Commencement 2011

CIS was proud to celebrate the achievements of our students at RIT’s 136th Commencement on Friday, June 20. The Imaging Science program saw 48 BS, 12 MS, and 2 PhD graduates; Color Science conferred 25 MS and 2 PhD degrees; and the Astrophysical Sciences and Technology program marked its first two PhD recipients. A full list of all graduates along with PhD dissertation titles is available online.

Congratulations and Best of Luck, Class of 2011!!!

Imagine RIT

On Saturday, May 7, RIT hosted the fourth annual Imagine RIT: Innovation and Creativity Festival. Imagine RIT is a campus- wide event where anyone can participate in RIT’s many creative activities. RIT students, faculty and staff. This year there were over a dozen Imagine RIT exhibits.

The new Freshmen Imaging Project class came through and successfully demonstrated their fully functional polynuclear texture mapping device live at the festival. This amazing feat earned them personal attention from NY Senator Charles Schumer and even a spot on the local news.

Mark your calendars: The next Imagine RIT will be held on Saturday, May 5, 2012. We hope to see you there!

CIS Alumni Honored at Two RIT Events

Dr. Robert L. Pace, ’85, ’93, was honored as one of RIT’s Distinguished Alumni on April 5 at a Luncheon at Locust Hill Country Club in Pittsburgh, N.Y. This honor is presented to a career-oriented alumnus who has achieved distinction through service to RIT and through professional and/or community achievement, and evidence of leadership in the alumnus’s profession. CIS alumni include Brian M. (’91), Eric J. (’98, ’05), Jeffrey K. Harms (’77; awarded 2005), and Paul W. Melnychuk (’84; awarded 2003).

RIT Imaging Science alumnae Dr. Karen Brown (’96) received the honor of representing the College of Science at RIT’s 6th Annual Women’s Achievement Dinner on Monday, May 1. Each year, in collaboration with the RIT Leadership Institute and the College of Science, the Office of Alumni Relations invites an accomplished alumna from each college to return to campus to lecture, lead a workshop, or participate in a panel. This year’s honorees include Donna Rankin-Pandek (’87, ’93; honored 2010).

Congratulations to all CIS honorees, past and present! For more information on all upcoming Alumni Receptions and Upcoming Events visit RIT’s Alumni website – www.rit.edu/alumni.

Past Imaging Science Events

The 5th Annual DC/Maryland/Virginia alumni gathering was held on April 21. A total of 10 alumni joined the CIS faculty, staff, and students for the fun and casual afternoon. Guests enjoyed drinks, hors d’oeuvres, and casual conversation with fellow alums. The event was co-sponsored by CIS and Alumni Relations.

CIS Alumni News of Recognition

Frank Padula (’10) has been named a Rochester Regional Health/ Color Science PhD graduate, has won the SPIE Research Mentor Award, and will be one of the presenters for the SPIE Advanced Lithography Symposium. Congratulations, Frank!

Upcoming Alumni Receptions

CIS Alumni Benefits: Please join for the 4th Annual Imagine RIT: Stitching the Field being held on Monday, June 5 from 5-PM at Locust Hill. There is no charge to participate or attend. For more information and to register, visit the RIT Alumni website at www.rit.edu/alumni.

Alumni Benefits—Did you know?

There are a number of benefits for alumni registered through the CIS Alumni Association: exclusive recreational facilities membership; cable service; library services; savings on insurance; retail discounts; and more. And, RIT is now offering lifetime email addresses to alumni. Our email system will change very soon; your computer account will have access to Google Apps at RIT and to the new RIT Alumni email system. Alumni are asked to join our campus wireless network [http://cns.rit.edu/wifi]. As part of a phased rollout, this benefit will be introduced to alumni from previous class years over the next few months. Check out the RIT Alumni Benefits page for information on all the perks of being an RIT alumnus.

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