Meet Over Lottery Issue

by Mark Poirier

Student representatives met late Thursday, April 2, with college administrators to discuss possible alternatives to the lottery system currently being planned for allocating residence hall space next year.

At 10 p.m. in the Willard Hall Recreation Room, approximately 100 students met with Dr. Gary Penfield, vice-president for student affairs pro tem; Glenn Liddell, director of student housing, and their student representatives.

At the meeting two proposals were presented to the students as alternatives to the lottery system. The first would call for using all available spaces in the four dorms. Plans to use these spaces vary from dorm to dorm. At Willard Hall the study hall and storage areas in Weber Hall, and the lounges in Browne Hall would be converted into rooms. This plan would not accommodate everyone, and some students would still be placed on waiting lists.

The second proposal, if enacted, would designate Willard Hall as a freshman dorm. Included in this proposal would be the conversion of Browne Hall into a co-ed dormitory. This plan would accommodate all current residents plus the 40% spaces reserved for freshmen. Current single rooms would be made into doubles, and double rooms into triples, making 224 beds available, accommodating 56 extra people.

The students decided to try and circulate a survey to all residents to determine who really is coming back and who is not sure. This is being done to verify the findings of the initial survey which prompted the lottery system.

Also present at the meeting was Thomas Anderson, vice-president of the Student Senate, who stated that, according to Article IV of the Student Bill of Rights, the lottery system is illegal because there was no student representation when the decision was made to institute the lottery system. Dr. Penfield countered this statement by saying that the recognition of the present student committee fulfills that rule. Later on in the meeting, Liddell said that, "In

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Father of Modern Behaviorism:
B.F. Skinner to Speak at RIC

B.F. Skinner, world-renowned for his studies in the area of human behavior, will speak at Rhode Island College next Monday, April 20.

Considered the father of modern behaviorism, Skinner will consider "A Philosophy of Behaviorism" before a select audience at 2 p.m. in Gaige Hall on the campus.

Sponsored by the Rhode Island Philosophical Society and hosted by RIC, the lecture is the first at this college and one of the very few made to Rhode Island colleges and universities.

"We are certainly pleased that Professor Skinner has agreed to address our society. He has been known to Ray Houghton since 1938, and on that basis was enticed to be our guest for purely philosophical discussion on behaviorism," said William J. Kinna man, society president. Dr. Raymond W. Houghton is a professor of philosophy and founder of education at RIC.

Starting at 10 a.m. there will be five workshops in the RIC Faculty Center. People who get tickets to attend the symposium at which Skinner will speak are urged to participate in the workshops, said Houghton.

The workshops will consist of concurrent discussion sessions led by society members on the topics of mind, determinism, education, ethics, and method. At noon participants will break for lunch.

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Skinner is the author of the utopian (Continued on p. 2)

Rats To You
But Historians To Others

by George LaTour

Most everyone condemns rats and tries to get rid of them, but someday they may offer the only evidence of our civilization.

So says Dr. E. Pierre Morenon who, with others from Rhode Island College, recently presented a series of studies on the nature of archaeological sites in Rhode Island to the Northeastern Anthropological Association at its 21st annual meeting held in Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

One of the studies, by Deborah Pandolfini, a student at the college's department of anthropology and geography, concerned rat "middens" (mounds) at the Asturain-Cray House in Roger Williams Park in Providence which is currently used as the visitor center.

Pandolfini said a study of the building conducted last year by a member of the National Park Service found large volumes of rat midden debris discovered under the floorboards throughout the two-and-a-half story wood frame house.

The debris, amounting to a volume of approximately 10 bushels, consisted of newspaper shreds, scraps of cloth and wallpaper, and "over 600 cultural artifacts dating from the early 1700's to the 1970's."

Some of the "cultural artifacts" that had been carried off by the rodents over a period of years included pieces of ceramics, hand-wrought and machine-cut nails, chewing tobacco clips, a brass Arabic medallion, various pieces of glass, shoes, buttons, a bone-handled toothbrush and a smalldoll stuffer with wadding.

The doll, says Pandolfini, is a pair (Continued on p. 2)
The faculty of Rhode Island College extends best wishes to Alumnus of the Year Award recipient Adam Wood who arrived on March 26 weighing 7'9", 9 ounces. The mother is Janet A. Wood of the department of nursing; the father, Dr. David E. Wood of the Health and Physical Education Department.

We are happy to know that Dr. Janet Mancini is recuperating nicely after recent surgery. Notes are to be sent for her home who she will be until the end of April.

50 Summit Ave., Providence, 02906.

RIC Co-Op Ed Co-Sponsor: Employer Workshop Planned

Sixty-five hundred employees in Rhode Island, nearly Massachusetts and Connecticut are the target audience for an intensive one-day cooperative education employer workshop to be co-sponsored by Rhode Island College’s Cooperative Education Program and the Center for Employer Training, Professional Practice Institute of the University of Cincinnati. Two separate sessions of the workshop will be offered, one on April 27 and one on April 28.

To be held at the Holiday Inn in downtown Providence, the workshop will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 4:30 p.m. each day.

We will be the only institution on the east coast to hold these workshops. Only fifty being offered in the United States in conjunction with the University of Cincinnati which pioneered the concept of cooperative education in 1906.

Among the topics which will be addressed at the workshop sessions will be the importance of cooperative education, career development of cooperative students, the RIC cooperative model, the cooperative philosophy, and the rewards of cooperative education for the employer.

Also involved from RIC will be Patrick O’Regan, Dr. Crocker, Dr. Martin, and Dr. Earl Steven. A staff of four from the Professional Practice Institute will be on hand to lead various sections of the workshop.

Mailings promoting the workshop have gone to the target audience of 6,500 employers, describing the event have been distributed locally. The workshops can accommodate roughly forty people each day, with registrations from the planners. Therefore, applications are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

The workshop is being offered through a grant from the United States Department of Education, Office of Human Resource Development and the lunch, the purchase of which are not allowed with grant funds. Registration may be made by writing to the RIC Cooperative Education Office, room 248, Gaige Hall, 600 Mt. Pleasant Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island, 02906. For more information call 456-8134.

Alumni Set For Awards Dinner

Five awards recognizing the work and accomplishments of Rhode Island College alumni and RIC faculty and staff on historic sites will be presented at the Alumni Association annual awards dinner, scheduled for May 7. To be held in the college Faculty Center, the dinner will begin at 6 p.m. and is to be preceded by a reception beginning at 4:30 p.m.

Recipients of the awards for 1981 will be: The Alumni Service Award, Albina Hall Lakomak, ’47; the Faculty Award, Dr. John Pellegrino, associate professor of music; the Robert B. Gittins Award for outstanding contribution to community service, Dr. Joseph Graham, associate professor of communications and theater; the Staff Award, Louise Nagle, director of the Blue Space department of student life; the Charles B. Willard Award, Dr. Howard F. Carter; the Century ‘74, and the Alumnaus of the Year Award, Mrs. Mary O’Callaghan.

Tickets to the dinner will be $9. Reservations and reservations and FOOG 200. For more information call 456-8036.

Open Hearing

The Academic Quality Committee will hold a general hearing for faculty on Tuesday, April 14 from noon to 2 p.m. in Fogarty Life Science Building 215.

The meeting is to allow the AQC to hear any faculty member voice concerns regarding the committee's preliminary recommendations which will be distributed to all faculty and administrators before the open faculty meeting. Any interested faculty members for students will follow at a later date.


designated a panel on "The Alternate Fuels" and presented a talk on solar fired kilns at the national conference of the American Ceramic Education for the Ceramic Arts on March 26 in Wichita, Kansas.

John Pellegrino, associate professor of music, performed trumpet solos of "Hot Air" and "Ragtime" by Bernadette V. Small and John Stanley for the combined Chaminade and Chasen School of Music Clubs of Rhode Island on March 29. The program was held in the Music Mansion in Providence. The accom­ panist was Bernadette V. Small, organist, of the University of Rhode Island music facul­ ty. Pellegrino also performed for the band at West Warwick High School. Accom­ panist was Robert Bobig of the RIC music faculty.
Six prominent black educators were among the participants in the recent Urban Educational Center's conference, "Minority Participation in Postsecondary Education: Assessment, Issues, Prospects."

Featured was a talk by Dick Gregory, activist/lecturer/comedian, who touched on a number of subjects including the contributions of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Dr. Frederick S. Humphries, president of Tennessee State University, was keynote speaker.

What's News Photos by Peter Tobia
Legislative Alert

Newborn Care: H-5479 by W. McKenna, a bill prohibiting the sale of any product containing any hormone that is likely to cause birth defects or hormone imbalance in children by State Health (April 10). Special Legislative Committee on Health and Welfare

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Calendar of Events

TUESDAY, APRIL 14
10 a.m.-11 p.m. R.I. Blood Center Drive, Student Union Ballroom.

12 Noon-2 p.m. Student Union Board of Directors Meeting. Student Union, Chambers.

12 Noon-1 p.m. History Department Luncheon Colloquium, "Contemporary Music," Ellen O'Neill, Grant Carpenter, and others will discuss the different kinds of contemporary music and some of its origins. The colloquium will be drawing on their own observations in the classroom. Gage Hall, Room 211.

1:30-2:30 p.m. Programming Meeting. Student Union, Lounge F.

1 p.m. Chamber Music Series New Music Ensemble. George Goncenco, conductor, Rober, Room 183.

1:30-2:30 p.m. Anchor Christian Fellowship Meeting. Student Union, Room 310.

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2 p.m. Philosophy Colloquium, "On Bernard Lonergan: These Later Years," featuring J. Valentine rice, Ph.D., Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland, Fogarty Hall, Room 120.


WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15
2 p.m. Programming Meeting. Student Union, Chambers.

2:45-4:00 p.m. Latin American Student Organization. Student Union, Ballrooms.

3:15-4:30 p.m. IRC Radio Club Meeting. Student Union, Room 310.

4:45-5:15 p.m. Dist. 112 Film Series. Lemons, 4 p.m.; Martin Hall, 5:15 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 16
10-11 a.m. Softball. RIC vs. Bridgeport (Double Header) Away.

3 p.m. Baseball. RIC vs. Stonehill. Away.

7-10 p.m. Sigma Mu Delta Meeting. Student Union, Lounge F.

FRIDAY, APRIL 17
3 p.m. Men's Tennis. RIC vs. Suffolk. Home.

SATURDAY, APRIL 18
3:30-5:30 p.m. Student Union Board of Directors Student Union Chambers.

3:30 p.m. Men's Tennis. RIC vs. Plymouth. Home.

8-10:30 a.m. Kappa Delta Phi Toga Party. Student Union, Riddelskull.

SUNDAY, APRIL 19
7-10 p.m. Kappa Epsilon. Student Union, Lounge F.

7-10 p.m. Kappa Delta Phi Meeting. Student Union, Chambers.

MONDAY, APRIL 20

3:30 p.m. Men's Tennis. RIC vs. Quinnipiac. Home.

6:30 p.m. RIC Alumni Meeting. Student Union Chambers.

SUNDAY, APRIL 20
7:30-10:00 p.m. Student Council for Exceptional Children Arts and Crafts Program. Student Union, Classroom.