The Rhode Island College Bachelor of Social Work Student Organization, a band of about 15 students interested in social work, is conducting a holiday food drive for needy families. This is the organization's second annual such campaign.

Planners of the effort have loaned baskets at the School of Social Work office, 217, the Henry Barnard School, a place at the Student Union information desk for those who wish to contribute non-perishable food items such as canned goods.

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Donations of funds may be left at the Student union information desk, the School of Social Work office or at the RIC Bookstore.

Heading up the drive this year are Richard Lapierre, president of the BSW Student Organization, and Carolyn Farandes, vice president.

The drive will assist the club by identifying families who are under-privileged and who would benefit by the receipt of a food basket.

Last year's drive garnered enough contributions to enable the BSW Student Organization to provide 30 food baskets to families in the Providence area.

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**Lech Walesa Day**

Rhode Island College took note of Lech Walesa, leader of Polish Solidarity and winner of this year's Nobel Peace Prize, on Dec. 6 with an all-day Walesa celebration which included exhibits, a slide show and the playing of tapes of Solidarity protest songs and ballads. Highlighting the day's events was a proclamation by college President David E. Sweet before making Dec. 6, "Lech Walesa Day" at RIC.

Seldom is an ordinary person called upon to play a conspicuous role in history; less frequent still is such a person hailed into international prominence. Lech Walesa is one exception — an extraordinary ordinary man who has captured the minds and hearts of all of us since his now-familiar face first appeared on our newspapers and television screens in 1980. By some unexpected circumstance, or by some natural human hidden even from himself, Lech Walesa has transcended his humble origins as a champion of inalienable human rights, dedicated to solving the problems of his nation through negotiation and cooperation without recourse to violence.

On December 10 in Oslo, Lech Walesa will receive his laurel. We are all painfully aware of the fact that he cannot travel freely to Norway to accept his award in person. The military government in Poland sees him as a threat and as a thorn. They have sought to discredit him and have denied him the right to be conferred with his Nobel award. I do, therefore, proclaim today, December 6, 1983, as Lech Walesa Day at Rhode Island College to provide 30 food baskets to families in the Providence area.

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**POLISH SOLIDARITY SIGN** is adjusted by Dr. Kenneth Lewalski, history professor, at the Providence Performing Arts Center.

Poland’s Lech Walesa.

**R I C’s Moore has role in debate**

Moore will speak prior to the debate. He'll provide an overview of the Rhode Island economy and a synopsis of the Strategic Development Commission's proposals. He will also act as moderator for the debate.

The forum is being sponsored by the Rhode Island Council on Economic Education. The council is a non-profit organization dedicated to encouraging and improving economic education through schools and adult education programs. The Center for Economic Education, housed at RIC, serves as base of operations for the council.

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**What's New**

**Adams Library offers: Overdue book amnesty or face heavy fines**

Users of the Adams Library at Rhode Island College, including students and faculty, who have overdue books out will have an amnesty period from Dec. 16-31 in which to return them without penalty, or risk facing a fine of up to $25 per book under a newly enacted law.

Under the new Library Property Law, enacted by the General Assembly last year, users must return books on the due date. The 5¢ penalty per day per item begins to accrue the first day a book is overdue. The new state law providing fines of up to $25 per overdue book took effect Oct. 1. Consequently, overdue borrowers will be notified within the 60-day period after receipt of written notice will now automatically face the much heavier fines.

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**Final Amnesty Dec. 16-23**

May, a person failing to return a book within 60 days of receiving a written overdue notice can be fined up to $25 per item.

In addition, if a book is lost or destroyed or not returned, the borrower will be required to pay for the book's replacement value and will face a fine of up to $100 per book item.

Average replacement value of a book is $25 plus processing, according to Sharon A. Giacobbi, head of circulation.

The current library penalty for overdue books is 5¢ per book per day up to a maximum of $2 per book (with some exceptions).

During the amnesty period these books may be returned at no charge. Giacobbi points out, however, that people who have already returned overdue books have not been automatically entitled to the customary penalties will still owe them.

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Focus on the Faculty and Staff

ROBERT GONZALEZ, director of the Educational Opportunity Center program, delivered a presentation at Brown University on Nov. 19 entitled "Cultural and Social Distinctions Between Puerto Ricans from the Island and Puerto Ricans from the Mainland." It dealt with the emergence of two distinct subcultures of the Puerto Rican culture.

ROSE C. MIRENDA, assistant professor at RIC's Henry Barnard School, has completed a three year project with special curricula activities for severely handicapped youth within the industrial adolescence. His work helped address the concern that the multiply handicapped needs for vocational assessment and training were not being served. It is believed that utilization of the model on which he worked will ease the transition of handicapped youth from an educational setting into the world of work for it is validated work.

JOAN L. GLAZER, professor of elementary education, presented a paper entitled "From a Classroom Observation Scale for Identifying Young Children with Learning Disabilities." Dr. Glazer's work was conducted with young children at Nova Scotia College of Education.

WINS BUSINESS SCHOLARSHIP

Lisa M. Vendettuoli of West Warwick, a senior majoring in management at Rhode Island College, has received the $300 annual scholarship presented by the Providence Business and Professional Women's Club.

Dear Larry:

Somewhere, somehow it has happened again. Part of the dynamics of letters somehow must involve sensing of the presence of the writer. However, I had to write to you, Larry, the winner of the April Fool's Prize, because I'm the one with the moustache; I'm the one with Sanka; I like coffee.

Maybe this will help: He's the one who printed a listing of faculty members entitled "Evaluating Software from an Educational Perspective" at the 73rd annual convention of the National Council of Teachers of English in Denver, Colorado, on Nov. 12.

What's New at Rhode Island College

Rhode Island College's debate council will be sending a two person team to the world cup championship parliamentary debate tournament in Edinburgh, Scotland. The event takes place Jan. 1 to Jan. 8, 1984.

Last year RIC's team finished 15th in the world out of a field of competitors representing the British Isles, Canada, New Zealand, Australia, the U.S. and Japan.

Council officials feel that the invitation to participate in an international event is a mark of "public recognition" for the college. They termed the tournament "prestigious.

Currently, the council is engaged in fund-raising activities to help defray expenses surrounding the trip. Raffle tickets are on sale and the club is soliciting contributions from faculty, staff and friends of Rhode Island College.

CLASSIFIED


FOR SALE OR RENT: North Providence 3-bedroom raised ranch, dead-end street. Walk in basement, enclosed backyard, pool, heated garage, finished basement, open kitchen, large sunny living room, good condition, low maintenance and taxes, on corner. For sale: $100,000 or best offer; or $456-9685 or inquire at 207 Main Ave., Pawtucket.

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Bureau of Grants and Sponsored Projects:

Request for Proposals

The Bureau of Grants and Sponsored Projects will be providing information on a regular basis in this column concerning the solicitation of further information or applications and guidelines need only circle the number of the RFP on the enclosed coupon and send it to the Bureau in Rooms 410.

1. Montinger Foundation - Postdoctoral Fellowships in Clinical Psychology. These fellowships offer advanced training in psychotherapy, psychopharmacology-related research in clinical psychology and in child clinical psychology. Stipends for first year fellows is $13,000. Deadline Date: Feb. 1, 1984.

2. NEH-Humanities Instruction in Elementary and Secondary Schools. This program assists schools and teachers to strengthen their teaching of humanities through programs of study and through programs involving collaborations among teachers at the elementary, middle school, or secondary level and between school and university faculty. There are two types of grants: A. Institutes for Teachers - providing opportunities for teachers in history, literature, English and foreign languages and other humanities disciplines to learn more about their fields and the most effective ways of teaching them. Most institutes will be conducted by colleges and universities. Deadline Date: Jan. 8, 1984.

B. Collaborative Projects - are designed to assist groups of elementary or secondary teachers who wish to work with college and university professors to improve the teaching of humanities. Deadline Date: Jan. 6, 1984.

3. Office of Special Education - U.S. Dept. of Education. Announcements have been made for availability of funds for new awards for the following:

A. Demonstration Projects for the Handicapped Children's Early Education Project. This program funds demonstration projects to assist other programs in establishing expertise in the education of handicapped children. The award was presented to Vendettuoli at a dinner last June.

FOR SALE: Hammond organ; easy to move; excellent condition; $1200, or best offer; call 456-9685 or inquire at 207 Main Ave., Pawtucket.

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SERIOUS BUSINESS: Community health presentations are given by Rhode Island College nursing students at RIC Wednesday to an audience of local officials from West Warwick and Attleboro. See story on page 4.
Karen L. Gamache of Woonsocket, a senior elementary education major at Rhode Island College, has been accepted by the Up With People organization, an up-beat group of young people who provide family song-and-dance entertainment worldwide.

Gamache, daughter of Roland and June Gamache, will leave this July for a one-year tour with the group which is undergoing a period of training before leaving for Tucson. After her year with Up With People Gamache says each member of the group is guaranteed to travel and perform in at least one foreign country. To do this, the group is expected to travel over 30,000 miles and stay with some 90 host families.

When the courts do blame the schools, they usually blame the colleges rather than the students. For example, the Hastings Law Journal in San Francisco paid damages of $215,000 in 1980 to a student raped in a women's restroom at Catholic University in Washington, D.C. The damages were paid to a student who was injured while being held at gunpoint by a man she met in a five-story building.

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An introduction to the Counseling Process, a three-credit workshop, will be offered this January to students at Rhode Island College. The course will provide systematic training in basic counseling skills and interpersonal relating. Dr. John Perkins, professor of counselor education, will be joined by Psychological Services at the Rhode Island College Counseling Center.

The course will cover several topics, including helping others select what courses they wish to take, and how to get the most out of campus programs. The course will also cover the counseling process itself, including how to talk to others about their problems, and how to help others think about their own problems.

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The planners of the 1983 effort hope to equi the drive on a par with last year's figure. A small group from art college community supported the drive in 1982. Organizers are hoping for a similar response will be forthcoming this year.

Students of the Howard Hall School have been particularly helpful in the drive it has been reported.

The food drive will continue through the last week of Christmas. For more information call 456-8171.

The BSW Student Organization in addition to conducting a blood drive. The students hope to the mores interested in careers in social work by holding meeting, visiting agencies in the community, and by providing for member participation in workshops and conferences.

COMMUNITY HEALTH REPORT

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3) Cooperate with the security and safety department and local police in identifying individuals involved.

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AUTO THEFTS DECREASE; VIGILANCE URGED

The number of auto thefts and thefts from autos has decreased slightly in the first 10 months of this year compared to the same period last year at Rhode Island College, according to Richard M. Commerford, director of campus security and safety.

He said since Oct. 31, two more autos have been stolen on campus and "numerous" thefts from autos, such as tape players and speakers, have been reported.

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Calendar of Events

December 12-December 19

MONDAY, DEC. 12

7 p.m. - Women's Basketball. RIC vs. Maria College. Home.

8 p.m. - Men's Basketball. RIC vs. Anna Maria College. Home.

8 p.m. - Men's Basketball. RIC vs. Anna Maria College. Home.

TUESDAY, DEC. 13

9 p.m. - Women's Basketball. RIC vs. WPI. Home.

9 p.m. - Men's Basketball. RIC vs. WPI. Home.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 14

7 p.m. - Men's Basketball. RIC vs. Worcester Polytechnic Institute. Away.

THURSDAY, DEC. 15


SUNDAY, DEC. 18

10 a.m. - Men's Basketball. RIC vs. Brandeis University. Away.

4 p.m. - Women's Basketball. RIC vs. Brandeis University. Home.

7 p.m. - Sunday Evening Mass. Brown Hall's Upper Lounge.

MONDAY, DEC. 19

Noon - Men's Basketball. RIC vs. Providence College. Home.

Noon - Meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous. Student Union, Room 304.

TUESDAY, DEC. 20

Noon - Women's Basketball. RIC vs. Providence College. Away.

THURSDAY, DEC. 22

9 p.m. - Christmas Mass. Student Union, Ballroom.

SATURDAY, DEC. 24