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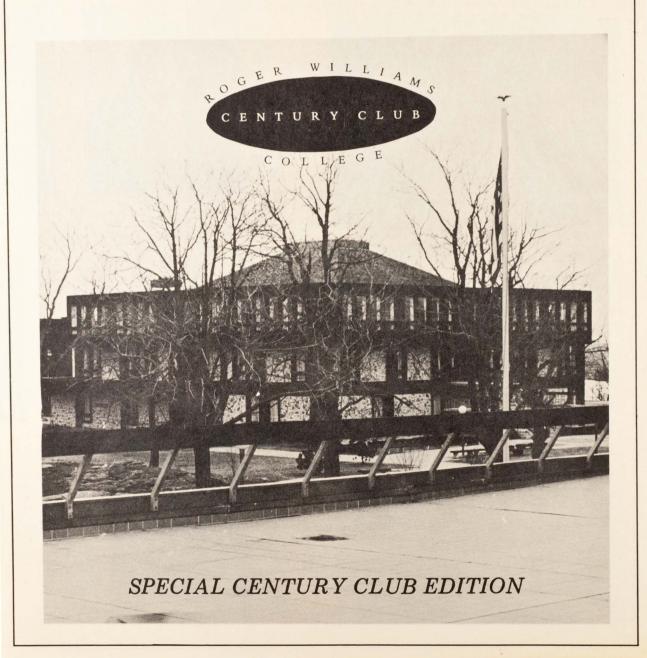
# ROGER WILLIAMS COLLEGE

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Roger Williams College has announced the formation of a Century

Club in support of its Library Acquisitions Program.

The Club, each of whose members make a \$100 contribution towards the purchase of 10 volumes for the college library, has these four significant objectives:

- To assist the College in its application for accredition by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. A key factor in gaining this recognition is the building of the College's financial resources.
- · To provide more books for the College's new library. The current level of 33,000 volumes must be increased to 55,000 to meet the standards for a college of Roger Williams' size and academic scope.
- To give friends of the College an opportunity to assist in a tangible way in the College's continuing growth.
- To build a strong base of annual support for the College. The future development efforts of the College depend directly on gaining a broader base of support in terms of numbers of contributors.

The Century Club goal is 500 memberships, totaling \$50,000 towards a strong acquisitions program for the College Library.

In appreciation of their expression of commitment to the strengthening of the College, Century Club members receive commemorative plaques signifying membership in the Club.

Members are invited to use the College Library and are granted free

admission to all college lectures, concerts, films and plays.

Each of 10 books purchased by the College Library will bear a special Century Club bookplate with an inscription of the donor's choice.

In announcing the kickoff of the Century Club drive at a recent gathering of alumni and friends of the College, campaign chairman Ralph R. Papitto called this year's 500-membership goal "a manageable one, one that is realistic for us."

Mr. Papitto asked his audience to keep in mind that \$50,000 raised for Roger Williams College "would be comparable to having an endowment of \$1,000,999 at 5% interest."

"There's no reason in the world why we can't do this," the Chairman stated emphatically.

Why it SHOULD be done is most aptly expressed by another RWC Trustee, Roswell S. Bosworth, Sr., in a letter he has written on the sub-

ject of the Century Club:

"Since Roger Williams is a young college it does not have at its disposal the financial resources such as much older institutions enjoy. It happens that at the present time the College is in the midst of an all-out effort to secure accreditation as a four-year college from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges.

"The College has been advised by this group that it must have thousands more books on its library shelves. It has also been told that accreditation would be encouraged through the conducting of a success-

ful financial campaign.

"As you probably know, Roger Williams College follows an 'open door' policy. It accepts students who would have difficulty in entering other colleges, or who may indeed have failed at other colleges. This is sometimes referred to as the 'second chance' policy. There are some young people who fail even with this second chance. However, the number of those who do succeed in getting a grip on themselves and become contributing members of society, is truly remarkable. The stories and the testimonials that are now coming back to the College from those who have graduated are proof that Roger Williams College is fulfilling a real

"It is this kind of experience that makes worthwhile everything we can do to promote and to help out in what the College is doing.'

# RWC LAUNCHES FIRST MAJOR FUND RAISING EVENT

# Goal: \$50,000 for Library Acquisitions Program

## STATING THE CASE FOR THE CENTURY CLUB



President Ralph E. Gauvey



Thomas J. Paolino, Chairman, Board of Trustees



Ralph R. Papitto, Chairman, Century Club campaign

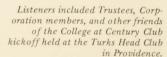
#### THE CAMPAIGN CHAIRMAN: A PROFILE

Ralph R. Papitto, chairman of the Century Club campaign and a member of the Board of Trustees, is president of Nortek, Inc., a diversified company which has been one of the state's fastest growing since Mr. Papitto founded it in 1968.

He was also the founder in 1956 of Glass-Tite-Industries, a firm which operates a branch in Providence, R. I.

Mr. Papitto, a graduate of Bryant College, is past president and governor of The Alpine Country Club, a director of the Kingswood Growth Fund of New York City, a director of The First Mutual Fund of R. I., and a member of the Aurora Civic Association and the Turks Head Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Papitto and their three children reside in Scit-







Allan McKinnon, '71, recently named by the Alumni Association to the College Corporation, is the first RWC alumnus to join the Century Club. Mr. McKinnon was president of the Providence Campus Student Government in his senior year.



F. Steele Blackall, III, president of Taft-Peirce Manufacturing Company and a Corporation member, joins the Century Club.

#### THE CENTURY CLUB FOUNDERS

The following people have assumed leadership roles in the building of The Roger Williams College Century Club:

#### ASSOCIATE CHAIRMEN

Dr. Victor deMedeiros Dr. Ralph Gauvey Mrs. Joe S. Thompson<sup>1</sup> Mr. Roswell Bosworth, Sr. Mr. Alex Hirst Mr. Ralph Papitto Judge Thomas Paolino

#### ASSISTANT CHAIRMEN

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WE HAVE: 33,000 BOOKS
WE SHOULD HAVE: 55,000 BOOKS

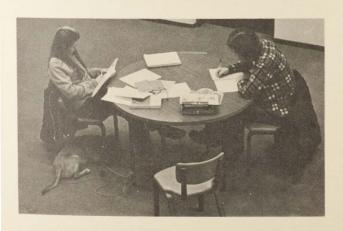
When Is

A Library

Not

A Library?

Answer: When It's Inadequate!



THE RWC LIBRARY, WITH ITS QUIET, COMFORTABLE ATMOSPHERE, IS A NICE PLACE TO VISIT, BUT NOT ENOUGH BOOKS LIVE THERE.







# on CAMPUS

#### TWO NAMED TO TOP POSTS

In a move to strengthen the administrative and academic governance of the College as recommended in the accreditation report of the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, President Ralph E. Gauvey has announced the creation of two new high-level administrative positions.

To the new post of Vice President of the College the President has named Frank Zannini, formerly Dean of Professional Studies. Mr. Zannini will oversee the operation of all non-academic departments of the College.

Dr. Barbara Uehling, a psychologist specializing in learning and motivation, has been named to the new position of Academic Dean of the College. Dr. Uehling, who has for the past year been an instructor in the College's psychology department, will have jurisdiction over all academic and faculty matters in both the professional studies and the liberal arts divisions. The new deanship consolidates the former positions of Dean of Liberal Arts and Dean of Professional Studies.

Harold Payson, who has served as Acting Dean of Liberal Arts for two years, will return to teaching in the field of biology. He has been named coordinator of the Natural Sciences Division for the forthcoming year.

#### PROFESSIONAL STUDIES PROGRAMS TO BE OFFERED AT BRISTOL

Starting next fall, Roger Williams College will offer some business administration and engineering courses as well as liberal arts courses on its Bristol campus.

Incoming freshmen enrolled in the Professional Studies Division will have classes at Bristol, with the option of living in the College's new residence hall on the campus. Upper level students in the division may choose which campus they prefer to attend, or they may attend both campuses on alternate days.

Because of equipment requirements in engineering lab classes, these classes will be held in Providence. However, engineering electives will be offered at Bristol as well as at the Providence campus.

Although the College will no longer use the Watkins Building, classroom space will be available in the YMCA and the Student Center.



#### THE NEW DEAN: BACKGROUND

The new Academic Dean is one of the few high-ranking female college officials in Rhode Island and one of three percent of such women nation-wide.

She will be the highest-ranking academic spokesman at the College and will report to the President.

Dr. Uehling, whose research studies on the effect of various stimuli on motivation, learning and retention have been published in the Journal of Experimental Psychology and other behavioural science periodicals, holds the master of arts and doctoral degrees from Northwestern University. Her undergraduate work in psychology was done at the Wichita State University.

The new Academic Dean has had wide teaching as well as research experience. Prior to coming to Roger Williams, Dr. Uehling was Adjunct Professor of psychology at the University of Rhode Island. She has also been Associate Professor of psychology at Oglethorpe University in Atlanta, Ga., and Assistant Professor at Emory University in Atlanta, where she was also a National Institute of Mental Health Fellow in Physiological Psychology.

Dr. Uehling has also been the recipient of fellowships from the Social Science Research Council and the National Science Foundation.

In announcing the appointment of Dr. Uehling, President Gauvey said, "We are very pleased to have Dr. Uehling accept the position of Academic Dean at Roger Williams College. Her demonstrated abilities both as teacher and scholar and her extensive experience in the field of higher education will be a vital resource for our College at this stage in its development."

Dr. Uehling is a resident of Barrington, R. I.

#### NEW DORM TO OPEN IN THE FALL

The new 1.75-million-dollar residence hall now under construction on the Bristol campus is slated to be open and ready for occupancy next September. The College's second dormitory, the five-story building is designed to house 310 students.

Architects Kent, Cruse and Associates have capitalized on its waterfront location, arranging the entire fifth floor of the unit into a series of lounge, recreation, and study areas commanding extraordinary views of Narragansett Bay.

#### CREATIVE WRITING SERIES CONTINUES

Richard Yates, currently Distinguished Writer in Residence at Wichita State University, will give a reading at Roger Williams College April 6. Yates, winner of an O. Henry Award for his short story, "The Best of Everything," is among a series of nationally known poets and prose artists being brought to Roger Williams under the auspices of the college's Creative Writing Series.

The writer is the author of two novels and several collections of short stories. His first novel, <u>Revolutionary Road</u>, was nominated for the National Book Award in 1961. It has been called "the <u>Great Gatsby</u> of my time" by Kurt Vonnegut. Yates' most recent novel is A Special Providence.

The reading will be held at 8 p.m. in Theatre I on the Bristol

campus.

You are invited to attend a concert by Concentus Musicus, a Danish chamber group, Saturday evening April 22, at 8 P.M. in the library of the College. The program will include works of the Renaissance and Baroque periods played on a variety of ancient instruments. Refreshments will be served after the concert.

#### LIVELY LABORATORY

Biology instructor William Mershon has been working overtime in order to offer the cooperation of the College in an innovative. Title III program on oceanography in the Bristol school system.

Mr. Mershon has met with the school children involved in this program on several occasions, discussing how scientists go about studying oceans and the living world continued in them. Recently he arranged and conducted an ambitious (and lively) lab session with 60 youngsters from the Guiteras School.

With the aid of dissecting microscopes, the fifth through seventh graders were able to see the wide variety of tiny sea creatures belonging to the plankton family. The biologist explained how the still-living organisms had been "harvested" the previous day in Narragansett Bay by students in his biology classes. With pencils and paper provided by Mr. Mershon the youngsters drew some of the creatures they could see and discussed the position of plankton in the ecological "food chain."

Before leaving the campus, the young oceanographers toured the college's computer center where the Century 360 surprised them all by printing out individual portraits of Snoopy for them to take back to school.



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