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AUTHORS OF THE RHODE ISLAND ATLAS, RIC Profs. Robert J. Sullivan and Marion I. Wright are in familiar surroundings with the tools of their trade and some copies of their newly published book. (What's News Photo by Peter P. Tobia)

Profs publish atlas of R.I.

'It's a dipstick in history'

By Laurence J. Sasso, Jr.

"Midnight and five minutes before something else—that's how the Atlas got done."

Marion I. Wright, professor of geography at Rhode Island College is describing the sort of determination required to complete as demanding a project as *The Rhode Island Atlas* which she and her colleague Robert J. Sullivan, associate professor of geography, have just brought out.

Seven years in the making, the publication is the most complete modern atlas of the state in existence. With its appearance Rhode Island joins 37 of the other 50 states in having its own atlas.

Published under the auspices of the Rhode Island Publications Society, the book is extensively illustrated with maps, graphs and photos. It is expected by its authors and the publisher to be a major source of information on the historical development and contemporary geographic aspects of Rhode Island.

The atlas contains a total of 242 pages. There are five major sections in it, one each on the physical realm, places and names, the people, the economy, and transportation.

In writing and compiling the book, Professor Wright did the research and authored the text while Sullivan created the maps and graphs.

There are 72 pages of maps, 122 individual maps in all. Thirty-three graphs and tables accompany the maps and text. There are also 62 photos. Many of the maps and graphs were designed by Sullivan to communicate a unique body of information.

One example which Wright singles out is a detailed map of American Revolutionary War fortification and defense sites in Rhode Island. The map is accompanied by a narrative of selected events of the Revolutionary era put together by Wright. Nothing like this has been done before in Rhode Island.

Another graph designed by Sullivan indicates the annual average cloud cover from sunrise to sunset at Green Airport. The graph shows the percent of total possible sunshine experienced by the month. It may surprise some of us to learn that April, the soggy month just ended, has sunshine at the annual average rate of 56 percent of the time, just what the state enjoys for a whole year.

"This Atlas is a studied endeavor not to just look at Rhode Island in isolation," Wright declares.

To demonstrate her point she refers to maps and accompanying text which chronicle maritime commerce of Rhode Island from 1640 to 1860 focusing on major ports and selected voyages such as that of The

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Sweet pledges support of Kapstein move

Dr. David E. Sweet, president of Rhode Island College, has pledged to support a resolution introduced by Representative Sherwin J. Kapstein into the Rhode Island House of Representatives on April 7.

The resolution (No. 6220) urges support of the campaign to rescind federal reductions in student financial aid. It was cosponsored by representatives Connors, Hernandez, Dambruch and DeAngelis.

Sweet wrote to Kapstein on April 14 thanking him for his efforts on behalf of students in higher education. Sweet said

that he would "make certain" that the resolution is widely distributed within the Rhode Island College community. He noted that the leadership of the RIC student government has been working to encourage students to write to representatives in Congress about reductions in financial aid.

The full text of Kapstein's resolution follows:

"WHEREAS, Federal aid programs

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29 named to 'Who's Who'

Graduating seniors who have been named to *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities* from Rhode Island College were acknowledged at Cap and Gown Day ceremonies held Thursday, May 3, at 12:30 p.m. in Roberts Hall Auditorium. Along with the recipients of honors and awards given by the various departments, the *Who's Who* honorees were recognized

at the annual rite which kicks off the commencement season at RIC.

Those named to *Who's Who* are: Donna J. Brown, 19 Woonasquatucket Ave., Providence; Susan G. Cady, 36 Ninth St., East Providence; Joseph P. Casale, 36 Astral Ave., Providence; Langdon D. Clough, 340 Broadway, Pawtucket;

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MS READ-A-THON WINNER Christine Foley holds up the T-shirt she won for helping to raise funds for the fight against Multiple Sclerosis. See story on page 6.

(What's News Photo by L. J. Sasso, Jr.)

Notes From Bernadette



Card of Thanks:

To President and Mrs. Sweet and the Rhode Island College Community:

Thank you for your kindness and sympathy at a time when it was deeply appreciated.

Lorraine and Ken Borst
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We received late word that Dr. Peter Allen, professor of anthropology, and Susan Heuck, editorial researcher for the National Geographic Society in Washington, were married on April 9 at Hyde Park Community Methodist Church in Cincinnati.

The bride is a graduate of Smith College and received her master's degree in classical archeology from the University of Cincinnati after several seasons of excavating in Greece and Cyprus.

The Rhode Island College community joins in extending best wishes to the bride and groom.

Peer counseling

Rhode Island College Women's Center will offer its Peer Counseling Training course from June 1 to July 20 (Mondays and Wednesdays) from 1 to 3 p.m. at a site to be announced.

Men and women are encouraged to register for the course which covers topics such as counseling and referral skills, birth control, rape, pregnancy, depression, abortion and drug and alcohol abuse, among others.

There is no fee for the course. Credit is not available for participation. Enrollment is limited and early registration is recommended.

For further information, stop by the center which is located in Donovan on the Mall, or call 456-8474.



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Survey shows grad students pick RIC mainly for programs offered

According to a spring 1982 survey of graduate students by the Rhode Island College School of Graduate Studies, the average grad student is one who attends continuously on a parttime basis and whose main reason for choosing RIC is the programs offered.

Following closely as the reasons for selecting RIC are the factors of "low cost", the location and class scheduling in the late afternoon and evening.

This average student is "for the most part" satisfied with all aspects of RIC, except for the registration procedures, reports Ruth L. McVay, graduate assistant who compiled the survey results.

The survey was mailed to a random sample of advanced degree recipients for the past five years. Of the 550 mailed (110 to each class), there were 204 replies, making it a 37 percent response rate.

Classes responded thusly: 1977-36; 1978-32; 1979-38; 1980-41; and 1981-57 for a total response of 204.

Most of the replies were in the 25-34 year age group which would indicate that most follow the traditional educational sequence of seeking an advanced degree immediately following the bachelor's degree or after only a few years' interval.

However, corresponding to the trend of older people going to school, 49 or 24.4 percent of those responding were in the age group of 35-44, and 22 or 11 per-

cent in the ages over 44.

Female-to-male ratio proved to be approximately the same as the undergraduate ratio at RIC or three to one.

Most were parttime students, carrying less than nine credits per semester "which may be an indication that most of our graduate students may have fulltime jobs" in addition to their studies.

Some 90 percent of the students (180) attended RIC continuously once they were in a degree program.

"The one overwhelming reason for choosing RIC is the programs available, followed by location, the low cost, and the late afternoon scheduling which allows them to continue to be employed while earning their degrees.

"Sometimes prospective candidates are attracted by low admission standards, but this does not seem to be the case here, since 'admission standards' generated the lowest response rate in the survey. The student is not here because it was easy to get in," concluded McVay.

In the survey 39 degree programs were represented, the largest number being the agency counseling program.

The survey found that, contrary to what one might expect, only a small percentage of respondents were graduates of RIC (20 or 10.3 percent) The majority (55) graduated from the University of Rhode Island or other colleges and universities, 83

of which are in New England.

Some 19 respondents or 9.4 percent were unemployed at the time of the survey which closely coincides with the national levels and may actually be a little below the national average employment level, said McVay.

A good part of those responding were employed as teachers, a total of 68 or 33.5 percent "as would be expected from this college with its history of emphasis on education fields."

However, the teaching fields were followed closely by the social service field with 281 or 13.8 percent. More social service people responded than secondary school teachers (26). Those reporting were employed in business, health and other fields.

Further educational plans of respondents show that 141 or 69.4 percent plan to take further course work, 62 of these, or 30.5 percent, just for general self-improvement and another 30.5 percent for another degree.

"This seems to be a good argument for the development of a Master of General Studies with so many people interested in development of 'self' rather than in pursuit of a career," McVay said.

The data also shows a high number of persons intending to go on for a doctorate with 63 or 32.6 percent.

Host debate tournament

Rhode Island College's Debate Council will host its fourth annual high school parliamentary debate tournament Saturday, May 14.

Any high school student interested in debating is invited to take part. Previous debating or public speaking experience is not necessary.

There is a \$5 fee for participants. It covers a demonstration round with four RIC debaters, four rounds of both prepared topic and impromptu debate, lunch, dinner and an awards presentation. For an additional dollar debaters can take part in a triple-speak round.

Trophies will be awarded to the top three teams and gavels will be presented to the top speakers. All who participated will receive certificates.

Registration for the tourney will run from 8:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. in the Fogarty Life Science Building, Room 050. Events during the day will take place there and in various classrooms. The day's activities should conclude at about 7:30 p.m. according to Debate Council spokespeople. For more information call 456-8175.

Insurance scholarships available

Educational Foundation of the Independent Insurance Agents of America will award eight \$1,000 scholarships to college juniors and seniors for the 1983-84 academic year.

Application forms are available through the office of College Advancement and Support. Deadline for submission of the application is July 15.

The Independent Insurance Agents of America, Inc., a non-profit organization, established the foundation in 1975 and undertook the scholarship program to encourage highly qualified students to pursue a career in insurance. The scholarships are awarded without regard to financial need.

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Seniors invite faculty to Senior Week Celebration

Rhode Island College's Class of 1983 has invited the college faculty to participate in a number of activities planned for Senior Week Celebration, Sunday, May 22 through Friday, May 27.

The activities include the college's first annual Rocky Point Outing at Rocky Point in Warwick, on May 22 which students, alumni and college administrators are expected to attend.

The outing includes an all-day midway pass, shore dinner, music and door prizes. Cost is \$10 person.

The students, according to Linda M. Moran, class president, are challenging the faculty to an afternoon softball game at the park.

On May 23, the Class of 1983 is having its 20-year "reunion" early with a Pre-union in the Rathskellar. Tickets are \$1 and entitles you to food, music and door prizes.

prizes.

On May 24, there will be a moonlight cruise on the Bay Queen which will leave from the Blount Marina in Warren. The cruise includes a buffet dinner and dancing until midnight. Tickets are \$15 and are limited.

On May 26, there will be cocktails, *hors d'oeuvres* and dancing at the Garden Room in the Biltmore Plaza, Providence. Tickets are \$10.

On May 27, there will be a champagne brunch in the Donovan Dining Center at 10:30 a.m. which will precede commencement rehearsal at 1 p.m. Tickets are \$4.

Faculty wishing to reserve tickets to any of the above events should contact the Student Union Information Center at 456-8148. Tickets are on sale now through Friday, May 13.

Tenure granted to seven

The state Board of Governors for Higher Education has approved the granting of tenure to Anne Savage Carty, nursing; A. Abbott Ikeler, English; Joan Merdinger, School of Social Work, all effective July 1, 1983, and Barbare Cohen, library, Joan

Dagle, English; Robin Montvilo, psychology; and Angela Murphy, nursing, all effective July 1, 1984, it was announced by Dr. Willard F. Enteman, provost and vice president for academic affairs.



Patricia Ferreira

Four RIC students present research papers at conference

Gerontological conference in Newport

Four Rhode Island College students presented their research papers at the third annual Northeast Gerontological Conference this weekend at the Viking Hotel in Newport.

Patricia L. Ferreira of Warwick, a psychology-gerontology major who will graduate this spring, will present her paper on "Lifestyle Approach to Activities Programming in the Long Term Care Facilities," Dianne Sprague Wyss, a graduate assistant in the psychology department, will present two papers, one on oral history which will be presented with Sylvia Zaki, and the other of an experimental study on children's attitudes toward elders. The paper on oral history will make use of a manual written by Wyss.

Renee Codagnone, who just completed her certificate in gerontology and who is an out-reach worker at the North Providence Senior Citizens Center, will present a paper on "Outreach Counseling: A New Approach in Community Settings," Laura Murga, an MSW student, who is involved in the activities department at the Coventry Health Center and serves as president of the RIC Student Gerontological Society, will team up with students from Utica College, New York, in presenting a symposium on "The Role of Gerontology Students in Combating Ageism."

Problem-solving conference at RIC on May 20 and 21

Rhode Island College, in cooperation with the Rhode Island Math Teachers Association, will host a two-day conference at RIC's Gaige Hall on May 20 and 21 on teaching problem solving.

The conference will feature workshops and talks on key aspects of problem solving in all levels of school — from Kindergarten through college. It is open to all administrators, teachers, parents and individuals interested in helping children sharpen problem-solving skills.

Calculator and microcomputer issues in relationship to problem solving will also be explored.

Featured speakers will be Dr. Philip J. Davis of Brown University, and Dr. George Lenchner of Valley Stream School District and founder of the Math Olympiad for Elementary Students.

Davis, co-author of *The Mathematical Experience*, will speak on "Mathematics and Intuition" in Gaige Auditorium. Lenchner will illustrate and explain how the Olympiad program extends problem-

solving skills to elementary students. His talk will be in the Amos Lecture Hall in Clarke Science Building.

The speaking program will commence at 7:30 p.m. following a reception and dinner for which attendees must make reservations by May 10. The dinner is \$10 per person. Send fee to RIMTA, c/o Amedeo DeRobbio, 198 Garden City Drive, Cranston 02920. For registration information call 456-8038 or 456-8108.

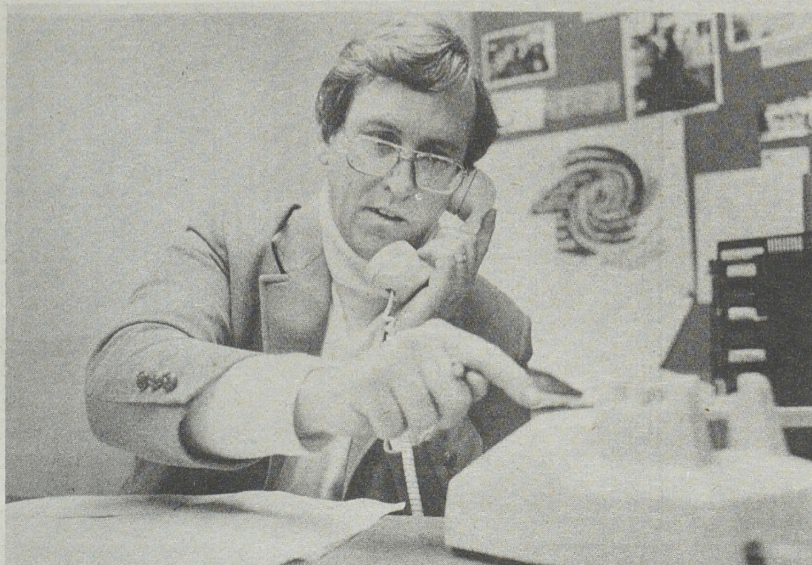
The speaking program is open to the public at no charge.

The dinner and talks will be preceded by problem-solving sessions in Gaige Hall starting at noon. Classroom teachers from schools throughout the state and region will participate.

These sessions will address the problems of integrating problem solving into the mathematics classroom.

Sessions speakers from RIC include Arthur F. Smith, Mariano Rodrigues, Patrick J. O'Regan, Barbara Gilfillan, Rosemary Murphy, Ann Moskol and Vivian Morgan.

What's News Deadline Tuesday 4:30 p.m.



DOING HIS PART in the recent Rhode Island College Annual Fund 'Phon-a-Thon' is president of the RIC Alumni Association, Dan Crowley. The Phon-a-Thon, conducted over parts of the preceding two weeks, is part of the college's yearly effort to raise funds.



Catherine Alteri

American Heart Association picks:

Nurse of the Year

Mrs. Catherine Alteri, a member of the Rhode Island College Department of Nursing, has been named the American Heart Association, Rhode Island Affiliate, "Nurse of the Year."

The new award, initiated at the affiliate's annual meeting in April, was made to Alteri for her service to the association for more than 10 years.

She has been an active volunteer C.P.R. instructor, a volunteer in the blood pressure screening and detection program, chairperson of the Nursing Education Committee for three years, and a member of the association's board of directors.

Announcement of the award was made by David A. Chatel, executive director of the affiliate, to Dr. Willard Enteman, provost and vice president of academic affairs at RIC.

Alteri graduated from College Misericordia in Dallas, Pa., in 1968 with a bachelor's degree in nursing. She then

was employed in various hospitals in Pennsylvania, New York and Rhode Island either on staff or as head nurse.

Following this, she served as staff-education instructor for eight years at Roger Williams General Hospital followed by a year as critical care clinician at the VA Medical Center.

She then attended Boston University's graduate school, receiving her master's with a speciality in cardiovascular nursing in 1982, and joined the RIC staff.

Currently, she is involved in a clinical research project at the VA Medical Center in Providence which was established as a joint project between the college and the center. Jeanne Servideo, a RIC nursing student, and two staff nurses at the center assist her.

Married to Nicholas D. Alteri, the couple has three children and reside in Barrington.

Other Places

More student aid

"There's more student aid, so come and get it" is the drift of a new \$15,000 College Board radio ad campaign and high school press kits designed to let students know there's still federal student aid available.

College Board spokesmen say all the lobbying against President Reagan's proposed aid cuts — which were defeated in '81 and '82 — has given students the impression there's no aid left worth applying for.

In fact, federal aid funds have decreased by some 20 percent since 1980, when cuts and inflation are considered.

Job offers down 50%

In its interim survey, the College Placement Council says 189 campuses are reporting job offers are way down.

Starting salary offers are also down. Engineering and computer science grads are getting offers only 1 percent higher than last year.

Sees new draft in 1990s

A Pentagon-commissioned study says the dwindling number of young people and approaching prosperity — which might keep enlistments down — will force the government to revive a full draft during the next decade.

Tuition according to family income

Families earning more than \$40,000 would pay \$4,335-a-year for a dependent at a State University of New York campus, while the poorest students would pay only \$1,075 a year.

The Citizens Public Expenditure Survey, a 45-year-old "taxpayers' watchdog group," recommends a sliding scale instead of more across-the-board tuition hikes.

SUNY tuition may go up as much as \$300 next year if the current budget is approved.

What a fantastic time to be alive!

Beginning with a breakfast at the Faculty Center and concluding with a reception under the pines on the southeast lawn of Roberts Hall, last Tuesday was a day of celebration and recognition for the class of 1983.

It was the college's annual Cap and Gown Day Convocation. The seniors who earned honors and awards from their departments were treated to a breakfast to start things off.

At 12:30 p.m. the students and the faculty marched in a colorful procession which led them to the Auditorium of Roberts Hall where the ceremonies took place.

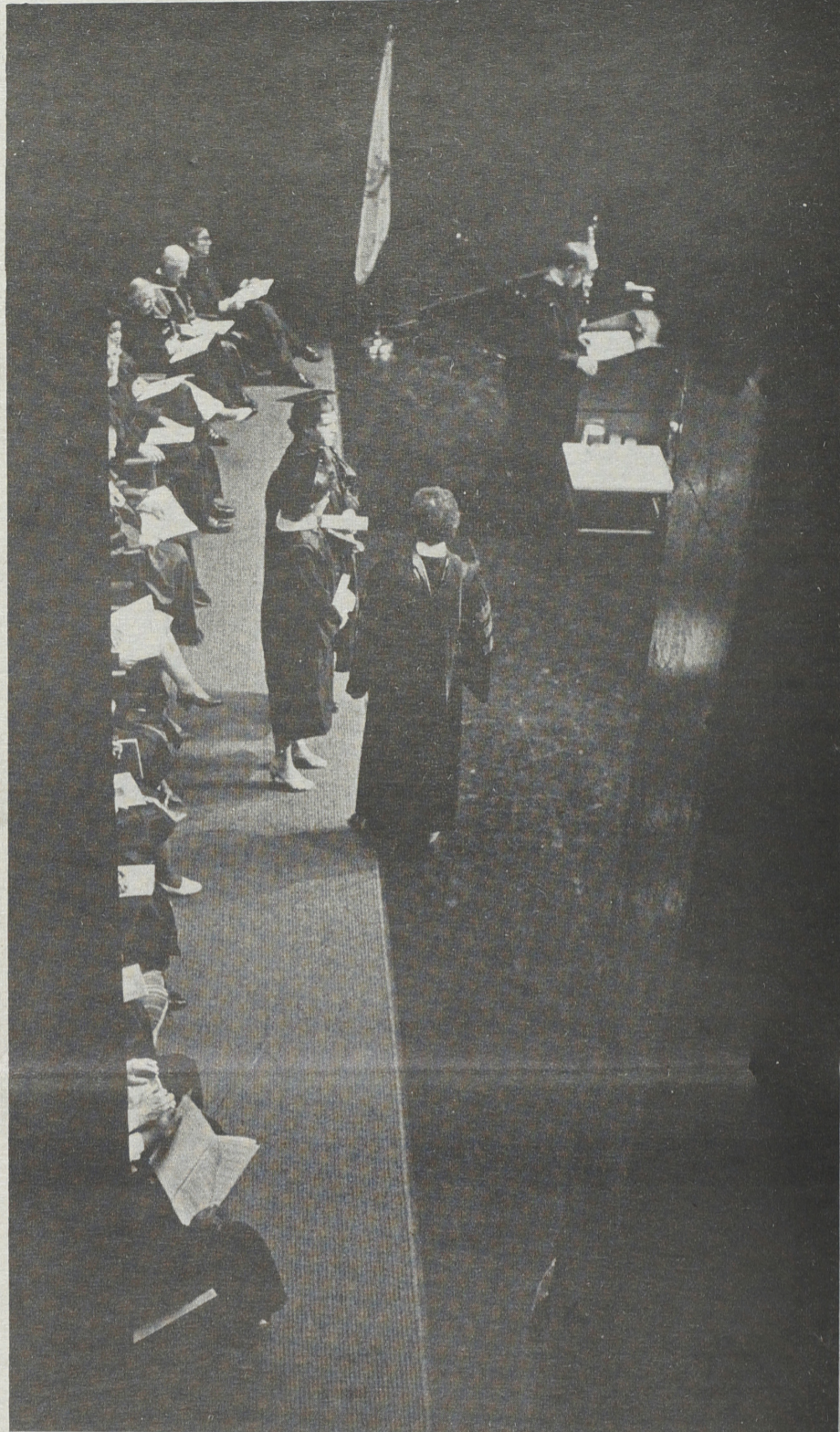
Thirty-four individuals were presented awards, 29 were named to *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities* (see page 1 for story on *Who's Who*). All of the seniors who attended were officially invested with academic regalia.

Veronica Lee Perkins speaking for her classmates offered the thought that "only the strong survive" and told her cohorts to "go for it" in life. Take on the challenge and hold fast to your dreams she urged, quoting the poet Langston Hughes.

Gary Penfield, vice president for student affairs at RIC, was the class of 1983's choice for faculty/administration speaker.

He admonished the students to "Wake up! Look at what's going on, and set your sails for uncharted waters according to the very best of available information." He concluded his talk by telling the graduating class, "Be flexible, always ready to adapt to the new rules and roles of a revolutionary world. What a fantastic time to be alive!"

MARY MILLER and Gary Parente (below), both economics/management majors, attend the breakfast held Tuesday morning in the Faculty Center. John Finnerty Jr. and Diane Capotosto (right) receive the RIC Theatre Award from Mark Goldman, Departmental Award recipients (below) are: (sitting front from left) Bob Turrisi, Tom Deppert, Cathy Schwab, Eileen Fonseca, Rocio Borrero; (second row) Laura Harris, Mary Miller, Chris Bouchard, Leo Perrotta, Katherine Salome, Glennis Channon, Muriel Robichaud, Irene Garriga and Diane Duhaime; (third row) Nora Sullivan, Elaine Assante, Mary Germershausen, Johanne Shea, Donna Soutanoglou, Linda Moran, Donna Moise, Joan Greenwell, Larry Verria, Gretchen Sommerfeld, Pricilla Babineau, Glenn Nadeau and Diane Capotosto; (fourth row) Matthew Manney, Gary Parents, Jane Robinson, Cindy MacLeod, Susan Donatelli, Joseph DiPippo, Langdon Clough and John Finnerty Jr.





VERONICA LEE PERKINS gives the greetings at the convocation (top). Dianne Thurber (above left), majoring in medical technology, smiles as she waits in line for the convocation to begin. People gather (above right) under the pines outside of Roberts Hall after the convocation.



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FIRST COPY OF THE RHODE ISLAND ATLAS authored by faculty members Robert J. Sullivan (left) and Marion I. Wright is presented to Dr. David Sweet, RIC president. Looking on is Dr. Willard F. Enteman (right), provost and vice president for academic affairs.

'It's a dipstick in history'

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General Washington, the first vessel to sail from Providence to China. Another set of maps shows ports of call for Rhode Island ships for the same period of time. These maps illustrate the extent of Rhode Island's impact on maritime commerce, and vice versa.

Other unusual maps and companion texts include those on Indian heritage and on black heritage. Wright read 101 local histories in order to complete the Indian heritage section. Similarly she read ships' logs, books on whaling and books on maritime commerce to assemble portions of the atlas relating to those topics.

Neither professor had time off from their teaching load to work on the atlas, although they did receive a small grant from the faculty research committee to help them complete the task. Both feel that their investment in time and in some instances their own funds can never be recouped. "It's all my spare time for as long as I care to think about," Wright observed of the arduous labor involved in getting the book to press.

However, one senses only anticipation and enthusiasm about the book's future life when talking with its authors.

"I hope it will appeal to a general audience," Sullivan says.

"An atlas is like a dictionary," adds Wright. "It appeals to all ages. You go to it to find the answer to a question. People will be going to this atlas to verify something that is important to them. It opens up a whole world you didn't know about. It is a dipstick in history."

Wright also referred to the book as a "touchstone." She says she is confident that readers will use it as it is designed to be used, as a reference work which leads them to other sources for information which goes beyond the scope it entails. To that end there are 379 other sources of information on Rhode Island listed in a 10 page bibliography.

Five thousand copies of *The Rhode Island Atlas* have been printed and it will be available in various bookstores throughout the state. List price is \$12.95.

Seven-hundred and fifty copies have gone to the Rhode Island State Department of Education for distribution to all of the schools in the state. The Permanent School Fund administered by the Rhode Island Board of Regents through the Newport School Department with the support of the Rhode Island Superintendent's Association helped fund publication of the book, as did the General Assembly through the Rhode Island Heritage Commission.

Both authors are alumni of RIC, and both hold advanced degrees from Clark University.

In addition, Sullivan has studied cartography at Boston University, the University of Washington and the Hermon Dunlop Smith Center for the History of Cartography at the Newberry Library in Chicago.

Wright, a Rhode Island native, has studied at the University of Colorado and at Syracuse University. She has had field trips to the Soviet Union, Africa and Poland. Her travel experiences include visits to 83 nations and encompass all of the major world culture areas. Wright has been on the RIC faculty since 1946. Her course in Rhode Island geography has been offered for more than 30 years. Sullivan has been on the college's faculty since 1965. He has authored a number of papers and articles and each year conducts a number of field tours of the state with his classes.

Wright and Sullivan were honored by the anthropology/geography department at a reception on Friday, May 6. On Wednesday, May 11, at 2 p.m. there will be an autograph party with the authors at the RIC bookstore. Refreshments will be served and copies of *The Rhode Island Atlas* will be available at a special reduced price. (See coupon this page).

Senate to debate ed budget ceiling

The U.S. Senate was expected to debate a budget resolution raising spending ceilings for fiscal 1984 for higher education by over \$700 million, according to a national education group.

The American Council on Education in an April 26 "Alert" memo called on all college and university presidents to contact their senators immediately to urge their support of the Sen. Ernest Hollings (D-SC) amendment to increase the ceilings for elementary, secondary, and higher education above the fiscal year 1983 spending levels assumed in the resolution reported by the Senate Budget Committee.

A vote on the Hollings amendment was expected by May 3 or 4.

Action Committee for Higher Education out of Washington, D.C., called on all college and university public affairs officers

"to keep the public eye" on the Hollings' amendment which, it said, would increase ceilings for student aid programs.

The Hollings amendment, in addition to raising the ceiling by over \$700 million, would permit increases of \$600 million for Pell Grants, \$85 million for Supplemental Grants, \$18 million for Direct Loans, \$17 million for State Student Incentive Grants, and slight increases for the TRIO programs and Title III.

Unless the ceilings for these programs are raised, student aid funding for fiscal year 1984 could not exceed fiscal year 1983 levels — which in constant dollar terms already represent a cut of 23 percent since fiscal year 1980. The House-passed budget resolution would permit a \$650 million increase in student aid programs.

COUPON

The bearer of this coupon is entitled to the purchase of one copy of *The Rhode Island Atlas* at \$10, a savings of \$2.95 from the cover price. This coupon must be presented at the Rhode Island College bookstore between May 11 and May 20. Because of this special offer no other discounts will apply to the purchase of *The Rhode Island Atlas* for those presenting this coupon. (I.E. Faculty/staff discounts may not be combined with this offer).

★ SWEET

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have enabled countless students to obtain academic and technical education beyond high school, whereby Americans of diverse background are given the opportunity to improve the quality of life for themselves and for others; and

WHEREAS, Since 1980, the hopes and plans of many students and their families have been discouraged by diminishing federal support: Pell grants designed to provide financial aid to college and university students have been reduced by 20 percent; supplemental educational opportunity grants, by 23 percent; college work study aid, by 21 percent; and national direct student loans, by 50 percent; and

WHEREAS, From 1975 to the present, tuition for students in Rhode Island's public colleges and university has increased so substantially as to discriminate against many students and their families when viewed in conjunction with diminished financial aid; and

WHEREAS, "Working one's way through college" is no longer a viable alternative when the student or his family have limited financial means, because the scarcity of jobs, cost of living, and the student's limited time and earning power make it unlikely that he or she can save enough money each year to meet the full

costs of education; and

WHEREAS, Students and their families, have begun a campaign to inform Congress that the reductions in federal financial aid are denying them the opportunity for higher education; and

WHEREAS, Students in Rhode Island colleges and high schools can effectively convey by writing letters to members of their Congressional delegation requesting relief through restoration of federal funds, or other appropriate congressional action; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this house of representatives of the state of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations hereby urges the principals of public high schools and the presidents of the public universities and colleges in Rhode Island to post prominently or to publish a copy of this resolution, and to stimulate and encourage a letter-writing campaign by students to their congressional delegation for this purpose; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the secretary of state be and she hereby is authorized and directed to transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to the principals of public high schools and the presidents of the public university and colleges in Rhode Island; and to the president of the Association of Rhode Island Students."

★ WHO'S WHO

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Thomas Deppert, 5 Lucia Drive, Milford, Mass.; Lori DiPanni, 61 Woodmont Drive, Cranston and Joseph DiPippo, 111 Palace Ave., Warwick.

Also, Mary Dwyer, 675 W. Saddle River Road, Ho-Ho-Kus, N.J.; Mary Germerhausen, 10 Pine Cone Drive, Barrington; Carol Glasheen, 7 Pine Crest Drive, North Scituate, and Joan Greenwell, 68 North Glen Drive, Coventry.

Also, Lynn Hassett, 8 Fay St., Westborough, Mass.; Leanne Iachetti, 21 Anama Ave., Rumford; Gina Maria Lautieri, 34 Lecia Drive, Providence; Mary K. Miller, 26 Glen Oaks Dr., Cumberland, and Dolores A. Miranda, 20 Mussey Brook

Road, Lincoln.

Also, Susan Montouri, 19 Benson Ave., Warwick; Linda Moran, 104 Sheffield Ave., Pawtucket; Joleen Morinho, 1372 Chalkstone Ave., Providence; Louis J. Pappas, 49 Sherwood Drive, Portsmouth; Veronica Lee Perkins, 24 Burnside Ave., Newport, and Mark D. Poirier, 56 River St., West Warwick.

Also, Katherine M. Salome, 34 Carriage Drive, Lincoln; Philip Sisson, 12 Friendly Place, Newport; Deborah M. Smedberg, 41 Planet Ave., Riverside, Jill Spiegler, 76 Carpenter St., Rehoboth, Mass. and David Ward, 961 Mendon Road, Woonsocket; Jean M. Domenico, 16 Rosemont Road, Worcester, Mass. and Mary Tweedie, 32 Minica Drive, Cumberland.

HBS kids garner nearly \$3,000 for MS by reading

More than any other in state

This year students from Rhode Island College's Henry Barnard School who took part in the annual Multiple Sclerosis Read-A-Thon, sponsored by the M.S. Foundation, collected \$2,774.16, the highest amount raised by any school in the state.

An assembly to recognize this contribution to the fight against M.S. by the young scholars was held in the HBS cafeteria on Friday, April 29. Participation in the drive was school-wide. Representatives from the M.S. Foundation were on hand to present awards and prizes to 88 students who took part in the Read-A-Thon.

Henry James, chairman of the board for the foundation and Kathy Leterneau, a staff member, gave out a variety of items to the HBS pupils who read books to raise funds. Dr. Richard Sevey, HBS principal, conducted the assembly and Mary Foye,

assistant professor at HBS, the school's reading teacher, assisted.

Each child who participated in the Read-A-Thon received 11 books to keep, tickets to a Pawtucket Red Sox game and free cans of soda.

In addition, special prizes were presented to those who raised larger sums. Among the top prizes were home computers, watches, Cross pens, cameras, model cars, T-shirts and sun visors.

The 88 participants read a total of 1072 books in raising the funds.

The Read-A-Thon works on the principal of Walk-A-Thon and other similar fund raising projects. Each youth who takes part receives pledges from family, relatives, friends and neighbors for each book he or she reads during the course of the program.



TOP WINNERS IN THE MS FOUNDATION Read-A-Thon from RIC's Henry Barnard School are Michael Clayborne (left) and Timmy Vanech. Presenting their prizes, home computers, is Henry James, chairman of the board of the Multiple Sclerosis Foundation.

Personnel reports retirement income rose on May 1

Annuity income payments for the College Retirement Equities Fund to its retired participants will rise by about 37 percent beginning May 1, according to Tom Edwards, chairman and chief executive officer of CREF and its companion organization, Teachers Insurance and Annuities Association.

Edwards said that almost all retired CREF participants also receive income from TIAA fixed-dollar annuities, from dividends added to those annuities, and from Social Security.

The TIAA-CREF pension system is now paying annuity incomes to 117,000 retired educators. Another 700,000 participants are accumulating retirement benefits through the pension system.

CREF pays retired participants a variable annuity income that changes each year on May 1 to reflect the investment experience of CREF's broadly diversified portfolio of common stocks (market value changes, up or down, plus dividends).

"Recent common stock experience, though volatile, has been a welcome change for our retired participants from the

lackluster performance of the stock market during the 1970's," Edwards said.

"The 37 percent increase CREF annuity incomes for the coming 12 months will be the second increase of this magnitude in two years. On May 1, 1981, the increase was 36.5 percent. A year later CREF annuity incomes declined 14.8 percent, reflecting the substantial drop in common stock prices that had occurred. Yearly changes since CREF began, in 1952, have ranged from a decrease of 17 percent to this current increase of 37 percent," Edwards said.

TIAA and CREF are the non-profit service organizations that provide fully-vested, fully-funded retirement plans for staff members of 3,600 colleges, universities, independent schools, and related non-profit educational associations and research organizations.

The combined assets of TIAA-CREF were \$25 billion at year end 1982.

Gordon N. Sundberg, director of RIC's Personnel Services, invites you to contact him at 456-8216 if you have any questions about the above.

Tax-free college savings account stalls in Congress

WASHINGTON, D.C. (CPS)—President Ronald Reagan's proposed Education Savings Account—introduced to encourage parents to save for their children's college education and initially hailed as a good idea by college lobbyists here—apparently is a dead issue now.

The proposal is "going nowhere, and has no chance of ever going anywhere" in Congress now, higher education lobbyists in Washington say.

The plan would have allowed people to put money away in a special college account, and then spare them taxes on the earnings from the money set aside for college.

"There's simply no real enthusiastic support for it among higher education groups," reports Eric Wentworth, vice president of the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education.

"Most people feel it offers little incentive, and that if it passed it could be used later by the Reagan administration to justify further reductions in financial aid," he said.

President Reagan proposed the Education Savings Account in early February as part of his 1983-84 higher education budget. At that time, rumors around Washington had it that the ESA would essentially be a carbon copy of the popular Individual Retirement Account, which allows people to write off contributions to the account and earn tax-free interest on the money.

As it stands now, however, the administration's ESA would provide tax-free earnings, but no tax deductions for the amount contributed.

"The plan just isn't acceptable to most of the higher education community because, although the interest earned on the savings would not be taxed, the contributions would be fully taxed. That's just not enough incentive for most people," says Dennis Martin with the National Association of Student Financial Aid Advisors.

Reagan's ESA would allow annual contributions of up to \$1000 per child, and the

Quit draft law for now

WASHINGTON, D.C. (CPS)—The U.S. Department of Justice has warned the U.S. Department of Education to stop even going through the motions of making financial aid applicants swear they've registered with the Selective Service.

In what one source called a "strongly worded" statement, the Justice Department says any further Education Department efforts to require young men to register might violate a preliminary injunction issued last month in Minnesota against the law linking military registration to federal financial aid.

In that ruling, U.S. District Court Judge Donald Alsop said the law may violate students' protections against self-incrimination, and enjoined the government from enforcing the law until the full case against the government is heard this July.

money could be used only towards tuition, room and board.

But accounts could only be opened for children for use between the ages of 18 and 26, explains Charlie Saunders, legislative director for the American Council on Education (ACE).

"And the program cuts off at families whose income is over \$50,000 to \$60,000 a year," he adds.

"That not only cuts off the people who would most likely be able to save, but it eliminates many older students who are going back to school. The range of people it would benefit is very narrow."

Thus, most higher education officials are waiting for a hybrid ESA that would offer more incentives for parents—and students themselves—especially since, once the program is in place, it could be used as a bargaining chip to reduce traditional financial aid programs.

"We and the rest of the higher education community support the general concept of the ESA, as long as it in no way is construed as replacing other forms of financial aid," says Kathy Ozer, legislative director for the U.S. Student Association (USSA), a Washington, D.C.-based student lobbying group.

Kansas Senator Robert Dole, for one, has proposed an ESA for the last several years. It would allow parents to write off contributions as well as dividends on the account.

And at least five other versions of the ESA—one would allow people to withdraw money for new home purchases as well as for education expenses—have come before Congress in the last several years, says a spokeswoman with the House Ways and Means Committee.

"There certainly have been more generous educational tax-incentive plans proposed," notes ACE's Saunders. "And if nothing else, perhaps Reagan's proposal will generate some discussion on the subject."

"We might even see a viable proposal get somewhere in the next few years," he speculates. "But not this fiscal year."

Until the recent warning from the Justice Department, however, education officials have been assuming Alsop's injunction applied only to his federal court district in Minnesota, says Department of Education spokesman Duncan Helmrich.

But Justice attorneys now are concerned that any efforts to implement the law may violate the Minnesota injunction.

Helmrich declined to comment on the warning until he receives "official word" from Secretary of Education Terrel Bell.

But the *Los Angeles Times* reports that as a result of the warning, the Department of Education will send letters to over 6,000 campus financial aid officers around the country to advise them they no longer have to worry about certifying that aid applicants have registered for the draft until the Minnesota case is decided.

Named president of international unit

Dr. Steve C. Imber, professor of special education at Rhode Island College, has been elected president of the Council for Children With Behavioral Disorders (CCBD) for 1983-84. An international organization of 20 years standing, the CCBD is one of 12 divisions of the International Council for Exceptional Children.

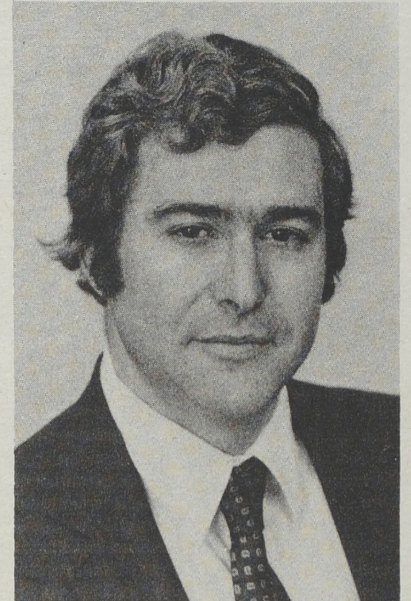
Imber, 36, will start his term in July. His involvement with the council dates to 1976 when he volunteered his services to the organization and was asked to become coordinator for region one (the northeast).

Eventually, he served as chair for two regional conferences and gained recognition for the high level of participation they drew. In 1981 he was asked to stand for election as vice-president of the CCBD and he agreed. He was elected and his tasks in that office included scheduling activities such as regional meetings and conferences as well as serving on the executive committee.

During 1982-83 he has been serving as president elect. He has been responsible for coordinating the behavioral disorders conference at the Council for Exceptional Children's national convention in Detroit, Michigan, for reviewing federations which wish to join the CCBD and for screening proposals for programs to be presented at the convention.

As president of the CCBD Imber says he will be committed to a "grassroots effort." He wants to increase the involvement of the membership while he continues to be an advocate for behaviorally disordered children on the national level.

He said that he feels it will be incumbent upon him while serving as president to address the needs of parents in the United States regarding behavioral disorders. He



Steve Imber

said the CCBD strives to stimulate a working relationship with parents.

By U.S. government standards two percent of the children in the country have behavioral disorders. Less than fifty percent of those children are now being served. Imber points out that the CCBD places the figure of behaviorally disordered children much higher than the government, citing a figure of eight percent. "The BD kids haven't been properly identified," Imber stresses.

Great BD 'drive-in' planned

Among the projects which Dr. Steve Imber plans to work on during his tenure as president of the Council for Children with Behavioral Disorders is something called the great behavioral disorders drive-in.

The concept, borrowed from the annual nation-wide smoke out campaign to get people to stop smoking, was originated by Eleanor Guetzloe, a colleague in the organization.

Imber liked the idea and the CCBD adopted it for 1983-84. The project is viewed as a means of reaching the families of children with behavior disorders as well as regional and state coordinators and pro-

fessionals in the field.

October has been targeted as the month during which activities will be sponsored under the great BD drive-in theme. Regional and state coordinators of the CCBD will sponsor events and informational sessions at which anyone interested in behavioral disorders may learn more about them.

A variety of different conferences, meetings, lectures, one-stop information give-away events and the like are envisioned by the planners at this time. It will be well publicized in a special issue of the CCBD newsletter.

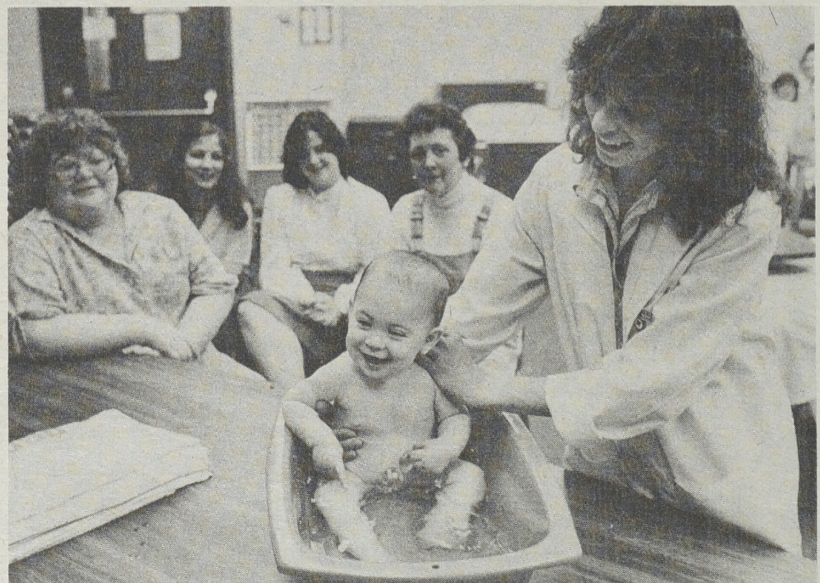
Reception for seniors

A reception honoring seniors in the Rhode Island College Department of Modern Languages is planned for Tuesday, May 10, at 12:30 p.m. in Craig Lee 102.

Helena Storti will be presented the Verrazzano Day Award for outstanding achievement in the study of Italian. The \$500 cash award, which rotates annually among the state's institutions of higher learning, will be made to Storti by the Verrazzano Day Observance Committee.

Other departmental honor recipients will be honored at the reception also.

Next week is last regular issue of What's News



CORRECT WAY TO BATHE your infant is demonstrated by Monique Cretella of the RIC Nursing Department. Her daughter, Amanda, is seven months old. The RIC nurses and student nurses observed National Nursing Day on May 6 with demonstrations of the processes of restoring, maintaining and promoting health.

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

RIC to present fifth annual

Rita V. Bicho Concert

Rhode Island College will present its fifth annual Rita V. Bicho Memorial Scholarship Concert with the RIC Chorus and Symphony Orchestra and the First Baptist Church in America Choir on Monday, May 9, in Roberts Auditorium at 8:15 p.m.

Mary Bicho, sister of the late Rita V. Bicho, former professor *emerita* of music at RIC where she had served with distinction for 30 years, will be on hand for the presentation of the Bicho scholarship to a young musician to aid his/her studies at the college.

President David E. Sweet and Dr. Robert W. Elam, chairman of the college music department, will take part in the presentation which will follow after the opening "Tragic Overture" in D minor, Opus 81 by Johannes Brahms by the symphony orchestra. Brahms' work was selected, according to Edward Markward of the RIC Music Department, in commemoration of the composer's 150th birthday on May 7.

After the presentation and an intermission, the orchestra, RIC Chorus, both under the direction of Edward Markward, conductor, and the First Baptist Church Choir, under the direction of David Mitchell, will perform "Ein Deutsches Requiem" (A German Requiem), Opus 45 by Brahms with Karen Hunt, soprano, and Lucien Olivier, baritone.

Over the last several seasons, Miss Hunt has appeared with the opera companies of Cincinnati, Boston, Baltimore, New York City, the Theatre du Chatelet in Paris, l'Opera de Lyon and in numerous festivals

such as Aspen and Spoleto, Italy/USA.

She recently performed in a Kennedy Center production of Bernstein's *Mass*. At the invitation of George Balanchine, she sang in New York City Ballet's national telecast of "L'Enfant et les Sortilèges" and was featured vocal soloist in the company's Tchaikovsky Festival. Orchestral engagements have included the New York Philharmonic, the Cincinnati and New Jersey Symphonies.

A native of Iowa, she studied at the University of Iowa, North Texas State University, the University of Michigan and at Juilliard's American Opera Center.

Olivier, a member of the voice faculty at RIC, has performed with the Boston Symphony Orchestra, the Boston Pops, the Rhode Island Philharmonic, the Rhode Island Civic Chorale and Orchestra, and the Providence Opera Theater.

A veteran of 17 tours with the Boris Goldovsky Grand Opera Theater, he has also appeared with the National Symphony and the Lake George Opera Festival and won international acclaim in the role of Don Inigo Gomez in the televised production of "L'Heure Espagnol" of Maurice Ravel.

In May 1979, RIC honored Professor Bicho by dedicating the annual May concert as the Rita V. Bicho Scholarship Concert and established a fund in her name to aid young musicians at the college. She retired from the college in June of 1979 and was named professor *emerita*. Professor Bicho died on March 20, 1981, and the concert was designated a memorial concert.

The New Music Ensemble



THE NEW MUSIC ENSEMBLE will perform at Rhode Island College's Roberts Little Theatre on May 16 at 8 p.m. Sponsored by the RIC Department of Music, The Friends of New Music, and the RIC Lecture Series, the program will offer four Rhode Island premieres by Roger Davis, Henry Cowell, Ron Perera and George Goneconto who also serves as music director.

Senior student exhibition

Bannister Gallery of Rhode Island College will present a senior student exhibition from May 12 through June 3, featuring the selected works of each graduating senior. The opening will be on Thursday, May 12 from 7 to 9 p.m. The exhibition is free and open to the public.

The gallery is located in the college's Art Center. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 1 to 4 p.m. on Sundays. It is closed on Saturdays.



Diane Duhaime

Wins string scholarship

Diane Duhaime, a senior at Rhode Island College, has been awarded the Congress of Strings Scholarship for 1983 by the Rhode Island String Teachers Association.

The scholarship is given each year to the winner of a competition open to string players, age 16-23, who reside in Rhode Island.

The recipient attends an eight-week summer workshop in Cincinnati, Ohio, sponsored by the American Federation of Musicians. Duhaime will have the opportunity to work intensively with some of the country's most famous musicians, teachers and conductors.

Duhaime, age 22, is an accomplished violinist who is a member of the Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra, the Pro-

vidence Chamber Orchestra, and the Rhode Island College Orchestra. Her teacher is Barbara Poularikas, a faculty member in the music department at RIC. At RIC Duhaime has been the recipient of the Rita V. Bicho Scholarship, and this year at the Cap and Gown Day Convocation was named the recipient of the Cantor Jacob Hohenemser Award for most outstanding musician.

Next September after the Congress of Strings workshop in Cincinnati, Duhaime will attend Syracuse University on a full string fellowship and will be a member of the Syracuse Symphony Orchestra.

Masterclass

Karen Hunt, soprano, will offer a masterclass in voice on Tuesday, May 10, at 2 p.m. in Roberts Hall, Room 138. For further information on Miss Hunt, refer to the article on the Rita V. Bicho Memorial Scholarship Concert in this issue.

Chamber Music Program



Mary Beck

A chamber music program will be offered by the Rhode Island College Department of Music on Wednesday, May 11, at 8:15 p.m. in Roberts Hall, Room 138.

Mary Beck, soprano, and Stephen Martorella, piano, will perform "Divinites du Styx (from *Alceste*) by C.W. von Gluck, five Wesendonck songs by Wagner, "La Mamma morta" (from *Andrea Chenier*) by Giordano, and five Strauss compositions. A Mini Cycle of Random Thoughts by Dolores Modrell will conclude the program, which is free and open to the public.

Calendar of Events

May 9 — May 16

MONDAY, MAY 9

Noon to 1 p.m. *Alcoholics Anonymous*. Discussion meeting. Student Union, Room 310.

8:15 p.m. *RIC Chorus and Symphony Orchestra*, with the choir of the First Baptist Church in America. Rita V. Bicho Memorial Scholarship Concert. Roberts Auditorium.

MONDAY TO THURSDAY, MAY 9-12

Noon *Mass*. Student Union, Room 304.

TUESDAY, MAY 10

8 a.m. *Protestant Service*. Student Union, Room 304.

12:30 p.m. *Modern Languages Reception*, to honor seniors in the RIC language department. Craig Lee, Room 102.

2 p.m. *Masterclass in Voice*, to be given by Karen Hunt, soprano. Roberts Hall, Room 138.

3:30 p.m. *Men's Tennis*. RIC vs. Bridgewater State. Away.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

8:15 p.m. *Chamber Music Series*. Mary Beck, soprano; Robert Elam, piano. Roberts, Room 138.

WEDNESDAY TO SATURDAY, MAY 11-14

8 p.m. *Prism Production*. "Album" by David Rimmer. Roberts Little Theatre.

THURSDAY, MAY 12

10 a.m. *Performance Based Admissions Programs*. Information session. Alumni Lounge, Roberts Hall.

7 p.m. *Protestant Service*. Student Union, Room 304.

THURSDAY, MAY 12-JUNE 3

Rhode Island College Senior Student Exhibition. Various media. Bannister Gallery, Art Center.

SATURDAY, MAY 14

10 a.m. *Men's Track and Field*. RIC at Boston College for New England competition. Away.

SUNDAY, MAY 15

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

6:30 p.m. *RIC Sports Banquet*. Cocktail hour with dinner and dancing to follow. Donovan Dining Center, Student Union, Ballroom.

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

MONDAY, MAY 16

Noon *Mass*. Student Union, Room 304.

Noon to 1 p.m. *Alcoholics Anonymous*. Discussion meeting. Student Union, Room 310.