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Alum is Rhode Island Teacher of the Year

A ninth-grade social studies teacher at Martin Junior High School in East Providence, who holds bachelors and masters degrees in education from Rhode Island College, has been named Rhode Island's Teacher of the Year. 

Maureen Spaight, Class of 1970, masters in 1981, learned of her selection Nov. 4 upon being summoned to the school auditorium where Peter McWalters, the commissioner of elementary and secondary education, presented the award at a surprise ceremony.

Fifty of her students attended the ceremony and let out a roar when McWalters announced the winner, it was reported in the next day’s Providence Journal-Bulletin.

Spaight, who has been a teacher for 27 years, the last 12 at Martin Junior High, received a $1,000 cash award from the state in addition to a $1,500 award from the United National Insurance Companies, a co-sponsor of the Teacher-of-the-Year program this year.

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David Beason, director of the RIC Computer Center, said the facility has over 60 systems “online with a combination of Windows 95 and MacIntosh.” He said renovations to the area, once known as the CRC (which is now housed in Adams Library), included new carpeting, paint, and “the purchase of modular furniture in order to reconfigure the facility as needs arise and more equipment is brought in.”

Besides remarks by President Nazarian and other distinguished officials, ceremonies will include hands-on demonstrations of equipment and refreshments. For further information, call 456-8101.

Tangible evidence of voter support for telecommunications bond issue

Telecommunications at Rhode Island College got the jump-start it needed last November after Rhode Island voters approved the Higher Education Telecommunications Initiative committing over $40 million to upgrading the telecommunications infrastructures, networking and equipment needs at RIC, URI and CCRI.

Now, it’s time to say thanks.

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In their own words...

James J. DePasquale
Greenville
Class of 2001
Recipient of: RIC Alumni Freshman Award

People may say that a college education provides one with the ability to fulfill a career goal, a “ticket” to a successful financial future or increased intellectual stimulation.

I think that a college education will equip me for the real world. It will prepare me for my chosen career path and enable me to better tackle the difficult trials of life. I look forward to enriching the

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Gymnasts are ‘head over heals’ for new season!

HANDS DOWN: The entire RIC gymnastics team practices hand stands as it prepares for the upcoming winter sports season. Their first meet is Monday, Dec. 8 at home against Brown University at 7:30 p.m. (What's News Photo by Gordon E. Rowley)
The Way We Were...

EDITOR'S NOTE: Due to a typographical error, the date of the 1938 hurricane in the last issue of What's News was incorrect. The correct date is Sept. 21, 1938.

Focus on Faculty and Staff

Edward A. Scheff, professor of performing arts and member of the Rhode Island Alliance for Arts Education, recently attended the Kennedy Center Alliance Leadership Meeting in Washington, D.C.

The three-day event included a half-day session on Capitol Hill during which testimony was given before elected officials and other national leaders in support of arts education and a private prelude concert on the occasion of the newly renovated Kennedy Center Concert Hall with the National Symphony Orchestra. A reception followed at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. The Rhode Island Alliance provides a unified base of action through a consortium of organizations and individuals to strengthen and promote arts education in Rhode Island.

Charles G. Snow, assistant professor of accounting, had his paper, "Predicting Entity Performance Through the Use of Non-Financial and Financial Measures" accepted for publication in the Journal of Accounting and Finance Research, Fall 1997 issue.

Edythe Anthony, professor of biology, and five RIC students attended the 25th New England Endocrine Conference at Boston University recently. Anthony presented a paper entitled, "Relationships of LHRR-immunoreactive fibers to blood vessels in the median eminence-infundibular stem-nerve lobe of mammals," which was co-authored by independent student Waldir Bader and Robert Crane, as well as Joan King of Tufts University School of Medicine. David Upegui, currently a RIC master's degree candidate, presented a paper entitled, "Three blind mice: A study comparing neuroen- zymatic characteristics of anguilliform and control mice," featuring results of his undergraduate college honors thesis.

Also attending the conference were William Hermans, Pamela McQueen, Mark Nordstrom, and Cheryl Prignano, all undergraduate biology majors.

In Memoriam — Doris Holloway Abels, Foundation trustee, adjunct faculty

Educator, performing artist and advocate Doris Holloway Abels of North Kingstown died Oct. 28 on her birthday at the Oak Hill Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Pawtucket. She was 72.

She was a member of the Rhode Island College Foundation board of directors and an adjunct faculty member here.

Born in Providence, a daughter of the late John W. and Cecelia (Peckham) Holloway, she lived in North Kingstown for 18 years. She was the wife of John Lester Abels.

As a young woman she performed numerous times on the former Ed Sullivan television show with her sister, Joan, in an act they called simply "The Holloway Sisters," an act that earned them a place in some of the most famous entertainers of the day, including Lena Horne, Eddie Cantor, Mary Amsterdam and Vaughn Monroe.

She told What's News for an April 5, 1993 feature story on her, "We did tap and ballet and we sang, and I loved every minute of it."

In the late 1960s, she went back to school and earned three college degrees: one in history and English through the Women in Education program at the University of Rhode Island, Department of Continuing Education; her masters degree in recreational therapy from the University of Connecticut; a doctorate in educational leadership from Boston University, and a certificate of advanced graduate study in counseling from RIC.

During this period she taught dance at RIC with Fannie Mcelor, a name virtually synonymous with that of the RIC Dance Company, and served as an adjunct faculty member in physical education. For a period of about a year, she worked at the College's Counseling Center while working on her doctorate.

Later, in the counseling and educational psychology department, she taught and provided guidance to students in educational psychology, a population which included adult vocational education majors seeking teacher certification. She was also on the Roger Williams University adjunct faculty in educational psychology.

Mrs. Abels was the owner and director of the Doris Holloway School of Dance, in Providence and Warwick, and helped establish Trinity Repertory Company. She was a choreographer for many theater by the Sea productions.

She was a member and choreographer for the Sock and Buskin Society at Brown University and a lifetime member, choreographer, and producer of the Barker Playhouse, Providence.

Mrs. Abels served on the board of International House and the Langston Hughes Center for the Arts, and was a board member and executive officer of the Education Committee of the American Family Foundation.

Doris Holloway Abels was president of the Dance Alliance of Rhode Island, providing leadership during a time of organizational change, and received its 1992 Recognition Award honoring her lifetime service to dance in Rhode Island.

Mrs. Abels was a certified mental-health counselor with practices in Providence and Newport.

She was part of a project financed by the Rhode Island Committee for the Humanities that used art therapy to help the disabled, and served on several advisory panels for the Rhode Island State Council for the Arts. She served as coordinator of a program that brought dance companies to Rhode Island schools.

Besides her husband, she leaves two daughters, Karen Deane Altman and Kathie L. Radian, both of Providence; a son, John H. Birman of Van Nuys, Calif.; three step-daughters, Janis J. Daly of Cleveland, Ohio, Karen A. Hardeman of Santa Rosa Beach, Fla., and Lesliejo A. Quinn of New York City; a sister, Joan Russell of New York City; a grandson and four step-grandchildren.

The funeral was held at St. Paul Episcopal Church in Wickford. Burial was in Highland Memorial Park, Johnston.

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National award winner in poetry —

Calbert’s latest book of poetry draws critical praise

by George LaTour
What’s News Associate Editor

“With all the toughness, asperity, gall in her exacting inspection of those circumstances we find so hard to make out — adolescence, marriage, love, the condition feminine — there is an abiding sweetness in Calbert’s poems, honey at the heart or at some other center.”

“Her poems are like pieces, indeed, delectable within the rind, but guarded, sly,” wrote noted poet, critic and translator Richard Howard about Calbert’s latest book of poetry, Lessons in Space.

Robert Pinsky, poet laureate of the United States, commented that these poems are “richly narrative in a way that has the formal imaginative dash of real poetry, enlivened by a fresh, untamable spirit.”

The University Press of Florida’s assessment of Calbert’s work is that her “poems are like sudden blooms in provisional, temporary spaces — suburban childhood, an unhappy family, the thwarted freedom of adolescence, dead-end jobs, cafes, buses, trains and rented rooms in foreign countries with restless boyfriends — all places where the life (real life) is dimly felt to be just around the corner.”

Calbert, an associate professor of English at Rhode Island College, is a national award winner for poetry. An earlier body of work brought her the Discovery Prize by The Nation in 1991. In 1994, she received the Gordon Biomar Memorial Award from the Poetry Society of America, and in 1996, the Mac-Leod Grobe Prize by Poetry Northwest.


A resident of Providence, she joined the RIC faculty in 1990. She has a bachelor of arts from the University of California at Berkeley, a master of arts from Syracuse University and Ph.D. from the University of Houston.

Lessons in Space — published last May — is available at RIC’s Campus Store, Barnes & Noble in Warwick, Borders Bookstore in Cranston and Brown University Bookstore in Providence. Copies also may be ordered directly from the University Press of Florida at 1-800-226-3822. A cloth edition is $19.95; paperback is $10.95. G.L.

Alumna named top middle school phys ed teacher

by George LaTour
What’s News Associate Editor

“Touting Rhode Island College teacher education as "unbelievable," a 1986 health and physical education graduate took top honors at an Oct. 20 conference in Newport as Rhode Island Middle School Physical Educator of the Year.

Debra Blais Reddy of North Smithfield, a teacher of physical education, health and adaptive physical education at Lincoln Middle School, said, "RIC is unbelievable. It prepares us well to teach physical education. She added that student teachers from the College that come to work with her each year always come well prepared."

She especially credited some of her own teachers: Bennett Lombardo, Janis H. Maresca, both phys ed teachers at RIC, and Doris Hlavsa, a former faculty member, as well as Donna Rapson, a cooperating teacher in East Providence with whom she student-taught.

Reddy, who also holds a 1989 masters degree in health education from RIC, received accolades such as "best of the best," "a natural" and "outstanding" at the conference at which Alice Marchant, president-elect of the Rhode Island Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance, announced her as the top physical education teacher.

Since then, she’s received a citation from the state House of Representatives and an invitation to attend her teacher’s union dinner where she will be recognized.

In addition to her teaching, she coached the Lincoln Middle School girls basketball team to its first-ever state title in 1993 and coached the North Smithfield High School girls varsity basketball team to a Northern Division title in 1996.

One could argue that she comes by her basketball skills naturally. Her dad, Richard Blais, RIC ’53, is a member of the prestigious 1,000 Point Club in RIC basketball.

Reddy points this out proudly along with the fact that dad had been a coach and teacher himself for 32 years. A brother, Donald Blais, also a RIC grad, teaches special education in San Diego.

Reddy volunteers as the adviser for the National Junior Honor Society at the middle school, and was the adviser to Lincoln’s Class of 1994, which dedicated its senior yearbook to her.

"Students hold her in high esteem for myriad reasons, but primarily because they know she truly respects and genuinely cares for them," school committee chairwoman Linda Resnevic wrote in her letter of recommendation.

"Debras teaches by example," wrote colleague Margaret Conn McGuire. "Not only does she espouse the values of health and physical fitness to our middle school students and faculty, she lives them," said McGuire, who explained that Reddy had encouraged “decisively unathletic teachers” to take up jogging.

"Many of us still run and walk daily, even under her supervision," she said.

McGuire further noted that "At the end of class she often heads back giving words of encouragement to her students. Her expectations for her students are high, her patience is endless."

Reddy said one of her secrets is stickers, mostly stars. At the end of each class, she rewards four students who tried the hardest with a sticker they can wear for the rest of the day.

"I’ll do just about anything to motivate kids," said Reddy.

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1981 honorary degree recipient hired by NPR

Charlayne Hunter-Gault, the award-winning journalist who was the keynote speaker at the undergraduate commencement exercises in 1981 at which she also received a doctor of public service degree, has been named National Public Radio’s (NPR) chief correspondent in Africa.

Hunter-Gault had worked for PBS for the past 20 years, most recently as national correspondent for The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer.

She has had a respected career in both print and broadcast journalism, receiving many awards for her work. She will be based in Johannesburg, South Africa.

Robert M. Young Memorial Lecture

The fifth annual Robert M. Young Memorial Lecture will be held Wednesday, Nov. 19 at 7:30 p.m. in Fogarty Life Science 650. Bloom Kirschenbaum, professor of comparative literature at Brown University, will deliver the lecture entitled “Those Who Were Not There: Imagining the Holocaust.”

Kirschenbaum has published extensively in the area of comparative literature. Her work includes over 50 articles on various topics of Italian, Hebrew and Yiddish literature. A scholar of international reputation, she has been invited to present her work throughout the US and abroad. Her most recent award was from the Weinreich Summer Institute in Yiddish Studies, Columbia University.

Robert M. Young joined the RIC biology department in 1970. He provided leadership in the establishment of the RIC/AFT and served on the Union Executive Committee from 1972-1991. He was elected treasurer of the union for 12 consecutive years and contributed as chief negotiator twice and as member of negotiating team up to the time of his passing in 1994. He served on several College committees and chaired many of them. He also served on many off-campus accreditation teams.

The lecture is open to the public.

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Homecoming at Rhode Island College has past, the flame of interest in developing the theme further of "Come Back to RIC" for next year's celebration still flickers.

Campus chat went on into early November about the event which included workshops, music, lecture, food, reunions, athletics, the Ocean State Poli, and a theatre production. Enthusiasm among alumni and friends off campus continued to be high.

Former peer counselor David Winters, Class of 1986, found his way back to RIC and alumni activity with old friends and the College community.

It made me feel good to see some of the physical improvements that have been made on campus in the last few years. The campus looks great," he said. "It must be a boost to attracting students to the College."

Winters, a geography/urban studies major, was very active on campus as an undergrad. In addition to serving as a peer counselor for orientation, he served on Student Community Government, was president of the Sociology Club, and was active in the radio station, yearbook and International Society. He worked at the library, the computer center, computer user services, and admissions.

Because of his busy undergraduate life, he had many group reunions to attend and many old friends to see. "It was great. I saw countless people that I hadn't seen in years," he said.

Winters and his wife, Joanna, enjoyed the Navy Band's performance and had the barbecue lunch with friends. Then Winters "gave his wife a personal tour of the campus."

He toured the new athletic building, the new academic building, the student union, the music building, the theater, the nursing building, the interior of the new residence hall, and entered the pool. "I really enjoyed the day. It was well worth coming to," he said.

Winters, who works in support account management for Lotus, credits his college experience with giving him "with limitless opportunities for personal growth," he said. "There were so many great support systems—for things you chose to explore. The whole experience has translated well for me in the business world.

Winters is looking forward to the next homecoming.

Director of the Office of Academic Support and Information Services (OASIS) Dolores Passarelli, (RIC BA 1974, M Ed 1976) helped organized the peer counselor reunion. She ran the orientation program from 1979 until 1994 and had a "great time" seeing former students and faculty members from that era.

"We had a good mix of people, many faculty members from earlier years, students that graduated during the 80s, some from out-of-state," she said. The good turn out solidified that alumni have a strong allegiance to the College, according to Passarelli."I'm glad we held the event and hope to get even more alumni to come back next year."

Director of Alumni Affairs Ellie O'Neill was very excited about the enthusiasm and support generated amongst faculty, staff, alumni and friends for the event. "We built a very strong foundation for future homecomings," she said. Next year's event is scheduled for Oct. 3, 1998.

Alumni scholarship

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Private Support

Marguerite M. Brown, Director

News from the Office of Development, the Rhode Island College Foundation and the Office of Alumni Affairs

- The Donald F. Lyons Scholarship.
- As promised, the second 1997 issue of the Alumni Magazine will arrive in your mailboxes just before Thanksgiving.

* The Lyons Scholarship is available to any student who is a member of the Class of 1997 and who has a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or better.
* Awards are made on the basis of academic merit, and the recipient must be a full-time student.
* The award amount is $2,000 per year.

* During the 1997-98 academic year, the Lyons Scholarship was awarded to 20 students, bringing the total number of recipients to 50.
* Applications for the Donald F. Lyons Scholarship are available from the Office of Academic Support and Information Services (OASIS) or the Office of Alumni Affairs.

* The Lyons Scholarship is named in honor of Donald F. Lyons, a former teacher at Henry Barnard School, who has included the Rhode Island College in his estate plan.
* Mr. Lyons' gift will provide support for students who are interested in entering the field of teaching. Based on his experience, he believes that Rhode Island College is well worth attending.

* The Lyons Scholarship will be awarded to students who are pursuing an education that will lead to a career in teaching.
* Students who are accepted into the Lyons Scholarship will receive a scholarship of $2,000 per year, up to a maximum of $6,000 over three years.

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Results have 'far-reaching effects' on the direction of technology and vocational education

JAMES P. MC GUIRE

Name: James P. McGuire, Ph.D.
Degrees Earned: B.S. Rhode Island College, cum laude 1970, M.S. Ball State University, 1971, Ph.D. University of Connecticut, 1974
Academic Rank: Associate Professor, Department of Management and Technology

Annual Admissions Open House Nov. 22
Rhode Island College Office of Undergraduate Admissions will hold its annual open house on campus Saturday, Nov. 22, from 1 to 4 p.m. in the new athletic building. High school seniors and their families, transfer students and adult students are invited to attend. (Inclement weather date: Sunday, Nov. 23)

Sigma Xi lunch-bag seminar
The Rhode Island College chapter of Sigma Xi, the scientific research society, invites members of the College community to an informal lunch-bag seminar Wednesday, Nov. 19, from 12:15 to 1:30 p.m. in Clarke Science 115.

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'Riverdance' tickets on sale
Looking for a special holiday gift? The Alumni Office has purchased 300 tickets to Riverdance at the Providence Performing Arts Center for Wednesday, Oct. 28. The performance has been "sold out" in cities across the country, so reserve your seats early. These $60 tickets provide friends of RIC with the best seats in the house. Tickets are sold to the Alumni Office at a group discount which allows us to turn any profit over to the Annual Fund. Call the Alumni Office at 456-8086 for additional information.

Named directors for collaborative project
Professors of special education Judith H. DiMee and Patricia M. Medeiros-Lemmon, directors for a Multi-Cultural Inclusion College-School Collaborative Project, which they have received funding of $35,220 from the state Department of Education.

The project will provide management, support and training for a cadre of key higher education and local education agency faculty in culturally and linguistically appropriate intervention strategies to use with diverse students who may or may not be disabled.

A ‘touch of class’ brightens Midnight Madness celebration

Midnight Madness descended on Rhode Island College on Oct. 29 for the third year in a row, as the College’s athletic teams took to the floor of the New Building to “strut their stuff” and whip up enthusiasm for fall sports.

There were free pizzas and soda for the crowd, an alum disc jockey cranking out the rock music, raffle prizes for several lucky attendees, even a chance for two members of the stands to shoot baskets for a jeep and a trip to Florida — but alas, the hoop shots fell short.

One of the big surprises of the evening was the first appearance ever of the RIC mascot, the masked “Anchorman.”

Another crowd-pleasing moment was when the spotlight fell on President John Nazarian, not as “Dr. Dunk,” as we have seen before, but this time dapperly dressed in top hat and tails. Then, not to be outdone, all the head coaches appeared in equal sartorial splendor — swallowtail tuxedos.

Here is a brief look at the festivities:

Clockwise from upper left: Dawn Hird puts in a lay-up; (I to r) Kristen Penza, Connie Arelo, Jen Choquette, and (in the background) a mysterious gentleman in a top hat; the RIC cheerleaders whip up enthusiasm; gymnast Michelle Pelletier is caught by the camera in mid-air; the team coaches line up with the president for the National Anthem (I to r): Jimmy Adams, head coach, men’s basketball; Ken Hopkins, head coach, women’s basketball; President John Nazarian; Tim Crouse, head coach, wrestling; and Kim Zeiner, head coach, gymnastics; Jay Almeida (top) and Rick Remika demonstrate wrestling moves; and (at right) the masked “Anchorman.”

Photos and text by Gordon E. Rowley
MEET YOUR ALUMNI DAY: The Center for Management and Technology invited its alumni back to campus on Nov. 5 to talk to students about careers. Above (l to r) in a panel on "Human Resource Management," are Gail (Trimmer) Darmody, Class of 1996, of Thielisch Engineering; Prof. David Harris, facilitator; Kim (Marek) Lamoreaux, Class of 1996 of Textron; and Susan Jones, Class of 1993, of AIPSO (an insurance company).

by George LaTour
What's News Associate Editor

"Our job at Rhode Island College is to prepare you for the outside world," Jules A. Cohen, assistant professor for accounting and computer information systems, told the more than 200 students at the opening of the fifth biennial "Meet Your Alumni Day" Nov. 5 in the Student Union ballroom.

Organized by the College's Center for Management and Technology, the program offers students, faculty and alumni the opportunity to interact with each other.

"Students asked for this (event)," said Cohen. "You'll hear your alumni talking about their jobs. It's a chance for you to learn and network. It's never too early to start."

"In today's business world, networking is a key concept," noted Natalie Sahba, center director. "We feel that establishing a strong link between our current students and alumni is a vital part of our future growth."

"For the students, we hope today's program will demonstrate the talents and successes of our graduates. For the alumni, we hope to demonstrate the caliber and talents of our students," said Sahba.

President John Nazarian brought the official greetings of the College to those in attendance and told them that "one of the College's important resources is its alumni. The positive contributions they have made to the state's economy cannot be repeated enough."

The president recalled a saying that many attribute as the key to success: "It's not what you know, but who you know" and pointed out that RIC students don't have to choose — they know both through what they've learned here and through networking with alumni.

After the keynote address by D. Scott Kyle of Fidelity Investments entitled "Marketing Yourself: How to Get Started," students broke out into panel discussions with alumni at various sites on campus.

One alumnus, a graduate in economics last spring, told What's News that he now works for Cooper's & Lybrand in Manhattan as an associate in its financial advisory services group. Cooper's & Lybrand is the third largest "professional services firm" in the world with 740 offices from Angola to Zimbabwe.

Stefano Vranca had broken new ground at Cooper's & Lybrand as the first non-Ivy League graduate to be hired in the New York office and is now looking for resumes from other interested RIC graduates. He can be contacted via E-mail at stefano.vranca@us.coopers.com.

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for submission of copy, photos, etc., is Friday, Nov. 21 at noon.

Parents with toddlers...Prof. Goldfield says 'Let's talk'

by Cynthia L. Sousa
What's News Writer

If you are the parent of an eight- or nine-month-old baby, Beverly Goldfield wants to talk to you. This associate professor of psychology at Rhode Island College is continuing a study to examine the development of word comprehension in infants.

In her RIC Faculty Research Grant Proposal, Goldfield sites research that suggests that children begin to understand speech at about eight months of age and that they understand many words before they begin to talk at about 12 months.

She is conducting the study to shed more light on word comprehension. She hopes to answer questions like, Does it develop gradually or slowly at first and then increase dramatically?

Goldfield says one reason for our limited understanding of early comprehension is that systematic testing of infants requires their attention to visuals and/or their cooperation in retrieving objects with a person unfamiliar to them.

In this study, she is using an alternative method of testing that makes use of parental knowledge of children's language abilities. The recently developed MacArthur Communicative Development Inventory (CDI) is a parent-report

BEVERLY GOLDFIELD

instrument that includes vocabulary checklists for estimating the number of words children comprehend and produce. The Words and Gestures form includes a checklist of 396 words that children aged eight- to 16-months are likely to understand and use.

Goldfield is looking to recruit participants for this study. They must be normally developing children, with no record of hearing loss or repeated ear infections. English must be spoken at home.

Families who agree to participate will be mailed an "informed consent form" and the CDI checklist and will be asked to complete the forms within five days of receipt. They will be asked to check off words that their child understands. A stamped, pre-addressed return envelope will also be included. The checklist will be mailed each month for a total of seven months.

The number of words comprehended by each child will be tallied each month from the CDI. These checklists will also be examined for the type of words (e.g., words for persons, objects or actions) that the child understands. A stamped, pre-addressed return envelope will also be included. The checklist will be mailed each month for a total of seven months.

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Goldfield will report on the results of this project at the annual October meeting at the Boston University Conference on Language Development and/or at the biennial spring meetings of the International Conference on Infant Studies and the Society for Research in Child Development. Data from the research project will also be discussed in relevant courses Goldfield teaches at RIC.

Families chosen to participate will receive a $10 gift certificate from a local book and toy store in appreciation for their help.

Interested parents should call Goldfield at 456-8813 or 8015.

Fall sports, winter sports, Midnight Madness and more...

The fall sports season is almost part of history. Winter sports season is on the threshold and Midnight Madness was terrific!

The men's and women's soccer teams experienced very successful seasons. The men's team finished with a 10-8 record and ended the season with a big overtime win over a very good Bridgewater State team.

Sophomore Goalkeeper Neil Correira achieved five shutouts which places him fifth in the single season record already. Freshman forward Tim Brown scored the season as the team's leading scorer with 15 goals and three assists for twenty-nine points. The women's team in just their third season finished just under five hundred at 8-9-2.

Freshman goalkeeper Jessica Robitaille wins the "iron woman" award as she played in every minute of every game while recording 5 shutouts, 195 saves and a 1.78 goals-against average. Freshman forward Katie Hagen led this year's team in assists for 22 points.

The women's volleyball team raised their record to 10-17 with a late season surge in which they won their final four matches. Senior Kate Roloff finished the season with 166 kills, 35 services aces and a team high 167 digs. Katie is the team's only senior so with a team laden with underclassmen expect great things to come. The cross-country teams have been led all year by freshman Jason Blouin, Laurie Giguerre, Elizabeth Esteva and Michelle Kiernan. Both the men's and women's teams have struggled at times this year with injuries but with a big recruiting year watch out for next year's harriers.

The department's third annual "Midnight Madness" was held on Wednesday, Oct. 29th. The evening was nothing less than spectacular as upwards of one-thousand people showed up to christen the new season. The gymnastics team, the wrestling team as well the men's and women's basketball teams displayed their skills before this very enthusiastic crowd. The highlight of the event was at 9:00 p.m. when Dr. John "the Dunk" Nazarian, in top hat and tails, opened the way for the evening's introduction of winter sports teams and tuxedo-clad coaches. Additionally, the plan was for the "Anchorman" to make a historical appearance. A new tradition kicked off the evening as student-athletes and guests gathered for a pasta dinner. Special thanks to Vin Fleming and Donavan Dunn for co-sponsoring the evening.

A great time was experienced by all in attendance. The Anchormen won the RIC Alumni Artie Goldstein and Russ Adams from WPIR television who did a fantastic job with broadcasting this terrific event. For those of you who didn't attend, mark your calendars for next year's MIDNIGHT MADNESS!

Sports Roundup

Men's Soccer

Men's Soccer closed out the 1997 season with a 4-3 come-from-behind win at Bridgewater State on November 4. Tim Brown scored three goals, including the game-winner for the Anchormen. Brown, in his first year of collegiate soccer, led the team in goals (13) and points (29). Goalkeeper Neil Correira finished the year with an 8-4 record, a 1.99 goals-against average and a .757 save percentage. Senior captain Chris Blanchette played outstanding on defense in his final season for RIC. Head Coach John Tomlinson's team was 10-4 overall, posting the club's first winning season since 1994, and 2-5 in the Little East Conference.

Women's Soccer

Women's Soccer finished the season with a 4-0 shutout over UMass-Boston on October 28 and Clark (3-1) on October 30 to finish the season with a 10-17 record. Tomlinson's team was 10-8 overall, winning its final four matches. After falling to UMass-Dartmouth in the opening round of the Little East Tournament, the Anchormen rallied to beat UMass-Boston and Southern Maine to win the consolation bracket. Head Coach Kris Norberg's team also defeated Roger-Williams (3-0) on October 28 and Clark (3-1) on October 30 to finish the season with a 10-17 record. Alicia Joy led the team with 349 assists in 96 games, an average of 3.6 per game. Jessica Arrighi had 47 service aces, 174 kills and 127 digs in 92 games.

Men's and Women's Cross Country

RIC traveled to UMass-Dartmouth on Saturday, November 1 to take part in the Little East Championships. Freshman Jason Blouin finished 25th out of 38 runners in the 8,000 meters with a time of 28:34. For the women, freshman Laurie Giguerre finished 25th out of 40 runners in the 5,000 meters with a time of 21:53. Both teams will take part in the ECAC Championships held at Westfield State College on November 8.
Music and sports a perfect harmony for Kelly Lange

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Walk Your ‘Butts’ Off,
"Walk Your Butts Off," an activity developed by health and physical education majors Kelli Bailey, Jeffrey Lapierre and Lolita Lipa to give smokers a healthy alternative to smoking is planned for the Rhode Island College observance on Wednesday, Nov. 19 (free period) of the American Cancer Society's Great American Smokeout.

The walk will be followed by a prize drawing for those who complete it.

The purpose of Smokeout activities is to encourage people to quit smoking and to live healthy lifestyles, say the students.

The Health Promotion Office, the Health Education Major's Club and the Physical Education Major's Club are involved in the activities.

Students from Andrea Ferreira's practicum in community health have developed a list of "stress busters" to make the quitting process easier. Another group has created an exercise information brochure.

On Nov. 20, the day of the national observance of The Great American Smokeout, students Jessica Brant and Bonnie MacQueen will set up a table in the Donovan Dining Center to distribute information dealing with stress management skills, including diaphragmatic breathing and pacing while quitting the urge for the next cigarette.

Care Kits, which include helpful quitting tips, a list of community resources and a piece of candy, will be distributed.

Great American Smokeout at RIC will feature R-rated comedic hypnotherapy by Santos and provide a talk-demonstration on smoking cessation Wednesday, Nov. 19, at noon in Donovan Dining Center. Last year some 40 students showed up for the demonstration.

RIC Wind Ensemble to perform 'Music from the Heart' Nov. 21

Rob Franzblau will conduct the 66-piece Rhode Island College Wind Ensemble in its first concert of the season called "Music from the Heart" Thursday, Nov. 21, at 7:15 p.m. in Roberts Hall auditorium.

It will feature masterworks of Gustav Holst and Ralph Vaughan Williams, as well as transcriptions and original works from American and German composers which define the heart band and chamber wind ensemble repertoire.

Richard R. Weiner, dean of the Faculty of Arts, Humanities, and Sciences, will deliver a pre-concert lecture titled "The Arts in Weimar Germany," at 5:35 p.m. in Roberts Hall Alumni Lounge.

The 20-minute presentation is free and open to all RIC students, faculty, and staff. It is intended to deepen the audience's appreciation of Kurt Weill's "A Little Shreppel Moon" which will be performed in the program.

Other selections include Ralph Vaughan Williams' "Toccata Marnine," composed in 1924, which will start the program, followed by Richard Strauss' "All Souls Day," Opus 10, No. 8 (1888), William Schuman's "Chester" (1957) and "A Little Shreppel Moon" (1929) which will be performed in the first half of the program.

"Old Wine in New Bottles" (1960) by Gordon Cacciatore will be performed during the intermission by the wind ensemble as transcriptions of American and European works.

"Music," which will be performed in the second half of the program, leads to many hours at the Providence Performing Arts and Sciences Center. Music will be distributed.

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On the program will be Franz Schubert's Impromptu, Opus 142 and Johannes Brahms' Sonata in F Minor, Opus 5.

The recital is free and open to the public.

Martorella is currently minister of music at the First Baptist Church in America in Providence; organist for Temple Emaray in Cranston, and is an instructor on the music faculty at both RIC and The Music School. He has served as an adjunct instructor at the University of Rhode Island and adjunct assistant professor at Salve Regina College.

A native New Yorker, he began his studies at the Juilliard School and later attended Mannes College of Music at the City University of New York and the Hartt College of Music at the University of Hartford.

He enjoys a reputation as both a soloist and conductor, and has often appeared in concert with his brother, Philip Martorella, as a two-piano team.

As both soloist and conductor, he has given U.S. and world premieres of several major works by contemporary composers, including the New York premiere of Flor Peeters' Concerto for Piano and Organ, of Geoffrey Gibbs' Partita for Organ, Strings and Percussion, and Intavolatura of Song, A Chamber Symphony.

STEPHEN MARTORELLA

A resident of Rhode Island since 1975, he has made frequent appearances with such groups as the Rhode Island Civic Chorale, the Rhode Island State Ballet, the Providence New Music Ensemble, Music on the Hill, Swanhurst Chorale and The American Band.

For more information, call John Pellegrino, series coordinator, at 456-8244.

RICH Symphony, Chorus to perform 'Music by J. S. Bach' Dec. 1

Rhode Island College Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Edward Markward, the 60-voice RIC Chorus and five solo artists will perform "Music by J. S. Bach" Monday, Dec. 1, at 8:15 p.m. in Roberts Hall auditorium.

Cantata No. 62 (Nun komm der heiland Heiland) will open the concert with soprano Jean Danton, mezzo-soprano Georgette Ross-Hutchins, tenor Bradford Logan and baritone Mark McSweeney.

Edward Markward, series coordinator, at 456-8244.

General admission tickets are $7 with discounts for students and senior citizens and may be purchased at the Roberts box office the day of the concert.

The concert being funded in part by the RIC Performing and Fine Arts Commission, the Durand Agency, Walco Electric Co. and two anonymous donors.

Jean Danton

Danton has performed extensively throughout the United States in recitals, oratorio and opera and on two prior occasions under conductor Markward, both with the Rhode Island Civic Chorale and Orchestra.

As both soloist and conductor, he has appeared in concert with the Handel and Haydn Society, the Oregon Bach and other Bach festivals, the Boston Baroque and the Boston Pops.

She was one of the founding members of the Block Ensemble, a prize-winning woodwind quintet, and has concertized extensively both with that group and the Thomas/Gendron Duo (flute and classical guitar).

Her recent solo appearances include concerts with the Portland Symphony Orchestra, the Ocean State Philharmonic and the Rhode Island Philharmonic.

Bradford Logan

Logan is active in many musical events throughout New England and the South. Last April he appeared as Abelard in the world premiere of Ennio Gualzelli's "Rage of the Heart."

Other credits include a world premiere performance in As I Lay Dying, an opera based on the William Faulkner novel, and at the St. Martin's-in-the-Field Concert Series in London, England.

Mark McSweeney

A lyric baritone, he is experienced in performing a wide variety of vocal repertoire, including a decade of experience in the music of J. S. Bach through his long association with Emmanuel Music in Boston.

He has appeared as soloist in over 50 sacred cantatas in the on-going series at Emmanuel Church, appearances under the baton of such notable conductors as Seiji Ozawa.

His other Bach performances include the role of Jesus in St. Matthew Passion with the Bethlem Bach Choir and Boston Cecilia, St. John Passion arias with the New England Bach Festival, and the Mass in B Minor with Emmanuel Music.

Susan Thomas

Thomas is a very active orchestral, solo and chamber musician in the New England region. She holds the position of principal flute with the Portland Symphony Orchestra and the Rhode Island Philharmonic.

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A native of Boston, Ross-Hutchins has sung at many festivals, recitals and concerts throughout New England, New York City, and as far as Oregon and Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., including the Bach Arias and Tanglewood festivals.

She has appeared with the Rhode Island Philharmonic, the Rhode Island Civic Chorale and Orchestra, the Ocean State Light Opera, the Bel Canto Opera in Rhode Island.

Since June 1996, she has been an associate member of the Metropolitan Opera Chorus with whom she will perform Die Meistersinger in March.

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She made her Carnegie Hall debut performing Handel's Messiah with the Masterworks Chorus led by David Briskin.

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Tuesday
4 p.m.—Lecture: Mona Amyuni of the Department of Civilizations of the American University in Beirut will present a lecture entitled "Women’s Literature and Christianity-Muslin Healing in Post-War Beirut." Gaige 205. Sponsored by the Vice President for Academic Affairs in conjunction with the General Ed Class "Inter-cultural Encounters: Judaism, Christianity and Islam." All welcome.

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Wednesday
Noon-1 p.m.—Hypnotherapist Frank Santos presents program for National Smoke-Out Day. Donovan Dining Center. Free. Sponsored by the Health Education Club and the Office of Health Promotion.

12:30 noon-1:45 p.m.—Interfaith Bible Studies in the Chaplain’s Office, SU 300. Everyone is invited to join us for an informal discussion of the Bible. Participants may bring a lunch bag.

12:30 to 2 p.m.—Symposium: A General Education Symposium, and exercise in critical thinking through an Interfaith Dialogue entitled “Religious and Social Issues across the Judeo-Christian-Islamic Tradition” will be held in FLS 050. Featured speakers and respondents include Rabbi William Kaufman, Bishop Geralyn Wolf, Father Paul Moawad and Imam Abdullah Abdel Hamid. Questions will be raised from the floor. Sponsored by the College Lecture Committee. All welcome.

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Friday
8:15 p.m.—Music: RIC Wind Ensemble. “Music from the Heart,” works by some of the world’s best composers as well as masterpieces by 20th century composers in Roberts Auditorium. General admission $7, senior citizens and non-RIC students $5, RIC students free.

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Saturday
6 a.m.—Trip to National Baseball Hall of Fame, Cooperstown, NY. Motorcoach leaves Rec. Center at 6 a.m., returns at 11:45 p.m. $45 per person includes: transportation, admission, movies, trivia, and snacks. For ticket information, contact Frank Anzoveno, 456-8400. Sponsored by the Rec. Center.

8 a.m.—Trip to Kittyment Shopping Outlets. Motorcoach leaves S.U. at 8 a.m., returns at 6 p.m. $14, seniors $12, RIC students $5, non-RIC students $7. Sponsored by Student Activities 456-8834.

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Tuesday
8 p.m.—R-rated Hypnotist: Frank Santos. Gaige Auditorium. $2 tickets at SU Info Desk. Sponsored by RIC, 456-8045.

Dec. 1
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8:15 p.m.—Music: RIC Chorus and Symphony Orchestra. Presentation of the Sylvan and Helen Forman Endowed Scholarship for Music in Roberts Auditorium. General admission $7, senior citizens and non-RIC students $5, RIC students free.

Sports Events

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7 p.m.—Women’s Basketball at Johnson & Wales University.

9 a.m.—Men’s Wrestling at Springfield Invitational.

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