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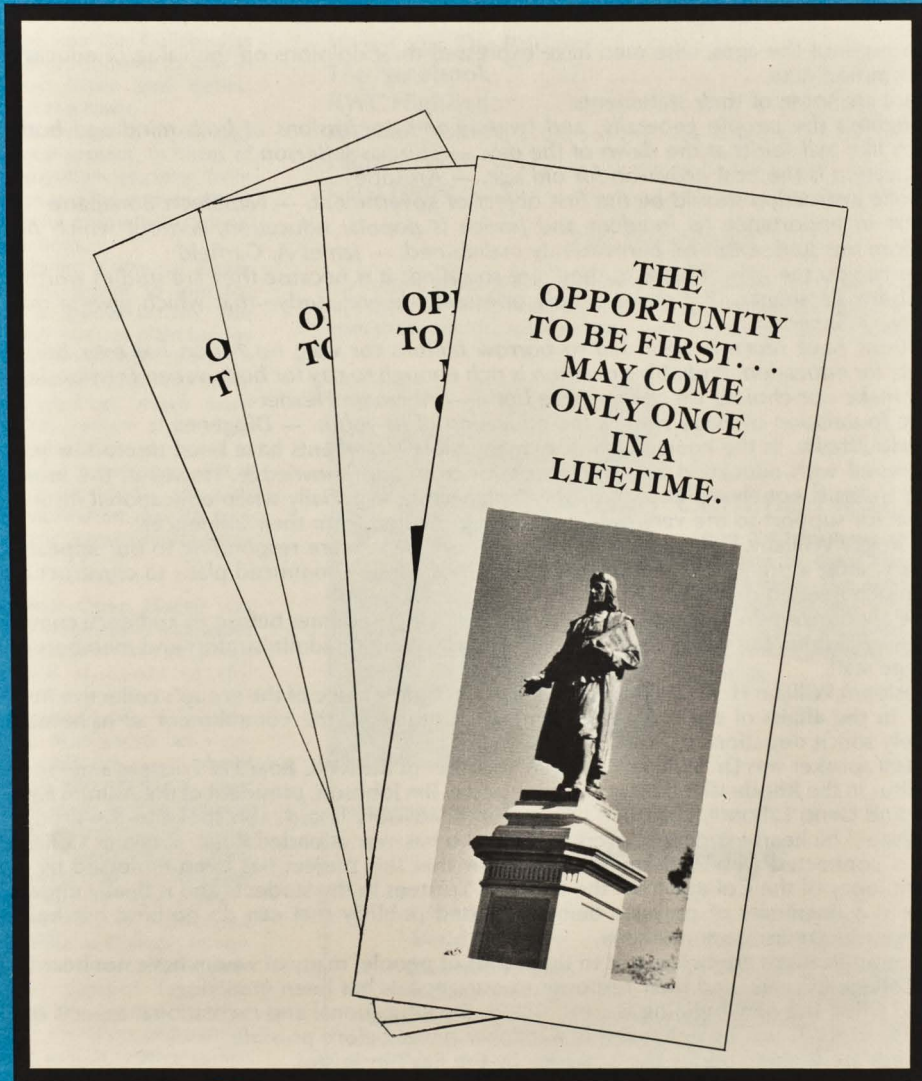
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The Bridge

Roger Williams College Alumni Magazine

Spring 1980



View from the bridge

By Thomas V. Falciglia

Executive Director for Development



Education and the RWC Fund

Throughout the ages, wise men have expressed their opinions on the value of education to the common man.

Here are some of their statements.

Enlighten the people generally, and tyranny and oppressions of both mind and body will vanish like evil spirits at the dawn of the day. — Thomas Jefferson

Education is the best provision for old age. — Aristotle

Public instruction should be the first object of government. — Napoleon Bonaparte

Next in importance to freedom and justice is popular education, without which neither freedom nor justice can be permanently maintained. — James A. Garfield

Hence you see why "liberal studies" are so called; it is because they are studies worthy of a free born gentleman. But there is only one really liberal study—that which gives a man his liberty. — Seneca

Nations have recently been led to borrow billions for war; no nation has ever borrowed largely for education. Probably no nation is rich enough to pay for both war and civilization. We must make our choice; we cannot have both. — Abraham Flexner

The foundation of every State is the education of its youth. — Diogenes

Undoubtedly, in the course of history many more statements have been uttered by persons concerned with education and the search for truth and knowledge. However, the impact of these truths is not always kept in proper perspective, especially when educational institutions appeal for support to the very public that has benefited from their influences.

At Roger Williams College, I'm happy to report, people are responding to our appeals. Last January, after a great deal of soul searching, the College announced plans to construct a new and much needed recreational facility on campus.

The announcement was made at the RWC Fund kick off dinner before an audience composed largely of alumni, but which also included faculty, students, administrators and members of the College staff.

President William H. Rizzini spoke and cited the importance of the group's collective involvement in the affairs of the College and of his gratitude for the commitment all have made to actively solicit donations to this first RWC Fund.

Guest speaker was Dr. William Flanagan, member of the RWC Board of Trustees and President Emeritus in the Rhode Island State College system. Jim Johnson, president of the Alumni Association, and Geno LaBonte, chairman of the alumni advisory board, also spoke to the group.

It should be heartwarming to every person who has ever attended Roger Williams College, or who is connected with it in any way, to know that this project has been endorsed by every constituency of the College from the Board of Trustees to the students and is finally underway. There is a unanimity of purpose being exhibited publicly that can do nothing but help the College's image in the community.

Communications are being sent to thousands of people, many of whom have not heard from the College in years, and their response to our appeals has been gratifying.

And when the new building is constructed, the educational and recreational aspects of College life at RWC will be enhanced in a manner never before possible.

Things are looking up for the "College by the Bay" in Bristol.

The Notebook

By David B. Howard

Director of Public Relations

Roger Williams College students, along with staff and faculty members, and administrators on April 26 traded books, reports, research and other activities for trash bags to take part in what has become the annual Bristol-RWC Clean-up project.

The event marked the third consecutive year the College has invited Bristol residents to join in picking up litter and debris throughout the town.

From the viewpoint of ecology — it's a great project. In terms of bringing together persons from the College and the community it is a wonderful example of "town-gown" relations.

Besides being a way for Roger Williams and Bristol to join together in a special activity, the clean-up day was just plain fun for everybody involved. While it made everyone (especially those carrying trash bags) much more aware of the problem of littering, the event also showed that it is possible for a community and a college to work side by side with no other motivation than to take part in a civic improvement project.

The annual Open House was held a few weeks ago, and again proved successful in attracting prospective students to the College.

Gloria Goodman, Associate Director of Admissions, who coordinated the day, said about 1,000 people visited the campus and viewed many special exhibits and displays set up for the event.

Registration forms for the Open House showed that visitors came from as far away as New Jersey.

The event provides a close look at Roger Williams College, its student life activities, academic programs and campus facilities. Visitors had the chance to meet with faculty members and administrators, as well as receive admissions information.

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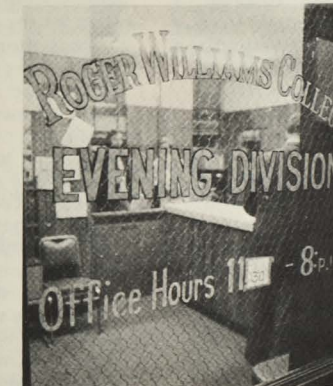
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ON THE COVER

Alumni, parents and friends of the College are being offered "The opportunity to be first" through the special fund raising brochure picture shown on this issue's cover. For more details, please turn to Page 12.



Coming Next Issue

Over 1300 students are attending classes in the College's Evening Division. The next issue of *The Bridge* will take a look at this important part of Roger Williams and its commitment to continuing education.

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Women's rap group looks at issues

by Claudette Covey

A New Women's Rap Group found its place at Roger Williams. Helene Lieb of the College Counseling center and Lois Schuyler of Health Services have developed the program and established many goals.

The Rap Group meets regularly in the ESL Center. Helene Lieb acts as the facilitator. The major purpose of the group is to create a support system among Roger Williams College women who might share similar concerns. Areas such as balancing a career and a family are viewed.

Many pertinent issues have already been discussed.

Moirá Boyce, one of the 11 women involved in the Rap Group, viewed some of the topics covered so far. "We talked about the myth of Super Mom. Nowadays a woman often has to integrate career and motherhood. You know, a woman is *supposed* to excel in both mediums. We talked about our relationships with our own mothers in this day and age. Things are just not going to be like they used to be any more.

"I think it's really important to discuss with other women our roles in society. It's just not as clear cut as it used to be. Women have to see and discuss the choices that are available to them," Moira explained.

Ms. Lieb received her Bachelor's degree from Northwestern University, in Chicago. She earned a Master's degree in counseling from the University of Michigan, and went to the University of New Hampshire where she served as head resident and did a great deal of counseling at the UNH Human Sexuality Center.

In addition, Ms. Lieb was director of resident life and assistant to the dean of students at St. Xavier College near Chicago. In that position she was responsible for both dorm and administrative activities. She was also the advisor to the Student Government there.

Ms. Lieb began working at Roger Williams in January of 1979 as a counselor. She is the advisor to the United Minority Coalition and co-coordinator, with Joseph Neuschatz, of the Peer counselors.

Need To Express

"There is a definite need for women to express what's going on in their lives. Many college campuses have recently found the need to help out their women. Throughout the country there have been signs of women being abused both verbally and psychologically. Women talk about these things. That's what this Rap Group is here for," explains Ms. Lieb.

The Roger Williams Counseling Center has been active during the Fall semester and sponsored a film about battered women. A film presentation titled "Killing Us Softly," dealing with advertising's image of women was also held.

Ms. Lieb has many ideas she would like to see become a part of the Roger Williams College campus. "Maybe we could have a Women's Week here at RWC," she suggested.

The new Women's Rap Group at RWC has attracted a diverse and aware group to its meetings and programs. They are talking and working, but most of all, they are seeking and supporting.

Roger Williams College Alumna interested in sharing the experiences of this new organization are invited to call Helene Lieb at 255-2221 for information and a schedule of future Rap Group programs and meetings.

Student has TV program role

By David B. Howard

It's a long way from Tyler, Texas, to Bristol, R.I., but junior Jos Holman has made the 'trip' in fine style, and in a few short months at Roger Williams has already become a member of the cast of a television show.

Jos is 'seen' each week on WPRI-TV (Channel 12) on the show "Allamaze," an award-winning children's program which has been enjoyed by youngsters for the past few years.

Jos is often more heard than seen on the show, as he provides the voice for one of its puppet characters, but occasionally he appears in some of the program's shows 'in person.'

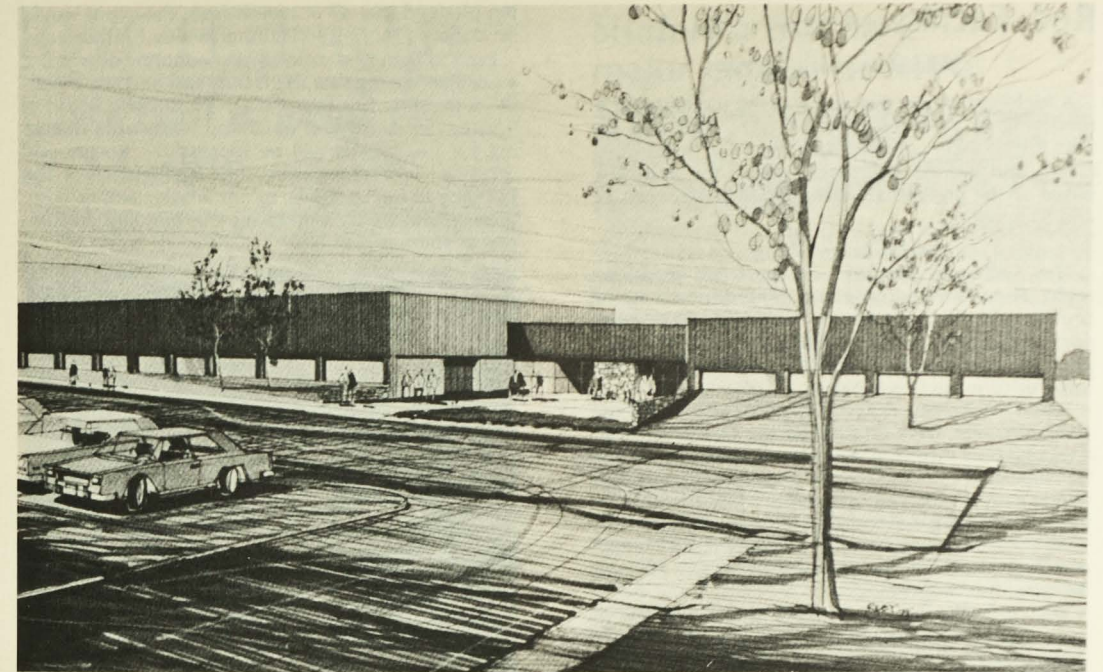
"I came to Roger Williams because of its theatre program," Jos said. "I wanted to attend a small college where you get to know everyone." He transferred to RWC from Henderson County Junior College in Athens, TX. "And, there's the fact that there are many theatre opportunities in New England, especially during the summer, helped me make a decision to transfer," Jos added.

While he's been appearing on "Allamaze," which tapes each week, he's been active in productions on campus as well, both as an actor and in technical jobs, and served as assistant director of the touring RWC Children's Show, "King of Kazoo."

The regular role Jos has been playing on TV is that of "Prairie Dog," a funny little puppet who visits with children cast members as they explore many interesting parts of Rhode Island and the world around them.

Jos Holman's goals might seem a bit different from many others hoping for a theatre career. "I don't want to be famous or anything like that. I would be very happy to support myself through work in the theatre. I enjoy that kind of lifestyle."

After being in Rhode Island only a few months and landing a television job, it doesn't appear as if Jos will have much trouble achieving that goal.



AN ARCHITECT'S RENDERING of proposed recreational facility for the Fulton Campus in Bristol is shown. A committee is currently looking at some of the needs

the facility would serve, as well as some preliminary designs. Funds are being raised for the facility, with the drive a special part of this year's RWC Fund.

Fund Raising Begins

College's first recreational facility proposal unveiled at special meeting

by David B. Howard

What has been termed the last remaining part to "really" complete the Fulton Campus of the College was given a rousing start this past January with the announcement by President William H. Rizzini that the construction of a new recreational facility will be the major building priority in the year ahead.

President Rizzini's announcement came at a special Class Agent dinner-meeting held at the Hearstone Inn in Seekonk, MA, where over 100 alumni, as well as many staff members, faculty and administrators were gathered to launch the 1979/80 RWC Fund, the first major fund drive in the College's history.

Dr. William Flanagan, the former President of Rhode Island Junior College, currently executive director of the R.I. Higher Education Association, and a member of the College's board of trustees, was guest speaker at the event.

The evening also presented the Class Agents with the opportunity to "greet" members of their class through the personalization of special letters telling all alumni of the fund drive and the proposed new recreational facility.

Class Agent Letters

Many class agents commented on how much they enjoyed writing notes to their classmates, renewing friendships and urging alumni to participate in the fund drive.

President Rizzini said members of the Board of Trustees are now exploring preliminary drawings and methods of financing. He urged alumni and friends to consider this project as significant in making gifts to the first Roger Williams College Fund, because a strong campaign will be a positive factor in the financial decision to be made by the Board of Trustees.

Rec. Facility

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A highlight of the evening was the unveiling of a rendering of the recreational facility, prepared by the Providence architectural firm of Robinson, Green and Beretta. Estimated cost of the structure based on the preliminary plans would be between \$2 and \$2.5 million.

Major Part of Drive

The College's Executive Director for Development, Thomas V. Falciglia said "The opportunity to provide gifts for the proposed facility will be a major part of our first RWC Fund Drive. We feel the support shown towards this project will provide the impetus to make this building a reality."

President Rizzini noted that students, in discussions with him, have established the construction of a recreational facility at the Fulton campus as a number one goal for the College and that there is also strong support for such a building from other members of the College community. He noted that a committee of faculty members and administrators is currently at work discussing features which may be included in the building.

The proposed building would be constructed in the College's North Campus area, adjacent to campus parking areas and near the College's new tennis courts. The rendering of the facility calls for utilization of over 52,000 square feet of space, with the entrance facing the College Quadrangle.

Sees Closer Ties

"We look to this building not only to provide adequate space for the College's recreation programs, but also as a center that can be utilized by area organizations to provide an even closer relationship between Roger Williams and its neighboring communities," Rizzini stated.

"The College Board of Trustees is hoping to arrange financing for the facility as quickly as possible," Rizzini noted, "and hopes the structure can be in use by the 1981-82 academic year. The ultimate decision on the size, scope and completion of the proposed project, however," he added, "is based upon financial considerations."

Falciglia, in addressing the Class Agents who have expressed their willingness to take part in the major fund campaign, said, "We hope the success of this drive will add to the enthusiasm already being felt in the College community for the project."

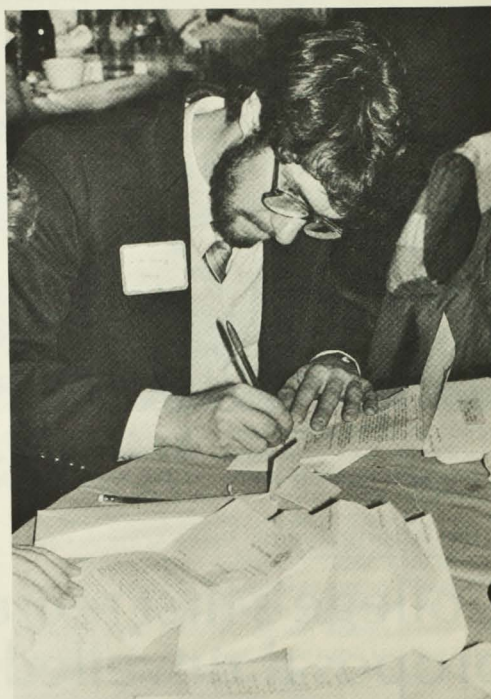
The RWC Fund kick-off also featured a large photo display of the College's history, special events, student life and people, prepared by Armand Teixeira '80.

Boost From Ball

The funding for the facility received an added boost from the Roger Williams College Corporation, through an executive committee planning the May 17 Evening at Marble House Gala Ball. That commit-

tee pledged that all proceeds from the event would be donated to the recreational facility fund drive.

Even in light of a nationwide economic downturn, a positive feeling that the facility will become a reality in the near future remains. "I think the Board of Trustees in its work at obtaining reasonable financing for the project will be successful," Rizzini said recently. "We all recognize the importance of this building to our students, to our whole campus community, and we all want to see this building on campus as soon as possible."



HELLO, THERE. . . Jim Lunig addresses a letter to a classmate as part of the special workshop held at the kick-off dinner for the RWC Fund. Class agents sent letters to all members of the RWC Alumni Association telling them of the campaign and the proposed new recreational facility.

RWC Highlights

Gala ball is May 17 at Marble House

The Roger Williams College Corporation will hold a Gala Ball at Newport's Marble House on Saturday, May 17 to benefit the gymnasium fund of the College's annual fund drive.

The College has proposed a new recreational facility be built at the Fulton Campus in Bristol, with the total cost estimated at between \$2 and 2.5 million. "We are donating the proceeds of this gala ball to the gymnasium," Mrs. Peter Mogayzal, chairperson for the event," said.

The May 17 affair will be from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., with dancing to the music of Ralph Stuart's Orchestra. There will be an open bar and hors d'oeuvres will be served at 9. Breakfast will be served at midnight.

Members of the executive committee for the corporation's gala ball include: Mrs. Bernard Buonanno, Mrs. Pasquale Indeglia, Mrs. Hector Laudati, Mrs. Robert Laurelli, Miss Rose Mastrati, Mrs. Frank Sarra and Thomas V. Falciglia, the College's Executive Director for Development. Honorary committee members are Judge Thomas J. Paolino, chairman of the College's Board of Trustees and Roger Williams President, William H. Rizzini.

The College Corporation held a special cocktail party on Sunday, April 20 at the Aldrich House in Providence as a prelude to the Marble House Ball. Invitations to the ball were distributed at the cocktail party.



EXPLAINING PROGRAM: Natural Science Division faculty member William R. Mershon discusses some of the programs offered by the division with parents and prospective students at recent Open House held at Fulton Campus.

Student artists have major exhibit at RWC

Undergraduate students currently attending colleges and universities in Southern New England participated in the Southern New England Painter's Festival at Roger Williams College from April 27 to May 3 at the College library.

Sponsored by the College's art department, students competed for cash awards, with judging of submitted work and awards made at a Champagne reception which opened the exhibit on Sunday, April 27.

Last year eight students from area colleges and universities shared in \$400 in cash awards.

Grant for RWC from Sears foundation

The College has received one of eight grants distributed by the Sears-Roebuck Foundation to privately supported colleges and universities in Rhode Island. Grants totaling \$12,400 were presented by the foundation. Roger Williams and Salve Regina, in the East Bay area, received grants totaling \$2,300.

John P. Pelletier, a representative of the Sears Foundation made the grant presentation to College President, William H. Rizzini and Thomas V. Falciglia, the College's Executive Director for Development.

The Rhode Island colleges and universities were among the over 1,000 private accredited two and four year institutions across the country which are sharing in the \$1,500,000 in Sears Foundation funds for the 1979-80 academic year. Funds may be used unrestrictedly as the institutions deem necessary.



GRANT FOR THE RWC: John P. Pelletier, left, of the Sears-Roebuck Foundation, presents a grant from the foundation to Roger Williams College. Accepting are President William H. Rizzini and Executive Director for Development Thomas V. Falciglia.

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Sailing center is ready for second season at sea

The Roger Williams College 'sailing fleet' will take to the Bay again this summer as the Ocean State Sailing Center will begin its second year on May 30 offering a variety of programs for persons of all sailing skills.

Last year's inaugural season proved very successful, as the center had people from throughout New England in attendance.

The center offers the opportunity for individual attention to meet each person's instructional needs, allowing the flexibility for both beginners and more advanced sailors to design their own program.

The sailing center also offers a variety of residential choices, including on-campus housing or off-campus lodging at the College-owned apartment complex. Meals are available in the College Student Center.

The popular Learn to Sail on Weekends program will also be held at the center this summer. Special sessions will be from Friday night through Sunday, designed to transform the beginner into a competent sailor or provide advanced instruction for the more experienced.

Both Junior (ages 10-17) and Adult sailing programs are held for week-long or weekend sessions.

Alumni are invited to participate in the sailing center and further information may be obtained by calling (401) 255-1000 weekdays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

"We think this year's sailing program is going to build on the success of last year's," Rita Spero, the College's Conference Coordinator, said recently.



CAST PORTRAIT: Members of the cast of the Roger Williams College Theatre production of "Happy Birthday Wanda June" are shown at dress rehearsal prior to their successful run at the Coffeehouse Theatre on campus recently. From left to right are: F. Scott Perry, John Walker, Eileen Murphy, Rick Corbo, Kim Grape, Bob Crowell, Jeff Hudgins, Mary Ann Taylor and Scott Crawford. The play was directed by faculty member Betsy Argo.

On campus. . .



Dr. Edwin F. Wilde



Dr. Karen Haskell

Edwin F. Wilde, Dean of the College, has been named Provost at the University of Tampa in Florida. Wilde has been Dean at RWC since 1976. He will remain at Roger Williams until May 31 and will assume his new position in June. . . Joshua Stein of the history department has been elected treasurer of the New England Historical Association and had articles recently published in the *American Historical Review* and the *Wiener Library Building*. . . Dr. Karen Haskell is the College's new Dean of Students, coming to Roger Williams from Wheaton College in Norton, MA. . . Dr. Mary Finger and Dr. William Knight, faculty members of the Open Division, served on a panel on "Adults in Part-time Programs," as part of a conference on Experimental Learning and Quality Control held at Rhode Island College. The Open Division was one of the primary educational programs discussed at the conference. . . Josephine Giorgio, an adjunct faculty member in the Evening and Open Division has been awarded a Jefferson Award from WJAR-TV, an annual presentation made in conjunction with the American Institute of Public Service in Washington, awarded for service to the community. Ms. Giorgio is coordinator of the writing lab at the Rhode Island Junior College English Dept. . . Free College is here! Under the direction of housing director Peter Sherman, the RWC Free College offers special courses for personal enrichment on a variety of topics, including outdoorsmanship, disco dancing, naked eye astronomy and self defense for women. Courses are taught by volunteer instructors of the College community and from outside the College. The first sessions, held earlier this Spring, have proved successful and plans are being discussed to continue the Free College during the 1980/81 academic year. Courses bear no credit, nor is any fee charged.

Alumni asked to cast ballots for 1980/81 association officers

Roger Williams College Alumni will be participating in an election of officers of the College Alumni Association for 1980/81.

A mail-in ballot, listing all the nominees and spaces for write-in candidates is included in this issue of **The Bridge**. To vote, RWC Alumni may fill out the ballot and mail it by June 2, 1980 to: Development Office, Roger Williams College, Bristol, R.I. 02809.



Gary Dilorio



Paul Levesque



Maura Vellucci



Geno LaBonte



Lillian Blanchette



Dennis K. McWeeny



Robert LaFrance



Nick Morenzi



Jack Bergantini



Jesse Ussery

Alumni will be electing a president, vice president, secretary and treasurer, as well as four executive board officers at large. Candidates for the positions have been nominated by the present executive board. Alumni may cast write-in votes, if other selections desired, in the space provided.

The individuals receiving the most votes will be elected. The four persons receiving the most votes for officers at large will be elected.

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OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR ROGER WILLIAMS COLLEGE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

Cast your ballot for each office listed. Spaces are provided for write-in candidates. You may vote for four of the 10 listed candidates for Officers at Large. Ballots must be returned to: The Roger Williams College Development Office no later than June 2, 1980. All votes will be held in strictest confidence.

For PRESIDENT

- Geno LaBonte '75**

 (Write In)

For VICE PRESIDENT

- Lillian Blanchette '77**

 (Write In)

For SECRETARY

- Jack Bergantini '75**

 (Write In)

For TREASURER

- Jesse Ussery '73**

 (Write In)

For Officers at Large

(Vote for four candidates only)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Paul Levesque '72 | <input type="checkbox"/> Karen Pansarella '76 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Maura Vellucci '73 | <input type="checkbox"/> Barbara Love '78 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Robert LaFrance '74 | <input type="checkbox"/> Jon Williams '79 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vic Soares '74 | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dennis McWeeny '74 | (Write In) |

Signature _____

Election

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"There's a new feeling of enthusiasm in the Alumni Association and Alumni are participating in College activities more than ever before," Thomas V. Falciglia, the College's Executive Director for Development said recently. "I think the Alumni of Roger Williams are ready to take their places as a major part of the College Community," he added.

The candidates for the positions include:

PRESIDENT- Geno LaBonte '75, is chairman of the RWC Alumni Association Advisory Committee and social chairman since 1976. A Pawtucket resident, he is an account executive with Office Concepts, Inc. of Providence.

VICE PRESIDENT — Lillian Blanchette '77, was a member of the RWC Evening Student Advisory Council for five years and assisted in the 1979/80 RWC Fund. A resident of Pawtucket, she is an office manager at Allied Fluorescent Manufacturing.

SECRETARY — Jack Bergantini '75, a sales representative for National Office Supply Co., is a resident of Exeter and member of the North Kingstown Chamber of Commerce and Exeter Fire Dept.

TREASURER — Jesse Ussery '73, is a Providence resident where he is chief of environmental services and risk management coordinator for the State of Rhode Island.

There are 10 nominees for members at large of the executive board. Alumni may vote for any four (including write-ins). The candidates are:

— **Gary Dilorio '70**, An alumni representative on the RWC Corporation and national account manager



SPRING IS HERE: One of the most popular past-times at the College's Fulton Campus in Bristol is frisbee. Frisbee Football and some more informal games are played almost every afternoon. The College's Frisbee Football team is considered one of the best in the East, playing a very competitive intercollegiate schedule, including games against Ivy League powers Brown and Yale.

in marketing and sales at New England Telephone. He is a Greenville resident.

— **Paul Levesque '72** is a resident of Jamestown and an internal revenue agent with the U.S. Treasury Dept. He is president of the Jamestown Rotary Club.

— **Maura Walmsley Vellucci '73** is managing editor of publications for Allensdale Mutual Insurance Co. and is currently secretary of the RWC Alumni Association. She is a Providence resident.

— **Dennis K. McWeeney '74** is an assistant to the facilities superintendent and inventory controller at the R.I. Port Authority and Economic Development Corp. He is a Cranston resident.

— **Robert LaFrance '74** is a Warren resident and a trust officer for Old Colony/Newport National Bank.

— **Nick Morenzi '75** of Newport is branch sales manager for American Mutual Insurance Co. and is a member of the reunion committee for the Class of 1975.

— **Victor Soares '75** is a resident of South Attleboro, MA and is assistant controller at Southeastern Massachusetts University in North Dartmouth, where he is also a graduate student.

— **Karen Pansarella '76** of East Providence is a teacher in the East Providence School System.

— **Barbara Love '78** is a Bristol resident and is employed as assistant director of residential life at Roger Williams College.

— **Jon Williams '79** is an engineer with Waterman Engineering in East Providence and is a Bristol resident. He was president of the Class of 1979 at RWC.

Rizzini Tells Chamber

Colleges must meet needs of business and industry with programs

College President William H. Rizzini told the North Kingstown Chamber of Commerce recently that private educational institutions "Must present carefully planned and scrutinized academic programs whose graduates meet the expectations of business and industry."

Rizzini noted, "Education must serve industry in the 80's." The decade will become the age of the discriminating student who will "ask for and receive the best academic programs, and services, and the most sensible, practical job benefits resulting from his or her education."

Because of declining student populations anticipated in the new decade, only the quality colleges will survive and educational institutions will have to do a better job to help its students, both youth and adults, to achieve their intellectual, spiritual and social goals, Rizzini added, "In order to avoid the frustration of seeing graduates go out and find no jobs waiting for them."

Balanced Requirements

He said Roger Williams College has long had a relationship with business and industry. "The College has, for many years, had in place accredited engineering technology programs, business programs, law enforcement programs, social science professional programs and many other industrially oriented majors in addition to the liberal arts majors. We have a balanced set of requirements which dictate that the liberal arts graduate must have taken a professional studies minor and vice versa.

"Our marine science program has a high success rate in the placement of its graduates," he added.

President Rizzini told Chamber members that in addition to graduating students who are prepared to accept the responsibilities demanded by business and industrial firms, a private institution must also emphasize the fact that they are a "national resource."

He explained, "There are 1500 such institutions nationally who educate two million students and who draw upon private funds as well as federal monies. If the annual subsidy of each student at these 1500 private institutions were to be estimated at a modest average of \$1500, it would cost the taxpayers an additional three billion dollars a year to take over the job."

Value to Community

Rizzini noted that public/private colleges provide financial resources to the local communities through employment, purchasing power of students and of

the college. "I have estimated the worth of Roger Williams College to the Town of Bristol as over a million dollars annually through these sources," he noted.

The RWC President also said that higher education institutions must work with industry to solve pressing current economic and social problems. "I know my colleagues in higher education who have worked with business and industry have felt that their experiences have been most productive and it is these firms which will be the judge of how your needs are best being met. The quality of learning can be best measured by the product of our educational programs — the graduate."

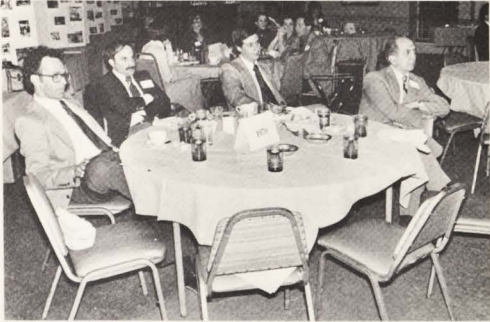


LOOKING TO THE FUTURE: The college's computer science courses help prepare students to meet the requirements of business and industry in the new decade.

The RWC Fund: An opportunity to be first

Thousands of Roger Williams College Alumni, as well as friends of the college, parents of students, and many others have received material telling them "The Opportunity to be First May Come Only Once in a Lifetime."

That is the theme of the first RWC Fund Drive, an effort aimed at establishing a continuing source of funds for the College and assisting in construction of the proposed new recreational facility at the Fulton Campus.



CLASS OF 1970 had these Class Agents in attendance at RWC Fund kick-off dinner. Members of the faculty, staff and administration also attended the affair which saw plans for a recreational facility unveiled.

"The RWC Fund Drive," Executive Director for Development Thomas V. Falciglia said recently, "is a major step in fund raising for the College. We are reaching out to all areas of the College, as well as the greater Rhode Island Community, not only to seek funds, but also to tell them a little bit about the College itself. "Our fund raising material contains some significant information on the College's commitment and its goals."

Falciglia said, "We do think this drive is a good opportunity for people to be first — first in establishing a real feeling for the College, what it has done and what it will do in the future."

Color Photos Available

As part of the drive, those who make contributions of \$25 are receiving full color, suitable for framing photographs of the Fulton Campus. Those donating \$100 or more, will receive the photograph handsomely mounted in a frame, perfect for hanging in

den or office.

"The initial phase of the RWC Fund campaign is going well," Falciglia said. "I am particularly pleased by the enthusiasm shown by our Alumni." He noted that it is recognized that the College's Alumni Association members are "basically young and just getting started on their careers, and their commitments are recognized in these terms. But the number of participants in this drive is what is certainly rewarding to us at the College."

The first mailing of fund raising material was followed by a special Class Agents mailing — a letter personalized to the alumni association member by a member of his/her class at the drive's kick-off dinner in January. "The letter gave our Class Agents the chance to not only introduce themselves, but to pro-



CLASS AGENTS for the Class of 1979 hear about the RWC Fund, and their role in the annual drive campaign and drive to raise funds for the proposed recreational facility at special kick-off dinner meeting held at Hearthstone Inn.

vide a special message to their classmates," Falciglia added.

"We had a fine turnout for the kick-off dinner," Falciglia stated. "I think it was a wonderful start for this major fund raising campaign." The development director noted that because response from the alumni is so important, the class agent system was designed to strengthen the College Alumni Association. "We want to make each and every alumni feel a part of their College. Through the class agents, each class will have a representative whose responsibility it will be to communicate with the entire class. We think there will now be increased involvement in the alumni association."

A First Step

The personalization of the fund raising letters to the Alumni is just a first step for the class agents, who will also be involved in sending news of their classmates for publication in *The Bridge*, and represent their class at special College activities.

In early March, another phase of the campaign was launched, with the mailing of a 'follow-up' brochure, reminding everyone that "This May Be Your Last Opportunity to be First."



ADDRESSES ALUMNI: RWC President William H. Rizzini tells Class Agents attending kick-off dinner for RWC Fund of proposed recreational facility planned for Fulton Campus.

Campaign Reaches Out

In addition, parents of current students were asked to participate in the campaign, along with faculty, staff and administration. Letters inviting gifts from all of the business firms who serve the College are also being sent.

Another special phase of this RWC Fund is the opportunity for persons making gifts to "Double Their Dollars." A special brochure was included with campaign literature detailing the number of companies with matching Gift Programs.

"There are hundreds of companies which will match the gift of their employee to the College," the development director noted.

The personnel offices of firms with such a program have the forms which will provide a matching gift. For example, if an individual makes a \$100 gift to the College, and the company he or she is employed by has a matching gift program, that company will also send the College \$100.

Falciglia said he felt that with the enthusiasm generated by the "Opportunity to be First" campaign, the proposed recreational facility and the positive feelings toward the College being generated, that the fund drive will be successful.

Still Time To Give

"I hope," he said, "that those who have not yet taken the opportunity to contribute to this drive, will do so soon, I think it is important, regardless of the size of the gift, that a commitment to the College is made so that foundations of future giving is built."

The campaign provides those supporting the College with a number of levels of giving. Gifts from \$25 to \$99 will qualify donors for membership in The Charter Club. Gifts from \$100 to \$249 will provide membership in the Century Club. Membership in the Friends Club will be given those making gifts of between \$250 and \$499. Those making gifts between \$500 and \$999 will be honored with membership in the President's Club. And, gifts of \$1,000 or more will be recognized by membership in the Mount Hope Bay Club.

All persons making gifts of at least \$25 to this first RWC Fund Drive will become Charter Members and have their names inscribed on a special RWC Fund Charter Membership Roll of Honor to be displayed permanently in the Administration Building at the Fulton Campus.



FUND KICK-OFF: Over 100 Class Agents, as well as members of all areas of the College Community attended the kick-off dinner for the 1979/80 RWC Fund held at the Hearthstone Inn in Seekonk, MA in January.

RWC receives grant to begin study on Portuguese American experience

Roger Williams College has received a Chairman's Grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) to begin exploring the American experience of the Portuguese American community in Southeastern New England.

College president William H. Rizzini announced the grant recently and noted it was hoped the project would be a first step in a long-range program of communication and study between the College and its Portuguese neighbors.

Collectoral Histories

The \$17,500 planning grant will establish a committee of representatives of the Portuguese American community and a small staff to identify material on the experiences in the United States of Portuguese Americans. The grant will also plan a program to collect oral histories and develop methods of presenting the information to the public.

"We are very pleased to have received this grant," President Rizzini said this week. "The College is looking forward not only to working with members of the Portuguese community, but also to the possibility that the material gathered will lead to further exploration of the American experience of our Portuguese neighbors."

It is anticipated that work on the program will begin within the next few weeks, following the hiring of an oral historian, bibliographer, community liaison and secretary. Dr. John Louis Christina, director of the Roger Williams College English as a Second Language Program, will serve as project director.

Dr. Christina noted that some 300,000 Portuguese Americans live within a 25-mile radius of Roger Williams College. "Little or no work is being done on the everyday American experiences of the Portuguese in this country," he said. "For example, some Portuguese immigrants in Bristol, the College's home community, have been here for more than 50 years. The customs, traditions, language and values, almost every aspect of their lives from foods to families, is a combination of Portugal and America," Dr. Christina noted.

Understanding Both Worlds

"The Portuguese community now has an American history and culture and language as well as a Portuguese one. This American experience, as time goes on, is enriched and worthy of study. Portuguese American understanding of both worlds is necessary to a real understanding of either world," he added.

The study will look at source materials which will discuss the Portuguese experience in America, with newspaper clippings, industry and church records expected to yield much information. Because much of what has happened to the Portuguese in America is recorded only in the memories of immigrants, oral histories will also be compiled.

The planning committee to be established to oversee the entire program will be headed by Dr. Manuel daSilva, a well known area physician, historian and author. The committee, composed of Portuguese Americans from Southern New England and members of the RWC community will meet weekly to hear reports on the material gathered and review the staff's work.

Conference Planned

The project will sponsor the First National Conference on the Portuguese American Experience on Sunday, June 1 at the Roger Williams College Fulton Campus in Bristol. The Congress will review material gathered and discuss additional source material, bringing together representatives from throughout the country from a variety of fields of concern.

It is expected that the necessary research and implementation plan will be completed in three months. The research will be made available throughout Southern New England and to the Roger Williams College Community. Materials collected will serve as background for further long-range projects.

Alumni Profiles...

Gary Gardner on road to career in arts

by Nanja Galoppi

Gary Gardner, a 1973 graduate of Roger Williams College has had an interesting career in the performing arts, a career which began when he traveled to London with the Theatre-Arts Area of the College. While attending RWC, Gary spent a year of his studies in London through the special London Theatre Program to theatre students.

"I was lucky to have that opportunity to go there and find my own courses to study," he said. While he was in London he studied many areas of theatre, including acting techniques, and attended the Oval House Clown School where his career as a clown began.

"I went on to study at the Ringling Brothers, Barnum & Bailey Clown College in Florida. I worked for them doing 15 three hour long shows a week. It was very hard work for the pay I was getting. Often I'd end up waiting around between shows so it worked out to be about a 70 hour a week job rather than the 45 hours I had anticipated."

Began Talent Agencies

In 1975, Gary "Garth" Gardner, a nickname he used while working as a clown, resided in Providence and worked as a free lance journalist, with several articles published in *The Providence Journal*. He began several successful talent agencies including, Garth's Original Rent A Clown, The Clown Alley Circus Revue and Garth Knose Clown Advertising.

During this time he was widely publicized in Rhode Island newspapers and did a number of television commercials.

In 1976 he moved to New York City to continue his acting career and began working with Broadway tours. He is currently teaching courses at N.Y.U.'s School of the Arts including classes in classical sword fighting in Shakespearean dramas, multi-media make-up, and stunts for film and television.

In addition to teaching, Gary attends master classes in acting at the Lee Strasberg Theatre Institute in New York studying under Gordon Philips and Nicholas Ray.

"I'll probably be taking acting lessons until I die," he said, "because I believe that you're only as good an actor as you are a person."

In Film "Hair"

Gary is still acting in television commercials and recently appeared in the motion picture "Hair," produced by Milos Forman ("One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest"). In addition, he has had several interesting jobs like roller skating film stunts and public relations miming.

Soon he will be traveling to Paris to meet with casting directors and he eventually hopes to branch his career into modeling.

David Ponte works to help young people in trouble

By Bernie Cunniff

David Ponte, '72 has been working as a juvenile probation officer trying to rehabilitate youngsters in the Taunton, MA area since January, 1977.

Ponte, who received a B.A. in Sociology at Roger Williams and a M.A. in Rehabilitation Counseling at Assumption in 1979, feels his job is rewarding, but few people ever go back and thank him for his services.

"Once in a great while someone might thank you, but usually the people I deal with look at me as an enemy. It's a rewarding type of job, though you don't see the results immediately," Ponte said.

Ponte looks at his work in three areas. There is the criminal section which deals with the juvenile delinquents from 7-17 who outright break the law. The non-criminal section is made up of those youngsters up to the age of 16 who fail to go to school or run away from home.

But probably the most difficult section is that listed under care and protection which helps youngsters from birth to age 18. Here, Ponte must deal with parents who may emotionally or physically abuse their children.

Family Problems Viewed

Taunton, which has a very high crime rate for its 45,000 inhabitants, is not the easiest place to work. "There are a lot of problems for a small community. When a kid is flunking math, usually it is not just his fault. Usually there's a family problem behind all this.

"If a 12 or a 13 year old kid is having problems attending school usually the court will take temporary custody of the child from the parents. Often the individual problem turns out to be a family one like the husband beating the wife and the kids or the mother being an alcoholic," Ponte said.

Ponte is one of two juvenile probation officers who serves the local area. Besides covering Taunton, they also must serve Rehoboth, Berkeley, and Seekonk. He often hears over 100 cases a day.

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Emphasis on class participation Dr. Richard Potter's Method

By Kimberly Newton

During the 10 years that he has taught at RWC, Dr. Richard Potter has lectured at almost every blackboard on campus. His use of total class participation has developed into a unique teaching method, and his students seem to love his grading requirements.

But Potter wishes he had more time to devote to his interests: writing and farming.

An American Studies instructor, Potter appears to be different than many of his colleagues. Instead of lecturing away the hour, he stands in front of the blackboard long enough to get a discussion moving in the direction he wishes. Then, according to former classmates, he sits back, and comments only if needed.

"This makes it very embarrassing for students to come to class unprepared, because everyone has to participate in class," he said.



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"I stay because it's a good job that pays well. We have five weeks of vacation a year. I think it's a lot better than many other jobs," Ponte said.

Work With Retarded

Before his present job, he worked as a social worker in the welfare department in Falmouth and New Bedford from 1975-77. But one of his most pleasant experiences was working with the retarded kids in the Fairhaven area during 1973-75.

"We used to go bowling weekly and I drove them to the Special Olympics once. I really enjoyed this. I tried to get some work in this field, but most of what I did was volunteer work. I needed to get a paying job so I took what I could get at that time.

"But it was fun seeing them get their picture in the papers and seeing them improve in bowling each week. I still get calls from some of these kids. A few even came over my house during the summer," Ponte said.

Ponte speaks highly of the training he received at RWC, "I was very satisfied with the way I was treated. Even though it had just become a four year school it picked some pretty good instructors."

His favorite teacher was John Donalin who was a graduate of Harvard. "He knew a lot of impressive people. He was very interesting and I learned a great deal from him. I definitely learned a lot at Roger Williams," Ponte said.

As with most instructors, students who do well in Potter's classes approve of his grading methods. Instead of a surprise grade at the end of the semester, students in his classes are required to request their own. He asks each student to inform him of the grade they desire, and if they are able to substantiate their reasons for the grade, he gives it to them.

Potter, who lives in Rehoboth, wishes he had more time and land to farm. "I like farming, I find it very rewarding," he said.

The author of three novels and seven collections of poetry, Potter complains he doesn't have enough time to type everything into manuscript form. "I'm working on it," he said. It takes so much time to type page after page, but someday I'll be done. Then I can have it all published."

Potter has done almost every job imaginable to pay for his education. "I have done manual labor, I worked in garages, warehouses and farms," he said. "But, what I'm doing now is truly where I belong."

Before coming to RWC, Potter taught in public schools. "I really didn't enjoy teaching 12 and 13-year-olds. For them, the method of teaching was more important than the subject matter," he said.

"But RWC offers an experimental type of education. You can really probe into the depth of education here," he said.



CAMPUS VISITORS: Nearly 1,000 prospective students and their parents visited the Fulton Campus on March 30 attending the annual Open House sponsored by the Admissions Department. In addition to tours of the campus, the program offered the opportunity to view many academic area exhibits. Here, some who attended stop by the library to see its collections and view some of the special exhibits there for the Open House.

Help wanted finding current addresses of RWC Alumni

In an effort to bring up to date the addresses of Roger Williams College Alumni, *The Bridge* is publishing listings of alumni, whose addresses are unknown or incorrect.

The College development office would appreciate any information concerning the RWC Alumni listed below. If you know the address of any of these alumni, write the Development Office or call (401) 255-2311.

In addition to helping the College inform its Alumni of upcoming activities, up to date information is essential in the compilation of the new Alumni Directory. Please help out and let us know the addresses of the alumni listed on these pages.

Barry D. Couto, Loy Johnson,
Joseph E. Monty, Jr., Raymond
M. Saunders.

1947

Richard G. Mellor.

1948

Robert J. Bergeon, Robert W. Chase, Norman Clegg, Thomas J. Crane, Thomas J. Daley, Anna H. Ferrara, Arthur R. Gauvin, Joseph J. Germano, Richard B. Hinckley, Milton F. Kane, Jr., Joseph P. Laffeur, Robert S. Lawton, E. Raymond Noixoux, Charles E. Oughton, Jr., James G. Ousley, Normand H. Perreault, Chester A. Picard, Ronald E. Reeves, Earle F. Saunders, Henry T. Simmons, Louis P. Spitaleri, James M. Thatcher.

1952

John J. Almeida, Ernest Brooks, John D. Cimino, Dante DiGregorio, Joseph Gerstenlauer, Dominic J. Monti.

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Paul M. Ankevitz, Norman E. Nichols, James A. Taylor.

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Sebastiano Colardo, Joseph Dambra, George Mathewson, Amedeo A. Poccia.

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Wilfred R. Dawson, Richard J. Griffin, Robert B. Kemble, Gordon E. Marshall, Gilbert W. Maymon, Jerome Mitchell, Vincent R. Mulhearn, Neal K. Olsen, Stanley L. Palenski, Joseph Pantalena, Camillo J. Rossi, David R. Smith, A. Wypyszinski.

1950

George A. Auger, Albert W. Bailey, Sherwood L. Barry, Harold J. Bertozzi, Joseph Camara, John Careiro, Alexander Ciolti, Robert J. Craik, W.E. Dickens, Jr., Walter W. Dotson, Frank B. Foley, Arnold M. Greene, Alfred L. Hemmalin, Leslie O. Hill, Albert E. Katzman, James A. Laplant, William B. Ley, Jr., Orrin Mauran, Francis R. Murray, Gardner Pickering, Robert L. Pratt, Ralph Riveglia, Joseph E. Smith, George J. Trambukis, Roudet O. Turner, Herculano Vincente.

1951

Arthur W. Chaplin, Walter J. Donovan, Frederick E. Evans, Elmer Ferguson, Douglas G. Hill, Owen P. McGurn, Aubrey K. Pooley, Martin J. Posner, Carl H. Schleif, William H. Scott.

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1956

Paul A. Blackinton, Frank P. Bussick, Richard Coulthurst, Carlos W. Cutler.

1957

Richard P. Blais, Anthony G. Calibey, Robert Evans, James J. Golden, William E. Marsh, Henry A. Ouellett, Robert W. Peterson.

1958

Umberto J. Capuano, Paul E. Eichin, John B. Galletly, Joseph P.H. Guimond, Robert Jacobs, Norman K. Kollet, Henri C. Laffiere, Joseph E. Page, Henry Pandolfini, Robert Stevenson, Bernard Stockwell, John Ward.

1959

Thomas F. Lawton, Anthony A. Longo, John W. Rydberg, Anthony C. Samos, Earl W. Stephenson, Raymond L. Ward.

1960

Robert E. Allard, Angelo N. Bertone, Charles P. Dubuque, Paul C. Francis, Richard A. Lewison, John McGlashan, James Mello, Jr., David G. Shelton.



A PERSONAL NOTE: Class Agents from the Class of 1975 personalize fund raising letters to other class members at the kick-off dinner for the 1979/80 RWC Fund at the Hearthstone Inn. The letters were sent to all members of the Alumni Association telling them of the proposal to construct a recreational facility on campus.

Help Needed

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1961

John Ball, Jr., Andrew R. Boisvert, Donald S. Dade, Jr., Robert B. Discuillo, Louis Gobeille, Walter Goclowski, Robert L. Grant, Paul A. Gregoire, William N. Jordan, Robert P. Merlino, Robert V. Petelle, Richard J. Pieranunzi, John E. Policastri, Paul A. Saboe, Norman E. Saucier, Olga Y. Szewczuk.

1962

Donald J. Charbonneau, Thomas L. Defelice, John E. Demichele, Edward H. Goldberg, Edward S. Hadfield, Duane Hodgkinson, John R. Lapham, Robert A. Maino, Herbert V. Searle, Clifford K. Thurber.

1963

Wayne L. Atwood, Ralph H. Brillion, Douglas Carey, Louis Cozzone, Jr., Roger E. Dandeneau, Robert L. Ernest, Stanley E. Erwin, Richard E. Fasteson, John J. Hourigan, Michael J. Ilee, John L. Kearns, Robert B. Lafrance, Herbert J. Lawson, Robert B. Leary, Stephen M. Levesque, Richard D. McCaughey, Peter K. McMichael, Donald V. Plante, Joseph E. Provost, Clinton E. Ramsden, Jr., Frederic Richardson, Dennis L. Santos, Francisco R. Simone, Warren Winningham, William J. Woods.

1964

Keith Bettencourt, Peter G. Blanchard, Ralph D. Brown, Lois C. Rao, Edward J. Correia, Robert N. Fain, Theodore M. Hahn, Aileen J. Kevorkian, Gladys E. Kingsland, Paul H. Lesperance, Francis J. Nagle, Jr., Jean C. Samson, Perry S. Sullivan.

1965

John S. Adams, Alfred A. Andreozzi, Stephen K. Aust, Thomas M. Bain, William J. Ball, Joseph F. Callaghan, Ronald A. Decubellis, Rosemary M. Dekold, Edward J. Dunn, III, Edwin A. Ferreira, David J. Findlay, Thomas Gaskell, Barbara M. Gentili, Robert S. Hanley, David M. Herrick, Raymond L. Horridge, Robert G. Issa, Joseph F. McDonald, Elaine M. Ober, Steven B. Perlow, Gilbert A. Rainville, James R. Souther, Oscar R. Tassone, Alfred A. Tolley, Jr., David E. Zeilstna.

1966

Donald A. Beauchemin, Robert J. Bleau, Jr., Bruce D. Butterfield, Jerald P. Chorney, Joseph A. Cote, Jr., Herbert J. Couper, Ann M. Damiano, Dewey H. Davignon, George S. Davis, John A. Difonzo, Stanley R. Fleischman, Ray O. Harris, Carl I. Hayes, Jr.,

Dennis R. Iacobbo, Kenneth L. Lamalie, Edward F. Lamonte, Jr., Riley E. Lamson, Jr., Richard G. Logan, Harold J. Malone, Joyce C. Melillo, Richard D. Metts, Maurice J. Nadeau, Susan Pearson, Dean J. Proyou, Paula D. Rodrigues, Arthur H. Sheer, Joyce C. Simek, Kenneth J. Sutcliffe, Armand J. Tetu, Jr., Louis M. Thacker, Jr., Martha L. Thompson, Percy E. Tucker, Jr., Norman P. Turcotte, Victoria Vanstavern, Raymond J. Walsh, Richard A. Welch, Charles D. Whitehead, Thomas L. Wilburn, Emilio L. Zangari.

1967

James H. Alexion, Irene Apostolou, Justin G. Ballou, III, Marjorie Barnes, William C. Basl, Frederick E. Chalfant, James P. Connerney, Harold A. Cox, Ronald O. Deming, Maxwell Dewardener, Richard Domenicone, Amedeo A. Forcina, Jeanette Fraser, Robin T. Girard, Marjorie M. Goodman, Robert J. Halligan, James E. Hammond, Robert W. Kershaw, Regina M. Kleinberg, Lonny Kopet, Theodore A. LaChance, Richard A. Leroux, Paul V. Matera, Paul F. McCann, Charles J. McLaughlin, John F. McNamara, Peter A. Meich, Paula J. Messier, Robert P. Munro, Mary A. O'Neil, A. Panagiotopoulos, Barry C. Rosenberg, John J. Ryan, Gregory J. Shannon, Anthony J. Sivo, Pamela Sweeney, Normand Therberge, Walter F. Toolan, Peter S. Vernet, Chester J. Welch.

1968

Peter A. Angelone, Angela M. Bellini, Gerald H. Benjamin, Eugene R. Bowler, Jr., Victor H. Brewer, Richard A. Brown, John S. Carmody, Michael Cute, Michael J. Glover, Marcel R. Godin, Wayne E. Halle, Ronald J. Hourihan, Joseph Israel, Barbara P. Kochan, John D. Lach, Jr., Robert W. Lavoie, Robert J. Leary, John J. Lowney, Charles MacDonald, Jr., William W. Mackey, Martin Mersky, George R. Milkaites, Anna M. Mohenheim, Alfred H. Nolette, Stephen D. Perry, Dennis Pimenta, Richard G. Pouliot, Thomas C. Riley, Brian R. Sandell, David R. Snowman, Nicholas E. Villella, Robert R. Vincent, Garabed Yazidjian.

1969

Stephen J. Anderson, John T. Bowers, Stephen F. Bucci, Paul M. Cardoza, Gregory C. Cooper, Gary P. Farias, Kathleen E. Lasher, Elizabeth A. McGovern, Raymond Merigold, Jr., Carol Lee Nugent, Richard N. Packhem, Jr., James Papaioannou,

Gary L. Pasciak, Linda S. Tack, Peter M. Urban, Richard L. Vesella, Arthur A. Viveiros, Jr.

1970

James R. Alexion, Paul Armstrong, Vincent F. Azzarone, John K. Barber, Mark S. Barlow, Stephen R. Barth, Thomas Bastianelli, Peter J. Baum, Eugene Benoit, Robert D. Blais, Frank Blake, Henry Bookbinder, Ernest Bookbinder, Abel Borges, Dennis M. Boucher, Sarah M. Bowen, William Brady, Reynolds R. Brigidi, Eugene Brown, John Buonanno, John Byrne, Richard T. Callaghan, Maureen C. Carroll, Albert U. Casavant, Domenic J. Catalfomo, Joseph Cerilli, Walter A. Checko, Peter A. Cineri, Dennis Correia, Robert S. Crozier, Robert T. Crudale, David N. Curley, Donald J. Darnbrough, Anthony Deluz, Lawrence Depetrillo, James A. Dorenkott, Jr., Malcolm Edelman, A. David Eklund, John T. Faria, Mary E. Feldman, Gilbert Ferreira, Sally C. Gaylord, E.S. Gerstenblatt, Stephen T. Gomes, William J. Grossi, David Haft, Bruce D. Hanaford, Jeffrey Hargreaves, Meta C. Hauptert, Lois B. Hollins, James Ilmonen, William J. Irvine, Edmond F. Jackson, Lawrence S. James, Roy D. Keluran, Beverly A. King, Francis Kochan, Barbara Kosten, William Kyriakakis, Michael Lambrese, Edmond T. Landry, Anthony F. Laurenza, Marvin Lax, Robert J. Leaver, Virginia Lemon, Paul Lupoli, William J. Luther, Michael H. Mackinnon, James M. Maguire, Ann Marie Matteson, Michael K. McKenna, Cheryl A. McLaughlin.

Deborah D. Megna, Charles E. Meredith, Harold M. Metts, Brian P. Meyerhoff, Philip Miller, Lisbeth B. Moore, Elva L. Nevins, Margaret N. Norton, Eric B. Nouman, Richard V. Palumbo, Rudolph J. Palumbo, James R. Pannozi, Frank C. Parisi, Paul Pierdominici, Janet M. Pleasant, Joyce M. Pleasant, Janet Pleasant, Stephen G. Pooler, Stephen J. Restivo, Stephen A. Riccio, Ronald Richter, Charles Round, John F. Rozzero, Henry F. Russell, Jr., Joseph R. Schifino, Howard D. Segars, Fred Shmaruk, Betty L. Sholovitz.

Lucian C. Simone, Harvey Slater, Raynard S. Smith, Thomas E. Smith, William H. Smith, Mitchell Steinberg, George A. Stockley, Paul E. A. St. Pierre, Steven E. Sylven, Leonard Thomson, Henry E. Tow, Hugh J. Turcotte, Constance D. Turner, Edward Waddell, Robert N. Waldman, Carl Wielan, Robert C. Wood.

Class Notes

1950

Alexander Gray, Jr. is now a permanent resident of Beverly Hills, FL., having retired from his position as inventory control supervisor for Textron's Gorham division.

Sapolin Paints, Inc., of Danbury, CT. has awarded a gold watch to **Ray Ethier** of Lincoln in recognition of his 25 years of outstanding sales performance for the company. He is a past president of the Rhode Island Paint Salesman Club and the Central Falls Lions Club.

Joseph O'Brien of Sayreville, N.J. is a manager with the Permacel division of Johnson & Johnson and is under contract as financial advisor for the New Jersey Nets basketball team's ticket division. He is interested in hearing from members of the class of 1950 or from any RWC alumni now living in central New Jersey. (45 Roma St., Sayreville, N.J. 08872)

1951

The city of North Providence recently honored **John Marino** as "Man of the Year" in recognition of his many civic achievements. An assistant sales manager for Homestead Baking Co. for the past 16 years, John is a member of the Governor's Justice Commission, the North Providence Police Advisory Board, and the North Providence Democratic Town Committee.

1952

David R. Gray, Jr. of Cranston is an officer with Industrial National Bank. He and his wife have two children and three grandchildren.

1968

Stephen M. Hanley is living in Manchester, CT., where he is an engineer with the Pratt and Whit-

ney Aircraft division of United Technologies. He is also associated with the 20th Special Forces GRP (airborne) division of the R.I. National Guard.

1970

John Q. Byrne has established a new Boston office of the INA International Corp., which he will manage. He was formerly international marketing representative for Allendale Mutual Insurance Co. in Johnston.

Marc Rosenberg, patient accounts manager at Milford-Whitinsville Regional Hospital, is a member of the board of directors for the Massachusetts Association of Patient Accounts Managers. He is also alumni representative to the RWC Corporation.

Fred Max of Cheshire, CT., recently presented a hypnosis demonstration for a meeting of the Shalom Couples Unit of B'nai B'rith in Waterbury.

Edward Smith is living in Jamestown, N.C., where he is a pastoral minister for the Charlotte, N.C. diocese. He is studying for the Catholic priesthood at Sacred Heart School of Theology in Holy Corners, WI., and expects to be ordained in 1981.

Henry F. Malkowski, Jr. of Warwick is a branch manager for Pawtucket Savings & Trust, where he has been employed since 1972.

Adam Petronio is an engineering representative in heating and air conditioning for Creative Environment Corp. in East Providence. He and his wife Linda live in Greenville.

1971

William Spadaro of Cranston is a certified school psychologist and is a clinical psychologist for the state of Rhode Island.

Richard Frigon has been an accountant for Scunio Chevrolet in Greenville since 1971. He and his wife have two children and live in Coventry.

Russell Campanelli of Fort Lauderdale, FL. is the owner of

Campanelli, Inc., now building townhouses and condominiums in Fort Lauderdale and Miami.

Murray H. Massover is living in New Rochelle, N.Y. and is a sales representative for General Foods in Manhattan.

1972

Frank Voccio has been appointed business manager at American International College in Springfield, MA. A Barrington resident, he was previously an accountant for Brown University.

Vincent LaGreca is employed by ITT Grinnell in Providence as a senior level applications engineer.

Robert Sitner is living in East Windsor, N.J., where he is a school psychologist in the Hopewell Valley school district. He received an M.S. in education and a P.D. in school psychology from Queens College in New York.

Rev. Gary C. Lemery has been assigned to St. Paul's Church in Edgewood since his ordination in November 1978. He received his master of divinity degree from St. Mary's Seminary and University.

Vincent Ricci of Brooklyn, CT., recently completed a two-week training course for new sales representatives at the Compugraphic Corp., in Wilmington, MA.

Russell A. Dugas has been elected as an at-large representative to the Attleboro, MA., city council.

Albert M. Paglio, Jr. is living in Cranston and is a freelance composer for the broadcast media in the Providence area. A finalist for the ASCAP grant for young composers in 1979, he received a M.A.T. in music from Rhode Island College.

Stephen Crosby of Baltimore, MD. is currently associate director of the Baltimore Zoo. He holds an M.S. in zoology from Illinois State University and had previously worked for the Massachusetts Horticultural Society and the Boston Zoological Society.

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Lauren Gregg has been an agent for State Farm Insurance for five years. He and his wife Linda live in Covington, LA.

Peter Corbin of Tiverton is a teacher at Portsmouth High School. He received an M.A.T. in history from Rhode Island College in 1978.

Bruce Botti of South Windsor, CT., is a manufacturing engineer at TRW Bearings Division. He holds an MBA from the University of Connecticut.

John D. Coupe of Pawtucket is teaching in the Cumberland school district, having received a M.A. in history from Providence College.

James Fogarty became a sergeant in the U.S. Army Reserve in March. He is a park police officer for the state of Rhode Island and is living in North Kingstown.

1973

Charles Healey has been promoted to assistant vice president in charge of administrative and operational functions in the leasing department at Hospital Trust National Bank, Providence. A Warwick resident, he received an M.B.A. from Bryant College in 1978.

The Board of Selectmen in Rehoboth, MA. have appointed **Richard Bellavance** town patrolman. Richard was previously a health agent for the city and had been a special police officer since April 1977.

Robert N. Mansolillo is currently stationed at Lowry AFB, Colorado, as an accountant at the Air Force accounting and finance center. He previously spent two years in Germany and three in the District of Columbia.

Robert Gervasini of Westerly is an internal auditor for General Dynamics, having recently received an M.B.A. from Providence College.

Mark Williams is assistant manager of advertising and sales promotion at Amtrol, Inc., in West Warwick.

Robert D'Aiello is a senior project engineer for Agrico Chemical Co. in Mulberry, FL., where he is responsible for the development and design of phosphate mining facilities. He was certified as a registered civil engineer in 1979.

William Coyle, III, of Lincoln was recently installed as a member of the board of directors of the Pawtucket-Blackstone Valley Board of Realtors. A real estate consultant with W.E. Coyle, Jr. and Associates, he has been president of the Rhode Island Society of Real Estate Appraisers for two years.

Sandra Barrett has recently been accepted for a commission as an officer in the Rhode Island Air National Guard. She is a clinical social worker at the McCabe Juvenile Diagnostic Center in Providence, having completed an M.S. in social work at Boston University in 1978, and she is now working towards a masters degree in counseling at Rhode Island College.

1974

Arthur Vaz has been assigned to Sheppard Air Base, where he will begin training in the medical services field.

Dennis K. McWeeney is assistant facilities superintendent and inventory controller for the Rhode Island Port Authority and Economic Development Corporation in Davisville. A former Eagle Scout, he is assistant scoutmaster for a Cranston troop and is beginning his eleventh year as a part-time clerk at Star Market in Cranston.

Cynthia Jones is working toward a master's degree in special education at Salve Regina College and has been appointed as head teacher for the Martin Luther King day care center in Newport.

Steven Levitt of West Warwick is a public accountant and was formerly director of the community development accounting department for the City of Providence.

Stephen Grant is director of computer services for the Rhode Island State Employees Credit Union and is treasurer of the Mt. Pleasant Little League. He and his wife, the former Beverly Ann Cabral, live in Providence.

Mark Williamson is living in Baltimore, MD., where he is building manager of the Towson Club, Inc. A free lance artist, he plays electric guitar and piano with a Baltimore band.

1975

Jim Johnson is senior industrial engineer for Collyer Insulated Wire Co. in Lincoln.

Nicola Palmisciano of Providence is a contract negotiator for the Naval Contracting Office Detachment in Newport.

Michael Smith has moved to Bristol from Morgan, N.J., and is now a sales representative for the L.G. Balfour Co., traveling in the Cape Cod area.

Whitman Products, Ltd., recently promoted **Paul S. Zompa** to head their West Coast sales office in Los Angeles. Zompa has been a customer service manager with Whitman for three years.

Barbara H. Porter is teaching math and private pilot ground school at the Garrison Forest School in Garrison, MD., where she is also a part-time administrator. She lives in Baltimore.

Michael Finglas has recently been appointed executive secretary to the Board of Selectmen in Swansea, MA., where he will advise the board and assist the city in obtaining state and federal grants. He was formerly a CETA administrator in Fall River.

Roger LaFlamme is living in Houston, TX., where he is a project architect in the interior architecture division of 3D/International, an architectural engineering firm. He was a VISTA volunteer in 1978 and 1979.

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1976

Stephen Penler is director of computer operations for Paragon Tours and Travel in New Bedford, MA. In addition to his computer duties, he works closely with the company's sales and advertising departments.

Edwin Dobrowski and his wife **Susan**, '76, are living in Clifton, N.J., where he is assistant plant manager for the Loisel Manufacturing Corp. Susan is parts manager of the Pettibone Corporation there.

Rhea Coates of Somerset, MA. is working towards her Master's degree at Bridgewater College and is employed full-time with the Massachusetts migrant education program in Taunton.

New Children's librarian at the Cora J. Belden library in Rocky Hill, CT., is **Patricia Gorman**. She holds a masters degree in library science from the University of Rhode Island.

John G. Botelho is living in Greensboro, N.C., and is a savings bond representative for the U.S. Treasury.

Thomas F. Hudson is an administrator for John J. Hudson, Inc., a liquid asphalt supplier. He and his wife, the former Deborah Penedo, live in East Providence.

Rebecca Twersky is on the faculty of Providence College as a teacher of Hebrew and Judaica, having received her M.A. with distinction in Biblical studies from P.C. in 1979. She is also working with the Bureau of Jewish Education in Providence, training teachers in Hebrew methods.

Cdr. **Ron Atkins** is a surface operations officer with the U.S. Navy Commander Carrier Group One Staff, now based in the Indian Ocean. He graduated from the Naval War College in Newport in 1979.

Gerald Wald is a student at the University of Kentucky, where he is majoring in architecture, with an emphasis in landscaping.

David Dean has been appointed director of a new youth program in Smithfield called Channel One Smithfield. He will head a 38-member steering committee in organizing the project and a community center.

Gregory Borge has completed his initial training at Delta Airlines' pilot school in Atlanta, and is now assigned to the company's Boston base as a second officer.

Following a seven-month stay in Australia, **Jeff Poehner** has moved to New York where he is a shipping broker. For the past two years he had worked in the operational department of a motion picture company.

Ken Osborne was recently named cooperative education placement assistant at Roger Williams College, where he will assist students in finding appropriate work experiences with local, state and regional employers. Ken, who lives in Warwick, was formerly a resource coordinator for the National Spinal Cord Injury Foundation in Rhode Island.

Arthur Lusignan of Riverside has joined his family's firm, R.J. Lusignan Plumbing and Heating of East Providence. He was formerly a special projects manager at Bryant College.

Jim Silvia has been hired as data processing systems manager for Diman Regional Vocational Technical School in Fall River, MA. A Swansea resident, he was formerly systems analyst at SMU.

Alvin Davis is an associate engineer with L.A. Garofalo, Inc., in Providence. He and his wife, the former Deborah Bushnell, live in Warwick.

William M. Hatzell has traveled throughout the U.S. and to Saudi Arabia as a field engineer for Westinghouse Electric. Based in Newark, DE., he plans to make several more trips abroad to work on industrial boiler and process controls.

Lois Alice is living in Westerly, where she manages a telephone

answering service for New England Security, Inc. She had formerly taught remedial reading on the seventh grade level in Chariho schools, and is now taking courses in English literature at U.R.I.

Linda Schwartz Dana is living in St. Louis, MO., where she is in charge of ordering merchandise for a fabric store.

Marguerite Costa and her husband Dennis are owners of Square Deal Electric, Inc., in Rumford. Marguerite is business manager of the company, which is now involved in work on Taunton Plaza in East Providence.

1978

Jean Moore of Portsmouth was chairman of the Rhode Island Black Heritage Society annual ball held in December. A member of the society's board of directors, she is a member of the Portsmouth school committee, an administrator at the Raytheon Corp., and chairman of the Raytheon United Way.

John A. Koolis, Jr. is a civil engineer for Elam & Popoff Engineering Association in Glen Rock, N.J.

The Hall Institute of Pawtucket recently announced the appointment of **Robert Wotherspoon** of Lincoln as coordinator of the school's evening division. **William Lazar**, a Warren resident, was named resource center coordinator. Both men are certified designers.

Paul Gerencser writes that he is a "professional peace keeper" and a lieutenant with the U.S. Marines stationed at Camp Lejeune, N.C.

Larry Signore is living in North Providence and is an insurance agent for the Sentry Insurance Company. He is also working toward a masters degree in financial planning.

Dennis J. Flannery has moved to Manassas, VA., where he is a staff engineer for IBM.

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1979

The mayor of Fall River, MA., has appointed **F. Glenn Pontes** as coordinator of the city's newly created historic preservation department. Pontes will serve as a public information officer on preservation and will assist volunteer preservation groups in the Fall River area.

Anne Gabbianelli is working as a news reporter for WARA-AM in Attleboro, MA., where she is responsible for the station's afternoon and evening news coverage.

James Powell is living in Midland Park, N.J., and is a senior accountant assistant at the IBM offices in Franklin Lakes, N.J.

John E. Faria has announced he will seek Democratic endorsement to run for Bristol town administrator in the November election. Faria was town council president for two years before becoming a state senator in 1970. He is also co-chairman of the Bristol Tricentennial Committee.

Alfredo DiMauro, Jr. is an architectural engineer with Reinhardt Associates, Inc. in Springfield, MA. and is assistant manager of the West Springfield Showcase Cinemas. He is living in Longmeadow, MA.

The Boston Indian Council has recently appointed **Gordon Cooper** as chief resident alcoholism counselor at Tecumseh House, the first halfway house of its kind to be organized east of Kansas City. Cooper is enrolled in a masters degree program in rehabilitation counseling at Rhode Island College.

James Duff of Saundertown is a staff engineer at the V.A. Medical Center in Providence.

Hope Heldreth has begun work as a crime prevention specialist for the Neptune, N.J., police department. She is living in Ocean Grove, N.J.

Earl F. Smith of Gales Ferry, CT., is an accountant for General Dynamics' Electric Boat division in Groton. He has recently been admitted into the masters degree

program in management at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

Mark Sahagian is working in production and materials control for the LFE Corporation in Waltham, MA.

Gene Bernardin is living in Orlando, FL., where he is chief instructor at the newly-opened Wah Lum Kung Fu school. He recently wrote an article on the school, which was published in the magazine, "Inside Kung Fu."

ENGAGEMENTS

Dorothy McPhillips, '73, to Kenneth Bettencourt. A July 5 wedding is planned.

Mary Beth Hultquist, '80, to Mark S. Forcier. A May 11 wedding is planned.

Sally Catherine Long to **Douglas Cook**, an open division student. An August wedding is planned.

Joyce McGrath to Lt. **R. William Stout**, '76.

Avis Anne Babcock, '77, to Robert Burrow.

Norma E. Parente, '79, to Robert D. Shorr. An August 3 wedding is planned.

Barbara A. McCall to **Daniel R. Smith**, '76.

Mary Anne Miller to **Thomas M. Allan**, '74. A June wedding is planned.

Wendy Sue Goodman, '79, to Stephen C. Smith. A June wedding is planned.

Rebecca Davis to **Thomas McEarchern**, '79. An October wedding is planned.

Suzanne Bartram to **Joseph Dignoti**, '83. An August wedding is planned.

Cindy M. Poirier to **Michael R. Lataille**, '78.

Patti Lou Hassett to **Jay Conant**, '77. A May 3 wedding is planned.

Marie Anne Lamond to **Doris G. Levesque**, '79. A May wedding is planned.

Coral Bourgeois to **William D. Kahn**, '75. An August wedding is planned.

MARRIAGES

Daryl M. Farrar to **Keith D. Moffatt**, '73, Nov. 10, 1979, in North Scituate.

Karen LaMontagne to **John Champlin**, '82, Oct. 6, 1979.

Eve Perretz, '75, to Thomas Savastano, Nov. 4, 1979, in Lincoln.

Patricia Silvestri to **Robert DiMatteo**, '72, Nov. 3, 1979, in Providence.

Nancy Eisenhut to **Christopher Bond**, '79, in Newburyport, MA.

Jean Stafford, '79, to Todd Loiseau, September 1979.

Deborah Ann Miranda to **Denis Bessett**, '74, June 30, 1979, in Little Compton.

Kathleen Brady to **John Romanelli**, '76, Sept. 1, 1979, in Portsmouth.

Claudette A. Beauregard to **Russell G. Jackson**, '75, Sept. 21, 1979, in Woonsocket.

Kathie Copley to **Raymond J. Richard, Jr.**, '79, Nov. 4, 1979, in Portsmouth.

Christine V. Cibicki to **Albert U. Casavant**, '70, Oct. 20, 1979, in Woonsocket.

Susan Jacobs, '78, to Daniel Corria, Aug. 25, 1979, in Providence.

Cynthia Hughes, '77, to Vincent Bakos, December 1979, in East Aurora, N.Y.

Kim Marie Sposato to **Michael O'Dell**, '78, Jan. 5, 1980, in Westerly.

Sue Ann Mattson, '81, to **Steven Guzzon**, '77, in Scituate.

Linda Ann DiBenedetto to **A. Adam Petronio**, '70, July 1, 1979.

Linda Schwartz, '77, to Mark Dana, Aug. 5, 1979.

IN MEMORIAM

G. Richard D'Amico, '72, Jan., 8, 1980.

Robert A. Johnson, '48, Feb. 21, 1980.

Lawrence J. Hardy, '71, Mar. 9, 1980.

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