Alumni Updates

▶ Rhody Spring Caravan in Boston Join the Alumni Association and Department of Athletics in Boston on June 24 at the Atlantic Beer Garden. This special event is part of the 2009 Rhody Ram Spring Caravan Series. Meet URI athletic coaches and staff and look ahead to the 2009-10 season.

▶ Happy campers Online registration is available for our July 17-19 Alumni Family Camp, two days of family fun for adults and children of all ages! Stay overnight in one of our newest residence halls or come for day camp, and enjoy great activities in Kingston and at the Narragansett Bay Campus!

▶ Castle Hill gathering The Rhode Island Alumni Chapter is holding a networking event at Castle Hill Inn in Newport on July 23. Meet fellow alumni, enjoy hors d'oeuvres, cash bar, raffle prizes, and one of the best views in Rhode Island. Online registration is available. For more information, contact Sarah Howard at 401-874-2438 or showard@advance.uri.edu.

▶ Cheer on the Red Sox at member-exclusive event A special event is coming up in Boston on August 29 for dues-paying members of the Alumni Association. Don't miss the Red Sox-Blue Jays game and pre-game event at Jillian’s (tickets to go on sale June 12). You must be a member to register. Join.

University News & Events

▶ URI opens Ocean Science and Exploration Center, Pell Marine Science Library In a ceremony at the Narragansett Bay Campus on June 1, the University of Rhode Island opened the $15 million Ocean Science and Exploration Center and Pell Marine Science Library, state-of-the-art facilities that will enable the University to remain one of the nation’s most prestigious centers of oceanographic research, exploration, and education. More...

▶ Master of arts degree in special education to be offered The University of Rhode Island will offer a new master of arts degree in special education beginning in the fall. The graduate program in special education will enable students to meet the Council for Exceptional Children standards and the requirements for Rhode Island special education certification in the area of mild/moderate disabilities at the elementary and middle school levels (grades K-8). More...

▶ Discovery of new salt jumpstarts extended-life battery research for electric/hybrid vehicles A URI chemistry professor’s discovery of a new salt has been received with enthusiasm by companies seeking to develop an advanced lithium ion battery for use in the next generation of hybrid and electric vehicles. Professor Brett Lucht, co-director of the URI Energy Center, has received a $731,000 contract from the Batteries for Advanced Transportation Technologies Program, which is supported by the U.S. Department of Energy’s Office of Vehicle Technologies. More...

▶ Three URI students earn prestigious Hollings Scholarships from NOAA Three URI sophomores have been awarded the Ernest F. Hollings Scholarship from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. Connor Capizzano, Megan O’Brien, and Harrison Zimmer are among the 100 winners nationwide and the first URI students to receive the prestigious honor since 2005. They will receive $8,000 toward tuition in their junior and senior years plus a paid summer internship at a NOAA facility. More...

▶ Labor professor inducted into R.I. Heritage Hall of Fame Scott Molloy, professor of labor and industrial relations, was recently inducted into the Rhode Island Heritage Hall of Fame. At the Rhode’s-On-the-Pawtuxet event, Molloy regaled the crowd with stories about his Irish heritage, and his work as a bus driver, union chief, and eventually, as a URI professor. A widely published author and lecturer on labor and Irish history, Molloy was named the Carnegie Foundation’s Professor of the Year in 2005. More...

▶ Grad student awarded national scholarship from clinical pathology association Jacky Trought, a graduate student in the cytotechnology program, has been awarded a prestigious scholarship from the American Society of Clinical Pathology. Trought is one of 49 students to receive the scholarship, which is awarded to the nation’s top
the Alumni Association today!

Mark your calendars URI's new president, Dr. David Dooley, will be on hand at Pride in URI Night at McCoy Stadium on August 20. Meet our new president, and enjoy this great family evening at the ballpark, which includes the PawSox-Red Wings game, an all-you-can-eat barbecue, and tons of Rhody camaraderie. Save the date. Registration available soon!

At the chapters On July 11, the Rhode Island Chapter is taking in a Red Sox game, and on the same date, alumni in Connecticut are getting together for a "Welcome Freshmen" barbecue and baseball game at New Britain Stadium. On July 25, the Massachusetts Chapter is hosting its first "Welcome Freshmen" event, which will be held at the Franklin Park Zoo. What's your chapter up to?

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June 16 Providence Campus Biotech Manufacturing Program Open House
June 18 Lecture—Understanding Climate Change: What It Means for Rhode Islanders
June 18 URI Hillel to break ground on new student center for Jewish life on campus
June 18-20 Ocean State Summer Writing Conference
June 25 Summer 2009 Big Thinkers event in Stamford, Conn.
June 27 Stephen Desposito Memorial 5K: Be Inspired!
July 7-8 Invasive Plant Management Program

More upcoming events at URI...

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