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DATEBOOK

March 6—"Thursday Noon at RIT" at the City Center Campus, 50 W. Main St., College of Continuing Education presents a lecture by Frederick P. Gardner entitled "Talcott Parsons." City Center, 4th Floor Cafe, 12:10-12:50 p.m. Free and open to the public.

thru March 7—Art Without Money, an exhibition by Janet Braun-Reinitz, Eisenhower Gallery, Mamie Doud Eisenhower Hall. Gallery hours: Weekdays 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

thru March 13—Paintings by Emily Joseph, Gallery 1½, Wallace Memorial Library. Library hours—Mon.-Thur. 8 a.m.-11 p.m., Fri. 8 a.m.-6 p.m., Sat. 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Sun. noon-9 p.m.

March 10—Rochester Philharmonic Brass Quintet, 8 p.m. in the Delavan Little Theatre at Eisenhower College.

March 14 thru April 3—Bevier Gallery, RIT Henrietta campus, honors four nationally recognized artists, Norman Bate, Hans Christensen, Hobert Cowles and Fred Meyer. Gallery hours: daily 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Monday through Thursday 7-9 p.m.; Saturday, 1-5 p.m.; Sunday 2-5 p.m. Open to the public.

March 14—Men & Women's Bowling, Cornell, 4 p.m.

March 15—Men & Women's Bowling, at Binghamton, 2 p.m.

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

Effective May 1, RIT employees will have the opportunity to join Group Health. A representative will be available on March 14 and March 17 between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the 1829 Room to explain the plan and answer questions. Group Health has applied for a rate adjustment and, if approved, will require an increase in March's payroll deductions. RIT continues to participate in this benefit program on a sharing basis. For further information, contact Betty Bianchi, Ext. 2429.

The registration fee for all services received on the same day at the Wilson Center is \$3, not \$30, as erroneously reported last week.

Young to Address Institute Forum



ANDREW YOUNG

Former U.N. Ambassador Andrew Young will speak at RIT Tuesday, March 18 at 7 p.m. in the Clark gymnasium, as part of the Institute Forum speaker series.

Young will address how technology affects human values and the quality of life from an international perspective. A question-and-answer session will follow the lecture. The event will be interpreted for the deaf.

Tickets for the lecture are one dollar and will be sold in advance at the Candy Counter in the College-Alumni Union.

Students from the Black Awareness Coordinating Committee and the international community at RIT will host an informal reception for Young in the afternoon. A small number of students and faculty will meet with him for dinner. Transportation for Eisenhower campus students to attend the lecture is being provided.

Active in public policy and social issues all of his life, Young became the first black Congressman from Georgia in 101 years in 1972. He won reelection to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1974 and 1976 and became involved in a number of foreign policy issues.

In the 1960s Young was a close associate of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., organizing programs of voter registration and community development. At the same time he was working for the rights of the labor force and for the National Council of Churches. He was also an executive of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and Chairman of the Atlanta Community Relations Commission.

Since the 1950s Young has had extensive international experience as clergyman, civil rights leader and Congressman. He traveled to 30 nations in most parts of the world even before he was appointed U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations in 1977.

Young is a graduate of Howard University and Hartford Theological Seminary and an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ. He has received numerous awards and honorary doctoral degrees.

AGENDA FOR MARCH 13 POLICY COUNCIL MEETING 2 p.m., Lowenthal Bldg., Rm. 1141

1. A report on the Student Directorate
 2. Master Plan update report
 3. Recruitment/Admission Study report
 4. A report on the Economics of RIT
- All of the above agenda items are for information and discussion only.

'Games Teachers Play'

"Give some professors a pair of dice, poker chips and some old golf tees and they're ready for the classroom," says a recent article on "Teaching with Games" from the *Chronicle of Higher Education*.

Games like *BaFa-BaFa*, *DAPS*, *Access*, and *Desert Isle* seek to delight, captivate and inform the mind of students in higher education. This February, more than 300 faculty members from RIT were exposed to these gaming and simulation techniques to improve teaching effectiveness and classroom learning.

RIT is one of few universities in the country which devotes two days per year to Teaching Effectiveness conferences on campus. Traditionally, the first conference, held each September, helps faculty determine common goals. The mid-winter conference deals with specific teaching strategies useful in higher education.

"Other reasons to hold the Teaching Effectiveness Days are to bring together faculty from the 10 colleges of RIT; make new friends and encourage peer interaction," says co-chairperson Richard Walton, NTID business/computer career instructor.

The recent conference entitled "Simulation and Stimulation" highlighted well-known gaming and simulation experts Barbara Steinwachs, a training consultant from Washington, D.C.; and Frederick Goodman a professor from the University of Michigan's School of Education. Goodman is one of the five foremost authorities on gaming in America today.

Program topics covered the process of game design, computer-based simulations, living and learning at RIT, classroom competition and its effect on learning and different teaching and learning styles.

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'HIZZONER' VISITING LECTURER

Rochester Mayor Thomas Ryan discusses city finances with Economics Professor Ajit Sabhorwal's class in the College of General Studies Thursday, Feb. 21.



'WATT WATCHER'

Dr. William E. Castle, RIT vice president and NTID director, presents Barry Keesan, an instructor of architectural technology, with NTID's January "Watt Watcher of the Month" award. Keesan received the happily sleeping light bulb by submitting the best suggestion for energy conservation. Keesan suggests, "People with exterior offices can close the blinds at night, to help keep the heat inside."

PROFILE

'Self Help' Cold Care Clinic

In the middle of the cold-and-cough season there is a person on campus you should know—Ginny Parry.

Parry is a nurse practitioner in Student Health Services who believes that people need to learn more about taking care of themselves. To emphasize her point, she has pioneered a Cold Care Center for students in Nathaniel Rochester Hall, one of the campus dorms.

"It's a self-care unit," explains Parry, "with convenient hours and no waiting." Students can check their symptoms off on a questionnaire, then follow instructions for taking their own temperature, examining their throats and completing a brief medical history. A series of posters lead the patient through the process and end with a trouble-shooting chart of remedies. When finished, students fill out a card that is delivered to Parry the next day by the Emergency Medical Technician.

"There really isn't a cure for a virus, and they don't need an antibiotic," Parry says. They can take care of their colds themselves and at the same time it frees Health Services to spend time with more critical problems.

Simplicity of health care delivery is important to Parry, and she thinks it should be important to everyone.

"In the long run, the cost of a pamphlet and a few minutes of conversation will be quite a difference from a \$25 visit to a physician and using up health insurance later," Parry says emphatically. "The public is demanding better use of the health care system. People are asking a lot more questions, and they have a right to."

One of the questions they are still asking, she sighs, is "What's a nurse practitioner?" NP's are fairly new in health care.

"An NP is a registered nurse who has extra training, anywhere from a three-month course to a master's degree. NP's are a lot more involved in teaching, explaining and counseling than most other professionals in the health care field," Parry points out.

Parry, who has a master of science degree in nursing from the University



Ginny Parry, RIT nurse practitioner, explains self-help health care and her Cold Care Center on campus.

of Rochester, has been at RIT since July. "This job is a nice blend of the two—both clinical and educational settings. Service and education work together on an equal basis," Parry remarks. She has previously worked in the student health services at the Boston Conservatory of Music and has been on the faculty of Canada's Ryerson Polytechnical Institute in Toronto, Ontario.

Most of her day is taken up with physical injuries, medical problems and psychological distress. Deaf students make up about one-third of her caseload, she estimates. Parry is learning to sign, along with other health professionals at RIT. "You need to know 10 words for every medical term," she says smilingly.

She hands out brochures for reference, and gives students a chance to make their own health decisions.

"We assume that college students know all this when they get here," she says referring to stress, diet, exercise, lifestyles and the management of their daily activities. "But most students have never had a chance to problem-solve for themselves. There are a lot

of people here who are vegetarians, for example. I work with what they have, what their lifestyles are, and try to improve their health."

"I've heard students comment on how they really appreciated the time and the explanations," Parry adds.

Because of RIT's technical nature, Parry sees a whole line of occupational health problems. Students working regularly with certain chemicals often develop skin problems, and sliced fingers are not uncommon. She feels a study of the types of accidents that usually occur, and under what conditions, could prevent many of them.

Parry also acts as a resource for the RIT community. She has been a consultant on programming for the Women's Concern Group, sororities, student groups and individuals who need spur-of-the-moment help for a course assignment.

"It's an interesting place to work," she says.

Originally from Boston, Parry says she enjoys the culture and the entertainment Rochester has to offer. She belongs to the Rochester Museum and Science Center.



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FIRST CLASS

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George T. Alley, professor and director of the Department of Food Administration, Hotel/Tourism, has been named to the Education Committee of the New York State Hotel/Motel Association. The Association also recently presented the department with a yearly \$300 scholarship for a student majoring in Hotel Management.

The Department of Health, Education, and Welfare has published a monograph by Dr. Paul Bernstein on *Career Education and the Quality of Working Life*. The publication analyzes the relationship of these two movements, and offers suggestions on how they can better complement their efforts in both the educational and business worlds. Particular attention is paid to the concept of the "career continuum" as a key aspect of each individual's working life. Dr. Bernstein is dean of Graduate Studies at RIT.

Professor Wing-Ming Chan, an assistant professor of philosophy at Eisenhower College, on leave for the current academic year, has had two articles accepted for publication in professional journals. "On the Origin of *Wu-wei*" will be published in *Monumenta Serica*, a European journal on Chinese studies, and "A Comparative Study of the Political Philosophies of Huang Tsung-hsi (1610-1695) and Thomas Hobbes (1588-1679)" will appear this year in an anthology on Chinese thought. Chan has also been appointed editorial assistant for the journal of Chinese Literature, Essays, Articles and Reviews (*CLEAR*). This is the only journal in the United States devoted solely to the study of Chinese literature.

The campus shuttle service, discontinued for Spring break, will resume operation March 10.

Campus Passover Plans

It's Almost Passover...

The Passover holiday celebrated by Jews throughout the world will begin on the evening of March 31 this year. Observance of the holiday lasts eight days and it begins with a special service and meal called a seder on the first two evenings. Since the concept of freedom is the central theme of the holiday (exodus by the Jews from Egypt) this year there will be special mention of our U.S. hostages held in Iran and prayers for their speedy return will be said.

The Hillel/Jewish Student Coalition at RIT will be sponsoring two seders on Monday, March 31, and Tuesday, April 1, at 6 p.m. in the Clark Dining Hall. The cost of each seder is \$5.50 with credit from meal plans arranged. Reservations must be made in the Hillel office at the College Union by March 21. There will also be a Passover Kosher Meal Plan for those who wish to have meals for the holiday.

If you would like to learn more about

the Passover holiday, its rituals and meaning, there will be a special class "Preparing for Passover" given by Rabbi Marc Jablon on Tuesday night, March 18, in the Kosher Korner (Colby D basement) at 7:30. Both the seders and the class will be interpreted for the hearing impaired. For reservations or information call Marvin Stark x2135 in the Chaplains' Office.

RITTS Seminar

A seminar will be presented March 18 from 1 to 2 p.m. to all interested faculty on the subject of RITTS. The seminar will be held in Building 1, Room 3197.

RITTS is a computer program that stands for Rochester Institute of Technology Test Scoring. The program scores tests and optionally provides a large variety of printed reports which give information about how each student responded, how each question was answered, and the quality of the test as a measure of student learning.

Student TV Network

RIT's Student Television Systems (Channel 6) has been instrumental in forming the New York Student Television Network, the first campus television network in the nation.

The network will exchange student productions with all of the other stations in the network.

It is hoped that this will not only benefit the student by having his production seen in campuses all over western N.Y., but also allow the student to judge the character of his work by exposure to what other colleges are producing.

All student input is welcomed. Operation within the network is expected to begin during Spring quarter.

Holiday Schedule

An individual floating holiday is to be taken whenever suitable between employee and department. Departments will control and record use of this day much as vacation is now monitored. Time cards should be marked "HI" (holiday - individual). This replaces the Institute floating holiday scheduled during winter/spring break in the past few years. 1980 will be a trial for the individual holiday which will be reviewed for continuance or change.

May 30	Friday	Traditional Memorial Day
July 4	Friday	Independence Day
Sept. 1	Monday	Labor Day
Nov. 27	Thursday	Thanksgiving
Nov. 28	Friday	Thanksgiving Recovery Day
Dec. 25	Thursday	Christmas
Dec. 26	Friday	Floating Holiday