University News & Events

▶ University ecologist says abundant seaweed, algae in Narragansett Bay not unusual Rhode Island boaters and beachgoers had plenty to think about this summer, including concerns about red tide, masses of seaweed accumulating on beaches, and occasional algae blooms in Narragansett Bay. "There are many factors contributing to why we're hearing more about algae this year, but these events aren't particularly unusual," said Carol Thornber, URI assistant professor of biological sciences, who studies macroalgae (seaweed) in Narragansett Bay. More...

▶ URI granted NCAA Division I athletics certification After an 18-month process involving a broad range of campus groups and individuals, the URI athletics program has been re-certified by the National Collegiate Athletic Association. The NCAA Division I Committee on Athletics Certification recently announced URI to be among 19 Division I schools that went through the second round of athletics certification. URI was first awarded NCAA certification seven years ago. More...

▶ College of Nursing to host 60th anniversary gala on October 8 The URI College of Nursing is throwing a party to celebrate its 60th anniversary and the entire University community is invited. The event will be held Saturday, October 8, on Homecoming Weekend, at the Hyatt Regency Newport from 6 to 10 p.m. "This is a popular weekend for URI alumni, and so it will give us a chance to enjoy our nursing alumni and meet those from the wider University community," said Nursing Dean Dayle Joseph. This special evening of fun, food, music and dancing, will feature a silent auction, raffles, and the sounds of the Original Moonlighters. All proceeds will benefit the URI College of Nursing. More...

▶ Got Lyme disease? You're not alone Are you experiencing the joint pain, fatigue, and bulls eye-like rash typical of Lyme disease? The persistent spiking fevers, chills, and lethargy common to babesiosis? The high fevers and excruciating headaches that come from anaplasmosis? If so, you're not alone. According to a URI tick researcher, an increasing number of Rhode Islanders were infected with Lyme disease or another tick-borne disease this year. More...

▶ Book on Workplace Injuries and Diseases dedicated to late director of Schmidt Labor Research Center A workers' compensation conference held in 2004 honored the memory of Terry L. Thomason, director of the URI Schmidt Labor Research Center from 1999 to his death from cancer in April 2002. The conference not only presented the latest research on the topic, but it paid tribute to Thomason, an international leader in workers’ compensation and other labor-management issues. Now the papers presented at the conference have been compiled in a book—"Workplace Injuries and Diseases: Prevention and

Alumni Updates

▶ Fall Online Chat Series begins Our Fall 2005 Online Chat Series kicks off on September 20 with James Lynch, URI Dean of Admissions, whose topic will be “Admissions Tips: What Parents Need to Know.” The Online Chat Series, sponsored by the Division of University Advancement, is now in its second year.

▶ Don’t miss our Alumni Center Open House on September 17 Join us for the official grand opening and ribbon cutting ceremony of the new URI Alumni Center on Saturday, September 17, 3:30 p.m. Tour this beautiful addition to campus and enjoy complimentary hors d'oeuvres and desserts. R.S.V.P. online, or email alumni@advance.uri.edu.

▶ Pride in URI Night photos The 2005 Pride in URI Night at McCoy Stadium on August 23 welcomed a record crowd--with 480 alumni and friends turning out for the game, barbecue, and festivities. Browse our Pride in URI Night Photo Album.

▶ Chapter Events The Washington D.C. Chapter is holding its 52nd annual clam bake on September 10. The ROTC Chapter's annual Hall of Fame breakfast will be November 5 at the University Club. What does your chapter have planned?

▶ Calling all runners and walkers Homecoming 2005
marks the fifth annual Rhody 5K Road Race on Saturday, October 8. The USTF-certified 5K loop course will start and end at the Alumni Center. Find out more and register online!

Class of 1960 reunion Members of the Class of 1960, reconnect with old friends at your 45th class reunion to be held September 16-17. Register online today!

Pharmacy Seminar-on-the-Links If you are a health care professional interested in golf and in learning more about cardiovascular health, don’t miss the College of Pharmacy Seminar-on-the Links on September 12 at the Quidnessett Country Club in North Kingstown.

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