

## Alumni Updates

▶ **Homecoming 2004 wrap-up** Take a look at our [Homecoming Photo Album](#)--you might see some familiar faces!



▶ **Chat time** Join URI Athletic Director Thomas P. McElroy on Monday, November 15, at 1 p.m. EST for the next in our [series of online Web chats](#), sponsored by the Division of University Advancement. [Tom McElroy](#) will respond to your questions about the future of the URI athletics program. If you like, you may submit your questions in advance, but the Web chat will not begin until the assigned time.

▶ **Read *inAdvance@URI* survey results** It has been almost one year since we launched *inAdvance@URI*. In an online survey this fall, we asked subscribers for their feedback about the content and frequency of this biweekly online newsletter. [Take a look at what they had to say!](#) Thanks again to all who participated.



▶ **Class of 1974 30th Reunion** Make this reunion one to remember! The [Class of 1974 Reunion](#) will be held **November 19-21, 2004**. Don't miss it! [Register online today!](#)



▶ **Special men's basketball events coming up in December** Alumni near and far will have some great opportunities for good times next month. On **December 4**, there will be a gathering for alumni in **Providence** at the Trinity

## University News & Events



▶ **Rhode Island voters approve 3 URI bond questions** Thanks to the voters of Rhode Island, who voted to approve three bond referendum questions supporting higher education in the state, URI will soon embark upon several construction and renovation projects on campus. Voter approval of questions 5, 9 and 13 authorized the issuance of bonds to finance **the final stage of residence hall renovations, expansion of the Pell Marine Science Library, and construction of a Center for Biotechnology and Life Sciences.** [More...](#)



▶ **Champlin Foundations grant brings animation technology to College of Pharmacy** Thanks to a \$100,000 grant from the Champlin Foundations, the URI College of Pharmacy is using powerful animation tools to study complex biomedical processes. This animation technology helps students see and understand--in bright and dynamic color--how Prozac works, how an antiviral drug inhibits AIDS, and how drug metabolism works. And if a dozen URI pharmacy professors and another dozen students have their way, those projects are only the beginning. [More...](#)



▶ **ROTC cadet marches to Miss USA contest** Allison Paganetti, a URI kinesiology major, is not only a cadet in the Army Reserve Officers Training Program (ROTC) at the University, she is also the 2005 Miss Rhode Island USA. Paganetti, who is as comfortable wearing a crown as she is carrying a rifle, will compete in the Miss USA contest in April. [More...](#)



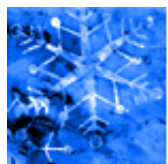
▶ **Student studies sharks off South Africa** Jessica Redinger, a senior wildlife biology major, spent a month over the summer off Dyer Island, South Africa, working as research assistant with the White Shark Trust. Redinger's research with the White Shark Trust was part of the URI Coastal Fellows Program, a unique program--now in its ninth year--designed to involve undergraduate students in addressing current environmental problems. After graduation in May, Redinger plans to pursue a master's degree in ichthyology with a specialization in great white sharks. She hopes to continue research of her own in South Africa. [More...](#)



▶ **URI to run second bioterrorism exercise in November** The University of Rhode Island has been called upon by the State Department of Health to conduct another bioterrorism response clinic exercise on Friday, November 19, after having successfully run the largest university-based simulated clinic in the nation last spring. The demonstration in November is in response to the Homeland Security requirement that states be able to mobilize clinics quickly to provide vaccinations to the general population. This fall's demonstration will provide volunteer patients with a "mock" smallpox vaccination. [More...](#)

Brewhouse before the URI vs. PC game. On **December 11**, **New Jersey** area alumni will get together for the URI vs. Rutgers game and a pre-game reception. And on **December 30** in **Chicago**, area alumni and friends are invited to cheer on URI vs. DePaul and attend a reception prior to the game. Take a look at all the [details about these special events](#).

▶ **Join the Alumni Association** Yes, [membership](#) matters! Show your Rhody pride by [joining the Alumni Association](#) and enjoy discounts on alumni programs and special events. Coming up on Sunday, **December 12**, there is a special event for Alumni Association members, who can enjoy discounted tickets for the performance of *Beauty and the Beast* at the Fine Arts Center, followed by a special meet-and-greet with the cast following the show! For tickets or more information, contact Kristal Cardone at [kristal@uri.edu](mailto:kristal@uri.edu) or 401-874-4536.



▶ **Mark your calendars for Winter Gala 2005** Plan now to attend this year's [Winter Gala](#), held at the Hyatt Regency Newport on **Saturday, January 29!**



▶ **Brown Forum for Enterprise to make first visit to URI** For many years, URI has participated in a consortium of business, civic, and academic leaders committed to encouraging entrepreneurs, formerly known as the Brown Venture Forum. Now called the Brown Forum for Enterprise, the organization will make its first visit to URI's College of Business Administration on **November 18** from 6 to 9 p.m. When it convenes that evening at the University Club on Upper College Road, it will be the forum's first meeting outside Providence. The topic is "Creating the Business Model." The program is free and open to the public. [More...](#)

▶ **Sororities and fraternities give back as part of annual Philanthropy Week** URI's Greek system hosted a variety of competitive fund-raising activities October 19-22, during the third annual Philanthropy Week. Proceeds go to the Katie DeCubellis Memorial Foundation, a local organization that promotes youth leadership, education, and public awareness about dangerous situations facing young adults. [More...](#)



▶ **On the calendar** URI hosts [Family Weekend](#) **November 5-7**. On **November 9**, [Ben Cohen](#), co-founder of Ben & Jerry's ice cream, speaks on corporate social responsibility as part of the URI Honors Colloquium on [Food & Human Rights, Hunger & Social Policy](#). The URI Feinstein Providence Campus presents a mixed-media exhibit, entitled "[Faces of Hunger](#)," featuring the work of 25 artists, **November 6-December 31**, with a Gallery Night reception on **November 18**. The [Great Performances Series](#) presents pianist Antonio Pompa-Baldi on **November 19** at the Fine Arts Center. [More...](#)

▶ The next issue of *inAdvance* will be sent on **November 18**.

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