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Dr. Willard F. Enteman:

‘Education—the best hope’

Dr. Willard F. Enteman addresses the faculty while RIC President David Sweet listens attentively. (What's New(s) Photo by Peter P. Tobia)

By Arline Aissis Fleming

Rhode Island College will welcome its new students for the 1982-83 academic year at a New Student Convocation on Tuesday, Sept. 7, at which approximately $36,000 will be awarded in scholarships.

Some 60 freshmen and other top student undergraduates will share cash awards ranging from $100 to close to $4,000 through the recently-established General Education Honors Program, the Leadership, Participation, Service Awards or the Elizabeth S. Carr Trust Fund Scholarships.

The convocation will be held from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in Roberts Auditorium. All faculty and staff are invited to attend.

The top award through the General Education Honors Program is designated the Presidential Honors Scholarship which is awarded for the first time this year to Mary J. Whisaker of East Providence.

This is a full scholarship of up to $4,000 covering the cost of tuition and fees, room and board, and books to an entering freshman who is considered the “most outstanding” General Education Honors Program student as determined by the honors committee.

Support for this program comes from the RIC Scholarship Funds administered by the Committee on Financial Aid. Ten $500 scholarships for entering freshmen who have been accepted into the honors program will be awarded as the Martha Bacon-Ronald Ballinger Honors Scholarships. Recipients considered the “best of the best” in the honors program are: Amanda Brown of Woonsocket, Delina J. Godin of Providence, John G. Laconot of Albion, Susan L. Lundy of Woonsocket, Tracy L. LaPlante of North Providence, Teresa A. Lawrence of Hope, Angela M. Moretti of Warwick, Michael P. Pelouquin of Woonsocket, and Judith Tenenbaum of

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Parents’ Day next Sunday

Dessert smorgasbord set

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Almost everyone is in possession of a sweet tooth, whether they want one or not. Confections of all sorts—from German chocolate layer cake to banana cream pie—can bring smiles to even the sternest of faces.

Good feeling is one of the intentions behind the Women of RIC’s Dessert Smorgasbord. The other is just to arrange an opportunity for the campus community to get together at the start of another academic year.

The dessert smorgasbord is set for Sunday, Sept. 19, at 8 p.m. in the Faculty Center. According to Dorothy Guillotte, president of the group, it is hoped that all members

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BACK TO SCHOOL and the cafeteria go Nicole Marrese (left) and Amy Very as classes began Sept. 1 at the Henry Barnard School. (What's New(s) Photo by Peter P. Tobia)
Another season

Robert Christopherson and John W. Armstrong

Affirmative Action plan approved

Rhode Island College's 1983-84 Affirmative Action Plan has been officially approved by the State Equal Opportunity Office, Patricia Giammarco, affirmative action officer announced this week.

"Many of these have been folded into the college's affirmative action plan, and the new requirements will be enforced," Giammarco said.

According to Giammarco, there is a number of new requirements in this year's plan. "Many of the requirements deal with the hiring process, in one way or another. For example, there is a new provision which states that we must give appropriate attention to our pre-existing affirmative action plan with the academic deans and other college officials," she said.

Germany's minimum qualifications for entering the university have been increased by the new requirements, which are expected to go into effect in the fall. "We are at the point where it is impossible to give appropriate attention to our pre-existing affirmative action plan," Giammarco said.

She added: "Either we will need additional staff, automation of some of our processes, or the delegation of some responsibilities to other campus units."
VINCENT CASTALDI IS RIC'S PRINCIPAL CHEF and the man responsible for the appetizing aromas which emanate from the Donovan Dining Center each day. Here, he personally kneads the dough for one of several batches of pizza. (What's New(s) Photo by Peter P. Tobia)

He caters to RIC students

During the first week of school, principal chef Vincent Castaldi knows that the student population is too geared up to sit down and savor a leisurely meal. So he prepares sandwiches—almost 400 of them a day—the kind which can be picked up and consumed on the run.

When exam time rolls around, he'll prepare pizza or tacos because the kids like something nice done for them during those days.

Student schedules, available supplies, time constraints and the current trends in eating all play a part in what appears on the blackboard menu each day in the Donovan Dining Center and the Faculty Center.

Harry G. Kasanow, who received his bachelors and masters degrees from RIC, has been teaching in the Colorado school system for three years. He was named finalist as Teacher of the Year.

Kasanow's name was submitted for nomination to the state Department of Education by several parents of his fifth grade students. Among the many reasons for nominating Kasanow were his "highly stimulating classroom environment, his innovative field trips, his enthusiasm and devotion to learning."

The four-page document cites his innovative methods for teaching, including having on hand multitudes of wildlife slides, coin and stamp collections and a personal classroom library. He has taught children to cook using solar energy and has organized several hiking and backpacking expeditions to the Rocky Mountains.

RIC graduate cited

A 1976 graduate of Rhode Island College was named a finalist among 5,000 teachers in Colorado as Teacher of the Year.

An end-of-the-year letter from one of his students expressed a child's viewpoint of this Teacher-of-the-Year finalist:

"I wanted to tell you how much I appreciated your teaching me this year, you're a wonderful teacher and I know the kids you teach next year will enjoy you very much.

"Thanks also for all the special activities we've done this year, such as the rocket launches, the eating over at your house, Colonial Day, the computer course, all the neat demonstrations, going to the TV studios, going to the zoo and so much more. I learned a lot this year and I enjoyed every minute of it. I also enjoyed learning about the environment, it was all very fun and interesting I'll really miss you but I'll be sure to visit you, Love, Shelley."

Kasanow was visiting the RIC campus in June as one stop on an eastern tour before heading for Philadelphia where he grew up.

He recalled that his experience at RIC was a good one."
BLUE SKIES AND A HINT OF AUTUMN WEATHER came with the 1982 Administrative Conference held at URJ's W. Alton Jones Campus on Aug. 26. More than 75 department heads and administrators gathered to hear about the college's 1982-83 goals and to sit in on a variety of information sessions. Among the topics discussed were the college's image, the AA/EEO Plan, an outsider's view of the college, recruitment, admissions and retention, a status report on the Committee on Technology Utilization and an overview of the budget cycle. After lunch, a discussion was held with RIC's new provost, Dr. Willard F. Enteman, followed by small group discussions regarding the quality and extent of faculty, staff and student participation in college life. ABOVE, William Hurry Jr., director of financial aid and student employment, and Peter Harman, director of the computer center, enjoy the pleasant environment of the secluded campus while discussing some of the day's business, while John Foley, vice president for College Advancement and Support and William Lopes, executive assistant to the president, share a few jokes. AT TOP RIGHT, President David E. Sweet welcomes the group, and AT RIGHT Provost Enteman, Louis Alfonso and John Saleses look over the selection of information.
BEST HOPE

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"It is only a warped and destructive view of education which assumes that the best of one can only come at the expense of another or that the best of each can be ranked comparatively to others. And the proper response to those who continue the adolescent ranking game is not to ask for a higher position on the scale, but to refuse to play the game," he said.

Enteman went on to talk about the notion of "shrinking market" in higher education, saying, "I continue to believe that we, in higher education, are in grave danger of simply missing the point by not examining carefully the world into which we all entered. We have heard too much, I think, from people telling us that the market is shrinking."

"If we are stuck with the concepts which we currently have about delivery systems, about approaches, about prospective students, in short, about educational structures, then we shall find that our market is indeed shrinking. What we need is not a prophet of doom. What we need is the application of educated intelligence, our own intelligence—to finding yet further ways in which we can begin to overcome ignorance and stupidity and immorality," he said.

"Cynicism is, at its best, anti-intellectual. It is not consistent with doing our best," he concluded.

He concluded his talk by saying, "Education is still the best hope for our society, indeed, for the world. If we abandon our faith in education, we cannot expect others to keep their faith.""
The arts are alive at RIC

Performing Arts Series to open Sept. 18

The RIC 1982-83 Performing Arts Series will open with the sounds of laughter on Sept. 18 when comedian Anna Russell comes to campus. Her performance is set for 8 p.m. in Roberts Auditorium.

Other performances scheduled for the upcoming academic year include the Mockingbird Chamber Ensemble, Oct. 20; Pat Carroll with "Gertrude Stein Gertrude Stein Gertrude Stein," Tuesday, Nov. 16 and Wednesday, Nov. 17; The New Swingle Singers, Dec. 2; Reardon Newman and Dancers, Sunday, Jan. 25; Compagnie Philippe Genty, Sunday, March 6 and the Polish Mime Ballet Theatre will present "Hamlet" on Tuesday, April 26.

Tickets to all performances, including the opening performance with Anna Russell, are $8 general admission, and $5.50 for RIC students. Faculty and staff discounts will be offered this year. For a limited time, faculty and staff can purchase individual tickets to any event at $6 a ticket or $42 for the entire series of seven events. Tickets or series packets may be purchased at the Performing Arts Office, Roberts 112, between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Sept. 7 and 8. After that date, there will be no faculty and staff discounts.

Non-RIC student and senior citizen rates are available with proper ID.

Tickets go on sale approximately one week prior to each event at the Roberts Auditorium Box Office. Reservations can be made by calling 456-8144. Reservations will be held until 7:15 p.m. on the evening of the event. Group rates are available.

The opening performer, Anna Russell, is the prima dolma of parody. She’s known for her exposes on the hilarities in music of every kind, from Wagner to folk songs.

Born in England, she made her first concert appearance in Canada. She attended the Royal College of Music in London, where she studied voice, piano, and composition with British conductor Ralph Vaughan Williams.

Her repertoire includes not only gems of parody from the vocal world, but also narrative roles such as "Peter and the Wolf", "Tubby the Tuba", and Walton’s "Facade."

For more information on any of the Performing Arts Series events, call 456-8194.

RIC’s Commedia dell’Arte Troupe at the 1981 Florentine Faire. The group will perform again this year on Sept. 11 and 12.

RIC TRouPE TO PERFORM AT FLORENTINE FAIRE

On Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 11 and 12, two Renaissance plays will be presented by Rhode Island College’s Commedia dell’Arte Troupe at the eighth annual Florentine Faire. The faire is produced each year by the Providence Inner City Arts. This year the event will be held at Lincoln Woods State Park.

The performances by the Commedia dell’Arte Troupe will be on Saturday at noon and Sunday at 11 a.m. in the Big Tent on the fairgrounds. The plays will be the opening act on each of the two faire days.

The plays are being directed by David Burt, associate professor of communications and theatre at RIC.

The two fundamental characteristics of the commedia style are improvisation and stock characters. The actors work from a plot outline, or scenario, on the basis of which they improvise dialogue and action. Servants, old men and lovers are the mainstay of the commedia style and are complemented by other characters. The cast, which is made up of both RIC students and graduates, includes Roger Lemelin, Glenn Nadeau, Becky Anderson, Kyle Gillett, Mike Mancini, John Powsland, Anna Distefano, Fred Anzivino, Paul Dunn and Sharon Carpenter.

The group also performed at last year’s Florentine Faire. The faire will open each day at 11 a.m. and continue through 7 p.m. Admission is $2.50 for adults, $1 for children 4 to 12 and children under 4 will be admitted free. Other attractions at the faire include crafts, games, food, a kid city and several other performing groups in addition to the RIC troupe. The event is being sponsored in part by the New England Foundation for the Arts and the Rhode Island State Council on the Arts. For more information call 421-5030.

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Symphony orchestra, chamber singers set schedule

The 1982-83 season of the RIC Symphony Orchestra, Chorus, Chamber Singers and Chamber Orchestra will open on Oct. 18 at 8:15 p.m. in Roberts Auditorium.

The orchestra is scheduled to perform Prokofiev’s "Violin Concerto No. 2 in G Minor, Op. 63" and Stravinsky’s "Petroushka", the 1947 version. Edward Markward will conduct and Cherri Markward will be the violinist.

The concert is being dedicated to the 100th anniversary of Stravinsky’s birth. Markward the new assistant conductor and chorusmaster of the Providence Opera Theatre, will be among those presenting Donizetti’s "Luca di Lammemoor" on Oct. 23 at 8 p.m. at the Ocean State Performing Arts Center.

The annual holiday gift to the community is called the prima donna of parody. She’s known for her exposes on the hilarities in music of every kind, from Wagner to folk songs.

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RICHARD S. MARTORELLA, pianist; Judith Lynn Stillmen, pianist; Robert Elam, pianist; Stephen Martorella, pianist; Judith Lynn Stillmen; pianist, and George Genocchio, tympanist.

A full line-up of spring concerts has also been planned by the group. And, according to Markward, the chamber singers will be recording a Christmas album to be released sometime in the fall of 1983.
Bannister Gallery opens Thursday with exhibit

The selected paintings and drawings of Dr. Stephen Smalley, chairman of the art department at Bridgewater State College in Massachusetts, will be on display in the Bannister Gallery Sept. 9 through Oct. 1.

The opening will be on Thursday, from 7 to 9 p.m. It is open to all.

In Smalley's 25 years as an artist and teacher, he has exhibited widely in more than 60 shows and has won numerous awards and prizes. He has also participated as a panelist and speaker, in many national and international conferences concerning education and the arts.

His forthcoming exhibit will contain selected paintings and drawings completed during the past decade. These works reflect a developing landscape theme, ranging from Boston landmarks to Greek and Roman landscapes.

The Bannister Gallery, which is located in the Art Center, is open Monday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturdays 1 to 4 p.m.

The next scheduled exhibit will be a juried alumni show, Oct. 7 to 29.

A PRISM production of Eugene Ionesco's "Exit the King" will open the fall season of Rhode Island College's Theatre Department.

"Exit the King" will be presented Sept. 23 to 25 in the Roberts Hall Little Theatre at 8 p.m. Graduate student Philip Brown will direct.

On Oct. 7, Albert Insomnator's "Gimmi" will open and continue through Oct. 10. David Burr will direct the play in Roberts Auditorium.

Eugene O'Neill's "A Touch of the Poet" is set for Nov. 11 to 14 at 8 p.m. in Roberts Auditorium. Elaine Perry will direct.

A PRISM production of an original script called "Writer's Workshop" by RIC student Peter Primiano will be presented Dec. 9, 10 and 11 in the Roberts Little Theatre.

Ticket prices are $4 general admission, $2 for all students and senior citizens, and $3 for faculty. For reservations call the box office at 456-8544.

Violin recital

A senior violin recital will be given by Diane O'Sullivan on Friday, Sept. 10, at 8 p.m. in Room 188, Roberts Hall. Performers will be the works of Mozart, Beethoven and Brahms. Admission is free. The campus community is invited.

Bicycles trip, sports set by Recreation Dept.

A bicycle trip to pick apples, a hike in the New Hampshire Mountains, classes and intramural sports are all part of the fall itinerary planned by the Rhode Island College Recreation Department.

Beginning the week of Sept. 27, dance aerobics and yoga will be open to the campus community. Beginners dance aerobics will be held on Monday and Wednesday at 6:15 p.m. in Whipple Gym; advanced is set for Tuesday and Thursday at 6:30 p.m. in the same location.

Yoga I is scheduled for Wednesdays from 7 to 9 p.m. and Yoga II will be held Tuesday and Thursday at the same time, both in the Walsh Recreation Room.

The fee for both yoga and dance aerobics is $25 for students with ID's and $30 for all others.

Several intramural sports have been planned for the campus. Included are football on Tuesday afternoon from 12:30 to 2 p.m. on the college field, beginning Sept. 7. Registration deadline is Sept. 10.

On Monday and Wednesday evenings at 6:45, a slow-pitch softball league will be held under the lights at the field on Smith Street in North Providence. It will begin Sept. 13 and registration deadline is Sept. 10.

A basketball league will be held on Thursdays from 7 to 9 p.m. at Whipple Gym. Starting date is Sept. 16 and registration deadline is Sept. 13.

A co-ed volleyball league will be held on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 7 to 9 p.m. in Whipple Gym. The league will begin Oct 12 and registration deadline is Oct. 1.

A co-ed indoor soccer league will be held on Thursdays from 7 to 9 p.m. in Whipple Gym. It will begin Oct. 21 and registration is Oct. 17.

The New Hampshire Mountain Hike to Franconia Notch will be held Sept. 24 and 25. A $30 fee will be charged for transportation and camping facilities.

The Roller-skating trips are set for Oct. 14 and Dec. 2, and admission is $4. A bus will leave from the campus.

A trip to Newport's Cliff Walk is set for Oct. 17 and admission is $4. On Jan. 9 to 14, a ski trip to Squaw Mountain in Maine is being planned. Registration for all of the above trips may be made in the Recreation Office, one week before the trip.

A three-on-three basketball league will be held on Mondays from 7 to 9 p.m. in Whipple Gym beginning Oct. 17. Registration deadline is Oct. 13.

The intramural sports are free and open to all.

Noontime drop-in leagues in basketball, volleyball and racquetball will be held in Whipple Gym, free of charge. An alumni league is being developed for Friday evenings and Sunday mornings to begin in October. A fee will be charged.

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Awards to be given to ‘the best of the best’ (continued from page 1)

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