

Roger Williams University

DOCS@RWU

---

Alumni Newsletters and Magazines

RWU Archives and Special Collections

---

9-1-1994

## The Bridge, September 1994

Roger Williams University Alumni Association

Follow this and additional works at: [https://docs.rwu.edu/alumni\\_news](https://docs.rwu.edu/alumni_news)



Part of the [Higher Education Commons](#)

---

### Recommended Citation

Roger Williams University Alumni Association, "The Bridge, September 1994" (1994). *Alumni Newsletters and Magazines*. 50.

[https://docs.rwu.edu/alumni\\_news/50](https://docs.rwu.edu/alumni_news/50)

This News Article is brought to you for free and open access by the RWU Archives and Special Collections at DOCS@RWU. It has been accepted for inclusion in Alumni Newsletters and Magazines by an authorized administrator of DOCS@RWU. For more information, please contact [mwu@rwu.edu](mailto:mwu@rwu.edu).

ROGER  
WILLIAMS  
UNIVERSITY

# THE BRIDGE

September 1994

**Class of 1994  
Commencement**



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Commencement 1994 marked the culmination of an important year in the history of Roger Williams University. As we celebrate the triumphs of our 1994 graduates (see page 5), we are reminded of the tremendous growth our institution has undergone in its relatively short history.

- We completed the first academic year with Rhode Island's first School of Law, offering the University's first graduate program.
- The University created a strong

presence in downtown Providence with the purchase of 150 Washington Street to house the Metropolitan Center for Education and Law (see page 1).

- The 1993-94 academic year was the 25th on the Bristol Campus.
- The academic programs of the institution were restructured to emphasize our strengths in the liberal

arts and selected professional programs (see page 1).

- And on a personal note, Commencement 1994 signaled the completion of my first academic year as president of this vigorous institution.

We will explore the milestones of the developments that have led



us to where we are now in the 1993-94 *President's Annual Report* to be published in early fall.

With a past rich in progress, coupled with the successes of the present, Roger

Williams University is moving into a new era. The prospects ahead look both challenging and exciting. We will examine these issues more closely in upcoming editions of *The Bridge*.

Cordially,  
*Anthony J. Santoro*  
Anthony J. Santoro

CONTENTS

- 1 NEWS ROUND-UP  
*News of the University*
- 3 CURRENTS  
*News about People of the University*
- 5 COMMENCEMENT 1994
- 9 CHAPTER NEWS  
*Activities of the Alumni and Parent Associations*
- 11 SPORTS  
*The Year in Review*
- 12 CLASS NOTES

back PLAN AHEAD  
cover *Calendar*

**THE BRIDGE**  
Eric R. Bronner  
Assistant Director of Publications  
Editor, University Magazine  
Ned Broomhead  
Art Director/Graphic Designer  
Tom Walker  
Director of Alumni and Parent Relations

**STAFF WRITERS**  
Eric R. Bronner, Dorothea Hesse Doar, APR, Assistant Director of Public Relations; Dave Kemmy, Director of Sports Information, "Sports"; Candace Maguire, Assistant Director of Alumni Relations, "Class Notes" and Chapter News"; Anthony J. Santoro, President, "A Message from the President"; Tom Walker, "Chapter News."

**CONTRIBUTING PHOTOGRAPHERS**  
Bristol Workshops in Photography (Stephen Brigidi, owner), front, inside front covers, 2-3, 5-9, 11; Kelli Wicke Davis, 13; Peter Finger, 11; DeWolf Fulton (supplied), 2; Paul Langello family (supplied), 4; David Silverman, 2, 3, 4, back cover; Tom Walker, 9-10; Al Weems, 4.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ALUMNI BOARD**  
Richard Rohleder '85, President  
Doris C. Brown '87, Past President

© 1994 by Roger Williams University. *THE BRIDGE* is published three times yearly by the Department of Public Relations and Publications for alumni, parents, donors, volunteer leadership, faculty, staff and friends of the University. Printing is by E.A. Johnson Co., East Providence, R.I. Typesetting assistance provided by Verbatim, Inc., Providence. For subscriptions or single copies write *THE BRIDGE*, Roger Williams University, One Old Ferry Road, Bristol, Rhode Island 02809-2921. Send news and change of address to the previous address. Phone: (401) 254-3178, 1-800-458-7144 toll-free out-of-state for Admissions, Alumni and Development Offices only.

*THE BRIDGE* is printed on recycled and recyclable paper with soy-based inks.



NEWS ROUNDUP

News of the University

Academic Structure Reorganized

The previous eight undergraduate schools of the University have been restructured into two colleges and three schools of the University, emphasizing its nature as a liberal arts institution with selected professional programs.

The liberal arts component of the University is now contained in the newly created College of Arts and Sciences. The College of Arts and Sciences brings together a broad spectrum of disciplines which constitute the core of General Education, comprised of programs from the former schools of Fine and Performing Arts, Humanities, Science and Mathematics, and Social Sciences.

The programs of professional study remain as separate entities — the School of Architecture, School of Business and School of Engineering (as well as the School of Law, the University's only graduate program).

Continuing education programs remain in the previous structure (formerly the School of Continuing Education) now called the University College for continuing education, a label frequently used by higher education institutions for evening, part-time and non-traditional student programs.

Mark Gould, Ph.D., (former dean, Science and Mathematics) has been appointed acting dean and Loretta Shelton (faculty, Humanities) acting associate dean of the new College of Arts and Sciences (see page 4).

John W. Stout (former dean, Continuing Education) serves in the same capacity now as dean of the University College. John F. Dawson continues as associate dean, now of the University College, and director of the University's Providence Campus, recently relocated to the Metro Center downtown (see separate story).

"The driving force for the reorganization is the value of academic excellence. The new structure is the next step to prepare the University for the 21st century, to continue our adaptation keeping pace with modern curriculum and excellent instruction, which best serves our students in a challenging, rapidly changing world," explained President Anthony J. Santoro.

Look for more in-depth information regarding the academic reorganization in the fall issue of the magazine.

Providence Campus Moves to New Downtown Metro Center

Renovation is underway at the new RWU Metropolitan Center for Education and Law at 150 Washington Street, Providence, preparing for occupancy during Fall Semester 1994.

The Providence campus, housing the University's continuing education programs (now structured in the University College — see lead story this page), will relocate from La Salle Academy at 612 Academy Avenue, Providence, to the Metro Center for fall classes.

Continuing education programs of RWU have served the Providence community from La Salle Academy for the past 18 years.

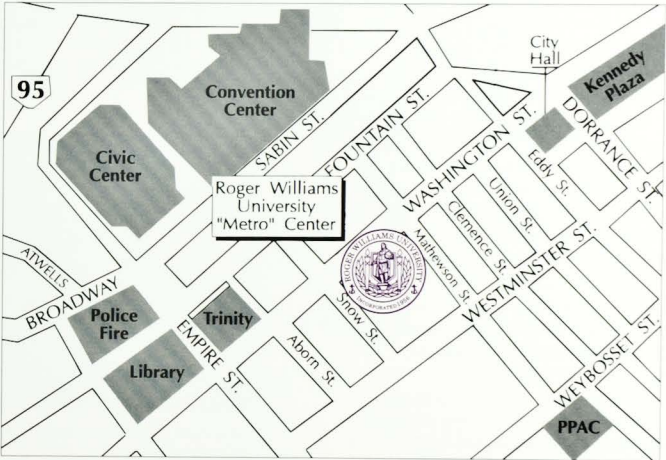
The Metro Center will offer spacious, air-conditioned classrooms with audio-visual equipment, plus an on-line library catalog system linked to many local college libraries. Computer terminals will also connect with the Bristol Campus offering word processing, CAD, graphics, database, spreadsheet and desktop publishing applications.

In addition to University College offices and classrooms, the four-story, 75,000 square-foot Metro Center will also house the School of Law's Legal Clinic (to open in 1995), and accommodate some office space for commercial lease.

Secure parking is available in two lots behind the Metro Center and at a nearby garage at no cost to University students, faculty and staff.

Through the Metro Center, RWU joins other institutions with a presence in downtown Providence including Johnson & Wales University (J&W) and the University of Rhode Island (pending). RWU and J&W are currently negotiating an agreement to share usage of Metro Center facilities.

The Metro Center is located within blocks of City Hall, the Convention Center, the Civic Center, the Providence Police and Fire Headquarters, the Providence Public Library, Trinity Repertory Company Theatre and the Providence Performing Arts Center.



University Reaccreditation Self-Study Underway

In preparation for reaccreditation by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) in 1995, Roger Williams University is conducting a comprehensive self-study. To maintain accreditation, all colleges and universities must undergo comprehensive evaluations from regional accrediting bodies every 10 years. Roger Williams University was last reaccredited by

NEASC in 1986; an interim report was filed in 1990.

A steering committee, chaired by Malcolm H. Forbes, vice president for academic affairs, representing students, faculty and administration, has been working on the self-study since fall 1993 in preparation for the NEASC accreditation visit expected in October 1995.

(continued on page 2)



(continued from page 1)

A draft of the study will be available for review and comment by the RWU community this fall, Dr. Forbes said.

In addition to academic programs and instruction, the study covers student services, organization, governance and financial resources.

The study will provide a description of the institution, as well as an appraisal of how well RWU is accomplishing its goals, Dr. Forbes stated.

"The team will not be investigating us, but rather validating what we have told them about Roger Williams University as an institution — what we are doing in relation to our stated mission, how well we are doing it, and where we hope to be in the future," he said.

An important segment of the study will focus on plans and projections, which will ultimately be incorporated into an updated long-range planning document for the University.

#### Law School Prepares for Accreditation Team Visit

The School of Law has completed and submitted its application for accreditation to the Section of Legal Education and Admission to the Bar of the American Bar Association in preparation for the on-site visit Sept. 22-24.

The application package roughly consists of a 120-page self-study reviewing all aspects of the School's operation produced by a committee of Law School faculty; a 100-page response to the ABA questionnaire; and a 60-page library report, said John E. Ryan, dean and vice president, School of Law.

"A thorough, all-encompassing effort has been made putting the application materials together — from research to analysis to the final document submitted. We are well prepared for this visit," Dean Ryan said.

Provisional accreditation could be granted as early as February 1995 at the ABA House of Delegates meeting, provided that visitation team recommendations are completed by then. Full accreditation could potentially be granted within two years after receipt of provisional. ■



240 ATTEND UNIVERSITY BALL — Rosecliff mansion, Newport, was the scene for the fifth annual ball Saturday, April 23, co-chaired by trustees Lincoln W. N. Pratt and Edward P. Grace III. Fine dining, dancing and good company were the evening's fare. 1. President Anthony J. and Pauline Santoro with Trustee Edward and Holly Grace, greet arrivals. 2. Chairman Ralph R. ('85H) and Barbara Papitto enter the grand foyer. 3. Trustee Joseph R. Paulino, Jr. '78, pictured with his wife Lianne, was recently appointed ambassador to Malta. 4. Rhode Island Governor Bruce G. ('80H) and Marjorie Sundlan enjoy the dance floor.



GOLF TOURNAMENT RAISES FUNDS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS — About 110 players participated in the Fourth Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament June 20 at Alpine Country Club, Cranston, co-chaired by trustees Bob Rizzo and Tom Hudson '76. Nearly \$70,000 has been raised through the four events. From left are: Margaret Norton, director of grants; Deborah Toupin, president's secretary; Tom Hudson '76; President Anthony J. Santoro; players from Barnes & Noble Bookstores Bill Dill, executive, and Glen Hayle; and Bill Baird, director of athletics.



CITY HALL CHOOSES RWU INTERNS — Five communications majors from the Class of 1994 were selected for internships in the Executive Office of the City of Providence to work with the staff of Mayor Vincent A. Cianci, Jr. From left are: Steve Ackels of Simsbury, Conn.; Chris Peters of Hartford, Conn.; Mayor Cianci; Allison Sidorsky of Broomall, Pa.; Chris Albert of Higganum, Conn.; and DeWolf Fulton, adjunct Humanities faculty, and the mayor's projects coordinator. (Intern Tim Smith of Brookfield, Conn., not pictured).

## CURRENTS

### News of People of the University

#### New Trustee and V.P. Complete First Semester at RWU

1. **James Lynn Singleton**, president, Providence Performing Arts Center (PPAC), joined the Board of Trustees last January.

"In the short time I've been on the Board, I've been impressed with the University's leadership. Things are happening. . . . Everyone likes to be associated with a winner, and Roger Williams University is definitely a winner," Mr. Singleton remarked.

For the past 10 years, he has directed the management of PPAC, Rhode Island's principal performing arts facility, featuring a 3,200 seat auditorium. Under his leadership PPAC was voted "Theatre of the Year" by *Performance Magazine* in 1986 and 1987.

In 1988, he received the Rhode Island Theatre Achievement Award from the Association of Community Theatres and was named one of 350 Outstanding Citizens in the City of Providence. He has been active with the boards of directors of the Convention Authority, the Providence Convention and Visitor's Bureau, Rhode Island College Presidents Club and the Turks Head Club.

He previously served as associate dean of student activities and student union, Rhode Island College, from 1976 to 1981. He earned a Master of Arts degree in education from Union College, Barbourville, Ky., and a Bachelor of Science degree in history and sociology, as well as a teaching certificate from Cumberland College, Williamsburg, Ky.

2. **Michael Schipper** joined the executive administration of the University as vice president for human resources last January.

"I've enjoyed becoming a part of the University during such an exciting time in its history. There's been so much growth in the institution just since the winter. I'm enthusiastic about the direction the University is taking," Mr. Schipper commented.

He previously held the position of chief human resources officer at St. Joseph's Hospital, Lowell, Mass. He also served as an adjunct professor of human resources in the Graduate School at the

University of Massachusetts, College of Health Professionals, Lowell.

Prior to that, he held several major administrative positions in New England: vice president, human resources, Lake Shore Hospital, Manchester, N.H.; director of human resources, Marlborough (Mass.) Hospital; and personnel director, Choates Symmes Health Services, Inc., Arlington, Mass.

He earned degrees from the University of Houston (Bachelor of Science and Associate of Science degrees in psychology) and Bradley University (Master of Arts degree in psychology). In addition, he has completed all course work towards a Master of Liberal Arts degree in humanities from Harvard University.

He is married to Janet Schipper, who serves as vice president, Women and Infants Hospital, Providence.

#### Other Appointments

**Robert H. Aspri** has been appointed bibliographic control librarian for the Main Library. He was previously head of reference and coordinator of collection development at the Learning Resources Center of the Community College of Rhode Island, Lincoln. He is a founding member of the Higher Education Library Information Network Consortium.

3. **Ron Black** was recently promoted to director of information systems for the University at large. He was previously director of computer services, School of Law. He oversees the coordination of computer services currently in use, and will direct the updating of the academic and administrative computer systems. Before coming to the University in August 1993, he had been with the law firm of Edwards & Angell and Johnson & Wales University.

4. **Lucinda Harrison-Cox** has completed her first year as reference librarian for the School of Law Library. She most recently held a similar position at the University of Richmond (Va.) Law Library. A graduate of Rutgers University, she earned her Juris Doctor degree from Washington and Lee University, and her Masters in Library Science degree from Catholic University

of America, Washington, D.C.

5. **Elizabeth Geesey Holmes**, has been named catalog librarian, for the School of Law Library. She previously served as Technical Services Librarian at the Rhode Island State Library in Providence. She earned her library degree at the University of Rhode Island and her Master's

degree in history at the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Va.

6. **M. Elizabeth LeBlanc, Ed.D.**, has been appointed to the Education Program faculty. She has served as clinical supervisor in the Boston College Teacher Education

Program; assistant professor and coordinator of elementary teacher education at Fordham University; acting principal, Mattacheese Middle School, Dennis-Yarmouth School District; and assistant professor, secondary education, Seton Hall University. She earned a Doctor of Education degree from Rutgers University, a Master of Arts degree from Seton Hall University and a Bachelor of Arts degree from the College of Our Lady of the Elms. She holds teacher certification in Massachusetts, New York and New Jersey.

(continued on page 4)



(continued from page 3)

## Dean and Associate Named for New College of Arts and Sciences

5. **Mark Gould, Ph.D.**, has been appointed acting dean and 6. **Loretta Shelton** acting associate dean of the new College of Arts and Sciences. Created in the recent academic reorganization (see page 1), the College of Arts and Sciences contains the liberal arts component of the University, comprised of the former schools of Fine and Performing Arts, Humanities, Science and Mathematics, and Social Sciences. Dr. Gould served as dean of Science and Mathematics, while Ms. Shelton served as area coordinator of the English Program in Humanities.

## Koelle and Baker Honored with Teaching Excellence Award

7. **Ruth Koelle, Ed.D.**, full-time mathematics faculty, and 8. **Kim Baker**, part-time English instructor, were the 1993-94 recipients of the "Excellence in Teaching Award."

Traditionally given only to full-time faculty, this year a second award was added to honor part-time instructors. Dr. Koelle and Ms. Baker were nominated by students and fellow faculty, and chosen by a committee sponsored by the University's Alpha Chi Chapter of the national honor society.

An instructor of mathematics for more than 25 years, Dr. Koelle has taught at the high school and college levels. Prior to coming to Roger Williams University in 1988 she had been a member of the faculty at Bloomfield College, Bloomfield, N.J., Somerset County College, Somerville, N.J., and Queens College, Queens, N.Y.

Dr. Koelle, coordinator of the mathematics area, commented:

"My continuing goal in teaching is to show the beauty of the subject at a level that each student can understand, without losing the challenge necessary to stimulate students to think. . . . I try to encourage students to develop their problem-solving skills, and to lead them to make connections they have not considered before."

Dr. Koelle earned a Doctor of Education (CTAS) degree from Teachers College, Columbia University, a Master of Science degree from Courant Institute, New York University (NYU); and a Bachelor of Science degree (Phi Beta Kappa) from University College, NYU.

Ms. Baker earned a Master of Arts degree in English from Rhode Island College (RIC), where she also received a Bachelor of Arts degree in English, summa cum laude. While at RIC she taught introduction to academic writing as a graduate teaching assistant.

When asked about teaching, Ms. Baker said:

"The only thing I expect of students in the classroom is respect. All learning takes place based on respect — of textbook material, teamwork, individual potential and limitations, and for responsibility in organizing and implementing these efforts. . . . The diversity of experience from my professional career enables me to bring depth and variety to my teaching."

Ms. Baker, training coordinator for the Rhode Island Division of Mental Health, has taught business writing at Johnson & Wales University and literature and writing to high school minority students in the Upward Bound Program at RIC. She has taught English courses at Roger Williams University since 1992. ■



## In Memoriam



■ **Paul S. Langelo** of Barrington, a member of the School of Business faculty for 24 years, died Saturday, Nov. 13, after an extended illness. He came to Roger Williams in 1969 and quickly established a reputation as someone who loved teaching and being involved with the students.

"Mr. Langelo was a professor who cared about his students and advisees. As a teacher he made sure that every student understood the topic. He made class exciting by adding anecdotes related to the material. He was always available when students needed to talk with him," said business graduate Randy Saren '94, from Orange, Conn.

He was coordinator of the business division for five years, as well as area coordinator of accounting; founder and director of the Small Business Institute; and an active member of the personnel and curriculum committees. Always interested in the students, he also served as coach of the golf team and senior class adviser.

He graduated from Bryant College with a Bachelor of Science degree in accounting. He earned a Master's degree from New York University, where he also worked toward a doctorate in education. A teacher at New Rochelle (N.Y.) High School, he was a member of Big Brothers of New York.

■ **Mildred House**, retired natural history faculty member, died Jan. 3. She taught at the University for more than 30 years. She was a past president of the Bristol Garden Club, a founder of the Bayberry Garden club, the state conservation chairman of the Rhode Island Garden Club, and a member of the Audubon Society. She wrote *Wildflowers*, and was a nature photographer of wildflowers.

■ **Janet K. Stone**, died March 20. She was one of the first instructors and student group leaders in the University's Social and Health Services Program, serving in this position from 1975 - 1977. She served as senior supervisor for the Rhode Island Department of Social and Rehabilitative Services for 28 years. She earned a Master's degree in social work from Boston College and a Bachelor of Arts degree in English and journalism from the University of California at Berkeley.

# The Providence Journal

Reprinted from:  
**THE PROVIDENCE SUNDAY JOURNAL**  
MAY 22, 1994

## Roger Williams Graduates over 700

by Linda Borg, Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

A heady mix of nostalgia, sadness and excitement hung over the commencement ceremony at Roger Williams University yesterday [Saturday, May 21] like the first hint of fresh-cut grass on a spring day.

The 700-odd seniors seemed alternately wistful and elated. Mortarboards were whimsically decorated with daisies or flags. Others carried the words, "Thanks, Mom and Dad," in recognition of the people who paid the freight.

Parents, friends and commencement speakers added a sober note to the morning exercises, speaking of challenges and taking risks and remaining true to oneself.

Graduations are markers of the passage of time, and senior Audra Cooke talked about the sense of wonder that the four years went by so fast.

"Where did the time go?" said Cooke, president of the Alpha Chi Honor Society. "It seem like yesterday that we were all in freshman orientation. Most of

us were wild and innocent and scared. In this past month, we have been evaluating ourselves and how much we have learned," she said.

"There is one teacher and that is yourself. Nothing is better in this world than being

yourself. That is the right and only way to live."

Commencement speaker Allan D. Gilmour, vice-chairman of Ford Motor Co., talked about how real life is not an orderly progression from one event to the next.

He used his own life as a case in point. A farmer's son, Gilmour began to pursue a law degree, then dropped out to enter business school, where he discovered his true calling, he said.

Gilmour then offered a brief primer on organizations and teamwork.

"You must do more than your part," he told the crowd gathered under a large white tent. "Your job will be there after you leave. It is the stretch that's noticed."

Don't shy away from compromise, he told the Class of '94. It isn't a dirty word, but represents the ability to understand other people's interests.

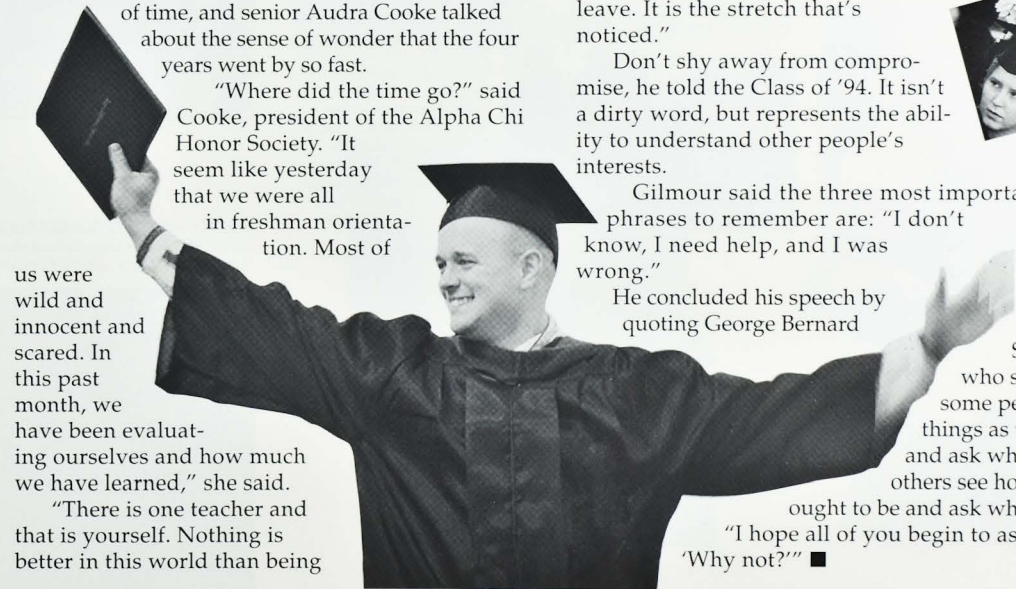
Gilmour said the three most important phrases to remember are: "I don't know, I need help, and I was wrong."

He concluded his speech by quoting George Bernard

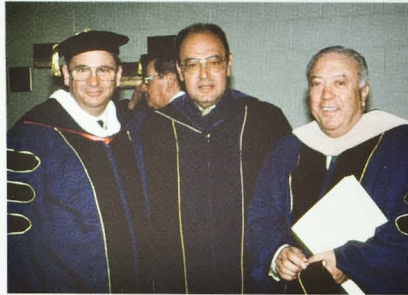
Shaw, who said some people see things as they are and ask why, while others see how things

ought to be and ask why not.

"I hope all of you begin to ask, 'Why not?'" ■







**TRUSTEES ROBBING ROOM** — From left: Michael Schipper, vice president of human resources; Anthony J. Santoro, president; and Ralph R. Papitto, chairman of the Board of Trustees, prepare for the ceremony.



**CONFERRING OF DEGREES** — Dr. Malcolm H. Forbes (left), vice president of academic affairs, presents diplomas to the degree candidates.

**THE FEW, THE PROUD** — Humanities major Gregory Lawrence Grunwald (right) is commissioned as 2nd Lt. of the Marine Corps by Capt. Enoch Blazis. President Anthony J. Santoro observes.



**STUDENT AMBASSADORS SHARE IN EMOTION OF THE DAY** — Student Ambassadors (in navy blue blazers) are on hand to greet the public and serve as ushers at Commencement. The group was formed to represent the student body to the community by serving at University functions.



**SENIOR CLASS PRESIDENT** — "Because of our experiences at RWU, we are now ready to take new steps that lead us to the rest of our lives," biology major Michelle C. Vieira.

**HONOR SOCIETY PRESIDENT** — "We can all take pride in our accomplishments here at RWU," psychology major Audra Cooke, president, Alpha Chi.



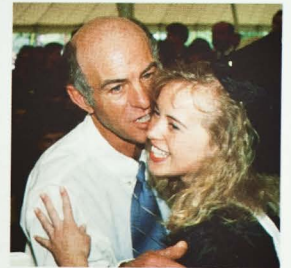
**DIGNITARIES HONORED** — Honorary Doctorate (HD) degrees are awarded to (from left) Allan D. Gilmour, vice chairman, Ford Motor Co., HD in Business Administration; Robert F. Tasca, Sr., president, Tasca Lincoln-Mercury, Inc., HD in Commerce; Anne Szostak, senior vice president, Fleet Financial Group, HD in Business Administration; Lawrence K. Fish, chairman, president and chief executive officer, Citizens Financial Group, Inc., HD of Finance; and Richard A. Hayward, chairman, Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Council, HD in Humanities.



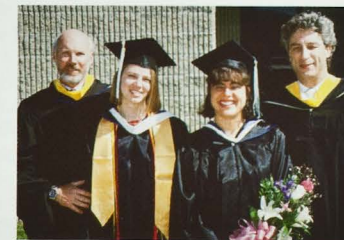
**UP, UP AND AWAY** — Richard A. Hayward (HD), chairman, Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Council, was flown by Helicopter after ceremonies to commencement exercises at the University of Connecticut, where he also received an honorary degree.



**HUMAN SERVICE AWARDS** — Kristen Elizabeth Jenckes and Patricia A. Cobb (from left sitting) earned the 1994 Lois A. Jenckes Award for Outstanding Students in the Social and Health Services Program. The award was established in memory of Lois Jenckes, deceased alumna who founded the Elizabeth Buffam Chase House, a shelter for victims of domestic violence in Warwick, R.I. Kristen is the daughter of Lois and Robert Jenckes (standing left). Bruce Thompson, Ph.D. (right), heads the program.



**FAMILY PRIDE** — Earl Richard (left) of St. Alban's, Vt., whispers congratulations in the ear of his daughter Hayley, communications major.



**DAUGHTERS OF FACULTY GRADUATE WITH HONORS** — Dana Melchar and Alicia Iannucelli (center) both graduated cum laude with their Bachelor's degrees — Dana in Humanities and Alicia in Social Sciences. With them are proud fathers, Business faculty members Anthony Iannucelli (right) and Dave Melchar (left), who also serves as dean of enrollment management. Dana now works in the University Admissions Office as a counselor.





# Words of Wisdom

Excerpts from the Commencement Address

Allan D. Gilmour '94H, Vice Chairman, Ford Motor Co.

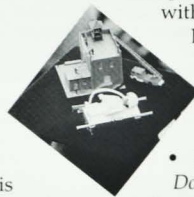
College is a rather special time that provides opportunities to think, to read, to reflect, to grow. Life, of course, is not like that. It's not orderly. In fact, it's often chaotic, and there are many conflicting demands on your time and energy. John Lennon said: "Life is what happens to you when you're planning for something else."

- Remember the old admonition: "The human mind is like an umbrella — it functions best when open."
- Your education and learning cannot be finished because the world is moving too fast, and knowledge is changing too quickly. If there is anything that sharply distinguishes your generation from those that have come before you, it is that you will be constantly challenged to develop new skills, to re-educate yourselves, regardless of how you choose to make your livings.
- Keep in mind that data are not information. Information is not knowledge. And knowledge certainly isn't wisdom. You'd be surprised at how many people get these confused.
- For most of you, your work will be carried out in an organization . . . organizations rely on teamwork to be effective . . . they are always bigger than the sum of their pieces . . . they combine and multiply the skills and contributions of the participants. . . . Learn how to stretch, to go beyond what the job calls for, and you'll improve yourself as well as the organization you are part of.



- Your principal occupation in life will be sales. . . . Regardless of your occupation, you will find that a fair share of your time will be spent describing to others what you believe, and why, and trying to convince them that your ideas and approaches have merit. . . . In so many words, that's selling.
- Participate in the public issues of the day. . . . Get involved. . . . Remember citizenship . . . who you are . . . what you believe in, and what you stand for.

- Almost nothing in life is black or white. The world is full of trade-offs, finding the right balance, in short, compromise. Now compromise frequently carries with it a bad reputation. A person is said to have "sold out" by not honoring a set of principles or beliefs. But at the heart of compromise, in the best sense of the word, is the ability to understand other people's interests and positions.

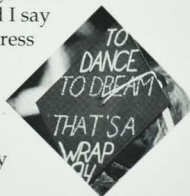
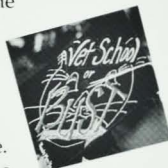


- Mark McCormack, who wrote *What They Don't Teach You at Harvard Business School*, [noted three key phrases to remember] —

"I don't know," "I need help," and "I was wrong." Failing to admit that you don't know something can lead to suspicions about what you do know. Asking for help is a way to learn, to expand your knowledge and your value to the organization you belong to. It also demonstrates a willingness to work with others.

Making a mistake is not so much the problem as is how the mistake is handled. Once a mistake is admitted, it allows you to move on, perhaps to a big success.

- Finally, go for it! . . . It's often said that we do best doing what we love. When I was graduating from college, I thought I wanted to be a lawyer. When I got to law school, I found out that it wasn't for me, so I switched to the business school. (I didn't finish out law school.) I've never regretted the change. If I've enjoyed some success in my life and career, it's because I pursued what I really liked to do.
- You will also run into nay-sayers who, with the best of intentions, will tell you that you're wrong, too ambitious, or overly unrealistic in what you're trying to do. They could be right. But how will you know if you don't try? If you really believe in yourself and your ideas, remember what George Bernard Shaw wrote: "You see things; and you say 'Why;' But I dream things that never were; and I say 'Why not?'" Much of human progress comes from people who ask and continue to ask, "Why not?" I hope that all of you have already begun to ask "Why not?" — and will keep on asking it for the many years ahead of you. Do your best.
- Everyone of you has a unique talent; use it to make a difference in some aspect of your life — and ours. . . . ■



## CHAPTER NEWS

Alumni and Parents Associations

## Another Year Rolls By!

*The 1993-94 academic year has come and gone. We enjoyed meeting and talking with so many alumni and parents during the course of the year.*

*Here's a quick look at the last 12 months of Chapter activities. We're planning more great get-togethers for alumni and parents this year too. We hope to see you real soon!*

### • Rhode Island Chapter Homecoming/Parents Day 1993

Roger Williams University,  
Bristol

October 16, 1993

*See the Fall/Winter '93 issue for pictures of this day-long fall festival.*

### • Boston Chapter

Weston Hotel, Waltham  
November 17, 1993

*This Chapter was eager to hear about the new School of Law from Dean John E. Ryan.*

### • Cape Cod Chapter

Cape Codder Hotel, Hyannis  
November 18, 1993

*Cape Codders enjoyed socializing with folks from their alma mater.*

### • Hartford Chapter

Hartford Marriott, Farmington  
December 1, 1993

*This Chapter enjoyed meeting President Anthony J. Santoro and hearing his plans for the University's future.*

### • Save the Date!

PARENTS DAY 1994

Saturday, October 15, 1994



**New York/New Jersey Chapter** [above]  
Marriott Marquis, NYC  
March 2, 1994  
*These folks braved the blizzard for this event!*

**Fairfield County Chapter** (Conn.) [below]  
Stamford Marriott  
March 3, 1994  
*We were glad to see so many new faces at this Chapter meeting!*





## SPORTS

# Roller-Coaster Season Yields Ups and Downs

by Dave Kemmy, Sports Information Director

### Fall Sports Review

**WOMEN'S SOCCER:** The team had a record-breaking season, with 14-3-1 record, the second-best season in the 12-year history of women's athletics at the University. Five players were named to the All-Conference Team: sophomores Vivian Vieira and Nikki Fitzgerald, and freshmen Randi Bauer, Nicole Sarubbi and Jennifer Weber.

**WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL:** The spikers posted their third straight winning season, finishing with a 21-17 record. Senior Jessie Barnum had a brilliant season, leading the team in several statistical categories. Other top players were Stephanie King, Melissa Duby, Sandra Still and Mandy Hulbert.

**MEN'S SOCCER:** The team suffered through their first losing season in three years, posting an 8-10 record. Offensively the team was led by Juan Uran and Curtis Verdi. Junior tri-captain Scott Flood also played well in the mid-field. Backs Michael Rego and Thomas Roach were named to the All-Conference Team. Senior keeper Mike Street became the first player from the University selected to play in the NEISL All-Star Game after a solid campaign in net.

**WOMEN'S TENNIS:** The netwomen had a rebuilding season, after posting the best record in the University's history in 1992, finishing with a 2-7 record in 1993. Freshman Bonnie Graber proved to be a solid number one player, leading the team with the best singles record (5-3) and team points (6.5).

**CO-ED SAILING:** This team finished the season with a bang by capturing first place in the RWU Invitational on Bristol Harbor. Freshman John Condon was the team's most consistent skipper, capturing a "bullet" in the RWU race. Freshman Karen Palise was the team's top crew member.

**CO-ED GOLF:** The golfers posted their first losing season (2-4) in the seven-year tenure of coach Tony Pinhero. The team was led by senior Stephen Ackels, who earned medalist honors in two dual meets. His 75 in one dual set a new school record for lowest score.

**CO-ED EQUESTRIAN:** The riders competed in six shows, including the

first RWU Invitational. Senior Matt Walby had another solid season, winning the high point rider award in the RWU Show. Senior Karen Jorgensen and sophomore Robin Bronk also turned in ribbon-winning performances.

### Winter Sports Review:

**MEN'S ICE HOCKEY:** The Hawk skaters had a fine first semester of action, but faltered in the second half and finished with an 8-12-1 record. Senior forward Stephen Sangermano led the team in scoring and was named to the ECAC All-Star Team for the second straight season. He was also scouted by the Stanley Cup Champion New York Rangers. Other top players were Rodney Frenette, Kevin Thibodeau, Greg Romans and Eric Bonk.

**MEN'S BASKETBALL:** This team finished with a disappointing 5-20 record. Senior Tim Smith was named to the All-Conference Team for the third straight season. Senior George Milot, junior Tony McLaughlin and sophomore Scott Kofoed all had solid seasons as well.

**MEN'S VOLLEYBALL:** The team finished with 11-19 record without a senior on the roster. A pair of juniors, Scott Minnis and Shawn Thompson, led the way. Minnis led the team in four categories and was nationally ranked in one. Thompson made the All-Tournament Team at one event and was named "Most Valuable Player" of the RWU Invitational.

**WRESTLING:** The grapplers didn't fare well as a team, posting a 0-14 record and finishing last in the New England Championships. Individually they fared much better with freshman 118 pounder Jason Pelletier earning All-New England honors and sophomore Spencer McCombe posting a solid 20-9 overall record.

### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL:

The women hoopsters failed to win a game, ending with an 0-23 record. Freshman Christine Kiriakopoulos had a solid season, as did senior guard Jennifer Vizzo and Sophomore forward Melissa Duby.

### Spring Sports Review:

#### CO-ED EQUESTRIAN:

Senior Matt Walby became the first National Champion in University history when he took top honors in the individual open fences division at the National Championships in Texas. Walby was named "Male Athlete of the Year" for his efforts. Karen Jorgensen received school's "Sharon Castelli Award" for her outstanding performances.

**MEN'S LACROSSE:** This team won an unprecedented fourth straight Pilgrim League Championship, posting 8-1 league mark and a 9-4 overall record. The team was ranked as high as eighth in New England Coaches Poll. Five players were named to the All-League Team: seniors Dave Wojdyl, Chad Meisner, Pat Cooney and Rick Alderman and junior Mike Breard. Alderman was named to the All-New England Team.

**BASEBALL:** The Hawk nine improved a great deal and narrowly missed reaching the .500 mark with a 9-11 final record. Three players were named to the All-Conference Team. Sophomore pitcher Paul Gilmore and seniors Mike McNamara and Mark Follo were honored for their fine play. Follo led the team in batting average (.404). Other top players were Aaron Hirsch and Chris Johnson. Johnson was named to the CoSIDA/GTE Academic All-American District One Team.

**WOMEN'S SOFTBALL:** The women's softball team also just missed reaching the .500 mark, posting an 8-9 record. Windy Anzalone, Audra Cooke and Amanda Barstow were all named to the All-Conference Team.

**MEN'S TENNIS:** This team posted a record of 3-9 with the top players freshmen Massimo Astrologo, Jamie Morrell and sophomore Carlo Acervida.

**CO-ED SAILING:** The sailors captured top honors in the Southern New England Invitational. John Condon and David Lambie were the top skippers.

**CO-ED GOLF:** The golfers posted a 4-7-1 record with top players senior Stephen Ackels and sophomore Mark Stachowicz. ■



Matt Walby '94, captain of the Equestrian Team, is the first RWU student to become a national champion in any sport (see spring Sports Review). He represented the United States at a National COP Competition in Conches, France, March 21-28. He made it to the second round jumping and first round dressage on USA Team 1, which finished fourth out of 19.



**Florida Chapter**  
Marriott Harbor Beach  
Resort, Ft. Lauderdale  
March 25, 1994  
President Santoro, Ronald Wassel, assistant to the president, and Thomas Walker, director of alumni and parent relations, traveled down to host this event. What a relief from the snow in the Northeast!



**Annual St. Patrick's Day Brunch**  
Newport Doubletree Hotel  
April 13, 1994  
This popular brunch follows our annual weekend of parades and parties in Newport to celebrate the "Green."



**Philadelphia Chapter**  
The Warwick Hotel  
April 14, 1994  
This Chapter is planning an event in Atlantic City. Watch your mail for an invitation!



**Washington, D.C. Chapter**  
J.W. Marriott Hotel  
April 15, 1994  
This Chapter had a great time surprising President Santoro with a cake to celebrate his birthday!



## CLASS NOTES

**'71** Jayne A. Stout and John R. Stout '92, have discovered the remains of an Imperial Mammoth on Jayne's ranch property in Texas. She was having a drinking pond dug for her ranch animals, and the bulldozer unearthed the ancient skeleton. The mammoth, estimated at 75,000 years old, is the oldest known to this date. Other remains were also found on the site, including prairie dogs, turtles, fish, birds and rodents. The collection of ancient bones has been titled the "Stout Fauna" and is currently being studied at the Balcones Research Center, Austin. Jayne is currently a recruiter for positions in the scientific field. John works as her assistant. Jayne is the former wife of John W. Stout, dean, University College for continuing education. John R. Stout is their son.

**'74** Philip Gomes was recently appointed chief court officer in the Plymouth (Mass.) District Court system. He resides in Onset with his wife, Susan, and daughter, Tiana.

**'76** Tom FitzGerald serves as director of the Kentucky Resources Council, a non-profit environmental advocacy organization providing legal and strategic assistance to individuals and communities. He is also an adjunct professor of energy and environmental law at the University of Louisville.

**'78** L. Paul Gerencser serves as a major in the U.S. Marine Corps. He recently reported for duty with 3rd Supply Battalion, 3rd Force Service Support Group in Okinawa, Japan.

**'80** Victor LaPerche of Attleboro, Mass., passed the exam to become a registered architect in Rhode Island. He is currently a project architect with Salvatore Saccoccio and Associates in Cranston, R.I.

**'81** Lynn Boland Berkley and her husband, Gregg '87, reside in North Falmouth, Mass., with their four children. They recently celebrated their 10th anniversary. Gregg is owner and president of G.M. Berkley Corp.

**'82** Deborah Stahly Bishop has relocated her business, Stahly's Stitchery, to Plymouth, Mass.

**'82** Karen (Coombs) Allen of Monroe, Conn., recently earned a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of New Haven, Executive MBA Program in West Haven. She currently serves as manager, Finance and Administration, Real Estate Division, Xerox Corp., Stamford. Karen and her husband, Jeff, are the proud parents of Timothy Douglas, born in August 1993. They also have a daughter, Melissa, 4.

**'85** Mario J. Carlino has been appointed project manager for Providence Gas Co.'s new Automatic Meter Reading System.

**'86** Robert Becker, an architectural illustrator from Rye, N.Y., recently had a painting accepted into "Architecture in Perspective VIII," a yearly juried international exhibition sponsored by the American Society of Architectural Perspectivists. He was also invited to

submit a painting for the Japan Architectural Renderers Association 13th Annual Exhibition.

**'87** Todd Daviau and his wife, Christine, announce the birth of their son, Devin Jileye Daviau, October 27, 1993.

**'87** Femi Shote of Waltham, Mass., was recently awarded The New England Commodore's Cup for the highest production of sales. This recognition is one of the most sought after from The New England Financial Group. He received a Master of Finance degree from Bentley College.



Femi Shote '87



Lisa Lavallee '88

Beretta Corp., Providence.

**'88** Lisa Lavallee of Johnston, R.I., is an architect with Robinson Green

**'88** Joseph Miech, of Riverside, R.I., was recently promoted to the rank of corporal with the Rhode Island State Police. He has earned a Master of Science degree in criminal justice.

**'90** Joseph Polisena of Johnston, R.I., was recently elected to the Rhode Island State Senate. He currently serves as secretary on the Health, Education and Welfare Committee, and on the Judiciary Committee.

**'90** Ann Assumpico, a Rhode Island State Police trooper, recently competed in the World Police and Fire Olympics in Colorado Springs. Nearly 5,500 police and fire personnel worldwide competed in athletic events. Ann won two gold medals and one bronze, competing in three karate events.

**'93** Kimber Bannan of Fredricksburg, Va., was recently commissioned as an ensign in the U.S. Coast Guard.

**'93** Barbara Krensavage of Taunton, Mass., has been



Barbara Krensavage '90

named food service sales representative for Southern Rhode Island by Autocrat Food Service Sales Division.

**'91** Timothy McCarney of Boston, Mass., serves as production manager and listings editor at KLM Communications, Quincy, Mass. Tim received a Master of Arts degree in professional writing and publishing from Emerson College in December 1992.

**'91** Scott Boren recently accepted a position as staff architect at Kitchen & Associates in Pennsylvania.

**'94** Gordon Kent has been named communications director of the National Association of College Broadcasters (NACB), based in Providence.

He manages promotions and advertising for national clients on "U" network, the nation's largest college satellite cable network. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in communications from Roger Williams University and a Master of Arts in corporate communications from Ithaca College in 1992.

**'93** Clay Choquette of Chepachet, R.I., has been promoted to sergeant in the Central Falls Police Department.

**'93** Kathleen Wilson has the distinction of being the 2,500th graduate of the Roger Williams University School of Continuing Education (now University College, see page 1). Through the Social and Health Services Program, she earned a Bachelor of Science degree, awarded to her in August 1993. She is currently attending graduate school in the Yale School of Public Health, Midwifery and Family Nursing Program.

**'94** Sarah Bullock of Newport, R.I., serves as a client consultant for the Hall Group, a full-service printing and design firm.

**'94** Michael Redding is presently working for CDM Federal Programs Corp., Boston, Mass., as a site investigator under a government Environmental Protection Agency contract.

**'94** Cathi Nicoli, of Center Sandwich, N.H., was selected to perform her work, "Dyin' Alive For Ya," at The Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in

Washington, D.C., last spring. Her selection represents the highest national honor in the field of dance for a student and a university program. She also performed her work in the gala concert at the American College Dance Festival in Boston.



Cathi Nicoli '94

**'94** Cheral Wintling of Middletown, psychology major, is among 60 senior enlisted

Navy women to receive orders from the Pentagon to report to the carrier Eisenhower, the first U.S. combat ship to have women in its crew. Cheral, who went to sea this summer after graduating with honors, holds the rank of Chief Petty Officer, dental technician. She will run the Eisenhower's dental clinic.

### Marriages

Albert Ledoux '71 to Christine Oliver

Michael Manning '80 to Laura Leigh Atkins

Edward P. Ragosta '80 to Anna Colis

Roger Carroll '81 to Cathleen J. Sherman

Deborah Stahly '81 to John B. Bishop

Stephanie Carello '82 to Nicholas DeCiantis

Kyle O'Neill '82 to John F. Adamonis

Victoria Simnowski '83 to Bruce Dey

Alan Bradley '84 to Susanne Lavoie

Renee Morgan '84 to Robert Mathai

Susan A. Coken '86 to Edward A. Abdow

Anthony Nassaney '86 to Cheryl A. Hallal

Stephen K. Walker '86 to Diane M. Fischer

William W. Winiker '86 to Michele B. Kallin

Thomas J. Hill III '87 to Marguerite Coccoluto  
Mary Holmes '87 to James Bolger  
Joseph Nunziato '87 to Stacey Sutton  
David J. Angelone '89 to Valerie Lombardi  
Sharon Chazin '89 to Louis Glinn  
David Cook '89 to Debra Johnson  
Eric Hanson '89 to Annmarie Currier  
David Matero '89 to Catherine Sciascia  
Paul Medeiros '89 to Christine Higuera  
Robert Theve '89 to Kristin Mangiulli  
Patricia Conley '90 to Douglas Kelleher  
David J. Costa '90 to Tina Faria  
James Jerue '90 to Denise Susan Ayotte

Joseph Michael Reilly '90 to Kim Michelle LaPointe  
Christine Serruot '90 to Erik Healy '91

Lance Evans Hebert '91 to Kristin Marshall

Gary Leonard '91 to Susan Burgess

Mark J. Kelleher '91 to Christina L. Anderson '93

Christopher McVay '91 to Edith Cabral

Timothy Pedchenko '91 to Dawn M. Cutler '92

Kristen A. Vachon '91 to Michael James Reilly

Phillip Bouchard '92 to Carolyn Ferragamo

Dawn M. Cutler '92 to Timothy Pedchenko '91

Gary J. Leonard '92 to Susan Burgess

Joyce Lynn Mather '92 to Austin Ward Francis

Jacqueline Peltier '92 to Michael Mello

Christina L. Anderson '93 to Mark Kelleher '92

Joseph Baruffaldi, Jr. '93 to Pamela McMahon

Kevin Lynch '93 to Lynn Santilli

Jose F. Costa '93 to Melissa Piermont ■

"Class Notes" is compiled by Candace Maguire, assistant director of Alumni Relations, based on submitted items.

ROGER WILLIAMS UNIVERSITY

We've told you all the Roger Williams University news. Now, we'd like to know about you. Take a moment to fill out this form and return it to the address below.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Year of Graduation 19 \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Is this a new address? ☐ yes ☐ no

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Present job title and company \_\_\_\_\_

Here's my news for "Class Notes" \_\_\_\_\_

Return to *The Bridge*, Department of Public Relations and Publications, Roger Williams University, One Old Ferry Road, Bristol, R.I. 02809-2921.

what's  
new  
with  
you?



ROGER WILLIAMS UNIVERSITY

One Old Ferry Road

Bristol, Rhode Island 02809-2921

(401) 253-1040 or 1-800-458-7144 toll-free out-of-state  
for Alumni, Admissions and Development Offices

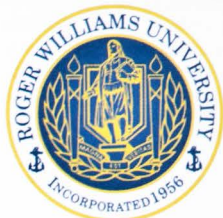
Nonprofit Org.

U.S. Postage

PAID

Providence, R.I.

Permit No. 795



Address correction requested

## PLAN AHEAD

### Academic Sessions

Fall Semester 1994

Sept. 8 - Dec. 22

Winter Intersession 1995

Jan. 3 - 27

Spring Semester 1995

Jan. 30 - May 18

### Contemporary Forums

All lectures begin at 8:30 p.m.  
and are held in the Student  
Union.

Robert Ballard, sponsored by  
Science and Mathematics  
Wednesday, Sept. 21

James Burke, sponsored by the  
School of Engineering  
Wednesday, Oct. 19

Timothy Ferris, sponsored by  
Humanities  
Wednesday, Nov. 2

### Science and Math Seminars

All presentations occur in  
South Hall, Room 129 at 4:30  
p.m. on Wednesdays when  
classes meet. (401) 254-3108.

### University Performing Arts Series

All performances are held in  
the Performing Arts Center.

Home Free

Friday, Sept. 23  
at 8 & 10 p.m.



The University participates in the annual Bristol Fourth of July Parade as sponsors of the drum and bugle corps champions. From left are: Dr. Malcolm Forbes, vice president of academic affairs; John Ryan, dean and vice president, School of Law; Lynn Fawthrop, director of student financial aid and financial planning; Anthony Santoro, president; Michael Schipper, vice president of human resources; and Gary Bahr, associate dean, School of Law.

### Senior Acting Project

Sept. 30, Oct. 1 at 8 p.m.

### Music Department Concert

Sunday, Oct. 2 at 2:30 p.m.

### Alive! Arts presents Maria

Flook, author

Thursday, Oct. 6 at 8 p.m.

### Dracula

Oct. 14, 15, 20-22 at 8 p.m.

Oct. 16 at 2:30 p.m.

### The Perfect Match

Friday, Nov. 4 at 8 & 10 p.m.

### Dance Department Concert

Nov. 17-19 at 8 p.m.

### Other Important Dates

Parents Day

Saturday, Oct. 15

Admissions Open House

Sunday, Nov. 6