



Alumni Reunions



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► **Are you interested in helping to plan your class reunion?** We are currently looking for [reunion committee volunteers](#) for the Classes of **1964, 1969, 1974, 1979** and **1989**. It's a great way to reconnect with old friends and meet new ones. But there lots of other ways for alumni to get involved--take a look at these URI [alumni committees!](#)



► **Alumni are invited** The Department of Human Development and Family Studies [Achievement Awards](#) celebration will be

held on **April 24**. On **April 29**, the College of Business Administration will host its [Hall of Fame Banquet and Induction Ceremony](#).

Also on **April 29** is the [Spring Splash](#), a celebration of URI's department of Textiles, Fashion Merchandising and Design. And **May 6** is the date for the College of Human Science and Services [Golf Tournament](#) to benefit Habitat for Humanity. See details about these and other [upcoming events](#).

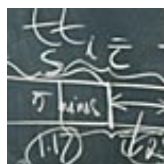
► **Checking in with chapters** Take a look at some of the great events that [alumni chapters](#) have planned for the spring and summer!



► **Time to vote!** We hope you will participate in the election of Alumni Association [Executive Board](#) committee members.

For the first time you can [review the nominees](#) and cast your ballots online. You may either vote for the nominee or write in

University News & Events



► **URI engineer awarded \$470,000 NSF grant to study pedestrian evacuation from buildings** The terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and The Station nightclub fire have drawn new attention to the challenges of evacuating people from public buildings. Thanks to a \$470,000 grant from the National Science Foundation, Assistant Professor Natacha Thomas will shed new light on the many issues involved in evacuating people quickly and safely from public structures. The project will use T.F. Green Airport as a model. [More...](#)



► **Internet2 may change the way scientists conduct research** When Dr. Robert Ballard went on a scientific expedition to the Black Sea this past summer, he was able to take with him virtually any scientist or student who wanted to go. With the capability of Internet2 and a high bandwidth satellite link, scientists, for the first time, were able to work on the ocean floor from the comfort of their university laboratories. [More...](#)



► **URI's mock emergency response clinic easily exceeds goal for patient participation** The emergency response clinic put into action on April 2 in response to a simulated anthrax attack exceeded its goal for participation by processing 1,428 "patients" in close to a six-hour period. "We can confidently state today (April 2) that the University has conducted the largest mock drug distribution clinic in New England, and the URI drill is now among one of the largest in the country," said Thomas Mather, URI professor of entomology and incident commander for the exercise. [More....](#)



► **Support URI football--name a seat in the stadium!** The University is embarking on an athletics capital campaign to address the continued need for improvement of its athletics facilities. In the first phase, the football stadium will get a long-overdue renovation, including the addition of a grandstand on the west side of the stadium, which will increase seating capacity. Also planned are renovations to the east side bleachers; construction of South Plaza and North Plaza entrances; and the addition of a new electronic scoreboard on the south side. **Now you can play a part in the stadium renovation.** [More...](#)



► **Students to study wildlife on Costa Rica's coffee farms** Eight students, along with URI professors Tom Husband and David Abedon, will spend three weeks in Costa Rica studying the mammals that live on the many coffee farms there. While much research has been done on the effects of coffee farming on bird life in the region, no one has examined the impact the farms have on mammals. [More...](#)

the name of the candidate of your choice. [To protect your privacy, log in is required.](#)
Thank you for taking the time to vote.



▶ **Attention New York alumni and friends** Be part of the [URI Alumni Team](#) in

the [Revlon 5K Run-Walk for Women](#) in New York City on **Saturday, May 1!** Join celebrities and thousands of other participants for this annual event that starts in Times Square and ends with a health expo in Central Park. Proceeds from the race benefit women's cancer research. This will be the second year that a URI Alumni team has participated. Both men and women are invited to join our team. Contact Kristal Cardone at kristal@uri.edu or 401-874-4536.

▶ The next issue of *inAdvance* will be sent on **April 22.**



▶ **URI soccer star heading to Scotland after graduation** Conor Lander eventually wants to become a high school soccer coach, but first the talented URI senior will travel to Scotland in the summer to keep his soccer-playing dreams alive. [More...](#)



▶ **ZBT forms fraternity around philanthropy** Zeta Beta Tau, URI's largest fraternity, reorganized on campus in 2000 with a commitment to serve the community. Since that time, ZBT has been doing its part to create positive change within the University community--forging a new legacy of service and scholarship. [More...](#)

▶ **On the calendar** The URI Theatre production of *An Ideal Husband* by Oscar Wilde will be performed in the Robert E. Will Theatre April 22-24 and April 28-May 1 at 8 p.m. and April 25 at 5 p.m. The Feinstein Providence Campus will host a [Career and Internship Fair](#) on Thursday, April 15, from 3 to 6:30 p.m. in the Paff Center at 80 Washington St. And on April 24, the [Passport to Employment Job Fair](#) will be held at the Ryan Center. [More...](#)

▶ **At the Ryan Center** **Alison Krauss and Union Station** will perform on **June 1.** The Ryan Center will also feature **Michelle Branch** in concert on **April 29**, and the world famous **Lipizzaner Stallions** on **May 8.** [More...](#)

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