



What's New(s) at RIC

Annual Fund Drives Are Launched



Sophomore Susan Roarke stuffs envelopes for the annual fund drives at the Alumni House.

- Photo by Peter P. Tobia

Once again the message has gone out - contribute! Over 23,000 letters soliciting donations to the college's annual Alumni Fund Drive and the Associates Fund have been sent to RIC alumni and parents of RIC students by the Office of Public Relations and Alumni Affairs. The mail campaign will be followed by personal contacts during the year, and a wrap-up phonathon in May 1979. Charles E. Totoro, class of '71,

is serving as general chair for the 1979 fund drives, and Henry Guillotte, class of '59 and associate professor of mathematics at RIC, is in charge of faculty solicitation.

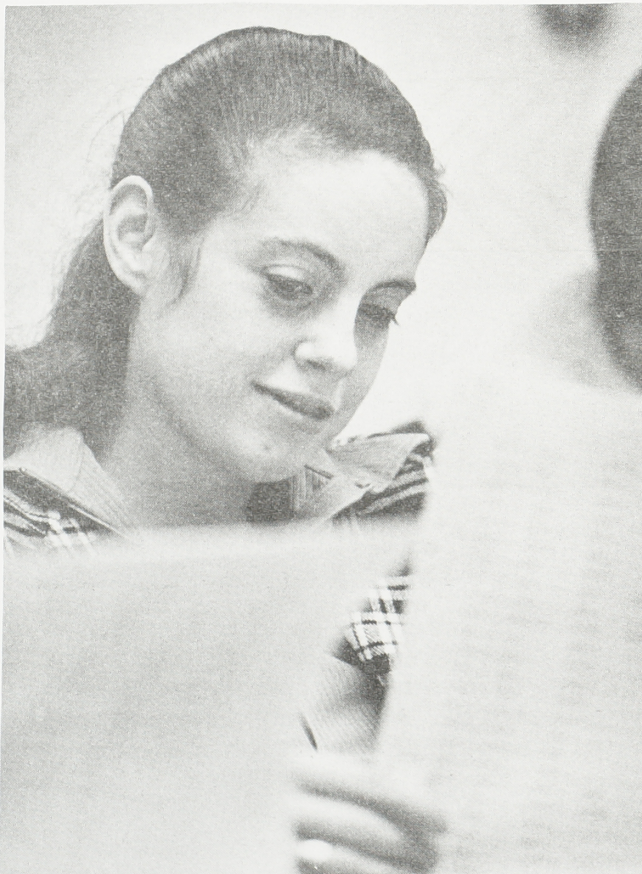
As the college observes its 125th year, the fund drives have taken the anniversary theme as well, hoping to earn at least 125 percent of last year's income.

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Phonothon Indicates Wide Support as Election Nears

The telephone solicitation of students, alumni, faculty, staff and friends of the college by various volunteer groups has suggested broad and deep support for bond issue referendum number 9. Begun on October 23, the phonothon will continue through November 6.

Data gathered from the calls already made indicates that 76 percent of those responding will vote in favor of the bond issue. Less than one percent have indicated they will not support it. The remainder of the calls either found the respondent undecided or were not successfully completed.



Robin Montvilo, assistant professor of psychology, checks phone roster prior to the start of the October 30 phonothon.

-Photo by Peter P. Tobia

The volunteer callers for October 30 were the *Anchor* staff and the AFT, local 1819. On November 1, callers were from the AFSCME clerical, local 2879 and students from the Athletic Department. On November 2, volunteers from the residence halls and the alumni handled the phones. Phoning will be done on November 6 by faculty and students from the Communications and Theatre Department.

The phonothon is being directed by John S. Foley, executive director of College Advancement and Support, and chair of the bond issue campaign. He observed, "We are encouraged, but we must guard against a false sense of security and an element of complacency." He emphasized the importance of getting out the vote.

Art Department Receives Select Accreditation

Last spring the college's Art Department received notification from the National Association of Schools of Art (NASA) of its full accreditation by the association for a five-year period. All four art degree programs offered at RIC were accredited including the B.A. degrees in studio art and art history, the B.S. degree in art education, and the M.A.T. degree.

Designated as a Division II institution by NASA, RIC is one of only 20-25 schools nationwide to hold accreditation in this category. Division II schools are defined as "degree granting schools offering major studies in art with a strong relation to a liberal arts program."

Those schools which have received NASA approval are listed in a book which will be distributed to 32,000 high schools and junior colleges throughout the United States.

Counseling Center Highlights Services

Workshops designed to meet students' developmental and informational needs (featured in the previous article on the Counseling Center in the October 20 issue of *What's New(s) at RIC*) are among the various services offered by the college's Counseling Center. In addition to these developmental programs, the center continues to provide confidential, personal, psychological counseling and psychiatric consultation.

Students are increasingly expected to draw on individual and group vocational testing and counseling services offered by the center in view of current concern about career opportunities for future college graduates. Clarification of career goals at the Counseling Center and career information and placement assistance at the Career Development Center can be utilized by students in a combined program for their vocational and educational planning.

(This is the second of a three-part series of articles focusing on the programs, services and personnel of the RIC Counseling Center.)

Focus on the Faculty and Staff

RAYMOND DWYER, cross country and track coach at RIC, was presented with the "Man of the Year" award during ceremonies following the 13th annual Educators Golf Tournament sponsored by Johnson & Wales College on October 9. The award is presented annually by the tournament committee to an educator who has proven himself a leader in academic and athletic circles.

During the past five years that he has been coaching at RIC, the college took first place in the last four Rhode Island Small College Cross Country Championships. RIC teams have also placed second for the past two years in the New England Small College Athletic Conference Cross Country Championships.

With 28 years of coaching experience, Dwyer has been active in directing most road races held in the state including the Ocean State Marathon. Cited by several athletic and civic organizations for his athletic accomplishments, he recently received the Outstanding Citizen's Award for Athletic Directors for the 1977-78 school year.

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ROBERT W. ELAM, chair of the Music Department, was invited to present a lecture recital on the "*Piano Sonata* by Aaron Copland: Perspectives in Musical Parameters Which Determine Form" at the annual meeting of the Music Theory Society of New York State at SUNY-Albany on October 7, 1978.

The MTSNYS is a regional music theory society dedicated to pedagogy and research topics in music theory with open membership to theorists and composers in New England. Dr. Elam has been an active member of MTSNYS for the past four years and has also been active in the founding of the Society for Music Theory, a national conference with similar goals and directions.

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DRS. CAROLYN and RICHARD FLUEHR-LOBBAN, associate professors of anthropology, have contributed objects of Sudanese folk art to the Brooklyn Museum exhibition, "The Arts of Ancient Nubia and the Sudan" which opened in

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New York on September 28. The exhibition will continue until December 31. It will then travel to the Seattle Art Museum, the New Orleans Museum of Art and The Hague in 1979.

In conjunction with the New York exhibition, Dr. Carolyn Fluehr-Lobban will speak on the topic of Nubian women at the Museum of Natural History on Saturday, November 18. On Sunday, November 19, Dr. Richard Fluehr-Lobban will speak on urbanization on the Upper Nile at the Brooklyn Museum.

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Several faculty of the English Department represented RIC at the Fall Conference of the New York College English Association (NYCEA) held at Nazareth College in Rochester on October 13 and 14. PROFESSOR SHIRLEY MULLIGAN presented a paper entitled "James Stephens - Irish Lyricist." DR. DANIEL ORSINI spoke on "Hopkins' Monastic Sonnets: A Study in Fulfillment," and DR. TAKI VOTORAS discussed "The Moral Erato of Edward Young." Dr. Frances F. Dean, president of NYCEA, presided at the luncheon meeting which featured Richard Wordsworth. His address, "Women and Children First," presented personal and literary insights on his great-great-grandson, eminent English poet, William Wordsworth.

Where Do I Send It?

Since March 1978, *What's New(s)* at RIC, the official college newsletter, has been offering the college community a new, bi-weekly format for the communication of campus news. *What's New(s)* accommodates detailed announcements of college programs, events and exhibits; personal items such as

publications, honors, awards and grants; and lists opportunities for employment, research fellowships and grants.

Messages that need to be communicated on short notice including cancellations, meeting times and places should continue to be placed in the *Briefs*.

Duplication of news items, however, 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 in writing at the News Bureau, Roberts 112 or 113, at least one week prior to the Friday of publication.

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This would be \$45,000 for alumni and \$2,500 for the associates. Also in recognition of RIC's 125th year, contributors are being asked to consider gifts to the college in multiples of 125 (\$2.50, \$25, \$50, \$125 ...).

Donors of \$125 or more will become members of RIC's Anniversary Club headed by Mary Davey, director of Public Relations and Alumni Affairs. A membership of at least 125 is anticipated to celebrate the date of the college's anniversary, May 29, 1979.

Last year's fund drive provided support for the alumni scholarship program, the associates award for scholastic excellence, the library book fund, the RIC Foundation, the President's discretionary fund and the programs of the Alumni Association and the RIC Associates.