Cathy Guisewite, creator of the "new wave" comic strip CATHY will deliver the undergraduate commencement address at ceremonies on the esplanade in front of Walsh Center at 10 a.m. on May 26.

CATHY concerns itself with what it is like to be young, female, working and single in today's world. It is syndicated by Universal Press Syndicate to more than 100 newspapers. Guisewite, 28, was the first woman vice president of the W.B. Doner Advertising Agency in the Detroit area, a position she left in 1977 to devote full-time to the comic strip. She is a graduate of the University of Michigan where she majored in English.

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will speak at the graduate division commencement rites on Friday evening, May 25 at 6 p.m.

Both speakers will receive the honorary doctor of humane letters degree at the commencements which they address.

Six honorary degrees will be conferred upon noteworthy Rhode Islanders at the ceremonies also. Charles B. Willard, retired RIC president, will receive the honorary doctor of humane letters. Dorothy Whipple Burgess, publisher of Observer Publications, a chain of weekly newspapers in Northern Rhode Island, will be awarded the doctor of public service. Mrs. Burgess is the daughter of the late Lucius Whipple, president of RIC from 1939 to 1950. Aaron H. Roitman, head of Roitman and Son, Inc., a civic leader and supporter of the arts, will be honored with the doctor of public service degree. Michael S. VanLeesten, executive director of the Opportunities Industrialization Center of Rhode Island, Inc., a civil rights and educational leader, will receive the doctor of public service degree. VanLeesten is a 1967 graduate of RIC. Ernest C. Allison, who retired as a professor of English from RIC in 1972, will be awarded the doctor of humane letters degree. These degrees will be conferred at the May 26 undergraduate ceremonies.

At the May 25 graduate division ceremonies, Ralph E. Miller, Jr., retiring after 33 years as a teacher of industrial arts in the East Providence school system, will be awarded the honorary doctor of pedagogy degree. Miller earned his bachelor's degree at RIC. In 1965 he was named the Outstanding Teacher of the Year by the American Industrial Arts Association.

Retirements

Five members of the college community will retire from RIC at the close of this academic year.

HELEN M. MURPHY, an assistant professor in the Henry Barnard School, will complete 38 years at the college this year. MARY G. DAVEY, director of alumni affairs and public relations, who has been at the college since 1954, will retire in June. THOMAS GEDDES, comptroller and treasurer, is retiring after 19 years of service with the college. RITA V. BICHO, associate professor of music, has been on the faculty for 30 years. She will also retire in June. SARAH T. FOSTER, an assistant professor in the Henry Barnard School, will complete her service this year.

A tea will be held for Miss Murphy and Mrs. Foster on Wednesday, May 23 from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Alumni Lounge, Roberts Hall. On Friday, May 11 from 1 to 3 p.m. there will be a reception for Miss Davey in the Alumni Lounge. From 2 to 4 p.m. also on May 11 there is a reception for Miss Bicho at the Faculty Center. On May 17 at 7 p.m. there will be a testimonial dinner at Donovan Dining Center for Mr. Geddes, and on June 7 at 6 p.m. there will be a dinner for Miss Davey in the Faculty Center.

Charles Walton Named Director of UEC

Charles D. Walton has been named director of the Urban Educational Center of Rhode Island. Walton, a member of the UEC staff since 1975, has been serving as acting director of the center since June of 1977 when Dr. William H. Lopes, the former UEC director, was named executive assistant to the president. Walton served as research and planning specialist at the UEC prior to becoming acting director. His appointment is effective as of May 18, 1979.
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FRIDAY, MAY 11

11 AM - 12 NOON LECTURE/DISCUSSION "Friends in Trouble With Alcohol." Sponsored by Lucie Minuto, Special Health Program coordinator. Browne Hall, Health Services.

1-3 PM RECEPTION in honor of Mary G. Davey, director of Public Relations, who is retiring from RIC, this June. Alumni Lounge.

2-4 PM RECEPTION in honor of Rita Bicho, associate professor of music who is retiring from RIC this June. Faculty Center.

SATURDAY, MAY 12

TRACK. New Englands at the University of Massachusetts. Time to be announced.


1 PM BASEBALL. RIC vs. Bentley College. Home.

SUNDAY, MAY 13

10 AM SUNDAY MASS. Student Union Ballroom.

7 PM SUNDAY EVENING MASS. Browne Hall, Upper Lounge.

MONDAY, MAY 14

10 AM - 2 PM HEALTH COUNSELING sponsored by Lucie Minuto, coordinator of the Special Health Program. Health Services, Browne Hall.

12 NOON DAILY MASS. Held everyday except Wednesday. Student Union, Meditation Room.

TUESDAY, MAY 15

12 NOON - 2 PM WOMEN'S AWARENESS GROUP MEETING. Student Union, Lounge E.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16

1-2 PM DISCUSSION: "I Flunked All My Exams, So I May As Well Get Pregnant", or "Effective Birth Control." Sponsored by Lucie Minuto, Special Health Program coordinator. Health Services, Browne Hall.

THURSDAY, MAY 17

9 AM - 12 NOON RIC CONSORTIUM MEETING. Student Union, Chambers, Room 306 and 310.

11 AM - 12 NOON DISCUSSION: "What You Would Like to Learn at Your Health Services." An opportunity for students to make comments on Health Services. Sponsored by Lucie Minuto, Special Health Program coordinator. Health Services, Browne Hall.
7-9 PM OPENING RECEPTION for Graduate and senior art exhibit. The show will continue until June 1. Gallery hours are 11 a.m.-4 p.m. weekdays and from 1-5 p.m., Sundays. Art Center, Bannister Gallery.

7-9:30 PM STUDENT INTERNATIONAL MEDITATION SOCIETY. Student Union, Room 306.

FRIDAY, MAY 13

6:30-10:30 PM ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING. Student Union, Room 310.

SUNDAY, MAY 20

10 AM SUNDAY MASS. Student Union Ballroom.

7 PM SUNDAY EVENING MASS. Browne Hall, Upper Lounge.

MONDAY, MAY 21

12 NOON DAILY MASS. Celebrated everyday except Wednesday.

1-2 PM DISCUSSION: "Senior Women: Living Alone." Sponsored by Lucie Minuto, Special Health Program coordinator. Health Services, Browne Hall.

2-4 PM DISCUSSION: "Senior Women: Can You Take Care of Yourself?" Sponsored by Lucie Minuto, Special Health Program coordinator. Health Services, Browne Hall.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 23

3-5 PM TEA in honor of Helen M. Murphy and Sarah T. Foster, assistant professors at Henry Barnard School, who are retiring this June. Roberts Hall, Alumni Lounge.

FRIDAY, MAY 25

6 PM GRADUATE DIVISION COMMENCEMENT. Esplanade in front of Walsh Center.

SATURDAY, MAY 26

10 AM UNDERGRADUATE COMMENCEMENT. Esplanade in front of Walsh Center.

SUMMER SESSION REGISTRATION DATES

MAIL REGISTRATION - Until Friday, June 8

WALK-IN REGISTRATION - Monday, June 11 - Monday, June 18 (except Saturday and Sunday)
    Summer Session Office, Roberts 315

IN-PERSON REGISTRATION - Tuesday, June 19 - Wednesday, June 20, Whipple Gym

LATE REGISTRATION - Thursday, June 21 - Tuesday, June 26 (except Saturday and Sunday)
    Summer Session Office, Roberts 315
25 Receive Awards at Cap and Gown Day

Traditional cap and gown ceremonies held on May 2 signaled the beginning of the commencement season for RIC seniors. Awards were presented to 25 graduating seniors in recognition of achievements in their undergraduate work at the afternoon convocation held in Roberts Hall Auditorium.

The honors and their recipients were the James Houston Award, Jeffrey G. Allen; the Studio Art Award, Karen Langlais; the Theodore Lemeshka Award, Gloria Giguere; the Archambault Award, Dennis Mele; the RIC Theatre Award, Louis Scenti; the Economics/Management Award, Lori Garvey Monahan; the Wall Street Journal Award, Paul J. Neville, and the Jean Garrigue Award, Lucien P. Montaro.

Other honors were the Elementary Education Faculty Award, Susan Nolette; the Claiborne D. Pell Award, Gregory Gentile; the Evelyn Walsh Prize, Teresa Quinn; the Epsilon Pi Tau-Beta Sigma Chapter Award, Ann R. Gaulin; the Christopher R. Mitchell Award, Scott A. Chianese and Denise C. Larivee; the Nelson Guertin Award, Denise Champlin and Helder Varela; and the Cantor Jacob R. Hohenemser Award, Paulette Gagnon.

Also presented were the Nursing Faculty Award, Dianne Kipp; the Philosophy Faculty Award, Peter E. Pallein; the Ronald J. Boruch Award, Denise C. Larivee and Carmen Varin; the John H. Chafee Award, Evelyn Grelle; the John E. Hetherman Award, Kevin Gatta; the Helen M. Murphy Award, Phillis Manni, and the Bertha Christina Andrews Emin Awards, Carmen Varin and Mary Beth Lohrmann.

Two seniors received more than one award. Denise Larivee and Carmen Varin were both presented with the Ronald J. Boruch Award in chemistry. Ms. Larivee also received the Christopher R. Mitchell Award in mathematics and Mr. Varin the Bertha Christina Andrews Emin Award.

Committee Approval Needed for Human Subject Research

The Committee on the Use of Human Subjects for Research is charged, under current federal law, with reviewing all investigations and research which involve human subjects, regardless of the investigator's own assessment of risk. In addition to the obvious activities involving biomedical and physical techniques, the concept of "research" is interpreted to include the following: therapeutic, diagnostic and preventive interventions (and evaluations of such interventions); alteration of environment, diet and daily routine; observation; administration of questionnaires and tests; and review of records.

All members of the college community should submit any projects involving human research, whether federally funded or not, to the committee for review. In all cases, the principal investigator of the project is responsible for compliance with the committee's charge. The review procedures have been outlined and are available upon request from the Bureau of Grants and Sponsored Projects, extension 8228.
Focus on the Faculty and Staff

WALTER BLANCHARD, associate professor of philosophy and foundations of education, will attend a national conference on "Career Models for the Liberal Arts College" sponsored by Madonna College in Livonia, Michigan May 14-15. The conference is being held as the result of an 18-month project in career development undertaken by the college under a contract with the United States Office of Education.

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Several articles by MINER K. BROTHERTON, assistant professor of physical sciences, have been accepted for publication in forthcoming issues of various journals. A manuscript on "The TIMEKUBE," a radio which receives only time signals from the Bureau of Standards station WWV, will be published in a future issue of The Physics Teacher. Articles to appear in June 1979 are "Merchant Vessels of the United States" in National Fisherman and "Tides" in New England Offshore.

A composite three-volume review of "Phil Schwind - Cape Cod Shellfish Sage" will be included in a future issue of Oceans, the journal of the Oceanic Society. Other reviews by Professor Brotherton have appeared in May issues of National Fisherman, Cruising World and The Physics Teacher.

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JOSEPH CONFORTI, assistant professor of history, has been chosen to participate in the Project for American Studies in the Secondary Schools. The Project is financed by the National Endowment for the Humanities and is sponsored by the American Studies Association and Ball State University.

Teams of American studies educators are being chosen from each of the fifty states. The teams are comprised of a college or university faculty member in American studies, a secondary school administrator, and a secondary school teacher in English or history. Rhode Island College is the only institution of higher education in the state participating in this national project.

Team members will attend workshops sponsored by the American Studies Association and Ball State University. They will work to promote American Studies curriculum development within the secondary schools of their home state.

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Examples of the graphic design work of WALTER KOPEC, publications designer, were presented in an exhibition the State University of New York - Buffalo. A 1976 graduate of the school's communications design program, Mr. Kopec was appointed to the position at RIC in April 1978. Sponsored by the Communications Design Option at SUNY, the exhibit ran from April 30 to May 11.

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JANET MANCINI, associate professor of sociology, has been selected by the National Advisory Council of the Danforth Associate Program for appointment to its program. Her appointment is for a six-year term beginning June 1, 1979.

The program offers opportunities for interdisciplinary and interinstitutional activities among faculty which are designed to encourage effective teaching and to humanize teaching and learning in the campus community.

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BRUCE W. MIELKE, associate professor of mathematics, was the guest speaker at the May 3 meeting of the Rhode Island Mathematics Teachers Association held at the Quonset "O" Club in North Kingston. The topic of his lecture/presentation was "Game Theory." Dr. Mielke also conducted a workshop on game theory for senior high math teachers prior to the meeting.

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ANN MOSKOL and BARRY SCHILLER, assistant professors of mathematics, will participate in public workshops on transportation options at the Rhode Island Lung Association annual meetings to be held at the Providence Holiday Inn on May 23. Representing Ecology Action for Rhode Island, they will serve as resource persons for bicycle facilities and the regulation of traffic flow and parking.

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CHESTER E. SMOLSKI, associate professor anthropology/geography and coordinator of Urban Studies, presented a paper on "Downtown Development Authorities: Their Role in Downtown Revitalization" at an annual meeting of the Council of University Institutes for Urban Affairs. Over 100 colleges and universities were represented at the meeting which was held in Toronto April 18-21.

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ROBERT E. VIENS, assistant professor of physical sciences, is director of the RIC sub-center for a project involving the dissemination of research findings on "Science Teaching and the Development of Reasoning." The project is based at the University of Massachusetts and supported by a grant from the National Science Foundation. He recently attended a directors' conference for the project at Mount Holyoke College on April 6.

On April 7 Professor Viens spoke at the regional joint meeting of the American Physical Society and the American Association of Physics Teachers held at the University of Lowell in Massachusetts. His talk entitled "PSI - Can You Survive?" dealt with individualized instruction in physics and practical suggestions to improve one's success.

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ANDD WARD, assistant professor of instructional technology, participated in the national convention of the Association for Educational Communications and Technology (AECT) held in New Orleans on March 6-7. At the convention she gave two presentations entitled "How to Deal With Sex Discrimination in Academia" and "WIT (Women in Instructional Technology) Tape Exchange."

The WIT Tape Exchange is an innovative audio communications network which Dr. Ward started in 1975. Through the program Dr. Ward sends audio tapes to media educators throughout the nation on a monthly listen-and-return basis. The tape exchange is designed to help women develop leadership skills, self-confidence and professional expertise.

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RUTH WHIPPLE, assistant professor at Henry Barnard School, participated in a panel presentation on "Helping Children Become Independent Writers" at the National Conference on Language Arts in the Elementary School. Sponsored by the National Council of Teachers of English, the conference was held on March 23-25 in Hartford, Connecticut.
Grants and Awards

Dr. ALEXANDER H. CORNELL, professor of management, has received a NATO research fellowship from the North Atlantic Council. His name was submitted by the United States government for the fellowship by the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. The International Selection Committee considered that his project, "An Analysis of the Organizational and Managerial Aspects of International Co-development and Co-production of Weapons: Ten Years Later," would make a useful contribution to NATO, its image and its shared economic problems and to the fellowship program. The result of his research will be published by the Sijthoff Publishing Co. Ltd. of Leyden, Netherlands in their Atlantic Series.

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CAREY G. RICKABAUGH, associate professor of political science, has been granted a "summer seminar" stipend for 1979 by The National Endowment for the Humanities. Dr. Rickabaugh will be studying "America's Continuing Revolution: The Role of the United States Supreme Court" with Alpheus T. Mason, professor emeritus at Princeton University.

People

On Saturday, April 28, three RIC students presented papers at the 1979 New England Undergraduate Research Conference in Sociology held at Providence College. These papers were originally written for sociology courses and were referred by a panel of judges for acceptance at the conference. Delivering papers were Sara W. Weiss, "From Orthodoxy to Atheism"; Ellen K. Sneesby, "Community Support Groups in Pawtucket"; and Jo-Anne Smith, "Historical and Contemporary Views of Women in Irish Society."

Repairs

What's New(s) at RIC received incorrect and incomplete information on the faculty and staff members who were recognized with certificates for 20 or more years of service as part of the college's 125th anniversary celebration.

The names listed on page two of the April 27 issue of What's New(s) should have included EDWARD S. BOGDA and ROBERTA OLSEN with 21 years of service; RENATO E. LEONELLI should have been listed with 38 years of service (not 37) and JOHN NAZARIAN with 25 years (not 24).

In the same article, we regret the following errors in the cutline for the page 1 photo. The three students pictured are not members of Anchor Christian Fellowship as reported. Mary Manning and Beatrice Ortiz are from Theta Lambda Chi sorority, and Jo Ann Gaumond is a member of Sigma Mu Delta sorority. They represented Italian peasants in the international fair held on May 9 and were photographed in front of the Anchor Christian Fellowship booth.

What's Happening

"Providence: A Century of Greatness, 1832-1932", a multimedia history of Providence, will have its public premiere on June 2 and 3 at the Museum of Rhode Island History located in the Aldrich House, 110 Benevolent Street. Professors Stanley Lemons and George Kellner have been working on this production during the past year under a $15,000 grant from the Rhode Island Committee for the Humanities.