

"I am very honored and humbled to

receive a 40 Under 40 award," Allen says. "I am blessed with the opportunity to work and attend classes at RIT, with wonderful and supporting family members and friends, and with tremendous role models throughout my lifetime. Participating in the activities of a caring community is gratifying and rewarding."

"Jare brings energy, dedication and integrity to her work at CIMS and also to her significant contributions in support of the Rochester community. All of us in Finance and Administration are excited to see her honored in this way," says Margaret Cass Ferber, associate vice president of finance and administration. Ferber, on the panel of judges choosing this year's honorees, was a 40 Under 40 honoree in 1996.

Also on the panel were Sandra Parker, president of The IMC, and Philip Yawman, vice president of corporate development for Choice One Communications and a previous 40 Under 40 recipient.

Five RIT alumni will also be honored at the Nov. 2 ceremony. They are: Kathryn Cleary, director of marketing at City Blue Imagine Services; Annette Gantt, executive director of Hillside Work Scholarship Connection; the Rev. Frederick Johnson Sr., worldwide supply manager for Eastman Kodak Co.; Matthew MacKinnon, a senior contract representative for Preferred Care; and Joseph Nardone, worldwide director of advertising for Entertainment Imaging, Eastman Kodak Co.

The ceremony, including a luncheon and presentation of the awards, will be held at the Hyatt Regency Rochester. ■

Campus Safety recognizes one of its own with inaugural diversity award

When it comes to diversity awareness, Campus Safety is setting an example for all parts of the university community, and members of that department are saluting one of their own for excellence in that area.

Officer Stacy DeRooy is the first recipient of the Diversity Award, part of a program started by Campus Safety last year. DeRooy is getting credit for her participation in a number of new efforts intended to foster an atmosphere that respects the values of a diverse campus community.

"That's what we're all about these days, whether it's in reference to race, gender, nationality or sexual orientation," says James Bundy, campus safety liaison for diversity initiatives. "When someone's performance is clearly superior, as is Stacy's, it's time for it to be recognized."

DeRooy is an active participant in the university's Diversity Advocate Program. In addition, she is hailed for her commitment to reducing the risk of victimization through the Rape Aggression Defense System. She is also credited with emphasizing diverse themes in the development of the Senior and Master Campus Safety Officer Program.

The Diversity Award is an offshoot of related initiatives introduced by Bob Craig, campus safety director. Those initiatives include efforts to encourage cross-cultural interaction and dialogue, foster an inclusive environment within Campus Safety and throughout RIT, and develop strategies to raise diversity consciousness.

"Through our interactions with our students, faculty, staff and visitors, we

literally serve the world," explains Craig. "It is vital that we learn, respect and embrace varying cultures and their customs and traditions."

Bundy says future recipients of the Diversity Award will not be named on a specific timetable, but only as individuals meet specific criteria. ■



Officer Stacy DeRooy is the first recipient of Campus Safety's Diversity Award. James Bundy, liaison for diversity initiatives, says DeRooy has a superior record in addressing diversity-related issues.

Groundbreaking

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size of a football field. Completion is slated for early 2003.

"This is a great day for RIT," President Albert Simone told the crowd. "Construction of this building is another step toward our

goal of being the leading source of computing education in the world."

The celebration also included a "fly through," or virtual tour, renderings of the building, and a display of logos created for a college-logo contest.

"The benefits of this college will extend throughout New York, across our country and even around the world," Golisano predicts.

During the ceremony, Simone paid

tribute to RIT alumnus Philip Rosenzweig, a member of RIT's computer science advisory board, who died as a result of the Sept. 11 terrorist attack on the World Trade Center. Rosenzweig a 1977 computer science graduate, was director of Sun Microsystems Laboratories' Boston Center for Networking in Burlington, Mass. ■



With Tom Golisano at a "kick-off" celebration for the new college on Oct. 12 are, from left, Joanne DeFazio, Theresa Pozzi and Sandy Ferrara, support staff in the B. Thomas Golisano College of Computing and Information Sciences.

Manufacturing conference

RIT's Center For Electronics Manufacturing and Assembly will co-host the International Optoelectronics Workshop focusing on automation of optoelectronics packaging and assembly, Thursday and Friday, Nov. 1-2, at the RIT Inn and Conference Center, 5257 West Henrietta Road.

Beginning at 8 a.m. each day, the workshop will feature representatives from some of the nation's top electronics, photonics and optoelectronics manufacturing firms including Corning Inc., Eastman Kodak Co., Xerox Corp. and more than 100 others. Ten other universities will also be represented. The workshop will include tours of RIT microsystems and electronics manufacturing and assembly laboratories.

The workshop is sponsored by RIT, the Centre for Microelectronics Assembly and Packaging at the University of Toronto and Empire State Development. For more information, visit <http://etc.rit.edu/coema>.

Part-time studies forum

The Offices of Part-time and Graduate Enrollment Services are sponsoring an information forum, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 3, in the Student Alumni Union, for adults interested in starting or continuing their education on a part-time evening basis. For more information, call 5-2229.

Henry's restaurant open

Henry's restaurant, 4125 George Eastman Building, is open 11:30 a.m. -1 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays through Nov. 8.

Entrées include grilled Black Angus ground sirloin burger, stir-fried chicken, ravioli, gourmet pizza, grilled vegetable platter and club sandwich. The menu also features appetizers, soups, salads, beverages and desserts. Take-out lunches are available.

For more information, visit www.rit.edu/~henrys.

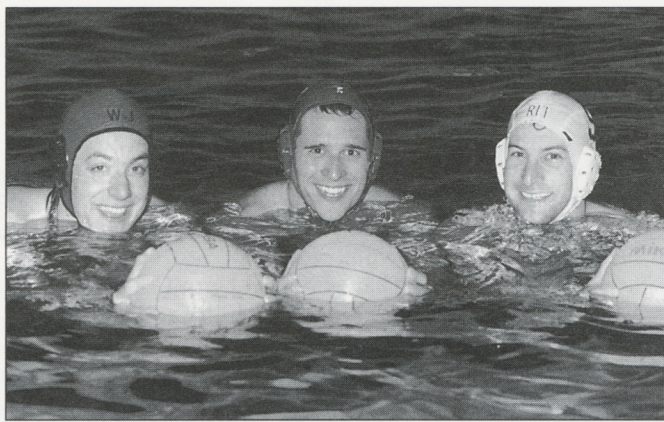
RIT water polo team poised to defend national Division III title

Alumni and students of RIT's water polo team made a big splash at the 2001 Empire State Games during the summer. They competed against some of the top athletes in the area to gain six spots on the 11-member Western New York Polo Team in the men's open division and win the silver medal.

Representing RIT were alumni Seth Sealfon, electrical engineering ('97), coach of the RIT water polo team; and Chris Roman, criminal justice ('99), former two-time captain of the RIT water polo team. Current students of RIT's water polo team who participated in the event were Joshua Nauman, fourth-year imaging science; Tom Young, fourth-year automotive engineering; Jon Neubauer, third-year environmental science; and John Zaffino, third year environmental science.

Team chemistry is a must, but the driving force behind the team is Sealfon, a competitive swimmer since the age of five and founder of RIT's club in 1997.

"I started the program as a sports recreational club and it has grown so strong because we have some great and very dedicated athletes on the team," Sealfon says. "I built it from ground zero, with lots of help from Chris Roman who remains very active with the team. People are surprised to hear that RIT is now considered one of the leading



Tom Young, Josh Nauman and Seth Sealfon are water polo team members.

schools for water polo."

If practice makes perfect, it's been well worth all the effort for the players—especially since the RIT water polo team placed fourth in the 1999 Division III Varsity National Championships at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Md., later winning the 2000 Division III Club National Championships, held at Oberlin College in Ohio.

Interestingly enough, water polo had its early beginnings in 1898, when Great Britain promoted the sport as a half-time show to provide comic relief during boring swim meets. Nevertheless, the sport's popularity

rose when it was played at the 1908 Olympics, and it now carries the title of being the oldest team sport in Olympian history. Water polo uses soccer rules, but with a miniaturized playing field—a pool where swimmers pass or carry a bright yellow ball (slightly larger than a volleyball) to score at net goals located on either end of the pool.

"First and foremost, the players are very strong swimmers who enjoy participating in a team sport such as water polo. This is a relatively new club, only four years old, yet the students are highly motivated in their commitment to spend lots of hours daily in practice so they can compete with some of the top athletes in the country," explains John Roman, team advisor.

"Plus, they have to organize their own pool time, arrange for tournaments and accommodations, and spend significant amount of time in fund-raising—although the club does get assistance from Student Affairs."

Remarkably, the alumni/students of RIT's

water polo team have competed with the cream of the crop in the sports world. At the Empire State Games, the competition centered between six regions: Western New York, Central New York, New York City, Hudson Valley, Long Island and the Adirondack region.

"At the Empire State Games, some of the top athletes have competed in the Olympics and other world competitions," Sealfon explains. "Most of these players now live in the New York City area and they've always been a measuring stick for our club."

"To be representing Western New York, playing against New York City and winning a silver medal was one of our greatest moments as a team," he admits. "This is the first time anyone from our region has ever won a prestigious medal in water polo." ■

Stonehurst Invitational Regatta draws crowd again this year

Nearly 100 crews from over 30 schools competed at the 13th annual Stonehurst Capital Invitational Regatta, Oct. 14.

Harvard University won the top two trophies at the Regatta co-hosted by RIT, the University of Rochester and the Greater Rochester Metro Chamber of Commerce. The Crimson captured the George M. Angle Cup as champion of the Men's Open Eight Division and the Elaine P. Wilson Cup as champion of the Women's Open Eight Division.

Harvard has won the Angle Cup four times—1990, 1991, 2000, and 2001, and the Wilson Cup for three straight seasons, 1999–2001. Elaine Wilson had been a benefactor of the UR crew program since its infancy. She passed away three days before the Regatta, after a brief illness.

Queens (Ontario) captured the Kate Louise Cup as champion of the men's college eights, while the RIT men's crew took the bronze medal in the event. Ithaca College, the women's college eight champions, won the Kate Louise Cup. RIT finished eighth.

The Kate Louise Cups are named in honor of Mrs. John C. Trahey, the great-aunt of Arthur A. Gosnell, chairman of the board and CEO of Stonehurst Capital LLC.

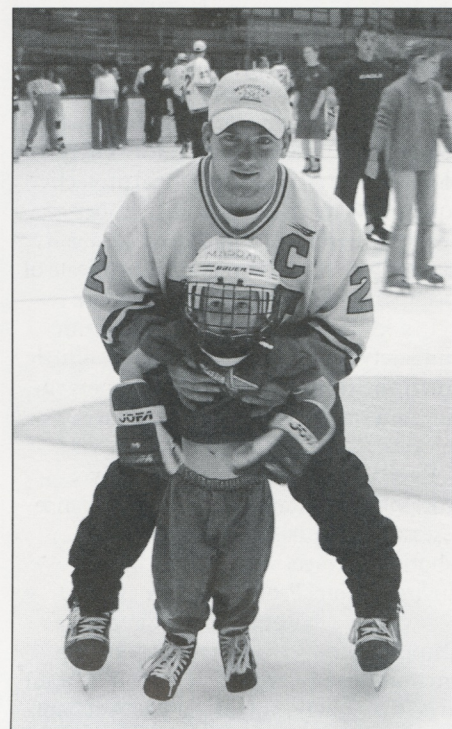
Syracuse captured the John Bernfield Cup taking the men's heavyweight fours event and snapping Brown University's two-year winning streak in the event.

The Orangewomen kept pace with their men's crew by capturing the women's heavyweight four event to win the Bodenstedt Cup for the second consecutive year. The late Margaret Fallon Bodenstedt

was the first coach of the RIT novice crew and with her husband, current RIT coach Jim Bodenstedt, founded RIT crew.

The RIT women's heavyweight fours finished 13th, while the Tigers' men's heavyweight fours were 15th.

At noon, a special ceremony was held to honor the victims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks and the late Elaine Wilson. A joint service color guard represented by members of the RIT and UR ROTC squads presented the colors, while the national anthem was sung by RIT a cappella group Eight Beat Measure. Simultaneously, a missing-man crew with two empty seats (one for the Sept. 11 victims and one for Wilson) rowed down the Genesee River. The missing-man crew is a tradition in crew when a team member passes away. ■



SKATING WITH THE TIGERS... RIT men's hockey senior defenseman Jerry Galway skates with one of nearly 300 skaters at the second annual "Skate with the Tigers" at Frank Ritter Ice Arena Oct. 13. The Tigers distributed color team photographs to the first 150 skaters and held autograph sessions throughout the skate, which was part of Brick City Festival.



The 13th annual Stonehurst Capital Invitational Regatta, co-hosted by RIT, the University of Rochester and the Chamber of Commerce, drew nearly 100 crews and 8,000 spectators.



CLEANING UP RIT'S PRECIOUS LAND... Students from RIT's Student Environmental Action League and members of the faculty and staff took time out of their busy schedules to clean up RIT's surrounding wetlands on Oct. 12. Some of the items retrieved from the areas included a tuner from an old television set, leaded glass, a sugar bowl and a toy fire truck. Shown here, Dave Harris and Helen Revelas do their part to clean up the environment.

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