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Wednesday, April 9, 1997

Students, faculty, staff honored last night

by Cal V. Whitfield
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The Rainville Awards, held last night in the Memorial Union Ballroom, are in honor of the founder A. Robert Rainville, who served on University of Rhode Island committees, Student Affairs and Student Life.

The purpose of the Rainville Awards is to recognize, acknowledge, and take notice of those students who excel in the field of academics and show great leadership potential. Furthermore, students, faculty and staff are acknowledged for their team spirit and employee positions.

were honored for their accomplishments they have achieved since their stay at URI.

The ceremony got underway with President Robert L. Carothers praising the Student Leadership Program, and the work that the staff, faculty, and staff of the Student Life and Student Leadership Program has accomplished.

Next, following the opening ceremonies, the URI's Women's Choir entertained the crowd with a few songs. After that, dinner was served and the introductions of the finalists were given.

See RAINVILLE page 13



Cigar photo by Kate Jenkins

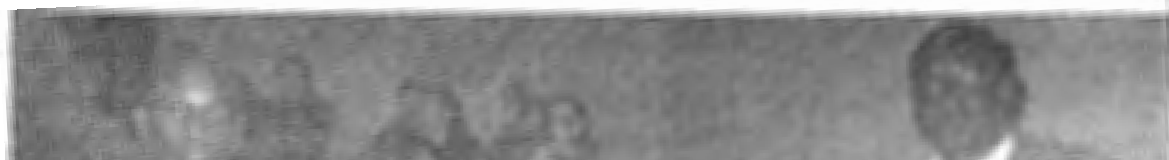
ity Student Conduct Board won the team award for the 1997 A. Robert Student Leadership Awards held in the Memorial Union Ballroom last night.

Last night, faculty and staff

an activists share 'the truth' about African conflicts

the northerners being mostly Arabs and the southerners Muslims. The people of each part of the country believed their beliefs were better than the others', creating conflict between the two. Strict laws enforced by the Islamic northerners also played

of Africa is made of different countries, own government religion. This varies often leads to



"Perspectives on Progress"

The 3rd Annual Symposium on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Transgender Issues

April 10 - 12, 1997

Galanti Lounge
URI Library

Special Events for Thursday, April 10

- 9:00am - Opening remarks by President Robert Carothers
- 9:00am - 4:45pm : Display of the AIDS Memorial Quilt
- 9:00am - 4:45pm: Art Display by Leslie Bostram
- 3:30pm - 4:45pm: Fiction Reading & Poetry Reading
- 7:30pm (White Hall Auditorium), Keynote Speaker, Karen Marshall, Executive Director of the San Diego Lesbian & Gay Men's Community Center

Free and Open to The Public

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<http://www.uri.edu/news/symposium.htm>

Thursday, April 10

9:00 **Opening Remarks**
President Robert Carothers, University of Rhode Island

9:30 - 10:45 **Campus Climate**
Lesbian, Gay & Bisexual Curricular Integration at a Women's College, or Discussions in (and of) the Dating Parlor Discussion of the integration of lesbian and gay studies at a small southern U.S. college. Andrea Cumpston

The Effectiveness of Lesbian & Gay Speaker Panel Presentations as an Intervention to Promote Attitudinal Change in Heterosexual Students Examination of the effects of lesbian and gay speaker panel presentations. JoLee Webb

Attitudes Toward Gay Men and Lesbians: Homophobia or Heterosexism An analysis of the concept of homophobia from a social psychological perspective as well as a discussion of a scale measuring the attitudes toward gay men and lesbians. Albert Lott

11:00 -12:15 **Bisexuality**
Bisexuality in the Netherlands Exploration of bisexual identity in Dutch culture. Rebecca McCrorie

The Science of Heterosexuality A look at recent scientific attempts to discover, or rather invent, homosexual bodies, and to codify their pleasures through the Human Genome Project. Steven Angelides

12:15 -1:30 **lunch**

1:30 - 2:00 **Music & Sexuality**
Narcissizing the Saxophone: Constructing Our Sexual Repression Through Linguistic and Musical Discourse Connecting jazz to human sexuality, the pertinence of society's narcissism will be demonstrated. M. Amanda Materne

2:00 - 3:15 **Health Care**
Lesbian Health Care: An Oxymoron? Exploration of obstacles to complete health for lesbians, including implicit gender bias that exists in medical culture, as well as unique aspects of lesbian sexual health and the efforts that are being made to provide better health care for lesbians. Francesca Mary Maresca

Creating a Lesbian Family Discussion of the obstacles faced by lesbian parents including access to alternative insemination, lack of images of lesbians in childbirth and parenting education, literature, and media, and legal considerations defining and protecting "family" relationships. Laurie Friedman

Herbs, Holism & AIDS Discussion of herbal therapies used to support the immune system and counteract negative effects of chemical therapy for people living with HIV/AIDS. Michael Ford

3:30 - 4:45 **Creative Expressions**
Fiction Reading Reading of "queer" texts including discussion of race, sexuality, nationhood, class and language. Thomas Glave

Poetry Reading A young artist, social worker and rising star on New York City's poetry scene will read from his powerfully moving and finely crafted work. Peter Covino

7:30 **Keynote Speaker (in White Hall Auditorium) - Karen Marshall, Director of the San Diego Lesbian & Gay Men's Community Center**
How Do We Organize a Diverse Group of Communities to Move Our Movement Forward? Ms. Marshall will share with us her thoughts and experiences on what steps must be taken in order for the LGBT Community to attain equality in a way that is healthy for all of us, including our need to celebrate and utilize our diversity.