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INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS John Arapsol of Kenya (left) and Esam Eid of Jordan (right) talk with Dr. Audrey Olmsted, adviser.

Foreign Service on Campus

By Arline Aissis Fleming

Going off to college, suitcase in hand, is a big step and often a frightening experience.

Most students know, however, that they probably will see their families during the Thanksgiving or Christmas breaks. But there's a small group of students who say good-bye to their parents knowing they probably won't be home or seeing their families again for four years.

The next time they see their families, it will be with diploma in hand.

Although there aren't many international students on the RIC campus this year, the number of students from foreign countries is growing every year.

At one time, there were only a dozen or so. Today, there are almost 50. That's why the office of international students was

established last January, with Dr. Audrey Olmsted as adviser.

The students come from all over the world — Iran, Greece, Lebanon, Switzerland, the Soviet Union — and their problems vary as much as their customs.

Housing, transportation and language barriers are just a few of the problems Olmsted helps to resolve.

There are also more serious situations, such as exportation and returning to a country which may be in the midst of a political upheaval, that she must help handle.

Advice and counseling for international students used to come from the admissions office when their numbers were fewer. But

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No Job Losses

Cuts to Come In Operations

(Editor's Note: As *What's New(s)* went to press, the Board of Governors was preparing to meet to act on proposals dealing with budget reductions at the three state colleges.)

The governor's call to the state's three public colleges to cut \$3.7 million from their budgets this fiscal year "will certainly affect our operating expenses" but will not affect faculty and staff jobs, college officials assured.

Vice President John Nazarian said the cuts at RIC will be effected by leaving positions vacant, cutting operating expenses in virtually every area, including telephone, mail and printing services, by eliminating capital purchases for the library, cutting student aid and student help, and by deferring maintenance repairs.

President David E. Sweet said on the eve of the state Board of Governors for Higher Education meeting last Thursday to act on the governor's proposed five percent cuts that there will be no retrenchment or laying off of college personnel.

Sweet emphasized that the decision on budget reductions and non-retrenchment were made on the basis of the best information available prior to the Board meeting.

In a statement to *What's New(s)* relative to the proposed cut in the college's 1981-82 appropriation, Sweet noted that at a meeting with the governor on Nov. 30, Albert Carlotti, chairman of the Board of Governors, "forcefully articulated" the point that **any** cut in the appropriations for the three institutions of higher education would create "serious problems" for the institutions and would "negatively affect educational quality."

"From the beginning of these discussions, I have taken the position that **any**

cuts this year will impose a burden on the college which is bound to have a negative impact," he said.

Governor Garrahy, who has been seeking since Oct. 1 to reduce state spending by five percent over the remainder of the fiscal year, said while it would be impossible to accomplish in some departments, he felt the higher education budget could be cut back without "jeopardizing the quality of programs."

President Sweet said he was "especially grieved" at having to cut the library purchase budget by \$100,000, but noted that last year the library budget was increased by \$60,000 for purchase of periodical subscriptions at the end of the year.

Thus, the net effect on the library budget

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Inflation Kills New Dorm Plan

Rhode Island College students who wish to live in the dorms next year will continue to find single rooms scarce as the housing crunch seems likely to continue in the wake of the recent rejection of construction of a new dormitory.

High interest rates which would have made student room charges too expensive brought a recommendation to the Board of Governors for Higher Education that the plan for construction of a 214-bed dorm be shelved.

The college had been pushing for the new dorm and had construction bids in

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TONIGHT'S THE NIGHT: RIC's Symphony Orchestra and Chorus rehearse for the performance at the Ocean State Performing Arts Center tonight at 8. It's RIC's annual "Holiday Gift to the Community" which will be followed by a gala reception at the J. Joseph Garrahy Judicial Complex downtown. The Christmas decoration (at right) may be purchased for \$2 at the reception or afterwards at the Advancement and Support Center. (See other photos on page 7).

(What's New(s) Photo by Peter P. Tobia)

Christmas Draws Near



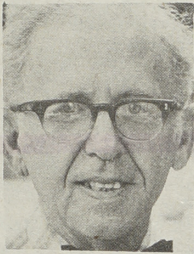
On TV

President David E. Sweet was scheduled to appear on Channel 6's "Truman Taylor Talks" show yesterday and again this morning along with President William O'Hara of Bryant College.

The half-hour show on the national Mindpower Campaign was taped Dec. 2 at the station's studios.

Dr. S. Saranson To Lecture At RIC Dec. 10

Dr. Seymour B. Saranson, psychology professor from Yale University, will speak at a brown-bag lecture at Rhode Island College on Thursday, Dec. 10, at noon.



That evening, he also will take part in a program at the Biltmore Plaza called "Days of Hope, the Care of the Mentally Disabled People."

That program is part of a public education project being sponsored by the Rhode Island Department of Mental Health, Retardation and Hospitals and is being financed in part by the Rhode Island Committee for the Humanities.

At RIC, Professor Saranson will speak in the Faculty Center's Conversation Pit. His lecture is free and open to all.

Professor Saranson is the author of several books, including "Problems in Mental Deficiency," "The Challenge of the Resource Exchange Network" and "Education Handicap, Public Policy and Social History."

He was formerly chief psychologist for the Southbury Training School for the Mentally Retarded and during the early 1950s was an advisor to the Joseph P. Kennedy Jr. Foundation.

In 1955, Professor Saranson was one of three scholars commissioned by the National Association for Retarded Children to conduct a year-long study into the prevalence of and contributing factors to mental retardation. He was formerly the director of the clinical psychology program at Yale.

The RIC talk is being sponsored by the special education department.

Deadline for Grants, Sponsored Projects Announced

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION fellowships at the pre- or post-doctoral level are available for 6 to 12-month period for further training in research utilizing the facilities and collections of the Institution. Research must be conducted in cultural history, history of art, history of technology and science, anthropology, evolutionary and systematic biology, environmental sciences, earth sciences or tropical biology. Post-doctoral stipends are \$17,000 a year. Pre-doctoral stipends are \$9,500 a year. The application deadline is Jan. 15.

The ROCKEFELLER FOUNDATION announces *Fellowships for minority-group scholars* in support of research designed to influence the understanding and resolution of minority-group issues in America. There are two areas of competi-

tion; Social Sciences (education, employment, housing, and civil rights) and the Humanities. Fellowships for \$18,000-\$25,000 for one year will be granted. The application deadline is Jan. 15.

THE NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL is awarding post-doctoral and senior *associateship awards* in a number of federal programs laboratories in biological, medical and behavioral sciences and in chemistry, engineering, mathematics and earth, atmospheric, physical and space sciences. Stipends begin at \$22,400 a year. The application deadline is Jan. 15. *Post-doctoral fellowships for minorities* also will be awarded for research in behavioral and social sciences, humanities, mathematics, physical sciences and life sciences. Stipends are \$18,500

(regular) and \$25,000 (senior). The application deadline is Feb. 1.

The NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH *Extramural Associates Program* promotes the entry and participation of ethnic minorities and women in NIH supported research. Six-month residencies for faculty from institutions which contribute significantly to the pool of women and minorities in science are awarded. The application deadline is Jan. 31.

Please contact the Bureau of Grants and Sponsored Projects Ext. 8228, for additional information on any of these programs.

Focus on the Faculty and Staff

DR. ROGER CLARK, assistant professor of sociology, presented a paper on "The Second Sons: Indentured Indians in Trinidad and Fiji" at the Nov. 6 conference of the South Asia Society in Madison, Wis. the conference draws scholars interested in Asian affairs from around the world.

DR. ALEXANDER H. CORNELL, professor of economics, has had his latest book, *International Collaboration in Weapons and Equipment Development and Production by the NATO Allies - Ten Years Later and Beyond*, published by Martinus Nijhoff BV of The Hague, international publishers. The book clarifies total organizational and managerial efforts by the Allies to date and does not evaluate weapons per se.

CAROLYN AND RICHARD FLUEHR-LOBBAN are the guest editors of the fall issue of the journal "Africa Today" which commemorates 25 years of the independence of the Sudan. The special issue contains 11 articles and 10 reviews as well as greetings from the Institute of African and Asian Studies at the University of Khartoum.

RICHARD LOBBAN is currently in the Sudan continuing his research in Sudanese urbanization while completing his tenure as a Fellow of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

CAROLYN FLUEHR-LOBBAN is currently on leave and is in residence as an Andrew Mellon Post-doctoral Fellow at the University of Pennsylvania. While still on leave from RIC, Richard will take up his post as director of urban research at the Social Research Center, American University in Cairo on Feb. 1. Carolyn, appointed senior research associate at the same center, will join him in September of 1982.

DR. ROBERT CROSSMAN, member of the adjunct faculty, has won the 1981 Explicator Literary Foundation Award for writing *Reading Paradise Lost*. His work, published by the Indiana University Press, was cited as the best book of *explication de texte* in 1980 in the field of English or American literature. Crossman's approach is through the reading process: how the text unfolds in the mind of the reader.

LYNN SINGLETON, director of the RIC programming staff, has been named director of the Monroe Civic Center in Monroe, La. As such, he will be responsible for directing, promoting, planning and coordinating the operations of the 33-acre civic center complex, which includes an 8,000-seat arena, a performing arts theatre, conference hall and agricultural pavilion.

He assumes his new position Jan. 4. Singleton has been at RIC for six years, serving in various capacities from Student Union officer to associate dean of Student Union/student activities. He recently completed the course work for a Ph.D. in higher education at Boston College.

SYLVIA G. ZAKI, assistant professor of nursing, presented a paper in Boston at the National Forum on Death Education and Counseling on Nov. 6 before about 75 persons at the Hyatt Regency.

HOWARD E. REED, associate professor in the department of economics and management, took part in a discussion of two papers at the Allied Southern Business Association conference held in Atlanta from Nov. 11 to Nov. 14.

STEPHEN MANTORELLA of the college music faculty, will perform an organ recital at St. Martin's Episcopal Church, Providence, on Tuesday, Dec. 8, at 8 p.m. His performance of all-French music will include works by Jewish composer Darius Milhaud, Jehan Alain and a selection of works from the Montreal Organbook, an 18th Century manuscript found at the parish church of Notre Dame in Montreal.

'Debris' Catches International Eye

A RIC professor and his studies in archeology will be the subject of a radio interview scheduled to be broadcast throughout Canada.

Dr. E. Pierre Morenon, assistant professor of anthropology and geography, was interviewed on Nov. 26 by Tom Silver of radio Station CKRA in Edmonton, Alberta.

The 10-minute interview stems from a UPI article distributed nationally based on a *What's New(s) at RIC* article by George LaTour regarding the amount of debris modern man is leaving in his wake. The feature article, entitled "Modern Man is Burying Himself," ran in the Aug. 31 edition.

Silver indicated to Professor Morenon that a number of other stations throughout Canada would be carrying the interview.

Morenon said he was "amazed" at the publicity generated by the LaTour article and "how a little bit of interesting research done through RIC can have an impact."

Grants and Awards

DR. PETER S. ALLEN of RIC's anthropology and geography department was recently awarded a \$41,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities for the purpose of compiling and publishing a comprehensive catalogue of films and other audiovisual materials of archaeological interest.

The grant is being administered by the Archaeological Institute of America. Professor Allen is project director. He hopes to have the project, which is already underway, completed by September of 1982.

SYLVIA ZAKI, associate professor of

nursing, recently received a \$7,500 grant from the Adult Education Division of the State Department of Education to conduct a series of workshops for senior citizens on stress-related topics.

The workshops are being conducted at the Coventry Senior Citizens Center and will deal with the six highest stress areas among seniors, including health, finances and legal matters.

Professor Zaki is being assisted by Barbara Rayner, director of the center and adjunct member of the RIC Gerontology-program, and Pat Cunningham-Warburton of RIC's nursing department.

Letters to the Editor

Nov. 18, 1981

Dear Editor:

Thank you for the excellent coverage of the exhibit of primitive art in two recent issues of *What's New(s)*. I was particularly impressed with the accuracy and clarity of the article in the Nov. 9 issue.

My only reservation is that I wish pictures of the exhibits could have been included, rather than the large photo of me. After all, it was the students who produced the exhibits and who were the artists.

Thank you again for an excellent and flattering job.

Sincerely,
George M. Eppe

Nov. 24, 1981

Dear Editor:

It was with "great pleasure" that I read the article written by Ms. Fleming about Martha Leo in your Nov. 23rd issue.

In some others' eyes Martha has a handicap but it is you and I and others who really have the handicap for we do not understand how lucky we are to have people such as Martha to make us feel that life is worth living.

Martha has a heart as wide as all outdoors. Martha, I love you just the way God made you. In my eyes you're 10 feet tall.

Gerry Silva

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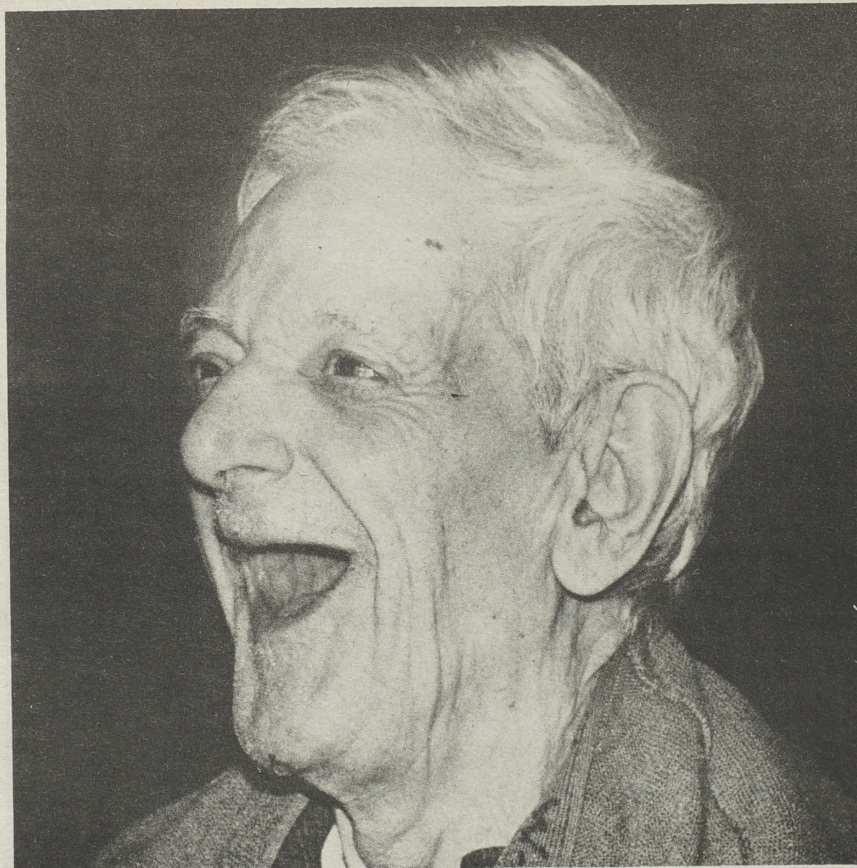
Golden Afternoon For Golden Agers

Senior citizens at the Golden Crest Nursing Home in North Providence had an afternoon of laughter and singing when a group of Rhode Island College students visited with their traveling show.

The "Workshop in Theatre for/with Senior Citizens," under the direction of Prof. Joseph Graham, prepares students for just this type of entertainment. The students have three area nursing homes on their agenda.

Above, RIC student Faith Greene strums a few tunes on her guitar. Molly Marks and Graham present some comedy routines, while Ray Pfeffrle enjoys a hearty laugh.

What's New(s) Photo by Peter P. Tobia)



Reaching out, 23 Years Ago at RIC

In September of 1958, tuition at Rhode Island College for an out-of-state student was \$300 a year. There were no dormitories. The campus consisted of six buildings.

"The Anchor" came out once a month and the library, which was housed in the Student Center, held 40,000 volumes. (Today it holds 425,000).

Although the college had been in existence for many years, this campus was brand new, from the bricks to the cement, from the desks to the telephones.

The switchboard system had 100 extensions when it was first installed. That same PBX system now accommodates 360 extensions — and there's another telephone system besides.

But when the system was installed in 1958, it was almost as exciting to some people — namely the telephone company — as commencement to seniors.

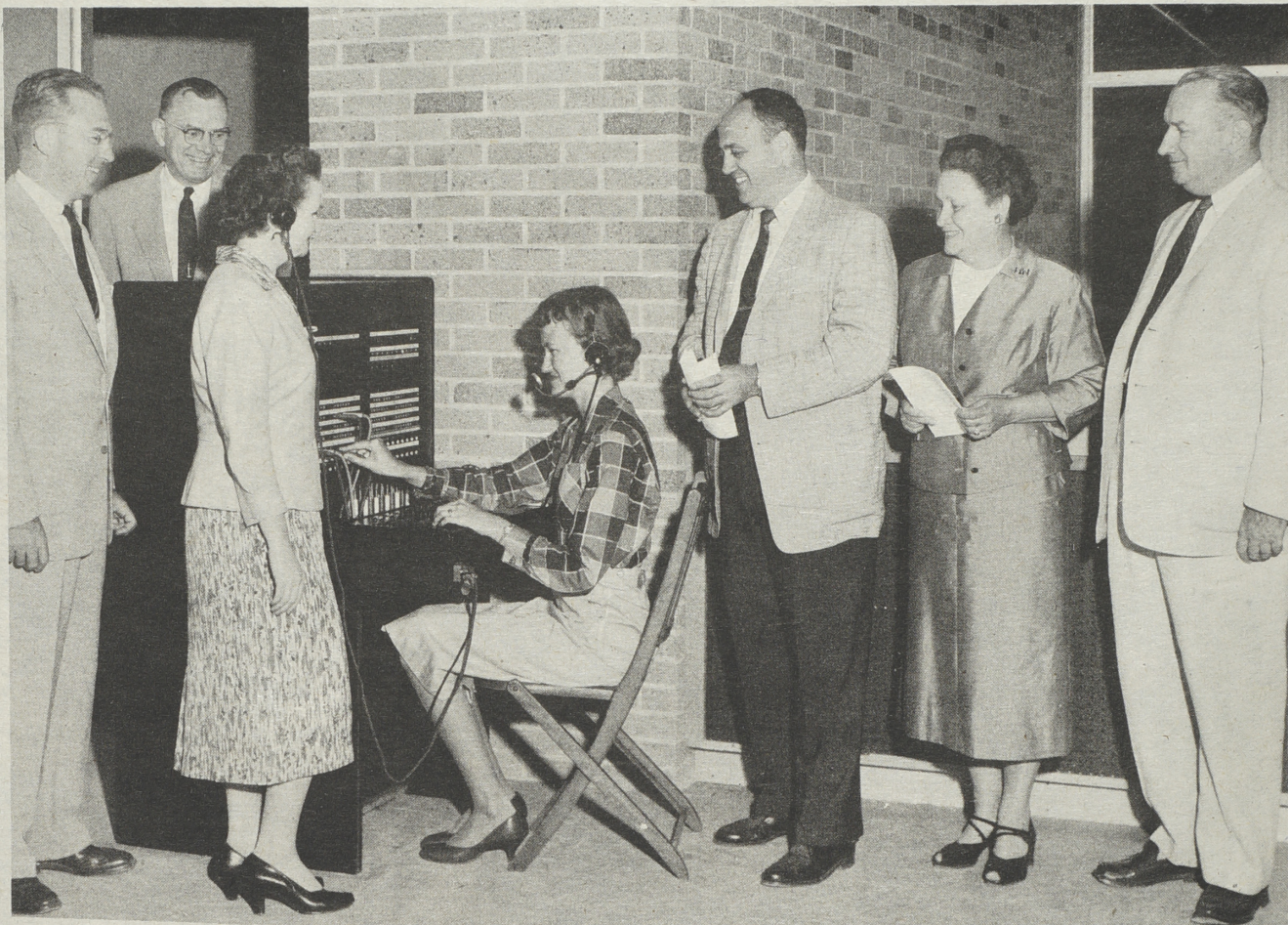
A 1958 in-house pamphlet, "Rhode Island Telco News," came through the News Bureau recently with the story of how people at RIC reached out and touched someone for the first time.

This is what it said:

NEW SWITCHBOARD FOR R.I. COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

On September 8, the R.I. College of Education began its fall term occupying its new campus and buildings off Mount Pleasant Ave., Providence, R.I. This latest addition to Rhode Island growing higher educational resources cost \$5,500,000 and is equipped with the most modern facilities obtainable.

Among the new buildings are a new Henry Barnard School for laboratory teaching; a Student Center building containing the college library, bookstore and cafeteria; two classroom buildings also containing teachers' offices and on the ground floor of one, a garage; an administration building which houses the



ANSWERING THE FIRST CALL on the new PBX switchboard at Rhode Island College of Education is Mary J. Dunn, operator. Others in this 1958 photo are (l to r) Allen T. Mortimer, F. W. Spear, Mary Buckley, Ernest L. Overbey, Violet Lord and Edward A. O'Rourke.

executive and business offices and a 975-seat capacity auditorium; and a gymnasium building with team and physical education facilities of all descriptions.

For the first time the 800-pupil student body will have the desirable environment of a campus setting which is large enough to provide for expansion if and when necessary.

Of course the most modern telephone equipment was made a part of this new State Teachers College.

A one position 701A dial system was put

into service on August 19, 1958. It is equipped with 10 trunks, 100 extensions, numerous key plans and other miscellaneous telephone equipment.

We extend our congratulations to the Board of Trustees of State Colleges of Education for the intellectual training and education of its youth as they strive to become better teachers.

Though it wasn't exactly as monumental as the trans-Atlantic cable, it meant enough to the company to photograph the switchboard when it went into operation.

And although they thought that

switchboard operator had her hands full then, things have changed since she first said, "Number, Please."

For example, it now costs an out-of-state student more than \$2,200 to attend RIC, and in-state students more than \$600.

Telephone calls then were processed for faculty, staff, medical staff, controllers office and office staff — all of whom totaled less than 100.

Today, the RIC catalogue has almost 30 pages of such listings, and a telephone directory with 58 pages.

That's a lot of people reaching out to just say "hi."

RIC Freshman Named CYO Youth of Year

RIC freshman Mary Ann Connolly of Cranston was recently named Providence-South Catholic Youth Organization Youth-of-the-Year.

She was cited for her leadership ability, her dedication to the CYO program and her willingness to serve.

Miss Connolly has been active in St. Matthew's parish CYO for four years, and has been in regional CYO for two years.

A special education major, she is a member of the RIC Student Council for Exceptional Children. For the last five years, she has worked with the Rhode

Island State Special Olympics for handicapped persons.

"I enjoy working with the handicapped," she says.

She added that she hopes to work with children after college.

Miss Connolly is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Connolly of 54 New Market St., Cranston. She has one sister who attends St. Xavier Academy in Providence.

The annual award is given to one youth from each of Rhode Island's nine regions. No state-wide award is given.



Mary Ann Connolly

Pell Scores Aid Plan

Under one of the U.S. Department of Education's proposals for Pell Grants, the major source of financial aid for needy college students, students' families would be expected to contribute at least 40 percent of their discretionary income toward college costs — a sharp increase from the 10.5 percent contribution required this year.

The department said the higher rates would mean that the number of grant recipients would drop from 2.8 million this year to 1.96 million in 1982-83, eliminating most students whose families earn more than about \$16,000 a year.

That proposal is "an unacceptable alternative and one that should be rejected," Sen. Claiborne Pell, the ranking Democrat on the Senate education subcommittee and the man for whom the grants were named, said.

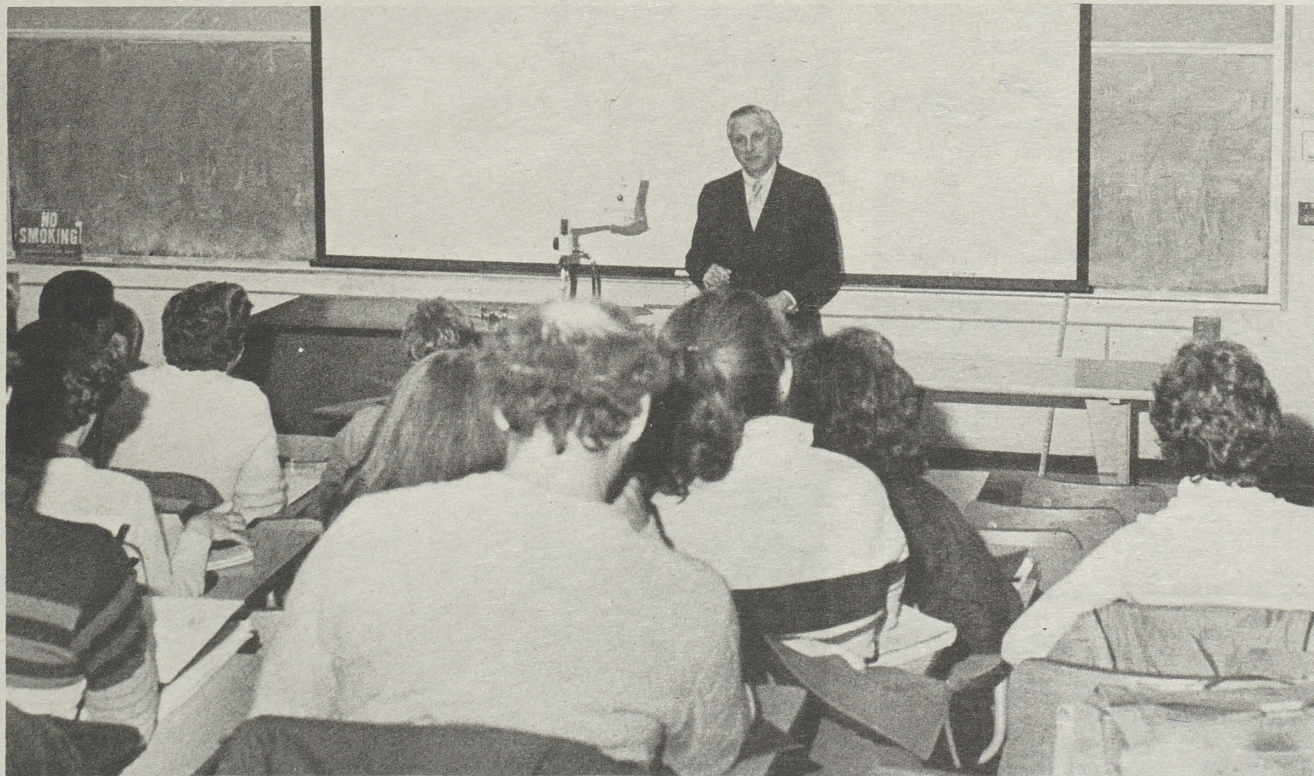
"It would constitute a total rejection of the Middle Income Student Assistance Act," Pell said, referring to the 1978 law that expanded middle-income students' eligibility for Pell Grants, which had previously been restricted to students from families earning less than \$15,000 a year.

Senator Pell said the department's alternative proposal was "little better," even though it would require families to contribute between 11 percent and 25 percent of their discretionary income to education costs.

It would extend eligibility for grants to students from families earning up to about \$27,000.

Under that formula, the department says, about 400,000 students now eligible for grants would be disqualified next year, instead of the approximately 840,000 who would be disqualified under the first plan.

Department officials said they would prefer the second plan — to allow a "more equitable distribution of limited Pell Grant funds" — but that Congress would have to approve a number of changes in existing student-aid law before the formula could take effect.



BRUCE SUNDLUN, president and chief executive officer of the Outlet Company, addresses management and economics students at the first session of the department's "Visiting Executives Program." Photo by Ray Fuller

They're at the Center of a Lot of Learning

Hidden away on the bottom floor of Horace Mann is an organization which has been in existence for 10 years. But sometimes it experiences an identity crisis.

Many people are not only unaware that the Learning Center is there, but also aren't exactly sure what it offers.

The reason is not just the location. Far more, it is because the people who benefit most from the Learning Center are primarily from the community, not the campus.

Children or adults seeking a clearer picture of learning problems — such as poor reading or math skills — come to the Learning Center for help. More than 50 persons a year are offered assistance by faculty members and student workers who run the basement operation.

However, the Learning Center does serve a distinctive campus function as well.

"It links our students with what's going on in the classroom. It provides a more clinical setting," said John J. Laffey, director.

"There was no single source where students could get this kind of experience. They would have to contact agencies," he added.

"It was a hit or miss thing."

The Learning Center at RIC offers diagnostic, prescriptive and remedial services to clients referred to them because of learning difficulties.

If a teacher or parent suspects that a child is experiencing some type of difficulty, the Learning Center could be the first place to turn for help.

The Process

"We get referrals from school systems, parents, doctors and community agencies if there is a question regarding a learning difficulty, such as poor reading, poor math or language processing difficulties," said Barbara S. Goldstein, social work coordinator.

The child, (and sometimes, the adult), will go through a series of tests and interviews conducted by one or more of the faculty members associated with the project. (Other faculty members are Dr. John Crenson, elementary education; Dr. William Oehlkers, elementary education; Dr. Steve Imber, special education, and



THEY MAKE IT WORK: Barbara Goldstein, social work coordinator, and Dr. Jack Laffey, director of RIC's Learning Center, which offers diagnostic, prescriptive and remedial services to clients with learning difficulties.

Dr. Donald Werner, psychology.)

Each of these faculty members assigns graduate or undergraduate students to specific cases. Observations are made and the data collected.

For example, Dr. Crenson conducts math evaluations.

"We collect information from the classroom teacher, from the math scores

— from any data that might be helpful to us," he explained.

Meetings are conducted with the child and tests scheduled to "try to determine the child's attitude about school, math, his teacher, his peers and parents," he said.

"We want to see to (at) what point these things may affect his achievements in the classroom," he said.

After several reports written by the various faculty members and RIC students, a general recommendation is made to the school and to the parents.

It is hoped that at this point, the child, or the adult, can be helped.

The Referrals

"Often these children have difficulties over which they have no control," Dr. Laffey said.

"We want to help them have a better understanding of what the future may hold."

Among the myriad reasons why a child may experience difficulties in a certain area is the expectation of their being at a certain level at a certain age.

"They're not all the same," Dr. Laffey said.

"There are different rates of maturation and the same approach isn't always best for each youngster."

Among the discoveries made at the Learning Center is that some children might need more consistency while others need their work tailored specifically for them. Some need help paying attention.

Referrals are made to the Learning Center from all over the state. One child even came from Block Island. A fee is asked, but a referral is not refused for lack of funds.

The Center and RIC

Several academic departments from the RIC campus are represented at the Learning Center, among them psychology, elementary education, special education, sociology, social welfare and counselor education.

Despite its involvement in these various departments, Goldstein and Dr. Laffey still are often asked where they are and what they do. One of the additional reasons for this is, they admit, their own lack of in-house publicity.

Their goal is not to rack up numbers, but to provide help for the community, and experience for RIC students.

But lack of identity or not, the Learning Center is an active training center for RIC students, offering on-the-job training.

This low-key, tucked-away organization has managed, since its inception in 1971, to serve more than 500 persons, as well as hundreds of RIC students.

Assn. Names RIC Site for New Chapter

RIC's Gerontology Center has been selected by the National Association of Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders as the site of a new statewide chapter for Rhode Island, according to Dr. Gamal Zaki, center director.

The disease (pronounced altz'hi-merz) is a little-known but common disorder that affects the cells of the brain. It is now recognized as the most common cause of severe intellectual impairment in older individuals.

Zaki, who is the founder of the local group, said an organizational meeting for charter members was held on campus Nov. 20. The heads of 25 state agencies attended.

Lt. Gov. Thomas R. DiLuglio was elected president for a two-year term.

Invitations to "leaders in human services" in the state, said there was "a great need" for such a local organization. The purpose of the chapter would be to help not only the elderly who are afflicted, but also to assist their families to cope with the effects and implications of the disease, Zaki said.

The new chapter will meet frequently at first in efforts to establish support groups around the state for members of families with Alzheimer's, Zaki said.

Another goal of the local group will be to educate the medical profession about the disease.

Zaki said not more than 300 doctors in the country are versed in the diagnosis and treatment of the disease which affects up to a million-and-a-half American adults.

According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, physicians do not know yet how to prevent or cure the disease.



AN OBSERVER at the recent UEC Adult Education/Art Fair is Mildred Weal of Providence. The fair and open house offered arts and crafts booths and information on the center's various programs.

(What's New(s) Photo by Peter P. Tobia)

RIC Holds Collegiate Journalism Conference

About 40 students from six Rhode Island colleges and universities converged at RIC on Nov. 20 for the first Rhode Island College Collegiate Journalism conference.

Speakers from newspapers, radio, TV and the RIC campus offered lectures and workshops at the all-day event.

Opening the conference was President David E. Sweet, who called the student press a powerful medium on all college campuses.

"I'm sure that you are as impressed as I am with the power of the student press. It is the principal means of communication for an overwhelming majority of students," he said.

"Those of you who write for and edit a publication are in a position to significantly shape the destiny of your institution," he told the conference, which was organized by staff members of RIC's student newspaper, "The Anchor."

President Sweet went on to say, "If you have done your work well as a member of the student press, your skills and experience will serve you in any career."

The president went on to congratulate the RIC students who planned the conference, calling them "typical of the kind of student leadership that we have on this campus."

Talks followed on photo-journalism with Jim Daniels. Cartooning was discussed by Bob Selby, both of the *Providence Journal-Bulletin*.

Other featured speakers were Irene Wielawski, Tom Mulligan, Mark Patinkin, Tony Lioce, Jack Major and Robert Cardosa, all of the *Providence Journal-*

Bulletin; Doug White of WJAR-TV; Bill Ozemblewski of Pawtucket's *Evening Times*; Norm Jagolinzer of radio Station WLKW; Wilbur Doctor of URI's journalism department, and Frankie Wellins of RIC Career Services.

Ozemblewski, Doctor, Jagolinzer and Wellins all took part in a panel discussion on the topic "Where Do I Go After College in Journalism?"

The students were advised to get their college degrees, as well as some experience, before going out to hunt for a job.

"And you'll have to start small," said Ozemblewski. "It's a question of plugging away at the dozens of small newspapers in the state."

Doctor told the students that a graduate degree is useful, "if one wants to specialize."

Is it difficult for women to break into the communications business, a student asked.

"It has been and no longer is," answered Doctor.

The percentages of women enrolled in URI's journalism department have been growing steadily, he added.

Jagolinzer said that in certain areas of radio programming, however, "you will never hear a woman's voice."

Doctor advised the students to explore the various avenues open to journalism and communications majors, in addition to newspapers.

"And be in a whole lot of places as much of the time as possible," advised Wellins.

The conference ended with individual critiquing sessions of the student newspapers.



ADDRESSING THE RIC Collegiate Journalism Conference is Mark Patinkin, columnist for the *Providence Journal-Bulletin*.

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Study Shows 60 Million in Continuing Ed

About 60 million adults — almost half of all Americans aged 25 years or older — took part in some form of continuing education in the past year, according to a study by the College Board.

Almost 85 percent of those adult students were studying "how to" topics that would help them cope with a change in their lives, such as how to use new equipment on the job, or how to care for aging parents.

The rest were continuing their education simply because they enjoyed learning, or wanted to meet new people, said Carol B. Asianian, director of the Office of Adult Learning Services, which conducted the study.

Results of the two-year project, based on telephone interviews with 2,000 adults, indicated that most people began continuing education courses during a period of "life transition," often because of a specific major event, such as a job change or a divorce.

Asianian found that more than 55 percent of adult students were educating themselves for career transitions.



LISTENING to good advice on the "Who, What, Why's" of journalism are (l to r) Angela Bocci and Mark Poirier. They were among 40 students from six colleges and universities in the state to attend the first Collegiate Journalism Conference.

Language Bill Gains Support

Advocates of strengthened foreign-language programs, after years of lobbying, delivering ominous warnings of international embarrassments, and developing imaginative student-recruitment techniques, think they may finally be seeing their work pay off.

The House Education and Labor Committee has approved a bill providing increased federal funds for foreign-language study.

The bill, sponsored by Rep. Paul Simon, Democrat of Illinois, would provide \$4 million to junior and community colleges for model foreign-language programs; \$13 million, or \$30 for each foreign-language student, to four-year colleges and universities (\$40 per student for "less commonly taught languages and for students continuing past the second year of study in any foreign language); and \$60 million for colleges and universities that require two years of foreign-language study for either admission or graduation

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hand, including at least one that was considered acceptable, when plans changed abruptly in light of high interest rates.

The recommendation to shelve the project came in a three-paragraph letter to the board from President David E. Sweet.

"We have reluctantly concluded that high (interest) rates preclude us from proceeding at this time," Sweet wrote.

The decision not to proceed is considered a crushing disappointment for college officials who had hoped the dormitory would relieve the existing waiting list for campus housing and also make RIC more attractive in the future to out-of-state students.

"It would appear that the construction of a residence hall on campus is no longer a viable possibility," Sweet told the Council of Rhode Island College.

He cited the fact that there was "no 10 percent money available" (interest) and "even 10 percent would be a high rate to

use going into a project such as this."

The college had hoped last August to float 20-year bonds to finance the project at an interest rate of 10 percent.

The bonds would have been entirely repaid with room fees collected from all students living on campus.

At 10 percent interest rates room charges would have risen to over \$1,400 a year for the 1983-84 school year when the new dorm was expected to be ready for occupancy.

The college had hoped room fees would have been no more than \$1,365.

Sweet said the long-term bond rate did not drop as much as the college had hoped and the lowest interest rate it could get was 12 1/4 percent.

He said this would have pushed room fees up to almost \$1,700 in the 1983-84 academic year.

Current dorm charges are \$1,070 a year. Sweet wrote to the Board of Governors that the college "will report to the Board from time-to-time regarding possible solutions to our need for additional housing on or near the campus."

He indicated further that college officials were looking to review the

situation and investigate other options.

The college first announced its interest in building a new dorm in December of 1979, but the original plan for a \$5-million, 300-bed dorm proved too costly.

Other options were then considered including building an addition to Browne Hall. Then last May, the college revised their plans again and proposed a \$3-million, 214-bed unit on a site adjacent to Browne Hall.

Cruz to Speak

Antone Cruz, president of the Rhode Island Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), will speak on Dec. 8 at 1 p.m. in Horace Mann 193.

His topic will be current social trends and issues with specific attention to recent Klan activity in the area and its implications.

Cruz is the local spokesman for "Klanwatch."

His talk is being sponsored by the Sociology Club.

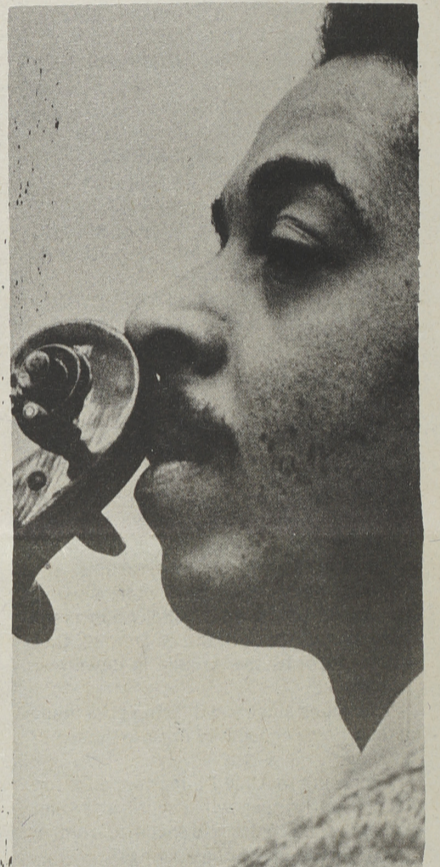


Giving it their all in preparation for tonight's "gift" performance at the Ocean State Performing Arts Center are these members of RIC's Symphony Orchestra.

Here they're putting the finishing touches on the "Magnificat in D Major" by Bach and "Hodie: A Christmas Cantata" by Ralph Vaughan Williams.

RIC's Symphony and chorus will be assisted by The Barrington Boys' Choir in this the third annual free holiday performance.

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Rhode Island College is becoming more popular, says Olmsted, and the international culture at RIC is steadily rising.

"Obviously the students are satisfied," she said. "Word has gotten around that they can receive an excellent education at RIC for a reasonable fee. We're growing on our own without recruitment," she said.

There are students such as John Arapsol from Kenya, a graduate student studying industrial education. He arrived here only two months ago — three weeks after school had begun. A mixup in his paperwork had delayed his arrival.

Fortunately, Olmsted and student housing were able to come up with a dorm room for him, even at that late date.

Esam Eid transferred here from Johnson and Wales, but his native country is Kuwait. His goal is to become an engineer.

The students arrive at RIC under a variety of circumstances, Olmsted said.

Some are here because of a nest-egg set aside by their families, and others are supported by their respective governments.

Whatever way their tuition is paid, the students tend to come here wanting to study in the more practical areas of education.

"The practical can be exchanged immediately in terms of status and money," Olmsted said.

Those that are government-supported tend to find that their governments wish them to study the practical areas over the

more theory-oriented courses, she added.

A majority of the students live in apartments off campus and travel to school by public transit. So when they arrive in this country, they must not only face a new culture, but also become familiar with the city and the transportation system.

The international student office provides a list of apartments which are available off campus, but the students

must go about finding them by themselves. There is so much paperwork involved in processing an international student that often, by the time the way is cleared to study here, there are no rooms available.

That paperwork can prove to be a barrier for them in other ways.

"If the appropriate forms aren't filled out at the appropriate time, a student can be asked to leave the country," Olmsted said.

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is a \$40,000 reduction rather than \$100,000, he noted.

"Restoring the library budget will be my highest priority should any funds unexpectedly become available during the course of the year," Sweet said.

"We must maintain the quality of the library as a learning resource second only to the faculty in assuring the quality of teaching, research, and service to the college," he added.

The president emphasized that cuts are being made **without** any retrenchment in personnel, but noted personnel expenditures would be reduced by not filling vacancies and by curtailing the use of part-time and temporary faculty wherever possible.

"In other states where these kinds of reductions have been made, it has often resulted in retrenchment. I am grateful that such has not been the case here in Rhode Island, and I appreciate the governor's efforts in this regard," said the president.

Sweet said he was convinced RIC's academic community "has within its power to keep the negative impact of these cuts to an absolute minimum."

"In and of itself, money is not the resource which makes RIC successful. We are a great college because of the high quality of the work done here by all of the members of this community — faculty and students especially, but also staff and administrators," he said.

He said while it is true the appropriation can be cut, it is also true "that none of us is ever doing all that we have the potential to do."

He concluded by saying he hoped the college community will accept the cuts as "a challenge to increase our creativity — to come closer to realizing our full potential."

"If we do, then we will lay a foundation for ensuring that when money is again plentiful (as I am confident it will be) we will use those funds more effectively than ever before."

This is where her office can sometimes help clarify the situation for the students and the individual agencies.

But other situations are more difficult to clarify.

If a student is being supported by his or her government, and the country experiences a political upheaval of some sort, funds may be cut off, Olmsted said. Here too, she must try to step in and find an alternative method of payment, if this is possible.

Other problems are less tangible, such as loneliness and isolation.

Because of the distance and expense of traveling home, and because of political situations in certain countries, some students are unable to return home for four years. This causes worry about their families, and of course, a great deal of loneliness.

"We're trying to develop social and cultural activities so that the students have a group feeling," Olmsted explained.

Olmsted has been at RIC for four years as a communications and theatre instructor and debate coach. She has been adviser to the international students since January, and her office is in the Counseling Center, Craig-Lee 130.

Her bookshelf is filled with all sorts of information for international students, from visa information to academic requirements.

Assisting her from a student's viewpoint is Joan Greenwell, a RIC junior. Greenwell said she thinks it takes a lot of courage for a student to come from a foreign country to a strange campus.

Perhaps the prospect of coming to RIC will be less frightening as foreign students learn there is someone called Dr. Audrey Olmsted waiting for them.

Art Auction Set Dec. 10

The Rhode Island College Art Department will hold its annual art auction on Thursday, Dec. 10 at 8 p.m. at the campus art center.

More than 100 art objects donated by faculty and students will be auctioned off by art professor Enrico Pinardi.

In addition, a special raffle will be held to benefit RIC's Fine and Performing Arts Fund.

The raffle will include a print from art professor John DeMelim, a painting by Arlene Sweet and a large ceramic bowl by Harriet Brisson.

These items will be on display in the student gallery prior to the exhibit.

The auction will include antiques and collectibles as well as art objects.

Refreshments will be available and admission is free.

Donations of objects to be auctioned will be accepted.

PRISM to Offer 'Sister George'

The Rhode Island College Student organization, PRISM, will present the three-act play, "The Killing of Sister George" by Frank Marcus, Dec. 10, 11 and 12 at 8 p.m. in the Roberts Little Theatre.

Admission is \$1 for students, faculty and staff and \$2 for general admission.

The 1960's comedy explores the relationships of four women. The women will be represented by student actresses Becky Anderson, Lisa Matteson, Christine Messier and Donna Palumbo.

The play is being directed by graduate student John Powlesland.

Busy Season For HBS Singers

The Henry Barnard Singers, a 72-voice chorus of fifth and sixth-graders, will have a busy holiday season.

On Dec. 8, they will perform at the Coventry Senior Citizens Center; on Dec. 11, they will perform a holiday concert in Roberts Auditorium; and on Dec. 12, they will perform at the Arcade in downtown Providence.

The young singers will bring gifts made in their home economics class to the senior citizens.

According to Alice Pellegrino, director, each young singer will choose a "senior buddy" at the center and encourage him or her to join along in the singing.

The concert in Roberts Auditorium is set for 1 p.m. and is open to the public.

Barnard Suzuki Violins, under the direction of Robert Currier, will also perform.

The Arcade performance is set for 2 p.m.

The Waverly Consort



To Perform Thursday at RIC

The Waverly Consort will bring their distinctive blend of 12th through 18th century music to Rhode Island College on Thursday, Dec. 10, at 8 p.m.

The Christmas concert will be held in Roberts Auditorium.

Consisting of six singers and four instrumentalists, the group specializes in employing more than 5 unusual wind, string and percussion instruments of the medieval, Renaissance and baroque periods.

Directed by Michael Jaffee, the Consort is based in New York City. It tours nationally throughout the year.

Now in its 17th season, the Waverly

Consort was organized in 1964 at New York University where Michael and Kay Jaffee encouraged a small group of fellow graduate students in musicology to join them in some performances of medieval and Renaissance music.

Taking its name from Waverly Place, which runs by NYU's Washington Square campus, the group made its debut at the Carnegie Recital Hall on April 23, 1966.

The group appears 25 times a year in New York City, selling out annually two subscriptions series of four concerts in the Fuentiduena Apse at the Cloisters and the Metropolitan Museum of Art's Sculpture Court, a series in the Museum's Grace Rainey Rogers Auditorium and another at

the Brooklyn Academy of Music.

It tours nationally for Shaw Concerts, participates each year in the Caramoor Festival and performs regularly throughout South America.

In addition, the group has appeared several times on television, including three Christmas presentations on the "Today" show.

Reservations for the Dec. 10 concert can be made by calling the RIC box office at 456-8144, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., weekdays.

Tickets are \$7 for the general public, \$4.50 for senior citizens, \$5 for students and \$3.50 for RIC students. The concert is being presented by the RIC Performing Arts Series.

Calendar of Events December 7 - December 14, 1981

MONDAY, DECEMBER 7

10 a.m.-4 p.m. — "Discovering Pattern Alternatives." All-day program to wrap up "Patterns in Relationships Workshops." Student Union, Lounge F.

Noon. — Sports Medicine Clinic. Dr. Brian Cornell of Newport will speak on jogging and its principles. Clarke Science, Room 125.

7-8:30 p.m. — Student Council For Exceptional Children Arts and Crafts Program. Student Union, Gamesroom.

8:15 p.m. — RIC Chorus and Symphony Orchestra Holiday Gift to the Community. Ocean State Performing Arts Center.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8

12-1 p.m. — Holy Day Mass. Student Union, Ballroom.

12-1 p.m. — Women's Center Meeting. Student Union, Room 310.

12-2 p.m. — Jewish Students and Faculty Meeting. Student Union, Room 304.

12-2 p.m. — Finance Commission Meeting. Student Union, Chambers.

12-2 p.m. — Workshop for Students Undecided on Major. Craig Lee Hall, Room 052.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9

2-4 p.m. — Student Organizations Committee Meeting. Student Union, Room 310.

7-11 p.m. — Student Community Government Meeting. Student Union, Chambers.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10

10 a.m.-4 p.m. — Surplus Plant Sale. Sponsored by Biology Department. Biology Department Greenhouse (Clarke Science).

7-10 p.m. — Sigma Mu Delta Meeting. Student Union, Room 304.

8 p.m. — Waverly Renaissance Christmas Consort. Presented by RIC Performing Arts Series. Features beautiful music of the 12th through 18th centuries. Admission is \$7 general; \$5 for non-RIC students with an I.D., \$4.50 for senior citizens, and \$3.50 for RIC students with an I.D. Roberts Hall Auditorium.

8 p.m. — Prism Production. "A Writer's Workshop" continues through Dec. 12. Roberts Hall, Little Theatre.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12

3-7 p.m. — "The Elderly in Our Families" Dinner Party. Donation \$1.50. Donovan Dining Center.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13

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

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

7-9 p.m. Kappa Delta Phi Meeting. Student Union, Chambers.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 14

9 a.m.-3 p.m. — Senior Class Pictures. Student Union, Room 310.

7:30-9:30 p.m. — Quit Smoking Clinic (Final Session). Let's Celebrate." Evaluation of program, graduation and celebration. Student Union, Lounge F.