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Philanthropist Feinstein to be honored at RIC Foundation's Eighth Annual Gala

Rhode Island philanthropist, Alan Shawn Feinstein, whose gift of $1 million to Rhode Island College last year was the single largest ever received in the College's history, will be honored on Saturday, April 19, by the RIC Foundation at its annual fundraising gala. The event, which will be held in Donovan Dining Center, begins at 6 p.m. with a reception, followed by dinner and entertainment.

This is the eighth year that the Foundation has set aside an evening in April to honor "an individual who has made a significant contribution to the life of the College." Feinstein's gift of $1 million is dedicated to the former School of Education and Human Development, now known as the Alan Shawn Feinstein School of Education and Human Development. In addition, in 1994, a Feinstein gift of $500,000 provided a joint Ph.D. program between RIC and the University of Rhode Island.

Of the Foundation's decision to honor Feinstein, RIC President John Nazarian said, "Rhode Island College is proud to be part of the Feinstein Enriching America Program and grateful for the many gifts you have made to support education and the creation of a community-service focused society. We welcome this opportunity to say thank you at this public event on behalf of the thousands whom your gifts have assisted."

According to Foundation Executive Director Marguerite M. Brown, the proceeds of each year's gala, along with other Foundation events, support Honors Program scholarships. Last year over $40,000 was awarded to deserving students. College president said, "Since over 92 percent of our students are residents of Rhode Island," Brown noted, "these scholarships spell important support for the future of this state."

Graphic arts students sweep PGAA scholarship awards again this year

Eleven Rhode Island College graphic arts students were honored by members of the Providence Graphics Arts Association (PGAA) last month at the group's annual dinner. Awards ranged from $250 to $1,000. This is the second consecutive year that RIC students have swept all or most of the B. K. Brennan scholarship awards offered by the PGAA. They are all students of Lenore Collins, associate professor of graphic communications technology.

The award was initiated in 1968 by B.K. Brennan, a businessman who owned and operated Typsetting Service in Providence. He suggested that the Craftsman Club institute a scholarship fund to encourage improvement of the industry through education.
The Way We Were...

This popular item in What's News will continue this year in order for you to be able to revisit your alma mater with a selection of photos from the past — the college's past, whether the current era (Rhode Island College) or past eras (Rhode Island College of Education or Rhode Island State Normal School). We invite your contribution of old photos, along with sufficient information about each such as who's in the photo and what they are doing, the year it was taken and place (if possible). In the meantime, we'll continue searching our files for interesting pictures of past College life.

REMEMBER BEANIES? This photo recalls the days when freshmen at Rhode Island College were "required" to wear beanies during the first few weeks of school — although some rebels stuffed them into their pockets at the first opportunity. The three members of the Class of 1971 (above) in a photo we assume was taken in the fall of 1967, are (l to r) Rae Rondeau, Mary Schiffman and Jeff Mello. (file photo)
Already public servants, education majors take on another project aimed to help Washington Park children

By Clare Eckert
What’s News Editor

In another year when Rhode Island College education majors - Alison R. Gray, Tracey Mattos and Stephanie Tariela - graduate and fulfill their dreams as elementary school teachers, the world will surely be a little better. By their own initiative and motivation to help others less fortunate than they, these three young women have already learned that unsalish acts develop self worth, that organization and being responsible often leads to success, and that those people who over come obstacles against odds become leaders.

Last winter, Gray, who like her friends has years of volunteerism on her resume, approached Mattos and Tariela with a public service order to enrich the lives of about 35 young minorities in the Washington Park district of Providence. The project they began in mid-January was a combination of teaching, mentoring, making new friends, sharing problems and looking for solutions together, having fun, and building self-confidence in others.

Initially begun as a Washington Park library reading and activity program for young children, eventually it turned into building a six-part project with the original group of children and coupling them with 15 teenage girls who were searching to locate a “center” for themselves but needed a focal point to demonstrate that they were serious about their responsibilities to their community if they were to receive a “place of their own.”

With organizing class schedules, preparing activities for the Monday night sessions, buying materials and refreshments, printing announcement flyers and making sure that everything was in place on the selected evening, the three RIC students shared all the responsibilities together.

For two sessions, Mattos and Tariela sat with the teenagers and taught them about the role of a mentor. Teaching the teens the importance of being reliable, listening, sharing, and how to enjoy the achievements of others, was part of the preparation they did before the teens would ready to interact with the children.

While Mattos went to class on Mondays, Tariela and Gray would work with both groups reading a children’s book and planning an activity. A typical night and the first program they prepared was a reading of Let Freedom Ring, then discussion, followed by the children - under the guidance of the college students and the teenagers - writing down on heart-shaped construction paper their own dreams. Later, the hearts were displayed in the library for “everyone to be proud of.” Finally, refreshments and social time.

Not everything went smoothly, say the college students. “There was chaos” for a while. But, all-in-all, “we just began to get more comfortable with each,” according to Tariela. Other activities included reading about and designing a rain forest, developing individual posters about how birthdays are celebrated, and sharing information about one another.

Encouraged by the successes and sense of accomplishment the RIC students had each realized through public service, they challenge advertised in the newspaper by Rhode Island philanthropist Alan Shawn Feinstein through his Enriching America program “to look around your community and develop a project that helps others.” Your project must represent a new initiative on your part,” the Feinstein Foundation newspaper ad noted. “We’re looking for projects that can better our communities and the lives of the people in them.” And in return, for participants who complete their projects and submit an essay to a selection team at the Foundation, the philanthropist offered $100 cash awards of $2,000 each.

The three intend to submit essays about their project as the ad requested, but win or not, they’ve each devoted hours of their time in pursuit of a thorny problem.

Support Group offered for students who are parents

A support group for students who are trying to balance the multiple roles of student and parent will be offered by the Counseling Center starting this month.

The group is designed to offer support and psycho-education on issues such as multiple roles, overload and conflict, parent effectiveness, stress and time management, relationship issues and self-esteem.

Meeting times are to be arranged. Call 456-8094 for more information.


Providing Health Care to a Diverse Population

The Department of Nursing invites the campus community to a panel discussion on the topic, “Providing Health Care to Diverse Populations.” Health care providers representing a variety of perspectives will share their experiences working with the culturally diverse populations in Providence. This program is sponsored, in part, by the College Lectures Committee and will be held on Thursday, March 6, at 2 p.m. in the Forman Center, room C. Part of the Dialogue on Diversity Program.

Why Weight: The Emotional Eating Cycle and Weight Loss

A presentation will be given, “Why Weight: The Emotional Eating Cycle and Weight Loss,” on Wednesday, March 5, from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in the Faculty South Dining Room. Lauren P. Canuel is a clinical social worker who specializes in weight loss and relapse prevention. Canuel lost 150 lbs. 10 years ago and now owns her own company called Why Weight. She will share her personal journey and discuss the emotional eating cycle and strategies to arrest it. Such strategies, when combined with proper nutrition and consistent activity can lead to permanent weight loss. This program is part of National Nutrition Month and is co-sponsored by Health and Student Activities. For more information, contact Kristen Salemi or Wendy Williams at Ext. 8034.
Education majors awarded scholarships

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS in the Feinstein School of Education and Human Development are (seated from left) Melissa Murano, a junior secondary education major from Westerly; Dawn Romans, a senior physical education major from Warwick; Eileen Montalto, a senior elementary education/special education major from Westerly, and Colleen Dunne, a senior elementary education/special education major from East Providence. At rear from left are John Salmi, vice president for academic affairs; David Nelson, dean, and College President John Nazarian. An awards luncheon was held Feb. 10 in the President's Dining Room at Donovan Dining Center. (What's News Photo by George LaTour)

Alumni scholarship

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market successfully are the ones who now realize how crucial a college education really is. Nonetheless, high school seniors and working adults alike will most likely come to a point in their lives when they realize the importance of a college education.

This point in a person's life will arrive at an unexpected moment. To arrive at a point where a person can say, "That's why I need a college education" may take months or even years. Across the nation, parents are lecturing their children why one is necessary. What the parents should be telling their senior is the fact that college graduates are more likely to go to work and earning adults alike will most likely come to a point in their lives when they realize the importance of a college education.

Throughout a person's lifetime, it is important that he or she never stops questioning, reasoning, or engaging intellectual, reflective thoughts.

out in the open, just waiting for a student's mind to grab hold of them and digest them.

Moreover, college classes and the teachers help prepare the student to be the type of person that can survive in a world with much information. The teachers help the students learn how to become life-long learners, and more importantly, life-long thinkers. The teachers at colleges teach their students how to analyze information, whether it is from a report or a newspaper, and then they help the student develop his or her own opinion on a subject.

CAMPBELL SCHOLARSHIP: S. Elizabeth Campbell, Class of 1931 and professor emerita, congratulates Campbell scholarship winner Kelly Cote, a senior and elementary education major from West Warwick. The award, which carries a $500 stipend, was made Feb. 8 during the S. Elizabeth Campbell Conference on Teacher Portfolios, in Donovan Dining Center. (What's News Photo by Gordon E. Rowley)
By George LaTour
What's News Associate Editor

Two professors of psychology, one at Rhode Island College and the other at Boston College, recently have had their study on the “cessation and persistence of wife assault” published in the Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology, which is sure to bring even further national attention to the subject.

“Risk Marker Analysis of the Cessation and Persistence of Wife Assault” was written by David B. Sugarman of Rhode Island College and Etoney Aldarondo of BC.

While previous research has examined those factors that distinguish violent from non-violent husbands, the psychologists’ work focuses on some of the factors that distinguish husbands who were never violent from those who ceased their violence and those whose violence persisted over three years.

Using longitudinal data from a national representative household sample, Aldarondo and Sugarman divided male respondents into three groups: men who exhibited no violence, men whose violence persisted over three years, and men whose violence stopped after the first year.

Analysis indicated that marital conflict, socio-economic status, and witnessing violence in the person’s original family were the “most powerful” factors that discriminate between these groups.

Sugarman and Aldarondo wrote, “It was found that high levels of marital conflict and low socio-economic status were associated not only with the occurrence of violence but also with the continuity of wife assaults over time.”

Furthermore, as relationship conflict decreased so did the likelihood of the persistence of violence.

While highly instructive, the study notes that important issues about the specific causes of the continuation of wife assault “remains unresolved.”

This research constitutes only the latest in many studies conducted by Sugarman and his colleagues.

Sugarman’s related study (with Gerald T. Hotaling) on dating violence, published in 1996, is still being quoted in the media.

Newspapers such as The Christian Science Monitor, the Providence Journal-Bulletin and other papers carrying a Knight-Ridder News Service by-lined article as well as The Des Moines Register, have quoted Sugarman’s findings.

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“Studies of dating violence and marital violence show approximately the same prevalence rates,” reports Sugarman.

One out of four teens in the United States experience violence in their dating relationships. But depending on how abuse is defined, from harassing phone calls to rape, anywhere from nine to 56 percent of teen relationships are abusive, he found.

Past studies by Sugarman and others found that violent men are more likely to have lower self-esteem, to abuse alcohol more frequently, to have been physically abused as a child, and to have witnessed violence between their parents during their childhood.

“We also know that violent men are more likely than non-violent men to be involved in relationships with high levels of marital conflict, to be over-represented in lower socio-economic strata, and to use psychological aggression against their spouses,” wrote the psychologists in their recent study.

Other studies, quoted by Sugarman, have found that compared to men who ceased or interrupted the violence, persistent wife assaulters reported more unemployment, lower family income, higher frequency of physical fights with their spouses and greater use of severe forms of violence.

According to social exchange theory, human interaction is guided by the pursuit of rewards and the avoidance of punishment and costs. From this perspective, violent men use violence toward their female partners when the benefit associated with violence outweighs the cost.

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Men with greater socio-economic status presumably risk greater loss of prestige or social standing (with accompanying cost in self-worth) when facing disclosure of violence and public condemnation than men with lower socio-economic status.

Thus, by increasing the cost of violence those displaying violent behavior may be motivated to end the violence.

Sugarman, who joined the RIC faculty in 1984, received his bachelor’s degree in psychology from Clark University in Worcester, Mass., his masters and Ph.D. in developmental psychology from Yeshiva University in New York City.

In addition to his teaching duties at RIC, he serves as a post-doctoral research associate at the Family Research Laboratory at the University of New Hampshire. He held posts previously at Bowdoin College and at Stern and Yeshiva colleges at Yeshiva University.

In addition to his teaching duties at RIC, he has written extensively for professional journals and books, technical reports, book reviews and made numerous conference presentations and given invited addresses.

Sugarman currently is coordinator of the Violence Policy and Research Group of RIC.

He has authored or co-authored a number of research grants and serves on the editorial board of the Journal of Marriage and the Family.

He holds membership in a half dozen professional organizations, including the American Psychological Association. Professor Sugarman resides in North Providence.
Backstage on the set of 'The Mousetrap'

Agatha Christie's play, The Mousetrap, has been running continuously in London for 45 years. Despite being a murder mystery, with all the obligatory suspense that entails, it still draws record crowds who want to find out "who done it." From Feb. 20 to 23 Rhode Island College Theatre mounted a production of this "most-successful mystery melodrama ever" and What's News went behind the scenes to show you a little of back-stage at The Mousetrap. However, we still can't reveal the murderer. For who knows how long the play will continue to pack 'em in?

Text and photos by Gordon E. Rowley
Alumnus Robert Walker now studying for masters degree —
Returned to college after 20-year hiatus and ‘enjoyed it thoroughly’

Robert Walker of Warwick returned to the books last year after a 20-year hiatus during which he worked a number of jobs, including his own electronic alarm company, and found the experience exhilarating.

Coming back to school after so long a period “initially was intimidating” but soon proved “to be so much better” as an adult student. “You have more credibility” as an older and presumably more mature student, he feels.

He found the faculty, particularly those in his chosen field of psychology, to be “exemplary — some of them really bent over backwards” to be of assistance to him.

Then, it will be onward to a Ph.D. degree, “probably in clinical psychology” and a new career in counseling. Walker is a son of Joan and the late Robert Walker of Warwick. His mother, on staff at Rhode Island College for the past 28 years, currently serves as administrative secretary to John J. Salesses, vice president for academic affairs.

Having graduated from Mt. Pleasant High School in 1973, Walker immediately enrolled at RIC and worked a part-time job at Miriam Hospital.

He started out studying math and psychology, then got interested in instructional technology “and learned to take photographs” leading to two years of “taking wedding pictures.”

During his third year at RIC, his father died and Walker “lost interest” in his studies. “My main interest was psychology and I knew I would have to have a masters degree and Ph.D. and just wasn't up to it at that point,” he relates.

With a hobby of electronics, he began working in various electronics firms, was terminal manager for a petroleum company, and then designed a film-processing machine for Photographic Corporation of America. His interest in electronics led to an interest in computers and he then learned programming on his own.

This led to his becoming a consultant to a number of alarm companies which were installing computerized control systems. In the mid-1980s, with his brother Frank as a partner, Walker started what was basically an alarm company, selling to electricians.

The brothers operated the company from 1986 to 1996 and had RIC as one of their biggest customers for maintenance of fire and burglar alarms.

Last June, Bob, as he is called, left the firm and Frank merged it with a fire extinguisher company and continues on there. Bob re-entered RIC.

Some years ago, Walker and his wife, Diane, an assistant registrar at the Rhode Island School of Design, adopted two children at ages of 7 and 9. Today, Norman is 18 and Terri is 20 and they live at home with their parents.

Having worked with the Ocean State Adoption Resource Exchange (OSARE) and the Department for Children, Youth and Families (DCYF) to effect the adoptions, Walker became more than familiar with the procedures and pitfalls of adoption with the results that today he teaches a class at the DCYF on adoption preparation with the agency’s Pat Keogh.

Over the years, Walker and his wife have appeared on TV 10’s Tuesday’s Child segment of the 6 o’clock news, been on a number of radio talk shows and served on several DCYF study commissions, the Adoption Task Force and Adoption Rhode Island board.

In 1991 the Walkers were named the OSARE Family of the Year. Adoption Rhode Island is an advocacy group which provides counseling sessions and parenting groups. This experience along with that of working with the DCYF — “they are dedicated to the children and they are some of the nicest people I’ve ever met” — had made a definite impression upon Walker, leading him to confirm in his own mind that counseling was the work for him.
Athletic program building ‘bridges’

There is an enormous amount of “construction” going on throughout the athletic program. The new dugouts on the baseball and softball field seem to be on track for opening day, research is underway on repairs to the track and the major “bridge” project is about to start.

A bridge! I know your wondering where on the campus do we need a bridge? The answer is we need to "bridge" the athletic success that our student-athletes strive for on the playing field with the academic success we want them to achieve in the classroom.

The concept of providing student-athletes with support is not new to the world of athletics. At Rhode Island linking faculty with student-athletes has been in the planning stages for over a year. All of the 250 (or more) student-athletes who participate in intercollegiate athletics have extremely rigorous schedules to follow on the road to athletic success. Take for an example the typical female basketball player who starts classes in September and must simultaneously begin a three- or four-day-a-week conditioning program. In late October that same young lady must start practicing six days a week, three hours a day. The middle of November means that practices are combined with games and travel. The majority of student-athletes hold down part-time jobs and are required to follow both NCAA and institutional rules in order to stay eligible. It is our hope that “bridges” will assist our student-athletes in bridging the gap between athletics, academics, life-skills and other curves they need to negotiate on the journey down the road to graduation.

The RIC Bridges Program officially kicked-off Thursday, Feb. 27, when a volunteer group of faculty and staff met to discuss the design for the Bridges Program. This blueprint will be utilized to build a solid foundation for our program that we hope will enhance academic success for our student-athletes. Increased graduation rates, greater retention and being better prepared for the real world once student-athletes receive their degree are all goals for the program. The NCAA recently awarded RIC a life-skills grant to support the Bridges Program. Additionally, the Counseling Center, Oasis and other on-campus groups have been extremely supportive and will play a critical role in the development of the program. Any alumni with special skills that would be applicable to the program are welcome to get involved.

These are exciting times here in the athletic department and I will continue to update everyone as to the construction progress of our bridge(s). I want to extend my sincerest thanks to faculty athletic representative Peter Glantz, athletic trainer Kathy LaQuale, the faculty and staff for their time and efforts to date on this most worthwhile project.
Dance, Dance, Dance!

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Tickets are $10 with discounts for senior citizens and students.

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Students compete in American College Theatre Festival

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In the Performing Arts Series

Frogs, Lizards, Orbs and Slinkys here March 11

by George LaTour
What's News Associate Editor

Tucked away in an historic Masonic Lodge in Southeast Portland, Ore., creators Carol Triflife and Jerry Mouawad, composers and assistant designers become alchemists with clay, paper mache, wood, wire, foam, electronics, films, slides, lighting and music. Collectively, they assemble the ingredients of movement, mime and visual illusion to create the world of Imago.

The internationally known theatre mask ensemble will bring its "Frogs, Lizards, Orbs and Slinkys" to Rhode Island College Tuesday, March 11, for an 8 p.m. performance in Roberts Hall auditorium as part of the College's Performing Arts Series.

A worm that performs impossible acrobatics...a slippertick comedy rolled out in vaudeville chaos by gigantic orbs...an introverted frog surviving the competitiveness of his athletic amphibious peers...These are a few of the laughs, illusions and startling images in Imago's acclaimed production of "Orbs and Slinkys." Co-creator Mouawad answers the question of why "Frogs, Lizards, Orbs and Slinkys" is Imago's most popular production: "It's vaudeville. I saw a movie in which a depressed suicidal comic-tragic character went to a Marx Brothers film and from laughing at the Marx Brothers he reawakened to the whamy and lighter side of life.

"It changed his life and he was able to return to his tragic-laden world. Comedy, especially physical comedy, is reawakening. It reawakens our bodies to a giggly, uplifting sensation.

"A physical connection between performer and the audience can be delightful and life altering. Seeing the finest physical and clown theatre has changed my own life." Says the Seattle Post Intelligencer: "The theatre mask ensemble (Imago) are special kinds of fools...if there is something that can be done with a mask that these performers fail to do, it's hardly worth considering...entrancing and clever." The New York Times called their performance "a madcap revue...Thanks to their masks and their mastery of dance, mime and acrobatics, they became a multitude of curious critters...Their efforts left everyone, including this dancegoer, feeling giddy."

The Oreganian urges: "...next time they are playing within 50 miles, gather up the children and go.

Reserved seat tickets are $18 with discounts for senior citizens and students and may be purchased in advance by telephone via VISA or Mastercard by calling 456-8194 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily.

The box office is open for in-person sales from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily and until time of performance on the performance date.

Rhode Island State Council on the Arts holds workshop for potential applicants

The Rhode Island State Council on the Arts (RISCA) will hold workshops for potential applicants on three separate occasions. The first workshop will be late in February, March 4, in the conference room of the Council office at 95 Cedar St., Suite 103, in Providence; the second, Wednesday, March 5, at the South County Center for the Arts, 3501 Kingston Rd., West Kingston; and the third on Thursday, March 6, at the Woosneck Harris Public Library, 303 Clinton St., Woosneck. All workshops will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. First-time applicants are especially encouraged to attend. All sites are accessible.

The workshops will be geared to grants for individual artists, nonprofit organizations and schools.

Jazz soloist Bill Prince featured — Wind Ensemble, Jazz Band to perform March 14

Former Rhode Islander Anthony Cinelli, a theatre graduate of Rhode Island College, Class of 1988, has begun the current season portraying the role of Perchik in Fiddler on the Roof at the Commonwealth Musical Stage Company in Virginia Beach.

This engagement, January and February, comes after serving as company manager and ensemble member of the east coast national tour of Amahl and the Night Visitors. As featured artist in the concert portion of the program, a highlight of the tour was his tenor solo, "O, Holy Night," in Meyerhoff Symphony Hall, Baltimore.

Prior to this tour engagement, Cinelli performed in Funny Girl at the Derby Dinner Playhouse where he was featured as Nick Arnstein. Other work this past year includes the narrative voice of Charles Dickens in the Quicksilver Radio production of A Christmas Carol on various stations nationwide and an appearance on The Late Show with David Letterman as a member of the Late Show Choir during the holiday season.

Now residing in New York City, Cinelli had played the Looking Glass, Wickenden Gate, Perishable and Colonial theatres. Theatre-By-The-Sea and Ocean State Follies during his Rhode Island residency.

**RIC Calendar**

**March 3 - 17**

**Tuesdays**

11 a.m.—Stress Management Laboratory in Craig-Lee 130. This group is designed to introduce students to a variety of stress management and relaxation strategies, and includes the use of biofeedback equipment to help individuals develop greater physiological self-control. No appointment or intake interview is required, and students may attend as often as they wish. For more information, call 456-8004, or drop by the Counseling Center, CL 130.

noon to 1 p.m.—Interfaith Bible Study in SU 300. Sponsored by the Chaplains’ Office.

5 p.m.—Open Discussion AA meetings are held every Thursday in the SU 305. If you want to drink, it’s your business. If you want to quit it is ours.

4 p.m.—Presentation: Makeup Techniques for Natural, Classic and Dramatic Looks in Browne Hall upper lounge. Commissars are welcome. Sponsored by Resident Student Association and Student Activities, 456-8034.

8 p.m.—Comedy Night in the Coffeeground. Free. Sponsored by RIC Programming, 456-8045.

**Wednesdays**

12:30 to 2 p.m.—Catholic Student Associates in SU 300. Sponsored by the Chaplains’ Office.

12:30 to 1:30 p.m.—Why Weight: The Emotional Eating Cycle and Weight Loss in Faculty South Dining Room. Free. Lauren P. Canel is a clinical social worker who specializes in weight loss and relapse prevention. Canel lost 150 lbs. 10 years ago. She will share her personal journey and discuss the emotional eating cycle and strategies to overcome it. Such strategies, when combined with proper nutrition and consistent activity, can lead to permanent weight loss. Sponsored RIC Programming and Student Activities 456-8034.

7 to 9 p.m.—Art: "Drawing Conclusions," a Juried Biennial Student Exhibition. Opening: Thursday, March 6, from 7 to 9 p.m. in Bunnister Gallery.

7 p.m.—Film: Dr. Strange Love by Stanley Kubrick and David Lynch. Presented by Student Film Society in HM 193. General admission $2, RIC students $1.

**Thursdays**

Feb. 6 through May 1—Lifeguard Training Course held in the Recreation Center pool from 6 to 9:15 p.m. For further information, call Aquatics at 456-8277.

6-27 Thursday

7 a.m. to 10 a.m.—National College Anxiety Disorders Screening Day. 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in CL 130 and Noon to 2 p.m. in DDC 201. This is a free, anonymous screening and education program during which participants learn about anxiety disorders, take a written screening test and review the results with a counselor. It is not a substitute for a psychiatric evaluation and no diagnosis is given. A referral for a complete evaluation is provided if indicated.

8 a.m.—Screening Day.

8 a.m.—Exercise and Nutrition 101: "Meet the Challenge of the New Economy" and "Meeting the Challenge of the New Economy: Implementing the Recommendations." Call 456-8295 for more information.

2 p.m.—Film: A Showcase of Rhode Island Dance Series-"A Showcase of Rhode Island Dance" in Roberts Hall Auditorium. General admission $7; senior citizens and non-RIC students $5; RIC students free.

**Friday**

7 p.m.—Music: Rhode Island College Wind Ensemble and Jazz Ensemble with Bill Price in Roberts Hall Auditorium. General admission $3; senior citizens and non-RIC students $1; RIC students free.

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**Sports Events**

7 Friday

TBA—Men’s Wrestling at NCAA Championships at Ohio Northern.

10:30 a.m.—Women’s Wrestling at NCAA Championships at Ohio Northern.

1:00 p.m.—Women’s Gymnastics at M.I.T.