**Alumni Updates**

- **Celebrating excellence** Meet the winners of the 2004 URI Alumni Achievement Awards, which were presented at ceremonies during Winter Homecoming on January 31.

- **Winter Gala raises $96,000** More than 480 alumni and friends attended the 13th annual Winter Gala, raising $96,000 for student scholarships. Take a look at our Winter Gala photo gallery!

- **There's still time!** Don't miss Young Alumni Weekend, February 27-28. Take a look at who's coming and register online today!

- **Attention, business owners** Did you know that as a member of the URI Online Community you can create your own free Yellow Page listing? That's right—if you own a business or offer a service, you can include an online Yellow Pages listing today. If you have not yet signed on with the URI Online Community, it's easy to register!

- **Golfers, save the date** Mark your calendars now for the URI Alumni Golf Tournament, which will take place on Friday, June 4, at Triggs Memorial Golf Course in Providence.

- **Where does Rhody get all that energy?** Take a look at Rhody's favorite chocolate chip cookie recipe in *Cooking with Rhody*, a new cookbook from the Division of University Advancement.

- **The next issue of inAdvance** will be sent on February 26.

**University News & Events**

- **Virtual Volcanos** from the Division of University Advancement.

- **URI geological oceanographers share their exploration of volcanic environments** Graduate School of Oceanography volcanologists Steven Carey and Haraldur Sigurdsson have been awarded a $73,000 National Science Foundation grant to develop Internet and CD-based virtual field trips (VFTs) dealing with different types of volcanic settings. More...

- **Accounting professor to be honored** After 34 years at the University, Richard Vangermeersch will be retiring this spring. Known for being an inspiring teacher, prolific writer and researcher, and the ultimate URI supporter, Vangermeersch will be honored at a banquet on June 11. The event will benefit the Richard Vangermeersch Accounting Endowment to support faculty and students in the College of Business. More...

- **Group puts its talents online** The Web Development Group (WDG) is a new URI Service Center from the University's Office of Information Services that provides dynamic, database-driven web design services for businesses and offices throughout the state. Congressman Jim Langevin is the latest to benefit from their services. More...

- **Global warming may cause songbirds to avoid certain foods** A senior wildlife conservation and biology major at URI has found evidence that suggests some songbirds may avoid eating insects that consume leaves exposed to high levels of carbon dioxide. More...

- **Writing Program pens a new academic chapter** The URI College Writing Program announces its annual Dana Shugar Women's Studies Spring Colloquium, a series of presentations by various URI scholars on their work about women's and men's lives.

- **URI announces annual Women's Studies Spring Colloquium** The University of Rhode Island announces its annual Dana Shugar Women's Studies Spring Colloquium, a series of presentations by various URI scholars on their work about women's and men's lives. More...

- **Online giving is a convenient and secure way to give to the University** Donors may make online gifts to the Alumni Fund, the Parents Fund, the College of Human Sciences and Services Graduate Student Fund, the Community Planning Program Fund, the Graduate School of Library and Information Studies Fund, the MBA Alumni Fund, and the Rhode Island Rams Athletic Association (RIRAA).

- **A question for Rhode Island residents** The University, in partnership with the state, is proposing a permanent URI license plate with revenue generated going toward scholarships for in-state students. If you haven't already completed our brief online survey, we hope you'll take a moment now to let us know if you would be interested in purchasing a permanent URI license plate. Survey deadline is February 29. To protect your privacy, log on is required. Thank you for taking the time to participate!

- **Upcoming performances** Don't miss the URI production of *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*, which runs from February 19 to 28. And on February 27, the Great Performances Series welcomes the special sounds of the Meridian Arts Ensemble.

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