Community leaders to be honored at ‘Changing Lives’ event

The CCRI Foundation will hold its first "Changing Lives Celebration," honoring three outstanding community leaders while raising funds to help even more students achieve their dreams.

The Foundation will honor leaders in education, the community and business in an event held from 6 to 9 p.m. on Thursday, May 10, at the Liston Campus in Providence.

For more than seven years, Brenda Dann-Messier of East Greenwich has been president of Dorcas Place Adult and Family Learning Center, which provides comprehensive educational and job placement services to more than 1,000 low-income adults and their families each year. She has been a facilitator and trainer and regularly presents at regional, national and international conferences. She will receive the Education Champion Award.

Thomas W. Kelly of Bristol is president and CEO of BankNewport and of OceanPoint Financial Partners, MHC. He has continued the bank’s commitment to supporting the communities it serves, and today BankNewport contributes to many nonprofit organizations and programs to enhance the overall quality of life in the area. Kelly also serves as a trustee of the Rhode Island Public Expenditure Council and holds leadership positions with several nonprofit organizations. He will receive the Business Leader Award.

The celebration will feature hors d’oeuvres and desserts by Blackstone Catering, Tuscan wines and Italian beer. Lois Vaughan will entertain with jazz music. Silent auction items include restaurant gift certificates, wine, and tickets to Trinity Repertory Company, the Boston and Pawtucket Red Sox, and Roger Williams Park Zoo. Live auction items include a three-day trip to Las Vegas; a week at a Mexico timeshare; an overnight stay and dinner in New York City; and a $1,200 travel gift certificate from AAA.

Tickets to the event cost $50. Corporate and individual sponsorships are available. For tickets and more information, call 333-7150 or e-mail jwhite@ccri.edu.

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Alumni Book Scholarship Recipients

Melissa Welch
Cristian Potter
Vidya Heru
Alumni Association book scholarship keeps students in school

Cristian Potter’s bills were piling up. There were expenses to care for his ailing father and 18-year-old brother, Christmas gifts for his children and his daughter’s birthday present to pay for. When the brakes in his car gave way at the start of the semester last year, he had a difficult choice to make — fix his car or buy books for classes.

Fortunately for Potter, who will graduate in May, the answer to his prayers arrived in the form of CCRI’s Alumni Association Book Scholarship, which scholarship provides funds for students to pay for books and educational supplies so they can stay in school.

“This scholarship really was a life-saver for me,” said Potter, who feared sacrificing his 4.0 grade point average due to a lack of funds. On track with his degree in general studies, he hopes to be accepted to Brown University.

Established in January 2005 by the college’s Alumni Association, the $250 scholarship is given to 10 full-time students who demonstrate financial need. The school has given me so much,” Potter said. “I feel it’s my duty to give something back.”

Each semester during the academic year. Students must have a minimum 2.0 GPA and are eligible to receive one award per academic year.

“Financial aid is essential for many students to attend CCRI, but aid does not usually cover books,” said Alumni Association President Sondra Pitts ’66. “That leaves a significant gap in the ability of some individuals to achieve their dreams.”

For many years the Alumni Association has offered tuition scholarships for students. When the association learned of the need some students had to pay for books and supplies, they started an extra fund-raising effort to form the book scholarship.

“It’s very rewarding for us to hear students’ stories on how these scholarships have allowed them to stay in school and we’re trying very hard to increase the effort,” Pitts said.

The scholarship has helped many students get through the lean times. Melissa Welch ’07, who has a bachelor’s degree in public relations from Marquette University, uprooted her life and career when she moved to Rhode Island from Indiana to be closer to her family. Unable to find work in her field, she decided to switch gears and take time off from working to pursue Web development full time at CCRI. She works part time in the college’s advising and counseling office and also participates in an independent study under the direction of Jim Kirby, who manages the CCRI Web site.

“Because I already have my bachelor’s I didn’t qualify for any grants,” Welch said, and the scholarship was a “godsend. There really was nowhere else for me to turn.”

Upon receiving a scholarship, the student is encouraged to attend an informal gathering with the Alumni Association board of directors during the semester. For accounting student Vidya Heru ’07, whose textbooks cost $150 apiece, the scholarship nearly cut her book bill in half, but it also opened the door to new connections.

“It was great to meet the people who were here before me and interact with them,” she said.

Meeting Alumni Association members also left an impression on Potter. When he went to a board breakfast, the experience led him to become a student representative of the association. He has helped to organize fund-raisers on behalf of the college and plans to donate $250 to create an 11th book scholarship next semester.

“The school has given me so much,” Potter said. “I feel it’s my duty to give something back.”

Accounting student Vidya Heru also received a book scholarship this year.

Alumni Association President Sondra Pitts is pictured with book scholarship recipient Cristian Potter.

Scholarship recipient Melissa Welch works part time in the college’s advising and counseling office.

Thank you for your nominations for The Society of Knights Outstanding Alumni Awards. Stay tuned to learn about this year’s winners.
Kathy Blackburn-Kilduff has accepted a social work position at Harborside Healthcare. Her daughter, Kristen, a dance teacher who graduated from RIC, will marry Christopher Fernandez in May.

Angelo Cianci has been in Florida for the past 14 years and is in sales. Angelo misses CCRI, which he said has enriched him in many ways. Jeff Russolino has been in the New Orleans metro area for more than 20 years now. However, all of his immediate family still lives and works in Rhode Island.

Cheryl Dugas Ethier is a financial planner with SKM Wealth Management. She graduated from Bryant University in 1988, received her CPA license in 2000 and will receive her master’s in accounting this year. Her husband, Paul Ethier ’73, adds that she also raised their three daughters during that time.

Roger Begin accepted the position of sales director at Mellon Private Wealth Management.

Charles Bourret recently graduated from the U.S. Air Force First Sergeants Academy at Maxwell Air Force Base, Montgomery, Ala., and was transferred and promoted to the rank of First Sergeant for the 102nd Information Warfare Squadron of the R.I. Air National Guard.

Armeather Gibbs, chief operating officer of the United Way of Rhode Island, has been awarded the 2007 Community Spirit Award from the Wheeler School.

Phyllis Armstrong Prince is working on her M.B.A. at Strayer University.

Bernie Lane enrolled at CCRI due to an illness during his senior year in high school in 1986. It may seem like an unfortunate turn of events, but as a 17-year-old entering college, it was the best thing that could have happened to him. CCRI gave him the opportunity to mature as a college student and utilize the skills gained at CCRI to earn his bachelor’s degree in Rhode Island College and his M.B.A. from Bryant University. Bernie is grateful for the opportunity that CCRI has afforded him.

History professor John “Jack” Every sits with his black Labrador service dog, Garabo.

John ‘Jack’ Every goes from back of the class to head of the class

History professor John “Jack” Every was never a teacher’s pet as a high school student.

“My teachers would always complain, ‘You have so much ability, but you never apply yourself,’” he said. “I only applied myself enough to get by. Every excelled at the hands-on courses, like woodworking, and went on to develop a career in commercial construction work after graduation. But when he lost his eyesight nearly 20 years ago due to complications from diabetes, his career plans changed. With no degree or training to fall back on, he started to develop his interest in history. “I’ve always been a history person,” he said. “When I lost my eyesight I had an opportunity to try something new and CCRI was the first step in that process. It gave me the confidence that I could be a scholar and for the first time I was successful in academic work.”

Every earned an Associate of Arts degree from CCRI in 1990. He went on to complete a bachelor’s at the University of Rhode Island, a master’s at the University of Connecticut and a Ph.D. at Boston College in 1998. He was an adjunct faculty member at URI from 1996-2002 and held a teaching fellowship at Boston College from 1994-98. He now teaches courses at CCRI on the history of United States to 1877, women’s history, and his primary area of concentration, the American Civil War. He has been a full-time faculty member since 2000. Every said that teaching at CCRI has been a rewarding and life-changing experience for him, just like his days as a student. “I entered CCRI focused, but I was still a little apprehensive because I didn’t know how things were going to turn out,” he said. “By the time I graduated I was confident and I enjoyed my experience.”

Out of the classroom Every advocates for people with disabilities. He is a professional adviser with Changing the Culture, a grant program that educates faculty, staff and administrators about how to be more user-friendly for students with disabilities. It began at URI and includes participation from members of Rhode Island College and CCRI. Every is also a member of the board of directors of IN-SIGHT, a rehabilitation center in Warwick for the blind and visually impaired. In 1987 he was a participant in the program and joined the board two years later. “Through organizations like IN-SIGHT and others, one of my favorite things is making presentations to school-age children.” Every said. With his black Labrador, Garabo, in tow, Every shares his story and talks about what it means to live with a disability. And his sense of humor is a crowd pleaser, especially with the ladies. “Whenever I find a cute girl,” he joked, “I ask her if she wants to go on a blind date.”
Cancer survivor Ralph Florio helps students discover talents

Assistant professor Ralph Florio counts himself as "one of the lucky ones." A cancer survivor at the age of 34, he takes pleasure in doing what he loves — teaching history, philosophy and religion, getting to know students, and, out of class, spending time with family and friends. Those simple pleasures he doesn't take for granted, especially when he considers what might have been.

"I was sick as sick could be," he said, recalling the diagnosis of testicular cancer that spread to his lungs and kidneys in 2005. Surgery in July was followed by four months of aggressive chemotherapy.

During chemo treatment, Florio inexplicably lost his sight. He was hospitalized for tests and the predica- men puzzle, out of his home in Richmond, R.I., with the help of his business, DAP Enterprises. He runs the company out of his home in Richmond, R.I., with the help of his wife, Deborah. About 90 percent of his business is freelance work. He creates everything from jewelry, picture frames and animal figures to more elaborate structures like a model of Cinderella's Castle, which he made for the Walt Disney Co. while at Swarovski. One of Pedro's latest creations was a tribute to his alma mater — a lapel pin created in commemoration of the inauguration of President Ray M. DiPasqua. He designed 100 silver and gold pins for the historic occasion.

"I was happy to do it," he said. To see more of Pedro's work, visit www.dapterises.us.

In the weeks following the chemo treatment, Florio puzzled doctors, but his sight miraculously returned on its own a week later. "That was the scariest part," he said.

While undergoing chemo, Florio befriended other cancer patients, three of whom died from the disease. An eye-opener, the experience taught him a new perspective on life. "I was sick as sick could be," he said. "I didn't find anyone who was more comfortable with the fragility of life, changing his outlook. And when it seemed like all odds were stacked against him, what got him through the tough times? "I wrote my dissertation," he said matter-of-factly. "It was the only thing that took my mind off my pain and my situation."

Florio, who first joined the CCRI faculty in 2003, wrote his dissertation titled, "The School of Athens: How the Humanities Can Help Revive the Great Conversation," on the humanities during the Renaissance to earn a Ph.D. in the humanities from Salve Regina University. Prior to attending Salve, he received a master's degree in early modern European history from Providence College in 2000, a bachelor's degree in social science from Rhode Island College in 1998 and an associate degree in liberal arts from CCRI in 1995.

What kick-started Florio's education was constant prompting from his parents to go back to school. Working in construction at the time, the Providence native was reluctant to return to the academic arena, but he quickly changed his tune when he arrived on the Knight Campus.

"This is where it clicked for me. CCRI woke me up," he said. "I had a bad attitude. At first I didn't want to be here."

Florio counts Italian professor Anthony DiRuzzo as one of his mentors while a student. "He was one of the first people to show me I did have the potential to succeed," he said. What Florio loves about teaching is opening doors — the opportunity to help students discover their talents and individual abilities.

"That's why I came back here," he said. "I want to help make it happen for the students."
Steam locomotive specialist Peter Bouley drives the teaching train

At the age of 8 on vacation in Los Angeles, Peter Bouley accompanied his cousin, a lawyer, on a trip to visit his cousin’s friend, Walt Disney. He rode in the cab of the E.P. Ripley, a steam locomotive at Disneyland. Forty-four years later Bouley was hired by the renowned theme park to restore the locomotive from tip to tail. The eight-month rebuilding project was a fulfillment of a childhood dream for Bouley, whose childhood fascination with trains became a life’s work.

Today the 60-year-old is one of six people in the world who can design, build and repair a steam locomotive, a skill that has brought him recognition and made it possible for him to bring together students and teachers to enhance their knowledge of engineering.

A bit of a dreamer who puts his ideas into practice, Bouley acknowledged that he was never much of a student. “I used to sit in class and watch the trains go by,” he said. “I was building railroads in the sky.” He earned an associate of arts degree from CCRI and was a member of the college’s first graduating class.

He played the tuba in the college band and remembers performing during the college’s first graduation on the steps of the Rhode Island State House.

While he believes in the power of education, Bouley’s greatest life lesson wasn’t learned from a textbook. “Nothing is impossible if you have the will to achieve it,” he said, adding that theory means nothing without practice.

In the 1990s, Bouley was invited to inspect a steam locomotive that had been underwater in the Missouri River for a number of years that a Seattle resident wanted to restore. It was a huge undertaking that would require years of work.

Bouley was up for the challenge and saw the opportunity as more than just a restoration project — he also saw it as a teaching opportunity. He rounded up students from several schools and colleges so they could be involved, too. “Over a period of two years, 1,000 kids from five states got to be a part of it,” he said.

Eventually, the project caught the eye of engineers at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Bouley received an honorary degree from the institution for his efforts. He was invited to speak in front of several hundred students about it. His talk emphasized hands-on learning beyond what a student gleaned from a textbook. “I told them, ‘You need the teachings in the book, but they mean nothing without real-world experience.’”

Bouley has plenty life experience of his own. He is a veteran of the Vietnam War who received a Purple Heart and a Bronze Star for serving in hostile combat as a member of the U.S. Marine Corps. In addition to MIT, he has received honorary degrees from other institutions, including the University of Washington and the University of Central Arkansas. He has also received awards from the Royal Preservation Society in England and the National Railway Society of France for excellence in engineering.

A jack of many trades, Bouley is a former long-haul tractor-trailer driver who logged more than one million miles. He has been licensed to operate a variety of construction equipment and is also a specialist in the operation and construction of power plant boilers. He has written several books about his projects.

Currently, Bouley operates Train Rite Services Inc., a safety training corporation, and T_RS General Construction Inc., a general construction business, in Pascoag, R.I. Both businesses, Bouley said, are about his projects.

“Those are projects that I look back on with pride,” he said. “I guess I’m still one of those people who can’t sit still. I feel like I’ve been part of something.”

Bouley ‘66 is in the process of restoring a 1921 Buffalo Springfield Steam Roller (shown here) last used by the town of Uxbridge, Mass., until 1972.

Alumni merchandise now available online

Please visit the Bookstore’s Web site at www.ccri.edu for alumni gifts and clothing.

Ron Schertz promoted to associate vice president for student services

The Community College of Rhode Island has promoted veteran administrator Ron Schertz to the position of associate vice president for student services.

In his new role, Schertz will focus on increasing the retention and graduation rates. The appointment, effective Dec. 1, 2006, places him at the helm of college services and activities that encourage students to reach their full leadership potential while achieving academic and career success.

Schertz will work with athletics, student life and other campus groups like Access, an advising and counseling program for first-generation, disabled and low-income students.

“All of these programs deal with student achievement and have a relationship to their academic success,” Schertz said. “I’m very enthusiastic with the direction CCRI has taken with President Ray Di Pasquale. There is change on the horizon and I’m excited to be a part of it.”

Schertz joined the college, then known as Rhode Island Junior College, in 1976 during the tenure of its first president, Dr. William F. Flanagan. Over the years he has developed CCRI’s advising and counseling program and its nationally recognized testing center from the ground up.

Before his recent promotion, he served as dean of student development and assessment.

Schertz holds a doctorate in personal, theory and quantitative methods from the University of Connecticut. He obtained his master’s degree in counseling from West Virginia University and his bachelor’s degree in sociology and anthropology from Illinois State.
On stage or at the head of the class, Lilli rocks

An associate professor of English, a lyricist, a mother of three and a rock star share an office in Room 3218 at CCRI’s Knight Campus. And they all go by the name of Deb Lilli.

Lilli has been one of CCRI’s writing and literature professors for the past 15 years. She got her start in teaching after embarking on a career as a musician. She has sung, played bass and written songs for bands Hi-Beams, Open City and Mercy Velvet. In 1983, her band opened for Tina Turner during a three-night concert series in New York City.

“That’s my claim to fame,” she said proudly.

Rubbing elbows with the world-famous singer known for her stage presence, big hair and raspy voice may be her claim to fame on a world scale, but in the CCRI community, Lilli is known for her personal teaching style aimed at getting students to think for themselves. She joked that she would like her epitaph to read: “At least she got them to think.”

“Once you can think for yourself, you’re on your way to achieving something,” she said.

Lilli herself started to come of age while a student at CCRI, which was known as Rhode Island Junior College at the time.

“The reason I came here was because I fell through the cracks in high school,” she said. “I didn’t do much but have a good time.”

Once she set foot on the Knight Campus in 1973, when the college grounds were brand new, she still struggled to make the grade. Her first semester grade point average was 1.8. “I was paying for my education and when I saw that I said, ‘Whoa.’ Then I put my nose to the grindstone and applied myself.”

She worked hard and improved her grades to make the dean’s list. Music Professor Lloyd Kaplan inspired Lilli and her creativity as an artist. Impressions he left on her traveled with her after she went on to graduate from Rhode Island College and then hit the road for California to pursue her musical interests. For a dozen years, Lilli fulfilled her dream of becoming a rock musician and devoted herself to her art.

“My career had its up and downs,” she lamented.

Lilli returned to Rhode Island to raise her children — she has three teenagers — and continues to write and play music, though not as often.

“Being a teacher at CCRI is the next best thing to being an artist,” she said, “because a world of opportunity is at your fingertips.”

“I wanted to give something back and for me CCRI was the place to do it, to give back to the second chance that I got. I think I belong here because I really understand the students,” she said. “I was one of them.”
One phone call changed Tanekar Alexander’s life forever. When women’s soccer coach Dennis Grassini contacted the talented player about becoming a Community College of Rhode Island Knight, she couldn’t refuse the offer. “He helped convince me that this was where I belonged,” she said.

The D’Abadie, Trinidad, native, who previously played soccer for her country, garnered several offers to play soccer at American colleges, but it was the comfort level she felt with Grassini that influenced her decision to attend CCRI. That, and her desire to jump into an environment where she didn’t know a soul.

“I love to be independent and wanted to try something new and bold,” she said. Alexander finished her first season at the University of Massachusetts – Lowell last fall competing in Division II, where the physical play took her talents to a new plane.

“Mentally, I felt prepared to go to the next level,” she said. Braving new challenges, athletically and academically, has become an accom-

ishment for many CCRI athletes who have gone on to four-year institutions to compete and continue their studies. For Marvin Owens, a standout basketball player who averaged 27.4 points per game in 2005-06 and holds the college’s career scoring record with 1,407 points, CCRI pushed him to succeed in the classroom as well as on the court.

“I didn’t come into CCRI academically prepared for college. The teachers helped me get the study skills I needed to be a better student,” he said.

Heavily recruited by many schools, Ow-
ens is now a starting player at Northwood University in West Palm Beach, Fl, competing at the Division I-A level. He is in touch with his former CCRI coach, Dave Chevalier, whom he refers to as “a second father.”

“When I met coach Dave I knew right away I was going to fit in,” he said. Fitting in, for some athletes, can mean having the right support network, whether it’s a coach, teacher or adviser who offers the right piece of advice at the right time or supports you when the chips are down. Getting to know Athletic Director Lou Pulano made the difference for Traven Little, a basketball forward who played two seasons as a Knight before transfer-
ring to Keene State College in Keene, N.H.

“He let us know to go for it all and never hold anything back. He was just a real person to talk to,” Little said. But sometimes talking isn’t enough. When Southern Connecticut basketball starter Babette Noah, a senior who led her team to win the 2007 Division II National Championship over Florida Gulf Coast, transferred to CCRI in 2004 she found the diverse campus community she was look-

ing for. The Cameroon native speaks eight languages but was still learning English upon her arrival in the United States.

“I was scared to make mistakes so I was a little shy at first,” she said. But she started to come out of her shell at CCRI. “My coach, the administration and the sports information director all made me feel like I was at home and I was being taken care of.”

This was especially true following the death of Noah’s mother on Nov. 22, 2004, during the start of the basketball season. “I thought I was going to drop out when my mom passed away,” Noah said. “But my coach and my teachers gave me sup-
port to get through it.”

“CCRI pushed me every step of the way. For everything I went through,” she said, “I never felt like I was alone.”

Richard Marchetti: Creating links on the golf course and in the classroom

Bringing students together, whether it’s on the golf course, in the classroom or in the counseling office, is what makes working at CCRI special for Richard Marchetti.

The golf coach, psychology profes-
sor and counselor is constantly on the move, but he wouldn’t change a thing.

“I wear many hats here,” he said, adding that he loves wearing them all. “Hey, if it’s not fun why do it?”

Marchetti — his cousins own and operate the popular Cranston restaurant that bears his last name — is a Rhode Island native. A graduate of Mt. Pleasant High School in Providence, he went on to continue his education at CCRI, then known as Rhode Island Junior College.

“It was the place to go for anybody who didn’t know what they wanted to do after graduation,” he said.

Marchetti played guard on the CCRI basketball team from 1970-71 to 1975, under former coach Charlie Wilkes, a profes-
sor of mathematics at the college. Wil-
kes remembered Marchetti as a player who wasn’t afraid to take chances on the court, shooting the ball any time he thought he had an opportunity.

“Richard never saw a shot he didn’t like,” Wilkes recalled. “He knew the game, he came prepared to play and he was compassionate. He’s the ultimate team player and I think those qualities are what make him a good teacher and coach.”

CCRI basketball was an athletic op-
portunity that opened doors for Mar-
chetti. He garnered a basketball scholar-

ship to St. Joseph’s College in Rutland, Vt., where he majored in liberal arts and minored in special education. After graduation he returned to Rhode Island and worked as a counselor at the state Training School in Cranston before pursuing a master’s degree in counsel-

ing from Rhode Island College.

Marchetti started teaching at CCRI in 2002. He teaches human relations, psychology of personal adjustment and general psychology, his personal favor-
ite. “It covers a large array of topics so all the students can relate to something,” he said.

An avid golfer, Marchetti took over the coaching duties of the men’s team in 2005. Last season the Knights were 11-1, winning the New England Region XXI Championship. They went on to compete in the NJCAA Division III Golf Nationals. Marchetti is hopeful for another successful season this year. “I think the team is collectively a strong group of talented players,” he said.

Marchetti will have the opportunity to showcase his own golf skills on June 13 at the Cranston Country Club during the 5th Annual CCRI Golf Outing sponsored by the college’s alumni association. As a past competitor, he said the contest is a friendly one and “there’s a lot of ca-

maraderie among the alumni and staff” who participate.

When asked what he likes most about working at CCRI, Marchetti didn’t hesitate. “Everything,” he said. “I get to give back everything that was given to me. And I like that.”

The CCRI Alumni Association will hold its 5th Annual Golf Outing on June 13, 2007. This event is open to all CCRI friends and alumni. We invite you to join us in supporting the CCRI Alumni Association and ensuring the success of the golf outing. You can participate in several ways:

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chandise in gift bag, and name on alumni Web site.

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Includes: Foursome for golf and lunch.

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Golfer Only ~ $100
Includes: One golfer and lunch.

Raffle Item or Gift Certificate
Value of $25 or more needed

Call 401-333-7150 or e-mail alumni@ccri.edu for more information.
Alumni Class Notes continued ...

July 15, 2006, at St. Barnabas Church in Warwick.
Angela Colantonio and Lance Niles were married on Sept. 24, 2006, at Meshechanticut Park Church in Cranston.
Eugene Craven III and Kathryn Cartier were married at Amalfi’s at the Village in Narragansett on May 12, 2006.
Robin Langevin and Gia Montecalvo were married on July 23, 2006, at the Crowne Plaza in Warwick.

('00) Helena DaCosta and Brian Jessop were married April 29, 2006, at St. Anthony’s Church in Pawtucket.
Jennifer Lamoureux and Michael Cammack were married Aug. 26, 2006, in Sts. Rose & Clement Church in Warwick.
Audrey Martins and James Atkinson were married on Sept. 23, 2006, at St. Ambrose Church in Lincoln.
Lisa Procter received a master’s degree in holistic counseling in 2004 from Salve Regina College after receiving her bachelor’s from Rhode Island College in 2001. She is a published author and novelist.

('01) Paul Copp and Jennifer Monfils were married at St. Philip’s Church in Greenville on June 10, 2006.

('02) Doris De Los Santos ran unsuccessfully for Providence’s City Council at the last primary election. Doris is working for the state of Rhode Island’s Housing Resources as a housing coordinator, overseeing the implementation of the new lead mitigation law and the lead hazard reduction program.
Rachel Rybka and Marc Duguay ’02 were married at St. Philip’s Church in Cranston on July 29, 2006.

('03) Asher Hilton received his bachelor’s degree in business administration from URI in 2004 and is employed at MetLife as an associate underwriter.

('04) Kelly Silvia and Vincent Memoli were married on Oct. 14, 2006 at Richmond Country Club.

('05) Jennifer Prew and John Fantone ('00) were married on Aug. 13, 2006, at Colt State Park in Bristol.
Jill Paquin and Sean Crowley were married on Sept. 24, 2006, in St. John the Evangelist Church in Slatersville.

('06) Yuliana Palacio and Jaime Duran were married on Oct. 29, 2006.

What’s new in your life?

Fill out the information coupon on the back of the newsletter and let us know what has been going on since you graduated from CCRI. Send it back so you can be included in The Commencement 2007 issue of the Green and White.

Remember 1967?

Attention Class of 1967: Please join us on May 18 to celebrate your 40th reunion during as part of our commencement ceremonies. See page 2 for details.

Friday, Sept. 28, 1966, was Reverse Haze Day.

Student Senate

Dance band

The winter formal was held Jan. 6, 1957 in the ballroom of the Sheraton Biltmore Hotel. Nancy Warburton (center) was crowned queen and her court was (from left) Claire Bisson, Valerie Browning, Audrey Di Marco and Linda Motta.