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# THE HAWK'S HERALD

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## Alerts 'connect-ed,' informed students

Dan DeBlasio  
Herald Staff

The Nor'easter storm came and went without much impact in the first weekend of November, falling short of what most were expecting.

However, the university did close, and with the first actual usage of the new emergency preparedness pro-

gram, Connect-Ed, the campus was informed.

According to Vice President and Chief Information Officer Joseph Pangborn, voicemails, e-mails, and text messages were sent out to all students enrolled in the university, making the new program a huge success.

"It was the smoothest closing the university has

ever had," Pangborn said.

Over 5,300 calls were made to inform students of the university closing as part of the alert procedures within the Connect-Ed agenda. The calls were received with great consistency and there was a reported 94.5% received rate.

The program is made of a system of emergency levels

that can be raised or lowered at any time. A group of RWU staff members, made up of the CFO, Provost, and members of Health Safety, Public Safety, and Public Affairs departments, decide when to change the level.

The levels can be raised for two reasons, the first being a weather alert, which was carried out due to the

storm, and the second being an emergency alert for a more serious issue involving the school.

"It's terrible we need to think of these things, but after Virginia Tech and Hurricane Katrina, we do," Pangborn said.

RWU was the second school in Rhode Island to

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## Honoring the students 'of the moment'

Kelleigh Welch  
Asst. Features Editor

In an attempt to recognize dedicated, hardworking students, students formed the National Residence Hall Honorary (NRHH). The new group on campus focuses on honoring these students.

"It's an honorary society that works with recognition to better the campus community," Kevin Clark, president and founder of the RWU chapter of NRHH, said. "NRHH has chapters all over the country that are affiliated to the national organization."

NRHH is brand new to the RWU campus, however it exists in other schools nationwide.

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## STANDING FOR A CAUSE



Sarah Cournoyer

40,000 flags stand in the quad, each representing ten deaths in Darfur, a region in Sudan that is currently enduring a genocide. The flags, which were put in the ground Sunday night sponsored by STAND and supported by other clubs and orgs, kicked off International Awareness Week.

## Maple janitor finds way into students' hearts

Hannah Freedman  
Herald Staff

On janitor appreciation day, November 14, students of Maple Hall found many reasons to thank and acknowledge the hard work of Jesse Paiva.

"Jesse is really reliable," said Kelsey Lenahan, a resident of Maple Hall Five. "He always comes through for you with no doubt in your mind."

Paiva, 59, is the janitor responsible for Maple Halls one through six and 14. Born in Bristol, Paiva still lives there with his wife of 35 years.

Paiva said he originally worked as a manufacturer of high performance tape for Patco in Bristol, but left the corporate life to work for RWU. He said RWU is really where he loves to be.

"I had this one kid who used to ask me to wake him up," Paiva said. "Every morning he had class at 8 a.m. and I would bang on the door, and if he didn't wake up, well, I would bang harder."

Paiva's office is located in Maple 14. The room is no bigger than a Maple single, and has a homey touch with thank you cards hanging on the wall.

"I save them all," Paiva said. "Anna [the other janitor] always yells that I have too much junk, but I keep them."

Paiva stands at about 5'9", with short gray hair and glasses, and needs to stay in shape to walk up and down the five flights of stairs in Maple Hall.

"I used to be a marathoner. I would run about 15 miles a day," Paiva said. "I don't run anymore. I just go up and down the stairs every day."

Paiva enjoys playing golf, snow skiing, and fishing off his boat.

"The biggest fish I caught was a 40lb stripper bass. I brought him home and ate him," he said.

Rachel Newman, the Core of Maple and Nike Halls, enjoys having Paiva as the Janitor.

"Jesse is truly apart of the Maple community. He is a counselor and a

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## Driving in circles

One writer's diary from a 19-hour trip on an RWU shuttle

Teddy Applebaum  
Herald Staff

When my alarm exploded to life at 6:30 a.m. on Friday, October 27, I considered going back to sleep. After a moment's thought, I slammed my hand on the snooze button only to

find that ten minutes later it happened again.

Why was I having so much trouble getting myself out of bed that morning? Because I had decided to ride the Almeida shuttle for the next 19 hours.

This is the story of that day; it is

a story of shuttle culture, of college life, of monotony and of speed bumps.

After dragging myself out of bed I sleepwalked to the off-campus shuttle stop outside of the architecture building. I had missed the first shuttle at 7 a.m. (sue me) so I climbed aboard the next one at 7:30 a.m.

**7:30 a.m.** There is nothing quite like rap music to accompany a beautiful sunrise. As we pulled into Almeida, students climbed on as if part of an assembly line. One after another they followed the same routine: slowly board shuttle, sip coffee, find seat, drop bags unceremoniously onto the seat, sip coffee again. They all had the same glum looks on their faces that seemed to say "a shuttle seat is a sad substitute for a bed."

**8:28 a.m.** Silence, it seems, is an unspoken rule when riding the shuttle early in the morning. People mumbled incoherent greetings to each other, or raised their hands in

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Michael Hurley

# Liberal Education and Democracy: an International Perspective

Op:Ed by Mouad Tijani

The American higher education is facing a real crisis. Liberal arts and human sciences, once the cornerstone of education in the USA, are alarmingly declining. We live in an era wherein professional study is creeping upon what should be America education's most central and vibrant part—liberal education. Humanities and general education, proven to be of pivotal importance in preparing students for citizenship, are shrinking, allowing more and more room for programs of professional study that prepare robot-like citizens.

Liberal arts education reinforces, protects, and perpetuates democracy. The current education system undergoes a profound crisis that threatens the values of America's democracy. Democracy and critical thinking are inextricably interconnected. A strong and vibrant democracy entails citizens who are critical of themselves and of their government policies; citizens who possess knowledge about their society, the many cultures that makes it up, as well as the very make-up of the political system of their government. Such knowledge is central for the very survival of democracy itself. With the decline of liberal education, the main source of such knowledge, and the encroachment of an educational system that is based on rote learning, absence of critical thinking and the stimulation of students' imagination, the very values upon which democracy rests itself are endangered. The current education system generates robot-like citizens; people who are programmed to operate like machines without the slightest understanding of the status quo. Such citizens will continue to perpetuate the injustices of their society and will effect no changes as they are incapable of judging their government policies due to their lack of knowledge, imagination and critical thinking.

Unfortunately, America's education, encroached upon by professional study, does not promote critical thinking. It is true that it produces great engineers, architects, businessmen and women, technicians, astronaut, etc. However, these citizens do not guarantee the perpetuation of a political system based on a democracy that calls for equal respect, understanding, and tolerance. Citizens are meant to fit particular roles in society and the society fails to produce a generation of knowledgeable, imaginative and critical citizens. Many would argue that education adapts itself to the needs of society. We are in an era wherein economy is the pivot of society; hence the idea that the role of education should solely be confined to manning the nation with labor, which can only be attained through programs of professional study. All of this makes perfect sense. However, manning the economy with skillful labor should not be done at the expense of liberal education.

It is generally believed that the American public is "ignorant." The curricula over the US territory are designed in such a way that students remain "ignorant" as to other nations' lifestyles and ways of thinking. Emphasis is put on science and issues pertinent to the American social, cultural and intellectual landscape. But even here, the system has not been any successful in educating students about their own society and culture. Many Americans realize how self-enclosed they are once they set foot outside the USA.

One may question the usefulness of Americans knowing about other cultures. The USA is a huge country with a very diverse population, so it seems for many people that it suffices to have Americans know about their own society. I say suffices it not. A better understanding of other nations, I believe, will not only enable the U.S to have better relationships with other countries, but it will also yield new ways of looking at the world. The terrorist events of September 11<sup>th</sup> pushed education theorists to reconsider some aspects of the American education system. Differ-

ent governmental initiatives have come into being to reinforce understanding, tolerance and equal respect; exchange of students and visiting scholars is a new way of approaching the self-enclosed nature of the American education system and consequently of some Americans.

However, such government programs are not enough. Policy makers have to address the roots of the problem. The self-enclosed nature of the curricula lies at the very heart of the problem. High school, for instance, is a wonderful opportunity to introduce students to African, as well as Asian history and literature, of which Middle Eastern literature is a central part. Unfortunately, the focus is always put on British and American history and literature. It is a system that produced and will continue to produce generations of "ignorant" citizens who know nothing but a few stories about how the Puritans were persecuted in Europe and fled to America in the early seventeenth century. Unfortunately, America's education has accommodated itself to the needs of the marketplace, neglecting its historic responsibility—reinforcing ethical practices, developing critical thinking and perpetuating values of understanding and equal respect.

At the college level, extending liberal education beyond its classical landscape will improve the quality of education students receive. We want an education system that produces great engineers and architects who think respectfully and imaginatively of other cultures and lifestyles. We need an education system that prepares students for citizenship. These values can only be called for through liberal education. The renewal of liberal education will not only educate citizens about their society, but it will increase their awareness with regard to their government's domestic, as well as foreign policies. It will do so because liberal education frees the mind and promotes critical thinking, thus sustaining and reinforcing democracy.

Liberal arts education would stimulate students' imagination, the creative aspect of it not the destructive. It would also infuse them with a sense of critical thinking. By doing so, liberal education will gain back its historic role—preparing students for citizenship. Not only will such students serve as models to their countrymen and countrywomen, but they will also serve as models to millions of people outside the USA "I think it starts first and foremost by America setting an example [...] we have to be the best global citizens we can be. We can not retreat from the world. We have to make sure that we get the best of our imaginations—and never let our imagination get the best out of us" (Thomas L. Friedman).

The very status quo both locally and internationally requires that liberal education be reinvigorated for the challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Locally, liberal education would lead to a generation of good citizens, a generation that embraces imagination, critical thinking and knowledge not for its own sake, but knowledge for the good of the general public. Internationally, it would, to a large extent, educate the American public about the outside world, weakening thus the image of Americans as "ignorants." Such combination will lead to a generation that celebrates understanding, tolerance and equal respect.

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# News Briefs

Eric Sullivan  
Herald Staff

## Students Advance to National Construction Competition

Bristol- Last weekend (Nov. 9-11) Roger Williams students traveled to Fairfield NJ, for the Associated Schools of Construction Region I Construction Management Student Competition.

Two of the three RWU teams beat out other Northeastern schools to advance to the national competition held in Las Vegas. It has almost become a given that RWU construction management and architecture students advance to the finals, this is the fifth year in a row.

"For a school to win in one category, that's great," said Frederick Gould, Ahlborg professor of construction management at RWU. "To win in two categories—that's unheard of."

Source: my.rwu.edu

## Affirmative action ban seems imminent

Berkley Calif. - Proposition 209, a state law of California prohibits the use of affirmative action when dealing with college admission.

This proposition was passed over ten years ago, now it looks like five other states, Arizona, Colorado, Missouri, Nebraska and Oklahoma will all put affirmative action referendums on the 2008 ballot.

These bans will prohibit race, sex, or ethnicity to be used as a factor within public employment, education, and contracting.

Source: UWIRE, Daily Californian

## Model UN brings back awards from conference at UPenn

By: Sarah Cournoyer

At the University of Pennsylvania Model UN conference (UP-MUNC), juniors Dee Dequattro and Shashwat Baxi won honorable mentions in their respective committees.

Representing the countries of Kuwait, Belgium and Namibia, delegates from RWU competed with delegates from universities around the country including Harvard, Westpoint and others.

# Acknowledging graduates with dedication to service

Daniel DeBlasio  
Herald Staff

When all the papers have been written and the studying is complete, when all the meetings have been concluded and the lecture notes studied, when students are finally all done, it's time to relax.

Life as a college student is hectic and often times demanding, but even so, some students find time to do more. Some feel it is not enough to complete just what is required of them. They desire to give back in some way.

For many students at Roger Williams University, that chance to reciprocate comes in the form of community service. There is a large group of students that have been performing countless hours of community service throughout their college careers, and one person feels all that hard work should not go unnoticed.

Amiee Shelton, an Assistant Professor of Communications, has proposed the implementation of the Silver Cord Global Community Service Program which would recognize students who have completed extensive community service hours.

The proposal was brought to the university's attention earlier this semester and is receiving vast support across the campus. It calls for a minimum of 150 hours of service for graduating seniors, approximately 37 hours a year, and looks to build a respectful, diverse and intellectually vibrant university community.

All previous service is monitored and recorded by the student's academic advisors to ensure accuracy. The silver cord, much like the golden honors cords, will be awarded to a recipient at graduation. Shelton states in her proposal that, "Through this initiative, students will not only benefit the community, but will develop their own leadership and citizenship skills."

She said she feels that students who perform these service requirements are not only bettering themselves, but also making contributions to the global community.

Fundamental to the proposal is a set of core values that play a very central role in the program. These values include preparation for careers and future study, appreciation for global perspectives, promotion of civil discourse, and an understanding of how different cultures and historical experiences affect the perspectives of others.

K.C. Ferrara, Coordinator of Service Learning, supports this proposal and said what Shelton is doing is a wonderful plan. "Promoting service, especially significant service is a great idea," Ferrara said. "This Silver Cord Program will prepare students for not only scholarship but citizenship when they leave this university."

Many national studies also support Shelton's viewpoint. For example, the UCLA Higher Education Institute finds youth who volunteer to be more likely to do well in school, graduate, vote, and be philanthropic. A study done by the Search Institute stating youth who volunteer just one hour a week are 50% less likely to abuse drugs, alcohol, or engage in destructive behavior also provides an indication of the positive outcomes of community service.

Students seem to be viewing the new program favorably, as well. Nicole Baker, a member of the Student Volunteer Association (SVA) said, "I think the proposed program is a great way to encourage students to be involved in the community."

"Students should be more engaged in service-learning, a teaching and learning approach that integrates community service with academic study to enrich learning, teach civic responsibility, and strengthen communities across the world as well as American society," states Shelton.

The Silver Cord Global Community Service Program is an attempt to recognize those students that reach above and beyond the regular call to action. It takes a special person to give so much of themselves to the community and to service, and this proposal is designed to appreciate that special person in a uniquely rewarding way.

## PAIVA: Serves community, freshmen

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friend," Newman said. "He is almost like an older relative. He's just so warm and friendly."

Newman also explained that Jesse is the eyes and ears of the campus, because he knows all of his residents' names and what's going on in their lives.

"Everyone loves Jesse," Newman said. "Even the parents."

Noelle Allard, a sophomore in Maple One, had her parents send Paiva cookies as a thank-you for looking out for her.

"When my parents first met him [Paiva], they really liked him, and because he works so hard at making sure the dorms are clean for us, my mom baked some cookies for him for all the hard work, not just as a janitor, but as a friend as well," Allard said.

Roger Williams has been Paiva's home for five years. However, Paiva was the janitor for the Law School and then the field house before coming to clean Maple Hall.

"It was my choice to move to Maple," he said. "I think the freshmen need me." Paiva says that many different students live in Maple, from freshmen to juniors.

"They [the students] tell me they stay because of me," Paiva said.

Paiva said that the environment of Maple is happy and has a different kind of pressure.

"Out of all the jobs this is the most rewarding because you get to know the students, who are all interesting, with different personalities," Paiva said.

Paiva shows his dedication and love for his job in every way possible, such as with the the student he had to wake up.

"I did this for the entire semester," Paiva said. "I don't think he was late once."



Sarah Cournoyer

Jesse Paiva sweeps the steps outside of Maple where he is a custodian.

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# Nike Hall holds military history

Eric Sullivan  
Herald Staff

*Regional Air Defense has picked up hostile aircraft; prepare to transfer hostile aircraft to target tracking radar. The IFC has acquired the target and has transferred the targets location to regional launch site.*

*Two missiles rise from their underground magazines and are pushed by the battery troops to be raised vertically.*

*Prepare to launch.*

It may be hard to believe, but a portion of the Roger Williams campus was once home to a vital part of U.S. Air Defense during the Cold War.

However, it has been 33

years since the air defense system in Bristol has been shut down.

On July 4, 1957 a ceremony was held to open the US military's latest air defense facility, and some familiar names were at the opening ceremonies: Senator T.F. Green, and R.F. Haffenreffer.

The facility was in two locations. The Integrated Fire Control (IFC) Administration Area, which was responsible for locating incoming targets, was located on top of Mt. Hop, and the second was located on the RWU campus was the launch site for the missiles.

There were two missile systems on this campus, the

Nike Ajax, which was then upgraded to the Nike Hercules, for which Nike Hall is named. The missiles were named after the Greek god, meaning victory.

The Nike system was the United States' first line of defense for ballistic missiles and bomber aircrafts. What is now the RWU campus was literally a primary target to be attacked in order for the enemy to penetrate U.S. airspace.

The facility was closely connected to Bristol through its annual traditions. During the famous Fourth of July parades, one of the army's trucks would lead the parade with the latest Nike Missile mounted on top. On Halloween, the Adminis-

tration area would turn the HIPAR (Air defense radar) into a giant jack-o-lantern, which would light up all of Bristol from the top of Mt. Hope.

Today there is little evidence of the original facilities. All of the launch pads for the Nike Hercules missiles are covered by the school's parking garage. Deep within the woods of Mt. Hope, a few cement blocks that used to be helicopter pads, radar stations, and a barracks, are all that remains of the IFC Administration Area.

The only remaining structures of the air defense facilities are located on this campus: Nike Hall, the original barracks for the field artillery battery, and the north classroom building, which

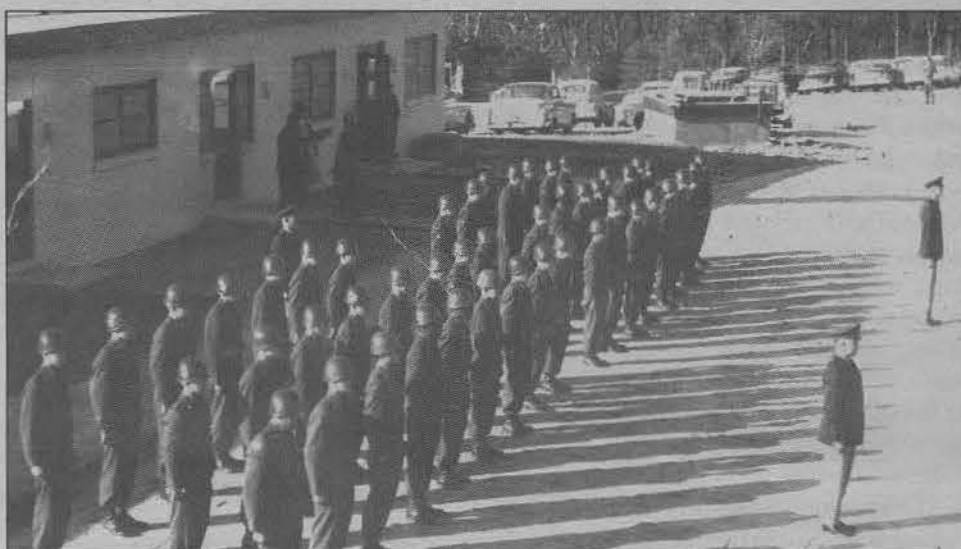
was originally a magazine structure for weapons.

The university's plans for a new residence hall will extend to the north section of campus, but will not disrupt these last remnants of Cold War history.

"At this time, there are no plans to tear down the North Campus building, John King, Vice President of Student Affairs said.

The administration said they understand the historical importance of a building like Nike.

"The University is sensitive to the historical significance of both these buildings and will consider that dynamic carefully before making final decisions in campus master planning," he added.



(ABOVE) Before the facility was shut down, Nike Hall was a barracks for field artillery battery. (RIGHT) The other area in Bristol which located incoming targets now is overgrown with trees and shrubs. Remnants of cement and gates remain hidden.



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## ALERT: Emergency system reaches most students, faculty

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start using Connect-ED, following New England Tech, and recently both Providence College and Bryant have also adopted the program.

The program relays the message to students in many different forms to be sure the student is informed, regardless of his or her location. The alerts will be used in potential emergency situations only.

"We're not going to send messages for no reason; students will not be spammed by the university," Pangborn said.

In addition to the different forms of communication used to alert students, there was also a red alert bar placed on the campus website, informing all students accessing their myRWU accounts of the raised levels and sending them to the Emergency Preparedness page.

On this new Emergency Preparedness page students can consistently check the emergency level of the university as well as the U.S. National Security and U.S. Aircraft alert status. The page also has many links to local weather and numbers to call for emergency assistance.

A test of the Connect-Ed program was done earlier this year to inform students of what would happen in the case of an actual emergency. The test went well and the first alert success rate was even better. "We did the test because we didn't want to have to wait for a real emergency," Pangborn said.

If students did not receive messages from the university they are urged to go to the Emergency Preparedness tab on their myRWU page and update their emergency contact information immediately.

## NRHH: Group aims to recognize outstanding students

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"(Last year), IRHA told me to sit in on the NRHH board room to see if you want to start one (NRHH Chapter) here. I went to the NRHH board room and understood a little more about it and said 'Yeah, I really think we should start it,'" Clark said.

Since their appearance at the start of the fall 2007 semester, NRHH has sponsored two events, and plans to bring two more to the community before the end of the semester.

"During midterms we gave out Kit-Kats and said 'NRHH said you need to take a break,'" Secretary of NRHH, Miranda Downing said. "Our purpose is to make students feel good about the things that they're doing on campus and by getting recognized they will be encouraged to get involved if they aren't already."

"We had a stress relief day, where we handed out stress balls and we kind of were getting our name out there by saying 'NRHH wants to recognize you', and we also handed out notes called 'Of the Moments,'" Clark said. "RAs just had PROUD notes last year that they gave out, and NRHH is replacing what PROUD was, so instead of just RAs writing notes, everyone can write these notes."

These "Of the Moment" cards are distributed during NRHH events, such as the stress ball day. Students can go to the NRHH table and write notes to anyone from RAs to friends that will be delivered in order to honor these students. So far the "Of the Moment" cards have been a success, with over 200 cards written out during one mealtime.

Jill Zalewski, a member of NRHH, said, "Whenever you recognize someone it puts a smile on their face. I've given out 15 of them, and when

people get them they ask 'what is this?', and I explain it to them and then they get really excited."

NRHH also sponsors an award known as "Of the Month."

"The whole campus community can nominate anyone they want for an NRHH student of the month award, and our NRHH votes on it once a month. The campus winner is then automatically nominated regionally for the award, and if they win regionally then they are automatically nominated for the national award," Clark said.

Other programs that NRHH sponsored this semester include Custodian Appreciation Day on November 14, where students sent notes to their custodians in their dorm halls. Student Leader Appreciation Day on December 3 will allow students to recognize student leaders on campus.

In order to become a member of NRHH, you must fill out an application which is then reviewed by leaders on NRHH. You must have at least a GPA of 3.0 and be a resident of campus housing for two semesters to be accepted.

The leaders of NRHH said they have high hopes for the organization. "I think it's going really well. We have about 14 members on the chapter right now," Clark said.

"I hope that the club has the capacity of kids who join and that it fills up and that we expand and get a higher budget from Senate," Downing said.

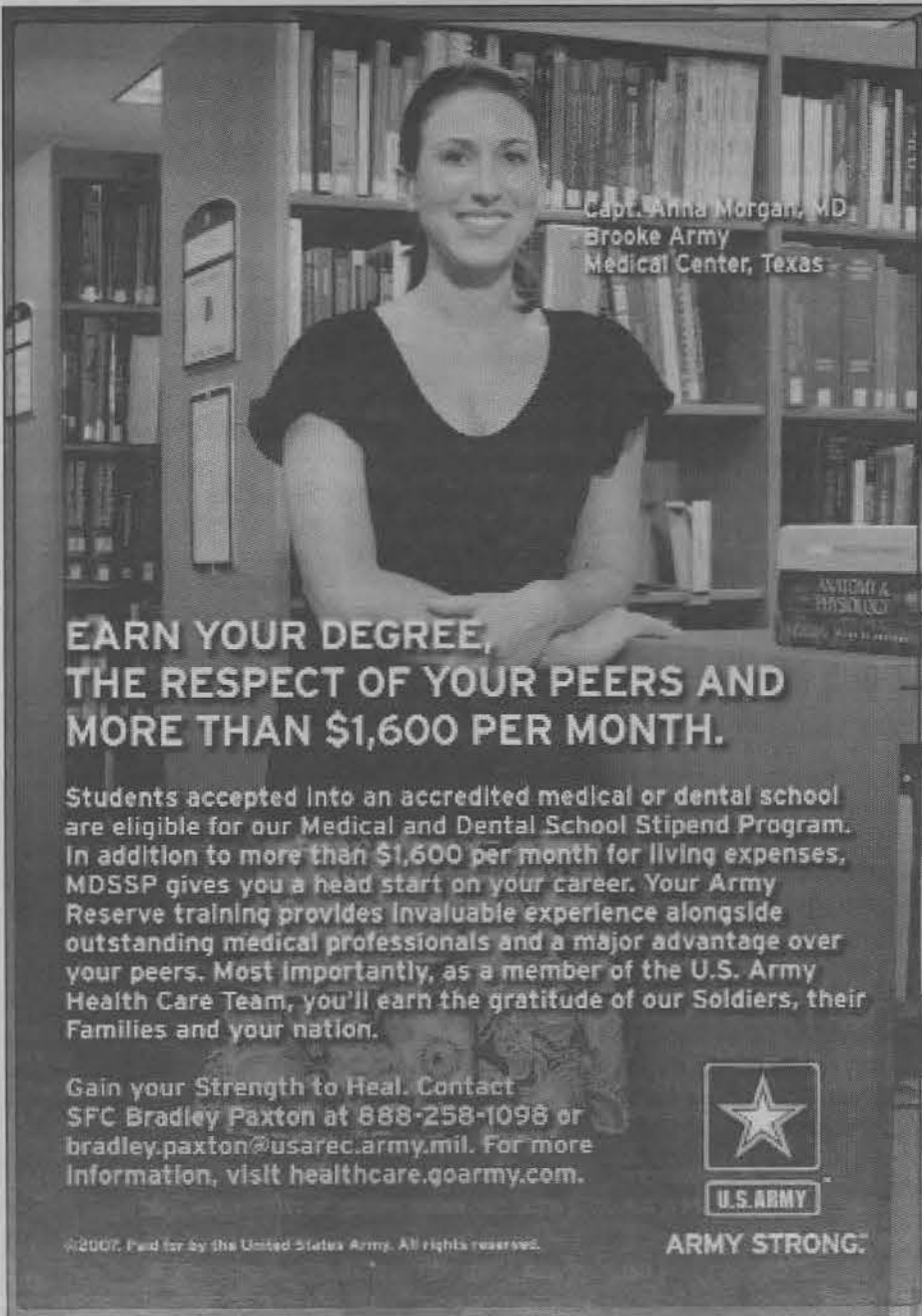
NRHH wants to encourage students to get involved in the organization and to utilize the programs offered to recognize their peers. NRHH is currently taking nominations for the November's 'Student of the Month,' in which you can nominate anyone for any reason.

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## Overview of November 12 Student Senate Meeting

- Director of Housing Tony Montefusco came to represent the University Parking Committee and what plans and strategies they have to alleviate some of the issues that will be caused by the new construction taking place on campus.
- Members of the campus organizations were present to give their weekly updates on what events had been taking place and to announce future events. These events include the ICC Senior Pub Night, CEN Comedian Mark Saldana, and IRHA's domestic violence speaker Gabe Kapler.
- Angie Ostrowski and Janine Beauřegard came to represent the Society of Women Engineers and to present information that the club had learned on their recent conference.
- The Clubs and Organizations committee reported that they had given trial-club status to the "Chair Re-arranging Club" and to the "Hollerin Hawks", along with full-club status to the Graphic Design Club and to the Accounting Club.
- The Student Affairs Committee continues to look into the Safety Walk that will probably take place next semester.
- The Academic Affairs Committee is still diligently working on academic surveys or evaluations for both professors and advisors.
- The Finance Committee reported that they are continuing to allocate and re-allocate money for different clubs.
- A bill was un-tabled to allocate \$500.00 for items to be auctioned off at the Winter Illumination.
- Three bills were brought up for immediate consideration to accept letters of resignation from Colin O'Reilly, Cassandra Carlson, and Lana Hatoum. All of these bills passed by general consent.
- The Student Senate will be voting on who will fill the newest open seat next week, along with electing a new Secretary and Treasurer.

If you have any concerns, feel free to join us at our next Student Senate meeting on November 5<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m. in the Student Senate Chambers. Otherwise, please call the Student Senate office at Ext. 3312 or email us at senate@hawks.rwu.edu.



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# Everyman summons students to showings

Sarah Cournoyer  
Editor

Walking into the theater, I did not know what to expect of RWU's newest production of *The Summoning of Everyman*. The program informed the patrons that the play was a "promenade" production in which there was no seating and some audience participation.

True to the statement, the actors and actresses (in character) greeted the patrons. Characters encouraged the audience to take refreshments,

gamble and dance the Charleston in the center of the theater.

*Everyman*, originally written by an anonymous author in the 16th century, is a morality play about the journey of the protagonist Everyman (played by Robert Saunders) to God to account for the life God has lent him.

Along the way he tries to convince his friends to come with him and attest to God Everyman's good character.

Despite having origins in me-

dieval times, the cast and crew at RWU do a fantastic job giving the play a modern feel.

The sets were wonderfully decorated and surprisingly modern. The characters traveled to the different sets as well as acted in the center of the room.

One area was a frat house where Fellowship in a Yale sweatshirt played by Kevin Fennell handed out "beer" (rootbeer) from a keg. Another area of the theater featured a roulette wheel and a cards and gambling table. The third set, although more modern than the medieval Europe, was a southern home front with a white porch and characters with a southern drawl.

Although originally disappointed that I would not be sitting, relaxing and enjoying the show, I was pleasantly surprised with the effect that being a part of the production had.

Sure, at moments it was uncomfortable. After an introduction to the play by an organizer of the production, it was unclear if the play had truly "begun." When audience mem-

bers were in the way of the characters, people would shuffle around trying to get out of their way. The actors and actresses handled it well, paying no attention to the audience members.

Before the play began, the audience was encouraged to chime in singing with the cast as they periodically sang modern or recognizable songs. The frat house partiers broke into a rendition of the Yale fight song, and later "Simple Gifts" by Aaron Copeland.

The play will show Friday November 16 and Saturday November 17 at 8 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center on campus.



Sarah Cournoyer

(ABOVE) Erin McAvoy playing "Goods" deals cards before the start of the play. (TOP RIGHT) Characters drink "beer" from party cups at a frat house.

# Coast Guard escorts, transports and saves

Meghan Cahill  
Herald Staff

Across the bridge, everyday the men and women of the Newport Coast Guard work together to save lives. This job demands long work hours, great physique, selflessness and the passion to serve under the red, white and blue.

The specially trained personnel of the Newport Coast Guard deal with tasks including, but not limited to, Search and Rescue, navigation, Maritime Law Enforcement and transporting or escorting cruise ships and tanker boats.

Once on his boat, first class Petty Officer Justin Longval, 31, accounts for his three crew members and recites specific regulations to check off on.

"Visible horizon 500 plus, approximately 62 degrees," Longval said. "Lifejackets on all aboard, radio 'check check', everyone agree? Alright let's head out."

Longval, a husband and father excited about his second child being born, has been serving with the coast

Guard 12 years. He started basic training at the young age of 19 and remained with the Coast Guard ever since. Originally from Gloucester, Mass., Longval's a huge Boston Red Sox fan and formerly was in the whale watching business.

"Basic training was basically just being screamed at for two months," Longval said.

Personally saving a few lives each year. Longval stays very busy in Newport. He is involved in the security of gas ships and obstacles like boats sinking and drunk driving are just some of the many concerns he faces. Part of the ongoing training for these situations is helicopter preparation training, where everyone once or twice a month is required to meet at the helicopter station in Cape Cod, Mass. The chopper goes about 200 miles off the coast to complete search and rescue training. In addition, there is a Coast Guard stationed every 30 miles of east the coast.

"A nine hour day can take a lot out of you when you're up at three or four in the morning," Longval said.



"You can't have fatigue to limit your performance with this job."

The only female crew member onboard was 22-year-old Krysti Severson from Chicago. Having only been serving in the Coast Guard three months Severson was still just learning the ropes literally and figuratively. Severson attended college for two years, majoring in physics and philosophy, before realizing she didn't belong there at that time in her life. Although she has every intention of finishing school, Severson is thoroughly enjoying her time on the water serving her country.

"It's so soothing, you can be really pissed off and you get on the boat and you kind of just forget everything that was bothering you," Severson said. "It's a really fun environment and it helps with school."

Severson clarified that she works for two days and then has the next two days off. Then she works every other weekend.

"When driving the boat you also must follow rules kind of like if you were on the road driving a car," Severson said. "Green buoys stay on the left when you're heading out to sea and the red buoys stay on your right. When you're coming back to the station it's the opposite."

Another young crew member for the Newport Coast Guard is southerner Andrew Dowd, 20. Dowd, on the force just a year now, moved up to New England from Georgia with his

wife whom he has known since childhood.

"I came from a town with only four stop lights," Dowd said. "It's a big change, especially for my wife. We left both our families back home in Georgia. But, I would never have seen any of this if I didn't join Coastguard. I have never seen snow until last winter."

Dowd remembers one instance when a family of four was all together on their boat, when out of no where a speed boat crashed directly into them in Newport Harbor.

"It smashed their entire bow. It was as bad as if a car hit a tree and was totaled," said Dowd. "The father was the only one hurt bad, but we got him to shore where the EMTs met us to transport him to the hospital."

Longval, Severson and Dowd wake up everyday at the crack of dawn to put their lives on the line. Respect, dedication, and perseverance are traits these individuals live by as Newport Coastguards.

"It's convenient being a coastguard," Longval said. "We can park our boat anywhere, well... with consideration. But there's nothing to stop me from pulling up to Starbucks, and getting a coffee."

According to Longval, those who are interested in the Coast Guard can contact him at the Newport Coastguard for an opportunity to participate in a ride-along to experience what they do daily.



Meghan Cahill

(TOP RIGHT) Justin Longval and Meghan Cahill drive the boat. (ABOVE) The crew poses on the ship.

# Couple of the Moment:

## Hannah Freedman and Richie Goldsmith

Reporting by: Courtney Nugent

### Richie

**How did you and Hannah meet? What did you do on your first date?** I met Hannah through our friends Kara and Ronen who had dated. Our first date was in her basement, and we watched Grey's Anatomy. On our first real date, I took her to see the movie "Click."

**What is your favorite way to spend time together?**

I like to just hang out and watch T.V. Every now and then I get to choose what we watch so that is nice, but I don't mind watching her shows.

**What is the sweetest thing you have ever done for Hannah?**

She was very sick the first day of second semester last year so I left my house at maybe midnight, in the middle of a snowstorm, and drove up here to come take her to the hospital. She ended up having a kidney infection so I stayed over a couple of days and took care of her.

**When you get into fights with her, how do you make up?**

We fight less now than we did last year because she was a freshman and I was a high school senior so we didn't see each other as much. We made sure that if there was a disagreement that we wouldn't hang up the phone until we resolved the conflict. Now we just try and come to an understanding and then we make up.

**Describe your relationship in one word?**

Lovetrustunderstanding

**If you could change one thing about your relationship, what would it be?**

We pretty much worked everything out last year since we were very far apart so this year is perfect. I love it the way that it is.

**What is your favorite band? What color are your eyes?**

My favorite band is by far the Red Hot Chili Peppers and my eyes are hazel.

**What is Hannah's favorite movie?**

**Food?**  
Her favorite movie is "Monsters Inc.," her favorite food is salmon and a potato.

### Hannah

**How long have you and Richie been dating? How did you meet?** It has been a year and a half. Our best friends were dating and a few months after they broke up, they introduced us. We started dating right before I left for school last year. We were apart but got to see each other a lot.

**What is your favorite way to spend time together?**

Both of our lives are so busy. Last year because we were apart we used to love to just sit together and watch a movie when Richie would come and visit me. I would say, even now that he goes to school here. That's still my favorite thing.

**What is the sweetest thing Richie has ever done for you?**

It's hard to choose between two things. The first was last year at the beginning of second semester when I got really sick with a kidney infection. We were on the phone at about midnight and I had a very high fever, in the middle of a snow storm. Rich left the house in his truck and drove the three hours to be with me in the hospital. The second would be Valentine's Day. I had no idea he was coming and my friend Brittany helped him plan it. He showed up with 2 dozen roses in one hand, and a card in the other. I had no idea we were going to get to spend Valentine's Day together.

**When you get into fights, how do you reconcile?**

Because last year most of our fights were over the phone we never hung up on each other. We promised each other that we would never leave anything unsettled. Sometimes it takes a while, but we usually try to work things out, no matter how long it takes.

**Is there a particular song that sums up your relationship?**

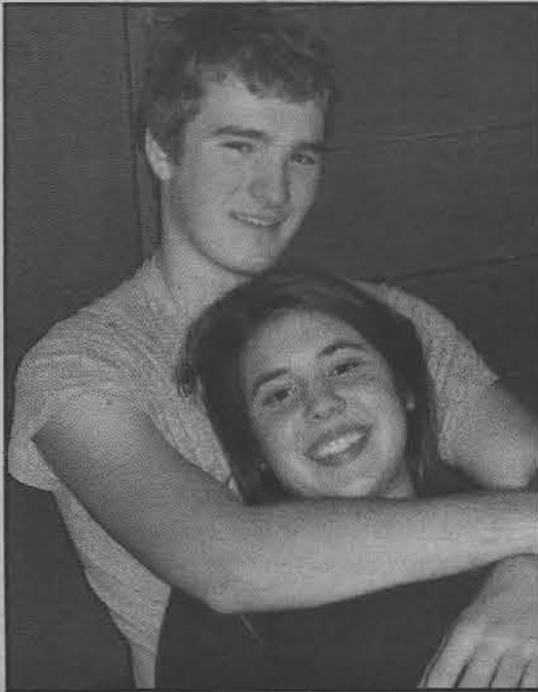
"You set me Free" by Michelle Branch

**What is your favorite food? Movie?**

Salmon and a baked potato. My favorite movie would have to be "Monsters Inc."

**What is Richie's favorite band? What color are his eyes?**

Red Hot Chili Peppers and his eyes are hazel.

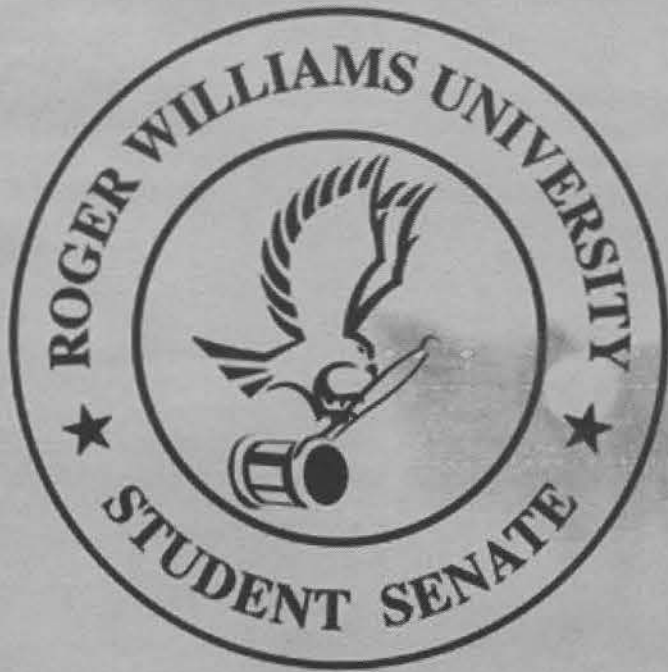


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# International students get a taste of Thanksgiving

Kelleigh Welch  
Asst. Features Editor

Fayez Al-Anazi has never celebrated Thanksgiving. He has never spent a day stuffing himself with turkey and mashed potatoes, only to feel the effects of the tryptophan hours later that would put him to sleep. The reason Al-Anazi has never experienced this before, is because he is from Saudi Arabia.

Al-Anazi is one of 102 international students who attend Roger Williams University. They all share the common goal to experience the United States both culturally and educationally.

One tradition at RWU that the Intercultural Center has is the annual Thanksgiving Feast. Taking place on the Tuesday before Thanksgiving, international students who attend RWU are given an invitation to come celebrate the American tradition.

"What is unique this year is that we are also having a speaker from the Wampanoag Native American tribe, who is going to come and talk to us about their culture of today and yesterday," Maria Adkins, Assistant Director of the Intercultural Center said. "They will also bring some artifacts to show so the students can learn about Native Americans and talk about the true Thanksgiving story."

According to Adkins, the

Wampanoag tribe was the tribe present for the original Thanksgiving.

In previous years, the Thanksgiving Feast incorporated an event with the campus spiritual life, however this year they will be separate.

"Originally they (members of the Intercultural Center) would make the Thanksgiving dinner here with the students, but as the population grew, we had to cut it down to being catered," Adkins said.

Part of studying in America for these International Students is to learn about the culture they are experiencing. However, unlike an American studying abroad, these students can adjust to the American culture over a longer span of time.

Traditions in America are very different than other countries. Some students who come to RWU to study from other countries may have experienced larger holidays, especially religious holidays, such as Christmas or Easter, but many have never experienced anything like the traditions Americans celebrate. There are many things in America that we have become accustomed to that are completely foreign to these students.

Al-Anazi said that New England's weather is different than his home. "I had never seen snow before, and it was a new experience for me when I saw it for the first time."

One issue these international

students still face is the fact that they are sometimes isolated from the rest of the student body. At the ESL program, located behind the Recreation Center, classes are specifically designed for the students learning English as their second language.

"We teach our ESL students how to read and write in English, as well as learn sentence structure and grammar. Some work is done on the computer, and students are also able to take elective classes, such as writing, film, or art history," Morgan Foster, ESL Center and Academic Director said.

Because they are located away from the rest of the campus community, these students are isolated.

"I would love to see our guys mingling as much as possible with RWU students. They are in the same dormitory (as American Students) in Maple Hall, and they have conversation partners, but I would love to see them mingling with what is going on. We try to get them out there volunteering. We would love to break down those barriers," Foster said.

"One goal that a lot of them (international students) have when they come here is they want to make American friends, but it is hard to do with the language barrier and the cultural differences, and again they are just a little bit isolated," said Sheila Dobbyn, International Student

Advisor at ESL.

Learning the English language is a priority for these ESL students, however it is not the only one. Part of studying in America, like any study abroad program, is to gain a sense of the culture.

For international students, such as Al-Anazi, adjusting to the culture of the United States can be difficult.

"Coming to American can be a culture shock," Adkins said. "Things may be great for these students at first, but after a while they start to dislike America, and may need some adjusting. Part of my job is to help these students adjust to our culture."

"Sometimes I find it hard to understand people because it is a different culture," Al-Anazi said. "The way you communicate with each other while talking, such as making eye contact, is not common in my culture because we are kind of shy, and it is difficult to look people in the eye."

In order to break this barrier between American students and international students, RWU offers various programs to help encourage global awareness, such as the Thanksgiving Feast.

According to Adkins, the Thanksgiving feast has been very successful in past years, and is an event the students always look forward to.

As Adkins said, "I can't wait myself."

## SHUTTLE: Nights, nurses, and nausea

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what I assumed was an attempt at a wave, before sitting quietly for the remainder of the ride.

According to the radio station's "paparazzi report" Foxy Brown got in a fight in jail. Wait a minute, who is Foxy Brown?

**9:07 a.m.** The first conversation of the day revolved around weed and the Red Sox, two topics central to any New Englander's college experience. Students were beginning to wake up. A few were reading or listening to iPods.

**9:39 a.m.** The driver, Theresa Robinson, decided students were now awake enough for small talk. She seemed to know everyone who she picked up. She told a student who looked mildly sick that she hoped he felt better.

"I've been hung over for seven years so this is just another day," he said.

**11 a.m.** For the first time, the shuttle was full. Animated chatter surrounded me as students with book-laden bags were ferreted between class and home.

**12:08 p.m.** As Neil Diamond's "Sweet Caroline" built to its inevitable chorus, a few particularly happy students became visibly excited. Two of them looked at each other, grinning before they dropped all inhibitions and joined in. "Touching me, touching yooouuuu" they pointed at each other laughing, "SWEET CAROLINE," they were joined by three other riders "OH! OH! OH!" When the song finished everyone laughed.

It was moments like this when the shuttle felt less like transportation and more like a community.

**12:30 p.m.** While the shuttle refueled, Robinson, who has been driving the shuttle for three years, told me her favorite part of the job is the people.

"Some of the students are a lot of fun," she said.

Later in the day, Chris Toste who drives a school bus in the morning and the shuttle at night, echoed these sentiments.

She told me some of the kids she used to drive to elementary school now go to RWU. She even has a former rider who teaches at a local high school.

"It comes full circle," she said.

**3 p.m.** Sophomore Peter Siegenthaler played the ukulele next to senior Jeff Brennan, who strummed a guitar. A student near the front held a handheld radio close to his ear in an attempt to drown them out. Brennan said he enjoys it when people interact on the shuttle. "It's like an airplane," he said between songs.

**4 p.m.** Toste took over for Robinson who seemed quite happy that her shift was over.

Paula Mack — who is blind — boarded the shuttle with her guide dog. Mack, who graduated from RWU in 1989, has worked in IT here ever since. She told me that she used to walk 45 minutes to get here every day but now most days she takes the shuttle because it's easier. Over the years she has seen a lot of changes.

"The kids are getting smarter," she said.

**5 - 8 p.m.** This is the point in the day when I wished I had turned off my alarm and gone back to sleep. Everything started to blend together. Robinson had told me she gets really bored. It wasn't hard to understand

how that could happen.

**8-10 p.m.** The signs that Chameleon Club was approaching became increasingly obvious during this time. Only two students rode the shuttle in two hours and they smelled like...an illegal substance. Toste told me that Chameleon Club nights are the most insane. "You have to see it to understand," she said.

**10 p.m.** I was beginning to see it. Crowds of students in costume flowed onto the shuttle. Among them was a guy in a diaper, a couple of fairies, and clown holding a can of Natural Lite. The thing about the shuttle service is that giving students an alternative to driving also allows them to drink. But both drivers said it doesn't bother them.

"I would rather drive them than let them get behind the wheel," Robinson said earlier.

**11 p.m.** By this time, I was definitely seeing it. A group of students in fashionable button-down shirts seemed to have missed the point of Halloween.

They didn't realize they were supposed to wear costumes. When a girl wearing a revealing nurse costume climbed on board with a boy in a doctor's outfit and a giant afro, the students began to cat call. "Nurse, nurse, my stomach hurts, please help me."

When the "doctor" confronted the students telling them to stop, they asked if he wanted to fight. Everyone stood up, the situation became very tense, but, realizing he was outnumbered, the "doctor" sat down. In retrospect, it's hard to take a guy in an afro wig seriously. No wonder he got so little respect.

**11:30 p.m.** There was a student

dressed quite effectively as Waldo from the "Where's Waldo?" books. Unfortunately, he was too drunk to walk in a manner even resembling a straight line. Had I asked him where Waldo was, I doubt he could have told me.

**1 a.m.** As it turns out, keeping students from throwing up on the shuttle is both a science and an art. Toste explained to me that when she sees a particularly green kid she hands them a bucket, turns down the heat, opens a window and turns on the light.

After watching her do this my respect for her doubled.

Actually, it's a bit like a sick game show. Will they make it?

One student holding the bucket teetered dangerously. Toste noticeably slowed as we went over the speed bump entering Almeida. The door opened and the guy rushed off the shuttle towards his date with the porcelain god. Toste's skills, honed over many long nights behind the wheel, are the reason why only two students have ever thrown up on her shuttle.

"He was about as close as they get," she said.

**1 a.m. - 2 a.m.** The last hour of my odyssey included watching a guy wearing only a grass skirt get rejected by a girl dressed as a cat.

There was the kid in jester costume who asked loudly "does anyone like sing-alongs?" which led to a particularly janky version of The Foundations' "Build me up Buttercup."

At the end of the night I asked how the shift compared to Chameleon Club nights of the past.

Toste laughed. "This was quiet," she said.

# CD Review

Colin Roderick  
Herald Staff

Arising from the ashes of one of Coheed and Cambria's greatest moments of turmoil comes 'No World For Tomorrow,' a strong display of what happens when a band of this caliber overcomes internal dispute.

After drummer Josh Eppard and bassist Michael Todd departed from the band in 2006, lead singer/guitarist Claudio Sanchez and back up guitarist Travis Stever were unsure if Coheed And Cambria would continue to live, yet they pressed on none-the-less.

With the rejoining of bassist Micheal Todd in 2007 and the combined efforts of Taylor Hawkins from The Foo Fighters and ex-Dillinger Escape Plan drummer Chris Pennie, 'No World For Tomorrow' was crafted from the light and dark side of a newly born Coheed And Cambria.

'No World For Tomorrow' shows a dedicated appreciation for face melting solos, heavy guitar riffs, powerful yet simple drums and tra-

ditionally unique 80's rock vocals.

Poster boy & lead singer Claudio Sanchez is what can be considered Coheed And Cambria's "X-Factor." Claudio is the type of lead singer who can write the most dark and eerie lyrics while singing them in a way that could be compared to the hip catchiness of bands such as Fall Out Boy.

His guitar work exactly resembles that of his singing, eerie yet utterly irresistible to the ears of a pop music fanatic. Although you won't find much screaming (unlike many metal bands) in this album, you will find that the vocals contain a strong sense of balance with the strong lead vocal of Claudio Sanchez and unified back up gang-harmonies (though they may remind you of cheerleaders at a high school football game).

'No World For Tomorrow' has a well balanced, uncluttered sound that is not too over bearing on the ears of a non-metal listener but will still make your adrenaline pump though your veins.

This album is a must have for metal and pop music junkies.

Artist: Coheed And Cambria  
Album: No World For Tomorrow  
Grade: A-  
Genre: Rock/Metal  
Recommended if you like:  
AFI, Atreyu, Dragon Force,  
AC/DC, Van Halen  
Good Tracks: 2, 3, 4, 7

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# Avenged Sevenfold perform at Lupos

Jake Dumond  
Herald Staff

Upon the release of their self titled album, Avenged Sevenfold has hit the road with a cross country tour that featured one stop at Lupo's in Providence, RI. Their freshly released album soared through the charts only a few weeks after its release, providing a much anticipated tour with high expectations.

Although not nearly sold out, the crowd provided enough noise and energy to make it seem as if the venue was packed to capacity. The show started at 7:30 p.m. and featured three bands before Avenged took the stage.

The crowd gave a lot of respect to all three opening acts; however it was obvious who they came to see. Between every act, chants of "Sevenfold" rang throughout the venue. The music was loud, but it wasn't until the lead singer for Operator asked "Are you guys ready for who you all came here to see", that the true noise hit Lupos.

Avenged Sevenfold took the stage at 10:15 p.m. and played songs ranging from their first LP, to their latest release. "The Beast and the Harlot" was the first song of the night that truly showed off the two guitarists, Synyster Gates, and Zacky Vegeance. With Vegence playing left handed and Gates playing right, it was a sight to be seen as they played side by side and back to back. The guitar riffs were amazing and although many have heard them in Guitar Hero 2, to see them in person just showed how complex and difficult they truly are.

Other songs that got a big reaction from the crowd were off the latest album, "Almost Easy," and "Scream." M. Shadows, the lead singer asked the audience to help sing "Almost Easy" with him, and after reciting the chorus, it was obvious this rambunctious crowd needed no help.

Nearing the end of the night, Shadows sang out, "He who makes a beast out of himself" and before he could even spit out the next word, the crowd finished with, "gets rid of the pain of being a man," signifying that "Bat Country" the most popular out of all their songs would be next to play. The song was preformed with such enthusiasm that could only be seen and heard on a live stage, as did every other song that night.

Shadows' vocals seemed like they could be heard all throughout Providence. Shadows truly showed his range and talent sounding even better live than he does on record. His enthusiastic stage presence and ever going attempt to keep the crowd hyped, paid off.

After leaving the stage at 11:30, Avenged came right back out for an encore that included two more songs, including a much slower, "Seize the Day." The final song of the night was played with just as much heart and soul from the minute they stepped on stage.

Whether you enjoy hard rock music or not, Avenged Sevenfold is sure to surprise even the most skeptic of audiences with their live shows. With their astonishing guitars, and Shadows' extraordinary vocals, Avenged Sevenfold rocked the house, and put on one amazing show.



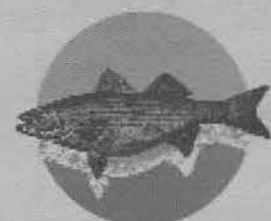
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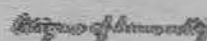
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## Last Week's Solutions

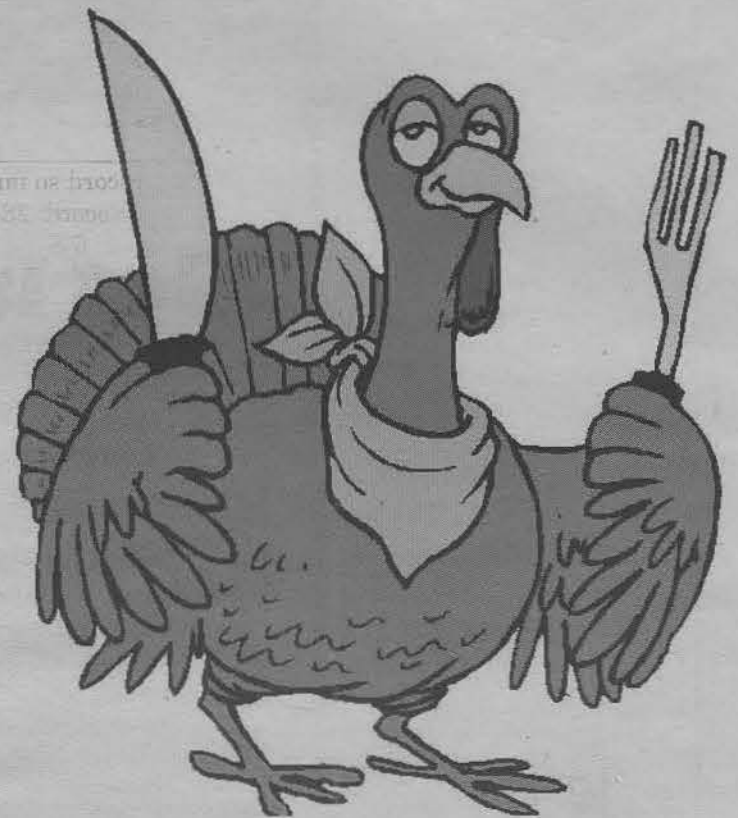
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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday	Saturday	Monday
<p><b>Campus Events</b></p> <p>Men's Basketball Season Tip-Off Rec Center 6 p.m.</p> <p>International Education Week: Documentary "Voices From Darfur" Hawk's Hangout 7 p.m.</p> <p>Everyman Play Performing Arts Center 8 p.m.</p> <p>SREEP "Blackout Night" Dance Hawk's Hangout 8 - 10 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Campus Events</b></p> <p>Everyman Play Performing Arts Center 8 p.m.</p> <p>Mr. RWU Spectacular to Benefit Children's Miracle Network IRHA 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Campus Events</b></p> <p>Creative Writing Seminar: William Corbett "New and Selected Poems" Mary Tefft White Cultural Center 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>ONE Campaign Kickoff Event Hawk's Hangout 7 p.m.</p>
		<p><b>Wednesday</b></p> <p>Halls Close at 9 a.m.</p>
		<p><b>Thursday</b></p> <p>Happy Thanksgiving!</p>

Have a safe and happy holiday!



# News & Notes

The men's cross country team finished eighteenth in the NCAA Division III Cross Country Regional Championship on Saturday afternoon.

Kevin Clark set a new school record of 25:27 for the 8k race and finished twenty-eighth in the five-mile race. Clark's efforts earned him All-New England recognition and CCC runner of the week honors.

The women's cross country team finished in nineteenth place in the NCAA Division III Cross Country Regional Championship on Saturday afternoon.

Emily Tran earned the top finish for the Hawks in the 6k run, as she crossed the finish line with a final time of 23:03.

The women's soccer team ended their run for the ECAC title on Saturday in a 2-1 loss to Keene State College.

Keene State gained the lead early the first half and would hold it into halftime. The Hawks managed to tie the game in short order with a goal by Mary daCunha. The game remained tied into minute 55, before Keene State managed to slip a shot past keeper Jen Garside to gain the 2-1 win.

For her efforts in Saturday's game and the ECAC first round matchup against Curry College last Wednesday, daCunha was named the RWU female athlete of the week.

The sailing team finished eight out of 18 teams at the Co-ed Atlantic Coast Championships hosted by Eckerd College this past weekend.

Skipper Matt Dugan was named as the RWU male athlete of the week for his efforts in the race. The women's basketball team will head to Salem State College on Friday night for their season opener. They will make their home debut on December 1 against Mount Holyoke College.

# BASKETBALL: Hoping for a positive start to the season

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ers. He said he is glad to have their leadership on the team.

"They have all stepped up in different ways and become leaders," Tully said. "Their experience has really shown in this pre-season."

The team is also returning five juniors, William Barrett, Tucker Bashaw, Marty Paclorkowoski, Ryan McGinn and Michael Wooley. The team will also see one sophomore back on the court, Rick Laughton.

Tully said that the team has played two scrimmages so far this season, one against Eastern Connecticut College and another against Bridgewater State College. Tully said he feels that the team improved in the second scrimmage, which he said shows they are ready to take on Castleton.

"We did some good things both offensively and defensively," he said. "So if we can build on that, I think we will be in good shape going into the game."

Tully said tonight's match will depend on whether or not the team will be able to control the pace of play in the match. Tully said the Hawks has never played Castleton before, which makes the game more difficult because they do not know what



Courtesy of RWU Athletics  
Members of the basketball team playing in last season's ECAC quarterfinal matchup against St. Joseph's of Maine. The Hawks lost the match 70-65.

to expect.

"There's not a lot of scouting that goes into your first game or two of the season," Tully said. "All we have is some video of them playing at the end of the year last year, but there are some new faces that we won't know about."

"It's a matter of how well we're able to go out and execute and how we're able to play."

Castleton, a member of the North Atlantic Conference, finished their season last year with

an overall record of 15-12. The team dropped their NAC quarterfinal match 93-71 against the number one seeded Husson College.

The team was invited to participate in the NAC tournament, and lost their quarterfinal game against Western New England College 74-58. Going into the 2007 Castleton is ranked fifth in the NAC.

"We expect it to be a good game," Tully said of the match.

# BEST BETS: Back to the basics of picking

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them play loose.

Happy Gilmore was never able to putt until he went to his happy place, relaxing, and thinking about all the things he loved in life. Happy showed us that some things come easy as long as you are relaxed and enjoy doing what you're doing. It was Shooter McGaven that caused Happy to tense up and play poorly.

After remembering all these phenomenal heart warming come back stories, I realized that I have fallen into the classic movie trap. I started out picking games every week a few years ago on Yahoo's Pick 'Em, just for fun, to see how I did. I did very well, for a long time; that is until I began to pick for the newspaper. I was no longer having fun and not worrying about the results, instead I was stressing over what people were going to say on Monday if I did bad. I was beginning to let the RWU community become my Shooter McGaven.

So it is now week 11 of the NFL, just about two thirds of the way through the regular season. Just about the same amount of time it takes for a movie to hit its climax, and have the main character begin to realize what he or she needs to do in order to succeed in the end.

My weekly article is turning into a perfect movie script and I hope to let it finish the way most comeback stories finish, with some huge wins both in the games, and in the critics

hearts.

It's time I stop caring whether I win or lose and go back to the roots of picking games for fun. It's time to go with my gut instinct and first pick, instead of second guessing myself all the time. It's time to stop listening to what "professionals" have to say about the games and just listen to myself.

Here are my picks for this week. No second guessing, these are gut instinct, first look picks in order to make a cinematic ending to yet another classic comeback tale. Again, my picks are in bold.

Jake's record so far: Overall Record: 28-31 Last week: 6-8 Monday Night: 5-1
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- San Diego** at Jacksonville
- Cleveland** at Baltimore
- New York Giants** at Detroit
- New Orleans** at Houston
- Carolina** at **Green Bay**
- Kansas City** at **Indianapolis**
- Oakland** at **Minnesota**
- Miami** at **Philadelphia**
- Tampa Bay** at Atlanta
- Arizona** at **Cincinnati**
- Pittsburgh** at New York Jets
- Washington** at **Dallas**
- St. Louis** at San Francisco
- Chicago** at **Seattle**
- New England** at Buffalo (Sunday Night)
- Tennessee at **Denver** (Monday Night)

# WRESTLING: Holds on to winning record

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University of Southern Maine sophomore Mike Morrin defeated Zotollo 5-3 in the final round of the 165 lbs category to take first place, while Cambi fell 6-3 to Rhode Island College senior Kevin Davis in the 197 lbs category.

The Hawk's other top finishes came from juniors Jared Czarneski and Dan Woods. Czarneski took the second place finish in the 174 lbs category, while woods took second in the 184 lbs category. Senior Anthony Nicolichia defeated Brian Powers of Johnson and Wales University 10-2 to take third in the 125 lbs category.

"We're pretty pleased," Kemmy said. "The depth of the team is okay, but we definitely have some kids who could have wrestled better."

The Hawks officially opened their season on Saturday Nov. 3 on the first day of a two-day Ithaca College invitational match. Last season, the Hawks made school history when senior Andy Lacroix earned the team's first individual title in the tournament. That weekend the team would also finish ahead of Springfield College for the first time in school history.

This year the team garnered an overall score of 79.5, which put them in ninth place out 15 schools.

"Ithaca was a tough tournament," Kemmy said. "There's always eight or nine of the top 30 teams in the country there."

Nicolichia and Cambi both

earned second place finishes in the two-day event. Nicolichia lost his final round 5-0 to Rochester Institute of Technology sophomore Mike McNally while Cambi lost to the College of New Jersey senior Shawn Vanwingerden.

For their efforts in the Ithaca tournament, Cambi and Nicolichia were both awarded the New England Wrestling Association honors. Cambi was given the NEWA rookie wrestler of the week award, while Nicolichia was given the wrestler of the week honor.

Czarneski finished third with a 5-2 victory over the State University of New York at Cortland sophomore Corey Barber. Barber is currently the seventh-ranked wrestler in the U.S.

Kemmy said that he is pleased with the team's performance in both matches, considering the fact that the team is missing five its veteran wrestlers due to injuries. Kemmy said he expects the injured team members to be back in the lineup soon.

"We're missing some key guys, guys who have done well in the past," he said. "Under the circumstances I think we've done pretty well."

The Hawks will be back in action this Saturday at the Doug Parker Invitational tournament at Springfield College, the match will begin at 10:00 a.m. Kemmy said he has a positive outlook for the match.

# Wrestling has strong start to 2007 season

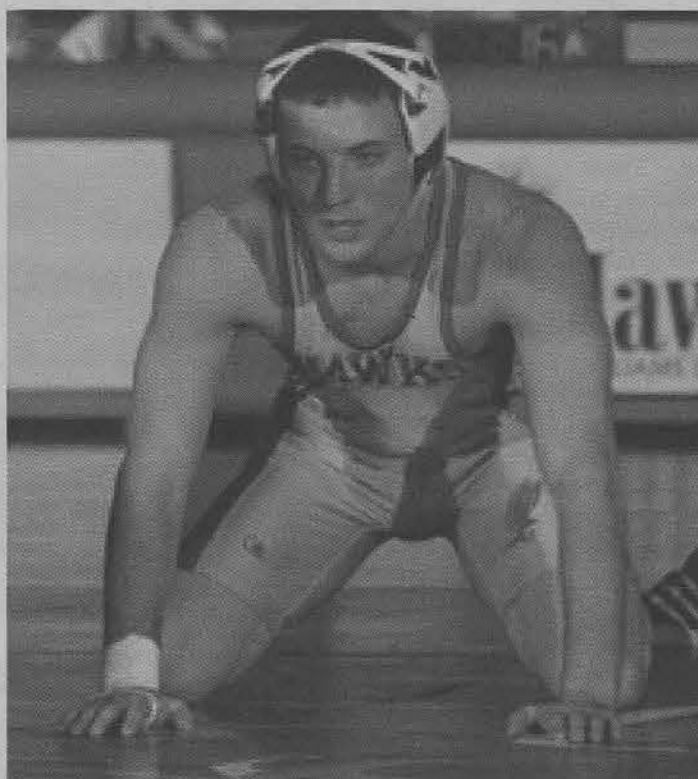
Shaun Hogan  
Sports Editor

In recent years the wrestling team has had some strong seasons. To date, the team has had 11 winning seasons and their first matches of 2007-2008 season may put them on their way to a twelfth.

Only two matches into the season the team is ranked twentieth nationally, which represents the first national ranking in the team's 17-year history.

On Saturday Nov. 10 the Hawks hosted the seventeenth annual RWU invitational tournament, where they worked their way to a fifth place finish out of 11 schools. The wrestlers finished the day with an overall score of 115, while Bridgewater State College and Rhode Island College tied for first with scores of 139.

Although the Hawks fell short of their second place finish last season, four grapplers made it into the final rounds of their respective weight classes, a number that head coach David Kemmy said is the second largest in team history. Kemmy said that in 2001 the



Courtesy of RWU Athletics  
Senior Anthony Nicolichia in Saturday's RWU Wrestling Invitational, he ended the day in third in the 125 pound category

Hawks had five wrestlers make it into the final round, which is still the team record.

"Team wise, I think we wrestled pretty good," Kemmy said.

Kemmy said that he is especially pleased with the fact that two freshmen wrestlers made it into the

final rounds of their respective weight classes, because it is the first time the team has ever had more than one freshman make it that far.

The two freshmen, Dan Zotollo and Nick Cambi each finished second in their respective weight categories.

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# Men's basketball looks for a victory in tip-off

Shaun Hogan  
Sports Editor

Last season marked some major accomplishments for the men's basketball team, with senior Dan Gumb making it back to the court after suffering a season ending broken leg during his sophomore year and senior Brandon Parrish becoming the twenty-seventh player in RWU history to reach the 1,000 point mark.

However, despite these milestones the Hawks could not gain the Commonwealth Coast Conference Championship as they fell 81-78 to the number three-seeded Wentworth Institute of Technology in the quarterfinal game. The Hawks earned an invite to the Eastern College Athletic Conference tournament.

The team fell 70-65 to St. Joseph's College of Maine in the quarterfinals of the ECAC tournament, they ended their season with an overall record of 15-11.

"Last year was disappointing," head coach Michale Tully said. "It was a tough end, to lose an overtime game the first round of the conference playoffs, it's just not an easy pill to swallow.

"I think what's clear to me

this year is that our guys know that and I think they're anxious to show what their capable of this year."

The team is scheduled to tip-off tonight at 6:00 p.m. against Castleton State College and Tully said he is very optimistic about the prospects for his team this season. The team has a total of nine returning players as well as six new freshman players, which Tully said gives the team a lot of depth.

"We have the opportunity to be very good this year," Tully said. "We have experience this year that we just haven't had before.

"Some of the freshman will get some playing time."

The Hawks lost two seniors at the end of last season. Parrish and Ryan McGovern both graduated in May 2007.

The team will be returning three seniors this year, Ben Camobreco, Geoff Barranger and Gumb. Tully said he is pleased with the contributions these players have made on the court during practice so far this year, especially when it comes to motivating the new freshman play-

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# Best Bets: Jake says it's time to go with his gut

Jake Dumond  
Herald Staff

Just when things were going well for me, yet again, I hit another losing week. Time is starting to slip away on me and I am starting to have doubts of ever pulling my record above .500. Last week I went 6-8, however, once again I won on Monday Night improving that record to a 5-1.

The reason I started to write this article was because it was fun for me. Recently, it has become more of a job; where I spend time actually trying to analyze games, players, and teams, to figure out who has the edge and who is going to come out on top.

I have begun to lose my love of having fun and picking games without worrying about whether I win or lose. Each Sunday I sit in front of the TV hoping that my picks come through for me, so I look like I know what I am talking about, instead of just enjoying the game of football.

If I have ever learned something from any feel-good come back sports movie ever made, it is that in order to win the big game, you need to just have fun, and not worry about whether you win or lose. In "The Mighty Ducks," team USA needed a group of hoodlum street hockey players to show them what having fun was all about. It was the schoolyard knuckle-puck, and childhood triple-deck that ultimately won them the Junior Olympics gold medal.

In the Disney made for TV classic, "Brink!" it was soul skating that helped get the win for team Pup and Suds. "Space Jam" taught us that the Toon Squad had it inside them the whole time, and all that "Michael's magic stuff" did for them was let

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# Women's rugby earns shot at national championship title

Shaun Hogan  
Sports Editor

After going through the regular season undefeated and gaining the number two seed in the New England Rugby Football Union playoffs, the women's rugby team came from behind to defeat the United States Coast Guard Academy 22-17 and earn the 2007 NERFU championship title on Saturday Nov. 3.

During the regular season, the Hawks defeated the Coast Guard Academy 14-5, marking their only regular season victory that was not a shutout.

The winning try in the match came from sophomore center Ashley Seiler with only two minutes remaining in the game. Seiler's try pulled the Hawks ahead from their only deficit during a game this season.

The Hawks also got tries from senior fullback and co-captain Ashley Walker and freshman wing Brittany Gallin.

Senior Co-Captain Ashley Littleton converted a try and contributed to the Hawks defensively. Littleton managed to prevent Coast Guard from scoring for ten minutes, despite being on the Hawks five yard line.

The team advanced to the championship round as a result of their 21-5 NERFU semi-final victory over St. Anselm's college



Courtesy of Ashley Walker  
Sophomore player Ashley Seiler grapples with a Coast Guard Academy player in the championship matchup. Seiler scored the hawk's game winning try on Sunday Oct. 28.

In the St. Anselm's game, the Hawks got tries from Walker, junior Devon Dzicek and sophomore Stephanie Watson, while Littleton made every three point after kick in the game.

Although St. Anselms gained momentum in the second half and scored one goal, they missed their point after attempt to give RWU the win.

With the postseason wins, the rugby team now has an overall record of 7-0.

Littleton, Walker and Seiler

are currently the team's leading scorers.

The regional NERFU title gives the team a chance to claim the national championship title in a matchup against Gettysburg College this weekend.

The Hawks have never played Gettysburg, as they are from Pennsylvania and members of a different conference.

The match will take place this Saturday at Stonehill College in in Easton, Mass. at 2:00 p.m.