What's NEWS

Rhode Island College To Again Offer Holiday 'Gift'

Rhode Island College is again inviting the public to share in its holiday celebrations this year with a free performance by the RIC Chorus and Symphony Orchestra and the Barrington Boys Choir.

Billed as the college's "Holiday Gift to the Community," the performance will take place at the Ocean State Performing Arts Center on Monday, Dec. 7, at 8 p.m. The performance will be Karen Hunt, soprano; Kathleen Nelson, mezzo-soprano; Frank Hoffmeister, tenor; and Lucien Oliver, baritone.

This is the third year the college has performed Handel's "Messiah" last year at the Ocean State to a capacity audience. Immediately following the performance, President and Mrs. David E. Sweet will host a reception at the new J. Joseph Garrahy Judicial Complex on Durfee Street — within walking distance of the Ocean State.

Kathryn M. Sasso, director of conferences and special events, said the complex was chosen "in keeping with RIC's newly established tradition of bringing its guests to a new spot in Providence."

Last year's reception was held at the newly renovated Arcade.

Price of the reception will be $4, $1 of which will go to benefit the fine and performing arts at the college. Tickets will go on sale Nov. 18 in the Advancement and Support Center.

Mrs. Sasso assures that attendance is "unlimited" for both the performance and reception. The college has worked out parking arrangements with the Outlet Garage for the evening. Costs to park will be $2.

Among special activities planned to coincide with RIC's "night on the town," will be:

- an art exhibit of student work including drawings, paintings, and photographs "of and by RIC students;"
- an introduction of special RIC Christmas tree ornaments which may be purchased for $1 each, proceeds of which will go in part to benefit the fine and performing arts;
- the first annual President's Dinner for student leaders prior to the performance at the Ocean State.

The art exhibit, installed by the Gallery Committee of the college art departments, will be in the Garrahy Complex downtown lobby. The exhibit will open the night of the reception and remain for public viewing through Dec. 18.

The Christmas tree ornaments will adorers one or more trees in the complex lobby.

Persons wishing to purchase one or more will be able to pick them from one of the trees, hence, "undecorating" them.

Some 100 student leaders will be treated to dinner in the college Faculty Center prior to the performance in the Ocean State. After the dinner, the students will be taken by bus to the performance. (See separate story in this issue.)

Refresments at the reception which will be catered by Gallimaufry Inc., include mailed wine and cider, a holiday punch, assorted Christmas cookies, fresh fruit kabob, and assorted dessert choices, crackers and homemade breads.

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Representatives from the college newspaper staffs at Brown, Bryant, and Providence College, Roger Williams University of Rhode Island, and RIC are expected to attend. Several college radio stations will also send representatives.

The conference will open with a greeting from RIC President David E. Sweet. According to Spiegler, the conference speakers and lecture topics are as follows:

At 10 a.m., "Photography," will be discussed with Jack Spratt, a former student leader, the event will coincide with RIC's "night on the town,"" said Sasso.

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The first Rhode Island Collegiate Journalism Conference will be held in the RIC Student Union on Friday, Nov. 20, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. More than 30 speakers from various Rhode Island newspapers, radio, and TV stations are scheduled to attend.

The Conference is being organized and sponsored by The Anchor, RIC's student newspaper.

According to Jim Spiegler, conference chairman, the event is being held "to bring together the staffs of Rhode Island's eight college newspapers so we can share experiences and ideas."

HE'D RATHER SWITCH than fight: Robert Viens has switched to lolllpops and candy cigarettes in an attempt to break his 32-year smoking habit. The physics professor has been joined in his crusade by several of his students, all of whom have vowed to leave cigarettes and smoking behind. (See story on page 3.)

(What's News) Photo by Peter Toto
Deadline for Grants, Sponsored Projects Announced

The RIC COMMITTEE FOR THE HUMANITIES has been awarded Project Grants and Planning Grants. Public Project Grants support a wide array of public humanities projects. Planning Grant are given to determine the feasibility of a concept prior to submission of an application for a large grant. The next two application deadlines are NOV. 1, 1981 and MARCH 1, 1982. Proposals must be submitted at least one week prior to the deadline.

... The NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION Unsolicited Proposals program awards innovative, unique ideas relevant to NIE mission. NIE is particularly interested in proposals from minority and women researchers, and scholars from disciplines not normally involved in research, among other categories. Applications for this cycle must be received by JAN. 5, 1982.

To Fete Student Leaders

Student leaders and their guests have been invited by college President David E. Sweet for the annual President’s Dinner on Monday, Dec. 7. Prior to the dinner, which will provide college staff an opportunity to "recognize the vital contributions" made by the students, a lecture will be held.

And after the dinner, which will be held in the Florence Radcliffe building, students will be taken via bus to RIC’s "Holiday Gift to the Community," performance of State Performing Arts Center in Providence.

Book, Craft Sale Today

The Henry Barnard School book bazaar and craft sale will be open Friday, from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. at 126 Somerset St., Providence. The event is being sponsored by the RIC Urban Educational Center’s Educational Opportunity Center. The fair, which is designed as an open house for the center, will offer books, arts, crafts and general information on the various programs. Programs and services available through the UEC include Adult Basic Education, English as a Second Language, General High School Equivalency Diploma and a Postdoctoral Research Fellowship program from RIC and the Community College of Rhode Island.

The Educational Opportunity Center, which provides information with respect to federal and academic assistance to persons applying for admission to institutions of higher education, will be represented.

The event is open to all.

Jazz Dance

The Sisters of Rhode Island College will begin modern jazz dance classes starting Friday, Nov. 13, at 3 p.m. in Wahl Center, room 102. The sessions will run for six consecutive weeks, Fridays, from 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., and on Saturdays, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The program is free and open to all.

Media Coverage

As a result of two recent feature articles in What's New(s) at RIC, the college's news service, widespread publicity.

Dr. D. E. Pierre Morenon, assistant professor of anthropology and geography, will be featured in a national television program based on the article written by George Fazzino, John Lacombe, John Duchesne and John Brown, professor of Portuguese studies and director of the French Film Studies program at the University of Rhode Island.

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They're Helping Him Kick The Habit

By Arline Alexis Flemming

Not too many professors would dare hang their own photograph in the middle of a college campus — in full view of potential massage and students.

But Prof. Robert Viens has gone to some courageous extremes to attract supporters to his cause: to beat the ism he can afford. He's serious about beating the nicotine habit. He's been trying to leave behind some of the bad habits he picked up in his youth. In addition to principles and moral support, Support is why Professor Viens asked only one foot. He posted his photograph on his office door and Christmas, settlements. “So many people there know I'm trying and of course, he has to save face.

Viens asked the number of graduates they hire for college teachers and department doors saying “If you see this man with a cigarette, please report his backtracking to Dr. Peter Glance on a plan to quit smoking call the number of jobs for college teachers.

According to the council, which surveyed 511 companies, private firms will demand for more teachers of young children. For the 1980's, the Bureau of Labor Statistics said that a continuing decline in the high-school population exists. In 1986, the Bureau of Labor Statistics for the number of jobs for elementary grades and 26 percent for teachers in preschools and kindergartens.

A declining decline in the high-school-age population is expected to reduce the number of jobs for high-school teachers by more than 12 percent between 1988 and 1990. The number of people 75 and older is expected to grow from 4 million in 1979 to 12 million in 1990. This, along with rising incomes and growing concern about a health, will contribute to a demand for more health-care professions, including an increase of 4 percent in jobs for physicians by 1990. An increase of more than 50 percent for therapists, and an increase of 45 percent for health technologists and technicians, the Bureau of Labor Statistics said.

For engineers generally, the projected increase in the number of jobs for engineers in aeronautics and space specialties is an increase of 70 percent is forecasted.

Nikolais

Nikolais Dance Theatre To Perform

The Nikolais Dance Theatre will make its only New England appearance at Rhode Island College on Tuesday, Nov. 24, at 8 p.m. in Roberts Auditorium.

Tickets, which are $7 for the general public and $2.50 for RIC students, will go on sale Tuesday, Nov. 17, in the RIC box office. Other student and senior citizen rates are also available.

Alvin Nikolais, founder of the company, is a composer, choreographer and designer who began his career at the Old Henry Street Playhouse in 1948.

That Playhouse Dance Company has since evolved into the Nikolais Dance Theatre and has enjoyed successful appearances at the American Dance Festival and at the Theatre Champs Elysees in Paris.

His many guest appearances on the Steve Allen Show introduced him and his company to the nation, and he has since created many works for television, including PBS and NBC.

The past year Nikolais was chosen to represent American dance profession to the first official delegation of American artists invited by the Peoples Republic of China.

His awards include an Emmy citation, the Dance Magazine Award, the Grand Prix de Paris International Festival de Danse and two Guggenheim Fellowships.

His use of dance as a sculpture, as one part of a larger design, creates his image of man as only one part of the total environment.

The Nov. 24 program will feature Gerald Otto, Jessica Sayre, Carter McAdams, Dale Thompson, Dirck Van Tassel, Nusha Martynik, Kyle Haver, Jung Auyang, Joy Hinz and Mary Cochran.

The dance group is being presented at

Three Concerts Slated

Three concerts have been scheduled at Rhode Island College next week, beginning Tuesday with chamber music and concluding Sunday with the symphonic band.

All three concerts are free and open to the public.

Chamber music with strings, piano and woodwinds will be presented on Tuesday, Nov. 17 at 1 p.m. in Roberts 138. Participating musicians will be Philip McClintock, clarinet; Gregory Zelizion, flute; Delight Immonen, oboe; Barbara Poularikas, violin; Diane Duhameau, violin, Robert Currier, viola; and George Mack, cello.

Their program includes Malcolm Arnold's "Divertimento, Opus 37," and Mozart's "Quartet in A Major." They are also members of the New Music Ensemble of Providence.

Their musical interests range from the Elizabethan period to the 20th Century.

The group derives its name from Sir George Henchel, first conductor of the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

Their program includes works by Haydn, Mozart, Schubert and Faure.

On Sunday, Nov. 22 at 3 p.m., the Rhode Island College Symphonic Band, directed by Dr. Francis Macomish, will perform in Roberts Auditorium.


"The Killing of Sister George," a PRISM production originally scheduled for Nov. 19 on the RIC Calendar of the Arts, has been postponed to Dec. 10.

RIC DANCE THEATRE will perform at Rhode Island College on Tuesday, Nov. 24, at 8 p.m. in Roberts Auditorium.

For more information call 466-8269.

The box office is open weekdays between 10 a.m. and weekends, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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What's New(s) Photo by Peter Tobin

Calendar of Events

November 16 - November 23, 1981

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16

7:30-9:30 p.m. Student Council for Exceptional Children Arts and Crafts Program. Student Union, Gamesroom.

7:30-9:30 p.m. Quit Smoking Clinic, Session 3. "Quit Night," Student Union, Room 310.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20

9 a.m.-5 p.m. RIC Collegiate Journalism Conference. Student Union, Ballroom.

3-5 p.m. Modern/Jazz Dance Class, Gladys Wesley, Instructor. Free and open to the public. Walsh Center, Room 102.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

5-7 p.m. Student Community Government Meeting. Student Union, Chambers.

7-7:30 p.m. Blood Drive. Student Union, Ballroom.


2-5 p.m. student Community Gov't Meeting. Student Union, Chambers.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17

11 a.m.-1 p.m. Key Program. Student Union, Room 310.

12-1 p.m. Exercise Class. Walsh Gym, Recreation room.

12-1:30 p.m. Programming Meeting. Student Union, Lounge F.

12-2 p.m. Workshop for Students Undecided on Major. Craig Lee, Lee, Rm. 502.

12-2 p.m. Women's Open House. Student Union, 3rd floor.

12-2 p.m. Political Science Club. Student Union, Ballroom.

1 p.m. Chamber Music. Strings, Pianos and Woodwinds, Roberts Hall, Room 118.

1-2 p.m. Jewish Students and Faculty Meeting. Student Union, Room 304.

7:30 p.m. Patterns in Relationships Workshops Continue. Student Union, Ballroom (Week 6).

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18

9 a.m.-3 p.m. Blood Drive. Student Union, Ballroom.


2-5 p.m. student Community Gov't Meeting. Student Union, Chambers.