

Octagon Club Pole Sit 1995 To Benefit MDA

By Laura Mikols

Members of the Octagon Club, RIT's new Greek organization, will spend much of the first week of classes taking turns in "sit-shifts" atop a 40-foot utility pole to raise money for the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Octagon Club announces Pole Sit 1995—an 83-hour marathon "sit-in" from noon, Wed., Sept. 6, through 11 p.m., Sat., Sept. 9. Rochester Gas & Electric will install the pole midway along the Quarter Mile, creating the "Pole Quad," the site for fund raising and festivities throughout the marathon.

Pole Sit '95 features fun events to raise money and increase awareness of muscular dystrophy, including

- Barbecue at the Pole, 5 to 7 p.m., Wed., Sept. 6
- Perry's Ice Cream Social for faculty and staff, noon to 2 p.m., Thurs., Sept. 7
- A live comedy show (performers TBA), 7 to 10 p.m., Fri., Sept. 8
- An MDA benefit concert (performers TBA), 7 to 10:30 p.m., Sat., Sept. 9 (donations requested)

WNVE-FM, "The Nerve," Rochester's new modern-rock station, will broadcast live from the pole throughout the week while giving away CDs, T-shirts and gift certificates.

More than 40 Octagon Club members will take pledges for time elapsed during their shifts. Brian Miller, Pole Sit chair and fourth-year marketing student in the College of Business, hopes to raise \$2,500.

"Pole Sit is our first official campus event—we hope to make a difference in the community," says Miller, a founding member of the club. "Plus this is a great way to get things rolling our first week back. There will always be something fun going on."

Primary sponsors for Pole Sit '95 are Rochester Gas & Electric, WNVE-FM, College Activities Board, the Residence Halls Association, and Student Government. All proceeds will benefit MDA.

Octagon Club, founded in 1991, strives to be "the model fraternity of the '90s" through responsible citizenship and community service. For more information on Pole Sit '95, or to make a pledge, call Miller at 424-7828.

NTID's Leadership Model Under Review

The decision regarding the National Technical Institute for the Deaf's leadership model came closer to resolution in July as President Simone shared input he had received from James DeCaro, NTID dean and interim director, as well as from NTID's National Advisory Group following the executive session of its May meeting.

In a letter to NTID faculty and staff members, Simone indicated that he expected to maintain the dean and director positions as two distinct positions, a model that NTID has had since its establishment in 1968. The director position was left vacant when William Castle resigned the post in December after serving as NTID director for 17 years. DeCaro, dean of NTID for 10 years, has served in both positions since that time.

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Trustees Get Close-up Look At Challenges Facing RIT Colleges

A July meeting provided the platform for members of the Board of Trustees to get a close-up look at the factors that distinguish RIT's eight colleges and the Center for Imaging Science. They concluded their meeting impressed with the quality of programs and scope of planning and appreciating the challenges that face RIT in the future.

This was the first time in recent years trustees have received a comprehensive overview of RIT's academic programs. The deans, the director of the Center for Imaging Science, and interim provost and vice president for Academic Affairs Stanley McKenzie provided reviews of the current status, an outlook for the future and an outline of challenges facing each area.

"It was a tremendous learning experience," said trustee Dancy Duffus. "I came away even more impressed with the scope, strengths and uniqueness of RIT."

"The presentations were integrated, instructive and well organized," said trustee Lawrence Matteson. "They gave me renewed confidence in RIT. I believe there is more energy here than you see at most universities."

Trustee Nathan Robfogel praised RIT's move toward a "seamless university." He also applauded the role of the College of Liberal Arts in helping RIT to produce a well-rounded graduate.

Robfogel, who chairs the board's Institutional Advancement Committee, praised RIT's publications and the recognition the Institute receives in the local and national press. RIT will next be featured as part of a Rochester-oriented supplement to support the Ryder Cup golf tournament in a late-September issue of *Forbes* magazine.

Trustee discussions centered around such topics as faculty evaluation, the



Dean of the College of Engineering Paul Petersen talks with Trustee Lawrence Matteson outside of the Trustee meeting.

challenges of managed attrition, distance learning, the role of cooperative education, the need to remain current with technology, the National Technical Institute for the Deaf's challenge in federal funding, the realities of constrained resources and the need to enhance productivity.

They applauded the quality principles being applied in the colleges of Engineering and Business, reaffirmed the Strategic Plan as a "powerful management tool" that will play an important role in RIT's future success and agreed that the trustees "have a significant responsibility to help the university succeed."

Trustees also had the opportunity to examine the new directions being taken and the benchmarks being set by the division of Development and Government

Relations and by Alumni Relations. Both areas are striving to build programs that will demonstrate long-term effectiveness.

Following lunch with students in Grace Watson Dining Center, trustees were given a brief presentation on the activities of the Institute of Fellows by James Duffus and Peter Merrill, former and current chairmen of the Fellows respectively.

The trustees passed a resolution recognizing the contributions of honorary trustee Karl F. Fuchs, who died recently, and elected John A. Lopiano of Xerox Corp. and Mary Kay Matteson, president of RIT Women's Council, to the board.

Deans or acting or interim deans making presentations were Wiley McKenzie, College of Applied Science and Technology; William Nowlin, Business; Raymond Santirocco, Continuing Education; Glenn Kist, Liberal Arts; James DeCaro, National Technical Institute for the Deaf; Margaret Lucas, Imaging Arts and Sciences; Edwin Przybylowicz, Center for Imaging Science; Robert Clark, Science; and Paul Petersen, Engineering.

"The presentations were outstanding from top to bottom," said trustee chairman William Whiteside.

Two New Trustees Join Board



John A. Lopiano

John A. Lopiano, a Xerox Corp. vice president and president of Xerox Production Systems, and Mary Kay Matteson, newly named RIT Women's Council president, were elected to the Board of Trustees at its July 20 business meeting.

Lopiano joined Xerox in 1990 in the development and manufacturing strategy office and later that year was named vice president of product integration for Xerox systems development. He served as vice president of worldwide marketing for the company's systems organization and vice president of the printing systems division immediately prior to his current position. He also serves as a member of the board of the Xerox Foundation.

Lopiano graduated from the United States Military Academy and later earned an MBA degree from New York University.



Mary Kay Matteson

Matteson taught high school social studies in Troy and Greece, N.Y. early in her career. She soon focused her attention on her family and home. She also devoted much of her time as a church volunteer. Matteson earned a bachelor's degree in history at the College of Saint Rose in Albany and a master's degree in social studies at the State University of New York at Brockport. Women's Council named Matteson president at its May meeting. Women's Council members serve as RIT ambassadors in the greater Rochester community, developing educational programs, facilitating community networking and coordinating special events and fund-raisers.

An active member of the RIT community, Matteson also serves on the Nathaniel Rochester Society President's Circle and the Creative Arts Committee Board.

President to Deliver Community Address

The 1995 academic year will get off to its formal start with the Community Address by President Simone at 9 a.m., Tues., Sept. 5, in Clark Gymnasium. The focus will be on issues and projects that will affect the campus community in the year ahead.

Also speaking will be: Stanley McKenzie, interim provost and vice president for Academic Affairs; Alfreda Brooks, Commission for Promoting Pluralism chairperson; Bruce Oliver, Faculty Council chairperson; Cliff Dickinson, Staff Council chairperson; and Rhoshawndra Carnes, Student Government president.

Coffee will be served in the gym atrium beginning at 8 a.m.

Solid Waste Program Draws Int'l Participants

The department of civil engineering technology recently presented a 14-day training program in solid waste management for the Pan American Health Organization. Solid waste professionals from Barbados, Antigua and Barbuda participated in the event, which covered topics such as waste collection and collection vehicles, waste reduction and resource recovery, regulated medical wastes and landfill operations. In addition to seminars by RIT faculty, civil engineering technology graduates who work for regional environmental organizations presented seminars.

Arts & Lectures Series Begins

Tickets for the 1995-96 season of Rochester Arts & Lectures Distinguished Author Series are now on sale for limited seating. The College of Continuing Education is a long-time cosponsor of the series.

This year the series is bringing to Rochester novelist E.L. Doctorow; historical biographer Doris Kearns Goodwin; Canadian novelist and playwright Timothy Findley; cartoonist Garry Trudeau; Native American author Greg Sarris and best-selling author Sue Miller.

For ticket information, call 244-3284.

Library Plans Orientation

The library orientation program for fall 1995 will take place from Sept. 6 through 8 and Sept. 11 through 15, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Included in the program will be door prizes, classes, tours and Infonet overview sessions. VAX accounts will be created upon request. The information desk will have a staff member available to answer questions.

A detailed list of tour and class times will be available through the World Wide Web page <http://wally.rit.edu> and at Wallace Library.



The following is the ninth in a series of "Perspectives" columns from faculty, staff and administrators. Anyone is welcome to reply to any of the ideas presented. Responses to: News & Events Editor, Communications Department, Eastman Building.

**By Michelle Cometa
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Telecommunications Services
Physical Plant**

Universities are similar to businesses and, as with businesses, changing technology and varied consumer needs require the face of the university to adapt over time if it is to stay viable and competitive in the marketplace.

RIT's future challenges come in many facets, from growing financial needs to the decreasing population of prospective students, from changing work place demands—and the college's ability to evaluate and meet these demands—to issues about how an individual college is perceived by those considering its educational curricula.

Colleges today, many of which are tuition dependent, have smaller numbers of incoming students and must compete with other universities to attract these students. RIT Admissions counselors scramble throughout the year to entice students to enroll in the Institute, offering competitive programs, career-enhancing internships and financial aid awards to counter tuition fees.

According to an article in the *Sarasota Herald Tribune* (Dec. 25, 1994, p. 22A),

Owen Smith Named Miller Chair Of Newspaper Operations



Owen Smith

By Brad Rye

Owen Smith, former director of government affairs for the *Sacramento Bee*, has been named the Paul and Louise Miller Distinguished Professor in Newspaper Operations Management, School of Printing Management and Sciences, effective Sept. 1.

"Owen Smith's extensive career experience and demonstrated interest in higher education will make a significant addition to the prestige of our newspaper operations program," says C. Harold Gaffin, director of the school. "His diverse professional background, along with his years as a graduate student in the School of Printing will be immediately beneficial to students, faculty, alumni and industry."

"RIT's newspaper program is uniquely qualified to provide newspapers with the type of generalist, electronic-oriented

managers that are needed now and in the future," Smith says. "I look forward to drawing on my experience in industry to enhance RIT's program and to drawing on students' knowledge to enhance my own."

In his most recent position with the *Sacramento Bee*, Smith was responsible for managing public policy issues related to the business operations of the newspaper and was a member of the company's strategic planning group. Before joining the *Bee* as production director in 1985, Smith was associated with the *Arkansas Gazette* and was appointed a vice president in 1985.

In addition to a master's degree in printing technology from RIT, Smith holds a master's degree in public administration from the University of Southern California and is a candidate for a doctoral degree in public administration at the USC/Sacramento Center.

The Paul and Louise Miller Distinguished Professorship in Newspaper Operations Management was created in 1977 by a grant from the Frank E. Gannett Newspaper Foundation. The professorship honors the former chair of the Gannett board and longtime member of RIT's Board of Trustees and perpetuates his interest in good management practices in the newspaper industry.

Perspectives: Contemporary Challenges Faced by RIT As a Career University

fewer than half of all college students across the United States pay full tuition rates. Dr. Robert Zemesky, director of the Institute for Research in Higher Education at the University of Pennsylvania, said, "The whole price structure of higher education, particularly in the private sector, is collapsing," and research is being done into how much consumers are willing to pay for higher education.

At various universities across the country, financial aid officers are putting together "creative" plans to first draw prospective students and, then, to finance their education.

Part of consumer cost consciousness also extends to an awareness of a college's ability to provide job experience combined with education. A challenge to RIT, then, is to keep the opportunities for cooperative education and placement at a high level. The cooperative education program is a draw and will continue to be so as long as the students believe the program provides the best experiences and realistic hands-on skills.

Curriculum offerings also must be flexible, as each of the college's programs assess work place needs and adapt course work accordingly. Are programs innovative, challenging and on the cutting edge of education and work place necessity? Is the technology used in teaching students the best and most current, enabling the student to travel the information highway?

A continued challenge for RIT is the Institute's ability to anticipate future changes and provide course work that incorporates these changes.

While technology is advancing at a rate double what it has in previous years, the question of balance between technology-based education and liberal arts will also come under scrutiny in colleges today. Students' lack of preparation for the work

place in technological areas has been met with concern from business leaders who state that young people coming into their businesses cannot read and write effectively. What responsibility will universities such as RIT have for upgrading students' reading and writing skills?

The RIT console operator took a call one day from the parent of a prospective student. The parent stated that he had heard that RIT was going to start offering liberal arts courses. Startled, the operator answered that RIT had always offered liberal arts courses and would continue to do so.

The parent's perception of RIT is one that can be passed off as just a general inquiry into an unfamiliar place. However, on a broader scope, the view by the "outside" world of what RIT has to offer may also be considered a challenge. What does a prospective student, parent, guidance counselor, donor or employee think of the Institute? And how will this affect enrollment, financial standing and its ability to draw the best faculty and brightest students, in addition to garnering research opportunities and private donations? Did this parent think of RIT as merely a sophisticated trade school?

RIT's challenges as a career university, then, are both traditional and subjective in nature. The choices the Institute makes to remain the "leading comprehensive university in the North in terms of academic reputation" (*U.S. News and World Report*) will have to take into consideration financial challenges and work force needs. The perception of the university as a sophisticated institute should be complemented with a humanistic and realistic component that says that RIT will meet student career needs, but also will engender a generation of career people who have a creative spirit and an innovative nature.

RIT to Be a Big Part of WomanFest

RIT will help out in a big way at Rochester's 95/75 WomanFest—the day-long event on Aug. 26 at the Memorial Art Gallery. Coordinated by Patti Ambrogio, associate professor in the School of Photographic Arts and Sciences, the RIT volunteer crew—dean Margaret Lucas, SPAS director Elaine O'Neil, associate director Nancy Stuart, adjunct instructor Mark Watts and five students—will demonstrate the "old and new" of women in photography.

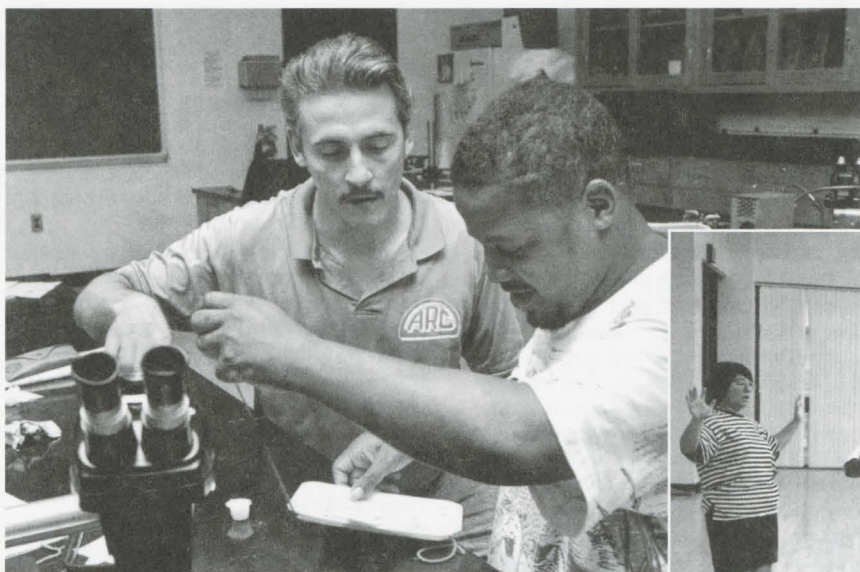
Ambrogio decided on two venues to depict the technology of imaging with the personal woman's side. She enlisted Nancy Stuart, portrait photographer, to create documentary portraits of mothers and daughters at the festival. "Each mom and daughter will get a Polaroid, too," she adds.

For the second part, RIT adjunct instructor Mark Watts presents a "carte de visit"—a traveling cart early photographers worked from, very popular in their day. The WomanFest version will offer digital imaging, showing viewers the process, from image capture to transfer and overlay onto printed words of Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony. Visitors will receive a print as a souvenir of the day.

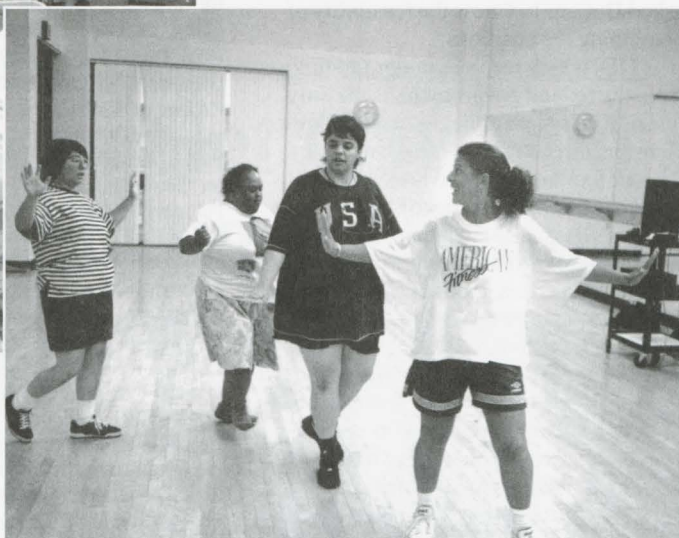
The event is free, and "we want everyone to come and get a glimpse of women and imaging, history and modern-day combined," says Ambrogio. (On a coordinating note: the George Eastman House offers a historical show on women photographers, including work by O'Neil.)



HONORS ARTWORK MAKES A POINT . . . Through the summer, RIT offers the year's best student artwork—more than 100 items chosen by faculty from a rich range of media—in the Bevier Gallery of the Booth Building. The free undergraduate exhibit from the schools of Art and Design and American Crafts offers paintings, fabric art, ceramics, sculpture, illustrations, graphic design work, mixed media pieces, furniture, jewelry and glass art. Summer gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.



A CHANCE AT COLLEGE . . . For the fourth summer, RIT hosted a group of developmentally disabled adults for the Enrichment college-style program. During the week students took a variety of courses, such as aerobics led by Peggy Tirrell of the College of Business. Above, Enrichment student Ricky Anderson (right) works on a science project with Arc of Monroe volunteer George Wemett.



RIT People Featured in the News

By Neil Fagenbaum

RIT maintains a high profile in the media, gaining valuable visibility in major national, trade, local and regional media. Here is a sampling of recent placements:

- Associated Press—Bruce Austin, College of Liberal Arts, on movie theaters serving snacks at your seat
- Associated Press—Martin Vaughan, College of Science, on organic gardening
- *The Boston Sunday Globe*—A'isha Ajayi, Information Technology, on high-definition television
- *The Chronicle of Higher Education*—story with photo on environmental management students using food scraps compost for plant food
- *The Chronicle of Higher Education*—appointment of Judith Gustinis as new director of Center for Integrated Manufacturing Studies
- *The New York Times* and *USA Today*—Frank Romano, School of Printing Manufacturing and Sciences, is part of a story on Kodak's digital imaging systems
- *Reader's Digest*—Dale Grady, Information Systems and Computing, is part of a story on cyberspace
- *USA Today*—Quality Cup Awards
- *The Wall Street Journal* and Gannett News Service—John Violanti, College of Liberal Arts, and his cellular phone study
- *The Wall Street Journal*—Manny Contomanolis, Cooperative Education and Placement, is quoted in a story on internships
- Gannett News Service—John Klofas, College of Liberal Arts, is part of a story on the growth of businesses for crime prevention
- Gannett News Service—Kyle Mattson, College of Business, is part of a story on families grappling over how much to spend on back-to-school clothes
- Gannett News Service—Feature on Food, Hotel and Travel Management
- Gannett News Service—Willie Osterman, School of Photographic Arts and Sciences, is quoted in a story on vacation pictures
- Gannett News Service—Catherine Ashworth, School of Photographic Arts and Sciences, is part of a story on travel videos
- *Investor's Business Daily*—Eugene Fram, College of Business, on the use of retired executives for small-business leadership
- *Investor's Business Daily*—Ray Gehani, College of Business, is quoted in two stories, one on Bausch & Lomb's attempts to refocus and one on the Pentium-chip debacle

- *Chicago Tribune*—Andrew DuBrin, College of Business, is part of a story about what to do when a colleague "tattles" on you
- *The Economist*—Thomas Hopkins, College of Liberal Arts, on regulatory changes
- *Home PC*—Brian Barry, College of Liberal Arts, is quoted on the social cost of high-tech homes
- *The Los Angeles Times*—RIT design students win 1995 Tylenol/Arthritis Foundation Design Awards
- *Technology Review*—Jim Reilly, Image Permanence Institute, is quoted on preserving film
- *Deaf Life* and *Silent News*—stories on national technology symposium and on the symposium's nomination for Smithsonian award
- *Silent News*—student Kris Gray named 1994 Senior Female Athlete of the Year

- *Gannett Rochester*—Joseph Nairn, Part-Time Enrollment Services, part of a story on college trends and "older" students
- *Gannett Rochester*—John Violanti, College of Liberal Arts, in feature on cell phone study
- *Gannett Rochester*—engineering students invent tap to alert users when beer in keg is running low for senior design project
- *Gannett Rochester*—feature with photo of graduate LaSonya Roberts
- *Gannett Rochester*—Eugene Fram, College of Business and Dale Grady, Information Systems and Computing, on survey of shopping on the Internet
- *Gannett Rochester*—story on students who have designed a World Wide Web site for George Eastman House

CCE Students Praise Adjuncts for Commitment, Expertise

They know of what they teach and have a special understanding of adult part-time students. So say the students who nominated this year's five winners of the College of Continuing Education's Excellence in Adjunct Teaching Award.

John Barr has taught in the college's quality management certificate program for five years. He is manager of management and quality consulting at Xerox. "He practices what he teaches," said one of the students in nominating Barr for the award. "Great teacher, great role model."

Ernest Hicks has taught in the college's quality management certificate program for four years. He is senior managing partner of Xerox Quality Solutions U.S. customer operations. "He is an energetic teacher," said one of the students in nominating Hicks for the award, "who can effectively pass on his profound knowledge on the subject matter of TQM."

Geoffrey Poor has taught in the college's Deaf Studies Certificate program for nine years. He is an assistant professor at the National Technical Institute for the Deaf. "He is sensitive to the needs of adult working students," said one of the students in nominating Poor for the award. "He taught me a great deal and made it fun, and he was always accessible to students."

Laurie Roschetzky has taught financial and managerial accounting to the college's business majors as an adjunct professor for four years. She is a senior tax planner at Frontier Corporation and a certified public accountant in New York State. "She goes above and beyond the call of duty," said one of the students in nominating Roschetzky for the award. "She makes the subject fun and understandable."

Ellen Solomon has served as an adjunct professor for two years in the college's career and human resource development graduate program. Solomon designed and teaches the course Managing Diversity. She is president of her own organizational development consulting firm, Strategic Change, Inc. "She really pushed us," one student said in nominating Solomon, "in the most academically positive way to excel and change."

Lawyers Co-op Creates Info Tech Scholarship

Lawyers Cooperative Publishing has established the first scholarship for information technology students at RIT. The 113-year-old Rochester company, now part of Thomson Corporation, has been experiencing tremendous growth in CD-ROM and other electronic publishing and has employed RIT co-op students in those areas in recent years.

The first recipient of the \$5,000 scholarship is Jim Winter, a third-year student.

New MS OK'd For Engineering

The New York State Department of Education approved RIT's new MS degree in microelectronics manufacturing engineering, offered through the College of Engineering. The two-year program offers graduate students a research-oriented program in the design and manufacture of silicon integrated circuits.

The program, designed for students who have studied microelectronics processing, microlithography and semiconductor device physics, officially begins Fall Quarter. "The new MS mushroomed from an increase in research funding," says Lynn Fuller, Motorola Professor and head of the microelectronic engineering department. "We now have more opportunities in micro-e to prepare graduate students for research careers."

Science Hosts Symposium

The College of Science recently hosted the Fourth Annual Undergraduate Science Symposium. The event featured student presentations on research projects they conducted over the summer with faculty from the departments of chemistry, biology, physics and mechanical engineering. In addition to RIT, universities with students participating in the program included Allegheny College, Chicago State University, Hiram College, Humboldt State University, Kenyon College, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Oberlin College, St. Lawrence University, and Slippery Rock University. The majority of the students were funded by grants from the National Science, Dreyfus and Merck foundations.

Math Department Head Announced

Rebecca Hill has been appointed Head of the Department of Mathematics and Statistics in the College of Science. Hill, a professor of mathematics, has been associated with RIT for 25 years. She was a faculty member at Eisenhower College for 12 years, then joined RIT when the two colleges combined.



SINGING BIRD SPIRIT TOTEMS . . . Foundation art students aimed for the clouds this spring as they crafted 20 totem poles topped with "bird spirits" and cut with flute-like holes. The inspiration of Bruce Sodervick, professor and 1995 Eisenhart winner, the totems stand behind the art studios.

CALENDAR

Aug. 24—meeting: Staff Council; 2–4 p.m., 1829 Room, Union

Sept. 1–4—NTID Stop Program for freshmen; Johnson

Sept. 3—Hillel House Open House; 2–5 p.m.

Sept. 5—1995 Community Address by President Simone; 9–10:30 a.m., Clark

Sept. 6—sports: women's soccer vs. Buffalo State; 4 p.m.

Sept. 6—Hillel House Ice Cream and Ruelach Social; 8 p.m., Hillel House

Sept. 6—Wallace Library Fall 1995 Orientation; classes, tours and Infonet overview sessions; VAX accounts created on request; door prizes offered; 9 a.m.–4 p.m., Wallace; see web page <http://wally.rit.edu>

DEATHS

Herbert Mossien, a professor in the College of Business from 1971 to 1982, recently died of cancer at the age of 77.

Mossien, a former corporate vice president at Bausch & Lomb, taught management and marketing to graduate and undergraduate students. Before that he was a part-time business adjunct instructor while working at Bausch & Lomb.

"He was really a dynamic guy," said John Roman, director of Campus Connections, who was on the business faculty with him at the time. "He was a mentor to anybody and great with the students."

NTID . . .

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For the last six months, Simone had been considering two options: combining the positions of dean and director or maintaining two separate positions. He had asked DeCaro to assess the feasibility of combining the positions.

NTID, which receives major funding from the federal government, is the only one of RIT's eight colleges that has both a dean and director. In the July letter, Simone explained that he is leaning toward the existing model of two separate positions because of the intensive attention required by the director to meet with external audiences, including government officials and prospective donors, while the dean is responsible for NTID programs, services and personnel. Because of the time involved and myriad responsibilities of each position, Simone questions the feasibility of combining the two functions.

Before making a final decision about NTID's leadership model on Sept. 30, President Simone is seeking critique and comments from NTID faculty and staff members and students as well as from Faculty and Staff Council representatives, the NTID Deaf Professional Group, NTID center directors and associate deans and directors.

DONATIONS/GRANTS

Equipment Donated To Engineering Tech

By Brad Rye

Several companies recently donated \$160,000 worth of new equipment to RIT's electronics manufacturing, computer integrated manufacturing and assembly automation laboratories. Among the recent donations were

- a package of process control equipment and software, including Ethernet programmable controllers, touch-screen panels, data highway networks, flexible input/outputs, ControlView process monitoring software and a vision system from Allen-Bradley Company, for use in the assembly automation laboratory and in the assembly automation course;
- a Honeywell MicroSwitch Smart Distributed Sensing and Actuation system, with control software from Gello Systems, to upgrade the computer integrated manufacturing laboratory

and provide system integration capability for the CIM cell. The donation of the Honeywell MicroSwitch system to RIT is the first to a U.S. university;

- a vision overlay system from MPM Corporation for its screen printer, part of the surface-mount electronics manufacturing laboratory.

"These donations help us provide students with the knowledge and training they need for successful careers in the growing CIM environment," says S. Manian Ramkumar, assistant professor in the manufacturing technology department. "With the support of these and other companies, our lab facilities have become state-of-the-art showcases, giving students an excellent opportunity for hands-on study and corporations an opportunity to demonstrate their product's capabilities to its customers."

The grants bring the value of donated equipment to RIT's manufacturing technology department to just under \$2.2 million.

NEWSMAKERS

- **Kathy L. Davis**, assistant professor and counselor, NTID, was invited to make a presentation at the March "Couples Weekend Retreat" held at the Mercy Prayer Center in Rochester. The weekend was an opportunity for couples to hear and share about each others' experiences, struggles and successes.
- **Dr. David Farnsworth**, professor, Department of Mathematics and Statistics, College of Science, was the first invited speaker in Monroe Community College's new Benjamin Pierce Lecture Series in Mathematics. He spoke on "Some Thoughts on Linear Regression" in February. His review of the book *Geometry: Axiomatic Developments with Problem Solving* appeared in the Winter 1995 edition of *Mathematics and Computer Education*.
- **Sally Fischbeck**, associate professor, Department of Mathematics and Statistics, College of Science, co-presented a two-day workshop on graphing calculators as the centerpiece of the conference, "Enhancing Student Learning Using Graphing Calculators Across the Quantitative Curriculum," held at Mankato State University, Mankato, Minn. The preliminary edition of *AP Calculus with the TI-82 Graphing Calculator*, co-written by Fischbeck, has been published by Venture Publishing.
- **Rhona Genzel**, professor and director of the English Language Institute, Student Affairs, assumed the presidency of the American Association of Intensive English Programs at the organization's annual meeting in New Orleans in May. The association sets standards for intensive English programs in the U.S. and is widely recognized at home and abroad.
- **Dale Grady**, software specialist and assistant professor, Academic Computing and User Services, presented the all-day seminar "Doing Business on the Internet" and a seminar on "Internet Security for Managers—What We Are Protecting and Why" at the DECUS conference in Tampere, Finland, on May 9 and 10.
- **Thomas D. Hopkins**, Arthur J. Gosnell Professor in Economics, College of Liberal Arts, has been appointed by the Clinton administration to a second term as a "Public Member" of the Administrative Conference of the United States. An independent nonpartisan agency, ACUS was created by the Congress to enhance the administration's ability to reform administrative law and agency procedures throughout the executive branch.

- **John H. Humphries**, professor, Department of Economics, College of Liberal Arts, presented the paper "NAFTA: A Mexican Currency Board?" during the Centenary Briefings Program at The London School of Economics in England this May.
- **Vicki Hurwitz**, student development educator, NTID Student Life Team, was given two awards from the NTID Student Congress for 1994–95: the Staff Humanitarian Award and the Outstanding Staff Award.
- **Angela Kelly**, associate professor and MFA coordinator, Fine Art Photography, College of Imaging Arts and Sciences, exhibited her work in May at the Museum of Contemporary Art in Chicago as part of the exhibition "Visions of Hope and Despair: Contemporary Photography from Chicago Collections." The exhibit focused on the work of prominent photographic artists, such as Franz Kline, Robert Frank and Kelly.

Fall Quarter Registration

Telephone (-6717) and VAX/SIS
Through Sept. 5, (availability may be limited Sept. 2, 3 & 4)

Mail-in and Fax
Through Aug. 25

Walk-in
Through Sept. 5
in Home College/Department or Registrar's Office

Open Registration
Wed., Sept. 6
Clark Gymnasium
8:30–11 a.m. New students only
1–4:30 p.m. Returning students
Please enter gym through ice arena
5–7 p.m. Evening/Graduate Registration

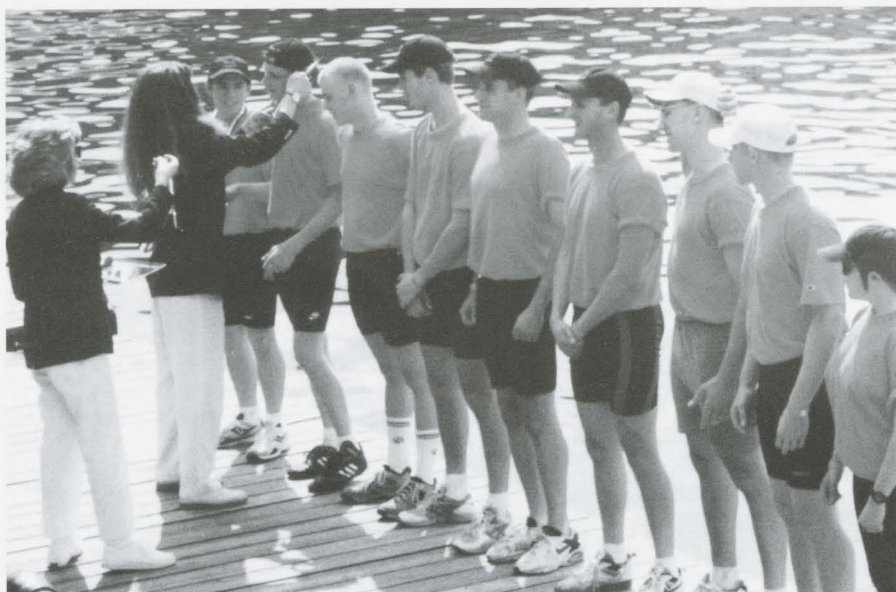
Evening Classes (5 p.m. or later) begin
Wed., Sept. 6

Day Classes Begin
Thurs., Sept. 7

Saturday Classes Begin
Sept. 9

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PRESENTING THE MEDALS . . . The RIT freshman/novice crew team received bronze medals at the Dad Vail Championship Regatta, held May 12 in Philadelphia. RIT Crew is coached by Jim and Margaret Bodenstedt and competed against a field of 35 schools for its third-place finish.



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