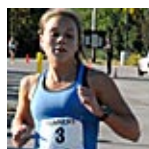




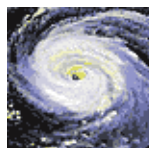
## Alumni Updates



► **Browse our Homecoming Weekend photo albums!** Take a look at photos from [Homecoming 2006](#) and from our inaugural University [Distinguished Achievement Award celebration](#) held on October 14.



► **Let's chat** Coming up on **November 21** is a chat with URI Cooperative Extension Professor [Martha Patnoad](#), who will address questions about the timely topic of food safety. Read the transcript of our recent chat with [Dr. Tom Dougan](#) about the resurgence of Greek life at URI today.

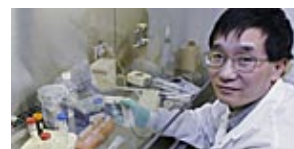


► **Surviving Katrina** On **November 16**, the URI Student Alumni Association will sponsor a special program by student ambassadors from the University of New Orleans, "Surviving Katrina: A Year in Review." Admission is \$12 for alumni and \$15 for the general public. All program proceeds will go to the University of New Orleans, to help them rebuild. The program will be held at 7 p.m. in Edwards Auditorium. [Online registration is available.](#)

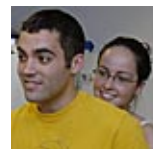
► **At the chapters** The **Rhode Island Chapter** has two events coming up: on **November 8**, a special *Cooking Light* dinner in Providence, and on **November 21**, an evening of volunteering at the Rhode Island Community Food Bank. On **December 3**, the **Southwest Florida Gators** will get together for their annual Christmas



## University News & Events



► **Pharmacy research, outreach programs could grow at URI if voters approve Question 4** Some of its faculty are making critical discoveries about [drug interactions](#) while others are helping another [state agency](#) save millions in pharmacy costs. The University of Rhode Island College of Pharmacy is benefiting our state, country, and indeed the world. But the College no longer has the space or technology it needs to grow in its crowded, outdated home--Fogarty Hall. That's why on November 7, alumni and friends of URI are being asked to [vote yes on Question 4](#), which would provide \$65 million for a new home for the College and \$7.8 million for Rhode Island College. [More...](#)



► **Students use superlatives to describe new residence hall** Gorgeous, bright, spacious, and comfortable are a few of the ways students are describing their living quarters in the new North Woods Complex. During the Columbus Day weekend, 238 students moved into the first new housing facility on the Kingston Campus since 1971. Building A of the North Woods Complex is the first major complex developed for undergraduate students that includes apartments and suites. "When I walked in, I just said, 'wow.' This is just so amazing," said ocean engineering major Colleen Black. [More...](#)



► **URI named to community service honor roll** The University of Rhode Island was one of only 74 institutions of higher education in the nation to be named to the first President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll with "distinction for Hurricane Relief Service." The announcement was made during the recent Campus Compact meeting in Chicago. "URI has set a strong example for college-level civic engagement," said Stephen Goldsmith, chief executive officer of the Corporation for National and Community Service. [More...](#)

► **Giving options through The Fund for URI** Formerly known as the Annual Fund, The Fund for URI is the premier fund for the University, providing support critical for student, faculty, and alumni programs. When you contribute to [The Fund for URI](#), you can choose to make an **unrestricted gift** and allow the University to direct the funds where they are most needed, or you can **restrict your gift** to go to your college, the library, a number of graduate school programs, or the Parents Fund. [Give online today](#) to The Fund for URI, or contact Sarah Howard at [showard@advance.uri.edu](mailto:showard@advance.uri.edu) for more information.



► **Ghosts are on campus at Halloween and beyond** Reports of ghosts in certain University of Rhode Island buildings are as plentiful as candy corn on Halloween. But these ghosts aren't seasonal. One ghost named Abigail has reportedly haunted the house that Lambda

brunch. [Learn more](#) about these and other upcoming chapter events.



► **Save the date**  
Mark your calendars for our 16th annual

[Winter Gala](#) on January 27, 2007, at the Hyatt Regency in Newport. Details coming soon!

► **Alumni directory request for information** The URI Alumni Association, in partnership with Harris Connect, is publishing a printed directory of all alumni. In order to compile the most up-to-date and accurate biographical information for our 2007 Alumni Directory, you will be contacted by Harris Connect, furnished with a toll-free number, and asked to call to correct or verify your current alumni information. Thanks for helping to make the directory project a success!



Chi Alpha calls home. Other Greek houses, including Chi Omega, Alpha Pi, Sigma Pi, and Theta Delta Chi, are also rumored to be haunted. Even the Will Theatre in the Fine Arts Center is suspected of having a ghostly presence. [More...](#)



► **URI-Miriam Hospital initiative bolsters nurses' skills and confidence** In May 2006, 42 nurses working at The Miriam Hospital earned their bachelors' degrees from the University of Rhode Island. Now those new URI graduates are serving as mentors to a fresh cohort of 35 Miriam nurses pursuing their bachelors' degrees. This special hospital-based program was offered at The Miriam Hospital in conjunction with the University's College of Nursing, which provided the faculty for all nursing courses, coordinated student advising services, and arranged for all of the other required courses in pharmacy, chemistry, languages, communications, and history. [More..](#)



► **On the calendar** The 2006 [Honors Colloquium](#) series continues with Canadian singer/songwriter [Ember Swift](#) on **October 31**. The Virtual Immigrant, a photography exhibit at the Fine Arts Center by Annu Palakunnathu Matthew, continues through December 10. A [conversation with the artist](#) is featured on **November 1**. URI [men's](#) and [women's](#) basketball season begins in November. There will be [free public tours](#) of the University's research vessel *Endeavor* on **November 4** at the URI Narragansett Bay Campus. [Fred Goodrich](#), CEO of Cellular Specialties Inc., will speak on **November 8** as part of the College of Engineering's Risica Endowed Lecture Series in Engineering Entrepreneurship. [More..](#)

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