Alumni Updates

- Friends of Rhody collect recipes for cookbook. Staff members in the Division of University Advancement have put together a collection of Rhody's favorite recipes as a fund-raising project for the Rhody the Ram scholarship endowment. Now you can order *Cooking with Rhody* online. Get your copy today!

- A perfect graduation gift. You can celebrate the achievement of your favorite URI graduate with a personalized brick on the Quad in the URI Century Walk. Your $100 will benefit the many scholarships, student development programs, and alumni programs supported by the Alumni Association. Orders made by April 1 will be placed in the Century Walk in time for May Commencement. After July 1, 2004, the cost for a brick on the Century Walk will be $150.

- Make it a family affair. It's not too early to make plans for your family to attend the 2004 URI Alumni Family Camp, held this year on July 31-August 1. Don't miss the fun!

- There's a URI alumni chapter near you! If you would like to learn more about URI alumni and affinity chapters, contact Kristal Cardone '99 at kristal@uri.edu. Here's a look at what some chapters have planned for the coming months.

University News & Events

- URI and Brown secure federal grant to stimulate life sciences research in Rhode Island. The University of Rhode Island and Brown University have teamed up to secure a major federal grant through the National Science Foundation (NSF) that will stimulate life science research at the state's 11 institutions of higher education promoting life science-based economic development in Rhode Island. A $198,835 NSF planning grant is the first step in making Rhode Island's colleges and universities eligible for up to $4.5 million in annual research infrastructure funding. More...

- Engineering students to benefit from $1.7 million scholarship endowment from late Rhode Island businessman. In his estate plans, Jerry M. Rhoads left $1.7 million for student scholarships in the College of Engineering. The Jerry M. and Evelyn L. Rhoads Memorial Endowed Scholarship Fund will provide scholarships each year to full-time students studying engineering at URI. While the principal of Rhoads' donation will be continually invested, the income from the endowment will fund the scholarships. More...

- URI oceanographer awarded NSF grant to study the function of jellyfish in coastal ecosystems. Graduate School of Oceanography biological oceanographer Dr. Dian Gifford and collaborators Dr. John Costello, Providence College, and Dr. Sean Colin, Roger Williams University, have been awarded an $860,400 National Science Foundation grant to study the ecological function of small jellyfish in coastal ecosystems. More...

- Alumna establishes scholarship to help women in need. A University of Rhode Island alumna has anonymously donated $30,000 to give women with financial need a chance to obtain a college education so that they will be able to support themselves and their families. The donation establishes an endowment in which the principal will be continually invested. Income from the endowment will provide annual scholarships. More...

- URI vice provost receives R.I. Black Heritage Society award. John McCray, vice provost for urban affairs at the Alan Shawn Feinstein Campus in Providence, was recently honored with the “George T. Downing Award for Education and Politics” by the Rhode Island Black Heritage Society. More...

- Women's History Month events at URI Feinstein Providence Campus. To celebrate Women's History Month, the Providence Campus Gallery will showcase the works of noted professional photographers in "FLASH! Seeing Through the Lens of Female Photographers," March 1-31. On Sunday, March 28, Marilyn Murphy Meardon, renowned actress, teacher and storyteller, will host an entertaining "High Tea" performance, featuring music and stories.
Make plans for your foursome to play in the URI Alumni Golf Tournament on June 4. Online registration is now available!

Take a look at the construction progress of the URI Alumni Center!

The next issue of inAdvance will be sent on March 11.

Note: Due to a technical problem, the February 12 issue of inAdvance was not sent to some subscribers. We are working to resolve this problem and apologize for any inconvenience.

Summer camps at URI’s W. Alton Jones Campus
With its more than 2,300 acres of lakes, forests, and farmland, URI’s W. Alton Jones Environmental Education Center offers a variety of summer camps for children of all ages. More...

The circus is coming! The Moscow State Circus will perform at the Ryan Center on March 10! A great event for the whole family, this internationally acclaimed European style circus features high wire performers, jugglers, acrobats, and clowns! More...

Great events every day Curious about what's happening on campus? Take a look at the new University Calendar of Events!

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