Dateline: RIT – Bloopers & Outtakes (Dec. 28, 2006)

MIKE SAFFRAN: OK, let's see if I've got everything I need . . . microphone is on—check . . . swooshes—check . . . jingle singers (oh, wait a second, I don't use them on this show) . . . oh, and I can't forget the special wire-service teletype machine sound effects—check . . . celebrity announcer . . .

CELEBRITY ANNOUNCER: Hey, hello, is this thing on? Testing 1-2-3.

SAFFRAN: Professional announcer introduction . . .

PROFESSIONAL ANNOUNCER: Here's the intro . . . 3-2-1 . . . Welcome to Dateline: RIT with Mike Saffran. I'll do it one more time just for [bleep] and giggles . . . 3-2-1 . . . Welcome to Dateline: RIT with Mike Saffran.

SAFFRAN: This is a special edition of Dateline: RIT – Bloopers & Outtakes . . .

INTRUDER: What the. . . ? Turn that racket off!

SAFFRAN: OK, OK, we'll do without the teletype sound effects this time. As I was saying, this is a special edition of Dateline: RIT – Bloopers & Outtakes. I'm Mike Saffran on the RIT campus, along with Bob Finnerty, Vienna Carvalho and the rest of the University News gang . . . and a special guest—hey, buddy!

CELEBRITY ANNOUNCER: Hey dude, this is Bard Cimzin.

SAFFRAN: You ready?

CELEBRITY ANNOUNCER: Let's get this show on the road, man! We got things to do!

SAFFRAN: OK, here we go!

BOB FINNERTY: This is Bob Finnerty. Here's the scoop on University News. We've introduced a new Web site—so please bookmark rit.edu/news. We are featuring new-media tools, such as a blog, videocasts, RSS feeds and podcasts like this. University News is primarily—. . . . I screwed up "feeds"—[bleep]! And we are featuring new-media tools, such as a blog, videocasts, RSS feeds and podcasts like this. With all of the— . . . but with the continual evolution of folks getting news online, we know University News must have a strategy to get news directly into the hands of our target, target audience—the RIT fami—. . . [laughter]. This is Bob Finnerty. Here's the scoop on University New— . . . I'm starting to laugh now—damn!

VIENNA CARVALHO: This is News & Events Managing Editor Vienna Carvalho. Read abr—. . . [laughter]. I almost lost it at the end of "Rao," and I was like, "I can do it, I can do it!" . . . Also in the current issue of News & Events, read about Chris Schauerman, a College of Stu— [bleep]. . . . What am I going to do?!

SUSAN GAWLOWICZ: This is Susan Gawlowicz, RIT University News beat reporter covering the College of Liberal Arts. RIT and the University of Michigan won 2 million doll—. . . . See? Just keep going? RIT and the University of Michigan won 2 million doll—. . . . I did it to myself. RIT and the University of Michigan won 2 million— . . . [laughter]. RIT and the University of Michigan won 2 million dollars—. . . . RIT and the Univ—. . . . RIT and the University of Michigan won 2 mill—. . . . This is Susan Gawlowicz, RIT University News beat reporter. RIT and the University of Michigan won \$2 million from the National Science Foundation to create computer models that reflect consumer and industry response to policy decisions and how the state of the market— . . . you know what, just go with that first one. Just go with it.

CELEBRITY ANNOUNCER: Don't have a cow.

SAFFRAN: Now, even though I'm a former professional radio announcer, the host of this show, managing editor and executive producer of Dateline: RIT (trying to get as many titles in there as possible), and up 'til now the only one who knows about this bloopers and outtakes special edition . . . despite all that, I'm not exempt from the occasional stumble or stutter.

SAFFRAN (OUTTAKES): Research by P.R. Mukund, from RIT's Kate Gleason College of Engineering, and Roger Easton, from RIT's Chester F. Carlson Center for Imaging Science looking in—. . . . Sciences or Sciences? Hold on. . . . RIT professor C.J. Wallington, who teaches the world's only course, the world's— . . . let's try this again [bleep]. . . . RIT marketing professor Gene Fram was quoted in two Associated Press wire-service stories about retail stores' holiday window displays and retailers' Christmas catalogs. Articles featuring Dr. Fam—Fram's—commentary [bleep]. Dr. Fam's—let's do it again.

FINNERTY: Yeah, well those may be some pretty good outtakes, Saffran. But when it comes to bloopers, nobody can top me! (Wait a second, that didn't come out right.)

FINNERTY (OUTTAKES): The Presidential Search process is in full swing. Finalists will visit the RIT campus in the spring, and after receiving feedback from the RIT community, the Board of Trutee—... [indecipherable]. How'd I do on the first one? I don't think I can do better.... This one's gonna be a little bit more difficult, just because there's big words and stuff.... Are you ready for some Tiger hockey? RIT's hockey season is in full swing, as the Tigers play their second year in the—... at the Divis—.. [indecipherable]. Let me start all over. Ah!... For more on the Regatta, visit theeee—hah!—University News site.... I think that's the first time I nailed this in one take! Yes!

PAUL STELLA: Yeah, Finnerty, you're the blooper king all right—no argument here. This is Paul Stella of University News. On behalf of those of us capable of actually putting together complete sentences, happy new year from RIT University News!

SAFFRAN: This has been Dateline: RIT – Bloopers & Outtakes.

CELEBRITY ANNOUNCER: It's a really cool show.

CARVALHO: Oh, aren't you fascinating and fabulous!

SAFFRAN: Here's to a new year filled with more bloopers, gaffes and outtakes . . . stumbles, stutters, faux pas and [bleep]-ups (oops, can I say that on the podcast?). I'm Mike Saffran on the RIT campus. See you in 2007, on the pod!

PROFESSIONAL ANNOUNCER: Here's the outro . . . Dateline: RIT is produced by RIT University News Services.

CELEBRITY ANNOUNCER: Da-da-da-da-da, da-da-da-da, da-da-da-da-da da . . . the end!

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Happy New Year from RIT University News!