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RIC Librarian

Judith Stokes Leads Move For Publications Center

by Laurence J. Sasso, Jr.

TV, radio and the daily papers were full of the news. Rhode Island, after much controversy and months of headlines, had released a report calling for a far-reaching reorganization of child welfare services. Highly publicized cases of child abuse and media coverage of the state agencies concerned with child welfare had created a great deal of anticipation. The document containing the recommendations, known commonly as "The MacMillan Report", would be of great interest, particularly at Rhode Island College where the state's only school of social work was located.

The only problem is that as requests came in to the state documents collection at Adams Library, the staff was having difficulty obtaining a copy of the report. They had placed orders for copies from the usual sources and had come up dry. Finally, after dogged effort, a copy was located at the University of Rhode Island Extension Division and the librarian there agreed to make a photocopy and give it to RIC's collection.

Judith Stokes, government publications librarian at the Adams Library, cited this as her favorite example of why she and other librarians throughout the state are stumping for legislation which would insure that similar situations will not occur in the future.

Currently, Rhode Island law does stipulate that the state librarian (based at the State House) has the responsibility

of "requisitioning" publications issued by state agencies and departments. The state librarian then has to distribute to "the several libraries of the state, as may apply for them, copies of the laws, reports of departments and institutions, and all other books and pamphlets, published by the state except such as are distributed by law."

The flaw in this system, according to Stokes, is that the state librarian must know that a document has been printed before he can request it and subsequently a library wishing to obtain it from the state librarian must know it has been collected and apply for it. Under this set up, libraries are not notified of the availability of specific titles in order to apply for them. Furthermore, she said, documents are not defined in the existing law.

Under the proposed legislation *public documents* will be defined as will *state agency*. Sponsors of the new legislation feel existing law by its wording implies exclusion of the legislature, boards, commissions, etc.

Introduced by Representatives Victoria Lederberg, professor of psychology at RIC, and Robert S. Tucker, the bill H 5997, will establish a state publications depository and distribution center which will systematically collect and distribute state publications to libraries throughout the state. Each state agency will be required (Continued on p. 2)

Among Student Census Concerns:

Football, Security, Free Period

The annual student census, compiled by the office of institutional research and planning (OIRP), and recently released on campus, has reflected student opinions on topics as varied as football, the class free period, and college security.

Conducted by Dr. Richard Prull of the OIRP, the census was mailed to a systematic sample of more than 1,200 degree candidate undergraduates in December, 1980. That amounts to one in four full and part-time members of the RIC undergraduate population. More than 500 individuals or more than 40 percent of those surveyed responded. The sample was deemed representative of the college's undergraduate population by Prull.

Among the responses were some which will be of interest to the college community as it contemplates proposals to alter the current class free period structure.

For example, one half to three quarters of the full and part-time commuter students reported that they seldom or never stay on campus during the Tuesday 1 to 2 p.m. and Wednesday 2 to 4 p.m. class free periods.

Eighty-two percent of the full-time female commuting students and 67 percent of the full-time male commuters indicated that they seldom or never participated in extra-curricular or scheduled activities during the free periods during the fall (1980) semester. One third of the (Continued on p. 7)

Social Work Program Is Reaccredited

The Commission on Accreditation of the Council on Social Work Education has reaccredited the baccalaureate social work program at Rhode Island College.

In a Feb. 24 letter to Dr. David E. Sweet, president, the council said that in accordance with its social work programs' policy, it was granting reaccreditation to RIC for a seven year period (June 1985).

The seven year period on accreditation is the highest level of accreditation awarded by the council.

"In taking this action, the commission noted the significant program developments since its prior review in the program's structure, resources and curriculum," wrote Elaine Rothenberg,

chair of the commission on accreditation.

"There have been achievements in relation to opportunities for faculty development, release time and specification of administrative responsibility for the program's leadership, changes in the governance structure and increased secretarial resources," she said.

"The efforts of the faculty and Myra Jones in the past two years has been really outstanding," noted George D. Metrey, dean of the school of social work. Jones is chair of the undergraduate program.

He said that moving from the jurisdiction of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences (Continued on p. 7)

Room Lottery Draws Protest

An announced lottery to determine which returning students get private rooms in the dorms next fall has met with swift student reaction resulting in at least two protest marches on campus last week and a promise from college officials to meet with students to discuss it.

The problem stems from the number of students returning to the campus next fall who want rooms.

The college has allocated 372 spaces and 467 students have indicated they want rooms, leaving 95 potentially unprovided for.

Another 248 rooms have been reserved for incoming new students "as in previous years," wrote Glenn Liddell, director of residential life and housing, in a memo of March 23 to the dorm residents.

In this memo Liddell announced a lottery - the first such at RIC - to determine which returning students would get rooms.

"Basically, it's a good process that we anticipate following," said Dr. Gary M.

Penfield, vice president for student affairs *pro tem*. He added that "other institutions do exactly as we propose" and noted that Brown University and "others, in Massachusetts" are among them.

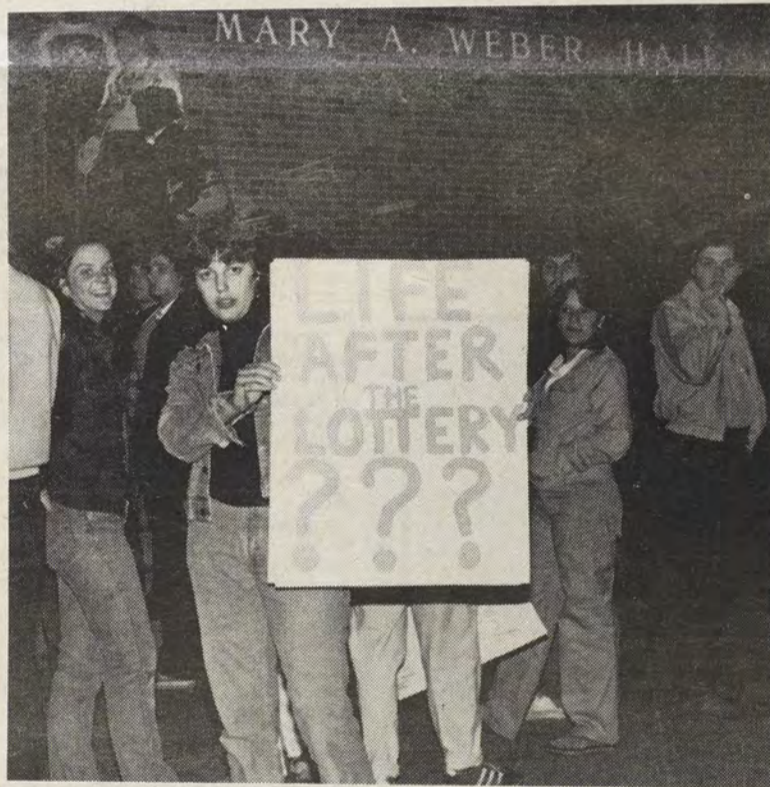
Overcrowding at RIC prompted a doubling up of some students in the dorms last fall and has led to plans for construction of a new residence hall.

Students protested the lottery and complained that college officials "knew by September we would have this problem" and yet "put the lottery into effect at the end of March" giving them little to no time to make alternate plans.

A student spokeswoman said students feel "it would be much fairer to have freshmen double up rather than returning sophomores, juniors and seniors."

She noted that for many freshmen it would be their first time away from home and a roommate would help alleviate some problems of adjustment.

She said they could then "look forward (Continued on p. 6)

**Midnight March On Lottery Issue:**

Student Protestors Confront Sweet

by Mark D. Poirier

Amid shouts of "Hell no we won't go", nearly two hundred students marched to President David E. Sweet's house on Monday and Tuesday of last week. Staged by resident students, the rallies were in protest of the proposed lottery system for determining housing assignments next year.

The first of these rallies took place on Monday, March 30 at 8 p.m. in front of Weber Hall, then proceeded to the President's House. When it was discovered that the President was not at home, the crowd of nearly two hundred proceeded to parade around campus trying to drum up support. The protestors made a second visit to the President's home

around 9:45 p.m. When he was found to still be away, the group disbanded until Tuesday night.

At 8 p.m. on Tuesday, March 31, the scene in front of Weber Hall was again repeated. Students began arriving in front of the building in large groups from the various residence halls. As nearly two hundred students stood once again in the warm night air, the rally organizers appeared on the top of the steps to address the crowd.

Dawn Criscione, the student organizer, who is a junior at RIC, presented the group with a choice. According to what she had been told, she (Continued on p. 6)



JUDITH STOKES

Librarian

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to designate one person as its documents officer and notify the documents center created under the bill of his/her identity. These document officers will be required, upon release of a state publication, to deposit with the center a sufficient number of copies of the publication to meet the needs of the libraries which collect government documents.

"At RIC," Stokes says, "what with trying to serve our students we established a state documents collection in the library in 1976. Frankly, I'm ashamed to call it a collection. It's extremely discouraging to call something a state documents collection when you're getting referrals and requests and you can't help them because you don't have the documents."

Her hope is that H 5997 will pass and the situation will be rectified. In her role as chair of the Rhode Island Library Association (RILA) government relations committee, she has been actively soliciting support for the bill. On Tuesday, March 31, a hearing on the proposed law was held by the Rhode Island House Committee on Finance, chaired by Representative Thomas Lamb.

Six people, including Stokes, testified on the merits of the bill and six others presented written testimony on the law.

"There were some very perceptive questions asked" (by the legislators), Stokes observed.

Stokes is also chair of the government documents committee of the Consortium of Rhode Island Academic and Research Libraries (CRIARL), an organization which is pushing hard for passage of the law.

"Documents by nature have that kind of name that makes people think - oh, nobody cares about that," Stokes says.

She and other supporters of the legislation, which would insure public access to state documents, do care. Their efforts to secure support for the bill are proof, Stokes says.

There are other segments of the community which have expressed strong support for the depository also. Some insurance companies, for example, maintain document collections in order to stay current with legislation and policies which affect their business. These companies are behind the bill and representatives from them are among those who produced testimony in its favor.

If it passes in its current form, the law will mandate the appointment of a director for the depository and distribution center and possibly authorize clerical personnel to assist the director. Other anticipated expenses involve postage, office supplies, and the like. The estimated cost of implementing the law has been placed at less than \$40,000.

To the advocates, it would be a worthwhile investment. Passage of the law would eliminate the need for state document collection librarians to have to remember each year that if they want a copy of the state budget they must request it. Too, they wouldn't have to make notes to themselves to order the Rhode Island city and town monographs, documents which provide many vital data on state communities and which are much requested by library users. Countless other state documents similarly would automatically be accessible.

According to Judith Stokes, the establishment of the center will carry with it the distribution of a monthly list of available documents which will allow librarians to know what is being published in the state.

"Where there is no bibliographic control, there is no public access," she explains.

Through the efforts of RILA and CRIARL and the advocacy of individuals like Judith Stokes and representatives Tucker and Lederberg it appears that public access to state documents could be assured.

Action on the legislation will probably be taken late in the current session of the general assembly (if it is reported out of committee as part of the state budget request).

Henry Barnard Has Read-A-Thon

Henry Barnard School students have been conducting a Read-A-Thon to raise funds for the fight against multiple sclerosis.

In addition, the students in grades one through eight have been increasing their leisure reading, said Mary M. Foye, reading resource teacher and coordinator of the Read-A-Thon.

Some 87 students who chose to participate in the voluntary program several weeks ago agreed to read books and seek sponsors who pledged funds to the Multiple Sclerosis Society for each book read.

Last Wednesday an assembly was held at the school at which each student who participated was given a reading award certificate and three tickets to a Pawtucket Red Sox baseball game by Dr. Richard E. Sevey, principal.

Notes From Bernadette

by Bernadette V. Small



Joseph Brady, vice president of the RIC Foundation, sustained a heart attack on March 5. He is resting comfortably and messages may be sent to him at Kent County Hospital, 455 Tolgate Road, Warwick 02886.

Barbara McVey, secretary in the RIC/AFT office, is resting comfortably following recent major surgery. Cards may be sent to her home at Jane Brown Hospital at Room 435.

We are pleased to announce that **Mrs. Lois Lewis**, secretary to William Hurry, director of financial aid and career services, is recuperating nicely from recent surgery at Rhode Island Hospital. Cards and notes may be sent to her at 9 Oakhurst St., North Providence 02911.

We were informed on March 30th that **Dr. Janet K. Mancini** has undergone major surgery at Brigham and Women's Hospital on Francis Street in Boston. Dr. Mancini is an associate professor in

RIC's Department of Sociology. We wish her a speedy and total recovery.

We received late word today (March 31st) that **Prof. Barry Schiller's** mother passed away in Florida on March 27. Professor Schiller is with RIC's Department of Mathematics. Our sincerest condolences go out to Barry and his family at this time of bereavement.

We received late word that **Mr. Leo King**, technician in the AV Department, is at home recuperating nicely from recent surgery. Cards and notes may be sent to him at 4 Twins Lane, North Providence 02904.

We also just heard that **Mrs. Miriam Burke** a chief clerk in the AV Department will be away from her duties during the month of April. She is to undergo cataract surgery. Cards and notes can be sent to her at 30 Belcourt Ave., North Providence 02911. We wish Miriam well and hope her recovery is speedy and permanent.

1981 Annual Fund Appeal — This Week



The Rhode Island College community will be asked this week to make a gift to the 1981 Annual Fund. Letters have been sent to the home address of each employee of the college.

The theme of the Fund as depicted by the accompanying graphic should be read "from the top - down, and the inside out." Simply stated, before our annual fund effort can be extended to the "outside" public, individuals on the "inside" must be willing to help. Also, it is just as evident that the pace-setting and standards of giving must originate at the "top."

National statistics reported by over 900 public and private institutions of higher learning clearly indicate that approximately 25 percent of the support received is contributed by non-alumni individuals.

Over the years, some Rhode Island College personnel have developed strong patterns of giving to RIC and this help is truly appreciated. A successful institutional annual fund effort, however, must give evidence that the entire college community believes in and is willing to help contribute the funds needed for innovative educational needs and services.

Consequently, it is anticipated that the constituents who ARE Rhode Island College will make a timely investment in their institution and by doing so will express their continued belief in RIC and its mission.

You're Invited

Faculty and staff are invited to the RIC Television Center open house tomorrow from noon to 8 p.m. in the lower level of Adams Library.



On Radio

RIC Junior Jeffrey Scott Burrows will be interviewed on radio station WEAN's "Live Line" this week to discuss his prize-winning costume designs which were created for a play, *Madness, Mayhem and Mockery*, staged at the college last fall.

The interview stemmed from an article in last week's *What's News* entitled "Costume Designs Win."

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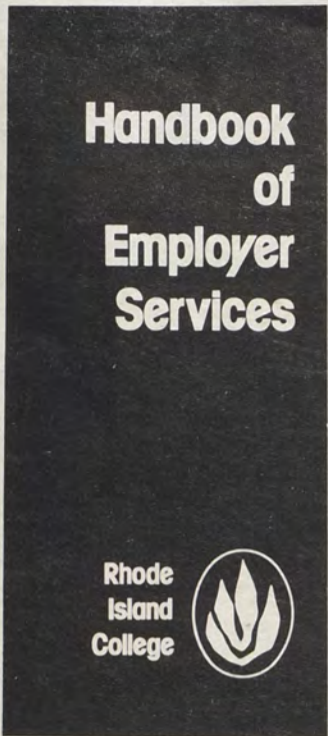
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- Design and instruction of specialized company seminars to train or upgrade employees
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- Professional consulting on a variety of subjects, ranging from employee benefit programs to accounting and management techniques

An Invitation

RIC invites you to take advantage of our services in recruitment, training, counseling and consulting. This booklet will give you an overview of the services we offer. If you would like more information concerning your particular needs, please call one of the offices listed in the Directory, or fill out and mail the reply card at the back of this booklet. We look forward to serving you.

Rhode Island College policy prohibits discrimination based upon age, handicap, sex, marital status, race, religion, national origin, color, creed, or political affiliation. No student, employee or applicant shall be denied admission or employment because of discriminatory college practices.

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RIC Handbook for Employers: Puts Best Foot Forward

Rhode Island College has put its best foot forward for the state's employers with the current mailing of a 16-page handbook outlining the services available at the college in employment, training and consulting.

"The handbook is the result of an *ad hoc* committee project that included coordinating information about services available through RIC to Rhode Island area employers," said Phyllis Hunt of the office of student employment services.

She supervised production of the handbook - the first of its kind produced at RIC.

The handbook tells of RIC services to employers, including assistance in recruiting, screening and placement of students for cooperative education work assignments, design and instruction of specialized company seminars to train or upgrade current employees, employee

counseling about continuing education options, and professional consulting on a variety of subjects ranging from employee benefit programs to accounting and management techniques.

"The handbook is a team effort," assures Hunt, with contributions and cooperation of at least four college offices under the coordination of Dr. Walter A. Crocker Jr., dean of continuing education and school services.

The offices listed in the handbook (along with their specific services) are those of student employment, cooperative education, career services and continuing education.

"What we were trying to accomplish cut across (office) lines and it looked like coordination would best be handled by my office," said Crocker.

He said the cost of the handbook was underwritten by the office of continuing education and the school services unit of

the dean's office.

Some 6,500 copies have been mailed to "hard businesses" as opposed to "service-oriented business," said Hunt. These were chosen from a list of some 20,000 businesses in the state.

"We picked the ones we thought most viable," said Hunt.

In addition, some 700 copies have been mailed on campus so that faculty and staff might utilize them for their own private mailing lists.

Letters were sent both to campus recipients of the handbook as well as to area employers.

The letter to employers came from President David E. Sweet who urged their use of the handbook.

His letter specifically points out the cut-out postcard on the rear cover that employers can use to request further information or a visit by a campus representative to personally discuss the

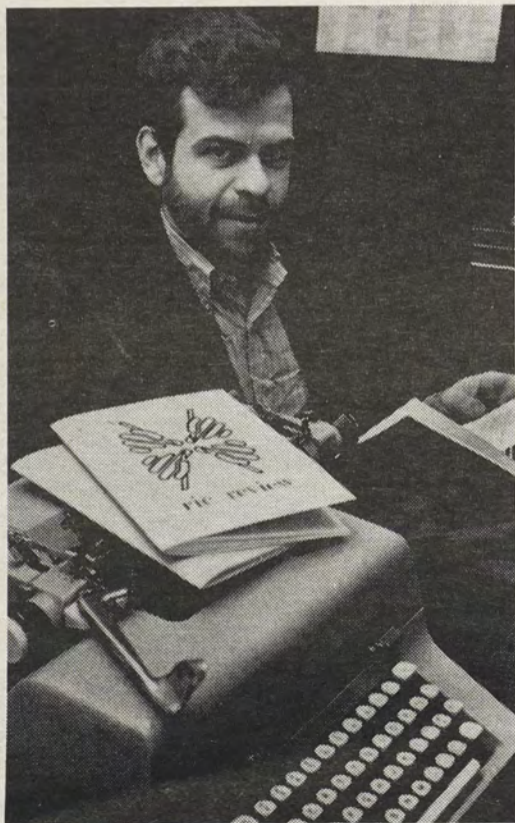
employers' personnel needs for career, part-time and temporary positions as well as other business needs.

"RIC is truly Rhode Island's own college, and RIC students and services are truly Rhode Island area business' own resources," wrote Sweet.

"This handbook will be just one more way of reaching out and reminding the Rhode Island community that RIC is no longer the 'teachers college,' but an institution of higher learning with an expanded and highly desirable curriculum," said Hunt.

She said the handbook will point to our students' skills, knowledge and training "that make them viable and competitive in the world of work."

Dr. Walter J. Blanchard, professor of philosophy and foundations of education, served as a special advisor in the production of the handbook.



DAVID OSBORNE, editor, *RIC Review*.

For Literature, Graphics: New Magazine Debuts at RIC

"Young writers and graphic artists are forever seeking an outlet. To see one's own piece in a magazine brings encouragement no amount of individual praise can match."

David Osborne and Bott Ikeler in **RIC REVIEW**

Established to offer "serious artists a starting ground and a vehicle for sharpening their craft", a new literary magazine has made its debut in Rhode Island. *RIC Review* published its initial issue last week.

The 38 page first issue contains 12 poems, 2 stories, and 2 essays. Contributors range in age from 20 to 60 and come from both RIC and the community at large, some as far away as California.

The magazine, say the editors, aims for diversity. The introduction suggests that the staff aims to make *RIC Review* a truly catholic digest for the arts.

In format the publication is similar to many "little" literary magazines. Measuring approximately 7 by 9 inches, it is attractively designed with graphics spread throughout the pages.

Funded with a \$500 allocation from RIC Parliament, the magazine is edited by students David Osborne and Josephine Mello and Abbot "Bott" Ikeler, assistant professor of English. Associate editor is Gina Lautieri, a student. Graphic design for the magazine is by Christopher Fontaine, a free lance artist.

Current plans call for the *RIC Review* to be distributed free on campus at the Student Union information desk and in the English Department Office in Craig-Lee hall, room 263. Osborne also said he hopes to be able to place the magazine in bookstores at other colleges and universities in the area.

Plans now call for *RIC Review* to be published in the spring semester of each academic year.

"We're looking for submissions for next year right now," said Osborne. "We're also looking for art work." Anyone interested in submitting materials should send them to the RIC English Department.

It's a magazine for the RIC community, but anyone may submit," Osborne pointed out. "We tend toward Rhode Island writers, but it is open to anyone."

On Wednesday, April 8, selections from the *RIC Review* will be read during the English Department's "Celebration of Writing." It will take place in the department common room, Craig-Lee 255. The event gets underway at 12 noon and will run through 4:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.





Warm Exchange

With the warmth and enthusiasm of classmates getting together at a reunion, participants in the three-way exchange among RIC, Winthrop and Jersey City State colleges got together last week for the third segment of their mutual visiting program. Eighteen members of the teams from those two schools arrived at RIC on Sunday, March 29, began their four day stay with a dinner at President Sweet's home. There to greet the teams were Governor Garrahy, most members of the Board of Regents, and other state education officials as well as the RIC team, and other RIC staff and faculty members. During their visit the teams toured the campus, met members of the RIC community, compared notes and offered their views. The program continues too. Each institution will send brand new teams to the other's campuses next year.





Photos
by
Peter Tobia



Lottery

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to a private room" in subsequent years. Another aspect of the lottery that upset students was an apparent lack of student involvement in the initial decision to conduct a lottery.

A meeting was scheduled for last Thursday between students and college officials.

"They (students) have some alternative options and the housing office is willing to talk with them about it," said Penfield.

He added that "if there are some good suggestions to allocate 372 spaces, we'll give consideration to them."

"Our intent is to put up 40 percent (of the rooms) for freshmen as we've done for at least the five years I've been here," he said.

Penfield said that through the process of attrition "there might be less than 50 students who don't have housing and we will assist them in getting off-campus housing."

This, too, was a bone of contention among students who claim that living off campus is more expensive than living on campus. Included in the higher costs are such factors as transportation and less financial aid for those living off campus, according to the spokeswoman.

"They're (college officials) counting on students without rooms getting invited by their friends to share rooms as a means of solving the problem," said

one student. Another added: "Yea. Then they'll have a lottery every year!"

The whole question of a lottery may become a moot point, however, as state police have indicated that any such activity involving money changing hands over a drawing must come under their supervision.

Under the provisions of the lottery as announced, students wishing to be in on the lottery would have to make a room deposit of \$106 first to participate.

Penfield said this aspect of the matter is being turned over to Nicholas Long, the college attorney.

"We should have just called it a 'room draw,'" he said.

By several estimates, nearly 200 students showed up in protest "to show that we're interested" at President David E. Sweet's house both Monday and Tuesday nights.

The president was unavailable Monday but did come out to meet the students Tuesday night and discuss their grievances. (See accompanying story "Student Protestors Confront Sweet.")

Penfield noted that the students "are concerned and handling (that concern) very well."

"We're trying to be fair to all parties and we're trying to get space for all who need it," he assured.



PRESIDENT DAVID E. SWEET listens to students gathered at his house to protest the dorm room lottery. The students were orderly as the president fielded questions and promised to consider the students' position on the matter.

Protestors

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said, the president was once again not at home. She asked the group if they wanted to go down to the house anyway, or sign several posterboards saying "We've come to see you, now you owe us a visit. We are your students and you do have obligations to us". The crowd answered quite vocally that they wanted to do both.

The crowd then proceeded to the President's House shouting "We want Sweet" and "Hell no we won't go." At the house, the posterboards were passed around and signed by those present, and it was determined the president was not home.

A Weber Hall resident at the scene, said that "he (Sweet) keeps ignoring us", and that this is a "gross misuse of the college's commitment to our education". Other students noted that with the price of gas and automobiles, commuting is not a feasible alternative.

After the posterboards with signatures had been circulated through the crowd, Criscione stood up and urged the other students to go back to the dorms and come back at 11 p.m. with blankets and pillows and be prepared to wait until the president returned. It was also noted that there were to be no drugs or alcohol brought, and student security personnel would be assigned to make sure things were orderly.

Asked what was accomplished by the first two rallies, Criscione said "the big-

gest thing they (students) accomplished was that no matter how many times he (Sweet) leaves, or how many people try to discourage us, the students will keep coming back". After the 8 p.m. rally dispersed, both campus security and the North Providence police were notified by Criscione and asked if the "sit in" planned for 11 p.m. was legal. Both agencies said it was legal, as far as they were concerned, she said.

Shortly after 11 p.m., groups of students once again began congregating in front of Weber Hall. This time, many held blankets and pillows in their arms, prepared, if necessary, to spend the night in front of the president's house. The group then once again made its trek to the president's house, shouting as they went.

When the group arrived in front of the house, it was noted that many more lights were on, and then the president appeared at a window. The crowd broke into a roar, and minutes later the president stepped out onto his front steps.

Up to this point, the crowd had stayed on the sidewalk. Criscione went up to the president, and he invited the crowd up the driveway to the front of his house, where Criscione made a brief speech stating the students' position.

The president thanked Criscione for her speech, stating that it was representative of the student body, calling it "articulate and well versed". He went on to



FASHIONS AND FASHION WATCHERS: A model in the RIC Alumni Association fashion show holds the attention of the audience as she shows off the latest spring and summer wear. The show, held March 28 in Donovan Dining Center, drew approximately 100 people. A buffet luncheon accompanied the demonstration of fashions by Gladding's (the retail lab of Johnson and Wales College). Eight alumnae models took part in the show.



state that he would not make any decisions or changes in policy on the steps of his house late at night. He said he would meet with student representatives on Wednesday, April 1. Sweet stressed that there were no easy solutions to the problem of tight space. He said that the college wants to do the very best it can for the students.

When challenged with the question of difficulties faced by resident students from out of state, the president replied that the college will try its best to accommodate hardship cases, and that commuters traveling long distances will get special consideration. The president also pointed out that many of the resident students present would not be at RIC if rooms weren't doubled last fall.

Sweet mentioned that the Board of

Regent had already authorized the construction of another residence hall, and that bids are now being sought on it. He also noted that most campuses with housing constraints use some kind of lottery system, but he assured the group he would re-examine the proposed policy and try to come up with compromise and adjustments.

Criscione then asked the students to thank the president for his time, and allow him to go back inside the house because of the late hour. The students applauded the president, then headed back to the residence halls. It was midnight.

Mark Poirier is a student writer in the office of news and information services.

Census

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male and almost two thirds of the female resident student population report the same level of participation.

Neither the full or part-time students are in favor of eliminating the free periods, but almost three quarters of the respondents indicated they are in favor of rescheduling the free periods in order to improve course scheduling.

Perhaps the fact that over 40 percent of the full-time commuters and 65 percent of the resident students report working on a consistent basis has some relationship to the level of participation. The survey does not draw this conclusion, however.

Although 80 to 90 percent of full-time commuters reported that they never attend on-campus varsity sporting events, some form of football (either club or varsity) is favored by three-quarters of the full-time and one-half of the part-time students. The most frequently cited reason for not attending RIC sports events was "just don't have enough time."

The majority of census respondents answered an open-ended question asking them to name the three changes they would like to see made at RIC.

Three categories were identified for the students to respond to: 1) *academic*, 2) *support* and 3) *physical environment*. Most frequently cited in the area of *support* was "improve campus security" with 59 respondents suggesting that as their top suggestion. In the *academic*

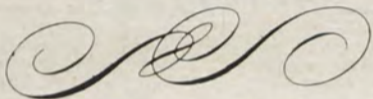
area 64 people said "improve the college registration procedure." Fifty-seven respondents felt that in the *physical environment* they would most like to see the college "expand/improve/clean-up parking facilities." A close second in the *academic* portion of the response saw 59 people say "improve course scheduling."

In relation to the concerns registered in the area of campus security, the majority of respondents agreed that there is at least some serious crime on campus. Two thirds of the full-time and almost one half of the part-time students agreed that "RIC campus security spends too much time on parking and traffic enforcement and not enough time on crime prevention." Forty-three percent of the full-time and 30 percent of the part-time respondents indicated that they are dissatisfied with their personal safety on campus.

Questions for inclusion in the student census came from faculty, staff and students, providing a wide range of input from the RIC community according to Prull.

Copies of the full report, including data, tables and statistics were recently distributed to all members of the faculty and staff. Numerous questions other than those alluded to here were asked and the responses noted.

If anyone did not receive a copy of the student census or would like an additional copy, contact Prull at Ext. 8226.



Reaccredited

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into a separate division known as the School of Social Work "took a great deal of effort on their part" and that this effort was favorably reflected in the reaccreditation.

The commission had conducted their on-site visit last fall and met from Jan. 14-17 to review the application for reaccreditation and "carefully evaluated the supplementary self-study documents, the report of the modified site visit and the response thereto by the program faculty."

The council commission noted "steps have been taken in the educational program to upgrade the curriculum area of human behavior and social environment."

The commission said that as this work progresses they see need for continued evaluation of the human behavior and social environment sequence, especially the two new courses scheduled to be implemented in 1981-82.

The commission is also recommending continued attention to student advisement by MSW faculty, "particularly the monitoring of the advisement process prior to the student's formal admission to the program at the end of the sophomore year."

The commission requested a full self-study be submitted by Jan. 15, 1985. This would be in preparation for a full site visit to precede the program's review for reaccreditation in June of 1985.

Affirmative Action Committee Reorganized

by Laurie Ann Fiore

A revitalization of the Committee on Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action (CEO/AA) has recently begun at Rhode Island College.

The CEO/AA is a committee appointed by President Sweet to advise the college administration on equal opportunity and affirmative action policy. The major responsibilities of the committee are to help broaden educational and employment opportunities for minority groups, women and handicapped individuals and to evaluate and recommend programs to the college concerning civil rights and human relations.

In past years, the committee has been relatively inactive. However, with recent appointments of Holly Shadoian, director of alumni affairs, as chair, and Patricia Giammarco as affirmative action officer, the committee is attempting to become more effective.

Although the CEO/AA has not yet submitted any policy recommendations to the college, they are currently working on various issues, including the college's policy dealing with sexual harassment.

A balance of representatives of administration, faculty, staff, women and minority groups make up the CEO/AA. Shadoian feels that this enables the committee to make knowledgeable, concrete recommendations and get positive reactions from the college administration.

Giammarco thinks the work of the CEO/AA is essential to RIC's affirmative action program.

"The advisory committee is excellent. It's one of the few committees I've been a part of in which all the members are working members. I'm confident the college will be very supportive of committee recommendations," she said.

The committee monitors the affirmative action programs and policies throughout the college to insure that they are being carried out. The CEO/AA has begun weekly meetings and intends to increase its role at RIC.

The following members make up the new CEO/AA: David Chapman, Local 2878, Joseph Costa, Student Affairs, Dr. Leonore DeLucia, Office of Budget and Management, Patricia Goldstein, Local 2879, Dr. George Metry, dean of the School of Social Work, Glenn Liddell, Student Affairs, Dr. William Lopes, executive assistant to the president, Dr. Charles Owens, biology department, Dr. Joan Rollins, psychology department, Holly Shadoian, Advancement and Support, Gordon Sundberg, Administrative Services, and Jean Veredy, student representative.

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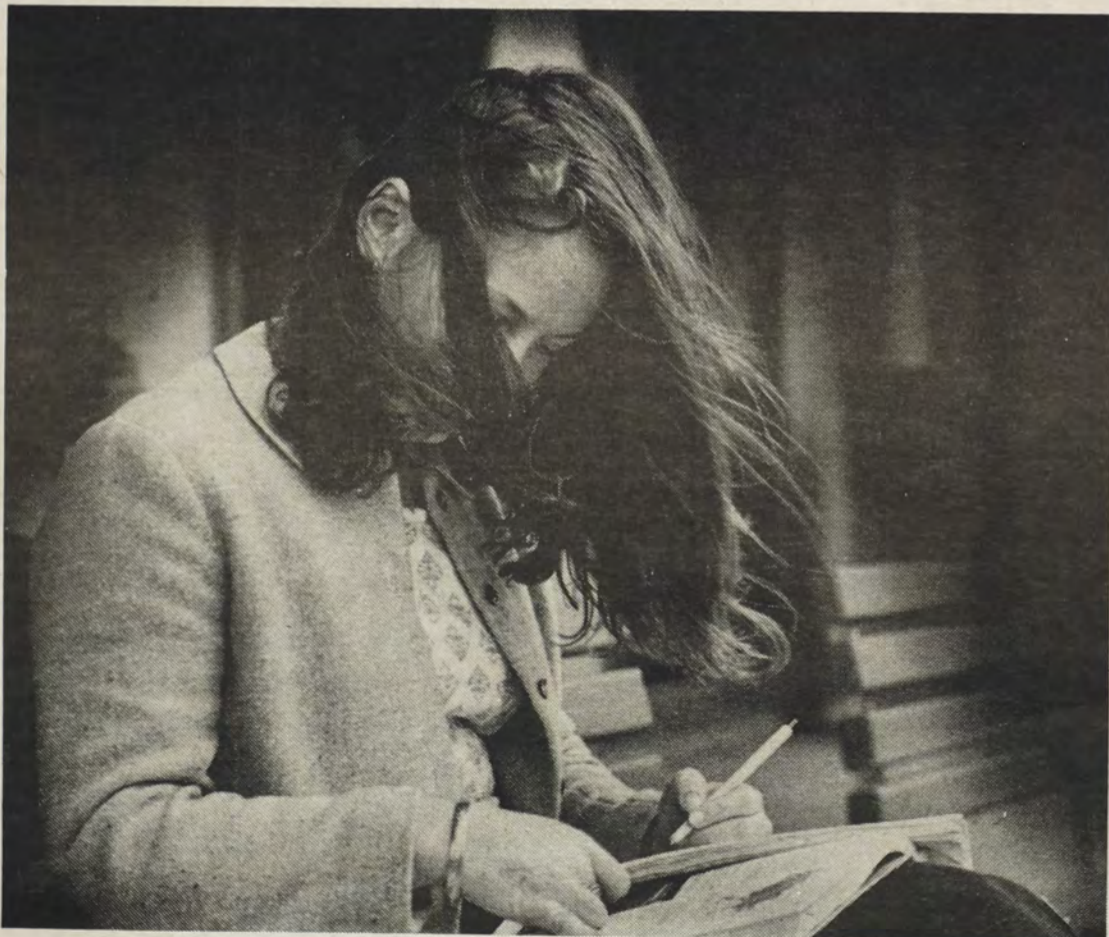
Focus on the Faculty and Staff

Jane Stein, assistant professor of medical-surgical nursing, was a panelist at the Sigma Theta Tau, national honor society for nurses, conference March 26 at URI.

Robert M. Boberg, associate professor of music, has received confirmation that his *Introits, Benedictions and Amens* for SATB Chorus will be published by the Boston Music Com-

pany. These are a series of 18 original short choral responses suitable for church worship services.

Boberg also performed the Mussorsky *Pictures At An Exhibition* for the combined musicale of the Chaminade and MacDowell Music Clubs on March 29. His performance was in memory of Professors Ronald Ballinger and Rita Bicho, both of whom were known personally by many members of the audience.



BLOWN IN THE WIND: Despite the impediments created by the March winds as they get in their final licks, a student displays her determination to hit the books outside a campus building last week.

Alpha Sigma Lambda:

To Be Installed at RIC

Alpha Sigma Lambda, a national honor society for part-time undergraduate matriculated students, will be coming to Rhode Island college in May of this year. Initiated by Dr. Walter A. Crocker, dean of continuing education, and other RIC faculty, the installation of an Alpha Sigma Lambda chapter will provide impetus to highly motivated students in continuing higher education early in their academic career.

Established originally in 1947 at the University of Cincinnati Evening College, the society not only brings together outstanding students and faculty, but also offers each individual an exposure to interests other than his own. Dedicated to the advancement of scholarship and recognition of high scholastic achievement in an adult student's career, the society encourages many students to continue toward, and to earn associate and baccalaureate degrees.

To qualify for membership in Alpha Sigma Lambda, a student must have completed at least four semesters at a recognized college or university, have been a part-time student for a minimum of two semesters, be a matriculating student who has completed a minimum of 30 semester hours at RIC, and be in the top 10 percent of all matriculated part-time students at the time of evaluation, provided, however, that the grade point average be no lower than 3.2. To

maintain active membership, the student must maintain a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0.

Formal approval of the constitution and establishment of a chapter has been granted to RIC by the national headquarters. The chapter has been assigned the name of Gamma-Gamma, and Dr. John Roche of the English department has been appointed as faculty advisor. The charter establishment and initiation process will take place on May 13 at 7 p.m. in the College Faculty Center.

A computer listing of all possible candidates has been made, and those eligible will receive notification through the mail. An ad has been placed in the student newspaper, *The Anchor*, to bring this to the attention of other eligible students who may not receive notification.

Dean Crocker said that he plans on this chapter being an active group, not one that "meets once a month for a chicken dinner." He says the group plans to sponsor and co-sponsor at least four programs dealing with topics of concern to part time and older students.

Crocker noted his appreciation for the support of RIC faculty and staff members John Roche, Robert Castiglione, Ira Lough, Joe DiMaria, Sherri Smith, and Pat Stevens. He went on to say that he "was very pleased and proud that (RIC) was accepted (into the Society)."

Sports Roundup

by Bud Focht
Director/Sports Information

Conley Voted
'Coach of the Year'

Joe Conley, in his first season as the women's head basketball coach at RIC, has been voted "Coach of the Year" in Region 1A of the Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women.

Coaches of Division III teams in New England voted for Conley in the national "Women's Basketball Newsletter" poll.

Conley had taken his Anchorwomen hoopsters to the eastern regionals and then to Knoxville, Tenn., where they finished among the top 16 Division III teams in the country in the playoffs.

RIC's sophomore scoring sensation, guard Chris Donilon of Providence, was voted one of the top 10 players in Region 1A by the same coaches' poll.

Donilon, who is already the all-time leading scorer at RIC with 719 points in her first two seasons, played for Conley at St. Xavier's High School for 1976 through 1979. In those four years the team won three state championships.

Conley coached St. Xavier's for eight seasons, compiling an 188-13 record, before coaching at Cranston East High

School in 1980. At Cranston East, his 15-4 record took him to the state championships once again.



JOE CONLEY

After coaching the Rhode Island State Girls' All Star Team to the championship of Ireland's Aer Lingus International Basketball Tournament, Conley took over another team with no seniors, the RIC Anchorwomen, and guided them to their finest season ever.

Welcomes Letters

WHAT'S NEWS AT RIC welcomes the receipt of letters of college-wide interest and will publish them regularly. The editors reserve the right to limit length and to condense submissions with the author's consent in order to meet space requirements. Letters to *WHAT'S NEWS* should be sent to the attention of the editor, *The Bureau*. All letters must

be signed by the author and dated. We look forward to airing readers' views and concerns and continuing the expansion of internal communication at Rhode Island College.

Laurence J. Sasso, Jr.
Editor

Publications
Available

The Affirmative Action Office has received copies of three timely and informative publications: *Sexual Harassment of Students*, *The Quality of Women's Education at Harvard University*, *A Survey of Sex Discrimination in the Graduate and Professional Schools*, and *The College Student with a Disability: A Faculty Handbook*.

If any members of the college community are interested in obtaining copies of these publications, please contact the Affirmative Action Office at 8218.

On WEAN

Dr. Mary Ann Hawkes, RIC professor of sociology and the subject of a *What's News* feature article last week on her work at the state prisons, was interviewed Thursday on WEAN's *Live Line*.

Pam Watts is the host of the award-winning radio show which features "live" conversations over the telephone with news makers.

What's News article was entitled "RIC's Mary Ann Hawkes: CARES ABOUT PRISONS."

Calendar Of Events

APRIL 6 - APRIL 13, 1981

MONDAY, APRIL 6

7-8:30 p.m. *Student Council for Exceptional Children Arts & Crafts Program*. Student Union, Gamesroom.

TUESDAY, APRIL 7

9 a.m. *Philosophy Colloquium*. "The Political and Social Climate of Contemporary Poland," featuring Dorothy Pieniadz, Ed.D. Fogarty Hall, Room 120.

11 a.m. *Philosophy Colloquium*. "The Philosophical Thought in Poland," featuring Elzbieta Paczkowska-Lagowski, Ph.D., Jagiellonian University, Cracow. Fogarty Hall, Room 120.

12 Noon-1 p.m. *History Department Lunchtime Colloquium*. "United States Economy: Its Competitiveness in the World." Prof. John M. Sapinsley (economics and management) will explore the subject of the degree to which the United States economy is able to maintain its competitiveness in the world. This is a topic in *Great Decisions*, 1981. Faculty Center.

1 p.m. *Lecture Recital*. James Morgan, clavichord. Roberts Hall, Room 138.

1 p.m. *English Department Colloquium*. Patricia Goedecke, poet, will read from her work. Craig-Lee, Room 255.

1 p.m. *Rhode Island Philharmonic Conductors Forum*. Alvaro Cassuto, music director. Roberts Hall, Room 137.

1 p.m. *Philosophy Colloquium*. "Religious Values and Aesthetic Judgements," featuring Halina Toborska, London. Fogarty Hall, Room 120.

1-2 p.m. *Anchor Christian Fellowship Meeting*. Student Union, Room 310.

2-4 p.m. *Space Allocation Open Hearings*. Student Union, Lounge F.

3 p.m. *Baseball*. RIC vs. Bryant College. Home.

7 p.m. *Philosophy Colloquium*. "The Philosophical and Aesthetic Works of Pope John Paul II," featuring Boleslaw Taborski, London. Fogarty Hall, Room 120.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8

1:30-3:30 p.m. *Women's Center Meeting*. Student Union, Chambers.

2-4 p.m. *Space Allocation Open Hearings*. Student Union, Lounge F.

2-4 p.m. *Class of '81 meeting*. Student Union, Room 304.

2-4 p.m. *WRIC Radio Meeting*. Student Union, Room 310.

2-4 p.m. *Workshop*. "The Director / Actor Collaboration in the Art of the Theatre." Sponsored by the Department of Communications and Theatre and College Lectures Committee. David Wheeler, theatre producer and director. Faculty Center.

8 p.m. *RIC Dance Company*. Dance Gallery. Roberts Little Theatre.

THURSDAY, APRIL 9

2-4 p.m. *Workshop*. David Berry, author, "Whales of August." Craig-Lee 156.

3 p.m. *Baseball*. RIC vs. Stonehill. Away.

3 p.m. *Men's Tennis*. RIC vs. Southeastern Massachusetts University. Home.

3 p.m. *Softball*. RIC vs. Stonehill. Away.

7:30 p.m.-1 a.m. *Willard Hall Council Pajama Party*. Student Union, Ballroom.

FRIDAY, APRIL 10

1-3 p.m. *School of Education & Human Development Meeting*. Horace Mann Hall, Room 064.

5-10 p.m. *Anchor Christian Fellowship Dinner*. Student Union, Ballroom.

SATURDAY, APRIL 11

1 p.m. *Men's Tennis*. RIC vs. Southern Maine. Home.

1 p.m. *Baseball*. RIC vs. Quinnipiac. (Double Header) Away.

1 p.m. *Men's Track Quad Meet*. RIC with St. Michael's, Roger Williams, Eastern Connecticut and Stonehill. Quinnipiac College, Connecticut.

SUNDAY, APRIL 12

10 a.m. *Sunday Mass*. Student Union, Ballroom.

7 p.m. *Sunday Evening Mass*. Browne Hall, Upper Lounge.

7-10 p.m. *Kappa Epsilon Meeting*. Student Union, Lounge F.

7-10 p.m. *Kappa Delta Phi Meeting*. Student Union, Chambers.