

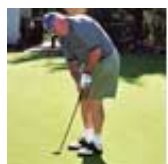


Alumni Updates



► **Blue & White Ball coming up on February 26** Graduates of the last decade are invited to the [Blue & White Ball](#) on

Saturday, **February 26**. This great evening of dining and dancing will be held at the Hotel Viking in Newport, with proceeds going toward the [Rhody the Ram Endowment Fund](#). The Blue & White Ball is part of the second annual [Young Alumni Weekend](#) held **February 25-27** and sponsored by the URI Alumni Association. See old friends and dance the night away—[register online today!](#)



► **Golfers, save the date** The **2005 URI Alumni Golf Tournament**, will be held on **Friday, June 17**, at Triggs Memorial

Golf Course, Chalkstone Avenue, Providence, R.I. This great golf event has been bringing alumni and friends together for more than 50 years, and has raised more than \$90,000 for student scholarships since 1995.



► **Would you like to help plan your class reunion?** Reunions for the classes of **1960, 1965, 1970, 1975, and 1980** are now being planned. If you are

interested in [joining your reunion committee](#), let us know. We would like to hear from you!



University News & Events



► **Alumnus nominated for Academy Award in documentary category** New York film editor and producer Ross Kauffman, a 1989 URI graduate, and his collaborator, still photographer Zana Briski, have been nominated for a 2005 Academy Award in the documentary category. Their film, "Born Into Brothels," features the children of prostitutes in the red light district of Calcutta, India. The awards program will be aired Sunday, February 27 on ABC. [More...](#)



► **URI ROTC graduate writes letter from Iraq reporting on recent elections** Nathan Seidell, a 2002 URI ROTC graduate now serving in Mosul, Iraq, witnessed firsthand the recent Iraqi elections and emailed this letter to Army Lt. Col. Paul C. Krajieski, professor of military science and head of the Army Reserve Officers Training Program at URI. Our thanks go to Nathan, who has agreed to share his letter with the larger University community. [More...](#)



► **New television ad features the contributions of the URI College of Nursing** In recognition of the 60th anniversary of the College of Nursing, the University has developed a new TV ad about the contributions the College has made in the health care arena. The spot will air for three weeks on the Cox cable channel (Feb. 21, Feb. 28 and March 7) and includes buys on CNN, TNT, Spike, Fox News, Discovery, ABCFamily, FX, MSNBC, The History Channel, Lifetime, USA, RI News Channel, Food Channel and others. [More...](#)



► **Cranston Print Works imprints its support for the University of Rhode Island** The oldest textile printing company in the nation, Cranston Print Works, has made a New Year's resolution that will affect URI students for years to come. Last month, the Cranston Print Works Foundation pledged \$25,000 to establish an endowed scholarship fund for students enrolled in the University's Textiles, Fashion Merchandising and Design (TMD) department. Currently, there are just two scholarships designated exclusively for TMD students. [More...](#)



► **Students to become beneficiaries of longtime educator** A new endowment has just been established to provide scholarships for students who demonstrate a mastery of English in either their fictional or non-fictional work. The Spencer Award is named after the late Gertrude Spencer, a longtime teacher of English, who created a charitable trust to take effect after her death. The endowment was established with



▶ **Coach Tom Garrick chat wrap-up** Take a look at the transcript of our recent chat with [URI Women's Basketball](#)

[Coach Tom Garrick](#), part of our [spring chat series](#), sponsored by the Division of University Advancement.



▶ **At the chapters** Members of the **Southwest Florida Gators Chapter** are getting together for their annual Steakout on **March 19**. The **Phi Kappa Psi Alumni Chapter** is holding its annual Founder's Day celebration on **March 25**, and the **Arizona Rhode Runners** are looking forward to their Steakout in the desert on **April 17**. Take a look at the details about these and other upcoming [chapter events](#).

an initial \$25,000 gift, but at least \$100,000 will be donated over the next four years. The first scholarship is expected to be awarded this spring [More...](#)



▶ **URI Annual Fund up 5 percent** The Annual Fund is the University's premier fund and the primary source of unrestricted support for many ongoing programs. From July through December 2004, the Annual Fund raised \$698,087, an increase of \$30,425 over the same period in 2003. Unrestricted contributions to the Annual Fund are critical because they provide flexible funding that can be put to immediate use where needed most. The fund year ends on June 30. [More...](#)



▶ **On the calendar** The URI Feinstein Providence Campus hosts a [symposium on rebuilding Liberia](#) on **February 19**. [URI Great Performances](#) presents the [Jacques Thibaud String Trio](#) on Friday, **February 25** at 8 p.m. at the Fine Arts Center. For information call 401-874-ARTS. The Main Gallery at the Fine Arts Center Galleries is currently showing two intriguing and complementary [exhibitions](#). The Theatre Department concludes its production of [Les Liaisons Dangereuses](#) with performances **February 23-26** at 8 p.m. and **February 20** at 5 p.m. Call 401-874-5843 for reservations. Tickets are on sale now at the [Ryan Center](#) for the Harlem Globetrotters on **March 25**. Tickets go on sale **February 19** for the **April 16** performance of Alison Krauss and Union Station. [More...](#)

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