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WELCOME TO OUR TEAM!

Thank you for becoming a Student/Alumni Volunteer! We are happy to provide you with this handbook to help you maximize your relationship with RIT.

Your involvement in planning events and assisting with Student/Alumni activities will help create and maintain a culture of fun and excitement, right here on campus.

We look forward to your input, energy and assistance!

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**STUDENT/ALUMNI VOLUNTEER ROLE & PLANNING SESSIONS**

Here’s what a Student/Alumni Network Volunteer does…

**PLANS**
- Serves on the planning committee, which will meet periodically prior to *campus events such as Brick City Homecoming*.
- Recommends events to the program staff and assists with planning.

**PROMOTES**
- Provides input and assists in sharing information about events to classmates inviting them to participate in campus events and explaining the importance of their participation on campus.
- Contacts classmates encouraging their participation in *Student/Alumni events*. See the Student/Alumni calendar located in Section 3.

**PARTICIPATES**
- Attends as many of the *Student/Alumni Planning Sessions* listed in the Student/Alumni Calendar, as possible.
- Attend as many of the *Student/Alumni Events* around campus, as possible!
- Attend reunion events during the *Brick City Homecoming*!

Here’s what a Student/Alumni Network Volunteer receives...

**PERKS**
- Skills and experience for your resume, including event planning, volunteer management, writing, researching, marketing, promotion, and more!
- Free tickets to key events during Brick City Homecoming Weekend.
- Recognition on the Student/Alumni website.
- Opportunity to shape your undergraduate experience while strengthening relationships with fellow students and your future alma mater.
- Networking, networking, networking – Joining the Student/Alumni Network is the first step in gaining access to alumni with job leads, career advice, and long-lasting friendships!

**Planning Sessions…**

- **Student Alumni Volunteers will meet throughout the academic year.** We invite you to attend all of the planning meetings, and mingle and eat with us, while we discuss and plan the upcoming events for the year. We encourage you to be a part of this exciting part of RIT history!
Mark your personal calendar!
More events will be added throughout the year!

July 2006

26 Albany Summer Send Off event, Desmond Hotel
27 Hartford Summer Send Off event, Farmington Marriott

August 2006

2 Boston Summer Send Off event, Newton Marriott
3 New York City Summer Send Off event, Connolly’s on 42nd
9 Philadelphia Summer Send Off event, Hard Rock Café, Market St.
10 DC Summer Send Off event, Home of Alumna, in VA
28 Student Convocation & Tiger Walk, Gordon Field House
28 RIT Legacy Dinner, Student Alumni Union, Al Davis Room

September 2006

3 Picnic for New Students & Families – Gordon Field House
16 RIT ROCS Day – Ronald McDonald House
20 Alumni Career Speaker Series: “What Employers Want” Panel Discussion, GCCIS
21 Dinner & a Movie – Student/Alumni Kick-off Event, Student Alumni Union, Fireside
26 RIT Career Fair—Sponsored by Co-op & Career Services & Alumni Relations—Gordon
Field House, RIT Campus

October 2006

5-8 RIT Reunion & Brick City Homecoming, RIT Campus
8 Stonehurst Capital Regatta - Genesee River, Genesee Valley Park
11 Alumni Career Speaker Series: “Public Service: Working at the Pentagon”, GCCIS
18 Alumni Career Speaker Series: Gus Weber of Microsoft, GCCIS
18 NBA Exhibition Game – Toronto v. Cleveland @ Blue Cross Arena

November 2006

1st Alumni Career Speaker Series: “Finding a Mentor”
2 NBC Studios Tour in New York City (Recent Alumni Event)
8 Student/Alumni Volunteer Team Leader Planning Session
8 Student/Alumni Travel Meeting & Campus Presentation (5-7pm, 1829 Room, SAU)
17 Student Alumni Network seating to Panic! At the Disco (Gordon Field House) 7:30pm

December 2006

6 Rochester Recent Alumni Networking Night – Monty’s Korner (East Ave.) 6-8pm
13  Student/Alumni Volunteer Planning Session
TBD  Alumni Career Speaker Series
18  Exam Study Break - Coffee Night – Java Wally’s

January 2007
6   Tiger Sports Night Men’s Hockey Game – Student Alumni Hockey Night!
10  Student/Alumni Volunteer Planning Session
TBD  Alumni Career Speaker Series

February 2007
14  Student/Alumni Volunteer Planning Session
TBD  Alumni Career Speaker Series

March 2007
TBD  Alumni Career Speaker Series

April 2007
13-14  Connectology – RIT Leadership & Mentoring Conference
TBD  Young Alumni Event – Tour Finger Lakes Wineries

May 2007
TBD  Cap & Gown – New Alumni Registration
26   RIT Commencement

June 2007
1-21  RIT Student/Alumni Travel– 23-day European Tour, Orion Worldwide Travel (LLC)

For more information on any of these events, please contact: Stefania LoMonaco,
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Join the RIT Student Alumni Network!
# RIT Institute Calendar
## 2006 - 2007

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STUDENT/ALUMNI NETWORK
MISSION, VISION & GOALS

Mission
Through programming and practical/hands-on learning activities, the Student/Alumni Network creates a global environment that: fosters social interaction to promote school spirit and connectivity with the university and RIT Alumni world-wide; and encourages growth of leadership skills necessary for success in a global society at RIT and beyond. It also supports and interfaces with constituencies across the campus to maximize student success.

Vision
The Student/Alumni Network will enhance the social climate of the institute and promote learning for and with students by collaborating with alumni and constituencies across campus to offer programs and services for social development, leadership and personal growth.

Goals
1. To create a strong alumni base by educating current students of the benefits of continuing their relationship with the university after graduation.
2. To foster and strengthen mutually beneficial relationships between current students and alumni.
3. To provide networking and leadership opportunities for current student leaders on campus.
4. To support the mission and vision of the Rochester Institute of Technology Alumni Network.
**RIT Core Values**

**Student Centeredness**

Exhibits behavior, performs duties of position, and/or makes decisions that demonstrate and/or support the importance of students as the primary constituency of the university and/or contributes directly to student success.

**Professional Development and Scholarship**

Takes actions to continuously advance and/or improve - in one’s academic or professional discipline; as an individual contributor; as a team member; and/or as an organizational leader.

**Integrity and Ethics**

Does what it takes to deliver on commitments made to the department, college, or division and to constituency groups. Builds personal trust and relationships inside and outside the university by doing what one says he or she will do when it is promised.

**Respect, Diversity and Pluralism**

Provides a high level of service to every student and fellow colleague. Treats every person with dignity. Demonstrates inclusion by incorporating diverse perspectives to plan, conduct, and evaluate the work of the department, college, or division.

**Innovation and Flexibility**

Provides and/or encourages new ideas that could make the department, college, or division an even better organization. Open to, and adapts well to change. Demonstrates through actions that no job is too insignificant, no task too small.

**Teamwork and Collaboration**

Contributes to the efforts of the department, division, or college as a team player. Works well with others outside the department to accomplish cross-college or division goals and objectives.
Vision Statement:
Brick City Homecoming is the all-campus homecoming celebration to enhance pride in RIT traditions. The event engages alumni, students, parents, faculty, staff, and friends through creative programs that attract and connect these populations to ongoing involvement with the university.

Mission Statement:
Brick City Homecoming is RIT’s annual celebration that gathers alumni, students, parents, faculty, staff, and friends of the university. The fall weekend provides the opportunity for the RIT community to celebrate university spirit and traditions. This is done through a variety of events that foster interpersonal connections and an affinity for RIT.

Honorary Reunion Chair:
This year’s Honorary Reunion Chair is Nancy Fein ’76. In this role, Nancy will author the Reunion Class Gift letter; appear on the Web site and in the marketing brochure inviting fellow alumni to participate in the weekend.

Weekend Activities:
❖ National Entertainment
In 2005, national and local talent took the stage in the new Gordon Field House. Performances included comedian and television show host Jon Stewart, Horton Distinguished Speaker Rudy Giuliani, and popular artist Jason Mraz.

❖ Reunion Activities
- **Golden Circle Luncheon** — Golden Circle is a special program to recognize alumni celebrating 50 years and beyond as RIT graduates. The class of 1956 will be inducted in October 2006 during a pinning ceremony.
- **Golden Circle Campus Tour** — follows the luncheon and is one of the most fun events of the weekend! Taking these graduates around the "new" campus always elicits their pride and excitement about being a part of RIT.
- **Athletic Reunions** — includes alumni games and reception for a variety of teams, such as basketball, hockey, lacrosse, and wrestling.
- **Greek Reunions** — Alpha Sigma Alpha, Alpha Xi Delta, Phi Kappa Tau have hosted activities in the past, and last year the Greek Games
were held during the weekend which included bathtub races, dizzy bat, pumpkin chunkin’ and more.

- **Hospitality Alumni Society** — Each year the School and the Alumni Society team up to present an Alumni Panel followed by the Alumni Awards Dinner.
- **Faculty/Staff Alumni Luncheon** — Newly initiated in 2004, this event is to recognize RIT faculty and staff who are also alumni for their daily dedication and support.

**For All Alumni**

- **Remember RIT When?** — An assemblage of photographs and year books to help alumni stroll down memory lane. Many of the photographs have yet to be cataloged, and alumni have been able to help us identify them.
- **Alumni BBQ Luncheon** — Catered by Dinosaur Barbeque, this all-alumni event includes live blues music.
- **College Receptions** — Each college hosts a special reception during the weekend.

**Academic Offerings** — Computer workshops, tours of the Center for Integrated Manufacturing Studies (CIMS) and the Heidelberg Web Press Laboratory are available. Also, "Classes without Quizzes" provided opportunities to learn everything from "Software Engineering for the Layman" to "Wines of the World."

**Kid’s Fun** — Tug-of-war, three legged races, a "Red Wings Fun Zone" and juggling expert kept the kids busy and happy during the weekend.

**Presidential Address** — President Albert Simone shares highlights of RIT's accomplishments and new initiatives.

**Campus Tours** — Students and staff lead groups around campus to see what's new and improved. There's also an "Art on Campus" tour available.

**Athletic/Recreational Activities** — There are Red Barn adventures such as indoor rock climbing available…displays of the Mini Baja off-road vehicle and the Concrete Canoe and Steel Bridge entries that won several competitions for RIT. Open swims, hockey games and a fun run were also part of last year's activities.

**Student/Alumni Network Volunteers** will participate in any and all of these events, by greeting guests, helping with registration, giving campus tours, answering questions, providing directions, and acting as a friendly face on campus. Participation in these events requires an upbeat, friendly personality, and gracious demeanor. If you have what it takes – you’ll have fun, learn a lot and make some great connections!
RIT Alumni Network Benefits

RIT Student Alumni Travel
June 1 - June 19, 2007
PRICE: $2650
June 19 - June 23, 2007
PRICE: $530
Pay in full by December 15, 2006 and receive $100 off!

Come and enjoy a virtual tour of the European Odyssey
http://www.orionworldwidetravel.com/rit

See the sights and sound of 10 European locations as you travel with people your own age! It will be a trip of a lifetime, so come and take a look—

THIS WILL BE YOU!

The itinerary of the European Odyssey allows you to see all the BEST sites of Europe in a fun and safe environment. If traveling as a single or with a friend, you will soon be part of a fun group of people your own age when you join the European Odyssey. You have plenty of FREE time as well to do your own thing—so come and take a look!

Interested? Contact: Associate Director, Alumni Relations, Student & Young Alumni Programs, Stefania.LoMonaco@rit.edu.
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Upon graduation, you automatically become a member of the RIT Alumni Network. Active participation in the Network enriches your personal and professional life by connecting you to possibilities you might not yet have imagined and, at the same time, helps ensure that enthusiasm and support for the university grows stronger each day — advancing RIT's mission and educational excellence.

**Here are the benefits of the RIT Alumni Network…**

**Campus Communications**
Graduates are also entitled to receive three complimentary issues per year of *RIT: The University Magazine*. This periodical has wonderful updates on RIT campus life, college and program activity and alumni class notes. You may also receive *The Tiger's Tale*, a monthly e-newsletter, by joining the Online Community.

**Career Services**
If you are looking to change careers or find a new job in the same industry, RIT resources can provide you with valuable investigative and coaching support critical to your success. You can explore new fields of interest, salary ranges, search for a job online, get resume and interview assistance, post jobs, and more.

**Continuing Education**
Reconnect with professors and fellow alumni while taking advantage of fun and interesting learning opportunities on campus, at home, or abroad.

**Online Community/Vanity Email Address**
RIT's Online Community offers a comprehensive package of Internet-based services for alumni to reconnect, exchange ideas and access networking information. As a member of the Online Community, you can search an expansive directory for fellow classmates, participate in RIT alumni surveys, read message boards, and view a calendar of upcoming events and sign up for your RIT affinity email address. Currently, we have more than 15,000 subscribers for this secure, password-protected environment, available FREE OF CHARGE.

A few quick and easy steps are all that's needed to join the RIT Alumni Online Community, a free and exclusive service for alumni only.

- To register for the Online Community, visit [www.alumniconnections.com/RIT](http://www.alumniconnections.com/RIT).
- Choose a User ID and Password, which you will use on subsequent visits.
• Once you have registered, you will be able to update your address information, search for classmates, make new connections, and explore the additional community features anytime, anywhere.
• You will also receive our monthly e-newsletter and event invitations.
• Students within 4 quarters of graduating can get access to the Harris Online Community.

Regional Chapters
There are alumni chapters located in metropolitan areas across the United States. Alumni activities organized by chapter volunteers span the gamut from athletic, social and cultural events to lectures and educational opportunities on business, cooking, wine and many other fun and fascinating topics. These are wonderful venues for fellowship, learning and networking. Here are locations of our current Alumni Chapters:

- Albany, NY
- Atlanta, GA
- Austin, TX
- Boston, MA
- Buffalo, NY
- Chicago, IL
- Cleveland-Akron, OH
- Florida (Central & South)
- Los Angeles, CA
- New York, NY
- Philadelphia, PA
- Phoenix, AZ
- Pittsburgh, PA
- Raleigh-Durham, NC
- San Antonio, TX
- San Diego, CA
- San Francisco/Bay Area, CA
- Seattle, WA
- Syracuse, NY
- Washington, DC

Telecommunication Services
The RIT Alumni Network has partnered with 5LINX to offer you a host of telecommunications services to help maximize your services and minimize your costs!

- Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP)
- Local Phone & Unlimited Long Distance
- Mobile Phones
- Long Distance Calling Plans
- Business Local Phone and Long Distance
- Satellite TV
- Zoom LINX High Speed Internet Access

Let the experts at 5LINX help you reduce your monthly costs and receive more value for your money. At the same time, you will be supporting your alma mater. A portion of all purchases goes to support the RIT Alumni Network and its future programs and services. *(Note: This is not a tax deductible contribution.)* Visit [www.5linx.net/ritalum](http://www.5linx.net/ritalum) for more information and online product catalog.

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• RIT Travel Club – visit [www.rittravelclub.com](http://www.rittravelclub.com)
• Vanity License Plate and Credit Card
• Hotel Discounts at the RIT Inn & Conference Center
• Moving Company Discounts
• Campus Connections Bookstore Discounts – visit [http://alumnistore.rit.edu](http://alumnistore.rit.edu)

For more information, call 1-800-RIT-ALUM or visit [www.rit.edu/alumni](http://www.rit.edu/alumni)
RIT History at a Glance

1829 Known as Rochester Athenaeum
• a reading society

1885 Mechanics Institute was founded
• evening school
• instruction for industrial pursuits

1891 The two groups merged

1912 The first cooperative education study plan began

1944 The name Rochester Institute of Technology was adopted and RIT officially became identified with higher education

1966 RIT established the National Institute for the Deaf

1968 RIT moved onto the 1,300 acre campus in Henrietta

1992 Dr. Albert J. Simone became President of RIT on September 1. He is the eighth president in the university’s 175-year history. He was formerly President of the University of Hawaii System and Chancellor of the University of Hawaii at Manoa for seven years. President Simone received his BA in economics from Tufts University and his Ph.D. in economics from Massachusetts Institute of Technology. President Simone has made great strides in his tenure and has changed the face of RIT. He is committed to the students and all RIT graduates to move their university from “very good to great.”

Among the President’s many quotes, the following two excerpts identify his passion and commitment to the RIT family and the university’s future.

"RIT is committed to practical, applied approaches to teaching and learning. This is why our graduates leave here with not only a great education but also a great experience that will assist them throughout their lifetime."

"RIT’s vision of success is reflected in the accomplishments of our students, alumni, faculty and staff, and the satisfaction of our partners in government, industry and the community. With the momentum of the past to carry us forward, RIT’s brightest days are yet ahead."
**RIT's Vision for the Future**

“College Town”

Currently under study is a facility to encourage social activities so important to the college experience. The proposed College Town would be a community of apartments, businesses and parkland on the northeast corner of the campus that will offer students a unique opportunity to live, work, shop, and participate in social, artistic and recreational activities in a beautiful setting. Apartments for over 600 upper-level students, and a Campus Plaza consisting of an expanded Campus Connections Bookstore; an art gallery featuring the work of RIT, local and visiting artists; a restaurant and a coffeehouse are proposed. In addition, an ecology-friendly park, a well-lighted area of ponds, rolling hills, trees, gardens, walking and bicycling paths, as well as picnic areas are being considered.

**Quick Facts**

**The Statistics:**
- RIT is home to students from all 50 states and more than 90 foreign countries.
- Population in fall 2005 (approximate)
  - 15,200 total enrollment
  - 11,440 full-time students (undergraduate)
  - 2,267 graduate students
  - 1,099 deaf and hard-of-hearing students
  - 68.2% male
  - 31.8% female
  - 4.5% African-American/Black
  - 6.3% Asian
  - 3.3% Hispanic
  - less than 1% Native American
  - 7.8% International enrollment

- Student / Faculty ratio is 10.5:1
- 80% of RIT’s faculty holds a Ph.D. or the terminal degree in their field.

**The Campus**
- RIT is one of the **largest brick structures** in the world!
- The American Institute of Architects **awarded RIT** the “Collaborative Achievement in Architecture Award” in May of 1972.
- There are 141 computer labs on campus with an average of 16 computers per lab; there are 6,000 **computers on campus** (owned or leased by RIT) and in addition the 6,500 students who live on campus each have at least one computer. At last count, RIT had over 18,000 regular IP addresses.
The Gordon Field House and Activities Center was officially dedicated on Friday, Sept. 10, 2004. It provides one large venue where the RIT community can gather for important events such as Convocation, Commencement, and Reunion Weekend. The 64,000-square-foot facility accommodates approximately 8,000 people and can be used for lacrosse, soccer, track, flag football, basketball, floor/field hockey, baseball, softball, tennis, and volleyball. It includes an 18,000-square-foot fitness center, a competition pool and a recreational pool.

The RIT Wallace Library is a multimedia resource center with a collection of more than 980,000 items. Resource materials include 2,700 journal subscriptions, 500,000 microforms, 47,000 audio, film and video titles; 14,500 e-books and more than 400,000 books, collected journals and government documents.

Java Wally’s is a place for the RIT community to gather, talk, connect, explore new ideas, and more. An inviting and comfortable coffeehouse, where relaxation is encouraged, is a natural extension of these beliefs! This unique space is offered as part of RIT Library for students, faculty, staff and visitors to RIT. The displays original artwork from RIT students and faculty and provides a venue for RIT performance groups as well as outside groups.

In 2001, the Del Monte Corp. gave a generous gift to RIT in the form of the Rochester Marriott Thruway hotel and property. The facility was renamed the RIT Inn & Conference Center and benefits the university’s need for additional student housing and at the same time keeps the popular banquet conference and lodging facility open to the community. In addition, RIT Hospitality and Service Management students get hands-on experience in running a hotel through co-op positions at the Inn.

Kodak Quad: On November 14, 2003, RIT dedicated the Eastman Kodak Quad to commemorate 100 years of partnership between Eastman Kodak Co. and RIT. In addition to benches, gardens and grassy areas, the space includes a 12-foot seating wall, a sculpture area for displaying works of art and the Kodak stairs providing passage to the quad through a grand archway and creating a true jewel along the quarter mile walkway. Inspirational quotes from George Eastman (an early RIT Trustee and Founder of Eastman Kodak) are inscribed on either side of the archway, providing meaningful ties to our past while encouraging us to a better future.

Henry’s is a full-service, licensed restaurant located on the fourth floor of the Eastman Building on the RIT campus. It provides an excellent training environment for students, who manage special luncheons and dinners. The students are assisted through the use of computerized beverage and point-of-sale systems.

RIT owns and operates five apartment complexes with shuttle service to campus.

The RIT Center for Religious Life, housed in the Killian J. and Caroline F. Schmitt Interfaith Center, is dedicated to the exploration and observance of the diverse religious, spiritual and cultural traditions of RIT’s student, faculty and staff.

The Braddock Bay Bird Observatory and the RIT Environmental Sciences Program/Department of Biological Sciences are attempting to establish an inland bird banding station. This banding station is intended to engage RIT students in ornithological research. This station will study the age distribution of birds migrating
along the Genesee River. The data from this station will also contribute to a long-term project studying stopover ecology of migrating bird species.

- The RIT **Greenhouse** provides a perfect tool for the students of biology, botany, horticulture, and plant bio-technology.

- RIT has a **computer-controlled observatory** on campus with two large telescopes. A Meade 12 inch telescope and 16 inch Autoscope telescope. The size refers to the diameter of the mirror. The larger the mirror, the more light it can gather, allowing it to detect fainter and farther objects in the sky.

- **Margaret’s House** is RIT’s early childhood learning center. It is open to students, alumni, faculty, staff and members of the Rochester community. It was the gift of Mr. Alfred Davis ’41, affectionately known as “Mr. RIT.” Mr. Davis is Vice President Emeritus of Development for RIT and Vice President Emeritus. As a memorial to his beloved wife, Margaret Welcher Davis, Mr. Davis provided a substantial gift to renovate and equip space on campus. Margaret’s House opened its doors in 1996, and provides quality education and care for children from infancy through kindergarten.

- **Beautification Campaign:** Over the last several years RIT has been working on a plan to improve the look and feel of the RIT campus. This project had its greatest visual impact in 2002 and 2003. The RIT campus of today is a warm and inviting place of higher education.

- The **Center for Remanufacturing and Resource Recovery**, housed in the Center for Integrated Manufacturing Studies (CIMS), is the first in the nation.

### The Colleges

- **B. Thomas Golisano College of Computing and Information Sciences** was made possible through a $14 million gift from Paychex Inc. Chairman and CEO B. Thomas Golisano. The College opened its doors in fall 2003 with a student body of 3,000. GCCIS is the most complete computing college in the country and the first to combine Computer Science, Information Technology and Software Engineering.

- RIT’s **Kate Gleason College of Engineering** is named for a woman — it’s the only college of engineering in the United States with that distinction. The College features thousands of square feet of laboratory space for use by all students.

- RIT’s **Microelectronic Engineering Program** is the only program of its type in the United States that leads to a Bachelor of Science degree.

- The **School of Photographic Arts and Sciences** is a world leader in professional photographic education. In the fall of 2001, the School began teaching photography digitally as well as traditionally. Over the years, its alumni have been awarded 10 Pulitzer prizes in photojournalism since 1979. RIT introduced 21st Century Philosophy in Photo Education.

- RIT’s **School of Print Media** (formerly School of Printing Management and Sciences) is world renown. Its Printing Applications Laboratory is internationally recognized as one of the leading printing, testing, educational and research organizations in the world. In April of 2003, the Heidelberg Web Press Laboratory...
was dedicated. The focal point is a “Sunday 2000” web press, which was given to RIT by Heidelberg, a leading international supplier of printing systems.

- The College of Science (Gosnell Building) houses “smart” classrooms, with all seats equipped for Internet hook-up. RIT plans to replicate this set-up for all classrooms.

- The College of Business was renamed the E. Philip Saunders College of Business on July 11, 2006. The donation of $13 million, one of the largest ever received by RIT, will pay for expanded facilities for executive education and for new endowed professorships. It also will fund four-year, $20,000 scholarships.

The Spirit

- RIT’s mascot is the Tiger, RITchie, was adopted after the ’55-’56 undefeated basketball season to reflect a fiercer, more collegiate image.

- RIT ROCS, or Reaching Out for Community Service, was an RIT first-time effort to have the RIT community as a whole participate in a global day of volunteerism. ROCS currently has 635 day attending members. More than 2,000 members of RIT’s extended family on September 18, 2004. That includes faculty, staff, students in the Rochester area and on RIT’s Croatia and Kosovo campuses. Also, more than 50 alumni took part in projects organized by half-dozen alumni chapters around the U.S.

- RIT’s first documentary premiered Nov. 12, 2004. The 50-minute film, co-produced by RIT and WXXI public television, is one of the highlights of RIT’s 175th Anniversary.

- A group of RIT runners trekked 2,730 miles on a continuous relay spanning the United States as a tribute to RIT’s 175th Anniversary. The Anniversary Run kicked off Nov. 17, 2004 near San Diego and ended Dec. 1, 2004 in Annapolis, Md. The run was completed in 12 days, 3 hours and 48 minutes, beating by more than two days the 1979, coast-to-coast run celebrated RIT’s 150th Anniversary.

The Sports

- RIT is currently in its second season as a Division I Men’s Hockey program and has already accumulated much success after moving up from Division III Men’s Hockey. The Tigers are competing in the Atlantic Hockey Association. The move will be phased in over three years, and Division I games will start in the 2005-2006 academic year.

- The RIT Sports Zone on ESPN2. A student-produced program, Sports Zone takes a behind-the-scenes look at RIT athletics in a sports magazine-style format. The show made its debut Feb. 22, 2003 on ESPN2 in the Time Warner Finger Lakes region and airs every other Saturday during the school year. Each half-hour show features four segments highlighting athletics at RIT and profiling student athletes and coaches.

The Arts

- On September 12, 2004, the 21st Annual RIT BIG SHOT (taken by RIT’s School of Photographic Arts and Sciences) was made right at home on the RIT campus.
Hundreds of volunteers gathered in the administration circle to light up The Sentinel sculpture, the Student Alumni Union and the George Eastman Building. The photo celebrated RIT’s 175th anniversary.

- **The Sentinel**, a-110 ton, 70-foot-high, CorTen steel-stainless steel-bronze work of art, was created for the RIT campus by renowned sculptor Albert Paley. The formidable statue graces the newly redesigned pedestrian plaza in the heart of the campus. This is Paley’s largest commission to date and the largest sculpture on any campus across the United States.

- Campus Art Project was established in the fall of 2001. Each year, RIT commissions a series of student designed and created **benches for display** throughout the campus.

- **Tiger Sculpture**, originally, the bronze sculpture of a Bengal Tiger was created by a local sculptor. The Tiger sculpture is a representation of the campus mascot and is a favorite meeting place for the RIT community. The sculpture has recently been relocated to a more prominent position. It now sits atop a new seating wall shaped like a tiger’s tale at the foot of the Kodak stairs.

- The **Bevier Gallery**, located in the Booth Building where the School of Art, School of Design and the School for American Crafts reside, hosts student and faculty shows as well as outside artists.

- **Gallery r** opened in downtown Rochester in the summer of 1999. It is operated by RIT students and displays works created primarily by RIT students, alumni and invited professional artists.

- **Pre-college portfolio program** for high school students is offered during the summer at RIT. The program is a college-level experience in painting, drawing and sculpture designed to help dedicated high school students develop skills necessary to prepare outstanding portfolios for entry into leading art programs.

**The Opportunities**

- In the 2004-2005 academic year, RIT has 48 career-related **clubs**, 17 ethnic, 61 hobby, 3 music, 10 religious and 23 club sports that include Equestrian, Fencing and Pool clubs.

- RIT has had a **Co-op Program** for 86 years and is the fifth largest in the nation. In the 2003-2004 academic year, students worked in more than 4,000 co-op positions across the United States and in 40 foreign countries.

- More than **450 employers visited** the RIT campus this past year for recruiting purposes. These employers conducted more than 5,000 job interviews with RIT students.

- **Fraternities and Sororities** (Greeks/social)
  - Values include friendship, enhancing academic performance, community service, social programming, and career networking
  - 14 fraternities (1 with a predominately African American membership, 2 with predominately Latino membership and 3 primarily deaf membership)
- 12 sororities (one with a predominately African American membership, one with predominately Latino membership and two primarily deaf membership)
- alcohol-free housing (option)

- Army and Air Force ROTC are offered at RIT. Currently there are about 101 Army and 80 Air Force cadets. A Navy program, with 115 cadets, is run in conjunction with the University of Rochester, SUNY Brockport, St. John Fisher College and RIT.

- RIT’s Higher Education Opportunity Program has more than 300 alumni since its beginning in 1969. HEOP serves economically and academically disadvantaged students, admitting them to colleges for which they would otherwise not qualify and helping them steer a clear course through the maze of higher education. Currently about 80 students are part of HEOP.

- The Reporter, the official student publication of the Institute, is the nation’s only free full-color weekly college magazine. This publication is written entirely by RIT students.

- For the first time since 1982, RIT will host the Mini-Baja East competition on May 5-7 on campus and at a motocross track in Wayne County. The mini-Baja contests draw dozens of collegiate teams and hundreds of spectators from across the United States, Canada and South America for three days of competition climaxed by a four-hour "rough terrain" endurance race." Student-built from scratch, single driver, off-road mini-Baja cars are designed to withstand severe punishment and be fun to drive. RIT regularly places in the top 10 in these races.

- The inaugural Finger Lakes Regional FIRST Robotics Competition was held on the RIT campus on March 4-5, 2005. The two-day competition featured remote-controlled robots designed and built by students.

- RIT has international campuses in Kosovo and Croatia and has signed a sister university agreement with Fisk University, one of the leading Historically Black Universities. Professor and Special Assistant to the Provost Bob Manning will be spending the first quarter of this year at Fisk teaching and conducting research. Faculty and student collaborative projects in areas of comparative strength will begin this year.

- The RIT Athenaeum, a nonprofit organization, conducts educational enrichment programs dedicated to adults 50 and over. Founded in 1987, its goal is to provide seniors with intellectual opportunities, maintaining active minds through continued exploration of the world around them. In addition to educational courses covering a wide variety of topics, led by the members themselves, the Athenaeum also offers opportunities for making and expanding friendships through social activities, travel tours and volunteer and committee work.

**The Supporters**

- RIT Alumni reached over 100,000 after Commencement 2006.
- Alumni, parents, faculty/staff and students in the 2003-2004 academic year contributed nearly $2.5 million to RIT.
The Nathaniel Rochester Society was established on October 29, 1967. It was named for the founder of the City of Rochester, and first president of the Rochester Athenaeum, the forerunner of RIT. NRS is a special group formed to recognize RIT's most generous supporters and to encourage a closer relationship between the Institute and members of the community. For more information, contact Susan Parrino at (585) 475-4958 or by email at slpdar@rit.edu.
I understand that as a volunteer, I am considered an extension of RIT’s Office of Development and Alumni Relations and am expected to uphold the highest standard of confidentiality possible. All information I receive from the Office of Development and Alumni Relations and its Advance Information System will remain confidential and will be used solely to further the fundraising and friend-raising missions of the university.

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As a Student/Alumni Network Volunteer, I agree to participate in no fewer than 3 Student/Alumni events throughout the academic calendar year.

When volunteering, I will be courteous, helpful and friendly to those I meet at RIT events, on and off campus.

I agree to contact Stefania LoMonaco (in the Office of Alumni Relations, 585-475-4930, Stefania.LoMonaco@rit.edu) should my ability to participate in the Student/Alumni Network change.

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