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New plans for NAB

Courtney Nugent
Features Editor

For more than a year, there has been talk of renovating the former Student Union. But in a *Hawk's Herald* interview this week, President Roy Nirschel confirmed that the New Academic Building (NAB) will be torn down and replaced by a new building that is scheduled to open in fall 2009.

It is one component of the 2020 vision, a campus-wide plan for the university's future.

"This past spring we had the approval of \$75 million worth of projects," Nirschel said.

"We looked at the campus master plan and saw a need for new academic space."

According to Nirschel, there was a lot of discussion within the Board of Trustees about NAB's fate, with ideas ranging from gutting the inside of the building, relocating it to a different site or knocking down the building altogether and building on the footprint.

The Board of Trustees chose the latter option.

The project will begin in May, immediately after graduation.

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'Swooping' it up

Mascot auditions finding RWU spirit

Theodore Applebaum
Herald Staff

"C" has tried out for teams before. In fact, this isn't even the first time he's been inside a bird suit. He describes being Sesame Street's Big Bird for a birthday as "pretty cool," and "really hot."

Though he's done it all before, he admits he still feels the pressure.

"I'm kind of anxious to get out there and take home the gold," C said.

In a few minutes he will audition to become Swoop the Hawk, Roger Williams University's official mascot.

The Department of Student Programs and Leadership (SP&L) is in the process of auditioning candidates such as C for a group of Swoops who they hope will increase the mascot's visibility on campus. Since Swoop is an anonymous position, candidates are referred to here as "C" and "D."

We wanted to get a new mascot... See SWOOP p. 6



Elizabeth Correa

Swoop dances and shows off for the panel of judges at the Swoop Auditions

Students 'Feed' campus news



Sarah Cournoyer

Junior Lorin Richardson interviews junior Allie Bird Wednesday as senior Michael Hurley mans the camera for the latest production of *The Feed*.

Sarah Cournoyer
Editor

Huddling in the middle of the quad, seniors Michael Hurley and Phillip Yacouby and junior Lorin Richardson discuss the next step. They have a few interviews done, but to balance the controversial Roger Williams University smoking policy, they have more footage to capture.

The students are working on *The Feed*, RWU's latest source of campus news. They have covered topics this year from the new entrance, the 9/11 memorial, the Red Zone, and most recently, a potential new university smoking policy.

The Feed was born out of an independent study that Hurley, Yacouby and Richardson partake in with assistant professor of communications Michael Scully. The independent study is titled

Special Topics in Journalism: New Media, a 300 level class.

According to Scully, Richardson, Hurley and Yacouby form the ideal three person group.

"TV is all about teams of three," Scully said. "The producer, the cameraman and the reporter."

Richardson took the role of reporter, Hurley producer and Yacouby cameraman.

"I think I became the broadcaster because each of us in *The Feed* has specific things we wanted to go into that fit our roles," Richardson said. "I was extremely interested in broadcasting and I love to talk and find out things in general. Phil is extremely talented with the camera and Final Cut Pro and Mike is also learning the camera. He is so great at producing, coaching, and writing the pro-

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New provost shares in RWU values

David Diggins
Herald Staff

As the staircase to the second floor bends left, sitting atop the table in the waiting area. Most students do not venture to the second floor of the Administration Building, but it is here that the office of the new provost, Dr. Laura de Abruna, is located.

de Abruna completed her undergraduate studies at Smith College in Massachusetts and moved south to receive a Ph.D. in modern American and English literature from the University of North Carolina. She currently is working on a second doctorate in higher education administration.

She has a passion for travel which has allowed her and her husband to move around and experience many places throughout her 26 years as an educator.

"We wanted to see different parts of the world and parts of the country," de Abruna said.

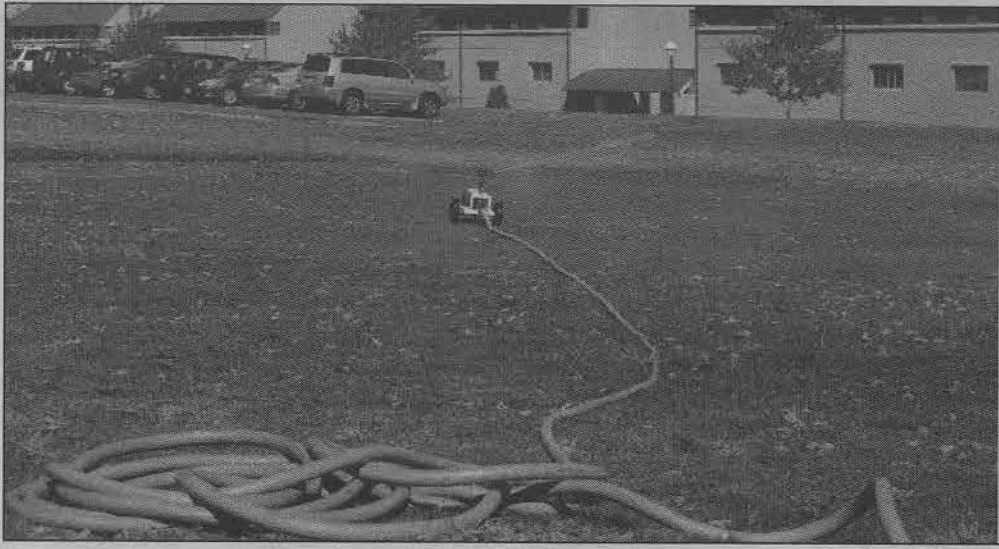
de Abruna's first teaching position was at the University of Texas in Austin where she was a part of the English department. She and her husband then traveled to Puerto Rico where she taught at the University of Puerto Rico. She soon landed a teaching position at Ithaca College. From there,



Dr. de Abruna

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RWU'S WTF OF THE WEEK



This grassy void on campus occupies the space where the beloved barn once stood. This year, someone (we'll call him or her Person A) made the decision to water the grassy void for hours each day. Then, someone else (Person B) made the decision to light a massive bonfire on that same grassy void. Since then, Person A has resumed his/her mission of constantly watering the void. We just think it's a bit wasteful. Hopefully Person C will come along and put a giant trampoline on the grassy void.

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Letters to Lorin

Dear Lorin,

I am a freshman and I live in Willow Hall. My roommate recently met a girl who he has been spending most of his time with. This past week I have been waking up to the two of them having sex while I am asleep in the room.

What's worse is that he has been using my condoms without permission. This has been very bothersome to me and I do not know what to do about it. My roommate and I already have a hard time getting along and I'm afraid of widening the gap between us. What should I do?

-Rather Have Nightmares

Dear Rather Have Nightmares,

It is extremely common to have issues with a roommate freshman year or in any situation at all in college. It seems that you don't want to hurt your roommate's feelings so you are afraid of talking to him about it- but it also seems like this is an extremely traumatizing experience for you as it would be to anyone.

He is also taking things that aren't his. I think it is necessary that you confront your roommate about the situation by either: talking to him about it (when he and his girlfriend aren't in the room together- you don't want to be singled out) or making an appointment with your RA for a roommate mediation. A mediation can help you maybe let some things out and try to get on a good track with him.

Lorin Richardson is a junior communications major and a PEER in Cedar.
Got a letter for Lorin? E-mail us at hawksherald@gmail.com

Dear Lorin,

I am an international student studying here and I am really excited to be in the U.S. I have plenty of friends but they are all international students like me and I desperately want to be integrated into the rest of the campus community. I am struggling to fit in with the main student body and I feel like it is because of my Muslim heritage. I just want to be like the other students here but I am finding it hard to get accepted into campus life. Please help!

-Lost in a Foreign Land

Dear Lost in a Foreign Land,

Although it is great that you have met students of your culture, you're right in saying that you should meet a lot of different students.

There are a lot of clubs in which you can do this, and getting involved is the best way. Clubs such as CEN (Campus Entertainment Network) or IRHA (Inter Residence Hall Association) run events all over campus, and those are only two of the many clubs and organizations that you can join.

The best idea is to go to Student Programs and Leadership, which is located past the WQRI radio station in the Rec Center, and speak to them about finding a club or organization that is right for you.

Also, if you want to get into a culture-oriented club you can join the MSU (Multicultural Student Union) to get acquainted with a lot of different students. Sports are also a great way to meet people- joining a team builds a community.

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Letter to the Editor:

Dear Editors,

News idea: stop letting Jake pick winners for the NFL game, he's been wrong about 90 percent of the time so far. Either bring back Rob D'Angelo to do it, let me pick the games, or have a blank space where Jake writes.

Thanks,
Colin Cantrell

If you have a letter to the editor, send it to hawksherald@gmail.com

Please limit letters to 650 words.
All letters must be signed.

News Briefs

Eric Sullivan
Herald Staff

Discussion of intelligent design on campus

Eugenie Scott, an American Physical Anthropologist, will speak at Roger Williams University Oct. 10, in the Hawks Nest. She is a leading critic on creationism, which includes the controversial teachings of intelligent design.

Related to Scott's discussion on campus, Socrates Café will be holding a discussion titled "Are Science and Religion Compatible?" The discussion will be held in the Mary Tefft White Cultural Center in the main library Oct. 3 at 7 p.m.

Source MyRWU

Iran President welcomed at Columbia University by protesters

New York City is the largest and most diverse city in the U.S., and for a few days at least was the home of Iranian President Mohmoud Ahmadinejad.

On Tuesday, the Iranian president was steadfast when he vowed to turn a blind eye to any changes that the UN security council would place upon Iran's nuclear program.

Ahmadinejad had other plans besides speaking at the United Nations, he requested to visit Ground Zero, site of the 9/11 terrorist attacks. The New York Police department ultimately denied his request because of security, but Columbia University did not deny him access to the university.

The Iranian president was invited to speak at Columbia's World Leaders Forum on Sept. 24. His audience included thousands of protesting students who were appalled that their university allowed him to speak.

"He should be arrested when he comes to Columbia University, not speak at the University, for God's sake," Assemblymen Dov Hikind said. "I call on all New Yorkers to make the life of Ahmadinejad as he is in New York miserable."

Source NY Times

Delaware State University shooter charged with attempted murder

"I'm sorry," said Loyer D. Braden to reporters outside a Delaware courthouse Sept. 24, after being charged with the shooting of two students at Delaware State University last week.

Mr. Braden, from East Orange N.J., was charged with attempted murder, assault and reckless endangerment.

Early Friday morning, Nathaniel Pugh III and Shalita Middleton, both 17, were injured Friday in the attack. Braden also is accused of firing at a third student.

Source NY Times



AP photo

Rider University instills strict alcohol policies after death of student

Lawrenceville, NJ - "A model in the fight against alcohol abuse on campus" were the words from the president of Rider University in New Jersey when speaking about new alcohol policies in the wake of a freshman dying of alcohol poisoning last semester.

Incoming freshmen to Rider are now feeling the affect of the new policies in place, alcohol is now banned on campus with the exception of the pub in the student union.

All new students must take part in a seminar

that teaches the dangers of drinking, and spies will now be embedded in all fraternities and sororities on the campus.

The penalties include an immediate call home to parents and a required educational program on alcohol. If a student chooses not to attend, they will be expelled from the university without exception.

University students are not so optimistic that the new policies will change the atmosphere of drinking on a college campus, "Honestly, I think students are going to do what they to do," said freshman Ashley Reimer.

Source NY Times

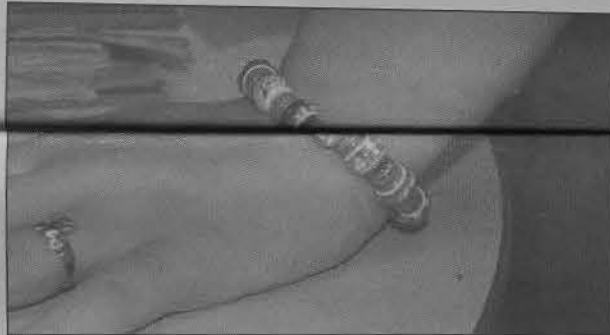
Recall on Friends of Mel bracelets due to lead levels

The Friends of Mel Jewelry Company announced that they are recalling their bracelets due to a high level of lead in the jewelry it distributes.

According to the Friends of Mel website, www.melsbracelets.org, wearing the multi-colored beaded bracelets pose minimal danger to adults but particular danger to children and pregnant women.

The company is working on replacing the bracelets and individuals are encouraged to send their bracelets to: The Friends of Mel Foundation, P.O. Box 1660, Wakefield, MA 01880. The company said it will send a replacement bracelet and reimbursement for postage.

Through the sales of Mel's bracelets over 18 months, \$1 million has been donated to Massachusetts General Hospital for cancer research.



Senate elections set for next week

Phillip Devitt
News Editor

Student Senate will open up online elections for freshman senators next week, leaving the class of more than 1,000 students to choose just four to represent them in their first year on campus.

Ten candidates will face off to fill the empty Senate seats in a two-day election running Oct. 3-4 on myRWU.

In addition, four students are vying to be Interclass Council freshman class president and vice president.

"Last year, there were about eight freshmen running [for Senate], so this year it has increased and hopefully throughout the years it will continue to rise," Senate Parliamentarian Jess Adler said, adding she would have liked to have seen more freshmen running for the empty slots.

Candidates on a list supplied by Student Senate included: Adam Destremps, Sarah Cholewa, Russell Feely, Jennifer Olivo, Alexandra Hodgman, Andrew Polocica, Adam Forsblom, Nicole Foti, Jasper Ress and Evan Krasik.

Sarah Grill and Caitlin Abrahamson were listed as candidates for ICC president; Lindsey Borreson and Jeffrey Chong were listed as candi-

dates for vice president.

Rather than rely on the traditional banners and bullhorns to get the attention of voters, many candidates have focused their campaigning this year on Facebook.

Destremps served as student body president his senior year of high school, according to his campaign group on the social-networking site.

"I hope to bring the experience I have to RWU to make it a better school for you and me," he wrote. "As a senator, I will be your voice in the community. The best way to be your voice is through direct communication."

According to Feely's Facebook group, he is double-majoring in Political Science and International Relations. He wrote that he wants to seek a career in government because of his "passion for politics."

"I firmly believe that I would be a fine addition to the Student Senate because I would uphold the high standards of the Senate body. ...There are no guarantees in life, but if elected I

will work diligently and thoroughly to represent the Student Senate."

Forsblom's page listed him as a Political Science and Legal Studies major who has "always been involved in various clubs and sports." He said he plans to get involved in government later in life.

"I'm just your average student that likes to party and have a good

time, but I understand and face the same issues you guys do."

Krasik, an Architecture major, wrote on his campaign page that he was involved "with many

clubs in high school that dealt with politics and government" and said Student Senate would be "perfect" for him.

Hodgman was described on her Facebook group as "an amazing, hard working girl who deserves this position," having served on her high school's Student Senate. She was listed as a double-major in Legal Studies and Political Science.

Ress did not list any specific in-

formation on his page but opened up a discussion thread for voter questions.

Olivo, a Political Science major, wrote on her campaign page that she "would make the campus community stronger as a student senator, telling her fellow freshmen that "your issues are my issues."

"I've worked in the Rhode Island Senate as a Senate Page, and I know my background with politics and working with people will aid me in being a student senator," Olivo said in an e-mail Thursday.

The other candidates did not immediately respond to requests for comment made by The Hawk's Herald.

Online campaign groups for Cholewa, Polocica and Foti could not be found.

"Candidates have used a decent amount of resources this year for campaigning, however, people can always do more to get their name out," Adler said. "Facebook is a really popular way but I would like to see other methods used more."

Voting will close at 11:59 p.m. October 4, Adler said.

Students trapped in KP elevator

Kelleigh Welch
Assistant Features Editor

Junior Trevor Marsha had a good excuse to miss his Cost Accounting class last Monday when his elevator ride came to an abrupt stop.

Within the past week, the elevators at King Philip apartments have been unexpectedly stopping, resulting in three separate incidents in which students were trapped there for long periods of time.

In the first incident, a student was trapped between two floors. This student had a cell phone, and was able to call for help.

"Public Safety was called and facilities responded," Director of Housing Tony Montefusco said. "The Bristol police and fire departments were also called. Unfortunately, no one was trained to get the student out of the elevator."

Montefusco said that an electrical problem was what caused the elevator to stop, and both an electrician and the elevator company were called to fix it and help the student out.

The second incident occurred on Sept. 24, when Marsha and junior Ben Lefebvre were taking the elevator up to a friend's apartment.

"This happened at about 4:45 pm.. We were in [the elevator] until about 5:30 or so, so we were stuck in there for a good 45 minutes," Marsha said.

"This time, the student called 911 directly, which actually lowered the

response time of the appropriate people," Montefusco said. "We had found out about the incident through the Bristol Police."

For Marsha, the experience was nothing to be nervous about.

"All I could do was laugh because I remembered the firemen breaking open doors the last time it happened and wondered what they were doing this time. We were in between levels, but there was a little gap at the top of the door for the third floor. The firemen opened the door, then the door to the elevator, and we climbed out," Marsha said.

"It was a major inconvenience, but I didn't have class until 6 p.m.," Lefebvre said. "The dispatcher who stayed on the phone with us until we got out kept up a very humorous conversation though."

The third incident was a little less extreme.

"A student had gotten into the elevator and pushed the button to go down, but nothing worked. The emergency button didn't work either, but a few seconds later the elevator started up again and the student was able to ride it to the lobby," Montefusco said.

Following these incidents, housing has taken consideration in fixing both elevators in King Philip.

"The elevator company came on Wednesday to verify that the elevators were working appropriately," Montefusco said. "I believe every-

thing should be up and running by now."

Unfortunately, this is not the first time elevators have stopped on campus. An incident such as this has happened in Cedar before.

"If you look at the operations of an elevator, it is very complex, and it is not unusual for elevators to be off a little," Montefusco said.

Recently, all campus elevators

were serviced, inspected, and recertified.

"The electrical issue [in King Philip] could not be prevented, however, incidents like this would be prevented if students did not abuse the elevators," Montefusco said.

"I'll ride them [elevators] again," Marsha said. "They're a lot easier than the stairs."



Sarah Cournoyer

The elevators at KP have broken down a couple of times since the start of the school year. Measures have been taken to ensure that it does not happen again.

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How blue and yellow make green

Students hope to make eco-friendly campus

Dan Hoskins
Herald Staff

New green recycling bins accompany each outdoor trash can and a campus shuttle will be powered almost solely by used french fry oil.

Rumors are circulating about building a wind turbine on campus and there is a larger amount of fresh produce offered at meals in the Commons.

These changes are part of an RWU effort to create a "greener" campus.

RWU has undertaken strides to become more economically friendly for several years. Now, however, there are a few student organizations which are dedicated to helping the university in its efforts.

One of these clubs is the recently formed Students for Renewable Energy and Environmental Preservation, otherwise known as SREEP, which is starting trends toward helping the environment and conserving energy.

SREEP works primarily in raising environmental awareness around campus. A fundraiser in the form of a black light dance is being planned for this November.

The club is working on getting guest speakers

to come to RWU to address the students about the urgent environmental issues which are threatening our planet.

The club also provides suggestions for how college students can do their part in helping to conserve energy and preserve the environment.

"With a little bit of effort, you can do a lot," Leanne Farrell, a Biology and Mathematics double major who started the club last spring as a freshman, said. She understands that students often underestimate the effect they can have on the environment.

According to Farrell, there are many simple steps students can take to ensure that electricity and other resources are not wantonly wasted (see side bar).

SREEP is always looking to increase its attendance, though Leanne has found this is not too difficult. Despite being pessimistic when starting SREEP last spring, Leanne was pleasantly surprised to find such a large audience just as interested in

10 Small Ways to Save Energy and the Environment

1. Use Compact Florescent Light Bulbs
2. Turn computer off at night
3. Recycle all glass and plastic bottles or save them for reuse
4. Do larger loads of laundry
5. Use the RIPTA, car pool or bike
6. Turn water off while brushing teeth and take shorter showers
7. Open or close windows depending on the weather
8. Double side papers (if professors allow it)
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10. Recycle this newspaper when you are done with it.

supporting the ecosystem as she was.

"Kids on campus have a very positive attitude toward helping the environment and this will be the main thing which drives our club," Farrell said.

However, it is the university's big plans of the future which are really getting environmentalists across campus excited. CLF Ventures, Inc. is planning to help SREEP in its attempts to build a wind turbine on campus.

Though the plans are in its infancy, SREEP reports plans to build a green roof on top of the New Academic Building and Hawk's Hangout.

The Recycling and Sustainability Committee is another club which has contributed

in making RWU head in an environmentally friendly direction. The committee, which is composed of both students and faculty, was responsible for the addition of the green recycling bins which have sprouted up next to trash barrels all across campus.

The committee deals primarily with campus recycling and has instilled a recycling system in the cafeteria and placed blue totters for recycled paper outside some dorms. However, although the club has made great strides in making it easier for students to recycle, there are still many goals which they are having trouble accomplishing.

A recycling center on campus and a system for recycling in every dorm are two of the long term goals, which the committee is focusing on. Both of these plans, however,

are much more difficult to achieve than getting recycling bins on campus.

It will take the willingness and cooperation of all the students to get a recycling system installed in every dorm, admits committee co-chair Chelsea Fitzsimons-Diaz, who saw contamination in some of the large recycling bins placed outside of Bayside last spring.

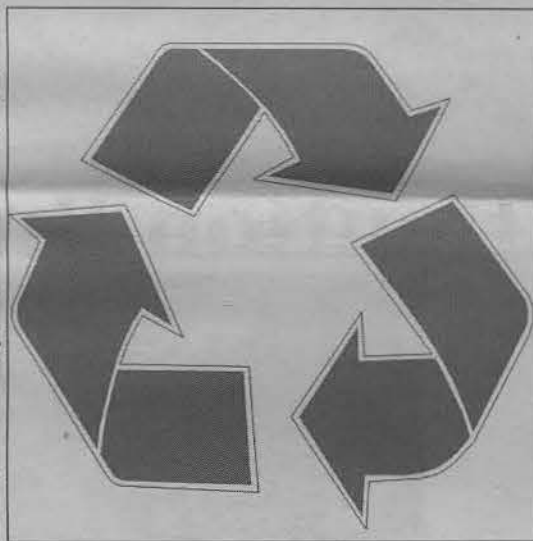
Fitzsimons-Diaz said that she "wants more of a campus wide unity in the goal of recycling." In order for recycling in dorms to work, it would mean that all the students use the designated recycling bins for recycling and recycling only.

In addition to these student led organizations, the Commons is also doing its part. Instead of buying produce and milk from larger farms, the cafeteria is purchasing many of its farm products from local area farms.

This means that the milk and vegetables served at lunch are much fresher. Also, it cuts down on the cost of energy it would take to transport food from larger corporations further away.

The use of excess french fry oil to power one of the campus shuttles will begin running sometime in October. This new shuttle will offer an alternative source of energy as well as cut down on waste produced by the cafeteria.

With a variety of initiatives in the works, the dedication of students plays a key role in their success.



FEED: New media hits campus

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gram."

Yacoby agreed that he was meant to be behind a camera.

"I have a real passion to work with the camera and to see what happens," Yacoby said. "I took on the role mostly because I know how to do the editing, too."

According to Scully, when coming up with a name for the program, he began with the image of the hawk. He then thought of The Bird Feed, but when the three students in the class didn't understand the connection, they shortened it to The Feed.

The purpose of the class is to expose the students to different forms of media and tools to produce the media. Therefore, the class involves using professional cameras and software.

"Phil is the man on Final Cut Pro. He picked it up so fast," Scully said.

Each week, the students brainstorm and develop a news story. They then set up interviews and walk around campus finding locations and interviewees for the story. They then spend time editing the raw footage and turning it into the final product. The uploaded clip lasts from two to

four minutes.

Yacoby has high hopes for the future, claiming that they are getting more into it as the weeks pass.

"Stories have been flat lately. The fountain got the most positive response," Yacoby said. "The cigarette policy story was good to hone in on something students care about. It is more controversial and is the best so far."

Nonetheless, Feed RWU has more than 200 Facebook friends and YouTube has more than 400 views.

"We can tell it is working because it is getting a lot of attention," Scully said.

Richardson said future stories may include something on water sports or things around Bristol. "I hope everyone keeps checking to see what we're up to every week because we'll have a lot of exciting stories planned," Richardson said.

According to Scully, traditional media is not reaching the younger population. Scully worked at New

Century Networks at the birth of New Media as it is now known. He also worked on various magazines and at CNN. He said that the key to new media is keeping the topics localized for the target audience. If they want to watch national news, they will go to a national source.

One of their first tasks was figuring out how to reach the student body.

"There is nothing more high-traffic for this generation than Facebook," Scully said.

Although the clip loaded onto Facebook, it didn't reach a large enough audience. Richardson's uncle wanted to view their work also. Scully realized they needed another web site so that people who did not have Facebook could view the content.

The idea of putting it on YouTube was born. The Feed has received more than 400 views in just a few weeks.

"I was able to send it to my peers and professors at Ithaca," Scully said. "The provost and the president [of RWU] saw it on YouTube, and we even sent a link to the *Providence Journal*."

Scully said he hopes the *Providence Journal* will emulate the idea of posting news casts on YouTube or Facebook to broaden their market.

"It [the class] isn't like a real class; it's going out and having fun for three hours," Yacoby said. "If people like hands-on, take a look at this class. It is the most hands-on you will deal with."

The course next year will be a full class capped at 18 students. Each week, six groups of three will work on their own "feed."

Richardson recommends the course to Communications students.

"Professor Scully is an amazing teacher, and he will be offering a class next semester which has relation to a lot of the things we are doing in The Feed," Richardson said.

Check out The Feed, available every Thursday on Facebook or YouTube.

"We can tell it is working because it is getting a lot of attention."

Professor Michael Scully

Food Critic: The Classic IHop

Lauren Matthei
Herald Staff

The Ratings

Food: ★★★★★
Service: ★★★★★
Price: ★★★★★

All ratings are based on a five star scale.

Hardly anywhere is open late in Bristol or the surrounding area, but IHop in Middletown is an exception. Open until midnight on weekdays and 2 a.m. on weekends, IHop offers breakfast or dinner options all evening long.

The portions were huge, and we went for the combo meals.

Two pancakes (any kind), two eggs, two bacon or sausage, and hash browns was the "Pancake Combo." The meal was great, and the size too much to handle. There was a particularly large portion of hash browns on the plate.

The only complaint was the overeasiness of the sunny side up—a minor error.

The special consisted of "Pumpkin Pancakes" which again came with two eggs, two bacon, and wheat toast. The temporary special had to be tried, and it was definitely worth trying.

The major complaint was the lack of labels on the syrups. It was particularly disappointing when we poured an odd raspberry syrup on the pumpkin pancakes.

The waitresses were friendly and happy to serve us, but the restaurant could have been a little bit cleaner. The table seemed a little sticky, no doubt from the various syrups on the table.

The atmosphere lacked the comfortable, neighborhood diner feel, yet it was not off-putting.

The menu was pages long, and they offered everything from pancakes and French toast to specialty

crepes. For dinner, their menu ranged from sandwiches such as the Philly Cheese Steak Super Stacker (served with french fries or onion rings) to popcorn shrimp (served with seasoned fries and garlic bread).

Be careful with the french fries, as they do not come with the typical salt and pepper seasoning. They appeared to have some paprika or other spice added to it. They were definitely different from any french fries I had tasted before.

They also had an extensive collection of omelettes, which are served with three pancakes.

For dessert, they have ice cream or a heavenly looking dessert crepe with ice cream, whipped cream and a fruit topping.

All menu prices were under \$10 except for the steaks. The most expensive meal offered is the T-Bone Steak & Eggs which is a steak served with three eggs and three buttermilk pancakes.

The bill for our table was under \$20 including the tip.

IHop is not difficult to get to, especially if you are already heading toward Newport. It is located at 159 W. Main Road in Middletown RI.



Kate Heuston

(Above) IHop, in Middletown, RI, features an extensive menu with both breakfast and dinner classics. (Below) A delicious seasonal special featured on the menu is a must try.



SWOOP: Students try out for mascot

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can really accommodate the needs of the campus community," said Associate Director of SP&L Josh Hiscock, who came up with the idea of expanding the number of people who inhabit Swoop's costume from a few random students gathered at the last minute, to an organized group of six to eight people.

In 2003, Swoop replaced Horatio the Hawk, who had previously ruled the university's mascot throne. Horatio was an inflatable hawk, lacking the menacing - yet cuddly - presence of Swoop.

"Horatio the Hawk just didn't get students excited," Hiscock said. It was time for a change, and so Swoop was born - literally bursting out of an "egg" - four years ago during homecoming weekend's Midnight Madness event.

C cannot be blamed for being a bit nervous. After all, vying to occupy the fuzzy costume that is Swoop is no walk in the park.

Potential candidates must first complete an application before being inter-

viewed from a list of 10 questions by a panel of three judges.

Finally, while wearing the Swoop costume, they must perform a 90-second, crowd-pleasing dance routine set to the music of their choice. This performance is given a rating of 1-5 in 13 categories, including confidence, charismatic presence, creativity and crowd appeal.

One of the judges, senior Jordan Viola, who has worn the costume in the past, says there is more to being Swoop than meets the eye.

"No one wants a dead Swoop; you need to be enthusiastic," Viola said.

Incredibly, when asked what he has done to prepare for his audition, C admits - no pun intended - "I'm going to wing it."

On September 20, D had his Swoop audition. He said putting on the costume is liberating.

"First you're just this regular person, then you put on that costume and you're somebody totally different," D said. "It's like you're looking through the eyes of Swoop."

He said the most exciting part about being Swoop is the anonymity of the position. D said he really likes the idea of "no one knowing, and them wanting to know."

After he completed his dance routine choreographed to the beat of Toni Basil's "Mickey," he couldn't wait to know if he had made the cut.

"When do I find out?" he asked, headless, but still in the body of the hawk. It is this kind of enthusiasm that Hiscock is looking for in the candidates.

"I really want this," D said.

C enters the Recreation Center for his interview, approaching the three judges who are holding clipboards ready to take notes.

"How do you think you will be able to make your personality shine through the Swoop costume?" asks junior Jaclyn Calovine, chair of the Hawks' Pride council.

"By showing off all my sweet Swoop moves, just getting out there and pumping up the crowd," answers C after a moment's hesitation.

After a few more ques-



Elizabeth Correa

Jaclyn Calovine helps a student auditioning to be Swoop into the costume.

tions, he dons the costume.

His music selection cued up in the boombox, C stands before the judges in full Swoop costume. This is the calm before the storm. Calovine presses play and there are a few awkward seconds of silence as the CD spins to life.

The sound of a gong reverberates through the speakers. Mortal Combat's theme song begins to play. A man's voice booms: "Choose your destiny, flawless victory." Swoop taps his claw to the music. From the speakers

comes a scream of "Mortal Combat!" and Swoop springs into life. As the beat pumps through the room, C hops on one foot to the left, then to the right in quick succession. His friends cheer wildly, banging on the door to show their support. He's dancing like a maniac, claws flailing in the air.

As suddenly as it began, the music stops. He climbs out of the costume. "It felt intimidating out there," he admits before turning to the judges and asking, "When do I find out?"

NAB: The 'new' New Academic Building

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Expanding the NAB out in the back toward the water, as well as toward the common space in front of the existing building will account for the 50,000 plus square feet of space the new NAB will encompass.

"The NAB will hold 12 to 14 state-of-the-art classrooms," Nirschel said.

Nirschel said tentative plans include a TV production studio, area for multi-media production, green rooms and the ability to uplink and downlink through satellite communication for teleconferences and admissions interviews around the world."

Certain departments, including communication, graphic design, modern languages, writing studies and English literature, will be moved into the NAB. The Center for Global and International Programs also will be located there.

"There will be two state-of-the-art labs for graphic design, as well as classrooms and labs for the modern language department," Nirschel said.

Along with the classrooms, the NAB will include an atrium that can be used for art displays with a dining area that will seat 400. There will be a plaza behind the NAB with open space looking over the water. Spaces for adjunct and faculty offices will also be placed in the NAB as the RWU faculty continues to grow.

"This year, 25 new faculty mem-

bers were hired and next year there will be 15 more faculty members hired," Nirschel said. "It is an expensive but terrific project."

Nirschel said that work is being done with the faculty and departments to finalize the specifics of the insides of the NAB.

While moving departments out of the College of Arts and Sciences and relocating them to the NAB, money will be used to "retrofit" CAS.

"We are talking to deans to see what they need [in CAS]," Nirschel said. "It is a solid building but there are upgrades that need to be made."

Another major project in the works is that of the new residence hall, which is tentatively scheduled to be "in the ground by fall 2009."

"There is discussion about how many beds and what else the residence hall will hold," Nirschel said. "Do we put more community space? Classrooms? Secondary dining facilities? Retail? These ideas are now being discussed."

It is certain that the new residence hall will be made up of apartments, suites and singles. A major concern right now is getting the cost of the project down.

"It costs \$75 - \$100,000 to make one bed; \$10,000 for one parking space," Nirschel said.

Another tier on the parking deck that will hold 350 more cars is also a

possibility for the new campus vision.

"The core of the campus will be more pedestrian and parking will be moved to the perimeters," Nirschel said. "Students will be walking and getting healthy. The shuttles, which will run on bio-diesel fuel, will also run more frequently."

A new annex for the Marine and Natural Science building will also be built by fall 2009 or earlier, with space for a shellfish hatchery and restoration labs. More work will be

done on seeing the library change to the Information Commons as well.

Changes in areas such as the Core Curriculum, Study Abroad and technology around campus will be the next phase in the 2020 vision.

"It has been a great start to the year with a lot of positive feedback," Nirschel said. "Our visibility is great and there are a lot of people engaged in conversations about the changes on campus."



Phil Devitt

The New Academic Building is scheduled to be demolished in May to make room for a "state of the art" facility that will include classrooms, labs, faculty offices and an atrium.



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New dean offers stability to program

Courtney Nugent
Features Editor

While many schools on campus have their own buildings, the School of Education at Roger Williams University is in the library. While many schools on campus have consistent deans through the years, the School of Education is currently employing its sixth dean.

Dr. Mieko Kamii, formerly of Wheelock College in Boston prior to coming to RWU, began her employment as the Dean of the School of Education this fall.

"I visited RWU in 2001 as part of a Rhode Island Department of Education [RIDE] visiting team," Kamii said. "I was impressed with the small but very dedicated faculty and saw that the education was of high quality. When the position opened, I applied and was fortunate enough to be asked to be the dean."

Kamii received her first teaching experience in Appalachian Eastern Kentucky after graduating from Oberlin College in Ohio.

"I spent two years teaching there and it was an amazing cross-cultural experience within the United States,"

Kamii said. "I was in the hills and hallows of Kentucky in a coal mining town."

After leaving Kentucky, Kamii went back to Harvard University where she received her master's and doctorate degrees. Kamii then worked at Wheelock College for 26 years as a faculty member beginning in Human Development and then moving to Education.

While at Wheelock College, Kamii worked on creating partnerships between the colleges, schools in the area and the community.

Dr. Bruce Marlowe, a professor in the School of Education, served as the interim dean last year and said he believes Kamii's dedication to forming these partnerships will be beneficial to the School of Education at RWU.

"One of the many things that attracted us to [Kamii] was her experience in establishing partnerships between university schools of education and local school districts," Mar-

lowe said. "Perhaps the most exciting initiative [she] has undertaken is to begin the process of establishing partnerships between a small number of urban school systems in and around Rhode Island and the RWU School of Education."

Along with creating more partnership opportunities, Kamii said she also intends to make changes in the curriculum of the School of Education.

"I kind of look at it like a family. If there is a stable head of the family, its members have a better ability to succeed."

Junior Jana Clark

Spring, we will hopefully have more programs at the graduate level."

Kamii also cited interests in expanding curriculum in Special Education, English Language Learners and S.T.E.M areas, or science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

Students said they are excited about the hiring of the new dean and anticipate the changes that will be

made to the School of Education as a result.

"I kind of look at it like a family. If there is a stable head of the family, its members have a better ability to succeed," junior Secondary English Education major Jana Clark said. "Especially without an official home of our own, it is at least some kind of established order for the School of Education."

Senior Elementary Education and French major Jessie Stein agreed.

"I'm hoping that with [Kamii's] help and leadership, the necessary changes will be made to the School of Education."

While RWU continues to improve and expand, there is hope that the changes in the School of Education will not go unnoticed.

"We have exceptional people here, but one rarely hears about them. This is unfortunate," Marlowe said. "So, in addition to supporting faculty work, I think [the faculty is] hoping that [Kamii] will help promote the work we do here to the largest possible audience. [She] is the right person for the job"

DE ABRUNA: RWU hires permanent provost

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she traveled to Europe and taught at the University of Antwerp in Belgium and the University of Luxembourg.

"During the three years that I spent in Europe as a professor I taught American literature. And everywhere I went people were really interested in Native American culture and literature and they always used to ask me to talk about that," de Abruna said.

"Sometimes people would give me long lists of words and say, 'Pronounce all those.' So I'd say, 'Seneca. Michigan. Susquehanna' and words that we take for granted. For Europeans, those are all unknowns."

She later returned to Ithaca College and became an administrator. It was then that her son, Edmond, was born. The next stop was SUNY Oswego where de Abruna worked for the president. After that, she became the arts dean at Susquehanna University in Pennsylvania. Her last position was the provost at Heidelberg College in Ohio.

"She was a great teacher, scholar, thinker, active in her professional societies and scholarly pursuits and imbued with the love of learning that is an RWU value," President Roy Nirschel said.

"She has a broad background in higher education. She is an accomplished academic both as a teacher and a

researcher. She has good experience as an administrator and as a provost," said Dr. Jeffery Martin, Associate Provost. "She's going to bring to us all of that experience."

As the university attempts to bridge the world, Dr. de Abruna may help make it more possible.

"She is multi-lingual, traveled, studied and lived abroad and brings another global perspective to our campus," said Nirschel.

As the new provost and senior vice president of academic affairs, de Abruna has many responsibilities. The provost is responsible for all things academic. All aspects of student academic life as well as the faculty members will be overseen by her.

"In terms of moving forward, I think I share a lot of the agenda items that are in the RWU 2020 vision."

Provost Laura de Abruna

"She is the number two officer of the university, second only to the president. She will oversee the academic affairs of the school: the deans report to her, the library, and a host of other activities. Others may be migrating her way in the future," said Nirschel.

Dr. de Abruna has been the permanent provost of RWU for two months now. In that time she has been able to get acquainted with our school and the Bristol com-

munity and ready some improvements to the university.

Given her English literature background, it's no surprise that de Abruna said "I like to read and write," but she is also a lover of the arts. Although she has not yet seen a RWU production, it is on her 'to do' list.

"When I was at Susquehanna, I was a director of the performing arts series and always came to the performances. I wrote up contracts and negotiated with performing groups. There would usually be a dance group and two theatre groups, one of which was more classical, like Shakespeare, and one more contemporary," said de Abruna.

There are changes to come now that the University has a permanent provost. According to de Abruna students can expect new courses and new opportunities to study abroad.

"There will be many more opportunities to be an exchange student and go to places like Turkey, China and, hopefully, places in the Middle East. We are talking with a group called the University of the Middle East and more exchanges will be coming along the line as things become more stable in that area of the world," said de Abruna. "We hope to bring in students from abroad so that people have a richer experience right here on campus."

In addition to the travel

and cultural opportunities being opened up to the campus, we might also expect some changes to our curriculum.

"There might be some new Masters' programs. For example there is a group working on a new MFA in creative writing. We are also working on undergraduate majors too, like a security studies major which crosses the school of criminal justice with the school of business," said de Abruna. "In terms of moving forward, I think I share a lot of the agenda items that are in the RWU 2020 vision."

Other changes highlighted by the new provost include the addition of a new Assistant Provost.

"That person will be in charge of establishing new partnerships with businesses and academic institutions abroad globally rather than very close to home," said de Abruna. "And that person will be in charge of study abroad programs and also will help people in academic affairs make the curriculum more global."

Recently Nirschel outlined a plan that would allow \$500,000 to aid students studying abroad.

"We've had the passports that have been given out in the past year but now there is going to be money as well so anyone who wants to and can fit it in their schedule can have a study abroad experience," said de Abruna.

A committee, co-chaired

by Richard Potter, dean of the School of Engineering, was responsible for the search for a new provost.

"I was impressed with the quality of the search committee and the search process which involved many members of the university community," said Nirschel. "We had terrific candidates. Dr. de Abruna stood out and was always my first choice and the one to beat. I was delighted that she emerged as the overwhelming first choice of the committee."

First impression so far is that de Abruna is a perfect fit.

"I have been impressed with her intellect, work ethic, candor, diplomacy, good humor, wit and warmth. She is a great fit for Roger Williams and our faculty and academic programs but also a great compliment to me as president and to the great other officers of the university she has joined," said Nirschel. "She is someone who keenly understands the budget constraints and planning challenges and opportunities we face going forward."

Martin agreed. "She's very bright, she's very passionate, she has a wonderful dry sense of humor, and she is very committed to doing the very best job she can," said Martin. "She is going to bring us a broader perspective of what is possible, what can be done, new ideas. She will move us to the next decade and beyond."

Music Reviews: Common and Kaddisfly

Artist: Common

Grade: C

Listen to them if you like: The Roots, Blackalicious, Busdriver, Common, De La Soul, Gnarls Barkley,

Neal Williams
Herald Staff

Right off the bat, I have to say I like Common. Kanye West, the producer, really hits or misses on this album.

I was personally more into his old stuff. I have always been into that street sound that only Stones Throw personnel do so well.

On the upside this CD does have some interesting guest appearances. Common has invited songwriter Lily Allen, Will.i.am of Black Eyed Peas, D'angelo as well as Mr. West himself in addition to Bilal (who seems to be a guest on almost every rap album I own).

When Common was splitting the production between Kanye and Jay Dee things were better.

However that is just not possible anymore. Of the collaboration tracks, I am partial to the Lily Allen track which is now (as of September 5) receiving a heavy rotation on MTV U. The track entitled "Drivin' Me Wild" is an ode to people who over expose themselves.

In general the lyrical content Common delivers is generic ear catching gossip. However he always manages to hit a soft note on one or two tracks with the over all meaning. But Common walked into the album knowing that references to Kimora

Album: "Finding Forever"

Genre: Hip Hop

and Russ or Jennifer Anniston and Vince Vaughn coupled with "I want you" vocals done by Lily Allen or Will.i.am would be an instant hit at the clubs.

Common is to Kanye West what Talib Kweli is to Mos Def and this is seen on this album when you have tracks like "Southside" that have to be a joke between friends when the chorus is too poor and the end of the track leaves less to be desired.

Other over processed and ignorable tracks is the D'angelo collaboration entitled "So Far To Go." Even a guest spot from Lonnie "Pops" Lynn (Common's Father a regular on Common albums) couldn't save this album.

Overall this is another mediocre hit for one of Chicago's finest. Thanks Kanye.



Artist: Kaddisfly

Grade: A-

Listen to them if you like: Muse, Coheed and Cambria, Dredg, Minus the Bear, Incubus, Lostprophets, Glassjaw

Greg Bem
Herald Staff

Kaddisfly may be one of the most talked about indie rock bands of 2007, but they are not the most original or creative.

That does not lessen their album, however, for Set Sail the Prairie is a beautifully constructed compilation of songs. The dynamics of the album come most obviously from Lostprophets, right down to the electronic-based transitions between songs. The album takes more than the anthem-rock ballads.

While it does have its heavier moments, and has similarities to Incubus and Coheed and Cambria, perhaps the most glorifying trait of Kaddisfly is their encompassing scope in terms of style.

One genre is not enough to define the band, as listed above the band sounds like Dredg at some points (dreamy), Minus the Bear (cool and composed), and Muse (hard and emotional).

There are bursts of every emotion found within this album, and perhaps that's well-suited, since the album is based around the twelve months of the year, and divided in half by the two solstices, Summer and Winter.

The seasonal theme is most pervasive lyrically; from the song titles

Album: Set Sail the Prairie

Genre: Rock/Alternative

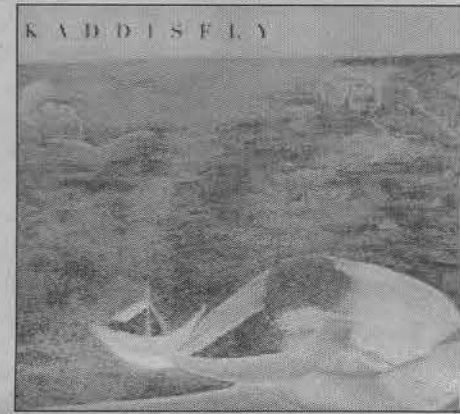
to the lyrics of the songs (which go beyond being base like most modern rock), each song creates a mood akin to the month of the year it corresponds with.

"Birds," which is the song for September, has lyrics as brilliant as the best poet, and the song works.

Some of the songs do not work as well, and stick fairly rooted in conventions, but these do not clump the album.

Listening to the album straight through, there is a balanced mix between wonderful pieces and only average pieces.

Overall the album is a plus, as you can see quite accurately through the more experimental "Snowflakes," but at the same time, there will be moments where the listener will be wanting more, wishing the entire album was a high point.



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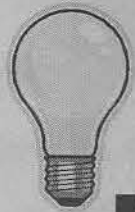
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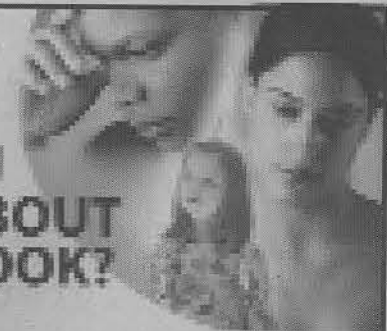
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WOMEN'S TENNIS: Continuing to improve upon winning record

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Regina, senior Caitlyn Leone took on freshman Heather Fox in number two singles play. They split sets 6-2 and 4-6, but Leone came out in the tie-breaker 10-4. Leone then teamed up with fellow senior Jessica Manners for number one doubles, where they gained an 8-1 victory over Fox and senior Louise Taylor.

Nettelfield teamed up with freshman Leah Ribchinsky in a number two doubles match against Salve junior Jessica Smith and sophomore Jessica Timpano. Nettelfield and Ribchinsky came away with their second doubles victory of the season.

At number four singles, Nettelfield defeated Smith while senior Haley McCraven, at number six singles, defeated Salve senior Lindsay DelBonis.

In the match against Colby-Sawyer, Nettelfield and Ribchinsky defeated sophomores Mary Francis and Brittany Mailman in number two doubles 8-4, while McCraven and fellow senior Kelsey Parente defeated sophomore Kate Lucas and freshman Lauren DeFelice 8-2.

In singles competi-

tion, Nettelfield won in the number four position, Parente in the number five and McCraven in the number six.

"It has been a while since the last time we actually went to Colby-Sawyer, other than the championships [last season], and beat them in the regular season," O'Brien said.

As a result of her efforts in the Salve and Colby-Sawyer matches, Nettelfield came away undefeated in singles and doubles competition, an accomplishment that earned her the title of CCC player of the week.

"Being recognized for the player of the week is really exciting and I feel very honored," Nettelfield said. "This is the first time I have received this title, and it just reinforces all the hard work I've been putting into my game."

After the close matches against Salve and Colby-Sawyer the Hawks shutout Curry College on Tuesday September 25 with a 9-0 victory. As a result of the loss, Curry's overall record now stands at 2-3 in the CCC.

Ribchinsky made her first singles start in the number two position where she defeated Curry sophomore Benedicte Matuszczak 6-2 and 6-0. Ribchinsky then joined up with Nettelfield for doubles play where they defeated Matuszczak and senior Melinda Wong.

At number one doubles, Leone and Manners teamed up to defeat junior Kaitlin Ross and freshman Lauren Maloney. While McCraven and Parente earned their fifth straight victory in the number three doubles spot with a victory over freshman Courtney Sullivan and Kara Richardson.

On Thursday, September 27, team took on Bridgewater State College in non-conference play, where they secured an 8-1 victory.

O'Brien said that based on the team's success so far he has a positive outlook for the rest of the regular season and he sees the team going far in the championship matches.

"Our success has been good and it should continue to be good," O'Brien said.

News and Notes

The men's soccer team lost 3-0 to Wheaton College on Tuesday despite nine goal attempts by the team's offense and 12 saves by keeper Peter Plate. The loss is the first in two weeks for the team, which is now tied for the fifth spot in the New England Soccer Coaches Association of America poll.

The team's overall record now stands at 3-5.

Men's soccer player Antoine Bell was named Commonwealth Coast Conference player of the week for his contributions on the field. Bell leads the men's team in scoring, with seven goals so far this season. Bell scored the game winning goals in the team's matches against Colby-Sawyer College on September 22 and against Endicott College on September 15.

The women's soccer team beat Colby-Sawyer College 1-0 on Saturday afternoon to tie for first place in the Commonwealth Coast Conference with Gordon College.

Mary daCunha scored the game winning goal for the team in the 74th minute on Saturday while keeper Jen Garside made three saves to secure the shutout. Saturday's victory is Garside's fifth this season as well as her first shutout.

Their overall record now stands at 6-2.

The women's volleyball team gained a 3-1 victory over Eastern

Nazarene College on Wednesday. Kristina Dolan led the Hawks with 15 kills in the match while Kirsten Bosworth added 43 assists and three services aces. Eileen O'Leary got 23 digs in the match while Rebekah Dion garnered three blocks on the night.

The volleyball team's overall record now stands at 8-4.

Men's cross country finished nineteenth at the Connecticut College Cross Country Invitational on Saturday afternoon.

Hawks runner Brian Clark placed 103rd with a time of 30:18. Todd Massari and DJ Sevigny were the second and third top finishers, respectively, for the Hawks. The team will run again this Saturday at Gordon College.

The sailing team's A division and B division earned a fifth and fifteenth place finish respectively at the Hood Trophy race hosted by Tufts University. The team also placed seventh at a sloop event in Newport, falling short of qualifying for nationals.

The Hawks also hosted the New England Women's Singlehanded Championships, where they gained a seventh place finish.

The equestrian team placed fourth in their first show of the 2007 season at the University of Rhode Island show on Saturday. Their next show is this Sunday at Windswept Farm in Warren.

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picking games, I would have picked against the Bucs. Thanks Dan.

Next, one of the most uninteresting, most frustrating things that could ever happen to you when picking games happened: a game that resulted in a push. The Jets won the game, but only by three. Since they were -3 against the Dolphins, that means I neither win nor lose. What a waste of my time. Thanks for letting up that pointless touchdown with two minutes left in the game Jets. The Jets were in control the entire game and it was not as close as the score made it seem, again not my fault.

The Patriots blow out yet another team. I still hate them. This one's my fault.

The "Monday night make-up pick" is a huge loss. Seriously, weren't the New Orleans Saints supposed to be one of the best offenses in the NFL? Although they actually scored a few times this game, they just looked plain sloppy. The good thing about this pick is that I can say I predicted Vince Young would get hurt, and he did, and he sat out, for about 10 plays. Then just to prove me wrong on something else, he came back in the second half to lead his team to a huge win.

So this week I'm going to make the mistake of picking more games to try and make up for a poor start. This is going to end in one of two ways. It is either going to leave me in a bigger hole than Michael Vick, or I'll end up redeeming myself more than Lloyd when he traded the "Shaggin' Wagon" for a Moped.

The "Lets get it started on the right page" pick

Miami Dolphins -3 over the Oakland Raiders
The Dolphins have a strong defense and I just don't think the Raiders can go to Miami and win on the road. The Raiders have played strong this year



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and are only a few games away from breaking open their bad past couple of years, but not today.

The "Joey Harrington will never be Michael Vick" pick

Houston Texans -3 over the Atlanta Falcons
If Joey Harrington wanted to win a super bowl ring this year, he should have taken the blame for Vick, gone to prison, and prayed that Vick could lead the team to a championship, because we all know Harrington can't do it.

The "Brett Favre Still Has It" pick
Green Bay Packers -2 over the Minnesota Vikings

Brett Favre still has it. Their defense isn't too shabby either.

The "Jets" pick
New York Jets -3.5 over the Buffalo Bills
No witty name for this pick, or reason for the pick. I just think the Jets are going to win.

The "my roommate was the only reason I won a game last week" pick

Tampa Bay Buccaneers over the Carolina Panthers

My roommate was the only reason I won a game last week. I figured I'd let him keep making picks with the Bucs until he loses.

The "I love the giants and haven't made a Giants pick yet" pick

New York Giants +2.5 over the Philadelphia Eagles

I figured I'd just break all my own rules this week and pick a game of my favorite team, even though I'm not 100% sure about it.

The "Monday night make-up/Patriots Pick" pick

New England Patriots -7.5 over Cincinnati Bengals

I would love to pick the Bengals in this game more than I'd love to stop embarrassing myself by writing this article. The game is in Cincinnati, and the Bengals are a hot, cold type of team and I look for them to keep this game close. On the other side they let up 51 points to the Browns. We all know I hate the Pats, but even I'm not dumb enough to say the Browns have a better offense than them.

Setting up for a championship

Shaun Hogan
Sports Editor

Over the past two weeks, the women's tennis team has continued to improve upon their winning record with victories over some of the strongest teams they will face this season.

A win over Salve Regina University, followed by victories over

Colby-Sawyer College, Curry College and Bridgewater State College has kept the team at first place in the Commonwealth Coast Conference with an undefeated record of 6-0.

"This season the girls and I have been working extremely hard at improving our game and have been working towards an-

other CCC championship title," senior Joanna Nettelfield said. "Our hard work has definitely been paying off."

Head coach Chris O'Brien said that while all the matches the team has won so far this season are important, he feels the victories over Salve Regina and Colby-Sawyer mean the most to his team. O'Brien said that of all the teams the Hawks regularly face, both schools have historically been the biggest challenge.

In their match against Salve Regina on September 19, the team won by a narrow margin of three points with a final score of 6-3, while their match against Colby-Sawyer on September 22 was even tighter with a final score of 5-4. Going into the matches, Colby-Sawyer had an overall record of 6-2 while Salve's record was 3-4.

"It has been a good run for the ladies," O'Brien said. "I think our team actually was a little nervous going in, because we haven't played a lot of tight matches, but different people are stepping up and making it happen and as a team we're coming out on top."

"Everyone knows that there is a lot more to every match because now we're playing for a national ranking."

In the match against Salve

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Still trying to pick up the pieces from last weekend

Jake Dumond
Herald Staff

In case you haven't already figured it out on your own, I'm terrible at making football picks. Last week was worse than week one and as I sit pondering my way below .500 record, I begin to think of excuses of why I am doing so bad. I know for a fact it's not my fault.

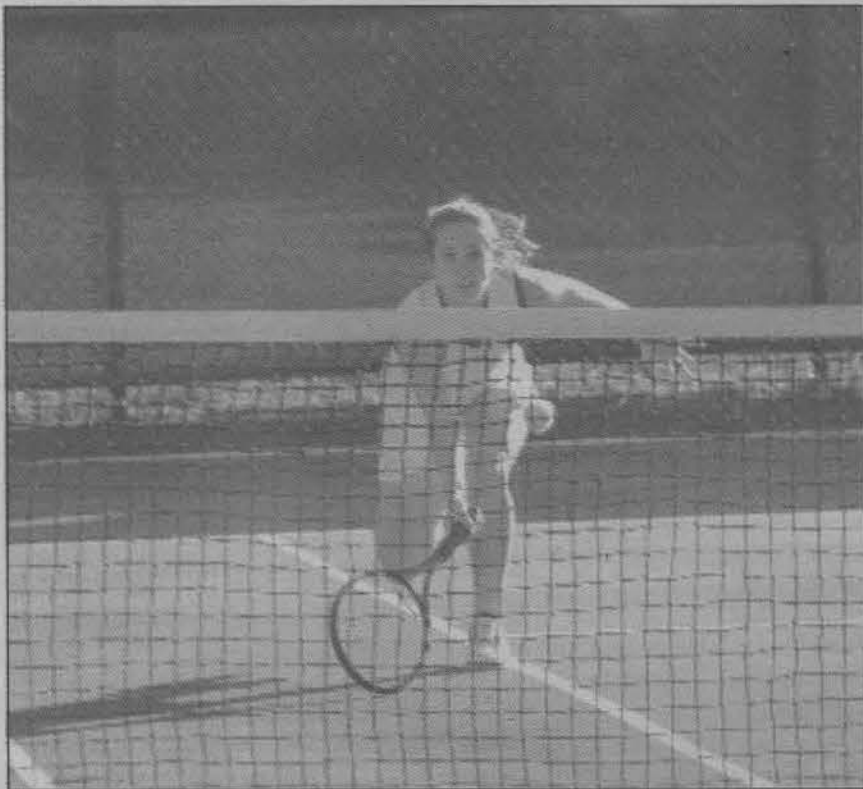
Last week I made a pick: "My girlfriend likes light blue more than green." This picked the Detroit Lions, who wear white and blue, to beat the Philadelphia Eagles, who were SUPPOSED to wear their home green jerseys. I felt confident in the pick because my girlfriend knows her colors.

Then, on Sunday morning I wake up in a Mohegan Sun hotel room after losing all my money on the tables the night before (apparently I am no good at roulette either), only to turn on the TV and see the unbelievably awesome jerseys that the Eagles would be wearing during their game that day. I knew I had lost right there. How could anyone beat a team who were wearing jerseys that looked like something you would make in create-a-team in Madden?

The Philadelphia Eagles: just hearing the name makes me think of green. On Sunday, they decide to wear uniforms with out a hint of green in it. It felt like they included every color in the world in their uniforms except for green. Not my fault.

The Buccaneers ran away with their game and are really starting to come together as a team. I would like to thank my roommate Dan for this pick, because if he didn't convince me I was a fool and remind me how bad I was at

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Senior Jessica Manners plays doubles in Tuesday's match against Curry College. She along with partner senior Caitlyn Leone beat their opponents 8-4.

Sailing team gets new coach; looks to have a strong season

Daniel DeBlasio
Herald Staff

For the third time in the past three years the RWU sailing team will begin their season with a new head coach. However, this season it looks as if the team may have found what they have been looking for.

The team began their 2007 season under the leadership of head coach Amanda Callahan, who joins the RWU coaching staff from Stanford University. At Stanford, Callahan served as the team's assistant coach, a position in which she helped qualify two teams for the Collegiate National Championship in addition to training two All-American sailors.

Before her time at Stanford, Callahan served as the head sailing coach at Tufts University during the 2006 season. As a Tufts' coach, she qualified three teams for the spring Collegiate National Championships where the team placed second in team racing and fourth in dinghy racing.

Callahan said she is eager to begin her work with the already strong sailing team. The team finished the 2006-2007 season ranked fifteenth nationally by the Inter-Collegiate Sailing Association.

"I hope to bring consistency and leadership to this team," Callahan said.

Callahan said she believes that RWU's sailing team is truly a program on the rise and that she sees a bright future for the sailors. "I took this job because of the school's great location, the vast potential this team shows and the great support given by the Athletic Department," Callahan said.

Callahan remains active as a competitive sailor through her involvement with the Silver Panda racing team, a team that competes at the highest level worldwide. She has competed in both the U.S World Team Racing circuit and the British Open Championships, winning both the Hinman and Wilson trophies.

Callahan said she hopes to continue the legacy



Shaun Hogan

Members of the RWU sailing team take to Mount Hope Bay for practice Wednesday afternoon while assistant coach Joel Hanneman watches on. Head coach Amanda Callahan was away for a few days, racing with Silver Panda.

of success the team has had in recent years and that she is shooting for great results in the 2007-2008 season.

"Our goal is to have the co-ed sailing team in the top 10 national rankings all year, and the women's team in the top 15," she said.

As a member of the **New England Intercollegiate Sailing Association (NEISA)**, the team competes against some of the strongest sailing teams in the nation. **NEISA is the largest sailing conference in the country and Callahan said the schedule**

for this season should pose some exciting contests for the team.

The team began competition just over two weeks ago with races against both Yale and Tufts. Since then Callahan said the team has demonstrated their desire to win by earning great results across the board.

"The first week of the season the team performed amazing under challenging conditions," Callahan said.