

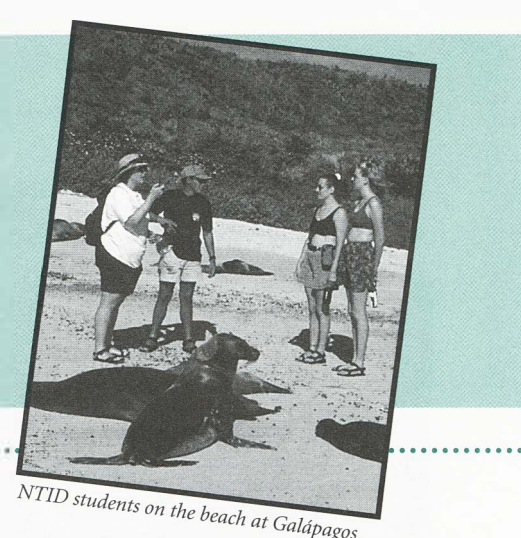
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NTID students on the beach at Galápagos

CEOs and other corporate leaders star in Reedy video, Oct. 2



Peter Lawrence

RIT's well-known "Reedy Lectures"—the William A. Reedy Memorial Lectures in Photography—depart from the norm this fall. Broadening the envelope of imaging education, the Oct. 2 event features videos made this summer of nine famous business leaders, each talking about how design and modern communications help shape their stellar companies.

"Business, Design & Communication: The Role of Design & Communication in Successful Business" presents candid, on-site videos, effectively re-titling the fall event to "The Reedy Memorial Teleconference." The videos, created by RIT in collaboration with the Corporate Design Foundation, feature these leaders:

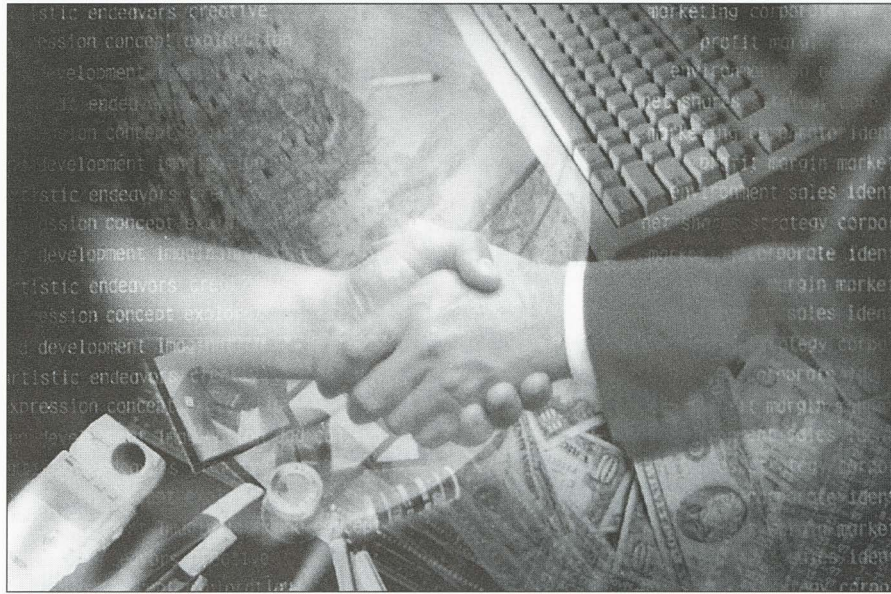
- George Fisher, CEO, Eastman Kodak Company
- Robert Greenberg, president and co-founder of R/GA Digital Studios
- Kit Hinrichs, partner, Pentagram Design Studio
- Phil Knight, CEO, Nike Corporation
- Brock Leach, president and CEO, Frito-Lay

- Robert Lutz, vice chairman, Chrysler Corporation
- Morton Meyerson, chairman, Perot Systems
- Rich Silverstein, CO, creative director and partner, Goodby, Silverstein and Partners
- Sohrab Vossoughi, president, ZIBA Design.

Peter Lawrence, management consultant, professor and chairman, Corporate Design Foundation, hosts the video session before a live audience at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 2, in RIT's Ingle Auditorium, Student Alumni Union. Lawrence, whose clients include AT&T, IBM, Apple, 3M and Unisys, began CDF in 1985 to "improve the life and the effectiveness of organizations through design." CDF works with leading universities to bring more design into their curriculum.

The Reedy teleconference—free and open to the public—will be telecast via satellite feed to downlinked sites (KU-band satellite: SBS-6, transponder 9, horizontal polarity, frequency 11921.0 MHz; or C-band satellite: Galaxy 3, channel 21, horizontal polarity, frequency 4120 MHz). The Reedy team has also made a Web site—<http://www.rit.edu/~reedy>—which includes the links to CDF and RIT's home page, uplink information and live Internet access for the event.

Several thousand flyers about the teleconference have been mailed to schools and universities, which often connect to RIT's fall Reedy lecture, says Nancy Stuart, acting director, School of Photographic



"Business, Design & Communication," RIT's fall Reedy event

Arts and Sciences.

"The firms represented in this event invest heavily in design-related activities as a way to market and sell their products or services. As significant future employers of our youth, their observations, advice and expectations are crucial," she explains.

"This is the first time anyone has put together a documentation of how such important leaders view and value design and communication technology," asserts Stuart. "We created this new platform of two-hour video, hosted by a professional in the

field, for students and anyone interested in the future of design and communication."

Since the series began in 1976, RIT's Reedy lectures have brought a bevy of famous photographers to campus including Annie Leibovitz, Yousuf Karsh, Mary Ellen Mark, Jerry Uselman, Jay Maisel, Gordon Parks, Arnold Newman, Joyce Tenneson, Gregory Heisler, Ryszard Horowitz and Sheila Metzner. The College of Imaging Arts and Sciences serves as primary organizer and sponsor of the lectures.

RIT welcomes "living cultural treasure" from Japan

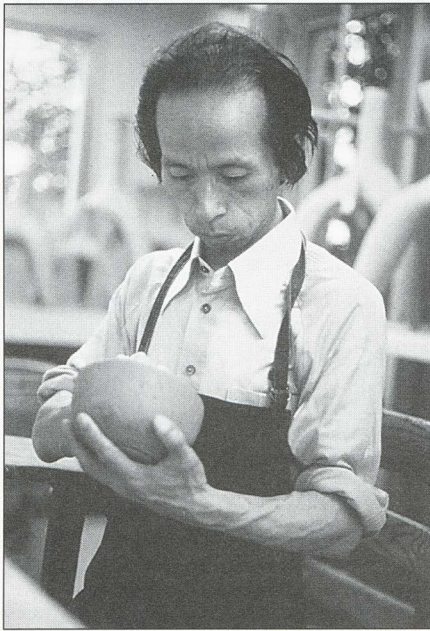
On Sept. 30, RIT celebrates ceramist Ohi Chozaemon X for his lifelong devotion to the arts of Japan. A leader in his nation's crafts and arts organizations and considered a "living cultural treasure" in Japan, Mr. Ohi will receive an honorary doctorate of fine arts during a conferral ceremony at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 30, in the Executive Board Room, Center for Integrated Manufacturing Studies; followed by a reception.

Joan Mondale, a potter herself and friend of the Ohi family, will speak at the ceremony. Mondale recently returned from years in Japan, where her husband served as U.S. ambassador. She has taken a leadership role in the United States crafts movement since the 1970s. While her husband was vice president, she showcased American crafts in their official residence and earned the nickname, "Joan of Art."

RIT's Board of Trustees, President Simone and the College of Imaging Arts and Sciences invited Mr. Ohi to campus to accept the degree. While here, Mr. Ohi and his son, Toshio, a ceramist who studied under Richard Hirsch, will take part in a series of events that reflect their family's legacy in clay.

Revered creators of Ceremonial Tea Ware since 1666, the Ohi family, has served the Way of Tea, the aesthetic ritual of the tea ceremony influenced by Zen Buddhism. The family's Tea Ware contributes to the ceremony's purpose: to reaffirm our humanity through harmony, respect, purity and tranquility.

Through the ages, the Ohi family has developed its trademark ceramics made in the Ohi method as well as other specialized processes. The Ohi method includes shaping clay by hand and shaving off excess bits with a spatula, not a wheel. Severe, sudden temperature changes in firing and cooling



Ohi Chozaemon X carving a tea bowl during a visit to Richard Hirsch's home studio in 1984

give Ohi Ware its unique lustre. Mr. Ohi, with Toshio, apprentices and professors Hirsch and Jeffrey Cole, School for American Crafts, will demonstrate ceramic methods in a collaborative workshop from 9 a.m. to noon on Tuesday, Sept. 30, in the ceramics studio, James E. Booth Building.

Mr. Ohi and his son will also show slides and present a public lecture, "Ohi Family Ceramics Collection," at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 1, at the Memorial Art Gallery, 500 University Avenue. The Ohi family has devoted a museum to centuries of historically significant ceramics and pottery, one of the largest assemblages of Asian ceramics held privately in Japan.

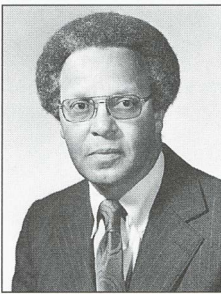
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Hoorah for two new parking lots

Two new parking lots will open over the next four months, according to Roy Dement, director, Physical Plant. A non-paved, gravel lot will be available in the next few weeks by the athletic fields, north of Andrews Drive. It will be used primarily for athletics—coaches and overflow for athletic events. Since the lot is for seasonal/daytime use, people are advised to proceed at their own risk; it will not be snow plowed or have lights installed.

On the south side of campus, behind the Student Alumni Union, 'U' lot will soon open. Weather permitting, initial paving (a dense binder) will begin a few weeks before Thanksgiving. Lights and striping will be installed by Christmas and the lot will be available for use around the early part of 1998. All work will depend on the weather. 'U' lot will be the permanent tent site used during the academic convocation and commencement ceremonies.

Retired appellate judge named RIT Minett Professor



Reuben K. Davis

The Frederick H. Minett professorship is a part-time position, but it looks like the new man in that job will have a busy year at RIT.

Reuben K. Davis will speak on "The Pending Legislation to Reorganize the New York Judicial System" at the Liberty Hill Breakfast Series Nov. 5. He's also planning several lectures throughout the academic year for criminal justice students. And in the spring quarter, Davis will teach a new course at the School of Printing Management and Sciences on First Amendment rights and freedom of the press.

"I look forward to this as a very challenging experience," says Davis, who retired in January from the position of associate justice of New York State Supreme Court, Appellate Division. "I'm delighted to have been chosen Minett Professor."

Davis has had a long and distinguished law career. He grew up in Chicago and received a B.A. degree from Virginia State University and a law degree from Boston University Law School. He was admitted to the New York State Bar in 1950.

Davis practiced law in Brooklyn from 1951 to 1955 and in Rochester with the firm Hurst and Davis until 1966. He served as deputy corporation counsel for the City of Rochester from 1966 to 1967 and as commissioner of the city Department of Buildings from 1967 to 1969.

Davis was elected city court judge in 1973 and held that office until 1982. He was first elected state Supreme Court justice in 1982 and was appointed to the appellate division by Governor Mario Cuomo in 1987.

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Bevier Gallery exhibits faculty art

RIT's Bevier Gallery opens its second show of the season with a public reception at 5 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 10. Recent work by faculty in RIT's School of Art and Design and School for American Crafts will fill the second floor space of the James E. Booth Building through Nov. 5. From watercolor paintings and prints to furniture, sculpture and graphic design pieces, the exhibit represents the diversity and excellence of RIT faculty artists. For daily exhibit hours, call -7680.

Provost award nominations due Sept. 30

Now's the time to nominate a peer, mentor or recent past instructor for the annual Provost's Excellence in Teaching Award. Submit nominations with a "brief supporting statement" to Susan Provenzano by Tuesday, Sept. 30 (mail or drop off at 4012 George Eastman Building).

The award recognizes a faculty member with three or less years at RIT who has excelled in areas such as model classroom teaching, campus leadership, pioneering methodology, creative course development and who, overall, represents "teaching excellence." The provost will appoint a selection committee of students, faculty, staff and alumni to select the winner for 1997-98.

Student Government meetings change

CORRECTION: Student Government meetings will be held Tuesdays from 12:30-2:00 p.m. in Room 1829, Student Alumni Union.

Upcoming: Family Weekend events

Faculty forums, college open houses and spectacular entertainment highlight RIT's annual Family Weekend, Oct. 17-19.

RIT opens its doors, offering question-and-answer sessions, tours of the campus and informative seminars arranged to tell parents about educational programs, policies and procedures.

The weekend includes several athletic events, among them women's and men's soccer matches, and features performances by the RIT Gospel Ensemble and RIT Singers.

The weekend will also give families the opportunity to join President Simone at a luncheon.

Registration for Family Weekend is required. For more information, or to register, call Jean Collins at -7668.

Liberty Hill breakfasts: food for thought

Early risers can catch a wide range of presentations at the Liberty Hill Breakfast Series this fall.

Speakers include people from within RIT and representatives of local and national business and cultural organizations. The events run from 7:15 to 9 a.m. at Liberty Hill, the home of President Albert and Carolie Simone, 2201 Lehigh Station Road, Henrietta.

In case you've never been to one of the talks, here's what to expect. Typically, 30 to 40 people attend, and a breakfast of fruit, pastries, juice, coffee and tea is served. Reservations are required and can be made by calling Barry Culhane, -7202, or Barbara Stalker, -7200.

Here's the schedule:

Wednesday, Oct. 1: "The Inside Story of News: The Creation of the Newseum," Peter Prichard, executive director, Newseum, and senior vice president, The Freedom Forum, Arlington, Va.

Tuesday, Oct. 7: "The Fiscal Management of Law Enforcement," Andrew Meloni, Monroe County sheriff.

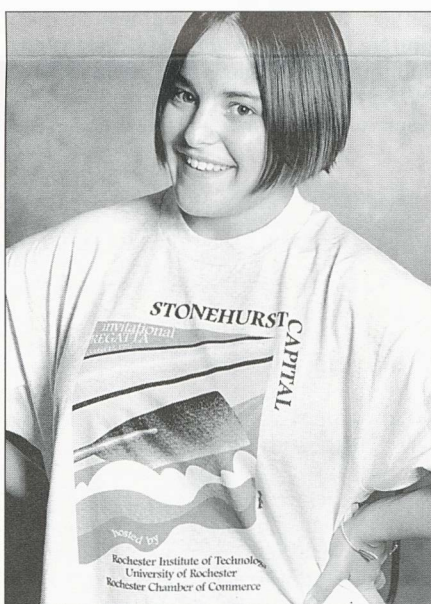
Thursday, Oct. 16: "The Place of Theatre at RIT," Peter Ferran, associate professor, College of Liberal Arts.

Wednesday, Oct. 22: "The Universal Declaration of Human Rights at 50," Michael Prosser, Kern Professor in Communications, College of Liberal Arts.

Friday, Oct. 24: "Promoting Real, Permanent and Positive Change in Bosnia," Selim Beslagic, mayor, Tuzla, Bosnia.

Tuesday, Oct. 28: "The Coming of Digital Television: Should I Toss Out My Old TV?" Norm Silverstein, president and CEO, WXXI.

Wednesday, Nov. 5: "The Pending Legislation to Reorganize the New York Judicial System," Reuben Davis, retired associate justice, Appellate Division, New York State Supreme Court, and Minett Professor.

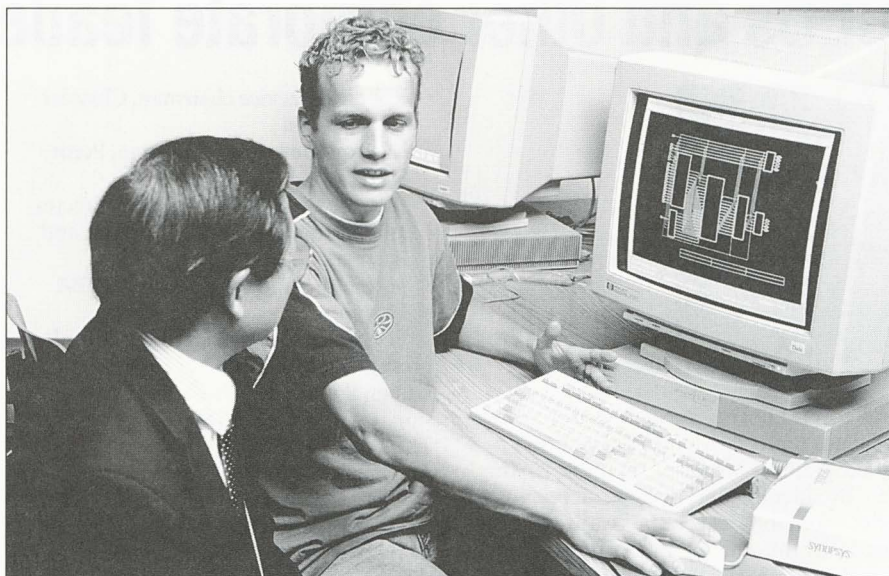


CHECK OUT THAT REGATTA T-SHIRT... Kjerston Kowack, a fourth-year coxswain on the RIT crew, models the Stonehurst Capital Invitational Regatta t-shirt she designed for this year's race. A senior in medical illustration from North Stonington, Conn., Kowack will be "coxing" or steering one of RIT's eight-oared shells in the 1997 Stonehurst Regatta on the Genesee River, Oct. 12. T-shirts are available from crew members or through the crew office, -7360.

Tuesday, Nov. 18: "Managing Your Reputation and Crisis Communication," Randal Simonetti, vice president, communication, Frontier Corp.

Tuesday, Dec. 2: "Strong Museum and the Changing Role of Museums in American Society," G. Rollie Adams, president and CEO, Strong Museum.

Synopsys donates 40 'seats' of Synthesis Software to RIT



Computer Engineering professor Kenneth Hsu (left) discusses a thesis project with fifth-year computer engineering major Tom Czyszczonek. Czyszczonek used the Synopsys Synthesis Software tool to design a specialized integrated circuit.

Students studying electrical and computer engineering now use some of the most sophisticated design automation software available, thanks to a major gift from Synopsys, Inc.

The Mountain View, Ca., company has donated 40 seats of its Synthesis Software tool valued at more than \$20 million to RIT's College of Engineering.

"It's a very important milestone in terms of our instruction of digital system design," says Kenneth Hsu, professor, computer engineering, who was instrumental in acquiring the donation. "This will allow our students to practice true 'top down' methodology."

This high-level computer tool enables an engineer to design complex integrated circuits. The many components of the software can test the design for accuracy and

simulate its performance. The final design is ready to be made into a computer chip.

"This is the top-of-the-line software being used in industry," says Hsu. Synopsys currently holds the largest share of the electronic computer-aided engineering market, according to Dataquest Inc., a market-research firm that tracks the semiconductor and electronics industries.

This means that graduates skilled in its use will be very much in demand, Hsu adds. "Companies like Xerox, Kodak, Intel, Texas Instruments and Motorola are aggressively seeking engineers with this background."

Paul Petersen, dean of the College of Engineering, says the donation "represents a significant investment by Synopsys in our computer engineering program. We're gratified by that."

NTID freshmen build computers

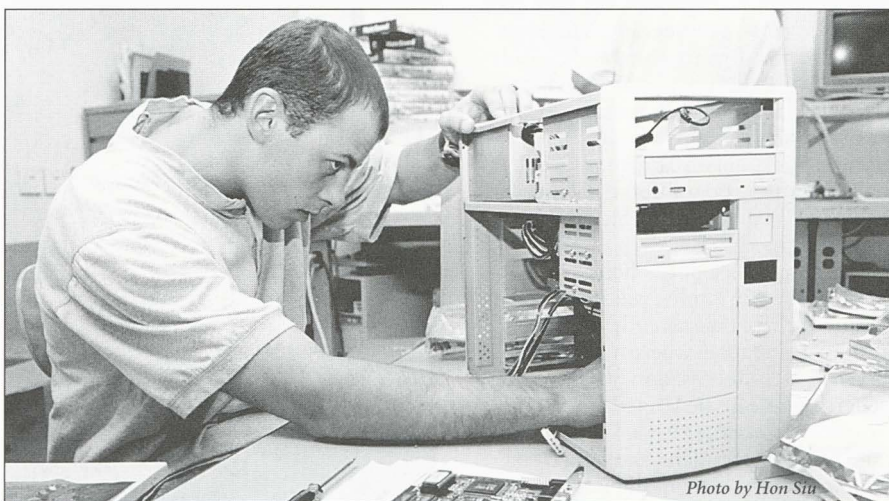


Photo by Hon Su

Barely on campus and they're elbow-deep inside computers. This student joined his first-year peers in building computers during an NTID fall workshop.

More than 10 percent of the incoming class of new students at NTID started off their college careers by building their own computers. NTID held a workshop, "PC-SVP," over Labor Day weekend for 29 deaf and hard-of-hearing first-year students to teach them how to assemble a personal computer from its component parts, troubleshoot common hardware problems, configure memory, upgrade computer hardware, load operating system software and install applications software. Two deaf faculty members, Elissa Olsen and Anthony Spiecker, and chairperson Donna Lange of NTID's Department of Applied Computer Technology taught the workshop with the assistance of four students in the ACT program.

The computers built by the students were IBM-compatible Intel Pentium (586) personal computers running the Windows

95 operating system. The computers had a 160 MHz processor, 2.1 gigabyte hard drive, 32 megabytes of random access memory, 1.4 megabyte floppy disk drive, 33.6 internal fax/modem, 15-inch .28 NI SVGA color monitor, 2 megabyte video card, 16X CD-ROM drive, and 16-bit sound card and speakers along with the keyboard, mouse, tower case, communications software and network card for calling the RIT computer systems and the Internet from RIT's residence halls.

Kurt Cullison, a first-year student from Warren, Ohio, told the Rochester *Democrat & Chronicle*, "This is high-tech. It's better than the computer my father has at home. If my father saw this, he'd be jealous." The event was covered by Rochester-area newspaper and television media as well as national publications with predominately deaf readerships.

GRS helps fund Gleason Building renovations

The General Railway Signal Foundation has pledged \$50,000 to support renovation of the James E. Gleason Building.

The 28-year-old building houses RIT's mechanical engineering and electrical engineering programs, as well as several of the university's engineering technology programs. Approximately 2,000 students use the building annually.

"This gift is especially significant as we move into the second half of this important campaign," says Nathan J. Robfogel, vice president, University Relations. Fund raising for the \$9-million renovation project is now at the midpoint.

In recognition of the gift, a classroom in the renovated building will be named in honor of General Railway Signal Corporation. The Rochester-based company, now a division of SASIB Railway of Italy, has donated nearly \$500,000 to

RIT since 1928. GRS employs about 70 RIT graduates.

"We believe this award is a worthwhile commitment to our current and future employees as well as to the community as a whole," says William Darling, president and chief operating officer, GRS. "Improving teaching facilities and the learning environment helps us maintain a valuable local resource."

Improvements to the Gleason Building will dramatically change engineering education delivery at RIT. The improvements include state-of-the-art classrooms with multimedia capabilities; flexible laboratories and interactive work/study spaces for students and faculty; upgrades in the heating and ventilation systems and addition of air conditioning; better access for persons with disabilities; and better facilities for women.

Galápagos trip to offer the best view of Feb. 26 eclipse

A chance to walk in the footsteps of Darwin, swim with sea lions and watch a solar eclipse from the best vantage point on Earth is available to the RIT community.

Biology professor Robert Rothman, a veteran of nine trips to the Galápagos, will lead a group of 15 to the islands Feb. 21 to March 5, 1998. The visit has been timed to coincide with a solar eclipse Feb. 26.

"It's a chance to get in touch with nature in a way you can't anywhere else on earth," says Rothman. This tiny cluster of volcanic islands in the Pacific Ocean 600 miles west of Ecuador is home to many animals and plants found nowhere else in the world. It was there, on an 1835 visit, that Charles Darwin found the inspiration that led to his theory of evolution. In the past 20 years, the Galápagos have become a mecca to eco-tourists.

Rothman's upcoming trip will begin with three days in Quito, Ecuador's capitol in the Andes Mountains. The group will tour the city and visit the famous Indian market at Otavalo and Cotopaxi National Park, the highest active volcano in the world.

In the Galápagos, the group will spend eight days cruising the islands by yacht. There will be stops at each island for nature walks, snorkeling and photography. It's not necessary to be a biologist—or an extreme sports enthusiast—to enjoy the trip.

"We walk slowly, there's no cliff scaling," says Rothman. "It's not too strenuous."

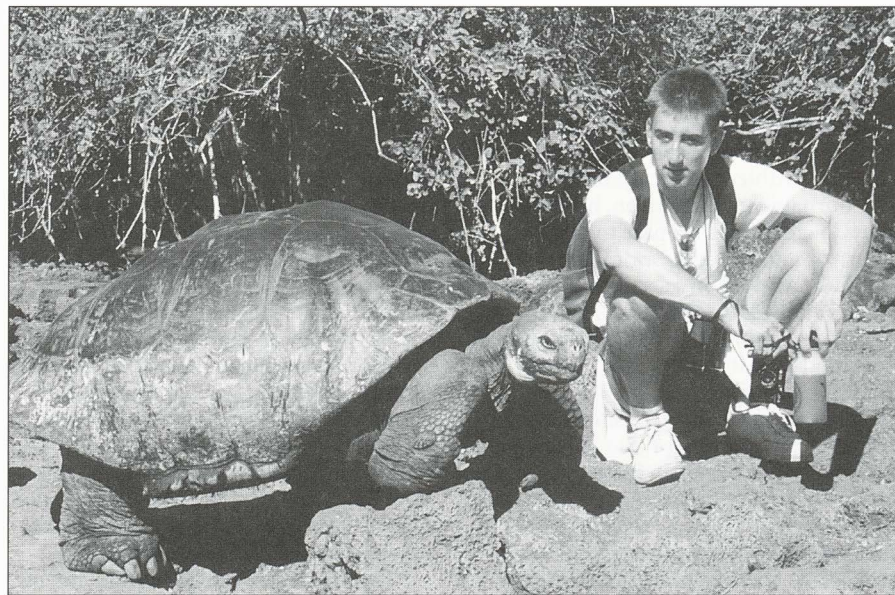
Rothman presents a Galápagos Seminar describing the trip at 1–2 p.m., Tues., Oct. 7, Gosnell Bldg. in room 1174.

The price of the trip is \$3,700 per person, assuming double occupancy. That covers airfare, hotels, yacht, airport transfers, guides, tours, all meals except three dinners on the mainland, gratuities and various fees. A deposit of \$1,200 is required with each reservation; the balance is due by Nov. 30.

Rothman also is planning his regular Galápagos student trip and course for June 8–18 next year, but that one won't include an eclipse. The cost is \$3,275, and the registration deadline is Nov. 30.

Rothman will also speak about his Galápagos adventures at 9:45 a.m. on Oct. 18 in room 1250 of the Gosnell Building as part of Family Weekend events. An exhibition of his photos of the islands is now on display in the Student Alumni Union.

For more information about either upcoming trip, call Rothman at -5215, or e-mail to rhrsbi@rit.edu.



1997 biotechnology graduate Paul Stewart gets chummy with one of the famous Galápagos tortoises.

Student film wins 'singular top honor' in film/video festival

A student film by Aly Lim, who graduated in May from RIT's Film/Video program, School of Photographic Arts and Sciences, won a "singular top honor" in the 20th annual Student Film/Video Festival of New York state colleges this month. Lim's senior thesis, *Kirsten's Crossing*, earned Best of Show—the first time for the "super

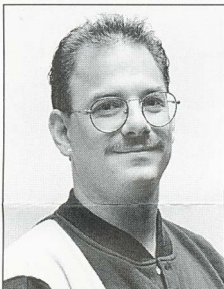
prize," according to sponsor press release.

Sponsored by the Rochester Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers and the Rochester Audio Visual Association, the festival chose 14 films or videos of 26 entries from nine colleges.

RIT students also won all five awards in the animation category. Christopher

O'Connell took first for *Icarus*; Glenn Ehler won second for *The Boy and the Candy*; Julie Jurgens earned third for *Uncle Dutch*; and Steven Palmer scooped an honorable mention for *Coffee?* as did Curt Markham for *Parking Space Limited*. Lim and Chris Edwards won an honorable mention for the nonfiction documentary, *Kats*.

Three new ministers join RIT's Campus Ministry this fall

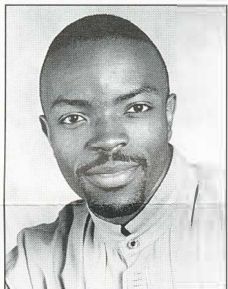


Reverend
Mike Hartmann

The Center for Campus Ministry welcomes three new campus ministers to the RIT community this fall.

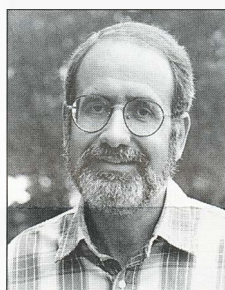
Reverend Mike Hartmann, pastor of the Rochester Deaf Assembly of God congregation, will be serving the needs of Assembly of God students. Hartmann and his wife, Janelle, also an ordained minister, are both deaf and have worked as a team in ministering to the needs of deaf students. Hartmann, a NTID graduate, will continue to work with his own congregation while joining the Campus Ministry staff.

Reverend Theodore Jordan Jr. is senior pastor of God's House of Refuge in Rochester and an executive officer for AGAPE Ministries. He volunteers for Baden Street Settlement House and is a board member for the Youth In Charge of Positive Thinking Community Organization. In addition to these responsibilities, Pastor Jordan is pursuing a master's degree in school psychology at RIT.



Reverend
Theodore Jordan Jr.

Deacon David Palma joins RIT's Newman parish with a diverse background. Palma has taught in diocesan schools, directs Youth Theater at Nazareth Arts Center and is a pastoral associate at St. Anne's/St.



Deacon David Palma

Gregory's Catholic community. He has studied Spanish and Hispanic/Latino theology at the Mexican-American Cultural Center in Texas and works as a migrant specialist for the New York State Migrant

Education Outreach Program. Palma earned a master's degree in Theology from St. Bernard's Institute and was ordained in 1990.

"The Center for Campus Ministry has long recognized the importance of spiritual growth in the development of the whole person," says Pastor Jeff Hering, director of Campus Ministry. "We are extremely fortunate to have these three campus ministers join our diverse community to serve the spiritual, ethical and personal needs of RIT students, faculty and staff."

For more information about the center, call -2135.

Interior design program earns coveted accreditation

A demanding evaluation process that began with a report submitted last November to the Board of Trustees for the Foundation for Interior Design Education Research has paid off. On Aug. 28, RIT's interior design program in the College of Imaging Arts and Sciences earned a three-year accreditation for its bachelor of fine arts, announces Charles Lewis, professor, Department of Industrial and Interior Design.

The process included an April FIDER team site visit and a lengthy board

evaluation of RIT's compliance with their standards and guidelines, says Lewis. Areas examined ranged from program philosophy, mission and goals to curricular objectives, faculty credentials and alumni and student achievements.

"Though demanding, the evaluation process provided an exciting opportunity

to review our effectiveness; it has both affirmed our strengths and revealed enhancement potentials," adds Lewis, noting FIDER's report will help shape the program's future agenda. Interior design lists 230 alumni and has 60 students enrolled for 1997–98.

LDC renovations and additions completed

RIT's Learning Development Center made great strides this summer with the relocation of the Office of Special Services, an enlarged Disability Services Coordination Office and testing center, new office space and redesigned instructional areas.

The Office of Special Services, formerly in the RITreat, has joined the College Program in the LDC corridor in the Eastman Building. OSS, a federally funded program, provides academic and personal support enabling qualified students to successfully complete their college careers.

The new Disability Services provides space for confidential files, as well as facilities for note-taking coordination and an area for proctored extended-time testing. A convenient drop slot allows faculty to deposit exams into a securely-locked box 24 hours a day.

"These improvements are the result of suggestions from many people and months

of planning," says Susan Donovan, director, LDC. "It's such a pleasure to have space that reflects our needs and offers opportunities to coordinate services."

Other enhancements of the summer reconstruction include several small instructional areas, a relocated large classroom, an office for adjuncts and a redesigned office and conference/library area. The facelift was completed with new carpet and ceiling tiles, and a fresh coat of paint.

"It's amazing how improving the center's appearance has brightened everyone's spirits and has allowed us to work together more efficiently," adds Donovan. "The pieces of our puzzle are finally fitting together."

The Higher Education Opportunity Program, also part of LDC, has moved to new offices on the second floor of the August Building, next to the Counseling Center.



FLOWER POWER AND HARDHATS... Sunflowers reflect the personalities of these custodians recruited to clean residence halls under construction. Wearing their required hardhats, the women are (left to right) Guey Kassay, Roxanne Hill, Paula Guadalupe, Essie Nelson and Nereida Vargas. Co-worker Maureen McGrath took the pictures. Willie Collier, supervisor, Physical Plant, organized the clean-up group for the extra duty.

Tiger athletics hit the court, turf and surf this fall

Class is back in session and so are the RIT athletic teams. Here's a team-by-team preview of Tiger athletics for this fall.

Women's Volleyball: Last year the Tigers spiked their way to a 24-16 record which earned them a spot in the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III Tournament. This season, head coach Tim Cowie has RIT on pace to make a return visit to the postseason. The skills of NCAA All-Region selections Ushi Patel, Krissy Caton and Tracy Wilt, coupled with the ability of Erica Nissen, should help the Tigers improve on last year's accomplishments.

Men's Cross Country: Despite the graduation of 11-time All-American Tony Fraij and the retirement of 32-year head coach Pete Todd, the Tigers look like they haven't lost a step. The Tigers, who participated in the Eastern College Athletic Conference and NCAA championships last fall, have returned to postseason form this year under

the reign of first-year head coach Dave Warth. RIT placed second in the Buffalo State Daniel Walker Invitational and third at the SUNY Oswego Invitational.

Women's Soccer: Head coach Tom Natalie has much to be excited about this fall. His squad is outscoring its opponents nearly two-to-one. Kristen Kelly has added scoring punch up front as she averages 1.25 points per game. Jennifer Day-Baker netted two goals in a 5-1 win over Buffalo State College and Linda Ramsay has also flexed her scoring muscles this year.

Men's Soccer: Head coach Bill Garno returns 14 veterans who accounted for 17 points throughout last year's 7-7-1 campaign. The Tigers are off to a competitive start behind the leadership of tri-captains Matt Tantalo, Tom Casciani, and Brandon Mauks. Rob Sayer and Rob Cope are also expected to make hefty contributions.

"This team has tremendous camaraderie which helps them perform at a higher level

and should translate into good things on the field," says Garno.

Women's Tennis: A young Tiger squad hits the court this fall with great aspirations. The fact that RIT picked up three wins in their first four matches is no surprise to head coach Ann Nealon.

"My players' determination is only matched by their athletic ability," says Nealon.

That combination has reaped rewards in

terms of wins this season behind the efforts of Patty West, Emy Zapiec, Becky Galinski, Danielle Robitelle and Becky Shipe.

Men's and Women's Crew: The big event for the Tigers crew team will be the Stonehurst Regatta, Oct. 12, co-hosted by RIT. In its second-year as a varsity sport, the Tiger crew teams look competitive for the fall.

Call the Tiger hotline at -6180 for key home games.

Time to submit entries for Student Affairs' Outstanding Service Awards

The Student Affairs Division seeks nominations for three Outstanding Service Awards.

The Excellence in Service Award will be given to an individual enhancing the welfare of students and the goals of the Institute, division and center. Nominees should provide supporting documentation including a supervisor's report, recommendations from students or colleagues explaining the contributions, evaluations of service, extent of the impact of service or description of how the individual has sought to continuously improve the quality of their work.

The Innovation in Service/Program Award recognizes an outstanding contribution to the development or enhancement of programs and services. This contribution must improve the quality of services and programs or improve program efficiency or cost effectiveness in some measurable way. In-depth descriptions of programs or services are required for this award.

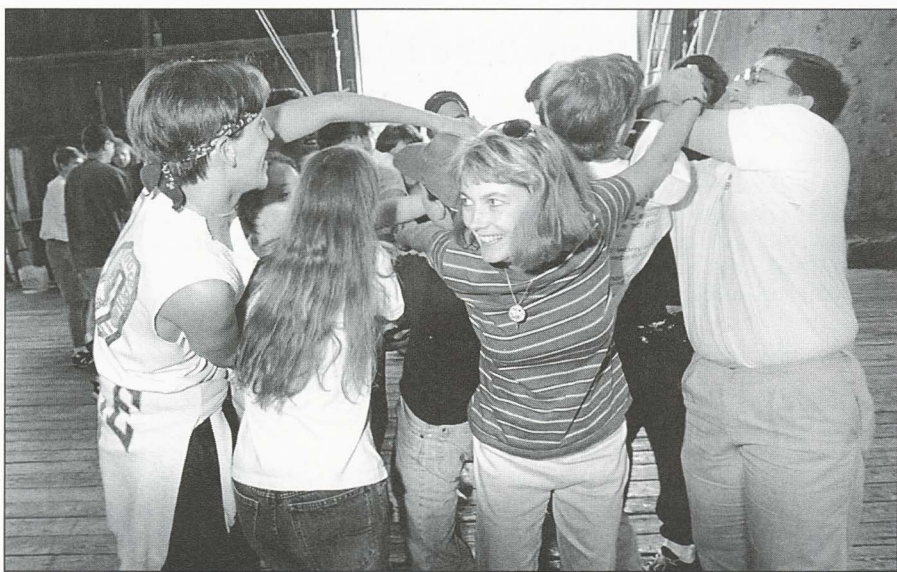
Both recipients will receive a recognition plaque and \$1,000 for staff development activities, such as attending conferences or professional development training and purchasing software.

Student Affairs will also present the Award for Promoting Learning Outside the Classroom to a faculty or staff member outside the division demonstrating an outstanding interest in fostering the out-of-classroom environment as an active place for students to learn and grow.

Nominations for all three awards must be submitted to Linda Kuk, vice president, Student Affairs, no later than Oct. 13.

Winners, chosen by a selection committee, will receive their award at the annual staff recognition gathering in December.

Questions regarding the awards may be directed to -2267/TTY.



FRESHMAN SEMINAR—BONDING BOOT CAMP . . . First-year computer science students take learning to another level during a Freshman Seminar session at RIT's Red Barn. Nathaniel Holmes, coordinator of the Freshman Seminar program, describes the experience as "an opportunity for students to make positive connections with one another and learn more about themselves."

NEWSMAKERS

- Robert Snyder, professor, mechanical engineering, has won the 1997 Materials Engineering Institute Instructor of Merit Award. The award was established in 1994 to recognize people who have given exceptional service as instructors in MEI programs. Snyder teaches an intensive, one-week course in metallurgy almost every year at MEI's training facility near Cleveland.

- Robert Menchel, assistant professor, science and mathematics, NTID, gave a presentation, "Preparing Deaf Students for Postsecondary Education: Characteristics of Success," at the American Instructors of the Deaf conference in Hartford, Conn., in July. Menchel also presented "Providing Services to Deaf Students in Regular Four-Year Colleges and Universities: Perceptions from Both Sides" at the Association of Higher Education and Disabilities in Boston in July.

Student Ombudsman moves to RITreat

The Office of Student Ombudsman and Barry Culhane, affectionately known as "Dr. O" (Dr. Ombudsman), have a new home—the RITreat. For the past eight years, Culhane and Barbara Stalker, office coordinator, were located on the first floor of the Eastman Building.

"The move to the RITreat was a good one," says Stalker. "Now the office is much more accessible to the students—after all, they're the reason we're here."

Students can still reach the ombudsman office through the ASK system on the VAX if they want to maintain confidentiality.

So, exactly what does an ombudsman do? An ombudsman investigates reported student complaints or problems and works with these students to find equitable solutions.

And, according to Stalker, no problem is too small. "We see everything from students wanting to change their meal plans to taking a leave of absence. Many times, students just don't know where to find answers. That's why we're here."

Each year, approximately two thousand students use services provided by the Office of Student Ombudsman.

"The goal of the Institute is to have each department become more student-centered," says Culhane. "Our office sees this happening and encourages strategies for problem resolution where the difficulty occurs."

The office is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. or by appointment. For more information about the office's services, call -7200.

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Japanese ceramist (continued from page 1)

RIT artist-in-residence Albert Paley, who holds the Charlotte Fredericks Mowris Endowed Chair in the School for American Crafts, hosts a reception for Mr. Ohi at his studio, 25 North Washington Street, at 4 p.m. on Oct. 1, preceding the lecture.

Anyone wishing to learn more about the Ohi family and Japan's tea ceremony can visit these Web addresses: <http://www.city.kanazawa.ishikawa.jp> and select the "English" button, then the flashing Japanese culture button which will bring up ceramics and Ohi buttons (from Kanazawa City's Web site), or <http://www2.nttca.com:8010/infomofa/ju/people/chado1.html> (part of Japan's Ministry of Foreign Affairs' Web page).

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He is a past chairman of the Monroe County Human Relations Commission and has served on the boards of the Chamber of Commerce, the Center for Governmental Research, A.M.E. Zion Church, Montgomery Neighborhood Center and the Monroe County Bar Association.

The Minett professorship brings distinguished Rochester-area minority professionals to the RIT campus to share their

knowledge and experience with students and faculty. The appointment is for one year. Past Minett professors include New York State Regent Walter Cooper, Rochester Mayor William Johnson, R. Carlos Carballada, president and chief executive officer, First National Bank of Rochester; and Liz Vega, former vice president, communications, Time Warner Communications.

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