



Alumni Updates



► **URI Athletic Auction** The Rhode Island Rams Athletic Association's popular annual [URI Athletic](#)

[Auction](#) on **November 10** will feature vacation and spa packages, event and theatre tickets, sports memorabilia, and more. New this year -- an [online auction](#) running *now through November 9*.



► **Ram Academy programs** The next Ram Alumni Academy seminar is on Saturday morning, **November 19**,

prior to the URI/Northeastern football game. The topic is "Balancing Work and Home Life," and will include a picnic lunch after the seminar. The **December 13** program will focus on "Coping with Loss." [Find out more](#) and [register online](#) today!



► **Online chat update** On **November 15**, URI men's basketball coach [Jim Baron](#) will answer your questions about the

Rams' upcoming basketball season. Read the transcript from our recent online chat with URI Chemistry Professor and renowned explosives expert [Jimmie Oxley](#).

► **Adventure awaits** The URI Alumni Association is interested in offering travel opportunities to match your interests. We hope you will take a moment to complete a [brief travel survey](#). Please note, log on is required. Thanks for your participation.

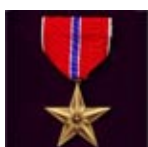
► **Ready to head for the slopes?** Join us for our second annual alumni ski weekend held **January 6-8, 2006** at

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► **URI awarded \$2.4 million for "lab-on-a-chip" technology**

Imagine an entire biotechnology laboratory reduced to the size of a pea and placed on a computer chip. While not yet a reality, that technology for detecting small particles in micrometer-sized channels will soon revolutionize research into new pharmaceuticals, early detection of infections, and other health-related fields. The University of Rhode Island has been awarded a highly competitive \$2.4 million grant by the National Science Foundation to develop this technology and identify potential applications in partnership with the Technical University of Braunschweig in Germany. [More...](#)



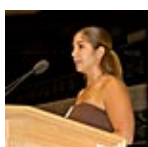
► **Student receives the Bronze Star** Ryan Gallucci put his education

at the University on hold in 2003 when, as a specialist in the U.S. Army 443 Civil Affairs Battalion out of Warwick, he was deployed to Iraq for nearly a year. Now back on campus, he wears a Boston Red Sox cap, a big grin, and a metal bracelet engraved with the name of a soldier who was killed in action fighting in Iraq. In a ceremony last month, Gallucci was awarded the Bronze Star for extraordinary performance of duty in a hostile environment. [More...](#)



► **CVS chief, executive team tour URI College of Pharmacy** Tom

Ryan, a 1975 graduate of the URI College of Pharmacy and chairman, president, and chief executive officer of CVS Corp., and members of his executive team recently participated in CVS Day at the College of Pharmacy. Dean Donald E. Letendre said the College hosted the event as a way to thank Ryan and CVS for their commitment to URI and to spotlight the renovations made in Fogarty Hall, which was completed in 1964. CVS, one of the largest pharmacy retailers in the country, has more than 5,000 stores in 36 states. [More...](#)



► **Nursing student thankful for scholarship support, ready to give back as dedicated professional** URI student Rebecca Russo

talked about her love of nursing and URI before 200 University supporters at the annual Donor Recognition Brunch. Russo, 22, didn't realize that she wanted to be a nurse until her sophomore year. "After a year studying biology, I knew that I wanted a more hands-on, health-related field of study," Russo told the crowd at the Ryan Center. [More...](#)

► **University adopts policy changes governing student conduct** URI President Robert L. Carothers approved five of six pieces of legislation that will change policies governing student conduct. The changes, which will be published in the University Manual and the Student Handbook, were originally submitted to the URI Faculty Senate in May by the Student Rights and Responsibilities Committee (SR&R) and referred back to the Senate for clarification on September 22. The Senate approved the measures to be sent to the president. President Carothers signed the legislation on October 11. The policies are in effect with the president's signature, but will not be put into practice until January 2006. [More...](#)

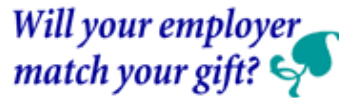
Vermont's beautiful Mt. Snow. Stay slope side at the spectacular Grand Summit Hotel. [Register online today](#) or contact Kristal Cardone '99 at kristal@uri.edu for more information.

► **Chapter events** Members of the **Colorado Chapter** are getting together in Denver on **November 17**. On **November 29**, the **New Jersey Chapter** will be taking in the the Boston Bruins/ New Jersey Devils game. The **Houston Chapter** is holding a pre-game reception before the URI/Houston basketball game on **December 27**. What does [your chapter](#) have planned?

► **Ram Report on Cox Channel 3** You can keep up with all the news on the URI sports scene by watching the Ram Report every Wednesday at 7 p.m. and Thursday at 8 p.m. on Cox Sports Television. Steve McDonald hosts the fast-paced show which includes interviews with coaches and student-athletes with highlights from recent events.



► **Saul A. Fern Scholarship will again benefit Zeta Beta Tau** Zeta Beta Tau (ZBT) fraternity brings the University nothing but good news lately. In addition to its recent win of the Brummer Cup (awarded to the most outstanding chapter in the nation), and the building of a new fraternity house on campus, the Rho Iota brothers hard work in academics has contributed to bringing the Saul A. Fern Scholarship in marketing back to the fraternity. [More...](#)



► **Will your employer match your gift to URI?** If you, or your spouse, work for a company that matches employee gifts to higher education, you could double, or even triple, your gift to URI. Find out if your company has a [matching gift policy](#).



► **On the calendar** Olympic medalist and International Olympic Committee (IOC) member [Anita DeFrantz](#) will speak as part of the Honors Colloquium series on **November 1**. Coming up on **November 8** U.S. Sen. Birch Bayh and a group of panelists will discuss "Title IX and Intercollegiate Sport," as part of the series. (Please note this program was formerly scheduled for November 29). A [parent training program](#) for parents with children 6 and under, offered by the URI Family Therapy Clinic, begins **November 7** and runs for six weeks. The Whispering Pines Conference Center at URI's W. Alton Jones Campus is offering a [Winter Relaxation Retreat](#) **December 2 - 5**. [More...](#)

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