



CLUB CHAT

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Welcome to all our new clubs for 2011-2012!

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...And That's A Wrap!

by Rick Pavia – Clubs GA/Club Chat Editor

The 2011-2012 Academic Year is coming to a close, and for clubs on campus that means they're finishing up any final events and get ready to finish strong in the Spring Quarter. Major events like Spring Fest and Imagine RIT within the last few weeks were only a small part of the fun as your clubs put on everything from Juggle-In to Tora-Con to National/Regional competitions for our Competitive Sports clubs.

As for our new clubs, they've been very active as well, getting ideas off the ground and making their presence on campus known! If you're attending any graduation ceremonies in the coming weeks then you're likely to hear the RIT Pipe Band celebrating for our seniors! Here's a full list of our 23 new clubs for 2011-2012:

- Bioinformatics Journal Club
- 52-Deck Traditional Card Playing Club
- RIT Pipe Band
- Beard Enthusiasts at RIT Demonstrating Success

- RIT Rescue Shelter
- RIT Drum Circle
- Model International Court of Justice
- Center for Student Innovation Fellowship
- Health Sciences and Technology Student Association
- Geocachers
- RITGraph
- African Deaf Students Union
- Competitive Cybersecurity Club
- Broomball Club
- Sports Debate Club
- Pre Vet Club
- Architecture Club
- Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity, Pre-law Chapter at RIT
- Women for Women International
- PUSH Physical Theater
- RIThmic Audio Productions
- Mock Trial
- Association of Computing Machinery Student Chapter

If you're here in the Fall, make sure to stop by the Club Fair during Orientation week and keep an eye out for these new members to our family. **Go Tigers!**

Spotlight On . . .

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Featured Club Event

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From the Desk of Sarah Griffith

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Spotlight On...

RIT Running Club



Running: You either love it or you hate it. If you're a part of the small population that loves it, you should consider joining running club!

We run Mondays through Fridays, with the occasional weekend run. None of the runs are mandatory, but we highly recommend coming to all of the runs you can. We generally run between 3-6 miles during the week – our weekend run is a bit longer. Running club welcomes people of all abilities from marathon runners to leisure runners; therefore, you can always find a running partner that matches your pace. We also run races together as a club, and if you're an active member we may help cover all or a portion of the cost.

Everyone's favorite race is **Johnny's Run Like Hell**, which is a costume-themed race hosted by Johnny's Irish Pub in Rochester. For this race, we usually form about 2 teams of 6 people and then pick our costume designs for each team. In the past years, we have had themes such as sleigh dogs, the holidays, hippies, RIT Tigers, Mario characters, etc. In recent years, at least one of our teams has won for the fastest team overall.



Want to Join?

Contact: runningclub@rit.edu

Website: at <http://sg.rit.edu/runningclub>



Facebook Group:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2236083181/>

Meetings: E-mail or check their website!



PEOPLE IN CLUB NEWS:



Your
Graduating
SG Liaison:
Beary T!



Hello!

My name is **Bharat Thazhathu** (aka Beary T) and I am Student Government's Director of Clubs & Organizations. For those of you who don't know, I act as Student Government's liaison to the clubs and Major Student Organizations at RIT. Some of my responsibilities include chairing the Club Review Board and the Competitive Sports Club Federation Board.

Greg Pollock, Student Government President, and I have visited many clubs during this past year and we have certainly been impressed with what we saw. We have seen, first-hand, how the clubs make RIT the amazing and engaging campus it is today.

It has certainly been a pleasure working with you this year and I look forward to seeing continued growth in our current clubs and the formation of new and innovative clubs in years to come.

Lastly, on behalf of Student Government, I would like to congratulate **Taylor Deer** and **Sarah Thomas** as the new Student Government President & Vice President for the 2012-2013 academic year. I am sure they will do a fantastic job next year and raise the bar for Student Government in how they connect with the student body.

Have a great summer!

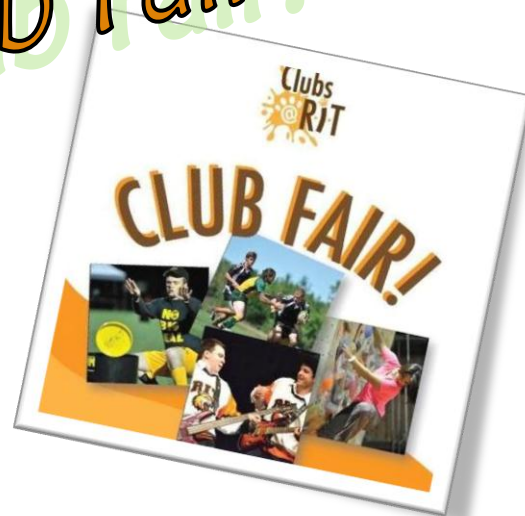
Fall Club Fair!

WHEN & WHERE?

Saturday, Sept. 1, 2012

Time: 1:00 - 4:00 pm

*Location: Gordon Field
House and Activities
Center*



CLUB SPORTS

Update

Rock Climbing:

Rock Climbing took 7th place out of 34 teams at Nationals in Boston!

Taylor Rose (7th) and Allan Andranikian (9th) make finals at Nationals taking places in the top 10 for men.

Taylor Rose also took 7th place for speed and Ethan Criss took 8th.

Here are all of the results of the members who went:

Women's	Men's
Adelia Wong - 23 Brennah Rosenthal - 27 Kelsey Williford - 38	Taylor Rose - 7 Allan Andranikian - 9 Ethan Criss - 31 Matthew Peltier - 35 Andrew Rietz - 39 David Engell - 49 Michael Allocco - 50 Joseph Borysko - 76
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Featured Club Event: Juggle-In!

by Kyla Ciranni – Juggling Club President

What is Juggling Club, Anyway?

The club is made up of people who have, or wish to gain, skills related to (get ready) **juggling, club passing, unicycling, contact juggling, cigar boxes, devil sticks, diabolo, yo-yo, trick rope**, and anything else that involves getting lots of things into the air at once. We meet on Monday at 8:20pm in the SLC Mini-Gym and on Wednesday at 8pm in the Ice Rink Lobby.

Every spring we have the RIT Spring Juggle-In. This is one of the **longest running juggling festivals in North America**. Jugglers from around the nation come to join in the fun, with over 500 attendees expected this year. The capstone event of the Juggle-In is always the Saturday night show, which features some of the best jugglers in the world.



Above is a photo from the big toss up, where everyone throws up their props!

Over the course of the weekend we had over 700 people we had a nearly sold out show at Rush Henrietta High School, a show which featured performers come from all over the world including Japan and France. We had also local talent from the Rochester area, as well as performers from across the country. We also had two Deaf preforms in the show. Overall the show was diverse and displayed a palette of colors and talent.



Check us out!

Contact: ritjuggle@gmail.com

Website: <http://www.rit.edu/sg/jugglingclub>



Facebook Group:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/ritjugglingclub>

Meetings: Wednesday at 8 PM in the ice rink lobby, and Monday nights at 8:30 PM in the SLC Mini-gym. For event information, visit our facebook group page!



From the desk of Sarah Griffith:*A NOTE OF APPRECIATION:*

As the year comes to a close, I have been heavily reflecting on my first year at RIT and what it has meant to me. From “jazzing up” the Club Center by giving it a new look, holding our first-ever fall Open House, and then planning a successful Clubs Got Talent I have felt honored and privileged to leave my mark on the club community here at RIT. I can successfully say now that I feel like a member of the family; I have gone to your club events, shared in your celebration of success, shared stories and laughter at the Club Center and All-Clubs meeting, and have even helped many of you through difficult times with club matters and even personal dilemma. Through it all, from beginning to end, you have each been extremely kind and welcoming, and I cannot thank you enough for that. Your patience as I maneuvered my first year here and the RIT system has been astounding; your support and your appreciation has not gone unnoticed. Thank you to each of you for giving me such great memories here in my very short time; it saddens me to see the year come to an end but it also gives me great anticipation, excitement, and hope for this coming year and all the things I look forward to achieving together. So thank YOU for giving me such a great start to what I hope to be a long career term here at RIT; you guys are the absolute best!

I also want each of you to take a moment to congratulate yourselves, and each other, on the great name that you have given to the club community. Ultimately the triumphs and the successes of each club do reflect individually on the members within, but every great moment or achievement also impacts the whole as well. The more good that is done, the more that clubs become visible on campus. If anything this year I hope you’ve gotten a greater sense of what it means to be in the club family; and I say family because you are ALL clubs at RIT. Individually you may consider yourself just a member, but you are so much more than that – your membership, your participation, and your dedication contributes to the hundreds of successful programs on campus every year, to sports clubs winning national championships, and to even collaboration between clubs that you never thought would work together...I have seen more leadership in my short term here at RIT than I have in all of my professional years combined. In short – **you guys ROCK**. Your clubs and the work that you do are truly amazing, and I’ve never seen anything like it. Just remember that you each individually contribute to the club community as a whole – you are all club members at RIT, and you are all leaders at RIT whether you’re on the e-board or not. Even participating in a club and having the courage to be involved IS leadership in its truest form. Without members, there would be no e-board, and without members, there would be no clubs.

So in closing, if you’re graduating congratulations on all your achievements thus far, and “may the odds be ever in your favor” as you journey out into the great big realm of the “real world”. For those of you who will be with us next year, I hope I can continue working with you to push the RIT club name to the forefront of our campus community, to showcase the ways in which club membership can positively impact the student experience, and that each of you will remember that whether you’re a member of EGS, Cycling, MSA or Women in Business – you are all a part of the club community, the club family, and you are all leaders and I am proud of each of you.

Have a great summer everyone, and thank you for making my first year here at RIT such a memorable one!

Sarah Griffith

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Thanks for a great year!

Have a Safe and Spectacular Summer!



Be Featured in the Club Chat for 2012-2013!

Have something exciting going on? Want to have your club featured in the Club Chat? Maybe a unique perspective on life as an RIT Club? Personal Ad? (you can send those to notinthisnewsletter@rit.edu) Or any other inspiration you might have (even artwork!) as long as it's RIT related and [mildly] relevant to clubs!

Send information to clubs@rit.edu



FOR MORE INFORMATION

Interested in being featured in Club Chat?
Email Rick Pavia, Clubs Graduate Assistant
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