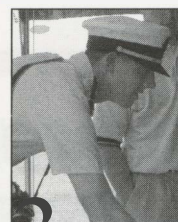


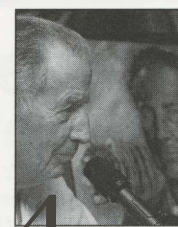
2 Exploration and experimentation



2 Meeting the Robotics Challenge



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RIT gains \$500K from NYS budget

The recently passed 2002-03 New York State Budget includes a total of \$500,000 for several RIT programs, thanks to the efforts and support of several area legislators.

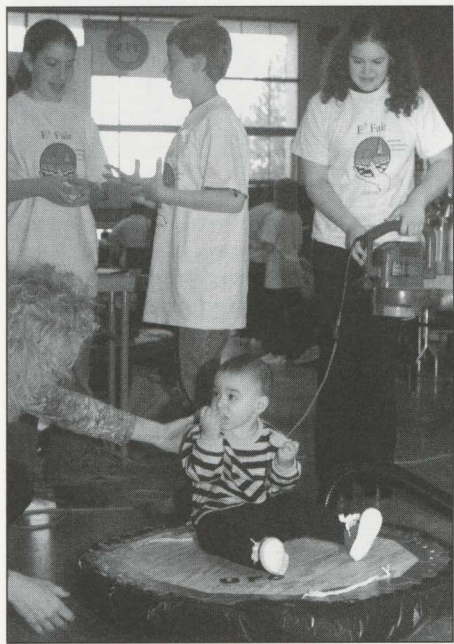
The **Center for Integrated Manufacturing Studies** will receive continuing support for its remanufacturing and manufacturing outreach activities. Assemblyman Joe Morelle championed this funding on behalf of RIT, continuing his strong commitment to these key programs. The budget includes \$400,000 for remanufacturing and \$50,000 for outreach, the same level of funding that RIT received in the final 2001-02 budget.

"We greatly appreciate the tremendous support that Assemblyman Morelle has demonstrated for our work at CIMS," said CIMS director Nabil Nasr. "These programs have helped to create and retain manufacturing jobs, particularly with small and medium-size companies. This additional funding will enable us to continue our strategically targeted efforts with area manufacturers."

Thanks to the efforts of Assemblymember Susan John, NTID received another \$100,000 to support its community interpreter-training program which has impacted interpreting services in the community settings, including business, medical, legal and mental health facilities. John has sponsored this program since its inception four years ago.

"We are indebted to Assemblymember John for her efforts to ensure that the deaf community of Rochester and the surrounding region has access to the best possible interpreting support in a wide range of sectors and community sectors and community services," said Sarah Schifferle, program director.

"This program has made an extraordinary
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LOOKMA, NO HANDS ... One-year-old Matthew Barrington appears anxious while riding a "UFO"-unidentified floating object—at the 12th annual E3 Engineering and Technology Fair in Frank Ritter Ice Arena. Matthew receives reassurance from his mother, Ann, while sister Cheralyn, far right, operates the craft, which took first place. The fair, for middle school students, was sponsored by the Rochester Engineering Society and featured interactive exhibits focused on engineering, exploration and experimentation.

Dean selected for new Golisano college

Jorge Diaz-Herrera has been named the first dean of the B. Thomas Golisano College of Computing and Information Sciences.

Diaz-Herrera comes to RIT from Southern Polytechnic State University in Marietta, Georgia, where he was professor and department head of computer science and program coordinator for the university's Yamacraw project, an economic-development initiative to establish Georgia as a world leader in the design of broadband infrastructure systems, devices and chips.

"Jorge is superbly qualified for the job," says Stanley McKenzie, RIT provost. "RIT is extremely pleased to have attracted a person of his national and international reputation."

"The global information economy

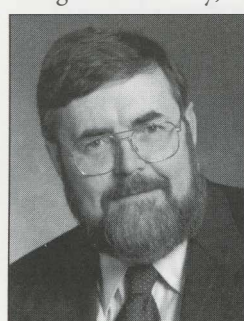
requires many different kinds of computing professionals. This has been recognized by RIT through formation of this college," Diaz-Herrera says.

Diaz-Herrera specializes in software architecture models, design paradigms and tools, and artificial intelligence and real-time systems applications. He has consulted for firms and government agencies including MITRE Corp., the New York Stock Exchange, the Institute for Defense Analyses and others. He has over 70 professional publications and is co-editor of the software engineering volume of the computing curricula effort of the Association for Computer Machinery and Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers-Computer Society. He is currently co-writing the book, *Component-Based Software Engineering: A Model-Based Approach*.

A native of Venezuela, Diaz-Herrera, earned an undergraduate degree in systems analysis from the Universidad Centro Occidental in Venezuela and master's and doctoral degrees in computer studies from the University of Lancaster in England.

Gatley named College of Science dean

The interplay between technological development and pure scientific research intrigues Ian Gatley, the new dean of the College of Science, who champions forward thinking.



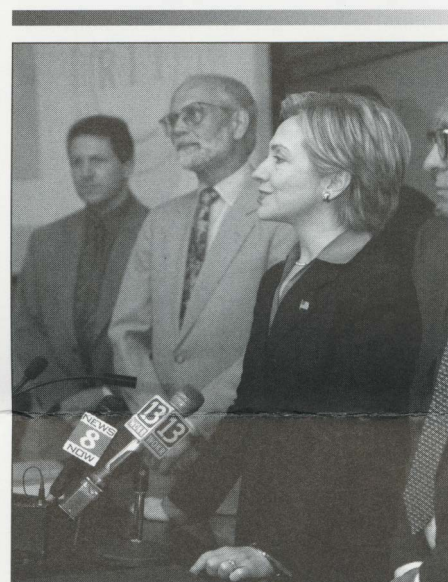
Ian Gatley

Interim dean of the College of Science for 2001-02, and director of the Chester F. Carlson Center for Imaging Science from 1997 to 2001, Gatley will guide the college as it continues to challenge students with expanding research opportunities and degree programs in the newest sciences.

"I think we need to create the most fluid form we can in which the students can discover what it is they want to ask, what it is they want to answer and what kind of education goes with those needs," Gatley says. "I think nothing less than that is what we need to become the premier technological institution in the country."

Before joining RIT, Gatley established an international reputation as an astronomer and project manager with the United Kingdom Infrared Telescope at Hilo, Hawaii, and for the National Optical Astronomy Observatories in Tucson, Ariz.

The author of more than 125 technical publications and presentations, Gatley has served on advisory/review committees for the Hubble Space Telescope, the Kitt Peak National Observatory, the Center for Astrophysical Research in Antarctica and the National Science Foundation. •



BIG EXCITEMENT OVER 'MICRO' ...

Sen. Hillary Clinton visited RIT with a business delegation from India on June 22. The group toured the Nanopower Research Laboratories in the College of Science and the Semiconductor and Microsystems Fabrication Laboratory in the Kate Gleason College of Engineering. Donald Boyd, associate provost for outreach programs, led a series of presentations on the newly state-funded Infotonics Center of Excellence, in which RIT will play a role. Sen. Clinton said, "Intellectual capital is the thing that will drive our economy into the future.... RIT represents the wealth of hi-tech potential in Rochester and Western New York."

Mulligan given prestigious NRS Award

RIT's Nathaniel Rochester Society has given its highest honor to Ann Mowris Mulligan, who celebrates her 27th anniversary as a member of NRS.

The presentation of the NRS Award was made July 11 during a ceremony at Monroe Country Club. The annual award recognizes individuals who have contributed to the advancement of RIT in an outstanding and significant manner.

Mulligan has been a member of NRS since 1975 and was honored with trustee emeritus status in 2001. She served on the Education Committee and remains an active member of the Student Life Committee. She has also been a long-time member of the RIT Women's Council and supports its scholarship activities. As a member of the NRS President's Circle, she serves as an advisor on the program and awards committees.

Mulligan made her first major gift to the university in 1986 when she and her mother established the Mowris-Mulligan Endowed Scholarship Fund to aid worthy

students in fine and applied arts. In 1999, Mulligan established the Ann Mowris Mulligan Distinguished Professorship in Contemporary American Crafts which is



Ann Mulligan

held by RIT professor Leonard Urso.

She serves on the boards of Hillside Family of Agencies, Rochester General Hospital Association, Monroe County Medical Society Alliance, Medical Scholarship Fund of the Monroe County Medical Society, and the Visiting Nurse
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Image-sensing research undetWay in engineering

All circuits busy.

The phrase—normally associated with a recorded telephone message—aptly describes the RF/Analog/Mixed Signal Laboratory in RIT's Kate Gleason College of Engineering, which is abuzz with activity this summer.

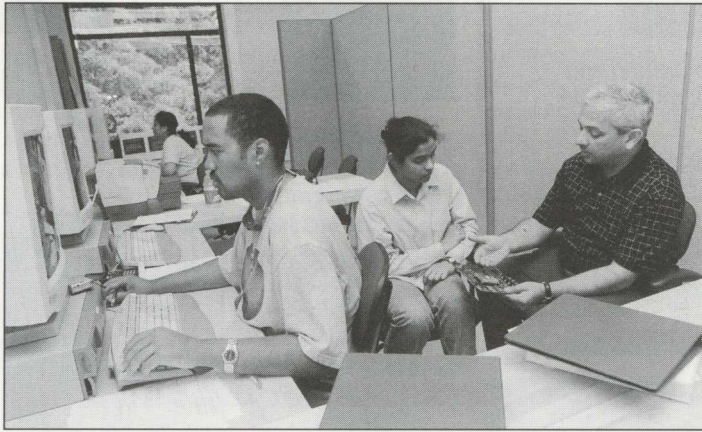
P.R. Mukund, professor of electrical engineering, and Sri Priya Bandi Rachaiah, electrical engineering graduate student, are working on new methods of image-sensor signal processing. The technology will mean faster, smaller and lighter-weight devices such as digital cameras, facsimile machines and scanners.

Mukund and Rachaiah are collaborating with outside faculty on Next Generation Video Analog Chain for CMOS Image Sensors. A working prototype is being evaluated and could be in use commercially in the near future.

Funding is from Photon Vision Systems Inc. and the Microelectronic Design Center of the New York State Office of Science, Technology and Academic Research, which each contributed \$25,000 during 2001-02. Mukund says work is being supported with additional funding of \$100,000 for 2002-03.

Also in the lab, Leroy Griffith, fifth-year electrical engineering major, is designing a new circuit for use in cellular telephones, two-way radios and other signal-receiving devices.

Griffith's work is supported by a \$10,000 fellowship from the International Microelectronics and Packaging Society. The fellowship is one of only six in the



Sri Priya Bandi Rachaiah and P.R. Mukund, right, discuss an image-sensor device funded by a research grant from NYSTAR and Photo Vision Systems Inc. Meanwhile, Leroy Griffith works on an RF integrated circuit design in RIT's RF/Analog/Mixed Signal Laboratory.

nation intended to encourage students to pursue research careers. Chip-Package Co-Design of Integrated RF Microsystems is also supported by the National Science Foundation, Semiconductor Research Corp., the RIT provost's office and the engineering college dean's office.

ence in September.

Ongoing lab projects also include power-integrity analysis, inductor design at chip level and flicker noise estimation in CMOS devices, each supported by the National Science Foundation and Semiconductor Research Corp. •



WONDERS OF SCIENCE... Belinda Lopez, above, a seventh grader at Frederick Douglass Middle School, and other students from Rochester City middle and high schools learned about DNA during a June workshop on biotechnology. The class, taught by RIT professor Irene Evans, was one of several sessions held throughout the day exposing students to career opportunities in the sciences. The program was co-sponsored by RIT and the Educational Talent Search, a local organization.

Biotech giant explores enzyme production

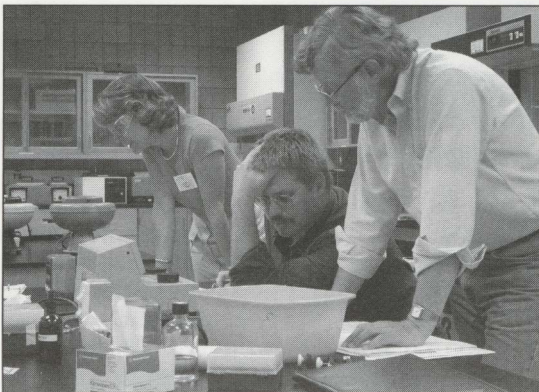
Employees from the biotechnology giant Genencor

International Inc. attended a one-day workshop at RIT's Center for Biotechnology Education and Training June 25 for a laboratory perspective of the company's main product—enzymes—proteins that catalyze and speed up chemical reactions.

Genencor is one of the largest producers of commercial enzymes in the world. Its bioproducts are used in applications for agriculture, cleaning products, industrial chemicals and textiles, among other uses.

For the last three years, Genencor has sent its employees to CBET for summer workshops to educate its staff about what the company does, as well as the latest techniques in biotechnology. Attending

this session were staff members from a



Suzy Breneman, Erik Thoresen, center, and Frank Flores from Genencor-Beloit, look at factors affecting enzyme stability.

range of Genencor departments, such as finance, quality control, facilities, and various labs.

"This (workshop) gives them a familiarity of what their company is doing," says Roy Snoke, CBET director. "The

information helps them understand the processes that Genencor's scientists use in their business. It gives them a feeling of ownership and an identity with the company, and it helps them to do their job better."

Customized workshops, with hands-on lab experience, are one of the activities CBET develops and delivers for biotechnology workforce development. •

Business development is focus for Sudit

Moises Sudit has been named director of business development for multidisciplinary programs in the Kate Gleason College of Engineering and visiting associate professor of industrial and systems engineering.

Sudit will recruit corporate sponsors for multidisciplinary engineering projects and provide project management support. Corporate partners will contribute ideas, mentoring and financial support for student capstone projects.

Industrial partnerships will be sought for applied research within the engineering college and the National Center for Remanufacturing and Resource Recovery.

"Moises' knowledge, experience, corporate and governmental connections, entrepreneurial orientation and enthusiasm for engineering will be major assets as we work to advance the college's strategic initiatives," says Harvey Palmer, dean.

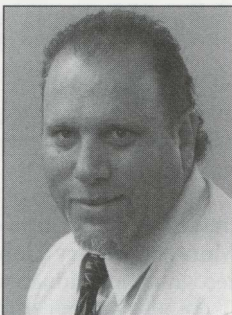
"By definition, engineering is the art of bringing together multiple disciplines to solve complex problems," Sudit says. "The Kate Gleason College of Engineering is committed to contributing its wide-rang-

ing expertise to the growth of the university. I'm thrilled to be part of the vision put forward by Dean Palmer and the RIT administration."

Sudit comes to RIT from SUNY Buffalo where he taught industrial engineering specializing in artificial intelligence.

In 1989, he founded Datumtech Corp., where he positioned the company as a state-of-the-art supplier of mobile data applications. He also partnered with Bell Mobility and Lenbrook to co-found AirIQ, Inc., a Canadian wireless data company. In 1988, he became business development vice president for Veridian Engineering, developing joint ventures with Fortune 500 companies.

Sudit holds a B. S. in industrial engineering from Georgia Institute of Technology, M.S. in operations research from Stanford and Ph.D. in operations research from Purdue University. •

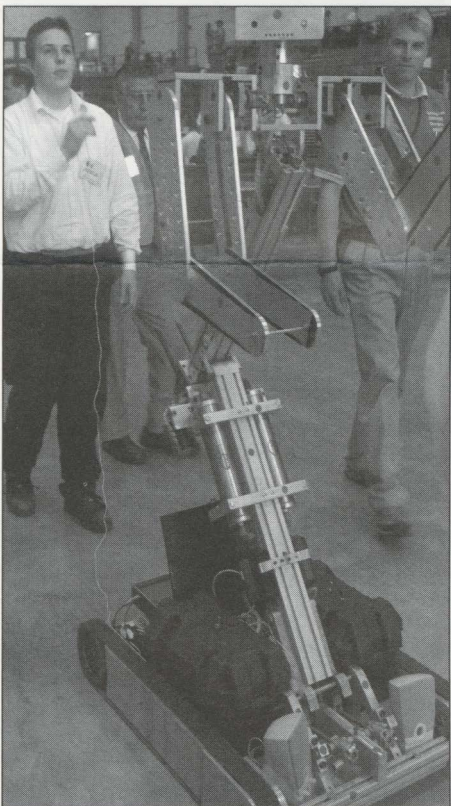


Moises Sudit

PUZZLING PLACEMENT...



The clue to 13-across reads, "NY tech. School!" The answer contains three letters. With that, RIT makes its debut in a nationally distributed crossword puzzle from the Associated Press. The puzzle appeared July 5 in newspapers across the country.



ROBOTS INVADE ICE ARENA... The 16th annual national Robotics Technology and Engineering Challenge drew 600 students and 1,000 spectators from across the United States to RIT May 4-5. Vying for gold, silver and bronze awards, students competed in 16 Olympic-style challenges. RIT students won awards for a self-controlled journey robot, robot construction and manufacturing work cell.

Shown above, a student demonstrates a robot for judges. The event, hosted by RIT for the first time, was sponsored by Robotics International of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers and RIT's manufacturing and mechanical engineering technology/packaging science department.

Part-time learning forum

On Wednesday, July 24, the Offices of Part-time and Graduate Enrollment Services will sponsor an information forum for adults who are interested in starting or continuing their education on a part-time evening basis. The forum will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Student Alumni Union. For information, call 5-2229.

News & Events Survey results

Results of a *News & Events* readership survey show that 90 percent of respondents believe the publication plays an important role on campus. The survey generated 336 responses (76 percent staff; 22 percent faculty; 2 percent trustees, students and retirees).

Findings from the survey, including written comments, will be used for continuous improvement of the publication. Here are some of the highlights from the survey:

How do readers spend time reading *News & Events*?

- 41 percent read multiple articles
- 22 percent read one article
- 18 percent read cover to cover
- 16 percent skim headlines
- 3 percent rarely read the publication

What would readers like to see more of?

Top 3 responses:

- 1) Faculty/st ff profiles
- 2) **Student profiles**
- 3) **Stories on faculty/student research**

Rank of how readers get their information about RIT:

- 1) RIT Staff E-mail
- 2) Word of mouth
- 3) *News & Events*
- 4) Local media
- 5) RIT homepage

Do you read *News & Events* online?

- 11 percent, Yes
- 89 percent, No

News & Events' role on campus is:

- 48 percent, very important
- 42 percent, somewhat important
- 7 percent, not important
- 3 percent, don't know

NRS Award <from page 1>

Service. She was a pioneer member of the Meals-On-Wheels program and has delivered weekly meals to the homebound since 1959. Her affiliation with other civic



Five NRS Scholars volunteered at the event and had the fun of dressing in "Southern Belle" fashion. They are, from the left, Herman Lee, Victor Silva, Stacey Wronkowski and Rebecca Alperstein; missing, Ilir Lako.

organizations include the Rochester Academy of Medicine Auxiliary, Memorial Art Gallery, Rochester Museum and Science Center, Rochester Philharmonic League, Junior League of Rochester and Gamma Phi Beta Sorority. •

CIMS delves into remanufacturing enterprises

The Center for Integrated Manufacturing Studies begins the new fiscal year with a new focus.

In the past few years, CIMS has continued to build a solid foundation on partnerships with industry and government. The center's new vision is to duplicate its success in the remanufacturing arena and use that model to expand into related focus areas, says CIMS Director Nabil Nasr.

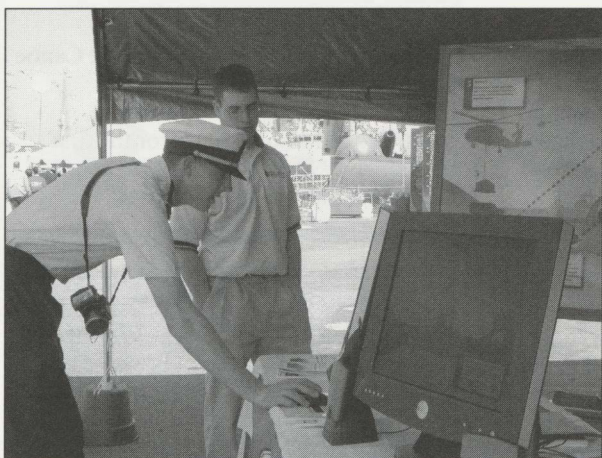
CIMS' efforts are now focused in six areas:

- The Center for Excellence in Lean Enterprise-providing a comprehensive resource of lean enterprise tools offering applied technology and training that can be applied to any business.

- Systems Modernization and Sustainment Program-developing technologies for optimal life-cycle design, management, and modernization of large equipment systems. The program focuses on both maximizing the value of existing systems and designing advanced capabilities in new systems while smartly managing life cycle costs.

- Manufacturing Technologies-helping companies remove barriers to

productivity, enhance efficiency and keep ahead of technology changes and marketplace dynamics.



A U.S. Coast Guardsman views the vehicle health monitoring technology on an Office of Naval Research humvee with CIMS co-op student Nate Smith at Fleet Week in the New York City harbor near the Intrepid Sea-Air-Space Museum, May 23.

- The National Center for Remanufacturing and Resource Recovery-delivering advanced technologies and tools to industry for efficient and cost-effective remanufacturing and designing products that have no negative environmental impact.

- The National Material Recovery and

Recycling Center for Excellence-a joint venture with Argonne National Lab focusing on conducting industry research in material recycling techniques, processes, and remanufacturing methods.

- The Sustainable Systems Research Center-enhancing the environmental and economic performance of products by developing and enhancing the tools of sustainable design, a holistic approach to maximizing value and minimizing environmental impact.

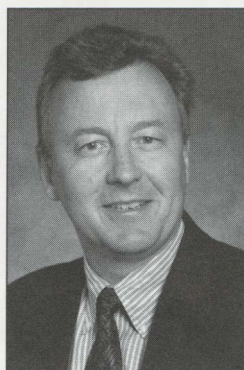
"CIMS is entering a new phase where we're focusing on the niches we've developed and are moving to a new horizon to better integrate CIMS

with RIT's colleges, enhancing the education programs and building stronger partnerships while providing better service to industry," Nasr says. "These areas of focus will enable us to take CIMS to the next level as a state and national resource."

Dwyer named head of F/C relations

RIT adds to its corporate and government partnership acumen with Michael Dwyer, who fills the newly created position of director of *First in Class* relations.

"Mike will focus on developing partnerships in research and educational projects and manage interactions between key partners and RIT faculty and staff," says Donald Boyd, associate



Michael Dwyer

provost for outreach programs and director of *First in Class*.

Dwyer, with more than 25 years in engineering, marketing and business-unit management, looks forward to "matching

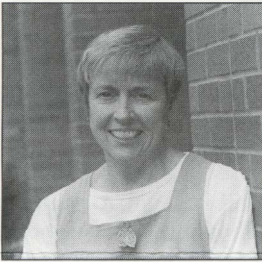
faculty, students and ideas with companies and applied research." His most recent position was vice president and general manager for Signaling Products at ALSTOM Signaling, a \$120 million supplier of transportation management systems. Prior to that, he was vice president of marketing for ABB Automation, a \$1.3 billion supplier of automation systems to the chemical, pharmaceutical, paper and textiles industry. Earlier, Dwyer worked at Taylor Instruments as a development manager, sales support specialist and application software engineer.

Dwyer's long association with RIT includes support of the cooperative education program. "My major source of new talent was RIT co-ops," says Dwyer. "We hired at least 100 co-ops, and 30 to 40 of them became permanent employees."

A double-alumnus of RIT-master's of science in engineering technology, 1980; M.B.A. in technology management, 1994-Dwyer also holds a B.S. in computer science from Clarkson University.

Cann retires after 24 years of service

Traveling, gardening, photography and reading are just a few of the activities Laura Cann plans to enjoy as she embarks upon her retirement after 24 years of service at RIT. Cann, director of RIT's Counseling Center for the past six years, retired June 28.



Laura Cann

"Throughout the last two decades, I have witnessed the increasing severity in the psychological issues and concerns of students," says Cann, who joined RIT in 1978 as a career development specialist and has served more than 3,000 students. "More students are coming to us with counseling histories and a list of medications they're taking and we've also seen an increase in the number of international students visiting the Counseling Center."

Cann was a member of the Student Behavioral Consultation Team and has served leadership roles on the Academic Senate, the Ombuds Committee and the Middle States Review team. She also initiated the Career Decision Program, which was later redeveloped into the RIT Career Exploration Program now in the College of Liberal Arts. She guided the Counseling Center through the IACS re-accreditation in 1999, and that same year, was inducted into the Phi Kappa Phi Honorary Society.

For now, Cann is just prepared to let retirement happen. "I have kids and grandkids across the country, and I'd love to pay them all a visit," she says. "I've also considered coming back to take a few courses on campus. But, who knows. Until you're well into retirement, you just don't know what it's going to be like."

Athenaeum milestone

The Athenaeum, RIT's continued-learning organization for adults 50 and older, celebrated its 15th anniversary at its annual meeting in May.

Athenaeum founders, Dorothy Wadsworth, Wayne McKusick and Abe Hollander, were recognized at the meeting. The Athenaeum was founded in 1987 as a learning-for-learning's-sake non-credit school, run by and for its members.

Athenaeum officers for the upcoming year, elected at the annual meeting, are June Clase, chair of programs; Don Spieler, vice-chair of marketing; and Gloria Cialone, secretary.

Guest speaker Lucy Winters Durkin from the Memorial Art Gallery gave an overview of the life and works of Degas, the French impressionist painter.

New Counseling Center director named

Kathleen Scott has been named director of RIT's Counseling Center, replacing Laura Cann who retired from the position at the end of June. Scott comes to RIT from the University of Buffalo, where she had been director of the counseling center for two years. Prior to that, she worked at Virginia Commonwealth University where she was an assistant professor in the counseling psychology program, and a staff psychologist and coordinator of training for University Counseling Services.

Her accomplishments at University of Buffalo include eliminating client waiting lists for counseling services; establishing an after-hours and daytime crisis intervention service; adding a social worker to full-time staff; establishing a university Safe Zone Program; increasing focus on group therapy as a primary treatment modality; and writing a substance abuse prevention grant for the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

During her time at Virginia Commonwealth University, she chaired the University Substance Abuse Committee, and coordinated the development and implementation of the university's Foundational Plan to Reduce Illegal and Harmful Alcohol and Drug Use, as mandated by the state's attorney general.

She also holds professional licenses as a

psychologist with the New York State Department of Education, and clinical psychologist for the Board of Psychology for the state of Virginia. She is also a

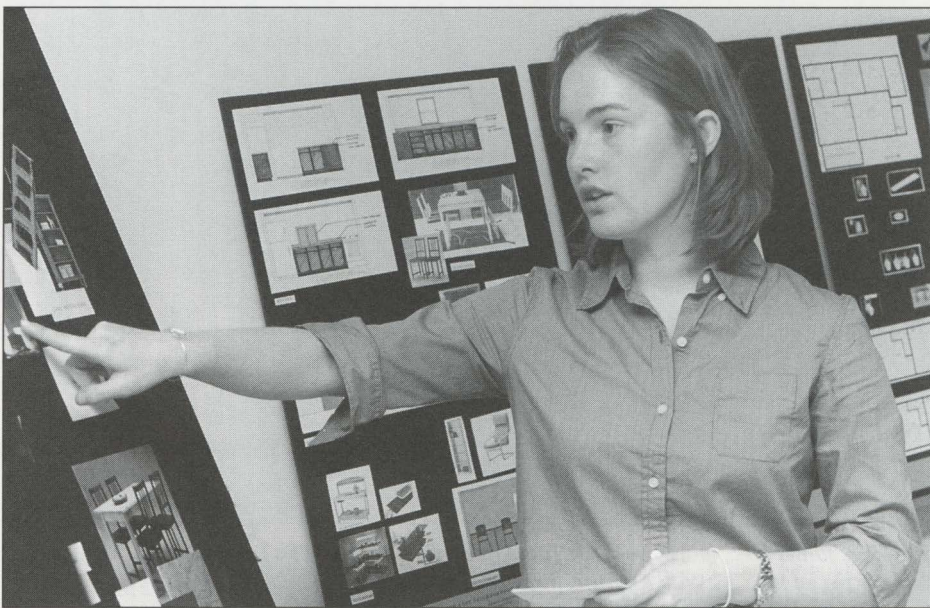


Kathleen Scott

member of the American Psychological Association. She earned her bachelor's degree in psychology from St. Lawrence University, and a master's in rehabilitation counseling and a Ph.D. in counseling psychology from University of Utah in Salt Lake City. She was inducted in the Phi Kappa Phi honorary society in 1985.



WALKING FOR A CURE... RIT "walked" away with first prize in T-shirt design in the corporate category at the annual Walk to Cure Diabetes, held in May. The shirt was created by NTID art and computer design student Andre Gray, with help from associate professor Michael Krembel and Kurt Stoskopf. More than 122 RIT families and friends participated or volunteered, raising \$4,445. Shown here, Ritchie, RIT's mascot, poses with RIT team captain Sydney Long.



DESIGNING FOR THE COMMUNITY... Interior design students in Nancy Chwiecko's special projects class in the College of Imaging Arts and Sciences designed renovation plans for the NorthEast Neighborhood Alliance's farmhouse on First Street and vendor space at the Public Market. The class was part of RIT's Learn and Serve America project, a federally funded, community-based learning program in the College of Liberal Arts. Here, Deb Knight walks NENA and Learn and Serve leaders through the team's design plans during a presentation held spring quarter.

Prague business school honors new grads

RIT's business school in Prague has awarded degrees to 26 new graduates of its MBA program.

The U.S. Business School held its 11th annual commencement ceremony on June 27. RIT College of Business Dean Thomas Hopkins, who is also president and CEO of the U.S. Business School, was on hand to distribute diplomas during the ceremony. Craig Stapleton, U.S. ambassador to the Czech Republic, delivered the keynote address.

This year's graduating class continues a tradition of diversity at the school with students representing countries from around the globe, including China, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Israel, Russia, Slovakia and the United States.

RIT has granted MBA degrees to more than 300 graduates of the U.S. Business School. Many members of the school's alumni now hold senior management positions in the Czech Republic.

RIT student teams record racing results

RIT engineering and engineering technology students took to the air, land and sea in recent national and international competitions.

RIT's Aero Design team placed 12th among 42 challengers and took third place for design presentation at the annual Aero Design West competition in California last month. RIT's student-built, radio-controlled aircraft lifted a payload weighing 21.1 pounds, besting its performance at national competition two months earlier.

For the second consecutive year, RIT's mini-Baja team won the Michael Schmidt Award for best overall performance in three spring mini-Baja competitions.

At the Mini Baja West in Logan, Utah, in April, RIT finished first in acceleration, engineering and design categories; fourth and fifth in the endurance race and fourth in the hill-climb challenge. RIT's cars took 12th and 21st places among 100 teams.

Two weeks later, at the Mini Baja East in West Virginia, RIT earned second place for design, finishing 10th and 12th overall among 45 teams.

In the Midwest Mini Baja in Milwaukee in late May, RIT captured first place in an endurance-race heat and second and third places in acceleration. Overall, RIT placed 16th and 29th among 129 teams and won the Marv Heifitz Spirit Award.

RIT's Formula car team earned fourth place in engineering design and eighth place in cost analysis at the Formula SAE in Pontiac, Mich., in

RIT earned second place for design and presentation, fourth place for cost analysis, fifth place in autocross and endurance challenges and eighth place for acceleration.

After winning National Concrete Canoe Competition regionals in Syracuse in April, RIT's concrete canoe team competed in national finals for the first time since 1998. RIT placed 19th at last month's competition in Madison, Wis.



RIT's mini-Baja car, foreground, rounds a bend neck-and-neck with a challenger from Faculdade de Engenharia Industria of Sao Paulo, Brazil.

May. RIT placed 20th among 129 challengers and won the Continental Teves Best in Class Brake Systems Award and was runner-up for the Ricardo Powertrain Award for best powertrain.

In the Formula Student Competition earlier this month in Leicester, England, RIT captured third place overall and was recognized with the Sir Henry Royce Prize for Best Quality Engineering, garnering a £500 award for the distinction.



THE RESEMBLANCE IS UNCANNY... RIT commemorated emeritus coach Earl Fuller on his 80th birthday with a gathering of old friends to formally name the wrestling room in the Student Life Center after him. Fuller, a 1995 RITee, started coaching in 1947, earned his degree in 1950, was inducted into RIT's Sport's Hall of Fame in 1979 and won an Eisenhart Teaching award in 1983. The dozens of alumni who attended included 610 former wrestlers, among them New York State Supreme Court Judge David Egan (a major donor for the event). Brian Hart, All American and two-time scholar All American, painted the portrait presented at the event. Close friend, long-time RIT supporter and former Rochester Mayor Frank Lamb also took part.

Dignitaries open LAC lab

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in use, LAC serves as a testbed for new-product development and product enhancement, takes part in collaborative research with industry, and offers training programs. LAC brings opportunities for important new work in areas such as bioinformatics, cyber security, new media and visualization. Firms involved with the lab already include Frontier, Hewlett-

Packard, IBM, PaeTec and Xerox.

During the lab opening, Susan Puglia, RIT trustee and vice president of e-server design at IBM, announced a forthcoming donation of a cluster of high-powered computers for creation of the IBM Center for Evolutionary and Comparative Genomics, to be housed in the LAC. (Stay tuned for more news on that in August.) •



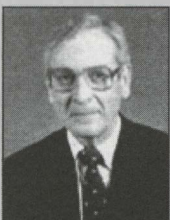
State Sen. James Alesi, fourth from left, cuts a ribbon dedicating RIT's Laboratory for Applied Computing on June 26. With Alesi are, from left, Ford Greene, regional vice president of Frontier Corp.; Walter Wolf, interim dean of RIT's B. Thomas Golisano College of Computing and Information Sciences; Albert Simone, RIT president; Wiley McKinzie, dean of RIT's College of Applied Science and Technology; Jeff Lasky, lab director; Susan Puglia, RIT trustee and vice president of e-server design for IBM; and Richard Ottalagana, executive vice president of PaeTec Communications.

Obituary

Theodore Altier

Theodore "Ted" Altier, RIT trustee since 1977, passed away on June 21 following a long illness. He was the retired chairman and treasurer of Altier & Son Shoes. Under his direction, the chain grew from a local company to a retail chain with more than two dozen stores in Rochester, Buffalo and Syracuse.

At RIT, Altier was an active member of the Nathaniel Rochester Society and formerly chaired the Institute's Community Campaign. In 1983, he received the RIT College of Business William D. Gasser Award. He is survived by his wife, Betty Jane, and three children. Memorial contributions may be made to the Altier Scholarship Endowment Fund at RIT's College of Business.



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difference in the community, and we have received many positive comments from the interpreters who have taken the training and those who are served by them. We are thrilled to be able to continue this important program."

The RIT Ambulance and Campus Safety Department will receive funding to support their work in ensuring the safety and security of the RIT campus community, thanks to the support of Sen. Jim Alesi. For the second time, Alesi has obtained \$10,000 in funding for the RIT Ambulance, a student-run program that also serves the Henrietta community as needed, as a supplement to the Henrietta Volunteer Ambulance.



The RIT Ambulance corp received funding from New York state.

In addition, Alesi secured funding to equip RIT's Campus Safety vehicles with "automatic external defibrillators," life-saving devices that are extremely effective when they are available for immediate use on individuals experiencing heart attacks.

RIT's Faces of Change conference, aimed at increasing the interest of young women in math and science careers also will receive \$25,000 to support the event, planned for the spring of 2003. Alesi secured funding for the previous two conferences as well.

"We are very grateful to Sen. Alesi for providing us with the funding to support these initiatives," said Deborah Stendardi, associate vice president for government and community relations. •

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