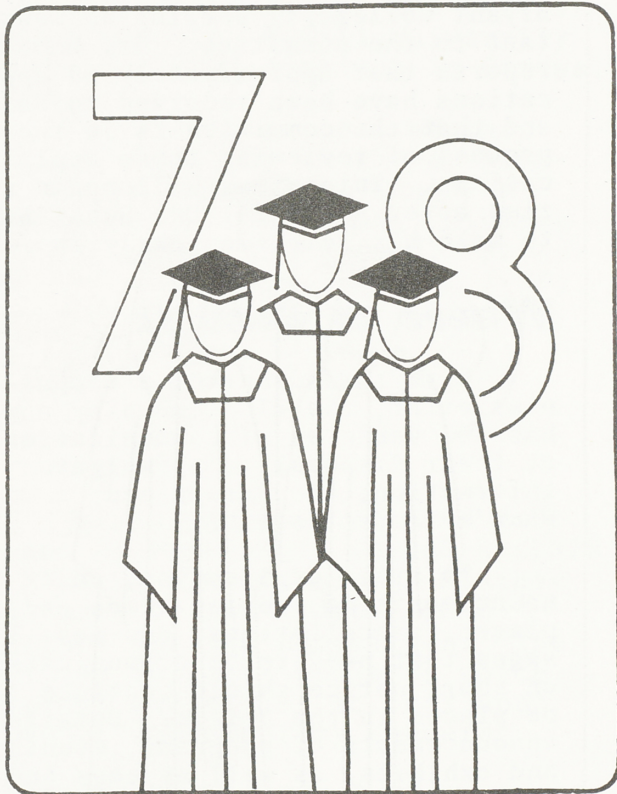




What's New(s) at RIC

Cap and Gown Convocation



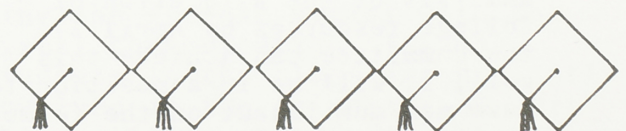
Seniors to Be Honored at May 3 Event

Each spring the Cap and Gown Convocation at RIC marks the beginning of commencement activities for graduating seniors. The event, which focuses on the scholastic achievements of seniors, will be held on Wednesday afternoon, May 3, in Roberts Auditorium.

The Invocation and Benediction this year will be given by the Reverend Marion L. Hayes, pastor of the Providence Baptist Church and father of Ms. Edith Hayes, a graduating senior. Greeting the class of '78, faculty members and guests will be President David E. Sweet and senior class representative, Mr. John M. Barry. Dr. James J. Rubovits of the Psychology Department has also been chosen by the senior class to address the assembly.

Following the presentation of the Senior Class Gift and the seniors recognized by *Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges*, the program will continue with the presentation of awards to those seniors selected for achievement in a particular field. In addition to the traditional awards, the following eight new awards will be presented this year: the Studio Art Award, the Economics and Management Faculty Award, the Evelyn Walsh Prize, the Epsilon Pi Tau, Beta Sigma Chapter Award, the Nelson A. Guertin Memorial Awards, the Philosophy Faculty Award, the Ronald J. Boruch Award and the Peter Jeffrey Archambault Memorial Award.

Directly after the convocation, there will be a reception for the graduating seniors given by President and Mrs. Sweet in the Faculty Center. Faculty members are also invited to attend.



PACBAM Progress Reported

Dr. Eleanor M. McMahon, Vice Chair of the President's Advisory Committee on Budget and Management (PACBAM) has reported that the committee has heard presentations of the reports of the executive officers in College Advancement and Support, College Budget and Management, Administrative Services, and Student Affairs in that order. The presentation of the academic affairs report began on Thursday, April 13, with reports by the Dean of Educational Studies and the Dean of Arts and Sciences, and was continued on Thursday, April 20, with the presentation of the executive officer's report. This report will interlace those of the academic divisions as well as all other units which report directly to the Vice President for Academic Affairs, namely, Admissions, Audiovisual, Library, the Bookstore, and the Master of Social Work.

Members of PACBAM have submitted "straw votes" on the intra-unit recommendations of the reports which have been reviewed to date. When all reports have been completed, the committee will decide on its final intra-unit recommendations in the light of the presentations made by all units. However, to date, there has been no inter-unit analysis and no discussion on the part of the committee of the effects that support for a recommendation for increased spending within one unit might have on another unit.

Because the 1978-79 budget reallocations must be submitted to the regents in mid-May, the committee aimed to complete its first analysis of the allocation of College resources by April 27. If the committee can achieve this goal, it will be in a position to have maximum impact on the formulation of the 1979-80 budget since that budget-building process will begin on or about May 1.

CASU Director Screening Committee Named

Dr. Sweet has established a screening committee to assist him in the selection of a new director of the College Advancement and Support Unit. Members of that committee are: Dr. Eleanor M. McMahon, Chair, Dr. Robert Comery, Dr. Maureen Lapan, Dr. William Lopes, and Mr. John O'Neill and Mr. Larry Sasso. Mrs. Gertrude Hochberg, retired vice-president for Public Relations at Bryant College, is serving as consultant to the committee. Dr. McMahon reports that approximately 60 applications have been received to date, and that the committee is in the process of reviewing those applications. Interviews will begin some time after April 24. Dr. Sweet hopes to make his selection early in June.

Where to Send It

With the advent of a campus newsletter, the RIC community now has two vehicles of communication at their disposal to promulgate information; the *Briefs* and *What's New(s) at RIC*.

To avoid duplication, announcements of meeting times and places, cancellations, and messages that need to be communicated on short notice should continue to be placed in the *Briefs*. Detailed announcements of programs, events, and exhibits, as well as news and personal items, (such as publications, grants, awards), should be directed to *What's New(s)*.

Duplication of news items only serves to contribute to the considerable amount of printed material you receive each day. You can help to eliminate the redundant reporting of information and give your news the attention it deserves by directing it to the proper publication.

Keep in mind that items for publication in *What's New(s)* must be received at the News Bureau in writing at least one week prior to the Friday of publication.

Faculty Grants and Awards

DR. RIDGWAY F. SHINN, JR. has been awarded a \$1,100 grant in support of research from the Canadian Embassy under their Faculty Enrichment Programme. A specialist in the history of the British Empire and the Commonwealth, Dr. Shinn will spend several weeks in Canada during May and June in a program of research and study, focusing on the Imperial Conference of 1926 and the life and work of author Arthur Berriedale Keith. He plans to conduct his research principally at the University of Toronto, McGill University and the National Archives in Ottawa.

The primary purpose of this research and study is the development of two courses in Canadian history; a GS 151 course, "Studies in the Canadian Experience," scheduled for each semester in 1978-79, and a History 350 course, "Issues and Themes in Canadian History," tentatively planned for 1979-80.

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A planning grant of \$500 was awarded to PROFESSORS GEORGE KELLNER and STANLEY LEMMONS of the History Department by the Rhode Island Committee for the Humanities. The committee supports projects which bring the humanities to bear upon issues of contemporary concern.

With this award, Professors Kellner and Lemmons will explore the feasibility of preparing a multi-media documentary on the evolution of Providence's urban environment, combining historical, architectural, musical, and artistic information. This documentation would provide an awareness of the city's historical roots for a wide range of audiences.



English Department to Celebrate Writing

On Wednesday, May 10, the English Department will hold a "Celebration of the Art of Writing" in the department's quarters on the second floor of Craig-Lee in conjunction with the department's semi-annual book sale. Among the special features of the day will be two performances of an original play by Doreen Dimitri, a student in English 380 Writing Workshop. The play will feature Grace Creasey, Ray Brigidi and Donna Horgan with Anthony Carlino handling the direction and stage managing. In addition, a lecture by Kaja Silverman of Trinity College on the aesthetics of film will be given at 2 p.m. in Craig-Lee 255.

Also featured will be original compositions read by students from other Creative and Expository Writing classes. Highlighting the day will be a series of publications produced by students in several writing courses. Instructors teaching these courses are Professors Ballinger, Hoffmann, McClelland, and Sullivan. Events will take place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and refreshments will be served.

Paper Specialist Speaks to Design Class

Ms. Marie Gerecht, a promotion services representative from the Rourke-Eno Paper Company of East Providence, was a guest speaker in Professor John DeMelim Jr.'s Graphic Design class on Monday, April 24. In her presentation, which included numerous samples of various types of printing papers, she stressed the important role paper plays in assisting the graphic artist with the visual communication of ideas. Students in the class are presently involved in the selection of suitable printing papers for their final design projects.

3 PM MEN'S TENNIS RIC vs. Central Connecticut State. Home.

3 PM VARSITY BASEBALL RIC vs. Quinnipiac College. Home.

THURSDAY, MAY 4

10-12 AM YOUR DIET AND WEIGHT CONTROL - YOU ARE WHAT YOU EAT Rebecca Palmer, Nutritionist at the Dairy Council will speak. Part of a series of learning experiences on Food and Beverage sponsored by the Dean of Students Office, Health Education Program. Student Union, Parliament Chambers.

8:15 PM PLAY *Present Tense* A RIC Theatre Production written by Jack Carroll. Will continue until May 7. Admission is \$3 for general public and \$1.50 for students with a RIC ID. Roberts Little Theatre.

FRIDAY, MAY 5

3 PM MEN'S TENNIS RIC vs. Bryant College. Home.

4 PM WOMEN'S SOFTBALL At P.C.

7-10 PM ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING Lounge F, Student Union.

8:15 PM RIC SYMPHONIC BAND AND JAZZ ENSEMBLE Admission is free. Roberts Hall Auditorium.

SATURDAY, MAY 6

9 AM VARSITY BASEBALL NESCAC Title Game. At Keene, New Hampshire.

10-12-2 PM AIAW STATE TOURNAMENT Women's Softball. At P.C.

1 PM MEN'S TRACK AND FIELD RIC vs. Southeastern Massachusetts University. Away.

SUNDAY, MAY 7

10 AM SUNDAY MASS Student Union Ballroom.

7 PM SUNDAY EVENING MASS Browne Hall, Upper Lounge.

PRESIDENT'S CALENDAR

Friday, April 28, 12 noon-2 p.m., Special Education Department Luncheon, President's Home. Saturday, April 29, the President will attend the Goddard College Evaluation Meeting, Washington, D.C. Monday, May 1, 6 p.m., Post-Secondary Education Sub-Committee Meeting, RIJC Warwick Campus. Wednesday, May 3, 2:30 p.m., Cap and Gown Convocation, Roberts Auditorium; 4 p.m., Reception for graduating seniors given by President and Mrs. Sweet, Faculty Center. Thursday, May 4, 8:30 a.m., PACBAM Meeting, Regents Board Room; 12 noon-2 p.m., Library Staff Luncheon, President's Home; 7 p.m., the President will attend the Westerly Branch of the RIC Alumni Association Meeting, Mystic, Conn. Friday, May 5, 12 noon-2 p.m., Music Department Luncheon, President's Home.

Events

The RIC Symphonic Band was one of several Bands and Wind Ensembles from the Eastern States to perform at the College Band Directors National Association Eastern Regional Convention. The Convention was held at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in New London, Connecticut on March 31. Under the direction of Dr. Francis Marciniak, the band presented a program on "The Development of Early Wind Bands."

Five students from RIC accompanied by Dr. Charles J. Marzzaco of the Physical Science Department participated in the 32nd Annual Eastern College Science Conference held on April 6-8 at Schenectady, New York. Presenting papers at the conference were Donna-Marie Cedroni of Providence, Carol Constantino of Pawtucket, Andrea J. Rousseau of Swansea, Mass., and Paul R. Riendeau of Pawtucket. This is the fourth consecutive year that RIC students have taken part in the conference.



RIC Calendar of Events

APRIL 28 - MAY 7

FRIDAY, APRIL 28

3 PM "PUERTO RICO: ITS PEOPLE, ITS ARTISTS" Luis Cancel, executive director of the Bronx Museum of the Arts will conduct this multi-media presentation on Puerto Rican Art History. Sponsored by the RIC Latin American Student Organization. Student Union Ballroom.

3-5 PM LATIN AMERICAN STUDENTS ORGANIZATION Meeting. Ballroom, Student Union.

3:30 PM MEN'S TENNIS RIC vs. Lyndon State. Home.

8 PM PLAY *Sty of the Blind Pig* performed by Brown University's Rites and Reason Backdoor Theatre. Admission is \$1.00. Presented by Harambee. "Aspects of Blackness" series. Roberts Auditorium.

8-10 PM ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING Lounge F, Student Union.

8 PM - 1 AM DANCE Featuring the music of "Rhythm" sponsored by RIC Programming. Presented by Harambee. "Aspects of Blackness" series. Donovan Dining Center.

SATURDAY, APRIL 29

10 AM MEN'S TENNIS NESCAC Championships. Home. Continuing on 4/30/78.

1 PM VARSITY BASEBALL RIC vs. Assumption College. Home.

SUNDAY, APRIL 30

10 AM SUNDAY MASS Student Union Ballroom.

7 PM SUNDAY EVENING MASS Browne Hall, Upper Lounge.

7-9 PM PHETA LAMBDA CHI MEETING Chambers Meeting Room, Student Union.

7:30 PM SUNDAY NIGHT FILM SERIES: Annie Hall starring Woody Allen and Diane Keaton. Admission is 50¢ with a RIC ID and \$1.00 without. Gaige Auditorium.

8 PM BASKETBALL GAME "Awesome Harambees" vs. Panamanian Mushrooms. Presented by Harambee. "Aspects of Blackness" series. Whipple Gym.

MONDAY, MAY 1

12 NOON DAILY MASS Celebrated everyday except Tuesday. Meditation Room, Student Union.

3 PM WOMEN'S SOFTBALL RIC vs. Central Connecticut State. Away.

3-4 PM ANCHOR CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP Lounge F, Student Union. Also on 5/2 3-4 PM, 5/3 2-3 PM, 5/4 9-10 AM, and 4/5 10-11 AM.

4:30 - 7 PM INTERNATIONAL NIGHT AT DONOVAN. Dinner will consist of a variety of international dishes at various prices. Donovan Dining Center.

7, 8:30, 10 PM SOLEIL LASER MUSICAL SPECTACLE Final offering of the RIC Performing Arts Series. The concert incorporates colorful laser light and music programmed to interact by computer command. Admission is \$2 general admission and \$1 for students with a RIC ID. Roberts Hall Auditorium.

TUESDAY, MAY 2

1 PM CHAMBER MUSIC RECITAL Featuring Susan Wood, Bassoon. Roberts Hall, Room 137.

1-2 PM FILM *Hunger in America* Part of a series of learning experiences on Food and Beverage sponsored by the Dean of Students Office, Health Education Program. Horace Mann, Room 193.

3-4 PM ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING Student Union, Room 306.

7-10 PM "BOOZE GONE WRONG - THE ALCOHOLIC FAMILY". Pauline and Kenny from Alcoholics Anonymous will speak. Part of a series of learning experiences on Food and Beverage sponsored by the Dean of Students Office, Health Education Program. Horace Mann, Room 193.

7-11 PM SIGMA MU DELTA MEETING Chambers Meeting Room and Room 309, Student Union.

9-3 PM CAMPUS-WIDE BLOOD DRIVE Anyone of the RIC community that wants to donate blood may participate. Sponsored by the Council of RIC. Continuing on May 4 from 10-4 PM. Student Union Ballroom.

11 AM "THE DECISION TO ISSUE THE BALFOUR DECLARATION" Professor John Browning of the RIC History Department will speak. This lecture is part of the History Department's Outreach Program. 296 Angell Street, Providence.

12 NOON PROTESTANT SERVICES Lounge E, Student Union.

2-4 PM RAP GROUP WITH HANDICAPPED STUDENTS Craig-Lee 053.

2-4 PM "LIFE STYLE AND NUTRITIONAL ECOLOGY" Gussie Saffer from the R.I. Department of Health will speak. Part of a series of learning experiences on Food and Beverage sponsored by the Dean of Students Office, Health Education Program. Student Union, Parliament Chambers.

2:30 PM ANNUAL CAP AND GOWN DAY CONVOCATION AND AWARDS CEREMONY. Roberts Hall Auditorium.