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RIT gets high marks in national rankings



One of the leading guide books for prospective college students—*U.S. News & World Report: America's Best Colleges*—has again ranked RIT as one of the nation's leading universities and best values.

In its annual survey of American colleges and universities, the magazine ranked RIT eighth in the North among comprehensive universities. RIT was listed second in terms of academic reputation. Over the past nine years, RIT has consistently been listed first or second for its academic reputation.

For the first time, *U.S. News & World Report* judged the top 50 undergraduate business programs at more than 1,400 universities, ranking RIT among the top 50 business colleges in the nation.

In addition, *U.S. News & World Report* published a ranking of "Best Values" in its Sept. 25 edition. RIT was also ranked in the top 10 values among northern regional universities, taking into account its national academic reputation, tuition, financial aid and co-op program.

Commenting on the rankings, President Simone said, "This reflects the excellence of our academic programs and faculty, as well as our focus on providing the very best in career education."

Interim Provost Stanley McKenzie said, "We are delighted with the overall recognition and particularly with the College of Business ranking. The survey results are a reaffirmation of our quality programs and our student centeredness."

From the the College of Business, reaction was also positive. Interim Dean William Nowlin was especially pleased. "Ranking RIT's as one of the top 50 business programs in the nation is a direct

reflection of the efforts we have put into our curriculum and quality programs, as well as such elements as the RIT/USA Today Quality Cup," he said.

To arrive at the academic leadership rankings, *U.S. News* conducted a reputational survey of officials at 1,400

accredited four-year colleges and universities. The reputational rankings were combined with statistics that measured student selectivity, faculty resources, financial resources, graduation rate and alumni satisfaction.

Parents, families invited to 'share the experience'

LaSonya Roberts, a 1995 graduate of RIT's chemistry program and student keynote speaker at this year's Academic Convocation, said it well last May: you don't get through rigorous years of college studies going at it alone. If you're lucky, like Roberts, you have parents and families to turn to—for encouragement, for advice, for love and, every now and again, for money.

RIT invites parents and family members to "Share the Experience" during Parents Weekend, Oct. 20 through 22. The weekend honors parents and their significant supporting role in students' success.

Students, faculty and staff alike will roll out the red carpet for the weekend visitors—presenting forums, holding open houses and putting on theatrical and musical performances. Here's the weekend rundown:

- **Family Polaroid Portraits**—3 to 7 p.m., Fri.; 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Sat.; and 9 a.m. to noon, Sun., Student Alumni Union lobby
- **Talisman Film: Apollo 13**—7 and 9 p.m., Fri. and Sat., Webb Auditorium, Booth Building

- **To Be an Astronaut**—a new CineMagic 870 film, 8 and 9 p.m., Fri. and Sat., Strasenburgh Planetarium, Rochester Museum and Science Center, 670 East Ave., Rochester
- **RIT Jazz Ensemble**—9:30 p.m., Fri., Shumway Dining Commons
- **Parents' Forums**—Sat.: "Parents of Freshmen—Share the Experience," 9 and 11 a.m., Skalny Room, Student Alumni Union; "Financial Aid and the Student Billing Process: How the Two Interact," 10 a.m., Clark Meeting Room A, Union; "It's a Deaf, Deaf World," 10 a.m., 1829 Room, Union; "An Insider's Look at Co-op and Careers," 11 a.m., Ingle Auditorium, Union; "RIT and the Internet," 11 a.m. and 3 p.m., second floor, Wallace Library
- **College Open Houses**—10 to 12:30 p.m., Sat. (details in weekend program booklet)

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Welcome to RIT!

This is a special issue of *News & Events*, the RIT community newspaper. We're sending it to you for asking about our university and its programs. *News & Events* keeps you up-to-date on upcoming events, information you need to know and interesting people at RIT.

Be sure to see inside and page 4 for articles of particular interest to you as a potential freshman or transfer student. We hope you enjoy finding out more about RIT through *News & Events*.

Students add Ryder Cup work experience to their résumés

By Brad Rye

Students and graduates of the department of food, hotel and travel management have a major new addition to their résumés—one that's sure to create a lot of interest among prospective employers—work experience at the 1995 Ryder Cup golf matches.

From freshmen to graduate students, nearly every student in the department was employed at the prestigious event—as corporate chalet managers and supervisors, chefs, bartenders and wait staff—or at Rochester hospitality facilities. Approximately 40 percent of all hospitality personnel at the Ryder Cup were RIT students.

"We're proud that our students were selected to participate in a 'mini cooperative education' experience that provided them with invaluable career preparation," says Francis Domoy, head of the department. "And with many of our alumni in major administrative roles, the Ryder Cup provided an excellent showcase for the important connection between graduates and current students of the program."

Eric Rule, a 1981 RIT alumnus and general manager of host Oak Hill Country Club, echoes Domoy's pride. "A large share of the credit for the success of meeting the hospitality requirements of thousands of Ryder Cup visitors goes to RIT students and alumni," says Rule. "Everyone from guests to players had praise for the quality of the food and beverages served and the professionalism of hospitality employees."

RIT became involved in the Ryder Cup when Domoy was approached by Bartenders Unlimited, the local company subcontracted by Regency Productions to coordinate on-site hospitality personnel, about hiring students. When it became apparent that there were more job openings than students, Domoy contacted SUNY-Agri and Tech College—Morrisville, which has a longstanding relationship with RIT, and many of its hospitality majors were hired as well.

The department's ties with Bartenders Unlimited, which is co-owned in part by several RIT alumni, were strengthened when graduate student Tina Lee Odinsky joined the company's management team. According to Domoy, Odinsky provided a major leadership role in linking RIT students to the Ryder Cup. She managed 16 of the 62 corporate chalets, which were supervised and staffed by RIT students, and worked closely with one of Regency Productions' on-site supervisors, Cathy Williams, a 1994 alumna.

"The Ryder Cup provided a great opportunity for us to learn about working with various layers of management from several different companies," Odinsky says.

Among those organizations that won bids for various operations and hired students from RIT and SUNY-Agri and Tech College—Morrisville, were ServRite and Oak Hill Country Club. Sean Reidy and Pete May, RIT co-op students, helped Oak Hill win

the contract to feed more than 1,200 media members and were also cited for their outstanding student leadership.

"This really was a once-in-a-lifetime event and one that will open a lot of career opportunities," says Warren Sackler, associate professor, who was on site throughout the week.

Kevin Golembeski has already seen the payoff of working the Ryder Cup. A third-year student, he was a supervisor for the NBC Sports chalet and received eight job offers, including one with NBC Sports catering.

"We all can take great pride in the leadership of our students and alumni in setting new levels of excellence at a major international event," Domoy added.



RIT students Hudson Anslay (left), Kevin Lynch (second from left) and Tina Lee Odinsky worked closely with Cathy Williams, a 1994 RIT graduate and on-site supervisor for Regency Productions, on the daily operations of corporate chalets.



Nutrition management student Lisa Vannelli, supervisor of Mobil Corporation's corporate chalet, greets visitors on the patio.

Common Novel series presents speakers

RIT's Common Novel series—discussing Toni Morrison's *Beloved*—presents three RIT speakers in October, all from 1 to 2 p.m. Katherine Mayberry, professor in the language, literature and communication division of the College of Liberal Arts, starts the talks Oct. 17. Arlette Miller Smith, adjunct literature professor in the College of Liberal Arts, speaks Oct. 24, and David Anderson, storyteller, gives the final talk Oct. 31.

Computer science recredited

The Computer Science Accreditation Commission of the Computing Sciences Accreditation Board recently announced the recreditation of RIT's undergraduate program in computer science. Criteria for accreditation are sanctioned by the country's two largest scholarly and professional societies for computing. Currently, 137 computer science programs are accredited by CSAC.

NTID offers hearing tests, services

The National Technical Institute for the Deaf's Department of Audiology offers complete audiological services, including hearing tests to all students, faculty and staff and their departments. The department also dispenses hearing aids, in addition to making earmolds and swim plugs, selling batteries and providing a free computer analysis of hearing aids. To make an appointment to speak with an audiologist, call the Hearing Aid Shop at -6473 V/TTY. The shop is open Tues. through Fri. from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., and Mon. through Fri., from 1 to 4 p.m., in room 3130 of the Johnson Building.

1996 college guides tell high schoolers RIT is place to be

The 1996 college guide books are on bookstore shelves around the country and are telling high school seniors that RIT is the place to be. The following are excerpts:

The Fiske Guide to Colleges—"If you want to spend four years at a mellow liberal arts college 'finding yourself,' don't go to Rochester Institute of Technology. This is a fast-paced, high-tech school for go-getters who already know where they want to be. After rigorous training, more than 90 percent of RIT graduates go into the job market, with a significant boost from the school's cooperative education program."

The Princeton Review: The Best 309 Colleges—"Looking for a demanding arts and technology school, one that has valuable relationships with major industries, state-of-the-art facilities, and an intense (but not cutthroat) student body? Rochester Institute of Technology just might be the place. . . . The school is very prestigious and graduates are in demand."

Peterson's Competitive Colleges: Top Colleges for Top Students—"Respected internationally as a leader in career-oriented education, RIT has been setting an innovative pace since 1829."

Education for the Earth—The College Guide for Careers in the Environment—The guide includes RIT's environmental management, civil engineering technology and packaging science programs and says, "Graduates of the program(s) are sought by a wide range of employers in a variety of positions."

Deaf students gain access and support at RIT

By Debbie Waltzer

What do these three people have in common: Namrita Kapur, an engineer for NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center in Maryland, working on a low-noise power supply for orbiting spacecraft; Dr. Andrew Baker, an optometrist in Danvers, Mass., running a five-member private practice; and Kathleen Rozanski, a photojournalist on a travel fellowship, producing a photographic documentary on deaf Europeans?

The answer? They are all successful deaf graduates of RIT, joining hundreds of others in all sorts of careers. They credit RIT's outstanding educational access and support services with helping them reach their career goals.

Today, more than 400 of RIT's 1,100 students who are deaf take undergraduate or graduate-level courses through RIT's colleges of Imaging Arts and Sciences, Applied Science and Technology, Business, Continuing Education, Engineering, Liberal Arts and Science, making RIT the world's largest mainstreamed college program for students who are deaf. Most of these students use educational access and support services provided by NTID, which is one of RIT's eight colleges.

Interpreting is the most common access service used. Trained educational interpreters in classrooms and laboratories help make communication among deaf and hearing students and teachers easier by expressing a deaf person's message vocally and/or expressing a hearing person's message visually.

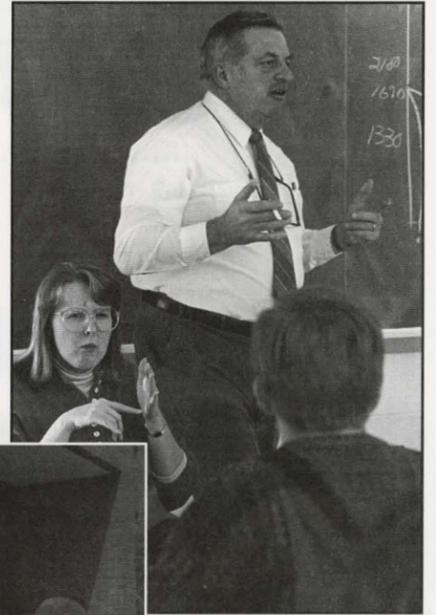
RIT offers the most extensive interpreting services in an academic setting in the United States. Last year, a staff of 100 full- and part-time staff interpreters, along with more than 50 free-lance interpreters, provided more than 75,000 hours of on-campus interpreting.

Professors in each academic support department serve as professional tutors,

clarifying concepts taught in class, while helping students reach their educational objectives. They work with students individually or in small group tutoring sessions.

RIT also offers class and laboratory notetaking, where trained notetakers record information covered during class or laboratory lectures, discussions, reports or multimedia presentations. Notetakers organize notes by highlighting main topics or themes, defining vocabulary and noting special announcements. Faculty review the notes for content, accuracy and clarity.

Finally, as with all RIT students, students who are deaf and enrolled in any of



Top: Trained educational interpreters help in communication between deaf and hearing students and instructors. Bottom: Students arrive on campus for "move-in day."

RIT's colleges have individual academic advisers. These faculty advisers help students plan their long-term class schedules, select courses each academic quarter, answer questions and provide general advice about academic majors and career goals.

NASA engineer Kapur—RIT's first deaf female electrical engineering graduate—says that all of these services helped her reach her career goals. "RIT prepared me for my job by teaching me the fundamentals of electrical engineering and offering excellent educational access and support services," she says. "I enjoyed the interaction

among deaf and hearing people on campus, and I was fortunate to have many positive deaf role models."

For more information on services for RIT students who are deaf, contact Peter Lalley, director of the Center for Baccalaureate and Graduate Studies, NTID, at 716-475-6821.

Co-op and Placement refocuses on services most in demand

By Laura Mikols

Organizations, like individuals, periodically need to pause and take a good look at themselves to gauge where they're headed. Manny Contomanolis, director of the Office of Cooperative Education and Placement, led his staff through such a self-assessment, embracing the realities of what "doing more with less" requires and refocusing efforts.

"Everyone is facing challenges," says Contomanolis. "Our philosophy is to be positive about the challenges and look for opportunities." The office reorganized its staff, creating a more flexible structure that allowed it to expand the services and activities most in demand.

To offer students greater access to career counseling and job searches, the reorganization created support teams clustered around related academic programs. The clusters work collaboratively; team members can effectively fill in for each other.

"We're capitalizing on our collective abilities and skills to better serve our students," says Contomanolis. The reorganization also allowed the co-op office to double its walk-in hours this fall, so students can find "just-in-time" information they need about a co-op position, a résumé or a career opportunity.

The office drew together a marketing and employer relations group to develop job opportunities and foster relationships with targeted employers and industries. "We recognize the critical role we play in identifying and communicating job opportunities to our students, graduates and alumni," says Contomanolis.

Among new technological initiatives, the office launched a home page on the Internet with linkages to career service

applications and information sources. It also introduced scanning technology to develop a student résumé database.

"We're really excited about our future and the steps we've taken to meet the changing needs of our students, faculty and employers," says Contomanolis.

Photo professors teach students in France from here

In recent years, Bill DuBois and Ken White traveled overseas to teach at Speos, the Paris Photographic Institute. Now, the School of Photographic Arts and Sciences professors reach the same audience but have considerably shortened their commute.

Using an Integrated Services Digital Network hook-up, a type of telephone line that enables data and voice transmission, DuBois and White send and receive computer images and communicate with students in France from a studio in the Educational Technology Center.

"This unique arrangement redefines the 'distance' in distance learning," White says. "Through the excellent facilities and support of ETC, we are able to offer students in France the same experience as if we were right in the room with them."

Using an interactive Mac-based system, DuBois and White exchange artwork with students, manipulate images and answer questions in courses such as portraiture, photographic history and multimedia imaging. In addition to Speos, the professors have presented seminars via ISDN elsewhere in France, including the recent Festival Musique, an international music and multimedia festival in Avignon.

October film series looks at the price of success; free, Sundays

The film/video department offers a cinematic look at the price of success in its October series, "Clawing Your Way to the Top," featuring four full-length films at 2 p.m. on consecutive Sundays (the first, *Chameleon Street*, ran Oct. 1).

Oct. 8—*Room at the Top*, Academy Award-winning 1959 film about sacrificing all for success, starring Simone Signoret and Laurence Harvey and directed by Jack Clayton

Oct. 15—*Negatives*, made in 1968, starring Peter McEnery and Glenda Jackson as bored wackos pretending to be a Victorian serial killer and his wife and mistress; directed by Hungarian-born Peter Medak

Oct. 22—*Ruthless*, featuring an all-star cast including Sydney Greenstreet, Raymond Burr and Zachary Scott in a 1948 "dark tale" of Horace Vendig's power-obsessed climb to success, directed by B-movie legend Edgar G. Ulmer.

Free and open to all, held in the auditorium of the Carlson Center for Imaging Science, the Sunday Series features new themes each month. The series is sponsored by the School of Photographic Arts and Sciences' Visiting Artists and Lecturers/Screening Series. For more information, call -2743.

Electronic bulletin board system to debut

By Neil Fagenbaum

Over the next few months, the RIT community will begin using a new electronic communications and events announcement system—the RIT bulletin board system—and say goodbye to the often used, and misused, faculty and staff mailing list.

As part of RIT's Strategic Plan, the Bulletin Board Committee has been addressing e-mail overload and misuse and how to provide RIT with a more effective campus-wide communication mechanism. This includes a system that will allow for easy communication to students and for easy communication of students to large campus groups.

Because of the growing need to post information that is of interest only to specific groups of faculty, staff and students, users will now be able to review postings on the World Wide Web or subscribe to selected categories and have the postings delivered to them directly via e-mail.

Here are the categories you will be able to choose from on the RITBBS.

- **Academic Announcements**—announcements of specific interest to the academic community (moderated list)
- **Administrative Announcements**—announcements specifically addressing administrative issues (moderated list)
- **General Announcements**—a

miscellaneous section for announcements of general interest that do not readily fit into any other category (unmoderated list—send e-mail to bbs-general@rit.edu). An attempt should be made to see if the announcement fits one of the other unmoderated lists before posting here.

- **Lectures/Workshops/Conferences**—announcements of lectures, workshops, conferences, etc., of interest to the RIT community, specifically focused on events at and for RIT (moderated list)
- **Meeting Minutes**—postings of the minutes from any RIT-approved committee, council, etc. (moderated list)
- **Newsletters**—postings of any RIT-approved newsletter (moderated list)
- **Social Events**—announcements of social events of interest to the RIT community, not necessarily restricted to RIT-sponsored events (unmoderated list—send e-mail to bbs-social@rit.edu)
- **Sports Events**—announcements of sporting events of interest to the RIT community, not necessarily restricted to RIT-sponsored events (moderated list)
- **Classifieds**—items for sale or wanted; lost and found articles; animals lost, found or in need of a home; and other items of this sort (unmoderated list—send e-mail to bbs-classifieds@rit.edu)

- **Networks and Computers**—general information on RIT computers and computer networking (moderated list) Moderated lists are open for anyone to read, but only information providers may post information to them. Unmoderated lists are open for anyone to read and post messages. Messages posted to these lists are subject to, and covered by, the Computer Use Policy, which will be enforced. To send a message to an unmoderated list, send to the e-mail address listed.

There also will be campus-wide bulletins dealing with issues of major importance to the entire campus, such as school closings and emergencies. All users will be subscribed to this service, and it will interrupt an active session to alert users of a posting. Messages will appear when a user logs on to the system.

The system will be user-friendly and menu-driven; faculty, staff and students will be able to read the announcements of their choice on the Internet via the World Wide Web, for which the URL is <http://www.rit.edu/ritbbs>. Individuals also can access the new system on the RITVAX cluster by typing RITBBS at the dollar (\$) prompt or from *ritmenu*.

Questions about the new system and about how to become an information provider for the moderated lists can be addressed by e-mail to bbsmgr@rit.edu.

Agency exhibits student creativity

Forty honors works by School of Photographic Arts and Sciences students grace the circular walls of Rumrill-Hoyt's creative department this month. Part of a continuing effort to present local art, the exhibit may be the first of student art, design and photography shows brought to the firm at 60 Corporate Woods, says Jennifer Putnam, creative coordinator at the agency. SPAS faculty Denis Defibaugh and John Retallack chose the photographs from last year's honors show. To view the exhibit, up through Oct. 20, and take part in a possible gallery walk, call 272-6100/-6198 for an appointment.

CIMS moves into future of manufacturing

The largest structure ever to be built on the RIT campus is still nearly a year away from completion, but already students can look forward to an exciting new venture into the future of manufacturing.

Construction of the mammoth \$22 million, 157,000-square-foot facility is well under way and scheduled for completion in July 1996. This new structure will house RIT's Center for Integrated Manufacturing Studies. The center was created to assist small- and medium-sized companies to enhance their manufacturing competitiveness. CIMS will provide manufacturing bays for testing and training in such areas as imaging, electronics, printing and publishing, mechatronics and advanced materials. The bays will allow companies to design and manufacture products and develop alternative manufacturing methods on prototype assembly lines.

In addition, 20 laboratories will be staffed and managed by the colleges of Applied Science and Technology, Engineering and Business.

According to Judith Gustinis, director of the center, RIT students will be participating in a number of ways. "Not only will the labs be available both to student and corporate projects, but we also expect hundreds of students to be involved in cooperative education opportunities, working at the center and at area corporations in developing exciting new manufacturing technologies."

Galapagos expedition explores roots of biology

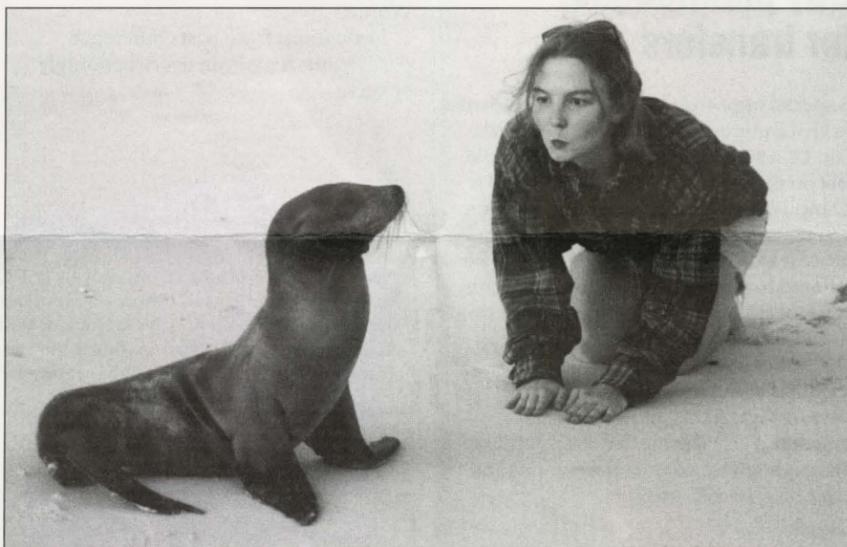
By Brad Rye

Charles Darwin declared that the Galapagos Islands were the source of all his ideas about evolution. In the spirit of that legendary scientist credited with developing the theory of natural selection, Bob Rothman, associate professor of biology, leads a group of inquisitive and adventurous RIT students and staff to the fabled islands each spring.

"Visiting the Galapagos is probably the most incredible nature experience a person could ever have," Rothman says. "For the biology student the trip is an opportunity to go back to the roots of biology, observing living organisms in their natural environment. For the nonbiologist, it's an opportunity to experience the natural world in an intimate and personal way."

During the annual 11-day expedition, participants live on a boat that takes them to six of the 11 islands. Activities at "Darwin's Laboratory of Evolution" include watching exotic birds and reptiles, making friends with giant tortoises, exploring a lava cave and snorkeling with sea lions and penguins.

"The wildlife that we saw was unbelievable," says Ken Rosenthal, a fourth-year biology major who went on the most recent excursion. "The trip, though, was more than a unique opportunity to go out



Tracy Kress, a fourth-year biotechnology major, gets an up-close look at a sea lion during last spring's visit to the Galapagos Islands.

in the field and observe; it was a once-in-a-lifetime experience."

Planning is under way for next year's visit, scheduled for May 27 through June 6, and is open to all RIT students, staff and alumni. Up to four credits can be earned for the interdisciplinary field course, which is limited to 11 participants.

Slides from last year's trip will be displayed in showcases in the Student Alumni Union through Oct. 23.

For more information about the Galapagos Islands trip, call Rothman at -5215 or send e-mail to RHRsBI@rit.edu.

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- **Luncheon with President Simone**—"Parenting and Excellence in Higher Education: Two Peas in a Pod," presented by Ed Lincoln, 12:30 p.m., Sat., Union cafeteria
 - **Parents Feedback Meeting with Fred Smith, Secretary of the Institute and Assistant to the President**—2 to 3 p.m., Sat., 1829 Room, Union
 - **RIT Singers and Philharmonia Concert**—3 to 5 p.m., Sat., Ingle Auditorium, Union
 - **RIT Gospel Ensemble Concert**—7:30 p.m., Allen Chapel, Schmitt Interfaith Center, Union
 - **Special Tour of Strong Museum**—2 p.m., Sun., One Manhattan Square, Rochester
- For a complete list of Parents Weekend events or for registration information, call Jean Collins at -7669.



COVER IT WITH CAMERAS AND THEY WILL COME... The "Camera-Van," decked out with 1,700 working and antique cameras, drew a throng to the Gannett quad Sept. 18. Documentary filmmaker Harrod Blank, who visited RIT in 1992 with his crazy "art cars" and film *Wild Wheels*, returned as guest

lecturer for the School of Photographic Arts and Sciences' Visiting Artists and Lecturers/Screening Series. The artist, inspired by a dream to decorate the van, plans an exhibit or book from photographs he has taken while touring it across the U.S.

Admissions office to host campus open house programs

The Admissions Office will host Campus Open Houses, Oct. 28, Nov. 11 and Dec. 8. We invite you to visit our campus! Each day will include opportunities to take a student-guided tour of our academic and residential areas; talk with students, faculty, and staff about the facets of RIT life that make our educational programs different; and receive detailed information about the admissions and financial aid processes.

The schedule for Open House days is as follows:

8:30 a.m.—Registration

9 a.m.—Welcome and opening session

10–11:30 a.m.—Meetings in the academic departments

11:30 a.m.–1 p.m.—Lunch at Grace Watson Dining Hall

1–3 p.m.—Information Fair with representatives from Cooperative Education

Can't get here? See RIT on tour!

If you can't come to campus, RIT has other opportunities for you to find out more about our university through personal interaction. RIT representatives will host receptions in several regions throughout the fall. These sessions consist of a group presentation and question-and-answer session. The following regional receptions have been tentatively scheduled. Watch for more information in the mail or at your school providing definite dates and specific locations for these receptions, as well as other RIT activities scheduled in your area.

City	Tentative Date
Albany, N.Y.	Oct. 15
Boston, Mass.	Oct. 22
Cleveland, Ohio	Nov. 15
Corning, N.Y.	Nov. 8
Erie, Pa.	Nov. 16
Harrisburg, Pa.	Oct. 17
Hartford, Conn.	Oct. 23
Melville, N.Y.	Oct. 25
Philadelphia, Pa.	Nov. 14
Plattsburgh, N.Y.	Nov. 1
Poughkeepsie, N.Y.	Nov. 1
Saddle Brook, N.J.	Oct. 24
Utica, N.Y.	Oct. 16

and Placement, Financial Aid, ROTC and student support services

2–3 p.m.—Financial Aid presentation
Campus and residence hall tours will be available throughout the day.

We look forward to having you on campus. Keep an eye on your mail for more information and an invitation to attend our Campus Open House programs. Should you have any questions, or if you wish to schedule a visit, please contact the Admissions Office at 716-475-6635.

Should you be unable to attend one of the Open House Programs, we invite you to schedule a visit to our campus at your convenience. We offer group information sessions at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., weekdays through Thanksgiving, with individual interviews available weekdays from December through June. Our Admissions Office is also open on Saturdays from September through May for group information sessions at 10 a.m., followed by a campus tour at 11 a.m.

While you are on campus, we encourage you to visit your academic area of interest to speak with an academic specialist or faculty member and take a tour of our academic and residential facilities. Appointments may be scheduled by calling 716-475-6736 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Mon. through Fri. Please note that the university will close Dec. 22 and will reopen Jan. 2, 1996.

Day planned just for transfers

A special opportunity for transfer students to visit campus will be presented on Fri., Jan. 12, 1996. The Transfer Day schedule will be similar to that used in our regular Campus Open House programs, but more specific information about the transfer process will be presented. The day will be tailored to address the questions and concerns of students considering transferring to RIT. Invitations will be mailed in December to all students who have inquired about the transfer process. If you have any questions, or if you wish to schedule a visit during this Transfer Day program, please contact the Admissions Office at 716-475-6635.

New Gannett chair examines issues



"Have we reached a point in our history where a healthy environment should be a right as fundamental as freedom of speech?" James Buchanan, RIT's new Gannett Chair in Humanities in the College of Liberal Arts, poses such questions to all walks of life, from environmentalists to business people to researchers, engineers and technologists who live and breathe the stuff of science in the Information Age.

"The bonds between humans and nature and within communities have been

broken; how do we mend them?" he asks. From the loss of connection to family and government to a "new global 'corporateness' where environment is in the way," accountability for the future has dropped to an all-time low, asserts Buchanan.

He addressed such issues in the third Gannett Lecture, "Citizenship and the Environment in an Information Age," on Oct. 12. As director of the 1995–96 Gannett Lecture Series for Senior Seminar in the Liberal Arts, Buchanan has drawn from his peers to glean university purpose for the fall lectures. Richard Shearman, assistant professor, who proposed the Citizenship and Environment theme, will present the Oct. 26 lecture, "Ecological Citizenship."

Faces of Change conference planned

RIT will host the third Faces of Change conference on March 30. Faces of Change is a one-day conference designed specifically for young high school women interested in learning about the wide range of careers in math, engineering, science and technology.

The event will bring 500 high school students to campus for a day of presentations, exhibits and hands-on activities.

The first conference, held in 1993, received an "Initiative for Equity Award" from the New York Division of the American Association of University Women.

Evaluations from past conference participants have been overwhelmingly positive:

- More than 85 percent of the young women responded they felt more enthusiastic and confident in choosing a technical career field.
- More than 90 percent of the past participants rated Faces of Change as excellent to very good in terms of meeting their expectations.

Students, staff and faculty from across campus volunteer their support and assistance to produce the conference. Community involvement from industry, education and government has contributed to the success of Faces of Change.

For more information, write Deborah Resch, Registration Coordinator, Faces of Change, RIT, 57 Lomb Memorial Drive, Rochester, NY 14623-5603, or call 716-475-2301.

CALENDAR

Oct. 10—lecture: "No Baloney About the Financial Challenges of the Sandwich Generation, Part I" by John K. Best and Theresa B. Kiernan; part of Faculty/Staff Noon Hour Series; noon–1 p.m., 1829 Room, Union

Oct. 10—lecture: guest speaker hosted by Black Awareness Coordinating Committee; Fireside Lounge, Union; for time, call -5624

Oct. 10—"Coffee And Conversation" on "Understanding American Football," hosted by Center for Student Transition and Support, International Students and AAHANA programs; 1–2 p.m., Fireside Lounge, Union

Oct. 10—sports: women's soccer vs. St. John Fisher; 3:30 p.m.

Oct. 10—meeting: Student Government Senate; 12:30–2 p.m., Hale-Andrews

Oct. 11—meeting: Policy Council; 3–5 p.m., 1320 Hale-Andrews

Oct. 11—meeting: General Club Meeting; 7–8 p.m., Clark Meeting Room, Union

Oct. 12—meeting: Staff Council; 2–4 p.m., 1829 Room, Union

Oct. 13—meeting: New York State Section of the American Physical Society Professional Society; program will consist of 12 talks on energy given by outstanding researchers in the field; 9 a.m.–9 p.m.; day sessions in Carlson auditorium, evening session at the Radisson; free to students

Oct. 13—sports: women's volleyball; RIT Tournament with University of Rochester, Goucher and Thomas More; 4 p.m.

Oct. 13—movies: Friday the 13th Movie Marathon, sponsored by College Activities Board, featuring *The Lost Boys*, 5 p.m.; *Batman Forever*, 7 p.m.; *The Silence of the Lambs*, 9:30 p.m., and *Friday the 13th* at 11:45 p.m., Webb; \$1 per movie

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Oct. 14—Trip to Garden of Fears, sponsored by College Activities Board; buses leave Union circle at 12:30 p.m., return at 9 p.m.; \$3 students, \$6 faculty/staff; on sale at CAB office, A204 Union

Oct. 14—sports: men's soccer vs. Skidmore; 2 p.m.

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Oct. 14–15—movie: *Batman Forever*; 7 and 9:30 p.m. Oct. 14, 3 p.m. Oct. 15, Ingle; \$2

Oct. 17—meeting: Student Government Senate, with guest speaker Barry Culhane, student ombudsman; 12:30–2 p.m., Clark Meeting Rooms B and C; students welcome to voice opinions and concerns

Oct. 17—"Coffee And Conversation," on "Public Safety and Self Defense," sponsored by the Center for Student Transition and Support, International Students and AAHANA programs; 1–2 p.m., Clark Meeting Room A, Union

Oct. 17—lecture: "No Baloney About the Financial Challenges of the Sandwich Generation Part II," by John K. Best and Theresa Kiernan; part of Faculty/Staff Noon Hour Series; noon–1 p.m., 1829 Room, Union

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