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KENNEDY'S IRONWEED TO PREMIERE IN ALBANY

Five local social agencies and the moviegoing public will benefit from the world premiere of the film "Ironweed", which will be held in Albany, December 17, 1987.

Four Albany social agencies and one in Troy were chosen as the beneficiaries of the premiere, along with the University at Albany, which will establish a classic film series for the local community.

The announcement was made by Keith Barish, producer of the film, on behalf of Taft Entertainment Pictures/Keith Barish Productions, which financed the film, and Tri-Star Pictures, which is distributing it.

"Premiering the film in Albany," said Barish, "seemed most appropriate, since Albany is the home of both the celebrated novel on which the film is based, and also of its author, William Kennedy."

The premiere will be held at 6:30 p.m. at the Palace Theatre in Albany. All tickets will be \$125 and will entitle ticketholders to attend a black tie (optional) reception and dance at the Albany Hilton following the premiere. However, tickets will not be available from the Palace Theatre until November 18. The movie will open in New York and Los Angeles December 18, but will not be in general release elsewhere in the United States until February, 1988.

"Ironweed" was shot entirely in the Albany area between late February and early June this year. It stars Jack Nicholson and Meryl Streep, with Tom Waits and Carroll Baker in supporting roles. It was directed by

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Hector Babenco from a script by Kennedy, who adapted it from his Pulitzer Prize-winning novel.

"It's a great thing that Albany will benefit in so many ways from this film," said Kennedy. "I hope the people of the city are as happy as I am that it was made here and that it is being premiered here. Who could ask for anything more?"

The social agencies to be benefited are these:

Capital City Rescue Mission, 50 Hudson Avenue, Albany

The De Paul Residence, 504 Central Avenue, Albany

The Next Step Inc., 276 Sherman St., Albany

St. Charles L'Wanga Center, 115 Grand Street, Albany

Unity House, 209 Eighth Street, Troy

The funds will be disbursed through the Mayor's Community Services Fund, Inc., of Albany.

"The Mayor's Community Services Fund, Inc., is honored to have been chosen as the vehicle to disburse the "Ironweed" premiere proceeds to the designated beneficiaries here in the Capital District," said Albany Mayor Thomas Whalen. "It is fitting that the funds raised through this benefit provide much needed assistance to the disadvantaged among us. Our thanks go to the producers of "Ironweed", Bill Kennedy, and all the organizers of this magnificent event."

The proceeds that will go to the University will be used to establish a series of master works of the cinema that will be shown in the Page Hall auditorium on the Downtown Campus. The auditorium was recently refurbished to accommodate the projection of 35mm films.

"We are delighted to be the host for 'The Classic Film Series'," said Vincent O'Leary, President of the University at Albany. "It will be a program that will benefit and entertain the entire area community, which will have an opportunity to see films ordinarily not available.

The Capital City Rescue Mission, a non-denominational organization which began in 1949; lodges 20 men, and provides meals, free clothing and referrals to medical help and employment to people of limited means.

The De Paul Residence since 1984 has offered affordable housing for 200 men and women living in emergency shelters for an average length of stay of one and a half years. De Paul is supported mainly by the rents and fees of its tenants.

The Next Step, Inc. opened in 1975 and is the only certified alcoholism recovery home for women in New York State. There is a bed capacity of fourteen and an average length of stay of one year.

Established in 1972, St. Charles L'Wanga Center shelters 34 homeless men and runs a day center which provides hot meals and free clothing. They will manage a second relief shelter for 25 homeless men and women at the Lincoln Park Bath House during the winter and early spring months.

Unity House began in 1971 and responds to the needs of disadvantaged people through its nine programs, which include community residences, outreach services for disabled pre-school children, families-in-crisis assistance, and a street ministry. In 1986 they served over 2,000 families and 1,200 single adults.

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**AREA BUSINESS LEADERS FEATURED
IN EXECUTIVES IN RESIDENCE PROGRAM**

The Business School at the University at Albany is proud to present Richard J. Pilarski, the president of Robotics, Incorporated, in Malta, and Theodore F. Newlin, president and chief executive officer of The Software Group of Ballston Lake, as guest speakers for its Executives in Residence Program on Tuesday, November 10, beginning at 8:00 p.m., in the Patroon Room in the Campus Center on the University at Albany's uptown campus, just off of Washington Avenue. The event is free and the public is encouraged to attend.

Both Pilarski and Newlin will talk about the challenges and opportunities in high-tech industries today. Pilarski's company, Robotics, builds automated dispensing systems; The Software Group developed and marketed the *Enable* software package.

The Executive in Residence program brings experts to the University campus to share their experiences with students and others. The program, organized and administered by business law professor Alexander Aldrich, is offered each semester. Last spring, the visiting fellows on campus included Herb Chesbrough, president of the Saratoga Performing Arts Center, and the Honorable Joseph Bellacosa, associate justice of the New York State Court of Appeals.

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ROCKEFELLER COLLEGE TO HONOR ALUMNI

The Nelson A. Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy at the University at Albany will honor eight graduates at its Alumni Awards Banquet on Monday, November 16, 1987, at the Century House in Latham. (Reception 5:30 p.m., dinner 6:30 p.m., awards 7-7:15 p.m.)

Composed of the School of Criminal Justice, the Graduate School of Public Affairs, the School of Social Welfare, and the School of Information Science and Policy, Rockefeller College is one of the largest institutions of public service training in the country and has educated many state and national leaders in education and government.

This year's honored alumni are Nancy D. Perlman, co-founder and former Executive Director of the Center for Women in Government at the University at Albany; Scott Christianson, Executive Assistant to the New York State Director of Criminal Justice; Robert Johnson, Professor of the American University School of Justice and Director of the Comparative Corrections Institute at American University and the University of London; Ann E. Prentice, Professor and Director of the Graduate School of Library and Information Science at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville; Augusta Baker, retired Coordinator of Children's Services at the New York City Public Library; Linda J. Doyle, Title XX Coordinator for the Albany County Department of Social Services; Howard R. Whitcomb, Professor of Political Science at Lehigh University; and Clayton H. Osborne, Regional Director for the New York State Division for Youth in Rochester.

Nancy Perlman, masters of public administration '79, is a consultant on women's issues. She led the Center for Women in Government from its

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founding in 1979 until last year. Under her leadership, the Center became a national pioneer in the use of research to analyze sex and race-biased wage discrimination.

Scott Christianson, Ph.D. in criminal justice, '81, assists in overseeing and coordinating all aspects of the criminal justice system in New York State. His responsibilities include developing legislation, oversight of police and correctional systems, and the development of alternatives to incarceration.

Robert Johnson, Ph.D. in criminal justice, '71, is an international expert in the field of corrections and has written numerous professional articles and five books including Condemned to Die: Life Under Sentence of Death. He was named the Outstanding Scholar in both the School of Justice and the College of Public and International Affairs at American University last year.

Ann Prentice, masters of library science '64, is past President of the Association for Library and Information Science Education. She is founding editor of the Public Library Quarterly and is the author of 10 books.

Augusta Baker, B.S. in library science '34, has worked with children across the country and is well known as a uniquely effective storyteller. She was one of the original advisors for "Sesame Street" and initiated a television series titled "It's Fun to Read." She is currently storyteller-in-residence at the University of South Carolina.

Linda Doyle, masters in social work '80, was honored by the National Association of Counties and the Albany Catholic Diocese for her role in developing a program for the homeless in Albany County. She is currently coordinating a major community effort to establish a domestic violence shelter in Albany.

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Howard Whitcomb, Ph.D. in Political Science in 1971, was chairman of the Department of Government at Lehigh University from 1979 to 1987. A scholar of judicial administration and constitutional law, he was one of the first Judicial Fellows to the United States Supreme Court in 1973.

Clayton Osborne, masters in social work '72, is responsible for all the State Division for Youth Services rehabilitative programs in Region I with headquarters in Rochester. He founded a community-based organization in 1983 to help prevent legal and social problems among at-risk youth.

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THE DEVASTATING EFFECTS OF EL NINO

The devastating effects of the climactic phenomenon known as El Nino will be the focus of an illustrated lecture Tuesday, Nov. 17 at 8:00 p.m. at the University at Albany, State University of New York.

Carl George, professor of biology at Union College, will focus specifically on the strong El Nino of 1982-83, which had worldwide effects on the weather. The presentation, which is free and open to the public, will take place in Lecture Center 7 on the University's main campus at 1400 Washington Ave.

El Nino, "the little child," is the term for dramatic shifts in the ocean currents and the weather patterns off the coast of Ecuador and Peru. These changes, which often occur around the Christmas season, can have devastating effects on the economy of these countries and, in some instances, can even have a worldwide impact.

George's lecture is the final one in this fall's natural history lecture series sponsored by the University's Atmospheric Sciences Research Center and the state Department of Environmental Conservation's Five Rivers Environmental Education Center.

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SEMINAR EXPLORES TECHNOLOGY'S "CHANGE OF LIFE"

The rate of technological change confronted by businesses and individuals takes nearly everyone by surprise these days.

How technology impacts people and organizations, how one realizes its importance, adapts to it, and best goes about implementing it, is the purpose of **Managing Technological Change: The Challenge**, a one-day seminar offered on both Dec. 1 and 2 by Honeywell Bull Corporation and the University at Albany. The locale for the 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. event is the Americana Inn in Colonie.

Speakers will include Dave Johnson, manager of Education Services for Honeywell Bull Manufacturing Systems; Ron Bocard, eastern regional field technical manager for Honeywell Bull; Russ Hanson, president of TransTech, a consulting firm specializing in technological and organizational change; Dr. Peter Duchessi, assistant professor of management service and information systems, University at Albany; and Dr. William K. Holstein, full professor and 10-year dean of the University's Department of Business Administration.

The seminar is directed at executives and managers coping with technological change in their workplaces. For additional information, call Andy Benson or Ron Bocard at (518) 456-7000.

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UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY CADETS
COMPLETE FALL TRAINING

The Army Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) Cadet Company at the University at Albany has concluded its annual Fall Field Training Exercise (FTX) at Grafton, N.Y.

Of 46 cadets in the ROTC at Albany, 39 participated in the FTX, which was highlighted by the use of the Multiple Integrated Laser Engagement System (MILES) during squad maneuvers. MILES uses blank ammunition, eye-safe lasers, and sensors worn by each cadet to assess "casualties." The exercise simulates real situations and presents an accurate assessment of how well the cadets have learned to maneuver and use terrain.

Cadet participation at both the FTX and in ROTC at the University at Albany is at its highest level since the company was organized in 1980. Challenging and interesting training such as MILES is one reason cited by Captain Ed Rouse, the officer in charge of ROTC at Albany, for increased enrollment. Rouse also says that an increase in the number of scholarships won by Albany students and additional opportunities to serve in the Army and National Guard, as opposed to active service, have led to greater interest in the program.

Students do not have to be cadets to apply for ROTC scholarships and applications are being accepted. For further details, contact Captain Rouse at (518)438-2010, or write him at the University at Albany, Physical Education Bldg., Room B-74, Albany, N.Y. 12222.

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RPI and University at Albany Launch New Joint Programs

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and the University at Albany have established a new program that will allow qualified undergraduates to complete an engineering program through study at both institutions.

Students participating in the program will be able to obtain both a bachelor's degree in science from the University at Albany and a bachelor's degree in engineering from RPI. The program will normally require five years of study -- the first three at Albany and the final two at RPI; it's known as a 3-2 program.

"This program gives qualified students an exceptional opportunity to pursue their education at both a university with a strong liberal arts and science tradition and one with well-known technological strengths," said Albany President Vincent O'Leary.

"This collaboration is a good example of how a private university can work with the public educational sector to provide enhanced opportunity for students," said Rensselaer President Stanley I. Landgraf.

The agreement between Albany and RPI spells out the courses that participants will need to take at both institutions to complete the program. Students will have to maintain a strong B average to complete the program.

In addition to the 3-2 program, Albany and RPI are also jointly offering two other new programs: a 3-3 program which leads to a bachelor's degree from Albany and B.S. and Master of Engineering degrees from RPI, and a 4-2 program through which Albany graduates enter RPI's School of Engineering at the graduate level and obtain a Master of Science

degree in an engineering specialty.

Students in each of the new programs will benefit from other collaborations between Albany and RPI that are already underway.

Just this summer, the two universities announced the joint formation of a major new research center in materials science, an area of study at the cutting edge of computer and microelectronics technologies. The new center, called the Joint Laboratories for Advanced Materials, draws on the complementary strengths of both universities in the increasingly important area of modern materials research. Among the joint research projects now in progress are studies of semiconductor defects, the durability of different types of glass, the role hydrogen plays in electronic materials and x-ray studies of material surfaces.

For more information about the new joint programs, contact Pat Foti, senior associate director of admissions at Albany, at 442-5433 or Lloyd B. Tredwell, director of transfer admissions/special programs at RPI, at 276-8146.

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