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## Campus strives to go green

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Asst. News Editor

RWU is taking on new sustainability initiatives this year, including constructing a sustainability center, integrating sustainability into the curriculum and buying only Energy Star-certified appliances, according to the Sustainability Initiatives report.

The report details the accomplishments of the university so far, as well as future plans for sustainable projects and even curriculum changes.

"With his signing of The President's Climate Commitment on Earth Day, April 22, 2008, the president has committed the entire university community to the goal of becoming carbon-neutral and incorporating the idea of sustainability into all facets of the curriculum and daily operations of this institution," the report stated.

RWU's carbon footprint is being determined this year, according to Scott Yonan, Special Assistant and Ombudsman for the Office of the President.

"A key thing that's happening that's kind of above everything, is that the university is going to establish a sustainability center and that will be a place that looks at and coordinates academic issues, things on campus and how the campus functions," Stephen White, Dean of Architecture and head of sustainability initiatives in the curriculum, said.

In his most recent State of the University address, President Roy Nirschel thanked Scott Pray and the D.F. Pray Foundation for a \$1 million donation for the creation of the center. The sustainability center will bring all sustainability efforts together in one place.

According to the sustainability report, all cam-

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## COMMUTER CONCERNS



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## RIPTA could cut Bristol service

Ben Whitmore  
Herald Staff

As soon as January, the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority could cut service for its 60 line after 7 p.m. Students visiting Newport of Providence who do not have their own mode of transportation would face an imposed 7 p.m. curfew.

In order to cope with a severely unbalanced budget, RIPTA is considering cutting service for many of its 58 routes, including the 60 route, which runs from Newport to Providence and services the Roger Williams campus.

However, whether RIPTA will actually go through with these cuts is still "anybody's guess at this point," said Tim McCormick, RIPTA planning manager and liaison to the university.

RIPTA is operating \$10 million over its budget. In order to cut costs and reduce its budget deficit, RIPTA is considering reducing service hours or even canceling service for entire lines.

A decrease in service times for the 60 route is bad news for many Roger Williams students. For students taking the RIPTA to Providence to visit dance clubs or bars, not having a safe way to

get home could result in an increase in risky behavior such as drunk driving.

Drunk driving is "certainly a concern," for John King, Vice President of Student Affairs. Not being able to rely on RIPTA would "put more pressure on students if they decide to travel," King said. "Those that go to bars, who are old enough to drink legally, should be designating a driver."

The possible service cuts have a more dramatic effect on some Roger Williams students. Freshman ridership is the high-

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## Center to house actor's art



Phil Devitt  
Editor

Before Academy Award-winning actor Anthony Quinn died in 2001, the famous Bristol resident entrusted his wife with his legacy.

An important part of that legacy was Quinn's art — an extensive selection of paintings and sculptures he had collected and created during nearly seven decades spent traveling the world, making

films.

"He said to me, 'I know you'll do the right thing,'" said Katherine Quinn, 46, his widow. "He left it to me."

After seven years spent carefully cataloguing her husband's collection, Katherine Quinn said she believes she has done the 'right thing.'

The Anthony Quinn Foundation and Roger Williams University have announced plans to build an Anthony Quinn Teaching and Research Center on campus, which would house Quinn's artwork and art from other 20th century artists, along with film memorabilia and books from Quinn's library. By the end of his life, Quinn had amassed several thousand books, many of them about art history.

The center would also serve as a venue for guest lecturers, art exhibitions, films and conferences focusing not only on Quinn, but his voracious curiosity for life and other cultures.

"Anthony Quinn could have been recognized decades ago for lots of things—for being an architect, a writer, a poet, an annotator, a philosopher and an artist," President Roy J. Nirschel said, calling Quinn the personification of the university's values. "Every part of a liberal arts education is embedded in his extraordinary, long life."

Nirschel said the university is considering "expanding and retrofitting" the existing library to accommodate the center, which would have a separate entrance from the main library and its own identity. No decisions have been made by the university or the Board of Trustees, but the school is discussing options with Shepley Bulfinch, a nationally-recognized library archi-

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## Advising center opens doors

Sarah Cournoyer  
Managing Editor

The first Academic Advising Center on campus has opened its doors for the first time.

The center employs a staff that specializes in counseling and guidance to help undecided students find a major.

Currently, the office is directed by Susan Hammond, who was also on the academic advising task force that helped create the center.

The advising center is open to any student who thinks they may be in the wrong major or are in transition, but it is specifically designed for undecided freshmen.

According to Hammond, the staff works through a series of assessments to help a student find out where he or she would fit best.

"We do not start with 'What do you like,'" Hammond said. "We get an overall idea of students' likes and dislikes as well as strengths, aptitudes, their personal value system and relationship to money. We also ask about a parent's attitudes and expectations."

According to Hammond, the faculty in the Academic Advising Center do not specialize in

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## BUS: RIPTA route 60 could get axe next year

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est it has ever been, according to RIPTA records.

Freshmen, who cannot have cars on campus, rely on RIPTA for off-campus transportation. In September of the 2007-2008 school year, Roger Williams purchased unlimited fare passes from RIPTA for all incoming freshmen.

That year, ridership recorded with these passes totaled 4,358 students, according to McCormick. This year, freshmen received the same unlimited fare passes. Their ridership totaled 9,700 in September, according to McCormick. This is more than a 200 percent increase in ridership among freshmen.

In order to address the needs of freshmen riders, Roger Williams will meet in November with the other member schools of the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Rhode Island to "discuss the ramifications [of the proposed RIPTA service cuts] and how to minimize loss of service," King said. "We will consider the financial feasibility of providing selected return shuttles from Providence."

However, there are no promises. "[It is] not the university's job to provide transportation to and from Providence," King said. Arranging shuttle service back from Providence was never in the school's budget.

"When we negotiated [the unlimited fare passes] there was no information on impending budget cuts from RIPTA," King said.

RIPTA's economic situation is a complicated one. RIPTA's main source of income does not come from the fares it collects. Instead, it comes from gas taxes Rhode Island residents pay at the pump. The recent rise in gas prices caused a decrease in gas consumption.

Consequently, drivers were filling up less frequently at gas

stations. Thus, less money was being generated from gas taxes, decreasing RIPTA's earnings.

As more people stopped driving and started using RIPTA busses, RIPTA lost money.

This paradoxical revenue system is being revised. On Monday, Oct. 20, RIPTA's board of directors met to evaluate their cost-cutting efforts. The outcome of this meeting will determine the nature of RIPTA's costcutting, including whether or not RIPTA will cut service in January. Meeting details were not available at press time.

According to Rhode Island law, RIPTA can choose to run over-budget for up to six months. However, RIPTA board members are trying to convince the Rhode Island Legislature to pass an emergency measure to increase RIPTA's budget so the company can operate in the black.

To persuade state legislature to grant RIPTA a larger budget, the company is reducing costs by doing everything short of cutting service. According to McCormick, this means everything from consolidating data transfers from RIPTA's main computers to busses' computers, to decreasing time spent at each stop either waiting for or boarding passengers in order to conserve gas.

If RIPTA can reduce its budget deficit from the current \$10 million to a more tolerable \$8 million, Rhode Island State Legislature would be more inclined to increase RIPTA's budget to include the amount RIPTA would be over-budget (for example, the hypothetical \$8 million) said McCormick.

Yet, RIPTA's financial troubles are just part of the economic debacle facing Rhode Island government. The state is operating \$151 million over budget. Surplus money is a rare commodity that might not be available to patch up RIPTA's bleeding budget.

If the Legislature does not pass an emergency measure to bail out RIPTA, it could intervene and mandate service cuts from RIPTA when Congress meets in January. RIPTA will then have six months to either run over budget and figure out how to eliminate its debt or cut its costs by reducing service times.

If RIPTA chooses the latter, Roger Williams students and the other riders of the route 60 busses will need to find their own way back from Providence after 7 p.m.



## Students address safety hazards on campus walk

Dee DeQuattro  
News Editor

A mile-long safety walk hosted by Student Senate Wednesday night indicated some of the pressing issues facing campus safety.

"We are very concerned about the pedestrian walkways but we are correcting that," said John Blessing, Director of Public Safety, who attended the walk.

According to Blessing and Dan Gough, Director of Environmental Health and Safety, the existing walkway on North Road across from the soccer and baseball fields will be blocked off, forcing students to walk on the right side of the road heading toward North Campus. A new crossway with a flashing sign will be painted across the road that leads toward Bayside. No longer will students be permitted to walk on the sidewalk closest to the construction.

Gough said the problem is that cars speed up and down North Road, endangering students who spill into the street when using sidewalks and crosswalks.

Students also addressed the blue courtesy phones around campus. Student senators expressed concern that certain phones are not working and could jeopardize a student's safety.

Blessing said the phones "are rarely used."

An issue of concern reported on the walk had to do with the gazebo in front of Maple. The gazebo was moved from a path between Cedar and Maple for construction purposes. The gazebo is now closer (less than 25 feet) to Maple and smoke sometimes filters in through the

students' windows. A student senator on the walk reported that a friend has suffered asthma attacks as a result.

Rhode Island law mandates that smoking be separated from a building in order to prevent smoke from migrating into the building. The Department of Health recommends 50 feet. Before the university implemented a revised smoking policy, students were required to stand at least 50 feet from the building when smoking.

Students also indicated concern about lightbulbs that were out throughout campus. Lorraine Lalli, Assistant Dean of Students in the School of Law, noted that law students often bring the dim lighting to her attention. "They would appreciate additional lighting," she said.

### SAFETY WALK HIGHLIGHTS

\* Blue phones need to be functioning but are rarely used

\* A gazebo near maple hall may violate state smoking laws.

\* Lights that are out pose a danger to students

\* Students should avoid walking in streets and use sidewalks and crosswalks.

## World Watch

**NEW DELHI, INDIA**— India recently launched its first lunar mission from the Sriharikota Space Center in southern India. The hope for the probe, which has a two-year mission, is that it will achieve high-resolution images of the moon's typography, and perhaps uncover the chemical breakdown of certain lunar rocks. ([www.cnn.com](http://www.cnn.com)).

**KABUL, AFGHANISTAN**— A 24-year-old journalism student has successfully appealed a death sentence for releasing an article about women's rights under Islam after downloading it from the Internet. The student was still convicted of blasphemy and has been sentenced to serve 20 years in prison. ([www.latimes.com](http://www.latimes.com)).

**HARARE, ZIMBABWE**— The prime minister of Zimbabwe, Morgan Tsvangirai, was unable to attend talks in Swaziland on the crisis in his country due to the fact that his rival and negotiating partner, President [of Zimbabwe] Robert Mugabe, refused to give him a passport. Although the talks were scheduled for the following week, the neighboring Botswana government said it was "totally unacceptable and an indication of bad faith." The friction between the Tsvangirai and Mugabe are due to a voting discrepancy in a close election between the two that many, including Botswana, believe Tsvangirai won. ([www.nytimes.com](http://www.nytimes.com)).

**MEXICO CITY, MEXICO**— Cuban foreign minister Felipe Perez Roque and Mexican Foreign Secretary Patricia Espinosa have signed an agreement that Cubans who are illegally going through Mexican territory to reach the United States will be deported. The agreement, which also criticized the U.S. policy that allows Cubans who reach U.S. territory to stay, will go into effect in one month. ([www.boston.com](http://www.boston.com)).

**ATHENS, GREECE**— Police in Greece fired tear gas at rock-throwing youths during a demonstration that was part of the 24-hour general strike over the conservative government's economic policies. Thousands of Greeks took part in the march through Athens, which shut down public offices and halted air, rail and ferry traffic. There were no immediate injuries reported. ([www.ap.org](http://www.ap.org))

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# Students reach out to N.H. voters

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Asst. Features Editor

It was an exciting afternoon on Saturday for 18 Roger Williams students as they rode a coach bus with 150 college students from around Rhode Island. Waking up at 6 a.m., they rode the bus for two hours, knocked on people's doors, and passionately campaigned for Sen. Barack Obama in Nashua, N.H.

On the same day, eight students traveled to Sen. John McCain's New England Regional Headquarters in Manchester, N.H. to make phone calls and canvas in support of McCain. They were excited to be a part of the campaign, known as the "Drive for Change" campaign. So what is the reason for the passionate students trying to get citizens to vote for their party?

Although these two groups campaigned for different issues and parties, their messages were the same: they wanted to make a difference in the minds of New Hampshire citizens.

Nov. 4 is approaching, and RWU students on both sides felt the need to reach out to New Hampshire.

Juan Escoriza, an Obama supporter, said that New Hampshire is an important ticket to the presidency right now "New Hampshire has been decided by fewer than 10,000 votes in each of the last two presidential elections, and it was the only state in the country that voted for the Republican candidate in 2000, but the Democratic candidate in 2004."

These clubs are also getting involved, putting out the word for their candidates in other ways. The RWU college democrats also do a phone-athon every Monday night from 9 to 11 p.m. in Providence to talk with "swing" voters.

Barry Lucier, president of the College Republicans, said it is important that everyone get out and vote, especially young people.

"Politicians write off younger voters and the student population because the demographic has proven to have a very low voter turnout and a high apathetic feeling towards politics. This thinking seems to have changed in recent years...especially after the 2000 election."

Democratic students who campaigned for Obama, Jeanne Shaheen, and Paul Hodes had a chance to see a small, intimate speech by Sen. John Kerry.

Kerry spoke to the students from Rhode Island about the importance of the upcoming election and how "grassroot politics" affect swing states like New Hampshire.

DJ Orton, President of the College Democrats, talked about how it wasn't just members of the club that wanted to help with the campaign. He was pleased with the outcome of students who generally cared about the election.

"Most of the people who have attended the trips to NH are just politically moderate students who want to see productive change. The purpose of going to NH was to explain to the people there why it was so important to get our candidates elected."

# Campus open to Bristol voters, students on Election Day

Samantha Law  
Herald Staff

Many Bristol residents will be able to cast their votes in the 2008 presidential election on campus for the first time at the Performing Arts Center, the new polling location for district 210.

Voting will take place between 7 a.m. and 9 p.m. on Nov. 4.

"The university has for several years offered our campus to the town of Bristol as a polling location," said John King, Vice President of Student Affairs.

The university is "committed to civic engagement" which can be a "service to the town and make it easier for our registered students who live on campus to vote."

"I think it will work out for everyone involved. Many registered voters are located on the campus"

which will "make it easier for them," said Lou Cirillo, Bristol Town Clerk.

Junior Sean Perry, a district 210 voter, is excited about the polling center on campus.

"It gives students who are Rhode Island voters no excuse to not head to the polls," he said.

Bristol voters will be able to park in the School of Law parking lot and the Performing Arts Center parking lot, King said.

King said there will be "minimal impact on campus traffic" and parking. The university will have the faculty and staff who typically park at the Law School and Performing Arts Center lots to use the parking deck instead. The university will also provide traffic detail for incoming and outgoing cars, said King.

RWU students who registered in Rhode Island and put One Old Ferry Road as their current address can cast their ballot from the Performing Arts Center.

Cirillo said that there has always been talk about having a polling center at RWU. Cirillo said RWU and the Board of Canvassers of Bristol have come to a "10-year commitment" to have a polling location on campus this year, and the next five elections to come on Sept. 5, 2008.

The Board of Canvassers is an independent group, appointed by Town Council. Cirillo said the Board of Canvassers came to the agreement because there was a "desire to have a polling place within that district" at a location "that was fairly easy to access for people."

Cirillo said he believes the new polling location will relieve some of the confusion for Bristol voters who, in the past, had to vote at Franklin Court Community Room, located at 150 Franklin St. Cirillo said that at the community room, districts 210 and 211 shared the same building, which caused confusion for which line voters should be in to cast their ballots.

Franklin Court was "overcrowded" and "cramped" when Perry went to cast his ballot for the primary last spring, he said.

Now, with the new location, "it is going to perhaps make it a little easier for voters to go to their voting place without any confusion," Cirillo said.

Senior Renée Bilotti, a fellow Bristolian, said she believes having a polling location on campus is a great way to "give back to the community" since there is a facility on campus to do so. Bilotti said a major concern voters may have will be the distance between the polling location and where they park because many Bristol residents come from "working class families so they are probably coming on their lunch break to vote."

Cirillo said that all district 210 voters will receive a postcard with a picture of The Performing Arts Center to indicate where the polling center will be.

If any Rhode Island voter does not know what district he or she lands in, they can access <http://www.sec.state.ri.us/vic/> to view a sample ballot and locate their polling place.



Roger Williams students pose for the camera while canvassing in New Hampshire last Saturday in a bid to win over voters for Sens. John McCain and Barack Obama ahead of the Nov. 4 presidential election.



# Canvasser believes she made difference

Courtney Costello  
Herald Staff

I don't think I have ever gotten up so early since I have been at Roger Williams University.

The College Democrats along with a few other dedicated students ventured up to New Hampshire to volunteer our Saturday for Barack Obama Oct. 18. We arrived in Providence to be greeted by Devin Driscoll, president of the College Democrats of Rhode Island along with at least 75 other R.I. 'college dems' as we like to call them.

We were briefed on what was going to happen when we arrived in Nashua, N.H. and we boarded the coach bus. The ride wasn't too long. Most of us slept because the sun was still coming up and we had arrived at Obama headquarters about two hours later.

When we arrived, we were trained on how to canvass, which is pretty much knocking on someone's door and asking them if they plan on voting in the election, who they are planning on voting for, and if there are any questions that we can clear up for them about the candidate. I personally have canvassed before in the primary season, but the hype at the headquarters was different this time.

Seventeen days away from the biggest election this country

has ever seen, the office was bustling with so many volunteers that the staffers had to set up tables in the parking lot to alleviate the overflow of people fired up and ready to go knock on some doors.

The group of students I was with insisted on getting Taco Bell at 10 a.m., so after taking the short trip across the street to indulge in Mexican food, we came to find that there were no more canvassing packets left.

There were honestly so many people there that the office ran out of work for the volunteers. I was completely shocked because never has there been a shortage of work to do in a campaign. We were handed signs. The next three hours of my life were spent standing on a street corner, holding a sign reading, "Honk for Obama!"

It was probably one of the most exciting times I have experienced in this campaign because I could actually see the enthusiasm on people's faces as they drove by honking and waving for Obama.

I saw a rainbow of people, from the old driving their boat Lincolns, to the young and their Prius'. It was amazing to see how many people were excited for change in America. The news tells you everyday how the polls in the red states and swing states

are moving toward the Democratic candidate but you can never really be too sure. Seeing these people's faces reassured it for me and the other students I was with.

As a pleasant treat, Sen. John Kerry hopped onto the back of a pick-up truck and gave a mid-afternoon motivating speech to all the volunteers. He told us that our face-to-face contact with the voters is what's going to win this election, not some automated "robocalls."

It was really important that John Kerry spoke to the crowd because, as in some situations, canvassers can get a negative feeling from speaking to voters in New Hampshire and other swing states and sometimes, it makes a difference when volunteers are reassured they are making a positive difference in America, no matter what the outcome.

What was the importance of my story on how I spent my Saturday? While you were sleeping, I was out there making a difference for something I believe in. I hope everyone gets to experience that feeling at some point in his or her life-- to be a part of something that is bigger than all of us. Like Barack has said since he started this journey, "Change doesn't happen from the top down, it happens from the bottom up."

## IN OUR OPINION

## Lid loss no big deal in long run

Where are the lids? That is the question of the week for students here that eat in the upper Commons. Whether you are a tea, coffee or hot chocolate drinker, the lack of lids has probably been slightly upsetting.

The food message boards gives a clear indication that students are upset by the lid loss.

The responses vary from the mature:

"We would like lids and we are responsible young college students"

To the juvenile

"The lack of lids makes me want to kill puppies, really cute puppies."

Responses such as these pepper the board, but the requests to bring back the lids have thus far been unanswered.

What gives? There doesn't seem to be a clear reason why the lids are gone.

We aren't saying that the lids should come back. Many people remember seeing lids wasted on the ground around the coffee, tea or hot chocolate area in the Commons

Still, the removal of lids from the convenience of the hot beverage area is troublesome for many college students with hectic lives.

The loss of lids in the upper Commons may be just a microscopic and largely inconsequential example of the cutbacks Americans everywhere are being forced to make as a result of the weak economy. Many people are worried about their homes, their jobs and their overall financial security. As these fears rise, people start to reign in their spending habits, often in a big way.

It has been projected that spending in the months to come will be down throughout the United States. Sales for the holidays this year are projected to be less than in years past because of the current economic conditions.

While the loss of lids might be annoying, be glad nothing else has changed drastically on campus. There are plenty of people out there worse off than we are.

The lids are gone and that might be a drag, but don't we have better things to worry about?

## EDITOR'S NOTE

The Hawk's Herald continues to prepare its new Web site this week, with a launch date on the horizon. In the mean time, bookmark our breaking news blog at [www.hawksherald.blogspot.com](http://www.hawksherald.blogspot.com). There you'll find quick updates on stories you see in print, along with insight from the editors and writers who produce the paper. This 'blog' will become an important component of the Web site when it is launched.

Opinion  
COMMENTARY

## Juicy Campus: Indecent and immature exposure

Courtney Nugent  
Features Editor

I wrestled with the idea of writing this opinion piece in the first place. Why would I want to write an editorial that could potentially encourage views of a Web site that I find slanderous and obscene? Why would I want to perpetuate the juvenile and cruel comments that a select number of our student body find appropriate or humorous? Frankly, I have never been one to sit back idly and watch things unfold without saying anything. So here it goes.

Four years ago, I might have thought this whole thing was funny. Four years ago, I might have suspected it. Four years ago, I was graduating from high school and, I must admit, a little less mature than I am now. However, as I prepare to graduate from college, I cannot wrap my mind around JuicyCampus, a Web site on which anyone from Roger Williams University can trash or praise their friends or enemies in an anonymous fashion.

As I prepare to graduate from college, I cannot wrap my mind around Juicy Campus and its resemblance to the "burn book" found in *Mean Girls*, a movie directed at high school students.

Note: directed at high school students.

Now, I do understand that it must be intriguing for some students: free reign of the Internet. Freedom to write whatever they want about whomever they want. It's easy, right? Instead of confronting someone in person, why not get it all out on the Internet, for the world to see?

My biggest quarrel with this is the unde-

nably high school nature of this site, a site that asks users to "give us the juice." Again, I never want to admit it, but in the end, I always seem to give the students at RWU too much credit. With the increasing standards in admission requirements, are we losing grasp on the rules that govern how we act socially in our day-to-day lives? Man up: if you are going to stoop so low as to post a negative comment about someone, at least use your name.

A quarrel that comes in close second is the lack of administrative involvement in this issue. When there is a huge snowstorm heading toward Bristol, we get an e-mail from the administration. When policies change on campus, we get an e-mail from the administration. Now, more than ever, students at RWU need that e-mail in order to spark discussions, promote civil discourse and feel included in our campus community. Problems that remain silent, closed behind doors of offices in the Center for Student Development are never solved; they are swept under the rug and forgotten about.

It is the culture of this campus to disregard accountability and partake in actions that only benefit ourselves. Let's change that. Promise your friends and even your enemies that you will not partake in the ridiculous notion behind the Web site. Challenge the people who use it to think about how influential some of their comments can be to those they are writing about and to get their facts straight before they write slanderous remarks on the Internet.

Take a stand. Take care of each other.

## YOUR VOICE

## Banning sophomore cars no solution to parking problem

In response to the commentary published on Oct. 10 about banning sophomores from having cars on campus, I have a few choice things to say.

It has become abundantly clear that the number of enrolled students at Roger Williams has grown substantially. Parking is a problem, but is banning sophomores from parking on campus the solution?

The answer is no. Though "most" sophomores may live on campus, a great number do not. In fact, much of the Oak Apartments, the back King Phillip Apartments, and the Almeida flats are populated with sophomores. Sophomores with kitchens who often have limited meal plans and must use their cars to get groceries. Why punish these students for

living off campus? It is an elitist concept that sophomores need to be focused on school more than upperclassmen. In fact, the reverse seems true. If a student is headed into today's job market, shouldn't they be more focused on their schoolwork and less distracted by their cars?

Instead of banning sophomores with cars, I say limit the number of people living in Willow, Stonewall and Maple with cars. They have easy access to the RIPTA, the Commons, and no kitchen to provide groceries for. And, if this plan is still not to your liking, and you still can't find parking, I have a solution for you.

Suck it up and take the shuttle.

Patrick Byrne '11

## Elections '08: South Africa cares, so should you

Amy Torregrossa

## Notes from South Africa

My pro-con list for South Africa was as follows. Pros: experience culture different from my own, create independence where independence was lacking, never say that I regret not studying abroad.

Cons: leaving friends, family, boyfriend, and I will miss the presidential election.

It is a little more than two weeks away from the election and I am feeling anxious over here, so I can only imagine the tension, excitement and relief that is permeating the campus and

country. The importance of this election was evident when I left the United States, but since being in South Africa, I have never before understood just how much this is going to affect the rest of the world.

My classes consist of people from all over. Africans, Dutch, Swedish, French, Guatemalans, Belgians, Australians, Germans, Chileans, each with their own perspective on the United States and who they believe should be elected president. The embarrassment that hit me when I found just how intently the other students understood and followed American politics made me feel ashamed I was not an expert in world politics myself.

South Africans have voiced their concern for Sens. John McCain and Barack Obama alike. Some view McCain as some Americans do, just an extension of the Bush Administration. Others view Obama as an idealist with a lack of experience. But the support for Obama far sur-

passes that of McCain, to the point that when driving through Cape Town, it is not uncommon to see Obama '08 posters sticking out of lawns, or makeshift flyers plastered on lamp posts and the sides of trash cans. The buzz around Obama is frankly startling. A woman in a restaurant that I frequent who, I will always remember for her cold demeanor, completely melted when we started talking about the U.S. election. She boasted that Obama reminded her of the way South Africans viewed Nelson Mandela. It was his personality and sense of humanity that drew them together as a country. That, she said, is what the world needs.

Our election process and everything that goes along with it is theatrical. I knew this before coming to South Africa but listening to my friends out here laugh at the length of the process and petty bickering that has been going back and forth has made me realize it that much more. My friend Erenst, who is originally from Zimbabwe, has been studying in South Africa for three years. He came and watched the latest presidential debate with me and he said he will never understand the theatrics of debates. "Zim doesn't have them," he said while shaking his head. "Imagine Robert Mugabe trying to debate Tsvangirai. It would be a disaster. Two men debating with the education of a high schooler... that's Africa for

you."

If anything, studying in South Africa has made me realize the importance of voting. The pictures of the lines at the polls during South Africa's first democratic election after the Apartheid is humbling. Miles of people waiting in line for days to cast their vote. We live in a country where the possibility

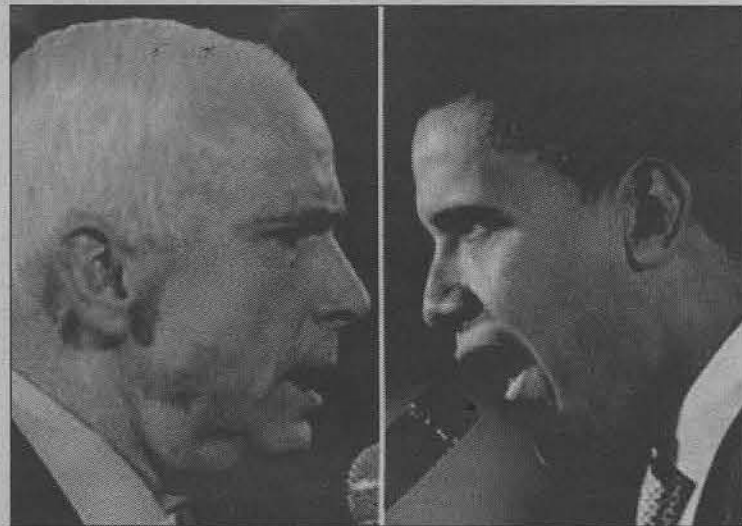
is there for us to choose who leads us, who represents us and how the world views us.

Take advantage of it and Hawk the vote.

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Above: courtesy Amy Torregrossa. Right: courtesy agoravox.com

Letters to the Editor  
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# Letters to the Editor

## YOUR VOICE

### Alum remembers life at RWU

For us, it's been 20 years since we last wrote for the Roger Williams College's (now Roger Williams University) student newspaper, what was then The Messenger a bi-weekly newspaper put together by a diverse group of students under the tutelage of Dr. Phil Szenher. Now it has evolved into your weekly "Hawk's Herald."

Memories will arise for any who share with us then. The hands-on physical layout work was tedious and many times painstaking; although computers were available for some chores, the final lay-out was done on paper, graphics were limited - close to non-existent - and, photographs were a meticulous part of the physical layout. As a sidebar, I got involved with the "The Messenger's" staff as one them was on a late a Friday night - partially visible in a small classroom building office - preparing the final layout for the next edition. From then on I was always there... and always running to the Bristol Phoenix for print.

On The Messenger's staff:

On a personal behalf, my personal links to various international newspapers have continued in both formal and informal manners, but in one way or another related to the industry; nevertheless, other colleagues - to whom I show my recognition - have become full time members of prestigious newspapers and even though at the time we had differences, our mutual respect was always there.

On the school, in no particular order:

The Performing Arts Center ('the barn') had been recently opened with the collaboration of the 'historic preservation' program.

Future architects had just been given their own campus building (with their own alligator alley).

The Graduate Law program had just become a reality.

Almeida apartments were an off-campus housing option.

Nike facilities were partially destined for architecture students housing, others for engineering laboratories.

And then the notorious impounds for those who parked beyond limits.

People we recall:

Mark Gould, who was our heroic biology and environmental leader - may he rest in peace.

Scott Yonan, the international students advisor, currently Special Assistant and Ombudsman for the Office of the President

Deborah Robinson had successfully started a learning center (now Center For Academic Development) with a major impact to the community. She is now a professor in the College of Arts and Sciences.

Tony Ferreira, always visible and running around as the Student Activities and Conferences Director.

And who can forget Malcom Forbes, who accepted the dean's position under Ralph Pappito?

Looking back in time, we all have fond memories from Roger Williams and Rhode Island alike. It is time to reestablish links to all acquaintances and friends, classmates and teachers alike - support personnel must be thanked in equal manner.

As a whole, our destinies have taken us in many directions: geographically, academically, and professionally-wise, but above all, Roger Williams became a stepping stone in an academic, professional and personal basis.

For those in school who read this edition, we can only say "be patient," "be diligent," "may your values and dreams be there for many years to come."

Enrique A. Perla-Ellison '88

With collaboration of

Anne (Pace) McGhee '88

Jennifer (Ferland) Torres '88

### 'Food insecurity' takes toll on local women

Women are 72 percent of clients at food pantries, according to a 2006 Rhode Island study by America's Second Harvest. Who are these women? Many are elderly, either living alone or acting as primary care givers for their grandchildren.

According to a Meals on Wheels Association of America study, one in five seniors who live with a grandchild are at risk of hunger. Women make up almost two-thirds of grandparent care givers. In fact, women head up nearly seven of 10 older families living below the poverty level. And single older women are not faring much better. According to an AARP study, nearly one-third of single women age 65-plus are classified as poor.

Gender is clearly a factor when it comes to poverty and food insecurity. Though women are working in unprecedented numbers, there is still a cultural expectation that women will leave the workforce to bear and raise children, and to care for aging or infirmed family members.

Intermittent employment patterns, lower earnings than men, and jobs that often don't provide employer-sponsored retirement plans place women at risk for living in poverty and food insecurity in their later years. Adding to these factors, is the expectation that one-third of the nation's women will live to at least age 90, meaning their retirement income has to stretch farther.

Food Insecurity is defined as the limited or uncertain availability of nutritionally adequate and safe foods or uncertain ability to acquire acceptable foods in socially acceptable ways.

In a 2006 USDA study, the overall rate of food insecurity was about 11 percent nationwide. But among low-income house-

holds with children headed by a single woman, the rate of food insecurity jumped to 46 percent.

These women do not fit the stereotypes: 30 percent of food pantry clients in Rhode Island have earned income, meaning they work or their spouse works.

So what does this mean? It means that women across the life span - single and working, single with children, working poor, married with or without children, elderly, single or with grandchildren all are at risk of food insecurity. And as we draw toward winter, with zooming oil costs, fewer jobs, and more housing foreclosures, women are at an ever-increasing risk.

The Rhode Island Commission on Women (RICW) strives to advance women toward full equity in all areas of life and to promote rights and opportunities for all women. The RICW participates in the Women Ending Hunger initiative of the Rhode Island Community Food Bank. Women Ending Hunger seeks to provide Rhode Island women with healthy nutrition awareness and home-budgeting opportunities, and to increase their participation in the federal food stamp program.

The RICW has launched a community challenge to raise funds for the Women Ending Hunger program. To make your donation, please visit the RICW website at [www.ricw.ri.gov](http://www.ricw.ri.gov) and click on the "Donate Now" button. Your generous contribution will help ensure that women—our mothers, daughters, sisters and grandmothers—will have a seat at the dining room table.

Shanna Wells, M. Ed

Director, R.I. Commission on Women

### Thank you from Timothy J. MacLeod's Family

*Perhaps you sent a lovely card  
Or sat quietly in a chair,  
Perhaps you sent a floral spray,  
If so, we saw it there,  
Perhaps you sent a bit of food  
Or let us use your car,  
Perhaps it was a call you made  
From nearby or afar.  
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words  
As any friend could say,  
Perhaps you were not there at all  
Just thought of us that day.  
Whatever you did to console our hearts  
We thank you so much whatever the part.*

The family of Timothy J. MacLeod would like to sincerely thank the staff and students of Roger Williams University for their love, support and memories during this difficult time. Your support will forever be treasured.

Timothy J. MacLeod

December 26, 1986~September 13, 2008

Please BE SAFE!!!

## Visual Arts program deserves more attention from campus, community

I wanted to thank you for publishing an important article about the state of the Arts on campus. The Hawk's Herald has brought to light the struggle to create a "culture of culture" on what can be at times a campus unaccustomed to art as a social dialogue. As a university that aspires to being progressive and worldly - rather than a college or federation of professional schools - the Arts potentially play an important role in shaping the lives of the students and the campus community as a whole.

I do however, take issue with the portrayal of the VARTS program. One is left with the sense, after reading the article, that the arts are more often than not deliberately controversial or gratuitously erotic in their subject matter. This is not the case.

There are some 30-40 VARTS majors and around 100 minors or core concentrators, who make art about the things that artists have always made art about: beauty, love, the self, identity, politics, personal history - good

and bad - and yes, occasionally, sex.

A more comprehensive article, might have looked at the whole of what is being done in the visual arts on campus and beyond and would've found a positive force at work. Faculty who exhibit their work worldwide, students of talent whose work is accepted in exhibitions alongside their counterparts at RISD or RIC and a desire to integrate learning in a visual way with studies in all the disciplines on campus are hallmarks of the VARTS program at RWU.

The decision to move Janet Pihlblad's sculpture - had Miss Willox dug deeper in her reporting to find out - had more to do with politics and policy than outright censorship. The School of Architecture, Art and Historic Preservation was supportive of our Visiting Artist and her vision for a work on this campus.

In the enthusiasm to support that vision, proper protocol may not have been followed. New ground was

being broken here and we all could've done better to make the case for the vision and benefits of art on campus to those who make the decisions about these things. I think if you had asked President Nirschel for an honest reflection on his decision, he might think differently today, as the creation of the "Arts Park" suggests. The moment was an embarrassing one for the university and not handled as well as it could've been.

Better reporting would've found that the Visiting Artist program is now facing cutbacks in favor of a shorter program which would feature an artist of note who would be charged with "making an impact on campus." VARTS Faculty oppose this cutback and fear that given our record here at RWU, we may miss the opportunity to raise the level of discourse that the Arts often present if such initiatives are not properly supported. The Visiting Artist is a necessary component of the Arts program for the boost in full-time faculty to student ratio and the obvious benefits

to our student's educational experience.

There is however, a looming crisis of the arts on campus in general. In my view, Art, Dance, Music, Theater are ghetto-ized - relegated to the poorest facilities on the fringes of the campus, while our students and faculty continue to do good work every day. Many positive enhancements on the campus in recent years have left these programs behind.

We have seen in Visual Arts some progress for sure - the addition of a new darkroom, a wood shop, a state-of-the-art digital media lab, new faculty and indeed, the Visiting Artist program are features of progress. We are still plagued with crowded, out-of-date classrooms, lack of space which would enable growth and meet current enrollment needs, a coherent recruitment policy and support in the form of scholarships to retain the bright students in our program.

I would suggest that The Hawk's Herald devote a series of articles to exploring

the role of the Arts on campus. The value of learning in a visual way, performance and the expressive means of dialogue found in Dance, Theater and Music are some examples of the contribution of art in a Liberal Arts environment.

VARTS at RWU is a highly progressive, inter-disciplinary program with the unique alignment to Architecture not found in many places in higher education.

There is an opportunity to move the university in a positive, inclusive direction through a continued dialogue regarding the role of cultural programs on campus. A closer look at who we are culturally would reveal programs of potential which can only enrich the lives of all of us on the campus community.

We, as a university as a whole, need to foster the support of the arts in our own microcosm of a college campus so that we can produce graduates who support the arts in the world beyond.

Michael Rich  
Fine Arts professor



Theodore Applebaum  
Herald Staff

Three years ago, Ross Malpere, having had a little too much to drink, hatched an idea. Granted, it was a bad idea, but in the midst of blissful inebriation, he thought it was pretty good. Malpere was going to run into the traffic gate at the end of Willow.

Gathering himself, he geared up for the collision. Sprinting at full speed, he crashed into the gate's wooden arm, which snapped off on impact. As he assessed the damage, Malpere realized he had better scam before somebody connected him to the destruction.

Little did he know, somebody already had.

"Later that night, I walked back down [to Willow] and Public Safety told me they caught me on camera," says Malpere, now a senior.

He was told he would be fined for the incident but says nothing ever came of the threat. Looking back, he remembers his failed attempts to hide his involvement. There would be no hiding.

You can't fool the eye in the sky.

Malpere's run-in with surveillance cameras is an example of a rare but increasingly common trend at RWU. Traditional security measures are beginning to be replaced by technology. Currently, the number of cameras on RWU's campus is limited, but chief information officer Joe Pangborn says a planned security overhaul will soon increase that number exponentially.

"Ultimately, we'd like the place to be 100 percent covered in public areas. That's the way a lot of universities are going now just to keep things safe."

The move toward increased surveillance is a response to a number of issues ranging from campus vandalism to a spate of campus shootings across the nation encapsulated by the tragedy at Virginia Tech in 2007.

However, justification for more surveillance varies depending on who you talk to. For Tony Montefusco, director of housing, cameras are needed to stem a wave of dorm damage.

A few years ago, he decided to install the first cameras in campus dorms to combat what he describes as an "astronomical" amount of damage.

"Three years ago, [students] were ripping the wallpaper off the walls and breaking lights ... we're talking thousands and thousands of dollars worth of damage."

In response, he says, he had a few cameras installed to curb the amount of common-area fines charged to the residents of damaged dorms. Residents of affected dorms are required to split the cost of common-area damage when no perpetrator can be identified.

"Why should you have to pay for that when one student acted inappropriately?" says Montefusco.

Some of the cameras are visible—like one featured prominently in Cedar's vestibule—while others remain hidden. Montefusco declined to identify

# EYE IN THE SKY

## Video surveillance spreads across campus

the locations of most residence-hall cameras or how many there were. He did say that students tend to think that more exist than actually do.

"Students think that there are cameras in a number of locations, and there are only a few spread out in a couple of our halls."

Since the installation of the cameras, Montefusco says a number of incidents have been caught on tape, including a vicious brawl and a student breaking a table by repeatedly jumping on it.

Montefusco says he has sat with students while they watch themselves committing a violation on film.

"It's very interesting because at first they kind of think it's funny, and then they realize that, 'Wow I'm in some trouble now.'"

Heidi Hartzell, director of Student Conduct & Community Standards, says that the use of surveillance evidence helps cut through the fog of responsibility, leading to quicker and more conclusive investigations.

"It's invaluable," says Hartzell. "A picture is worth a thousand words."

Over the last few years, Hartzell can recall three high-level incidents in which surveillance evidence led in part to identifying and prosecuting a student. The cases resulted in two suspensions and an expulsion.

Last year, Bristol Police and RWU Public Safety set up surveillance cameras to catch former student senator Shashwat Baxi in the act of writing a

series of threat letters to himself and another senator. He was eventually expelled for his actions.

Pangborn says the full surveillance plan could take up to three years to complete. In the meantime, the school is adding cameras periodically in response to specific incidents.

Such an incident occurred a few weeks ago when somebody snuck onto the future site of the Global Heritage Hall and took a backloader for a joyride. In the process, that person drove over a fence before jumping out and escaping into the night.

Pangborn says the construction sites are now blanketed by surveillance cameras which he estimates cost \$10,000-\$15,000, and the contractor hired full-time security for the site, which will cost the university approximately \$80,000 a year.

"Inappropriate behavior costs the school money," says Pangborn.

In response to another incident where guards chased students off a construction site, Pangborn has turned toward a second form of technology.

"The guards are armed with cameras, so they will take pictures first and ask questions later. Students found trespassing will be immediately banned from campus," he says.

Associate Director of Public Safety Pamela Moffatt says that while the school will add new cameras to the campus, students shouldn't get the idea that they are trying to catch every little thing.

"We wouldn't go out and grab somebody who is smoking a cigarette or skateboarding where they aren't supposed to be."

She says cameras will be used mostly to deal with the more serious issues.

"Especially with the school shootings around our country, I think that having cameras is definitely something we really need," says Moffatt. "If we're going to find an active shooter or something major like that."

Some students question the school's motives for the surveillance plan, feeling the rush to shore up security and curb vandalism may encroach upon their privacy.

"It's an invasion of privacy, it's like they don't trust us," says freshman Katie English.

She says she doubts the school's claim that they are mostly looking for big incidents.

"They've got [a camera] on the side of Cedar in between Cedar and Willow obviously to see who's going down there to smoke and stuff."

Vice President of Student Senate Colin O'Reilly, a senior, says there is a line between privacy and security.

"To an extent, having the campus covered in hidden cameras would approach that line. I'm not sure if they have crossed that just yet."

"We certainly don't think it's appropriate to have hidden cameras," says Steve Brown, the executive director of Rhode Island chapter of the

# MEET THE MEN

The Hawk's Herald interviewed the guys competing in the 2008 Mr. RWU pageant, a benefit for the Children's Miracle Network. It happens Nov. 22 in the Recreation Center. Get to know the contestants every week in the newspaper, leading up to the big night. --Courtney Nugent, Features Editor

## MIKE MURPHY

Junior, Charlton, Mass.



**Who is your pageant assistant? Why did you choose her?**

My PA is Cora Tetreault. The reason that I chose her was because of the friendship that we have. Over the past year, we have really gotten to know each other and we work well off each other. She has become someone I can really trust and look to for support. When I asked her, she was really excited so I know she will work really hard. We hope to be a successful duo.

**Why is being involved in Mr. RWU important to you?**

Being involved with Mr. RWU is important for me because of what I can do for others. I have always tried to go out of my way to help others and this is certainly one way to accomplish that. The money we raise will go to the hospital, which in turn can get the machine they need to save lives. This machine will not only be able to save a child, but hopefully several others that will need it.

I hope that being in Mr. RWU can help show people that with a little effort we can help make a difference to someone and a difference in our community.

**Have you thought about your talent?**

I have been putting a lot of thought into my talent and I haven't been able to come up with a solid idea but I'm getting close. Plus, I want it to be a secret so I won't share much on it.

**What is this I hear about you impersonating Indiana Jones?**

Over the summer I was part of orientation, and we had a themed dinner that involved heroes. Mine at the time was Indy so I was able to whip a costume that my cousin had of him and that's how I showed up for the dinner. The costume has been able to make several other appearances since. I give Harrison Ford a run for his money.

**Who is your pageant assistant? Why did you pick her?**

My PA is Jess Ellis. I picked Jess to be my PA because she is one of my best friends and my Facebook wife! The efforts and goals of the Children's Miracle Network are very close to her heart given her life experiences. She is proof that when people like the Mr. RWU contestants and their PAs and groups like IRHA get together for an important cause, social change will occur.

**Were you surprised to be nominated?**

I was not surprised to be nominated. I asked everyone I knew to nominate me.

**Why do you think it is important to hold the Mr. RWU pageant annually?**

Much like my PA, the efforts and goals of the Children's Miracle Network are very close to my heart as well. My younger brother was born

four months premature and spent the first four months of his life in the neonatal unit in Brigham & Women's Hospital in Boston, Massachusetts. With very little money to pay for all the necessary treatment, our family relied on funding from charitable organizations. My brother was not expected to make it through his infancy but my brother just turned 19 in August and he is still alive to talk about it today. Mr. RWU should be held annually in order to continue the tradition of service to the community and organizations like the Children's Miracle Network.

**Boxers of briefs?**

Boxer-briefs

**Do you sleep with any stuffed animals? If so, what?**

I keep my Build-A-Hawk from Spring Weekend 2008 on my bed.

**Fun fact about yourself?**

I am named after Superman's father, Jor-El.

## JERREL BURGO

Junior, New Bedford, Mass.



American Civil Liberties Union. "Students coming onto a campus should not have to wonder if there's a Big Brother out there actually spying on them."

But Brown says the school's surveillance program is probably within legal boundaries.

"The general rule is cameras surveilling public areas don't violate a person's reasonable expectation of privacy."

Montefusco says the school is not trying to get students, pointing out that much of the time, RWU's surveillance system is used after the fact, with tapes only being viewed after something has already occurred.

"Some people say Big Brother is watching," says Montefusco "We're really not watching unless there's a reason for us to watch."

Hartzell says that students should be upset if they are caught on tape violating school policy.

"When you do something in public that is against the law, you should expect it's public, and whether it be through eyewitnesses or recording, that somehow that act could come back to you. You should be ready to accept the consequences for that act if you break the laws."

Freshman Max Carberry said he believes that using cameras as a deterrent to vandalism teaches students the long lessons.

"Personally, I want to do the right thing, I want to be a good person, but I don't want to do it not because of the consequences behind it, I want to do it because it's the right thing to do."

Carberry says that common-area cameras spur students to keep their neighbors in line, building community in the process.

"As a community, like sports teams, one person messes up and the community pays for it. The community as a whole will make sure that person never does it again."

But students such as sophomore Melissa Carrasquillo say the more cameras there are, the safer they feel.

"I think they should definitely be in the resident halls and the academic buildings ... especially with things like hate crimes that have been happening with the cars. If we have more cameras near the parking areas, we'll be able to see who did what."

A few weeks ago, a student collapsed on the floor of the Lower Commons during a seizure. Moffatt says a public safety officer watching a live-streamed camera from the area witnessed the emergency.

"That triggered us to send somebody over there."

They sent an EMT to the scene to deal with the situation.

Moffatt says that like it or not, cameras are here to stay.

"It's not a police campus, it's not so we can violate anybody's rights or anything. It's more to keep the community safe."

# Sewage floods Cedar dorm room

Francesca Garofalo  
Herald Staff

Around 8 p.m. on Columbus Day, a main sewage pump backed up into Cedar Residence Hall causing raw sewage to flood the lowermost part of the first floor. Of the two rooms damaged, only one was in use. The occupant, Jillian Conroy, a sophomore resident assistant, was given another room in Cedar for the night. By 9 a.m. the next day, she was able to go back to her room.

According to Tony Montefusco, Director of Housing, the malfunctioning pump is a part of a sewage system which also includes Willow and Stonewall Residence Halls. Cedar is the closest building to the holding tanks. Therefore, when the pump backed up, its contents seeped into the lowest part of the building. An alarm went off as the system malfunctioned, Montefusco said, but the response was too slow.

By the time the Facilities staff answered, a 20-foot area was flooded with raw sewage.

John Tameo, Director of Facilities, reported that the backup was caused by "...items in the drainage system that should not be in the drainage system..." which plugged up the entire system.

Montefusco is still working to find out why the response was delayed, but he said that the pump malfunctioned on a holiday, Columbus Day, when there may have been fewer people on staff. Tameo, however, affirmed that his staffing and scheduling are up to industry standards, though the amount of staff needed to respond to a system failure varies according to each situation. This situation caused "a catastrophic failure to the sewage pumping station," Tameo said.

The area affected is separated from the rest of Cedar by a small staircase, which contained the sewage. The floor houses mainly maintenance closets, but there are two dorm rooms, only one of which is occupied.

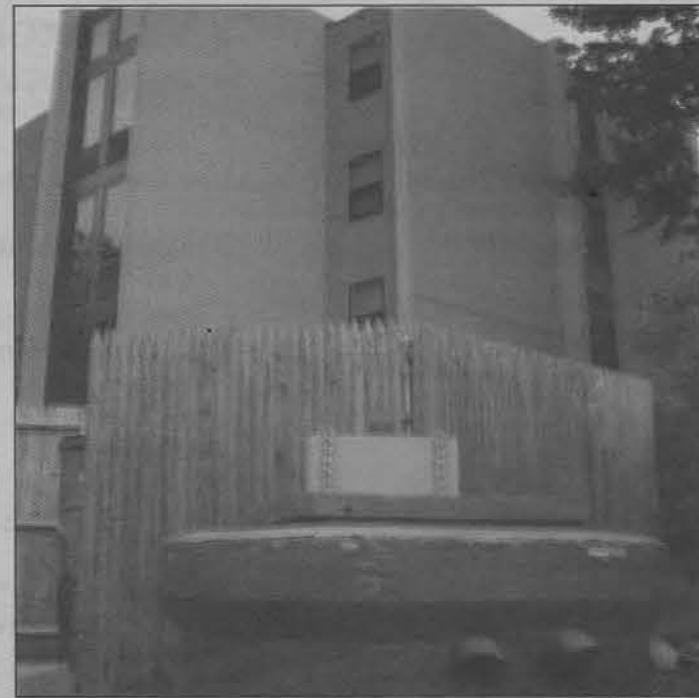
Montefusco said, "In the big picture the damage was minor because it affected such a small group." Had the damage been on the fifth floor, he continued, it would have affected a much larger population and caused many more problems. In this instance, only one student was displaced from her room, and she was able to return the next morning by 9 a.m.

Conroy was not in her room when it flooded. She received the news through one of her residents. When Conroy returned from her friend's room, she found her own room immersed in two to three inches of sewage. "It was the most disgusting smell ever," said Conroy.

Two companies specializing in dealing with sewage clean-up were called in. The entire area was accessible by the next day.

The damage done to Conroy's room was minimal. Only her rugs and some toiletries had to be thrown away. She was given \$150 to replace everything that was lost. Conroy commented that her room had smelled of bleach, but since then had aired out and now smells normal.

"Things happen sometimes. Just like at home," Montefusco said.



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A sewage pump backup at Cedar Hall left sophomore Jillian Conroy with a smelly mess to clean up on Columbus Day.



# Singles of the Moment

Jill Zalewski and Tim O'Koren

Reporting by Lorin Richardson, Asst. Features Editor

## Bachelorette of the Moment

**Age:** 20  
**Hair Color:** Brown  
**Eye Color:** Brown  
**Horoscope Sign:** Cancer  
**Interests:** The Pats, the Sox, the color pink, anchors, my friends, OAs and quotes  
**Favorite Movie:** "The Fox and the Hound"  
**Favorite Book:** "Post Secret" books and "The Five People you Meet in Heaven"  
**Favorite Music/Band:** The Goo Goo Dolls for a band and all music except polka ... I honestly cannot stand it.  
**What do you look for in a mate:** Someone sweet who has an amazing smile. He also has to be funny and be able to calm me down when I get stressed. I also love stubble. MUST be a good snuggler.  
**What would be your ideal perfect date?:** Any date would be fun, but I would love to go sailing.  
**Biggest Turnoff:** Smelly guys .... who don't smile.  
**Desert island:** I would bring a pillow, unlimited supply of Diet Coke, and the New England Patriots so I can watch football all the time (Tom Brady would not be injured).  
**If you could meet anyone from the past or present, who would it be?:** Nobody ... I'm happy with who I have in my life now.  
**E-mail address:** jzalewski330@hawks.rwu.edu



## Bachelor of the Moment

**Age:** 22  
**Hair Color:** Brown  
**Eye color:** Eye  
**Horoscope Sign:** Virgo  
**Interests:** Music, sports, baking, walks, doing stuff that is fun.  
**Favorite Movie:** "High Fidelity," "Almost Famous," "Mystery Alaska"  
**Favorite Book:** "Motley Crue: Dirt," "Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events"  
**Favorite Band/Type of music:** Heavy Metal, Classic Rock...  
**What do you look in for a mate?:** Someone who would challenge me.  
**What would be your ideal perfect date?:** Pizza, movie, drinks.  
**Biggest turnoff?:** Someone who can't hang.  
**Desert Island:** My Ipod, a blanket, and a grill  
**If you could meet anyone from the past or present, who would it be?:** The Beatles or Pink Floyd. We would talk about music and whatnot.  
**Email address:** Tokoren742@hawks.rwu.edu



# QUINN: Center would serve as library, gallery

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 tecture firm.

The specifics of the partnership are still being hammered out. Katherine Quinn said she hopes 86 founding members—one for each year of Quinn's life—will donate \$25,000 each to build the \$2 million facility. Ben Bergenholtz, curator of the Quinn Foundation and Roger Williams alum, said no dates have been set for construction. The focus for now is on fundraising, he said. In the mean time, the university plans to use Quinn's art and films as part of a revamped general education curriculum and a new film studies program, Nirschel said. Nirschel and Katherine Quinn made the announcement Sunday night on the sprawling Quinn estate on Poppasquash Road at a party attended by former Providence Mayors Vincent "Buddy" Cianci and Joseph Paolino, and 82-year-old actress Patricia Neal, who costarred with Quinn in the 1979 film, "The Passage." Members of the Gipsy Kings, one of Quinn's favorite bands, filled the night air with their world-famous Flamenco Rumba music. Nearly 3,000 pieces of artwork from Quinn's collection sit inside two large barns, a storage room and a gallery on the estate, where Katherine Quinn lives with their children, Antonia, 15, and Ryan, 12. In one barn, a 10-foot by 10-foot

self-portrait completed just before Quinn's death greets visitors from its place high on the rear wall. A workshop barn next door houses Quinn's extensive library and a number of unfinished pieces. The barn has not been altered since Quinn's death, Bergenholtz said. Born in 1915 in Chihuahua, Mexico, Quinn grew up in Los Angeles where his family moved to find a better life. He started acting in the 1930s on stage and on screen and went on to win two Academy Awards for best supporting actor—one for "Viva Zapata!" in 1952 and the other for "Lust for Life" in 1957. Quinn is perhaps best known for playing the title role in the 1964 film, "Zorba the Greek," the story of a free-spirited peasant who teaches life lessons to a young English writer. For his role, Quinn received an Academy Award nomination for Best Actor. But art—collecting it and crafting it—was Quinn's greatest passion. Quinn won a variety of awards for paintings and sculptures he created during his teenage years, before he was an actor. He started collecting art around the same time. As his increasingly successful acting career required him to travel, Quinn continuously built up his inventory of images, artifacts, books, music and fine art from around the world, Bergenholtz said. Quinn's journey ultimately

brought him to Bristol, where he settled down with his third wife in 1995 on a 19-acre estate overlooking Naragansett Bay. "He always described a place exactly like this in his mind," Katherine Quinn said, standing on the hill in the back yard where her husband is buried. "It was heaven to him." Quinn lived his final years happily in Bristol, where he treasured spending time with his family and socializing with the locals. Quinn's satisfaction with life in the East Bay "wasn't about people leaving him alone," Katherine Quinn said. "People here weren't afraid of him. He found a lot of people here really wanting to connect. "When we'd go out, we never had a bodyguard. People respected Tony's family and time, and he was respectful back." Katherine Quinn said her husband enjoyed "endless walks" through Colt State Park and other scenic areas

of Bristol. "But he would never want to go for a walk and walk back the same route, so he would have someone drop us off somewhere and then we'd walk home." Quinn always had enough energy left over at the end of each day to channel into his art. That's what made him so remarkable, his wife said. "Everyone has the same question: Did her ever sleep? Tony never looked at his art as work. Everything he did came out of a passion for life, and wanting to say something."



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 President Roy Nirschel chats with Katherine Quinn.

## Homecoming and Family Weekend 2008

### Friday Events

**Casino Night**  
 Campus Rec Center  
 Field House  
 8 p.m.

**Midnight Madness**  
 Campus Rec Center  
 Gymnasium  
 10:30 p.m.

### Saturday Events

**Continental Breakfast**  
 Commons Lower Level  
 8 a.m. - 10 a.m.

*Building on Traditions*  
**Autumn Luncheon**  
 Field House  
 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

**King and Queen Coronation**  
 Bayside Field  
 12:45 Halftime of Women's Soccer game

**Autumn Fest**  
 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.  
 Outside Campus Rec Center

**Skylar Brothers**  
 Fieldhouse  
 8 p.m.  
 Comedy show featuring Randy and Jason Skylar

**Theater production:**  
*Happy Hour*  
 Performing Arts Center  
 8 p.m.

### Sunday Events

**President's Brunch**  
 Upper Commons  
 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**Locks of Love**  
 Campus Rec Center  
 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**ICC Flag Football**  
 Front Field  
 2 p.m.

## CEN PRESENTS



## MIDNIGHT MASQUERADE

In The Gymnasium  
 10:30pm October 24th, 2008  
 (Winter Sports Pep Rally)

## ADVISE: Now open to students in need

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a specific discipline. Faculty advisers specialize in a certain area, but an adviser from the center can help a student get general information about all the different majors. They can then refer them to other specialists on campus to find out more on a specific major.

Hammond recommends one to three appointments per student, and the students will be sent to other faculty in different departments and students in different majors to learn more about areas they might be interested in.

"We are professional advisers that help students make informed decisions," Hammond said.

After the students meet with the faculty in the center, the students are sent to their faculty adviser. The faculty adviser receives a report from the advising center to use as a tool to make the advising process more efficient and successful.

As the center becomes more established, Hammond said she hopes to expand the professional development aspect of the center. Currently, the center organizes the new faculty adviser orientation which gives an introduction to the advising program, sets expectations of the program, and introduces the registrar and invites other faculty to discuss best practice in advising.

During the year, the center offers breakfast clubs which are one hour workshops that occur weekly. New faculty are particularly encouraged to come, but the breakfasts are open to everyone.

The weekly clubs have topics such as "student affairs" or "understanding the degree audit."

"We hope to offer more sophisticated professional development opportunities as time

goes on," Hammond said. "We eventually would like to offer one day conferences."

The advising center consists of Hammond, Karen Johnson, an academic adviser, Racheal Roy, the administrative assistant, Jason Cotroneo, an intern, and three work study students. The office is still looking to hire another academic adviser.

The office spent the first month actively reaching out to undeclared freshmen. Because the office is brand new, no system is in place to get students into the office.

The staff set up a table in the dining commons, sent letters home and to school mailboxes, through the student advocates, fliers in the residence halls and Student Senate volunteered to set up fliers as well.

"We are just hoping that through reputation and word of mouth, students will continue to find out about us," Roy said. "Hopefully, they will encourage their friends to come, too."

Hammond recommends that students come in as soon as they can so that they can get on the right track and remain on track to graduate on time.

"There is a financial cost in delaying the decision," Hammond said. "We have a complex curriculum, and the sooner you understand it, the better off you are."

Finding a sense of purpose in college also helps students have feelings of confidence and self-assuredness, Hammond argued.

"Students can then begin to answer the CORE fundamental questions of who am I, what can I know and given what I know, how should I act?" Hammond said.

Ashley Willox  
Asst. Features Editor

Head over to Maple 9, 10 and 11 and you will notice an office adjacent to the tower.

What is this place, you may ask?

It's the Women's Center, a place where the student work-study staff serves as a useful resource to assist students on campus who have questions about matters important to women.

"The goal of the Women's Center is to raise awareness and advocate for a variety of women's issues," Jennifer Stanley, Director of Residence Life and the Women's Center says. "This includes issues such as sexual assault, dating violence, breast cancer awareness, eating disorders and body image."

"We strive to empower women in all aspects of their lives and celebrate what it means to be a woman," says Stanley. "We have books, videos and pamphlets on a wide variety of women's issues. We would be happy to assist students in identifying resources for themselves, if they are trying to assist a friend, or if they are looking for information for a class or project."

The Center, which also functions as a club, is best known for the programs, events and presentations it offers throughout the RWU campus. Last weekend, the Women's Center participated in the eleventh annual March to End Silence, which is an event meant to bring awareness to dating and domestic violence.

The march, which is held in Providence every year on Oct. 18, serves to honor and remember the lives of children, men and women who were murdered in acts of violence, by reading their names at Providence Family Court. Participants in the event march up to the court, led by mounted Providence police officers and a bagpiper. The event also features a candlelight vigil and a variety of speakers.

Another event the center participated in this weekend was the annual Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk. More than 65 RWU staff, students and friends walked on behalf of the university, raising over \$1,200 for cancer research and contributing to the event's total proceeds, which reached more than \$1 million.

Other upcoming events for the Women's Center include a vigil with the PEERs in November, the Clothesline Project, the annual

## Center empowers women

Bears for Tears event, the Sheila Shawls event and some spring events such as the Take Back the Night Vigil and the Outstanding Women on Campus campaign to name a few.

"We are always looking to offer new programs and events for our membership and for the campus community and [we] enjoy co-sponsoring events with other groups on campus," Stanley says.

Although the center is best known for its awareness programming, chances are many students on campus do not even know such a place exists, but it is certainly an important organization worth knowing about, Stanley says.

"As for those students who actually visit us in the center, well, that number is much smaller. We currently have a dozen active members of the Women's Center [and] the Women's Center is open to any student who cares about women's issues," Stanley says.

And yes, this even includes men.

"We've actually had a few men who have been active members of the Women's Center," says Stanley. "Clearly women's issues can affect men in a variety of ways. Most men have women in their lives that they care very deeply about, whether that is a mother, sister, a partner or a friend. Men who advocate for women's issues can be a powerful voice in making positive change in the world. We've had men work on the White Ribbon Campaign, [which represent] men committed to positive, healthy, violence-free relationships, on behalf of the Women's Center."

One of the center's former most active male members even went on to work at Stonehill College, where he now serves as an adviser to the school's Women's Center on campus.

"The Women's Center is a great resource for all students here at RWU," Stanley says. "In addition to the programs and events they host, the office is staffed with caring students who are eager to help."

Anyone who is interested in joining the Women's Center or finding out more information about the center and the programs it offers can call x3294 or come to the Women's Center meetings on Wednesdays at 4 p.m.

Students can also contact Stanley at jstanley@rwu.edu (x3161) or Dee DeQuattro, the Women's Center President at ddequat888@hawks.rwu.edu.

## SUSTAIN: RWU looks toward green future

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"LEED promotes a whole-building approach to sustainability by recognizing performance in five key areas of human and environmental health: sustainable site development, water savings, energy efficiency, materials selection and indoor environmental quality," according to www.usgbc.org.

The university has changed many things on campus in order to become more sustainable, according to the report.

Recycling efforts now include junk mail recycling in the mailroom, newspaper recycling in the Commons, ink-cartridge and toner recycling and paper recycling in offices. Students can request their own paper-recycling containers.

There are about 100 indoor recycling bins and more than 50 outdoor bins for commingled cans and bottles, according to Yonan.

"There have been times in the past where we've gotten reports that, oh, a certain custodian has taken paper that's been put in a paper bin and then re-combined it with the regular trash. We took care of that and people aren't doing that anymore to my knowledge," Yonan said.

"But facilities people, they're really on board with all of this...so everyone's really gung-ho about recycling and reusing," Yonan said.

In addition to more recycling, RWU is changing the way Public Safety gets around.

Public Safety had a Ford Explor-

er and a Ford Crown Victoria replaced with a Toyota Corolla and a Toyota Prius Hybrid.

The university is also looking into buying an electric GEM car.

"They're so difficult to get. We're ready to buy one, but from what I understand, they're having a problem rounding one up because we need a custom model," Yonan said.

RWU would need to customize the car to include doors and windshield wipers, among other things, according to Yonan.

Other sustainable efforts include a rooftop garden on the new addition to the Marine and Natural Sciences Building, construction of artesian wells so city water is no longer needed to water campus landscaping, and replacing incandescent bulbs with compact fluorescent light bulbs, when applicable, according to the report.

CFLs are more expensive than traditional bulbs, but in the long run, will pay for themselves over and over again, Yonan said.

One past accomplishment, the conversion of a diesel-powered shuttle to run on recycled canola oil, hit a bump.

The shuttle could not operate over the summer because the Commons did not use enough canola oil for the shuttle to run. A few weeks into the semester, enough canola oil was available that the shuttle could run again.

Then, there was a minor transmission issue that prevented that from happening.

"It was low on transmission fluid

and is running fine now," Yonan said.

The shuttle cost about \$10,000 to convert, and has already paid for itself, Yonan said.

Yonan said the university is planning on converting at least one more shuttle.

"The question is really going to be do we have enough oil to do more than one more?" Yonan said.

The next shuttle will be converted after its warranty expires before next summer, according to Yonan.

Buildings are also being converted from oil to gas. Yonan said this was an ongoing process and would take a while because of all the other projects happening on campus.

"There's so much construction going on these days, who knows what kind of progress they're able to make on anything else," Yonan said.

In addition to the physical sustainability initiatives on campus, there are also sustainability initiatives being implemented in the curriculum. More than 45 courses across the University involve sustainability, according to White.

"One thing about all this that may not seem kind of exciting, except at the end of the day it's a little exciting, is that a lot of things were already going on in terms of courses. And we just didn't recognize them, we weren't aware of what we all were doing," White said.

Though the university already had sustainability efforts in the curriculum, more are being added.

For example, a sustainability component has been added to Intro-

duction to Architecture, according to White.

"There are some plans underway to start an interdisciplinary minor in sustainability...that may include coursework that addresses environmental issues, but also cultural issues. How do we sustain traditional societies or patterns of living that are good," White said.

"We'll make a case for sustaining cultures who may be more sustainable than modern ones," he said.

"It could be ready for next year," he said.

"In the architecture school, we're talking about starting a masters program in sustainable design," White said.

"We may change the way we think you should design or research so that you are more sustainable," White said.

"Students are interested in becoming LEED certified, which we currently don't teach, but we could, either in class or out of class, so we're looking to make a workshop structure where the students can become certified while they're still students, which is pretty unusual," White said.

The university plans to bring back an alumna to run the course when it starts, according to White.

The university plans to continue with sustainability initiatives next year.

"In fall 2009 civil discourse will focus on sustainability," White said.

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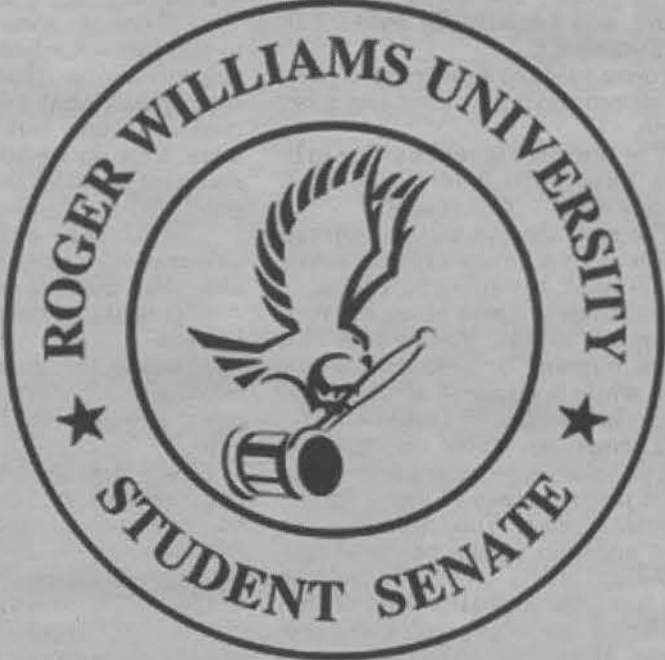
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RWU STUDENT SENATE

## Senate "Did You Know?" of the Week

Did you know that the President's  
Forum is on Monday, Oct. 27 at 7:30  
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# Figuring out who has what it takes to make it to the National Championship

Dan Malkin  
Asst. Sports Editor

We are currently halfway through the college football season, and it has been quite an exciting start. The real question at this point in time is who will be playing for the National Championship. This is a difficult question because many of the undefeated teams at the top will soon play each other which will cause major changes as the weeks unfold.

Let's get to it and break down the contenders and predict the championship game.

Texas is currently ranked number one atop the very strong Big 12 after their huge wins over Oklahoma and Missouri. However, it will be difficult for them to remain at the top of the rankings due to their strength of schedule: Texas will face Oklahoma State, and Texas Tech during the next two weeks.

These games are going to be extremely difficult, and I see them losing at least one of these matchups. If they do end up only losing one game during the course of the season, they should be playing in the championship this year.

Oklahoma is in a similar position, but they have already used up their one loss. The Sooners will need to win the rest of their games, and with a Texas loss they also will have a shot at the Championship.

Texas Tech really has no chance with matchups against Kansas, Texas, Oklahoma State, and Oklahoma all in a row. They will lose at least two of these games and will fall out of BCS contention. This is the same case with OKSU, who will play Texas, Texas



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Texas and quarterback Colt McCoy have won huge Big 12 matchups the past two weeks.

Tech, and Oklahoma.

Missouri, on the other hand, is playing do-or-die football right now, which means they cannot lose another football game.

The Big 12 is so strong at the top, and the problem is that all of the good teams play each other. This means each school will beat each other down and force drastic changes in the rankings each week. The team that escapes with just one loss should play for the title this winter.

In the SEC, Alabama has climbed all the way to the number two ranking and has played some great football. They absolutely killed Clemson and Alabama but struggled to dominate Kentucky and Tulane. However, they stepped up against their strongest competitors and have shown the country

that they are for real.

Their schedule is favorable—I see them taking care of Mississippi State and Auburn. That leaves their showdown against LSU as the final test. If they can beat LSU, they will go undefeated and win a trip to the National Championship.

The Florida Gators saved their season when they destroyed LSU in the Swamp. Tim Tebow and Percy Harvin look great, and the Gators won't have any trouble with five out of their remaining six games.

If they can beat Georgia in Athens, they will finish the season with only one loss—and if the Crimson Tide lose to LSU, the Gators will finish the season ranked higher.

USC is in a good position because they by far have the easiest schedule

for the remainder of the season. If they win out, and Texas and Alabama both lose, USC has a legitimate shot at another championship opportunity.

Now on to Penn State, the one major conference team with the best chance at remaining undefeated. The Nittany Lions have looked great, and their win against Wisconsin was an incredible performance. I don't see them having trouble with anyone outside of the Buckeyes. Their trip to Columbus on Oct. 25 is going to be a major battle.

Paterno and his team have a great shot. If they win out, they will be the number one team in the country at the end of the season.

Boise State and Utah are in a rare position in my opinion. I have never seen a "mid-major" ranked this high this early in the season. Both the Broncos and the Utes are undefeated and ranked 12 and 13 respectively. Both teams have a decent chance at a BCS bowl game, but they need to remain undefeated throughout the rest of the season.

My final predictions are as follows: Penn State beats Ohio State and wins out to go 12-0 and move on to the Championship. Florida also wins out and watches other teams lose another game during the course of their seasons. The strength of the SEC and the Gators' big time wins will lead them to Miami and a shot at a National Title.

Final prediction: Florida Gators vs. Penn State Nittany Lions.

(If Boise State and Utah both go 12-0; we will need a college playoff already.)

# Football on campus would be costly

Peter Walerysiak  
Herald Staff

Every weekend, students cluster in front of televisions, whether it is in their room or in the Lower Commons, to see how their favorite football team will do. The most abundant subject on campus has been the New England Patriots' performance since Tom Brady has been out with both a torn ACL and MCL.

Last football season, many took for granted all the games that the Patriots won. Now with the two-time Super Bowl MVP out, the Patriots have been having some trouble, which has in turn sparked a renewed interest in their games, and football as a whole at RWU.

After enough NFL talk, many students go on to think, "Why doesn't RWU have its own football team?"

Roger Williams University, as well as any other college, is bound by the Education Amendments of 1972, better known as Title IX."

of 1972, better known as Title IX. It states that college/university sport programs must be equally accommodating to both men and women. In other words, if Roger Williams were to create a football program for men, there would have to be a program created for women.

The programs do not have to be the same sport, which allows for a good deal of diversity. With the addition of a men's football team, there could be women's field hockey, or any other sport.

Adding new programs could attract prospective students to RWU, but it also results in more costs. New programs require new equipment as well as sufficient funding for coaches, travel, and practice space. For the time being, it may not be cost-efficient to produce new sports in such a broken economy.

Though Roger Williams doesn't have a football team, football is still a big factor in campus conversation. The New England Patriots have been struggling this season, making every game suspenseful and much more rewarding whenever they reach victory.

New York Giants fans have been enjoying a great record this season, yet are mourning the recent destruction of their undefeated streak. Meanwhile, Tennessee Titans fans are still enjoying their 6-0 streak. Though RWU doesn't have a football program, students will continue to root for their own teams.

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## News & Notes

The Roger Williams University Volleyball team got a win over previously unbeaten in conference Gordon College Wednesday winning their match 3-1.

RWU fell in the first set 16-25, but won the next three sets by scores of 25-20, 25-14, and 25-20.

Erica DeVale led the Hawks with 10 kills and four service aces. Kirsten Bosworth added 28 assists, while Jill Hurd dug out 19 balls. Middle hitters Kristina Dolan and Rebekah Dion had six kills each and combined for ten total blocks.

The Roger Williams University Men's Soccer set a season high in goals scored in a 9-0 win over Regis College Wednesday afternoon.

Five different players scored for Roger Williams, with three players tallying multiple scores.

The nine goals in the game were the most since RWU scored six goals in a 6-1 win over St. Joseph's College in the season opener.

Justin Levasseur earned his first career hat trick, and five different players recorded goals for the Hawks.

## Hawks on the Horizon

### Men's Soccer

Saturday October 25th vs. New England College  
3:00 p.m.

Sunday October 26th vs. Colby-Sawyer College 1:00 p.m.

### Women's Soccer

Saturday October 25th vs. New England College  
12:30 p.m.

Monday October 27th @ Brandeis University 7:00 p.m.

### Volleyball

Saturday October 25th vs. Suffolk University 7:00 p.m.

Thursday October 30th @ U.S. Coast Gaurd Academy 4:00 p.m.

### Cross Country

Saturday October 25th - Alumni Race 11:00 a.m.

CCC Championships @ WNEC

# Sailing continues to earn strong results

Dan DeBlasio  
Sports Editor

The Roger Williams University Sailing team posted two strong weekends with wins in regattas across the Northeast.

Two weekends ago in a regatta hosted by RWU, the Hawks posted a win and two second place finishes. The regatta was highlighted by sophomore Cy Thompson's ability to qualify for a spot in this year's ICSA Men's Singlehanded National Championship.

At the championship, Thompson battled back from a 13th place finish in his first race to secure second place out of 33 competitors. This runner-up finish earned Thompson one of the four spots in the ICSA Nationals.

Elsewhere, the Hawks traveled to the U.S. Coast Guard Academy to participate in the Hap Moore Team Race. The team that consisted of Matthew Duggan, Sean Bouchard, Jonathan Enright, Maria Petrillo, Kelly Stannard and Kelly Gorman edged out Boston College on a tie-breaker to capture the victory.

RWU also hosted the Protest Trophy two weekends ago, finishing second behind the University of Rhode Island. Tucker Blagden and Jackie Roche had the top score in their division by finishing in the top three in five of their six races, earning them 16 total points on the day.

The Hawks finished eleventh in the Hobart and Smith College Fall Intersectional regatta and Bjarki Gunnarsson and Andrew Vachon recorded five strong finishes in the A division.

This past weekend, the Hawks found success once again as the team traveled to three different regattas.

The Hawks took seventh place at the Navy Fall Invite where they were led by Thompson's success in the C division. Thompson recorded five wins and four second-place finishes en route to winning his event. Enright and Gorman finished fourth

in the B Division, finishing in the top five in 10 of the 20 races. Duggan and Petrillo finished eight overall in A Division, while Joshua Saltmarsh finished 13th in the B division.

In the Captain Hurst Bowl Regatta, RWU finished in twelfth place with eight top 10 finishes between the two divisions. In the A division, Bouchard and Hall came in tenth with five top 10 finishes and in the B division Saunders and Stannard came in thirteenth places with three top 10 finishes.

The Hawks finished third of six teams posting a 7-3 record in the Norm Reif Trophy regatta. Gunnarsson, McHorney, Blagden, Wilson, Roche, and Stunzi all raced well in the featured double round-robin format.

Roger Williams sails again across New England this weekend with the highlight event being the ICSA Men's and Women's Singlehanded Championships.



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RWU Sailing won the Hap Moore Trophy earlier this month. This weekend, they hit the water in the ICSA Men's and Women's Singlehanded Championships.

# Equestrian team finishes fourth in recent competition

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The Roger Williams University Equestrian team hosted the Roger Williams & Brown Equestrian show this past weekend. All of the usual schools were in attendance for the event and everyone came prepared and ready to compete.

The Hawks are coming off a very strong performance at the University of Rhode Island show as well as last week's competition at Trinity College. The team finished in third and fifth place in both events. Everything was aligned for their home event and all of the girls were ready for their competition to begin.

Olivia "Cash the Check" Cornell who finished in first place at the URI competition, followed up her spectacular performance with another first place victory in the event, Novice Flat. Cornell was in the zone as she and her stallion have been on fire so far this season.

Next up for the ladies was Jacqui Allred, who was slated to compete in the event, Novice Fences. Jacqui continued the success of the team as she performed a great round while finishing in first place.

"As a team, we are so excited to get off to such a great start," said Cornell. "All of the girls are competing at a high level and as a team we couldn't be happier."

Walk-trot-canter was the next event on the schedule and Brittany "Cover Story" Cornell would prove to be the leader for her team. Cornell and her thoroughbred were on top of their game as they trotted their way to an impressive second place finish.

Ashley Gagnon was the next rider to compete and she also put on an outstanding show finishing in second place in the intermediate flat competition.

Shannon O'Keefe closed out a strong day for the team by having a near flawless round while finishing her day in third place while competing in the Open Fences category.

Overall, the team finished in fourth place on the day and is off to a very strong start to their season. The captains and coaches are happy about the position their team is currently in and feel that the success will continue for their squad. The horses have looked great all season and will remain in top "Secretariat"-like form.

The ladies will next travel to the Valley Hunt Club to compete in the Connecticut College Show on Saturday November 1st.

"We are very excited about traveling to Connecticut in a few weeks," said Sam "Nocturnal Marsupial" Taylor. "It will be a grand stage and an all around competitive and fun show."

# Women's soccer continues streak, wins tenth in a row

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Sports Editor

The Roger Williams University Women's Soccer team pushed their winning streak to 10 games this week when they overcame three Common-

wealth Coast Conference opponents by a combined score of 14-0. With the wins over Eastern Nazarene College, University of New England, and Regis College, the Hawks now hold sole position of second place in the CCC with only one game left in the regular season.

Junior midfielder Amanda daCunha led the way for the Hawks in last Wednesday's game with the Crusaders of Eastern Nazarene playing a part in all three goals with two assists and a score of her own.

RWU took the lead and put the game away quick with three goals in the last 20 minutes of the first half. The first score came in the 23rd minute off a daCunha goal kick that sophomore Taryn Mancarella was able to head past the goalkeeper.

Just five minutes after the first goal, the Hawks added another when sophomore Heidi Kunkel chipped the keeper just inside the

box off a through pass from daCunha. In the last minutes of the half, daCunha found the net, herself, putting the Hawks up three goals at the break.

That lead would prove sufficient as RWU once again shutout their opponent behind the play of junior goalkeepers Jen Garside and Jenny Schermerhorn. The Crusaders were only able to rattle off three shots in the game.

It was a battle of two of the top teams in the conference on Saturday as RWU squared off against the University of New England in a compelling game that was close throughout.

There was only one goal allowed in this match and that came off the head of freshman forward Katie Fusaro. Fusaro scored off a corner kick by junior Carey Baldwin 20 minutes into the game.

After the offense had given the Hawks the lead, the defense once again took care of business holding the Nor'Easters at bay for the remaining seventy minutes of the game. The task was not easy, though, as the opponents rattled off 8 shots and forced the keeper Garside to make three saves, one of them a diving save that stopped a sure goal at the end of the first half.

The shutout marked Garside and

this tough Hawks defense's twelfth on the year as RWU has still yet to give up a goal in any one of its wins this season.

The Hawks put on an offense clinic when the Pride of Regis College came to Bristol, scoring ten goals from an unprecedented nine different scorers.

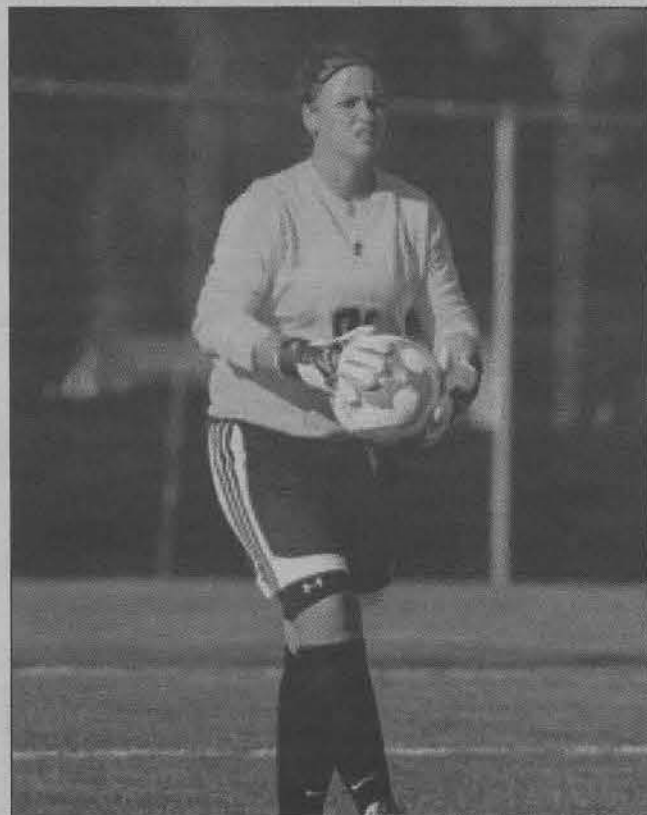
Fusaro put away the first two goals in the ninth and tenth, and that, followed by goals from Baldwin and daCunha, gave the Hawks a big halftime lead. In the second half, RWU was able to sit back and let some of their substitutes get the glory with five different players recording their first goals of the season.

The ten goals for the Hawks were their most in a game since Oct. 18, 2005 in a game against Anna Maria College.

Freshman Kelsey Whalen, Rachel Hodgson, and Kristen Metcalf all found the back of the net in the final 45 minutes and Laurin Pendleton had two assists on the day.

Garside recorded one save for the shutout and Pride goalkeeper Jackie Sullivan posted ten.

The Hawks (13-2-0, 12-2-0 CCC) have their next match this Saturday as they finish off their conference schedule in a game against Regis College at 12:30 p.m.



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Junior goalkeeper Jen Garside has recorded 10 straight shutouts.