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Econ/management faculty take Community Prep School under their wings

by Cynthia L. Sousa

At the beginning of the fall semester, faculty in the department of economics and management voted to "adopt" the Community Preparatory School located mostly on the second floor in the downtown YMCA building on Broad Street. This so-called adoption includes offering their help in a variety of ways.

The school, which currently has 83 students in grades four through eight, is an independent school founded by Daniel Corley.

Jules Cohen, assistant professor of computer information systems at RIC, sits on the board of trustees at Community Preparatory School. He alerted Halil Copur, department chair, of the small school's needs.

Corley founded the school with $61,000 in 1983 as an alternative to the public school system for the working-class and poor residents of the South Side.

His approach puts emphasis on "nurturing the student's self-esteem and strengthening his/her resolve to set and achieve goals."

Corley, who also is executive director, principal and teacher at the school, taught in the Providence school system for 13 years before founding the school.

The school has been operating with the support of corporate grants and small sub-sidies and relies heavily on individual donations.

Students of at least average intelligence are accepted without regard for their ability to pay the tuition which runs about $4,000.

Graduates of the school over the years have gone on to college-prep programs at Classical High School, and with financial aid, to such schools as Lincoln School, Ponifert, Moses Brown and others.

Copur and his fellow faculty members agreed that the adoption of the school was a small enough project and that they would be able to make an "immediate and visible impact" on the school.

Simply stated, the school's mission is to serve a broad range of primarily low-income and minority students in preparing for success in college preparatory high school programs.

A map of Providence is displayed in the office of the school. Pushpins of various colors graphically display the cultural mix at the school, yellow represents white, blue represents black (the majority of the students), red represents Southeast Asian students, and green represents Hispanic and other ethnic backgrounds. It goes without saying that virtually all religious denominations are represented.

Students come from Providence and all-over-Barrington, Scituate, Johnston, East Providence, Bristol, Warren or South Attleboro.

About 80 percent of the student population is hearing impaired and the school has a successful partnership with the RI School for the Deaf. Many students are from single-parent households.

Faculty members in the department agreed with the school's principles and decided to help the school by volunteering in their areas of expertise.

Although still in its infancy, the adoption has "worked very well," according to Copur.

Assistant professor Abbas Kazemi conducted a class on the Middle East and professor Ulku Dicle conducted a class on Turkey.

Troy Locke, a social studies teacher at the school, says that the school tries to maintain a multi-cultural curriculum and that the lectures given by RIC professionals have helped to attain those goals.

Copur said that the program is "very well received by both the staff and students at the school."

He said the department plans to increase the number and variety of things that they are doing at the school.

Copur himself has been instrumental in getting a capital fund project of $1.8 million off the ground.

Copur and Dennis Saccoia, assistant professor, have been working with the school's staff in coordinating the school's move to a permanent home, the Tyler School, a former Catholic school located just seven blocks from the YMCA.

"This is no small task!" said Copur. Community Prep will be leasing the school but plans to purchase the school are being made.

Andrea Joseph, development administrator at the school, said that working with Copur and Saccoia has been "absolutely terrific."

They have been identifying tasks that need to be taken care of for the move and have arranged a time table for completion. Negotiating contracts for the move and securing other services have been a great help.
Student Support Services in Rhode Island's supplemental to the grant program provides a pathway to education for students in grades 4-12. It has been doing that for over 60 years.

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Joseph Parisi is the community relations manager at Junior Achievement. He has held that position for two years. He graduated from Rhode Island College in 1986 with a B.S. in Marketing, the school’s very first degree in this major.

While attending RIC, Joe was active in the American Marketing Association, a student organization. After graduation, he also served as an alumni representative for the Student Community Government.

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KARON DIONNE

Karon Dionne of Johnston, has been appointed coordinator for the Refugee Industrial Technical Training Program. Her responsibilities include: assisting the Director of Refugee Training Grant in the overall administration and supervision of the Refugee Job Placement Program and coordinating development and supervision of job placements, providing liaison between the college, employers, and refugee students and maintaining appropriate records.

Andrea Kincannon, has been appointed counselor in Student Support Services Program and Admissions Officer in the Preparatory Enrollment Program (half title). Her responsibilities include: providing information, advice, counseling and referral designed to assist educationally disadvantaged students enrolled in the Student Support Services Program in being successful in their college programs and working with individuals and small groups to accomplish these and such other similar duties as assigned.

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Focus on the Faculty and Staff

Kristen King, coordinator of student activities in the Student Union, was recently awarded the “2000 Outstanding New Professional Award” by the National Association of Student Activities. The award was presented at the Regional Conference in Springfield, Mass. King was recognized for her outstanding contribution to the Student Affairs profession, her innovative commitment to student activities, and her involvement with civic and community issues.

Albert Salsberg, associate professor of English, of Providence, has had his article, “Unintentional Irony in Operatic Libretti: The Curse of the Superstar,” in Love and Language published by the Centre for English Cultural Tradition and language at the University of Sheffield, England.

Smithfield resident Richard Dickson, professor of special education and noted writer and consultant in the field of education, is the “Master Teacher” at St. Andrew’s School in Barrington this year as a part of the school’s three year curriculum renewal project.

The purpose of the “master teacher” program is to develop curriculum and instruction by giving teachers feedback on their teaching and by training them in activities to engage students in the learning process.

Dickson will be giving small workshops for faculty and staff and will visit each department on specific issues.

The curriculum renewal project, now in its second year, was funded by the Rhode Island Foundation so that St. Andrew’s School may develop a model curriculum in the educational science. He has given workshops on curriculum renewal projects, as well as difficulties and other academic differences.

Doug Curtenow, of Pawtucket, associate director of the Student Union, was a speaker at the Campus Activities Regional Conference in Springfield, Mass., November 1 through 4. He presented the opening session, entitled “Fundamentals of Student Involvement” and “The Card Party: Dealing with the Deck.” He also led a diversity exercise session, where several RIC students attended and assisted with the opening presentation. Curtenow also presented two sessions at the NASPA Region I Conference–“The Card Party” and “The Motivational Mix: A Fun Vocation of Student Involvement” highlighting the programs and activities of the Rhode Island College Student Activities Office.

Mary Jane Beardsley of Peace Dale, has been appointed Librarian/Media Centre Specialist at Henry Barnard School. Her responsibilities include: supervising the Henry Barnard School Media Centre; she will represent the Henry Barnard Library Program with State and local library associations and oversee clinical experiences for college students training in a laboratory setting.

Amritjit Singh, professor of English and director of the African and Afro-American Studies program, served as a moderator at a R.I. Diversity forum to examine U.S. policy toward Africa held on Nov. 17 at the State House.

R.I. Diversity is a statewide coalition for a free South Africa.

The program ran Nov. 16, at the First Baptist Church in America on North Main Street with a keynote address by Rabinder Singh, a Conflict director of TransAfrica, a Washington-based group founded in 1977 to organize popular support of a peaceful resolution to the disastrous war in support of Africa and the Caribbean.

Margaret Hainsworth, associate professor in the nursing department, presented her paper at the 16th biennial conference of the American Psychiatric Nurses Association recently held in Washington, D.C. Hainsworth is from Cranston.

Alum Joseph Parisi credits College with job satisfaction

by Patricia Henklin-Bookman

Student Writer

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Tuesday, Dec. 4.
Recruiter for minorities/disadvantaged hired

Sees RIC intimacy, appearance as 'conducive to recruitment'

by George LaTour

“I sense a real commitment at Rhode Island College — from the president right down — to identify minority students (in the community) and subsequently get them involved (in the life of the College),”

So says Deborah E. Johnson of Providence, appointed this month as assistant director of admissions for minority/multicultural programs, at RIC.

She began working Nov. 12 in the newly created position “to enhance recruitment efforts in the minority community in which the College in already involved.”

Johnson’s basic job function is to coordinate and implement programs and activities related to the recruitment and enrollment of minority and disadvantaged students.

A whole host of related duties and, consequently, expectations are involved.

And, this mother of two, who is herself, a member of a minority population in Rhode Island, seems an excellent choice to fulfill these duties and expectations.

“I sense a real commitment at Rhode Island College”

—Deborah Johnson

DEBORAH JOHNSON

A RIC graduate, Class of 1980, Johnson served as director of admissions and financial aid at the OIC (Opportunities Industrialization Center) in Providence prior to her initial employment at RIC, which began in October of 1989 when she filled in for Jennifer (Grier) Latimer, the assistant director of minority affairs, when “Jay” went on leave.

Somewhat later, but prior to filling her current position, she assisted Joseph L. Costa, director of student support services, with recruitment for this year’s Preparatory Enrollment Program (PEP).

For PEP, she visited high schools throughout the region, from which 68 students (from 38 schools) were accepted into PEP.

Johnson feels she already has a head start in her job of recruiting minority and disadvantaged students in that “Rhode Island College is one of Rhode Island’s best kept secrets.”

She speaks highly of the sense of intimacy she sees at the College between its faculty and students.

And, its lovely campus “looks like the suburbs even though it’s in the city,” she notes, adding that these factors are “conducive to minority recruitment.”

Johnson, obviously, has already been “sold” on RIC.

“Rhode Island College and I are quite involved,” she points out.

Not only did she graduate from here, but her son, Kyle, attended RIC’s laboratory school, Henry Barnard, and daughter, Courtney, 8, currently attends.

Kyle, now 19, is a student at A&T State University in North Carolina.

Deborah Johnson and her husband, Stephen L. Johnson, have reason to be proud.

One suspects she will impart her sense of pride in her family and her College to this state’s minority and disadvantaged students.

Three students win English dept. scholarships

Other scholarship winners are Brian Laferte of Woonsocket and Ava Rogers of Cranston, who took the English Faculty Writing Awards of $200 each.

The Faculty Writing Awards — in honor of retired members of the department “for their dedication through the years to the art of writing” — go to English majors of at least sophomore standing, whose critical and creative writing have won an annual competition.

Dagle says the department held a fundraising drive last October to benefit this award, enabling the department to grant two Faculty Writing Awards this year.

The Gunning Scholarship was established in 1975 with contributions from faculty and students.
RHODE ISLAND EDUCATOR award winner Cheryl M. Fisher-Allen, Class of '73, shows her Gilbert Stuart School class her trophy. She is one of five recipients of $25,000 each through the Department of Educational Research, Rhode Island. The award will be presented at a national education event in the spring.

Microcomputers in Education conference

Microcomputers in Education conference, Dec. 4 for K-12 teachers, administrators

Microcomputers in Education, an educational symposium for kindergarten-through-grade 12 teachers and school administrators, will be held Tuesday, Dec. 4, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Holiday Inn at the Crossings, Warwick.

Timothy P. Connors, executive director of Rhode Island Department of Education, will open the conference. Mr. Connors will share with us his opinion on what the focal point of public education should be, why we can't do the same old things over, and why the public has to support education.

Topics to be covered in the 18 sessions available for those attending will include: the use of AppleWorks, process writing, networking, Hyper Studio, Logo/Logo, administrative and classroom uses of the computer and computer maintenance.

RIC is co-sponsoring the conference with Apple Computer, Inc., and UNICO in cooperation with the Rhode Island Department of Education.


can you imagine two thousand math teachers in one place? Not only that, but about thirty Rhode Island College faculty were involved in either presenting papers, conducting workshops or running the conference.

All this happened at the Association of Teachers of Mathematics Fall Conference, Mathematics: Bridge to the Future, held in beautiful Newport, Rhode Island, November 1-3.

Elementary, secondary and college mathematics teachers from New England and beyond heard speakers from Maine to Canada in 185 sessions, approximately one-third of which involved computer or calculator technology. II pre-conference workshops and 4 mical functions. Also attending were many RIC students, both graduates and undergraduates.

Gertrude Toher of the Henry Barnard School was program co-chair, Valerie Duarte of the Henry Barnard School in charge of the technology. James Bierden of the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science directed the pre-conference programs.

Vivian LaFerla Morgan of the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science gave the invited Richard H. Balonecenc Memorial Lecture entitled "Creating Change in Teaching for the Twenty-First Century." It's The Ten Best Reasons for Math Teachers Not to Go to Class.

Other Rhode Island College faculty speakers were:


Also, Mary Fitzgerald, Henry Barnard School, "Sharing What Numbers Mean: Standards in Action"; Henry Guillonne, Mathematics/Computer Science, "The Problem with Counting Problems"; Rose Merenda, Henry Barnard School, "Graphing with Children—Kindergartners Reading Their World".

The following faculty served as presiders: Suzanne Barrach, James Bierden, Valerie Duarte, Joyce Flynn, Mark Frey, Henry Guillonne, Sam Hall, Jane D. Malone, Raquel Shapiro, Arthur Smith, Howard Sturr, Deborah Swengalis, Gertrude Toher and Elaine Walsh.

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Order your R.I. College watches now

People wishing to order any of the R.I. College watches shown in an earlier issue of What's News should call the Alumni Office at 456-8086.

Admissions Open House set for Dec. 2

About 1,000 prospective students and their families are expected to attend the Rhode Island College Admissions Open House Sunday, Dec. 2 from 1 to 4 p.m.

President John Nazarian will offer welcoming remarks in Roberts Hall auditorium. From there students will be divided into groups to hear discussion and gather information on various academic programs, financial aid, resident hall living, student activities, and athletic programs, according to Patricia Marzzacco, recruitment coordinator.

Campus tours will be provided by members of the student organization, the Gold Key Society. Faculty, staff, and administrators will head various sessions.

Marzzacco said refreshments will be available from 2 to 4:30 p.m., in Donovan Dining Center and that the Campus Store will be open during the afternoon.

The raindate is scheduled for Sunday, Dec. 9. For further information, call 456-8234.

Also, Peter Moore, Economics/Management, "Using Economics Examples to Teach Math"; Ann Modell and Helen Saltsberg, Mathematics/Computer Science, "Let a Computer Take Your Math Test"; Rosemary Murphy, Henry Barnard School, "Experience and Conversational Learning".

Madeline Nison, Henry Barnard School, "Mathematics in/and Children's Literature"; Patrick O'Regan, Mathematics/Computer Science, "Logic and Imagination"; also, Mariano Rodrigues, Mathematics and Computer Science, "Distance Education: the Power of the Modern".

Also Charles Roy, Mathematics/Computer Science, "Three Geometries"; Elizabeth Ruggiero, Henry Barnard School, "Using Game Boards Designed by Children to Reinforce Basic Skills"; Helen Saltsberg and Barry Schiller, Mathematics/Computer Science, "The Math College Teachers Who Students Recalled from High School".


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Alums work as consultants

Gladys Corvera-Baker and Peter Lee have been hired as consultants for the Northern Rhode Island Community Mental Health Center, Inc., a multi-service mental health agency based in Woonsocket.

Corvera-Baker obtained her MSW from RIC in 1985 and is a Hispanic consultant.

Lee, a recent RIC graduate, is an Afro-American Family Consultant.

Both were hired to help the Mental Health Center expand its capacity to serve minority residents.

Both Corvera-Baker and Lee do work for a number of other agencies in the state.

In addition, Corvera-Baker writes a weekly column in Spanish for Shoreline News and Lee writes for The Providence American.

by Henry Guillonne

Professor of Math/Computer Science

RIC faculty participate in New England Math Conference
In honor of you...

In order to recognize the commitment and dedicated service of its faculty and staff, three years ago Rhode Island College established a Service Recognition Day. This program recognizes service to the College and is separate and apart from the years of service awards presented to civil service.

On Wednesday, Nov. 28, those who have served the College for 10 years or more will be recognized at a reception in Donnous Dining Center at 2:30 p.m. The dedication of those who have served Rhode Island College so long and so well is gratefully acknowledged by the College community.

President John Nazarian will open the ceremony with remarks and will be assisted in presenting the awards by Gordon N. Sundberg, director of Personnel Services.

This year pins and certificates will be awarded to those members of the College community who have served 10, 15, 20, and 25 years.

The names of those members who have served 10 years or more of service at the College will be inscribed on the special 30-year Service Recognition Plaque. Those persons who may have inadvertently been omitted from the following list should contact the Personnel Office at ext. 8216.

Names appear in the order of completion of 30 years of service.

Katherine Cunzer 1927-1966
Mary E. Loughery 1923-1966
S. Elizabeth Campbell 1939-1972
Renato E. Leonelli 1941-1980
Marion I. Wright 1946-1987
Chester E. Smolksi 1923-
John Nazarian 1954-
Clement J. Hanecaus 1955-1990
James E. White 1956-1988
George C. Hartmann 1958-1990
Calvin Tillotson 1959-1990
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Thomas J. Howell 1960-
Ira J. Loug 1960-
Rose C. Moranda 1960-
Carl E. Sieben 1960-
C. Annette Ducey 1960-

25-YEAR SERVICE AWARDS

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Paul P. Chase
Joseph P. MCsweeney
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Arthur F. Smith
Norman W. Smith
Robert J. Sullivan
Carolyn R. Swift
Sally M. Wilson

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Lee R. Goodness
Richard A. Green
Mary Alice Greller
Katherine Murray
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Anthony C. DeGiulio
Ellen W. Hunt

10-YEAR SERVICE AWARDS

Year following name marks the 10th year of service to Rhode Island College.

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William R. Abo ’87
Frances Benson ’87
Francine S. Brem ’90
Louise J. Buonomo ’87
Mary L. Burke ’89
David H. Burr ’88
Robert I. Cohen ’89
Barbara A. Cowan ’89
Joan C. Dagle ’86
James E. Davis ’86
Marlyn G. Danc ’86
E. Belle Evans ’89
Nancy H. Gewirtz ’87
Dolores M. Harrison ’90
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Rebecca G. Lassan ’86
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James G. Magary ’90
Hector Medina ’90
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E. Pierre Moretton ’88
S. Scott Mueller ’86
Angela C. Murphy ’86
Audrey F. Omstald ’90
Charles W. Owens ’86
Alice K. Pellegrino’87
Constance B. Pratt ’86
Tom M. Randall ’86
A. John Roche ’88
Carol R. Shelton ’86
Judith L. Stillman ’90
Patricia Cunningham Warburton ’90
Marilyn S. Weston ’87

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We value and appreciate the members of our faculty and staff whose loyalty and dedication have contributed meaningfully to the College’s growth and success and this is way of showing it.

-Gordon Sundberg

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Lydia F. Bernstein ’86
Lynus L. Berube Jr. ’89
Manuel Braz ’90
Raymond J. Brown ’86
Deborah E. Caball ’89
Armando J. Campagnone ’87
Angela M. Capasso ’89
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Kathleen E. Clossick ’88
Leon W. Collins ’86
Marie C. D’Agostino ’85
Ernest DePari Jr. ’83
Abel G. Depina ’86
Stephen M. DeSafano ’87
Gladye DiMeglio ’86
Audrey A. Drummond ’89
John J. Falvey ’88
Phyllis Gath ’89

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Phyllis Hunt ’87
Lorraine A. Imoldi ’88
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Debra Johnson ’89
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Alice M. Kinz ’90
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Kenneth W. Phillips
Cecilia Pinto
James F. Westmude
On the job with...

Bill Forbes may not be your typical Rhode Island College undergraduate, but like 85 percent of his fellow students, Forbes is working his way through college.

Crack of dawn cleaning at Papa Gino’s Restaurant in Woonsocket (below), working backstage at Roberts Auditorium, and, until recently when it became “too much,” a nightwatchman job, all help to pay the bills of this 22-year-old senior, a graduate of Burrillville High, who has an off-campus apartment.

Bill always wanted to be a lawyer, even when he played Santa Claus in the third grade. But at 12 he landed the role of Mayor of the Munchkins with The Mapleville Shoestring Players (the name, he says, describes their budgets).

From then on Forbes was hopelessly stage-struck.

Now, when he is not working, or sleeping (briefly), Bill is attending classes, including voice, tap and juggling, designing sets, playing a clown at children’s birthday parties, serving as vice president of the R.I.C. Theatre organization, acting with The Shoestring Players, The Cobblestone Players, the Providence Art Theatre Company, under the direction of R.I.C. Prof. David Burr; or in 17–productions of the R.I.C. Theatre and The Growing Stage.

All that hard work has paid off. Forbes was recently chosen as one of four actors to represent Rhode Island College in the upcoming Irene Ryan Scholarship competition.

What will he do after graduation in May? “Well, I’m going to the E.R.T.A. (University Regional Theatre Association) auditions in Boston and hope to land a place in graduate school or with a repertory company. I don’t really know what will happen... but right now, my whole life is theatre.”

Text and photos

by Gordon E. Rowley
Outstanding Senior as determined by the Providence Chapter of the Financial Executives Institute, is Michael D’Orsi of Providence, a Rhode Island College senior accounting and economics major. The award was presented by Jane Przybyla, an assistant professor in the economics and management department, at a diner meeting of the institute on Nov. 7. D’Orsi is president of the state chapter of AIESEC, the International Association of Students in Economics and Business Management.

McGill’s Tremblay has conducted surveys of the Quebec and Canadian population to gauge public and professional attitudes concerning sentence length and severity.

Montreal’s Brodeur was director of research for the recent Canadian Sentencing Commission.

“The broad range of significant and extensive research in the area of public demands for stiffer sentencing and prison overcrowding,” says Pamela Irving-Jackson, director of the RIC Justice Studies program.

In addition, Pezzullo is the co-author of the books, most notably, “The Campus Green: Fund Raising in Higher Education,” which received high acclaim from the national organization, Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE).

During the last two years as Vice President of University Relations at URI, the University saw a gain of 29 percent in private funds. He was also responsible for negotiating the terms of the first, $1 million personal gift in the history of URI, including associate professor Al Stecker and Alema Karim, assistant professor; are helping with various tasks—marketing and public relations, fundraising, tutoring, etc. Peter Marks, associate professor of economics, recently donated a viola for the children’s use.

In keeping with the school’s mission, parents, teachers and students meet at regular intervals to set goals and design plans enabling students to succeed academically and socially.

“I like this place, I’m happy to be involved with the school and with the children.”
—Jane Przybyla

The move should take place during the month of June after school releases for the summer.

Cohen and Crist Costa, professor of computer information systems, have worked with Andrew Frew, reading and writing teacher at the school, in expanding the available computer software for the children’s use.

Their groundwork will also help with the writing of a grant proposal to Apple Computers to increase the number of machines that the school has.

Dan Corley, executive director of the Community Preparatory School in Providence, gives a math problem to Milik O’Connor of Providence while Jordan Newsome (left), also of Providence, waits his turn.
R.I. teachers honored for their “innovative approaches” to teaching

Nine Rhode Island teachers were cited for their “innovative approaches” in teaching economics to school-age children at the November 7 Annual Fall Conference of the Rhode Island Council on Economic Education, a non-profit organization working to improve the quality and quantity of economics education.

The 13-year-old “Economics Teaching Awards Program” is funded by a special grant from the Old Stone Bank Educational Foundation. This year’s awards ranged from $150 to $800. Presiding over the awards ceremonies were Barry Pickell, senior vice president of Old Stone Bank and Jeffrey Blais, president of the Council.

Those teachers honored for their achievements were: Lorraine Boren, Meadowbrook Farms Elementary School, East Greenwich; Joan Foley, South Kingstown High School; Jean Forbes, South Kingstown Junior High School; Kathryn Huggins, North Kingstown High School; Susan Laverty, Hopkins Hill School, Coventry; Norman Loiselle, Social Street School, Woonsocket; John Macumber, Coventry High School; Kathryn Mansfield, Fifth Avenue School, Woonsocket; and Janet Volpe, Elderidge Elementary School, East Greenwich.

Held at the Sheraton Tara Airport Hotel in Warwick, the event also included a presentation by Gary Rabbie, director of the Canadian Foundation on Economic Education. The program is administered by the Center for Economics Education located on the Rhode Island College campus.

INNOVATIVE ECONOMICS TEACHERS: Cited by the Rhode Island Council on Economic Education for their “innovative approach” to teaching economics in the schools are (l to r) John Macumber, Coventry High; Kathryn Huggins, North Kingstown High; Janet Volpe, Frenchtown School; Jean Forbes, South Kingstown Junior High; Lorraine Boren, Meadowbrook Farm School; Susan Laverty, Hopkins Hill School; Joan Foley, South Kingstown High; Norman Loiselle, Social Street School, Woonsocket. Not pictured is Kathryn Mansfield of Woonsocket.

H. Nash to speak at History Colloquium

Henry Nash, the David E. Sweet Professor of Political Science (emeritus) at Rhode Island College, will address the Wednesday, Nov. 28, history colloquium at 4 p.m. in Gaige Hall 207 (History Lounge) on the question of a “Need for a New Foreign Policy.

The question of this need for the Bush Administration comes in view of the dramatic change in East-West relations. Nash asks the question: “Can the traditional U.S. position of nuclear deterrence and their tension-generating requirements be realistically adhered to by U.S. policy makers in view of the apparent end to hostile cooperation between the two super powers — the United States and the Soviet Union — and the shift to positive cooperation?”

Another consideration is whether this shift has had any effect on the stock-piling of nuclear weapons or on the long-range national commitments of the U.S.

The colloquium is free and open to the public.

For further information, contact Norman R. Pyle, associate professor of history, at (401) 456-8039.

Annual tree lighting celebration set

As in the past, Rhode Island College will officially begin the holiday season with its annual tree lighting celebration Monday, Dec. 3 beginning at 6:25 p.m. in Roberts Hall lobby.

The eighth celebration will be complete with festive music, informal caroling, and holiday refreshments for members of the College community, including alumni and friends.

Just before President John Nazarian “turns on the lights” at 6:30, Kathryn M. Sasso, director of conferences and special events, will tell the story of “Twas the Night Before Christmas” in her own special way.

Children are especially welcome.

Valkoun leads R.I. College women’s tennis squad

by Edward J. Vaillancourt
Director of Sports Information

Coming off a tough season last year with a 2-5 record, the Rhode Island College Women’s Tennis squad finished this year with a satisfactory record of 4-4-1.

New head coach, Richard Ernst is credited with much of the success of the team results, along with strong showings in the doubles competition during meets.

Kristen Schwartz, senior captain from Newport was the top flight holder during this season. In her singles match during the New England Collegiate Division III Championship tournament, Schwartz showed talent and poise with a strong competitor, winning one game 6-3, but bowing out in the final game 7-5.

In addition, Schwartz and second flight player, Marilyn Morris of Providence performed well together, ending the season with a 5-4 doubles record. Junior Patty Valkoun of Warwick led this year’s squad in points with 8 1/2. Valkoun, third in the Anchorwomen’s line-up, ended the season with a 6-3 singles record and 5-3 doubles.

Other standouts included sophomore Amy LaStarza of Cranston who finished the season with 7 1/2 points and junior Melissa Toscano of Pawtucket with 7 1/4 points. LaStarza is listed fourth on the roster, with Toscano following in the fifth slot.

Next year’s squad is expected to do well. All but Schwartz will be returning.

CONNECTICUT DAY AT RIC finds these Connecticut residents getting a tour of the campus which was preceded by an information session and followed by brunch in Brown Residence Hall. Some 32 interested people came to the first Connecticut Day here Sunday, Nov. 18, for a special program sponsored by the Office of Admissions. (What’s News Photo by Gordon E. Rowley)
The works of Wendy Seller and Gail Smuda will be on display in Rhode Island College's Bannister Gallery in an exhibit entitled "Imaginary Subjects" Nov. 29-Dec. 20.

``Seller and Smuda are artists whose works explore the realms of fantasy and mythology,' according to exhibition curator, Curtis Lafollette, of the RIC art department.

"Each, through her own strategy, deals with the boundaries between reality and fantasy, wryly hinting that there may be none at all," says Lafollette.

Her award-winning works, as well as her site-specific environments, have been exhibited in Boston, New York and the Midwest.

Smuda's objects and assemblages combine images of the known in obscure and ambiguous ways. A disconcerting effect emerges as the accumulation and juxtaposition of otherwise clear and distinct images blend in a gestalt which implies the unknowable.

Hours for the gallery are Monday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6 to 9.

Smuda's works were recently selected for the exhibition, New Art/New Hampshire, at Keene State College, and were included in a show at the Currier Gallery in Manchester, N.H.

The exhibit opens Nov. 29 from 7 to 9 p.m. Lectures by the artists are set for Dec. 5 at 12:30 p.m. in the gallery. The exhibit is free and open to the public.

For more information, contact Dennis O'Malley, gallery director, at (401) 456-9765 or 8054.

To perform 'Amahl and the Night Visitors'

Rhode Island College Chamber Singers and Orchestra, under the direction of Edward Markward, conductor, will perform Honegger's "Christmas Cantata" and Menotti's "Amahl and the Night Visitors" in concert Monday, Dec. 10, at 8:15 p.m. in Roberts Hall auditorium.

Baritone Kenneth Clauer will be featured in the cantata. Stefan Karlsson, Cecelia Rodi, Donald St. Jean, William Jones and Russell Morency in "Amahl and the Night Visitors."

Gian-Carlo Menotti's one-act opera deals with a crippled boy's encounter with the three holy kings seeking the newborn Christ child.

The concert is free and open to the public.

Accounting students represent RIC at NAA meeting

Seven accounting students from the Student Accounting Association represented Rhode Island College at the November 19 technical dinner meeting of the Providence Chapter of the National Association of Accountants (NAA).

Billed as "Student Night" by the Providence Chapter, the program, held at Johnson & Wales Inn in Seekonk, MA, featured tax professionals Joseph Fargnoli, CPA, and Roxanne Cassady, CPA, of Ernst & Young, the national accounting firm.

Highlights of the Revenue Reconciliation Act of 1990, the latest tax legislation enacted by Congress, were discussed, from both a corporate and individual point of view.

Attending were Michael Ashman, Stephen Garvey, Donna Hannah, Mary MacIntosh, Michael McGahern, Sandra Pari, William Riendreau, and faculty advisor David Filipkin.

The Student Accounting Association is in the process of becoming a Student Affiliate Group of the NAA and will be closely allied with the accounting professionals comprising the NAA Providence Chapter.

Accounting Assn. holds CMA session

The featured speaker at the Wednesday, November 28 meeting of the Student Accounting Association will be James R. Eggert, CMA, CPA, of the accounting firm of Kieliszak, Eggert & Company.

The topic will be the Certified Management Accountant (CMA) designation, and will include discussion about the CMA exam, other requirements for certification, and the reasons that accounting professionals seek this certification.

This session is free and open to the public, and will be held in Craig-Lee, room 503 at 12:30 p.m. Refreshments will be available.

Auditions set for theater talent awards

Auditions and interviews for performers, designers and technicians for individual talent awards in theater at Rhode Island College have been set for Saturday, Feb. 16, by appointment.

High school seniors, graduate and transfer students are eligible for these awards, sponsored by P. W. Hutchinson, professor of theater.

For details write to Hutchinson at the Department of Communications and Theater or call (401) 456-8270.
RIC Dance Co. winter concert to feature a very compelling performer, Ze'eva Cohen, Dec. 7

Described as an “important dramatic modern dancer” and “a very compelling performer,” Ze'eva Cohen, whose pioneering Solo Dance Repertory Program toured throughout the United States, Europe and Israel, will be featured in the Rhode Island College Dance Company winter concert Dec. 7.

The performance begins at 8 p.m. in Roberts Hall auditorium. Also performing in what promises to be a “very distinctive program,” according to Dante DelGiudice, RIC Dance Company director, will be two “guest” artists, who are associates of Cohen, and the dozen members of the RIC Dance Company.

Cohen, who is also a master teacher/choreographer, will perform the piece entitled “Sarah” from “Mothers of Israel” which is based on materials derived from Jewish Yemenite folklore.

“Mothers of Israel” was created, in part, with public funds from the National Endowment for the Arts. The piece was choreographed by Margalit Oved.

Ze’eva Cohen was born in Tel Aviv, Israel, and studied at the Juilliard School in New York. She was a founding member of Dance Theater Workshop, and, in 1971, began her Solo Dance Repertory Program. In 1983, Cohen founded the Ze’eva Cohen and Dancers group. She has choreographed works for the Boston Ballet, the Munich Tanzprojekt, the Batsheva Dance Company of Israel, the Alvin Ailey Repertory Ensemble, the North Carolina Dance Theater, the Chicago Repertory Dance Ensemble, the Detroit Dance Collective and others.

She continues to perform as a guest artist throughout the New York metropolitan area and recently toured with the Denishawn Repertory Dancers to the Biennale Festival in Lyon, France.

RIC Wind Ensemble to honor Schuman’s 80th birthday Nov. 29

The 80th birthday of American composer William Schuman will be noted Thursday, Nov. 29, in an 8:15 p.m. performance by the Rhode Island College Wind Ensemble in Roberts Hall auditorium.

Francis Marciniak will direct the ensemble’s full concert, which will include Schuman’s “Chester Overture.” Also featured on the program will be two solo performances.

The first will be by David Neyes, who will appear as the alto saxophone soloist in Warren Benson’s “Star Edge.” Neyes is director of bands at Seminole High School. He holds a master of arts in teaching from RIC and is the principal saxophonist with the American Band.

The second will be Joseph Carvalho, a senior majoring in music performance, who will give a piano solo rendition of “Variants on a Greek Love Song” by Nellythel.

Other works in the concert will include Gustav Holst’s “Songs of the West”; J. S. Bach’s “My Jesus! On What Anguish”; Kenneth Allford’s “Standard of St. George,” and Ralph Vaughan Williams’ “Rhosymedre.”

The concert is free and open to the public.

Carvalho, of Pawtucket, is an active accompanist and soloist in the College’s music department as well as throughout the metropolitan area.

He has appeared as soloist in performances at the Beethoven Club and as pianist for the RIC Theater’s production of Modern and Supernatural. Carvalho currently is studying piano with Judith Lynn Stillman, RIC’s artist-in-residence.

For more information, call the RIC music department at 400 456-8244.
**Monday, Nov. 26**

9:30 a.m.—Mimics colloquium entitled "Minicomputer has Par. Place, Too," to be presented by guest lecturer John Waterman, owner and operator of the Cranston-based Systemetrics, as part of the RIC Department of Economics and Management's course, CIS 353: Systems Analysis and Design. Fogarty Life Science 213. The public is invited to attend at no cost. For more information, call Jules Cohen, assistant professor of economics and management, at 456-8036.

Noon to 1 p.m.—Alcoholics Anonymous to meet in Student Union 305. Free and open to the public.

1 p.m.—Video Screening of a recording session of West Side Story to be given in Roberts Hall, room 138. Free and open to the public.

**Tuesday, Nov. 27**

Noon—Roots and Wings is the title of the final session in the Passport to Success program. This workshop will help students decide who they are, and where they want to go, or stay. Stuhlman Union 305. Open to the RIC campus community.

**Wednesday, Nov. 28**

Noon—Video Screening of Leonard Bernstein conducting Beethoven's "Ninth Symphony" in Berlin, Christmas 1989, to be given in Roberts Hall, room 138. Free and open to the public.

12:30 to 2 p.m.—Alcoholics Anonymous to meet in Craig-Lee 120. A place from the Office of Admissions and Financial Aid, the Counseling Center, and the academic dean's offices will provide information and answer questions about preparatory steps for applying to graduate schools.

2:30 p.m.—Service Recognition Day reception to be held in Donovan Dining Center. For details, see article in this issue.

4 p.m.—A Need for a New Foreign Policy? is the topic of a colloquium to be held in Geaige 106. A place from the Office of Admissions and Financial Aid, the Counseling Center, and the academic dean's offices will provide information and answer questions about preparatory steps for applying to graduate schools.

9:30 a.m.—Recent Development in Hospital Systems Administration to be the topic of a talk to be given by guest lecturer Bruce Rarden, vice president of information services for Women and Infants Hospital, as part of the RIC Department of Economics and Management's course CIS 353: Systems Analysis and Design. Fogarty Life Science 213. The public is invited to attend at no cost. For more information, call Jules Cohen, assistant professor of economics and management, at 456-8036.

Noon—Biology Colloquium. Alan Miller, professor of biochemistry at Howard University, will speak on "The Molecular Biology of t-RNA." Fogarty Life Science 550. Free and open to the public.

Noon to 1 p.m.—Alcoholics Anonymous to meet in Student Union 305. 6:25 p.m.—Annual Tree Lighting Celebration, Roberts Hall. For details, see article in this issue.

**Thursday, Nov. 29**

7 to 9 p.m.—Imaginary Subjects exhibit, featuring the works of Wendy Seller and Gail Smuda, to open at Bannister Gallery in the Art Center. Free and open to the public. The exhibit will be on display through Dec. 20. For more information, see article in this issue.

8:15 p.m.—Rhode Island College Wind Ensemble to perform in Roberts Hall auditorium. For details, see article in this issue.

11 a.m.—Physical Science Colloquium. Mary Lynn Gravelski, associate professor of chemistry at Seton Hall University, will discuss "Chemiluminescence Analysis." Clark Science 106. Free and open to the public.

3 p.m.—Math Computer Science Colloquium. Caroline Tropner, assistant professor of computer science at RIC, will discuss the topic "Sociology, Computer Science, Philosophy and More: Some Indisciplinary Conferences." Jaye 376.

**Friday, Nov. 30**

11 a.m.—Physical Science Colloquium. Howard University, will speak on 'The Space-time Connections Between the Quantum Principle and Special Relativity." Clarke Science 106. Free and open to the public.

10 a.m. to 5 p.m.—Minicomputers in Education conference to be held at the Holiday Inn at the Crossings in Warwick. For details, see article in this issue.

4 p.m.—Anthropology Workshop. Larnbrecht, director of the Folk Arts Program of the R.I. State Council on the Arts, to give a presentation on, and show a film about iron smelting in Tan 2, China, entitled "Tree of Iron," which she helped create. The film deals with the reconstruction of traditional blacksmithing material culture.

7:30 to 10 p.m.—Getting the Real Christmas Spirit: A Mini-Retreat to be held by the Chaplain's Office in the upper lounge of Browne Hall. Open to members of the RIC campus community.

9 p.m. to 1 a.m.—Rhode Island College Dance Jam with WXN's Dave Anthony and featuring a special performance by "Sweet Sensation," to be held in Donovan Dining Center. Tickets may be purchased in advance at the Student Union Information Desk. Cost is $5 for the general public and $4 with RIC ID. Tickets sold at the door are $10 for the general public and $5 with RIC ID.

12:30 to 2 p.m.—Admissions open house, Robert Hall auditorium. For details, see article in this issue.


10 a.m.–5 p.m.—Women's Basketball. Rhode Island College vs. University of Southern Maine. Away. (Little East Conference Game)

1 p.m.—Women's Basketball. Rhode Island College vs. Clark University. Away.

7 p.m.—Women's Gymnastics. Rhode Island College vs. Brown University. Home.

8 p.m.—Men's Basketball. Rhode Island College vs. Framingham State College. Away.

**Saturday, Dec. 1**

12:30 to 2 p.m.—Alcoholics Anonymous to meet in Craig-Lee 120.

1 to 4 p.m.—Environmental Science, Philosophy and More: Some Indisciplinary Conferences, Jaye 376.

1 p.m.—Express-a-Rama at the Campus Center. For details, see article in this issue.

10 a.m.–5 p.m.—Women's Basketball. Rhode Island College vs. University of Southern Maine. Away. (Little East Conference Game)

**Sunday, Dec. 2**

12:30 p.m.—Spirit: A Mini-Retreat to be held in Donovan Dining Center. A performance of Schuman's "Chester Overture," and solo performances of Warren Benson's "Star Edge," and Vaclav Nellyby's "Variants on a Czech Love Song," will be featured.

3 p.m.—Women's Basketball. Rhode Island College vs. University of Southern Maine. Away. (Little East Conference Game)

8 p.m.—Men's Basketball. Rhode Island College vs. Fitchburg State College. Away.

**Monday, Dec. 3**

9:30 a.m.—Recent Development in Hospital Systems Administration to be the topic of a talk to be given by guest lecturer Bruce Rarden, vice president of information services for Women and Infants Hospital, as part of the RIC Department of Economics and Management's course CIS 353: Systems Analysis and Design. Fogarty Life Science 213. The public is invited to attend at no cost. For more information, call Jules Cohen, assistant professor of economics and management, at 456-8036.

4 p.m.—Tea for the Deaf by Yusuf Kariem. A place from the Office of Admissions and Financial Aid, the Counseling Center, and the academic dean's offices will provide information and answer questions about preparatory steps for applying to graduate schools.

12:30 to 2 p.m.—Admissions open house, Roberts Hall auditorium. For details, see article in this issue.

**Tuesday, Dec. 4**

11 a.m.—Physical Science Colloquium. Vladimir Proshov of Moscow State University will speak on "The Space-time Dimensionality Connections Between the Quantum Principle and Special Relativity in the Continuum of the Minkowski Space-time Structure." Clarke Science 106. Free and open to the public.

8 p.m.—Rhode Island College Dance Company Western Concert, with Ze'ev Cohen, Roberts Hall Auditorium. For details, see article in this issue.

**Saturday, Dec. 8**

Bus Trip to Mystic, Conn., to be sponsored by the Campus Center. The bus will leave the Student Union at 10 a.m. and return at 6 p.m. Cost is $5. For more information call Kristen King at 456-8034.

Welcome reception

The Rhode Island College community is invited to a "welcoming reception" for Thomas R. Pezzullo, vice president of development and college relations Thursday, Nov. 29 at 3:30 p.m. in Alumni Lounge.

**Sports Events**

**Tuesday, Nov. 27**

5:30 p.m.—Women's Basketball. Rhode Island College vs. Bryant College. Home.

7:30 p.m.—Women's Basketball. Rhode Island College vs. Bryant College. Home.

**Friday, Nov. 30, Dec. 1**

1 p.m.—Wrestling. Rhode Island College at the U.S. Coast Guard Tournament. Saturday, Dec. 1

2 p.m.—Women's Basketball. Rhode Island College vs. University of Southern Maine. Away. (Little East Conference Game)

4 p.m.—Men's Basketball. Rhode Island College vs. University of Southern Maine. Away. (Little East Conference Game)

**Tuesday, Dec. 4**

7 p.m.—Women's Basketball. Rhode Island College vs. Clark University. Away.

7 p.m.—Women's Gymnastics. Rhode Island College vs. Brown University. Home.

8 p.m.—Men's Basketball. Rhode Island College vs. Framingham State College. Away.

**Wednesday, Dec. 5**

7:30 to 10 p.m.—Wrestling. Rhode Island College vs. Worcester Polytechnic Institute. Away.

**Thursday, Dec. 6**

6 p.m.—Women's Basketball. Rhode Island College vs. Fitchburg State College. Away.

8 p.m.—Men's Basketball. Rhode Island College vs. Fitchburg State College. Away.

**Friday, Dec. 7**

7 p.m.—Wrestling. Rhode Island College at the Springfield College Tri-Match with Plymouth State College. Away.

**Saturday, Dec. 8**

1 p.m.—Women's Gymnastics. Rhode Island College vs. Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Home.

5:30 p.m.—Women's Basketball. Rhode Island College vs. University of Massachusetts-Boston. Home. (Little East Conference Game)

7:30 p.m.—Women's Basketball. Rhode Island College vs. University of Massachusetts-Boston. Home. (Little East Conference Game)