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The campus ministry:

Their job is to relate

by Arline Aissis Fleming

Bob Marcantonio usually wears sports shirts when in his campus office on the third floor of the Student Union. So puffing on his usual cigarettes, he looks more like a professor than the chaplain that he is.

The same goes for Bob Penberthy, the Protestant chaplain, and Maryann Rossi, a religious serving part-time with the campus ministry.

Their job here is to relate to the students on a comfortable level, so they don't allow religious collars or habits to cast an intimidating first impression.

"Part of our job is just to help people grow up," explained the Reverend Marcantonio of his work at RIC. "I spend a lot of time just talking. Sometimes the students just need someone to blow-off

steam to," he said.

The formal explanation of the campus ministry at RIC is that "the chaplains are interested in Ecumenical programs and are working as a team at RIC to enhance the feeling of community. We are available for counseling and small group work."

"There's a note of informality here—an opportunity for give and take—for people to express themselves," said Dr. Penberthy, a new minister in the chaplain's office. Dr. Penberthy is employed by the Rhode Island State Council on Churches. He is pastor of Westport Point United Methodist Church in Massachusetts. He spent four years in the marine corps as chaplain and has served at the Tilton School, the Colegio America in Lima,

Peru, and several other churches. His A.B. and B.D. degrees are from Duke University, and his doctor of ministry is from Andover-Newton Theological School in psychology and clinical studies.

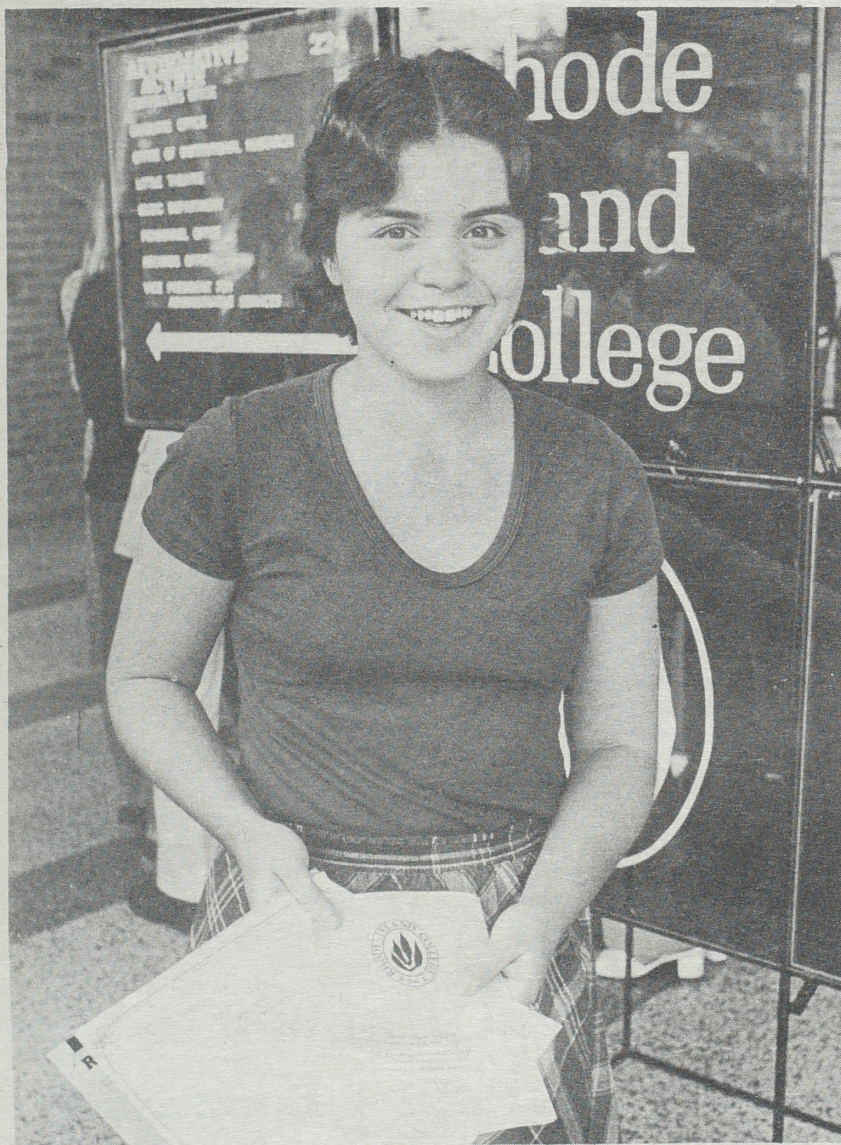
Father Marcantonio is the veteran of the trio having been at RIC for almost four years. He calls the group "ministers of presence" and says, "I don't find myself too often talking in religious terms. If I can help people to grow as human beings, then God is there," he said. He is a priest in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Providence, is a chaplain in the naval reserve and is a certified psychologist in the state of Rhode Island. He has had previous experience with college communities at Iowa State University and Stonehill College. In addi-

tion to a theology degree earned from the University of Louvain in Belgium, he also has a Ph.D. in psychology.

The newest member of the staff has been long-awaited. Sister Maryann Rossi, C.N.D., is the much needed female presence on a campus which is predominantly women. According to Father Marcantonio, it was a struggle getting the money to add a third member to the staff and so for now, she'll be here only part-time.

The other half of the week she'll work at URI. She sees the office "as the presence of religion or of another dimension of the campus." Sister has spent several years in secondary education as an English teacher

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PRESIDENTIAL HONORS SCHOLARSHIP WINNER Mary J. Whitaker of East Providence proudly displays her winner's certificate and New Student Convocation program. She won a full scholarship of up to \$4,000 as one of the top students enrolling this year through the General Education Honors Program. Some 60 students received scholarships totaling almost \$36,000 at the ceremony on Sept. 7 in Roberts Auditorium at which faculty and staff also attended. (What's New(s) Photo by Peter P. Tobia).

Bibliography published

Rhode Island College has just published an 80-page bibliography featuring the listed works of some 200 faculty members in 23 academic departments plus those of the professional staff and Henry Barnard School.

The soft-cover fold-out publication, published through the Office of Publications, is a partial bibliography covering the period from Jan 1, 1976 through Dec 31, 1980.

As such, it is the first attempt to gather and record in a single document the scholarly works of the RIC community.

The introduction notes that many of the faculty and staff have more extensive bibliographies which date back many years. Information on other faculty or staff

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\$1¼-million grant made

Rhode Island College is the recipient of a near-quarter-million dollar grant this fall through Dr. Lloyd H. Matsumoto of the biology department.

Matsumoto, formerly an assistant professor of research at Brown University, was named as director of a three-year grant—from Sept. 1 through Aug. 31, 1985—to study the Bovine Satellite DNA Replication in Synchronized Cells.

The first year of the grant, funded by the National Institute of Health, provides for \$74,640.

Funding for the second and third years brings the total grant to \$223,281.

RIC's director of the Bureau of Grants and Sponsored Projects, John C. O'Neill, termed the grant significant in that "it

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Your vote counts

By George LaTour

Students at Rhode Island College and the other state institutions of higher learning will have no excuse not to vote in the up-coming November elections.

The Rhode Island Minority Caucus, spurred on by Gov. J. Joseph Garrahy, will offer campus-wide voter registration at RIC on Tuesday, Sept. 28, from 10 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. on the campus mall in front of the James P. Adams Library.

"Voter registrars from the state Board of Elections have registered voters in shopping malls and any number of other sites. The governor felt 'why not college campuses?'" said Miriam E. Satterfield of the Minority Caucus. Her group, working with the support of the governor's office, intends to reach new heights in voter registration at the campuses this year.

"Nothing on this scale has been done before," assured Satterfield, who with Edna Mattson and Emma Loux will actually take registrations from RIC students who must be 18 years of age by election day on Nov. 2 to register.

To register is a very simple process, she assures. All a student has to do is give his or her name and address, the date and date he or she first came into the state (if not born here). Then, with a simple affixing of a signature, the RIC student becomes a power in politics whose **VOTE DOES COUNT!**

"Not voting is dangerous to your education," is how Satterfield said one student put it. She agrees: "You get the government you deserve when you don't vote."

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Notes from Bernadette



By Bernadette V. Small

Hello everyone! We're back with "Notes" after an enjoyable summer. The unveiling of a monument to the memory of Russell Chernick was held on Sunday at the Lincoln Park Cemetery in Warwick. Relatives and friends were invited to attend the ceremonies and then to call at the home of Russell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Chernick, in Cranston. Lt. and Mrs. Michael McVay, USN of San Diego, Cal., are the happy parents of a baby daughter born on Aug. 27. The proud grandparents are Ruth and Kenneth McVay of Rhode Island College. Kenneth is with the department of industrial education and Ruth is associated with the graduate office. Congratulations grandma and grandpa! On Aug. 30 at the opening Convocation for Faculty and Staff, a moment of silence was observed out of respect to the memory of Mrs. Barbara Zito who died on Aug. 29. Barbara was the secretary in the department of health and physical education. She will be sadly missed by her friends and colleagues. Our sincerest condolences go to Barbara's husband, Edward, and family. Once again, I make a campus-wide appeal to all to call me at Ext. 8100 if any of you have news of a personal nature concerning faculty and staff. Thank you.



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Raffle winners announced

A benefit dance for the American Cancer Society was held at Rhode Island College on Thursday, Aug. 19, and more than \$10,000 was raised. Prizes, from gift certificates to luggage, were raffled off, and 43 people were named winners. They are:

Arthur Markos, Cranston, \$200 gift certificate from Ross Simons; Holly Moniz, East Providence, two tickets aboard the Bay Queen; William Gulas, one year American Health Spa; B. Pudjunis, luggage; Gail Corrent, Providence, weekend for two at the Biltmore; Kenneth Pederzani, Providence, portrait; Julia Devlin, Providence, \$50 gift certificate to Camille's; K. Freudendorf, Newport, silk arrangement; Sal DiLeonardo, fruit basket; Kathleen McGee, fruit basket and Lou Verdi, five year auto alignment.

Helen Berrigan, Providence, \$100 savings bond; Bernice Guy, Providence, pewter candlesticks; Helene Brown, Providence, two tickets to Warwick Tent; Adam DiNitto, Warwick, two tickets to Warwick Tent; Lolly Sherman, Providence, five year auto alignment; Ed Marcello, tote bag; Donald Carcieri, North Providence, weekend for two at the Sheraton Islander; L. Parrillo, Providence, coin bracelet; Joyce Fife, Warwick, \$25 gift certificate from Ross Simons; Dennis Angelini, Barrington, Polaroid camera; Frank Grillo, Warwick, 100 gallons oil and Verne Moore, vintage wine.

Ed Marcella, vintage wine; Walter Stone, North Scituate, \$200; Albert Draper, East Providence, pots and pans; Paul Nordstrom, Woonsocket, dinner at The Pier; Marilyn Cannao, Providence, 5,000 mile wheel alignment; Vivian Palazzo, North Kingstown, tennis racket and balls; Francis Carlson, Cranston, jewelry; William Dugan Jr., North Providence, \$25 gift certificate to Classic Restaurant; Joseph Marocco, tickets for Trinity and Joseph Pena, Providence, Cross pen and pencil.

Gaele Pesaturo, North Providence, carving set; P.A. Forte, Providence, Panasonic radio; W. Breen, Cranston, oriental lamp; Pam Reo, Wickford, weekend for two at the Marriott; R.F. Barry, Cranston, crystal bowl; Bill Cunningham, weekend for two, Newport; B.B. Slinko, Cranston, one year membership to AAA; Paul D'Errico, North Providence, carving set and Gloria Roberto, Warwick, coin bracelet.

Guaranteed student loans may drop

Preliminary reports from a number of states indicate that the volume of Guaranteed Student Loans (GSL) may drop sharply for the academic year 1982-83, according to the latest report from the American Association of State Colleges and Universities.

Some states report drops of as much as 50 percent.

One result, says the AASCU, is that the cost of the program may be substantially less in the years ahead.

There appear to be several reasons why loan volume is dropping. One is that families with incomes over \$30,000 are no longer eligible, unless they can demonstrate need, and then only for the actual amount of need.

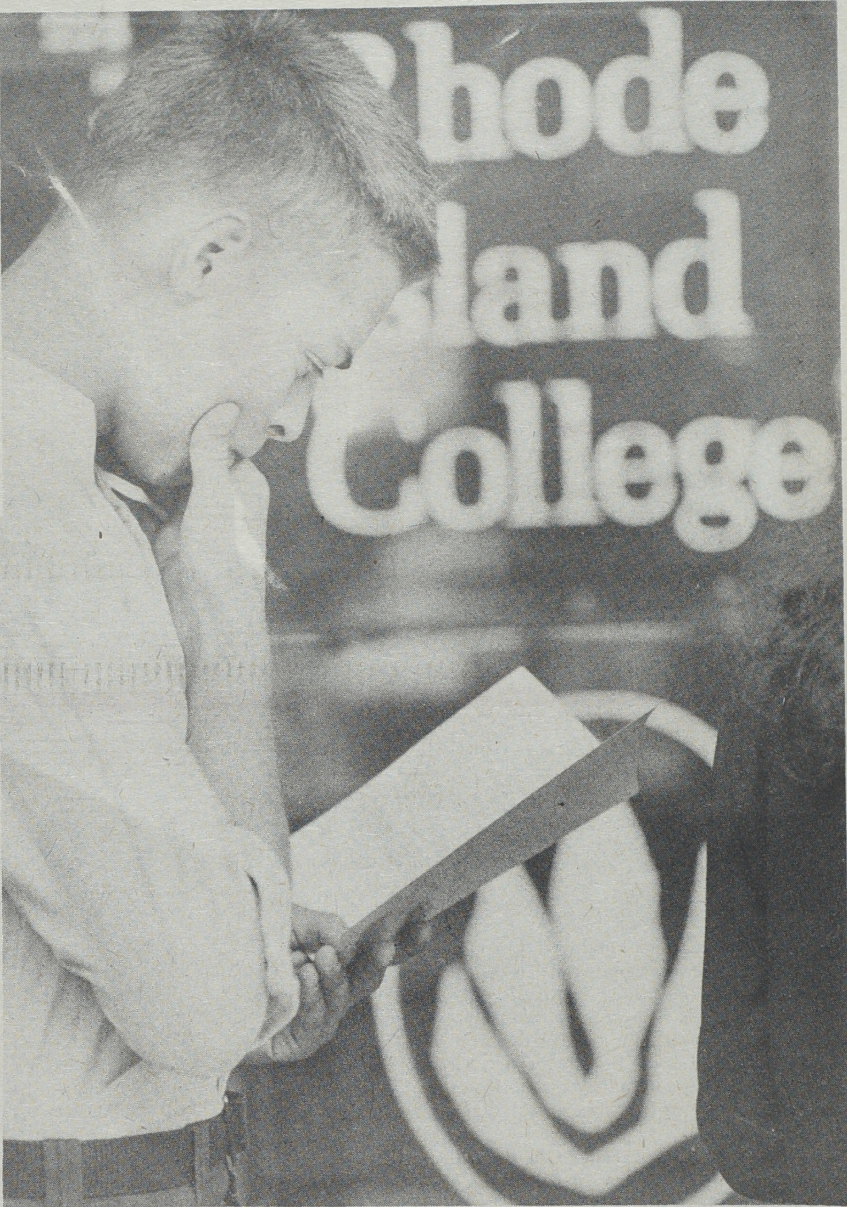
Another is the many delays in getting out regulations for the coming year. A third may be a lack of awareness that loans are still available, and that some people with incomes above \$30,000 may still qualify.

AASCU has already urged all member institutions to be sure to publicize to students and their families the fact that they may be eligible for federal student aid, and urge them to apply if in doubt.

What's New(s) at RIC carried an article in its June 21 edition in which the AASCU urged students to apply as "soon as possible, and well before Oct. 1."

The new PLUS (Parent Loans for Undergraduate Students) loans, which supplement the GSL program are available in annual amounts up to \$3,000 for each student with no eligibility requirements.

The current 14 percent rate for these loans is expected to drop to 12 percent in October.



Hmmmm

TAKING A SERIOUS LOOK at the program before the New Student Convocation last Tuesday is Ronald Caulder. RIC's new provost, Dr. Willard Enteman, told the new students that he, too, was new to RIC and "will be learning with you." He advised the more than 1,000 freshmen that the purpose of life is not to find happiness, but growth and development which, he assured, they were on their way to doing as college students. (What's New(s) Photo by Peter P. Tobia).

Focus on the Faculty and Staff

DR. JOAN ROLLINS, professor of psychology, presented a paper, "Attributions about Informal Leaders: Does Sex Make a Difference?" at the 19th annual convention of the American Psychological Association in Washington, D.C. on Aug. 26.

The paper was co-authored by Dr. Florence Hennen, associate professor of psychology; Elaine Scorpio, instructor of psychology; and former graduate students Mary Kanarian, Betty Ann Marzullo and Leon Morand.

Workshop scheduled to begin this month

Therapy with Withdrawn Adolescents, Short Term Treatment Groups, Incest, and Using Volunteers in Your Agency are the topics of workshops being sponsored by Rhode Island College beginning this month.

Therapy with Withdrawn Adolescents will be held Monday, Sept. 20, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Instructors will be Thomas Comiskey, director of services of the South County Office of Delta Consultants, Inc. and an adjunct faculty member in the psychology department at URI, and Murial Cohen, associate staff member of Delta Consultants. Admission is \$36.

Short Term Treatment Groups will be held Tuesday, Sept. 14, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the conference room of the Community College of Rhode Island's Knight

Campus. Instructor will be Dr. E. Belle Evans, associate professor of social work at RIC. Admission is \$36.

Case Seminar: Incest Case Management and Treatment, will be held on Thursdays, Sept. 23 through Oct. 28, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. in RIC's Adams Library. The course is worth one graduate credit and tuition is \$71 for instaters and \$113 for all others. Instructor will be Marcia Seal, director of counseling at Woonsocket's Family and Child Service.

Using Volunteers in Your Agency, exploring the Use of Volunteers, will be held Friday, Sept. 24, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in RIC's Adams Library. Dorothy Bianco of the R.I. Department of Mental Health, Retardation and Hospitals will be the instructor. Admission is \$36.00.

The legal problems of Alzheimer's Disease

Attorney Frances Kliner of Adler, Pollock and Sheehan of Providence, will speak on the legal problems faced by families of Alzheimer's Disease patients on Monday, Sept. 13, at 7 p.m. in the Board of Governors room in Roberts Hall. Admission is free and open to the public.

Kliner's talk, sponsored by the Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association of Rhode Island, will cover the areas of guardianship, estate planning and taxes.

There will be a question-and-answer period after the talk.

Lyceum series to begin Sept. 20



By Arline Aissis Fleming

Before these days of super highways and satellite communications, the enjoyment of lectures and dramatic performances was a limited luxury.

In nineteenth-century America, the vehicle for presenting such public discussions and demonstrations was called the Lyceum. The formal presence of the Lyceum has dwindled over the years, but its one-time existence remains a part of our American culture.

In an attempt to explore the Lyceum movement, two members of the RIC faculty have organized six presentations called "Close Encounters: A Perspective on Past Concerns and Present Issues." It is being co-sponsored by RIC and the Providence Public Library and is funded in part by the Rhode Island Committee for the Humanities, an affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The Lyceum program will begin on Monday, Sept. 20, at 7:30 p.m. All presentations will be held at the Providence Public Library, 150 Empire St. at 7:30 p.m. They are free and open to the general

public.

The "guests" for the series will include Thomas Edison, Oscar Wilde, Clarence Darrow, Margaret Fuller, Henry Ford, Paulina Wright Davis and the Hutchinson Family Singers. They will be portrayed by a variety of Rhode Island actors and will be challenged by several local scholars.

Organizing the entire event are Dr. A.C. Hoffman of RIC's English Department and Dr. P. William Hutchinson of RIC's Department of Communications and Theatre. Hoffman broached the idea last fall to Hutchinson who had been "searching for a way to involve Rhode Island College and the Providence Public Library as part of an outreach thing into the community." Together they decided on pertinent characters to invite and the actors to play them. They've also arranged for some costuming.

The scheduled presentations are as follows:

Sept. 20, "Should Children Be Encouraged to Think?" with Margaret Fuller and Ralph Waldo Emerson. Fuller was an early feminist who helped Emerson edit "The Dial." Emerson was a poet, philosopher and essayist well-known to the

Lyceum circuit. Portraying them will be Denise Lambert-Duhamel, a RIC graduate, and Hutchinson.

Oct. 18, "Do Women Have Rights?" with Paulina Wright Davis, a leader in the early feminist movement both locally and at a national level. She will be portrayed by Carol Drowne, a RIC graduate.

Nov. 15, "What Constitutes Beauty and Grace in a Period of Conspicuous Consumption?" with Oscar Wilde. Wilde was an English playwright and aesthete. He will be portrayed by Trinity Square Repertory Company actor Richard Kneeland, depending upon his availability.

Feb. 21, "Can Music Change Men's Hearts?" with the Hutchinson Family Singers, a group which believed that through their songs they could serve the causes of temperance, anti-slavery and women's rights. These members of a large New Hampshire family traveled through the country beginning in 1841. They will be portrayed by William Jones and music majors from RIC.

March 21, "Does Technology Rule America?" with Henry Ford and Thomas A. Edison, scientists who believed in progress and that their inventions would free

the ordinary man from drudgery and the machine could serve man. Edison will be portrayed by James Barnhill, a faculty member at Brown University's Theatre Department.

April 18, "What Rights Do You Have to Dissent?" with Clarence Darrow, a prominent lawyer, free thinker and dissenter. He will be portrayed by Hutchinson.

The scholars who will be responding to the various issues presented by the historical personages include Dr. Robert Hogan of the RIC Department of English; Dr. Sarah Curwood, RIC's Sociology Department and Dr. William McLoughlin of Brown University's Department of History.

The Lyceum movement which started in England received its impetus in America from Josiah Holbrook who established the first Lyceum in 1826 in Millbury, Mass. Holbrook was motivated by his philosophy of self-help: each person was to do whatever he could to promote the spread of education in his community.

The issues to be presented at the 1982-83 Lyceum series are those which still concern citizens of the state and nation.

Alumni Office sets 'Mad Shoppers Spree'

The RIC Alumni Office will sponsor Part II of its Mad Shoppers Spree on Saturday, Oct. 23, when a charter bus will leave Roberts Hall at 6 a.m. for a day of shopping at noted discount houses in Massachusetts.

Only 44 seats are available on the bus. Faculty, staff and anyone interested in "great bargains" are welcome to come, according to Holly Shadoian, alumni affairs director.

The cost is \$6.40 per person for transportation. Juice and donuts will be

provided on the bus which is scheduled to return no later than 5 p.m.

You may bring your own lunch or stop at a restaurant.

The bus will be stopping at ABC Retail in Braintree, featuring women's clothes at "unbeatable prices;" Sims in Norwood, featuring women's, men's and children's designer labels at discount prices; and possibly at Calvert's in Needham.

For more information or reservations, contact the alumni office.

Anna Russell



COMEDIENNE ANNA RUSSELL will open RIC's 1982-83 Performing Arts Series on Saturday, Sept. 18, at 8 p.m. in Roberts Hall. General admission is \$8. Admission for RIC students is \$3.50. For reservations and further ticket information, call 456-8144.

Students raise funds for Muscular Dystrophy

More than \$1,000 was donated to the Muscular Dystrophy Association of Rhode Island during Labor Day Weekend in memory of Russell Chernick, a RIC student who died last spring.

The money was raised by Rhode Island College students through a walk-a-thon.

The event was led by Tim Warren and members of RIC's housing staff, Glenn Liddell, Cherie Withrow and Stephanie Kean. Five of the 18 students who walked 20 miles were handicapped.

The money was presented on television during the annual MD telethon.

Spring Semester in Puerto Rico?

The National Collegiate Honors Council is sponsoring a spring semester, Jan. 24 to May 7, 1983, at the University of Puerto Rico for sophomores and juniors.

The program is particularly recommended for qualified students interested in Latin American or Hispanic studies, urban studies, anthropology or international af-

fairs and business. Courses will be taught in English and will be transferrable.

The cost is \$1,750, plus meals and transportation, and there may be some financial aid available. Applications are due by Oct. 15.

Interested students should contact Spencer Hall at Ext. 8027 for details.

Their job is to relate

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and administrator, spent a year running a soup kitchen in Stamford, Conn., and last year spent a sabbatical year studying in Rome.

All three ministers see their job at RIC as being "much broader" than simply religious concerns. "We'll deal with any situation which involves a human being," said Sister Rossi.

Some of those "situations" deal with school, home and social pressures, alcohol or drug counseling and just the day-to-day pressures of existing in the 1980's.

"I was on a committee to study the Rathskeller," laughed Father Marcantonio, "which is not what you usually associate with the job." Father Marcantonio said he's seen on college campuses, the trend swing away from "organizations to a more individualized basis—I see a survival mentality," he said.

He's also noticed an increase in the numbers of students at the weekly services he holds. When he first started them, only about 10 to 12 students would attend ser-

vices. Now, he regularly sees close to 60 at the service held at Browne dorm on Sunday nights. He says the numbers increase "as I stay here longer. A lot depends on word-of-mouth."

The chaplain's office is located in Room 300 of the Student Union. They can be telephoned at 456-8168.

Catholic services are held on Sundays at 10 a.m. in the Student Union and 7 p.m. in Browne Hall's Upper Lounge. Weekday Mass is at noon, Monday through Thursday, in Room 304 of the Student Union.

Protestant services are Tuesdays at 8 a.m. and Thursdays at 7 p.m. in the same location.

Dr. Penberthy will be on campus on Tuesdays, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Wednesdays 9 a.m. to noon and Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Sister Rossi's tentative schedule is Tuesday and Thursday, all day. Father Marcantonio can be reached in his office Monday through Friday by calling the above number or stopping in.



THE CAMPUS MINISTRY at RIC is made up of (l to r) Dr. Robert Penberthy, Sister Maryann Rossi and the Rev. Bob Marcantonio who is the veteran of the group.

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points in a new direction in developing the research capacity at the college."

Matsumoto, an assistant professor of biology at RIC, said the project will attempt to show how genetic information is replicated or duplicated.

He said the bovine system (or cow cells) which are grown in a culture will be

utilized.

Matsumoto said the problem is to understand how the DNA molecule is replicated which is still a fundamental problem in cancer research.

He specified, however, that the project is not concerned with cancer research.

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was not available due to their being on leave or otherwise unavailable.

"...this record of professional activities can help members of the faculty become aware of their colleagues' accomplishments and formulate interdepartmental and interdisciplinary dialogue," according to the introduction.

"In addition," it says, "a college bibliography can prove useful to the larger community in identifying faculty who might serve as resource persons to civic and social agencies.

"Finally, prospective students and faculty glancing through these pages can discover the variety and vitality of the campus community, for these publications, performances and exhibits produced by faculty and staff in the past five years testify to the invigorating intellectual at-

mosphere and scholarly commitment at Rhode Island College," the introduction concludes.

A fold-out section of the publication features the Thorp Professorship winners.

Initiated in 1979-80, two Thorp Professorships are awarded annually, one in the Arts and Sciences and the other in the School of Education and Human Development.

Describing the Mary Tucker Thorp Professor as "a faculty colleague whose achievements exhibit the highest level of excellence," the publication offers sketches of Dr. Nancy Sullivan, the first recipient of the Thorp Professorship in the Arts and Sciences; Dr. Joan Glazer, the first in the School of Education and Human Development; and Dr. Lillian Bloom and Dr. Robert Rude.

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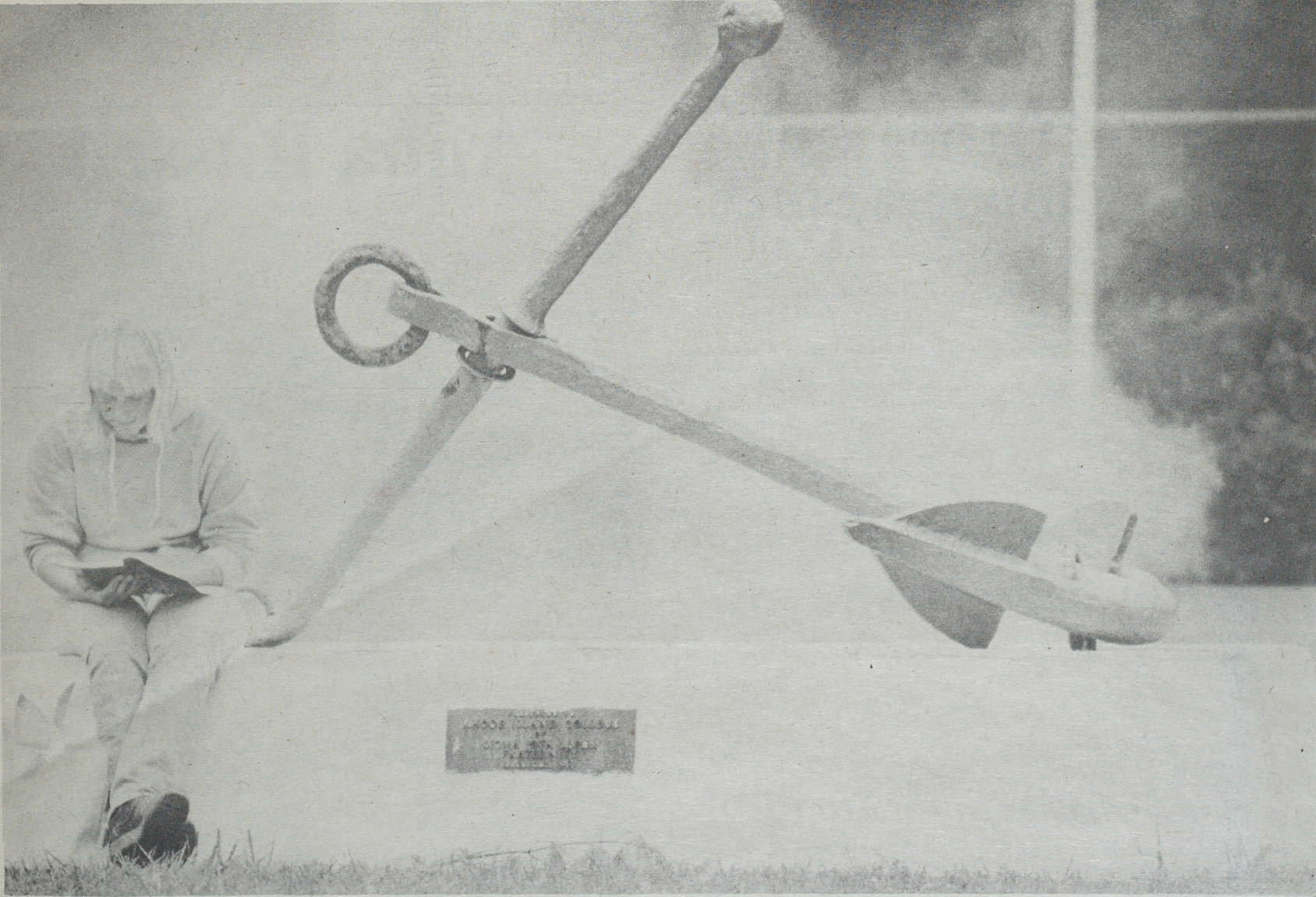
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Satterfield said students are usually little worse than the rest of the population when it comes to registering and, consequently, voting. It's just something that is always put off and eventually it becomes too late.

Those who wish to have a say in the up-coming elections must register by Oct. 2 to vote.

Satterfield said the Minority Caucus has been deputized to register voters at RIC and other campuses "no matter which town or city they come from in the state." Voter registration at other campuses is set for: Sept. 22 at the URI Extension; Sept. 23 at the University of Rhode Island in Kingston; Sept. 27 at the Community College of Rhode Island (Warwick Campus), and Sept. 29 at CCRI's Lincoln Campus.

The Minority Caucus will have ample help from RIC's people with Vice President Gary M. Penfield's office, Kathryn M. Sasso, director of conferences and special events, and Jack DeGiovanni, president of the RIC Student Community Government, all pitching in to make **YOUR VOTE COUNT!**



Anchoring down

ANCHORING DOWN her studies at the start of another academic year is this RIC student pictured in front of the Walsh Center. Classes officially resumed on Sept. 2. (What's New(s) Photo by Peter P. Tobia).