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Plan musical marathon at RIC Feb. 22
Eve of Handel's 300th birthday

Feb. 22 is the eve of George Frederick Handel’s 300th birthday. What better way to observe such a momentous anniversary than to organize an open party and musical marathon?

At Rhode Island College the music department has taken note of the fact that Handel, Bach and Scarlatti were all born in 1685, and they did a bit more research and came up with the fact that Heinrich Schutz was born in 1585. With all of those birthdays coming up in one year the festival of music seemed the best way to recognize the occasion.

So to honor the four great composers the music department is inviting anyone who wishes to come to the music wing of the college’s Roberts Hall at 7 p.m. on Feb. 22 to play informally a work or part of a work by some Baroque composer “in any arrangement with any degree of authenticity or lack of it.”

At 9 p.m. selections from the B. Minor Mass by Handel will be sung and played and at 9:10 p.m. the Messiah will similarly be performed in part.

The federal government now has to borrow so much money to finance the growing national debt that it shoule’d out much of the available capital in the country. ’

Going on to illustrate the severity of the problem the senator offered a number of examples of the effects and consequences of allowing the deficit to go unchecked.

Noting that he believes the President’s budget as a blueprint for reducing the deficit could unravel economic recovery.

For more information call 456-8244.

Hitting the Heights

by George LaTour

It’s generally conceded that many Rhode Island College graduates eventually climb to great heights in their careers. Well, some do, we’re sure.

But few—if any—will ever achieve the heights that Robin L. McGreevy and Thomas L. Strom have and they haven’t even graduated yet.

What kind of “heights” have they achieved, you ask? Two thousand feet is the answer.

You see, McGreevy and Strom, both cadets in the college’s Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC), just completed airborne jump training at Fort Benning in Georgia.

McGreevy, a senior majoring in math and computer science, and McGreevy both are considering making the military a career upon graduation.

Both have fathers who are or were in the military. That might—in some way—explain their desire to jump (pardon the pun) into the gung ho school of military activity, but there are other reasons as well.

“There are a lot of reasons,” says Robin. “Pride and the challenge of jumping from 2,000 feet are two of them.

For Thomas “It’s just something you want to do. It’s an elite school.” He explained that having gone through jump school doesn’t automatically mean you will be in an airborne unit when on active duty, but whatever unit you’re

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Drug use levels off for this year's freshmen

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"Marijuana doesn't do that. Students can't work while on marijuana, but they can while on cocaine," says Johnston. There are even signs of an increasing cocaine habit among politically conservative experimenters, Gampel says. "When the student of a New England upper school told me the word on campus is that students don't feel cocaine is a drug," says Johnston. "Some students feel it gives you strength and energy. They want to get involved in the world, so using something that gives you energy is okay." Johnston dismisses these explanations, arguing that increased use of cocaine, which rose about one-half a percentage point in the last year of the survey-including LSD, PCP, cigarettes, alcohol, marijuana, sedatives and tranquilizers-was down from the 1978 peak of 11 percent.

What's more, Johnston says the percentage of students reporting use of other drugs on the survey-the use of marijuana and tobacco in one sitting during the two weeks before completing the questionnaire declined by a third between 1977 and 1980, fell by two percent to 39 percent. The percentage of students who dropped off, by a third between 1977 and 1980, fell by two percent to 39 percent.

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The team of Lacombe and Dolan placed fourth in the debating championship. Also participating from RIC, with a winning record and high speaker's points, were Helen Giritas and George Hickey.

Focus on the Faculty and Staff

DR. CAROLYN FLUEER-LOBBAN, professor of anthropology, was among the guest speakers at a United Nations-sponsored symposium entitled "Crisis of the Sudan and Egypt will be made at the International House of Rhode Island in 100 years. As such his was "the permanent Mission to the United Nations will

The first colloquium in the series was scheduled for the morning of February 26. The next session will be on February 27 when Gordon Prickett of Babson College spoke on "Cryptology: From Caesar to Cipher to Trap Door Functions." The talk will be at 2:30 p.m. in Gaige hall, room 374. On Friday, March 1, James Sedloch of the RIC faculty will discuss the following topics:

- "Reflections About Writing a College Math Textbook." His talk is set for 3 p.m. in Gaige hall, room 374.
- "The Art of Computer Speech." His colloquium will be at 2 p.m. in Gaige hall, room 374.
- "Preparing a conference paper," the final presentation in the series is scheduled for Friday, April 26, at 3 p.m. in Gaige hall, room 374. Pat O'Regan of the RIC math department will speak on "Problem Solving.

Do you need...
Keeping Score

with Dave Kemmy

Tracey Garforth has a lot to be proud of and a lot of good things to look back on sad note

Tracey Anne Garforth has a lot to be proud of and a lot of good things to look back on.

For gymnast Tracey Garforth the end of an illustrious four-year career came all too quickly.

Garforth was practicing her floor exercise routine last Monday and while flipping forward a round off flip flip back somersault she broke her ankle.

The timing of the injury couldn’t have been anything else, she had just one month left in her collegiate gymnastic career at RIC, and what a career it has been.

She came to RIC from Cranston High School where she was first team All-State in 1978 and second team All-State in 1977, 1978 and 1979.

Before she could come to RIC however, she had to take a year off to have surgery. She was diagnosed as having scoliosis of the lower vertebrae.

Her surgery was successful and a Harrington rod was inserted to straighten the spine.

The surgery caused her to take the year off and in the process she lost some of her fine skills she had learned and developed in high school. “She had to re-learn many of her gymnastics skills and, through hard work and determination she re-acquired most of her skills and even added a few new ones,” said RIC Coach Gail Davis.

She came back and had an outstanding freshman year. She was the squad’s top all-around performer with a 27.40 average.

In the beginning of a long and successful career she was second in the New England League with a 30.95 all-around score. She finished second on vault, second on the uneven bars, third in floor exercise and fourth on the balance beam. She also led the team in making the record books at the first team to capture the New England Division III Gymnastics title.

Even though she was injured for a few weeks during the season, she came back and did an outstanding job.

Her junior year she was named captain of the squad. She was the #1 ECAC qualifier with a 31.03 all-around score.

In the New England League championships she didn’t retain her title, but she still did very well. She placed fifth in all-around, fifth on the uneven bars, sixth on vault and sixth in floor exercise. She captained the team to a third-place finish.

This year she showed her successful ways. She placed second to teammate Cathy Duszak in all-around in every meet this season and has scored high sevenths and eights on vault, uneven bars and the floor exercise.

Although she will no longer be able to score seven’s and eight’s, her presence will be felt in other ways.

“She loves the sport has persisted through other injuries (sophomore and junior years) and has always bounced back and contributed strongly. Unfortunately the timing of the latest injury with about one month left in the season will not allow her to contribute actual scores to the team, but I know Tracey will continue to contribute from the bench as a strong captain with an excellent eye for technique and judging,” said Davis.

Davis also said that Garforth has always been a very efficient, highly motivated and has performed with a very high level of energy. She is also a very successful student.

She was recently named to Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges has made the dean’s list on several occasions.

“She never gives up, and I know all the students, parents, coaches that are surrounding the beginning of a long and successful career.”

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Garforth ends career

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“...It’s a safe bet that both sets of parents are proud of their offspring’s accomplishments. That is not to say there were not some misgivings. Oh, Thomas’ parents put on a brave front.

They assure ‘the wind has got to be right’ before they’re allowed to jump.

As someone once pointed out, it’s not the fall that bothers you. It’s the sudden stop! they get to do the actual jumps from an airplane and not just one jump. They become their own experts in parachute landing falls.

Robin says she, likewise, didn’t know what to expect but “went in with the attitude I’ll take what comes.” Now, that’s a military attitude.
Rhode Island College’s Theatre Company will incorporate masks, music, and dance when they essay two ancient Greek plays which ask probing questions about peace and war. In many senses, says the director, P. William Hutchinson, we are still struggling today to come to terms with the questions the plays ask. Hutchinson is professor of theatre at RIC. The two plays, which will run from February 28 to March 3, are The Suppliant Women by Euripides and Lysistrata by Aristophanes. The Suppliant Women is a serious drama in which a group of women who have lost their sons plead with the king of Athens to bring the bodies of their sons home for a fitting burial. Lysistrata is a farcical look at the women of Greece to save their country from civil war by withholding sex.

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**MONDAY, FEB. 18**
- **11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.** Career Services. Rhode Island Medical Center—General Hospital: staff nurse. Open sign-up. Rhode Island Medical Center—Institute of Mental Health: psychiatric nurse. Open sign-up. Craig Lee, Room 054.
- **8 p.m.** RIC Performing Arts Series. Koko: Demon Drummers and Dancers of Sado perform “One Earth Tour,” a 90-minute performance. All seating reserved. Roberts Auditorium.

**TUESDAY, FEB. 19**
- **2 to 3:30 p.m.** Graduate School Information Program: speakers will include deans and representatives from Financial Aid and the Counseling Center. All are invited. Craig Lee, Room 105.
- **8 p.m.** Physics Colloquium. Prof. Barry Gilbert: “The Science in Science Fiction.” will be the topic. Clarke Science, Room 106.

**WEDNESDAY, FEB. 20**
- **9 to 10 a.m. 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.** Career Services. Cathleen Naughton Associates: staff nurse. Open sign-up. Craig Lee, Room 054.
- **2 p.m.** Chamber Music Series: the Aurora Duo, Susan Thomas on flute and Mychal Gendron on guitar, will perform. Roberts Hall, Room 138.
- **8 p.m.** RIC Performing Arts Series. Chamber Musics. The Aria Duo. Susan Thomas on flute and Mychal Gendron on guitar will perform. Roberts Hall, Room 138.

**THURSDAY, FEB. 21**
- **1 p.m.** Women’s Gymnastics. RIC vs. University of Mass.-Boston. Away.

**FRIDAY, FEB. 22**
- **10 a.m. to Noon** Career Services. Interview workshop. (education and human services) Craig Lee, Room 054.
- **7:30 p.m.** Men’s Wrestling. RIC to attend New England Tournament at Kingstown High School Band, directed by Joseph Peloio, will perform at RIC. These performances will give the college music majors an opportunity to hear the quality of the state’s school music organizations.

**SATURDAY, FEB. 23**
- **1 p.m.** Men’s Basketball. RIC vs. University of Mass.-Boston. Away.
- **11 a.m. to 1 p.m.** Women’s Basketball. RIC vs. University of Mass.-Boston. Away.
- **3 to 4 p.m.** Women’s Volleyball. RIC vs. University of Mass.-Boston. Away.

**SUNDAY, FEB. 24**
- **9 a.m.** Women’s Fencing. New England Championships. To be held at Rhode Island College.
- **10 a.m.** Women’s Wrestling. RIC to attend New England Tournament at Kingstown High School Band, directed by Joseph Peloio, will perform at RIC. These performances will give the college music majors an opportunity to hear the quality of the state’s school music organizations.

**MONDAY, FEB. 25**
- **11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.** Resume job search workshop. Craig Lee, Room 054.
- **12:30 p.m.** Women’s Athletics. Women’s Winter Sports: Resumé/job search workshop. Craig Lee, Room 054.