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For half a century, Fram has been an active member of the academic community, serving on numerous committees and serving on the board of directors for various organizations.

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“I didn’t know what I’d be doing if I wasn’t doing this,” said Whetstone. WITR’s engineering director, shortly before graduation. “Working at the station has been great. Now we have one of the most sophisticated stations in Rochester when it comes to technology.”

“Craig is sincerely interested in learning and in helping the station,” said Ceremuga, WITR’s general manager. Ceremuga and Whetstone started thinking about pushing for the transformation to digital at the last year. They wrote a proposal and began soliciting quotes. The proposal went before a number of people and organizations, including Vice President for Student Affairs Mary-Beth Cooper and Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration Jim Watters. Once their new equipment arrived, Ceremuga and Whetstone worked with incoming WITR engineering director Justin Morse, a sophomore bioinformatics major, to install it. In addition to classes, each student logged close to 30 hours a week for two weeks to complete the installation.

“The renovation makes it a whole lot easier to run the station,” Whetstone says. “We went from thousands of wires to about 20. Everyone after us can now get more enjoyment out of it.”

Ceremuga agrees. “After the station is much nicer now, it’s great. Now we have one of the most sophisticated stations in Rochester when it comes to technology. We feel that this is kind of something special that we’re able to leave behind for RIT.”

John Floren

WITR goes digital, thanks to two enterprising new students

RIT researchers are seeking to enhance knowledge surrounding the impact of smoking on human health. Rina Robinson, associate professor of mechanical engineering, is utilizing computational modeling, medical imaging and mechanical simulation to illustrate how particles inhaled with cigarette smoke affect the body and how those from the lungs to other organs. The effort includes the construction of a smoking machine, built and designed by RIT students, that is used to study how particles build up over time. Researchers are particularly interested in the impact smoking has on teenagers. The research is funded through a grant from the American Cancer Society and is being conducted in cooperation with RIT’s Departments of Medical and Biological Sciences and Medical Illustration.

“Previous research on the impact of particle deposits has focused on in vitro laboratory samples with toxins and studying the response, the so-called ‘avalanche’ approach,” notes Robinson. “The work at RIT uses a ‘snowflake’ method whereby particles are allowed to build up over time, as they would in the body.” Robinson believes her research can provide better evidence of the real-time effects of smoking and more properly link how particle buildup impacts numerous systems in the body. She also hopes to shed light on how these particles can impact non-smokers through second-hand smoke, and use her data in additional types of particle analysis, including studying the impacts of allergens.

“Through the use of new computational and imaging technologies, we can learn more than ever before about how particle inhalation and buildup affect human health,” Robinson says. “This information will increase our knowledge of the negative effects of smoking and air pollution, while also providing needed information to enhance treatment, including better application of inhaled medications.”

Robinson’s collaborators include Kathlem Lammik Kennard, assistant professor of mechanical engineering, Richard Doebler, professor and head of the Department of Allied Health Sciences; Todd Pagano, assistant professor of science and mathematics; and Director of the Laboratory Science Technology program at NTID, and undergraduate and graduate student researchers.

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T: Alan Hurwitz holds the new title of president of RIT's National Technical Institute for the Deaf. It is the first time a president has been named for NTID in the college’s 40-year history. Hurwitz, who has headed NTID since 2003 as vice president of RIT for NTID and CEO and dean of NTID, will retain the title of vice president from SUNY University. He was appointed dean in 1998.

"This new title reflects Dr. Hurwitz's strong leadership of our nation's most significant education resource for deaf and hard-of-hearing students interested in pursuing technical careers," says RIT President Bill Destler. "I am confident he will continue to be a strong leader for RIT and NTID." All Davis

Hurwitz will continue his comprehensive role with NTID's external relations, such as working with the U.S. Department of Education, members of Congress and their staffs, development and alumni relations, and maintaining an active connection with national and international organizations serving deaf and hard-of-hearing people.

In addition, Hurwitz will continue his institutional leadership responsibility for academic affairs, student affairs, access services, enrollment management, outreach, and facility management.

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"I am honored and humbled to receive such a prestigious title," said Hurwitz. "I am proud of the wonderful work being done at RIT/NTID today and I was in 1970. I will continue to be an enthusiastic ambassador for RIT and NTID’s programs.

Hurwitz has been associated with NTID since 1970 in numerous roles. He holds two degrees in electrical engineering from Washington University at St. Louis and St. Louis University and received a doctorate in mechanics from the University of Rochester.

Hurwitz is former president of the National Association of the Deaf and former president of the board of directors of Jewish Deaf. He is also a frequent lecturer at educational institutions and conferences in the U.S. and worldwide.

Greg Lively

Remembering Mr. RIT

Al Davis

All Davis, affectionately known as "Mr. RIT" to many, will be sorely missed," said President Bill Destler. "Mr. Davis had an unequalled impact on this university for 70 years. His contributions to RIT have been exceptional and will be felt for generations to come.

Born in Boulder, Colo., in 1916, Mr. Davis received an undergraduate degree from Salem College. Then earned a medical degree from Washington University at St. Louis in 1940. During his time in industry, he spent five years as president of the Rochester Society for Quality Control, and was a founding member of the American Society of Quality Control.

Mr. Davis returned to RIT in 1948 as associate-director of the evening division, a position he held until 1951. He was then named director of public relations for the institute, a position he held until his promotion to vice president for development and public relations in 1960. Mr. Davis also served as the administrative secretary to RIT's Board of Trustees. He was again named vice president in 1980.

Mr. Davis played a key role in helping raise the $65 million needed to relocate RIT's campus from downtown to its current site. His support also made it possible for RIT to build a new childcare facility, Margaret's House, which was named after his late wife, Margaret Welcher Davis. In 2004, in honor of his many contributions, RIT's Student Alumni Union dining facility was renamed the Alfred L. Davis room.

Mr. Davis was also active in the affairs of the Rochester community, having served on the boards of directors of Rochester General Hospital and the Hillside Children’s Center, the Rochester Chamber of Commerce and the Advertising Council of Rochester. He also enjoyed extensive involvement with the Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra and was a major supporter of the organization.

Lucius ‘Bob’ Gordon, longtime RIT benefactor, dies

Lucius “Bob” Gordon, whose relationship with RIT spanned seven decades, died April 28, 2008, at age 95. Mr. Gordon and his late wife, Marie “Toni” Gordon, were the major benefactors of the Gordon Field House and Activities Center, completed in 2004.

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Mr. Gordon earned his bachelor’s degree in industrial engineering at Yale University. In 1937, Mr. Gordon joined his brother, Fred, to lead the Mixing Equipment Co. (MDCCO). The businessmen turned to mechanics and became RIT’s foremost, to provide machinists, lab technicians, chemists and co-op students. Fred Gordon, who pre-deceased his brother, was a longtime statesman of the Mechanics Institute and RIT.

Lucius Gordon, who retired as MDCCO’s chairman of the board, continued his affiliation with RIT into the 21st century. His numerous gifts include funding for the Student Life Center’s Mariane L. and Lucius R. Gordon administrative wing and the crew team’s “Bob Gordon” shell. In 1999, RIT conferred an honorary doctorate of humane letters on Mr. Gordon in recognition of his professional success and contributions.

In memoriam

Janet Ortolani, customer service and training specialist for Payroll/Accounts Payable, died March 3, 2008. Ortolani joined RIT in March, 2008, after a 10-year battle with cancer... Carl Reynolds, a lecturer in the computer science department in the Golisano College of Computing and Information Sciences, died March 20, 2008. ... Irwin Metzger, 75, who taught in RIT’s programs in Croa- tia and Korea for nearly nine years, died May 20, 2008. In Duhrovnik, Croatia. A native of Rochester, he was an accountant and founder of Nagel, Metzger, Burr & Co. LLP

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Remembering Mr. RIT
RIT campus.

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Ceremuga spearheaded an effort to convert all of WITR's technology from analog to renovated since 1993.

"The renovation makes it a whole lot easier to run the station," Whetstone says. "We went from thousands of wires to about something special that we're able to leave behind for RIT."

RIT researchers are seeking to enhance knowledge surrounding the impact of smoking on human health. Rina Robinson, associate professor of mechanical engineering, is utilizing computational modeling, medical imaging and mechanical simulation to illustrate how particles inhaled with cigarette smoke affect the body and how those from the lungs to other organs.

The effort includes the construction of a smoking machine, built and designed by RIT students, that is used to simulate how particles build up over time. Researchers are particularly interested in the impact smoking has on teenagers. The research is funded through a grant from the American Cancer Society and is being conducted in cooperation with RIT's Departments of Mechanical and Biological Sciences and Medical Illustration.

"Previous research on the impact of particle deposition has focused on in vitro testing. The approach looks at macrophages and smoke effects in vitro," noted Robinson. "The work at RIT uses a 'snowflake' method whereby particles are allowed to build up over time, as they would in the body." Robinson believes her research can provide better evidence of the real-time effects of smoking and more properly link how particle buildup impacts numerous systems in the body. She also hopes to shed light on how these particles can impact non-smokers through second-hand smoke, and use her data in additional types of animal studies, including studying the impacts of allergens.

"Through the use of new computational and imaging technologies, we can learn more then ever before about how particle inhalation and buildup affect human health," Robinson says. "This information will increase our knowledge of the negative effects of smoking and air pollution, while also providing needed information to help combat the problem."

Ceremuga agrees. "The station is much nicer now, it's great. Now we have one of the most sophisticated stations in Rochester when it comes to technology. We feel that this is kind of something special that we've been able to bring forward for RIT."
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Letters

Big bash was a big deal
In April of 1988, I was a freshman who thought it was my duty as a newbie to get out there and help out with the Second Annual Big Bash — even if it was still dark and cold outside (From the Archie's, Spring 2008). My roommate probably thought I was nuts (although I don't think we were speaking at that point) and I was unable to recruit anyone else from our tight-knit Gleason 7 family to join me. I made my way across the Quarter Mile and diligently tied knot after knot into each of the big, colorful balloons that were passed my way. My fingers were in spasms the rest of the day! Assembly was still going strong as I made my way to my 8 a.m. class (freshmen bio, memory serves).

What a nice surprise to see the finished products when I got out of my morning classes! I remember thinking what a big deal it was to have participated in the event. I have no recollection of other events of the day, but perhaps the latex/helium-induced coma had set in by then! I always wondered why we didn’t have a Third Big Bash... Thanks for the memories!

Eliza Skop ’91 (biotechnology)
Hawthorne, N.Y.

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There stood Stanley in a small, dimly lit lecture hall in the round. It was warm. You could smoke. It was cozy. But I never saw anyone doff. In upstate New York you doze off. In upstate New York you sit up. There is more than one way to look at a man.

I recall after every class there were questions. You left the dust of myth, but you see the present. You asked us to examine the man, the language, the attitude of a whole nation. And rather than being defeated by the challenges associated with the transition of our economy, they are welcoming the opportunity to make life better — one idea at a time. When you spoke with students and faculty about their projects, you saw the same twinkle in their eyes that you see in Rit President Bill Destler’s. There is a reason why he is always smiling. He knows what it means to take his place on this campus. And now thousands more of us know a lot more about what is going on at RIT and at countless other campuses across this state and nation.

Not many college presidents would dare to put in all on the line, but Bill Destler welcomed the opportunity. When President Destler spoke last fall about his plans to have the largest on-campus innovation day in America, many of us said “Good luck.” Well, we now say “Thank you.” To President Destler and to all the students, faculty, staff and volunteers at RIT we say “Great Job!” We can’t wait until next year’s Imagine RIT Festival on May 2, 2009.

Edward Reinfurt
Executive Director
New York State Foundation for Science, Technology and Innovation (NYSTAR)

Innovation + Creativity Festival = Global Competitiveness

Here’s a bit of good news to all the Rochesterers who are concerned about New York’s ability to compete in the global economy.

Take a deep breath and relax.

The 17,000 plus people who had the good fortune to take in the Imagine RIT: Innovation + Creativity Festival on May 3 will understand why I say this.

It was a day about science — but it was a day about much more. It was a day to see the ingenuity, creativity of thousands of students and faculty. What a remarkable festival! From demonstrations of how we can optimize freight transportation, to ways we can bring the joy of seeing online the collections of the world’s greatest libraries to visualization projects that will enhance discovery, it was a remarkable assembly of people and projects.

In addition to the 300-plus demonstrations of technology proposing to better today’s world, there was something else to be seen and that is the confidence and upbeat attitude of a whole new generation of students determined to leave their mark. And rather than being defeated by the challenges associated with the transition of our economy, they are welcoming the opportunity to make life better — one idea at a time.

When you spoke with students and faculty about their projects, you saw the same twinkle in their eyes that you see always students following you up the stairs, out into the snow, asking you more questions.

I was thinking about The Singular Mark Twain and thought of you often. I thought of writing you but put it off until I was reading the Spring 2008 issue of the RIT magazine and there you were. I knew your return to the classroom will only inspire! Thank you for inspiring me.

John Andrews ’72 (art and design)
www.johnandrewsart.com

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Prior to taking on his new responsibilities, RIT’s new provost, Jeremy Haefner, shared some thoughts about the new job.

What are your priorities as RIT’s new provost and senior vice president for academic affairs?

One of my first tasks will be to immerse myself into the RIT community, culture, and traditions through active listening and participation. I am eager to get started and build practices of regularly meeting and communicating with all our constituents.

Working with the president and the RIT faculty, students, staff, and administration, a second objective will be to assess and rank the priorities for the provost. This will provide me with a solid foundation for moving forward.

A third objective is to ensure that RIT’s strategic plan and the goals and vision of President Destler are part of our core operations. RIT’s success in the future – moving to the next level of greatness and excellence – will be the result of careful and enthusiastic execution of the strategic plan and goals.

Finally, I am passionate about supporting the campus’s student-centeredness and encouraging the campus to become a national leader in this area. I look forward to building collaborations between and among our students and our faculty.

How would you say the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs differs or is similar to RIT?

Like RIT, UCCS has a focus on innovation, but I am particularly impressed with President Destler’s vision around the fusion of creativity and innovation for RIT. This vision appeals to my "creative" mathematics side and to the "innovation" engineering side.

Another similarity is that both campuses are deeply engaged with the surrounding communities. Cooperative learning experiences, industry research projects, K-12 outreach, and service learning activities are just some of the many examples of community engagement that are so important for higher education institutions. RIT has a great history and foundation for community engagement.

Finally, many of the programs and components that make RIT a "Category of One" institution are also those that differentiate it from other universities. The excellence RIT has achieved in cooperative learning, the National Technical Institute for the Deaf, and, of course, the unique academic programs are just some of many examples that make RIT a very special place.

What do you see happening at RIT in terms of academic programs as it moves to become known as an "innovation" university?

It would be great to see "innovation" embedded in the culture of RIT. From the academic programs to the student development activities; from the policies and practices of the provost’s operation to pedagogical techniques used by the faculty; from how RIT engages with the community to how we recruit the "new" student.

I really like the notion of celebrating innovation – Imagine RIT: the Innovation + Creativity Festival is a great example. Highlighting the creative and innovative projects and products created by students and faculty is one of the best ways to build the nation’s premier innovation university.

Without question, RIT is a very special institution. President Destler often speaks to our unfair advantage and I couldn’t agree more. Our job will be to creatively and innovatively seize opportunities to make a positive impact.

During a visit to campus in the spring, Jeremy Haefner, left, chats with President Bill Destler.

Supporting students is new provost’s passion

Paul Stella ’03
Consumers spent more than $29 billion shopping online last holiday season and will spend even more this year. To cyber criminals, more spending and the busy-ness of the season means more opportunity for identity theft and fraud. As you begin your shopping, follow these guidelines to help ensure that you don’t become a victim.

1. Make sure you’ve protected your computer. According to a survey by the National Cyber Safety Alliance, most home computers aren’t as well protected as their users believe. We recommend that you make sure your home computer meets the requirements of the RIT Desktop & Portable Computer Standard—http://security.rit.edu/desktop.html—especially updated anti-virus and anti-spyware software—before going online.

2. Know from where you’re buying. Plug the Web site name into a search engine. What kinds of consumer reviews are returned?

Understand the seller’s return/exchange policy before buying. Check the seller’s privacy policy to understand how they will protect your information. If you’re shopping on an auction site, check the seller’s feedback to see what kind of experience others have had.

3. Know what you’re buying. Don’t fall for a deal that looks too good to be true. Extremely low prices could be an indication that the item is a counterfeit. The Web site may also harbor malware that could attack your computer.

If you’re making several purchases, try to combine them in the same order if possible. It saves the amount of transactions you have to make and may also save you money on shipping costs.

4. Only send your private information using secure Web forms. Make sure the address bar begins with either https or https.

Look for a padlock or an unresolved key on your Web browser to confirm that the site is secure. The padlock will be located at the left end of the address bar or in the bottom right part of the browser window. Don’t respond to requests for private information. No legitimate retailer will ask you to submit private information by e-mail. Never give out bank account numbers or Social Security numbers online or in response to an e-mail.

5. Use a secure payment method. Find out if your financial institution offers one-time-use “virtual credit cards” or “temporary account numbers.” These use different numbers than your regular account and expire after a set time period. Credit cards offer the most protection. Federal law limits your fraud liability to $50 for unauthorized transactions. MasterCard and Visa offer zero liability for most debit transactions as well.

If you’re not using a credit or debit card, don’t use cash or wire transfers. Use a money order or cashier’s check instead, since these methods are much easier to trace if something goes wrong.

6. Keep a paper trail. Print copies of all of your orders and receipts as well as e-mail correspondence and product descriptions. Monitor your bank account and credit card statement after your transactions for any suspicious activity.

7. If you suspect something is wrong, contact the seller and inform them of the problem. Contact your financial institution or credit card issuer immediately to freeze your account(s).

If necessary, file a complaint or identity theft report with the proper authorities:

• FTC Identity Theft Form: https://rm.ftc.gov/pho/dod/widthshtml/2a_06f2 CODE=PE01
• Better Business Bureau: www.bbb.on line.org

8. For more information on safe online shopping, visit the following Web sites:

• www.csic.state.ny.us/csocner/news/2007-12.cfm
• www.ftc.gov/onsale/scams/online shoppingtips.html
• www_safeon line.org

Members of the RIT community share expertise on a variety of subjects in FYI.

By Ben Woelk

Tiger Sports

RIT players shine with spring season highlights

RIT athletics enjoyed a highly successful spring season, as several student-athletes garnered conference, regional and national accolades while a host of individual and team records were broken. Senior Stephen Burns became RIT’s first national champion in any sport since 1999, winning the javelin throw at the NCAA Outdoor Division III Track and Field Championships.

The RIT baseball team won 16 of 17 games late in the season to earn the top seed in the ECAC Uplstate Tournament. Sophomore Geoff Dorosz earned Empire 8 Player of the Year honors for the second straight year, Senior catcher Ryan Tryt earned CS-SBA ESPN The Magazine Academic All-American honors. Head coach Rob-Grow ‘88 (business administration) shared Empire 8 Coach of the Year honors.

Senior LaKethia Perez of the women’s track and field squad completed a stellar career and was Senior Female Athlete of the Year. Emily McPherson was named the Empire 8 Softball Rookie of the Year, as the Tigers won 16 games.

Four RIT men’s tennis players earned All-Empire 8 honors, as the team finished the season with an 8-5 record and competed in the Empire 8 tournament.

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Tiger Profiles

Emily Traversi
women’s soccer
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Alan Smith
men’s soccer
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What’s the toughest part about the athletics season? Without a doubt the toughest part about being in season is balancing your schedule: Classes alone are very demanding, so dedicating a portion of every day to soccer makes it even more difficult.

Favorite athletic moment at RIT: During my first season here, we were playing Alfred in the semifinals of the Empire 8 and the game went to penalty kicks. I made two consecutive saves to clinch a win and to make it to the championship.

If the RIT men played the RIT women, who would win and what would the score be? I think it’s a little unfair because of the differences between men and women physically, but if I had to put a number on it I’d say 10-0 (Men). I think we’d need a way to judge us technically without us playing head to head.

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Watch out for Good Ol' Scammer Claus

Practice safe shopping on the internet this holiday season

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Consumers spent more than $2.9 billion shopping online last holiday season and will spend even more this year. To cyber criminals, more spending and the busy-ness of the season means more opportunity for identity theft and fraud.

As you begin your shopping, follow these guidelines to help ensure that you don’t become a victim.

1. Make sure you’ve protected your computer. According to a survey by the National Cyber Safety Alliance, most home computers aren’t as well protected as their users believe. We recommend that you make sure your home computer meets the requirements of the RIT Desktop & Portable Computer Standard – http://security.rit.edu/desktop.html – especially updated anti-virus and anti-spyware software – before going online.

2. Know from where you’re buying. Plug the Web site name into a search engine. What kinds of consumer reviews are returned? Understand the seller’s return/exchange policy before buying.

Check the seller’s privacy policy to understand how they will protect your information.

3. Know what you’re buying. Don’t fall for a deal that looks too good to be true. Extremely low prices could be an indication of experience others have had.

4. Only send your private information using secure Web forms. Make sure the address bar begins with either https or https. Look for a padlock or an unbroken key on your Web browser to confirm that the site is secure. The padlock will be located at the left end of the address bar or in the bottom right part of the browser window.

Don’t respond to requests for private information. No legitimate retailer will ask you to submit private information by e-mail. Never give out bank account numbers or Social Security numbers online or in response to an e-mail.

5. Use a secure payment method. Find out if your financial institution offers one-time use “virtual credit cards” or “temporary account numbers.” Use different numbers than your regular account and expire after a set time period.

Credit cards offer the most protection. Federal law limits your fraud liability to $50 for unauthorized transactions. MasterCard and Visa offer liability for most debt transactions as well.

If you’re not using a credit or debit card, don’t use cash or wire transfers. Use a money order or cashier’s check instead, and Visa offer zero liability for most debit transactions as well.

6. Keep a paper trail. Print copies of all of your orders and receipts as well as e-mail correspondence and product descriptions. Monitor your bank account and credit card statement after your transactions for any suspicious activity.

7. If you suspect something is wrong. Contact the seller and inform them of the problem.

Contact your financial institution or credit card issuer immediately to freeze your account(s). If necessary, file a complaint or identity theft report with the proper authorities:

• FTC Identity Theft Form: https://www.ftc.gov/identitytheft/fraud/ftc_identity_theft_statement.pdf
• FTC Identity Theft Poster: https://www.identitytheft.gov/resources/posters/poster05.pdf
• FTC Identity Theft Report: https://www.identitytheft.gov/resources/posters/poster05.pdf
• NYS Attorney General’s Office: www.nysattorneygeneral.gov/identitytheft
• Better Business Bureau: www.bbb.org
• Federal Trade Commission: www.consumer.gov

8. For more information on safe online shopping, visit the following Web sites:

• http://www.consumer.gov
• http://www.ftc.gov
• http://www.nysattorneygeneral.gov/identitytheft
• http://www.bbb.org
• http://www.nysattorneygeneral.gov/identitytheft
• http://www.consumer.gov

Members of the RIT community share expertise on a variety of subjects in FYI.

RIT players shine with spring season highlights

RIT athletics enjoyed a highly successful spring season, as several student-athletes garnered conference, regional and national accolades while a host of individual and team records were broken.

Senior Stephen Burns became RIT’s first national champion in any sport since 1999, winning the javelin throw at the NCAA Outdoor Division III Track and Field Championships. The RIT baseball team won 16 of 17 games late in the season to earn the top seed in the ECAC Upstate Tournament. Sophomore Geoff Dobosz earned Empire 8 Player of the Year honors for the second straight year, Senior catcher Ryan Tryt earned CSC-SBC East Region, ESPN The Magazine Academic All-American honors. Head coach Bob Grose ’88 (business administration) shared Empire 8 Coach of the Year honors.

Senior LaKisha Perez of the women’s track and field squad completed a stellar career and was Senior Female Athlete of the Year.

The men’s lacrosse team played in the ECAC Upstate championship for the fourth time in the last five years. Senior Andy Ruocco and Jacob Tuller earned All-Empire 8 first team honors.

In women’s lacrosse, Sophomore Kelsey Evans was honored as the Empire 8 conference Goalkeeper of the Year for the second straight season and sophomore Eileen Hennigan earned All-Empire 8 second team honors.

Emily McPherson was named the Empire 8 Softball Rookie of the Year, as the Tigers won 16 games.

Four RIT men’s tennis players earned All-Empire 8 honors, as the team finished the season with an 8-5 record and competed in the Empire 8 tournament.

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The surface of Mars can hold dangers for exploration vehicles such as the Phoenix Mars Lander, which landed on the red planet May 25, 2008, as shown in this artist’s conception. Among many research projects related to astronomy, RIT scientists are developing a new type of detector that will provide 3-D location information, significantly aiding possible future planetary explorations. (NASA/JPL)
RIT researchers are building an international reputation in the field of astrophysics. Their success will help launch RIT’s doctoral program in astrophysical sciences and technology (AST) this fall.

“Astrophysics has universal appeal and what we have going here at RIT right now – and building strongly for the future – is really important to the growing image of RIT as the innovation university,” says Stefi Baum, director of the Chester F. Carlson Center for Imaging Science and acting co-director of the AST program with physics head David Axon. “Recently we found that in terms of successful investigators on the Hubble Space Telescope, in the latest round, RIT ranked with the likes of MIT and Johns Hopkins, and outdistanced much larger and well-established departments such as those at Yale, Harvard, and Maryland.”

Faculty from the Center for Imaging Science, the Department of Physics and the School for Mathematical Sciences in the College of Science work in two areas related to astronomy. Overlap between scientists who make astronomical observations and those who work with the technology side gives RIT’s program a depth and richness uncommon in many astrophysics programs.

“We’re very focused in a couple of research areas, and in those areas we’re top-notch,” Baum says. “Astronomy is a field that excites the public, including non-scientists. It’s an area where RIT has made a mark very quickly.”

Bright young stars
In July 2004, Joel Kastner and Michael Richmond were the first RIT professors to publish in the prestigious scientific journal Nature. Their international team used observations obtained from NASA’s Chandra X-ray Observatory to follow the dramatic eruptions of a young star illuminating the newly discovered McNeil’s Nebula. They made a connection between the gas falling onto the star from an orbiting disk, causing the visual-light eruption, and a powerful burst of X-rays resulting from the same, sudden episode.

“Young star outbursts are regularly seen (once every couple years) in visible light and in the infrared, but had never been followed in X-rays before our work on McNeil’s Star,” says Kastner. “Visible-light images had been made of this region several months before Jay McNeil made his discovery, so it could be determined approximately when and by how much the star flared up to produce McNeil’s Nebula.”

In addition to collaborating on projects involving space-based observatories, Richmond, an associate professor of physics and the director of the RIT Observatory (located on John Street just south of campus), uses the RIT’s 12-inch telescope to study a group of stars called cataclysmic variables. These are binary systems in which an ordinary star orbits a tiny but massive companion known as a white dwarf. The white dwarf steals some of the gas from the ordinary star, which glows brightly as it spirals to its doom on the white dwarf’s surface. Kyoto University in Japan and Columbia University’s Center for Backyard Astrophysicists collect data recorded by professional and amateur astronomers around the world.

Richmond also contributes to the Sloan Digital Sky Survey, a ground-based project to digitally map the sky. He analyzes astronomical images looking for supernovae – stars that explode. He is also a member of the calibration team working on the Supernova Acceleration Probe (SNAP), a future project.

What’s does it mean?
Here’s a glossary of some astronomical terminology:

**Accretion disks**: rapidly spinning disks of hot gas surrounding and falling into supermassive black holes.
**Dark energy**: mysterious energy linked to the accelerating expansion of the universe.
**Dark matter**: unseen material thought to make up about 22 percent of the universe; detected from its gravitational effects on objects.
**Magnetar**: highly magnetized neutron star formed by the collapse of a massive star.
**Nebula**: a cloud of interstellar gas and dust.
**Quasars**: “Quasi-stellar objects” – a type of active galactic nuclei (energetic cores) surrounding super massive black holes in young galaxies; luminous, distant objects too small to be directly imaged.
**Spectroscopy**: splitting light into its component colors (energies) to reveal physical properties of light emitted or reflected by an object.
**Supernovae**: massive stars that explode at the end of their lives.
**White dwarf**: tiny compact core of a star once about the size of the Sun that runs out of fuel and collapses to about the size of the Earth.
interviews with international media. The front page of The New York Times and universe, the Pistol Star, landed Figer on the largest telescope, the W. M. Keck Observatory – mounted on the world's infrared spectrograph – the optics for which were made through observations with an Way Galaxy. Many of these discoveries responsible for identifying five of the 10 young star clusters. His research group is known massive young clusters in the Milky Way Galaxy. In November 2007, Nature published a paper by Axon, Robinson and Stuart Young, a post-doctoral fellow and the lead author, confirming that supermassive black holes can produce powerful winds that shape a galaxy and dictate their own growth.

“Out of the 400 billion stars in our galaxy, there are about a dozen magnetars that we know of,” says Figer. “Discovering the ring is groundbreaking because it discovers some other phenomena associated with and physically near a magnetar.”

Donald Figer pioneered the subfield of massive young star clusters. His research group is responsible for identifying five of the 10 known massive young clusters in the Milky Way Galaxy. Many of these discoveries were made through observations with an infrared spectrograph – the optics for which Figer designed – mounted on the world’s largest telescope, the W. M. Keck Observatory in Hawaii.

In 1997, news that Figer had identified one of the most massive stars in the universe, the Pistol Star, landed Figer on the front page of The New York Times and interviews with international media.

Massive discoveries

Donald Figer, a professor in the Center for Imaging Science, is also a member of SNAP, and a related project, the Large Synoptic Survey Telescope, which will seek dark matter in the universe. Figer’s research involves massive stars, star formation at the centers of galaxies and sensor development. He co-authored a paper published in the May 29, 2008, issue of Nature – his third in the journal – announcing the detection of an infrared ring around a rare and exotic star known as a magnetar.

The same 16 orbits on the Hubble that gave Figer the Pistol Star also provided evidence of the upper mass limit of stars and startling data and images of young stars in the Arches and Quintuplet clusters, revealing for the first time that young massive stellar clusters exist in the Milky Way.

Figer joined RIT through a faculty development grant awarded by the New York State Foundation for Science, Technology and Innovation to direct the Rochester Imaging Detector Laboratory in the Center for Imaging Science. The two-year-old laboratory has several active projects to develop detectors that promise fantastic discoveries. Figer and his team, working in collaboration with Massachusetts Institute of Technology’s Lincoln Laboratory, are developing a new type of detector that uses LIDAR (Light Detection and Ranging), a technique similar to radar that uses light instead of radio waves to measure distances. The project will significantly extend NASA capabilities for planetary exploration by providing 3-D location information for planetary surfaces and a wider range of coverage than previously possible. Figer’s team includes Baum and Zoran Ninkov, a professor in the Center for Imaging Science.

From Hubble to RIT

Figer, Baum and Axon all have roots in the Space Telescope Science Institute in Baltimore. Figer developed and tested detectors there for the James Webb Space Telescope, which will replace the Hubble Space Telescope. Baum and Axon worked on technology that made the Hubble Space Telescope possible.

Baum is currently collaborating with Chris O’Dea, RIT physics professor, on the study of giant galaxies using the Spitzer Space Telescope. Baum and O’Dea belong to an international team preparing to use the new Herschel Space Observatory’s far infrared telescope to extract more information about the process of forming stars. The European Space Agency will launch the satellite in the fall. O’Dea won NASA funding to manage the research conducted by the U.S.-based team of scientists.

“Astronomy is about interpreting the light we see,” O’Dea says. “Herschel opens up a new window in the electromagnetic spectrum. It gives us access to a range of wavelengths we haven’t really seen before because we need to go into space to observe these wavelengths to look at objects that are very faint.”

The Spitzer study looking at the cooling intracluster gas and star formation also involves David Axon and Andrew Robinson in the physics department. Their complementary projects use different methods to explore the dynamics of active galaxies, especially those known as quasars.

Robinson and Axon are among the few astrophysicists proficient in a technique called spectropolarimetry, which can penetrate the galactic dust shrouding active galactic nuclei.

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“We really have to understand the most powerful energy sources in the universe, which is accretion on to supermassive black holes,” says Axon. “How do black holes grow, how do they release energy, and how is their growth related to the growth of galaxies?”

Robinson says there appears to be a strong link between the mass of a supermassive black hole and the mass of a galaxy.

“Understanding the physical mechanisms that govern those processes in nearby objects will help to understand how black holes in galaxies form and evolve over time.”

Susan Gawlowicz ’95

Web extra: To learn more about astrophysics at RIT, see the Spring 2008 issue of The University Magazine online at www.rit.edu/magazine.
The “right brain” and “left brain” collided at RIT on May 3, and an estimated 17,000-20,000 people turned out to see it happen.

President Bill Destler has deemed the inaugural Imagine RIT: Innovation + Creativity Festival a rousing achievement.

“The festival was a success beyond my wildest expectations,” Destler says. “I was so proud of both the great turnout for the event and of the quality of creative and innovative work displayed by our faculty, staff and students. May 3, 2008, was, indeed, a great day for RIT.”

Student Government President Ed Wolf, who was an exhibitor at the festival, agrees. “There was definitely an electricity in the air. You could tell that a lot of people just didn’t know about all of these cool things that exist at RIT. The festival was a huge success.”

Visitors witnessed a robot that served hot dogs, a concrete canoe that floats and dozens of musical and theatrical performances. Children sampled ice cream produced by a liquid-nitrogen process, test drove Roomba Robots, stepped into a non-Newtonian fluid experiment made with cornstarch and water, or took a spin on a Ferris wheel.

It’s all happening again next year. The second Imagine RIT: Innovation and Creativity Festival will take place May 2, 2009.

Photos these pages by Ken Huth ’88, A. Sue Weisler ’93, fourth-year photography major Sarah White and ETC Photo.

Web extra: To view a slide show of the event, visit www.rit.edu/imagine. Visitors may add their own photos from the festival to the collection.

RIT’s Gordon Field House and Activities Center was transformed into the Xerox Wow! Center, where visitors explored exhibits from all of RIT’s colleges.
Clockwise from bottom left, this page: Youngsters learn about Swarm robots; more than 50 students prepared, printed and distributed multiple editions of a festival newspaper during the day; the “Fun with Fluids” exhibit proved irresistible to young visitors; Phi Sigma Pi fraternity presented Rube Goldberg devices; visitors walk through the “fringe” art gallery; hot glass demonstrations continued through the day.
This page, clockwise from above: Engineering students demonstrate a robotic hand; Formula SAE team unveils the 2008 racer; the automated hot dog dispenser was a crowd pleaser; visitors add personal touches to a painting-in-progress; the mobius trihedral kaleidoscope brought geometry into focus; a student shows the unique effects created by the fiery raku pottery technique.
RIT prepares for leadership in the environmental revolution

“Use it up, wear it out, make it do or do without.” The old saying has new meaning these days as the world’s people struggle to cope with shortages of resources as well as global warming attributed to greenhouse gasses.

With the opening of the Golisano Institute for Sustainability, RIT gained increased status for its pioneering efforts in the areas of green engineering and manufacturing. In addition to preparing students to become leaders in these areas, the institute is helping business and industry adapt.

At the same time, the campus community is making strides to operate more sustainably.

The following stories explain what it means to go green at RIT. For more, see the online version of the Fall 2008 magazine at www.rit.edu/magazine.

Buildings sustainability, right from the start

RIT established the Golisano Institute for Sustainability to be a global resource for education, research, technology transfer and outreach in sustainable manufacturing processes that will influence all aspects of product design and manufacturing. This groundbreaking initiative seeks to provide the next generation of engineers, policy makers and CEOs with comprehensive education and training in sustainability, while also promoting the development and implementation of new technologies that will increase both the environmental quality and economic efficiency of American industry.

“It is imperative that we accelerate strategies to promote a sustainable society and ensure future generations the opportunity to address their own needs,” says B. Thomas Golisano, founder and chairman of Paychex Inc., whose $10 million donation launched the Golisano Institute in fall 2007. “For that reason, it is my desire for this new initiative to produce the first generation of professionals with the vision and know-how to deliver on the promise of sustainability, and I am very proud to be associated with this exciting endeavor.”

The next step forward

The Golisano Institute grew out of more than a decade of work in RIT’s Center for Integrated Manufacturing Studies (CIMS) focused on remanufacturing, lifecycle engineering and alternative energy development. Research projects conducted through the new institute are building on this expertise to incorporate sustainable design, pollution prevention and new energy technologies into all aspects of production, from design through product reuse, remanufacture or recycling.

In addition, the Golisano Institute will house one of the world’s first doctoral programs in sustainability, featuring educational and research opportunities integrating environmentally conscious product design and manufacturing, industrial ecology, technology and public policy, environmental science and management, and sustainable business practices. RIT anticipates admitting the first students in this fall.

“Here at the Golisano Institute, we are focusing on designing production systems that are completely closed loop with no waste product and a high level of material
reusing,” notes Nabil Nasr, RIT’s assistant provost for academic affairs and director of the Golisano Institute. “In addition, our education programs will seek to provide our next generation with comprehensive knowledge and training in sustainable industrial development.”

**Enhancing the development of sustainable industries**

Currently, the Golisano Institute is partnering with numerous companies and government agencies in a wide variety of sectors with the goal of reducing environmental impact while also enhancing economic competitiveness.

For example, the institute is partnering with Delphi Corp. and the U.S. Department of Defense to accelerate the application of solid oxide fuel cells into the military’s stationary and mobile systems. Delphi and the Golisano Institute will collaborate on the lifecycle design and development of sustainable production technologies, which could greatly enhance efficiency and reduce fossil fuel use in military vehicles. The partnership, made possible through a $2.75 million grant secured by Congresswoman Louise Slaughter and Senators Hillary Clinton and Charles Schumer, will also assist in accelerating commercialization of the technology, while increasing investment and technical capacity in the Rochester region.

“Rochester represents the nexus between research and manufacturing that is needed to make emerging technologies mainstream,” says Congresswoman Slaughter. “The potential for long-term economic development and job growth, which is enhanced by the work of RIT’s Golisano Institute for Sustainability, is both exciting and necessary for Rochester’s future success.”

The Golisano Institute was also selected to host the New York State Pollution Prevention Institute as the result of a highly competitive grant process. The institute, a comprehensive, statewide research and technology center, assists small and large businesses in implementing processes that will reduce the environmental footprint and enhance economic development. It is funded through a multi-year grant from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, with first-year funding of $3 million.

Work conducted will address industry needs and focus on applied research in clean technology development, design for remanufacture, and green product assessment. RIT will serve as the Pollution Prevention Institute’s lead university in collaboration with academic partners at the University of Buffalo, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and Clarkson University as well as the state’s Regional Technology Development Centers.

“The Pollution Prevention Institute will provide a tangible return on investment to New York state through the successful implementation of pollution prevention strategies that will have an immediate impact on the environment and result in significant economic benefits for business and industry throughout the state,” notes Edwin Piñero, director of the Pollution Prevention Institute and a former federal environmental executive.

**Future development**

The educational and research efforts within the Golisano Institute will continue to grow, thanks to additional investment from several Fortune 500 companies and leading charitable foundations. The development of the doctoral program was supported by a $465,000 grant from the Henry Luce Foundation and a $400,000 gift from the Chester and Dorris Carlson Charitable Fund. In addition, the state of New York, thanks to the efforts of the Rochester area Senate and Assembly delegations, has provided $12 million in support of the construction of a facility that will house the institute’s research and educational programs. It is anticipated that planning and design on the building will begin this year, with initial construction slated for 2009.

In addition, Xerox Corp., which has a long-established relationship with RIT, is serving as a founding partner of the Golisano Institute, committing $2 million to the development of its research and academic programs. The grant will also further the implementation of sustainable production and design at Xerox, which has been a leader in sustainable development for decades.

“The extraordinary response that we have received regarding the work being undertaken at the Golisano Institute is extremely gratifying,” says Nasr. “It illustrates the tremendous progress we have made in creating academic and research programs that have real value for society, while also showing the importance of sustainable development to academia, government and industry.”

For more information about activities of RIT’s Golisano Institute for Sustainability, visit www.sustainability.rit.edu
The new College of Applied Science and Technology Building, which opened in April, was designed to meet the standards of the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Rating System of the U.S. Green Building Council, the most widely accepted rating system for evaluating sustainable, high-performance buildings.

The building features controls that monitor building occupancy and reduce power demands accordingly. The improved systems provide an approximate 21.4 percent savings in electrical energy (estimated annual savings of more than $24,000), which is comparable to the power necessary to service approximately 47 New York state homes.

It also includes two 1,500-gallon cisterns that collect rainwater from the roof to flush toilets in the restrooms. Rainwater is also used to irrigate some unusual plantings in the main lobby, where a “green wall” of plants improves air quality.

The CAST Building houses the William G. McGowan Center for Telecommunications, Innovation and Collaborative Research, the William G. McGowan Student Commons, the REDCOM Telecommunications Systems Laboratory and Lecture Facility, the American Packaging Corporation Center for Packaging Innovation and an Occupational Safety and Health Administration Training Center.

The building is also home to the college’s Department of Civil Engineering Technology, Environmental Management and Safety and Department of Electrical, Computer and Telecommunications Engineering Technology.

In addition to RIT funds, funding for the $10.5 million, 33,600-square-foot facility came from the following individuals and organizations: William G. McGowan Charitable Fund, New York State Higher Education Capital Facilities Program, REDCOM Laboratories Inc., American Packaging Corp., Rock-Tenn Co., Eastman Kodak Co., Joseph Clayton, One Communications, Melles Griot, Mitel Inc., Fibertech Networks LLC, O’Connell Electric and Green Living Technologies LLC.

John Follaco

RIT’s Kate Gleason College of Engineering has launched master’s degree programs in sustainable engineering that enhance the incorporation of sustainable approaches in traditional engineering education and advance development of sustainability research. The programs include multidisciplinary coursework in lifecycle engineering, design for the environment, alternative energy and public policy.

In addition, the college offers a B.S./M.S. program in mechanical engineering and public policy in partnership with the College of Liberal Arts’ Department of Science Technology and Society/Public Policy, as well as a minor in sustainable product development offered to technically focused majors across campus.

“These programs combine sustainable design and management practices with research and education in industrial and systems and mechanical engineering along with business and public policy,” says Harvey Palmer, dean of the Kate Gleason College. “Our goals include the further development of the emerging discipline of sustainability and the graduation of a new generation of engineers who are adept at applying sustainable principles to engineering practices.”

During the past two years, more than 200 students have enrolled in the sustainable engineering courses.

The College of Engineering also strives to provide students with opportunities to incorporate sustainability into the RIT campus and in the broader community. The college houses a student chapter of Engineers for a Sustainable World, an international organization designed to enhance the incorporation of numerous facets of sustainability in engineering, science and society. The RIT chapter is currently working with Rochester’s St. Joseph’s Homeless Shelter.

“Most of us got involved with Engineers for a Sustainable World because we wanted to make our community a better place,” notes Jim Cezo, past president of the RIT chapter. “We all get a lot out of our work with St. Joseph’s because we see the positive impact it has on people’s lives and society as a whole.”

RIT offers other degree programs focused on environmental studies, including:

- Environmental Science (M.S.), College of Science.
- Environmental, Health and Safety Management, (M.S.), College of Applied Science and Technology.
- MBA concentration in environmentally sustainable management, Saunders College of Business.
RIT tries to practice what it teaches.

“RIT has made a major commitment to lead the global development of intellectual capital and research related to sustainability,” says President Bill Destler. “Our creation of the Golisano Institute for Sustainability is a highly visible public recognition of our commitment to and belief in the need for ever-increasing stewardship of our global resources. We, as a university community, must also demonstrate a commitment to these principles and practices in the operation of the university.”

What’s being done to make RIT greener? Here are a few examples:

- The first building incorporating standards of the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Rating System of the U.S. Green Building Council opened this year (see page 21), and future building will follow these guidelines.

- Diesel fuel or electric vehicles have replaced gasoline-powered vehicles where possible. In addition, RIT Facilities Management Services (FMS), in conjunction with the Golisano Institute, is testing bio-diesel powered vehicles.

- Sophisticated controls regulate heating and ventilation of buildings.

- Green cleaning products are used campus-wide.

- Solar cells power all crosswalk warning lights.

- An experimental wind-powered light designed and built by engineering students through an FMS-sponsored project illuminates a section of a campus walkway. Increased insulation has been installed on all building roofs (as part of the re-roofing process) to the R-20 level.

- Single-pane windows in older buildings have been replaced with energy-efficient windows.

- Air lock entry vestibules have been installed on almost all buildings.

- Lighting fixtures are continuously replaced with more efficient models as the technology evolves.

- Water-saving plumbing fixtures have been installed.

- Energy Star equipment is the standard for RIT purchases. Many of these practices date to the 1970s; energy consumption has long been an important financial consideration. More recently, increased concern about global warming and other environmental issues have made such efforts ever more compelling. In 2006, James Watters, senior vice president, Finance and Administration, established an advisory committee to review institutional practices for sustainability in construction of facilities, alternative energy technologies, green technologies and strategic policies for consideration by the university. Members of the Committee for Sustainable Practices include administrators, faculty and students.

“Initially, our goal was to evaluate alternative energy technologies,” says Watters. “Over time, we’ve evolved into a much broader mandate.”

Watters and the group are willing to take a look at any promising idea, but not all prove practical. For example, the committee looked into putting solar panels on the roof of the Hale Andrews Student Life Center. The cost of the project was estimated at $197,000 and a $75,000 state grant was available, bringing RIT’s cost to $122,000.

Using solar power was expected to save $1,600 per year in energy costs.

“The committee thought there were better uses for university dollars,” says Watters. “Some technologies just aren’t yet economically viable.”

Currently, serious consideration is being given to the use of geothermal technology for use in heating the planned Global Village student housing project (see page 25). Wind power could be feasible for some uses, says Watters.

Meanwhile, more can be done to encourage behavioral changes within the RIT community. Simple practices such as making double-sided copies or cutting down on making print-outs of e-mail are a start. Promoting car-pooling and walking and sponsoring student contests to reduce energy consumption in residences are other ideas.

Watters also believes RIT should strive to recycle more materials. In fiscal year 2006-2007, RIT recycled approximately 27 percent of total waste. Watters would like to reach the 40 percent level.

“To be viewed as a progressive university, you must be more sustainable,” says the senior vice president. “There are a lot of opportunities, and we have to make sure we are doing all we can.”

To learn more about RIT’s efforts to become greener, visit www.rit.edu/ritgreen.

Kathy Lindsley
Travel back in time to 1968. It is an awesome, yet awful year:
- Rowan and Martin’s Laugh-in TV series debuts.
- Martin Luther King Jr. is slain in April followed by Robert F. Kennedy’s assassination in June.
- Hair opens on Broadway.
- North Vietnam’s brutal Tet Offensive marks a watershed in the war in Vietnam.
- The Beatles release The White Album.
- Richard Nixon is elected president, defeating Hubert Humphrey.
- Apollo 8 astronauts circle the moon.
- RIT’s new $60 million campus opens on a 1,300-acre site in the Rochester suburb of Henrietta.

"It is a time when much of great significance has been achieved," President Mark Ellingson wrote in Reporter’s summer 1968 edition. "It is also the time when everything that we have anticipated confronts us. At no time in the history of the institute has the opportunity for personal and professional development been greater."

The feeling of anticipation was somewhat stifled by what confronted students on their arrival that September.

"It was muddy and barren," recalls Grant Hamilton ’69 (printing), who was editor and general manager of Reporter, the student newspaper. "The 1960s campus architecture was a shock to the system. It was quite a contrast to the atmosphere of the downtown campus."

That seems to be the general consensus. "It was like little nothing out there," says Allison Adams-Weinberg ’70 (hospitality and service management).

"It was a big swamp," says Thomas Barker ’65, ’70 (imaging science, statistics). "The wind used to whistle through there like Russian Siberia," says Jerry Infantino ’69 (art and design). "But RIT had to grow, and there was no room downtown."

In fact, a large portion of the downtown campus – 11 buildings – had been slated for demolition to make way for Rochester’s Inner Loop expressway. Announcement of that project by the state Department of Transportation in 1959 motivated RIT’s leaders to consider relocating the campus. A surprise $3.27 million bequest from Grace Watson in 1961 helped put such a plan within reach, and in November 1961, after lengthy discussions, the Board of Trustees voted to build a new campus. All 35 members were present; only two voted nay, and one abstained.

Plans for the campus were unveiled with appropriate fanfare under a tent on the Henrietta site – formerly farmland – in September 1963 and construction began in 1964. Five architectural firms, each highly regarded for modernist design, worked on different parts of the project but collabo-
Barker, a member of Alpha Xi Delta, says sorority members were pleased with their new quarters. Hamilton says the sports facilities were better, and the arrival of NTID students added a dimension to campus life.

The newly planted trees grew, softening the lines of the architecture, which – despite early criticism – won the Collaborative Achievement in Architecture Medal from the American Institute of Architects in 1972. Structures added since 1968 have, in the main, continued the brick theme, while additional landscaping has provided substantial eye appeal – and shelter from the wind.

Barker, who worked for Xerox and later became a faculty member in the Kate Gleason College of Engineering, believes that the opening of the new campus was an important component of RIT’s evolution into a prestigious, nationally known university.

Jerry Infantino agrees. “It was exciting to be a part of the new experience,” he says. “RIT was coming into its own.”

Kathy Lindsley

Born in 1968

In addition to moving to a new campus, other programs began 40 years ago:

- National Technical Institute for the Deaf welcomed its first class of 70 students.
- The Nathaniel Rochester Society, an organization formed to recognize RIT’s most generous supporters and to encourage a closer relationship between the Institute and members of the community, was founded.
- RIT’s men’s lacrosse team was formed.
- The College of Business launched its first MBA degree program.
I think we were excited about what was to come. The photo at right shows how that area looks today, with the one rated to create a homogeneous Whole. Over the next few years, members of the RIT community trekked to the site periodically to watch the progress.

“I remember arriving at school one day and finding out it was ‘new campus day,’” says Barker. “We all went out to the swamp. I think we were excited about what was to come. Some of the old buildings were getting pretty rickety.”

By early 1967, it appeared that the new campus would be ready for operation that fall. Construction crews made that imposible, so opening day was put off for a few weeks.

Even so, all was far from perfection when classes began Sept. 19, 1968.

“The campus was not complete, paths were not all built, and there was a lot of mud,” writes Diane R. Gordon, professor emerita, in Rochester Institute of Technology: An American City 1829-2006 (RIT Press, 2007). “Not all of the equipment was installed; some of it was there in parts but not assembled. This made instruction and labs difficult. One day about 200 students gathered around the sundial to protest the lack of adequate space. Hamilton says they expected to be completed in 2009.

Born in RIT

In addition to more than 10,000 students:

• National Tree students
• The Nathan Alpern Library
• The Nathan Alper College of Computing and Information Science
• The School for American Crafts
• RIT’s most graduate students, international students, and a late-night venue.

Still growing strong: Park Point and more

Forty years after the move from downtown Rochester, RIT continues to evolve and expand. RIT’s long-anticipated “college town” development opens this summer.

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The new Barnes & Noble store is the centerpiece of the retail section of the Park Point development.
In one lab on the RIT campus, a group of students are testing a device designed to recover wasted energy exhaust that may someday help manufacturing facilities increase energy efficiency. In another lab, students are developing a condition monitoring system that will improve the maintenance and operation of large compressors.

These projects are just two of several research initiatives that are part of a unique collaboration between RIT and Dresser-Rand, a manufacturer of equipment to the worldwide oil, gas, petrochemical and process industries. The Dresser-Rand / RIT Campus Partnership Program was established last year to enhance educational opportunities for RIT students and to help Dresser-Rand recruit highly skilled alumni, new graduates and co-op students.

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The Dresser-Rand / RIT Campus Partnership Program kicked-off in late 2006. In September 2007, D-R hosted a tour and presentation for nearly 120 mechanical engineering students who spent the day interacting with engineers, designers, and managers at Dresser-Rand operations in Olean, N.Y. Dresser-Rand also funded four projects in 2007-08 through the Kate Gleeson College of Engineering’s Multi-disciplinary Senior Design Program. The company is currently funding additional design projects that build upon these efforts and hopes ultimately to incorporate aspects of all these research projects into its manufacturing operations.

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RIT presents awards to nine noteworthy grads

Karen Benjamin ’93 (COLA). Benjamin, a graduate of the professional and technical communications program, is the co-founder and co-owner of Worldleaders, a search firm focused on hiring executives and leadership talent across human resources, sales, marketing, information technology, and finance. Prior to launching Worldleaders, she was a vice president at Cber, an international information technology consulting firm. She was recognized as an up-and-coming executive in 2003 by the Rochester Women’s Network and was named IT Woman of the Year by the Rochester Association for Women in Computing in 2004. She received an M.S. in management from Roberts Wesleyan College, Rochester.

Britta MacIntosh ’89 (GCCIS). Following graduation from RIT, MacIntosh moved to Boston to work for Syska and Hennessey as a design engineer. She also attended North Carolina State University and received her M.S. in mechanical engineering in 1992. She joined Select Energy Services in 1993 as a project engineer, where she developed and implemented energy efficiency projects for clients such as the U.S. Navy and the Boston Red Sox. She advanced to become manager of engineering and construction before becoming director of business development. In 2004, MacIntosh entered General Electric as vice president of government programs. She is currently vice president of business development for NORESCO LLC in Westborough, Mass., a leading energy services company that has developed, engineered, financed, installed and maintained more than $2 billion in energy efficiency and renewable energy projects worldwide.

Barbara M. “Bobbie” Fallon ’89 (NTID). The Distinguished Alumna Award for NTID was awarded posthumously to Ms. Fallon, who died unexpectedly in February shortly after learning of her selection. Fallon enrolled in the accounting program at RIT/NTID at the age of 32 after working as a bookkeeper and accounting clerk for 14 years. Despite being the oldest in her classes, Fallon quickly became one of NTID’s most recognized and admired students. A cooperative work experience at KPMG turned into a permanent job, beginning as an auditor and eventually becoming a supervising senior tax specialist in the Montvale, N.J. office. She was active in community outreach and received the KPMG Montvale Area Chairman’s Award for Volunteerism in 2001. Fallon lived in Yonkers, N.Y.

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Larry Grundhauser '78 (photo management) is one of 19 individuals honored by the Commission on Independent Colleges and Universities this year.

The organization's Alumni Hall of Distinction was created in 2000 to recognize New York's independent sector graduates who make contributions to society through their careers and community involvement. This year, the commission recognized alumni who are actively serving in the United States military or are veterans.

Grundhauser, promoted to brigadier general in 2007, serves at the Pentagon as vice director for intelligence on the Joint Staff. His responsibilities include providing intelligence to the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and Secretary of Defense.

He joined the Air Force in 1982 and his distinguished career has included numerous awards and honors. A profile of Grundhauser appeared in the winter 2007-08 issue of RIT: The University Magazine (www.rit.edu/magazine). Grundhauser graduated from RIT's School of Engineering in 1989 and holds a master's degree in electrical engineering from Iowa State University.

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Atlanta
The Atlanta alumni chapter gathered for a networking and food prep at Harper’s Restaurant in Pineville on March 13. The chapter is planning a Carolina Panthers game this fall. Please check the Web site for details.

Boston
The Boston alumni chapter gathered for a Red Sox game on June 11. Keep checking the Web site for more information.

Buffalo
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Central Florida
Plans are underway for an alumni event this summer/fall. Please check the Web site for details.

Charleston
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Chicago
The Chicago alumni chapter enjoyed an evening with RIT President Bill Destler at Gibson’s Steakhouse on April 29. Coming event: Registration is now open for the Chicago Bulls game on Aug. 20.

Cincinnati
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Los Angeles
The Los Angeles alumni chapter enjoyed a reception at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art. Thanks to host William Zelin ’88.

New York City
The NYC alumni chapter enjoyed a networking reception at South Beach NY on May 29. Thanks to host Ondrej Vensity ’05.

Philippines
The Philippine alumni chapter enjoyed an evening with RIT President Bill Destler at Meadowbrook Hall on March 27 as well as a brunch and tour at the Franklin Institute on April 12. Alumni gathered for a Phillies game July 11. Thanks to host James Delson ’90, ’91.

Phoenix
The Phoenix alumni chapter enjoyed a reception at the Heard Museum on Aug. 2. Thanks to host Kathy Boot ’92.

Pittsburgh
The Pittsburgh alumni chapter enjoyed a reception at the Hotel at Southside on May 13. Thanks to host Al Touchin ’73.

San Diego
The San Diego alumni chapter enjoyed a reception at the Padres on July 12. Thanks to hosts Nick Flaherty ’92, Phil Opbell ’99 and Pam Wnek ’94.

San Francisco

Seattle

Southern Florida
Coming event: Registration is now open for the RIT Florida alumni event on May 29. We’ll see you next year!

Syracuse
The Syracuse chapter enjoyed a reception at Harper’s Restaurant in Pineville on March 13. Thanks to host Althea’s Restaurant.

Washington, D.C.
Alumni and friends enjoyed a reception at the National Zoo on May 17. Thanks to host Kevin Sheldon ’92 and Ryan Torlak ’96.

Corporate
The RIT/Buffalo alumni chapter held its second Alumni/Mentor event in Buffalo on May 17. Special thanks to Scott Heywood ’92, Bob Hamon ’95, and RIT Trustee Susan Puglia for hosting this event.

Plans are underway for alumni events with Cisco and Microsoft. Keep checking the Web site for more information.

The RIT Wall Street Alumni Chapter held its first event on June 18 at The Drumwright in Manhattan. Thanks to Tim Truschivid ’79 for hosting the event.

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Alumni sign up for the RIT alumni prize pack in the RIT tent at the Chase Corporate Challenge, which drew 11,000 participants to RIT May 29.

President Destler, right, met RIT alumni for a Syracuse University basketball game in February. His travels to chapter events continue this fall.

President Destler, center, poses with alumni in Chicago, where he met with more than 100 alumni on April 29.

Regional Alumni Activities

Kim Keilty '87, '95 and Jennifer Ashbaugh are your contacts in the office for regional alumni activities. Don’t hesitate to contact them toll free at 1-866-RIT-ALUM.

To learn more about the events listed below go to www.rit.edu/alumniactivities. You can register for events through our secure Web site.

Albany
The Albany alumni chapter enjoyed an evening of networking and food prepared by Dinner Mr. Quickly on April 10. Thanks to host Trin Standish '88.

Coming event: Registration is now open for the Alabama at the Saratoga Race Track Aug. 16. Keep checking the Web site for more details and upcoming events.

Atlanta
The Atlanta alumni chapter gathered for an Atlanta Braves game on July 20. Keep checking the Web site for coming events.

Austin/San Antonio
Coming event: Registration is now open for the BOCs Day community service event on Sept. 13.

Boston
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Coming event: Sept. 8. Meet RIT President Bill Destler at a chapter event. Check the Web site for more information.

Buffalo
Coming events: The Buffalo alumni chapter is planning a Buffalo Sabres game this winter. Please check the Web site for more details.

Most RIT President Bill Destler at a chapter event Nov. 21. More details coming soon.

Central Florida
Plans are underway for an alumni event this summer/fall. Please check the Web site for details.

Charleston
A small group of alumni enjoyed dinner at Harper's Restaurant in Ponce Inlet on March 13. The chapter is planning a Carolina Panthers game this fall. Please check the Web site for details.

Chicago
The Chicago alumni chapter enjoyed an evening with RIT President Bill Destler at Gibson's Steakhouse on April 29.

Coming event: Registration is now open for the Chicago Cubs game on Aug. 20.

Cincinnati
The Cincinnati alumni chapter enjoyed a reception at庐the Local prior to Cincinnati’s Party in the Park on May 14. Thanks to host John Johnson '90. Plans are underway for an alumni event this fall. Please check the Web site for details.

Cleveland-Akron
The Cleveland alumni chapter enjoyed a reception at the Cleveland Institute of Art. Thanks to host Al Toulous '73.

Coming event: Registration is now open for the Cleveland Indians game on Sept. 20.

Colorado
Coming event: The RIT Men’s hockey team will be in Colorado to play the Air Force Academy on Dec. 6. A reception with RIT President Destler will precede the game.

Dallas/Fort Worth
The Dallas/Fort Worth alumni chapter hosted a pre-game picnic on April 19 at River Legacy Park in Arlington. Thanks to hosts Scott Saddler '39, '91 and Jennifer Neary '99.

Coming event: Registration is now open for the Texas Rangers game on Sept. 20.

Detroit
The Detroit alumni chapter enjoyed an evening with RIT President Bill Destler at Meadowbrook Hall on March 27 as well as a brunch and tour at the Detroit Institute of Art on June 13. Special thanks to host Yolanda Levecque '90.

Coming event: Registration is now open for the Detroit Tigers game on Aug. 27.

Houston
Keep checking the Web site for coming events. If you are interested in becoming a chapter volunteer, contact Kim Keley at kjkeley@rit.edu or 585-475-7618.

Ithaca
The Ithaca alumni chapter enjoyed a networking reception at Obia’s Restaurant on June 11. Thanks to host Louise M. Folker-Rod '94.

If you are interested in becoming a chapter volunteer, contact Kim Keley at kjkeley@rit.edu or 585-475-7618.

Los Angeles
The LA alumni chapter enjoyed a Dodgers game July 27. Thank you to host Eric Semo '91.

Phoenix
The Phoenix alumni chapter enjoyed a reception with RIT President Bill Destler at Gibson’s Steakhouse on April 29.

Coming event: Registration is now open for the Phoenix Suns game on Oct. 5.

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New York City
The NYC alumni chapter enjoyed a networking reception at South Beach NY on May 29. Thanks to host Ondrej Vosky '95.

The NYC alumni chapter enjoyed a Yankees game July 8. Thanks to hosts Michael Larsson '93 and Luke Mellon '04.

Coming event: Registration is now open for the N.Y. Mets game on Aug. 21 and the U.S. Open men’s finals on Sept. 7.

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Philadelphia
The Philadelphia alumni chapter enjoyed the “Star Wars: Where Science Meets Imagination” exhibit at the Franklin Institute on April 12.

Alumni gathered for a Phillies game July 11.

Thanks to host James Dahlen '90, '91.

Plans are underway for a chapter event this fall. Please check the Web site for details.

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Raleigh/Durham
The Raleigh-Durham alumni chapter enjoyed an evening with the North Carolina Symphony at the Kuoco Booth Amphitheater on June 21. Thanks to hosts Mike '98 and Sue '98 Paul.

Plans are underway for an alumni event this fall. Please check the Web site for more details.

San Diego
The San Diego alumni chapter gathered for an event on July 12. Thanks to hosts Eric Shackelford '91, Phil Ochoa '99 and Pam Wiek '94.

Coming event: Registration is now open for a group surf lessons with Kahuna Bob’s Surfing School in Encinitas on Sept. 28.

San Francisco

Coming event: Registration is now open for the cheese and wine pairing event at The Cheese School of San Francisco on Sept. 24.

San Jose
Alumni and guests enjoyed a reception at the Computer History Museum in Mountain View on July 11.

Coming event: A chapter event is planned for Sept. 25. Check the Web site for information.

Seattle
Be sure to check the Web site for coming events.

Southern Florida
Coming event: Registration is now open for the BOCs Day community service event on Sept. 13.

Syracuse
Coming event: Registration is now open for the Syracuse Sky Chie's game Aug. 24.

Washington, D.C.
Alumni and friends enjoyed a lunch and a tour of the Mount Vernon Inn on May 17. Thanks to host Kevin Sheldon '92.

Alumni gathered on the Nationals Aug. 3. Thanks to our alumni hosts Kevin Sheldon '92 and Ryan Trell '95.

Keep checking the Web site for coming events.

Corporate
The BOCs/RIT alumni chapter held its second corporate alumni event on May 7 in Poquoson-see N.Y. Special thanks to Scott Haynes '92, Rob Hamon '85, and RIT Trustee Susan Puglia for hosting this fantastic event.

Plans are underway for alumni events with Cisco and Microsoft. Keep checking the Web site for details.

The RIT Wall Street Alumni Chapter hosted its first event on June 18 at Bar St. George in Manhattan. Thanks to Don Trusculli ’87 for hosting the event.

Alumni and friends enjoyed a reception at the Computer History Museum in Mountain View on July 11.

Alumni gathered for a Giants game July 26.

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San Jose
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Coming event: A chapter event is planned for Sept. 25. Check the Web site for information.

Alumni and friends in Cincinnati enjoyed an evening out prior to a Bearcats basketball game.

Rochester alumni enjoyed a guided tour of Underground Railroad sites in the city on June 2.

Pittsburgh alumni and families enjoyed a tour of the Carnegie Museum on May 10.
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**College of Applied Science and Technology**

*Online Community: [www.rit.edu/alumni/cta](http://www.rit.edu/alumni/cta)*

**Recently Activities:** Congratulations new graduates and welcome to the Alumni Association! Another Commencement has passed and CAST added nearly 800 graduates to its alumni population of 31,000, which is the largest of any college at RIT. Also in May, EETC held its annual senior class toast and CETEMS held its annual golf tournament. In April, the college honored Paul Carr ‘75 as recipient of the 2008 Distinguished Alumni Award, and the Center for Multidisciplinary Studies honored Bob Stadler ’00 with the Heritage Alumni Award. Ganesh Venkataraman ‘97 with the Trailblazer Alumni Award. Her “College of Applied Science”

**In May, more than 150 members of the GCCIS Class of 2008 gathered for the college’s first ice cream social.**

**From left are Jim Sewell 79, Scott Bedford ‘01, ‘02, Unterborn ‘03 at a CIAS alumni event that took place at John’s Pizzeria in New City, Janur. (Photo by Debra Rothenberg 93, 94)**

**College of Science**

*Online Community: [www.rit.edu/alumni/cos](http://www.rit.edu/alumni/cos)*

**Recently Activities:** College of Science alumni enjoyed numerous activities throughout spring and into summer, including a day trip to Toronto to watch the Blue Jays take on the Boston Red Sox on June 6, a dinner at Chesterfield’s Restaurant in Utica, N.Y., on April 17 and a winery tour in the Finger Lakes region on April 26. On April 11, the college honored Kathryn Hill ’78 with the College of Science 2008 Distinguished Alumni Award at Oak Hill Country Club in Rochester. In May, the college held an ice cream social to congratulate graduating seniors. More than 200 students, faculty and staff from the college enjoyed a sweet treat served by faculty members. Congratulations to all graduates and welcome to the Alumni Association! On June 1, 10th Center for Imaging Science alumni in D.C. gathered for the second annual CIS alumni networking event at the Tysons Corner Marriott.

**The GCCIS student chapter of the Society of Engineers hosted the first picnic for alumni and students in May.**

**Dinner were Golisano College representatives, including our special representative, Debra Hogan ’79. The Society of Software Engineers student organization hosted its first alumni and student picnic on May 17 in Rochester’s Genesee Valley Park, bringing together 15 alumni and students in the month more than 150 graduating students celebrated at the first-ever GCCIS Ice Cream Social in June, New York State-area alumni networked over pizza and beer at John’s Pizzeria. Coming up: The 2008-2009 Dean’s Lecture Series kicks off Sept. 26, North Carolina Alumni Gathering (date to be determined), Digital Rochester Professional Networking Event. Oct. 7, 34**

**College of Liberal Arts**

*Online Community: [www.rit.edu/alumni/cola](http://www.rit.edu/alumni/cola)*

**Recently Activities:** The college hosted several events, including a day trip to Toronto to watch the Blue Jays take on the Boston Red Sox on June 6, a dinner at Chesterfield’s Restaurant in Utica, N.Y., on April 17 and a winery tour in the Finger Lakes region on April 26. On April 11, the college honored Karen Bevan ’93 with the College of Liberal Arts 2008 Distinguished Alumni Award. In May, the college held its traditional class trip and more than 75 graduating students, faculty and staff were on hand to celebrate. Congratulations to all of the 2008 graduates and welcome to the Alumni Association! On June 7, alumni and their families walked in the footsteps of weary transfers working from on the Underground Railroad Tour in downtown Rochester, and on June 19 Susan Barnes (Communication Department) and Neil Hair (E. Philip Saunders College of Business) discussed the world of social networking in the realm of Web 2.0 as it relates to one’s career with a group of alumni at Banfield Bistro Restaurant in Rochester.

**Katherine Gleason**

**College of Engineering**

*Online Community: [www.rit.edu/alumni/kegc](http://www.rit.edu/alumni/kegc)*

**Recently Activities:**

- Spring was a busy time for KGCE. Brittal L. Macintosh ’08 was named the 2008 KGCE Distinguished Alumna and Family Cole ’03 was honored at the 2008 Women’s Career Achievement Dinner. The Imagine ‘08 Innovation + Creativity Festival took place on campus May 13 and the KGCE building were filled with student works and exhibits. We welcomed the newest class of graduates into the Alumni Association over Memorial Day weekend and wish all the best in their endeavors.

**coming up:** The popular Dean’s Alumni Reception, Oct. 7

**B. Thomas Golisano College of Computing and Information Sciences**

*Online Community: [www.rit.edu/alumni/gcis](http://www.rit.edu/alumni/gcis)*

**Recently Activities:** On April 11, David L. Wagner ’86 was honored with the 2008 Distinguished Alumni Award at a dinner held at the Oak Hill Country Club in Rochester. On April 28, sixteen of the more than 270 guests at the third annual Women’s Career Achievement Homecoming activities and social events hosted by alumni chapters throughout the country.

**E. Philip Saunders College of Business**

*Online Community: [www.rit.edu/alumni/scb](http://www.rit.edu/alumni/scb)*

**Megan Cheever, 585-475-2144, mecheever@saunders.rit.edu**

**Recently Activities:** April: Brought the Saunders College Dean’s Receptions with Dean Ashok Rao to Buffalo and Syracuse, N.Y. The College also celebrated Susan J. Bleye ’83 as the Saunders College 2008 Distinguished Alumna and honored Lynn Sullivan ’88 as our Women’s Career Achievement Dinner. As spring came to campus in May we moved our annual Imagine RIT: Innovation and Creativity Festival. Many exciting and interactive exhibits were featured in Saunders, drawing thousands of alumni and community members.

At the end of the month the college welcomed more than 400 new alumni into the College of Business Alumni Association at Commencement on May 23. In June, alumnaigned at Cobblestone Creek Country Club, Victor, N.Y. for the 10th annual Saunders College Alumni Golf Tournament for a hot day of networking and fun.

**National Technical Institute for the Deaf**

*Online community: [www.rit.edu/alumni/ntid](http://www.rit.edu/alumni/ntid)*

**mcheever@saunders.rit.edu**

**Jasmine Seavey, 585-475-5045, jasmine.seavey@rit.edu**

**Recent Activities:** Spring was a busy time for KGCE. Brittal L. Macintosh ’08 was named the 2008 KGCE Distinguished Alumna and Family Cole ’03 was honored at the 2008 Women’s Career Achievement Dinner. The Imagine ‘08 Innovation + Creativity Festival took place on campus May 13 and the KGCE building were filled with student works and exhibits. We welcomed the newest class of graduates into the Alumni Association over Memorial Day weekend and wish all the best in their endeavors.

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**Tiana Miller, 585-475-6908, tiana.miller@rit.edu**

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**Kathleen Kang**

**College of Imaging Arts and Sciences**

*Online Community: [www.rit.edu/alumni/iacs](http://www.rit.edu/alumni/iacs)*

**Recently Activities:** Springtime for College of Imaging Arts and Sciences was busy! In April, alumni from across the country attended the National Association of Broadcasters Show enjoyed an exclusive reception at Ball’s of Las Vegas.

**From left are Don Gwalt 79, Scott Bedford ’01, ’02, Nicole Welch ’02, Howard Kanef ’51 and Jared Unterborn ’03 at a CIAS alumni event that took place at John’s Pizzeria in New City, Janur. (Photo by Debra Rothenberg 93, 94)**

**KOCIE’s Distinguished Alumna, Britta Macintosh ’99, chats with Dean Mary Palmer at the awards dinner.**

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College of Applied Science and Technology

Online Community: www.rit.edu/alumni/ca

Catherine Bement ’89: 585-475-4975, catherine.bement@rit.edu

Recent activities: Congratulations new graduates and welcome to the Alumni Association! Another Commencement has passed and CAST added nearly 800 graduates to its alumni population of 31,000, which is the largest of any college at RIT. Also in May, ECTET held its annual Big Shot with the Trailblazer Alumni Award and the Center for Multidisciplinary Studies honored Bob Stude ’00 with the Heritage Alumni Award. Gamblin Vausowemeathy ’07 with the Trailblazer Alumni Award and Christine Maggio with the Student Achievement Award.

Dave & Buster’s, Heritage Alumni Award, Gowtham Vasudevamurthy ’07 at a dinner held at Oak Hill Country Club in Rochester. In May, the college honored Paul Carre ’75 as recipient of the 2008 Distinguished Alumnus Award, and the Center for Multidisciplinary Studies honored Bob Stude ’00 with the Heritage Alumni Award. Gamblin Vausowemeathy ’07 with the Trailblazer Alumni Award and Christine Maggio with the Student Achievement Award.

Coming up: Pack Expo Reception, Chicago, at Don & Buster’s, 9. No. 10. Visit the Online Community to register.

College of Liberal Arts

Online Community: www.rit.edu/alumni/cola

Kerrli Lehmbeck: 585-475-4283, kerrli.lehmbeck@rit.edu

Recent activities: The college hosted several events, including a day trip to Toronto to watch the Blue Jays take on the Boston Red Sox on April 6, a dinner at Christmas’ Restaurant in Utica, N.Y., on April 17, and a wine tour in the Finger Lakes region on April 26. On April 11, the college honored Karen Bozant ’93 with the College of Liberal Arts 2008 Distinguished Alumni Award. In May, the college held its traditional class toasting, and more than 75 graduating students, faculty and staff were on hand to celebrate. Congratulations to all graduates and welcome to the Alumni Association!

Kathie Gonzalez

College of Engineering

Online Community: www.rit.edu/alumni/ceng

Tandria Miller: 585-475-4598, taudria.miller@rit.edu

Recent activities: Spring was a busy time for KCOE. Britallia Bachlish ’89 was named the 2008 KCOE Distinguished Alumnus and Emily Cole ’93 was honored at the 2008 Women’s Career Achievement Dinner. The Imagine IT Innovation + Creativity Festival took place on campus May 3 and the KCOE buildings were filled with student works and exhibits. We welcomed the newest class of graduates into the Alumni Association over Memorial Day weekend and wish all the best in their endeavors.

Coming up: The popular Dean’s Alumni Speaker’s Series continues this fall. At Brick City Homecoming, stop by the KCOE hospitality room and visit with retired faculty and follow alumni. Remember to register for the President’s Alumni Ball. Contact Janine Scealy to add your name to the list for KCOE to host a corporate luncheon at your workplace.

National Technical Institute for the Deaf

Online community: www.rit.edu/alumni/ntlid

Matthew Druzdell ’90, ’94: 585-475-6408, Matthew.Druzdell@rit.edu

Recent activities: Variety was the spice of life for NTID alumni throughout spring and summer! We cruised the country, hosting alumni chapters in California, Texas, Florida and Ohio; attended an Ultimate Fight Championship event featuring UFC star Matt Hamill ’99; and hosted a wine and cheese reception in Washington, D.C. Close to home, we played host to an RIT Hockey Night at Ritter Arena, a summer picnic at Buckland Park in Rochester, NTID-related events during the Imagine RIT Festival, and special first-ever gatherings for alumni of the American Sign Language-English Interpretation (ASLI) and Master of Science in Secondary Education for Students who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing programs (MSSE). For three days in June, hundreds of alumni and their families gathered on campus to attend NTID’s 40th Anniversary Reunion. The event began with a golf tournament and ended with the recognition of NTID’s Distinguished Alumni Award winners from the past five years. In between, everyone had the opportunity to “Remember, Reconnect and Recharge” with fellow alumni, families and friends.

Coming up: Future events include Brick City Homecoming and events hosted by alumni chapters throughout the country.

E. Philip Saunders

College of Business

Online Community: www.rit.edu/alumni/sch

Megan Cheever, 585-475-2154, mcheever@saunders.rit.edu

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College of Liberal Arts Alumni Relations
Rollin Shoemaker '60 (SCB) has been operating Case Cunningham's, a successful Western New York career counseling, résumé writing and job placement center since 1974. Rollin is also a past president of the Rochester Furniture Dealers Association (a strategy-planning committee that assists companies with small-business set-up or development). Recently...

A group of friends from the Class of 1967 held their own 40th reunion last summer at “Little’s Red Colouse” on Seneca Lake. From left to right: John Searson (MBA), Sandy (Spaugh) Fuller (SCB), Mike (Parkers) Stroburg (SCB), Kathy (Mull) Calderwood (FAA) and Pat (Vossius) Dunn (FAA).
To submit information through the Alumni Online
Contact us at alumni@rit.edu.

To receive Class Notes by email, sign up at: renders.html.

1949
Ewart "Bud" Moyer '49 (GAP) continues his
restoring old furniture. He has exhibited his works at RIT, in Santa
and at ZcardNa in New York City.

1956
Ellen Clark Voskamps '56 (FAA) writes: "After retiring
from teaching in 1973 as a graphic artist for Dow Inc.,
I have designed and produced exhibition graphics and art santas
for corporate and not-for-profit clients such as General Electric,
formation.

1960
Rollin Shoemaker '60 (SCB) is an
associate curator at the Los Angeles
County Museum of Art (LACMA).

1964
Timothy Llywelyn '64 (FAA), emeritus professor of
Art in the liberal arts at Carleton College, exhilat
ed his work at the Fountainhead Craft Show in
Washington, D.C. His art is featured in "The Art of
Jewelry," which was selected for the permanent collection of the Smithsonian's Renwick Gallery. The book was recently released in a 500-image edition.

1966
Robert Kiger '70 (GAP) writes: " Videotape Lab,
Casting's "e" & F and television export prope
arily after upgrades in the videotape production and
equipment business. His firm, Richard Studebaker Video, is located in
San Francisco.

1969
Ronald Meyers '67 (FAA) has been awarded the
National Science Foundation Fellowship for the
2nd and Annual Conference of the National Council in
Education for the Ceramic Arts.

1972
Sum Jack Dillifin '72 (NTID) has worked at the
Post Office Chicago Bank Mail Center in Forest Park,
Ill., for 34 years.

1975
Robert Keese '75 (GAP) writes that his photographs
of pop artist Andy Warhol and New York City gallery owner Ron Fiskin appear in the catalogs of two
major museum shows in early 2008. In 1981, Kim was commissioned by Fitch magazine to photograph
series of major artists and three gallery owners in New York City:Warhol, Fiskin, and Julian Schnabel and Mary Boone, and Christie for a article called "Art in the Eighties."[1]

1978
James Essex '78 (SCB) is the corporate secretary
and vice president for research at Ever Young Natural
Health System in Philadelphia. Brian has
earned his BS in business from Boston University in 1996. Kathy is
married to David Alcock, an attorney, and has
received the 2005 Teacher Appreciation award.

1979
Karen Maier Warren '79 (FAA) is employed as
technical sales officer for systems verification and valida
tion within R&D at Oracle Clinical Diagnostics, a Johnson & Johnson company. Career highlights
include the development of more than 12 thin film assays utilizing ion selective electrode, colorimetric,
enzyme, and competition binding immunodiagnostic techniques. She is specializing in verification and validation for FDA clearance of high-speed random access blood analyzers. She has numerous patents and publications.

1981
Rebecca Depole '81 (SCB), '99 (CIAS), owner of
Jade Photographics, is the Curator of Photographs from 1986 to 1988 and assis­tant curator of photographs at the Photographers for the Past four years.

1982
Steven Fletcher '80, '82 (GAP) was promoted from
vice president to vice president for external relations and chief operating officer of "For You and Me.

1984
Michael Stinebaugh '75 (NTID) is a nautical
archaeologist and is the director of the Medallion and Artisanal
goals for the Furniture Society. For
more information, see www.furnituresociety.org.

1985
John Woodman '80, '81 (SCB) celebrated his 25th
anniversary as a vice president at Lazard Independent director since Jan. 16, 2008.

1986
Judy Liskin '82 (GAP) is the corporate secretary and tone president for research at Ever Young Natural
Health System Inc. The company produces in health food products.

1987
Deborah Rose '79 (SCB) and Timothy Fischetti '80 (SCB) were married Jan. 18, 2006, at Whidbey Island near Lake Pintail, N.J. Ten years was received for 90 years at the McGraw-Hill Co.

1988
Michael M. "Rick" Simmons '79, '80 (NTID),
'S 11 (FAA) was promoted to founder of "For You and Me.

1989
Michael Bond '81 (GAP) is a licensing, servicing,
and branding for TV. and he directed and designed
multple on-air graphics and promo packages for
the Rochester School for the Deaf.

1990
Stephen Fletcher '80, '82 (GAP) was promoted from
vice president to vice president for external relations and chief operating officer of "For You and Me.

1991
Kathy McWaters SVP '73, '78 (FAA) is a substitute
and educational counselor program for high school
juniors and seniors. She has four grandchildren,
her son and residence in Hamburg, N.Y. Rollin is active in the community church and is
also involved in a basketball program for an over-55 agen
group.

1992
Bill Mush '68 (GAP) writes: "Hello, printing alumni
Club Notes. I was so eight to all our graduates and
good! I want you to know that I have known in Rochester when I last foundation. Our family arrived here by
correspondence by the director to the CFO office.

1993
Diversity adds up!

1994
George Lagary '69 (GA) is director of production at
Acme in New York City.

1995
Women's National Book Association, was
photographer. He has exhibited his works at RIT, in Santa
and at ZcardNa in New York City.

1996
Dennis Lisson '82 (GAP) is the corporate secretary
and vice president for research at Ever Young Natural
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1998
THE FALL 2008
New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services: "We know that one of our seven pillars is substance abuse problem – 1.8 million New Yorkers. People from every walk of life. Everyone knows someone who struggles with an addiction."

Carpenter-Palumbo was responsible for making sure that those people don’t have to struggle alone. She oversees the largest substance abuse treatment system in the United States, serving 110,000 people daily in more than 1,500 programs statewide, with a $1.7 billion annual budget. The agency addresses prevention, treatment and recovery, with a focus on serving 110,000 people daily in more than 1,500 programs statewide.

True or false: Most substance abusers are health, mental health, substance abuse holism and Substance Abuse far the largest part of the three-pronged approach to a huge societal issue.

Charles Burke ’85 (CAST) was promoted to executive director at Maxim Integrated Products in North America. "I lived my dream of buying a new computer." he says.

Andrew Asproulis ’85 (KGCOE) was promoted to director of field support for North America at ASML. "That’s the big misconception," says Karen M. Carpenter-Palumbo ’84 (social work), commissioner of the New York State Department of Health, substance and Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services. "We know that one of our seven pillars is substance abuse problem – 1.8 million New Yorkers. People from every walk of life. Everyone knows someone who struggles with an addiction."

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Missouri.com, the online directory dedicated to federal, state, and local law enforcement. She has served in roles including crime analyst, case manager, and data analyst. She is currently a co-op student at the Department of Justice in Washington, D.C.

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She enjoys spending time with her family, which includes her husband, two children, and two dogs. She is also an avid reader and enjoys listening to music.
Michelle Johnston Osterhout ’87, ‘91 (FA) was co-founder of the Miss Deaf Michigan and the first Miss Deaf Tone Michigan in Kalamazoo on July 28, 2007. Besides being a mother of four children (Houston, Hawke, Garrett and Isabella), she works at DEAF CAN’s Loop in an ASL Instructor for MCC Print/Literacy and creative writing course in New York. Amy Phillips ’91 (FA) and husband, Chris, announce the birth of a son, Christopher Ryan, on Jan. 30, 2008, in Greenwich, Conn. He joins big brother Michael.

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But for those like Scoville — passionate in attaining their goals — it’s a vast world filled with as-yet unknown shipwrecks at even greater heights (and sometimes depths). That just might be Scoville’s next discovery.

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Ian Ratner '93 (CAST) and wife, Lauren, announce the birth of three sons, Liam, Dylan, and Daniel, on Oct. 10, 2007, in London, England. They were born seven weeks early, parents report that he is very healthy.

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Michelle Siskie '91, '94 (CS) received a master of education degree in literacy from Mount St. Vincent University in Oct. 21, 2003.

21st century technology leads to discovery of 18th century shipwreck

Technology that began life as a project by a group of RIT engineering majors has reached new heights—and depths.

A remote-operated vehicle (ROV), designed to help underwater explorers discover shipwrecks by going deeper than recreational divers, led Dan Scoville '05 (electrical engineering) in June to the HMS Ontario, a British warship that sank in Lake Ontario more than two centuries ago.

Using side-scan sonar technology, Scoville and his deep-water exploration partner, Jim Kennard, had been searching for the Revolutionary War-era ship for about three years. (For Kennard, his quest for the Ontario began more than three decades ago.) The pair had previously discovered seven other shipwrecks off the southern shore of Lake Ontario.

Three years ago, a team of Kate Gleason College of Engineering students, working with Scoville, designed and built an ROV for a multidisciplinary senior design project. Like the one that found the Ontario, the device was equipped with high-intensity lighting and video cameras, and its original technology was key in the latest discovery.

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To hear an interview with Scoville, visit www.rit.edu/news and look under podcasts.


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Nutrition expert serves food for thought

Eat more fruits and vegetables, eat fewer fatty foods and sweets, keep your calories under control and increase your physical activity and you’ll improve your health and extend your life.

It sounds simple, but many Americans have difficulty following the standard recommendations for the care of the human body. Cardiovascular disease remains the leading cause of death in the United States, and other diet-related diseases and obesity are among the nation’s most serious health issues.

“It’s easy to get people to change their eating habits,” says Penny Kris-Etherton ’71 (metabolic biology). “I think we’re moving in the direction of helping people make changes, but more needs to be done.”

Kris-Etherton has devoted her career to studying the relationship between diet and risk factors for cardiovascular disease, and to communicating nutrition messages to health professionals, government representatives, the media and consumers.

Her interest in food began in her hometown of Amsterdam, N.Y. “My parents owned a little lunch room. My grandfather, who immigrated from Poland, opened it, so it was the family business.”

Today, the nutrition expert enjoys preparing healthy meals for friends and family. “I like to cook, but now it’s more fruits and vegetables, more Mediterranean style.”

Her career began when, as a grad student at Case Western Reserve University, she read the work of Ancel Keys and developed an interest in the relationship between diet, particularly saturated fats, and cardiovascular disease. As a postdoc at the University of Minnesota, Keys is credited with showing a link between dietary fat, blood cholesterol levels and the risk of cardiovascular disease.

“I thought this area of research would be a wonderful opportunity to combine my interest in nutrition with a meaningful cause,” says Kris-Etherton.

She completed her degree in nutrition at Case Western and earned a Ph.D. in human nutrition from the University of Minnesota. She then focused on lipid metabolism as a Katherine Mc Cormick Postdoctoral Research Fellow at Stanford University.

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What’s her research area? Kris-Etherton mentions studies showing benefits from eating nuts to reduce the risk of cardiovascular disease and type II diabetes. Also, people who follow current dietary guidance and consume a diet high in fruits and vegetables, especially leafy green vegetables, have a lower risk of chronic disease.

Even more promising is research indicating that people who eat nuts three times a week have half the incidence of age-related dementia. Expect to hear more about this. “It’s really, really, really big.”

David Miller ’99 (CS) is now an R&D chemist at Sherwin-Williams Automotive Division. They have two daughters. Rose (born in 2001) and Lily (born in 2006).

Neressa Sheets Morrison ’83, ’86 (NTID) and husband, Timothy, have three children: Natalie and Rachel. Amber graduated summa cum laude from Manhattan College in 2008 and will attend OSU majoring in chemical engineering. Rachel plans to enter a pre-med program at the criminal justice field. All three are former students at Margaret’s House at RIT. “We thank the Margaret’s House staff so much for giving my children a safe start in their education.”

Christopher Orlovski ’96 (KCOE), a lieutenant commander in the U.S. Navy, took one year in 2008 as the commanding officer of the Navy Operational Support Center in Quincy, Mass. He resides in Milton, Mass. with his wife, Jeanne Marie Niumato Orlovski ’95 (CS), and their two sons, Mitchell and Andrew.

Khaled Al-Hothili ’92, ’97 (NET) is a systems administrator at Arab Academy for Science, Technology and Education in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. He has four daughters.

Devra Kris-Etherton ’99 (KSO) is the lead of Global Strategic Business Units, Trigyn Technologies.

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She and Mark Amissah ’85, ’91 (NTID), ’96 (CS) married Tommy Lyon Jr. on March 30, 2010, in Orlando, Fla. They live in Arizona and traveled to Egypt as a couple on their honeymoon.

Dmitry Kieloglou ’93 (KCOE) is an ASL freelance adjunct professor at Monroe Community College in Rochester and is a military officer at the University of Rochester. He authored three papers in the molecular biology field and started a Ph.D. in communications and culture at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. In his free time, he plays poker, plays with his kids and cooks.

Ellen Hibbard ’91, ’97 (CS) received a master’s degree in genetics, genomics and development in 2009 from the University of Rochester. She attended three papers in the molecular biology field and started a Ph.D. in communications and culture at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. In her free time, she plays poker, plays with her kids and cooks.

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Eric Atherton ’98 (KCOE) and wife, Lindsay, announced the birth of their first daughter, Aven Siena, on Dec. 26, 2005. Eric was on his way to Game 1 of the World Series when Benjamin decided to make his debut.

Marina Rossit Barnum ’98, ’94 (COLA) completed her master’s and professional work at the University of Rochester in 2001. She is now a promotion manager at Park Ridge for Unity Health Systems and works in communications and media. She continues to produce works for the studio of Paul Stroebel.

Aurum Buchanan ’98 (KCOE) and wife, Melinda, announced the birth of their daughter, Everly Grace. Great grandmother, on April 16, 2008 in Charlotte County. Her big sister, Avery Smith, was born on Dec. 26, 2005.

Loren Perry ’93, ’96 (CS) and Dr. Andrew Svolvas ’98, ’93 (NTID) were married on July 28, 2007, in West Palm Beach, Fla. Their wedding was covered by the Florida newspaper. Their Eyes on Southeastern Asia, School District in Mechanicsburg, Penn.
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"I'm very excited. I grew up in a family that cared a lot about nutrition," Kris-Etherton says. "My interest in nutrition started with a meaningful cause." She decided to pursue a degree in nutrition at Case Western and earned a Ph.D. in human nutrition from the University of Minnesota. She then focused on lipid metabolism as a Katherine McComb Postdoctoral Research Fellow at Stanford University.

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Mark Rozum ’02 (GCCIS) and wife, Amy, announce the birth of their daughter, Lizzy, on April 22, 2007. She joins the course record with a win in the 2008 Cox Sports Marathon in Providence, R.I.

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Robert Graham ’95, ’01 (NTID) and Amity S. Kyle Korndoerfer ’01 (COS) is senior software engineer at the American Cancer Society, Pennsylvania Division, in Philadelphia. Jessica Keith, on Jan. 14, 2008, in Maine. She joins the course record with a win in the 2008 Cox Sports Marathon in Providence, R.I.

Nicholas Spittal ’00 (COS), ’01 (SCB) and wife, Jennifer, announce the birth of their identical twin sons, Will and Robert. They joined the world on May 9, 2007. Despite being few weeks premature, both boys were home with their dad within a week and Nicholas reports that the whole family is happy and healthy.

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Theresa Homan ‘98 (CIAS) and Jeanine Dorfman started the first IBM Software Innovation Laboratory in Minn.
Elizabeth previously was employed at Gallaudet
Alums’ firm charts new territory in China
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and produce outsourcing services to major hospitals and surgery centers.
Jamie Moore ‘00 (COS) is program manager, molecular diagnostics at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center. “After 8 years, I enjoyed eight
in February 2006. To purchase books, visit stores.lulu.com.
Raymond, who is co-owner and president of Color Graphics. His wife, Jennifer, is the owner and vice president of Color Graphics. His wife, Jennifer, is the
Robinson ‘03 (CAST) received a master’s degree in higher education administration from the University of Denver on June 6, 2008. She has
classified as a spokesperson for Community IT Innovators (www.citi.com).
Stacey Modrano ‘02 (COS) and husband, Daniel Modrano ‘98 (CAST) welcomed daughter, Claire Lee, on May 29, 2008. At 7 lbs., 6 oz.

2000
Dawn Blevin McWilliams 95 (FA), 00 (SCB) has been elected president of the Rockefeller Chapter of the American Marketing Association for the 2008 – 2009 year.
Robert Graham ‘95, ‘01 (NTID) and Amity
Shannon Sutton Poortinga ‘01 (SCB) received a Master’s degree in Canadian literature.
John Turner ‘00 (COS) was named to the Board of Directors at Men’s Fitness.

2001
Thomas Bingham ‘01 (CAST) were married on Oct. 21, 2007, in Hagerstown, Md. The couple resides in Millersville, Md.

2002
Anorney Calabria ‘00, ‘02 (COS) and wife, Anthony Calabria ‘00, ‘02 (COS) and wife, were married on Dec. 28, 2007. They reside in the state of Michigan.

2003
Megan Kenyon ‘04 (COLA) received her master’s degree in social work from Catholic University in May 2005 and is currently a school social worker at MSW in Milwaukie. Megan and husband, Keith, were married on Jan. 9, 2006. They reside in Milwaukie.

2004
Justin Bemison ‘04 (SCB) is project manager at Xenon Global Services in Pitts., Pa. Justin was President of his freshman class at Eagle Outfitters as print production coordinator.
Hugh Campbell ‘04 (CIAS) and Emily Bryzooo Campbell ‘03 (CIAS) announce the birth of a son.
Mary McGinnis ‘03 (CIAS) is the chief marketing of­
the Rochester Independent Bookstore. Which aims to bring a

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J.V. Oset '07 (COLA) and James Rame were married on March 8, 2008 in Cheektowaga, N.Y. Their bridal party included Steve Ost, Roner Kurer '08 (COLA), and OS student Roxanne Ost.

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1912 Stacy C. French '32 (COS) March 7, 2007
1948 Elaine N. Cappadonia '45 (CIR) March 2006
1946 Benjamin D. Morton, Jr. '46 (CIR) May 7, 2006
1952 Lawrence N. Kondolf '52 (CIR) October 2007
1961 William A. Clarke, Sr. '51 (CIR) March 2, 2008
1963 Thomas S. Grodowski '63 (CIR) Feb. 6, 2008

Anthony Albo '07 (COLA) is employed by ARLAC (the dock commercial). He reports that the company is recruiting for independent agent positions in Philadelphia and is working to grow the company. He was married at Fair Farm Amoor '07 (CIR) last June in a renovation. "Put in a Ph.D. in recreation, park and tourism sciences at Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas. Nathan Clara '07 (COLA) is pursuing a Ph.D. in communications at the University of Buffalo. Andrew Cuttler '07 (COLA) is a lead technician at the University of Rochester Sleep Clinic.

Matthew DeFrevis '07 (CIR) is a partner marketing coordinator at MTN Networks in New York City. He supports the logo for the Content Distribution & Marketing department.

Lisa Freitas '07 (CIR) is a Jonathan Baldwin travel agent in the University of Economics Program at the University of Illinois at Champagne Urbana.

Brian Garrison '07 (CIR) is joining the Ph.D. program at the University of Waterloo in cognitive neuroscience.

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Raymond M. Humphrey '79 (CIR) March 15, 2008
Yerette M. Fallese '87 (CIR) Jan. 6, 2008
Shen 'Pincilla' Chang '88 (CIR) Jan. 23, 2008
Barbara M. Fallon '89 (CIR) Feb. 20, 2008
Tom K. Poppovski '91 (NTID) Jan. 10, 2008
Rosa Gaita '90 (CIR) Jan. 25, 2008
Cassie L. Haynes '06 (CIR) April 4, 2008

Nicholas Ratchelle '07 (COLA) is a business analyst for RFA's IT Communication in Rochester.

Leanne Stefano '07 (COLA) is enrolled in the M.S. engineering psychology program at RIT.

Sara Swain '07 (COLA) is attending medical school at the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Sarah Thompson '07 (COLA) still attends RIT this fall for the M.S. program in school psychology.

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2005
San Mark Chao ’91 ’99 (NTID), ’00 (CAST), ’06 (GCCIS) is a senior mechanical engineer at a company in Long Island, N.Y. He is enrolled in RIT’s M.S. degree program in IT/business communications.

Jennifer Dieter ’05 (COLA) and Joel Collins ’05 (COLA) were married in July 2006 in North Carolina. They have a son, Trevor Blake, born on June 2, 2005. She is a program support assistant at the National Institute of Health in Bethesda, Md.

Paul Glaser ’05 (NTID) is a math/ASL teacher for the Flushing Hills High School District in Queens, N.Y.

Karin Knopp ’05 (CAST) is a graphic designer at DesignWorks in Beverly Hills, Calif. Karin was previously employed at Prevalco Design in Boston while she received her MFA in design from Boston University.

Elizabeth Westmont ’05 (CAST) and Frederick Lindeman ’05 (GCCIS) were married on July 28, 2005, in Gnnea, N.Y. The wedding was attended by Katherine Dome ’05 (CAST), Rachel VerValin ’05 (CAST), Debra Cooper, and Tony Doucet. The couple honeymooned in Saratoga and Aruba. They reside in New York City.

Jennifer Dietz ’05 (NTID), ’00 (CAST), ’06 (CAST) is the art teacher at Cedar Crest School in Coxsackie, N.Y., as CTO.

Karin Knippa ’05 (CIAS) is a program support specialist at Paychex in Rochester. Karin was previously employed at RIT as an event coordinator with the Government and Community Relations Office.

2006
Andrew Broke ’06 (GCCIS) recently joined Change Round-Up, a crowd-funding start-up company in Concord, N.C., as CTO.

Donald Case ’06 (CAST) achieved Certified Industrial Hygienist (CIH) and Certified Hazardous Materials Manager (OHTM) certifications. Don has been accepted into the Indiana State University Ph.D. program in technology management. He received his MBA from SUNY in May 2008.

Jessica Drake ’06 (COLA) is an employment training specialist at Parachute in Rochester.

Michael Horning ’06 (COLA) was the Top Theme research paper at the first International Associations for Science, Technology and Society’s annual conference. His paper was entitled “Putting the Community Bank into Community Networks.” Mike has begun working toward a Ph.D. in communication at Penn State University.

Michelle Johnston ’04 (CAST), ’06 (NTID) and George Woodruff ’04 (GCCIS) were married July 14, 2007, in Chicago. She is an instructional specialist, Harper Community College, Palatine, Ill. Robert Maison ’06 (CAST) was promoted to civil engineer I at the New York State Department of Transportation in Buffalo.

Patrick Meyer ’06 (CAST) is a Ph.D. candidate in energy and environmental policy at the University of Delaware.

Julie Morganti ’06 (CAST) is a registered dietitian, employed at Akron Children’s Hospital in Columbus, Ohio. "I got to work as children’s hospital and really like it! I am SO lucky!"

Katherine Netti ’06 (CAST) is the art teacher for Pre K through eighth; grades in a Chicago public school. The school is in a high poverty area and funding for the art program is non-existent, she reports. Anyone interested in donating art materials can contact her directly at mnetti@gmail.com, or visit www.adhevernon.org and search for Katie Netti to make a contribution online.

Matthew Page ’06 (GCCIS) was promoted to junior faculty at the University of Michigan. He is currently working for Backrange IT Hosting (No. 32 in the Fortune 100 for 2008) in their Virginia Cluster Center Operations Division.

Jennifer Pets ’06, ’01 (NTID), ’06 (CAST) is a production artist at Schrock Inc. She was formerly a process engineer/technologist at the Standard Register.

Russell Raymond ’04 (COLA) is a Ph.D. pro­gram at the London School of Economics.

Joshua Srolis ’04, ’06 (CAST) owns and operates My Panini, which opened in July 2007 in Atlanta, Ga. My Panini was named Best of October 2007 in Baltimore’s Ferv City. Joshua currently works in the world’s best panini company.

2007
Anthony Allison ’07 (COLA) is employed by ARMAC (the duck commercials). He reports that the company is recruiting for independent agent positions in Philadelphia and is now a store employee. Tony’s web site was named Trail Town Award Winner at Fan Inman Award (CAST) is pursuing a Ph.D. in recreation, park and tourism sciences via email at katherine.nenettia交付@rochester. edu. Kate reports that the com­pany is recruiting for independent agent positions in Philadelphia and is now a store employee. Tony’s web site was named Trail Town Award Winner at Fan Inman Award (CAST) is pursuing a Ph.D. in recreation, park and tourism sciences.

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Lisa Hesley ’07 (CAST) is a corporate travel agent at Van Zel Travel Service in Rochester. Lisa was previously employed at RIT as an event coordinator with the Government and Community Relations Office.

Elliot Jenner ’07 (COLA) is enrolled in a doctoral program in physics at the University of Rochester.

Michael Laik ’07 (GCCIS) volunteers for the International Peace Garden Foundation. His responsibilities are to establish and direct the strategic long­term goals and determine the organization’s long-term systems needs and hard­ware acquisitions to accom­plish the mission of promot­ing world peace through cultural exchange. Michael serves as an advisor to the president of IPC on matters relating to information­based marketing and leveraging information assets to reach target demographics. He also oversees the development, design and implementation of the corporate Web site, www.ipg.org.

Rebecca Nelson ’07 (COLA) is employed as a marketing coordinator at VetroSommers Associates in Pittsfield, N.Y., and is enrolled in RIT’s M.S. degree program in IT/business communications.

Narin Sivare ’07 (GCCIS) entered the Technology Leadership Program at The Vanguard Group with the 2008 class.

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