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RIT, 5 staff members honored by ARC

RIT was honored twice during the annual dinner of the Monroe County Association of Retarded Citizens on June 22 at Logan's Party House. The Institute was cited as Employer of the Year and as Training Employer of the Year.

In addition, five RIT staffers were cited for their participation in a work-learning experience which was conducted as a joint effort by ARC and RIT.

James Sears, and Cornelius Terheyden, foremen with Campus Services, were cited as Training Supervisors of the Year; a certificate of merit was awarded to James Papero, administrator of Affirmative Action; James Murphy of the Accounting Department and David Lamb of the College of Science received honorable mention as Supervisors of the Year.

A group of 12 area residents, affiliated with ARC, have participated in the work-learning experience.

They worked on campus in such areas as mail service, buildings and ground maintenance.

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RIT, STAFF MEMBERS HONORED

Several RIT staff members, as well as the Institute, were honored during a recognition dinner of the Monroe County Association for Retarded Citizens (ARC). The group included, from left, James Papero, Personnel Department; Andre Bessette, supertindent of buildings, West Campus; Dr. Paul Kazmierski, director of Learning Development Center; Cornelius Terheyden, Campus Services; Susan Heard, Learning Development Center; James Murphy, Accounting Department; Ev Merritt, director of Personnel; David Lamb, College of Science and James Sears, Campus Services.

Students learn far away from RIT Campus

Three students received bona fide Bachelor of Technology degrees during the recent RIT Commencement who never came to a class on the campus.

The three, Robert Cox, Kerry Burrows and Kenneth Bird were the first to complete an off-campus Mechanical Engineering Technology degree program conducted at Alfred Tech, Alfred, N.Y. about 70 miles from the RIT campus. The program, launched in 1975, offers a method for holders of appropriate associate degrees to earn a B. Tech degree after four years of part-time study. Starting this fall, similar programs will be offered in mechanical and electrical engineering technology at Corning Community College and in business administration at Tompkins-Cortland Community College.

Cox, Burrows and Bird were the first, a little ahead of their class, because they entered with additional credits beyond their associate degrees.

Obtaining degrees in this manner was not easy and required a strong committment, according to Dr. Bernard Logan of RIT's College of Continuing Education, who worked worked closely with Alfred Tech personnel in setting up and administering the program.

Two of the graduates, Cox and Bird, are employed at Ingersoll-Rand in Corning-Painted Post and had to drive 102 miles round trip for each class they attended—and they attended classes two nights a week for three years.

Expectations are that at the 1979 Commencement there will be 22 students receiving Bachelor of Technology degrees who never came to a class on the RIT cam-

Bibliography on Mainstreaming now available

New information on the mainstreaming of exceptional students in public schools was introduced June 23 at the Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf National Convention in St. Louis, Mo. The new, two-volume literature search is now available to help specialists make important decisions about educational programs and needed research. (Mainstreaming is the process of educating exceptional and regular students together.)

More than 900 entries summarize literature from 1966 to 1977 on the problems and opportunities of mainstreaming the hearing impaired, the mentally retarded, and visually impaired. This set also includes citations on other categories of exceptional students such as the learning disabled, gifted children and the emotionally disturbed.

Honored . . .

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They worked on campus in such areas as mail service, and buildings and grounds maintenance. In addition, they received one hour of daily training in reading and mathematics through RIT's Learning Development Center.

The program was designed to provide the participants with the various skills necessary to reach the so-called "survival" level in society, and thus lead productive lives outside an institutional setting.

Dr. Paul R. Kazmierski, director of the Learning Development Center, said some of the retarded persons had never before received reading instruction. Many made exceptional progress, he said, going far beyond the "survival" level in some a areas.

"It costs an estimated \$16,000 per year to keep a person in an institution," Dr. Kazmierski noted. "As a result of this program these people will now be able to live on their own, work and pay taxes—a general return to society."

The authors, Ronald D. Hein and Milo E. Bishop of NTID have reviewed books, journal articles, conference papers, Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) reports and other published and unpublished reports from a variety of sources.

The new bibliography is one of the first efforts of "NTID Project Outreach," designed to reflect NTID's role as a national educational resource for teaching and training the handicapped. NTID is the largest technical college for the deaf in the world, and one of nine colleges of RIT.

Each article in the bibliography is cross-referenced to indicate the primary topics addressed in that article. The authors selected 15 separate topic areas considered important to anyone involved in main-

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CONTINUING EVENTS

thru summer—Bevier Gallery. Student Honors Show. Hours: Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. to June 30—Cary Collection. Spring Exhibit. "The Rudisill Collection of Leaves from Illuminated Manuscripts and Early Printed Books." June 29—Migrant Child Care Workshop. 8 a.m.-11 p.m. Bldg. 12, for info contact Maria Mullei at 424-1838.

July 5—Personnel Dept. Summer Sun Series. Workshop II—Novels at Noon. *Catch 22.* Noon-1 p.m., patio outside main lounge of CU. July 10-14—Graphic Arts Research Center. This "Screen Printing Update Seminar" will

provide teachers with a solid grounding in current screen printing technology. Hands-on instructional sessions, as well as field trips are planned.

July 12—Personnel Dept. Summer Sun Series. Workshop II—Novels at Noon. *Deliverance*. Noon-1 p.m., patio outside main lounge of CU. Talisman Film Festival—(W)=Webb Auditorium (I)=Ingle Auditorium

Dr. Zhivago—July 5, 6:30 p.m., \$1.50 (W) Three Musketeers—July 12, 6:30 & 9 p.m. \$1.50 (W) streaming. Examples of the topics are: personal/social factors; communication skills; pre-school, junior high and senior high school settings; vocational training programs.

Volume I includes an annotated author listing to allow fast identification of the content of each article in the bibliography. Volume II includes a cross-referenced cluster of the 15 topics identified and annotated in Volume I.

Priced at \$20, copies are available from the National Technical Information Service, 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, Va. 22161. Phone: (713) 557-4650.

NCA offering assistance to alcholics' kin

Alcoholism is a family disease. The National Council on Alcoholism at The Health Association is now offering a unique family alcohol education program designed to offer relief to those persons closely associated with a person who has an alcohol problem.

Made available to the public under the slogan "Make a Miracle Happen," Family Alcohol Education is for spouses, relatives or friends of problem drinkers and through an informal, relaxed environment, provides education as to the disease concept of alcoholism, helps develop a new sense of direction and stability while being supportive of attempts to help the problem drinker face the realities of his/her behavior.

If someone close to you does drink too much, this program can help. Call the Health Association at 271-3540 and ask for the National Council on Alcoholism office

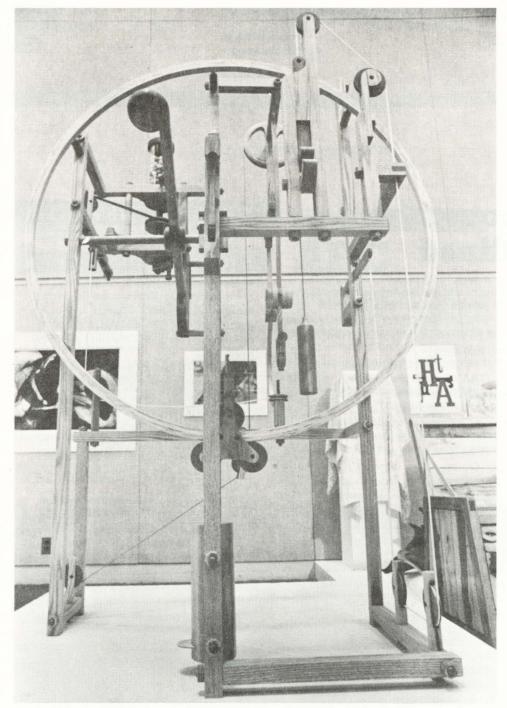
AA meetings for deaf scheduled

The Rochester Central office of Alcoholics Anonymous and the Monroe County Association for Hearing Impaired are offering a new service—AA for the deaf.

Initial meetings of the group, being held at the Health Association of Rochester and Monroe County, Inc., 973 East Avenue, have attracted only slight interest.

All hearing imparied alcoholics are invited to participate in the program. Further information may be obtained by contacting MCAHI at the Health Association, 271-3540 or the Rev. Thomas Erdle, 424-2465. Both phones are equipped for either TTY or voice.

News & Events is published every other Thursday by the Communications Office at Rochester Institute of Technology and distributed free of charge to the Institute community. For information call Norm Wright at 475-2750.



FANTASY IN WOOD

C. Bradford Smith, undergraduate woodworking student, designed a wooden machine for gumball dispensing using nine different kinds of wood. His is one of many artworks in the current Bevier Gallery Show.

Student honor show 78

"Student Honors Show '78," an exhibit of outstanding undergraduate work, will run throughout the summer in Bevier Gallery. Traditionally opening on Commencement day, the show has artwork from each department in the College of Fine and Applied Arts.

The student work is chosen for the show by faculty members. For many students,

it is their first experience in an art show.

Included among the works are examples of painting, drawing, printmaking, graphic and environmental design, ceramics, woodworking and furniture design, glassblowing, weaving and textile design, jewelry and metalsmithing, and sculpture.

Summer hours at the gallery are Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

GRANTS DEADLINES

Please note: GUIDELINES FOR ALL PROGRAMS ARE ON HAND OR HAVE BEEN REQUESTED. Please call the Grants Office for additional information on any program (Grant & Contract Administration, 50 West Main Street, 475-2388).

NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR ARTS

July 3—Services to the Field of Visual Arts--December '78 Award Date. Projects that provide an art community with access to books, periodicals, slides and other information on contemporary art. Matching grants up to \$10,000 for organizations. July 3—Utilization of Museum Collections--December, '78 Award Date. Matching grants up to \$75,000, for two-year projects.

-Conservation in house matching grants

Renovation (climate control, security and storage)

One to one matching grants (one year) for consultant services. Three to one matching grants for renovation (two years) where surveys have been completed.

July 3—Services to the Field of Media Arts-January, '79 Award Date. Matching grants up to \$25,000 to support: conferences and seminars for film and videomakers and radio producers; research into existing and new media including technical research into film audio and video presentations; distribution of film, radio and video works; informational materials designed to facilitate communication about the nature and practice of media arts; provision of facilities and working spaces for independent film and videomakers and radio producers to complete their projects.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATIONS

July 1—Earth Sciences Proposals in Geochemistry, Geology and Geophysics to be considered for September, '78 Advisory Panel Meeting July 7—Ecological Science Proposals for consideration at the September, '78 Advisory Panel Meeting. July 7—Systematic Biology Proposals for September, '78 review.

August 15—Social Science Proposals for funding by January or February, '79.

September 15—U.S.-India Exchange of Scientists Program for Travel, after May 15, 1979.

NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES (Preliminary inquiries should precede preparation of formal proposal.)

August 1-Development Grants

August 1-High Education Humanities Institute

PROMOTIONS

Thomas Hyzen of Campus Services, RIT Downtown, has been promoted from custodian to crew leader. The promotion was effective June 15.

News & Events wants to know about promotions within your colleges, departments and offices. Please send such information to Norm Wright, Communications, administration building, 4th floor, or call 475-2750.

The next issue of *News & Events* will cover the period of July 13-July 26. Deadline for material for that issue is Wednesday, July 5.

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Major Medical coverage changes are outlined

Plans for an anticipated change in RIT's Major Medical coverage program, effective in September, have been announced by Ev Merritt, director of Personnel. The shift involves changing the coverage carrier from the present TIAA program to Blue Cross/Blue Shield "Blue Million" protection.

The following is a summary, prepared by Merritt, of the differences resulting from adoption of "Blue Million."

- The deductible (\$!00) can be met over the space of a whole calendar year (actually 15 months including October through December of the previous year). TIAA requires the \$100 deductible to be satisfied in a three month period. As many as 80 of our employees' claims each year never qualify with TIAA for this reason.
- There is an annual deductible of \$250 for families of three or more. TIAA has no family deductible provision.
- 100 percent coverage is provided after \$600 in out-of-pocket expenses have been incurred by a covered member in any one calendar year. TIAA pays 100 percent only after \$2000 individual, out-of-pocket expenses.
- State hospitals and schools are covered 50 percent with no deductible for a maximum 730 days.
- Nursing home (non-custodial care) is covered at 50 percent with no deductible.
- An ex-employee may continue "Blue Million" coverage after termination whereas TIAA Major Medical is available following termination but with a \$500 deductible and very high premiums.
- Maximum benefits equal \$1 million vs. \$250,000 with TIAA.
- TIAA requires 10 years service prior to retirement to be eligible for Major Medical during retirement. "Blue Million" is available to all retirees.
- "Blue Million" coverage of 50 percent of all psychiatric expenses (maximum of \$1,000 per year), will benefit more employees than TIAA's 20-80 percent co-insurance with a \$100 deductible.

- Glasses are provided after cataract surgery and one hearing aid is available with 80 percent paid by "Blue Million."
- Nearly \$40,000 of Institute resources will be saved annually, due to lower preminum costs.

If we continued TIAA Major Medical:

TIAA's benefit period runs 3 years for ongoing claims before another \$100 deductible be met each year. Approximately seven or eight employees would be adversely affected by this change.

There is no coverage under "Blue Million" for: Chiropractors, orthopedic shoes, marriage counseling, newborn in-hospital nursery care, no air/train fares connected with medical services. Approximately 15 to 18 employees per year now benefit from this coverage available from TIAA.

There is a \$500 maximum benefit for dental work following accidental injury to normal teeth. TIAA has no maximum. There is also a \$3,000 maximum benefit for professional nursing care.

Routine annual physicals are not covered, 10 or 12 employees now claim this under TIAA Major Medical.

Dependent children are not covered after age 19. TIAA carries through age 22 if a student. Only two such claims, however, were served this past year.

It appears that the change will be beneficial to a greater number of faculty and staff as well as bringing down the costs considerably. Those with questions, however, may contact Betty Bianchi (x2429) or Ev Merritt (x2426) in the Personnel Office.

BOOKSTORE HOURS

The RIT Bookstore will be closed for inventory June 29 and 30, according to an announcement by C.O. Bills, store manager.

In addition the store will close for the Independence Day weekend. The next business day will be Wednesday, July 5 when store hours will be from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

NEWS & NEWSMAKERS

Dr. Richard A. Kenyon, dean, College of Engineering has been elected vice president of Region III, of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. In assuming his new position, Dr. Kenyon also becomes a member of the ASME Council, the society's governing body. Dr. Kenyon, a resident of Pittsford, has been a member of ASME since 1966.

Four NTID faculty members participated in a conference earlier this month at Kent State University. They were Dr. Donald D. Johnson, Dr. Kathleen Crandall, Dr. Joanne Subtelny and Miss Gail Rothmann. The program dealt with the subject of career planning for the hearing imparied adolescent and young adult with emphasis on educational needs.

Edward J. Amos, emergency medical technician, Student Health Services, successfully completed the Advanced Medical Technician Course in Pre-Hospital Cardiac Care, Trauma and Medical Emergencies conducted at Rochester General Hospital. The course ran from September 1977 to May 1978.

Dr. V.V. Raman, Physics Department, presented an invited lecture on the Evolution of the Second Law of Thermodynamics at the National meeting of the American Association of Physics Teachers held in London, Ontario.

Dr. Lothar Engelmann, dean of the College of Graphic Arts and Photography, has been appointed to the editorial board of *Photomethods* magazine. *Photomethods* is a Ziff-Davis monthly magazine read by professional and corporate photographers.

Thomas Dingman, electrical engineering technology, School of Engineering Technology, Institute College, has been awarded a 12-month National Science Foundation Grant under the group's Science Faculty Professional Development program. Prof. Dingman will be carrying out his research and study at Eastman Kodak Co. beginning this fall.